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HERE'S MORE ABOUT We Want What We Pay For!

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be much better satisfied to continue as a part of the Los Angeles district. If the City Council used tax money to hire non-resident workers in the various city departments, we would register a big howl, yet we allow about half our school teachers, who likewise receive their salaries from local tax money, to live outside the city of Torrance. Naturally, they spend little money here, have little interest in civic affairs, and most certainly cannot engender much civic loyalty in the minds of the pupils under their instruction. With so many vacancies in Torrance houses and apartments, it would seem timely to start a campaign to get our non-resident school teachers to move to Torrance, in order that property owners who are paying their salaries may have an opportunity of receiving a part of their school taxes returned to them in rentals. Torrance is now the third largest city in area in Los Angeles county—bigger even than Long Beach. Surely in this vast area extending from Riverside-Redondo boulevard to the Shoestring Strip and westward to the sea, our school teachers can find pleasant and economical living quarters.

Politics Ignores Efficiency

A couple of weeks ago Gene Biscailuz addressed the Torrance Rotary club. I have admired the splendid work he did as superintendent of the State Highway Patrol during Governor Young's administration. Hard-boiled motor cops became courteous and helpful servants of the motorist under Biscailuz's guidance. He banished the old idea of having motorcycle officers hide behind trees and pounce upon the unsuspecting motorists for minor infractions of the law. He started a school for state highway officers and taught them courtesy and service to the motoring public. He kept them in sight, touring the highways. The result was fewer arrests, but what is more important, fewer violations, and safer highways. It is regrettable that the unrelenting law of politics caused Governor Rolph to replace Biscailuz with another man, but we hope that some other appointment will be made soon so that this type of intelligent public official may continue rendering efficient service. Biscailuz deserves a promotion—not a dismissal.

VETERANS' BONUS EXPLAINED

Administrator of Ex-Service Men's Affairs Wires History of Certificates and Their Present Loan Status

In view of the current discussion with reference to payment of the veterans' bonus certificates, Frank T. Hines, administrator of Veterans' Affairs at Washington, has wired James K. Plak, state adjutant of the American Legion, describing the history of the certificates and explaining their present loan status. In his telegram Hines states:

"Congress in May of 1924 voted to adjust the compensation of veterans with certain exceptions, \$1.00 per day for service in the United States, and \$1.25 per day for service overseas. When the amount so earned, less the \$50.00 bonus, exceeded \$50.00, the credit was used to purchase a paid-up endowment policy to mature at the end of 20 years. Instead of not making a cash settlement, the veteran was credited with an additional 25 per cent on account of such deferred payment. At the present time there are outstanding 3,395,000 certificates with a maturity value of \$3,240,000,000. The policies average somewhat over \$1000 apiece.

Available for Loans
"At the time legislation was enacted, provision was made whereby the veterans could borrow on their certificate after it had been in effect for two years, an amount based on a reserve value. As most of the certificates were dated January 1, 1925, the veteran holders thereof can now borrow on their certificates up to 22 1/2 per cent of the maturity value, or over \$25 on the average certificate.

"On January 1, it was estimated that 1,500,000 veterans availed themselves of these privileges to the extent of borrowing about \$800,000,000 of a total loan value of \$750,000,000. The remaining \$450,000,000 is available for loans during 1931. During January it is anticipated that the loans made to \$90,000 certificate holders totalling approximately \$20,000,000. No doubt the availability of these funds will be helpful to those veterans who find it necessary to make loans at this particular time."

MRS. WARD RETURNING
LOMITA.—Mrs. S. M. Ward of Sun street, who was called to Oklahoma by the serious illness of her father, writes that she is much improved and that she is returning to Lomita this week.

News of Lomita

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Evening School at Narbonne Offers Many Opportunities Now

LOMITA.—The present time of slack work is a splendid time to brush up on your bookkeeping, stenography and typing, also to improve your knowledge of mathematics or English. All of this can be done without cost by enrolling in night school at Narbonne high school. For those who prefer handwork there is the woodshop and the art and plaque work classes. Or if you are not quite physically fit there are the physical education classes.

The night school dramatic class, under the capable direction of Miss Marie Stiff, is planning the preparation of two plays and anyone interested in dramatics or public speaking should enroll at once. One of the finest features of the night school is the library, open to the people of the community. A recent check shows 172 volumes, of which 74 are books of fiction and short stories. The library ranges from books on history and travel, books on useful and fine arts, to books on commercial and scientific subjects. Forty-four magazines, among which are the best literary and scientific magazines published in America, are on the library subscription list. Visit the library and if you can't find what you want, ask Miss Mary Wylie, librarian.

The night school and library are open every Monday and Thursday night from 7 to 9 o'clock, and as this is the beginning of the new term, it is a good time to enroll.

BILBRO GROCERY STORE
SOLD TO EDW. VETTER
LOMITA.—The L. E. Bilbro grocery, located at the corner of Redondo boulevard and Narbonne avenue, has been sold to Edward Vetter, son of W. Vetter, one of the old time ranchers of this community. The new owner is a well known Lomita boy who has lived all his life in this community. Mr. Bilbro, who has conducted the business for nearly five years, has made no future plans, but intends to spend some time in higher education before entering business again.

AMARANTH PARTY
LOMITA.—The hope chest to be given away as a prize at the Amaranth card party tonight at Odd Fellows hall is on display in the window of the Wilson Dry Goods store. Diversions offered will be bridge, five hundred, buncos, and pinocle. There will also be dancing and refreshments.

FAREWELL PARTY FOR
A-6 GRADUATES FRIDAY
LOMITA.—The Lomita A-6 graduates were given a farewell party Friday afternoon to which the parents were invited. A program was given at which, for the first time in Lomita schools, American Legion medals were awarded to the boy and girl with the best records in scholarship and citizenship. Dorothy Key and Frank Anderson were the students honored. A clever original paper, "Selling an Organ," was read by Otney Akridge, and a violin duet, "Evening Song," was rendered by Virgil King and Robert Lindgren.

CASE CONTINUED
LOMITA.—Case of the People vs. C. M. Sheely, charged with violation of the labor law, was continued in Judge Dennis' court until Wednesday, February 25, at 10 a. m. The case is the outgrowth of a complaint filed by W. H. Creath, and involves an item of payroll in the oil fields.

VISITS SCHOOL
LOMITA.—Warren C. Conrad, assistant superintendent of city schools, was an all-day visitor at Lomita school Tuesday.

STUDENTS WANTED
LOMITA.—More students are wanted for the Home Nursing and First Aid class, conducted at Lomita school every Monday from 9:30 a. m. until 11:30. The course is conducted by Mrs. Hilda Humphreys and certificates are given those completing the work.

NEW MEETING DATE
LOMITA.—The Lomita Cosmos club met Wednesday night with Mrs. Huns Anderson for an evening with American humorists. The meeting night of the club has been changed to the third Wednesday of the month and the club will meet next month with Miss Paddock.

L. B. C. ENTERTAINED AT
MRS. HOMER LAMPOR'S
LOMITA.—Mrs. Homer Lampor was hostess to the L. B. C. club at her home on Stage street. Luncheon was followed by bridge, in which Mrs. Barron Beckham won first prize, Mrs. Herbert Lampor, second, and Mrs. Walter Gilkison, consolation. Other members attending were Mrs. J. E. Dyson, Mrs. P. G. Reid, Mrs. Chester Garmiller, Mrs. Sylvester Goodenow, and Mrs. L. C. Walker.

BENEFIT GAME
LOMITA.—The Lomita Merchants and the Santa Monica American Legion baseball teams will play a benefit game Sunday at the local ball grounds. Game called at 2:15.

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Dolley Drug Company.—Adv.

Vicious Title To P. T. A. Play

Orange St. School Group
Now Rehearsing
LOMITA.—"Clubbing a Husband" sounds vicious, but that's the title of the play the Orange Street P. T. A. has selected. Rehearsals are being held at the school and members of the cast are Mrs. A. L. Williams, Mrs. Walter Gilkison, Mrs. J. H. Kurtz, Mrs. L. C. Walker, Mrs. Charles Eade, Mrs. V. J. Syrett, Mrs. E. W. Weisman, Mrs. Barron Beckham, Mrs. Roy Hathaway, Mrs. J. E. Dyson, Mrs. Wm. Peighal, and Miss Fanny Pirner.

Escobar Brothers In New Building Now

LOMITA.—Escobar Brothers moved from their temporary quarters in the Peck building to their new building on the corner of Rose and Narbonne avenues Saturday. The building, a handsome brick and stucco structure, contains 7700 feet of floor space, and besides offices and display rooms, includes complete repair departments and other facilities.

Class Advisor Ends 6-Year Association

LOMITA.—The graduation of 15 seniors in the winter class brought sorrow as well as joy to Miss Ann Shea, who had been their advisor for six years, starting with them in the Lomita school before Narbonne high school was built.

ARE IMPROVING
LOMITA.—Mrs. Maude Sharock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taber, who was operated upon at San Pedro hospital Tuesday morning, is reported resting comfortably. Mr. Taber's mother, who suffered a slight stroke, is much improved and is now able to sit up.

Civic Banquet at Harbor City Tonight

LOMITA.—Everything is in readiness for the civic banquet tonight at Harbor City hall when Mayor Porter, Fire Chief Scott and District Engineer Guy Downey will be honored guests.

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Semester's End Is Celebrated

Schools Honor Students
Given Certificates

LOMITA.—Friday afternoon the A-9 graduates held their class day program at the close of which Miss Griffin presented their diplomas. Miss Madelyn Hess opened the program with a piano solo, which was followed by the reading of the class prophecy. Tap dances were given by June Prince and Doris Watkins, and a cornet solo by Walter Milburn. The class will contain the usual digs at the Juniors. The class present, a check, was presented to Miss Griffin for school purposes.

Parking Problem Solution Voiced

Business Men and Employees
Use Side Streets
Business men and employees of local stores and offices should help relieve the growing parking problem in the business district of the city by keeping their cars away from in front of their establishments.

Small Boy Slightly Hurt By Automobile

LOMITA.—Jimmie Snyder, small son of Hal Snyder of 1335 Walnut street, received a deep cut over his left eye and a bruised left knee Tuesday afternoon when, on his way home from the Orange Street school, he darted across Redondo boulevard, not noticing a car approaching from the west.

Read Our Want-Ads

AUTOMATIC...but appetizing as Grandmother's Old-Fashioned Cooking



WE SIGH SOMETIMES (at least men-folk do) for the delights of old-fashioned cooking. We do not recall (at least men-folk don't) all the ordeals that old-fashioned cooking entailed... for the cook.

But now we can please him and also humor ourselves, (speaking of the womenfolk now) for the most modern method of cooking, which is automatic and electric, produces results as ravishing as those secured in Grandmother's old-fashioned kitchen... and even he wouldn't want to go back farther than that.

Ask your electric dealer about it. Ask to see the smart new models in modern automatic electric ranges.

Ask about the very convenient purchase plan, which includes a liberal allowance for your present range. As a modern woman whose men-folk are likely to go cave-man at meal-time you owe it to yourself... and to them.

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WHAT ARE COUNTY COURTS?

Proposed Plan Has Some Advantages in Judicial
Set-Up But Has Serious Faults in Structure
By GROVER C. WHYTE

How will the establishment of county courts to replace township justices of the peace as proposed in a bill to be presented at the coming session of the State legislature affect Lomita township and Judge John Dennis? These are questions residents of Torrance and Lomita are asking.

Qualifications of county court judges include the stipulation that they must be qualified to practice law before the State Supreme Court, a provision that will eliminate many otherwise competent justices of the peace. However, this qualification does not apply to the original quota of 22 county court judges, but after the original term of office is served, it is believed that candidates for the office will necessarily be limited to attorneys. Judges will be elected for six-year terms.

While the proposed bill has many disadvantages and, in the writer's opinion, is bad legislation, unless it is vigorously protested it will no doubt be passed. As it applies ONLY to Los Angeles county, it will not be considered seriously by members of the State Legislature residing outside of this county, and will be excellent material for the "horse-traders" in the legislature.

Judge Dennis and City Attorney Perry G. Briney have both gone on record as opposed to the county court bill, and it is hoped that others in the community will register their disapproval with Assemblyman Ben Hill at Sacramento.

Judges Must Qualify
Judges in the proposed county courts will draw a salary of \$7500 per year, and each court will have a marshal, clerk, stenographer, permanent jury, and all other costly appurtenances of a municipal court.

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