

**"Back to School" DRESSES**

Featured at New Patterns and Styles **\$1.95**



**NEWLAND**  
A very smart dress, in an all-over print with broadcloth collar and colored trim.

This dress is developed in a heavy broadcloth with bolero effect. Note the intriguing pockets in the skirt.

**NEWLAND**  
Most attractive dress in a modernistic pattern of printed cloth. It has the newest style handkerchief collar.

Novel plaid with dainty peplum trimmed in contrasting color.

**"Thar's Gold in Them Thar Hills!"**

A Trip to the Famed Randsburg Mining District With **HERB SUMMERS, Torrance**

"Thar's gold—" but why repeat that worn out phrase? Better yet, this week we will make the rounds and point out which hills—tell something about them. Incidentally, if you care for a camping trip, this will be a good one for Labor Day week-end.

Take the San Fernando road through San Fernando, Saugus, Mint Canyon, Palmdale and so to the desert and our gold hills. From Palmdale, the excellent state highway goes north through Lancaster. And then after a few miles you will arrive at Rosamond on the left side of the road. Stop here. It is merely a garage, one or two other buildings and a larger hotel built of stones. It is this stone building I would like to call your attention to.

**Once Flourishing Mines**  
In one of the earlier boom days in that section of the country some enthusiastic promoters decided to create a monument to their gold mining efforts. The hotel was built; the chief building material being quartz, or "low grade" gold ore from their mines. This is mentioned merely to put you into the proper frame of mind, causing you to realize the abundance of gold indications in the desert.

Proceed toward Mojave. About three miles before you arrive there look to the left for a road, or two mere tracks, leading off to a little mere valley with some ancient diggings upon the surrounding hills. These were, if my memory serves, the Silver Queen, the Yellow Dog, and another or two. No matter, they were once flourishing mines and worth several hundred thousand dollars when the veins finally ran out. But the gold fever remained; witness the prospect holes with which the ground is honey-combed.

**"Cities" in the Desert**  
A few years ago a Los Angeles real estate firm (or an firm), with office on South Broadway, acquired, probably for about \$5 per acre, a section of land near these mines and began an orgy of lot selling, sight unseen, at "Goldtown"—"Mineral rights with each lot!" "All improvements in!"

To prove it, they pointed to the great talus piles on the hillside above and in their streets. These streets were simply cleared strips running straight across the desert. Not even graded. Impossible to drive a car more than a few feet along any of them. It was strange to see flags flying, bright signs, street names and dead desert. You can see it all yet.

From here go on to Mojave, which is not a mining town, but a railroad town. There was a great fire here a few years ago, but the town apparently survived. Take the Randsburg road.

**South African Names**  
Fifty miles takes you to this genuine mining center. The names of places are reminiscent of the great South Africa mining district, Johannesburg, and farther on Ballarat.

There are three towns each about 2 miles from both of the centers. Connected by a roughly circular road encircling a mountain. First, Randsburg, then Johannesburg or Jo-burg and Osdick, variously called Red Mountain or Inn City. I have heard it also called "Sin City." Randsburg and Osdick are the principal mines. At one time, during the greatest excitement, regular wild west warfare held sway in Randsburg. There were quartz claims, placer claims, tunnel claims and men with claims to prevent overlapping and claim jumping. All this was but 10 years ago.

**Wild West Town of Osdick**  
Visit the Yellow Aster mine. Inquire in town just the road to take as there are numerous little roads going out into the desert. The last time I was there we wound around on a little road up to the top of a hill. What a sight awaited us. Half of the hill had been torn down and taken away to the hungry mills. Great drift lines were all work and a cash lines were high—testified to the tremendous amount of ore which had been removed. Millions in gold had been taken from this spot.

Now go around the hill from Randsburg to Jo-burg. Stop here, there you say. But there are myriads of smaller claims in the hills nearby and fortunes have been made.

There used to be a large sign over the road as Osdick reading "Welcome to Inn City." The name is taken from the fact that it is full of inns. Inn was a generic term for any kind of cafe, pool hall, rooming house, or other house of questionable reputation. But without doubt Osdick is or was the center of iniquity for a vast arid region. There the cardinal pleasures held sway: drinking, gambling, anything you like. One or two little incidents will illustrate.

**Reported "Wide Open"**  
One evening I drove down the main street and I was nearly out of gas. So I hailed a man on the street with this query: "Where can I get some gas around here?" "Why, go right across the tracks

to the barber shop, he's got any thing you want!"

"Oh, gee." Right down there at that garage, he has plenty of gas. Another time my friend and I went into a shack known as the restaurant, for food. He had food, alright, but I followed him outside when we left and wanted to sell the place to us.

"Of course you know," he said, "all our money is made on jackass but we gotta have some of it for business to make it look O.K." We followed him in order to learn about his illegitimate practices. Learn we did.

**Recent Gold Rush at Kramer**  
However, at Osdick is one of the largest silver mines in California, owned and operated by the California-Rand Silver Co. For many years prospectors passed by, perhaps stopping to rest on that ridge of black rocks—always looking for gold. Finally a man who was engineer enough to know, discovered the rich silver ore and now the great mine is working on that spot. It is said that \$100,000 worth of silver has been the yield from that mine. It is known as the "Big Kelly." I was down in it, once, to the 1400 foot level, and I believe it. Silver prices fluctuate and are low now, so there is not much activity at it may boom again.

From Osdick take the road through Atolia to Kramer. Atolia is another typical mining town. About 5 years ago there was a "gold rush" in Kramer. Someone discovered gold there. In a short time the Kramer Hills district was flourishing. The ore proved to be a rich pocket which soon worked out, but not before there were hundreds of shafts dug and more money spent in promotion than the country there had ever or will ever yield. And not before the real estate sharks had drilled little holes for "mines" and sold several thousand dollars of lots for several thousand dollars.

**For Benefit of Tourists**  
Incidental to the excitement, there was discovered a very rich deposit of borax, so rich in fact, that the Pacific Coast Borax Co., who practically monopolizes the industry, abandoned their mines in and near Death Valley in favor of Kramer. The Death Valley enterprises are now maintained for the benefit of tourists.

From Kramer, the road takes you south in a straight line through Adelanto to Cajon Pass and so home. Four or five miles before you come to Adelanto, you will pass by, on your right, the Shadow Mountains. These mountains are full of mines, mainly prospects, but it is interesting to visit some of them and get the prospector's view of it all.

**Special Clinic Is Being Held Now**  
KEYSTONE.—The pre-school clinic is meeting twice a month at Carson street school for the mothers and their children of pre-school age which is from birth to six years. Pre-school examinations are being held for the children at each conference.

The next conference will be September 4 at 1 o'clock. This is conducted by the County Health department with competent physicians and nurses in charge and it behooves all mothers with small children to take advantage of it.

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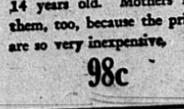
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**Real Estate in Gain of 60 Per Cent for July**

Torrance Said Exceptional in Activity of Transfers

Indicative of the increase last month in the number of real estate transfers for Los Angeles County as a whole in comparison with the preceding month of June, Torrance showed a gain of 60 per cent in real estate activity, according to a bulletin received this week from the California Title Insurance Company.

Exceptional increases were recorded for El Segundo, 113 per cent greater last month than July, 1929; San Fernando, 34 per cent; Signal Hill, 74 per cent; Vernon and Avalon, 67 per cent; Arcadia, 63 per cent; Torrance, 60 per cent; Redondo Beach, 40 per cent and Culver City, 30 per cent. It was reported.

**Building is Greater**  
Continuing with the comparison of last month's volume of transfers with those for July 1929, all of the metropolitan cities of the County showed a decrease, the bulletin stated. "Pasadena showed the least decline of four with a three per cent loss with Glendale second with a five per cent decrease."

On the map accompanying the bulletin, Torrance was marked AA, signifying, according to the legend, "market was very active." Thirty-five deeds, 18 trust deeds and two mortgages were filed here during last month as compared with 24 deeds, 19 trust deeds and one mortgage filed for June, 1929. There were 10 building permits issued, which totaled \$42,250 in new construction. In June, 1929 only 12 permits were issued with a total of \$20,300 in new building.

**PLAN WOMEN'S PRISON**—WAUPUN, Wis. (UP)—Release of funds for a women's prison at Taycheedah, announced by the governor, is expected to provide quarters for 50 more inmates in the state prison here.

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