

U. S. Royalties May Deepen Well

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Boom F. Walton For Supervisor

Future of Field Here Depends on Deeper Oil Sand

Petroleum Midway Is Regarded As The Possible Pioneer Of Lower Levels In Proven Area

U. S. ROYALTIES MAY DEEPEN WELL

Shifting Sands Cause Plenty Of Trouble In Field And Hold Production Near 40,000 Barrels

Men close in touch with the situation in the oil field declare that several companies are already considering the advisability of drilling deeper in the hope of picking up a lower sand that will pull the field out of its present doldrums.

It is pointed out that the Petroleum Midway company, with a score of leases scattered through the field, drilled or is drilling all of its wells with an eye to future deepening. Pipes larger than necessary for a 3800-foot hole have been used on all the "P-Midway" wells.

A persistent rumor in the field maintains that the U. S. Royalties company is planning to deepen its No. 11 on Narbonne avenue.

Shifting sands throughout the field have caused no end of trouble during the past few weeks. So many wells have sanded up that production hovers around the 40,000-barrel mark, despite new wells.

Operators expect these sands to settle before long.

The Shell company's Keystone No. 1, which is flowing about 350 barrels well. After three days of swabbing and bailing the well was put on the beam and is showing considerable oil and emulsion.

In addition to Federal's Gerner No. 1, which is flowing about 500 barrels a day, five wells went on production over the week-end.

Gets 1000-Barrel Well The International Oil company

SKIDDING CAR FATAL TO OIL WORKER HERE

Chas. Hitchcock Loses Life In Carson St. Accident

Charles Hitchcock, a worker in the Torrance oil field, was fatally injured and his companion, Miss Inga Sand, of Hermosa Beach, was seriously hurt Sunday afternoon when the car in which they were riding on Carson street, between Torrance and Redondo, skidded and turned turtle, pinning the occupants beneath. Hitchcock died shortly after being taken to the Angelus hospital at Redondo Beach.

EASTERN STAR NEW OFFICERS TAKE CHAIRS

Torrance Chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, held its regular meeting Thursday night with the newly elected officers in the chairs. The work of initiation was beautifully done. Two new members came into the chapter by initiation and two by affiliation. After the chapter closed all adjourned to the banquet hall, where refreshments and a social time were enjoyed.

Torrance chapter meets the second and fourth Thursday of the month, and all visiting Stars are invited to attend the chapter.

SEVERAL HURT AS P. E. CAR HITS FREIGHT

Crash on Curve Injures Passengers Thursday Night

Several persons were injured last Thursday night when a P. E. car, rounding the curve that leads out of Torrance, crashed into a freight train.

Although the passenger car was damaged only slightly on the outside, occupants were hurled against seats, which were torn loose from the floor.

Mrs. A. G. Solomon and daughter Jean Louise were injured. The little girl suffered a severe nervous shock. Mrs. Solomon was bruised and cut on the face.

Mrs. Walter Bathrick of Andreo avenue was bruised and badly shaken.

Miss Goldie Brown of Lomita sustained a deep cut on the lip and facial bruises.

Mrs. Roy West of Lomita sustained a severe scalp wound and an injured shoulder and hip.

Rev. J. W. Morris was slightly bruised.

Mrs. Trowbridge and two children were slightly injured.

John Wilks, colored, sustained a wrenched leg.

Progress Club For Torrance Controls Of Local Schools

The Torrance Progress club Monday night voted unanimously to support any movement made for the creation of a Torrance school district. A committee of the Chamber of Commerce is now investigating the procedure necessary to form a district here and to take over the Torrance school property.

Dues of the Progress club were fixed at \$2 a year, payable semi-annually in advance.

Mrs. Mary Cassell Hurt As Cars Hit

Mrs. Mary Cassell of Wilmington, employed at "Bill's Place" on the boulevard, was injured a few days ago when the car in which she was riding was struck by another at the intersection of Narbonne avenue and Redondo Boulevard. It is feared that Mrs. Cassell has sustained a broken rib.

OIL WORKER LOSES LIFE ON DERRICK

Hite W. Piewett Of Lomita Is Victim Of Accident

Hite W. Piewett, a floorman working for the California Drilling company on the Black Diamond well, Lomita, was killed about 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon when he became entangled in a cathead rope and was thrown against the derrick. He leaves a wife in Lomita and a mother and two brothers in Los Angeles. The body was taken to Long Beach.

SALE OF LINE IS APPROVED BY R. R. BOARD

Motor Coach company has been authorized by the railroad commission to purchase from J. A. Smith and to operate an automobile stage line commonly known as the Redondo-San Pedro stage line, for the sum of \$25,000.

Women Appreciate Aid Rendered To Mother's Center

On behalf of our respective organizations, we desire publicly to express our appreciation of the financial support given the Mothers Educational Center by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

MRS. JOHN A. YOUNG, President, Women's Club. MRS. CHARLES STOCK, President, Parent-Teacher Association.

Pianist Opens Up Studio In Lomita

Karl Watts Gilbert, pianist and teacher, has opened a residence studio at 2955 George street, where he will give instruction in piano, organ, brass instruments, and theory. Mr. Gilbert, who comes from the east, is a graduate of the Drury College Conservatory of Music, the West Virginia Wesleyan School of Music, post-graduate Chalfont Conservatory of Music, specialized in piano with K. Van Deusen Sutphen, New York, and M. Henri Cluquet, Paris, France. Teacher of piano Sullins College for Women, Bristol, Va.; Kansas State Teachers' College, Emporia, Kan. Private studios in Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Missouri.

Girl Is Injured As Autos Crash

The small daughter of W. Campbell was slightly injured Sunday night when the car in which she was riding with her father crashed into a Ford driven by C. B. Reed at Carson street and Cabrillo avenue. Dr. Leake attended the girl, whose injuries were confined to bruises.

Long Beach Sleuth Nabs Man Wanted By Anderson Here

LONG BEACH.—Arrested last night on a warrant charging a serious statutory offense, Herman W. Roberts, 25, an oil worker, attempted to get "hard boiled" with Detective George Hanners, who made the arrest at the Signal Hill well where Roberts was employed. Hanners picked Roberts up on a description furnished by Chief of Police Anderson of Torrance, and was about to make the arrest when Roberts attempted to pull a gun.

When the fog lifted Hanners had both guns, Roberts was handcuffed and was leading the way to his coupe, in which he drove Hanners to the police station, after his "cuffs" had been removed to permit his driving the car.

Roberts was released to Torrance authorities and taken to the latter city, where he was lodged in the city jail.

Mrs. Joseph Beebe of Pennsylvania street was slightly injured in the Pacific Electric wreck at Torrance last

District Leaders United in Demand for Compton Man

Cities And Communities Band Together For Candidacy Of Unshackled, Widely Known Business Man

WANT WHOLE DISTRICT REPRESENTED

Leaders Believe Walton Will Represent Harbor District As Well As The Entire Supervisorial Area

Gathering adherents rapidly, the recently launched boom for Frank Walton as supervisor from the Fourth district has swept the harbor district during the past week in a united movement to place on the county board a man with thorough knowledge of the district's needs.

The Walton boom is the natural outgrowth of a widespread desire to find a man who would represent the entire Fourth district honestly and capably, with favoritism to no section or faction, but with thorough understanding of the requirements of the entire supervisorial area.

Business men, professional men, editors and workmen appointed themselves a committee a few weeks ago to comb the district for the right man.

Choice Is Unanimous After consideration of many possible candidates these men representing every community of the district chose Frank Walton of Compton with a unanimity that bespeaks success in the campaign now opening.

As soon as the candidacy of Walton was suggested throughout the district scores of leaders signified their intention of supporting him.

Newspapers in all sections of the district printed editorials espousing his candidacy.

Never, say students of harbor district politics, has a candidate aroused such immediate enthusiasm.

Despite intense community interests leaders in San Pedro, Long Beach, Wilmington, Compton, Torrance, Lomita, Moneta, Santa Monica, Hermosa Beach, Redondo, Gardena, Inglewood and other cities pledged their support to Walton and declared that they would bury desires for candidates from their own communities and stand united for the Compton man.

Papers Are United The situation is extremely unusual when all three Long Beach papers support an outside man editorially.

Yest the Long Beach Telegram, Press and Sun all have gone on record for Walton. Heretofore in other campaigns Long

Beach has sent several candidates into the field. So has San Pedro. So have other communities. This year, however, it is evident that all the communities are determined to line up their united strength behind one man.

Despite the united demand that he be a candidate, Mr. Walton for several days refused to give his consent. However, the demand that he run became so persistent that he gave his qualified consent at a meeting held in Torrance last Saturday noon.

Makes Statement A member of the committee at the meeting in Torrance made the following statement:

"It is high time that the various communities unite behind one candidate, one worthy candidate, and stop this time-worn practice of cutting each other's throats by putting 'favorite sons' into the race. Frank Walton is a man of mature judgment, with experience in business. He has the respect of every person who knows him. He is a plain, sensible man of sincere convictions. A resident of the district for years, he is thoroughly acquainted with conditions and requirements of various communities. He is tied to no faction and hitched to no political boss. He is not a politician in the accepted sense of the word.

Need Business Man "The board of supervisors handles millions of dollars a year. It is high time that this district be represented by the type of man who puts the common welfare ahead of personal political ambition.

"Walton is the type of man the district and the county needs. And it is encouraging to see how willingly the communities of the district have united in the movement to put him in office.

"While he has not definitely decided to be a candidate, the demand that he run is becoming so insistent in all parts of the district that we believe he will disregard his own personal reasons for not wanting office and accept the candidacy as a call to duty."

J. WALTER MORRIS, TORRANCE PASTOR, AUTHOR OF PLEASING ROMANCE, NOW AT LIBRARY

"The Old Trail," a story by James Walter Morris, is a recent donation to the Torrance public library.

The story centers in the romance of a maiden who is almost won by the charms of a young military officer, yet whose dreams of higher things are at last realized when Elzevir appears in search of a wife for Isaac. A Divine Providence is working at both ends of the line, shaping the destiny of two lives, and thus a golden link fits into the chain of Providence reaching across the centuries.

This bit of romance, written in a simple yet beautiful style by our own Rev. J. Walter Morris, lends a new charm to one of the oft-repeated tales of sacred lore. The author approaches the subject from a historical point of view, and quite independent of Scripture.

The book stimulates thought and leaves a pleasant flavor in the minds of those who read it.

S. F. Surgeon Now Torrance Doctor

Dr. A. H. Owens and family are new arrivals in Torrance and are making their home for the present at the Castle apartments.

During the past six months Dr. Owens has been assistant surgeon in a San Francisco hospital. Previous to his coming to California he had taken a year's post-graduate course in Chicago.

Dr. Owens has opened an office in the First National Bank building.

John Hemphill of Los Angeles was a recent guest of W. L. Rieff of Pepper street.

Torrance Women At Meet In L. A.

The Torrance Woman's club was represented at the presidents' council and luncheon held in Los Angeles Friday by Mrs. J. S. Lancaster, Mrs. George W. Neill, Mrs. A. J. Kembell and Mrs. Willis Brooks.

Board of Trustees To Meet Tonight

The Torrance board of trustees will meet tonight at 7 o'clock. It is expected that legal procedure will be taken on the Western avenue paving project.

J. S. (CHEVROLET) HANSON

By THE MYSTERIOUS COWBOY

THE SIGN OF A BETTER BUY IN AUTOS



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The automobile, besides bringing about the great improvement in the automotive world, has improved the American business and mechanical minds like no other factor has. I have in mind the best type of young men to be found engaged in the industry and kindred trades; those men who sound a keynote of integrity and sagacity; those boys who believe in their respective crafts and cars, and who develop a never-mistaken sincerity and faithfulness when they are representing to the public

the part their work plays in the auto scheme. The type of business man I speak of is exemplified in the sterling character and real ability of Mr. J. S. Hanson, the proprietor of the Day and Night Garage and the Chevrolet dealer in Torrance. Born in Montana, this young man has had a colorful experience in the great west from San Diego to far away Asccroft. He was formerly with the Chevrolet peo-

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