

Edison Manager Tells Rotarians About Lighting

A. W. Childs at Luncheon Traces History of Illumination

Characterizing the history of illumination as the story of human progress during the past century, A. W. Childs, manager of the new business department of Southern California Edison Company, before the Rotary Club of Torrance last Thursday outlined in a very interesting manner the development of artificial illumination from its very earliest conception down to the most modern time.

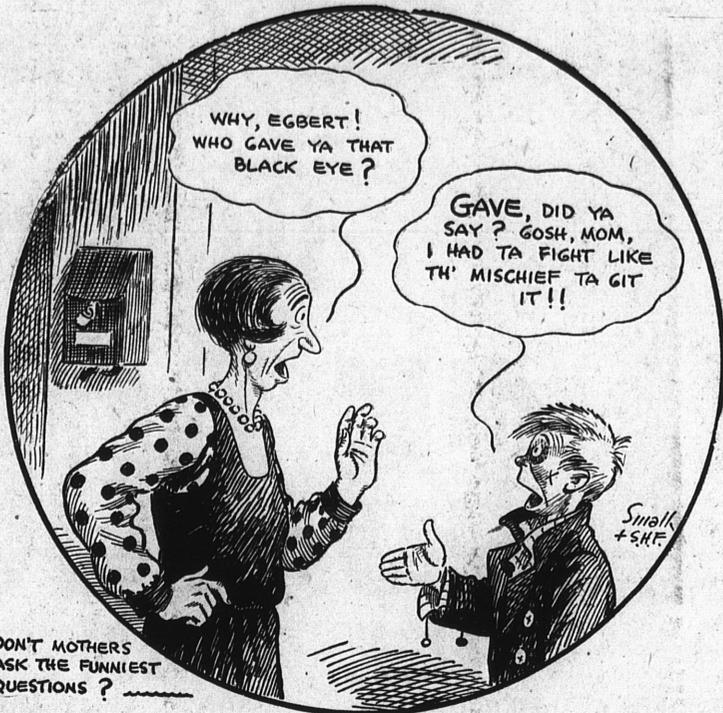
"We are far removed from the day when the open fire, the pine knot or the simple torch was the only means of dispelling darkness. During the first 18 centuries of the Christian era mankind made very little progress in this field. Oil lamps represented the acme of illuminating progress in 1800. In 1816 the use of gas as an illuminant was first tried out, and this continued to be the best form of artificial light until Thomas A. Edison proved that electricity could be converted into an illuminating factor. From 1880 to the present time the science of illumination has progressed steadily until today the incandescent lamp with which we are familiar is eight times as efficient as Thomas A. Edison's original lamp, and gives 150 times as much light."

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DON'T MOTHERS ASK THE FUNNIEST QUESTIONS?

Mrs. Tom Sidebotham of 257th street was a Los Angeles visitor Monday.

Mrs. Mamie Torrell of Los Angeles was a luncheon guest Monday of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Luck.

Mrs. Newton Ford and son Gyllin, of Venice, who were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eyster of Elgin street, returned to their home Sunday with Mr. Ford, who spent the day here.

Mrs. Tom Willacy and son James, of Beacon street, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilkinson.

Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Hess and daughters, of Poppy street were visitors in San Pedro Saturday.

Dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Steigh of Narbonne avenue were Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Perrin of Redondo Beach and George Scott.

Mrs. F. F. Ferguson of Redondo boulevard and her guest, Mrs. Mamie Brodecky, spent Monday with friends in Los Angeles.

Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Randles of Pennsylvania avenue were Mr. and Mrs. Daniels of Redondo Beach and Mrs. Taylor of Hawthorne.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Trunnell of Oak street were entertained Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Trunnell of Oak street.

Guests at the T. J. Tonkin home on Beacon street Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Al Blaize and son, of Long Beach, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Lee Johnson and family, of South Pasadena.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson and daughter Annor, of Narbonne avenue, spent Sunday in Los Angeles.

Misses Alice and Melva Johnson, Loren Halladay and John Jones attended Loew's Theatre in Los Angeles Sunday.

Club Women at Tuesday Meet Hear Address

Mrs. F. M. Letteney Speaks on Subject of Federation

"Federation" was the subject of the talk given before the Women's Club Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. F. M. Letteney, chairman of endorsement of the Los Angeles District Federation. Music was furnished during the afternoon by Mrs. Roy Currier of Azusa and Mrs. Irene Jordan of Torrance. Each sang a group of songs. Warren Sapp of Torrance gave several concert solos. Mrs. J. M. Fitzhugh was the accompanist.

During the business session a resolution was passed asking for the placing of statues of Cabrillo and John Fremont in Washington. A resolution was also read, to be acted upon next meeting, asking Congress to raise the pension of retired civil service employees from \$65 to \$100 a month. This sum would be raised by deducting 6 percent of their monthly pay instead of 2 1/2 percent, as at present.

Thank Meinzers A rising thanks was given Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Meinzer for their help at the spring dinner dance.

A number of future events were planned, among them being an attendance party at the 8:30 show Tuesday night, April 27, at the Torrance Theatre to see "Trene."

A bridge party for women and men at the clubhouse on the evening of May 6, and a dinner to be given the husbands of the club members and the men stockholders on May 20. This is to be strictly a man's affair.

The regular monthly luncheon and parliamentary drill will precede the luncheon.

In the morning the executive board met and Mrs. J. M. Fitzhugh and Mrs. C. N. Curtiss were appointed a committee to confer with W. M. Bell Jr. as to the gift of the club to the new elementary auditorium.

P.-T. A. Will Hold Citizenship Meet

The Torrance P.-T. A. will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the elementary school.

The subject for discussion will be "Citizenship." Mrs. Matthews' room, the A55 and B65, will put on a "good citizenship" program.

W. M. Bell Jr., principal of the school, will speak on "Education and Citizenship."

A piano duet will be played by Myrtle Meinzer and Rudolph Huber. Other music will be furnished by the high school.

All mothers and fathers are urged to attend the meeting.

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