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DENNIS ELECTED JUSTICE OF PEACE

LEGION WILL PRESENT PARADE AND PROGRAM ARMISTICE DAY HERE

Beginning with a parade, which is scheduled to start from the intersection of Redondo boulevard and Cabrillo avenue promptly at 9:30 a. m., Armistice day, next Tuesday, will be observed here by the entire city, with the Bert S. Crossland Post of the American Legion having charge of the ceremonies.

Following the parade a program will be held in front of the Legion club house at 2352 Carson street. Here a special platform will be erected for the ceremonies, which will start at 10:30 o'clock. There will be chairs arranged in front of the platform and the street will be roped off during the one hour that will be given over to the patriotic memorial service.

All stores, including the chain stores, will remain closed on November 11 out of respect for the memory of the men in service who have passed on to the Great Beyond. The restaurants and drug stores, however, will remain open as usual, it is announced.

A cordial welcome to all residents of Torrance, Lomita and Gardena has been extended by the local Legionnaires to join in the parade and attend the program. The Legion especially desires a large representation of citizens in the parade.

The Armistice day committee, composed of R. M. Bailey, chairman; Earl Connor, commander; N. E. Jamieson, William Sager and L. G. Barkdill, today announces the formation of the parade and the program to follow.

Preaded by the Torrance band, the national and Legion colors escorted by the color guard, the parade will include the Gold Star mothers, city officials, the Gardena American Legion post, the Gardena auxiliary unit, the Gardena Drum corps, Spanish War veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lomita post; Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary unit; Bert S. Crossland Torrance American Legion post and auxiliary, the Torrance Women's club, two Torrance service clubs, Rotary and Kiwanis; Boy Scouts and school children.

Program is Given
According to the committee's plans, the parade will march through the business section of the city to the Legion club house, where the following program will be given:

The singing of "America" by those present with the band; a prayer by Rev. Young; the song, "Allegiance" by the Boys' Glee club of the Torrance Elementary school.

Introduction of the honored guests present will then be in order. A member of the high school orchestra will play a cornet solo. The Legion's Armistice (Continued on Page 5-A)

MAYOR DENNIS ISSUES Proclamation on American LEGION WEEK

"The people of the city of Torrance have the greatest of admiration for the splendid service given by her sons and daughters in time of war. They appreciate the heroic sacrifices that have been made by the loyal men and women who have so ably defended this great nation of ours in every emergency.

"Today we have in this city an organization of those who only a decade ago were engaged in that most glorious service. They served

their country well and when the war was over they banded themselves into the American Legion, determined to continue the same service they gave overseas. They dedicated their organization to "God and Country" and immediately began that work which has identified the American Legion as one of the greatest patriotic forces America has ever known.

"One of the first tasks of the Legion was to make provision for the relief and rehabilitation of those who were disabled. They looked after the welfare of the children who were left orphans by the war. Then they launched a great program of unselfish service to community, state and nation. Many activities were undertaken by the Legion in an effort to serve the people and the country.

"This year the Legion, and the Legion auxiliary which is associated with the Legion in its work, is anxious that the 1930-1931 program be started as soon as possible. In order that the full strength of the two organizations can thus early be put to work on the great objectives of the com-

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Old 1868 Election Ticket Treasured

In striking contrast to the voluminous ballot used Tuesday is the "ticket" of 1868 when U. S. Grant was elected president. Of course there were no propositions to be voted on 62 years ago, but the tattered slip of paper owned by G. E. Baker of 2115 Gramercy avenue, represents the culmination of a hectic and spirited campaign in favor of the Civil war general. The 1868 ticket is but three inches wide by eight inches long and merely lists Grant's name, his 21 electors, the candidates for the governor, lieutenant-governor and secretary of state of Illinois. Baker carried the old ballot to the polls here this week. He said his father, A. L. Baker of Gardena, used the ticket when the elder Baker cast his first vote.

TWO WEEKS CONTINUANCE IN CITY CASE

Plaintiff Must Show Cause
of Action by Nov. 17
as Delay Granted

For the next two weeks, or until November 17, George W. Dilling and his firm of attorneys who are attempting to block the city from creating a publicly-owned and operated water system by securing a permanent injunction from the United States Federal court, are going to be very, very busy.

Dilling, the plaintiff in the action against the city of Torrance and 11 of its officials, and his counselors must find a cause for action in the Federal court by that time or the case may be thrown out.

The unique position which the plaintiff, a property owner here and a stockholder in the Torrance Water, Light and Power company, now finds himself, was revealed Monday afternoon when his attorney, Stewart L. Lapp, and the city's counselors, Pierce Works, member of the firm of O'Melveny, Tuller and Myers, and Perry G. Briney, city attorney of Torrance, stipulated to the two weeks' continuance to enable the plaintiff to find a cause for action in Judge Cosgrove's court.

May Localize Action
It developed from the study of the case made by the city's attorneys that Dilling does not have the right to take his case to restrain the city from following the overwhelming decision of the voters to construct a public water system) to the Federal court because of one or two reasons.

The first is that Dilling has failed to show in his bill of complaint that he will suffer damages amounting to \$3000 or more and that the fact that he is not a resident of this state is not a valid cause to bring the action in the Federal court.

If he wishes, however, Dilling may institute action against the city similar to the temporary restraining order that is now holding up work on the city's water system by filing action in the Superior court.

To Re-Hang 3 Torrance Signs

Neon Direction Markers to
Be Solidly Imbedded

Three electric Neon signs pointing the way to Torrance, located at Hawthorne and Redondo boulevards; Carson and Vermont, and Main at East Road, are to be re-hung on solid fastenings, according to the order of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce. The Torrance Electric Shop has been entrusted with the job. The signs now swing on cables slung across the highway, and the excessive vibration caused by the winds and other natural forces is a source of frequent interruption of service. The signs will be placed on a bracket swung from a post solidly imbedded in the earth at the side of the road. They will be set 30 feet above street level so that they will be visible for a long distance. The new location and manner of hanging is expected to do away with the need for frequent repairs and service.

Seven Accident Victims Enter Hospital Here

One Man Succumbs Later;
All Received in One
Hour Sunday

Seven accident victims were received at the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital in the short space of an hour Sunday evening. One of them, Sherman Paddock, of 3223 Madera street, Los Angeles, died Monday morning after being removed to the institution from the scene of a traffic accident at 190th street and Normandie avenue.

An inquest is to be held at Stone and Myers funeral chapel to probe the cause of the accident. The date has not been set yet for the hearing by the coroner.

Lomita Child Hurt
There were four other people hurt in the same accident, but none of them seriously. They were Mrs. Paddock, her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Sutherland, her granddaughter, Jean Sutherland, and Mrs. Nola Varman, of Long Beach. Paddock sustained a fractured skull.

Little Betty Austin, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Austin, of 2359 Cherry street, was slightly bruised Sunday evening when she was hit by an automobile. The child is reported to have run in front of the machine. The seventh victim was Earl Swatman, 12, of San Dimas, who, while playing with some boys in Redondo, ran into a fire hydrant and suffered a deep wound in his thigh.

Judge Congratulates Dennis on Victory

In a statement issued Wednesday by Judge S. D. Patterson of Lomita, candidate for re-election to the office of justice of the peace of Lomita township, he says: "I want to express my deep appreciation to all the people of Torrance who went to the polls Tuesday and supported me for re-election. And I congratulate Mayor John Dennis, the winner of this election."

ARMISTICE DAY 1918 1930

From the pen of Torrance's gifted Poet Laureate comes this original poetic composition which is especially noteworthy for the high ideals and reverent sentiment it expresses. The Herald is pleased to publish Miss Beulah Lewis' fine Armistice Day tribute:

With sadness and joy we honor the day,
Sadness for boys gone West,
Joy for the peace so dearly bought
And the pact with which came rest.

Rest from an ordeal which we pray,
We know not how again,
The price in precious lives too great
And the unhealed wounds of men.

The suffering hearts of womankind,
Bravely bearing their sorrow and loss,
We who lost no grief with them
And would help them carry the cross.

We are hoping the not distant future
Will reject every semblance of war,
With peace the standard of nations
And brotherhood the world's first law.

Local Veterans Tell About Armistice Day of Twelve Years Ago

Twelve years ago at 11 o'clock on the morning of November 11 the world stopped—paused for an instant and then went on its way in peace.

Chaos had reigned all over the globe for four years, concentrating in a shattered France and Belgium. But at

11 o'clock a new era broke through the sanguine war clouds and dawned upon a world shaken to the notes by the signing a bit of paper. The sound of a pen scratching on a momentous document, known as the Armistice articles, was the scarcely audible noise that stopped the terrific cannonading that had resounded throughout a world ruled by Mars.

War Memories Re-Told
"Those of us at home here in Torrance and elsewhere know how the signing of the Armistice was received. We had been deceived by the infamous "false report" but even that did not curtail the wild, tumultuous rejoicing that swept the country.

But what of the boys in olive drab and navy blue? How did they and where did they receive the great news? Those greying business men of Torrance and Lomita who now gather at the American Legion clubhouse to talk of business, football, and war memories? What of them?

At the invitation of the Herald, a number of those who were veterans now living here have told where they were and how they received the peace announcement—and here they are!

All "Hot and Bothered"
Charles F. Myers, 1230 Cravens avenue, was in the 36th Aero Squadron, at St. Jean de Mont Aerial gunnery school—sitting in the observer's cockpit of a D. H.-4 plane about 7000 feet above the grey Atlantic at 11 a. m. November 11, 1918. I didn't know what to think of it when we went down. It was rather a let-down.

Thomas C. Turner, 1749 Arlington avenue, was with the 29th Division and with the 114th Ammunition Train. "I was in Playlaun, France, and off duty at the time. I had heard one report that the Armistice was signed and was a fizzle—so I waited for the official announcement. When that came, I went over to the little place beside the road where they sold vine rouge and bought myself a bottle of port wine. You can see from my judgment what went on after that!"

William J. Sager, 1339 Walnut street, Lomita, was in the 319th Tank Corps. "We were on our way to the Metz drive and I remember we were hot and bothered about the night of the Armistice. Lights Herald Paper.

George D. Piper, 1344 Post avenue, served in Battalion D of the 57th Motorized Artillery. "Was at the Meuse river, France, at that time. Neither myself nor my comrades believed it was true. It had been reported so many times before. But that night when our superior officers drove down our path with headlights burning on their cars we knew it was so because before that they would almost shoot you for lighting a match to light a cigarette on account of danger from every observation point.

"We Americans were on one side of the river and the Germans were on the other side—and believe me that there were some happy boys on both sides of the river at dark that night—when those headlights burned bright once more."

Allen S. Harvey, 1533 Noyes avenue, Gardena, who served in the 5th Cavalry (regulars) and who visits at the local post quite often, said: "I was on the Mexican border, stationed at El Paso, Texas, Fort Bliss. We didn't get the kick out of it that the boys across just have got."

R. E. Satchell, 709 Sartori avenue, was in Battalion D of the 65th Artillery. "We were about five kilometers north of Grande Pre, Arbonne sector, resting in some ruins and contemplating the truth of our situation. When I say 'resting,' I mean I was doing what no one could do better in that man's army at such a time. I thought that as long as we could carry on we should, but my next thought was the kick out of it that the boys across just have got sacrificed for Democracy already."

Under the Sea
Daniel F. Naulty, 1312 Cypress street, Lomita, was connected with the 19th Supply Train, 19th Division, Camp Dodge, Iowa. "I was in command of the El Dorado. I didn't think well of it at all. I wanted to go over and see the sights—but this—oh, well!"

Ray W. Cooke, 2924 Carson street, was in the First District, U. S. Navy, stationed at Boston. "I was on duty at the time of the Armistice had been signed—not for myself, but for the boys over there who would soon be coming home."

E. E. Mason, 2108 Gramercy street, was in the U. S. Navy submarine service. "Was on patrol duty about 200 miles out of New York and submerged to 45 feet. I thought it was the finest words I had ever heard over wireless in many a day. It meant that I could go up and get some fresh air and a smoke—but we didn't."

Herding Traffic Gone Wild
H. E. Sargent, 1344 Post street, was in the Students' Army Training Corps in Los Angeles. "I was expecting and hoping to be sent to the officers' training camp that week. Hence I was somewhat disappointed not to be able to go. My company was put on Mare Island to assist the Los Angeles police in keeping order in the downtown streets. Just imagine us with fixed bayonets herding traffic around!"

Russell E. Budge, 1734 Arlington street, was in the U. S. S. Ringold destroyer No. 89—it was okay by me."

Grover C. Whyte, 1629 Post avenue, was in the Engineering department, Ordnance Corps. "I was in Tours, France, and at the time of the Armistice I was censoring inter-governmental correspondence as related to armament development. The first thing I

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No Stores Open Here on Nov. 11

In observance of the national holiday, all banks and business houses in Torrance will remain closed Tuesday, Armistice day, November 11.

The drug stores and restaurants, however, will be open as usual.

All residents of Torrance and Lomita are cordially invited to participate in the American Legion's parade, starting at 9:30 Tuesday morning, and attend the program in front of the Legion club house on Carson street, which begins at 10:30 o'clock.

Dr. Lancaster To Make Trip

Will Attend Eastern Clinics
for Several Weeks

Dr. J. S. Lancaster will leave Friday (tomorrow) for the east, where for several weeks he will be in attendance at some of the most highly skilled surgical clinics held in this country. The first of these will be the celebrated Mayo Bros. clinic held at Rochester, Minn. From there Dr. Lancaster will go to Chicago, where he is well known, as he is a graduate of Northwestern University, and an interne at Cook County hospital. During Dr. Lancaster's absence his practice here will be in the hands of his associate, Dr. George P. Shuller.

ONE BROKEN WINDOW IS RECORDED

Hallowe'en Observed Quietly
Here as No Damage
is Reported

One broken window was the only Hallowe'en damage to be reported to police here last week. Police Chief G. A. Calder paid high tribute to the fine spirit of Torrance youngsters who refrained from causing excess damage during their nocturnal celebrations. "The windows were smashed by a tomato hurled from a car, and was in the home of Francis P. Lewis at 1323 Ampola avenue.

By using some forethought and a knowledge of chemistry, the J. C. Penney store here did not have to clean off a single window the morning after most of the glass surfaces in the city were covered with soap or paraffine. The Penney windows were covered with ordinary coal oil during the afternoon, and this blocked the activities of youthful decorators.

Many Parties Held
"We want good water!" was the demand inscribed on the windows of the Torrance Water, Light and Power company here, and "Victims Closing" was labeled on the show window of a local barber shop by some young citizen who evidently had imbibed too much pre-election propaganda.

But the annual excursion of spirits into the world did not go unmarked as a number of fine Hallowe'en parties were held in various parts of the city, with both grown-ups and the children observing the traditional ceremonies.

Mayor Inspired By His Victory

Thanks All Workers Who
Aided in Election

"It was magnificent the way my good friends in Torrance and Lomita rallied to my support," said Mayor Dennis yesterday. He was tired and his voice shook with emotion, but his face was wreathed in smiles.

"I tell them all I shall never forget their kindness—the campaign workers and Legion boys who labored early and late to get out the vote, and the many kind words that were spoken in my behalf. It was wonderful and inspires me to redouble my efforts to merit the confidence the voters of Lomita township have placed in me," concluded the newly elected justice.

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27 VOTE MAJORITY IS GIVEN MAYOR TO WIN OVER S. D. PATTERSON

On January 5, 1931, Mayor John Dennis, popular public servant that he is, will take office as Justice of the Peace of Lomita township, having received a 27-vote majority over his incumbent opponent, Judge S. D. Patterson of Lomita, at the Tuesday general election.

TOY HOSPITAL PLANNED BY GROUP HERE

Plea is Made for Old Play-
things for Poor
Children

There WILL be a Santa Claus, with a sack load of toys for boys and girls of needy families, if the Brotherhood of the Central Evangelical church has anything to say about it. The Brotherhood has made plans to assist the great Christmas saint in distributing those playthings so dear to all children—and here is how the organization wants to do it:

It proposes to collect all used toys given by Torrance and Lomita residents, repair them, paint them back to their pristine glory and then take them to the children who would otherwise have to go without those dolls, trains, wagons, games, etc. The Brotherhood will soon start a toy hospital at 1333 El Prado, opposite the Herald office, where the repair work will be done.

Dig Up Those Toys!
There is no doubt that a lot of toys that have been discarded by the want of a bolt, a nail or two, and a coat of paint can be rejuvenated and made highly acceptable to many poor kiddies here. It is the Brotherhood's intention to repair and paint all such toys that are not beyond hope. If you have stored away in your garage or attic any toys that could be used in this way, won't you telephone any of the following numbers and a member of the Brotherhood will gladly call for them? Here are the numbers: Torrance—151 or 243, or Lomita 1323. The repaired toys will be distributed by the Brotherhood in conjunction with the Torrance Relief Society.

HOSPITAL NEEDS ASSISTANCE

Dr. Lancaster Makes Urgent Plea for More Members in
Association; Answers Criticisms Levied at Institution

An urgent plea to every "income producing person to budget \$5 per year as a member of the Torrance Hospital Association" was made this week by Dr. J. S. Lancaster, president of the association. Dr. Lancaster stated that the hospital is running behind, despite reductions made in

the affairs of the corporation. "This hospital is a Torrance enterprise and should have more active backing from the people of Torrance. There are shamefully few people members of the Torrance Hospital association. This hospital is known far and wide for the excellence of its nursing service, its cleanliness and its fine food well served and it attracts patients accordingly from other cities. To maintain this kind of service is expensive, of course, yet it is not extravagant or wasteful—as some critics would like for you to believe.

Costs Are Much Less
"Our cost per patient per day is less than any other hospital giving the same service. Compare the cost just given out by the

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"The Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital is an asset of great importance to the city of Torrance and to every individual in or near the city and is most worthy of the good will and active support of every right thinking and public-spirited person," Dr. Lancaster continued.

"The hospital equipment and nurses' home cost over \$125,000 and there is owed on it \$11,000. This is owned outright by the Torrance Hospital association, a corporation not for profit, consisting of voluntary members. One hundred dollars makes a person a member for life and five dollars annually is the regular annual membership fee. The members elect the directors who conduct



36 Shopping Days
Till Christmas

BILL THE BARBER
AN UP-TO-DATE MARRIAGE
SAYS
IS ONE IN WHICH THE
GROOM IS PAYING AL-
MOST BEFORE HE
FINISHES PAY-
ING HIS LAST
INSTALLMENT
ON HIS EN-
GAGEMENT
RING