

Republicans in convention at Kansas City nominated Herbert Hoover, who is opposed to the McNary-Haugen bill and named as his running mate Senator Charles Curtis of Kansas, stalwart McNary-Haugen adherent. Latest reports from the Republican firing line indicate that leaders of the party are concentrating their forces in the farm belt to swing the agrarian vote in favor of the ticket and against the famous equalization fee which caused President Coolidge to veto the farm relief bill on two occasions.

Democrats are assembling in Houston. Reporters already there write dispatches predicting the nomination of Al Smith for president and Wm. Donahue, day governor of Ohio for vice-president.

Donn Byrne, famous Irish-American writer of sizzling short stories was killed in Ireland in an automobile accident.

The United Catholics, strong Jesuit paper published in Chicago is quoted widely in the American press as expressing the hope that Al Smith will be elected President of the United States. The editorial which is quoted on this side of the Atlantic declares that Italy and Catholicism would benefit morally through Smith's election.

Graceful shells sped down the Hudson. Brawny backs bent in poetic rhythm. Under the three-mile bridge they came. Two shells sped through the water prow to prow. That last mile of the four-mile grind developed into the most exciting finish ever seen in an inter-collegiate regatta. As the two shells went over the finish line, California led Columbia by three-quarters of a length. The record for the four-mile course which has stood for 27 years, was broken.

Welshmen are restrained mortals. But they do get excited. They did get excited when the tri-motored monoplane Friendship soared down out of the heavens from Wales, bearing Miss Amelia Earhart of Boston, Wilmer Stultz, pilot and Louis Gordon, mechanic, who had flown from Trepansey Bay, Newfoundland.

Despair filled the hearts of Gen. Nobila and his crew of the wrecked dirigible Italia as they gazed skyward at a relief plane searching for them in the wastes of the Arctic—despair because though they saw the plane the occupants of the plane did not see them. Noble, wireless and hoping for a world waiting and hoping for the rescue of the crew.

Edwin T. Meredith, Des Moines publisher, secretary of agriculture under President Wilson, is dead.

Those millions of ex-soldiers who used to wash their pants only to see the olive drab fade out into a light tan, will be interested to learn that army chemists have now discovered a fadeless olive drab dye. The army believes that a soldier's morale is low when he parades down the avenue in a pair of faded pants.

Uncle Sam started a new house-cleaning. Supplied with funds by Congressional appropriation he departed yesterday for the Republican convention hall. Taking advantage of the crowded condition of the streets, bandits held up the Home Trust Company and escaped with more than \$25,000.

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Reckless Driver Draws \$350 Fine

Neal Webb, Jr., of Redondo Beach, charged with reckless driving, was fined \$350 or 350 days in jail as the result of an accident on Hawthorne boulevard, near Dominguez street, about 2:30 Tuesday morning, when the car he was driving struck one driven by Charles L. Wigg in a head-on collision. Webb was uninjured, and Wigg received lacerations and bruises. A woman riding with Mr. Wigg was seriously injured and rushed to the hospital. Both cars are total wrecks.

Inter-Cities To Picnic At Manhattan Sat.

Prizes Offered For Athletic Events And Attendance

Torrance and Lomita residents are invited to picnic with all the other cities of Southern California in a huge inter-city event this Saturday at Manhattan Beach.

A cash attendance prize will be given to the community having the (Continued on Last Page)

LIGHTS QUESTION IS UNSETTLED

Dr. Shidler, Flying To Salt Lake, Writes Impressions

Torrance Surgeon Won To Aviaton After Hard Ordeal

Fettered and Fastened, Wedged Into Plane Cockpit, Local Man Gets Ready to Make Sudden Jump from Plane

PROPOSES SET OF RULES FOR EMBRYO FLYERS

And Then as Last Hour of Six-hour Flight Is Reached He Wins Enjoyment and Is Sold On Travel by Air Idea

By DR. GEORGE SHIDLER
SALT LAKE CITY, June 15.—(Special to The Torrance Herald and Lomita News)—I arrived at Salt Lake City at 1:45 p. m. today, having traveled 600 miles at an average speed of 100 miles an hour. I got out of the plane, unhitched parachute, helmet and goggles, and walked to the office of the Western Air Express where they were radio-telephoning to Los Angeles and told them to notify Mrs. Shidler by phone of my safe arrival. This should have gotten through by 2 p. m.

The train I was to have taken last night left Los Angeles at 8:30 and will arrive at Salt Lake City at 7:30 p. m. tonight, almost six hours after the plane, which left at 7:30 a. m. today. I guess distance has gone to play house with normalcy. It looks to me like Los Angeles should extend her territory a little farther. Don't tell George, Neill, Rufus Page, J. C. Smith, or Charlie Vonderahe, about this.

Two Big Thrills
The most exciting episode of the trip was my wife getting up at 5:45 a. m. to go out to the flying field with me. The next most thrilling moment was when the hangar vault opened and you could just make special for jumping overboard, and hooded and goggled me and parachuted me all up. Sorry we didn't get a chance to use our safety devices, because it caused enough trouble to be of some service. It is about the late of a Webster's unabridged dictionary and about as heavy. It is fastened to the victim by means of wide canvas straps around the shoulders and between the legs. You wear the darned thing where grandmother used to wear her bustle. Only a pulley back of you can hardly stagger up the ladder and fall into the cockpit.

Then to remind one of the dangers of flying you have to sit on it all the way. There is a little iron ring over where your heart normally should be which you pull after jumping overboard and counting ten. Easiest thing in the world to do after you have jumped. Personally I never hankered after any broad or high records.

Sunk in a Hole
It was slightly foggy when we started but that was all right. California looked like an awfully good place to be leaving behind. But there I was, weighted down, sunk in that hole where I couldn't see the driver, with familiar objects growing smaller and smaller every second. If I could possibly have jumped overboard I would have done so. The noise was terrible. Only anything could be seen through tunnels must resemble flying in an open plane. Right in the front of my metal-covered box a triangle of pipe-bracing recalled the Y. M. C. A. to my mind. I was glad that planes like cathedrals were built cross-shaped. All the nuts and bolts I could reach were tight, but didn't like the way the struts rattled and bent in the wind. One of them had some green stuff on it as though rust and verdigris might have been working on the plane unobserved by the sleepy man around the hangar. Seven thirty-five is next to early for people to be very proficient and observant.

Wanted Company
I wished another passenger had been crowded into the pit with me, but it would have done little good in so far as exchanging confidences was concerned because even if I had been able to talk to him when I yelled I couldn't hear a sound above the buzz-sawing and foundry work going on in the plane.

Hopeless and alone, involuntarily I swallowed. Good heavens—it increased the noises ten fold. I didn't think anything could, so I made an observation—"never swallow in an aeroplane!"

Then I noticed that I seemed to do better looking over the left side than the right. Every time

Local Talent Given Chance In The Movies

FAMOUS STARS TO APPEAR IN TORRANCE COMEDY AND HOME FOLKS ARE URGED TO GET INTO PRODUCTION AS WELL

With Ken Laurel, that inimitable comedian, as leading man, supported by Claire Bowers, that winsome altogether delightful and beautiful leading lady, the California Arts Productions is planning and preparing a local comedy script and production in which local residents will be given the opportunity to appear.

Art Johns, the brilliant young director, who has been assigned by the company to direct the production in Torrance, urges all persons of both sexes and all ages and types to call at The Herald office in Torrance, fill out one of the blanks for that purpose, giving the information asked, and if satisfactory they will be given the opportunity to appear in the production. The company expects to move into Torrance within the next few days to seek locations and make the necessary arrangements for turning Torrance and Lomita into a real Hollywood movie lot and show the people of Torrance and Lomita how motion pictures are actually made in Hollywood. The completed picture will be shown at the Torrance Theater and arrangements are now under way for a showing in Lomita.

Director Johns mentions that this is a wonderful opportunity for local talent to see themselves in the movies and determine just what their chances are as a future Valentino, Mae Murray, Charles Chaplin, Norma Talmadge. Do not hesitate. Get your name and address and telephone number to the office of the Torrance Herald today.

Name _____
Address _____
Phone No. _____ Age _____ Complexion _____
Color hair _____ Color eyes _____ Height _____
Weight _____ School or working _____
Experience _____

Can you get off school or work when needed?
If minor, will parent object to your appearing in this production?

Observations

The West Comes Politically Into Its Own—Hoover's Worldwide Visions—Smith And The Commerce Secretary Not A Clinched Election
By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

THE Republican convention was a ratification convention. But unlike most events of that nature it ratified not only the will of a few leaders but the desires of the great majority of the members of the party.

With their ears to the ground the powers that be in the ranks of the G. O. P. heard unmistakable rumblings against compromise candidates nominated in hotel rooms. They read the plain message written on thousands of ballots by Republicans at several widely scattered primaries.

MOTIVATED, as politicians always are by the desire to win at the polls they put Hoover over in the face of opposition from Wall Street and interests who usually prefer office-holders who "will listen to reason."

The Hoover nomination, though probably decided upon months before the convention opened, was a plain victory for the people. The party nominated the man whose abilities and experience place him head and shoulders above others who sought the nomination.

FOR the first time in the history of the party a man from west of the Mississippi has been selected to head the ticket of a national party. If Hoover and Curtis are elected geographical precedent as it relates to a President and Vice-President will have been broken.

Born in Iowa, Hoover now resides in California. Curtis, half Kaw Indian, lives in Kansas. The Republican party has given heed to the statement that the star of empire moves toward the setting sun.

DIPLOMAS WILL GO TO 42

High School Hums With Activity As Graduation Week Nears

MONDAY ALUMNI DAY

Commencement Program In Auditorium Slated For June 28

Commencement week is one full of activity. Forty-two students, leaving High School days behind forever, and those just putting aside their studies for the Summer, are humming with the excitement of last-minute activities.

Sunday the Baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. G. G. Schmid of the Central Evangelical Church. Monday is alumni day at the High School. This is the first alumni day since the establishment of a tradition that, it is hoped, will live on with the school. One hundred and fifteen invitations have been issued to the former graduates to be present on that day. In the morning the alumni will register and talk over old times. In the afternoon there will be a pep rally in the auditorium, followed by a baseball game with the Alumni team and the Varsity competing.

At 6 o'clock the alumni will be hosts to the graduating class at a banquet given in the cafeteria. At 7:30 a vaudeville show will be presented in the auditorium to the public and students. Features of the evening will be a mystery play, "The Ringer"; popular songs by Virginia Watson, and impressions by Turner McLean. This being the only show on the coast not featuring Blue Heaven, color will be lent to the evening by the dances of Miss Inglee Poole, former Torrance graduate, who is now a professional dancer. The public is urged to attend this performance, as profits will go to the High School student body fund.

After the vaudeville there will be a dance in the gymnasium for the graduating class, given by the alumni. Tuesday is Senior class day. There will be an assembly, at which the class will and the class prophecy, written by Miss Roberts Seco, will be read. The class will also make their formal presentation of their gift to the school. At noon Tuesday is the Senior luncheon.

Wednesday at 11:30 a. m. is the Junior high graduation. Following are the names of the twenty-two girls and twenty-five boys graduating from the ninth grade.

Robert Anderson, Richard Balschewald, Valorus Bradbury, Eva Bredahl, Vera Bredahl, Marie Carlin, Paul Copeland, Dallas Danzoff, Kathryn Fordice, Winifred Funderburk, George Gibson, Merton Gilbert, Frances Granger, Helen Greenleaf, Max Hanson, Lee Hering, Dorothy Holland, Mildred Holland, Worthington Howe, Franklyn Hudson, Elwyn Jarrett, Elijah Lee, Rebecca Licht, Rita Lister, Vivian Luther, Waldo McDowell, Alfred Mintun, Wilma Motika, Clair Newton, Edward Parramore, Lillah Patsy, Leonard Pohl, Opal Ray, Alice Reed, Betty Jane Ripple, Simon Schipper, Paul Sloppy, Jean Smith, Richard Stevens, Billy Styles, Myrtle Sullivan, Roland Thomas, Merriam Thompson, Wilfred Tidland, Howard Utten, Gertrude Walker and Lita West.

The program for commencement night, June 28, is as follows: Recessional—Senior Class—Baritone Solo—Edward Price. Invocation. Oration, "Progress"—Louis Cramer. Piano Solo—Marjorie Ott Reading, "The Fleet Goes By"—Maxine Brown. Senior Girls' Quartette. Oration, "The Stars Our Camp"—Harwood Clark. Combined Glee Clubs—"Gypsy Love Song"—Victor Herbert. "Over the Waves"—Rossia. Presentation of the Ephraim ring to Maxine Brown.

Presentation of the life membership in the Scholarship Federation (Continued on Last Page)

Committee Action Is Placed On File After Long Debate

Mayor's Body Votes 4 to 1 For Westinghouse Products, With Mayor Casting Negative Ballot On Account of Higher Price

TRUSTEE WOLFE'S MOTION RECEIVES NO SECOND

Motion To Approve Committee Report Dies; Council Will Take Up Lighting Question at Later Meeting on July 3

After a flood of oratory from lighting company salesmen the City Council Tuesday night received and held for consideration at a later meeting a recommendation of the Mayor's special lighting committee that the Council specify Westinghouse products in the proposed system for Torrance.

The recommendation, made by a 4-to-1 vote of the committee Monday night, declared that the committee had gone thoroughly into all types of posts and lighting units proposed. When the recommendation was voted upon Mayor John Dennis, chairman of the committee, was the only one who voted in the negative.

Prior to the vote on the recommendation the committee voted unanimously to consider only cast iron posts. After this action only two proposals were left, one from the Southwest Lighting Company, selling King posts, and one from the Westinghouse Company.

HERE ARE PRICES
The King guaranteed estimate aggregated \$111,571, or 95.9 cents per front foot in the residence district; \$114 plus cent per foot in the semi-business district; \$2.27 minus per foot in the business district; \$6.58 minus per foot on Cabrillo avenue, where combination light and trolley poles are proposed.

The Westinghouse estimate aggregated \$123,520, or \$1.08 cents per front foot in the residence district; \$1.27 per foot in the semi-business district; \$2.57 per foot in the business district; \$5.52 per foot on Cabrillo avenue.

There were estimates for "other" types of posts lower than these, but the committee unanimously eliminated all of them because of the belief that cast iron posts only should be installed in Torrance, weather and other conditions being taken into consideration.

TELL OF ACTION
The action of the committee in recommending the Westinghouse installation, despite the difference in price, was taken, according to the four committee members who voted for it—George Proctor, B. C. Buxton, J. C. Smith and W. Harold Kingsley—in the conviction that the difference in price was justified by virtue of increased lighting efficiency of Westinghouse refractors, and heavier and taller lighting posts.

A tabulation of post weights and sizes was made by the committee Monday night, showing the relative dimensions of the posts as specified by King and Westinghouse. This tabulation follows:

King posts, residence district: Diameter at base, 5 1/2 inches at top, 4 1/2 inches; height to light center 13 feet, 5 inches; weight, 350 pounds. Dimensions of Westinghouse posts, same; weight of Westinghouse posts, 550 pounds. King posts, semi-business district: Diameter at base, 7 inches at top, 5 inches; height, 15 feet; weight, 495 pounds. Westinghouse: Diameter at base, 8 inches at top, 6 inches; height, 15 feet; weight, 690 pounds. King posts, business district: Diameter at base, 7 inches at top, 5 inches; height, 17 feet, 3 inches; weight, 700 pounds. Westinghouse: Diameter at base 8 inches, at top 6 inches; height, 18 feet, 6 inches, or 19 feet, as desired; weight, 1,300 pounds.

DEBATE MERITS
These dimensions and weights were taken by the committee from SHOW BIBLE SCENES
Thursday evening at the mid-week services of the Lutheran Church will be the second of a series of motion pictures depicting Biblical scenes. These pictures will be explained by Rev. George H. Schuster. This is the second of a series of eight interesting lectures.

Guaranteed paint, \$2.55 gallon. Consolidated Lumber Co., Torrance—adv.

Keystone Chamber To Meet Saturday
The Keystone Chamber of Commerce will hold a business meeting and dance at Keystone Community Hall Saturday night at 8 o'clock. A prominent speaker will address the meeting. The business session will concern itself with matters of importance to Keystone