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## PARK PLAN IS HEARTILY ENDORSED

### LOW PRICES ARE BOON TO HOUSEWIVES

Cheapest Thanksgiving Food in 15 Years is Offered for Great Holiday

By the United Press  
The cheapest Thanksgiving dinner in 15 years! That's the good word for Torrance housewives, given by the state department of agriculture, after an investigation into the cost of the coming holiday repast. Prices on every item that goes into the meal have fallen to at least 20 per cent below the mark last year at this time, with the single exception of butter.

"Trimnings" Lower  
Turkeys, the most expensive part of the menu, are particularly low in price this year, and unless something occurs to disturb the market, fine young dressed turkeys should cost the retailer about 38 cents a pound.

Oranges and grapefruit are pouring into the markets, and by Thanksgiving they should be in great abundance. Prices have held up during the first influx, but will be from 10 to 20 cents lower in another week, it is estimated.

Celery, olives, nuts, and other "trimmings" have all had a big production with consequent lower prices.

Bargains Available  
Particular attention of those in charge of the meal is directed by the agriculture department to such commodities as potatoes, cauliflower, string beans, tomatoes, and other vegetables. Of exceptionally good quality, they are down in price to a level that is reminiscent of pre-war days.

Canned goods usually maintain a fairly constant price. But this year bargains are available in peaches, apples, etc. The fruit crop was abundant and the public will benefit. Lettuce has recovered from a slump noticeable during the summer and fall, attended by

### Thanksgiving

By BEULAH LEWIS, Poet Laureate of Torrance

It is but natural for us all  
To long for the pleasures of wealth,  
Yet they would mean so little  
Without the joys of health.

Without the power to use our hands,  
Or stand upon our feet,  
Unable to see a loved one's face,  
Or hear a dear voice speak.

We become so used to the blessings we have,  
That we under-rate their worth,  
Forgetting to thank our Maker  
For the greatest things on earth.

But another blessing we ask of Thee,  
Which would level a darkening wall,  
Vision to see things as they are,  
And understanding in the hearts of all.

### STOLEN CAR FOUND NEAR SIGNAL HILL

Paul and Murray Notified of Recovery of Auto By Sheriffs

Late Thursday afternoon the sheriff's office notified Len Murray, of Paul and Murray, Dodge dealers here, of the recovery of the Dodge car stolen from the local agency sometime during the afternoon of November 16. The machine, which was found abandoned near Signal Hill, gave no evidence which would lead to the identity of the thief or thieves, according to the deputies' report.

The car was abandoned because of burned out bearings and a blown-out tire.

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### UNION CHURCH THANKSGIVING MEET THURS.

Nazarene Church to Be Host to All Congregations for One Hour Service

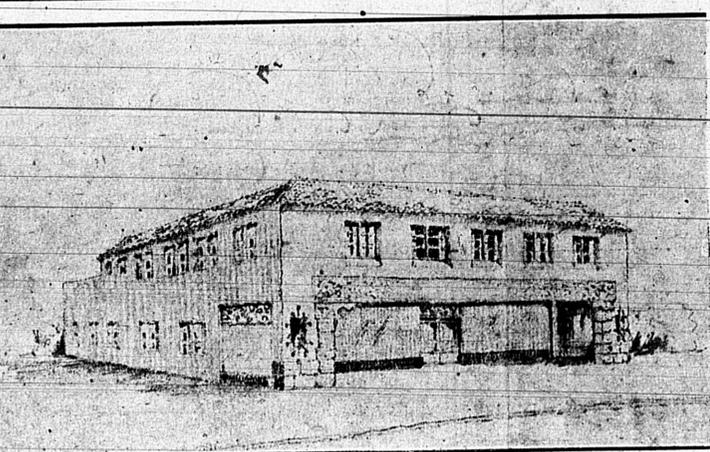
All residents of Torrance and Lomita are cordially invited to attend the union church service, Thanksgiving morning, November 27, at the Nazarene church, which is located in the old American Legion hall on Border avenue.

The Nazarene congregation will be host to the Associated Churches of Torrance with fine Thanksgiving service which will start promptly at 10 o'clock and conclude at exactly 11 o'clock. Each year a different church is selected for this union service and this Thanksgiving it is the Nazarene's opportunity to welcome the city to its program.

All Have Part  
Rev. John B. Speed, pastor of the Baptist church here, will present the sermon of the day. He has selected the subject, "Thanksgiving Sac-

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### Third Home of Ripple Furniture Co.



—Bronson C. Buxton, Architect

With the completion this week of all plans for the new Ripple Furniture company's home to be located on Post avenue south of Sartori, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ripple are again announcing an expansion program that reiterates their confidence in the future of Torrance.

Their occupancy of the new building sometime next spring will be their third "moving day" to larger and better quarters since coming to Torrance seven years ago. Present plans for their new enterprise guarantees for this city one of the finest two-story business blocks yet to be constructed here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ripple, now located at 1220 El Prado, will use a large business site, recently purchased, located on the east side of Post avenue between Sartori and Cravens avenues. The plans

for the structure were conceived and executed by Bronson C. Buxton, of 1515 Arlington avenue, with the assistance of the Ripples.

Has Six Offices  
The building is to be 60 by 100 feet in size and will be two stories, constructed of brick with plaster veneer finish and will have a roof of Spanish tile. The main floor will house the Ripple Furniture company, a floor area of approximately 6000 square feet being available. There will be three large plate glass display windows, two across the entire front of the building and one, 10 by 12 feet on the Sartori avenue side.

Across the rear of the store proper there will be a spacious mezzanine floor which will be used for display of children's furniture. Below the mezzanine there

will be a large work shop, separated from the front of the store.

The entire front of the second floor will be occupied by six large and well-lighted offices, single or en suite with reception room and ample closet space. It is the plan of the architect, Mr. Buxton, and Mr. and Mrs. Ripple, that these offices can be divided and easily arranged to suit the individual needs of the tenants. There will be two lavatories off the main hall for office use.

Pent-House Apartment

Facing the north on the second floor will be found a delightfully modern six-room apartment built after the manner of the New York pent-houses. This apartment will be built around three sides of a tiled patio, which itself will be 26 feet

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### Sympathy for Tearful Male

It may have been only a coincidence—but it looks as though Jack Gill received his share of sympathy at Kiwanis club luncheon last Friday noon. Gill thought the horseradish on the table was apple sauce and ate a whole spoonful.

Tears flooded his eyes, he gasped, grabbed for water, bread—anything to get relief. A few minutes later, as chairman of the day, he introduced the guest soloist, who announced she would sing, "Oh, Dry Those Tears." And she did.

### COMMERCIAL SECRETARIES MEET HERE

Local Chamber to Be Host to Organization All Day, November 29

With the Torrance Chamber of Commerce acting as host, approximately 100 members of the Commercial Secretaries Association of Southern California will hold their regular monthly session for the first time in this city all day Saturday, November 29.

Carl Hyde, executive secretary of the chamber here, is president of the organization, and he has made extensive arrangements for the entertainment of the visitors. Registration of the members will begin at 10 o'clock Saturday morning at the chamber headquarters and the business session of the meeting will start a half hour later with Burl Martin, first vice president, presiding. Martin is secretary of the Whittier Chamber of Commerce.

Citizens Urge Action

These are: (1) The desirability of having a municipal park where adults and children can take advantage of the out-of-doors under ideal circumstances; and (2) construction of a park's landscaping, buildings and apparatus can be done by local labor almost exclusively, thereby relieving to a great extent unemployment in Torrance.

Statements from local citizens show that this last factor is of equal importance with the first and that everything possible should be done to assure the people that Torrance men and Torrance-made equipment would be used whenever and wherever possible.

Sam Levy, president of the Rotary club, in speaking on the mayor's plan, said: "It's a fine thing. I have advocated a park for the past 10 years. We need a recreation center for adults and older children as well as playgrounds for the youngsters. And now is the best of times to get a good, large park."

Legion Post Approves  
"Now is the time to spend the money for a park," declared "Sandy" Sanderhoff, of the firm of Sandy and

### CITIZENS EAGERLY AWAITING PROJECT'S FURTHER DETAILS

Work for Local Unemployed and Acquisition of Municipal Recreation Center Appeals to Many

While eagerly awaiting further details of Mayor John Dennis' plan to acquire and equip a large park site from money to be derived from a bond issue, the people of Torrance have expressed enthusiastic endorsement of the proposal which will do a double service for the city.

Everywhere on the streets, in the homes, offices and social gatherings, the mayor's park project has been heartily applauded. Its twofold purpose has attracted the attention of the public as no other civic endeavor—with the possible exception of the publicly-owned water system—has received here.

"Aid the jobless by constructing a large city park, complete with all the ball grounds, tennis courts, shrubbery and buildings," is the intention of the park bond issue proposal.

Two Important Factors  
It is expected that the details of the project will be worked out tonight (Monday) at the round table session of the city council and the directors of the Chamber of Commerce. These will include the amount of the bond issue thought necessary to finance the project; the size of the park; its approximate location and what it should contain in the way of equipment.

Immediately on the ratification of these details, the Chamber of Commerce is expected to lend its whole support to the plan and to start the circulation of the petitions necessary to call a bond issue.

Two factors give the park project right-of-way over all civic business at the present time, it has been pointed out by a number of citizens since the mayor broached his plan at council meeting last week.

Robert E. Deisinger, of

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### LOCAL COPS LOSE \$5000; -HERE'S HOW

Texas Bad Man in City Last Week Leaves High Powered Car

—And so, they would have taken the \$5000 and bought

That \$5000 represents the reward offered for the capture of one Will "Tex" Wright, a bad man from Texas, who evidently was in Torrance sometime last week.

Wright was here because Friday afternoon local police recovered a LaSalle sedan, which the Texas highway bandit had stolen in the Lone Star state. The machine was found abandoned on 208th street near Western avenue.

When the report of the discovery of the car was given the sheriff's substation, officers there declared it had been stolen in Texas by Wright sometime ago and immediately came to Torrance to search for fingerprints. These talked with Wright's and now the hunt is on in Los Angeles county for the much-wanted Texan.

### City Is "Tuning Up" For "Gay Nineties" Christmas Party on December 6

Have You Got Your Costume Yet?

"Squee-e" go the violins—  
"Squank" nasals the bass,  
"Whee-ee" sing the hairpins  
At our gay '90's chase.

"Gents grab yer pardners,  
And all circle round,  
Sure some fancy strutters  
In our Torrance town."

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Take it from me, Albert, there will be nobody on the sidelines when Torrance puts on the big "Gay Nineties" party Saturday night, December 6! This big neighborhood party has stirred up plenty interest! Everybody wants to be in the grand march. Miss Shirtwaist, Miss Princess, Miss Circular Skirt and her mother, Mrs. Nine Cored Skirt; Mrs. Basque, Mr. Check Suit, Colonel Derby and all the beauties and bloods of the village will be in line.

Everybody Comes Out!  
The fun will start early and last late. The music of the fiddles will set every toe to tapping and every face to smiling. It's just in fun, this big neighborhood party, to start off the Christmas season with a bit of jollity all our own.

So get your costume ready and prepare for the time of your life. The wardrobes are being ransacked and the old trunks are being turned inside out in the

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### Stores Remain Open Wed. Nite

Herald to Publish Special "Gay '90's" Section Fri.

All food stores in Torrance will remain open Wednesday night until 8 o'clock for the convenience of shoppers preparing for Thanksgiving Day.

The next edition of the Torrance Herald will be distributed Friday afternoon and will contain the special "Gay Nineties" supplement to inaugurate the "Let's Have a Good Old-Fashioned Christmas" campaign.



25 Shopping Days 'Til Christmas