

FOURTEENTH YEAR—No. 5

G. P. WILL BUILD THIS YEAR

Public Invited to Bank of Italy Opening on Saturday

900-Acre Site To Be Developed For 3000-Man Refinery

Big Company Serves Notice on Several Agricultural Lease-Holders to Vacate Torrance Land Within 90 Days

PLANS ARE CHANGED FOR MUCH LARGER PLANT

Organization Will Move Huge Vernon Refinery to New Location Here But Will Make Shift in Gradual Program

Observations

The New Steamship California—Flo Ziegfeld and the Female Figure—The Tempo of the Hoover Campaign and the Chances of Mr. Dawes

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA has every justification in staging a gigantic welcome to the Panama Pacific Line, California, when that great passenger ship arrives at San Pedro.

If we were to cast our vote for the one man to be our buyer of the fashion in feminine figures, we should vote without hesitation for Flo Ziegfeld.

FROM time to time we have taken pains to point out the rapidly accelerating movement for Hoover for President.

UPON mysterious and sudden orders, the Lowden headquarters in the Waldorf-Astoria, New York, has been closed.

IT is obvious to anyone who has followed the rising popularity and the clever handling of the Hoover campaign during the past few weeks that the Dawes and Lowden followers had good cause for alarm.

THERE is in the political campaign just as there is in a novel or drama, a piece of music, a rising action and a climax.

HAD Mr. Dawes begun his campaign two months ago he might have succeeded. His is a magnetic personality, well suited to win popular acclaim.

WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT, and former President Hadley of Yale are publicly bemoaning the fact that the standards of scholarship have deteriorated at the New Haven institute of learning.

FINE NEW BUILDING READY

Imposing Structure Eloquent Testimony of Confidence in Torrance

COST ABOUT \$100,000

Beauty and Utility Combined in Design of Imposing Edifice

Another major Torrance development comes to a fruition Saturday, when the Bank of Italy National Trust and Savings Association moves into its permanent home at Sartori and Marcellina avenues.

The new building, artistically designed and laid out with an eye to service and beauty, will be opened to the public Saturday from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.

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Photo by LaPlante JAMES W. LEECH

bronze and Philippine mahogany. A spacious lobby provides every facility for the public.

Ticket Sale Big for M. E. Dinner

The advance sale of tickets indicates a record breaking attendance at the Brotherhood banquet to be held at the First Methodist church next Monday evening, February 6.

Many Torrance People Will Go to York Picnic

The annual picnic of the York County Nebraska association will be held at the Ebel Clubhouse, Third and Cerritos streets, Long Beach, Saturday, Feb. 11.

Toy Industry Locates Here; Plant Leased

Dean Company to Build Play Tractors in Torrance

The latest industry to join the ranks of Torrance manufacturers will delight the children of the Pacific coast. It is the Dean Toy Company, manufacturers of tractor type toys including regular little tractors and dump trucks.

The new industry will be located on 213th street, where Frank Sammons is building them a plant. Lease of the plant was signed Wednesday.

According to Mr. Hyde, the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce has expended considerable energy in encouraging the institution of toy factories on the coast.

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Girls Glee Club Will Give Play Here Saturday

"Mrs. Oakley's Telephone" Will Be Presented at Torrance Theatre

The Girls' Glee Club of Torrance High school will present a comedy in two acts, "Mrs. Oakley's Telephone," Friday night at the Torrance Theatre.

The cast of characters is as follows: Mrs. Oakley, a bride—Marian Vieths.

Constance, a friend—Nyla Tansey. Mary, the Irish cook—Lois Zuver.

The scene is laid in the parlor of Mrs. Oakley's home and the comedy hinges on the confusion of telephone numbers by the Irish cook, which is cleverly taken by Lois Zuver.

January Permits Exceed 1927 Mark

Building permits in Torrance in January of this year aggregated \$65,025 as against a total of \$50,275 for January, 1927.

Antonio Y. Dava, frame store building, \$2000; M. Chambers, addition to home, \$225; C. C. M. O. frame derrick, \$5,000; G. E. Baird, 2-story brick store and office, \$5,500; Sam Contello, 1-story brick addition, \$2,000; Charles (Earl) Conners, 2-story brick store and office, \$7,500.

POLE LINE PERMITS GIVEN

Council Grants Edison Co. Right to Erect Power System

C. OF C. SUPPORTS MOVE Need of "Juice" Stressed on Account of G. P. Refinery

The City Council Tuesday night granted to the Southern California Edison Company a permit for a power line on Sonoma and Madrid avenues and Dominguez street.

On Monday night directors of the Chamber of Commerce studied the problem with Mayor John Dennis and recommended that the permit be granted.

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L. E. Webster Has Sales Agency for Vacuum Cleaners

L. E. Webster, formerly associated with the International Derrick and Equipment Company, has secured the sales agency for Eureka Vacuum cleaners in Torrance, Lomita and Gardena.

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The Redondo District Union of the Christian Endeavor Society will give a radio program over Station KPON, Long Beach, tonight from 9 to 10 o'clock.

C. S. LECTURE

The Christian Science Society of Wilmington announces a free lecture on Christian Science by Lucia C. Coulson, C. S. of London, England, member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ Scientist in Boston, Mass., to be delivered in Empress Theatre, 722 Avalon boulevard, Wilmington, Friday, Feb. 3, at 8:00 p. m.

WHAT'S ON IN TORRANCE

Friday, Feb. 3—Mothers Educational Center, 10-12 Women's clubhouses. Torrance Relief Society. Retail Merchants' Dinner. Farmers' Case.

Saturday, Feb. 4—Regular meeting, Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 50. Sunday, Feb. 5—Services in all churches.

Monday, Feb. 6—Directors' meeting, C. of C. public invited. Brotherhood dinner. Methodist church. Leonard A. Wood Auxiliary, Redondo Beach; Catholic Altar Society, Parish house.

Tuesday, Feb. 7—Trustees' meeting. Regular meetings of Baptist Ladies' Union. Wednesday, Feb. 8—K. of C. Wednesday, Feb. 8—Regular meeting, Missionary Society and Council of Christian Church; Trio Rebekahs.

Thursday, February 9—Regular meeting, O. E. S.; Marionettes at Women's clubhouses. Tuesday, Feb. 14—Women's Club card party. Saturday, Feb. 18—Annual ball, Job's Daughters.

President Coolidge speaking in Washington declared that it is the intention of the Administration to build new warships as fast as the financial condition of the treasury will permit.

Political observers throughout the country were surprised Monday when Lowden for president headquarters in New York were closed.

Great Britain's greatest general is dead. Earl Douglas Haig, one of the most outstanding military figures of the great war, his heart weakened by the severe strain of the war, died Monday.

President William T. Cosgrave of the Irish Free State is getting plenty of thrills out of his visit to the new world. Near Ottawa, Canada, the engine of the train in which he was riding jumped the track.

Mrs. Susan Ewing is grateful to the Fire Department of Berkeley, Calif. At the Berkeley General Hospital she gave birth to an unconscious baby girl.

Dr. Robert Eisler of Vienna has been searching for months over the collection of Hebrew manuscripts now kept in the French National Library and which belonged originally to Cardinal Nazarin.

The 20 guests of Hans Stengel, newspaper cartoonist, were enjoying themselves in a party in his Greenwich Village apartment.

Considerable interest on both sides of the border was aroused by an editorial in the Ketchikan Chronicle, British Columbia newspaper, declaring that the United States and Canada should become one nation.

The love of an old fashioned light, so frequently evident whenever Democrats assemble, is not confined to the masculine members of the party.

The trumpets of Mars are being sounded once more in the Balkans. This time it is Italy which is adding to the uneasiness of European offices by declaring that war in the cockpit of Europe is shortly inevitable.

The California, the largest commercial ship ever built, is on its way from New York to San Pedro.

A real plan service. Consolidated Lumber Co.—Adv.

BILL the BARBER Says

The happiest day in a man's life is the day before his marriage.

The sewage-treatment plant at Lomita is known to the sanitation

Huge Sewer System of Vast Value to Whole Harbor Area Completed; Advantages Cited

Terminating two and one-half years of planning and construction following the sale of \$10,000,000 in bonds, made possible by the passage of the county Sanitation District Act passed by the State Legislature in May, 1923, the Los Angeles county sanitation district sewers, serving the metropolitan districts of the county and large areas of the city of Los Angeles, are completed.

The completion of the project, said Supervisor McClellan, "is a remarkable achievement for the county, and we have been particularly fortunate in that there has been no instance that I know of, where the costs have exceeded the estimates. It is for this reason that we have been able to complete the entire system on time, with never the slightest indication that more money would have to be forthcoming before it could be finished."

Outstanding advantages resulting from the completion of the project will be the benefits accruing to the manufacturing interests of the city and county. Adequate sewage disposal has for years past, constituted one of the most serious problems that manufacturers have had to deal with in establishing their plants in Los Angeles.

As now completed, the system provides sewerage facilities for all incorporated and unincorporated communities extending from Inglewood, Huntington Park, Bellvedere and Montebello, to the north, to Torrance, Compton and Belleflower on the south with all intervening areas finding service through the system.

The sewage-treatment plant at Lomita is known to the sanitation

Until such time as the outfall to the ocean is completed, the activated sludge process of disposal will be used at the Lomita treatment plant. This process is designed to "treat" the sewage by blowing large quantities of air through it, thereby accelerating the growth of bacteriological life in the sewage, which consumes the solids from the sewage water and finally builds up a heavier-than-water organic growth, which, when the treated sewage is passed through basins which still it flow, settles out of the sewage water leaving it fairly pure and staple.

The reason for the temporary plant modification is that it is impractical to discharge raw sewage effluent into the natural drainage channels at any point inland causing undue nuisance or inconvenience and a possible menace to health. The treatment plant so treats the sewage and effluent that it is rendered harmless when discharged inland.

Future Need Safeguarded. Future needs of all areas to be served are safeguarded by providing capacity in the system for needs of four times the present population with attendant industries, and while a prediction of future population and growth in Southern California contains many elements of doubt and conjecture, it nevertheless, appears reasonable to expect that such an increase will not occur in less than about twenty-five years.

The trunk sewer lines are so located

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