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HARBOR CHAMBERS MEET THURSDAY

Consolidated Mutual's Harbor City Well Looks Promising

OIL SHOWS IN TEST HOLE

Cores Brought Up From the 3485-Foot Level Makes Wildcat Look Good

DRILL FOUR DEEP TESTS Shell Goes Down With Kettler No. 2 in Search of Second Sand

Promising showings of oil and gas have been encountered by the Consolidated Mutual Oil Company at its well east of Harbor City, according to field reports. The well is being drilled ahead at 3185 feet, from which level a core showed streaks of oil.

It is probable that the hole will be drilled no deeper than 3500 feet and a production test will be made soon.

Four deep test wells are being drilled in the field, one of them, Kettler No. 2 of the Shell Oil Company, being of unusual importance.

The Shell company originally drilled Kettler No. 2 to 1600 feet, but bridged back and landed water string at 4293 feet. Six cement jobs failed to shut off the water and the company has drilled out the cement and is coring ahead at about 4300 feet.

This test well of the Shell organization is just south of Redondo road and east of the Pacific Electric tracks. Offset by producers, it constitutes the first real effort of operators to explore the low levels in search of a second sand. The company is planning to core all the way down in the well and make a thorough test of the levels below 4000 feet.

Kettler No. 2 is the first well to be drilled below 3500 feet in territory that is marked by good production.

The Shell company is deepening Scarborough No. 1 near the intersection of Normandie avenue and Redondo road and is drilling down deeper in Dolores No. 1 east of Harbor boulevard. Small production from both of these wells prompted the company to deepen the holes.

The Standard Oil Company is deepening Ellinwood No. 1, the most southerly producer in the field. The Ellinwood is across Redondo road from the Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company's Del Amo No. 13. Before being mudded up, the Ellinwood was pumping about 100 barrels a day, but was making almost as much water and emulsion as oil.

C.-C. M. O. Nine Wins Game by Score of 13-0

The Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil nine scored a decisive victory over the Barry's Classy Hats aggregation on the C.-C. M. O. diamond Sunday, defeating them by a one-sided score of 13 to 0. Al Hoffacker, pitching for the Midway Oilers, let his opponents down with four scattered hits, while his teammates gathered 14 safeties off the offerings of Barnett. Hoffacker helped to win his own game by contributing two hits out of four times to the plate, one of which sent two men across the rubber. Ramey poked out a homer in the eighth frame with one man on.

Score by innings: C.-C. M. O. 10022152x-13 Barry's Hats 0000000-0 Three-base hits—Copeland, Ramey. Three-base hit—Lewis. Home run—Ramey. Stolen bases—Carroll, Parker, Hathaway, Scherf, Copeland. Bases on balls—Off Hoffacker, 4; Off Barnett, 4. Struck out—By Hoffacker, 13; by Barnett, 2. Double play—Barnett to Harper.

BUYS INTEREST Bert M. Sharon has purchased the interest of F. P. McCormick in the Torrance Cleaners and Dyers.

Observations

Elect Walter Peck Supervisor Over McClellan—Two Samples of Propaganda—A Few Cogitations at the Beach
W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

IT is our opinion that the people of the Fourth District should elect Walter L. Peck supervisor. The district has been mightily lacking in fair representation by Supervisor McClellan.

It took the board ten years to get Western avenue paved. Had McClellan been striving all the time for the best interests of his district, it seems that he would have seen the need of that highway long before he did.

The entire district should vote against McClellan if for no other reason than the downright dirty trick the supervisors played on Long Beach. Whatever reasons may be advanced for putting half of Long Beach in one supervisorial district and the other half in another, anyone who has been in touch with the board of supervisors will be convinced that the action was prompted by the worst kind of politics. To suit the desires of individual politicians, the welfare of a great Southern California city was entirely disregarded.

The issue between Mr. Peck and Mr. McClellan is plain. Peck stands squarely for fairness to the entire district. Mr. McClellan probably asserts that he stands for the same thing—but the public must judge sincerity on the part of an office-holder by that individual's record. And certainly the board of supervisors of which Mr. McClellan is chairman has evidenced no superabundance of fairness.

The splitting of Long Beach is a sample of the kind of political trickery that the American people tired of long ago. Even men and women in Los Angeles must be the unfairness of such tactics. Mr. Peck is experienced in the business of running a city government. Through his long service as trustee of the city of Compton he has served his constituents well. His record is unblemished. He agreed to run for supervisor only with the understanding that he would not be bound by promises to any group or any region. He is the type of man who says "I do not expect to work wonders as I am elected." From that sort of an individual the public may expect wonders.

The Fourth District must be fed up by now on unfulfilled promises. It is actually refreshing to find a candidate whose word is as good as his bond and whose only pre-election promise is to work hard and fairly in the interests of the public.

IN all the propaganda that comes in the mail to a newspaper office there is little that is really worthy of publication. Here is a paragraph, however, that combines the virtue of brevity with good sense:

"With the price of copper strengthening, with a better outlook for increased lumber business and with farm crop prices good, indications are that employment and wages in the west will be good. Let every man who favors a full dinner pail help keep fires out of the forests, agitators out of industries and the hand of the tax gatherer from going too deep into the pocket of the producer."

"Guess who sent that out?"

HERE is another "canned" editorial from the same source: "To make the public school system, both elementary and higher education, attain its greatest usefulness to the American people, three things are quite important.

"First, extend industrial education until about one-half the time is spent on text books and the other half on learning trades and making boys and girls useful citizens.

"Second, establish a public school savings system where every child will learn as early in life as possible to accumulate small savings instead of learning to spend money faster than they earn it.

"Third, sell school bonds direct to the taxpayers in small denominations and keep the interest money at home among the people who pay the bills.

"With these slight reforms put into effect, the public educational system might save our country from becoming a nation of soft-headed white collar non-producers."

We disagree that half the time in public schools should be utilized in teaching trades and vocations. Machinery is being so rapidly improved that the people of the world a few generations hence will be able to do all of the world's work in about four hours a day. Mr. Man's working day is getting shorter all the time. The biggest problem before our educators is to educate boys and girls for LEISURE.

It is daily becoming more and more important to train minds. For automatic machinery, the product of man's inventive genius, is doing the work of the hands.

If you do not agree, read Arthur Pound's "The Iron Man," published by The Atlantic Monthly Press.

AT the beach. The old sun is shining brightly on the golden sands. The strand is dotted with little tents—owned by people who live in a big city and who find health and pleasure in a week-end out of doors where the breeze blows in from China-way. Time! What a mere tick of the cosmic clock is a year. This sand once was solid rock, but rain and water have ground it down through the centuries and cast it on the shore. Nature's processes are slow. Man is a speed demon, hurrying about his little tasks, most of which are unimportant.

Men are fishing in the surf—catching them, too. A seal frolics out there in the first line of breakers. He is after his dinner of fish. That spoils the fishing for the humans. Most of the men are fishing for fun anyway. But it is serious business for the seal—the business of his existence. Life is a serious matter—even to a seal. He probably takes it more seriously than humans. Of all the creatures that walk the earth, man spends the most time at play and pleasure.

Two four-year-olds are digging holes in the beach. Their feet are covered with salt-watered sand. Sunshine, fresh air, and salt water effect cures that medicine cannot accomplish. Here at the beach hundreds of men, women and children are letting their bodies breathe. They will go home tonight better for their day on the shore. Of all recreations followed by humans, those which exercise the muscles, cleanse the lungs and open the pores of the skin outdoors are the most beneficial.

WHAT HO! DANCERS

There's one dance you won't want to miss—that's the one next Saturday night, Aug. 16, that's being put on by the Torrance Synco-pators.

The Synco-pators are local boys—Floyd Parker, Ray Tomkins, Austin Clark, Jack Palmer, Mr. Bond and "Sparky" Probert—and they're good.

The dance will be held at the Moose hall on Carson street. Tickets on sale at Remm & Tomkins.

PLAYWRIGHT HERE

Miss Hazel Lipdoff of Hollywood is the guest this week of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Howe of Amapola avenue.

Miss Lindoff is the composer of "The Lonesome Honey-moon," the play put on last week by the Redondo Beach Elks.

FOOD SALE

The Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church will hold a food sale Saturday morning, 9 o'clock, at Daley's grocery store.

ENFORCEMENT TO BE URGED BY SPEAKERS

Flying Squadron Will Visit Central Church Thursday and Friday

All phases of law enforcement and the public attitude toward American institutions will be discussed by experts in a series of two special mass meetings to be held here Thursday and Friday, Aug. 14 and 15. Three speakers who travel under the auspices of the Flying Squadron Foundation, a unique organization which was founded and is being maintained for the one purpose of stressing a better citizenship, will be here. This organization has kept a staff of speakers continuously on the road since 1921 and has carried its campaign of education into every state, every state capital, and into all the large cities and educational centers.

These meetings will be held in the Central Church at 8 p. m. daily and will be free to the public.

Dr. D. Leigh Colvin, a captain in the World War and an authority on prohibition and law enforcement. He is the author of "Official History of Prohibition," and a political science specialist. He will speak the first night.

On the second night Oliver W. Stewart, president of the organization and former member of the Illinois legislature, will be heard. Mr. Stewart is said to be the leading polemic force on the American platform. He has spoken in every city of any size in this country and in many of the capitals of Europe.

Norma C. Brown is another speaker who will be heard on the second night. She will follow Mr. Stewart. Miss Brown is only 21 but she has delivered upward of 1600 addresses during the past two and a half years. She has been heard with approval in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Boston, and all the cities of the Pacific coast.

These speakers are conducting an intensive and all-inclusive campaign for a higher type of citizenship, for a closer adherence to the federal constitution, and a deeper respect for American institutions.

THURSDAY IS LADIES' DAY AT AMERICAN

Women Invited to Bowl in Afternoon at Expense of Proprietors

Thursday afternoon will be Ladies' Day at The American Bowling Alleys, Lawrence Crowell announced today. Between 1 and 3 o'clock the women of Torrance are invited to bowl at the expense of the proprietors, who will even pay pin-setters. Each week a prize will be awarded to the woman making the highest score. The prize this week will be a three-pound box of candy.

Police lately have received several complaints against window peepers in Torrance. Judge King declared today that "maschers" and window peepers will be sentenced to the full extent of the law, if they are apprehended.

"Torrance is not the place for that kind of individuals," said the judge.

NEW NURSE HERE

Miss Mary Heron comes from the Hermosa-Redondo hospital to fill the position of nurse left vacant at the Union Tool by the resignation of Miss Florence Smith.

BENEFIT GARDEN PARTY

Mrs. Joe Stone of Athens will give a garden party for the benefit of the Torrance Woman's Club Thursday, August 14, at 2 o'clock. There will be an entertainment and refreshments, admission 35c. All club women and their friends are invited. Address, 611 124th street, Athens.

PARTY AT BEACH

The W. J. Nesland cottage at Manhattan Beach was the scene of a jolly gathering last Friday evening, when the choir of the Central Evangelical church gave Miss Florence Smith a farewell party.

Miss Smith, who has been nurse at the Union Tool for some time, has accepted the superintendency of the Titusville (Fla.) hospital.

WILL FATE MAKE ONE OF THESE MEN PRESIDENT?

Thirty-six Percent of Nation's Chief Executives Have Risen From Vice-Presidential Ranks—This Year's Situation Is Unique



Left to right: Charles W. Bryan, Charles G. Dawes, and Burton K. Wheeler.

By JOHN T. LEWING, Jr. Central Press Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—The inexorable hand of fate which has elevated four of the last eleven vice-presidents to the highest office in the land may, by a new twist, make a president of Charles W. Bryan, Charles G. Dawes, or Burton K. Wheeler, the major vice-presidential candidates.

Death has put into the White House more than 36 percent of the vice-presidents in the last two generations, none of whom were outstanding national figures when selected. This year the advent of a third major party into the political field, with the possibility of a deadlock in the electoral college, adds the by no means remote chance that Dawes, Bryan or Wheeler may be sworn in as president of the United States on March 4, 1925.

If La Follette wins enough states to prevent either the Democratic or Republican party from getting a majority vote in the electoral college, the election will be thrown into congress.

Six Elevated by Death The constitution provides that the house shall then meet and elect a president. But the present even distribution of party

strength in the house makes it extremely uncertain that the lower house could elect a president, so it would be up to the senate to make the choice by balloting on the vice-presidential candidates.

Death has suddenly elevated six vice-presidents to president. The first was John Tyler, who succeeded Andrew Jackson, 83; Martin Van Buren, 89; William H. Harrison, 68, and John Tyler, 72. The ages of the last ten (excluding Taft) were: Grant, 63; Rutherford B. Hayes, 71; James A. Garfield, 50; Chester A. Arthur, 56; Grover Cleveland, 71; Benjamin Harrison, 63; William McKinley, 58; Theodore Roosevelt, 61; Woodrow Wilson, 67, and W. G. Harding, 57.

62 Years Is Average. A president nowadays may have a life expectancy of only about 62 years, which is 18 years less than he would have had a century ago. This while the life-span of an average citizen, due to bettered personal hygiene, improved public sanitation and the change in the cultural attitude toward old age, has increased.

Of the presidential candidates Coolidge is 52, Davis is 51, and La Follette is 68, so only the former two could complete a term in the White House within the expectancy of a president.

Uninvited Guest In Torrance Home Is Given 30 Days

Charged with walking into a Torrance home and calmly taking a chair, without invitation or permission, C. C. Davis pleaded guilty before City Recorder James L. King yesterday and was sentenced to 30 days in jail.

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TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Howe celebrated their twentieth wedding anniversary one evening recently, when they entertained a number of friends at cards. The guests included Miss Lindoff, Mrs. John Adams and daughter, Miss Allan, Jack Wilson, Al MacKinnon, of Hollywood; Mr. and Mrs. Otis Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dilks and daughter Inez, of Los Angeles; Mrs. Catherine Ames and son, St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Schnell and daughter, of Pittsburgh.

A musical evening was enjoyed recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morrow, Andrew avenue, when they entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles Oxley, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hazlett of Okmulgee, Okla., Miss Ella Hards of Filley, O., and Mr. and Mrs. James H. Milburn and daughter Doris, of Andrew avenue.

Mrs. J. P. Pinney and daughter, of Los Angeles, are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Grant, of Cota avenue.

TOWNE ALKE

"Just for Fun"

By RAS BERRY

All the kids in town are singing "It Ain't Goin' to Rain No Mo'." Looks like Edison company propaganda.

There is some consolation in everything. The copper sulfate they are treating Torrance water with may kill the grass, but it also slaughters the ants—some of them.

Mosquitoes is scarce this year, but you can't have everything. The crop of hives is plentiful.

Hurum Reeve is sec. of the Calif. Winchester Dealers Assoc. The company can't take away the Winchester agency from any dealer unless the association says so. There is a soul business, says Hurum. You mean there's coming to be one, says Ras. There is one, but it's waking up, replies Hurum.

The Business Men's Association held an interesting meeting at the American bowling alleys Thursday night. Jack Hansen presided.

Willis Brooks is looking for a body guard. But not because of the Carson street fruit stand. He's got to take charge of the cash at the P. E. picnic at Redondo on the 16th inst.

A local minister found a empty bottle in front of the postoffice, the other day. He left it on Ras's desk. When told never to leave a empty one again he said he wouldn't leave a full one for two (Continued on Last Page)

Miss M. Conkel Is Bride at Pretty Wedding Tuesday

A very pretty wedding took place at the Baptist parsonage Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, when the Rev. J. W. Green united in marriage Miss Mabel Lulu Conkel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Conkel of Harvard boulevard, and Homer William Bale, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Bale of 1957 Carson street. The bride was very sweet and charming in a gown of yellow, and carried a bouquet of white flowers. She was attended by Miss Lillas Gilson, attired in lavender.

Mr. Bale was attended by Melvina Kern of Gardena, a student at the University of Redlands. Mr. Bale has resided in Torrance for a number of years and is a rising young business man, the proprietor of the Central garage, Border avenue. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bale are active members of the Baptist church.

They will make their home in Torrance.

ENTERTAINS SISTERS

Guests during the past week of Mrs. Donald McDonald of 218th street were her sisters, Miss Kate Dunn of San Diego and Mrs. C. H. Ostrander of Chicago, and Mr. C. H. Ostrander.

Mrs. Lucy M. Reeve spent part of last week at Moneta with her daughter, Mrs. Merley Harshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Acree and family, of Gramercy avenue, were week-end visitors at their cabin in Kagel canyon near Glendale.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis of Amapola avenue were recent guests of Mrs. Loper, of Long Beach.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Babcock is recovering from a serious illness.

TORRANCE PROGRAM READY

Candidates for Office at Primary Election Invited to Dinner

FINES ARE PROMISED

Frank Merriam Will Enforce Political Rule at Legion Hall Gathering

Politicians, large, small and medium, will be the guests of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce at Legion hall Thursday night.

Frank Merriam, president of the combined chambers, has invited all candidates for office to the meeting, and stands ready to fine all and sundry who break the organization's rule which forbids political propaganda at the monthly meetings of the body.

George Proctor and Alfred Gouder, the Torrance committee charge of the dinner, have arranged an interesting program. Large delegations from Torrance and Lomita are expected.

Fire Insurance Rates Lowered For Torrance

Fire insurance rates on buildings in Torrance are materially reduced according to a new schedule of rates received yesterday by local agents. The new schedule shows 10 percent reduction on rates in the Torrance residence district and decreases of from 19 to 20 percent in the business district.

The lower rates are the result of representations made by a special committee of the Torrance Business Men's Association.

MRS. ED PARR PASSES AWAY

News of the death of Mrs. Ed Parr was received in Torrance early Monday morning.

Mrs. Parr passed away at Santa Rosa, where she was the guest of friends.

Mr. Parr and the son, George Parr, left immediately for the north, and as yet nothing has been learned of the funeral arrangements.

FOR MR. AND MRS. SHERMAN About fifty members of the trimming, register and glazing department of the Electric company gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Howe of Amapola avenue last Tuesday evening to honor the newly wed Mr. and Mrs. Otis Sherman, who have just returned from a honeymoon trip to San Francisco.

A huge, beautifully decorated wedding cake was the center of attraction when refreshments were served. Music and games afforded diversion for the evening.

HAVE FINE TRIP

Mrs. William Creighton of Redondo boulevard and her sister, Miss E. M. Douglas of Los Angeles, just returned from a motor trip to the state of Washington. They covered over the Pacific without any trouble and visited points of interest along the way. They took in the Columbia highway drive from Portland, and drove to Crater Lake from Medford, Ore. Three days were spent in San Francisco, but Southern California weather suits them better.

Little Ethel Creighton enjoyed every minute of the trip.

Guests Thursday of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Young of Cota avenue were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rogers and four sons of Los Angeles. Mrs. Rogers is Mrs. Young's sister.