

In Romance?



The name of Alexander Kirkland, above, film player, is being linked with that of Ann Harding and sources close to the pair predict a romance.

Letters to the Editor

Contributed by the High School Publicity Committee

The subject of teachers' salaries is considered in the third and final part of the report of a Southern California teachers' committee which appeared in the Los Angeles School Journal April 3. The first and second parts were reprinted in the last two issues of the Herald.

THE SCHOOLS REPLY

Then, what about teachers? Are they not a favored class, with a comfortable salary and an easy job, untouched by the distress of the rest of society?

No group of people is so completely a part of the community as the teacher.

The teacher is often the only wage-earner supporting even father and brothers, who have been out of work for months or years, and keeping up the tax and insurance payments.

Actual figures show that no other single group contributes so liberally to Boy Scouts, Y. M. C. A., unemployment relief, and other organizations for community welfare.

Should not the teachers take a salary cut along with other public employees?

They have done so. The reduction in the Los Angeles school budget last year was approximately \$7,000,000.

Because of the change in living costs, is not the teacher's salary worth 20% more than in 1927? If this were true, it would apply to all salaries as well as the teachers.

However, it is not true. By actual computation, cost of rent, clothing, and groceries has decreased about 15%. Interest, insurance, doctors' and dentists' bills, professional expenses, payments on cars and on real estate have not decreased at all, and these items constitute about half of the average teacher's expenditures.

Therefore, his cost of living is about 7 1/2% less. His salary has already been cut more than that.

Reducing taxes by cutting small salaries is economically unsound.

Nevertheless, the schools cost an enormous amount. Something must be done about it.

Next to food and shelter, education is the most important claim of the child upon adults. Free public education is by far the greatest, most valuable, most extensive government undertaking.

Instead of looking at the cost of schools as a huge bulk going out, think of the returns coming in. The education of each child costs less than a dollar a day; and state, county, and district funds combine to pay that dollar—the price of two golf balls, or two or three movie seats, or five or six gallons of gasoline.

Is it worth it? Is any other tax dollar giving so much in return? Are there not better ways to economize than taking any part of this dollar away from the child?

Mrs. Doan's Brother Is Killed in Crash

Dr. R. A. Warren of Los Angeles, brother of Mrs. L. C. Doan of Torrance boulevard, was instantly killed when the car which he was driving skidded into a telegraph pole at Riverdale Sunday evening. Dr. Warren was returning from a fishing trip with two companions. One of his companions was killed and the other sustained a fractured skull. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at Gullish chapel in Los Angeles and the remains were taken to Redlands for burial.

Book Borrowers Please Note
STOCKTON (U.P.)—Rip Van Winkle had nothing on a book returned to the local library this week. The book was borrowed in 1911—22 years ago.

Gardena Group Asks Relief From High Assessment

Claim Cost of Improvement On Western Avenue Excessive

Relief from assessments in county improvement district No. 350, formed for the improvement of Western avenue, is demanded in a petition placed before the board of supervisors this week by a group of property owners within the district lying in the vicinity of Gardena.

The petitioners ask that the supervisors "apply to the payment of interest or principal a part of the money received by the county from the gasoline tax, or portions of other funds." The assessment of \$11 a front foot is excessive, the petition further states.

County improvement district No. 350 was formed for the installation of sewers and pavement in Western avenue in Gardena. District 351 adjoins it, formed for the improvement of Western avenue with paving, curbs and walks.

Headquarters For Women's Employment Located On Narbonne

LOMITA.—The Voters' League has established headquarters for women who will be engaged in sewing under the arrangement provided by the R. F. C. directed by the county welfare bureau.

Several sewing machines are needed for the work which will provide women with employment at a wage of \$20 per day. Permission to proceed with the work was given by Mr. Baum of the county welfare bureau and registrations for the work are being taken.

All Lomita women who are heads of families, widows or single women, without other means of support, are entitled to register.

The local headquarters will be at the store building at 2464 Narbonne avenue. Materials are furnished by the Red Cross, already cut to be made into garments. The finished articles are returned to the Red Cross for distribution as needed.

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There is no tribute that can recompense for what they have contributed. But we can manifest to them that they are not forgotten. Our debt can only be expressed in the honor, reverence and admiration for their nobility. Their victory and sacrifices will stand as national heritage to enrich the loyalty and patriotism of American posterity.

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Bert S. Crossland Unit 170, American Legion Auxiliary

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