

Absenteeism From Church Great Menace

"Church absenteeism is a greater menace to our national welfare than any other single problem confronting our nation today," according to the Reverend H. Wesley Roloff, pastor of Central Evangelical Community Church, Torrance. "This is because the neglect of public worship reflects a fundamental difference in the things of God or a deep-rooted tendency to put secondary and often material things before God," the pastor said.

Central Church is cooperating in the Worship and Attendance Crusade recently launched by many churches throughout the greater Los Angeles area. A special effort is being made to reenlist as regular worshippers large numbers of persons who because of the war effort and other reasons had found it difficult to regularly attend services of divine worship.

According to Dr. A. B. Strickland, Los Angeles director of the Crusade, statistics indicate that not more than 25 per cent of Protestant Christians and church members attend their churches with any degree of regularity. This is a condition which all churches are seeking to correct. The campaign in the local church is now in its fifth week and constitutes a school in worship and a special emphasis on visitation. It is reported that attendance has increased as much as 100% over that of one year ago.

Thanksgiving services will be held in Central Evangelical Church on Sunday morning, Rev. Mr. Roloff will speak in the morning on the subject: "That Your Joy Might Be Full," and in the evening on the topic, "God's Supply of Every Need."

Members of the Torrance Kiwanis Club and their families are to be special guests at this service.

TARTAR NOTES

By Bob Everts

Sadie Hawkins Day Dance

The Sadie Hawkins Dance was a smashing success. It was held yesterday, Nov. 14 in the girls' gym. Everyone dressed up for the gala affair and prizes were given for the best costumes.

P. T. A. Drive

The boys of dear old Torrance High school are certainly going to look mighty funny when they come to school wearing make-up. The girls won the P. T. A. drive by quite a good margin. The \$15 reward will also go to the girls. Too bad for the boys, they should have worked a little harder. Incidentally they will have to carry compact to keep their make-up fresh all day.

Reward

Capt. T. Jones and Co. will present his magic tricks such as vanishing radios, guinea pigs, doves, and rabbits for the students who have done their part in the beautification project. So far there are only four grades that are eligible to attend this show on Nov. 21. To be eligible, a grade cannot have more than six black marks, but if a class does it still can attend if it keeps its plot clean for one week.

Report Cards

The students of Torrance High took their report cards around on Tuesday, Nov. 13. Teachers will welcome the opportunity to discuss any pupil's record with his parents.

Master Plan

The plan is laid—the rest is up to the students. Yes, Mr. Charles C. Wenger brought his proposed master plan before the Leadership class. It calls for more lawns, walks, and a complete relandscaping of the area in front of the auditorium (10 and 12 grade plots). The landscaping project will be held up for the time being till the school board appropriates funds for the project. But the lawns will be started as soon as possible.

Another improvement is the redecoration of the front of the main building (11th grade plot). The plan includes a complete arrangement of flowers and shrubs. Some of the boys returning from the service won't even know their Alma Mater when the students finish the work of doling her up.

MATTER OF SURVIVAL

"We must give to the search for peace that same terrible urgency which we give to the prosecution of our wars. We must feel in our bones and in our hearts that peace with us is also a matter of survival or extinction—that we make a lasting peace, or we die."—Ernest Haycox, noted author.

MADE OF METAL

The veteran's honorary discharge service button is now made from gold-plated metal instead of gold-plated plastic.

Fifty Cents Cost For Bike License Now

Hey! Kids! It's going to cost fifty cents now for a Los Angeles county license for your bicycle.

The county ordinance regulating the licensing of bicycles was ordered amended to this effect by County Supervisors at the request of Sheriff Eugene Biscauz.

However, the license does not have to be renewed unless the bicycle is transferred to a new owner.

Increase In Length Of Time Of Jobs Necessary For Full Employment

California cannot have full employment unless steps are taken to increase the length of time that jobs last, as well as to add to the number of jobs. This conclusion is reached in a pamphlet just issued by the State Reconstruction and Reemployment Commission as a summary of a second report on postwar employment made by the Commission's technical staff. The pamphlet is titled "Matching Men and Jobs."

In announcing the publication of the study, Colonel Alexander R. Heron, State Director of Reconstruction and Reemployment

said: "Continued studies made by the Commission concerning the employment situation in California show previous peacetime experience indicates that if all the jobs that existed at one time or another during a year had lasted the full year, practically every worker could have missed entirely the bitter experience of being involuntarily out of work."

"This means it is urgent that, in each California community, organized labor, business and government leaders must sit down together and work out plans for dovetailing employ-

ment so that the maximum number of people can be employed for a maximum period during the year. "This goal is to have a constantly employed breadwinner in every family, pouring a steady stream of money into the economic bloodstream, thus creating more customers for more goods to be produced by more workers."

Highlights of the pamphlet: 1. The unemployment problem about which California and the nation are so concerned is a problem that changes from day to day. Those unemployed at any given time are only a frac-

tion of the number who are unemployed at some time or other during a year. 2. Not all people want to work all the time. Not all jobs last all year. Fluctuating jobs, plus fluctuating desire to work make unemployment. 3. Approximately 1,008,000 Californians who had jobs in 1939 were jobless, either by choice or by force of circumstances, at some time during the year. Only 53 percent of all wage and salary workers in the California labor force in March 1940 had worked the full 12 months during 1939.

4. On the other hand, less than 5 percent of all California wage and salary workers in March, 1940 had been out of work for a full year. Many of the rest had been unemployed, but for varying and shorter intervals. 5. If all the jobs that had existed at one time or another in 1939 had lasted the full year, practically every California worker could have avoided involuntary unemployment. 6. The number of economic enterprises that pick up, falter, slow down and pick up again, number into the hundreds of thousands. This rise and fall of individual enterprises is distinct from the so-called "business cycle."

In many cases, the fits and starts could be avoided and joblessness cut down. In fashioning that solution, every worker, every businessman, every farmer, every community and every unit of government can play an important part. 7. Each California community can begin now to make a survey of its jobs and workers to find out which are seasonal or spasmodic and what can be done to lengthen the duration of employment for its wage earners. Workers, businessmen, farmers and government officials, acting together in the light of the facts, can then make specific plans to reduce joblessness.

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