

Torrance Herald Is Awarded Certificate By Kiwanians at Newspaper Week Observance

Highlighting its observance of National Newspaper Week, Oct. 1 to 8, the Kiwanis club of Torrance Monday evening awarded a Certificate of Citation to the Torrance Herald as a testimonial of appreciation for its contribution to the nation's war program. The certificate was presented to Grover C. Whyte, publisher of the Herald.

Jack C. Kiwanis, president of the Kiwanis club of Torrance. It was signed by Barrington, Club Secretary Bob Deinger and Ben Dean, Grand Rapids, and O. E. Peterson, Chicago, president and secretary respectively of Kiwanis International.

National Newspaper Week has been observed for several years by Kiwanis International's clubs and members throughout the United States. This year, however, Canadian clubs also are participating in the celebration by awarding Certificates of Citation to their local newspapers.

The context of the certificate states that it was presented "in recognition of the service which this newspaper and the other newspapers of the United States and Canada have rendered our two nations during these critical war years. For accurate and comprehensive reporting of the war news, for generous and unremitting support of wartime activities on the home front, for fostering sound morale, for fearless and independent editorial opinion, and for unrelaxed vigilance in safeguarding the basic liberties of free speech and a free press."

Kiwanis International's president, Ben Dean, who formerly was city editor of the Grand Rapids Herald, said the service

organization was awarding Certificates of Citation as a means of recognizing the "splendid contribution that the newspapers are making to the nation in war as in peace."

Barrington, in expressing his reason for this award by the Torrance Kiwanis club, said: "Far too often when a person thinks of freedom of the press his mind automatically flashes pictures of block-long press rooms, banks of typesetting machines, hundreds of men and women rushing to gather, write, edit and print the news of a fast moving world, of large news services, foreign staffs and all that goes into the modern metropolitan newspaper."

"Few notice the myriad of small town newspapers, the ones which gave birth to their big city brothers. As in most cases, the original idea is lost in the reflection of its great accomplishments. The metropolitan paper was born at a crossroads, because New York, Chicago and San Francisco once were hamlets. City planners had ideas and their journalistic contemporaries kept pace.

"Freedom of the press is an idea that encompasses many things. It means freedom of thought and freedom of action growing out of man's thoughts. While an unfriendly government might control a man's actions,

it never could control his thoughts entirely.

"This freedom of the press or freedom of thought is the backbone of what recently has been called individual enterprise. It is the unhindered right to take an idea, develop it and enlarge on it until it becomes something tangible—a growing business or organization. Kiwanis would be unheard of if there were not this freedom of thought because it is an organization which lives and thrives on an exchange of ideas—freely expressed. It is an organization exercising through service these freedoms which the press of these United States has stoutly defended. Kiwanis members are business men who have exercised their freedom of thought and action to develop their own ideas, risking their time and money on these ideas.

"That freedom now is called 'free enterprise' or 'American enterprise.'"

"It can't be merely a coincidence that the totalitarian governments went in for a controlled press as the first step in putting their programs into effect. If the foundation of a free system can be destroyed, the structure will fall quickly and easily. If the foundation is of such strength that it cannot be duped or undermined, this free system will not fall.

"During the week of Oct. 1-8, when the press of America is celebrating National Newspaper Week, remember that the editors and publishers are not

Doak Workers Save Sugar; Send 150 Boxes of Candy to Service Men

Legion to Hold Benefit Show On November 3

Torrance Post of the American Legion will hold a benefit performance for its building fund on Nov. 3 at 8 p.m. in Torrance Civic Auditorium.

Fourteen big acts of vaudeville will be staged by the National Supply Fun-Makers, and the Torrance Army Hospital will share in the benefits with the American Legion.

Tickets are on sale with members of the Legion Post and by National Fun-Makers, and a night of the best entertainment is promised.

fighting just for their right to print a paper every day or week as the case may be. They are fighting to protect the right of every American to plot his own course, to start at the bottom and go to the top, to live his own life in his own way, and to do these things without being pushed around by power-mad planners who want to do his thinking for him.

"Call it free press, free thought or free enterprise. They are so closely knit that one will not survive without the other. "A free, unhampered press is the grass roots of America where free enterprise still lives."

Beating the overseas Christmas package mailing deadline by four days, employees of the Doak Aircraft Company, Inc., of Torrance, yesterday pasted into place the last label and sent on their way 150 boxes of homemade caramels and cookies, addressed to former fellow-workers now in the armed services.

The shipment, completed a unique campaign to provide gifts, greetings, and news from home for the boys. Starting with a Christmas party a month ago, employees contributed more than 400 pounds of their own rationed sugar, depositing it under a decorated tree in the cafeteria. Then members of the cafeteria staff made the candy on a Sunday.

Working daily in off hours, still to other Doak employees pitched in and finished the job, packing and wrapping the sweets in sturdy boxes. Pictures taken of the entire proceeding will appear in the employees' magazine, Doak Digest, which is mailed regularly to the men.

In addition, names and addresses were distributed by drawing, so that each serviceman may receive Christmas cards from his friends.

Over the caption, "Sugar for the Boys," a picture of pretty Doak Aircraft Secretary Jean Scanlon seated on a mound of sugar supplied the campaign's theme, which was carried out in a special label for the packages. Her husband is in the Navy.

The program, sponsored by the Doak Aircraft Employees Recreation Committee, was originated and guided by Mrs. Bertha Hunter, a production assembly group leader, whose only son, an Air Corps lieutenant, was lost in a plane crash early in the war.

Kingdom of God Requires More Than Church Membership

Mrs. Mildred Wynkoop, preaching at the Nazarene church Sunday evening, Oct. 8, on the text, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God," declared:

"There are many religions, faiths and creeds in the world today. They all are striving toward a goal which we call heaven or the kingdom of God, but the routes by which they expect to reach this goal are very diverse from one another. Some say that the route to heaven is by good works, others by bravery, still others say that it is a matter of thought. But the Bible, the only sure guide, tells us plainly that there is only one way, the way of the new birth.

"The kingdom of God is an exclusive kingdom. There are many clubs, fraternities, etc. in the world which are exclusive. There are certain requirements or laws which govern membership, by which only certain individuals may qualify. Just so is the kingdom of God. Only those who are born again are eligible.

"We cannot become members of the kingdom of God by merely joining a church. Church membership is alright, but to be born again is something vastly different. Any person may join a church without mending his conduct or changing his attitude. But to be born again means a recreation of the individual. His whole nature will experience a change. Deeds of wickedness and evil thoughts will instantly become abhorrent and in their place will spring a love for God and his word. Good resolutions, mental acceptance of truth, moral goodness, the sacrament of the Lord's supper, or even baptism, as good as these things are, will not produce the new birth. This can only be produced by confessing and forsaking our sins for Christ.

"The truth may be illustrated this way—a piece of iron wishes to become a carrot. It must first be decomposed so the carrot can assimilate it; the carrot want to become a man; it must yield to the assimilation of the man. Just so we must yield to Christ and let Him recreate us. We then become a new creature in Christ Jesus."

PICNIC PLANNED
West Virginia State Society asks every one from the Paradise state to attend the all-day autumn reunion Oct. 28, in Sycamore Grove Park, Los Angeles. General social features will be followed by a brief program closing with election of officers. The McGuffey club is cordially invited. Coffee, badges and registers as usual.

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