

Movie Caballero King to Head Frolic Parade

Leo Carrillo, celebrated stage and screen star, will be honorary grand marshal of the Torrance Factory Frolic parade, September 23. The following telegram was received this week by M. G. Brumley, parade chairman:



"Torrance deserves the cooperation of all who are interested in its importance to the industrial development of our great state. Honest work and the energy of fine men makes it one of California's most important producers. Of course, I will be with you. Thanks for the privilege. Sincerely,

(Signed) LEO CARRILLO"

PRIZE HORSES, FAMOUS BANDS BOOKED FOR FROLIC PARADE

With the definite booking of six leading Southland bands and the promise of several others, two or three hundred prize riding horses in fancy saddles, a dozen or more champion Legion bugle corps and fraternal drill teams in the line of march, lead by Leo Carrillo as honorary grand marshal, plans for the Torrance Factory Frolic parade got off to a flying start this week.

Credit for this gallant array of outstanding attractions goes to M. G. "Curly" Brumley, who has been working enthusiastically to make the Frolic parade one of the most brilliant affairs in this part of the state.

The parade is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 23, the final day of the three-day civic celebration.

Following are the organizations already signed up to take part:

Canadian Legion Kiltie Bagpipers of Long Beach, which is composed of eight pipers and four drummers;
Stuart Hamblen's Dance Band of radio fame;
Glendale Boys' Band of 40 pieces;
San Pedro Boys' Band of 40 pieces;

Torrance Municipal Band.
Other Parade Features
Arrangements are now being completed for the appearance of the Sheriff's Boys' Band, the Inglewood Boys' Band and a number of others. The Perry elementary school orchestra will also play and a number of professional entertainment acts are being booked.

The Long Beach Sons of the Legion and the Culver City Sons of the Legion may send their talented drum and bugle corps, and the Hollywood Sons of the Legion, state champion band, and a number of other American Legion organizations are being contacted, according to Bob Lewellen, in charge of this part of the parade.

Mrs. Elsie Smith has promised to arrange for the appearance of six or eight famous drill teams of Moose lodges in Southern California.

A number of Torrance industries, fraternal and civic organizations and commercial firms are planning to enter floats in the parade. It is expected that the entire parade will take an hour or more to pass and that over 25,000 people will witness it.

Perhaps the most colorful part of the parade will be the prize horses with their fancy saddles, some of which are valued as high as \$4500. As a reward for their efforts in bringing their horses to Torrance the Frolic committee has purchased \$350 worth of trophies to be awarded the best horses and riders. The

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PLANNING YEAR'S PROGRAM... A tentative draft of their first year's objectives was made by officers of the newly-organized Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce late last week in preparation for the general meeting to-

Junior Chamber To Launch Membership Drive Tonight

Eager to undertake a number of civic projects, the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce needs only one thing to start its ambitious program designed to interest all men of the community in betterments for their home city. That essential factor is membership. Tonight at 7:30 o'clock the Junior Chamber is holding an open meeting at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce building and everyone interested in betterments for Torrance is urged to attend.

While the age limit for an active membership in the Junior Chamber soon to be affiliated with the state and national organizations is from 21 to and including 35, associate members over 35 are urgently needed to lend their counsel to the new civic group. Active membership fees are \$5 per year, associate memberships, \$1. The latter classification has no vote but can do much toward the success of the Junior Chamber by lending support to the organization's officers and program.

President John Elder announces that William McFadden, Redondo Beach attorney and vice-president of the California State Junior Chamber, will attend the meeting tonight and outline some of the activities of the organization which have benefited other nearby cities.

"We want to discuss our program of civic enterprises with as many interested residents of Torrance as possible tonight," Elder said. "Ours is distinctly not a political organization nor is it a social group. We are organizing to assist Torrance in becoming the city it deserves to be. We have no quarrel with any other group in the city and we'll welcome all the support we can get for our objectives."

Some of the activities which have been undertaken in other communities by Junior Chambers are: Youth welfare, Christ-mas projects, citizenship development, city beautification, civil identification, conservation, expansion of the cultural life of communities, fire prevention, get-out-the-vote, public health, after-hours-of-work safety, social welfare, sports, tax education and many others.

President Elder and his officers, who include Jack Buffalo, vice-president; Sidney Donaldson, secretary; Ted Jenkins, treasurer, and Al Winkler, sergeant-at-arms, have outlined a tentative program of Torrance objectives.

These include a campaign to interest manufacturers who must expand their plants due to the national defense program in locating in this city; development of Torrance beach as a community playground, beautification of the entrances, especially Western avenue and Torrance boulevard, to the city; assisting the Coordinating Council in any way possible to get the proposed Youth Center building erected, a series of community entertainments designed to attract out-of-town visitors as well as local people, and a better understanding of city government by young people.

Wife of Columbia Steel Employee Injured In East

Word was received here this week that serious injury had been sustained by Mrs. Monroe Intermill, wife of a Columbia Steel Company employee. According to the meagre information reported here, the Intermill automobile was wrecked about ten miles east of Omaha, Neb., with injury to Mrs. Intermill who is at present in a hospital there.

night at the Chamber of Commerce building. Pictured above they are, left to right: Al Winkler, sergeant-at-arms; Jack Buffalo, vice-president; John Elder, president; Sidney Donaldson, secretary, and Ted Jenkins, treasurer.

Two Local Boys Chosen For Air Training Course

Two Torrance youths, Bob Tolson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tolson, and Weston Leech, son of Mrs. Harriett Leech, were two of 60 young men chosen by the Civil Aeronautics Civilian authorities for pilot training for a three month period, now being offered at the Compton airport at Compton Junior College.

The two men will graduate as private pilots and will have acquired 35 or more flight hours. Three nights a week will be devoted to ground training.

Merchants Plan Booth at Frolic; Will Re-Organize

Plans to weld the Torrance Merchants Association into an active dues-paying organization were launched at a dinner meeting of retailers held Tuesday evening at Daniels Cafe. F. L. Parks presided in the absence of Hillman R. Lee, president.

President Lee, now in New York was empowered to appoint a nominating committee to select nominees from which will be elected five new members of the board of directors. It is proposed to have the new board act as a committee to work with the Chamber of Commerce in planning a program for next year.

Merchants participation in the Factory Frolic was discussed at length by the group of 25 businessmen and women present at the dinner meeting. It was decided to provide a merchants' booth at the frolic and the following committee was placed in charge: Carney Emmet, chairman, Louis Doss, Jack Miller, Grant Barkdull and James Jones.

The retailers also indicated their willingness to cooperate in conducting an exhibit of prize poultry, rabbits, and ranch products, acting upon the suggestion of Mrs. M. E. Attebery.

VACATIONS UP

Sergeant Willard Haslam and Tom Perkin, Torrance police officers on vacation, are scheduled to report back for duty tomorrow. Haslam and his wife have been visiting in the northern part of the state, while Perkin and his wife have enjoyed the quietude of Big Bear lake.

Percy Bennett and Fred Spehger are due to leave on vacation this week-end.

Malin Paid Posthumous Tribute by Law Violator

In the Gardena township court, a dramatic posthumous tribute to the late Officer W. F. "Bill" Malin was paid recently by a defendant appearing before Judge Frank Carroll.

The defendant, George V. Sosie of Los Angeles, had pleaded guilty to a charge of overloading a truck and was fined by the court when he announced he had a few words to say about the State Highway Patrol officer who had cited him into court.

Torrance Auditorium Scene Tonight of Huge League Dinner Meeting

Between 300 and 400 guests are expected to attend the monthly dinner meeting tonight at the Torrance Civic Auditorium of the Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities.

Principal speaker will be Richard C. Waltz, city attorney of Beverly Hills, who will talk on the subject, "The New Pension Law," and on which he is declared to be eminently qualified to speak. Also to dwell on the subject, will be Fred C. Cook, president of the league, who is concinman in Beverly Hills.

City Council Held Short Session Tuesday Evening

Several important matters were disposed of at the regular meeting of the Torrance City Council, Tuesday evening, Mayor Tom McGuire presiding. Councilman George V. Powell was absent.

In the reading of correspondence by City Clerk A. H. Bartlett, the board was informed that an informal meeting will be held with the State Railroad Commission on the highly important matter of transportation, between Los Angeles, Gardena and Torrance. This meeting will be held in the state building, August 16, at 10:00 a. m.

A request was made for \$80 to help defray expenses of the Torrance Municipal band to attend the Wilmington fiesta. Councilman Babcock stated he thought the amount of the request was high, and upon motion of Councilman Hitchcock, it was denied.

A letter from John Shidler, requesting legal opinion on the city ordinance regarding civil service age limits was held over until the next regular meeting of the board.

Oscar L. Butterfield, city electrician, was authorized to attend the convention of electricians, to be held at Santa Barbara, August 26, 27 and 28. Expenses to attend were approved.

Mayor McGuire was authorized to sign a contract with the county for library service for the ensuing year, at a cost of \$7200. Rescinding a previous action to purchase water department supplies, the board authorized the city clerk to advertise for bids, to be opened at 5:00 p. m., August 26.

Upon motion of Councilman Hitchcock, an expenditure totaling \$154.60 was approved for repair work on 230th street and Narbonne avenue.

To be in effect during the illness of City Engineer Young, the board appointed Glenn Jain to serve in his capacity, with the power to name a temporary assistant at a salary of \$150 a month. A motion approved authorized a monthly expense account of \$25 to Jain and Ralph S. Perkins for the use of their automobiles on city business.

Accident Victim Given Emergency Treatment Here

Charles Castle, of 612 West 103rd street, Los Angeles, was given emergency treatment at the Torrance Memorial hospital late yesterday afternoon. He was later taken to the Georgia Street Receiving hospital.

Alien Registration by Government Declared Strictly Confidential

Fingerprinting and registration of all aliens in this area will get under way Aug. 27, and during the past week preliminary details and arrangements have been worked out by Postmaster Earl Conner, who will be locally in charge of the Federal government ordered alien survey.

Arrangements are being made for survey quarters in the post-office basement, Conner said.

All aliens living in Torrance will be requested to register, in compliance with the Alien Registration Act, approved by Congress and signed by President Roosevelt last June 28, which provides that all aliens shall be registered and fingerprinted at post offices through the entire United States. Registration and fingerprinting will start Aug. 27 and will extend for a period of four months.

Postmaster Conner stressed the fact that any and all information furnished by aliens in connection with this survey will be secret and will be held in strictest confidence.

Property Values Slump in '40-'41

Total valuation of all properties in Torrance, including secured and unsecured personal, and secured and unsecured public utilities, this week was announced by John R. Quinn, county assessor, at \$20,353,285, a reduction of \$877,770 as compared with the 1939-40 period.

Valuation of tax district No. 1, the original town site, was placed at \$8,998,655, a reduction of \$41,125. District No. 2, annex territory, was placed at \$11,344,600, a reduction of \$836,645, according to figures released by Quinn under last year.

In the break-down of the various taxable units, it was disclosed that an increase was registered in personal property (including money), of \$279,545. Exemptions totaled \$15,340. Public utility properties slumped \$58,330 in the 1940-41 valuation estimate. Public utility valuations were placed at \$2,542,860 for 1940-41, as compared with 2,601,010 for the previous year.

In Los Angeles county, the utility assessment roll for 1940 included intangible property, \$9,145,470; tangible property, \$281,299,590; as compared with the 1939 total of \$10,670,380 intangible and \$250,457,970 tangible.

Heads of Water Districts Come Here Tomorrow

Superintendents of 20 water districts comprising practically every important city between Santa Barbara and San Bernardino will be guests of William H. Stanger, superintendent of the Torrance Municipal Water District, tomorrow.

School Begins Here One Month From Today

One month from today school opens. Thirty days of vacation are all that remain for children in Torrance, who will return to class rooms Sept. 16.

Enrollment for this fall will in all probability be about the same as at the close of school last spring. School authorities anticipate an enrollment of approximately 843 high school students. List of new teachers will not be available until a week before the opening of school. Arrangements have been nearly completed for the new aeronautics course which will be given in the local high school this fall.

MARCH OF RIMES

CHINA DOLL — By H. F. NOAKE

Elsie had a birthday, her fifth, to be exact, and naturally a lot of presents came, some picture books, toy soldiers and a game. From far across the sea she got a doll sent by a missionary friend, a lovely little doll with curly hair and gorgeous eyes, a wonderful surprise. In her excitement Elsie dropped the doll, which brought big tears because she thought it had been broken. And when she picked it up the strangest thing occurred for Elsie heard a voice; her doll was speaking. "Dear Elsie," said the doll, "it's good to be with you on your fifth birthday, instead of over there in China, where our people are at war. If you could see the things they do to little girls like you and little dolls like me, your heart would just be broken. You'd see big bombs explode and people running to escape, and then you'd hear the feet of marching men as they approached to rob and kill. And you, like many little Chinese girls might be, an orphan, with nothing but a doll to keep you company. So is it any wonder I am glad that some kind lady found me, and sent me over here where there is peace, to share with you a birthday?"



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