

Practical Gifts Interest Buyers

Specializing in "practical" gifts, the Torrance Electric Shop in the Post Office building, has laid in a large stock of the most up-to-date appliances for the housewife, and report their Christmas trade is already larger than for the entire month of December last year, and larger than any former year during which it has catered to the residents of this city.

Among the many practical and useful gifts this firm is selling are electric irons at reasonable prices; percolators and percolator urns; waffle irons, heaters, curling irons; washing machines and vacuum cleaners that carry an ironbound guarantee.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Smith, who are well known and well liked by everyone in Torrance with whom they have done business, urge early shopping and buying at home.

Patronize Our Advertisers!

Eight Directors Elected Yesterday

The following sixteen members of the Chamber of Commerce were nominated last Thursday for directors of the local organization for 1923, and eight of them were elected last night, at the final election, too late, however, to publish the result in this issue.

R. J. Deininger, H. H. Dolley, J. H. Fess, Donald Findley, Benjamin Harwood, J. B. Hines, Carl L. Hyde, W. T. Klusman, George W. Neill, Dr. J. S. Lancaster, J. C. McVey, C. A. Paxman, George Peckham, Hurum E. Reeve, G. A. R. Steiner, W. C. Von Hagen.

HOLDING CO. MEETING

The Torrance Holding Company, its officers and some of the stockholders held a meeting Monday night in the city hall, to discuss affairs pertaining to future activities. It was decided to change the government of the company from a trust company to that of a corporation. Production of their well Standard No. 1, was reported to be holding up to its daily flow of 300 barrels a day.

Rainy Weather Means Business

With the advent of the rainy season and the discovery by many of us that the shoes that have given us so much comfort have a tiny hole in the sole, resulting in damp stockings, colds, and a doctor's bill, real shoemakers are in demand, and as a result Hoffman's Shoe Shop, opposite the chamber of commerce, is one of the busiest places in Torrance.

Here quick work, finished in many cases while you wait, and so satisfactory that the old shoes not only look, but wear, like new, is done.

Convinced that residents of Torrance demand the very best in shoe leather and workmanship at a moderate price Mr. Hoffman has recently received a large consignment of the well-known Seiz brand of men's shoes that he is selling at Los Angeles prices. As he says, and most of us know, there is no better shoe made for the money. His Christmas business will undoubtedly be large.

Pottenger Secretary Redondo C. of C.

H. D. Pottenger, former secretary of the Torrance chamber of commerce, has been appointed membership secretary of the Redondo Beach chamber until the first of the year. Hugh Pomeroy will leave the first of January for the session of the assembly in Sacramento, when the new administration goes into office.

Secretary Gives Party at Mt. Lowe

Assemblyman-elect Hugh R. Pomeroy, who is also secretary of the Redondo chamber of commerce, entertained more than a score of friends from this section December eighth at a banquet at the Alpine Tavern on Mt. Lowe.

The party left Los Angeles Friday afternoon, returning to their homes the following afternoon after having enjoyed a delightful evening and day above the timber line.

Among those who enjoyed the popular secretary's hospitality were:

W. E. Mellinger and wife of Compton; C. J. Colden and wife of San Pedro; Harry T. Gadeky and wife and daughter of Torrance; H. D. Pottenger and wife of Long Beach; F. C. Finkle of Los Angeles; Bert Wolf and wife of Downey; F. G. Hodges of Harbor City, Alfred Gourdlar and wife of Torrance; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Schonhoe of Inglewood; Miss Frances Muir of Lankershim; Mr. and Mrs. George L. North of Redondo; Joseph W. Tanner and wife of Hermosa Beach; J. M. Tanner of Omaha, Neb.; Mr. Boer, of the Los Angeles chamber of commerce; Henrietta Billette of Los Angeles; Thomas Blair of Redondo Beach; Hugh Pomeroy of Redondo Beach; E. Thomas of Los Angeles; Charles P. Boyer of the Los Angeles chamber of commerce; Mr. Thomas of the Pacific Electric of Los Angeles.

BAD CHECK WRITER SOUGHT

A warrant for the arrest of John Connell, a former employe of the Dominguez Land Corporation, was issued last week by Judge King, the complaining witness being the proprietor of the Torrance Day and Night Garage.

The latter charges Connell with having given him a check for \$49.60, drawn on the First National Bank, which later proved to be worthless. The warrant was placed in the hands of Officer Anderson, who has so far failed to find Connell.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Torrance Auditorium association was held last Friday night when the following directors were elected: J. W. Post, L. F. Bennett, G. A. R. Steiner, J. H. Fess, C. L. Bisbee, Dr. J. S. Lancaster, George W. Neill.

These directors will meet tonight and select officers for the ensuing year, and make a financial report for the past twelve months.

P. E. STATION AT OCEAN AVE.

Owing to the rapid increase in population on the Keystone district near Normandy and Ocean avenues, the Pacific Electric company is preparing to erect at the junction of Ocean avenue a commodious station house for the accommodation of its patrons, who are now compelled to wait in the open for the arrival of their train.

BREAK CHEST COLDS WITH RED PEPPER

Ease your tight, aching chest. Stop the pain. Break up the congestion. Feel a bad cold loosen up in just a short time.

"Red Pepper Rub" is the cold remedy that brings quickest relief. It cannot hurt you and it certainly seems to end the tightness and drive the congestion and soreness right out.

Nothing has such concentrated, penetrating heat as red peppers, and when heat penetrates right down into colds, congestion, aching muscles and sore, stiff joints relief comes at once.

The moment you apply Red Pepper Rub you feel the tingling heat. In three minutes the congested spot is warmed through and through. When you are suffering from a cold, rheumatism, backache, stiff neck or sore muscles, just get a jar of Rowles Red Pepper Rub, made from red peppers, at any drug store. You will have the quickest relief known. Always say "Rowles."

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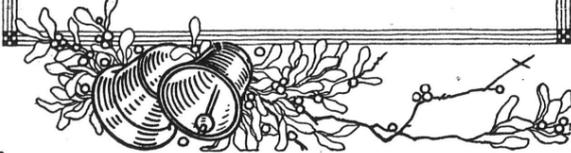
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- IRONS
- URNS
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- PERCOLATORS
- RADIO SUPPLIES

H. & S. ELECTRIC SHOP

1211 El Prado

Torrance

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The GIFT SHOP

CHRISTMAS CHEER

RIBBON BACK CHIFFON HOSE

Have You Seen Our Line? If Not, Do So. From now until Christmas we are featuring Hose—Silk, Wool, and Lisle.

Many grades and colors to pick from, all at very attractive prices.

As gifts, we say there is some for all. Boxes to pack them in, and every other convenience we can give to our customer. Our Special Packed Christmas Boxes appeal to many, as they contain an assortment of useful articles.

PICTURES

Frames, Mounts, Enlargements, Folders And anything else anyone would want. If we haven't got it, we will get it as promptly as possible, but nevertheless our line is very complete.

For fast, courteous service, call 134, Or see us at Brighton Block, West Side.

COKER'S SPECIALTY SHOP

TASK OF SHOPPER

Forethought Necessary in Selecting Toys for Kiddies.

Articles That Lead to Constructive Play Urged by Primary School Teacher.

THE nice art of toy selection, in anticipation of the Christmas season, recently was discussed by a primary teacher of the Indianapolis Normal school before a group of parents and teachers.

The leading thought of the lectures was the need of choosing playthings that will lead the child to dramatic or constructive play of its own invention, and conversely, the avoidance of playthings that are perfect or total, in the sense that they speak to the child's admiration only, and suggest to it nothing that means action or effort on its own part.

The toy shopper, as his task was treated by the teacher, has more to do than to collect at random and take home in triumph a truck load of baubles.

"The thought used to be," she said, "that a child's play ought to be ordered with a view to its preparation for its adult life. Girls, of old, were taught to sew, to make fine stitches, such as they could put to practical use when they grew up. Now we feel that the eye strain and the nervous focus required by such a task are undesirable. And the tendency is to make play satisfying to the child's wants in its child life—to teach it to make itself at home and happy in the here and now—and to trust to that training to prepare it to care for itself equally well in the later stages of its experience."

Blocks, tools, lumber, papers and pencils and crayons, cloth and the raw materials of every art and craft are the ideal stuff for the ideal play as it is discerned in the light of the later studies of the child mind, as explained by the speaker. She illustrated point after point by actual toys and play materials.

Dolls that will come up smiling after a head-foremost fall to the sidewalk from the upper flat are to be preferred, for several reasons, to the kind that crack at a fall of the temperature, the teacher believes, in common with many fond fathers. The doctrine that play is the work of childhood, the vocation of little people from which they will turn, a little later, to other vocations, no more important in their day than the play seems in its time, pervaded the discourse, and gave to its summing up a dignity and consequence that was not lost on the listeners.

Xmas Candy

In Fancy Boxes

Everything for Your Christmas Tree. Buy Your Decorations where the stock is complete.

Bartlett's Sweet Shop

1224 El Prado

Torrance

Announcement

Having purchased the Cash Grocery from E. A. Tucker, located at Narbonne and Redondo Blvd., we wish to say we are enlarging our stock and will carry a complete line of Staple and Fancy Groceries, Fruits, Vegetables, Candies and Tobaccos. We want to thank those conveniently located, for their business and want you to come in and get acquainted.

C. R. WILLIAMS

The S. & S. Corner Grocery

Arizona and Narbonne, Lomita

Under new management of C. M. Tassej, who is ready to serve you with the best

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We deliver anywhere in Lomita.

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