



WATER BONDS SIGNED . . . George Kendall, president of Palos Verdes Water Company, signs agreements covering initial \$600,000 improvement to the company's distribution and storage facilities in the Palos Verdes Peninsula. This first step is part of a construction and improvement program which will eventually total \$2.1 million dollars. B. E. Brownell, vice-president of the California Bank, looks on.

Kiwanis Club To Get Look At Oil Field

Torrance is going to become the center of considerable oil activity tonight with the presentation of an unusual demonstration of how the "black gold" is produced.

Members of the Kiwanis Club will meet in the American Legion Hall at 8:30 p. m. to see the interesting program to be provided by the Richfield Oil Corp.

By use of an actual working model of an oil field, J. B. Hundley Jr., Richfield Petroleum Engineer, will show how wells are "brought in," and how the vast underground pressures of gas and water operate far below the surface of the earth.

Importance of the petroleum industry to California can be suggested, Mr. Hundley said, by the fact that oil and gas make up 80 per cent of the total value of our state's mineral production.

But despite the importance of oil, there are many misconceptions of how it occurs and how it behaves in the earth.

By use of the model oil field, the engineer said, it is possible to take the audience "underground" and show what actually happens when a well is discovered and the field produced.

WELK TO PLAY FOR KC SHOW

A galaxy of talent will be featured at Long Beach Municipal Auditorium Tuesday, May 3, when Lawrence Welk brings his Champagne music for a dance sponsored by Compton Council, Knights of Columbus. Proceeds will be used by the organization in support of its youth activities.

Accompanying the orchestra leader to the beach city will be lovely Alice Lon, and other T.V. entertainers, offering dance selections in the inimitable Welk style of formality and old world charm.

Advance sale of tickets is being handled by Knights of Columbus in Compton, Torrance and surrounding communities.

AROUND THE GARDENS & PLAZA

Mrs. Joan Schmidt Honored by April Showers (Story Variety)

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Shows always head the list of local activities, and that doesn't include the April showers of anticipated rain.

A large group of friends gathered at the Robert Evan home at 1212 Felbar to honor Mrs. Joan Schmidt. Mrs. Barbara Hardingham assisted Mrs. Evan at this party which took place on March 25. Following the presentation of gifts the evening was spent in playing charades. Mrs. Donna Truesdell prepared a bassinet cake which delighted the guests at the refreshment time.

Those in attendance were Mrs. Ed. Peters, Edward Osborne, Glen Amos, Wain Bell, William Clemenger, Bert Belzer, Walter Peterson, Joseph Moore, Edward Janazik, Jack Roberts, Galen Truesdell, Maury Hatten, Roland Petrat, Hugh Brady, Harold McGuffin, Norman Laverty, Robert Kerber, William Hall, and W. A. Winters.

The pre-teens are coming in to the fore in social activities. Kenneth Ehlers entertained a group of friends at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ford, of 3326 Torrance Blvd., on April 1.

It was no April Fool party, however, for there was plenty of everything including roasted hot dogs with all the trimming and grr dancing on the patio. Classmates attending were Barbara Campbell, Judy Bishop, Jan Planza, Greg Radford, Bob Griffith, Jon Hawks, Michelle McCutcheon, and JoBeth Jackson.

Kenny and his brother, Chuck Ehlers spent Sunday fishing on the rocks of Palos Verdes with two friends, Andrew Green and Bob White.

Mrs. Charles McCray is recuperating at her home at 1121 Cranbrook from a recent appendectomy. She is on a months leave of absence from her position at National Supply.

The Glen Keltys, of 1020 Felbar, took their chances on April 1 and explained for Phoenix, Ariz., where they and their two sons spent the week end.

Preceding the Junior Women's Club amorgasbord and dance on April 2 was a cocktail party given by the Richard Beechers, of 1024 Felbar. Their guests included Jo and Paul

Harestad, Ana and Jack Norris, Loretta and Doug Baldwin, Cayle and John Kemp, and Dorothy and Marvin Brain.

While Dr. and Mrs. Thurlow Weir complete their move to Chino, Lola and Frank Kelly, of 826 Felbar, are caring for their son.

How better could a three year-old celebrate a birthday than to enjoy exciting play-ground rides, Mrs. Irvin Wilson, of 805 Elm, took her daughter Kathy, whose birthday it was, and Diane Johnson, Jimmy Goodwyn, Ronnie Lind, and Pam Klinging to the rides in Redondo Beach on Saturday. They returned to the Wilson home for luncheon and the birthday cake.

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Initial Issue Of PV Water Bonds Bought

Improvements to Palos Verdes Water Company facilities totalling \$2.1 million dollars were assured last week as New England Mutual Life Insurance Company (Boston) and Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company (Los Angeles) purchased the initial issue of \$600,000 in Palos Verdes Water Company bonds. The California Bank acted as trustee under the bonds.

The total \$2.1 million dollar issue, recently approved by the California Public Utilities Commission, will be used to extend and improve the water company's storage and distribution facilities throughout the Palos Verdes peninsula.

Construction which will begin within the next two months, will consist of two pumping stations, a 3-million gallon reservoir located west of Palos Verdes Drive East near Via Canada, a five-million gallon reservoir on San Pedro Hill, and the necessary supply and distribution mains.

Areas Landscaped

All equipment to be installed is of the latest design and is fully automatic in operation. No buildings will be required to house the pumping stations which will be landscaped to conceal their locations. Reservoirs are the most modern prestressed concrete construction, the San Pedro Hill unit being below ground level and completely hidden from view.

It is contemplated that New Mutual will subscribe \$1.5 million of the issue in 4 1/2 per cent preferred stock and \$100,000 in common stock. Repayment of the bonded indebtedness will be from earnings of the water company. Existing rate structure of the company will not be affected by the improvements.

Local Area's Measles Rate Remains High

Measles continued their spotted way in the Torrance health area during the week ending April 2, but at a slightly lower rate than the previous week.

Of 137 cases of diseases reported to the County Department of Health, 77 were measles. Torrance reported 19 cases, and Redondo Beach, 22. County areas, 17; Hermosa Beach, 7; Gardena, 6; Manhattan Beach, 4; and Palos Verdes Estates, 2.

In Los Angeles County as a whole, the measles rate is running about four times heavier than at the same time last year.

Other diseases reported included mumps, 15; chickenpox, 14; German measles, 12; scarlet fever, 8; infectious hepatitis, and whooping cough, each 4; pneumonia and tuberculosis, each 2; and meningitis, 1.

Torrance reported four cases of chickenpox, three cases each of German measles and mumps, and one case each of meningitis and scarlet fever.

Concert for Mothers Given by Orchestras

The combined 25-piece intermediate orchestras from Torrance Elementary and Howard Wood schools recently performed for their mothers in Torrance Elementary Auditorium.

Besides solos and other ensembles, the orchestra presented "Boots and Saddles," "Onward Christian Soldiers," "Top Top March," and "Moonlight Bay Waltz."

After the program members of the orchestra served punch and cookies.

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