

### Lutheran Church Invites All To Yule Service

Christmas Day will not pass unobserved by the First Lutheran church because at 9 o'clock in the morning the congregation will gather to worship the Baby Jesus in His manger bed. "What great need in this war torn world for every one to renew his faith in the Prince of Peace," Rev. Frank D. Mechling states in his yule announcement. "In spite of the roll of war drums we are still permitted to assemble in our chosen places of worship. It should be with great joy that we listen to the angel's message. 'Fear not for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior which is Christ the Lord.'"

"With happy hearts we should join our voices with angel's chorus, 'Glory to God in the Highest and on earth peace, good will to men.' 'Christmas Prelude,' played by Miss Jean Hosking, assistant organist will open the service. As the last notes of the prelude die away the opening tones of the processional hymn, 'Hark, the Herald Angels Sing,' played by Mrs. E. A. Schwartz, organist, will announce the entrance of the vested choir in black cassocks and white surplices," the pastor continues.

The congregation joins the choir in this grand hymn of the Christmas season. The reverent liturgical service will be conducted by Rev. Mechling. The Epistle lesson for the Christmas Day will be found in Titus 2:11-14. The Gospel lesson will be read from Luke 2:1-14. The choir will beautify the service by singing an anthem "Christ Is Born" by Lizzie de Armond and E. S. Lorenz.

The congregation will express its Christmas faith by singing "Joy To The World, The Lord Is Come." The sermon will be based on Matthew 2:11 dwelling on the thought of "Our Gifts Of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh." The offertory will be played by Miss Hosking, an arrangement of "Silent Night."

As a closing hymn the congregation will sing "Come Hither Ye Faithful" using the majestic old Latin Melody, Adeste Fideles of the 17th century.

As the choir closes the recessional hymn, "Savior Again To Thy Dear Name We Raise," the services will be ended. Christmas and worship with us and come-ming will have a fuller spiritual meaning," Rev. Mechling states.



### Silent Night... Holy Night...

"Peace on earth, good will towards men" appears far from the realm of possibility in this war-torn world but nevertheless hundreds of devout members of local churches will gather in their places of worship Christmas Eve and Christmas Day to pay tribute to the coming of the King of Peace. The services planned here are as follows:

**ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
1432 Engracia Avenue  
Rev. Paul M. Wheeler, vicar  
Christmas Eve, 11 p. m.—Choral celebrating the Holy Communion and candle-light service.  
Christmas Day, 10 a. m.—Holy Communion.

**CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY**  
1447 Engracia Avenue  
Rev. Father Joseph L. Bauer, pastor  
Christmas Masses: 6 a. m. High Mass; 8 and 10 a. m. Low Masses, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after the 10 o'clock Mass.  
Confessions will be heard Wednesday 3:30 to 6 p. m. and from 7:30 p. m.

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Acacia at Sonoma  
Christmas Service: 9 a. m.—"Christmas Prelude," played by Miss Jean Hosking, assistant organist, will open the service. Special music by surpliced choir. Epistle lesson from Titus 2:11-14, Gospel lesson from Luke 2:1-14. Sermon, based on Matthew 2:11. "Our Gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh."

### Return of Christmas Signal for Renewal of Faith, Fr. Bauer Says

"The Holy Christmas festival brings to our attention annually the greatest event in the history of mankind," Rev. Father Joseph L. Bauer, pastor of the Catholic Church of the Nativity, notes in his annual Yuletide greeting to the entire community.

"Other events stand out with sharp prominence, and in proportion to their significance and value for the people of a nation, are given a fitting commemoration by festive celebration. None of these, however, is so stupendous in its reality and so heavenly with consequences for civilization as the fact that the Son of God Who was in the form of God and equal to God takes on the form of a servant, makes Himself like to men and in habit conducts Himself as a man.

"The return of Our Lord's Birthday always renews in each Christian soul the realization of the union of Divinity with humanity and begets anew the joy and peace which could be born only from such a union. The passing of each year may be properly measured only in terms of such a union through the graces bestowed on all those of good will who seek their highest sense of achievement in bringing the Presence of the Divine Babe into every heart and every home, into every moment and every hour.

"On this festive occasion I invoke the Blessings of Heaven upon you. I wish you a very Holy Christmas—a Blessed Christmas filled with many good things from the Hands of the Infant Jesus; may you share in the abundance of Peace and Joy bestowed upon the world by the Babe of Bethlehem. A Peaceful Christmas! A Joyful New Year! Father Bauer concludes.

### Church Services Next Sunday

**CENTRAL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
1548 Cabrillo Ave., Torrance  
Rev. H. W. Roloff, pastor.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. in Guild hall.  
Morning service, 11 a. m.  
Evening service, 7 p. m.  
Mid-week service, Tuesday, 7:30, in paragon.  
Choir rehearsal in paragon, Wednesday, 7 p. m.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. F. T. Porter, pastor, 1415 Engracia Ave.  
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.  
Morning service, 10:40 a. m.  
Young people's meeting, 6:30 p. m.  
Evening service, 7 p. m.  
Choir meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

**LATTER DAY SAINTS**  
Woman's club house, Wilford Newman, pastor.  
Sunday school, 10:30 a. m. Evening service, 6:30 p. m. Tuesday, 8 p. m. Relief society, 3:30 p. m. Primary association, 7:30 p. m. Mutual Improvement association.

**ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Engracia Ave. 1432  
Morning service, 8:00 a. m. Holy Communion and church school breakfast.  
Church school at 9:30 a. m. Separate primary worship.  
Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m. Special Christmas music by choir.  
Young people's meeting 7 p. m. First and third Sunday.  
First Sunday of the month, Holy Communion, 11 a. m.  
Monday, Club Scouts, Second Tuesday of the month, St. Cecilia Guild, Wednesday, choir practice.  
Thursday, Holy Communion, 11 a. m. Altar Guild, Women's Auxiliary and Girl Scouts meet. Thursday, First and third Sunday, Girls' Friendly Society, 7 p. m. Fourth Sunday, Church school service and breakfast, 8 a. m.

**FOUR SQUARE GOSPEL**  
Mr. and Mrs. Ben Griffith, pastors, 1207 El Prado.  
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Morning service, 11 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Crusaders service, 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

**NAZARENE CHURCH**  
W. A. Fenner, pastor, 20607 North Royal, Hammerston Tract.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning service, 11 a. m. Young people's meeting, 6:30 p. m. Evening service, 7:30 o'clock. Prayer meeting, Wednesdays, at 7:30 p. m.

**LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Frank D. Mechling, pastor, Acacia and Sonoma avenues.  
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Morning service, 10:45 a. m. Topic: "Looking Forward." Holy Communion.  
Choir rehearsal tonight (Tuesday) at 7:15 p. m.  
The Annual meeting of the congregation, Tuesday, Jan. 6, with a Fellowship Supper at 6:30 p. m.

**METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Harry Branton, pastor, El Prado at Carson.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning service, 11 a. m. Young people's meeting, 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, Dec. 31, 10 a. m. in church parlors.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Services at Torrance Men's Bible Class building on Cravens.  
Bible class Sunday at 10:50 a. m. Morning service, 11:50 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Bible Drill Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.

### Christmas Ideals

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Mrs. F. T. Porter of 1319 Arlington ave., has been writing poems for years. This newspaper has been privileged to publish many of her works. Her annual Christmas poem, printed herewith, surpasses all Mrs. Porter's compositions that this newspaper has seen. Its depth of feeling and calm serenity of hope make it indeed worthy of publications having a far greater circulation than this community voice.)

#### CHRISTMAS IDEALS

By MRS. F. T. PORTER

We have lost the glory, the angels, the star,  
And the song that re-echoed joy divine  
To shepherds and Wise Men—coming far,  
Who followed their leading to Bethlehem.

And the gentle Jesus, born there among kine,  
In heavenly glory sits enthroned,  
The message He left—and the cross—His sign,  
Would lead us to heaven—from Bethlehem.

But again skies are full of fleets—disowned  
By goodwill and Justice and Brotherhood;  
And dread cannon roars and bombs have intoned  
Defeat to glad tidings of Bethlehem.

Lust for place, greater power, more gold—not good—  
Heap their millions of dead on blood drenched lands;  
Where sheltering homes, church and markets stood  
To black out God's Star of Bethlehem.

Tortured lands, tangled jungles, vomit spleen and hate,  
That are ravaging cities and countryside,  
Employing tools God meant should create  
New song to destroy the hopes of Bethlehem.

Now the cannons' roar encircles earth.  
And a war beyond seas forecasts tragic doom  
To high ideals and scorns the worth  
Of Mary's Lord Jesus of Bethlehem.

But these soon will pass. Marauding bands  
Will decay and their leaders cease to be.  
Again will bereaved and stricken lands  
Find hope's lost star of Bethlehem.

Again dreams for redeeming sea, mountains and plain,  
From war's curse through the Brotherhood of men;  
That Jesus sought to found and maintain—  
Earth's peace will proclaim good will from Bethlehem.

### Phone Company Thanks Patrons For Cooperation

N. R. Powley, president, Southern California Telephone Company, commenting on the Pacific Coast increased telephone demands as a result of the war situation, stated today:

"Never in its history has our company handled, in a similar period, the tremendous volume of telephone traffic which the extraordinary demands for telephone service have placed on our system in the last ten days.

"We deeply appreciate the fine cooperation and understanding of the telephone-using public and their splendid assistance in not making other than the most urgent calls which greatly aid us to get the message through for telephone calls important to defense.

"Our organization is doing its level best to render the best possible service and to play its full and patriotic part in this great national emergency. It is traditional in our business that our people always rise to the height of any emergency. They have shown again in a glorious way that spirit and will-to-do which are of such vital importance in these tragic and critical times. Calmly and effectively our men and women are serving the great cause of human freedom."

### Episcopal Vicar Extends Greeting

"The vestry and Vicar of St. Andrew's Episcopal church extend an invitation to the people of Torrance to worship the Prince of Peace this year of 1941 when, more than ever in such troubled times, we should attend church," Rev. Paul Moore Wheeler said today in his Christmas message to the community.

"When all is confusion round about it is well that we find a certain peace of mind in taking part in the age-old ritual of the Christian church in paying homage to the Son of God."

### Future Farmers of T. H. S. Earn While Learning

By HARRY H. STONE, Instructor, Vocational Agriculture, Torrance High School

The Future Farmers of Torrance high school have completed another financially profitable year. An average labor income, that is net profit, of \$50.53 is the item that catches the attention of the boys while the skills learned and practice in management are noted by educators. The animal and plant products are of value as food for—

The Future Farmer Chapter has adopted a program of work for the coming year including these items:

- 1.—To have projects large to secure advancement;
- 2.—To enter F. F. A. public speaking and essay contests to get practice in active citizenship;
- 3.—To improve the chapter poultry equipment on a cooperative basis;
- 4.—To provide loans for boys who have proven their ability and who need more money to enlarge their projects;
- 5.—To reach production goals equal to those attained by the better farmers in the community; and
- 6.—To encourage home vegetable gardening, helping both to provide food for defense, and to secure the dietary benefits of garden-fresh vegetables.

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### OBITUARY

**CHARLES HENRY BLACK** who had lived at 2404 Andree ave., for the past 25 years, succumbed Dec. 18 at his home at the age of nearly 75 years. He had a great many friends here who respected him for his sterling character and genial interest in the community. Mr. Black was a native of Missouri who came to Torrance and California a quarter of a century ago.

The funeral service was held Saturday at the Calvary Presbyterian church in Lomita and interment was at Inglewood Memorial park. Mr. Black was survived by his wife, Adella, four brothers, including George W. Black who lives at the family home and three others residing in Washington and two sisters living in that state.

**Fortune Lost in Marihuana**  
LOGAN, Utah (U.P.) Officials of Cache county and federal agents began the destruction of a large plot of marihuana, estimated to value \$50,000. The plants, found at Mendon, Utah, comprised one of the largest patches of the narcotic drug in the history of the state.

### Week's Building Totals \$14,165

Building permits issued from the office of the city engineer during the past week amounted to \$14,165. They were as follows:

Mrs. Edna Wiled Alvord, re-construction of stores and office buildings at 1409 Sartori and 1601-11 Cabrillo aves. \$1,200.

Ethel Fitch, rebuild chimney and fire box at 2032 Gramercy ave. \$100.

George Peckham, repair chimney at 1618 Post ave. \$75.

Sam Levy, repair chimney at 1503 El Prado, \$150.

George E. Miller, repair chimney at 1548 Post ave. \$75.

Dr. Minnie S. Proctor, repair roof and patch stucco at 1676 Gramercy ave. \$150.

Jack Price, repair chimney at 1732 Andree ave. \$55.

B. J. Scott, repair garage at 2023 Arlington ave. \$60.

Carl L. Cheadle, frame and stucco four-room house and two-car garage at 816 Crenshaw blvd. \$2,950.

General Petroleum Corp., retaining wall for oil heaters at refinery, \$100.

Perry Isenstein, chimney re-

### STORKatorial's

Following are the new-arrivals-of-the-week at Torrance Memorial hospital:

**DONALD WILLIAM TONER** was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Toner of Long Beach, Dec. 18. His father is a ship fitter at the Consolidated Shipyard.

**CHARLIE IRVIN POSTON** was welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. James Poston of Gardena, Dec. 18. His father is a California Shipyard worker.

**LORRETTA ILENE FALK** was greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Dale Ervin Falk of 20606 North Oak st., Dec. 17.

**BABY CURLER**... a son, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Curler of 2011 Gramercy ave., Dec. 18. His father is a welder at the Bethlehem Shipyard.

pair at 2063 203rd st. \$50.

Edward G. Neess, five-room frame and stucco house with garage attached at 1220 Elm ave. \$3,000; five-room frame and stucco house with garage attached at 1218 Elm ave. \$3,000.

Harry R. and Maude N. Bolton, two 10,000-gallon underground tanks for storage of petroleum products at 24463 Hawthorne ave. \$1,000.

Miss Mable Sandiland, reconstruction of electric shop building at 1421 Marcellina ave. \$2,200.

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