

Lower Water Rates Offered Torrance By Moneta Co.

Tentative Offer of 33% to 50% Reduction Offered Torrance Consumers by Moneta Water Company Official

TORRANCE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INVESTIGATES Directors Appoint Citizens' Committee to Meet with Torrance Water Company to Discuss Reduction of Rates Here

Prompted by an offer from the Moneta Water Company to supply the city of Torrance with much cheaper water service, the directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce have sent a communication to the Torrance Water, Light and Power Company asking for a reduction in water rates.

At present, consumers of water in Torrance are charged 25 cents per cubic foot for the first 500 cubic feet; the rate decreasing as additional water is used during the month, with a minimum rate of six cents per foot for consumers using over 10,000 cubic feet.

State Senator Explains Ballot Propositions

Speaks Before Women's Club on 21 Initiative Measures

Senator J. W. McKinley spoke on the twenty-one measures to appear on the November ballot, before the Women's Club Wednesday afternoon. While he did not tell anyone how to vote, he told where and how the measures originated.

Couple Injured in Morning Crash

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Shaw, 22018 Western avenue, were slightly cut and bruised at 7 o'clock this morning when their car overturned at the corner of Carson street and Western avenue.

Big Oil Co. Leases Torrance Acreage

Interest in the territory in west Torrance from a standpoint of new oil development took a sudden spurt this week with the announcement that the recently re-organized and substantial Hulo Oil Company has leased 100 acres near 23 Nido and more land in west Torrance near Hawthorne road.

SHRINE CEREMONIAL

Among those who attended the Shrine ceremonial at the Shrine Temple in Los Angeles Monday evening were J. H. Pess, Dick Flaherty, G. M. Calder, Rufus Pae, Fred Teale and Charles Mueller.

Mosquito Investigation by County and Factory Officers Brings Vital Issue to Light

Originating with a movement to abate the mosquito nuisance in this district, the investigation by county authorities now discloses an urgent necessity of disposing of the refuse water from Torrance industries, as well as banning the troublesome pests which breed in the Nigger slough from the stagnant water.

In the preliminary investigation made by Dr. Eugene Bumiller, sanitary officer for Los Angeles county and George Isaacs, junior sanitary and food officer in this district, it was learned that mosquitoes infesting this area were breeding in the stagnant water of the lowlands commonly known as "Nigger slough."

Hoover-Curtis Republican Club Organized With Office in Old Bank of Italy Bldg.

At an enthusiastic gathering of prominent local republicans and citizens Monday night, the Hoover-Curtis Republican Club was organized in Torrance, and plans were formulated to deliver the Torrance vote to Herbert Hoover and Charles Curtis, presidential and vice presidential nominees and the supporting republican candidates on the national and state tickets.

Nick Harris Will Speak Here Sunday

Noted Detective Chooses for His Topic "A Mother and Her Boy"

Nick Harris, whose radio talks on "Why Crime Does Not Pay," will deliver one of his startling and fascinating talks to a Torrance audience on Sunday night in the Central Evangelical church on Marcellina at Arlington street on Friday. Mr. Harris held the members of the Kiwanis Club spellbound in his recital of his experiences as a detective.

Santa Fe Soon to Reach Tidewater; Boosts Local Line

Increased importance of the Santa Fe line through Torrance was assured yesterday with the announcement that work on construction of a line to bring the company's rails directly to tidewater will start immediately.

Change the Date of P.T.A. Meeting

The Torrance Parent-Teachers Association will hold their October meeting on Wednesday, October 24 instead of on Tuesday as usual.

Odd Fellows to Have Contest

At the last regular meeting of the Triple City Lodge No. 323 I. O. O. F. it was decided to hold a membership contest the balance of the year.

Observations

From a Wilshire Avenue Bus—Strange Kinds of Business in Los Angeles—A Vivid City—Other Towns With Personality

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

RIDING down Wilshire on top of a double-decker bus. That's the way to see a city. See folks hurry through traffic in their cars. Delivery boys on bicycles, bundles strapped fore and aft.

FLASHY sport roadster, very Hollywood disregards the signal at an intersection. The policeman blows his whistle. Flashy car stops. The officer arrives at the running board, pencil and bookie in hand. The driver is proffered an invitation to tell it to the judge.

IT'S a strange world, full of many strange ways of making a living. Here is one concern which buys your old teeth. For the life of me I can't figure out why.

OFF the bus, walking across Ferning Square. The sidewalks are going full swing again. They have plenty to discuss—Smith and Hoover, religion in politics, Boulder Dam, the tariff.

THE "feel" of Los Angeles is altogether another thing. Some say it is striving to gain personality and not quite succeeding. But it is vivid. No other word quite describes it.

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BIG GAIN SEEN IN VOTE

Registration Figures Show Great Increase Over Those of 1926

REPUBLICANS IN LEAD Population and Presidential Campaign Factors in Heavy Gain

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