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J. A. Small, cashier of the Bank of Superior, Superior, Ariz., was a visitor in Torrance Tuesday. Mr. Small purchased a piece of property on the north end of town about ten years ago, and says he believes "it will turn out to be a good investment."

ENTERTAINS AT DANCE

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Thompson of Andro avenue entertained recently with a large party at the Redondo dance pavilion. The guests included the honorees, Mrs. Earl Hazlett of Okmulgee, Okla., and Miss Ella Hards of Findlay, O., and Mr. and Mrs. McBain, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Thompson, Mrs. Jack Saladene, and Messrs. Callahan, Pierce and Cottrell.

EDUCATIONAL CENTER

The Mothers' Educational Center will be held Friday, Sept. 5, from 10 a. m. until noon, in the domestic science room at the high school. Register at the Reeve hardware store on Sartori avenue.

APRON SALE AND DINNER

The ladies of the Eastern Star will hold an apron sale and dinner Thursday, Sept. 18, at Masonic hall. The aprons, of all sorts, will be donated by the members. Dinner, at 50 cents a plate, will be served from 12 until 1.

PATTON-QUIGLEY

Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Patton of Glendale announce the marriage of their daughter Myrtle Marie to Dewey W. Quigley of Torrance. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents Sunday, Aug. 31.

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"Just for Fun"
By RAS BERRY

Mrs. Hurum Reeve come home the other day and spied one of Hurum's vests—he's got two vests—on the table and pinned to it was a note that read "Don't move this vest. I have planted a button seed. I hope it will grow before morn. Mrs. Reeve said it grew all right and that as she sewed so he reaped."

Dick Smith come in with a battalion of bozos the other day and introduced them to Ras and said they wanted their names in the paper. Ras told him there was nothing unusual about that. One of the boys was R. N. Kirby from London, where he represents the National Supply Co., selling Ideal oil well equipment. The other was W. S. Coderford, head of the U. T. C. sales dept., and W. S. Grau, prod. supt. of the same co. The prod. stands for production, not for just prod. although when they is a rush on it could stand for either. Ras couldn't figure out why the call unless it was because Dick wanted to prove that there is SOME good looking guys working for the co.

For the benefit of such of our readers who has applied for telephones during the past year we print this picture to remind them of what the instrument looks like.



house would be to start a barber shop in Moscow.

They have got a cartoon over to the city hall depicting a scene on a recent fishing trip. The boys wanted Ras to run it, but Ras said he had already advertised "to the world" enough about his ability as a fisherman.

WANTED
For Disturbing the Peace



A reward of one gelatine monkey-wrench has been offered by Harry McManus for the capture, dead or alive, of the above feline, who has been seen prowling about the backyard fences of Andro avenue and keeping folks in the district from securing their accustomed slumber. Below is a photograph of Harry offering the reward.



Rev. Lingenfer is from Butte, Mont., and knows the Butte potato who took the monkey into the pulpit to disprove that human beings come down from simians. Why libel the monkeys, thinks Rev. Lingenfer.

School opens next Monday and many teachers will again start commuting to and fro from this city.

Jim Scott was listening to the radio the other night and said when he heard a piece of music the vision of some piece of scenery come before his mind's eye. That must make him enjoy good music all right, but Ras can't help but wonder what he sees when the orchestra is playing "That Old Sweetheart of Mine." Scottie is too young to have a old sweetheart.

We've got a lot of space to fill, and facts is hard to sk. We therefore set the type like this

**NEWS
ARE
SCARSE
THIS
WK.**

Oh, it ain't gonna rain no mo', no mo', etc., etc.

CHICKEN DINNER

Why cook at home when the Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church are having another of their splendid dinners at the church Friday evening, Sept. 5? This time it's a chicken dinner, and all the good things that go with it. Service from 5 until 7 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Harry returned Saturday from a vacation spent at various points of interest in the northern part of the state. Mr. Harry is manager of sales at the Southern California Gas office.

Mrs. Mabel Cleary, manager of the Edison office, is enjoying a two weeks' vacation at San Diego.

Carl Burmaster is back from a vacation at Yosemite. He's been back for a month, and we missed the item somehow. So it cast Carl two comrades to get it in the paper at this late date.

**JUDGE CONSIDERING MOTION
TO DISMISS CASE AGAINST
CITY RECORDER JAMES KING**

(Continued from Page One)

to fulfill their duty to the citizens and the community and yet at the same time to do justice to all who had been implicated in the recent alleged extortion, called upon the undersigned group of citizens to consider the evidence concerning our fellow citizens who stand accused.

It is not the intention of the undersigned to determine the guilt or any person, and we call upon you people of Torrance not to hold any one of the persons guilty merely because charges have been preferred against him, but give him the benefit of the doubt until the case against him has been disposed of. We have, however, expressed ourselves as believing that it is the duty of our city officials to prosecute any person—whether it be their best friend or only an acquaintance—against whom there is direct evidence of complicity in crime.

After investigating the evidence at hand and considering the affidavits obtained by the investigation of the city officials prior to the issuance of the warrant of arrest, as well as those obtained since that time, we have formed the unanimous conclusion that James L. King, the City Recorder, was not in any manner whatsoever connected with any scheme of extortion and that he was entirely ignorant of any effort being made either to extort money or obtain dismissals in any cases pending before his court, and it is further our unanimous conclusion from statements of several fellow citizens who were present at the trial of the cases in Judge King's court, that our City Recorder, James L. King, used every possible means within his power to bring out the true facts regarding such cases at the trial thereof by cross-examination of the witnesses and by the recalling of witnesses for further examination, in the apparent belief that there was more evidence than had been brought out, and we believe that he failed to bring out more evidence only because same was being concealed and secreted, and that as to a great part of the evidence which might have been produced at the trial of the five defendants involved, Judge King had had no knowledge at all.

We find absolutely and without contradiction that the affidavits obtained before the issuance of the warrant for Mr. King's arrest implicated him only through hearsay as a party to the extortion, while those obtained after his arrest exonerate him positively and directly and without any hearsay.

We therefore believe that the dismissal of the case against Mr. King should be obtained and we each of us most earnestly appeal to our fellow citizens that James L. King be in the mind and heart of each of you entirely exonerated from this charge and that you continue to accord to him that position of trust and confidence in our community which heretofore he has enjoyed and at all times proven himself entitled to.

Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of September, 1924.
GEORGE W. NEILL, PERRY G. BRINEY,
JAMES W. POST, GEORGE BROCKTOR,
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CARL L. HYDE, W. HAROLD KINGSLEY,
W. A. RENN, GEORGE J. PECKHAM.

The foregoing is approved in its entirety.
R. SMITH,
J. S. TORRENCE,
R. J. DEININGER,
WILLIS M. BROOKS,
Members of Board of City Trustees.

**TORRANCE
NEWSLETS**

Mrs. Bert Campbell of Torrance won the diamond ring in the recent grab bag sale held at the House of Parr Values. Several other useful presents were won by others during the sale. Everyone purchasing a bag received articles fully worth the price paid for the merchandise, according to Mr. Parr.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mason of Park Terrace were guests at the home of William Mason of Keystone.

Dr. and Mrs. O. E. Fossum of Marina avenue were weekend and holiday guests of relatives at Pasadena.

Caspar Thomas of LaVerne was a guest last week of his aunt, Mrs. William Gascoigne, of Gramercy avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Higgins and family have returned to their home in Trinidad, Colo. While in Torrance they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Art Schaller on Cabrillo avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hanson of Carson street motored to Oakland for the weekend and holiday. They were accompanied on their return to Torrance by Mr. Hanson's mother, Mrs. Minnie Hanson, who will probably make Torrance her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bashaw and daughter Hazel, of 12 Park Terrace, have returned from a vacation trip to various Southern California cities, where they visited friends from "back east."

Mrs. O. C. Bath, who has been spending the summer at Manhattan Beach, has returned to her home, 1333 Engracia avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. DeBra of Andro avenue entertained their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lindraut, and daughter Virginia, of Ocean Park, at dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Campbell of Park Terrace were guests Sunday and Monday of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Alger of Long Beach.

Mrs. Ada S. Robbins of Cota avenue is a guest at the home of her grandson, Don Lathrop, of 851 Orange street, Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bale of Carson street were Long Beach visitors Monday.

Relatives at Santa Barbara entertained Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Clark of Kern Court over the weekend and holiday.

Mrs. Nellie L. Pennington of Sonoma street spent the weekend and holiday at Big Bear.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Buck and children and Harry Ainsworth, of Andro avenue, spent Sunday and Monday at Lake Elsinore.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kelly and Mr. and Mrs. Art Finster were weekend and holiday guests at the home of Mrs. Anna Kelly of San Diego.

Miss Lois Zuver of 1003 Portola avenue spent last week with Miss Joanna Neelands at Manhattan Beach.

James Ashton of Torrance Park was a guest over the weekend and holiday of friends in Los Angeles.

Guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bowers of Sonoma street were George and John Bowers of Los Angeles.

Miss Dorothy Hastie has returned to her home at Mountain View, after a visit of several weeks with her aunt, Mrs. F. L. Parks, of Marcelina avenue.

Mrs. George Mentz and children have returned from a two months' stay at Yosemite. Mrs. Mentz is a sister of Mrs. J. C. McVey of Carson street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gascoigne and daughter Maxine, of Gramercy avenue, enjoyed a camping trip to Grant's Park over the weekend and holiday.

The young son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Stanley of Carson street is reported to be quite ill.

Mrs. Cecil Broedlove of Arlington avenue was the guest of Long Beach friends Tuesday.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Broedlove of Arlington avenue were Mr. and Mrs. William Sorenson of Hollywood.

Mrs. Phoebe Milburn and Miss Doris Wood-Milburn of Andro avenue were Los Angeles visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Parks of Marcelina avenue, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Willard and family of Lynwood, and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hastie and family of Mountain View were a congenial party during their four days at Morrow Rock, in San Luis Obispo county.

Mrs. A. W. Johnson, Mrs. John Guyan and Mrs. George D. Watson attended the institution in Los Angeles Saturday evening of Bethel No. 4, Daughters of Job. The organization, whose members are girls of Masonic families, corresponds to the De Molays.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis M. Brooks of Portola avenue and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kembel of Cota avenue returned Monday from a three days' auto trip through Inyo county.

TRUSTEES

J. W. Macdowell protested to the board against the use of the city streets for advertising. He said he understood the letters "K I G Y" painted on Torrance pavements is due to Ku Klux Klan activity and stated the belief that painting on the pavements should not be allowed.

Mrs. Anthony Zahradnik asked the board if the city engineer has ever made any investigation of comparative costs of open specifications pavement and patented pavement. She said she had read in Los Angeles papers that patented pavement costs 36 percent more than open specifications.

The board voted that a resolution be drawn, after consultation with Legion officials, endorsing National Defense Day, September 12.

Uniforms will be purchased for the sixteen volunteer firemen of Torrance. The trustees last night voted to pay half the cost of the uniforms. The firemen themselves will pay for half. Trustee J. S. Torrence complimented the firemen on their ready response to all calls and the excellent work they have done at recent fires.

Building permits in Torrance for the month of August totaled \$22,285, City Clerk A. H. Bartlett announced.

No protests being received for the assessments for the paying of Western avenue, the trustees approved the assessment rolls. Warrants will be sent out in a few days and property owners will have 20 days in which to pay the assessments. Assessments not paid within the stated period will go to bond and be paid off in ten years.

**BRITISH APPOINT
WOMAN SUBSTITUTE
TO LEAGUE MEET**



Mrs. H. M. Swanwick of London, has been appointed by the British government as substitute delegate to the League of Nations assembly meeting in Geneva.

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