

Weeks World News

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 "I'm 'tself? Nobody seems to know."
 Fred F. Harvey, chief of the famous Fred Harvey restaurants and dining-car service on the Santa Fe line, is dead.
 Back in the early '80's a young trombone player sat in the orchestra and made sour notes on his horn. The music was for a skating rink. The proprietor heard the sour notes emerging from the foot of the ecstatic young trombonist. Sour music was frequent in the rink, but when the trombonist that night asked for a raise, the owner gave him the gate. A failure as a trombonist the young man sought another trade. He drifted into printing, became a news hunter, later owner of a paper, got into politics, rose, became United States

senator, broke through a deadlock, won the nomination and became president of the United States. His name was Warren Gamaliel Harding. This is the tale told by Robert H. Davis in the New York Sun.
 Mrs. Lillian Shriner, Mrs. Jennie Moore, Mrs. Alma Kasper and Mrs. Persia Fess attended the annual installation of officers of the Harbor Chapter of O. E. S. at San Pedro Tuesday evening.

Torrance Nimrods Bag Ducks, Geese
 Charles Vonderahe, Fred Hanson and B. J. Scott spent the week-end hunting at the New River Gun club in Imperial valley. They returned with about 14 ducks and 5 geese. These were donated to the Rotary Club for the luncheon today.

Jury Disagrees in Trial Here
 Ralph Collins neither guilty or acquitted of reckless driving.
 A hung jury was the result of the trial Tuesday afternoon of J. R. Edwards, 1433 S. Western avenue, on drunk and reckless driving charges, on the complaint of Ralph Collins of Redondo Beach.
 On the witness stand in City Recorder Rippey's court Collins testified that he was driving along Hawthorne boulevard on the night of Dec. 4 at a 25 mile an hour speed, when he noticed a car parked at an angle across the road and without lights.
 He stated that he brought his car to a stop and immediately the car ahead backed around and collided with his car, causing over \$200 damage to it. He said that he jumped out of the car and ran to the car ahead, demanding to know what "the big idea" was. At this time he asserted that he smelled liquor on the breaths of the two men in the car. He said he asked Edwards, whom Collins said was at the wheel, if his partner was hurt. Collins stated that he replied, "No he's not hurt, he's sick."
 Collins then halted a passing car, and asked them to go for the police at Torrance. It was asserted that Collins tried to obtain the names and addresses of the men, but was unsuccessful. He did, however obtain the license number of the car, and it was through this that Edwards was traced and identified.
 Shortly after Collins had asked the passing car to go for the police, he said that Griffin, the other man in the car, slid under the wheel and drove the machine about 300 feet away and brought it to a stop. Then, according to the plaintiff, the defendant went running and stumbling down to the car and Griffin said to him "Get in—we're both drunk and this kid can't hold us here."
 Collins then stated that he jumped on the running board of the machine and tried to get the men to wait until the police arrived, but they sweaved the machine, making it go from one side of the road to the other, and on two wheels part of the time, trying to throw him off. He also asserted that Griffin opened the door of the car and kicked him, trying to kick him off. Finally they drove down a bumpy road, and this with the speed of the car around 45 miles per hour caused him to lose his balance and fall off the speeding car. Collins, bruised and bleeding, then made his way back to where his wrecked car was.
 When Edwards reached the witness stand, he testified that he had not driven the car all evening, and that Griffin was at the wheel at the time of the collision, which occurred at 10:45 p. m. He stated that they had stopped along the road and had their parking lights on, not entirely dark, as Collins had stated. The defendant also said that their car did not back into Collins' stopped car, but that while they were stopped there, Collins' car came down the road at about a 45 mile an hour speed and crashed into the rear end of Edwards' car.
 Details brought out by the plaintiff and defendant differed in every respect. Mrs. Yanks Barro and her husband, Mr. Barro, who were in the car that Collins stopped and asked to go for the police, testified.
 L. Beaver, proprietor of Beaver's Inn, testified that Edwards came into his place of business about 11:30 or 11:40 on the night in question and that there was no evidence that he had taken a drink of liquor.
 Julius R. Jensen represented the defendant and P. G. Briney acted as prosecutor.
 L. B. Kelsey, M. J. Fix, Mrs. C. A. Paxman, R. S. Flaherty, Cal. Alverson and D. Adamsen comprised the jury that failed to decide the issue.

Flames Destroy Walteria House
 Fire of unknown origin razed the residence of G. H. Priest in Walteria early last Friday morning.
 The Torrance Fire department was called by a neighbor at 2:05 but the house was already in embers when they arrived. According to neighbors the Priest family had not been seen at the house all day Thursday or Thursday night, and it is supposed that the family was away at the time of the fire. House and surrounding buildings were a total loss.

Water Co. Chief Assures Public
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 Torrance does not come from that water used domestically in the Torrance area here, except at times when it is necessary to clean the sump at the pumping station at Dominguez.
 The water company is planning to introduce several especially heavy doses of chlorine in the future at night and flush the mains in order to speed the process of cleaning them of organisms.
 Mr. Heck assured the public that chlorine introduced in proper quantities cannot be detected after mains are clean. Chlorine, he explained is a gas. It is secured by passing an electric current through salt water. The gas thus thrown off is subjected to heavy pressure, which turns it into a liquid. This liquid is placed in containers. It turns again to gas as soon as the pressure is released. Containers of the liquid therefore send out gas when a valve is opened. The chlorinator in use here opens container valves, releasing gas into the water and exactly measures the amount introduced.
 Both Mr. Heck and Mr. Tallon declared emphatically that Torrance water should be vastly improved after the chlorination has proceeded a little longer. The objectionable taste in the water, many consumers reported, has been greatly reduced since last week.



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Santa Is Coming to Party Tonight

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 be placed in a manger. These toys will then be given to the Torrance Relief Society for their Christmas baskets.

Midnight services will be held on Christmas eve, beginning at 11:30. Holy Communion will be celebrated at midnight.

The Four Squares Gospel Christmas program will be held at the high school auditorium Saturday night at 7:30. There will be gifts for the children and a program given by them.

At the Torrance Full Gospel there will be a special Christmas program Sunday evening with special music by the choir.

Primary children of the church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints were entertained at a Christmas party given last evening at 2171 Redondo boulevard.

A Santa Claus presented each child with a red stocking filled with candy and nuts, taken from a large Christmas tree.

The children presented a short program. Davy Jacobs and Jane Morgan, 4 and 3 years old respectively, sang "Jolly Old St. Nicholas"; Helen Smith played a piano solo, the Leithert girls sang a song, and Junior Robinson gave a recitation.

A short dramatization of the birth of Christ was enacted. The parts of the three shepherds were taken by Paul Smith, Leonard Harris and Bobbie Barkdull. Angels were represented by Helen Smith, Zona Harris, Joseph Jensen and John Robinson. Grace Hansen and Ida Robinson sang, "Silent Night."