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C. C. M. O. OFFICIAL ELECTED CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HEAD

Sherwood McIntyre Honored With Presidency of Torrance Chamber of Commerce; Other Officers Also Chosen

By L. J. GILMEISTER, Secretary
Sherwood McIntyre, who is in charge of the substantial interests of the Chanslor-Cantfield Midway Oil Company in the Torrance area, which organization is affiliated with the Santa Fe Railway Company, was elected president of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce by chamber directors Monday afternoon at the first meeting of the present fiscal year.

PRESIDENT



J. W. McQuaid, a partner in the D & M Machine Works, was elected first vice president. Dr. Alden Smith, optometrist and jeweler, was elected second vice president. Donald Findley, chairman of the county relief and employment program, was elected treasurer. Others serving on the directorate of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce and public relations for the National Supply Company of California: Frank Buffington, manager, J. C. Penney Co.; De Kalb Spurlin, local realtor; Fred Isaacs, in charge of the General Petroleum Corporation's refining department, and Bert W. Lanz, general manager of the Columbia Steel Company mills at Torrance.

SHERWOOD MCINTYRE, popular C. C. M. O. official in charge of operations at Torrance, was elected president of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce for the coming year by fellow members of the board of directors this week.

In its election of Sherwood McIntyre as president of the Torrance Chamber, the directorate affirmed its appreciation of his alertness to the importance of constant expansion of existing civic, commercial and industrial advantages in Torrance. President McIntyre stated, "The directors of the Torrance Chamber compose a voluntary agency which commands general confidence, and which is the instrumentality through which the energy, influence and judgment of the business community are directed to the treatment of local problems."

Membership Drive
A committee was appointed for the purpose of soliciting renewals of membership in the chamber, and to initiate steps for securing new members at cost of \$1.00 per month, per year.

University and the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, and this year will have a program which will be outstanding in its treatment of national relationships of government with industry, commerce and civic affairs.

Membership Meeting
Consideration of the next quarterly meeting of the chamber's members concluded in agreement that such a meeting be held on Tuesday, July 17. An intensely interesting program will be arranged, because of the appearance of qualified speakers who will discuss vital legislative and business problems.

Park Dedication
Discussion of plans for dedication of the Torrance Municipal Park in the near future concluded with the appointment of a committee headed by President McIntyre to contact city officials for the purpose of definitely arranging a fitting program for this occasion, to which all the citizens of Torrance will be urged to attend.

SMALL FIRE
A small amount of damage was done by fire to the house at 1825 22nd street, occupied by C. A. Floyd, on July 1. The Torrance fire department extinguished the blaze. Loss amounted to about \$5.00.

Dave Roberts "Demotes" Rotary President "Bing"

EDITOR'S NOTE: Highlight of the Torrance Rotary Club's annual party held last Saturday at Lake Elsinore was the demotion speech given by Dave Roberts in unseating the retiring club president, Dr. Robert A. Bingham. Big Dave, whose good natured satire prompts many a chuckle at the weekly Rotary luncheon, lost the full force of his humorous irony as he reviewed the past year's history of the Torrance club; just prior to the demotion speech, Charles V. Jones presented President Bingham with a pair of binoculars, a gift from fellow club members in appreciation of the past year's service as president. The masterful "demotion" speech by Dave Roberts is given in part below for the benefit of wives and friends of Rotarians who were not present at the party.

"President Bingham, My Lords, Rotarians and Gentlemen: "Like the old saying of those who came to scoff and remained to pray," I too came here with the malicious intent of holding you up to ignominy, but after the sincere words of praise and affection coming from Charlie, my heart is touched and my conscience does not permit me to indulge in that very human trait of criticizing my brother man. Rather would I too add my simple words of appreciation and praise to those of Charlie's to tell you of the love and affection in which we hold you and of the sincere appreciation of your never-ending efforts to pilot our club through the stormy waters of the last year. "Much as I yearn to express these sickening sweet sentiments and platitudes, the stern cold justice of my New England forbears arises and points to my duty, plainly distasteful and repugnant as it may be to my finer sensibilities. "We, the members past and present, of the Torrance Rotary

Club and guests, have gathered here this evening on a momentous and happy occasion to celebrate the completion of a decade of its existence—ten long years of storm and peace; of feast and famine; of change and stress; of good fellows gone and younger men to replace them. But through it all the old club held steadily on its course. Wishing to share our celebration, we have invited all of our past presidents to be with us on this anniversary, curiously wondering who of them would be brave enough to appear. Those present answered our curiosity and proved the old proverb of "winnowing the wheat from the chaff." We have patiently and courteously listened to each of their empty boasts and their pitiful attempts to glorify the acts of their administrations during the time the club was entrusted to their leadership. While it has been said that time heals all things, those of us who lived through the administrations of these past (Continued on Page 5)

Rotary Party Joyful Affair

Don Findley, Charter Member, Installed As President

Don Findley took over the gavel as president of the Torrance Rotary Club last Saturday evening, following an enjoyable afternoon and evening of sports and good fellowship participated in by 40 active and former members of the Torrance club at the cottage of Warren Johnston on the shores of Lake Elsinore. The annual Rotary party lived up to its tradition of being a grand reunion of old friends, some of whom came as far as San Diego, Pasadena and Santa Monica for the joyful affair. Warren Johnston again proved himself a splendid host as he has on so many other occasions at his ranch home at Escondido.

The installation party Saturday marked the tenth anniversary of the Torrance Rotary Club, and it seems quite fitting that the newly installed president should be one of the original charter members.

Other details of the party, as well as the text of Dave Roberts' "demotion" speech to the retiring president, Dr. R. A. Bingham, are printed elsewhere in this issue.

Staff Is Named To Take Charge Of Local Schools

Seven Supervisors Will Assist Director; Tax Increase Protested

Announcement of the complete staff that will administer the Los Angeles public schools in Torrance, Lomita, Harbor City, Gardena and adjacent communities was made today by the board of education. Under Warren Cross Conrad, district superintendent recently appointed, will be a director and seven supervisors—all but one of them women. The director is Evaline P. Dowling, and the supervisors are Gertrude M. Sweet, Ethelyn Bishop, Janie M. Dugan, Alma E. Warren, Grace M. Derwin, Julia L. Stiekel and Edwin H. Trethewey.

An indicated increase of seven cents in the tax levy of the Los Angeles district is strongly protested in a communication to Archie R. Clifton, county schools superintendent, from the property owners' division of the Los Angeles Realty Board. It demands that Clifton revise the Los Angeles schools budget, cutting out many items to bring the budget down to a figure that will not necessitate an increase in the tax levy for the past year.

Taxpayer Files Protest Against Board's Action

Decision Not to Require Blue Eagle on Purchases Opens Way For Chiselers

By voting not to demand the Blue Eagle on all products purchased by the county, the supervisors have opened the way for any "chiseler" who can offer a lower bid, the county officials were told today in a scathing letter from a Los Angeles taxpayer. The supervisors, on motion of Supervisor Gordon L. McDonough, recently voted not to require the NRA emblem on any goods except those purchased with federal funds. "I have today called the attention of the National Recovery Administration to your resolution," the letter from Harry N. James and written on the stationery of the code authority for the photographic industry, stated. "You have by your actions placed the county on record as being opposed to the intent of the NRA. You have openly stated your opposition to BUYING UNDER the Blue Eagle and have thereby opened the door for the public to say, 'Why should we buy only from firms who have a Blue Eagle, as requested by the government, when the supervisors buy from ANY chiseler who can offer them a lower bid because they are NOT bound by their Blue Eagle agreement?'" James' letter was scheduled to come before the board for consideration some time Monday.

UTOPIAN ORGANIZATION FILES ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Secret Society Which Has Aroused Popular Curiosity Was Sanctioned By Secretary of State Last February; Three Los Angeles Men Named As Trustees

Sole control of the organization known as the Utopian Society, Inc., Western Division, is vested in its three trustees, it is noted in the articles of incorporation on file today with the Los Angeles county clerk. The articles were applied for last January 29 and were granted by the secretary of state on February 20.

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The Utopian Society, Inc., Western Division, is a corporation organized under the provisions of Title 12, Part 4, Division 1, of the Civil Code of the State of California, which does not contemplate the distribution of gains, profits, or dividends to members thereof.

"The name of the corporation shall be The Utopian Society, Inc., Western Division. The purposes for which it is formed are: "1. To establish social, benevolent and altruistic society for adult men and women who are citizens of the United States and residents of California. "2. To provide facilities for the enjoyment, entertainment, and amusement of the members of this corporation and to provide means for the development of social functions and benevolent enterprises and altruistic activities and endeavors for all the members of this corporation. "3. To receive and accept contributions and bequests to assist in carrying out the purpose of this corporation. "4. To contract and be contracted with, and in so doing to borrow money and issue securities or notes to secure the same and to convey, exchange, encumber, lease, mortgage, transfer upon the trust or otherwise to own, hold or dispose of all property, real, personal or mixed. "5. To receive property by gift or by bequest subject to the laws regulating the transfer of property by will and to otherwise hold and encumber all property, real, personal or mixed, including shares of stock, bonds, and securities of other corporations. "6. This corporation does not contemplate pecuniary profit or gain to any of the members thereof. "7. Generally, to do any and all things that this corporation may deem necessary and/or expedient or convenient where the welfare of the corporation or the members thereof is concerned. "The principal office of the corporation shall be located in Los Angeles. "The persons to act in the capacity of trustees shall be three in number and the names and addresses of the persons to act in said capacity until the selection of their successors are: Eugene Reed, Los Angeles, California; Merritt Kennedy, Los Angeles, California; W. H. Rousseau, Los Angeles, California. "Each trustee shall be a member and each shall hold office for such a term as may be prescribed by the by-laws and in the event of a vacancy a successor shall be chosen by the remaining trustees by their unanimous vote. "The by-laws may be adopted, amended or repealed by the trustees by majority vote thereof and the trustees shall have the power through the medium of the by-laws to provide: "1. Qualifications of members and classes of membership. "2. Fees of admission, dues to be paid, and time of payment thereof. "3. Quorums, elections of officers, and trustees and members of an advisory board to the trustees. "4. The manner of all voting. "5. The expulsion of members. "6. Organization of the board of trustees. "7. Creating and contracting of indebtedness. "8. Rules, regulations and discipline of the members. "9. Meeting place of board of trustees and dates and times of meetings. "10. The principal place of business as the same may be changed from time to time. "11. The meeting place for regular and special meetings of members and the state, national and other conventions and for affiliations of the corporation or its members with branches of it. "12. Such further regulations not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States or the state of California and consistent with the object of this corporation."

Fire Hazards In Service Stations Must Be Abated

County Fire Warden Sends Warning to All Operators To Comply With Law

Captain Frank Laski, chief of the Lomita fire department, calls attention to a notice sent out recently by Spence D. Turner, county fire warden, which says: "Spence D. Turner, county fire warden, has declared war on all service station owners and operators who harbor life or fire hazards in the unincorporated territory of Los Angeles county. He intends to send out his forces from the fire prevention bureau, fire protection district engine companies and field divisions; particularly to see that all visible gasoline pumps have proper guards placed thereon, and all electric lights or units around or near all gasoline pumps are provided with vapor proof globes; guards are provided to prevent breakage of glass bowls, also flying glass when water is applied in case of fire. One attendant lost his eyesight from broken glass because he did not think guards were necessary. "Mr. Turner, calls on all to fall in line and see that these requirements are met before service station owners or operators receive a written notice from the county fire warden.

Paul Gillam's Mother Injured In Accident

Mrs. Don Gillam, 1141 West 166th street, was painfully injured Monday in an automobile accident on South Normandie near the Roosevelt Memorial Park, when an unknown driver suddenly turned in front of the Gillam car and a collision resulted. Mrs. Gillam received several cuts and bruises on the forehead. She was taken to the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital for treatment and later returned to her home.

Spud Murphy First Celebration Victim

D. A. (Spud) Murphy, 1422 Ampala, was the first Fourth of July victim to be treated at the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital this year. Spud was holding a bomb in his hand Tuesday evening, which went off unexpectedly and blew a chunk out of the man's head. His index finger was split from tip to palm and is in such bad condition that Spud may lose part or all of it. He received first aid treatment at the hospital and is now recovering at his home.

BEAUTIFICATION WEEK BRINGS OUT NEW SIGN

A beautification week, now gracefully rears its bright letters and attractive background above the re-ramped Used Car Lot of the Walter G. Litch Co. Redondo Beach car dealer. Mr. Reed, used car manager for the above concern, personally laid out the plans and wording of the new sign which encircles practically the entire corner of Torrance boulevard and Pacific where the car lot is located.

Duplicate Tax Records Ready Early Next Wk.

Duplicate tax roll assessment records covering property in the original Torrance tract are expected to be completed and returned to the Torrance Chamber of Commerce early next week. It was reported this morning by L. J. Gilmeister, secretary. For several years the local Chamber of Commerce has had these records copied as a convenience to property owners, who do not wish to make the trip to the Hall of Records in Los Angeles to learn their assessments on their property. The board of equalization is now in session in Los Angeles, and any claims for adjustments must be made at this time.

Wage Rates Paid By Oil Industry Up For Hearing

Labor Co-ordinator Announces Series of Meetings Beginning Today

Announcement is made by A. L. West, regional labor co-ordinator, that the regional labor sub-committee of the sixth region will hold a series of hearings on the question of minimum wage differentials for various classes of jobs in all branches of the oil industry, classifications of jobs and regulations governing relations of employer and employees. All employer's associations, labor unions, company unions, associations of employees, and individual employees in the industry, who may desire to be heard, are to be afforded an opportunity to present their respective cases. It is urged that presentation be confined to matters of fact and that written memoranda embodying such facts be left with the committee at conclusion of the presentations. Hearings are to begin on Thursday, July 5, 1934, and are to be held in room 1015, Higgins building, Second and Main streets, Los Angeles, California. The committee is to convene daily at 1:30 p. m. and will hold evening sessions when necessary. Those desiring to be heard should communicate with the co-ordinator at once. Only the length of time desired for presentation, whereupon a day and hour will be assigned to the applicant.

Birda Paddock Takes Charge At Lomita

Miss Birda Paddock, former employee of the San Pedro postoffice, and later engaged in newspaper work in this section, has taken charge of the Lomita postoffice as postmistress last Tuesday. Miss Paddock's appointment was confirmed shortly before Congress adjourned and she received notice last week.

Former Resident Dies At Hermosa

Miss Margaret Koppes, age 74, passed away Friday, June 29, at her home, 2024 Hillcrest avenue, Hermosa Beach. She formerly resided in Torrance but of late years has been living at Hermosa. She is survived by her sister, Mrs. Mark L. Ball, of Hermosa Beach; two brothers, Herman Koppes of Burbank and John Koppes of Long Beach.

MOUNTAIN VIEW STORE ROBBED MONDAY NIGHT

For the second time in recent months the Mountain View Dairy store at the corner of Narbonne avenue and Redondo-Wilmington boulevard, Lomita, was entered by burglars last Monday night. A case of beer and about 60 cents in pennies was the principal loot. Entrance was made by breaking a pane of glass in a window.

NO BUSINESS

Police and fire departments in Torrance spent a quiet day with no business transacted as a result of Fourth of July activities. The Walteria truck answered its first call yesterday to extinguish a grass fire.

ENGINEERS TO INVESTIGATE CLAIMS MADE BY WATER CO.

Both City and Water Company Representatives Asked to "Speed Up" Negotiations; To Report Back to City Council

The firm of Salisbury, Bradshaw & Taylor, special consulting engineers employed by the city of Torrance last August to make an appraisal of the water system owned by the Torrance Water, Light & Power Company, were authorized Tuesday night by the City Council to further investigate the claims made by

the water company regarding the value of certain alleged assets not included in the previous engineers' report, and to report back to the city. Among the items pointed out by Councilman Hitchcock as being omitted from the earlier appraisal are several lines of new cast-iron pipe installed by the water company during the past year and a new truck which was recently purchased. Mayor Ludlow stated that Salisbury, Bradshaw & Taylor had been successful in other localities in settling disputes regarding the purchase of water systems, and he felt that the engineers are more familiar with prices of materials, depreciation rates, and other technical details which members of the city council would not be expected to know. He stated that he believed the engineers' advice would be of untold benefit to the city, and urged that the investigations be undertaken at once. A letter was addressed to officials of the water company asking that the city's special consulting engineers be given access to water company records. President E. C. Nelson of the water company, who was in the audience Tuesday evening, stated that he would be pleased to lend every assistance possible to reaching a settlement of the items in dispute. Mayor Klummen cast the only dissenting vote against the motion to appoint the engineers.

FRANK MALLO IS PUT ON PROBATION

Frank Mallo, who pleaded guilty recently to driving while intoxicated in Waverly last April 24, today was on one year's probation, as the result of a 90-day suspended sentence given him last week by Superior Judge Charles S. Burnell. Mallo applied for probation when he entered his plea of guilty. His case was heard in superior court by Justice C. T. Rippey on May 1.

Blood Donations Asked to Help Fight Infantile Paralysis Here

Following the discovery of another case of infantile paralysis in Torrance this week, an urgent appeal was made today by Dr. Harry Smiley, district health officer, for the donation of blood by adults to aid in the work of preventing children who have come in direct contact with cases from contracting the disease.

Those desiring to give blood for this work are asked to contact the Torrance Health Center, phone 880, and arrange for an appointment. A special clinic will be held on July 9, 10 and 11, between 11 a. m. and 2 p. m., and all who can help are urged to do so. In a statement to the Herald this morning, Dr. Smiley said: "For the past eight years I have been the health officer of this community, and have actually immunized thousands of children against diphtheria and vaccinated thousands against smallpox, and literally hundreds of people against rubella. All of these products used in this work are already prepared for use, being made by laboratories under the supervision of the United States public health service. "But the serum for infantile paralysis cannot be made in such a manner and has to be made from human beings. This serum is used both for the treatment and for the prevention of infantile paralysis. The only way it can be obtained is from those who wish to give us some of their blood. Scientific research has shown that the pooled serum of 85% of the adult population has protective bodies in it against infantile paralysis. "The serum of the blood is tested and purified and is sent back to the district for free distribution to the doctors. There has been such a demand for this serum that today I have just one bottle, and if any more is needed at once, the only way it can be obtained is that either the doctor or the patient will have to buy it from the Orthopedic Hospital, which charges a dollar for 15 drops. The ordinary dose is from 150 to 300 drops. What we have been very fortunate in Torrance in having only four cases altogether, the last one being a 22-year-old woman sent to the General Hospital on July 2nd, we may need this serum not only for your protection but that of your neighbors. "On July 9, 10 and 11, I am conducting a clinic for the collection of this adult blood from 11 a. m. to 2 o'clock in the afternoon. I can use two donors every 15 minutes between those hours. If you care to donate a few ounces of your blood for the protection of

Congressional Candidates File For Aug. Primaries

Candidates for Congress from the 17th district who have qualified by filing their nominating petitions with Secretary of State Frank C. Jordan, and who will be listed on the ballot at the August primary, are nine in number. They include Honorable Charles J. Colburn, incumbent, and Allen H. Guthrie, both of San Pedro. The Socialist party has one candidate, Richard Pomeroy, Harbor City.

In the 15th (Long Beach) district, Republican candidates are Earl Akers, William Brayton, Charles S. Henderson, Louis Mertens, Daphne Riley, all of Long Beach; Frank R. McKeeney, Willowbrook. Democratic aspirants include John James Barton, Byron N. Svott, Emmet Skirvin, Clarence P. Wallick, Earl W. Wood, all of Long Beach; Solomon Carr, Bellflower; Walter H. Sullivan, Compton. Communist party is represented by Clyde Champion, South Gate.