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Nab Negro Wearing Sheriff's Insignia

Redondo.—Acting upon a tip from the Hermosa police department, Officers Smith and Coogan arrested a negro as he was alighting from a Hermosa-Redondo bus last Wednesday and took him to police headquarters for questioning. He was found to be wearing a stolen deputy sheriff's badge. He was questioned in regard to his activities last Saturday morning when a branch bank of the Security bank in Los Angeles was held up and \$4000 in cash stolen. The affair was committed by three white men and a negro.

After questioning, the negro was unable to satisfactorily explain his whereabouts at the time of the robbery and he was taken to the sheriff's office in Los Angeles for further investigation. It is thought quite probable that he is one of the wanted men, as on the last police bulletin sent out from police headquarters, descriptions of the three white men were furnished, but no mention was made of the negro.—Redondo Reflex.

Open Protest on Hawthorne Sewers

Hawthorne.—In protest of the action of the city council in passing the resolution of intention calling for the installation of sewers in that section of the city lying north of Ballona avenue, citizens to the number of more than one hundred met in a called meeting in Nelson hall Monday evening, discussed methods of combating the improvement and perfected an organization which will have for its purpose the determining of matters of economic interest affecting the city in general.

J. V. Roby called the meeting to order, informally introducing Benjamin Brown, who acted as chairman of the evening. H. H. Blagbro acted as secretary.—Hawthorne Lawndale Journal.

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Rumor of Sailors Drowned Unfounded

Redondo.—A disquieting rumor was circulating around town the early part of the week to the effect that a navy boat had been washed ashore in the storm last Monday evening and that three sailors had lost their lives. This rumor was only part true, as a boat had been washed ashore from the U. S. S. Mervine, but no sailors were in it at the time. The little motor boat came ashore midway between Redondo and Hermosa and was washed high and dry with the evening high tide, but with the low tide early Tuesday morning was again taken to sea and severely damaged through the buffeting it received from the row of piles at that section.—Redondo Reflex.

Hermosa Boy in New Duck Scheme

Hermosa.—Richard Stiles of Sixth street, has found a new and novel way of catching wild ducks. They walk along the beach, he says, hunting for crab holes. Catching a duck with its head in a crab hole he captured it alive after a struggle in which both bird and boy fought valiantly.—Hermosa Beach Review.

Lawndale Oil Well Brings Excitement

Lawndale.—Reports of the bringing in of another well, in the Lawndale district were prevalent this week, it being declared that the Smith brothers well had come in with a good gas pressure and a showing of oil. Verification of this was impossible as there is no information to be had from those concerned with the well.

Whether there is real basis to the rumor is problematical, yet well living in the vicinity of the well are prone to believe there is something more than rumor to the report, this being evidenced in the activity of those who are angling for leases in the district. Observers say there is more lease activity in that section than at any previous time. The number of escrows through the First National State Bank has greatly increased. This also adding weight to the oil predictions.—Hawthorne-Lawndale Journal.

Harbor District Chambers Meet at Hawthorne in Feb.

Hawthorne.—The February meeting of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce will be held in this city, Secretary Loren Howe, of the chamber of commerce announces. The meeting, which is a monthly one, is usually held on the evening of the second Thursday of the month, beginning with a banquet at 6:30 o'clock.—Hawthorne-Lennox Advertiser.

Freakish Storm Sweeps Compton

Cyclone Turns Things Upside Down; Shade Trees Damaged

Compton.—Compton was visited by one of the freakiest storms in years Wednesday when a real cyclone turned things upside down to the south of the city and the entire district was deluged by a heavy downpour. A real twister did considerable damage to fruit and shade trees at the James McDonald home on Artesia and Long Beach boulevard.

Right at the close of the rain and during the heaviest downpour a small cyclone crossed Long Beach boulevard at Artesia and plowed its way through the countryside. The Searcy filling station was partly demolished and a Ford car which was standing in front of the station was blown across the street and overturned.

At the McDonald home the roof of the barn was partly torn off as was the roof of the dwelling. A row of big eucalyptus trees was snapped off and several big cherry trees, several as large as a man's body, were broken off short.

The storm continued on its way to Santa Ana, doing considerable damage on route, blowing down trees and unroofing several farm houses. At Santa Ana several people were slightly injured. Signs were blown down and buildings unroofed. The roof of a building was blown from a building.

It was the first windstorm in years, according to old-time residents.

Directors Meet at Keystone Building

A directors' meeting of the Keystone Chamber of Commerce was held at Boosters' Hall on Main street on Wednesday evening with Thomas A. Cowan, president in the chair. Community questions were discussed including the question of a library in Keystone. Following the reports of committees, Elliot P. Moore, Jr., Boy Scout executive, gave a very interesting talk on the Boy Scout work and its accomplishments, followed by some discussion and exhibition of a fire, rearsuasion, etc., were given by a group of Boy Scouts who were present. Samuel C. Sault, Scout leader of Troop 2, Wilmington, showed motion picture of his troops' camping trip at Big Bear two years ago which was very interesting to those present. A committee was appointed to find a Scout leader in the community in the near future. A Scout Troop here comprised of Samuel C. Sault, John R. Hilbert, Charles LeBoeuf, J. R. Black and Joel Strahl.

Happy Hour Club Has Fine Meeting

The Happy Hour club met last week at the home of Mrs. Mary Dorchak on Amelia street. Pinochle was played during the afternoon, prizes being awarded. Mrs. Elliott Gibbon for high score and Mrs. Elizabeth Richardson for low score. Refreshments were served by the hostess to Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Gibbons and Mrs. Corrine LeBlanc. The club will meet this week on Thursday at the home of Mrs. Richardson on Main street.

Teachers Attend Torrance Meeting

The teachers from Carson street school attended the meeting of the Harbor section of the City Teachers' Club which were the guests of Principal Bell and his faculty at the Torrance Elementary school on Wednesday afternoon. A refreshment course was served following the meeting. The members of Carson street faculty are the proud possessors of the prize which was offered for the largest percentage of teachers present.

Crochet Club Is Feted at Party

One of the delightful social affairs of the past week was the five hundred party for which Mr. and Mrs. Z. W. Jennings of North Geneva street, Glendale, were hosts on Saturday evening. The honored guests were members of the Crochet club, their husbands and friends. High honors in the card games were awarded Mrs. Harry C. Rocque and H. T. Hoxworth while Mrs. Irwin P. Gates and Donald Berry won consolation prizes. A midnight supper was served by the hostess to Mrs. Barbara S. S. Tannahill, Mrs. Barbara Berry, Roy and Donald Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Rocque, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Cowan, Mr. and Mrs. George Nahmens, Mrs. Pernia Piper, Dick Waller all of Keystone; Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Hoxworth of Long Beach; Mr. and Mrs. Irwin P. Gates of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Cline of Southgate.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Conroy and two sons from Maine are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Carr of Vermont street. Another visitor at the Carr home is Mrs. F. A. Smith of Wisconsin.

WALTERIA NEWS

Grand Council of the Woodcraft League held in Los Angeles Friday was attended by the boys of the Woodcraft Rangers of Walteria and their guide, C. S. Edmundson and assistant guide, A. C. McLain. The boys were: Fred and Raymond McLain, Lloyd Crowthers, David Hogan and Joseph and Charles Lupin.

Mrs. F. B. Barber and Mrs. Howard Tuttle of Wilmington were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tuttle of Park street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bilgeu of Los Angeles were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Lawrence of Redondo boulevard Sunday.

A daughter of San Diego spent the weekend visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lealle of Park street.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lehman and Wm. Baker of Madison street spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. Allison of Torrance.

Mr. and Mrs. F. McLean and three sons were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Phebus of San Pedro Sunday.

Mrs. Eva Kelley attended the luncheon served by the ladies of the First Christian church of Wilmington to the workers in the Community Chest in Wilmington in the K. P. Hall.

The General Leonard Wood Camp and Auxiliary of the United Spanish war veterans of Redondo have changed their meeting place to the Odd Fellows' hall on Catalina street, and their date of meeting to the second and fourth Tuesdays, Nov. 27th will be the first meeting in the new hall.

Mrs. E. A. Journey and daughter Fern were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Sexton of Park street.

The Woodcraft boys of Walteria met in regular session at the school house Tuesday evening with Chas. C. Edmundson and A. McLain in charge. After the business session the boys presented J. Ronfey, school janitor with a leather key container as a token of appreciation for his kindness to them. After the presentation a luncheon was served.

Mrs. David Arthur of San Pedro was a guest of Mrs. Albert Greaves at her home on Park street, Wednesday.

Mrs. A. Sheldon of Park street was a guest of Mrs. J. Johnson of Long Beach recently.

Mr. P. E. Maxwell of Glendale was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Venable of Walnut boulevard Thursday.

Mrs. Earl Mann has recovered from an attack of illness and is up and about his duties again.

Walteria school children participated in the playday exercises held on the school grounds of the N. A. N. high school Friday morning when the pupils of the Lomita, Orange street, Harbor City and Walteria schools met in merry contests in numerous plays. The Walteria pupils succeeded in winning first place in the jump rope relay and second place in the senior chariot relay.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Duncan of Los Angeles were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Sexton of Park street Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. McLain and sons were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Schisley of Huntington Beach recently.

Fred Grosscup and daughter Eunice have moved back to their home on Hawthorne boulevard from Lomita.

H. F. Campbell of Neece avenue has been confined to his home by sickness but is some better now.

Mr. and Mrs. John Simmons and son and Joseph Sawyers of Santa Paula, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Lawrence of Redondo boulevard.

The Stitch and Chatter Club met Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Chas. Cox on Neece avenue. Luncheon was served. Those present were Mrs. Herbert Shecko, Mrs. M. Unnath, Mrs. B. Tuttle, Mrs. Wm. Crowthers, Mrs. Geo. McKinley, Mrs. Chas. Palmer, Mrs. T. Crump, Mrs. H. Whitacre and Mrs. R. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Crowthers of Park street, accompanied by their house guest, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Sorrenson of Bingham, Utah, and Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Peterson of Los Angeles, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Popper of Long Beach attended the dance at the Cinderella ballroom in Long Beach Saturday evening.

Large Chemical Plant Looming

Branch of Eastern Concern to Be Located at Harbor

Application for establishment at Wilmington Harbor of a branch of a \$10,000,000 chemical industry of Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Tacoma, Wash., was made to the harbor board yesterday by the Hooker Electrochemical Company. It was referred to General Manager Edwards for investigation, after representatives had conferred with the Harbor Commissioners.

The application was made by A. H. Hooker of 701 South Mariposa avenue, head of the company, who asked lease of 13,604 square feet of harbor land north of the Union Oil Company loading plant and west of Berth 184, across Pier A street, Wilmington. A five year lease is sought with option to renew.

It is proposed to place the site structures already contracted for the company's product from a new \$600,000 Tacoma plant being completed, and which will be in operation January 1.

The local plant Hooker explained would be used for distribution of chemicals already contracted for in Southern California.—Wilmington Journal.

Keystone Notes

The track meet which was to have been held Thursday morning at the Torrance high school was postponed owing to inclement weather and will be held this Thursday. Carson street school has been entered.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sampson and family were guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Inglett in Lynwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Pierce of Dolores street and Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Keller of Long Beach were guests on Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Baker in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Barbara Berry who has been quite ill with the flu at her home on Dolores street is now out again.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Symonds of Main street are enjoying a motor city through the northern part of the state, their destination being San Francisco.

The children in Miss Fern Chambers room at Carson street school are quite proud to think that they contributed more to the Community Chest than any other room in the building during the past week. Miss Chambers teaches third grade.

Little Frances Orrick, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Orrick of Long Beach is spending a few days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Orrick in Carson street, while her parents are at Big Bear.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Forrest and family of Amelia street spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Forrest's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Erickson in Pasadena.

Charles H. Pierce of Dolores street and family were very pleasantly surprised last week when two of Mr. Pierce's brothers arrived at their home. They are A. E. Pierce of Denver, Colorado and Edward Pierce of Lee's Summit, Missouri.

Mrs. R. C. Whitson, daughter Dixie and son Mason were guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Whitson in San Pedro.

Albert Beckett of Carson street is building a six room stucco house on Dolores street just north of Carson street.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Cunningham and family motored to the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. White in Whittier on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phillips and family of Dolores street spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Phillips' daughter, Mrs. S. J. Berry in Hollywood.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Good of Willow street were guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wisheart on Amelia street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nahmens and family attended the play "New Broome" which was put on jointly by the Lions and Maskers Club of San Pedro at the Richard Dana Junior High School in San Pedro Friday night.

Bill Hanrahan, son of Mrs. Walter Phillips of Dolores street has moved to the home of his sister, Mrs. S. J. Berry in Hollywood.

We are glad to learn that the four members of the Samuel C. Sault family of Amelia street are convalescing from a siege of the flu.

Keystone Women Are Co-Hostesses

Mrs. R. C. Whitson and Mrs. J. D. Tipton were co-hostesses on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Whitson on Amelia street when they entertained with a stork shower honoring Mrs. Otto Sampson. A very pleasant afternoon was spent by the guest group in playing games prizes in the games being won by Mrs. Louis Jones and Mrs. E. P. Howe. A basket filled with beautiful gifts was presented to the guest of honor who voiced her appreciation for the lovely gifts. A dainty refreshment course was served by the hostesses. The guests included Mrs. Charles H. Pierce, Mrs. W. L. Brown, John Asperen, Mrs. Louis Jones, Mrs. E. P. Howe, Mrs. M. E. Nidever, Mrs. A. V. Wright, Mrs. Thomas Cowan, Mrs. Ernest Martin, Mrs. E. H. Poole, Mrs. Frank Baugh, Mrs. Barbara Berry, Mrs. P. Deseran and Mrs. M. L. Arnold all of Keystone; Mrs. Thomas Whitson of San Pedro; Mrs. Earl Inglett of Lynwood and Mrs. Charles Curtis, Mrs. A. L. Dotzauer, Mrs. Edward Dotzauer, and Mrs. Etta Reading all of Long Beach, and the guest of honor, Mrs. Sampson, and the hostesses, Mrs. Whitson and Mrs. Tipton.

Keystone Body Elects President to Fill Vacancy Tuesday

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Westenhagen of Walnut boulevard attended the inspection and banquet of the United Spanish War Veterans at Patriotic hall in Los Angeles Wednesday evening.

QUESTS FROM EAST

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Haley of Wolfboro, New Hampshire are guests of their niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown of Main street. Mr. and Mrs. Haley who have been proprietors of a hotel at Lake Winnebago, N. H., will open a tea room in Pasadena soon.

KEYSTONE NOTES

Miss Mabel Wisheart and her brother, Sylvester of Amelia street spent Sunday evening at the home of Miss Margaret McCaustin in Davidson City.

The first Keystone Guild Hygiene Conference will be held at the Carson street school on Friday, Nov. 23 from 1 to 3 p. m. We trust that the mothers of children up to six years of age will avail themselves of this opportunity.

Keystone Chamber to Meet Dec. 12th

There will be no meeting of the Keystone Chamber of Commerce until Dec. 12, T. A. Cowan, president of the organization announced yesterday.

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Will Start Soon

Wilmington—Work on the first rail line under the Anaheim viaduct will start within five days under a contract awarded for the grading of the right-of-way for the Santa Fe yesterday by the Los Angeles board of harbor commissioners. B. W. Hicks was awarded the contract for \$23,991. Work must be completed within sixty days. The right-of-way will be graded from the city classification yards to the viaduct. The Santa Fe harbor line coming in from Redondo terminates just inside what was formerly the Long Beach east shoring strip at a point north of the center of the east basin of Los Angeles harbor. A spur runs south toward the viaduct south of State street.—Wilmington Journal.

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