



MELLER-DRAMMER . . . Looking properly indignant as the villain of the piece is soundly hissed and booed from the stage in an old-time melodrama put on by the Barber Shoppers of Torrance last week are Banker Al Ewalt, Sheriff Dwight Hanna, and Hero Duane Ryan. The play was directed by Doug and Jo McClay, who also had important parts.

Villain Hissed And Booed as Hero Wins Out

Members of the Torrance chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America had a look back into old time melodrama last week as the group gathered in the Bettie Thomas Studios, 1215 Crenshaw Blvd., to witness the staging of the old favorite, "Hounded by Hate."

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Doug and Jo McClay, the play had all of the characters of a real villainous plot; a mean baker, his never-do-well son, a classy dame, a simple farm girl, and the hero and his widowed mother.

Also on hand was an appropriate sheriff and a farm hand who added the zany antics to the scene.

Scheduled as a Halloween fete, the play was received with shouts of laughter by the crowd of hall. Taking major roles were Dwight Hanna, Al Ewalt, Doug and Jo McClay, Duane Ryan, Edwin Wedberg, Ethel Dowling and Don Cook.

Other features of the program included songs by the North American Aviation's male chorus, the Peacocks, Four Colonels of Corn, and the Torrance choruses.

Refreshments of cider and doughnuts topped off the evening.

Policeman Finds Cache of Dope On Bank Stairs

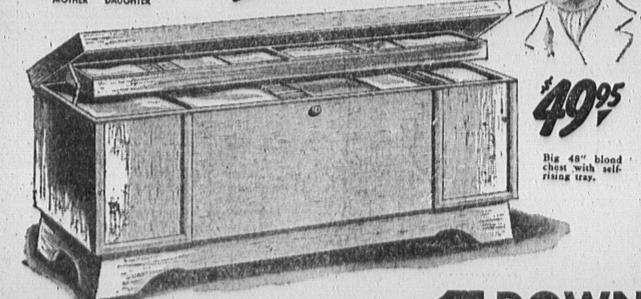
Torrance detectives are attempting to learn how a cigar box full of narcotics got onto a doctor's office and onto the front steps of the Torrance National Bank, Marcelina and Sartori Aves., Sunday night.

Officer Eugene Erbetta, on routine foot patrol in the business district, reported he found a box containing nearly 50 capsules of assorted drugs. Some were scattered along the staircase, but most were in the box, he said.

A check of doctor's offices in the bank building revealed that one of the windows was open wide enough that someone could have entered the office.

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