

# EDITORIALS

## New Steel Plant

With the erection of the first steel girder this morning for the new Bethlehem Pacific Steel plant here, the newcomer to Torrance began the enormous task of raising a new industry on a bean field.

The addition of this leading manufacturer to the Torrance industrial family will do much to supplement the city's wealth in industry, and the people it will bring to Torrance will do much to add to the city's growth along civic and cultural lines.

May this firm enjoy a long and prosperous tenure in Torrance.

## The 'Master Race'

Professor Wilton Krogman, Graduate School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, gives us some significant scientific conclusions:

"There are no pure races. There are no superior or inferior races. We know from history that all peoples, upon contact, have crossed their genetically based physical traits. We know from human anatomy that in fundamental structure all peoples are identical.

"As far as biological Man is concerned, what he is, is related to his cultural environment, rather than any innate (or inherited) ability or aptitude. There is no 'Jewish race,' only a Jewish socio-religious community; there is no 'Aryan Race,' only an Aryan language; there is no 'master race,' only a political bombast."

These facts seem to have escaped the notice of those who burn fiery crosses on their neighbor's lawn.

## He Did Not Falter

Britain's "Winnie" recently had his 80th birthday. Regardless of nationality or political beliefs, the world paused to salute the grand old man who did not falter when England faced alone the crushing might of the Nazi hordes in 1940.

Those who love freedom will never forget the ringing voice that thrilled them in their darkest hour: "We shall defend our island, whatever the cost may be. We shall fight on the beaches. We shall fight on the landing grounds. We shall fight on the fields and in the streets. We shall fight in the hills. We shall never surrender."

This superb leader of men has always been a die-hard Tory, and ultra-conservative in his political policies, an uncompromising imperialist in foreign affairs, but none can say that he has not stood gallantly against tyranny. Democracy might well be dead today if it were not for this courageous old bull-dog who eloquently exhorted his people: "Let us brace ourselves to our duties, and so bear ourselves that, if the British Empire and Commonwealth last for a thousand years, men will say: 'This was their finest hour.'"

The world pays tribute to Sir Winston Churchill. He is the most heroic figure of our century.

## Firemen Commended

Torrance firemen who collected more than \$3000 to be used in the fight against muscular dystrophy and Torrance residents who cooperated with the firemen by contributing to the funds to fight this crippling disease are to be commended.

The enthusiastic participation of the local fire fighters was not matched anywhere in the Southland, as witnessed by the fact that their collections topped all other volunteer groups which included groups in such places as Burbank, Azusa, Santa Monica, Glendale, South Gate, and Pasadena.

Again it's "hats off" to the firemen who worked so diligently on this project, spending hours of their off-duty time canvassing the city, making many of their calls in the rain. Their work is truly appreciated.

## IT'S A FACT

By JERRY CAHILL



**HENRY L. STIMSON**  
WAS SECRETARY OF THE WAR DEPARTMENT AND WAS SERVING IN ACTIVE COMBAT WITH THE U.S. MARINE FORCES.  
HE SERVED IN THE ARMY AND WAS AWARDED THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MEDAL OF HONOR FOR HIS SERVICE IN THE ARMY.  
HE WAS SECRETARY OF THE WAR UNDER ROOSEVELT.



**FEMALES THAT DON'T TALK**  
FEMALE CHEERLEADERS ARE "UNDESIRABLE"  
**NEXT ISSUE**  
THE WOMAN WHO NEGOTIATED A PRESIDENT'S CABINET

## Trend Of The Times



# The Squirrel Cage

By REID BUNDY

When Red Moon, the city's athletic director, and his son, Dan, started home from the junior Rose Bowl game last week, they thought for a moment it would be a long, long evening. Pulling up to a stop sign at a major cross street, the traffic moving in front of them appeared to be unbroken for miles and miles. Nothing to do but wait, Moon thought. Dan, however, wanted to get home. So he pilled out of the family auto, and stepped into the crosswalk, which stopped all the California drivers. As he walked across the street, his dad followed in the auto. On the other side of the street, Dan climbed back into the car and away they sped.

The ever-present mortgage holder, stereotyped by the old-fashioned melodrama as a tall, skinny, black-haired villain who constantly twirled the ends of his waxed mustache, has been replaced by an IBM machine and a mortgage company president with a public relations counselor at his beck and call. Proof of the switch is in the malls this week for thousands of Torrance and other Southern California residents. One large mortgage company sent out Christmas cards thanking those who paid promptly and hoping that 1955 would be easier for those who were occasionally delinquent—"for reasons, we're sure, which were beyond your control." When these modern mortgage holders come on the scene, you can't tell them from the good guy who comes along and saves the farm for little Nell. Not only that, a feller don't know where to hiss.

Remember how we aired a couple of gripes recently about the volume of "junk mail" an editor receives under the disguise of being "NEWS" releases? Well, we kept a count on the stuff that came in on Saturday afternoon when we had amassed 258 letters which could not be used in the HERALD. That doesn't count those welcome letters to the editor, and letters which contained legitimate news. Just thought you'd like to know. The things come first class, too, so some of your Christmas cards with two-cent stamps might just be half a day late while this "important" stuff gets top billing.

Dear Santa,  
I am just a little boy and would like a big convertible, life pass to the Coliseum, a yacht, a six-month vacation, and a year's supply of filet mignons. If I don't get this in my stocking next Saturday, I'll go around and tell everybody you're not for real.

REID BUNDY  
Public Notices

**TORRANCE HERALD**  
NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER EXECUTION  
MARSHAL'S SALE  
No. 2974  
By virtue of an execution issued out of the INGLEWOOD JUDICIAL DISTRICT Court of County of Los Angeles, State of California, wherein CENTRAL NATIONAL LIFE INS. CO., Plaintiff, and HARRY L. SMITH, Defendant, vs. HARRY L. SMITH, Defendant, and WILLIAM M. CALDWELL, Defendant, upon a judgment rendered the 13th day of September, 1953, for the sum of Four Hundred Seventy-one & 04/100 (\$471.04) Dollars lawful money of the United States, besides costs and interest, I have levied upon all the right, title, claim and interest of said defendant, William M. Caldwell, in and to the following described real estate, situated in the County of Los Angeles, California, and bounded and described as follows:  
East 131 feet of Lots 6 & 7, Tract 18, Parcel 44, as per Map Book 18 Page 4 of Maps; closest common description is 15341 Hawthorne Street, Lawndale, and West 60 feet of Lots 6 & 7, Tract 18, Parcel 44, as per Map Book 18, Page 4 of Maps; closest common description is 4426 West 154th Street, Lawndale.  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will, on Tuesday the 11th day of January, 1955, at 2 o'clock P.M. of that day, at the State of California, County of Los Angeles, at the Courtroom of the Superior Court of the County of Los Angeles, California, sell to the highest bidder for lawful money of the United States, all the right, title, claim and interest therein of, in and to the above described property to such extent as may be necessary to raise sufficient funds to satisfy said judgment, with interest and costs, etc., to the highest and best bidder.  
December, 1954, the 15th day of  
ROY W. CARTER, Marshal of  
Los Angeles County  
By J. J. GARCIA, Deputy  
Fred G. Kennedy  
Plaintiff's Attorney,  
110 S. Broadway,  
Los Angeles 14  
California  
M. Dec. 20, 1954; Jan. 4, 1955.

## It's Your Country

By JOHN W. BECK

## OUT OF THE PAST

From the Files of the Torrance Herald

30 YEARS AGO  
December, 1924

Mrs. Jared Sidney Torrance, widow of the city's founder, laid the cornerstone for Torrance Memorial Hospital . . . Former Police Chief B. M. Anderson and Hermosa Beach Attorney A. P. Morewood, charged with bribery and extortion, were found guilty by a jury. At the same time, City Recorder James L. King's resignation was accepted, since testimony in the case had linked him with the convicted men. . . Torrance Attorney J. U. Henmi was convicted of receiving money stolen from the Anaheim post office, although he claimed he had been "framed" . . . For the first time, the Woman's Club unveiled their plans for a new clubhouse on the present site.

20 YEARS AGO  
December, 1934

Safeway robbers netted only \$134 in a daring daylight robbery . . . The city made final plans for the purchase of the municipal water system . . . Depression-hit stores reported the best pre-Christmas business since 1929. . . The Hughes-Mitchell Processors, Inc., announced plans to move into Torrance . . . Assets of the old Julian Petroleum Corp. were sold to Sunset Oil Co. . . A young Lomita man, Charles Trotman, lost his life while saving a fellow Epworth leaguer from falling down a mountain. While pushing the girl from danger, he slipped and plunged over a 50-foot cliff. . . Louis Zamperini, Torrance High School world's champion miler, led the THER cross-country team to second place in a Southern California track meet.

10 YEARS AGO  
December, 1944

Torrance was paying tribute to a local soldier, Cpl. Don E. Meyer, one of the few men ever to escape from a Japanese prison camp . . . Mrs. Evelyn Carr, leading the drive for a separate school system for Torrance, declared that the city paid \$1,200,000 more in taxes than it got in service . . . Inmate trailer dwellers, given orders to move, were threatening to take the matter to the City Council, asking why they could go . . . Many civic organizations went together to provide a gigantic Christmas party at the Civic Auditorium.

## OF ALL THINGS

By Robert B. Martin

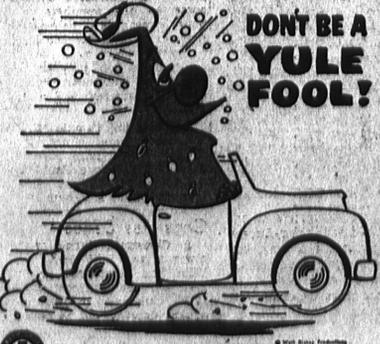
Every so often we hear about some little guy standing up for his own convictions against mob reasoning and we marvel at his guts and strength of character. Such a man is Richard J. Murphy. Murphy's the referee who stopped the Arthur Wright-Dave Ragus fight in the seventh round of a 10-rounder in Milwaukee, Wis., last month. He took a ragging from the crowd for this. And after the fight, according to reports, he was criticized by the Wisconsin State Athletic Commission. Murphy said he knew the boy was in trouble "by the look in his eyes." He said he'd done some boxing himself and, although he was never a hard puncher, he could tell when his opponent was ready to hit the deck when the man developed "a sort of empty stare." "I remember when Jackie Dardhiard, 18, got that look in his eyes four or five years ago in that very same ring in Milwaukee," Murphy declared. "Jackie was a good fighter when he was living." The man collapsed during the match and died 19 hours later.

It's common knowledge that the referee is boss in a ring. He can see things that crowds are not in a position to notice. If, perhaps, Murphy did stop the fight too soon, it was certainly not because he wanted to throw the decision to Ragus. Had it been that way, the Commission should have taken direct action to revoke his license.

But no such thing happened. It was too apparent that Murphy had come to the conclusion that Wright was unable to adequately defend himself further. So that's where the whole thing should have stopped. . . and without regard to a mob that was looking for blood. Murphy sent his license, and

we know our baseball fans would scoff at the suggestion. They attend games for the sake of the sport . . . not the blood. So what about boxing fans? Would they just as soon watch two dogs tear into each other in an arena? A man and a bull?

This we doubt too . . . because real boxing fan can quote the record clear back to John L. Talk boxing with one of them and he'll pull notes out of every pocket in his suit. He doesn't remember the blood and bumps . . . but he does remember the winners.



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ter on psychological grounds, they can very well proceed to other matters without limit, for no phase of our social, political, cultural, economic, and even religious structure is without its psychological aspect. Such control is further demonstrated by the executive-enforced but never legislated FEPC in the matter of government agencies, contracts, and loans.

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ONE WORLD: The surrender of American sovereignty is another matter in which the progressive moderates have shown, and are showing, great progress. Their subservience to and preoccupation with the ambitions and desires of foreign governments is demonstrated by the eagerness with which they plunge this nation into countless treaties and by the lavish foreign aid programs which they force upon American taxpayers. It is further demonstrated by their slavish devotion to the United Nations, itself a world government under which our national sovereignty and even our Constitutional rights have fallen.

If a system of debauched currency constitutes progress, then again the progressive moderates have been eminently successful, for they have steadfastly refused even to consider a redeemable currency (gold basis) bill, although to do so was one of the promises on which they gained control of our government.

In the matter of increased spending and higher debt the progressive moderates have shown astonishing progress. They have succeeded in getting the ceiling on our national debt increased to the astronomical sum of \$281 billion, and even that is not enough. A deficit of \$4.7 billion is estimated for the current fiscal year, with our progressively moderate Secretary of State saying (on Nov. 30) that the United States must find a way to use its capital to help develop other countries!

It is perfectly obvious that Mr. Eisenhower's progressive moderates have been much more than moderately progressive in certain decisions. In a future column we will discuss some of the issues on which they have been "moderate."

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