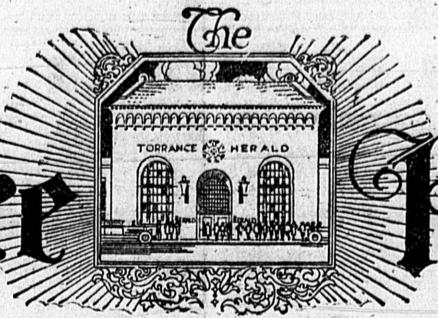


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CITY MAY JOIN MET. WATER DISTRICT

TORRANCE TO BE CLEANED DURING WEEK

City Will Observe Clean-Up and Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 5

Beginning Sunday, October 5, the city of Torrance will observe Fire Prevention and Clean-up Week, according to a proclamation issued by Mayor John Dennis today.

Every effort will be made by city employees, headed by William Gascoigne, street superintendent, to clean up all alleys and thoroughfares in conjunction with residential and property owners who will clean up their premises during the week.

All trash and rubbish will be collected by the street departments. City trucks will tour the alleys at frequent intervals to remove everything placed out for hauling away. Gascoigne said that, if necessary, all the city trucks will be impressed into the clean-up campaign.

Firemen Give Instruction
Members of the fire department will do their part in the Fire Prevention Week by giving instruction on how to turn in alarms and to extinguish small grass fires to anyone who calls at the fire station.

Last year there were 325 truck loads of debris collected by the street department, Gascoigne said. This is expected to be surpassed this year if every resident takes an active interest in the week. The city will be divided into three districts, for the convenience of the department, but city trucks will tour the alleys and the streets constantly so that the rubbish will not lie long after it is once collected.

A Clean City Is Safe
Mayor Dennis and members of the council urge the residents to co-operate in making Torrance a cleaner and safer city in which to live.

It should be noted that a large number of fires occur in piles of rubbish or debris that engenders spontaneous combustion and the resultant loss in property. While there will be no contest between sections of the city like there was last year to see which section could accumulate the most rubbish and thereby, of this city, the report being the cleanest part of the city, it is expected that the street department's forces will be kept busy during the entire week hauling away material cleaned from lawns, back yards, homes and vacant lots.

COUNTY LOOKS INTO FUTURE

Great Harbor District Highway System Is Being Planned; To Affect Torrance in A Number of Instances, City Engineer Leonard States

Preparation of a great plan to fulfill the highway construction needs for the next 50 years in the southern section of Los Angeles county, centering around the Bay district, was begun this week by the County Regional Planning Commission under orders of the Board of Supervisors.

According to Charles H. Biggs, who reviewed the plan and its objectives to City Engineer Frank R. Leonard, of this city, the report will be completed and made known to Torrance and surrounding cities early in February, 1931. Tentative approval of preliminary plans in the Bay district area, which is known as Section Four of the county-wide plan, already is being given by cities affected by the highway visualization, Biggs said. The city of Torrance has signified its approval of some of the plans and has indicated that further information should be obtained on other phases of the project, according to the city engineer.

Network of Highways
Cities whose commercial destinies are closely linked with the highway plan include Torrance, Long

Fashion Expert To Write Style Review

What color this fall? What length of skirt? What material will be "the thing"? What's the latest in hats?

These are momentous questions to all women and, the Herald, beginning today, will endeavor to present the latest word in fashions as decreed by Paris, New York and Hollywood. Frances Paget, stylist and fashion expert, is writing a weekly article for the Herald through the United Press, of which this newspaper is a member. Look for her "Fashions" article, hot with the latest, every week in the Herald. It's authentic and up to the second!

REGISTRATION TO END SAT. AT MIDNIGHT

Three Deputies To Receive Names Up Until Final Hour

Registration for the November 4 general election will close next Saturday at midnight. Mrs. Laura Anderson, Mrs. Elizabeth Paige and Mrs. Rosalind Johnson are deputy registrars in Torrance and Mrs. Edna K. Lynne registrar in Lomita.

All four women will receive registrations up until midnight Saturday. Mrs. Anderson lives at 1510 Engracia avenue or may be found at the J. Forbes Anderson service station, corner Carson street and El Prado. Mrs. Paige and Mrs. Johnson live at 1931 Arlington avenue. Mrs. Lynne resides at 1109 Woodard, Lomita.

There will be 26 state questions on the ballot this year as compared with 21 two years ago. These state questions are in addition to the state and county and township offices to be filled, with two candidates in a number of cases. Mayor John Dennis and S. D. Patterson, incumbent, are candidates for Justice of the Peace of Lomita township who will be named on the general election ballot.

STUDENTS' DANCE
Members of the senior class held their first of a series of weekly dances at the high school this afternoon.

See No Chance of City Buying Out Water Co.

Wide Differences Expressed at Meeting of Council and Executives

There appears little possibility of the city of Torrance buying any portion of the present water system from the Torrance Water, Light and Power Company, judging from the wide differences in opinion expressed yesterday morning at a conference between city officials and executives of the water company.

The joint meeting was arranged by J. R. Jensen, attorney for the local company, and was attended by the five members of the city council, and City Engineer Frank R. Leonard, representing the City of Torrance, and F. R. Schumacher, A. J. Robert, and J. R. Jensen, representing the water company. Mr. Schumacher is president of the Associated Public Utilities, which is the parent company controlling the Torrance Water, Light and Power Company. Mr. Robert is general manager of the local company.

Urges Inspection First
The discussion was of an informal nature, but representatives of the City of Torrance made it clear that if the city bought the present water system, it would not pay an amount in excess of the cost of those portions of it which would be adaptable to the proposed new municipal system. City Engineer Leonard estimated that the cost of those portions of the present system which could be used in the new system would not exceed, less depreciations, \$67,000, and that before any purchase was agreed upon that those portions should be inspected and found to be in good condition.

Mr. Schumacher stated that this price would not interest him and indicated that his company might have some redress through the courts. Before the meeting broke up, however, it was agreed that City Engineer Leonard and Mr. Robert should compare the maps of the proposed new system with the records of the water company in an attempt to come to a better understanding and Mr. Schumacher stated that "you will hear from us again."

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AGRICULTURE STUDENTS IN FAIR VICTORY

Local Teams Win Cup and Awards at Riverside Exposition

Members of S. E. Merrill's stock judging team at the Torrance High school returned from the Riverside County fair this week after winning the large silver cup for second place for dairy cattle Saturday. The cup is now on exhibition at the school.

The team was composed of Kenneth Peet, Cornelius Peet, Dale Howe and Ted Merrill, alternate, all students in Merrill's agriculture classes. There were 13 teams entered in the contest. The local team in stock judging, composed of Edgar Reeve, Bert Merrill and Alfred Mintun, with Marion Mintun, alternate, won fifth place in that contest.

Sidney Nickerson won a silver medal for second highest score in the individual contest. Marian Bay and Millicent Lincoln of the local school were entered in this competition. The Torrance team also won third place in horse judging and second high as a team in orange judging and fourth in fruit judging.

Harbor Chambers Meet at Gardena

Gardena Valley citizens, through their Chamber of Commerce, will be hosts to the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce at that organization's monthly dinner meeting which will be held at the American Legion hall, Wednesday, October 9.

The Torrance Chamber of Commerce is a member of the District group and a large number of local members will be in attendance at the Gardena meeting, it is reported.

RE-APPOINTED COUNCILMAN



R. R. Smith

A veteran in civic affairs, R. R. Smith was appointed city councilman Monday night to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Councilman G. A. Maxwell. Mr. Smith was sworn in as a member of the council this week after Mr. Maxwell's resignation was accepted with regrets by the entire council. Mr. Maxwell was forced to move from the city shortly after he was advanced to the position of assistant to the manager of the Chandler-Cainfield Midway Oil Company. His term, which Mr. Smith is now fulfilling, was to expire in April, 1932.

Greeted With Applause
In proposing Mr. Smith as councilman, E. C. Nelson, member of the council, stated that "because we have considerable constructive work ahead of us we need a man who is well qualified to undertake the work on the board and I believe Mr. Smith is the man." The appointed councilman took his place at the table with the other four members amid applause of those

assembled at the meeting. Mr. Smith is not a "new" councilman, but on the contrary has served the city in that capacity a number of times in the past. According to city records, he was a charter member of the first board elected in 1921 the first year of incorporation of the city. He served one year and then was appointed in October, 1923, to fill the unexpired term of Joseph F. Stone.

THE PEOPLE WON

We Should Settle Entire Water Question Now By Joining Metropolitan Water District

AN EDITORIAL

By GROVER C. WHYTE

"We won the water election!" How many times have you heard this joyful expression during the past week? And I know of no better way of telling it than for everybody to say, "We won," for indeed it was a victory fought for and won by the united efforts of practically all the people of the district.

It would be futile to attempt to mention all those who helped solve this all important water problem, for one would have to call the roll of the 1364 people who voted "yes" as practically everyone of them did something to help the campaign. So we'll all congratulate ourselves and say it's a good job well done, or as one wise cracker said, "The water company sure took it on the noes."

Now let's go out and finish the job by joining the Metropolitan Water District at the November 4th election. Sooner or later we're going to need the water from Boulder Dam and we might as well settle this water question for all time while we're at it.

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Torrance has been exceedingly fortunate in the small amount of loss to life and property by fire in direct contrast to the property losses over the nation amounting to more than \$470,000 in 1929; and

WHEREAS, the City's small fire loss may be attributed to the vigilance of property owners and members of the Fire Department and Street Department; and

WHEREAS, it has been customary to observe National Fire Prevention Week in connection with Clean-up Week in Torrance in an effort to instill into every citizen a full understanding of his individual responsibility in the curtailment of fire losses through preventable fires;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN DENNIS, Mayor of the City of Torrance, do proclaim the week of October 5 to 11, 1930, to be observed as both Fire Prevention and Clean-up Week, and do invite the active co-operation of all in the prevention of fire waste and unsightly property and the consequent procuring of individual and civic benefits and increased city and national prosperity.

(Signed) JOHN DENNIS, Mayor.

Sainted Stranger Appears in News

Well, well, here he is again! Old Santa Claus himself popping out of the Northland to fling a word of warning that there are "Only 71 More Shopping Days Until Christmas." See him down there in that lower right-hand corner? It's his first appearance this year in Torrance.

Just want to leave my picture with you to help the Herald let the good people of Torrance and Lomita know that it won't be long now! St. Nick shouted. My, my, only 71 more days to get those presents for all the folks—how time does fly!

250 ATTEND BIBLE CLASS DINNER HERE

Men's Group Holds Festive Gathering at Women's Clubhouse Monday

Two hundred and fifty local residents attended the first monthly dinner meeting of the Torrance Men's Bible class which was held at the Women's clubhouse Monday evening. The ladies of the First Christian church served the dinner. The tables were prettily decorated with a profusion of flowers.

Introduction of the new officers for the class preceded the program. G. L. Morris, president-elect, introduced Rev. G. E. Elder, teacher; Jack Terry, William Gascoigne, Dick Rootlofs and C. H. Quant, vice president; Victor Buckler, secretary-treasurer; Worth Woodburn, publicity; Mrs. L. G. Danford, accompanist, and Luther Pierce, transportation.

Gascoigne Given Prize
Three navy men from the U.S.S. Maryland provided the entertainment and were well received. Their part in the program contributed a great deal to the festivities of the occasion. The speaker of the evening was Dr. Borden, of Lawndale, who emphasized the value such a men's class has in the community. In recognition of his efforts in selling 118 tickets to the dinner, William Gascoigne was presented with a novel book.

It was announced that the next dinner meeting, which will be held Monday, October 20, at the Women's clubhouse, will feature George Taubman and his male quartet from Long Beach. The Torrance Men's Bible class meets every Sunday morning in the Torrance theatre.

LEGIONNAIRES INSTALL NEW CHIEFS HERE

Commander Earl Connor Names Herb Summers Post Adjutant

With C. E. Van Der Oef, first vice commander for the 19th District, as installing officer, the Bert S. Cressland Post of the American Legion here inducted its officials who will serve for the next 12 months at the meeting held Monday night. Earl Connor succeeded H. M. Bailey as commander of the local post.

Other officers installed were Louis Deinger, first vice commander; L. G. Barkuld, second vice commander; R. J. Deinger, finance officer; F. A. Tiffany, historian; J. M. Gill, chaplain; Harry Cull, sergeant-at-arms; and J. H. Scott, service officer.

The three members who will serve on the executive committee during the year are N. F. Jamieson, Ray Leslie and Charles Myers. Herb Summers, assistant city engineer, was appointed adjutant by Commander Connor, to succeed George Worcester.

Carleton B. Bell was appointed chairman of the Community Betterment committee, and Grover C. Whyte chairman of the publicity committee. It was announced that Comrade Tom Bowker, who is confined in the San Francisco Sailors' hospital with serious stomach trouble is making some improvement.

TORRANCE ELIGIBLE TO OBTAIN COLORADO RIVER WATER WITH OWN SYSTEM APPROVED NOW

Council Makes Progressive Step in Starting Proceedings Monday to Apply for Membership in Metropolitan Water District; Water Election Canvassed

FINANCE COMMITTEE STUDIES SALE OF BONDS

People May Vote Soon on Question of Entering District Designed to Bring Colorado River Water to Coastal Plain and Associated Cities

What is perhaps the most progressive step taken by the city of Torrance in recent months was accomplished by the City Council at an adjourned meeting Monday night when the council voted to start the necessary proceedings for the inclusion of this city in the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

Coming on the heels of the overwhelming victory of the Water Bonds for a publicly-owned and operated water system, the proposal to join the Metropolitan Water District, an association of 11 Southern California cities to obtain water from the Colorado River, virtually assures Torrance ample water at all times in the future.

The council had met Monday night to canvass the vote cast at the Water Bond election last Thursday. The official result, 1364 for the bonds to 168 against, with 38 void ballots, was formally announced and recorded.

Study Sale of Bonds
The council referred the sale of the \$400,000 water bonds to the finance committee, composed of E. C. Nelson, chairman; C. B. Bell and R. R. Smith, to report next Tuesday night on the best and most profitable means to dispose of the bonds. There are three courses open to the city: the sale of the securities, by sealed bids, by auction and by private sale. It is believed that the receipt of sealed bids will be urged as being the most advantageous to the city.

Then the council unanimously passed a resolution to apply to the controller of the Metropolitan Water District for a statement showing the amount of bond and other indebtedness outstanding for the district; the assessed valuation of the territory within the district.

NEW "RACKET"
SACRAMENTO, (UP)—Joe Bunch, Indian, resented it when police arrested him for vagrancy. Bunch asserted he was a "business man" and had a trade all of his own. "I pick up empty whisky flasks and sell them to bootleggers," said Bunch.

ROYAL PALMS PARK LEASED

Supervisors Decide to Acquire Beautiful Beach Site Near Torrance for County Recreational Center for Large Southwest Industrial Area

A preliminary step was taken by the County Board of Supervisors Monday to acquire the leasehold and improvements of Royal Palms for a county park. Supervisor John R. Quinn's motion that the county pay \$275,000 for a 50-year lease and the improvements on the 355-acre site was adopted. Quinn declared the improvements, consisting of a dance pavilion, other buildings and a golf course, have been appraised at \$330,000.

Of the total sum the county will expend to acquire control of the beautiful site at White's Point, \$225,000 will be for the actual physical improvements and \$50,000 for the last and next year's lease. According to the terms of the negotiations carried on between the supervisors and the owners of Royal Palms the county will pay \$18,000 a year for the use of the land.

Makes Beautiful Park
Many Torrance residents have visited Royal Palms and have pronounced it one of the most beautiful spots on the Pacific Coast. The park site has approximately 3800 feet of beach front that is unexcelled.

It is reported that the purchase of the leasehold and acquisition of the buildings on the property were favored by every member of the Board of Supervisors with the exception of Henry W. Wright, who stated that, while he was in favor of the acquisition of more recreational grounds for the county, particularly more beach front, he opposed the leasing of the property which the county must pay for later when the lease runs out.

Is Close To City
Supervisor Shaw said that he believed, after talking with Fred Wadsworth, superintendent of recreation grounds for the county, that the park could be made self-supporting within a year.

"The district, which is rapidly being developed as one of the great industrial areas, needs a recreation ground," Supervisor Beatty declared. "Many of these people living near Royal Palms cannot make advantage of the county's Big Pines recreation camp."

The close proximity of Royal Palms to Torrance should make the beach park an inviting site for local residents. Recently the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce held one of their monthly meetings at Royal Palms and this brought the project of obtaining the attractive site to the attention of local and county officials as well as a number of residents in the Southwestern part of the county.

BILL BARBER SAYS
PUBLIC OPINION IS JUST WHAT PEOPLE THINK OTHER PEOPLE ARE THINKING

71 Shopping Days 'Til Christmas