

Will Not Annex to Los Angeles Says Hawthorne

HAWTHORNE.—At a special meeting of the board of directors of the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce Friday, resolutions were passed condemning the rumored proposal for the annexation of this city to Los Angeles, and the secretary was instructed to forward a copy of the resolution to the Los Angeles city council.

Petitions for Two Councilmen Recall Filed

Documents Contain 650 Names—Incompetency Charged

HAWTHORNE.—The city council majority bloc scored one yesterday morning when petitions asking for the recall of both members of the council minority, Mayor Wm. P. Reese and Councilman Robert E. Clark were filed with the city clerk. The petition against Mr. Reese contained 657 and the one against Mr. Clark 650 names. The documents were filed by Wm. Dicks, an employee of the fire and police department. Dicks was likewise one of the circulators. The other circulators were Wm. H. Burkett, James O. Spradling and Mrs. Pearl Ramage. Two of these are also city employees, Mr. Burkett being building inspector and Mr. Spradling an employee of the water department. Mrs. Ramage is the wife of Councilman Robert Ramage.

The petitions, which are identical in wording, allege that "city affairs are mismanaged, and city business is conducted on a basis of personal animosity, prejudicial to the best interests of the city, and by reason of his action he is keeping the city in constant turmoil," and he "retards the new oil development now so vital to the city," and "is unfit and incompetent to hold office."

Approximately 600 names are required on the petitions to be sufficient to make the election mandatory. City Clerk Frazer is allowed ten days in which to check the petitions and certify as to their sufficiency. In accordance with this requirement they will be laid before the council with his certification at the next meeting on May 13.

KEYSTONE NOTES

Mrs. T. G. Cunningham of Amelia street, will entertain a group of youngsters on Friday afternoon at her home in honor of the ninth birthday anniversary of her daughter Catherine. Games will be played by the youngsters and dainty refreshments will be served by the hostess.

City Engineer Awarded \$7880 in Hawthorne

Court Says Contract with City Official Valid

HAWTHORNE.—After hearing arguments of the attorneys which lasted practically throughout the day yesterday, Judge Frank C. Collier, sitting in Department 49 of the superior court in Los Angeles rendered a decision dissolving the temporary injunction invoked by H. H. Blagbro of this city, against the city council, and awarded to former City Engineer Frank N. Huddleson judgment in the amount of \$7880.52 against the city of Hawthorne, as remuneration for the preparation of the sewer plans for the north half of the city. The amount of the judgment is three per cent of Mr. Huddleson's own estimate of the cost of the work and is the full amount for which he asked judgment. He intervened in the injunction suit as an interested party.

There was no testimony by witnesses, all facts being stipulated by attorneys for the three parties. Arguments by the attorneys were on questions of law, and the case hinged upon the validity of Resolution No. 491, passed by the Hawthorne council on January 28, 1928. In this resolution was embodied the council's agreement with Mr. Huddleson, covering the order for the preparation of the sewer plans and his remuneration therefor. Attorneys for Mr. Blagbro contended that the resolution was invalid because under its terms he was not required to do anything which his previous general contract with the city did not already require. Additional grounds for the alleged invalidity of the contract were that the terms of payment were that a raise in pay to a city official during his term of office, an act which would be unconstitutional. However, the court held that Huddleson was not a city official, but a city employee, and the terms of his contract could be changed or a new one made during his tenure of office. Resolution No. 491 was an entirely new contract, the court ruled.

Alco to Make Aero Engines in Big Plant

Compton Concern Contemplates Building \$100,000 Plant

COMPTON.—The Alco Tool company, according to announcement made this week, contemplates the erection of a new \$100,000 factory site, near, or perhaps in Compton, for the manufacture of a new and distinct type of airplane engine. This company has for more than a year been working on an eight cylinder opposed type of airplane engine, and after making an exhaustive test, they feel that they have a product that will pass the Department of Commerce at Washington, D. C. test. This engine was created and expressed to the East last week.

Plans for the plant are now being considered and when completed will be one of the most modern and up-to-date plants in southern California. Alco has just completed a plant at Houston, Texas, and have one at Ventura and have begun operations in the Kettleman Hills district north of Bakersfield.

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Mrs. Walter Phillips of Carson street was hostess at a charming card party and stork shower honoring her daughter Mrs. J. C. Berry of Hollywood on Wednesday afternoon. High honors in five hundred were won by Mrs. Harry C. Roque. Second prize went to Mrs. Fernia Piper, and low scorer was Mrs. F. W. Wineman. Following the card games a dainty refreshment course was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. S. S. Tannehill of Dolores street. A beautiful array of gifts was showered upon Mrs. Berry. Present were Mrs. Charles H. Pierce, Mrs. Roque, Mrs. Tannehill, Mrs. E. P. Howe, Mrs. Fernia Piper, Mrs. George Koehler, Mr. Thomas A. Cowan, Mrs. P. P. Billings, Mrs. E. L. Long, Mrs. H. S. Cooper and Mrs. H. B. Nidever of Keystone; Miss Nancy Miller, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Marks, Mrs. D. Lane, Miss Irene Nevins, Miss Mildred Kerr, Mrs. F. W. Wineman, Mrs. I. M. Fellows, Mrs. H. T. Hoxberry St., Mrs. Sybil Brown and Mrs. Peggy Castle of Los Angeles; Mrs. Virginia Jensen, Mrs. Margaret Kerney, and the guests of honor, Mrs. J. C. Berry, all of Hollywood.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Myers of Los Angeles were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Forrest on Amelia street on Thursday and Friday last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Orrick of Carson street were in receipt last week of the sad news of the death of Mr. Orrick's half brother, John Cotman in Merrill, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Strong of Amelia street were guests on Friday evening at the home of Mr. Strong's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Strong in Puente.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Roque and daughters Audrey and Blossom of Grace street were guests on Saturday night of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin P. Gates in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nahms, son Elwood and daughter Ruthie of Carson street attended a reunion of old time friends in Redlands on Sunday at Sylvan Park. There were fifty-six present.

A card party was held at Bobster's Hall on Main street on Saturday night as a benefit for the Woman's club. Mrs. Earl H. Strong, ways and means chairman of the club was in charge of this affair. Assisting her were Mrs. E. H. Poole, president; Mrs. Thomas A. Cowan, Mrs. Barbara Berry and Mrs. George Koehler. Prizes were won by Mrs. T. Barck and Charles LeBoeuf, first; Mrs. R. J. Whitney and Roy Berry, second and Mrs. Charles Winston and Donald Berry, consolation. The evening delightfully culminated with the serving of refreshments and was acclaimed as a social as well as financial success.

Charles H. Pierce of Dolores street as a member of the Shell Foreman's Club motored to the Illustrated Daily News plant in Los Angeles on Thursday where the members inspected the plant which was quite educational.

Keystone Troop No. 1, Boy Scouts with their troopmaster Robert Lewis were in attendance on Saturday of the dedication of the Wilmington Boy Scout headquarters at J street and Lecoureur avenue in Wilmington. Open house was kept all day and dedication ceremonies were opened at two o'clock. Ellis E. Moore, assistant field executive of the harbor district and E. B. DeGroot, Los Angeles scout executive were the leading figures in this ceremony, awarding merit badges, several members attaining the highest award in Scouting, that of Eagle Scout. Lindley Rault, son of S. C. Sault of Dolores street, was made junior assistant scoutmaster. Lindley is a member of Troop 2 of Wilmington of which his father is troopmaster. Troop 4 of Wilmington conducted a canteen during the afternoon where refreshments were sold.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Strong and family of Amelia street were guests on Sunday of Mr. Strong's mother, Mrs. L. M. Moore in Whittier.

Mrs. Charles M. Forrest, president of the Carson street Parent-Teacher association, Mrs. George Tomlin, Mrs. Barbara Berry and Mrs. E. H. Poole were delegates on Wednesday night to the association at the Tenth district, California Congress of Parents and Teachers held in the Congregational church, Los Angeles, at which time election of officers for Tenth district were held.

Mrs. George H. Sapp of Grace street has just returned from a trip to the Feather River district and Lake Madrone in the northern part of the state and was impressed with the district that she plans to make another trip soon. This district is being plotted and developed for homesteads for a summer resort, there being a great abundance of trout fishing and hunting. Mrs. Sapp was so impressed with this country that she invested in a lot there and has taken over the selling agency for this district in Southern California. It is interesting to note that there is a scarcity of trout in the streams of Southern California and Feather River district being a part of the High Sierras affords abundant trout fishing.

Interest is kept over the coming election of officers for the Carson street Parent-Teacher association which will take place on Tuesday, May 14 at two o'clock in the school auditorium. A nominating committee comprising Mrs. Blanche E. Ritter, principal; Mrs. George Tomlin, and Mrs. Earl Strong will bring in the nominations at this time. A large attendance is anticipated by the president, Mrs. Charles M. Forrest, who has a surprise in store for the members for the program of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Tait Miller of San Pedro were guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Nidever on Dolores street.

The B.Y.P.U. society of the Keystone Baptist church will attend the rally of the Harbor district B.Y.P.U. societies which will be held on Friday night at the Torrance Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sampson and family of Amelia street attended a birthday dinner party on Sunday in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mr. Sampson which was given at the home of Mrs. Sampson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Dotzauer in Long Beach. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dotzauer and daughter Virginia of Long Beach and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gosting of The Dalles, Oregon were also present.

Mrs. S. A. Wheaton of Redondo boulevard was a guest at a bridge luncheon given recently by Mrs. Charles Rantz of San Pedro.

Boy Athlete Dies Training in Garage Gym

Frouser Belt Noose Kills Hawthorne School Boy

INGLEWOOD.—Howard E. McRoberts, 15, student of the Inglewood union high school, strangled to death in the "private gymnasium" in the family garage at his home, 202 East New Hampshire avenue last week.

Young McRoberts, who was fond of all branches of athletics and especially fond of wrestling, had rigged up an apparatus by which his belt was attached to his father's work bench. It is believed that he was taking an exercise to strengthen his neck muscles for wrestling. The belt loop was tight around his neck and had caused strangulation.

The boy's body was not discovered until 9 o'clock last night, when the father, William McRoberts, went to the garage just on the chance that he might find the lad who had been missing since his return home from school.

Former Hermosa Banker Draws San Quentin Term

HERMOSA BEACH.—E. J. Young, formerly at the head of the National bank of this city, was last week sentenced to serve from three to thirty years in the state penitentiary at San Quentin, on five or several felony counts of which he had been convicted, in connection with an alleged scheme to give forged notes as collateral for loans. Sentence was pronounced by Judge Wilson of the Superior Court.

Mrs. Luella Smith, his housekeeper and asserted accomplice, who was convicted on five counts, was granted probation for a period of ten years.

The pair were charged with forgery, grand theft and conspiracy, evidence showing the alleged obtaining of \$5000 from the Marine Bank of Santa Monica by use of asserted fraudulent notes.

Hermosa Against Joining Redondo, Maybe Torrance, Too

HERMOSA BEACH.—Resolutions in opposition to a plan to consolidate the cities of Redondo, Hermosa and Manhattan were adopted at a re-organization meeting of the Hermosa chamber of commerce. Another resolution, however, which provides for a study of possibilities of the consolidation, provided Torrance becomes interested, was adopted.

The Hermosa chamber of commerce has been non-operative for more than a year until reorganization yesterday.

Former President Collamer H. Bridge was made chairman of the new board of directors and Mrs. P. P. Grizer was appointed executive secretary. Headquarters were established in the Hermosa Review building. Community advertising and opposition to the plan to consolidate all post offices of the district with the Los Angeles post office are among the objectives of the chamber.

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TOUCHING INCIDENT SEEN BY DEVOTION OF MOTHER DOG TO PUP \* REDONDO.—The undying devotion of dumb animals to their young was touchingly shown by an incident which occurred last week at the intersection of Avenue E and Catalina avenue, Redondo Beach. \* Last night a little puppy was run over and killed by a passing machine at the intersection of these streets. All night the body of the dog lay there. \* This morning the mother dog stood over it, fiercely menacing anyone who attempted to approach the still body of her offspring. \* The police department was asked to have the body removed. \* \* \* \* \* MISSOURI Every Missourian is included in the wide open call to the big annual spring picnic reunion under the auspices of the Missouri State Society of Southern California. It will be held in Bixby Park, Long Beach, all day, Saturday, May 25th, with basket dinners at noon. The program of song and oratory will follow the dinner hour and will be in charge of President S. A. Selemcan. He has arranged for county registers, hot coffee and silk souvenir badges and asks you to tell all friends.

"THAT LITTLE CAME" Inter-nat'l Cartoon Co., N.Y.—By B. Link LET'S SEE, — JIM AND HARRY DREW THREE, — BILL DREW ONE, SITTING WHERE HE IS HE WOULDN'T PASS WITH TWO PAIR, SO HE MUST HAVE DRAWN TO A FOUR-STRAIGHT OR FOUR-FLUSH, — HE HADN'T THROWN DOWN HIS HAND SO HE MUST HAVE MADE IT. — THEREFORE I'LL TAKE — UM — O.K. — C'MON, SLOW POKER! HOW MANY? I HAVEN'T GOT ALL NIGHT. — HEY! SO YOU THINK I MADE A FLUSH, HUH? WOULDN'T IT BE FUNNY IF I WAS BLUFFING? YOU'RE SLOWER THAN OUR CLOCK — IT STRIKES TWELVE A.M. AT TWELVE P.M. YOU BET IT WOULDN'T ESPECIALLY IF YOU WERE CAUGHT! IT'S YOUR FIRST SAY, DEALER, CHIRP.

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