

Health Authority Asks Clean-Up; Housing Studied

As result of The Herald's report last Friday of the poor housing conditions, overcrowding and general unsanitary surroundings of the Pueblo district north of the Columbia Street plant—a factual report which attracted widespread praise for its forthright statement of conditions at that Mexican settlement public interest brought these developments this week:

(1) A verbal recommendation to the city council from Dr. H. C. Smiley, deputy county health officer for this area, that the owners of the Pueblo, the Pueblo Land company (Perry Isenstein) and the Pueblo Health company (Perry Isenstein) be requested to clean up the premises immediately.

(2) Mayor William H. Tolson will contact county officials regarding the recent construction of a model low-cost adobe duplex near Watts which was built with WPA labor for \$800 and rents for about \$4.50 per month per family. Tolson said he intended to inspect the model dwelling to see if such a project would be feasible here.

(3) Notice sent The Herald of a special meeting tonight (Thursday) in Patriotic Hall, Los Angeles, to find out from the council and city officials what the status is of slum-clearance in this county. According to the county department of health, some \$30,000,000 is available in the county (\$20,000,000 in Los Angeles city and \$5,000,000 in county territory) from the Federal Re-settlement Administration. Tolson can obtain a share of this grant for a resettlement project, according to Walter E. Taliaferro, chief of the division of Public Health information of the department of health, if it is interested in such improvement.

(4) Rev. Ben Lingenfelter, who accompanied a representative of The Herald on a tour of the Pueblo last week, declared that he intended to investigate possibilities of instituting a resettlement plan here and that he, like Mayor Tolson, was interested in the adobe model duplex near Watts.

(5) One error in last Friday's article about the Pueblo was pointed out by residents of that district—there is no general garbage collection service offered there. The collection only extends to one house in the Pueblo, that of Perry Isenstein's residence. City Clerk A. H. Artlett commented that the service should be extended to the entire Pueblo.

(6) City Water Superintendent William H. Stanger revealed that there are no sewer connections in the Pueblo; that the main trunk sewer line passes near by but it is 19 feet underground and has no connections in the district. Stanger also revealed that city records show that a general clean-up of that area was in November, 1936, and this was conducted by the city and Isenstein in the streets and alleys.

(7) One resident of the Pueblo has announced to The Herald an objection to last Friday's report. She was Mrs. Hermina Alcalá, who owns five houses in the Nestor end of the village. Mrs. Alcalá conferred with the writer of the article, Michael Stanger, city editor of The Herald, Tuesday morning. She declared that the review of housing and sanitation conditions at the Pueblo was "unfair" because not all of the houses there are in a run-down condition. Mrs. Alcalá, who said she was willing at all times to cooperate with the city in making improvements, considers improper dictation rather than the lack of bath tubs is the cause of "the 10th" and "11th" streets which are now children living in that district.

As result of the recommendation from Dr. Smiley, deputy county health officer, the city council is expected to instruct the city street department to cooperate in the clean-up of streets and alleys in the Pueblo. (Continued on Page 2-A)

TARTARS PLAY RIS HERE FRIDAY Winner of Playoff Tilt at 2:15 Will Battle Eagle Rock for Title

Tartar-Viking Line-Up

Table with 3 columns: Name, Position, and other details for the Tartar and Viking teams.

TORRANCE SQUAD: Bob Figueredo 1; Akigie Shimatsu 2; Akira Shimatsu 4; Marvin Goettsch 5; Dick Beecher 6; Joe Miles 7; Jim Snyder 8; Carl Hann 9; Rossi 10; Harold Treasie 11; Ralph Gilbert 12; Kenneth Perkin 13; Harry Slover 14; George Peekham 16; Reggie Smith 16; Paul Smith 17; Ed Dawson 18; Henry Pukhoff 19; Capt. Ray Richart 20; Charles Grubb 21; Frank Carr 22; John Gandy 23, and Gerald Grubb 24.

RIS SUBSTITUTES: Wally Martin, lg; Robert Winters, rg; Clyde Younk, c; Barney McGann, q; Carl Checos, q; Richard Hedrick, lf; Richard Whittaker, re; Arthur Nava, lb; Kenneth Wilson, rf; Coley Stafford, f.

Skull practice alternated with light scrimmage on the Torrance high school field this week as Coach Robert Barr drilled his championship Tartars for their biggest hurdle of the 1938 football season—the playoff game here tomorrow with Ris high school, champion of the Eastern League.

The "big game" will be played on the Torrance field tomorrow (Friday) afternoon, it was decided Tuesday afternoon at a conference between the principal and coach of Ris high school, William G. Lopez, assistant supervisor of physical education for Los Angeles city high schools, and Principal Thomas Elson.

A record crowd of local grid fans is expected to turn out for the title preliminary battle and all indications pointed to an "unofficial home" for many stores and firms tomorrow to enable all those who desire to see the game to be at the local gridiron.

Average 160 Pounds The game will begin at 2:15 and tickets will be 35 cents for adults, 15 cents for students. It is understood that the entire student body from Ris high school will come here to root for the visiting team. Of course Torrance high students will be in the stands to cheer Coach Barr's Tartars on to victory.

Ris high's Vikings won all their games this season and were only scored on once. They defeated South Gate 6 to 0, Wilson of Los Angeles 28 to 6, Bell 21 to 0, and Jordan 7 to 0. The Vikings are coached by Marty Martiniell, who has been mentor at the West Hills school for the past five years. His assistant for the past two years has been Santo Garbo.

The Vikings are a lighter squad than the Torrance Tartars, averaging about 160 pounds per man—the heaviest being Right Tackle Melvin Fuch who tips the beam at an even 200 pounds.

Both Torrance and Ris were in the Marine League several years ago but teams representing the two schools have not met since Ris was included in the Eastern League. The schools have the same number in their student body—about 425 students. The Vikings colors are maroon and burnt orange.

Squads Evenly Matched If the local eleven gets over the strong Ris squad, the Tartars will face Eagle Rock, winner of the San Fernando League, on Dec. 9 for the minor Los Angeles city prep title. Other playoff games are: Today—Fremont (Southern League) vs. Roosevelt (Northern League); and Los Angeles high (Western League) vs. winner of the Fremont-Roosevelt game for the major L.A. prep championship.

In Good Condition In the P.T.A. Grid Carnival at the Coliseum, Torrance demonstrated that it could match the Ris eleven in all departments of the game. Ris scored in that 20-minute engagement after a 55-yard march on six plays, the tally coming on Perdue's five-yard dash around his left end, The Tartars blocked the kick

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Dr. Hauge, L. B., Named Supervisor Succeeding Ford

Dr. Oscar Hauge of Long Beach, Assistant State Director of Finance, was named successor of Leonard H. Ford as a member of the Los Angeles county board of supervisors by Gov. Merriam last night, according to a dispatch from Sacramento. Ford was elected to Congress at the Nov. 8 general election.

Dr. Hauge was appointed Assistant Director of Finance by Merriam when he took office. Previously Mr. Hauge served several years as mayor of Long Beach, the Governor's home city. The position of Assistant Director of Finance is exempt from Civil Service, and it was expected in capital circles that Dr. Hauge would have stepped out with the change from the Republican to the Democratic state administration on Jan. 2.

Former L. B. Mayor Dr. Hauge came to Long Beach in 1912 from Montana, where he practiced dentistry. Before that he was a member of the Minnesota state legislature.

He was elected to the Long Beach city council in 1927 and immediately was chosen Mayor, a position he held until 1930. Active in civic affairs, he was frequently mentioned as a potential candidate for supervisor, but never offered his name.

Dr. Hauge has a son Ralph in the oil business, and three daughters.

'39 Auto Plates Will be Available Here Jan. 3

Local motorists may obtain their 1939 automobile license plates right here in Torrance! This welcome news was announced jointly this week by Registrar of Motor Vehicles Howard E. Deems in Sacramento and L. J. Gilmeister, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

Gilmeister started work last year at this time to obtain a sub-branch office of the state department of motor vehicles in Torrance. His efforts were rewarded this week when arrangements were concluded to establish the license bureau from Jan. 3 to Feb. 4, 1939, at 1316 Cabrillo avenue at the corner of Gramercy avenue.

The temporary office here will save all motorists in Torrance, Lomita, Harbor City, Gardena and vicinity from driving long distances to obtain their 1939 plates. The sub-branch office will open Tuesday morning, Jan. 3, with the start of the license renewal period.

Obtaining a sub-branch office here was no small undertaking. Gilmeister and Chamber of Commerce officials learned. Arrangements had to be made for extra banking facilities, proper protection by the state highway patrol and adequate accommodations for the staff which will operate the Torrance bureau.

CLUB OFFERS CASH AWARDS FOR BEST YULE DISPLAYS

Now is the time to start thinking of novel ways to illuminate your home for the Christmas season and thus spread Yuletide cheer out-of-doors. The Torrance Business and Professional Women's club is sponsoring the 1938 Christmas home exterior decoration contest for which cash prizes of \$10 and \$5 will be awarded for the two best efforts of local residents.

There are only three requirements to enter this holiday event: (1) The decorations or lighted effects must be on the exterior of the home, on the front porch and thus easily seen at night by passers-by; (2) Some form of illumination must be used to make the display visible; and (3) the entry blank printed below must be filled out and left at The Herald office, 1338 E. Prado; the Chamber of Commerce, or given Mrs. Bettina Miller, 1217 Cota, president of the sponsoring club.

This last requirement is most important because judges of the outdoor Yule displays will make up their itinerary of homes to be inspected from the addresses on the signed entry blanks. This will enable the judges to see every lighted effect, walk out and enter or mail blank NOW to Mrs. Miller, The Herald office or the Chamber of Commerce.

Torrance Out-Door Yule Display Contest

I plan to decorate my home exterior or grounds for Christmas and would like to have my home included in the Torrance Business and Professional Women's club prize contest:

Name: Address:

Vermont Closed for Re-Paving

Vermont avenue between Roosevelt highway and Lomita boulevard has been closed to traffic for 30 to 60 days for repaving, according to Guy Donald, district Los Angeles city engineer. Barriers were placed Tuesday by the Warren-Southern engineering firm to close the road to traffic. The firm has 90 days to complete the job although it is expected that the surfacing will be finished before that period. The paving will be of concrete to match the rest of Vermont avenue. The Warren-Southern company Traffic is being routed over Normandie avenue, three blocks west.

TAKE OVER WELL Southern California Drilling company's Hadley No. 1 at 237th and Eschman has been taken over by Logan Petroleum which is continuing the deep test.

OPEN FIGUREOA Figures from 1907 to Lomita Boulevard was unofficially open to traffic today following extensive improvement. The work cost \$68,000.

LOCAL RELIEF DRIVE FAR SHORT OF GOAL

000 000 000 Community Service Group Pleads for Donations from Residents

Unless local business firms and residents come to the rescue at once, the goal of \$1,800 for a full year's welfare and relief work among underprivileged families here will not be reached, officers of the Torrance Community Service association regretfully revealed yesterday. "We are far short of reaching just that small amount for all of the charitable work to be done in Torrance despite liberal contributions from nearly every industry in the city," they said. "As yet we have had no appreciable response from our letters to merchants and residents and pleas published in The Herald and without the help expected from those sources we'll have to fall for the first time in the history of the 18-year-old Association of filling our Torrance Community Chest. "May we ask your donations during the coming week?" the group, composed of Henry Lin-

Little Joe O'Toole Winning Fight for Life Here

Medical science, aided by the lad's unusually strong constitution, has apparently saved the life of six-year-old O'Toole youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. James J. O'Toole of 1225 Madrid avenue, after he was critically injured last Friday by a fall from playground apparatus at the Fern Avenue school.

Little Joe today is believed on the long road to recovery at Torrance Memorial hospital after many anxious hours Saturday, Sunday and Monday. He had suffered almost fatal internal injury when he fell from a set of horizontal bars at the school playground about 3 o'clock last Friday afternoon. When he fell, his parents rushed him to the hospital Saturday afternoon.

At 12:30 o'clock Sunday morning, following consultation of four physicians who held but little hope that the youngster would survive, he underwent an emergency abdominal operation. Peritonitis had set in by that time and he was running a fever of between 103 and 105 degrees.

Has High Courage Two blood transfusions, one muscular and the other intravenous, were administered in the desperate battle to save little Joe's life but he wavered between survival and death until late Monday afternoon. Then he showed his strong constitution and passed a restful night.

Today, although he is not entirely out of danger, he is responding to careful treatment and observation by his physician and the hospital staff. He has become the prime patient at the institution because of his fortitude and courage that has won the hearts of his attendants. Although the treatment is painful to a little boy, he celebrated his six birthday on Nov. 21, he does not cry or whimper and he has a wan grin for the few visitors allowed to see him.

His injury resulted when he tried to walk across the top of the horizontal bars with some older boys, slipped and fell on a curb driven by Paul Smith Avenue school, where his brothers, Jimmy and Bobby are also students.

LOMITAN HIT BY CAR HERE

While crossing Cravens avenue at Marcella, Mrs. Florence Yater, elderly Lomitan who has been working at the WPA sewing room here, was struck and injured late Tuesday afternoon by a car driven by Paul Smith of 1823 Arlington. She was taken to Torrance Memorial hospital for first aid and then removed to the Los Angeles General hospital where she is reported recovering today.

According to a report given police, Smith was making a left-hand turn from Marcella into Cravens avenue when the accident occurred. The motorist told police his vision was obscured by a cloud of dust, making some boulevard stop at the Marcella intersection. Mrs. Yater stepped from the curb into Cravens and was struck.

Firemen's Yule Party Is Dec. 21

To avoid a conflict with the dedication of the new Torrance high school assembly hall, set for Dec. 22, members of the Torrance fire department have advanced the date for their annual Christmas party and program for local youngsters to Wednesday night, Dec. 21, it was announced this week. The Yuletide celebration will be held at the Civic Auditorium. This is the firemen's annual "Christmas present" to boys and girls of this city and vicinity.



TINY FLIGHT... Johnny M. Jones, Los Angeles pilot, who completed a non-stop, non-returning Coast-to-Coast flight in an 800-pound one-seater plane yesterday. He carried 146 gallons of fuel and a gross load of 1,988 pounds from Los Angeles, to New York in 30 hrs., 49 min., for the 2,785-mile hop.

Eleven Months Building Totals \$3,075,718 Here

New construction in Torrance during the past 11 months has totaled \$3,075,718, an all-time record here, according to the city building inspection department which closed its November books. The construction record also included six oil derricks, \$30,000; four garages, \$600; four non-residential structures, \$15,545; two oil tanks, \$1,700; seven alterations or additions to residences, \$6,800, and four alterations or additions to industrial plants, \$3,270.

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Beck Building Homes

The final November building permits were issued to the following: Alford Oil company of Long Beach for two 1,000-barrel oil tanks moved in from Long Beach to 2059 28th, \$1,700; Ray Daniels for an 18 by 30 frame chicken house with concrete floor to be erected in the rear of the lot at 2253 21st, \$100, and Joe C. Higgins for a four-room frame house at 1922 Plaza del Arroyo, \$1,000.

Landscaping at T. H. S. Begins

Men with shovels and mules attached to Fresno plows were shaping up the area between the new Torrance high school assembly hall and main building this week in preparation for an extensive planting and landscaping project. The entire space will be graded and decorated with ornamental planting about the borders.

When completed the beautiful link between the new \$100,700 building and the high school wing will be used for light games, such as lawn croquet, badminton and bowling. Principal Thomas Elson said. The new assembly hall, which will seat 988 persons, is expected to be finished except for installation of stage equipment, some lighting fixtures and the orchestra seats this week. The dedication has been set for Dec. 22, Elson said.

