

## BUILD TWO HOMES A DAY HERE

### Building Activity Sets New Record As Houses Go Up

Parts, Dwellings and Business Blocks Under Construction in New Rush of Building

### LARGE HOTEL IS NOW PROJECTED

Respective Residents Buy Houses Only Half Finished, While Renters Comb City in Vain

Two dwellings a day for Torrance. That is the record of building in the city since October 1. City Clerk Bartlett says the way they are coming in permits, the record bids fair to keep up during the month. Never has the city experienced such a boom in building. Hotels, store buildings, apartments and dwellings are being projected daily.

Plans are under way for a hotel to be erected soon. Another transaction is under way for a 15-room hotel. Neither deal has been consummated, but may be consummated any day now. With all the building, the need for houses is still pressing. Prospective residents of Torrance are being round every day by the trying to rent houses which are under construction. Dwellings built are being sold to families who are unable to rent. Several apartment courts are under construction. S. H. Bradbury already has under construction a ten-unit apartment on Redondo boulevard. This building will cost \$30,000. It will be finished and stucco.

### LIAN WELL GOES UP ON E. CHERRY ST.

General Leases Just Signed Up Promise Development

Long promised activity on the side of Narbonne avenue in Lomita is under way with a rush this week. C. C. Julian started building a well on East Cherry and Eshelman

with this, but further north, the Shanslor Canfield Midway Oil company has completed a derrick for well No. 2 on the Kettler lease. The Standard Oil company is setting up its Kettler No. 1 on the C. C. M. O. lease.

East side development brought new leases to signature during the week. Three leases, all south of the city, were signed.

Voorhis, Signal Hill operator who have entered the field with enthusiasm, completed a transaction for the oil rights on lot 23, 27, on East Cherry street. A lease of \$3000 was paid. The lease is for a fifth royalty to the leasee, \$100 a month rental, and a 90-day drilling clause, and Mrs. Richey and Zerner and a Beach property owner this week a community lease with the Drilling company for three wells on East Chestnut street. A lease of \$1500 an acre was paid. Royalty stipulated was 22.5 per cent. The lease calls for drilling in 1924.

Fink's property, adjacent to the leased by Federal on Cherry street was leased this week to the Drilling company for a bonus of \$600 and a fifth of the oil. Julian well on the old Torrance Lomita Royalties lease is down set.

### NEW CAFETERIA OPENS

at 11:30 a. m. has been set for the opening of Freeman's Cafeteria on Cabrillo street, in the store formerly occupied by Rappaport's department store.

Building has been entirely renovated and presents a very attractive appearance.

Freeman, who with Mrs. Freeman will have personal charge of the dining room, has had several years' experience in conducting restaurants. He owned a well known restaurant near Salt Lake City for over 16

years. Freeman states that the new cafeteria will be open daily from 6 to 10 p. m. for short orders, serving steaks, chops, fish and omelets. There will be special menus for breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

F. Moek is constructing a two-story building on Marcelina adjacent to the postoffice. The building will consist of two stores on the ground floor, with apartments above.

Permits for the erection of buildings which will house families were taken out during the week as follows: E. A. Jones, four-room dwelling at 2014 1/2 Arlington; \$2000; Blanche Shaw of Los Angeles, four-room dwelling at 1926 Andree, L. E. Stoner contractor, \$2575; J. T. Wise, two-room dwelling addition at 1754 Andree, \$1000; Mrs. H. Kent, three-room dwelling at 1001 Sartori, \$1000; H. M. King, garage with dwelling above at 2267 Carson, \$500; H. J. Bennett, two-room dwelling at 1911 1/2 Andree, W. L. Reeve contractor, \$1200.

### THANK LOCAL JAPANESE FOR RELIEF FUNDS

L. A. Red Cross Writes Letter of Appreciation to Torrance

Alfred Gourdir on September 7 was handed a check for \$400 for the Torrance Red Cross. The check bore the signatures of four Japanese. Mr. Gourdir turned the check over to the Torrance Relief association, since there is no branch of the Red Cross here. Mrs. James Campbell, president of the Relief association, forwarded the check to the Los Angeles Red Cross, whose letter follows:

"Mrs. James Campbell, President Torrance Relief Association, Park Terrace Court, Torrance, Cal. "Mrs. James J. Byrnes, Treasurer Torrance Relief Association, 2026 Carson Street, Torrance, California.

"My Dear Friends: "On behalf of the stricken people of Japan and our Board of Directors, I beg to express our deep appreciation and gratitude for your splendid cooperation and assistance in our recent Red Cross campaign for Japanese relief funds. Your efforts resulted in a very generous contribution from the people of Torrance, including \$400 from the Japanese association of Torrance, for which we are sending an acknowledgment direct to that association.

"Again thanking you, and with kindest personal regards, I remain "Very sincerely yours, "D. C. MacWATTERS, "Chairman."

### Here's Good Chance To Attend "Covered Wagon" Next Sunday

Those who have not already attended a performance of "The Covered Wagon" at Grauman's Hollywood theatre will be afforded a splendid opportunity to see this great epic film next Sunday night when a special Pacific Electric train will leave the P. E. station here direct for Hollywood at 5:45 p. m. Charles Elman reports that the sale of seats opened with a rush. Reservations may be made at the Elman furniture store.

### MACCABEE NOTES

A large class initiation will be held in Los Angeles Tuesday, Oct. 16. Several new members will go from Torrance review. We have been unable to learn just when the initiation will be held, but if members will call Mrs. Gay, 68-W, they will be able to get that information at any time after Thursday afternoon.

### You're Invited to Get Play-by-Play World Series Returns Daily at The Torrance Theatre

For the first time in the history of the city, Torrance is getting direct wire news of the world series, play by play—all through the co-operation of the Torrance Herald, the Torrance theatre; Schultz, Peckham & Schultz; the Ferncroft Cafe, J. K. Murray's Postoffice Barber Shop, Sam Rappaport, Ben Rappaport, and Gilbert, Hansen & Page.

And the popularity of the service being shown free of charge daily during the big series is evidenced by the size and enthusiasm of the crowds in attendance.

The Herald arranged for a special play-by-play wire service with only two relay points between the ball park and the Torrance theatre. Manager McVey granted the free use of the Torrance theatre, and the above-named business men joined together in sharing the expense of the wire service.

Another evidence of what can be accomplished by co-operation.

The games start at 11 o'clock a. m., Coast time. Every play of the game is announced in the theatre a few seconds after it takes place on the diamond 3000 miles away. The service is so complete that even balls and strikes are given. All week the service has been a whole minute ahead of the radio.

You are cordially invited to attend the theatre each day during the series. Come in and sit down and enjoy yourself. The men and firms who united to make this metropolitan service possible for Torrance invite you through the Herald.

During the series the Herald is maintaining a bulletin service to the oil fields, factories, and to Lomita, which has proven most popular.

### WALLACE POST BUYS CONTROL OF THE STATE BANK OF LOMITA

Wallace Post, president of the First National bank, has purchased a controlling interest in the State Bank of Lomita, having bought the stock of the J. F. Spencer interests of Lomita. The board of directors of the Lomita institution elected Mr. Post president of the bank last Thursday night.

There will be no change in the active management of the bank, it is announced. H. V. Adams will continue as cashier. The growth of the Lomita bank during the past few months has been no less than remarkable. Since July the resources of the institution have increased 37 per cent.

Mr. Post announces that the Lomita State bank and the First National Bank of Torrance will be maintained and operated as two distinct institutions, the purchase of control in the Lomita institution being an individual transaction.

The directors of the Lomita State bank are as follows: Wallace Post, H. V. Adams, Judge L. J. Hunter, and George Towne. Mr. Post has lived in Torrance for eleven years and has a wide acquaintance in the district. He became president of the First National Bank of Torrance after his discharge from the army, in which he served 17 months.

Commenting on his purchase of controlling interest in the Lomita bank, Mr. Post asserted that the interests of Torrance and Lomita are in many ways identical.

"The two communities are geographical neighbors, and should become neighbors in spirit."

### THIRTEEN RIGS GO UP NEARBY FORTUNA WELL

Another "Old Redondo road" race for the saturated oil sands is on in the vicinity of the Fortuna Oil company's gusher on Acacia street. During the past weeks 13 new derricks have sprouted out around that Fortuna producer. The following companies are speeding work preparatory to spudding in near Phenix No. 1: Star Petroleum company, Ring Petroleum corporation, Belridge Oil company, Bush & Voorhis, Bush Drilling company, Universal, Dabney, Universal and Bush Drilling are each erecting four derricks.

Further north H. H. Patton is building a derrick on lot 7, block 639, on the old Redondo road, and the C. C. M. O. has staked out a location for Torrance 27 near by. The Cassidy Oil company likewise has a location in this vicinity, offsetting the Patton well on lot 6.

### WORLD SERIES RETURNS FOR MEN IN OIL FIELDS

In order that the men who must stick to the job in the oil fields may know the results of the world series games, the TORRANCE HERALD has arranged a special bulletin service to be posted at prominent places in both the Carson street and Arlington-Narbonne street fields.

As soon as the news of the final score is flashed from the playing field to this newspaper, a special messenger is dispatched to post the returns throughout the oil fields. The games close about 1:20, and the score will be tacked up a few minutes later. Look for the bulletins on the buildings and rigs throughout the field.

### Associated Oil Co. Closes Lease on Torrance Acreage

Secures Oil Rights on Seventeen Acres Near Plaza del Amo and Arlington Avenue

Seventeen acres southeast of the corner of Arlington avenue and Plaza del Amo were leased this week to the Associated Oil company for immediate drilling. The land is held by the Torrance Land and Development company, owned by Parley V. Johnson, Jack Richards, Robert O. Hill and others of Los Angeles.

### FIELD'S PRODUCTION DUE FOR BIG BOOST WITHIN A MONTH

Production in the local oil field will take a big stride forward during the next few weeks. A score of wells in north Lomita and south Torrance are approaching production stage.

Along the old Redondo road the Midway Northern has drilled through cement and will probably try for production this week. Wednesday the well was down 3719 feet.

Other wells "getting down" are Petroleum Securities Torrance No. 1 at 3400 feet; Lomita No. 1, 3000 feet; Lomita No. 2, 2500 feet; Empire Drilling company at Cedar and Pennsylvania in Lomita, 3000 feet.

Standard's Dominguez No. 1, east of Torrance, is standing cemented at 3400 feet. The company is making no secret of the fact that excellent showings of oil have been encountered.

In the old section of the field the C. C. M. O.'s Torrance No. 12, on 216th street, is standing cemented at 2350 feet. Further north Keck's Bowies No. 1 has struck a water sand and must back up. Standard's Kirk No. 1 is standing at 2944 feet. An O.K. on the water shutoff was given Wednesday on this well.

Torrance No. 10 and Shedd No. 1, at Cedar and Carson, are both battling against water trouble. Torrance 10 developed considerable water while being swabbed for production. This well is down 3830 feet. The leak has not been located. Shedd No. 1, at 3380 feet, has been troubled by bottom water, and a backup is probable.

Five new derricks are going up along and near Carson street. The U. S. Royalties has lumber on the ground for two, east of its producer at Carson and Iris. The Superior Oil company has lumber on the ground north of Carson and east of Cedar street. O. D. Knight is erecting a derrick east of Keck's lease, and the Compton Oil company has a construction crew busy on Carson east of Cedar. The Biltmore company's well, northeast of the Shedd well, is being drilled again, after months of inactivity.

### HUDDLESTON KNOWS FURNITURE

By THE COWBOY

SLIDING INTO THE GOOD GRACES OF TORRANCEITES



Back of all successful furniture purchase of furniture. It is the practice of this house to handle both new and used furniture—nothing is overlooked in completing a most serviceable scheme.

Huddleston, friendly man and respected merchant, was born 'way down in Mississippi. From early boyhood he was of an adventurous type. So he sallied forth to conquer new worlds and see strange things. During his seven years' residence in the Dominion of Canada Mr. Huddleston had a rather unique fling at romance and adventure. While living at Edmonton, in northern Alberta, he became a member of the famous Royal Northwest Mounted Police, and remained with that renowned body for three years. Being a man of vigorous parts, it is little wonder that he came into contact with the Mounted Police of the Northwest.

There is a man, with his fine store in Sartori street, who has stocks, service, ability and experience behind his public transactions. That man is E. W. Huddleston, and the entire community knows him and his conscientious methods of doing business. His store is extensive and it offers the local people every advantage in the