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City Should Enter Water Dist.: Leonard

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Interest on the issuance of bonds for the aqueduct amounts to \$1,125,000, of which Torrance's share would be \$112,500, which could be realized from a tax rate per \$100 valuation of 4 cents. Every year another block of bonds are sold as the work on the project progresses. This lasts until 1942, according to Leonard's estimate, when the city's share of the outstanding bond interest would be \$112,500, to be collected from a tax rate per \$100 valuation of 40 cents. This tax rate averages, his estimate shows, but 20 cents a year.

That is the picture if Torrance decides by vote to enter the district at the present time or in the very near future.

High Cost If We Wait

Here is the situation that will confront the city if it waits until 1941 to join the district, as described by Leonard:

The city's share of the preliminary expense on the 1932, exclusive of the proportionate share in the cost of the aqueduct, will be \$26,300. Interest on that amount at 3 per cent for the 10-year period in which the city studies the Metropolitan Water plan without any action, will be \$7,890, or a total due in ten years of \$34,190.

To this figure then add, the city engineer says, the interest on the bonds for the construction of the aqueduct, which the city would have to share in order to enter the district.

Small Cost to Join Now

Referring back to that interest of \$112,500 which was due in 1942, that figure increases because of back interest for nine years and becomes a total of \$15,800. Likewise the city would have to pay the interest overdue from nine years to one year, or until 1942, when that year's interest on the outstanding bonds, at 4 1/2 per cent, is \$112,500 with no back interest.

This makes a total of \$702,260 for interest alone during that 10-year waiting period, Leonard declares. Then to this amount he adds the original preliminary expense figure of \$34,190, to bring the grand total to \$736,450.

Leonard states that this sum would have to be paid by the city in 1941 or 1942 in its entirety in order that the city might enter the district. He points out that the district has offered Torrance the opportunity of becoming affiliated with the Metropolitan plan at the present time at the cost of between \$15,000 and \$19,000, the estimated city's share of the preliminary expense in engineering work, surveys and accumulation of data which will be climaxed today with the report of the chairman of the Engineering Board of Review in Pasadena.

Claims Heavy Burden Light
 "We can save ourselves a great amount of worry and be prepared to welcome prospective industries and residents with the assurance that we have plenty of good water now and will have it for years and years to come," the city engineer declared. "If we decide to join hands with the 21 cities now assured of Colorado river water."

"By spreading the cost, as it accumulates over a 10-year period, we pay but an average of 20 cents per \$100 assessed valuation, and this undoubtedly will be lessened because of our increasing valuation, which will be brought about by more factories and more population."

"Why should we wait and place so heavy a burden of \$736,450 in one great lump about the neck of our city? We can assume the responsibility now, spread the message to industries coming westward that Torrance is ideally situated and has plenty of water, and we are safe. Wait and we won't know what to do in 10 years time."

Building Decline Said Less Here Than Elsewhere

Expiring Year Shows New Construction Lagging Behind 1929

Although new construction in Torrance during 1930 will fall short of the building figure of 1929 by approximately \$186,000, Torrance has every reason to be proud of the total for this expiring year, according to City Engineer Leonard, who receives the applications for building permits. "The decline in building in Torrance is probably 20 per cent less than most other cities in Southern California," he said today, as he scanned the records for 1929 and 1930. "Our decrease has not been as sensational as a number of cities in the county, I predict, because we have had a fairly active year in new construction despite the general economic depression."

To date the figures for new building in Torrance during 1930 amounts to \$418,212. During 1929 there was \$606,428 for construction here. December, 1930, will see about \$6900 worth of new construction. Last year the total for that month was \$23,536, according to the records of the building department.

\$4,000,000 STATE BUILDING PROGRAM WILL BE LAUNCHED

By the United Press

A \$4,000,000 state building program will be launched immediately after inauguration of Governor-elect James Rolph, the United Press learned this week. Smashing all precedent, the new governor has determined to begin work at once on a host of new projects, outlined in the state's "Ten Year Building Program" for various institutions.

Rolland A. Vandegrift, budget-maker for Governor-elect Rolph, who appears to be slated for appointment to the important post of director of finance in the new administration, is completing plans for California's relief in the present unemployment crisis.

All Counties to Benefit

Each county of the state will benefit, according to Vandegrift, from state institutions from Eureka to San Diego are included in the building plans. State highways, hospitals, national guard armories, reform schools, prisons, teachers' colleges and the state university will all be affected by release of the millions of dollars.

In the past, money appropriated by the legislature for carrying on the continuous building program has not been available until five to six months after its use was sanctioned by the lawmakers and building has not started until from six to 18 months after being made available. The next legislature will probably approve the Rolph-Vandegrift program in February or early March. Within 30 days thousands of men will be employed and actual construction on the various projects begun.

RELATIVE PASSES ON

John S. McKibben, retired druggist, residing on Mar Vista avenue, Santa Monica, died suddenly at his home Sunday morning of apoplexy. He leaves a wife and two children. Mr. McKibben is the uncle of Mrs. Lewis Ripple of Torrance.

WOODEN SHOE BUSINESS GOOD

By the United Press
 ORANGE CITY, Iowa. The making of wooden shoes, learned in the Netherlands, provides a living for Jacob Van Hoff in America. Van Hoff brought special tools with him and now receives enough orders for wooden shoes to keep him busy. The shoes are made from green cotton-wood.

Kingsley Takes New Position

W. Harold Kingsley, former editor of the Torrance Herald, has accepted a position as managing editor of the Long Beach Morning Sun, one of the Copley chain newspapers. He will begin his new duties January 5.

Kingsley sold his interest in the Torrance Herald and Lomita News 18 months ago to Grover C. Whyte, the present editor and publisher. Since that time Mr. Kingsley has moved to a new home in the Palms Verde Estates. He recently resigned as a director of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce and has tendered his resignation as a member of the Torrance Rotary club.

New Association Gives Objectives For Year's Work

Three objectives are before the newly organized Industrial Development Association of the Harbor District of which Charles A. Brazoo is president pro-tem. They are:

- 1.—Securing of 40,000 signatures of registered voters in this district to a proposed clause for revision of the 10-year rental valuation of Harbor department lands; and
- 2.—To get a report, following a thorough investigation, on all data on the Royal Palms purchase proposal. The Association intends to find out, if possible, who is negotiating for rental of the park site and to whose benefit only a rental agreement would be. The organization has gone on record that it will "fight to the finish" anything but a direct purchase of the proposed park site; and
- 3.—To work for the beautification of approaches to the Harbor area, such as Avila boulevard. The Association has commended the work of Supervisor John Quint and the Avalon Boulevard Association in their efforts to landscape this artery with native trees, to be planted from 120th street southwards.



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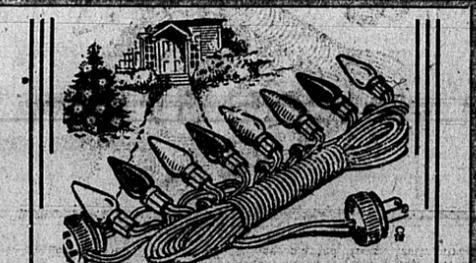
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