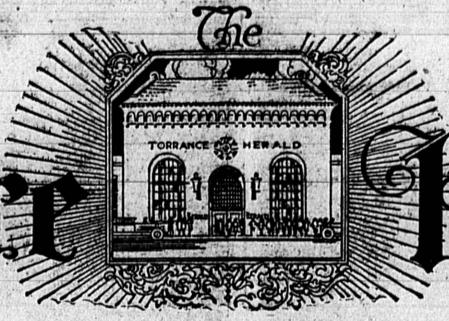


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## FUNERAL HELD TODAY HONORS PAST MAYOR

James Fitzhugh Victim of  
Automobile Accident;  
Wife Also Hurt

Impressive funeral rites were held at noon today as a last tribute to James Fitzhugh, former mayor of this city, who was killed in an automobile accident near Lone Pine late Monday night. Torrance Masons had charge of the services which were held at the Wee Kirk O' the Heather at Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Glendale. Interment followed at the park.

Mr. Fitzhugh, who was mayor here from April 17, 1922 until 1926, was killed when the automobile in which he and his family were riding struck a stretch of loose sand on the highway near Olancha, in the Bishop country, and turned over. Mrs. Gladys R. Fitzhugh was at the wheel of the car at the time of the accident.

Plans Return Party  
A tri-motored Ford monoplane was used to return the body of Mr. Fitzhugh to Los Angeles late Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Fitzhugh and her two sons, Jimmie and Quentin, and her father, Dr. Q. J. Rowley, were brought to the city in the same plane. Immediately on their arrival at Grand Central Airport in Glendale, Mrs. Fitzhugh and the two boys were rushed to a hospital for examination and treatment.

An X-ray examination showed that Mrs. Fitzhugh was not suffering from a fractured hip and a possible fracture of the pelvis as had been reported, but that she was the victim of shock and a severely wrenched back. Quentin, who was reported to have internal injuries earlier, was found to have

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## Lewellen Will Be Scoutmaster of Club's Troop

First Leader To Take Over  
Troop No. 3 Friday  
Night at Meet

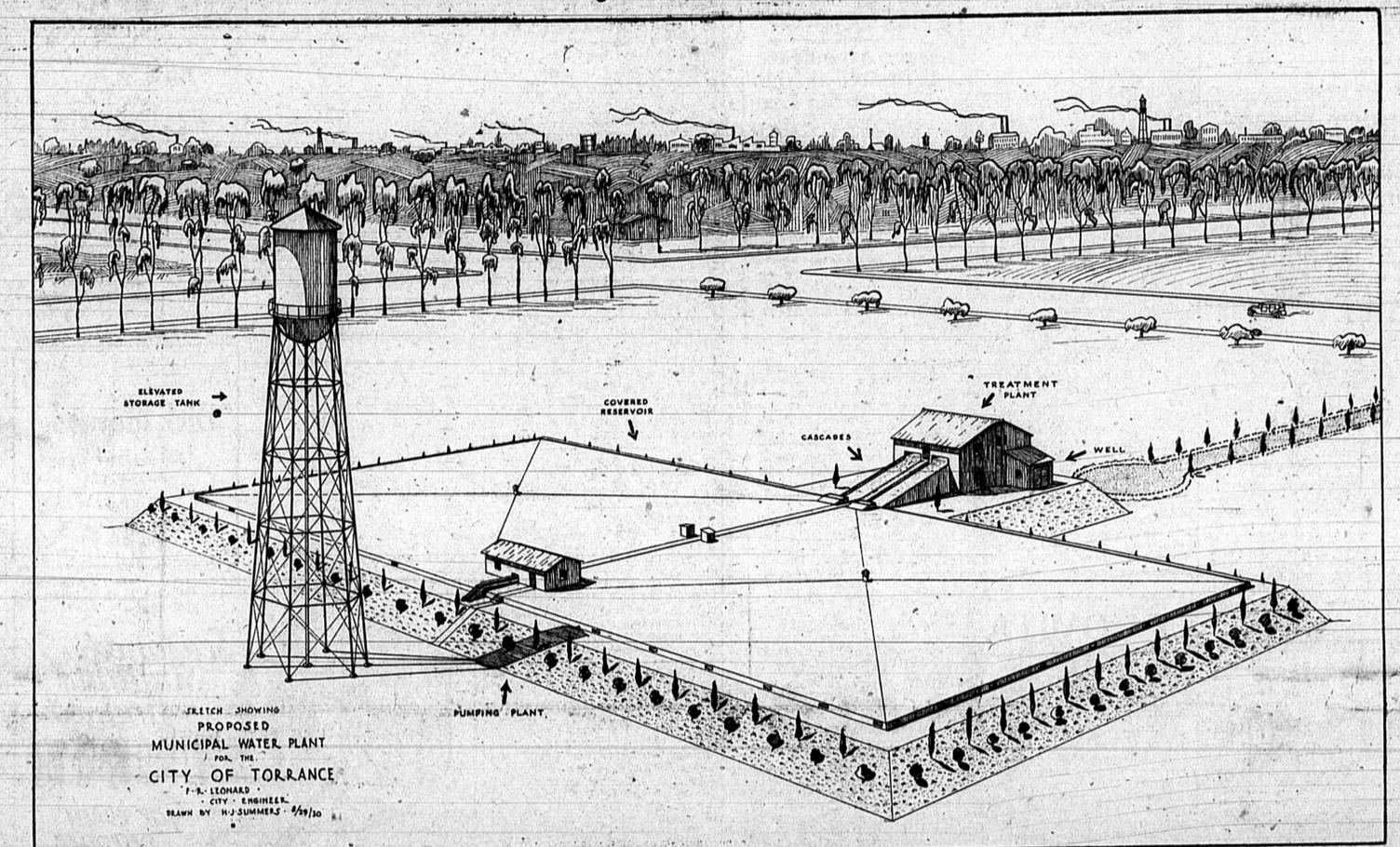
All members of the Rotary Boy Scout troop No. 3 and boys eligible to become Scouts are requested to attend a meeting at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night at the Scouts hall behind the American Legion clubhouse. At this meeting Robert Lewellen, former Scoutmaster of the troop will take over the direction of its activities.

J. W. Barnes, chairman of the Rotary Club's scout committee, said today that Mr. Lewellen, who has been interested in scout work for the past 11 years, will succeed R. E. Hogue as scoutmaster of the troop. Mr. Hogue's duties in Los Angeles conflicted with his scout work here so that he had to give up the association he had with the boys, Mr. Barnes said.

Was First Eagle Scout  
"We are very happy to replace Mr. Hogue with a man that will carry on the good work carried on by the departing leader. Mr. Lewellen is a former scoutmaster of the troop and he gave the work an impetus that was very creditable. As the first Eagle Scout in the Bay district, Mr. Lewellen knows scouting probably better than any one in this territory," the Rotary Committee chairman said. Other members of the committee in charge of the club's work for the scouts are Harvel Guttenfelder and Gene DeBra.

There are 26 boys registered in the troop at the present time. Mr. Lewellen, who is mechanical foreman at the Herald plant, today requested that all boys who are 12 years of age and are not scouts meet at the scout hall tomorrow night and join the troop.

## Pre-View of How Publicly-Owned Water System Will Look



SKETCH SHOWING  
PROPOSED  
MUNICIPAL WATER PLANT  
FOR THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE  
BY A. LEONARD  
CITY ENGINEER  
DRAWN BY H. SUMMERS 9/3/30

## Engineer's Picture of Completed Plant of Proposed Civic Project Which Comes Before Voters in Original Limits, Sept. 25

On this page is a complete picture of what Torrance will have if its people vote for a publicly-owned water producing and distributing system at the special election to be held Thursday, September 25.

The picture shows the physical properties involved—the wells producing the water, the treatment plant for its proper elevation, the huge covered and cleanable reservoir and the 250,000-gallon elevated storage tank to provide adequate pressure and reserve supply—but it does not reveal all of the many facts in favor of a publicly-owned system. These are lower rates, both for water to the consumers and for insurance rates. This latter aspect of very material savings to residents in the original city is based on the publicly-owned system that will provide continuous water at high pressure throughout any calamity which may confront the city in the future.

System Calamity-Proof  
Of especial interest in the citizens' proposal for a publicly owned and operated water system is the engineering fact that the system as planned is virtually calamity-proof. Ample water will be available at all times, 24 hours a day and 365 days in the year, fires, floods, earth shocks included.

At the present time, damage to the one lone pipe line used by the Torrance Water, Light and Power Company to serve its consumers with odorous water at high rates would render the city without water while necessary repairs were made. This is regarded by all as highly undesirable—and yet such a one-pipe line situation has existed for a number of years and continues to exist at this date.

The picture tells the story of the prospective modern water system plans as prepared by the City Engineer's office for ratification by the voters of Torrance on September 25.

Quality Regulates Treatment  
To the reader's left of the 6,000,000 gallon two-unit reservoir is the well house, pumping and treatment plant combined. Of course the picture shows but one well as the others, as many as required, will be located wherever possible. Within the treatment plant will be located automatic meters to record the flow, the amount of treatment or aeration necessary, the proper treatment process and the scientific apparatus to test

## MAXWELL IN GOODBYE TO COUNCILMEN

To Resign at Next Session;  
Named Mayor Pro Tem  
at Meeting

Because of the absence of Mayor John Dennis, who is attending the state firemen's convention at Sacramento, and because the meeting Tuesday night was probably his last official session with the council, G. A. "Jerry" Maxwell was named mayor pro tem by Councilman G. A. R. Steiner.

During the course of the meeting Councilman Maxwell made his farewell address to the council, stating that he was exceedingly sorry to leave but that he would try to keep up the friendships he had made with the city officials. Maxwell has moved to 2907 Hill street, Walnut Park, and is now assistant to the president of the C-C-M. O.

Pledge Continued Service  
"This is really a painful parting," he said. "I am sorry Mayor Dennis isn't here and also that Police Chief 'Jerry' Calder isn't present. I wanted to express my appreciation to them for the assistance they have been to me in my duties for the city.

"If at any time I can be of service to you personally or to the city, I want you to call on me. My resignations will be in next week and I guess this is my last meeting."

Councilmen Nelson, Steiner and Bell responded in warm terms of friendship and in congratulation on Maxwell's promotion. Arrangements were made for the passage of a resolution thanking Maxwell for his services to the city at the next meeting of the council.

ACTION EXPECTED  
Action by the Santa Fe Railroad company on the construction of a sidewalk on the south side of Redondo boulevard at Madrid avenue is expected in about two weeks, it was reported at council meeting Tuesday.

## No Verdict on Poetry Contest

Because all of the judges in the Herald's First Annual Poetry Contest have not submitted their selections of first, second and third places as yet, the results of the contest in which 12 contributors entered cannot be given today.

The judges are faced with the task of selecting the two outstanding poets of Torrance and Lomita and consequently have had to consider 24 poems. The Herald will give the complete story of the contest, the winners' names and their title-winning poems next week.

## Joe Crail Hits At Oil Chiefs In Talk Here

Congressman Guest at Large  
Banquet Flays Actions  
of Oil Barons

"There will never be a tariff on crude oil until the big companies drive out the independents," declared Congressman Joe Crail at a banquet given in his honor Tuesday at Earl's cafe.

"We should have a duty on oil, but you know the Standard Oil Company has its men in the key positions at Washington," Congressman Crail stated as a preliminary remark and explained later in his talk that Dick Aldrich, who is chairman of the Congressional sub-committee of the Ways and Means Committee which formulates legislation affecting oil and mineral development, is the brother of Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

Congressman Crail stated that he was in favor of an oil tariff and that he spoke on the floor of the House of Representatives in favor of one. He stated that the price of gasoline has no relation

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## NO PROTESTS ON ELECTION FOR SEPT. 25

One Precinct Set For Water  
System Vote; Fire Station  
Is Place

Not a single protest was received by the city clerk or the city council Tuesday night against the proposed special election to decide whether or not the original city of Torrance will be served by its own publicly-owned water producing and distributing system.

The resolution calling the special election for Thursday, September 25, was passed by the council after the time for the protest hearing had expired. There were no dissenting votes on the measure.

One precinct, comprising the whole original city, was established and the polling place set at the Fire Station on Crayons avenue. Election officials named were: Fernia K. Fess, inspector; Luther A. Hyde, Judge, and Florence N. Gramling, clerk.

## Three Pay Fines for Gambling With Dice Behind Local Cafe

Three men discovered "shooting craps" in the rear of a local restaurant last week by police officers appeared before Police Judge C. T. Rippey Friday afternoon for trials. They all paid fines.

Pete Mejia, who had pleaded not guilty of the charge of gambling at his arraignment earlier, changed his mind, as did A. J. Fitzhugh. Mejia paid \$50 and Fitzhugh \$25 in fines. C. Contreras declared he was only a looker-on at the game, but decided to plead guilty. Because his wife, who is in Mexico, is dependent upon him for support, Judge Rippey suspended \$15 of his \$50 fine on condition he would send the smaller amount to his family. Contreras is to pay \$35.

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## Charles Brazee Will Be Speaker at Garden Club

Meeting To Be Held Monday  
Evening at American  
Legion Clubhouse

Charles A. Brazee, noted bulb grower will be the speaker of the evening at the September meeting of the Torrance District Garden club to be held next Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the American Legion clubhouse.

Mr. Brazee, who is well known to Torrance flower lovers, will take as his subject, Spring blooming bulbous flowers.

A large turnout is expected to hear Mr. Brazee talk on his favorite subject, as now is the time to plant many varieties of flowers for spring blooming. This meeting is the last one before the American Legion Flower show, and anyone desiring information regarding the show may have their questions answered at this time.

## LOMITA PAIR 50 YEARS WED

Golden Wedding?—That's Nothing To Mr. and Mrs. Ar-  
buckle Who Plan Diamond Anniversary Together

Just a few days isn't going to worry Mr. and Mrs. John F. Arbuckle, of Lomita—in fact, just a few years isn't of much importance to them. On the eve of their 50th wedding anniversary, they are planning just what would make a good diamond wedding celebration!

But that's the spirit that makes the Arbuckles the fine people they are. Down at 1935 Narbonne avenue, they are anticipating a grand time next Tuesday when the dawn of their 51st year together begins a day of celebration.

Mr. Arbuckle passed his 77th birthday August 20th and Mrs. Arbuckle will be 71 on December 9—but that's not being old—not to the John Arbuckles! They both declare that they hope "lots of Lomita and Torrance people will

## FLOWER SHOW WILL BE HELD SEPT. 19-20

Dahlia Display Expected To  
Be Dominant at  
City Event

Entries of dahlias already assured indicate that they will be the dominant flower in the coming American Legion Betterment Flower Show. The later dates of this year's show, September 19th and 20th, assures that there will be not only a great many dahlias, but that they will be of the finest quality.

Jack Hallet, whose beautiful new dahlia "Mrs. Crossland" was named for the Gold Star mother of the local post last year, has promised to display a basket of these wonderful dahlias again this year. R. E. Blakeman, of Hawthorne, who last year won the First National Bank cup for the best display of dahlias for an amateur, will exhibit again this year but in the commercial class as he is now selling flowers and tubers of his many fine varieties of dahlias.

Cups To Be Awarded  
There should be many fine entries of other flowers which are at their best at this season of the year, especially gladiolus in both the large and pompon varieties, African marigolds and asters. The Community Betterment Committee of the legion which has charge of the flower show states that the responses to their requests for help in various matters pertaining to the show has been 100 per cent successful.

The First National Bank has again donated a fine silver cup for the best display of dahlias for an amateur. The Torrance Rotary club has donated a fine silver cup for the best display of dahlias by a commercial grower. Mr. Sam Levy has offered the use of his new

## McDonald Tract Voters Will Add To City's Total

Will Be in Torrance List at  
November Election; Were  
Formerly in Moneta

Qualified voters in the McDonald Tract, recently annexed to the city of Torrance, balloted in Moneta Precincts 1 and 2 at the Primary election but will cast their votes in newly-formed Torrance precincts at the November election.

It is believed that there are approximately 200 voters in the McDonald tract who will add to the voting strength of Torrance at the fall election. The new precincts are expected to be established by Registrar of Voters Kerr and the County Board of Supervisors in the near future.

Supporters of Moneta Justice  
The reason for the voters balloting in Moneta is seen in the state law that newly-annexed territory is not considered as part of a municipality until 90 days has expired since the filing of the election report at Sacramento. The primary election was on August 26 and it is believed that the 90-day period will not expire until October 26.

Residents in the McDonald tract strongly supported Judge Frank Carroll, incumbent, as justice of the peace of the newly-incorporated territory of Moneta and Gardena.

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