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INDUSTRIES OF CITY STAND IN CO. SPOTLIGHT

45 Los Angeles Men Pay Visit To Columbia Steel Plant

Industrial Torrance took another bow in the manufacturing limelight Monday when 45 members of the Manufacturers' and Industrial committee of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce completed a tour of the Columbia Steel Company's plant here after a luncheon held in their honor by the industrial committee of the local chamber.

A number of short talks were made during the course of the luncheon meeting at Earl's cafe which emphasized the opportunities this city has to offer any form of industry. After the guests had been welcomed by President Harry Dolley and Mayor John Dennis, the meeting was turned over to Robert Linton, chairman of the visiting committee and vice president and general manager of the Pacific Clay Products Company. There were about 25 Torrance citizens at the luncheon.

The tour of the Columbia Steel plant, a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corporation, was conducted by L. F. Raines, an official of the corporation who made a special trip to Torrance from South San Francisco in order to meet the Los Angeles group. Other local mill executives assisted in piloting the visiting and Torrance chamber men through the great plant.

Invite Inspection
In speaking for his delegation, Mr. Linton said at the luncheon meeting that the activities of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce were not confined to Los Angeles alone but took in all outlying territory that is tributary to the Los Angeles market resources.

Inasmuch as Torrance was one of the most prominent, if not the outstanding, industrial cities in Southern California, the visit of the chamber's committee was imperative, he said. Limpton concluded by stating that the inspection trip was more of a "get-acquainted" effort and that other excursions to this city would be made in the future in order to get first-hand information for distribution throughout the nation by the Los Angeles chamber.

John Glass, manager of the Union Tool plant, which is a division of the National Supply Company, urged the visitors to make a trip through the Union Tool factory at a later date. A similar cordial invitation was given by representatives from the Doheny Stone Drill Company.

L. A. Chamber Thanked
Many of the Los Angeles committee were well known for their personal achievements in operating huge industrial plants in this county. Among those present were James H. Collins, editor of Southern California Business, a monthly magazine; Robert D. Sangster, manager of the Industrial department of the Los Angeles chamber; Franklin B. Cole and Gordon L. (Continued on Page 6)

Salvation Army Maintainance Campaign Opens

Quota for District Set at \$2000; Personnel of Committees

With a quota of \$2000 to be raised in the Torrance and Gardena district, the annual drive for the Salvation Army maintainance fund for 1930-31 opened at a dinner meeting held at the Redondo Beach fresh air camp for mothers and children last night.

It was announced by Mrs. M. Loretta McBeth, civilian representative of the Salvation Army, that Sam Levy has been appointed and has accepted the general chairmanship for this district. While the committees for the Rotary, Kiwanis, Women's club, American Legion and a general citizens' committee for Torrance are, somewhat incomplete as yet, the personnel as arranged for to date is as follows:

\$600 Already Raised
Rotary club: Harry Dolley, chairman; Sam Levy, Herbert S. Wood and Charles V. Jones. Kiwanis club: J. W. Leech, chairman; J. R. Jensen, Fred Hansen, John Holm, Frank Steinhilber and Douglas Collins. American Legion: H. M. Bailey, chairman, with the balance of the committee to be announced next week. Women's club: Mrs. S. C. Collins, chairman, with the remainder of the committee to be announced later. General Citizens' committee: Mrs. N. A. Lenke, Earl R. Brunner, F. M. Buffington, Alfred Gourdier, W. Rufus Page, Miss Edith Harshman and Mrs. J. E. Hitchcock.

To date Mrs. McBeth has raised over \$600 from employees of Torrance industrial plants, she said today. A representative group from Gardena attended the meeting last night and will join in with Torrance to raise the \$2000 quota for this district, she said. The Redondo Beach campaign was also started last night.

M. L. MAY IS HOME AFTER AUTO CRASH

Father and Son Injured in Accident Near Keystone

M. L. May, of 1533 Marcellina avenue, was released from the Seaside hospital in Long Beach yesterday following treatment for a nose fracture and shock which he had suffered in an automobile accident Sunday near Keystone.

His son, F. Owen May, 29, of the same address, who received deep face cuts in the same accident, was treated at the hospital also and was released earlier in the week.

is Pioneer Resident
The accident occurred at Main and Carson streets in Keystone when the car the Mays were riding in overturned after running into a ditch. Mr. May, Sr., was badly shaken up and suffered from shock.

As one of the original agents for the Dominguez Land Company, the elder Mr. May participated in the founding and development of this city. It is reported as making a good recovery from the effects of the accident.

Old Rig To Come Here



—Photo by courtesy Long Beach Press-Telegram.

E. L. Doheny, noted independent oil operator, orders the rig for his first well, which was located in Los Angeles, removed to his plant in Torrance as a relic of his career. Here is shown the tripod derrick, which has been in constant use for 38 years.

A veteran of 38 years continuous service will be honorably retired to Torrance early next week.

This faithful worker will be brought here to furnish inspiration to others of his kind—and to all men, for that matter—by its employer, E. L. Doheny, perhaps the wealthiest independent oil operator in the world.

The veteran is an old derrick, resembling a hog-quarterming rig, which was used by Doheny, the late Charles Canfield and the latter's son, Charles O. Canfield, in sinking the shaft which laid the foundation for the Doheny fortune.

To Be Re-erected
It will be re-erected near the Doheny Stone Drill plant in Torrance. The rig stood at Colton and Patten streets, Los Angeles, working without pause for nearly two score years.

Doheny has ordered the shallow well plugged and the ancient derrick (Continued on Page 5)

Rental Shortage Is Said Problem Confronting City

Demand Increasing As Summer Vacation Period Wanes

Because of the influx of prospective new residents in Torrance a decided shortage of homes for rent is being noted by all real estate men here, a survey showed this week.

While the problem is not considered serious as yet it may become so as the summer vacation period wanes and the increase becomes larger the latter part of next month.

T. P. Walters, of the Torrance Investment Company, declared that he has been kept very busy this week trying to locate homes for 14 families who are moving here because of work provided by the Perkins Well Cementing Company. Other real estate men interested in the rental situation stated that better unfurnished and furnished houses are increasing in demand with the furnished rentals being eagerly sought for.

BUILDING FOR WEEK TOTALS \$35,600 HERE

Wynn Tire and Rubber Company To Get New Quarters

Building permits issued by City Engineer Frank Leonard this week totaled \$35,600, it was learned today.

Construction of a \$1800 building on the corner of Marcellina and Cravens avenues for the Wynn Tire and Rubber Company, Firestone distributors, started yesterday.

This structure, which will be of brick, will extend from Cravens avenue to the alley and will be the new headquarters of the Baxter and Collins Tire Service, now located at 1613 Cravens avenue.

Besides furnishing space for complete tire sales and repair service, the building will contain a battery and service department, oil rack, and service station. It will front on Marcellina avenue.

D. and M. Expands
A permit was issued yesterday to Louise M. Hamilton for the construction of a 10-room, two-story, stucco house and garage to cost \$12,000, at 4210 Camino de Las Colinas in the Hollywood Riviera tract.

Another home will be erected in the same locality by Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Luke. They will build a nine-room, two-story, house and garage to cost \$9000 at 155 Los Miras.

The D. and M. Machine Company will build a brick building, 24 feet by 30 feet, and costing \$1000, at 2304 Artesano avenue. The structure will be known as the carpenter's building.

Or, building permit was issued this week to R. M. Haynes for the construction of a two-story stucco house and garage at 1342 Enracina avenue to cost \$5500. N. E. Eddleston is the contractor.

RETURN MONDAY
Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Baxter are expected to return from a camping trip at Fish Canyon Monday. They have been vacationing for several days there.

MORGAN MADE GENERAL SUPT. AT UNION TOOL

R. R. Smith Retires To Less Strenuous Duties As Super- visor of Employment and Welfare

After twenty-eight years in the active productive departments of the Union Tool Division of the National Supply Company of California, R. R. Smith this week turned over the responsibilities as general superintendent of the big plant to J. S. Morgan, and will devote his time to the less strenuous duties as supervisor of employment.

This new work of "Dick" Smith, as he is familiarly called by the hundreds of old-time employees at the Union Tool plant, will include employment relations, hospital supervision, welfare work, safety education, and personnel insurance, it was announced by John A. Glass, plant manager.

"I can think of no finer way of devoting the remaining days of my active life, than in helping to make life easier for those who have worked with me these many years, as well as the newer employees of (Continued on Page 3)

Annual Flower Show To Begin Sept. 18 Here

Many Prizes To Be Given In Division of Legion Event

Plans for the Third Annual Flower Show, September 19 to 20, which promises to be the biggest and finest yet held here, are rapidly nearing completion, announced Carleton B. Bell this week.

Numerous changes have been made in the entry list, with many new classifications added. To date, there are 89 classes, which include both amateur and professional, and divisions for practically every type of flower in the more common varieties. More than twenty divisions have been set aside for dahlias, and the amateur exhibitor winning the most points on dahlias will be awarded a silver loving cup donated by the First National Bank of Torrance.

To the amateur winning the most points, and having entries in two or more amateur sections will be awarded the \$75.00 bronze and sterling trophy for having the best general display by an amateur. This trophy must be won three successive times before becoming the property of the winner. The show will be held in the gymnasium of the Torrance High School.

Fire Causes \$1000 Damage To Moneta Water Co. Building

Damage amounting to about \$1000 was caused by fire at the Moneta Water Company's plant on 182nd street in the McDonald tract Tuesday morning, according to firemen at the Torrance station.

It is believed that some pipes carrying natural gas to the pumping plant became overheated and set fire to some rubbish. The blaze occurred in a building where \$6000 worth of machinery was installed. The damage was not covered by insurance, it was reported.

"I SEE BY THE HERALD—"

Reporter Discovers Startling Facts About Gathering and Printing of News

Did you ever take the time to think how much work there is spent in compiling a weekly newspaper such as the Herald and News? Or how much time it takes to hunt up the news that goes into an edition of this newspaper?

With the end in view of giving our many friends a few figures on this matter we turned the subject over to our inquiring reporter—whose story on the new styles being worn by "the Lytupes of El Prado Park" you enjoyed last week.

Here is his story: "Taking last week's issue of the Herald and News, I counted every name that appeared and found out that we had mentioned in our columns the names of 582 local people.

A Lot of Language
"I also figured out how many words it took to prepare every copy alone for the issue. Our paper is set in seven-point type. There is an average of six words to the line. Altogether we printed (Continued on Page 6)

FAIR WARNING To Water Consumers!

Beware That 50-Year Franchise. It's Time To Get Busy If You Want Better and Cheaper Water for Torrance

An Editorial By GROVER C. WHYTE

The time has arrived for concerted action on the water question. At the August 5th City Council meeting, the question of granting a 50-year franchise to the Torrance Water, Light & Power Company will come up for discussion and possible action.

Do you want to continue to pay three prices for bad smelling water for the next 50 years? Do you want Torrance to be handicapped in its development by a group of Eastern capitalists who own and control our local water supply? No, a thousand times no! But this very thing is liable to happen unless the good citizens of Torrance rise up and voice their indignation against the granting of this franchise.

Let us compare the rate paid by Torrance water consumers with that paid by other communities near by. Here are the latest water rates, per 1000 cubic feet:

Hawthorne	\$.90
Huntington Park	.90
El Segundo	.50
Moneta	.50
Fullerton	.75
El Monte	.60
Lomita	.65
TORRANCE	2.25

It seems almost incredible that any city will tolerate a private company to charge a consumer \$2.25 for the same amount of water that another consumer in a community at its very border buys for 65c. When Lomita put in its own new water system a few months ago, it established a rate of 80c per 1000 cubic feet, but after a few months it was found that the rate could be lowered to 65c. And yet the Torrance Water company continues to charge \$2.25, \$1.25 for the first 500 cubic feet, and \$1.00 for the next 500 cubic feet. Hawthorne recently lowered its water rate from \$1.00 to 90c per 1000 cubic feet.

It's so ridiculous it would be funny, were it not so serious. I have a friend who likes flowers, but who goes down to Lomita to raise them as he cannot afford to pay the water rates to raise them in Torrance.

And as if to "rub it in," the local privately owned water company gives us a product that few people find they can drink. It smells to the Heavens. Last week I let a little too much "fresh" water in my fish pond, and the next morning my 70 prized gold fish were dead. The poor things were bloated twice their normal size and floating on the top of the pool. And yet they expect us to drink this water! Of course, most of us don't. We pay another \$2.00 to \$3.00 per month for bottled drinking water, which adds another charge to our already high water bill.

How much longer is the City Council going to permit this farce to continue? How much longer is Torrance to be held up to ridicule by other cities not half its size, but who have long ago seen the wisdom of installing a municipal or publicly owned water system?

Come up to the council meeting August 5 at 7:45 p.m. and tell your official representatives to delay action on the proposed 50-year franchise to the Torrance Water, Light and Power Company until they have given you voters a chance to express your attitude on a municipally owned system of your own. Every red-blooded, public spirited, citizen in Torrance should tell the City Council in no uncertain terms that he does not intend to stand for this outrage another 50 years, or even another year. Tell them you want a vote on a municipal system as soon as possible, August or September at the latest. The water company needs no franchise to operate here. It has gotten along very nicely for the past 15 years without one, and it can get along another few months until the good people of Torrance have an opportunity of expressing their views on a municipal system. If they turn down the municipal system at the polls, then, AND NOT UNTIL THEN, should the City Council consider the proposition of granting a franchise to private interests.

Don't forget, BE THERE TUESDAY EVENING, AUGUST 5, at 7:45 P.M.

Note: If some of you good citizens want to help, you might help circulate petitions asking the City Council to call an election this summer. Petitions may be secured at the Torrance Herald office, 1336 El Prado.

Putt-Putt Golf To Invade Lomita Now

A three-year lease on the acre corner at Narbonne avenue and Wilmington-Redondo boulevard in Lomita for a miniature golf course, service station and lunch counter was negotiated this week by W. A. Teagarden, of the Torrance Development Company.

The party will motor to that city in Mr. Bartlett's car. They are going merely to "keep in touch with the water situation," the mayor explained today.

City Officials Will Attend Water Meet

Mayor John Dennis, Councilmen G. A. R. Steiner and Carleton B. Bell, City Clerk A. H. Bartlett and City Engineer Frank Leonard will attend a meeting of the Metropolitan Water District board of directors tonight at Riverside.

DR. LANGASTER IS SINGLE NEW CHAMBER MAN

Directorate of Chamber Re- mains About Same After Election

An early meeting of the new board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce is being planned this week in order that the directorate may select its officers for the ensuing year.

The result of the final election, which closed Monday at 5 p.m., sent all of the old board with the exception of Frank Steinhilber, back to serve another term. Dr. J. S. Lancaster is the only new member of the chamber directorate. According to a statement from the election judges, the winners in the balloting and their respective number of votes were: Harry H. Dolley, 150; Sam Levy, 104; Dr. J. S. Lancaster, 101; W. Rufus Page, 94; and J. W. Leech, 90.

Remaining Five who were named on the final ballot were: Judge C. T. Rippey, 88; Frank Steinhilber, 73; J. C. Smith, 64; B. C. Duxton, 57; and F. L. Parks, 41.

There were 178 ballots cast of which two were judged invalid, the judges reported.

Hold-overs on the board of directors are: Richard B. Smith, W. Harold Kinglake and James W. Post. Director Bert Lanz has resigned and the new board will have to appoint his successor immediately after the electing officers for the next term.

Crash Fatal To Japanese; Jury Charges Friend

Partner Held on \$500 Bail for Trial August 22

Charged with drunk and reckless driving at the time of the automobile crash that caused fatal injuries to J. Kurino, of Long Beach, July 19, T. Ozono, 40, R.T.D. No. 3, Long Beach, was released on \$500 bail following a coroner's inquest here Monday afternoon.

Ozono and Kurino, both Japanese, were riding in an automobile south on Western avenue just beyond the Pacific Electric viaduct when the car skidded and turned over, according to police. Kurino was pinned underneath the machine but Ozono, thrown clear of the wreck, escaped with minor cuts and bruises. The victim of the crash died three hours later at the Jared Sibley Torrance Memorial hospital.

Puts Up Total Bail
Police, who investigated the accident, reported they believed Ozono intoxicated. At the inquest, held at Stone and Myers' chapel, Ozono was represented by an attorney J. Marion Wright, of Los Angeles.

The jury is reported to have found there was insufficient evidence to hold Ozono on a manslaughter charge. Assistant Judge W. E. Bowen ordered that the Japanese be held on \$250 bail for each count of the jury's charge. Ozono deposited the bail. The case was set for August 22.

M. S. Parrell, 417 East Pico street, Los Angeles, testified on the witness stand that he happened to be passing the scene of the accident shortly after it occurred and took Kurino to the hospital.

"Check an' Double Check" Bemg Made of City Accounting

Two auditors from the Los Angeles headquarters of the A. D. Macleod Company, a nationally known accounting firm, started working on the city books Monday.

The annual inspection of the city's accounting, which will take about a week, will give the city council and citizens a detailed report as of June 30, 1930, according to Councilman Ed Nelson.

This report will be similar in scope to the one rendered the city last year, he said. The city council decided that the Macleod Company was the lowest responsible bidder on the work at an informal meeting held last week.

RETURN FROM YOSEMITE
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Schultz and daughter, Margaret, have returned from a vacation spent at Yosemite.

Stroke of Midnight Saturday Is Last Chance to Register Now

All persons who intend casting a ballot at the State Primary election on August 26, must be registered not later than midnight Saturday, according to an announcement received here today from Registrar of Voters Kerr.

Therefore it behooves all residents in this district who have not registered to RUSH—not walk—down to Carter avenue where in front of the Masonic hall entrance

Mrs. J. Forbes Anderson, deputy registrar, will accommodate them. She is on duty today, tomorrow and Saturday.

Mrs. Anderson wishes to call particular attention to the fact that those who wish to change their registration in order to vote for some favored candidate must re-register.

To be entitled to vote at the primary a person must be at least 21 years of age, a citizen of the United States, must have resided one year in the State, 90 days in the county and 30 days in one precinct and must have registered since the opening of registration on January 1, 1930. It is pointed out that other scheduled elections of interest in this district are: July 29, Redondo Beach city bond election; August 5, Downey incorporation election; Gardena incorporation election; Baldwin Park recreation park and parkway district election and Southwest garbage disposal district election; August 9, Lynwood city recall election and August 14, Hawthorne city annexation election.

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