

### THE DOCTOR SPEAKS

Prepared by the Los Angeles County Medical Association to help you to retain or regain health through a better understanding of facts accepted by all recognized Doctors of Medicine.

Sword swallowing may almost be a thing of the past. Not so many years ago these entertainers were given prominent place and were watched with awe. Mothers rushed home to hide carving knives from their young hopefuls so that they would not be tempted to emulate these side-show entertainers. You who have witnessed a sword swallowing act may be interested in knowing that most of these acts were bona fide acts. Real swords were actually forced down through the mouth to distances ranging from nineteen to twenty-two inches into the stomach.

As futile as sword swallowing may appear to us now, even as an entertainment feature, it left something of considerable value. It may seem a far cry between these strange entertainers and the doctor of medicine, but sword swallowing in an earlier day aroused the curiosity of the medical mind. From witnessing an exhibition of sword swallowing came the thought that at last lead to the development of an instrument known as the esophago-

scope, an important asset to medical practice today.

The esophagoscope is a long cylindrical metal tube with a small light at one end. This tube is passed through the mouth and proves a valuable aid in diagnosing and treating certain stomach diseases. In showing that such a tube could be introduced without harm or much discomfort into the stomach, the sword swallower rendered a real service to medicine. He proved that the delicate tissues of the throat and gullet could be habituated to contact and his method of swallowing the sword suggested the technique to use in introducing the esophagoscope and similar instruments into the stomach.

A Scotch physician made some interesting discoveries through the assistance of a sword swallower. He persuaded this entertainer to swallow perforated metal tubes filled with various types of food that later were recovered at graded periods of time. In this way the process of digestion was observed and much important data elicited.

### Tuition Fees To Be Charged For Evening Classes

Pupils Enrolled in Standard Subjects Must Pay Registration

Special day and evening classes will be opened in the Los Angeles city school district on September 12 with tuition charges and fees for instruction which were formerly offered free of cost. Because of reductions in the school budget, the board of education has found it necessary this year to make charges for enrollment in some classes while instruction in others is still being offered free of cost. Pupils who wish to enter classes in English or citizenship for foreigners, lip reading, speech correction, subjects of the elementary curriculum, or in the new police classes at the junior college, will be exempted from any fees.

A tuition fee of one dollar per semester will be charged every student undertaking work in classes other than those above mentioned. This fee will entitle him admission to classes in standard and high school subjects, without additional payment. These include the various commercial subjects such as bookkeeping, stenography, accounting, typing, advertising, salesmanship, business law, and office practice; English, French, German, and Spanish; civics, economics, history, public speaking, parent education, sociology, agriculture and gardening, mathematics, home nursing and first aid, hygiene, bacteriology, biology, physics, and music subjects such as harmony, orchestra, glee club, chorus, and music appreciation.

Fees of one dollar per semester are asked for registration in each of the following courses, in addition to the enrollment fee of one dollar: Esperanto, Russian, Italian, aeronautics, floriculture, machine calculation, mineralogy, piano, organ, psychology, civil service, and concrete construction. A charge of \$2 will be made for flower making or machine bookkeeping; law, \$2.50; and personality or tap dancing, \$3.

Although there is no estimate of the cost, students will be charged for materials and service in the following courses: art crafts, auto shop, bookbinding, cooking, costume design, Diesel engines, dramatics, architectural or mechanical drawing, dressmaking, electricity, foundry, interior decorating, machine shop, millinery, monotype, ornamental iron work, paper hanging, pattern making, personal hygiene, physical education, power machine, print shop, radio, sculpture, sheet metal, upholstery, welding and woodshop. A charge of ten cents per evening will be made for life sketching.

In addition to the cost of materials a further charge will be made in the following courses: Talking pictures or television, one dollar; and photography, \$2. Evening school charges at Wiggins Trade School are separately classified as follows: Life sketching, \$6; cable splicing, \$5; cake decorating, \$3; plastering, \$2; plumbing or lead joint wiping, \$2; baking technology, \$1. Charges will be made for the cost of materials in bricklaying, building estimating, cafe management, flower making, training and enrolling, pattern drafting, plan reading, pressing and spotting, roof framing, telegraphy, telephone, and window display.

### Cities Must Have Contract to Gain Law Enforcement

Effort to Combine Health Supervision at Low Cost Fails

Efforts of Maywood, Huntington Park, Torrance, Compton, Lynwood and nearly a score of other sixth class cities throughout the county to secure enforcement of the county health laws for \$1 a year today had failed, temporarily, at least, with the receipt of an opinion from the county counsel. "Our opinion is that the county health officer has no jurisdiction within the boundaries of any city, except where the cities enter into a contract for public health service," the opinion, signed by Everett W. Mattoon, county counsel, stated. However, Mattoon, the author of the Mattoon Act, admitted that the matter had never been tested in the California courts.

It was the contention of the California League of Municipalities that "it is the logical procedure for the city to appoint the county health officer as the city's health officer, thus clothing him with the proper and unquestioned authority that his duties may be discharged in an expedient manner."

Some city in the county could, if it desired, carry the matter to the courts and make a test case, and perhaps achieve some worthwhile publicity for itself.

**OPERA OPENS SOON**  
SAN FRANCISCO, (U.P.)—San Francisco's new opera house, a unit of the \$6,000,000 war memorial buildings, will open October 15 with a nine-day season in which internationally known artists will participate. Directors have announced. The opera house is the first and only municipally owned venture of its kind in the United States.

### DEMOCRACY

Contributed by George F. Shidler, President, First Voters' League, Torrance

"Without the wise policies which the Republican party has made effective during the past seven and one-half years the great prosperity which we now enjoy would not have been possible." (Herbert Hoover's speech at St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 2, 1923.)

In other words we were told that we must vote the way Hoover said or our banks would close, our mills would shut down, our men would be out of work. Now they say that "Europe" has caused all this. Either the present leaders were blind or they lied to us. That isn't much to choose from, is it?

This year they have excuses and propaganda by the carload. Special privileged industries and businesses are fighting to hold the present "machine" in power so that they may continue to obtain the kind of tariffs, the special laws, that are necessary to protect false balance sheets, valueless securities, and foreign bonds that Wall Street sees fit to release to the American people who look to Uncle Sam for protection.

Now they say: "Hard times are good for us." Having ruined the normal expectancy of a hundred million people, destroyed the confidence and the banking system of a nation, now they tell us that we were having too much, going too fast, doing too much, and that in the long run it will prove a

### ROOSEVELT-GARNER HEADQUARTERS WEEKLY BULLETIN

The Democratic Platform for 1932 is posted day by day on the south window of the headquarters at Cravens and Marcelina. We are taking no campaign contributions from Torrance this year, as we feel that every cent is needed for actual living expenses. If any men or women can find time to help the cause along and would like to keep the headquarters open part of a day each week, will they kindly communicate with George F. Shidler or Sam Levy.

blessing that we were robbed of everything by N. Y. bankers and the Republican leaders. How long must a man of 50 years wait for that blessing? How soon will the young man of today be able to pay off the staggering bonds of our public debt? Can you beat it? Vote straight if you want to give the forgotten man (you and me) a chance for a reasonable security of life. Golden for congress is the cry of our district; the man who can talk to you because he is not tied by campaign contributions, having financed his own personally.

Professor Harding of Stanford University, an ex-army captain, a student of political science, an authority on party organizations, said Tuesday night at the Hotel Alexandria, that "since 1881 when platforms were first drawn up there is not one that compares with the Democratic platform for 1932 for clearness, conciseness, and an honest aim at good government." If this man, whose salary is paid by an institution where Herbert Hoover is one of the directors, will concede and advocate these policies, then we who think with our hearts, who try to decide on the basis of moral right and wrong, are not alone in our cry for better government. Voters, "LET'S CLEAN UP AMERICA."

**Cook Book Honors Princess**  
STOCKHOLM, (U.P.)—Impressed by the deft skill of Princess Ingrid of Sweden, only daughter of Crown Prince Gustaf Adolf, in cooking and housekeeping, Monsieur Escoffier, world-famous French master chef and culinary expert, has dedicated to her his recent cook book, "The Cuisine of Today and Tomorrow."

**SCHOOL PRODIGY**  
LONG PINE, Neb. (U.P.)—Floyd Shipman, nine years old, is believed the state's youngest graduate of the eighth grade. The boy had a general average of almost 94 in his school work.

### Keystone Merchant Passed Away Sunday

David U. Keeney, proprietor of the Keystone Feed store, 21955 South Main street, died Sunday night, September 4, at 1917 218th street, following a long illness. Mr. and Mrs. Keeney had moved to the Torrance address about four weeks ago, so that Mr. Keeney might be within closer reach of medical attention.

Funeral services were held at Stone & Myers chapel Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with Rev. J. I. Jones, pastor of the Keystone Baptist church officiating. Interment was made at Roosevelt Memorial Park.

Mr. Keeney had been in business in Keystone for a number of years and was well known in that section. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Martha A. Keeney, and five children, Mrs. Ruth Brennan of Dixon, California; Mrs. Hazel Plummer, Keystone; Mrs. Vivian Ontiveros, San Luis Obispo; Bert Keeney, Keystone; Ralph Keeney, Ventura.

### STATE NUMBERS QUAIL

HARRISBURG, Pa. (U.P.)—The state game commission released 12,000 quail in Pennsylvania fields and woods, each bearing a number to identify it. The numbers were inscribed on leg bands attached to the birds' legs, and sportsmen were asked to report on the deaths of birds in the number range between 15,101 and 27,100.

### Deeds Granted In Extension of Sepulveda

Local Authorities Seek to Obtain Completion of New Highway

Additional work on Sepulveda boulevard from the completion of paving at Hawthorne to Arlington avenue in Torrance may be available to local unemployed within a short time, according to present prospects. Practically four-fifths of the land needed for widening of this highway has already been deeded, and the other deeds are in the hands of the land-owners for their consideration and signature.

As soon as they have been returned, City Engineer Frank Leonard plans to take up the matter with the board of supervisors seeking to have funds allocated from the gas tax money to build the highway on the same terms as the first strip was built.

All work on the highway from Redondo Beach to Hawthorne has now been completed, which means that Torrance men who were employed on this construction are again out of a job. Work at the city yards is not plentiful enough to take care of the number of men seeking work, but is only sufficient to supply about one day's work in three weeks.

### New Bungalow On Narbonne Grounds

A new bungalow has been moved onto the school grounds at Narbonne high school to furnish additional accommodations for classes there. The Narbonne faculty was disappointed this year in not having the promised new addition to the building, construction of which has been postponed until a later date.

No new teachers have been added to the staff with the exception of a half-time teacher of agriculture.

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### ELECTION CALENDAR AND VOTERS' GUIDE

September 29.—Registration closes for election November 5.  
October 2.—Last day for supervisors to appoint election boards and fix polling places for election on November 8.  
November 8.—General election. Polls open at 6 a. m. and close at 7 p. m. Registered voters who have moved within 40 days of an election to another precinct in the same county may vote in the precinct where registered.

**Hair Seal Far From Home**  
WALLA WALLA, Wash. (U.P.)—Two local men reported they saw a hair seal, about three feet in length, swimming in the Tucan river tributary to the Columbia, recently. The spot is more than 400 miles from the sea. It is believed the seal may have followed the Chinook salmon, which go there to spawn each spring.

**Parrot Warned Speakeasy**  
BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (U.P.)—Detective R. G. Patton wants something done about that bird—a parrot in a northside speakeasy, which had heard him called "Uncle Bob" and began screaming "Uncle Bob" when he entered the house on a raid the other day in time to enable the occupants to pour out all the evidence.

Prices Effective September 8-9-10

**Food Stores**  
WEEK-END SPECIALS

**HILLS BROS. COFFEE**  
1-lb. can 34c  
2-lb. can 66c

**SUGAR**  
10-lb. paper bag 41c  
PURE CANE...FINE GRANULATED

**Flour** PILLSBURY GOLD MEDAL 2 1/2-lb. sack 63c  
10-lb. SACK 28c

**Soap** P&G, WHITE KING or CRYSTAL WHITE 5 bars 13c

**Marco** DOG FOOD can 5c

**Vinegar** KERN'S CRYSTAL quart bottle 10c

**Rinso** GRANULATED SOAP large pkg. 18c

**Royal** BAKING POWDER 12-oz. can 35c

**Wheaties** 2 pkg. 19c  
A 10c YO-YO FREE!

**Sunbrite** CLEANSER 2 cans 9c

**Prudence** CORN BEEF HASH No. 2 can 25c

**Waxglo** LIQUID WAX pint can 35c

**Snowflakes** UNEEDA BAKERS 1-lb. pkg. 13c

**Fine Quality Meats**

**Leg of Lamb** TENDER lb. 19c  
LAMB ROAST Shoulder lb. 11c

**Pot Roast** CHUCK lb. 14c  
GRAIN FED BABY BEEF

**Pork Roast** LOIN BLADE END lb. 12 1/2c  
CENTER CUT lb. 16c

**Fryers** FANCY COLORED 2 1/2-3 lb. Average lb. 29c

**Fresh Fruits**

**Peaches** FANCY HALE 3 lbs. 10c

**Grapes** THOMPSON SEEDLESS 5 lbs. 10c

**The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co.**  
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### Electricity is Cheap!

Each Year Brings Added Uses for Electricity without Added COST!

NOTE THE NUMBER OF electric appliances you have added to your home since 1921... Radio, surely. Probably an electric refrigerator. Perhaps an electric range, an electric washer, an electric ironer, an electric clock, and ever so many minor electric conveniences, such as percolators, toaster, etc.

Yet the average 1932 electric bill is about the same that it was in 1921. Each year brings added uses for electricity with slight added cost, because Edison has consistently reduced its rates to enable every home to enjoy all these increased advantages.

Your electrical dollar today buys nearly twice as much electricity as it did in 1921; electricity offers you two and three times as much service, and yet the average electrical bill for every purpose now is not much greater than you paid for lights alone in 1910. Electricity is cheap; use more of it.

**Edison Lighting Rates Reduced 42% Since 1921**  
General living costs are well below their high peak of 1921, but they are still 40% higher than in 1914. But Edison lighting rates are 40% lower than in 1914, and since 1921 these rates have been reduced 42%. Your dollar now buys twice as much electricity for all household uses as it did in 1921!

**SAFETY**

THE inside of your home is separated from the outside by a window... a door... a simple lock. Does that mean protection from theft? And is there not even less protection from fire? Your papers, jewels, heirlooms and trinkets deserve a safe deposit box.

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