

## VFW Officials Do Not Fear Fireworks Ban

## THE SQUIRREL CAGE

BY REID BUNDY

Taking heart from the fact that pollsters of public opinion and those of allied professions didn't die a horrible death after the recent national elections, we set out the other day to conduct our own neighborhood poll on a subject fraught with political implications.

To make our poll as authentic as anything Gallup or Roper might do, we took a cross-section of the city. We traveled the wide sapling-lined streets of Lomita, El Nido, and Walker Park; the wide, sapling-lined streets of the Gardens, and ended up downtown after swinging up through the Pueblo.

The results of the poll are herewith offered for your information:

We found 47 cars with Ike Nixon stickers still on them three with Stevenson stickers and none that mentioned Sparkman.

Incidentally, on the way back through town, we saw a delivery truck parked at the service entrance of the mortuary. On the side was painted, "Aloha Florists." Didn't say where it was from.

If you want to break into print on one of the downtown papers, there is a column of handy hints known as "Over the Garden Fence." The paper asks that you send your items to the editor of "Over the Back Fence." He'll no doubt forward it on to the Garden fence department.

Putting a lot of long-winded speeches into a capsule was the guy who said, "Although our ancestors didn't all come over on the same ship, we're all in the same boat today."

Part-time masters of ceremony often find that someone along the line is slighted when the kudos are being passed around. Not so with one of the High School coaches who set up the program for the recent Basketball Awards banquet. He arranged a program which opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag, an invocation, dinner, awards, speakers, and announcements and ended up his typewritten outline with item No. 10: "Round of applause for cooks and waitresses."

A contributor to a daily column in a Glendale paper last week put the name of Torrance before thousands of readers. Our Chamber of Commerce needn't get excited, however, for he did it this way: "If Belvedere wouldn't let Huntington Park by the Seal Beach South Gate, Norwalk, do you suppose Maywood raise her palms against Ravensmouth if Clearwater was coming down in Torrance?"

Gadzooks! Obviously unaware that the television cameras were about to swing back to him after an unbelievably short commercial the other evening was the idol of a million kids—Sheriff John. The fast video switch caught him sneaking a fast puff off a cigarette. He went into his Easter egg dye pitch with no apparent reaction to the terrible thing he had done.

NOTES FROM THE REGAL DEPARTMENT: There's a King and a Kaiser on the Herald staff. They have a Hall, too.

### Public Notices

TORRANCE HERALD CERTIFICATE FOR TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS

THE UNDERSIGNED do hereby certify that they are conducting a Pipe and Steel Fabricating business at 1804 Torrance Blvd., City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California, under the fictitious firm name of HASKO ENGINEERING CO., and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names in full and places of residence are as follows to-wit:

Joseph C. Russell, 1311 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance, California.  
Frank M. Alsworth, 1304 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance, California.

WITNESS our hand this 19th day of March, 1953.  
JOSEPH C. RUSSELL  
FRANK M. ALSWORTH Sr.  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
ON THIS 19th day of March, A.D. 1953, before me Gertrude A. Schwartz, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Joseph C. Russell and Frank M. Alsworth known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this day and year in this certificate first above written.

GERTRUDE A. SCHWARTZ  
(SEAL) Notary Public in and for said County and State.  
My Commission Expires Dec. 29, 1953.  
3-March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 1953.

VFW officials expressed no fear this week that the city council would take action to ban the sale of fireworks in Torrance upon the recommendation of Fire Chief J. J. Benner. Cy Webber, VFW spokesman, said that Chief Benner has filed the same protest in past years, and that the council has taken no action on it. Art Moore, VFW president, stated that the sale of fireworks prior to the Fourth of July is one of the organizations main sources of revenue with which they carry on charitable works, and if the city council passes the ban he knows of a group that would "turn out en masse" to protest.

Chief Benner, sticking by his guns, told the Herald Friday: "If I have my way it (the fireworks ordinance) will be repealed and outlawed." He said that a 12 year old boy came within split seconds of losing his life last year as a result of a fireworks fire. Moore insists that the fireworks stands are fireproof, inspected by the Fire Department, and completely safe. In June, 1950, according to the city attorney's office, the city council amended the fireworks ordinance to allow the Chief of Police to issue permits for fireworks stands rather than the Fire Chief. The California State law specifies that applications for licenses to sell fireworks should be made to the Chief of the Fire Department, who then makes an investigation and submits a report for or against issuance of the license to the governing body of the city, which has the power to grant or deny the appeal. The debate will come to a head at the council's agenda meeting Wednesday evening.

**FIRE LOSSES**  
United States fire losses have increased 149 per cent since 1942.

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Notice is hereby given that fifteen days after the above date, the undersigned proposes to sell alcoholic beverages at those premises, described as follows:  
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TORRANCE  
Pursuant to such intention, the undersigned is applying to the State Board of Equalization for issuance of an alcoholic beverage license (or licenses) for these premises as follows:  
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Anyone desiring to protest the issuance of such license(s) may file a verified protest with the State Board

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of Equalization at Sacramento, California, stating grounds for denial as provided by law.  
BERT L. GROUGE  
ESTELLE GROUGE  
8-March 29, 1953.  
Torrance Herald NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS OF ANNUAL MEETING  
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the MONETA WATER COMPANY will be held at the office of the Company, Monday, the 6th day of April, 1953, at one p.m., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.  
L. F. STEPHENSON,  
Secretary  
SW-Mar. 12, 15, 19, 22, 26, 29, 1953.

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**BREAD** LARGE LOAF **21<sup>c</sup>**  
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**GOLDEN FLO Apple Sauce** No. 300 Can **10<sup>c</sup>**

**DELICATESSEN FOODS**

Oscar Mayer **CHILI & BEANS** 12-OZ. PKG. **29<sup>c</sup>**

Borden's Chateau **CHEESE FOOD** 2-LB. BOX **79<sup>c</sup>**

Golden Creme **COTTAGE CHEESE** POUND PKG. **25<sup>c</sup>**

**FROZEN FOODS**

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