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**SCOUTING COURSE IS PROVEN POPULAR**

With 90 Scout leaders in attendance at the opening session of the "Little University of Scouting" at U. S. C. last Thursday night, an even larger attendance is expected tonight. The course is designed to teach Scouting fundamentals, patrol method, organization and similar procedure. The school is being held in Bridge hall.

**TROOP 217**  
A new patrol was formed, which was given the name of the "Beaver Patrol"; in Troop 217 this week. Leon Shell, due to his rapid advancement was promoted to leader with George Piper as his assistant. Harold Shell was also advanced to assistant leader of the Wolf Patrol.

Hugh Allen has shown a good deal of interest in the activities of the troop, therefore, he was given the authority of junior examiner. This rank permits him to pass tests.

Boice Cline was taken into the troop, having successfully completed his tenderfoot test. Toward the completion of first class rank, Leon Shell passed 14-mile hike, handicraft, signaling and thrift. Harold Shell passed 14-mile hike, judging and thrift. Toward the completion of second class rank, Derrill Conley passed 30-day service and knife and axe. Dick Hogue passed 30-day service. Richard Thompson, the "weight man" of the troop, passed signaling.

Mr. Hubbard of Smith's Service Station has consented to join the troop as Junior Assistant Scoutmaster. He will instruct the boys in boxing, having had quite a few years as instructor in the East.

**TROOP 211**  
This troop was presented with its charter by Tilly Johnson, president of the 20-30 club, sponsor of the troop. This service club should be commended for the interest and the taking of this group of boys. The charter was received by the Scoutmaster Henry Carlson.

The event was celebrated by pie and coca-cola being served as refreshment. This troop is an up and coming group and it will be interesting to watch its progress by reading this column. We know that the sponsors are behind every activity in the phases of Scouting, and the troop is doing everything possible to warrant the interest shown in them.

**KEYSTONE TROOP**  
Robert Lewellen, district commissioner; Leonard Babcock, neighborhood commissioner, and Fred Marsteller, Scoutmaster of Troop 217, visited this troop this week. Fred was given the opportunity to instruct the boys in a few new games and a judging contest. The judging contest was very interesting. It consisted of a table, with 50 articles placed upon it, situated in another room. Then the patrols were sent into the room. They were each given one minute in which to memorize the articles on the table. Upon leaving the room they were given a sheet of paper and five minutes to write down the articles or as many as could be remembered. The contest was won by the Eagle Patrol.

Bob invited the Keystone Troop into the Torrance division. He told of the advantages given by the city of Torrance. We hope that this group decides to enter in the grand parade. Fred invited the boys to participate in a parade to be held in the city of Torrance.

**TROOP 210**  
A short business session of different activities transacted during the past week was held. A general discussion of ways and means to promote sale of tickets for the Scout dance to be held at the Civic Auditorium May 15 took up most of the evening. This event is given by Troop 210's Mothers' Auxiliary to raise funds for a summer camping trip.

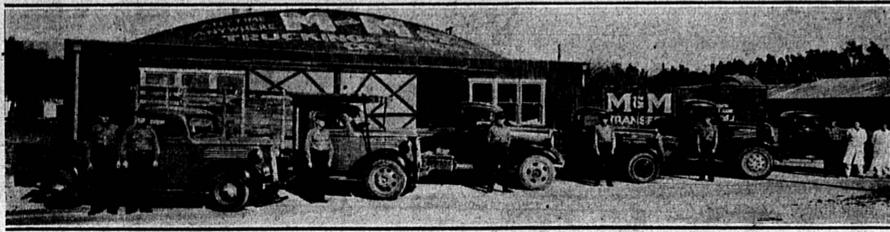
The troop at the present time has a large number of boys and, due to the efforts of their sponsor, the Kiwanis club, are showing the true meaning of Scouting.

**EXTEND THANKS**  
We would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of Torrance for their attendance at the Scout card party given by Troops 217 and 218 and we wish to say that enough money was realized for our aims.

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## M & M TRANSFER CO. JOINS NATION-WIDE TRAFFIC DRIVE



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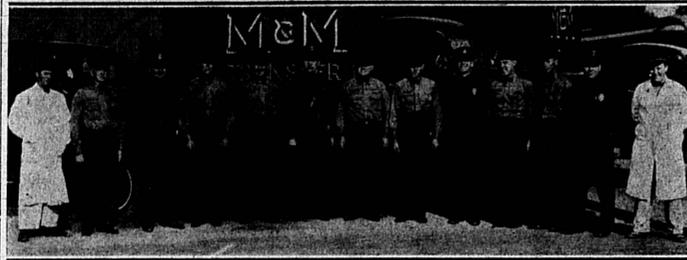
With this motto to guide them, employees of the M & M Trucking and Cement Company this week launched a local observance of the nation-wide Kiwanis Club drive to reduce traffic dangers. The drive will not be a sporadic one, carried on for a month or two and then forgotten, but it will be an all-year effort, according to Kiwanian Jack Miller, general owner-manager of the firm.

"I have wanted to do something for a long time to reduce traffic hazards and I believe that Kiwanis International's campaign is worth the attention of any business man who operates delivery trucks," he said. "My drivers are very much interested in the movement and they have indicated that they will cooperate in every way, to keep M & M trucks out of accidents of all kinds."

The drive for greater safety is based upon a merit system that ties in with possibility for rebates on insurance premiums. The surety company that Miller patronizes will rebate to him a certain substantial portion of premiums paid each year depending upon the driving performance of each M & M truck pilot. The drivers themselves have been placed on a merit basis.

**Five Years in City**  
Each one has been started out with 100 merits to his credit. Traffic violations will bring demerits, the number being set according to a chart of possible offenses—and these include discourtesy. At the end of the year, drivers will personally benefit from their records in the form of either a cash bonus or vacation with pay—the amount being determined by each one's merit record.

The M & M Trucking and Cement Company has six trucks and five trailers in its fleet, representing an investment of approximately \$15,000. Miller has been operating here for five years, starting with a small pickup truck. He now employs seven full-time workers and recently purchased the firm's headquarters at 1613 Border avenue and the two adjoining lots. He plans to enlarge the



M & M Transfer and Cement company's fleet of six modern trucks, with their drivers in new uniforms is shown in the upper photo. The lower picture presents in pictorial form the firm's close cooperation with the local police department in the interest of motoring safety. Standing, left to right are: C. Rupe, Tom Hatfield, Patrolman Fred Spehger, Edward Holloway, Fred Lydy, Captain John Stroh, Jack Miller, proprietor of the M & M Trucking and Cement company, Roy McLeod, Sergeant William Schumacher, Earl Morrison, Floyd Mead, Patrolman Willard Haslam, and Richard Miller. The white uniforms worn by the two men at the ends are used by M & M men when moving household goods to prevent soiling delicate fabrics.

building soon to include more storage space.

Miller also returned to his original cement business a few months ago and has already built up that department of the firm until it is one of the outstanding cement-laying concerns in the Harbor district. Roy McLeod is dispatcher for the M & M. He has been with Miller for a number of years, starting in Detroit when the transfer company head was in the concrete road construction business there.

### Fire Captain Loses Cousins In Crash

Captain J. E. McMasters of the fire department received word this week of the tragic deaths of three cousins in what the Halifax (Nova Scotia) Mail described as "Nova Scotia's worst automobile accident." Five persons, including three young children, were killed and six were injured.

The relatives of the local man were Ainsley Hatt, 43, Willoughby Hatt, 17, and Harold Hatt, seven, all of Middleton, Nova Scotia. The elder Hatt, a grocer, was driving one of the two cars involved in the tragedy.

### Lomita Spiritualist Wins Freedom BUT NOT FROM 'INDIAN CONTROL'

Since it was apparent that "Rev." Emory Newell's "Indian control" was more to blame than the Lomita spiritualist, and since it was admittedly impossible to bring said "control" into court, Judge Frank Carrell suspended a 30-day sentence he handed Newell for disturbing the peace. The justice court magistrate admonished Newell, who lives at 24005 Eshelman avenue, to try and resist his trances in the future.

Amid much sighing and gestures of helplessness, the Lomita mystic told Judge Carrell his trances were not self-induced but took him unawares. He declared that even though he was put in jail for the rest of his life, he would not be delivered from visitations of his "Indian control" from the other world.

Newell's wife, who caused his arrest last week when he assertedly frightened her with his strange Indian jargon while under the influence of an asserted "Indian control," also begged for clemency from the court. She said her husband had had these strange visitations ever

since an automobile accident 12 years ago. Prior to that, she reported, he was quite an ordinary individual.

### Narbonne Club Active; to Hear Halliburton Talk

May will be an active month for the girls in the Bookworms' club, at Narbonne high school. On May 3 they will attend the lecture by Richard Halliburton, famous adventure novelist, at the Torrance Civic Auditorium accompanied by Miss Mary Wylie, adviser.

The annual trip to Banning Park has been set for after school Monday, May 10. With the proceeds secured from the silver team held March 16, the Bookworms are planning to purchase novels for the library. The girls have selected "Gone With the Wind" current best seller by Margaret Mitchell and "Green Light" by Lloyd C. Douglas.

### TORRANCE HIGH LIGHTS . . . by

Alice Taylor & Dorothy Elder  
**Seniors Lose Again . . .** Last week a baseball game was played between the seniors and next year's varsity. The next year's varsity was comprised of mostly juniors, who won 18 to 7. It seems that the seniors are taking quite a beating, as they were beaten likewise in track and football.

**Play Is Attraction . . .** "Duley" the junior play, is the center of attraction at the present time. The final performance is Friday night. This is the first junior play that has been attempted for quite some time.

**Hand Is Faster . . .** "Where did that come from?" "Where did it go?" These were some of the surprised words of the students last Thursday afternoon when they were entertained by two magicians from the Orendo and company. They proved, without a doubt, that the hand is quicker than the eye.

**Half Holiday . . .** Why were so many students headed toward the beach last Tuesday afternoon? Because the school took the afternoon off. The teachers attended a meeting in the early afternoon at Bret Harte Junior high school.

**Plan Two Events . . .** The Japanese club is planning two events, one is a Mother's Day tea to be given Friday evening, May 7, the other a Boy's week meeting of the Japanese boys with the men teachers and invited speakers, May 4.

### Apartment Robbed of Papers, Money

Someone entered Fred Miller's apartment in the El Prado apartments between four and seven o'clock Monday evening while the door was unlocked and stole a green metal strong box filled with valuable papers and \$51.70 in new and old coins, he reported to police Tuesday. Included in the box of papers was Miller's Social Security card No. 557-05-6021.

### NEW SHOP TEACHER

Ivan Grigsby, formerly of Willowbrook, has been permanently assigned to take Raymond J. Casey's place as shop instructor at the high school. He began teaching here Monday.

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