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Torrance Water

Torrance water—ha! ha! ha!
is ceased to be a joke
And turned into a crime.
Instead of getting better
It stinks worse all the time.

When in this fluid
One takes a bath,
Instead of smelling clean and sweet
They have to be disinfected
Before going on the street.

Our coffee smells
Like it was made
From a puddle
Where ducks and geese
Are allowed to wade.

Torrance is a dandy
Place to live.
But I hear people say
The water is so filthy
It's driving them away.

What's in this so-called water
That is so awful high.
With its vile odor
Ascending to the sky?

And when it comes to collecting
They ask Johnny on the spot.
They take our good money
For the Lord knows what.

So let's all get together
And see if there is some way
This nuisance can be eliminated.
So that people who come here
Can stay.

It's a big job to tackle,
But it can be done.
Mrs. Louise W. Simmon,
1758 1/2 Martina Avenue.

Andy's Divining Wand

By Col. J. E. Forbes

I see the City's Fathers
Have decided on a well.
They are using every effort
And of course we wish them well.
They tell me Andy's gasolene
Can turn that little trick.
For Andy can find water
With his little crooked stick.

So what's the use of digging
'TH Andy finds the spot
Where water sweet is flowing
Beneath some vacant lot.
Then bring on your old well digger.
Sink the tools down straight and deep.
Just show the folks of Torrance
You have not been asleep.

But one thing sure worries me.
Where are you going to find
That little stick of hickory?
For they tell me that's the kind
You must have to find the water
Down deep below the ground?
But I have heard it has been found
And water has been found.

EIGHT YEARS AGO IN TORRANCE

As Told by the Files of This Paper

After a delay of many months,
the people of Torrance and vicinity
will again enjoy moving pictures
when on next Wednesday, Oct. 5,
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McVey who own
the Grand Theatre in San Diego,
will throw open the doors of the
new "Torrance Theatre" and in-
vite the multitudes in.

Saturday evening all the property
owners of Vista Highlands met at
the home of Chas. Stock to talk
over all property. Mr. Gilbert acted
as chairman at the meeting
which was cheerful and agreeable.

The Rock Bottom store moved
the first of the week into their new
location next to the Torrance Pharmacy.

Rev. Francis H. Zeller, who has
been located for several years at
Riverside, is settled with his family
in the Evangelical parsonage.

C. N. Curtiss, E. H. Nash and
Louis Bennett have been enjoying
surf swimming at Hermosa these
warm mornings.

RECORDER'S COURT
Hearing of September 27
George A. Kottloff paid a \$10
fine for "cutting in" in violation
of Section 122 of the California
Motor Vehicle Act.

Y. Hirabayashi paid \$5 for driving
without a chauffeur's license.

FIVE YEARS AGO IN TORRANCE

As Told by the Files of This Paper

Headlines: Trustees Vote to Pave
All Alleys in Business District.
Spartan Will Put Up More
Houses Here.

Rev. Morris and Wife Are Feted
by Church Folk.
Legion Post to Talk Clubhouse
Plans Tonight.

Theatre Opens Under New Management
Tonight.
Jamieson Test Down 4070 Feet.
Pocket of Gas Hit.

Rev. Essig New M. E. Church
Pastor.
George Peckham and family are
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adv.

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Sophie Tucker in "Honky Tonk" Comes to Torrance Theatre; Sophie's Life Fascinating

Sophie Tucker, "last of the red hot mamas," first of the cabaret shouters, shimmy shakers and con shouters, comes to the Torrance Theatre Sunday and Monday, October 6 and 7.

Vitaphone has made the trans-
lation of her special and inimitable
form of entertainment to the
screen possible, and it is Warner
Bros. Vitaphone singing and talk-
ing picture, "Honky Tonk," that
she makes her glittering entrance.

Sophie Tucker without her "hot"
songs would not be Sophie Tucker.
That is why this popular artist
waited until Vitaphone had been
perfected before acting in front of
the motion picture camera.

As a girl the vivacious Sophie
waited on tables at her parents'
hotel in Hartford, Conn., and fre-
quently entertained the patrons by
her singing. Among those who
frequented the hotel were a num-
ber of Jewish players from New
York. They encouraged her in the
idea of turning her ability to sing
into a career that would bring in
a regular weekly salary. She ran
away from home and got a job
singing in a German Village in
New York at \$15 a week. She in-
troduced the cabaret-shouting type
of song—and claims that she was
the first one to do so. At any
rate, she was successful and her
salary went up.

Then, as an entertainer in the
olio of a burlesque show, she was
a con-shouter, singing negro
"mammy" songs and crooning oth-
er Southern melodies. The loss of
her trunk, containing a negro make
up and costumes forced her to go
into whiteface. She was a big-
ger hit than ever.

Sophie was the original shimmy-
shaker in New York inducing a
gasp that extended the full length
of the Great White Way, giving its
denizens something new to talk
about. Her vigorous abandon
shook the stronghold of Comstock-
ery to its foundations.

She was one of the first to wear
the sheath gown with its split
skirt—thereby winning oceans of
publicity. For many years she has
been one of vaudeville's greatest
headliners, a bright and particular
star in the night clubs. She has
been the attraction of the famous
Kit-Kat Club of London in
Haymarket; in New York she
was hostess and principal enter-
tainer in the Sophie Tucker room
of Reisenweber's Cafe, as well as
the "Playing Owner" of Sophie
Tucker's Playground, for some time
one of the brightest spots in New
York's night life; in Chicago she
appeared at the Rendezvous.

It is the wealth of her experi-
ence in these various forms of en-
tertainment which serves as a
background of the story written for
her in "Honky Tonk" by Leslie S.
Barrows, adapted for the screen
by C. Graham Baker. She plays
the part of an entertainer in the
high-class night club known as the
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At Fox Redondo

Out of a score of beautiful
choreas cast for the lavish the-
atrical sequences of "Illusion," the
Paramount all talking production
which plays at the Fox Redondo
Friday and Saturday, October 4
and 5, it was discovered that four
of them had made their debuts as
chorus girls in the movies. The
big musical talking production
made in Hollywood, such as "The
Dance of Life" and "Why Bring
That Up," have brought about this
peculiar state of things. Nancy
Carroll does some clever dancing
and singing parts in "Illusion."

"Divorce Made Easy" is the all
talking comedy feature that shows
at the Fox Redondo Sunday only,
October 6. Douglas MacLean, who
won such honors in "The Carna-
tion Kid" reaches his heights in
this talking production. The story
is by the author of "Getting
Glorious" Garter.

The most famous hair-cut on the
screen—Colleen Moore's square
cornered bob—has given way to long
hair for her appearance in "Smil-
ing Irish Eyes," her current all
talking and singing First National
special which comes to the Fox
Redondo next Wednesday and
Thursday, October 9 and 10.

Courses in aviation are now be-
ing offered by the University of
Southern California University
College. They include "Airplane
Power Plants," "Airport Manage-
ment," "The Theory of Flight,"
" Meteorology and Air Navigation,"
and "Commercial Aviation."

Information concerning these
courses may be obtained by call-
ing at the University College, 1300
Transportation Building, Los An-
geles. The telephone number is
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Lomita Theatre Offers 5 Acts of Vaudeville Friday Evening

Five outstanding acts of profes-
sional vaudeville have been booked
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program of stage artists will be
in addition to the screen sensation,
"The Squall," augmented by the
Collegians and screen news. "The
Squall," which was famous on
Broadway as a stage play some
seasons ago, is four sensational
love stories of the South Seas
woven into one, with Nubi, the
gyppy wind of wickedness raging
through them all. The cast includes
Myrna Loy as "Nubi," Richard
Tucker, Alice Joyce, Loretta Young,
Carroll Nye and Zasu Pitts. "The
Squall" will be shown at the Lo-
mita theatre Thursday and Friday,
October 3 and 4.

The Saturday show at the Lomita
brings Bob Steel at his best in the
thrilling picture, "Laughing at
Death."

Sunday and Monday, a double
bill is given. Ramon Novarro
comes in "The Pagan," with Renee
Adoree, Donald Crisp and Dorothy
Janis. Novarro as a native South
Sea Islander reaches new romantic
heights. The picture was actually
filmed in the tropics, a year in the

making. The other feature on the
double bill is "Born to the Saddle"
with Ted Wells.

Tuesday and Wednesday, October
7 and 8, Dorothy Mackall and
Jack Mulhall share honors in their
greatest roles in "Two Weeks Off."
It is a vacation love affair you'll
remember for months.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. A. H.
Gardner, 2910 Weston street, Lo-
mita, a girl, September 21. To
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McMasters,
2415 Sognoma avenue, a boy, Sep-
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