



From the days of Paul, the Christian world has insisted that the Cross and the Empty Tomb must be kept together. Yet one is often associated with darkness and the other with light. Isn't Calvary black and Easter bright? If the Cross is blackness, it is the darkness before the Dawn; it is the Sacrifice before the triumph.

For Jesus there was light all the way; both Calvary and the Resurrection had become a part of the loving will of God. For He had passed through Gethsemane; there He had accepted the *via dolorosa* as the path of blessing; He was never alone on that fateful Friday, for He walked with the Father God. The world may have lain in darkness at the Crucifixion, but there was no darkness in the soul of the Man of Galilee; He was the Son of God and had dedicated himself to the Father's will. To the world there was Death and the dark; it was Black Friday. But to the seeing soul of Jesus Christ there was Life and the light; it was Good Friday.

And so it has become for the Christian world. The man who arose from the dead on Easter morning had carried a Cross on Friday. Perhaps Easter will mean most to those of us who have learned during Lent to bear as well as to wear a Cross. The Christian symbol was not intended to refer only to the Cross of Jesus; we set the Cross atop our churches and we exalt the Cross within the Church, representing a way of life. It is God's way as well as the way of Jesus; God has forever carried a Cross, and with a smile upon His face. Godly women and men have ever carried a Cross and it has brought joy to their hearts and blessings to mankind. For the Cross spells Life for all of us; and he lives best and knows the deepest joy who has chosen to bear his Cross as he discovers in it the will of his God. Most blessed is he who, like his God, can carry the Cross with a smile.

The Cross and the Tomb have both been snatched from their association with Death; for they have been transformed by love and self-giving and by a Presence of radiance and glory. He lives and we, too, shall live, in the measure in which we "learn to kiss the Cross," our cross, as well as His.

**YOU IN THE CHURCH**  
THE CHURCH IN YOU

Character is a by-product of the church. It is here that that faith and integrity for a better citizenship and a steeper democracy. In the church the ministerial and a molding religious character. Strenuous today declare the affairs of state in these serious times. Thus we with our children should go to the church of our choice on Sunday. "You in the Church and the Church in you" form a combination for good. Be a regular CHURCH-GOER and a daily BIBLE READER.

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**MORMON CHURCH INTERIOR** . . . Members of the Torrance Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will gather for worship services for the first time this morning in this new chapel which has been under construction for nearly 18 months. Main chapel seats 300 while the large glass panels at left open to the recreation hall which is capable of seating an additional 400 persons. Both rooms are equipped with sound speakers. At right is choir loft which also contains both an organ and a piano.

### On Easter

## Schedule First Services In New Mormon Church

The new Mormon Church at 220th St. and Cabrillo Ave. was a beehive of activity yesterday as members of the ward rushed to wind up last-minute details prior to the first service to be held this morning in the new \$100,000 edifice.

Although the exterior will not be completed for three to four months, the interior is ready to receive worshippers.

Conducting the Easter Services this morning will be Bishop Edwin Wheat of Torrance.

In addition to the main chapel the building includes a recreation hall complete with stage and sound system, and 10 class-

room units. The structure under construction for more than 18 months largely has been built with the help of members of the ward.

Dedication of the modern structure will not be held until after the exterior is completed.

Members of the priesthood will meet at 9 a.m. to be followed by a Sunday School Easter program. The Ward Choir is to present an Easter Cantata this evening at 6:30 o'clock.

## Learns Lesson The Hard Way

The fact that constant vigilance while driving is a necessity was learned the hard way Thursday by Charles Hotchkiss, 1349 S. Montebello Blvd.

Driving east on Dominguez St., Hotchkiss took his eyes from the road for an instant to catch a thermos bottle which was rolling off the seat. The next thing he knew, the front end of his car was wrapped neatly around a power pole, police reported. Hotchkiss went unhurt.

## Understanding Bible Topic of Lesson-Sermon

How the scientific understanding of the Bible destroys in harmony is pointed out in today's lesson-sermon entitled "Unreality" in all Christian Science churches.

The Golden Text is from II Samuel (22:29): "Thou art my lamp, O Lord; and the Lord will lighten my darkness."

The Parable of the Sower from Matthew's gospel (13:28-30) is included in the Bible selections. Jesus tells of the householder who, having sown good seed in his field, is told of tares among the wheat. He says, "An enemy hath done this." "Let both grow together until the harvest," commands the householder, "and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them; but gather the wheat into my barn."

Mary Baker Eddy says in "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures": "The seed of Truth and the seed of error, of belief and understanding, yea, the seed of Spirit and the seed of matter—ere the wheat and tares which time will separate, the one to be burned, the other to be garnered into heavenly places" (p. 535).

## Torrance Church Calendar

- CENTRAL CHURCH**  
EVANGELICAL  
UNITED BRETHREN  
Marcelina & Arlington  
Rev. Homer H. Miller, Tor. 131
- 9:30 — Sunday School
  - 11:00 — Morning Worship
  - 6:30 — Youth Fellowship
  - 7:30 — Evening Worship
  - Midweek Worship Service 7:00 Wednesday evening
- FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Acacia and Sonoma  
Rev. Paul Wenske, pastor  
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- Sunday: 8:30—Worship Service, 10:45—Sunday School, 10:45—Worship Service.

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## 3 EASTER SERVICES AT FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

"This is the Day Which the Lord Hath Made," will be the theme of Pastor Donald Boyd's sermon at the 8 o'clock Easter Service this morning at the First Lutheran Church, Acacia and Sonoma Aves.

At the 9:30 and 10:45 services, Pastor Paul Wenske will speak on the theme "What Easter Reveals." The Youth and Junior choirs will furnish special music at the 9:30 service, and at 10:45 the senior choir will sing. Sunday school will be held for children ages 2 to 5 during all worship services.

## New Chrysler Agency Opens

Fred Briggs, a San Pedro businessman for 25 years, has opened the Chrysler-Plymouth agency at 1885 Torrance Blvd. he announced yesterday.

The new dealer here previously worked with the Chevrolet and the Oldsmobile-Cadillac agencies in San Pedro. He and Mrs. Briggs now live in San Pedro. Briggs is an active member of the San Pedro Elks, Royal Arch Masons, Bilge Club, Pacific Coast Club, and he is a former member of the Optimist Club. He served with the Coast Guard for 2 1/2 years during World War II.

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## FREE LECTURE ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

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**LECTURER** . . . Theodore Wallace, C.S., of Chicago Illinois Member of the Board of Lecturers of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts.

**TIME** . . . . . Easter Sunday, April 5, 1953, at 3:00 p.m.

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