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## FAIRNESS TO ALL, PECK PLATFORM

### Declaration Issue Will Be Discussed At Public Meeting

Subcommittees Appointed by General Committee on Dominguez Land Corporation Restrictions Extension to Study Various Phases

PUBLIC WILL BE SHOWN COMPLETE REPORT SOON

Torrance Men Insist on Satisfying Greatest Number of People Before Seeking Signatures on Petitions Asking for Extension

Members of the special committee appointed to recommend changes in the declaration of the Dominguez Land Corporation met Tuesday afternoon and assigned to three subcommittees sections of the present declaration. The subcommittees will study the sections assigned to them and submit recommendations next week. The whole committee will meet each Tuesday afternoon until a complete report is ready. As soon as the report is prepared a public mass meeting will be called to discuss the proposed changes and extension of the declaration. The committee is especially desirous of making the changes acceptable to the great majority of property owners in Torrance. With this in mind the subcommittee does not wish to act hastily and

the whole committee is determined to submit the whole problem to the public for general discussion before seeking signatures on any instrument calling for extension of the restrictions. The subcommittees were appointed as follows: Sections dealing with residence, business, unclassified and industrial districts—Wallace Post and Roy Winters. (This committee will consult with City Attorney P. G. Briney and City Engineer J. J. Jessup.) Sections dealing with classes of business, liquor restrictions, race restrictions, et cetera—F. L. Parks and Alfred Gourder. Sections dealing with amendments to and ways and means of extending declaration—P. G. Briney and Donald Findley.

Ex-Law Partner Of La Follette Is Aide in Campaign



Gilbert E. Roe, former law partner of Robert M. La Follette, has taken charge of the La Follette campaign in the Middle Atlantic and New England states.

### Candidates to Attend Harbor District Meet

Chambers Will Convene at Legion Hall, Torrance, Next Thursday

Every candidate for office in Los Angeles county has been invited to attend the meeting of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce at Legion hall in Torrance next Thursday night.

Frank Merriam, president of the organization, has written a personal invitation to all candidates, informing them that the meeting will be political, but that no candidates will be individually endorsed by the body. In view of the approaching primary elections on August 26, and the fact that so many candidates will be present, an unusually large attendance is expected.

### Owners Object To Carson St. Fruit Market

The action of the Torrance board of trustees last Tuesday night in granting a six-months permit for a vegetable and fruit market at the corner of Gramercy avenue and Carson street is causing considerable discussion.

The board recently adopted a policy which would allow the erection of business buildings on Carson street, provided they were of fireproof construction. Now that the six-months permit for the non-fireproof vegetable and fruit market has been granted, other property owners fear that the street will either be thrown open to frame business blocks or else the board will find itself charged with having discriminated. It is reported today that official objection to the vegetable and fruit stand on this location may be made to the board.

### Former War Flier, Nabbed as Masher, Is Fined Only \$10

Arrested for accosting women on the streets of Torrance, D. Leigham, aged 27, of 1130 West Eighth street, Los Angeles, was dismissed with a fine of \$10 by City Recorder King, who ascertained that the young man was severely wounded and shell-shocked as an aviator in the World War. Leigham was arrested by Officers Dillon and Phillips after several women had reported that he had accosted them on the street.

#### SENTINEL BUSY

The Sentinel Oil Company's Joughin No. 11, south of the P. E. tracks, is drilling ahead after a successful cement job. The company is building derricks for Joughin No. 10 and No. 11, south of the railroad.

#### WELL ON TEST

The Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company is putting Dominguez No. 2 on a pump test.

### Observations

Improvement of Torrance Alleys—Selflessness in Community Work—Cabrillo Avenue and the P. E.; Bob's Fizzle—The "I Hearers"

W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

MANY residents of Torrance have protested against the paving of alleys behind their homes. The board of trustees has received the protests and most certainly will honor them.

The petition which requested the paving of all alleys in the business and residence district was too general in its application. While most owners of property in the business district wish the alleys in the commercial area paved, as many or more owners of residence property are against the proposed improvement in the dwelling house districts. The board has unofficially adopted the only wise policy, which will undoubtedly be made official—that alleys will be paved only in districts in which the majority demand the improvement and that no alleys be paved against the desires of a majority in any particular district.

Legally it is possible for the trustees to create an assessment district covering the entire city and to pave every alley in Torrance, if sufficient petitioners officially request such a step. But the board is not going to force improvement of alleys between streets on which a majority of property owners object.

It is probable that many taxpayers believe that rock and oil may be used in the improvement of some alleys in the residence district. If such is the case they should present petitions requesting such an improvement.

The board of trustees wishes to do only what the majority desire. \* \* \* \* \*

A SPECIAL committee, including members of every civic organization in Torrance, is working diligently on the preparation of recommendations for extension of the declaration of the Dominguez Land Corporation.

It is to be hoped that the recommendations will reflect no selfishness on the part of any individual, group, or property owners of any particular section.

Opinion voiced by the committeemen themselves seems to insure that the elimination of selfishness from all of their considerations will be accomplished.

The interests of Torrance are the interests of no one particular part of Torrance. Zoning restrictions must be extended with an eye to the future—far ahead—without regard for boosting this or that particular piece of real estate.

That the motives which will activate the work of the committee will be for the general welfare—is amply assured by the personnel of the committee. \* \* \* \* \*

THERE is much talk of condemning the Pacific Electric right of way along Cabrillo avenue. Officials who have studied the project by which such a street would be carried out agree that the cost to the city would approximate \$200,000. That is a lot of money—so much that officials approach the proposed condemnation with misgivings.

The whole question could be settled in a trice if the Pacific Electric Railway Company did not insist on a private way along Cabrillo avenue. Property owners along the street are willing to pay for rock-and-oil improvement of the right of way, thus eliminating an eyesore and a dust nuisance. But the Pacific Electric will not agree to this unless curbs are constructed on both sides of the strip of land running through the center of the thoroughfare.

WE did expect that Robert M. La Follette's first official pronouncement would contain something novel in the way of political pyrotechnics. We were wrong. The fighting senator from Wisconsin failed to touch off a single skyrocket to attract attention. He reached down in the political bag of fireworks and drew out a water-soaked cracker in the form of an attack on the sugar tariff. And when he touched it off it was only a fizzle. The Democrats have been firing off fizzes like that for years and years and years. Bob's act was old stuff.

Unless the independent candidate does better than that he is going to deprive the country of a lot of fun and entertainment. And the country is entitled to be entertained by 1924 politics—else there is no compensation at all for the national nausea brought on by events of the last six months. \* \* \* \* \*

GLANCE at the headlines in this morning's paper:

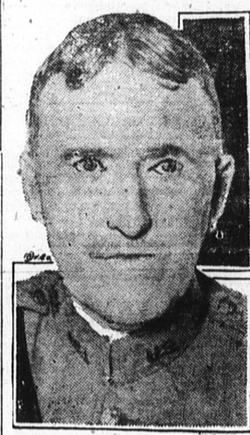
- "Rich Couple Fight Over Kid McCoy"—Los Angeles story.
- "Judge Rules Slayers Sane to End Chaos"—Chicago news.
- "Beach Parties Offend Nobles"—over a Paris date line.
- "Ann Luther on Stand Accuses Jack White of Bigamous Marriage Plot"—Los Angeles story.
- "Film Actress Recites Story of Train Trip"—Los Angeles again.
- "Morton Los Angeles News: 'Dorris Death' Details Told by Neighbors."
- "Once more from Los Angeles: 'Bride's Burial Followed by Bigamy Arrest.'"
- "And the following all on one page over Los Angeles news stories: 'Wife Asks Freedom for Second Time.'"
- "Hand Caught Looting Same Place 'Three Times.'"
- "Wife Jailed Asking Arrest of Husband."
- "Juvenile Court Hears Delinquency Trial."
- "Million-Kiss Sealed Note Divorce Evidence."
- "Assault Suspect Held Under \$5000 Bonds."
- "Police Doubt Murder of Missing Film Man."
- "Taxi Driver Pays \$53 for Giving Gunman Ride."
- "Jury Asks Auto Driver Be Held in Death Case."
- "Wife Declares Judge Cox Got Fake Check for Marriage Fee."
- "And so forth—and on and on through page after page. Isn't that a splendid assortment of daily news to put into the home for all and sundry, old and young, to read?"

The Herald appreciates the necessity of running police news, so that the public be informed of the activities of the guardians of the law. The Herald knows that under the intense competition of metropolitan journalism crime news is news that gets and keeps circulation. But the Herald is likewise aware that the filth of a Hearst front page is striking at the foundation of American morals. Constant repetition of cases of marital infidelity, murder, banditry, bigamy, suicide and crime hardens the moral arteries of the country just as booze steadily consumed hardens the arteries of the human body.

But the public is willing to pay about 25 cents a day for its daily metropolitan newspaper, the condition will be remedied—and not until. GEORGE PARR clipped the following from some publication, the name of which is not at hand, and displayed his usual public interest by giving it to a reporter, with the recommendation that it be published for the benefit of all. So here goes, with thanks to Mr. Parr: "I HEARD 'You can spread almost any report if you start with the words 'I heard.' It frees you from responsibility, but if somebody gets excited you can forget where you heard it. 'The hard luck that's been trailed in the wake of those two words! 'A community can be fairly prosperous, the local garage man is plugging for business, has one or two prospects all ready to buy a car. The hardware business, the clothing business, the jewelry business, practically every other line of business, is good. 'A local manufacturer is running full time and has orders in

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J. Pershing's Post As Chief of Staff Will Go to Hines



Major General John L. Hines will succeed to the post of chief of staff of the army when John J. Pershing is placed on the retired list next month.

### Contractor Is Ready to Work On Western Av.

Highway Will Be Closed North of Torrance Today, Says Agent

The Griffiths' Company, paving contractors, will start work on the unpaved portion of Western avenue north of Torrance at once. Equipment has arrived on the job and a representative of the company said yesterday that the highway would be closed some time today.

The company has laid pipe line to run water to the job and expects to complete the eight-block strip in short order. The unpaved portion of the highway is in the city of Los Angeles, and \$25,000 has been appropriated for the work.

### Masons' Picnic Will Be Held On August 17

Torrance Lodge No. 447, Free and Accepted Masons, will hold its annual picnic at Griffiths' Park Sunday, Aug. 17. All Masons, Eastern Stars and their friends are invited. "Bring your lunches," says the committee. Coffee and lemonade will be served free. Picnickers will leave the Masonic temple at a 9 a. m. starting and drive via Western avenue and Los Felix road. A program with prizes has been arranged. Those without cars should leave their names with John Fess at the Fess grocery.

### C.-C. M. O. Nine Will Take On 'Hats' Sunday

The fast Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oilers will meet "Barry's Classy Hats" on the C.-C. M. O. diamond Sunday. Both of these clubs are running neck and neck as only one name separates them in their standing in the Bay District League. The C.-C. M. O. nine, having won their last eight games, are prepared to try and annex their ninth straight. The "Barry Classy Hats" after coming within a very close call of defeating the Catalina Cubs at Catalina last Sunday, are determined to stop Manager Eddie Copeland's Oilers. The ball field is located between Torrance and Redondo, south of the highway. The game will be called at 2:30.

#### WILDCATS STANDING

The two wildcat wells in the Torrance-Lomita field are standing cemented. Francis No. 1 of the Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company is cemented at 4800 feet, at which level the company cemented off a "fish." The Weston No. 1 of the Standard Oil Company in Lomita is standing cemented a second time at 4200 feet. The first job was unsuccessful.

### Compton Entrant In Supervisorial Race Speaks Here

Opponent of McClellan in Fourth District Has Lived in Southern California for 38 Years and Knows Needs of Southland Sections

SAYS CONTEST BY NO MEANS SECTIONAL FIGHT

Urged by Friends to Run, Candidate Enters Campaign Without Obligation to Any Group or Region, but for District's Interests

Walter L. Peck, candidate for supervisor from the Fourth district, was in Torrance Wednesday meeting old friends and talking over the political situation and the needs of the district. Mr. Peck, regarded by his friends as a certain winner against Supervisor R. F. McClellan, has been city trustee in Compton for eight years. He has lived in Southern California for 38 years and in Compton for 24 years. In close touch with public affairs during all that period, he is said by his supporters to know the needs of the district thoroughly.

In an interview here Mr. Peck said: "It was with some reluctance that I consented to run for supervisor, for I realize fully that, to do justice to the job, a man must devote all of his time to it, and personal business matters held me back. However, now that my friends have insisted that I be a candidate I intend, if elected, to devote all my time and energy to the interests of the people of the district. The Fourth Supervisorial District is one of the most important in California. Within its boundaries are the finest beach re-

sorts on the Pacific coast, the playground of a state. It also includes that vast industrial and residence area between Los Angeles and the harbor. It includes the harbor itself. It therefore embraces the most important districts in Southern California.

"The Southland has actually just started to develop. The highway program which must be carried out all over the district will require the utmost study so that all sections are fairly served without favor.

"A supervisor must represent this entire district and not a section of it. This I am prepared to do, with full appreciation of the needs and requirements of every section.

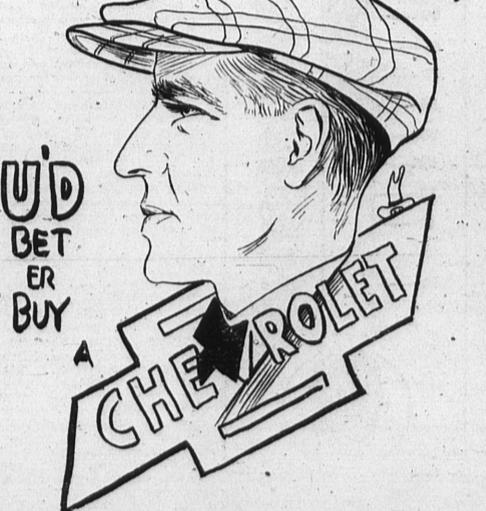
"I am bound by no promises and intend to make none. I do not expect, if elected to accomplish wonders. I do expect to give 100 per cent service, however, and to represent the district to the best of my ability."

Political observers agree that a candidate who receives the nomination on August 26 will virtually be elected, and every effort possible is being made to get out a large vote at the primaries.

### J. S. (CHEVROLET) HANSON

By THE MYSTERIOUS COWBOY

THE SIGN OF A BETTER BUY IN AUTOS



The automobile, besides bringing about the great improvement in the automotive world, has improved the American business and mechanical minds like no other factor has. I have in mind the best type of young men to be found engaged in the industry and kindred trades; those men who sound a keynote of integrity and sagacity; those boys who believe in their respective crafts and cars, and who develop a never-mistaken sincerity and faithfulness when they are representing to the public the part their work plays in the auto scheme.

The type of business man I speak of is exemplified in the sterling character and real ability of Mr. J. S. Hanson, the proprietor of the Day and Night Garage and the Chevrolet dealer in Torrance. Born in Montana, this young man has had a colorful experience in the great west from San Diego to far-away Ascot. He was formerly with the Chevrolet people in San Pedro and came here last February. He has been in the auto business for the past six or seven years. One could not desire a more efficient and courteous business man with whom to deal than the genial Mr. Hanson. And it must also be said of Mrs. Hanson, who is his constant companion and help at the office, that she is none the less worthy of commendation. Indeed, Mrs. Hanson is the most indispensable of the whole personnel. As the name implies, the Day and Night Garage is open for twenty-four-hour service. General garage work is carried on; there is a well equipped machine shop; the T. & T. battery is sold there, and a battery service is at the disposal of the public; accessories and the Hendrie tires complete a useful service. And, by the way, here is the opportunity to buy real home-made goods from a genuine home booster—that is to say, you can buy the Hendrie tire from the House of Hanson at 1405 Cabrillo avenue. You will be sure to meet with every satisfaction at this auto concern, and you will find there an unflinching politeness and a real interest in your requirements.

### RADIO FOR EVERYBODY

By E. F. DeBRA

Now that the radio has started a "back-to-the-home" movement which all the social reforms in the world never could have accomplished—now that the majority of homes are equipped with receiving sets—the editor has requested me to prepare a series of articles on radio receiving. The writer, in this series of articles, proposes to explain in the simplest language possible just how the radio works, so that anyone with a knowledge of common arithmetic may understand it. In addition, we shall discuss various types of receiving apparatus, so that the reader will have a good idea of the merits of the several types when he comes to purchase one for himself. And lastly, we will give detailed instructions for making a set of your own that will operate surprisingly well and give you complete satisfaction. This locality has some peculiar conditions for radio reception, and we will speak briefly of these.

First, then, let us consider the wonderful medium through which the radio travels. It is hard to conceive of a medium which is everywhere, filling all space—even the spaces between the atoms which make up all matter. And yet we must accept the theory of its existence to explain many things that occur in our every-day life. For lack of a better name this intangible medium has been called the "ether," though it has nothing to do with the more or less familiar anesthetic. If we throw stones into a pond we will see circular waves spreading out over the pond's surface, but if the water be removed we can throw stones forever without having any waves. Thus we see the necessity of a universal medium such as the ether to explain many things. For it is by means of waves in this wonderful medium that the radio or "wireless" travels over land and sea. Many people have the idea that radio travels through the air, but this is an entirely wrong idea, for in that case the radio travels. 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