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C. OF C. DIRECTORS ADOPT PROGRAM BIG FLEET DISPLAY FOR NEXT WEEK

Task Greater Than That of War-Devastated France Confronts People of Hurricane-Swept District



A task greater than that of even shell-riddled Belgium and France faces hundreds of thousands of people in Indiana, Illinois and four other states, as they bury their dead and dig what is left of their belongings out of the ruins of their homes and shops. State militiamen and volunteers from nearby communities are aiding in the mammoth task of clearing the areas for reconstruction. A cleanup squad is seen at work at Griffin, Ind.

PLANS FOR PAVING READY

Jessup Completes Specifications for Redondo Blvd. Improvement

WILL SET PROTEST DATE
Trustees Next Steps Are to Approve Plan, Pass Intention Resolution

Plans and specifications for the proposed pavement of Redondo boulevard to Madrona avenue have been completed by City Engineer Jessup. The board of trustees will receive the plans next Monday night. Specifications call for a concrete pavement. If the board approves the plans the next step will be to pass a resolution of intention to create an assessment district for the improvement. This resolution will set a date on which protests may be heard.

Building Permits

1008 Madrid avenue, garage, \$300, Crooks and Huffine, Contractors, Belts and Hadley.
1010 Madrid avenue, class D dwelling, \$1950, and garage, \$300, Crooks and Huffine, Contractors, Belts and Hadley.
1830 Martina avenue, addition to house, \$300, C. W. Boynton, Contractor, O. D. Bonham.
1428 Post avenue, class D dwelling, \$4000, and garage, \$500, C. A. Paxman, Contractor, John A. Barnes.

Baptist Church Annual Meeting Set for Tonight

Officers Will Report and Work of Year Will Be Outlined

The annual meeting of the First Baptist church will be held tonight at 7:30 at Fellowship hall. Supper will be served promptly at 6:30. There will be no charge. All are invited, whether members or not, as the church officials want every one of the congregation to know what the church has done and what it hopes to do the coming year.

There will be a musical entertainment, and reports from officers of the church.

Crosses P. E. Track on Cabrillo; Crash!

A Chevrolet coupe, struck by a Pacific Electric car yesterday on Cabrillo avenue, was badly damaged, although Sylvan Kahn, the driver, escaped injury. Mr. Kahn, owner of the car, a salesman for the Standard Engineering and Lubricating Company of Los Angeles, parked his car on the Pacific Electric right of way in front of Rappaport's department store, facing south. Returning to his car, he attempted to cross the tracks at this point to go north on Cabrillo avenue, when car No. 927, going to San Pedro at 12:20 p. m., struck the front part of the coupe, pushing the radiator and engine well back into the body of the car and entirely wrecking the entire front of the auto. Mr. Kahn says he did not see the car coming.

Mrs. M. L. Acree and daughter, Mrs. E. N. Tomkins, and Mrs. D. C. Turner will spend a week at the summer home of Mrs. Acree's daughter in Kagel canyon, leaving Torrance on Sunday.

Pastor to Talk About Torrance Police Efforts

Fred Essig Will Speak on Law Enforcement Here

"Law Enforcement in Torrance" will be the subject of a 15-minute address by Rev. Fred Essig at the Methodist church Sunday evening, the pastor announced today. Persons interested in the manner in which the law is being enforced here are invited to attend to hear the real truth on the subject.

Rebekahs Choose Two as Delegates

At the meeting of Trio Rebekah Lodge, held Wednesday evening, Mrs. E. E. Miller and Ernest W. Brumpton were appointed delegates to the State Assembly, to be held in San Francisco in May.

Oilers to Play Gardena Outfit Here on Sunday

Merchants Will Cross Bats With C. C. M. O. Ball Nine

Manager Hammond and his Gardena Merchant ball club will furnish the opposition to Eddie Copeland's Oiler outfit at the local park next Sunday afternoon, and as the Gardena bunch have the reputation of being one of the fastest clubs in the South Bay district, these clubs should furnish the fans with a red-hot exhibition. Game will be called at 2:30 sharp.

LEGION'S RECITAL TONIGHT

Miss Teal and Mr. Stewart, in Joint Appearance

ALL URGED TO ATTEND
L. V. Babcock Praises Talent and Generosity of Artists

Unusual interest is being evidenced in the joint recital to be given tonight at 8 o'clock at the high school auditorium by Miss Elsie Teal, pianist, and Mr. Emerson Stewart, baritone. Miss Teal and Mr. Stewart have donated their talents to the Bert S. Christland Post, American Legion, and the proceeds of the recital will be used to swell the post's clubhouse fund.

Members of the Legion are deeply appreciative of the generosity of the two artists and commend the good fortune of Torrance in being able to boast such artistic talent. Said Post Commander L. V. Babcock this morning: "Everyone in Torrance who possibly can should attend the recital tonight. The talent of Miss Teal and Mr. Emerson is of a degree that would attract music lovers for miles. Torrance is doubly fortunate in having two such splendid musicians as residents, especially when they are generous enough to volunteer their services in a recital for such a worthy cause as the Legion clubhouse." The recital will start at 8 o'clock. The box office will be open at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

NAVY WILL ATTRACT HOSTS

Great Ships to Be Lighted in Outline on Three Nights

GRAND REVIEW APRIL 3

Fleet Will Pass Point Firmin in Force at Noon

Thousands of persons are expected to pass through Torrance next week on their way to San Pedro to witness the electrical display of the grand fleet in the harbor and the review of Uncle Sam's naval forces on Friday, April 3. On the nights of March 30, 31 and April 1 the great ships of the fleet will be outlined with electric lights and will stage a searchlight drill. The review on April 3 will pass Point Firmin about noon. All the ships which will proceed on the trip to the Orient will pass by in the greatest display of naval force ever assembled under the Stars and Stripes. The proposed Western avenue pageant has been postponed until early in May, due to the poor condition of the road at this time.

Final Scores of Torrance Babies Set for April 3

Mothers Center at High School Auditorium Next Friday

Completed scores of all babies who have been examined at the Mothers' Educational Center in Torrance will be tabulated from final examinations to be made at the high school auditorium on April 3 from 9:15 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

Mothers who wish to have their children examined should register them at Reeve's hardware store or with Mrs. Forrest Young, 1007 Cota avenue. Dr. Maude Wilde will instruct the mothers in "Character Building" and will make mental examinations. Dr. Leonard H. Greenbaum will instruct in diet, and Dr. William Key in posture and normal development.

The Torrance branch of the Mothers' Educational Center is under the chairmanship of Mrs. Forrest Young, with the Torrance Chamber of Commerce and the Torrance Women's Club co-operating.

During 1924 the work has increased, with 610 individual examinations and instruction in the divisions of character building and conduct, nutrition, posture and growth handicaps, prenatal construction, eye and speech defects, facts. The Torrance branch center meets the first Friday of each month from 9:15 to 12:30. Dr. Maude Wilde, founder and president of the Mothers' Educational Center lectures on the problems that daily perplex mothers.

New Beauty Parlor to Open Tomorrow

Emily's Beauty Parlor will open tomorrow, informally, in new quarters in the Vanderhoe building, 2113 Craven avenue. Mrs. Emily Funderburk and Mrs. Martha Foley are the proprietresses and will welcome their patrons. Heretofore Mrs. Funderburk has been serving customers at her residence on 220th street. The new parlors in the Vanderhoe building are daintily decorated in grey ivory and every facility of a modern beauty shop has been installed, or will be very shortly.—Adv.

Observations

The Drama Unfolded in the Day's News—France and Disarmament—The Tragedy in San Francisco—Crime and Youth

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

If you are one who frequently finds it necessary to "make conversation"—and who is there that doesn't?—why not try reading the newspapers more carefully? Each day on your doorstep is thrown a printed record of the world's activities, gathered by the great press associations whose correspondents hunt out the facts in all the far-flung cities of the world. Even in those deplorably provincial organs—the Los Angeles Times and Examiner—one will find, if he reads more than the headlines, enough topics of interesting conversation to keep his tongue wagging the whole day long. The news this morning was replete with interest.

FRANCE, it is learned from a "high official authority," views President Coolidge's call for another disarmament conference with disfavor.

If the French decide to take part in the conference, theirs will be a "regretful acceptance," Paris officials declare that President Coolidge has chosen the worst possible time for calling the conference.

One may understand the French policy without agreeing that it is wise. It is natural that the French, after 1870 and 1914, insist on a large military force for their defense against aggression. So they believe that the security of their country should be guaranteed by the proposed "United States of Europe League" before there is talk of disarmament.

From the French standpoint that doesn't sound foolish. Today France has the greatest military force in the world. She believes, with apparent wisdom, that she can, with the threat of this great army, force acceptance of the protocol which will guarantee her safety, after which she will be willing to disarm.

There is drama in the French policy, the drama of a great people whose intense nationalism is rooted in centuries of a striking history. We whose borders have ever been peaceful, whose history are hundreds of miles away from potential enemies, whose history is unwritten when the history that governs the French foreign and military policies. We may believe that President Coolidge does well in seeking disarmament, but we should not forget that the French viewpoint has its own arguments.

THE drama of a nation is more important, perhaps, but not more interesting than the tragedy now being played in the San Francisco court room where a young girl is on trial for the murder of her mother. Dorothy Ellingson, said principal in California's first matricide, swoons "like cool attorneys question talemans, shrieks with hysteria in a terror-stricken tone that is remembered all through the day.

It would be interesting to know what the murdered mother who is in the Great Beyond is thinking of the trial of her daughter. Could she convey her ideas to the jury, would she ask them to forgive the wayward girl? Or would she demand an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth? It is interesting to wonder.

HAYDEN TALBOT was once a correspondent in Paris. The last time the writer saw him he was sitting at a table in the Cafe Russe, where Parisian journalists and American newspaper men gather daily after the papers have gone to press. Talbot has a sharp sense of humor. That day he was explaining things to a French writer of Le Temps in somewhat the following vein:

"When a French journalist hits the boss for a raise the boss saves him by getting him made a member of the French academy. But there isn't any French academy in the United States, so when an American newspaper man asks for more pay the boss saves him by letting him sign the stuff he writes for the paper."

Talbot is now in London, still using his observant sense of humor by writing a story for this morning's paper which sets forth that in London if you want a waffle you ask the waiter for a crossword pancake.

AMONG the outstanding features of the naval sham battle off San Clemente yesterday, as reported in this morning's paper, was the complete failure of anti-aircraft guns on the ships to hit targets towed in the air by aeroplanes. This substantiates what every military aviator and every man who watched the aviators in France well knows—what Brig. Gen. (now Col.) Mitchell told the congressional investigating committee. The only effective weapon against aeroplanes are aeroplanes.

MOST criminals are young. A survey reveals that 25 percent of the crimes in Los Angeles are committed by youths under 21, and 52 percent by persons under 29. The conclusion to be drawn by parents is this: Guide your sons safely past the age of 21 and the chances are that they will never become criminals. For the 29 survey shows that the men older than 21 and younger than 29 who are convicted of crime have been in bad company during their teens and early twenties.

Laborers head the list of criminals—which proves that most crime is committed by persons who are hard-pressed economically. That is an obvious argument in favor of education. The parent who sees to it that his son or daughter who must work for a living learns to do well some one thing is serving society as well as protecting his child against temptation.

Salesmen are second in the criminal list. That is not surprising. Everyone who sells anything for a living is classed as a salesman—peddlers, junk dealers, real estate salesmen, stock salesmen—a great host of young men who are unfitted for any particular calling and who drift naturally into the game of selling something—the army of the untrained.

WILL ROGERS wires Bill Hart that the fact that his (Will's) land is adjacent to the new site of the University of California Southern Branch won't do him much good. Will says he lived for years next to Columbia University and didn't learn a thing.

BIG TASKS FOR YEAR PLANNED

Board Adopts Policy of Doing All Work Through Committees

INDUSTRY IS CHIEF AIM

Lines of Activity Definitely Set Forth; Will Prepare Budget

Adopting a wide-scope program for 1925, approving a policy under which the members of the organization will be enlisted in the various branches of community work, and appointing committee chairman who will be directly responsible for the various phases of civic work, the new board of directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night cleared the decks for action.

Among the general policies adopted by the board for the ensuing year were the following:

1.—To work entirely through committees, the chairmen of which shall be directors of the chamber and the members of which shall be chosen by the chairmen from the general membership.

2.—To detail much of the strictly localized work which has heretofore been done by the secretary to the committees, so that the secretary, once the proposed industrial survey is completed, may devote almost all of his time to the active work of interesting industries in the advantages of Torrance as a manufacturing district.

3.—To operate strictly on the budget system.

Lines of Action
After exhaustive discussion of the various lines of activity to be taken up by the chamber, the following general phases of community activity were outlined:

1.—INDUSTRIAL: Preparation of an exhaustive industrial survey of the Torrance district; distribution of completed survey among a selected list of industries; active work in inducing factories to locate here. Chairman of industrial committee, Brian K. Welch.

2.—BUSINESS RELATIONS: Improvement of trading conditions in Torrance; extension of the Torrance trading area with an eye to developing this city as the buying center of this entire district. Chairman of business relations committee, Sam Levy.

3.—PUBLIC AFFAIRS: Civic improvements; contact with board of city trustees in all matters affecting the general welfare of the community; contact with districts outside the Torrance city limits on matters of mutual public concern. Chairman of public relations committee, W. Harold Kingsley.

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Coming Events

Items for This Department Must Be in Office by 5 p. m. on Day Preceding Publication.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27
8 p. m.—Elsie Teal-Emerson Stewart recital. High school auditorium. Benefit Legion building fund.
8 p. m.—Called meeting E. and A. M. Masonic temple.
SUNDAY, MARCH 29
Service in all churches.
MONDAY, MARCH 30
1 p. m.—Millinery class, high school.
TUESDAY, MARCH 31
7:30 p. m.—Triple City Lodge, I. O. O. F., Odd Fellows hall.
SATURDAY, APRIL 4
Women's Club dance, Moose hall.
MONDAY, APRIL 13
Knights of Columbus dinner dance. Catholic hall.