

Here At Home

By Maude Miller

We Love You!

Tried to get some information, re: St. Valentine's Day... but our children's encyclopedia turns out to be very unromantic. We quote, "There are several different explanations for the custom of sending cards of greetings and love tokens on St. Valentine's Day. All of them are probably inaccurate."

How do you like that? No one seems to know for sure how the day got tangled up with love... but no matter who commenced it, we're not against it! Especially the "sending of love tokens"... Like maybe, hosiery, hankies or costume jewelry for the gals; ties, socks and cufflinks for the guys (all of which we just happen to have in the Store). It's always nice to say "I love you" with something special for that special one in your heart.

Feeling real sentimental today, we suddenly got to thinking... It's 1956, Leap Year! February 29, the date we write only once every four years! What will YOU do with the extra day? Somehow feel it ought to be an international holiday... called "Everybody Stop Fighting And Be Kind To Everybody Else Day." Most of all we think it should be the day when we all get a chance to do the one thing we've always wanted most to do... and never had the time. Any ideas, Gentle Readers, on how best to use Feb. 29? Let us know!

How can one little month get crammed with so many important days? Besides the above mentioned, there's Lincoln's birthday, Washington's birthday, and not one, but three Torrance Dollar Days! Just received the news... Dollar Days will be Feb. 16, 17, and 18. Charlie Gots (of Daniel's Cafe) is newly elected President of the Torrance Retail Merchants' Association. He and the Dollar Day Committee (including our gal, Ella) are making plans for "spectacular bargains, more merchant participation, the best for the least for every shopper in and around Torrance." Pretty exciting month, huh?

Woman Side

Our firm recommendation: buy all the red and white stuff in the Store window... and look like a perfect Valentine yourself! Ever see a man who could resist a red and white dress, or skirt, or blouse? At any rate... start grabbing those Junior House two-piece cottons in marvelous shirt-maker or boat necked florals or stripes. You'll be sorry if you don't... 'cause they're crisp as lettuce, cool as cucumbers, cheap as radishes... and will garner you a whole gardenful of compliments!

Man Side

You'll really be her Valentine... in our new Bardon sport shirt with the collar that looks good unbuttoned! Comfort and looks at the same time, due to the cut of the Italian collar and neck which is lined with a contrasting stripe. In char gray and white, powder blue and white, green and white, and beige and white... long-sleeved and washable. Gee, they're handsome!

Our Side

Ella says, "Not only does Torrance take floods in stride, we emerge bigger and better than ever. Wait 'til you see what we come up with for Dollar Days!" You can see the Retail Merchants' Assoc. is out to prove that the best place to shop is right here at home! We think so... especially at 131 Sartori. SAM LEVY DEPT. STORE. Naturally!

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Flight Safety Clinic Set On Airport Here Sat.

All aircraft owners, pilots, and interested public are being invited to attend the Flight Safety Clinic to be held at Torrance Municipal Airport, Saturday. The day's events will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will end at 4:30 p.m. Pilots from every community in Southern California are expected to attend the series of lectures, Link sessions and the actual flights which will take place during the day.

The Clinic is being sponsored by the Long Beach Chapter of the Ninety-Nines, Inc., international organization of licensed women pilots. The Civil Aeronautics Authority and the Weather Bureau will provide speakers for the day. They will discuss maintenance of private aircraft, weather problems of the private flyer, safety in private flying, radio usage, flight plans and local lightplane traffic problems. Fifteen-minute Link sessions will be given to a limited number of pilots.

During the day courtesy proficiency flights will be given. Especially trained, experienced flight instructors will be on hand to fly 20-minute "refresher hops" without charge. Planes are to be provided by the pilots.

A CAA portable tower will be in operation for radio and light-gauge control of air traffic at Torrance Airport from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Feb. 4th. The radio frequencies will be 278.1; 118.3mc; 126.18mc.

The Flight Safety Clinic is being conducted entirely without charge by the Ninety-Nines and the CAA. Hot lunches at a nominal cost will be served those wishing it by a caterer on the field. Planes will be available at a reduced rental fee for those not having aircraft and desiring to make a courtesy proficiency ride.

CAA Men To Speak
The lecture session will be conducted from 9 o'clock until noon. Charles M. Demaree, CAA, will discuss maintenance of private aircraft. Robert Dale, CAA, will speak on safety in private flying. John Aldrich, head of the Aviation Weather Forecast group at the Weather Bureau located at the Los Angeles International Air-

port, will discuss weather problems of the private flyer. Personnel from the Los Angeles International Airport tower and airways facility will give talks on radio usage, flight plans and local lightplane traffic.

Two Link trainers will be used for 15-minute problem sessions for those pilots wishing to test their skill—or lack of it. These sessions will be of three types. The first will be merely an introductory experience for the non-instrument rated pilot. These will be used to point by the CAA instructor for instrument flying and the difficulties unsold pilots can get into. There will be an advanced instrument problem for the non-instrument rated pilot who professes some skill in instrument flying and for the instrument rated pilot there will be a review problem.

Pilot Checks Planned
Courtesy proficiency flights, to be arranged on a schedule at time of registration, will be given by flight instructors without charge. The instructor will observe the pilot's flying and will offer constructive suggestions if the pilots ask for it. Since many pilots do not take any further tests once they have their licenses this is considered by the CAA and the Ninety-Nines to be a very important part of the day. The sponsoring groups believe that a pilot, after a time, acquires dangerous habits of which he is not aware. These will be quickly spotted by the flight instructor going along for the ride.

There have been 36 flight safety clinics held in the past two years in the 11 Western states which comprise the CAA fourth region. In each case the clinic is sponsored by a group other than the CAA.

The Ninety-Nines Long Beach Chapter Clinic Committee consists of Mrs. Iris C. Critchell, chairman, Palos Verdes Estates; Mrs. Cynthia Gilchrist, Laverne; Mrs. Donna Chilcote, Hawthorne; Mrs. Claire Hawthorne, Santa Monica; Mrs. Bette Stewart, Torrance; Mrs. Betty Loufek, Mrs. Ruth Gay and Miss Dee Thurmond, all of Long Beach.

The Long Beach Chapter has sponsored either the start or the finish of three All-Woman Transcontinental Air Races (Powder Puff Derby). It is at present sponsoring a Long Beach Wing Scout troop along with its other activities.

Temperature Range
Mean temperatures in the southern part of Ontario are about the same as those prevailing in the Pacific coast area centered about San Francisco.

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The Board of Directors on January 24, 1956, declared a quarterly dividend of 10¢ per share on the outstanding capital stock of this Company, payable March 10, 1956, to stockholders of record at the close of business February 7, 1956.
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Torrance City Council
Jan. 31, 1956
Members of the City Council were invited to attend the Flight Safety Clinic at the Torrance Municipal Airport Saturday. Councilman Blount, who said he planned to attend the event, will represent the Council officially and will give the welcoming remarks.

A claim for damages filed by Roy G. Smith, 1208 Fern Ave., as the result of an accident involving Police Officer Hugh Ingram on Jan. 6, 1956, was denied by the Council and referred to the city's legal department and its insurance carrier.

Permission for the Salvation Army to place placards on Torrance area light poles announcing its April 22-25 51 v. 50 collection campaign was granted at the request of Rev. James R. Axtell, director of public relations for the organization.

F. E. Strange, 4721 Torrance Blvd., filed a protest with the Council against the calling of an annexation election for the Victor Tract.

Extension of contract with George Green for two-year period beginning July 1, 1956, collecting garbage and a non-combustible rubbish approved. Establishment of a transfer station at the present Green Ranch site also approved.

Approval was granted for Mrs. Howard a protest with the Recreation Commission, to attend the annual California Recreation Society Conference at San Diego, Feb. 12-15.

Variance for Robert G. Orit to construct a water and a combustion equipment rental and building supply business on Hawthorne Blvd. between Del Amo and Spencer granted on the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

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WALTER H. SMITH Takes Life

Former Local Man Suicide In Arizona

Funeral services were conducted last Thursday at Tempe, Ariz., for 30-year-old Walter Henry Smith, a graduate of Torrance High School, who took his own life in the Arizona city Jan. 24 in his apartment.

Apparently despondent over a divorce from his wife, Smith, who was a seventh grade teacher in Tempe, shot himself in the left temple with a .22 caliber pistol.

Smith was a native of Pennsylvania and was graduated from Torrance High School in 1945. He received his bachelor's degree in education from the Arizona State College at Tempe in 1953. He taught one year in Phoenix before moving to Tempe.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Grace Smith, of 11801 S. Figueroa St.; his father, Raymond Smith, of Inglewood; his former wife, Betty, and 10-year-old daughter, Kathleen.

The Smiths resided at 2438 Cabrillo Ave., when they lived in Torrance.

Butter Consumption
Consumption of butter in the U. S. now averages only about nine pounds per person per year as compared with 17 pounds prior to World War II.

Civic Leader To Move to Torrance Area

Harry T. Williams, prominent Santa Monica lumberman, recently purchased the Torrance Lumber Co. and will move soon to the Torrance area.

Williams has been active in civic affairs in Santa Monica, having been a member of the Board of Education, the personnel board of the City of Santa Monica, and the personnel commission of the Board of Education.

He is a past president of the Santa Monica Optimist Club and is a member of the board of directors of the Builders Exchange. Williams expects to resign from all his activities in the Santa Monica area and move to this area on May 1.

Hospital Log

(San Pedro Community Hospital)
PATIENTS ADMITTED
Jan. 24, 1956
Arthur A. Adams, 223rd St.
Doreen May Prince, 1002 1/2 W. 223rd St.
Ora E. Allen, 14554 W. 214th St.
BABIES BORN
Jan. 24, 1956
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