

Compton Opens Mosquito War

City Will Seek County Funds to Rid Area of Pests

COMPTON—Compton is not hot-ter mosquitoes. Before they have a chance to get started this summer the members of the mosquito abatement committee with members from Long Beach and Compton, plan a vigorous campaign to eliminate the pest.

With that end in view, J. A. McDonald, who is president of the organization, and Ernest Spurlock, secretary, have appeared before the board of supervisors and asked that an assessment, previously authorized, be placed on the rolls. This will make \$12,500 available to fight the pests.

The membership of the committee is composed of one representative from Compton and one from Long Beach and three representing the county at large.

Want Water Shut Off

Appearing before the City Council Tuesday evening Mr. McDonald asked that the city council take some action to prevent water from the Sanborn Fire Company plant from flowing through the open East Side ditch.

The city engineer was instructed to see if it were possible to divert the flow into the Pearl street sewer.

By drying up this ditch and by cleaning out the Compton Creek thoroughly and by forcing the drainage or by oil spraying of drainage pools in the farm near Olive street, it is hoped to control the source of breeding.

SNAGS BIG SALMON

REDONDO BEACH—A very rare and unusual event transpired on the fishing barge "Emigh" when J. B. Cannon, of Los Angeles, snagged a 17 1/2 pound steelhead salmon. Very few salmon are hooked in these waters, in fact only two or three were caught during last year. However, there has been a run on them this past week, six having been netted by the tempting live bait used on the "Emigh," which is anchored off the shores of Redondo Beach.

Graveyard Lights Bring Riot Call

COMPTON—What is believed to have been an attempted grave robbery or despoliation—or going to other extreme—an initiation of some college fraternity, was halted at 1 o'clock in the morning at the Compton Cemetery by Constables Allen and Lysle.

Armed with sawed off shot guns and rifles, the deputies answered an alarm turned in by employees of the Union Oil company, who raced in to the Las Campanas Hospital from the cemetery, to report the presence of three automobiles and several persons apparently digging on one of the graves.

The officers hotted out to the cemetery at 40 miles an hour and were joined by an auto full of Union Oil employees who had turned in the alarm.

The officers were not able to find the machines or their occupants who had evidently heard the approach of the cars and fled.

Fresh wheel tracks and freshly dug earth, spilt along the road, gave evidence that whatever they were doing, had been hastily abandoned.

A search of the darkened graveyard, with tombstones flashing out in the light of the electric torches, and with searchers ready for any eventuality, must have given either grave robbers or student frat initiate an extra thrill.

Lawndale Well Shoots Oil High in Air at Test

LAWNDALE—Lawndale gave a display of fireworks to a large crowd last week when the Petroleum Securities Brown No. 2 well on Ingewood avenue at Market street, shot oil into the sky, and spattered "black gold" all over the territory.

The well was swabbing in the effort to get it on production regularly, after it had started to flow of its own accord before the tubing had been set.

It is rumored in the field that the Superior Oil Company will take up operations at its Ritter No. 1 and Security No. 1 wells, as a result of the showings of the Brown No. 2. This report has not been confirmed.

The Ethyl Oil company's well at Shoup and Shirley streets was putting in perforated casing, and preparing to put in the oil string today, according to reports. The Smith No. 4 well on Rosecrans was also putting in perforated casing today.

Permits, granted by the state mining bureau last week for the Lawndale field were for the Smith Development company's No. 8 and the Standard Oil company's Freeman No. 1 near Ingewood, which is testing the supposed northwest extension of the Lawndale field.

Miss Jewel Homan Will Marry Soon

It will be of great interest to the many friends of Miss Jewel Homan, who is the school nurse at Carson street school here to learn of her engagement to Dr. Roland Glidden of Los Angeles. In view of this fact, Miss Homan was tendered a shower as a pre-nuptial courtesy at the home of Mrs. E. R. Brucker, president of the Richardson Dana Junior High School of San Pedro, at the Brucker home on Elanita drive, in Vista Del Oro on Saturday afternoon. Guests were nurses in the Los Angeles public schools. Sweet peas, pansies and other spring flowers in pastel shades were used in decorations at the home of the hostess who served a luncheon at four o'clock. A beautiful array of gifts for the bride-to-be were showered upon her.

Unique Memorial Day Services on Board Battleship, off Point Firmin, Plan of American Legion This Year

For the first time in the history of Los Angeles, Memorial Day Exercises will be held in honor of the Navy's dead aboard a battleship underway in the harbor.

These ceremonies will be conducted off Point Firmin, under the auspices of the E. E. Wood Chapter No. 2, Dewey Congressional Medal Men's Association of Sawtelle and Navy Post No. 278, American Legion, of Los Angeles.

Through the courtesy of Admiral W. V. Pratt, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Battle Fleet, and Vice Admiral L. M. Nulton, Commander Battleship Division, the U. S. S. Maryland, Captain V. A. Kimberly commanding, has been placed at the disposal of the Dewey Men and Navy Legionnaires for these ceremonies. As only about 800 can be accommodated on board attendance on the battleship will be by card only. Allotments of these cards are being made to the various patriotic organizations.

The program, as arranged to date, provides:

J. L. McGory, Commander of Navy Post No. 278, will introduce Wm. J. Sterling, Commander of the local Dewey Men, who will preside at the services.

During the firing of 21 minute guns, the ashes of a navy veteran will be strewn on the waters and floral tributes to the naval dead will be cast overboard.

Prominent city officials and their wives have been invited and transportation from the Fifth Street Landing in San Pedro to the battleship will be provided by the ship's boats.

During the exercises, which will be conducted on the quarter-deck of the Maryland, naval planes will hover overhead, and will also drop flowers.

Will Start Ford Factory Shortly

Application to Lay Cables Indicates Early Work at Big Site

LONG BEACH—Application of the Southern California Edison Company for a permit to lay two 11,000-volt cables under Cerritos Channel to the Ford factory site on the north shore is regarded as presaging an early start on the \$10,000,000 plant.

The application, filed with the War Department, asks permission to lay cable to a point 132 feet east of the Badger avenue bridge crossing, which would bring the outlet directly in front of where the assembly and power buildings would be erected according to the Ford plans.

Maj. C. E. Cross of Los Angeles, army engineer for this district was asked to relay the application to Washington after determining through advertising that no objections are forthcoming here.

According to the map filed with Major Cross the cables would be placed thirty-seven feet below water line, providing ample clearance for steamers.

According to an announcement of George A. Newell Jr. of the Tucson Steel Company, whose headquarters are at the St. Regis Apartments, Long Beach, his company has been awarded the contract for furnishing the steel windows and doors for the \$10,000,000 Ford Assembly Plant.

This information, with the additional announcement by Johnas Manville Company that they have contract for the roofing, leads to the general belief that construction will begin within a short time. This definite information of letting sub-contracts shows that activities are shaping towards the start of construction soon.

Keystone Folks at Card Party

Mrs. Barbara Berry, Roy and Donald Berry and Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Roque all attended the card party in Los Angeles on Tuesday evening which was sponsored by the Loyalty Lodge of Masons at the lodge rooms.

Donald Berry won the first door prize while Mrs. Roque won the table prize at her table.

QUARANTINE DOGS

INGLEWOOD—War has been declared on dangerous dogs in Inglewood, according to Dr. R. S. Friend, city health officer. A quarantine on all dogs inside the city limits has been declared.

This action is taken because it is the only way we are able to cope with the stray dogs, and also because of the numerous complaints coming in every day that stray dogs are molesting children," Dr. Friend said.

Danger Warning Issued at Well

Max Pray, operator of the Max Pray-Gascho No. 1 oil well at Prairie avenue and Aerick street, today issued a request that onlookers refrain from climbing onto the platform of the well. He pointed out that there is grave danger of serious injury to those who crowd about when the well is in operation.

The cores will be on exhibit where all may see them after they have been taken out," Pray said, "but it is obviously unfair to make me run the risk of a damage suit."

He cited several instances where curiosity seekers had been injured by falling tools or hurt in the machinery of oil wells.

It is reported that recently people have insisted on crowding close to the core barrel while the crew is working.

Pray declared that full information concerning the well would be given at the office next to the well, where the cores will be on exhibit.

KEYSTONE NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sampson of Amelia street had as their guests on Thursday evening at dinner, Mrs. A. L. Dotzauer and her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gosting of The Dalles, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nahmens and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Nahmens of Long Beach were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Nahmens and family of Carson street.

Lomita Woman Is Winner on Barge

Amy Sivard Leads Feminine Group in Marathon Fishing Contest

HERMOSA BEACH—With 37 hours and 5 minutes established as a mark for ambitious long-sitting fishermen to shoot at, the Fishing Endurance Contest conducted on the fishing barge "Olympic" has terminated!

Bert Cutter of Hermosa proved to be the longest sitter, and won the first prize, having sat and fished continuously for 87 hours and five minutes, quitting at 1 o'clock this morning.

Henry Rabe of South Gate won second place honors, quitting with 15 minutes before Cutter, with a mark of 86 hours and 50 minutes.

Amy Sivard of Lomita proved to be the woman entrant with the longest staying powers. She was disqualified at 12:33 o'clock this morning, in company with C. L. Anderson. They exceeded their ten minute rest period by seven minutes, and were walking around the deck apparently in a daze, and were unable to locate their correct seats.

Marie Smith fell asleep at 1:10. R. E. Robinson at 1:30 and "Granddad" Bates at 5:55 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Henry Rabe, second prize winner, also captured the prize for catching the most pounds of fish. A total of approximately 1000 pounds of fish were caught during the length of the contest, which were forwarded to the Midway Mission in Los Angeles.

Amy Sivard was awarded a delicious ham for the woman entrant lasting the longest, which was donated through the courtesy of Dinmore's Market at Redondo Beach.

Laborer Killed at Palos Verdes

REDONDO BEACH—D. A. Faulkner, a laborer who was working on the construction of a pier in front of the J. J. Haggerty home at the intersection of Paseo Del Mar and Via Aronitas, Palos Verdes, was instantly killed when he fell 35 feet to the jagged rocks below the wharf.

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