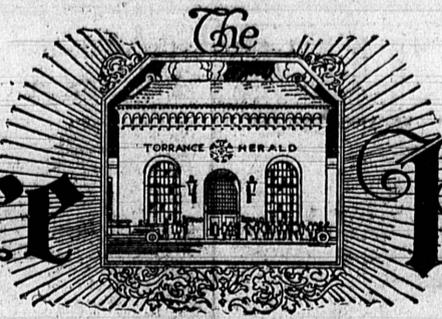


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LOMITA MAN HAS PLAN TO AID INDUSTRY

Workers' Help Would Land Huge Shipbuilding Contracts

A plan, broached by a Lomita resident, J. E. Floyd, of 1523 Oak street, to enable the Los Angeles Shipbuilding and Drydock corporation to outfit the San Francisco Bethlehem Shipbuilding concern on the construction for four Panama Mail vessels, may have far-reaching effect on unemployment among workers in that industry in the Harbor District.

Already Floyd's proposal has been taken up and endorsed by the Southland construction firm, the Pacific Coast Steamship company, the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce and Kiwanis club.

The Lomitan's plan is simply this: That he and a number of other shipyard workers are willing to contribute one day per month or one solid week per ship to help recondition the San Pedro drydock in order to permit the securing of the construction contracts here. It has been estimated that if all workmen, a number of whom have "contributed" more than a week recently in search for work, subscribed to this plan, a saving of between \$700,000 and \$800,000 would be effected in constructing the four Panama Mail ships in San Pedro.

Citizens Pay Workers
The drydock at that city must be reconditioned in order to meet San Francisco and Seattle competition. Floyd told the Herald this week, that he and his fellow workmen are willing to do to help the present conditions in San Pedro.

According to information from the harbor city, the movement along Floyd's generous plan has already received concerted attention and promises to become highly important in the resumption of considerable work in that industry. The Kiwanis club of San Pedro, it is reported, has voted to pay the wages of two workmen two days a month and in addition, four directors of the club, have offered to pay a day's wages a month each.

Lomita's Chamber of Commerce is expected to act on Floyd's suggestion and lend its support in rehabilitating the drydock to permit the contracts under the present wage schedule for workers.

Pick Your Own Editorial Here

Here's a story about which you can write your own editorial:

The Torrance Evening High school offers a number of courses of interest to women of the city. There is a long waiting list of women who want to enter the sewing class—but unless more ladies register for the Women's gym class, with reducing exercises as a special inducement, that subject will have to be dropped.

There's a moral somewhere in that, according to George W. Clark, principal of the Evening High school.

County Park At Royal Palms Is Awaiting Quinn

Supervisors Hold Off Any Action Until He Comes Home from East

A decision on the proposed leasing of Royal Palms Grove, and Golf club near here will await the arrival of Supervisor John Quinn from Boston. The Board of Supervisors decided Tuesday to wait for Quinn's return because of the request made by a number of citizens in this district who are determined that the project shall not be blocked.

Quinn is expected back from the national American Legion convention in Boston some time this week. He is expected to be regarded as the project's strongest supporter, having drafted the terms of the lease himself and being fully acquainted with what the citizens want in the way of a county recreational center.

More than 90 organizations from this section of the county favor the development of the 335-acre park, but the plan is being opposed by some who wish to divert the funds available for the work into other sections of the county, according to Los Angeles Councilman A. E. Henning, a strong supporter of the Royal Palms Park idea.

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Harbor Aviation Group Here Mon.

Alfred Gourdier Is Local Chamber's Spokesman

The Aviation committee of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce will meet at Earl's cafe Monday noon to discuss important matters regarding the committee's aims and objectives according to Postmaster Alfred Gourdier who represents the Torrance Chamber on the committee.

The meeting was called by its chairman, C. H. Chamberlin, president of the Ingleside Chamber, for Tuesday noon of this week, but because of some confusion in notifying the members of the group, the session was postponed until Monday noon.

Here's Annual "Bad News" By Tax Collector

The offices of the Tax Collector, Hall of Justice, Broadway at Temple street, Los Angeles, will be opened Monday, October 27, for collection of the first installment of all taxes in Torrance and Lomita. The second installment becomes due and payable January 20, 1931. The total taxes will be paid when the first installment is due, if desired, according to information received here this week from W. O. Welch, tax collector.

The first installment, if unpaid, becomes delinquent December 5, when a 10 per cent penalty is added thereto, and if unpaid by April 20, 1931, an additional 5 per cent is added, according to law.

Welch further points out that the second installment, if unpaid, becomes delinquent December 5, when a 10 per cent penalty is added thereto, and if unpaid by April 20, 1931, an additional 5 per cent is added, according to law.

Should property owners not receive bills on any or all properties upon which they desire to pay before November 5, such bills must be obtained at the county tax collector's office and tax payers should not further delay in obtaining them, Welch states.

DEFENSE FOR CITY IN SUIT IS PREPARED

Attorneys Meet Today for Comparison of Notes on Water Case

All preparations for the city's defense in the suit brought in the United States court by a stockholder in the Torrance Water, Light and Power company, George W. Dilline, ex-mayor of Seattle, to restrain the city from constructing a publicly-owned and operated water system, will be complete by November 3, when the continued hearing on the case will be held.

This information was given to the city council Tuesday night by Perry G. Briney, city attorney, who is assisting the firm of O'Melveny, Tuller and Myers as counsel for the city and its 14 officials. Briney sold Angelo H. Beebe and Peter Works, members of the O'Melveny firm, and himself will meet today to compare notes on the city's defense.

The attorney assured the council that, while he could not predict the outcome of the suit, that the city would go into the case on November 3 with everything possible done to present a logical defense as soon as the case opens.

New High School Head In Charge Here

Beginning this week, the five Harbor District high schools gained the executive leadership of one of the outstanding members of the Los Angeles educational forces when Assistant Superintendent Arthur Gould assumed his new duties as head of this division. Gould, who served in a similar capacity several years ago, according to Principal Herbert S. Wood, will have complete charge of the Torrance, Wilmington, San Pedro, Lomita and Ardena High schools. Lomita and Ardena High schools, high schools, he succeeds the late W. W. Tritt. Since Tritt's death a month ago, the position has been filled temporarily by Dr. E. A. Evans, who will now resume his work with the research department.

FAIR PLAY In The Justice Office

Torrance Pays Three Times As Much As Lomita Toward the Salary of Justice of the Peace. Why Should A Lomita Man ALWAYS Hold the Office?

An Editorial By GROVER C. WHYTE

Turn about is fair play, and this principle should apply to the office of Justice of Peace of Lomita township just as precisely as it does on the playgrounds of the public schools.

Ever since the Justice Court has been established in Lomita township, a Lomita resident has held the office, which seems eminently unfair when you realize that the City of Torrance occupies at least three-quarters of the township and Lomita less than one-fourth.

It is not the intention of this newspaper to create dissension between the people of Torrance and Lomita, but rather to appeal to the fair-mindedness of the people in both communities to give both Torrance and Lomita a square deal. A Lomita man has held the office for 18 years. Now it is Torrance's turn.

Perhaps the most important qualification of a Justice of the Peace is his sense of fairness, for indeed he must sit at the court of justice and render decisions that are just and honest and fair to all parties. When one stops to consider that a Torrance man has never held the office of township justice and that Torrance occupies 75 per cent of the township, doesn't it strike you that the Patterson supporters from Lomita are somewhat unfair in their demands that a Lomita man be ACAIN elected to the office?

Aside from this phase of the coming justice election, there is the question of fitness for office. Without disparaging the qualifications of Judge Patterson, we doubt if there is a man better qualified to occupy the office of Justice of Peace in Lomita township than Mayor John Dennis of Torrance. By experience and temperament he is ably fitted to perform the duties of the office.

John Dennis has an enviable record as a public official covering over fifteen years of service. For the past five years he has been mayor of Torrance. During these last five years Mayor Dennis has given his entire time to the City of Torrance without pay. His keen sense of honesty has even prompted him to pay for his own gasoline while on city business. He has paid the telephone toll bills on city business from his residence and in many other ways he has given unstintingly of his time and money.

His entire record has been untainted with any suggestion of graft, and his sterling sense of honesty and business judgment has stifled the attempts of private concerns to profit unduly at the expense of the city.

John Dennis is fearless. He has the courage to oppose corruption, yet a kindness of heart that prompts him to temper justice with mercy when conditions warrant mitigation. He has an intimate knowledge of the problems and living conditions of all of the people in Lomita township, a knowledge gained by five years of able administration of the far-flung districts of the City of Torrance. He knows Lomita people and Lomita problems as well as he does Torrance affairs and above all he is imbued with a sense of fairness that will be as beneficial to the people of Lomita as it will to the people of Torrance.

Torrance owes a debt of gratitude to Mayor Dennis for his past five years' gratuitous service. This debt can be partially repaid by electing him to the office of Justice of the Peace, and every Torrance voter should go to the polls November 4 and show his appreciation for this unselfish public service. Lomita voters, too, can vote for John Dennis with perfect confidence that they will be given a square deal in every respect. Turn about is fair play, and it's long past Torrance's turn.

MONEY IN YOUR POCKET!

There are sufficient savings on merchandise advertised in this issue of the Torrance Herald to pay for many year's subscriptions. You cannot afford to miss these bargains, nor the newspaper that tells you about them. Subscribe today. One dollar pays for six months. Phone 444.

Water District Bids City To Join District

The Metropolitan Water District board of directors voted Tuesday to officially authorize the city of Torrance to vote upon the question of entering the Metropolitan Water District. This action followed the city's tentative steps to secure permission of the District to enter in the project of bringing Colorado River water to this city through the proposed Metropolitan aqueduct.

The District's acceptance of the city now paves the way for an election here to decide whether or not Torrance shall enter the District. It is expected that such an election will not be called for several months yet. Members of the Colorado River aqueduct engineering board of review are scheduled to arrive in Southern California about November 29 to complete their aqueduct studies and render a final recommendation upon the best and most economical route to bring water from the Colorado river here.

Those who have donations to make to the Relief Society of clothing, shoes, or other articles may phone 259-R or 451-W and the articles will be called for.

Stamp Fans To Get New Trophy

Long Air Mail Route To Be Started Saturday

Collectors of postage stamps and odd cancelled letters here will have an opportunity to add another new trophy to their displays if they mail an air mail letter here before Saturday. Postmaster Alfred Gourdier said today that a new transcontinental air mail route would be inaugurated between Los Angeles and New York on that day and that special cancellation marks would be stamped on the letters that are sent in the first sacks. All letters must bear an airmail stamp and be plainly marked "C. A. M. No. 34," the post-office listing of the new route.

Old Newspapers Provide "Copy" For New Series

On page 2 of the second section of this week's Herald, readers will find what is hoped to be an interesting commentary on "Yesterday's Newspapers." Old papers have a charm that grows with the passing years as their contents are so radically different from the publications of 1930.

It is through the readers of the Herald that this series of "Yesterday's Newspapers" is presented; they have "resurrected" those yellowed and dog-eared copies that furnish the material for the account. It is hoped that more readers dig into their old storage places to locate more food for the series.

Each old newspaper—clippings are not desired—will be carefully handled and returned whole within a week to those who bring them to the Herald office on El Prado. The Herald would like to know who owns the oldest newspaper in Torrance and Lomita. Today the series opens with an account of an edition of 1906—are there any older papers treasured by local residents?

Hill-McGinley Dispute Halts Election Work

Sample Ballots Will Not Be Sent Out Here Until Ended.

Because of the post-election controversy between Ben A. Hill and Frank McGinley, incumbent, over the outcome of the primary for assemblymen in the 72nd District, no sample ballots for the November election have been sent out here yet by Registrar of Voters Kerr. The Herald learned today from Kerr's office.

The sample ballots and booklets describing the proposed amendments will not be sent out until the Hill-McGinley battle is settled. One of Kerr's assistants reported that Hill, who defeated McGinley in the race for nomination as Republican assemblyman for this district by the narrow margin of 11 votes, apparently retained his nomination early in the week by virtue of an Appellate Court decision on the election contest launched by McGinley.

Says Margin, Too Small
But Tuesday McGinley carried his battle to the Supreme Court again, hoping to restrain Registrar of Voters Kerr and the Secretary of State from holding an election in this district. If he is successful in his latest move, the Wilmington incumbent will have set a precedent in California history, it is reported.

Meanwhile, Kerr is waiting for a final decision on the matter before dispatching the sample ballots to the 2660 voters in Torrance and the 2237 electors in Lomita, besides those in other districts and communities in this district. McGinley stoutly maintains that 21 votes are insufficient a margin to determine any primary without a check of the ballots. Hill, when asked as to his status in the newest angle of the vexing problem, stated that he would merely be an "amiable curia" or in plain English, a "friend of the court" in the matter as he has already been upheld as the primary election victor.

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Local Grid Fans Go Northward

A number of Torrance residents will travel northwards tomorrow to witness the struggle at Palo Alto between the U.S.C. Trojans and the Stanford Cardinal—a game which should be worth the trip and more.

These fortunate football fans who are known to be making the pilgrimage with the host of U.S.C. rosters are Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Post, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levy and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McMillan, in one motor party; Charles Curtis, Katherine Bur-Master, Mr. and Mrs. Perry G. Briney and Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Neelands; in another, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Howard and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Doane, in a third car; and Harry Dooly, George Probert and Dewey Guigley by train.

CHAMBER TO GIVE SCHOOL 12 BLANKETS

Colorful Wrappings To Be Used By Football Players

Twelve blankets of solid gray with a large block letter "T" in maroon will be purchased by the Chamber of Commerce in the near future for presentation to the Torrance High school to use as football "warm-up" coverings.

This action was taken by the directorate of the Chamber Monday afternoon after Paul Vonderahe had made a canvass of the directors to impress them with the need for the blankets. The coverings, in the school colors, will lend additional football atmosphere to the games played by the local school and in addition, will keep the players warm before and after the games.

Edward Clarkson, who is associated with the Vonderahe Realty Company here, was enrolled as an active member of the Chamber at the meeting.

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RECORD BANQUET HELD HERE

Men's Bible Class Program Monday Night Presents Inspiring Entertainment of Music, Speeches

What is said to be the largest banquet assemblage ever to have gathered in Torrance met Monday evening at the Women's clubhouse to attend the second monthly dinner meeting of the Torrance Men's Bible class. More than 300 people were served by the ladies of the First Christian church and heard the program arranged by G. L. Morris, president of the class; his associates and a delegation of Long Beach men who are members of the large Bible Class in that city.

Rev. George P. Taubman, teacher of the beach city's class, was the speaker of the evening and gave an inspirational address on the value of men's Bible classes to the nation and community. Edward Clarkson, reception committee chairman, was responsible for the arrangements at the clubhouse that permitted a well organized seating and serving program.

Among those presented to the evening were Mayor John Dennis, Coaches Earl Fields and Raymond Smith of the high school; G. A. Poole and Ted Hyatt, of the San Pedro Bible class; Mr. Taylor, president of the district Men's Brotherhood of Los Angeles county.

Present Class Meeting
Preceding Rev. Taubman's address, Mr. Wheatland, W. E. Galworth, song leader; and M. E. Cresler, all of the Long Beach delegation, presented a typical Bible class program as given in the "barn" at that city. Musical entertainment was provided by Galworth, solos and community singing; Mrs. Warren Wheatland and daughter, Helen, in duets accompanied by Eva Brown, Virgil and Loren Hamphill, piano and xylophone numbers, and the Taubman quartet.

Opening his talk, Rev. Taubman declared he was a strong advocate of Roger Babson's plan whereby every man, woman and child spends 15 cents more per day to place more money in circulation and thereby spread confidence among the people. The speaker then described his appearance here eight years ago when he attended a wind-up program held in the

DEEP SAND IN FIELD HERE HAS HIGH GRAVITY

Kern Well on Production at Reported Depth of 4100 Feet

There is a deeper productive oil sand in the Lomita-Torrance oil field! This fact was definitely established this week when the United Kern well on Acacia street near Pennsylvania avenue went on production from a reported depth of 4100 feet.

The Kern well was originally sidetracked at 3700 feet. The hole was later deepened to 4900 feet and then brought back to the 4100 foot level.

Large Gasoline Content
Deep secrecy has shrouded the deepening operations of the United Kern Petroleum Company, Ltd., but the secret was "let out" when the well went back on production at the deeper level. No authentic information could be learned of the daily production of the well, but it is reported to be approximately 50 barrels a day.

Samples of the oil from the deeper levels show very high gravity with a large gasoline content, it is reported.

TO IMPROVE GRADES

City Engineer Frank Leonard reported to the council this week that the Santa Fe railroad was going to improve the Carson street-Santa Fe crossing and that he has applied to the railroad company to improve the Redondo boulevard crossing also.

Race Problems Solved

"You have a marvelous chance to reach all the men of your city by holding your meetings in such a public place as a theatre," he declared. "Men will go there when they won't come to church and you can reach them with your message where they will be more comfortable. You are reaching men that the church cannot. You can teach them that the heart matters and when the heart is right, prosperity is right and confidence will come."

The speaker touched on the Negro problem in the United States and described the treatment of that race in Long Beach, which he said, no problem of that nature exists because of the friendship and helpful assistance given the colored people.

"Apply your Christianity to the cholo, the Jap, the Negro and the Chinese and you won't have any racial problems," was one of the Long Beach pastor's statements. Then he went on to defend the young people of the day, laying

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BILL THE BARBER SAYS
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