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BIG SEWER WILL BE READY JAN. 1

Record Enrollment Predicted When Schools Open Next Monday

NEW UNITS READY AT SCHOOL

Gym and New Wing Add Greatly to Facilities Under Wood MOST TEACHERS RETURN Faculties at Elementary and Upper School Almost Same as Last Year

Torrance school will open next Monday morning. Anticipating a record enrollment when the High School opens, Principal Herbert Wood will follow closely the schedule arranged last June and believes that much of the confusion usual during the first few days will be avoided. At Assembly in the auditorium at 8 o'clock, preliminary announcements will be made, and explanations of new room numbers will be given, and the balance of the day will be devoted to the regular routine. Seventh graders who inevitably get helplessly lost, will be cheered to learn that they will be taken in tow by their class teachers and speedily initiated into the mysteries of high school.

Two additions to the school since last June include a large, completely equipped gymnasium with balconies which will seat 800 spectators; a smaller gymnasium room to be used as a girls' corrective gymnasium and for nursing classes; six new class rooms; a library; a new study hall; the school commercial department; and the student body office room for use of the treasurer and other officers. The landscaping program has been partly completed by an agriculturist and gardener who have been assisted by members of the class in agriculture.

The faculty members will all return this year with the exception of Miss Phipps, sewing teacher and Guy Kingsbury, printing instructor. Mr. Kingsbury has accepted a full time position in Long Beach, and is succeeded by Herbert Andrews, Mr. Andrews, formerly an instructor at the Jefferson high school, is reporting for duty after a two years' leave of absence. Miss Helen Collier, domestic science teacher has not yet returned from an European tour, but will resume her duties here, Nov. 1. Robert Mitchell, who expressed his intention to resign, has not done so, and it is probable that he will return to Torrance as director of physical education.

The faculty members are Principal Herbert Wood; vice principal, Elizabeth Parks; Helen Tiffany, secretary; Leonard Austin, machine shop; Mabel Boynton, Spanish; Burke Brauer, electrical; William Byrke, wood shop and mechanical drawing; Ethel Burnham, English; Helen Collier, domestic science; Margery Eischen, music; Grace Granger, mathematics; Eva Jones, geography and history; Marguerite Jones, commercial; Lily Kunkel, English; Lois Lingenfelter, English and music; Cora Mabee, history and mathematics; Sewel Merrill, agriculture and science; Catherine Millard, English; Irene Mills, English and mathematics; Grace Morse, physical education; Guy Mowry, science; Bernice Summerwell, art; (Continued on Last Page)

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BILL THE BARBER SAYS
A RIDE IN A PLANE WILL BE THE CLOSEST TO HEAVEN MANY PEOPLE WILL GET

Observations

Coolidge's Tough Job in Washington—The Next Congress—Strategy of Pre-Convention Days—Will the League Slap the Monroe Doctrine?

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

CALVIN has packed his ten-gallon hat and his wild west uniform in a Massachusetts trunk and is all set to take up the most arduous duties of his public career. We do not envy him his job. Washington is literally seething with politics. The next session of Congress will be the most riotous since Senator Lodge and his embattled cohorts bogged the Treaty of Versailles. How we should love to sit in the gallery and watch the Senate tussle over the Vane and Smith controversy, the fat treasury surplus, the Mississippi relief riddle, the water-power monopoly and the engaging, all-consuming question of the identity of the next President of the United States.

There will be forty-eight Republicans and forty-seven Democrats in the Senate, with Shipstead, Farmer-Labor member sitting in the well-known driver's seat. The farm bloc's penchant for voting with neither party regularly, and the fact that in the ranks of both Republicans and Democrats there are several who seldom vote with the organization combine to furnish promise of the hottest of hot times—fanned to record high temperature by the fact that the country will elect a President in 1928.

WHILE Congressional leaders are girding themselves for the fray high eminences are crowded with willing candidates for the party Presidential nominations. The Republican contest is the most interesting. Coolidge, we are convinced, will not run. When a New Englander "does not choose" he means that he won't. Without doubt the President will shortly let it be known that he would not accept the nomination, if it were proffered. As soon as he does the race will open at full speed. Already a nation-wide organization of vast proportions and tremendous influence is ready to touch the button of a huge machinery in favor of Herbert Hoover. Already Lowden and Dawes seem to have adopted an astute strategy. Already "Willing Watson" has indicated his reluctance to turn down the nomination if "the people" should insist on his nomination. Already Nicholas Longworth has made a turn about the country engaged in the business of making speeches. In addition to these gentlemen—two of whom would make good presidents—there are forty-eight members of the United States Senate on the Republican side, whose fluttering breasts vibrate with fond if vain hopes.

THE Lowden-Dawes plan is worthy of comment. The two men are from Illinois and are great personal friends. Lowden is actively campaigning for himself. Dawes, the reports indicate, will lay low—not encouraging the use of his name on primary ballots in the farm belt, where both he and Lowden are strongest. Lowden, it may be expected, will walk into the convention with at least 200 middle-Western delegates behind him. The moment he sees that he himself cannot win the nomination he will swing his support to Dawes. It looks like nifty politics from where we sit. Meantime a campaign to win Southern delegates for Hoover has started in Texas. Hoover has become the idol of the Southern states bordering on the Mississippi river as a result of his flood relief work. If he can win most of the Southern delegates at the convention and add them to his certain Eastern and far-Western support he will be the nominee. If neither Hoover or Dawes is nominated the country probably will be confronted with the choice between such nonentities as headed the two tickets in 1920. We earnestly hope that the Republicans will not miss this opportunity to do well by the country. The two-thirds rule which governs Democratic conventions militates against selection of a strong candidate with popular appeal. If the Republicans draw a blank as well, the outlook would be horrible.

Sub-artists have long bewailed the fact that only a small percentage of America's fallen vote at national elections. But if the choice of 1928 is between two such nonentities as Harding and Cox we should be inclined not to deplore the non-exercise of suffrage but actually to recommend it.

OUR presidents may save it over as much as they like—and do—but the United States remains to the Caribbean almost what Rome was to the Mediterranean; and to all Republics on this side of the Atlantic virtually what Great Britain is to Egypt and her colonies in the East. As long as our policy regarding all nations in our own hemisphere remains rooted in the paternalism of the Monroe Doctrine, we are overlords of this half of the world and the Caribbean is our duck-pond. All of which brings us to consideration of the very interesting current session of the League of Nations Assembly at Geneva. For the first time since the League was organized an attempt is being made to extend the organization's influence into Latin-America. From secret sessions of Foreign Ministers Chamberlain of Great Britain, Briand of France and Stresemann of Germany it leaks out that the big powers hope to take advantage of America's fallen prestige in South America to favor for the great powers whose influence controls the League Council. The move might have been expected and without doubt our state department has been anticipating it for some time.

WHEN the revolt broke over Nicaragua Great Britain was ready to speed a warship to the troubled republic. We reminded her of the Monroe doctrine, told her to stay out, landed our Marines and took the situation in hand. Since America failed as arbitrator in the Tacna Arica dispute American stock has fallen low in Chile. The Sacco-Vanzetti affair—greatly misunderstood—struck a blow to our standing in Brazil and the Argentine. In the light of these facts it is no surprise to find Europe angling for favor through the league in the rich Republics to our south. Should the league undertake to settle disputes in this hemisphere, what will the United States do? Shall we notify the world that all affairs on this side of the Atlantic are ours and that Europeans must keep out—thus virtually admitting the accusation that we are aiming at empire throughout all North and South America? Or shall we stand by and allow the league to take over duties which we have always considered solely our own and which are laid down in the Monroe doctrine? I hazard the guess that the league will not carry the challenge to the point where either choice is necessary. Before the league took such a drastic step as flouting the Monroe doctrine, it is sure that representations of the strongest nature would be sped to all foreign offices from the American state department. We doubt if Europe is ready now to force the issue. At the same time the fact that the league is making a gesture toward South America is vitally significant. Some day the issue must be met. Some day the league will definitely take upon itself the task of settling an American dispute. When that day comes we must either stand by the Monroe Doctrine against all Europe and much of South America or forego our present western hemisphere policy, scrap the Monroe doctrine—and probably join the league.

THE league's leaning westward has still another significance. American opponents of our entrance into the concert of nations (Continued on Last Page)

P. E. Jolts Cabrillo Plan

TO INSIST ON TRACK CURBING

Puts Cost to Railroad Company at \$137,360 Before Paving Starts

ASKS \$62,500 FOR LAND Agrees to Abandon Redondo Boulevard Route Too if City Pays Price

D. W. Pontius, general manager of the Pacific Electric Railway Company delivered a jolt to hopes for early realization of the Cabrillo-Eschelman route to the sea through Torrance and Lomita when he notified Mayor John Dennis what compensation the traction corporation would demand if the project is to be carried out. He further declared that the company will object to the Cabrillo avenue improvement "most strenuously." In case the proceedings go forward the Pacific Electric, the letter states, will insist that "the private rights of way curbed off from adjacent highways must be preserved at all costs, if the rapid transit facilities of the future are to be protected." In case Cabrillo avenue were paved, the cost of improving track-ways, according to the company's estimates would be \$61,360; that of improving overhead trolley system \$13,500; that of reimbursing the company for 50 percent of the right of way \$62,500. The total cost, therefore the pavement was even started, is placed by the company at \$137,360.

The Pontius letter declares that the company would not object to the rounding off of the station property to provide a route from Western avenue to Cabrillo avenue, providing the company is "awarded the cost of changes, proper operating rights preserved and 50 percent of the value of the right of way commended."

The letter is somewhat ambiguous as to the Cabrillo avenue improvement, for while it states the company will object to the work it adds in another paragraph that the company "should maintain a single track private right of way curbed off." Part of the company's right of way on Cabrillo is wide enough for double tracks. It is considered possible, from the Pontius letter, that if the company were allowed to curb off a single-track right of way, the balance could be condemned and paved without objection from the company.

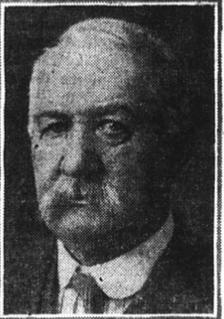
In the Pontius letter the company goes on record as willing to abandon its right of way on Redondo Boulevard from Sartori avenue westward providing the company is reimbursed to the extent of \$47,530 for track and overhead work and half the value of the right of way. This cost would include preparation of the dangerous crossing from El Prado to Post avenue for paving. Officials here assert that this proposition is by no means acceptable to the city and will not be considered for a moment. As regards the problem at this crossing it is likely that the municipality will deal directly through the railroad commission without further negotiations with the company.

As the matter stands with the receipt of the Pontius letter, the company is willing to grant the city everything asked—at a price, and the understanding that a single-track private right of way on Cabrillo be curbed off.

RELIEF SALE IS ON The Torrance Relief Association Sale is now going on at the association rooms at 1803 Cabrillo avenue, and will continue until Friday evening, September 9th. There's a splendid assortment of good used, and new articles of wearing apparel, also articles useful or ornamental, or both.

WEDDED FOR 60 YEARS

Lomita Couple Happy, Loving, Contented After Three Score Years of Wedded Life



Mr. and Mrs. John Munger, After 60 Years of Wedded Happiness

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Munger of 2955 Chestnut street have issued cards to a reception to be held Saturday, Sept. 10, in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary. Mr. Munger and Sara J. Foster were married in Dunedin, Michigan, their birthplace, and when their son Harry (now residing in Lomita) was also born. Their marriage occurred while Mr. Munger was still suffering from wounds received at Athens, Alabama during the Civil War. Left on the battle field by his comrades, who supposed him to be dead, Mr. Munger was taken pris-

Pet. Sec. Wallops Comedians In First Inter-league Series Game Between Title Holders

Petroleum Securities, champions of the Oil Field League, eased a scorcher away from Murphy's Comedians of the Union Tool Company, Playground League title holders, in the first game of the inter-league series Tuesday night. The score was 4 to 3.

It was a very warm session of baseball, with Robins of Petroleum Securities pulling a Frank Merriwell in the seventh that set the Funmakers down for the count.

Union Tool slugged a run across in the third, and Pet. Sec. tied it up in the fourth. The Comedians recovered quickly and dashed around the circuit twice more, to make the score 3 to 1. They had the lead on ice until the seventh, when Robbins cracked out a two-bagger and scored three runs in presto time.

Atwood and Hodge comprised the Union Tool battery, while Leech, Sleppy and Eddie worked for Petroleum Securities. The more games of the inter-league series are scheduled for next week, with Union Tool and Petroleum Securities in the leading roles.

Previous to their defeat by Petroleum Securities, the Comedians had rolled up an imposing record of 12 straight victories, having romped over Pacific Electric Thursday, and finally trampling on the Globe Bakery of Lomita Friday to win the Playground League championship. In the Playground (twilight) series Union Tool was never defeated. The Funmakers donned the Playground crown for the second successive year.

The Lomita Bakery boys took an 8 to 3 trimming in the championship final with Union Tool. The Comedians' victory was due in large part to the brilliant sparking work of Atwood, and Casper's sparkling work at third. Sleppy pounded out a home run with two on bases. Hodge was on the receiving end for the Comedians. Yelovich and Gerhart were the Globe Bakery battery.

P. E. Tumbles Pacific Electric fell with a crash when it stumbled against Union Tool in the finals. The score was 9 to 4. The Fun boys took quite kindly to Clark's slants, and pounded them to all corners of the lot. Atwood held the motormen down to four hits. Union Tool made all of its runs in the first four innings, after which Manager Murphy gave the easing orders, and the boys skated around for the rest of the game.

Bakers Trim Barbers The Globe Bakery ball tossers treated the Tansy Barbers to their third consecutive defeat, 8 to 7, when the two teams came together in the Playground championship series. The Doughboys started in impressive fashion, slamming four runs over in the first inning and two more in the second. The Barbers were not idle, however, and kept thickening their

GREAT ENGINEERING PROJECT IS RUSHED

Huge Main Sewer Approaches Disposal Plant Mile East of Harbor City—Purifying Unit Is Well Under Way

TORRANCE TRUNK LINE WILL BE DONE SOON

City Officials Welcome Certainty of Early Completion as Local Farm and Equipment Daily Prove More Inadequate

The inadequate sewer farm will die a natural death with the advent of 1928. Torrance will make connection with the great Metropolitan sewer system not later than Jan. 1. Work on the huge county main, the purifying plant and the Torrance trunk line is progressing rapidly. The status of improvements which must be completed before Torrance can hook the municipal system to the trunk line was as follows this week:

The disposal plant a mile east of Harbor City and just north of Weston street is well under way, with foundations in, and framework almost ready to start. The huge main sewer to serve all districts in the county will be completed by Dec. 1. The largest steam shovel ever used in Southern California is now operating a mile from the disposal plant and is being followed closely by the sewer-contracting gangs.

The Torrance trunk line, which connects with the main, will be large enough, engineers estimate, to care for the needs of this district for 50 years. The main itself is large enough to be adequate the same period. May Cut Costs Early completion of the units necessary to the disposal of sewage in Torrance and other nearby districts is welcome news to Torrance officials. The sewer farm has long been taxed to capacity, and were officials not certain that hookup with the metropolitan system would be possible by Jan. 1, an expenditure of several thousand dollars would be required to supplement old equipment and pipe in the local system.

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Torrance Fiesta Is Huge Success

The Torrance Fiesta and Automobile Show which closed last Saturday night was successful from every standpoint, according to Legionnaires in charge of the event. Record crowds thronged the midway and the exposition tent all through the week. Exhibitors in the automobile show reported many sales of cars and expressed themselves as highly pleased with the event.

The proceeds from the Fiesta will be used by the Bert S. Crossland Post to pay for the Legion clubhouse on Carson street. While the accounts have not been completely settled, Legionnaires estimate that the post netted between \$750 and \$1,000 from the event. R. J. Deiminger, commander of the post and M. J. Pix, general chairman of the Fiesta committee, issued the following statement: "On behalf of the Bert S. Crossland Post, American Legion, we wish to express our hearty appreciation to all who helped make this year's Fiesta such a successful event. The public responded generously and proved to exhibitors that the Torrance Fiesta is an event which contributes in a large measure to the progress of our city. In the crowd which attended the event were hundreds from neighboring communities, and the exhibitors were delighted to make so many new friends, both among new residents of Torrance and among persons who reside outside the Torrance limits. Again we wish to thank the exhibitors and the public for their support. The Bert S. Crossland Post is in Torrance, first, last and all the time."

Night School to Open on Monday; Curriculum Wide

Schedule of Classes Will Be Announced in Herald Next Week

Torrance Evening High School will open its most ambitious year next Monday. The session will run from 7 to 9 p. m. and the classes will be held on different evenings to meet the needs of more students. All instruction is free with the exception of book deposits in some courses and a nominal charge for gas used in welding classes. There will be a meeting of the evening school faculty at 6 p. m. on Monday, after which enrollments will be made in the various classes. Definite evenings and teacher assignments will be announced next week. The school enrolled over 2000 students last year and with new courses, new teachers, and the new splendid gymnasium building it is expected that this number will be exceeded this year. Information may be obtained by telephoning 36W during the daytime or 36J in the evening. Subjects to be offered include bookkeeping, stenography, typing, bookbinding, millinery, dressmaking, leather work and tool work, wood shop, cabinet work, auto mechanics, machine shop and welding, Spanish, English and short story writing, mathematics and public speaking, mathematics and mechanical drawing, chess club. Principal William M. B. B. is in charge of the evening classes.