

'Dishwater Weak' Dope Proposals Opposed by Assemblyman Chapel

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tion of Women's Clubs of California. Read the article by Mrs. Arthur Crom of San Diego, Calif., in the February, 1955 issue of "The Clubwoman," published by the General Federa-

clubs belong to the General Federation. It should not be too difficult for you to obtain this magazine. In addition to being the author of the article, Mrs. Crom is the head of the Federation committee on narcotics. Mrs. Crom believes California needs new legislation to stop the growing menace of narcotics, especially among youngsters. She recommends laws similar to those of New Jersey, which provide severe penalties for first offenders.

Federal Frustration
The Federal Bureau of Narcotics reports that it arrests about 5000 people a year and by the time all the cases are heard and settled, the narcotics officers start another drive, only to find that those who were arrested at the first of the previous campaigns are back in business in spite of having had two or three previous convictions.

Mrs. Crom reports that there are more than 50,000 minors who have been caught as addicts, peddlers, or both, and that even grammar school

children are becoming victims of the dope habit. Naturally some parents, teachers and school administrators try to minimize the extent to which the dope craze has penetrated their schools, but the front pages of daily newspapers carry the story.

Dr. Jerome J. Leon, superintendent of Riverside Hospital, North Brother Island, N. Y. (the first institution established to treat and attempt to cure narcotics victims under the age of 21) says that he is now fighting the most vicious problem facing society in a generation—the teenage dope crisis. The children are the victims of a sad society and the extent of the organized dope traffic is itself a poignant reflection on society.

Of course, Dr. Leon means you and me when he says "society." That is an unfortunate term, but we are merely quoting the good doctor.

Getting back to Mrs. Crom, she urges club members and their relatives and friends to talk and write to their own members of the California State Legislature and to their own members of the Congress and the U. S. Senate, recommending two items of legislation, followed by the active support of fearless judges and honest law-enforcement agencies.

Minimum Sentence
Mrs. Crom recommends Federal and State laws providing for a five-year minimum penalty for the first offense of unlawfully selling, administering, or giving narcotics, with no probation permitted. This would be a mandatory law and would not permit judges to turn narcotics peddlers loose after a few months in jail.

Mrs. Crom also recommends

a one-year sentence with treatment for addicts apprehended on a disorderly conduct charge with probation permitted if the addict enters an institution for treatment.

Narcotics Bills
You may know that I have introduced once more my bill which permits a judge to sentence any adult who gives, sells or administers narcotics to a minor to life imprisonment; and permits the judge to award a sentence of death for a second offense of this nature.

Another narcotics bill I introduced in January is a "spot" or "skeleton" bill to make it possible to have a more complete bill after we return in March. Under the Constitution we can introduce only two new bills (except by unanimous consent), hence we anticipate future problems by introducing spot-bills. It is my intention to do all that I can to carry out the narcotics program of the General Federation of Women's Clubs of California, as recommended by Mrs. Crom.

Narcotics Entered Fight
Many of my readers have asked me what factors entered into the fight for Speaker of the Assembly. One of the important factors is that the losing candidate has always strongly opposed my own anti-narcotics bills, arguing that if they got on the floor of the Assembly they might ruin the chance of passage of his dishwater-weak narcotics bills.

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The answer to this silly argument is that the Lindbergh An-

High School Instructor Forming New Drama Group

A first step toward establishing a community theater here will be taken a week from tomorrow night, Feb. 22, when an organizational meeting will be held under the supervision of John Hudson, teacher at Torrance High School, at the YWCA corner of Carson and Plaza Del Amo. The public is invited.

Present plans are for this embryo theater to work closely with the Recreation Department, but to be entirely independent, Hudson says. The long-range plan will be to develop in Torrance a high-quality civic stock company that will grow in facilities and stature in keeping with an expanding community's cultural needs.

"There is always a cultural gap in a 'boom town' that can best be filled by a dedicated theater organization," Hudson believes. "It can be at one and the same time morally and recreationally profitable to its participants if it is generously supported by the people—supported chiefly by their attendance at performances. In turn, the people benefit from the publicity a thriving theater brings to a town and from the education derived from attending good plays well done."

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Public Notices

TORRANCE HERALD-46
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles, in the Matter of the Estate of CHESTER R. MERRITT, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given to creditors having claims against the said decedent to file said claims in the office of the clerk of the aforesaid court or to present them to the undersigned at the office of Armstrong, Mewborn & Hitchcock, Attorneys, 2211 Torrance Boulevard in the City of Torrance, in the aforesaid County, which latter office is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to said estate. Such claims with the necessary vouchers must be filed or presented as aforesaid within 60 days after the first publication of this notice.
Dated January 31, 1955.
ARMSTRONG, MEWBORN & HITCHCOCK
Administrators of the Estate of said decedent.
Attorneys at Law
2211 Torrance Boulevard
Torrance, California
M-Feb. 7-14-21-28, 1955

TORRANCE HERALD-30
CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS FICTITIOUS FIRM NAME
THE UNDERSIGNED do hereby certify that they are conducting a Service Station business at 23555 Arlington Avenue, City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California, under the fictitious firm name of COMPTON SERVICE STATION and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names and addresses are as follows, to-wit:
Harry N. Bayless, 18148 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, California
Richard L. Griffith, 18148 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, California
WITNESS our hand this 21st day of January, 1955.
HARRY N. BAYLESS
RICHARD L. GRIFFITH
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
ON THIS 21st day of January A.D. 1955, before me Margaret W. Dean, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, residing therein duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Harry N. Bayless and Richard L. Griffith, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

Riviera Fifth Grade Studies Reptile Age
What life was like when dinosaurs roamed the earth during the Reptile Age 135 million years ago, has been graphically portrayed in a mural made by Mrs. Elizabeth Parrino's fifth grade class at Riviera School.

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TORRANCE HERALD-50
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the provisions of Sections 3440 and 3441 of the Civil Code of the State of California, that Donald W. Carpel, Torrance, California, intends to sell to David L. Birdsong, Venice, California, all that certain personal property consisting generally of all stock good will of a certain restaurant business known as Don & Mom's Bar-B-Q, located at 1978 Torrance Blvd., in the City of Torrance, California, and that the purchase price thereof will be paid at 10 o'clock a.m. on the 10th day of February, 1955, at Bank of America NT & SA, 1255 Sartori Avenue, Los Angeles, State of California. Dated February 1, 1955.
DONALD W. CARPEL, Vendor
DAVID L. BIRDSONG, Vendee
Bank of America NT & SA
1255 Sartori Avenue
Los Angeles, California
Escrow No. 211-6161
M-Feb. 14, 1955

TORRANCE HERALD-51
CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS FICTITIOUS FIRM NAME
THE UNDERSIGNED do hereby certify that they are conducting a radiator service business at 1601 West 106th Street, Torrance, California, County of Los Angeles, State of California, under the fictitious firm name of TORRANCE RADIATOR SERVICE and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names and addresses are as follows, to-wit:
Howard Milstein, 1183 South Longwood Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif.
Bernard Kaufman, 1436 Crest Drive, Los Angeles, Calif.
WITNESS our hand this 28th day of January, 1955.
HOWARD MILSTEIN
BERNARD KAUFMAN
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
ON THIS 28th day of January A.D. before me Margaret W. Dean, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, residing therein duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Howard Milstein and Bernard Kaufman, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

TORRANCE HERALD-29
CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS FICTITIOUS FIRM NAME
THE UNDERSIGNED do hereby certify that they are conducting a pharmacy business at 246 Torrance Blvd., City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California, under the fictitious firm name of MEDICINE ARTS PHARMACY OF TORRANCE and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names and addresses are as follows, to-wit:
William Steinberg, 1215 E. Torrance, Torrance, Calif.
WITNESS my hand this 21st day of January, 1955.

TORRANCE HERALD-52
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The City of Torrance will receive bids in the office of the City Manager, City Hall, Torrance, California, until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, February 23, 1955, for the leasing of motor vehicles for the Police Department. Bids will be submitted on a per-mile basis for each vehicle. Bid to cover the full cost of operation and maintenance as outlined in the Specifications.
For further information call at the office of the City Manager, City Hall, Torrance.
The City Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
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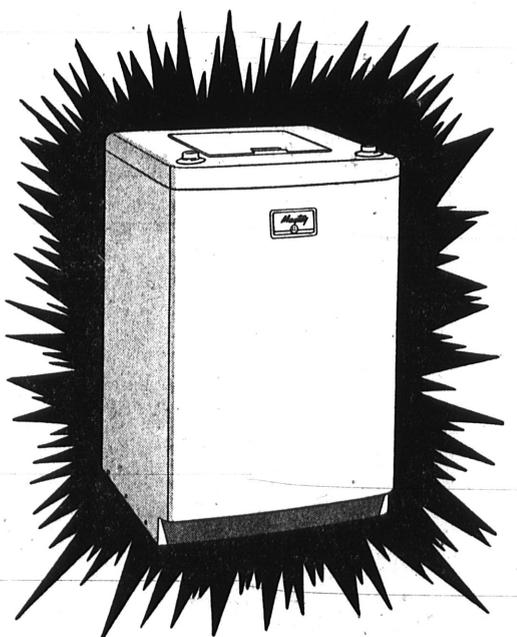
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