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STREET VACATION PLANS CHANGED

State and County Political Pots Are Boiling Over

CONTESTS HOTTEST EVER

Young and Richardson Lead in Race for G. O. P. Governor Nomination

SHERIFF RACE IS CLOSE Traeger and Kelley Conceded to Be Leaders in Campaign

By THE OBSERVER
With the passing of Independence Day, candidates for state, national and county office at the Aug. 31 primary swung into the real business of what political observers declare to be the warmest series of campaigns since California adopted the primary system.

Interest throughout the state generally is centered on the contests for United States senator and governor. Because it is generally assumed that he who receives the Republican nomination will be elected, the primary campaign is being more warmly contested than will be the general election next November.

In the Republican ranks the campaign for governor, wisecracks assert, has settled down between Gov. Friend Richardson and Lieut. Gov. C. C. Young, with Rex Goodcell, former collector of internal revenue for Southern California, running third.

In this contest as in all others the lines are drawn between the conservative and progressive wings of the party. Richardson represents the conservative element and Young is aligned with the progressives, although either would be willing, it is safe to assert, to accept votes from either branch of the G. O. P.

Richardson is relying on the "country press" to nominate him, while Young has behind him a powerful state-wide political organization.

Both candidates are naturally making Colorado River development an issue. Young is among those who favor a high dam and the All-American canal.

Many political observers are inclined to believe that Rex Goodcell is the most able man of all the candidates for governor, but agree also in the belief that his support is not well enough organized to assure his nomination.

The campaign for United States senator is also conceded to be a three-cornered race, with Senator Shortridge, conservative, and Robert Clarke, progressive, conceded the strongest of the three, and with Congressman Walter Lineberger of Long Beach third.

Lineberger's chief support is coming from the anti-Saloon League, which has endorsed his candidacy.

'Miracle Child' in Torrance Show Friday Night, July 9th



CRAWFORD TROTTER, "MIRACLE CHILD"

"The strangest entertainment in America" has been the description of the remarkable feats of the "Miracle Child" who is coming to Torrance Friday, July 9, under the auspices of the Epworth League. This little boy, whose real name is Crawford Trotter, is only 7 years old, but since he has been 5 he has been able to baffle the most advanced psychologists by the strange things he can do. He has demonstrated before thousands of university students at one time, and again has been taken to psychological laboratories by learned professors, only to succeed in getting his results under strictly scientific test conditions.

Angelus Temple Silver Band Will Open Four Square Gospel Campaign Here Saturday Night

Under the auspices of Aimee Semple McPherson, pastor evangelist of Angelus Temple, a Four Square Gospel evangelical campaign will open Saturday night in Torrance in a tent at Cravens and Marcellina avenues.

For the opening service of the campaign, which is to extend over several weeks, the Angelus Temple Silver Band and soloists will be present.

Gladwin Nichols, director of the band and well known announcer of Radio Station KFSG, will be here for the opening services.

Miss Jennie Marie Jacobson, graduate of the Bible School at Angelus Temple, will be the pastor in charge of the Torrance campaign. She will be assisted by ten students from Angelus Temple.

Services will be held each night at 7:30. Divine healing service will be featured each Friday evening. The Four Square Gospel takes its name from its accepted significance of Jesus Christ—as The Saviour, The Baptizer, The Healer, and The Coming King.

BIG BOND PROJECT BEATEN

Lomita Votes Down \$370,000 Water Proposal on Wednesday

MARGIN IS FOUR VOTES Strong Organization Favoring Proposition Meets With Defeat

Lomita voters yesterday defeated the \$370,000 water district proposal by a vote of 316 to 312. A total of 631 votes were cast, three being thrown out.

The defeat of the proposal was accomplished against strongly organized support. The Lomita Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations actively favored the project.

A warm campaign was waged during the week preceding the election and the vote was considered exceptionally heavy for a special election.

The people voted on a proposition to form a county water district in territory now served by Lomita Water Companies Nos. 1, 2 and 4. If the proposal had carried these three companies would have stopped operation and junked their equipment.

Special Edition Will Set Forth Torrance Merit

Herald Announces Jared Sidney Torrance Birthday Anniversary Number

The advantages of residence in Torrance will be comprehensively set forth in a special "Live in Torrance" edition to be published by The Torrance Herald in August in commemoration of the birthday anniversary of Jared Sidney Torrance, founder of this city.

Mr. Torrance was born on Aug. 3. A special program commemorating his life is being arranged by the Torrance Hospital Association.

The Herald's special edition will set forth all phases of advantages of Torrance. It will in fact be a complete review of the history of the city and an illustrated outline of present social, economic, industrial, residential, educational, religious and civic conditions.

The edition will be circulated throughout Torrance, and also to men who work here but live elsewhere.

Torrance Girls at Lyceum Conference

The Misses Dorothy Darling, Kathryn Wheaton, Gwendolyn Miller, Ruth Beckwith, Ellen Woodburn, Anna May Dillard, Mildred Pannier, Mary Guyan, Marion Wright and Marjorie Ott, of Torrance, are in attendance this week at the annual conference of the Lyceum Eleri Club of the Los Angeles Bible Institute. The organization is composed of young women, and about fifty persons are in attendance at the Pacific Palisades conference, which opened June 28 and closed July 5, the opening date of the Pacific Palisades summer schools and assembly.

While at Pacific Palisades the Lyceum Eleri delegates will have opportunity to view the immense developments under way in the new seaside community which, although less than five years old, now covers an area of three and one-third square miles and has 300 new homes, more than twenty miles of street paving, and facilities in the way of lodges, cabins and dining halls that accommodate 1500 summer visitors.

Oh, look! Fence lumber, \$15 per 1000. Consolidated Lumber Co.—Adv.

Observations

The Colorado River and Lip-Service Office-Holders; Today's Trail Blazers—Short Skirts and Strong Babes—Thoughts on Freedom

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

THE Colorado River development for water and power is as important to the west as was the Panama Canal.

But any development must be predicated upon fairness and designed for the benefit of the people as against the privilege of a few.

Had interests with selfish aims been willing to forswear their greed for the sake of the vast advantages that would accrue from development of this turbulent stream, Colorado River legislation would have passed during the session of Congress just adjourned.

President Coolidge recently made a public statement favoring Colorado River development. The administration, however, cannot or could not force the legislation through Congress over the heads of the interests that are fighting out details. It appeared at one time that the legislation might pass. Odd to relate, the two congressmen from Los Angeles County were absent from Washington at the time. Congressman Fredericks was ill, so he may be excused. Congressman Lineberger was campaigning for his candidacy as United States senator.

MR. LINEBERGER now makes the Colorado River development one of his big campaign issues. Perhaps we are wrong, but we believe that if he had stayed in Washington he might have done more for the west by actively working for legislation than he has in talking about it with the voters of California.

Mr. Lineberger served in France. He ought to know what service means. But apparently he has forgotten. His absence from Washington and his presence at home, fostering his own political future, is comparable to the kind of service he would have rendered if he had deserted his command in France and gone back to Monte Carlo to see the sights.

We are not for lip-service office-holders.

CALIFORNIA spends hundreds-of-thousands of dollars a year to tell the rest of the country about the wonders of our summer climate. But the message doesn't all go home. A tourist driving from the middle-west strikes the heat of the desert. She is oppressed by the high temperature and writes to Torrance telling her mother to "take the children some place where it is cool."

Mountain ranges and desert stretches affect not only climatic conditions, but keep from half the world knowledge of how the other half lives.

RENE FONCK, the most dashing aviator in the French uniform during the war, now proposes to fly from New York to Paris without stopping. The good wishes of the American people will go with him. As a belligerent aviator he earned the right to retire. But stout hearts such as beat in his breast and those of the world's Byrds and Amundsen's never quit until they are stilled by death.

We marvel at the tales of old explorers. But no stalwart adventures of other days ever displayed more courage than these modern aviators who are charting the unknown places of the world and paving the way for safe travel from place to place by air.

Many must die before you and I and our sons can take travel by air as a matter of course. Every advance of civilization demands martyrs. But the kind of men who have always blazed the trails and who now are blazing them ask nothing but satisfaction to their flair for adventure.

They tempt death with a smile, and beating him once, chide him again. Honor to their brave souls.

THOSE who berate modern garb of girls and women are out of tune with the times. Women's styles today are more sensible than they have ever been since society demanded adequate covering for the bodies of humans.

Freedom of the body is essential in these days of trains, automobiles and traffic. Imagine a lady with a hoop-skirt trying to board the New York subway—or even sitting in the seat of a street car. Picture a woman with a bustle gracefully seating herself in a two-door coach.

Conjure up a vision of a lady with a long skirt threading her way across the intersection of Broadway and Sixth street.

THOSE who see sex lures in short skirts should know that the thoughts prompted by what the eye sees change as sights become familiar to the eye. There is nothing attractive about the bumps on a pair of knees. Human beings once crawled on all fours, scientists declare. And knees were meant to be bent. The knobs in the leg joints are like knots in the limb of an oak.

Forget the sex lures of short skirts and remember that modern dresses allow the pores of girls' skins to breathe; that freedom of the body will make for a strong type of women; that strong women have strong babies; that strong babies make a strong race.

THOUGHTS on the Fourth of July: We are celebrating independence. But independence from what? From the tyranny of a short-sighted British king, whose own enlightened subjects saw justice in the demands of the American colonists.

Of what does our boasted independence today consist? Of a bill of rights, written into our constitution by that great democrat, Thomas Jefferson.

What is the basis of that bill of rights? The guarantee that the individual shall be guaranteed under this government of the privilege of pursuing happiness according to his own lights and insofar as he does not injure society during the pursuit.

TRUSTEES AND COMPANY NEAR AN AGREEMENT

Important Action Speeded as Santa Fe Concedes Board's Demands Regarding Maple Avenue, Which Is Used Thoroughfare

REQUESTS NOW INCLUDES ONLY PAPER STREETS

City Cancels Original Proceedings as Railroad Makes Concession; New Move Will Be Made Next Monday Night

That officials of the Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company, Santa Fe Railroad subsidiary, and trustees of Torrance are approaching an agreement on the problem of street vacations in the Santa Fe's industrial district here was indicated Tuesday night when the trustees rescinded all previous action in the matter at the request of E. O. Faulkner of the C.-C. M. O. and adjourned until next Monday night to consider the matter further.

The Santa Fe requested that the proceedings be stopped so that new action meeting the demands of the trustees might be taken. The new proceedings will not ask for the vacation of any streets now in use. The cancelled proceedings called for the vacation of Maple avenue, which is now in use as a thoroughfare.

Obstacle Removed
The trustees had insisted that if Maple avenue were vacated, it should be rededicated to the city within 30 days.

With the elimination of this bone of contention from the proceedings, the vacation of the unused streets is expected to go forward as rapidly as legally possible.

Mayor John Dennis explained that the rescinding action should not be interpreted as a desire on the part of the board to halt the street vacations.

"The action is taken at the request of the company," he said, "and is necessary because of changes which the company has agreed upon for the benefit of the city."

Hold Confabs
Negotiations between city officials and Mr. Faulkner have been carried on during the past two weeks and it is asserted that an agreement concerning conditions has virtually been reached.

All members of the board believe that in accommodating the Santa Fe by vacating a few "paper" streets, the city of Torrance is speeding industrial development here.

The negotiations between the company and city officials have been largely concerned with concessions to the city.

Rentals Reveal Demand For More Dwellings

Torrance Investment Company Men Report More 5-Room Houses Needed

Rentals are brisk in Torrance, according to J. C. Smith and Harry Warren of the Torrance Investment Company.

The demand for dwellings last month was unusually brisk. A house a day during June was rented by Mr. Smith and Mr. Warren.

"Torrance needs more four-room and five-room houses for rent," said Mr. Smith.

"The hotels are mostly well filled and many families are moving here."

Postpone Garbage Contract Decision

The Board of Trustees Tuesday night postponed the awarding of the city garbage collecting contract for two weeks. The four bids were as follows:

H. E. Shrainger, Glendale, \$350 a month; G. M. King, Torrance, \$300 a month; S. J. Emsinger, Torrance, \$300 a month; R. Janolan, Huntington Beach, \$250 a month.

Mr. King now has the contract. Mr. Janolan was present at the meeting and said he would move to Torrance if he was awarded the contract.

Do You Want To Vote Aug. 31? Register!

If you have not registered since Jan. 1, 1926, you must do so before July 27, else you cannot vote at the California primaries.

If you have registered since Jan. 1, 1926, but have changed your address since registering, you must reregister before July 31.

At the primaries the people decide who will be the nominees for office to be elected at the general election in November.

Important issues are at stake in the state and nation.

Register!—Vote—Register!

Meetings of Board Soon To Be Held On Tuesday Nights

The meeting night of the Board of Trustees will be changed from Monday to Tuesday, by the terms of an ordinance introduced Tuesday night. The change will not go into effect until the ordinance is finally adopted and published—probably in August.

Curtis Company Buys Property For Plant Here

Asphalt Unit on Normandie Is Permanent Torrance District Industry

Another permanent industry for the Torrance district was assured today when the George R. Curtis Paving Company completed negotiations for the purchase of the three and one-half acre north of Normandie avenue on which the asphalt plant is now located.

The Curtis company has the contract for the paving of Carson street and has lined up enough more work in the harbor district to keep the plant operating permanently here.

About 50 men are employed at the plant and many of them are living in Torrance.