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Playground Department Offers New Summer Recreation Features

Miss Josephine Odell, director of playground work in Torrance, made an interesting report to the city council Tuesday night, showing that the work here is going forward with well co-ordinated effort. Twenty-five supervisors are now regularly employed and attendance at the various centers is at a high level.

Institute for the supervisors is held each Friday morning at 9 o'clock at the Recreation Center, 1316 Cabrillo avenue, formerly occupied by the Hulek agency.

Two new departments have been opened. Mrs. Gertrude Boyle, teacher of piano and dramatics, will be at the Center every Wednesday afternoon from 1 to 5 o'clock. Free instruction in this department will be given to all pupils who attend regularly. Cora Honner, instructor in handcraft woodwork, will be on duty every Tuesday afternoon from 1 to 5 o'clock, at the same address.

Wednesday evening J. E. Miller of the Miller Furniture Company, will furnish a truck to take a party of children between 10 and 17 years of age to the Greek theatre in Griffith Park, Los Angeles, where a program of special interest to juveniles will be given. Last week Mr. Miller gave valuable assistance to the playground work by sending his truck to take a party of children to the beach for their weekly outing. When the truck came to leave for the beach, Miss Odell found that there were more children than could safely be carried in the city bus. Mr. Miller saw the predicament and came to her assistance by loading up the rest of the children into his furniture truck and taking them to the beach. He made a special trip in the afternoon to bring them back again, for which kindly service he received the hearty thanks of the youngsters and supervisors, and a formal expression of gratitude from the city council at their meeting Tuesday night.

More Stocks And Bonds Owned By Local Residents

\$324,945 Added To Assessed Values Announced Last Week By Hopkins

Value of stocks and bonds owned by Torrance residents as of the first Monday in March showed a substantial increase over the assessed valuation of one year ago. It was revealed today by figures announced by County Assessor Ed Hopkins.

The securities this year were valued at \$165,325 as compared with the valuation of \$78,770 placed on stocks and bonds owned by local residents on the corresponding date a year ago.

The assessed valuation of solvent credits, or moneys owed to local residents was shown to be \$159,620 this year as against \$121,750 last year, a substantial increase. Throughout the county solvent credits were increased in practically every instance, while the same was true of valuation placed on stocks and bonds.

These newly announced totals for these two items should be added to the total assessed valuation announced for this city last week for land, improvements and personal property.

Grand total assessed valuation for Torrance was given out by Hopkins as \$16,541,695; last year it was \$19,170,444.

Unemployment Reduced One-Third By Discharging Aliens Says Johnson

If the jobs held by aliens in the United States were given to citizens, unemployment and destitution in the nation would be reduced by one-third. This was one of the rather strong statements made by General Hugh S. Johnson to a crowd of 7500 persons at Hollywood Bowl last Friday afternoon that left its impression upon all California, due to recent labor troubles.

Tax Collections Better This Year

Approximately 12 per cent of 1933-34 taxes still remain uncollected, according to the county tax collector's office. By small amounts, the balance of the \$88,577,000 levied last year is trickling in at the county auditor's office, where delinquent taxes must be paid.

Latest figures showed the percentage was 87.70 per cent, leaving 12.30 per cent to be collected.

One year ago delinquencies were approximately 13.50 per cent, showing slight improvement in the past year's tax payments on the part of the public, county officials pointed out.

"These are harsh words—but so is the distress of our people harsh," the NRA administrator told the crowd that had waited for nearly two hours after his scheduled arrival to hear him. Most likely declining to take credit for settling the San Francisco strike, the fiery general told how nearly San Francisco came to having martial law, which, he added, "is no law at all," but a "last resort."

The "regular" leaders of organized labor settled the strike, General Johnson said.

General Johnson's statement about aliens and the unemployment situation were not the only bold statements during his 20-minute talk. A few of the others: "They tell me George Creel is a candidate for governor in this state. Creel was a former administrator of the NRA in this state. I have known him for years—I went to school with him. He is a faithful and efficient public servant. It is far better to take a man like that than to make an experiment." Afterward General Johnson told newsmen he "had forgotten that Sinclair was a candidate."

"I don't know anything about politics..."

"Senator William G. McAdoo has come out with a new platform toward liberalism or anarchy, and Senator McAdoo has swung his weight toward the former."

"President Roosevelt is a great humanitarian. He is seeing that everything is being done that can be done after 12 years of inaction." General Johnson departed the next morning, back to San Francisco.

Knight Sentenced To County Jail Term

Tom H. Knight, arrested on a burglary charge in connection with the theft of several small articles from the Mountain View refreshment stand in Lomita, was permitted to plead guilty to petty larceny in the Lomita township justice court, July 20. Judge Esther J. Dennis imposed a sentence of six weeks in the county jail, with a recommendation that Knight be allowed to serve the time in a county road camp. As it was Knight's first offense, and in view of other extenuating circumstances, the deputy district attorney agreed to the reduction of the charge from a felony to a misdemeanor.

Henry L. McRanie, also wanted in connection with the affair, has not yet been apprehended.

D. F. LUND RESCUED AT REDONDO BEACH

D. F. Lund, 26, of Redondo Beach, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Lund of Torrance, narrowly escaped drowning yesterday when he became ill while swimming at the Redondo Beach. He was rescued by Bob Goldstone, P. E. life guard, and given emergency treatment by physicians but it reported to still be in a serious condition. The victim's wife and mother were on the beach at the time of the rescue.

Public Office Candidate Has Unusual Policy



H. G. CATTELL, who is seeking election to the state board of equalization for the fourth consecutive time.

Instead of campaigning in his own behalf on taxpayers' money, H. G. Cattell, for the last 15 years southern California member of the state Board of Equalization, will continue to devote his full efforts to discharge of his official duties, it was announced today as active campaigning got under way for Mr. Cattell's re-election for the fourth consecutive term.

"Between now and the primaries, August 28, many acts of new and important work that will devolve upon the Equalization Board must be undertaken," Mr. Cattell said in a statement. "It is necessary that I give my time to these matters, as well as to the other essential work of the Southern California office—both of which duties the taxpayers pay—and I do not propose to spend public time or public funds on my own campaign."

Mr. Cattell's name appears on both the Republican and the Democratic tickets.

Part of the new work that the state Board of Equalization soon will assume, Mr. Cattell explained, is appraisal of all utility properties in the State and allocation of them back to the counties for local taxation purposes. A corps of appraisal engineers, Mr. Cattell said, now is working for the Board in starting appraisals of the utilities.

Wright Candidate For State Board of Equalization

Henry W. Wright, candidate for state board of equalization, who served 12 years as Supervisor of Los Angeles county following four terms as state assemblyman and speaker of the assembly, has opened general headquarters in the Washington building, Third and Spring streets, Los Angeles, from which to direct the activities of a large volunteer organization which will do intensive work in all of the eight counties of the Southern district to further the Wright candidacy.

Already very encouraging reports are being received which seem to indicate that Wright is the leading candidate because the voters of Southern California are expressing approval of his past record as public official and his present platform which calls attention to the fact that the great western center of population, which Wright will represent on the board of equalization, needs a man of wide experience and business acumen in order that the southern part of the state receive its just rights.

Examination For Postmastership At Lomita Soon

Open competitive examination for the office of postmaster at Lomita will be held under the rules of the civil service commission, at an early date. Applications to take the examination must be filed at Washington, D. C., prior to the close of business on August 3.

Miss Birda Paddock was recently appointed to the office. It is expected that a number of applications will be filed by Lomita residents who were candidates for the office prior to her appointment.

High School Teacher Enrolled At U. S. C. For Summer Session

Casey Raymond James, counselor at Torrance high school, is a member of the school administrators' club at the University of Southern California summer session. Composed of more than 125 school executives and men and women students studying methods of public school administration, the group meets once a week for luncheon program to hear noted authorities in the field of education who are on the U. S. C. summer session staff. Dates of the second session at the University of Southern California are announced as July 30 to August 31.

Postmaster Is Elected Member Of Directorate

Earl Conner Is Honored At Recent Convention Held At San Jose

Postmaster C. Earl Conner, who attended the convention of California state postmasters, held July 19-21 at San Jose, was honored by being elected a member of the board of directors during this session.

Other postmasters from this section who received recognition were Maude Dawson Shea, postmaster at Redondo Beach, who was also elected to the board, and Leon L. Dwyer, postmaster at San Pedro, who was chosen secretary and treasurer.

Two hundred and twenty postmasters registered as attending this session, 38 of whom were from cities in Los Angeles county.

Hon. James A. Farley, postmaster-general, who was the principal speaker on "Sunday," gave some heartening facts regarding the service, particularly dwelling on improvements in the air mail service since the recent shake-up in this branch.

He upheld the department in their action taken regarding the air mail contracts and stated in his address, which was broadcast over a national hook-up, that not only had a cheaper rate been established for mailings but that 3000 additional miles of territory was being served and that the air mail lines had been extended to several additional cities.

For the first time in 17 years, said Mr. Farley, the department at the close of business at the end of this fiscal year, on June 30, is out of debt and showing a substantial balance on the profit side. Only once before in the history of the postal service in the United States, has this condition been reached. At all other times the postal department has shown a continual deficit.

Mr. Farley paid high tribute to President Franklin D. Roosevelt and the New Deal.

Other speakers who gave interesting talks before the convention were John Burnett, direct descendant of the first governor of California, who spoke on the history of San Jose, which was the first capital of the state; Hon. K. P. Aldrich, chief postoffice inspector; Commander John Hodapp, U. S. naval air station, Moffett Field, and Hon. Verling Kersey, state superintendent of public instruction.

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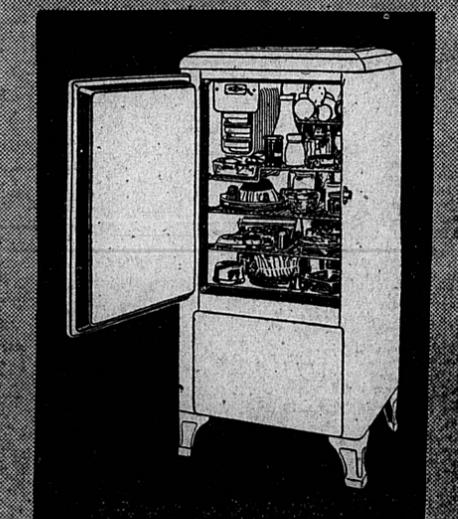
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CLEVELAND (U.P.)—Lake Erie, as far as snake-wise observers know, has no sea serpents, but the finding of a huge fish's head on an east side beach here has been causing plenty of head-scratching. The head, found alone, by a 12-year-old boy, weighed 35 pounds, its general formation and color led observers to believe it could have belonged to some sort of shark.

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