

# Problem Children Subject of H.S. Principal's P.T.A. Talk

One-third to one-half the delinquency in children may be traced to heredity and environment, declared Thomas H. Elson, principal of Torrance high school, in his talk to members of the Elementary Parent Teachers' association at their meeting in the school auditorium Tuesday afternoon. Early symptoms of problem children, such as their desire to destroy property, treat their pets and playmates cruelly, should not be treated lightly, he said.

Repressive measures never seem to eliminate these desires. The home atmosphere during the first five years of childhood are clearly shown when the child enters the public school. Elson advised parents troubled with similar problems to study the book written by Baker and Traphagen, "The Diagnosis and Treatment of Behavior of Problem Children."

The A-5 students, directed by Madeline Murphy, presented

# School Election Interest Lags; Where to Vote

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chemical engineer; Walter E. Coburn, engineer; and Leo J. Muir, real estate broker.

Locations of the local polling places at which local residents will vote next Tuesday were announced today by City Clerk Robert Dominguez of Los Angeles. Consolidation of precincts has been effected for reasons of economy, and from two to five precincts will have a single polling place.

The polls will be open from 6 a. m. to 7 p. m. No poll lists and no death or removal lists will be kept at the election. Following are the polling places in this locality:

Precinct 2424—Comprising all of Gardena's No. 8, Illinois and that portion of Torrance No. 1 lying within the school district, 16811 South Western avenue.

Precinct 2425—All of Torrance 6 and 7 and 2 lying within the district, 1447 Cota avenue.

Precinct 2426—All of Torrance 4 and 5 and 3 lying within the district, 1313 Portola avenue.

Precinct 2427—All of Torrance 8, 9 and 11, 2013 Arlington avenue.

Precinct 2428—All of Torrance 10, 308 Narbonne avenue.

Precinct 2429—All of Torrance 12, 24439 Park street, Waverly.

Precinct 2430—All of Torrance 1, 2 and 3, 24647 Moon avenue.

Precinct 2431—All of Torrance 4, 5 and 6, 25701 Eshelman avenue.

Precinct 2432—All of Torrance 7, 8 and 9, 25623 Cypress street.

Precinct 2433—All of Torrance 10, 8 Malaga Cove Plaza, Palos Verdes.

**GIVEN BOUQUETS**  
In honor of the Easter season the Sunshine (Recreation) club presented bouquets to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Dowd and Mrs. Cora Bohrer last weekend.

# WAR CONGRESS MET 20 YEARS AGO FRIDAY; WILSON'S STIRRING MESSAGE DELIVERED

WASHINGTON, April 1 (U.P.)

Twenty years ago tomorrow President Woodrow Wilson delivered at a special session of Congress his stirring war message which sent the United States into the World war.

Before a joint session of the House and Senate—galleries of the House packed with distinguished guests—the President called on Congress to support him in his stand for war.

"The world must be made safe for democracy," he said.

Four days later the joint resolution formally sending America to war against "the Imperial German government" was approved by the two houses.

**Convened At Noon**  
At noon on April 2 Senate and House met to organize. The special session had been called by the President after sinking of three vessels with Americans on board in late March had convinced him that war was the only course.

The House, with Republicans and Democrats closely divided had delays in organizing. Speaker Champ Clark was elected 217 to 213. Similar roll-calls were forced on other major posts including that of House clerk, Joseph Sinnott, door-keeper of the present House, was chosen for that post then.

Long before the President arrived in the House chamber 8:30 p. m., according to the Congressional Record—galleries and all floor space were packed.

**Allied Diplomats Present**  
Diplomats of the allied nations sat in the gallery. Eged in front of the speaker's dais were members of the cabinet. On the dais were Champ Clark and Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall.

Outside the capitol as the hour approached for the President's arrival a steady April rain was falling. Windows of the capitol had been thrown open. The humidity was that of mid-summer.

The capitol dome was flooded for the first time with searchlights. The reflection shimmered on the rain-covered plaza.

Persons in the corridors heard thru the open windows the tramp of soldiers' feet, the rumbling of artillery emplacements and the clinking of cavalry sabres.

**Escort of Cavalry**  
The noise carried into the chamber as the President and his escort of artillery, cavalry and infantry companies came onto the plaza.

William Tyler Page, Republican, clerk of the House at that time, said applause was deafening as the President entered the chamber.

"About the middle of the message there was a roll of thunder," said Page. "People looked about nervously. The tense atmosphere seemed to give everyone the jitters."

**Large Crowd Tense**  
"Later on during the message there was a rumbling sound overhead. Mr. Wilson stopped for a moment and people held their breath. Some of us thought that maybe a bomb had been dropped."

"We found out later that a secret service man and there were scores scattered thru the capitol had gone above the chamber and attempted to cross one of the beams of the skylight. He lost his balance but caught a steel support, which shook with a rumbling noise. "If he hadn't caught the support he would have fallen thru the glass into the House."

Page said when the President completed his message he was extremely pale and sad eyed.

"There was very little conversation afterward," said Page. "Everyone seemed subdued by the seriousness of the hour."

The President in his war message, which took over half an hour to deliver, said:

**Spoke Over 30 Minutes**  
"Neutrality is no longer feasible or desirable when the peace of the world is involved and the freedom of its peoples, and the menace to that peace and freedom lies in the existence of autocratic governments backed by organized force which is controlled wholly by their will, not by the will of their people."

Later in his message he said that "A steadfast concert for peace can never be maintained except by a partnership of democratic nations."

As he neared the end he said: "It is a fearful thing to lead this great peaceful people into war, into the most terrible and disastrous of all wars, civilization itself seeming to be in the balance."

# Historic Words

WASHINGTON, (U.P.)—President Wilson's memorial words, so often repeated, in his War Message to Congress on April 2, 1917:

"We are now about to accept the gage of battle with this natural foe to liberty and shall, if necessary, spend the whole force of the nation to check, and nullify its pretensions and its power. We are glad, now that we see the facts with no veil of false pretense about them, to fight thus for the ultimate peace of the world and for the liberation of its peoples, the German peoples included; for the rights of all nations great and small and the privilege of men everywhere to choose their way of life and of obedience."

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ords set by his previous four. As a speaker, Richard Halliburton needs no recommendation. He is acknowledged by the million or so people who have heard his lecture as one of the most captivating speakers of the day. Since 1926 when he began to lecture he has left behind him, in every state in the Union and in every city in America, a trail of audiences as delighted as are his book readers.

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# Indignant Keystoneers Determined to End Flood Evil In District

Strong words resounded in Keystone's Booster hall Saturday night as the third community mass meeting was held to consider the flood evil. And stronger measures were advocated to force emergency action in draining the 350 acres still under water in the Keystone area, with threats of everything from a request for grand jury investigation to injunction proceedings being aired.

"We must assume a fighting attitude!" said one citizen, amid applause, following reports from the committee which met with county supervisors on the problem earlier in the week. Keystone was especially indignant over the suggestion that the flood area be bought up and abandoned, instead of being drained.

A suggestion that the group pass a resolution condemning C. H. Howell, county flood control engineer, and A. K. Warren, county sanitation engineer, for their attitude on the Keystone situation, was discussed but abandoned by the group pending further developments.

**Plan Regular Sessions**  
At present only county officials are conducting a survey of the situation and all possible remedies, which will be presented to supervisors at a meeting which Keystone citizens will be invited to attend. Until that move is completed, no further action will be taken by the Keystone Improvement Association, it was agreed.

Agreed that they would investigate some form of legal action if all else failed, the club made arrangements to meet every Friday night at the same place until the flood problem is settled. Other projects taken up by the group included the question of shoulders on Carson boulevard, fire and police protection and four-way stops on Carson boulevard and Main street, all long sought projects.

**Evening School Has 12 Weeks of Work Left**  
The Torrance Evening school resumed its work last Monday evening after the Easter vacation. There are still 12 weeks ahead before the end of the school year, ample time for doing a considerable amount of work. It is not too late to enroll in the free tuition classes according to Principal Guy L. Mowry.

The mechanical drawing class, which met with Roland Casey, is being discontinued but the men are going to the shop where they will continue their work under direction of Mr. Trygg. A class in chorus was started last Monday evening. It is composed of women from the American Legion Auxiliary, training to enter the competition at the state encampment a year from now.

A class in Creative Writing is being organized that is open to all who are interested. It is hoped to have the teacher ready to begin work next Monday night. Consumer Education is becoming one of the more important classes in the Evening schools of the state. In these classes, study is made of the quality and value of the many widely advertised products bought by the American public.

By thus getting to the real truth about these things, it will enable the buyer to discriminate between those which are fakes and those having real value. Principal Mowry is anxious to start one of these classes here. The course generally runs for 10 weeks. There is ample time left if a sufficient number will indicate that they are interested.

Your rent money will buy a home.

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# DETOUR

By BETSY BYRNES

"Oh, to be in England now that April's there,  
And whoever wakes in England  
sees, some morning, unaware,  
That the lowest boughs and the  
brushwood-shaef  
Round the elm-tree bole are in  
tiny leaf,  
While the chaffinch sings on  
the orchard bough  
In England—now!"

—Browning.

Father says that all Englishmen know and appreciate the beauty of early spring in England, as Robert Browning knew and appreciated it. Then, there are those who say that Hawaii is a most lovely place to be in April. At that, it's rather pleasant right where we are "now that April's here."

**QUESTIONS:**  
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