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MAXWELL THROWS HAT IN RING

All Torrance Eagerly Awaits Barker Lectures Tuesday

WILL RUN ON 3 WAY TICKET

Dennis and Raymond Have Third Man on Constructive Ticket

URGES VOTERS PAUSE

Maxwell Pleads for Careful Thought; Sees Big Industrial Progress

G. A. Maxwell, employe of the Chanlor-Cantfield Midway Oil Company will be a running mate with Mayor Dennis and Councilman Charles Raymond at the April municipal election on a platform

Register Now!

Persons who have not registered may do so now at the office of the City Clerk in the City Hall. Every citizen must re-register before March 10 in order to vote at the municipal election on April 9.

of continued rigid economy in city government and continuation of constructive policies of the present administration. Mr. Maxwell was drafted into the campaign by popular demand. He has lived here ever since the construction of the C. C. M. O. camp and has been active in civic affairs of the community since the territory west of the city voted to annex to Torrance. He served one term as director of the Chamber of Commerce.

Praising Mayor Dennis

In praising a widespread demand that he be a candidate Mr. Maxwell issued the following statement: "I consider it a privilege to have my name linked before the public with those of John Dennis and Charles Raymond. These two men have served Torrance faithfully and with a fairness that is unequalled in any city where I have ever lived. I think that Torrance is fortunate in having such men on its city council. Their characters are unquestionable, their fairness unquestioned, their devotion to duty unexcelled. In addition each of them has time to devote to the difficult task of running the city. Neither of them is tied down to any business that requires his constant attention. As a result each can devote all the time necessary to the present administration probably better than any other sixth class city in Southern California.

"It strikes me that Torrance will do to continue these two men in office. It would be nothing short of ungratefulness not to give them a tremendous vote of confidence at the April election.

Advices Caution

"The people of Torrance should think long and seriously before they vote this year. This city is at the threshold of an industrial development that will center attention here from all parts of the west. In the natural course of events civic progress must come in contact at all times with municipal government. To keep the municipality abreast of other progress requires experience, constant devotion to duty on the part of city officials—requires in short men of the very type of John Dennis and Charles Raymond.

"As a citizen here and as one who has placed his hard-earned savings in Torrance property I am interested in the progress of this community. I regard Torrance as the finest little city in the west. I see a brilliant future ahead of it. I know that when the people of Torrance think seriously and carefully they will realize the tremendous necessity of continuing in office just such men as John Dennis and Charles Raymond.

"For my own part I would consider it an honor to add my part to the splendid work these men are doing for their city. When one realizes that here we have the second lowest tax rate in the Southwest, the question as to how well Torrance is governed is eloquently answered."

Mayor Dennis said today: "I am (Continued on last Page)

Tooth Infection Causes Death of Hilton M. Holmes

Popular Young Man Passes Away at Torrance Hospital

Infection in the cavity of a tooth which had been extracted by a Los Angeles dentist resulted in the death of Hilton M. Holmes at the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial Hospital Sunday night.

Holmes, an employe of the Petroleum Securities Company for the past four years and who lived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene DeBra, 1225 Engracia avenue had a tooth extracted about two weeks ago. Infection set in, but the young man did not worry about it. Sunday Mr. DeBra became aware of the man's condition and summoned a surgeon. An operation was performed in the hope of saving Holmes' life. The infection had spread, however, and the operation was of no avail.

The surgeon asked for an autopsy which revealed that death was due to pulmonary embolism (an obstruction growth carried by the blood to the entrance of the lungs). Hilton Holmes was born at Summit, Miss., in September, 1904, on a plantation where his parents still live. He was popularly known in Torrance as "Happy" and had many friends here.

Funeral services were held at the Stone and Myers chapel Wednesday morning. Rev. B. H. Lindgenfelder, a personal friend, officiated. The body was shipped to Macomb, Miss.

Miss Mary Taber Luncheon Hostess

Miss Mary Taber was given a luncheon at the telephone office Tuesday in honor of her approaching marriage to Edgar Lawrence Jorgenson of Los Angeles.

Guests at the affair, who presented Miss Taber with an electric iron, were Miss Ruth Greenwood, Miss Francis Fenner, Mrs. Thelma Siler, Mrs. Eva Kelly, Mrs. Myrtle Chamberlain and Miss Taber's mother and sister, Mrs. C. R. Taber and Mrs. Frank Sharock.

Miss Taber is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Taber, and has been employed at the telephone exchange for some time. Mr. Jorgenson is a sales manager with offices in Long Beach.

The wedding will take place some time Saturday and the young couple will make their home in Long Beach.

It's a Secret

"Make this a mystery. Don't tell a soul what it's all about. Sort of keep the public guessing."

Thus did a sweet voice cajole a Herald reporter into casting all of his newspaper traditions into the ash can and win him over to the plot.

A dark mystery was hatched at a meeting of a committee of the Women's club, it seems. Scheming committeewomen planned it, won allies among a few of the men and are now busy with the development of mysterious activities which will not be thoroughly understood until Friday night, March 16 at the High School Auditorium.

Of all the places to let out a secret!

But what it will be called—we mean the name of it, of course—is directing it, or what it is all about, deponent sayeth not.

Wherefore it seems that the only way one may satisfy his curiosity as to the whole affair will be to buy a ticket—and another for his curious spouse—and go to see the performance.

The chief has promised to follow up several clues which have been unearthed and expects a few shreds of information may be entered on the police blotter and subsequently in these columns next week and each week thereafter until the whole affair is brought to a climax the day before the anniversary of St. Patrick.

Pioneer Glass Worker Expires

Sylvain F. Dumont, one of the pioneer glass workers of Torrance, died Sunday, Feb. 19, at his home at 2731 Arlington avenue.

Born in Belgium in August 1870, Mr. Dumont came to America in 1901. He plied his trade in Indiana, Kansas, Texas and Florida, coming to Torrance in 1916, when the glass factory here first started its fires.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Camille Dumont, a daughter, Mrs. Roney Lee of Los Angeles; two sons, Albert and Edgar Dumont of Torrance; and two sisters and two brothers in Belgium.

Rev. G. G. Schmid conducted funeral services Tuesday afternoon at Stone & Myers chapel. Interment was made in Roosevelt Memorial Park.

LOCAL BOY IN PYLE DERBY

Joe Madore Hopes to Win L. A.-N. Y. Marathon and \$25,000

HE TROTS 65 MILES A DAY

Brother of Mrs. J. V. Murray and Pals Jaunt Around Here

In the lithe body, stout heart and strong lungs of Joseph Madore, former employe of the Columbia Steel Corporation, Torrance is well represented in the "bunion derby" from Los Angeles to New York which will get under way March 4 under the benign auspices of Mr. C. C. Pyle, alias Cash and Carry, alias Cross Country.

Mr. Madore is a runner of no mean reputation and has records of which any long distance trotter would be proud. Joe is a brother of Mrs. J. V. Murray, 1912 Andros avenue and has lived at her home for the past four years. He is champion marathoner of British Columbia.

Joe served in the army, but during the war did not do much running, except in the general direction of Germany. When he first heard of the Pyle coast to coast race he started to train, and since that day has been jogging his many miles per diem all the time.

Joe has trained on weekends out of Torrance. With him in several gallops around this district have been Dick LaSage, representing La Press of Montreal and the University of Montreal. A fast friendship has grown up between Joe, who has a bit of Erin in his speech and Dick whose English is tinged with a charming touch of France.

Another of Joe's pals in the race is Fred Gavvin of Dover, N. H. About two weeks ago Joe and Fred did a run over the Palos Verdes hills to San Pedro. They maintained a pace between five and eight miles an hour up grade.

All three of the boys have qualified for the cross continent grind (Continued on last page)

Observations

Buron Fitts for United States Senator—Shall They Bury Him in Los Angeles?—The Career of Hiram

—Mr. Hughes Does Himself Proud

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

STATE politics, as they pertain to the Federal Government, are seething.

The big question in California today is who shall run against Senator Hiram Johnson. A tremendous sentiment against Johnson exists in the state. The problem is how to crystallize it on behalf of some candidate.

Naturally there are plenty of willing aspirants in all sections of the state. But none of them seems to us to possess the qualifications inherent in Lieut. Gov. Buron Fitts.

Young, honest, intelligent, experienced in politics, vigorous in his views, Mr. Fitts would be a sterling representative of his state in the upper branch of congress.

WHEN Fitts led the Republican ticket in his race for the lieutenant governorship he surprised political leaders all over California. He not only defeated Frank Merriam, a strong candidate, but he ran far ahead of any other man on the ballot.

Fitts probably has more personal friends than any other single man in California. He is respected—even loved—by thousands in every nook and corner of this great commonwealth. He is probably the only man in California who can beat Hiram Johnson for United States senator. We hope that he will be a candidate—that the Johnson forces will not tempt him out of the campaign by offers of support for other high offices later on.

ONE move which has gained some headway is to induce Fitts to become a candidate for district attorney of Los Angeles county. We trust that the lieutenant governor sees through this trick. The district attorneyship in Los Angeles is a political graveyard. If Mr. Fitts wishes to end his political career, the quickest way to do it would be to accept the office which Asa Keyes now holds.

Fitts is too courageous, too honest to satisfy many professional politicians. They would like to see his career in California put to death. So they urge him to eschew the race for senator and to take the district attorneyship so that later he may become governor or senator "after he gets a little older."

This sort of talk is pure bunk. Buron Fitts is not too young to go to the senate. Let us hope he will decide to answer the statewide call for his services and cast his hat into the ring against Hiram.

THE career of Hiram has been a strange one. He rode to prominence at first on a self-made wave of opposition to the Southern Pacific. But after serving for some time as governor he seemed to forget his pet peeve. As governor, however, he built himself a strong political machine and rode on it to the senate where he has since been blathering and trothing at the mouth for years.

Just now he seeks to stand forth as the champion of the "peepul" in the Boulder dam problem. Lined up with the Hearst papers he is clouding the issue in Washington. Johnson's Boulder dam contention is based on the belief that power generated at the dam should be sold by the government. If you believe in government ownership of what should be private enterprise then you should support Hiram. On the other hand if you are convinced that privately owned utilities under government regulation are more efficient you certainly should line up against the loud-mouthed senator.

PLAIN talk, thrown out straight from the shoulder saved the day at Havana. The Pan-American conference was about to crash on the rocks of dissension. Latin-Americans were lined up almost unanimously for a resolution declaring against intervention by one country in the internal affairs of another. Had the resolution passed it would have been a direct slap against the United States.

Charles Evans Hughes took the floor. He spoke eloquently, plainly, ably. He told the conference that intervening in Central America the United States was not seeking to frustrate independence but to assist it. He pointed out that the United States never has and never will intervene in any country until the government of that country fails to function—until American interests and citizens are endangered by the chaos of revolution. The gallery rang with applause when he concluded. The resolution was withdrawn. The day was saved.

THE Hughes speech was a climax to a new policy of the State Department in Central America. In the past we have intervened, quelled revolts, operated with a high hand without explanation of our purposes or reasons.

With the appointment of Dwight Morrow as ambassador to Mexico our policy seemed to change. Lindbergh was sent on his good will tour. President Coolidge went to Cuba to evidence the good will tour. President Coolidge went to Cuba to evidence the importance of the Pan-American conference in the eyes of official Washington. At the conference many of our past actions were flatly explained by the statement of all Republics in this hemisphere is essential to the integrity of all Republics in this hemisphere. For the first time we officially went on record to preserve the safety of the canal. Before we sought to gloss over this fact. Now that we have come out with it honestly and frankly the fact of the suspicion with which Central Americans regarded the United States has disappeared. They begin to see that our motives coincide with theirs, that we are not seeking to establish an American empire on the isthmus.

THE Hughes speech adds a nice touch to our new policy of frankness. On the basis of our new policy no Americans need blush at their country's activities in Nicaragua, Haiti or San Domingo. For years the situation has been troublesome. For years it has given thoughtful Americans pause. For years the state department has used the strong arm without the soft word. Now that the policy has changed we may look forward to the linking of all republics of this hemisphere by a bond of understanding in which the objectives, aims and destinies of one are those of all.

The state department is at last handling our Central American policy adroitly, fairly, frankly and in a manner befitting the fair-mindedness of a great people.

TO SPEAK ON FOUR TOPICS

Rotary Brings Famed Thinker and Orator to This City

APPEALS TO PARENTS

Afternoon Meeting for Women Only; Night Talk for Men Alone

All Torrance is looking forward to the lectures which will be delivered here next Tuesday by Dr. Charles E. Barker—the man who kept President Taft in good health and who during the past few years has spoken to hundreds of thousands of men and women under the banner of Rotary International.

Dr. Barker's lectures here will be free. The Rotary Club will bear the entire expense. The schedule of Dr. Barker's addresses will be as follows:

11 a. m.—Address to students of High School in High School Auditorium.

Noon—Address before Rotary Club of Torrance at Women's Clubhouse.

3:15 p. m.—Address for women only at High School Auditorium on "A Mother's Responsibility to Her Daughter."

8:00 p. m.—Address for men only at High School Auditorium on "A Father's Responsibility to His Son."

Since Dr. Barker spoke here two years ago there has been a steady demand for his return. His penetrating views on the relationships between parents and children have convinced men and women to a new sense of duty wherever he has spoken.

Mrs. Carl L. Hyde, president of the Parent-Teachers' Association announces that the P.-T. A. meeting Tuesday will adjourn early enough to be able to attend the afternoon lecture for women in a body.

Rotarians from all over the Harbor District will attend the luncheon Tuesday noon. Torrance Kiwanians have also been invited.

Lomita-Torrance Toll Rates Cut; New Service In

Direct Phone to Redondo and Hawthorne from Torrance Now

The change from a ten-cent to a five-cent toll rate between Lomita and Torrance became effective at midnight, Monday, Feb. 20, and at the same time, direct service between Torrance and Redondo, and Torrance and Hawthorne went into effect. The toll from Torrance to these towns is also five cents.

Local Men Attend Steel Conference

Carl Hyde, secretary, and Rufus Page, chairman of the industrial committee attended the conference of the steel industry at Del Monte last Thursday and Friday. They report that the Torrance Chamber of Commerce was the only organization of its kind represented, a fact which created considerable favorable comment among steel plant executives of the Pacific coast. The Torrance men made a number of valuable contacts at the meeting.

W. L. Booth, manager of the Columbia Steel Plant here and J. M. Fitzhugh, sales manager here attended the conference.

Mives Guardado and his sister escaped injury last Sunday night, when their car was almost totally wrecked in a collision at the intersection of Gramercy and Craven.

A real plan service. Consolidated Lumber Co.—Adv.

"Excess Baggage."



own in Eastland, Tex. workmen out the corners of the Eastland County Courthouse. In—so the story goes—they found a horned frog who had been aged in the stone 31 years ago. They named him Rip Van Winkle. Scientists throughout the country and the news of Rip's career in stone, without water, food or for 31 years and said "it ain't Texas!" Texans insist that a horned frog can live 100 years without torrance or oxygen.

The war was on. Hundreds of hundred soldiers were in the hospitals infected with gas gangrene. Scores died of the poisoning. Surgeons, knowing little about this new infection, were puzzled as to the best way to combat it. At Aulilly, France, were large hospitals. Working there as a nurse was Mary Davies, daughter of Sir H. Davies, former lieutenant governor of the Punjab. One Dr. Taylor had for months been experimenting with a preparation to cure gas gangrene, but he had not been able to find an uncomplicated case on which to test his remedy. Miss Davies inoculated herself with gas gangrene germs, so that the remedy might be tested. She faced death, but the remedy was found effective. By the nurse's courage and self-sacrifice thousands of lives were saved. Miss Davies is dead at Cannes, France.

Charging fraud Henry M. and Wilfred C. Leland have started suit for \$5,000,000 against Henry Ford for losses said to have been sustained by Lincoln Motor Car Company stockholders in connection with the sale of the concern to Ford in 1922.

Herbert Hoover spent Tuesday in New York, but he was busy at almost everything under the sun except politics. He went to Manhattan to receive honors as an engineer, was awarded the Saunders gold medal at the annual dinner of the American Institute of Metallurgical and Mining Engineers, approved a report of the American Child Health association, was consulted by the Educational Foundation of the Committee for the Relief of Belgium. Speaking at the dinner of engineers he said, "The mind trained to regard the human quences of actions in their human results, bids fair to be the largest of the contributions of the profession to progress."

Men who shadow juries court jail sentences—even though those responsible for the shadowing are renowned detectives or oil barons. Justice Siddons in Washington pronounced jail sentences upon Harry F. Sinclair, W. J. Burns Harry J. Day, for their part in shadowing the Fall-Sinclair oil scandal jury last fall. Sinclair was sentenced to serve six months. Burns, who was said to have had no direct connection with the shadowing received a sentence of 15 days. Day, who is an associate of Sinclair must serve four months. W. Sherman Burns was fined \$1000. Said Justice Siddons: "A disastrous thing has happened here—a breakdown in a criminal trial, a breakdown that was clearly due to the action of the respondents. It broke down because there was surveillance of the jury." The judge told Day that he had shown his "loyalty" to Sinclair as more important than his "loyalty" to the country.

Senator Reed of Missouri, aspirant for the Democratic nomination for president is touring the country in an old-fashioned stump speech campaign. At Tulsa he hurled his philippic at the tariff. Said the senator, "If the farmer could buy on the same price level upon which he must sell he would have an even chance in the race for life. But manufacturers, chiefly in the East, are determined to deny him that natural right."

At Daytona Beach, Fla., Capt. Malcolm Campbell, British ace, established a new record when he drove his Napier racer over a beach course at a speed of 206.3 miles per hour.

Russians are suffering from a severe shortage of flour, eggs, butter, soap and textiles. These commodities may be purchased only at exorbitant prices. Government stores have limited purchases in an attempt to remedy the situation.

Eddie Foy, noted clown, died in Kansas City as he hoped he would—in the trappings of an actor. He was on a vaudeville tour when heart trouble caused his death. He was 73 years old.

Gallant oratory swept the French senate. With much bowing and scrunching, with eloquent restures the body turned down a bill called (Continued on Last Page)

BILL BARBER SAYS
My life is one close shave after another

