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Movie Star Wrestler Will Feature Fiesta 75 Gas Company Employees Will Live Here

So. California Gas Company Opens Fine Office Here

Policy of Organization Is That All Employees Reside in City in Which They Work; 1000 Attend Opening Thursday

Opening of the Southern California Gas Company's attractive new building at Cravens and Post avenues Thursday marked one more step in the advancement of this city as the business and population center of this district.

The new office will serve Torrance, Lomita, Gardena and Norwalk, where the company serves 5000 domestic and 150 industrial consumers of gas.

The importance of the opening of the office here is emphasized by the company's policy that its employees live in the cities in which they are employed.

The following attended the opening: A. B. Machett, vice-president and general manager; P. C. Ingram, superintendent of commercial department; H. P. Holden, director of information; John Murray, manager of Redondo division.

Dominguez Land Co. Declaration Open To Extension Talk

C. A. Paxman is chairman of a committee of the Chamber of Commerce which will meet with representatives of other civic organizations to discuss the advisability of extending the declaration of the Dominguez Land Corporation.

LEONORA MORENO DIES

Mrs. Leonora Moreno, aged 34, died July 9 at her home at the Pueblo. Mrs. Moreno is survived by her husband, Desiderio Moreno. Interment was made today in Redondo cemetery.

Speakers at Dinner Given by Guild Women Praise Christian Ideals Built Into New Hall

Women of the Evangelical Guild Tuesday night served a dinner to about seventy-five Torrance business and professional men as an appreciation of the contributions in money and labor which the men donated to the construction of the fine new Guild hall of the church.

Rev. Zeller, thanking both the women and the men, asserted that 50 per cent of the financial contribution to the cost of the building was made by the women of the guild.

Progress of Torrance Shown By Growth of First National Bank on Its 11th Anniversary

This is anniversary month for the First National Bank of Torrance, which opened its doors for business in July, 1913. The growth of this financial institution since the date of its opening eleven years ago tells graphically the story of the progress of Torrance.

The officers of the First National were as follows: George W. Post, president; George Neill, vice president; J. W. Post, cashier. Other directors were J. S. Torrance and A. E. Sedgwick.

Mrs. Loeb Makes First Visit to Her Son in Jail Cell



Mrs. Albert Loeb leaving the jail in Chicago with her son Allan, after making her first visit to her son Richard, whom she still refuses to believe guilty of the murder of Robert Franks.

SILK MILLS WILL ERECT PLANT HERE

A transaction by which a substantial new industry will locate immediately in Torrance and be the means of attracting more here was announced today by J. C. Smith of the Torrance Investment Company.

The location of the new industry here means that the entire product of the concern will be finished in Torrance.

He asserted that several companies who use the Golden State Silk Mills product are seeking locations adjacent to the silk company's plant.

SOME TENANT

By Central Press NEW YORK, July 11.—Of all the two million or more persons who inhabit little old New York, Luke Connolly is considered to be the most ideal tenant.

Luke lived for 63 years in the same house. He only left it, 139 West 16th street, the place where he was born, when wreckers took charge of the building.

Observations

What the Olympic Games Should Teach the Individual; Mussolini Hits Civilization—The President's Sorrow—Will the Oil Men Beat the Law?

W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

TWO American negroes Tuesday helped to swell the American team's total of points at the Olympic games at Colombes, France.

The modern American negro is physically stalwart. His forebears were the sturdiest of their African tribes. That is why they were kidnapped by our forefathers and brought to this continent as slaves.

On a basis of percentages the negroes who enter American colleges turn out more winning athletes than do the whites. Heredity again.

The lesson is plain. Parents owe to their children more than moral bringing up and an education. The physically strong parent, who has lived a clean, moral life, passes on his physical strength to his or her children.

Keep the body clean and fit and the mind and soul will be more easily improved. So will those of the next generation, and the one after that.

As this is written the American team at Colombes has 98 points, as against 51 for Finland, which is second. Those American boys came down from pioneer stock—brave and strong men and women who left the comforts of home to carve a new civilization out of the wilderness. Heredity again.

If the Olympic games teach anything at all they tell us the virtue of physical cleanliness and proper care of the body.

AS is generally the case where the cloak of complete authority is thrown around the shoulders of an individual, Italy, under the dictatorship of Mussolini, is moving backward—if not materially, certainly from the standpoint of human rights, which is more deplorable.

For centuries men fought, bled, died, begged for a few individual rights—freedom of speech, freedom of the press, free education, the right of peaceful assembly.

In state documents in modern democracies those rights are written down in letters made from the blood of martyrs.

And now Mussolini, puffed with authority and drunk with power, destroys the work of ages with a word. The modern czar at Rome decrees that the freedom of the press shall be limited.

Power to censor news and editorial opinion is vested in local authorities, most of whom know no more about what should and what should not be printed than the prehistoric man with a club in his hand knew about violet rays or radio.

Humility has not advanced far. Modern civilization is built upon a few material pillars which are weak, a few rights of individuals which are plasters of our progress, and a few moral precepts which are strong.

Now comes a lusty individual and kicks down one of the pillars. His action proves that his own position is so weak that he can maintain it only by muzzling the opposition. The limiting of the freedom of the press is probably the beginning of Mussolini's decline.

In kicking out one of the props of modern civilization he is kicking from under himself the very pillar on which he stands.

THE last three presidential administrations have been marked by sadism in the family of the nation's chief executive. Mrs. Woodrow Wilson died during her husband's term of office. President Harding died in office. Now President Coolidge's son has passed away.

The woes that come to men with great responsibility are doubly hard to bear. For despite the woe the responsibilities must be met.

The heart of the nation beats with sympathy for President and Mrs. Coolidge. In their common grief the President must still carry on with his work, must cast aside his sorrow and drive ahead at the Herculean task of being the chief executive of this vast United States.

Yet his heart is riven with sorrow, as any who has lost a son must know.

Despite his sadness, despite his enormous responsibility, next week and every week thereafter curiosity seekers will file through the executive office to "see the President."

With the cruelty of barbarians the people of the United States harass their chief executive with senseless visitations which must bring his blood boiling with indignation which he cannot show.

Let us hope that the sightseers at Washington will be at least stay away from the executive office for a few weeks—but the hope is probably futile. There are too many bores on earth.

Woman Emergency Mayor Fires Chief And Names Self



When Mayor E. J. Brown left Seattle to attend the Democratic convention, Mrs. Henry Lanley, president of the city council and acting mayor, demanded a shake-up in the police department, and when her orders were not carried out she fired the police chief and installed herself.

EIGHT WELLS BROUGHT IN IN 3 DAYS

Eight new wells went on production in the field during the past three days for an aggregate yield of 3670 barrels. They were as follows: E. J. Mile, Torrance No. 7, 950 barrels at 2825 feet; Shell Oil Company, March No. 6, 49, 550 barrels at 2860 feet; Keystone No. 1, 100 barrels at 2843 feet; Chanslor-Cannfield Midway Oil Company, Torrance No. 47, 760 barrels at 3725 feet; Torrance No. 48, 550 barrels at 3735 feet; Petroleum Midway Oil Company, Lord No. 1, 50 barrels at 3800 feet; Pan American Petroleum Company, Hub No. 2, 250 barrels at 3880 feet; Standard Oil Company, Sentinel-Joughlin No. 2, 450 barrels at 3810 feet.

Here, Back East Again, Now Here Again, Now Here Again, Now Here

In California. Back east again and back to California and Torrance to stay. That is a well known story, and this time it applies to Mrs. O. W. Hudson and two children, of Muncie, Ind. Mrs. Hudson is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Wise of Andros avenue here. She is now residing at 1754 1/2 Andros avenue.

PAGE MR. ALGER

By Central Press PEORIA, Ill., July 11.—If Horatio Alger Jr. were still writing inspirational novels for the "younger intellectuals" he would find Hubert Dale an ideal hero.

Torrance Grocers Will Close Doors Saturday at 6:30

Co-operating with the state authorities in the demand for reduction in the use of electrical energy, Torrance grocers have agreed to close their stores at 6:30 each Saturday night. The decision was unanimous among all the downtown grocers.

Bull Montana Will Meet Romanoff In Big Athletic Show

Boxers and Wrestlers Slated for Four-Night Tournament to Decide Contestants in Mixed Bout Scheduled for Saturday Night

ATTENTION, LEGIONNAIRES Members of the Bert S. Crossland Post, American Legion, will meet at the First National Bank here Monday evening at 7 o'clock to receive final instructions regarding the Fiesta and Exposition which opens Tuesday. Every Legionnaire is urged to attend, as every one is slated for some duty.

"Bull" Montana, the wrestling champion of moving picture fame, will be one of the big features of the Torrance Fiesta and Exposition, which will open on the big lot on Cabrillo avenue Tuesday and will swing through five days and nights of frolicking, closing on Saturday night with the giving away of a Ford coupe by the boys of the American Legion.

Thursday night will be Lomita night. T. C. Carlton, California's leading carnival man, yesterday secured the services of Kid Archer, famous boxer and promoter, to stage a boxing and wrestling show every night, to be featured by the presence of the famous Montana and the equally well known Romanoff. Montana will be here two or three nights, the dates to be announced later. On Saturday night Romanoff will meet "Bull" Montana in a final match.

Every night during the Fiesta Romanoff will meet all comers at wrestling. In addition a string of boxers and wrestlers will meet each night in an elimination tournament, to decide which wrestler and which boxer shall meet in a mixed boxing and wrestling event as a grand finale Saturday night.

This event, together with the awarding of the coupe, will wind up five days of business and pleasure with a whirl of excitement.

T. C. Carlton announced a splendid series of shows and concessions for the event, including a mystery show to be staged by a second Houdini, a big collection of freaks of nature, several new and novel innovations in the matter of tumbling concessions.

Inside the big tent will be staged the most comprehensive automobile show ever held in the harbor district. Dealers from all over the district whose territory includes the city of Torrance will display the newest models in all classes of cars. The auto show was such a success last year that the dealer jumped at it with enthusiasm this year when approached by that formidable committee man, the blue-haired Freddie Palmer.

Merchants and industries will hold forth inside the big top a 4 samples of merchandise will be given away as usual.

Two fine features inside the big tent will attract unusual interest. In one booth the Torrance Boy Scouts will stage exhibitions each night of Scouting, showing feats that the boys learn which few grown-ups know anything about.

In another booth members of the Legion will fill out application blanks for veterans who are entitled to adjusted compensation for service in the World war.

The big tent went up Wednesday afternoon and exhibitors started work on their booths.

Torrance Will Be 50,000 in 10 Years—Jones

"In ten years Torrance will be a city of 50,000." Thus did D. A. Jones, president of the Retail Hardware Dealers' Association, remark at an address of optimism at the monthly dinner of the Torrance Business Men's Association at the Ferncroft cafe last night.

"I was here 13 years ago, when the streets were not even graded," said the speaker. "The progress of this city is amazing."

Pointing out that it took 100 years to induce 3000 persons to come to Los Angeles to live, Mr. Jones flouted the pessimists who howl bad times at the first slight let-up in business.

The speaker cited the \$600,000-a-month payroll in Torrance as concrete evidence of this city's stability.

C. A. Paxman urged the business men and women to give thought to the proposed extension of the declaration of the Dominguez Land Corporation, which expires December 31, 1924.

Chief of Police Anderson asked for the co-operation of the business men in keeping the city of Torrance clean and law-abiding.

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EDUCATIONAL CENTER The Mothers' Educational Center meets Monday, July 14, in the sewing room at the high school, from 10 a. m. until 1 p. m. There is still time to register the babies at Reeve's hardware store, Sartori avenue.

Lomita Woman Is Given Free Range By Gas Company

Mrs. Mary A. Henderson of 1616 Cypress street, Lomita, was awarded the gas range which the Southern California Gas Company gave away at the formal opening of the company's new office in Torrance last night. The company last night requested this paper to express its thanks to all who donated flowers for the opening.

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