

Holiday Spirit Sags as \$1650 Goes to Sneak

Larry Crunk, foreman of the city painting department, finds it hard to work up much Christmas spirit this year.

He was a sadder, wiser, and poorer man last week after a pickpocket apparently lifted \$1650 out of his pants pocket while he was coming out of the bank.

Crunk had withdrawn that amount from the Bank of America and the California Bank, Thursday, to offer it as down payment on some property he planned to buy. He stuck it in a pocket of his painter's overalls.

As he was coming out of the crowded California Bank, he bumped into a man. When he got to his office, he discovered the money was missing. He believes, and Torrance police concur, that the man who bumped into him must have picked the money from his pocket.

"What burns me up is that I even said 'Excuse me,' when I bumped into him," Crunk declared sadly.

Crunk had planned to use the cash to negotiate purchase of some property. It represented his savings over a considerable period of time.

Although he isn't too hopeful about its return, he is offering a reward, with no questions asked, to anyone who can aid in its return. He lives at 2822 Gramercy Ave.

Lomita Areas Studied for Annexations

Two parcels of Lomita may be annexed to Torrance and Rolling Hills Estates, respectively, if proposed moves are successful.

J. D. Howard, owner of a 13-acre industrial tract between 246th and 248th St., east of Crenshaw Blvd., filed a boundary description with the county and indicated he will seek annexation to Torrance.

In the southern part of Lomita, the Chandler and Sidbotham Sand and Gravel Pits are being included in a 350-acre annexation sought by the Rolling Hills Estates.

Both areas are legally uninhabited and have less than 12 registered voters.

No hearing has been set by the Torrance City Council on the Howard annexation proposal. The Rolling Hills Estates council, however, will hold a hearing on its proposed annexation at 7:30 p.m., on Jan. 7 at the Dapplegray School auditorium.

Store Owner Gets Present From Thief

Harry Scroggs has received a real Christmas present from a repentant thief.

The owner of Harry Scroggs Camera, 380 S. Hawthorne Blvd., Hawthorne, last week received a box containing a \$60 camera, flash attachments, filters, and a gadget bag with a note stating that the equipment had been stolen from him during the year.

The note, written in a scrawl which Scroggs believes is left-handed, said:

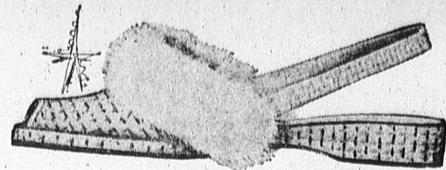


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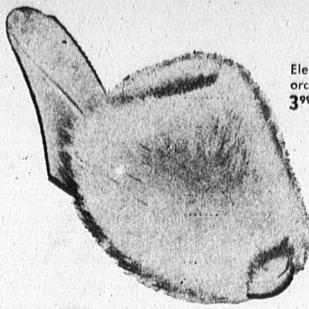
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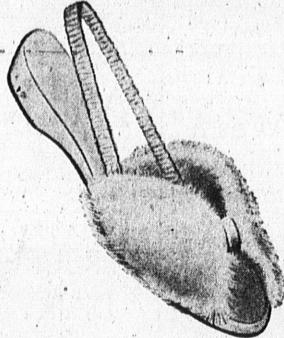
Women's Gift Slippers



Cushioned leather white, turquoise or black 2⁹⁹



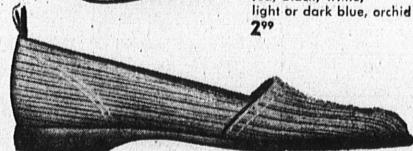
Leather warm lined red, black, white, light or dark blue, orchid 2⁹⁹



pink or light blue 1⁹⁹



Velvet with diamond like sparkler 4⁹⁹

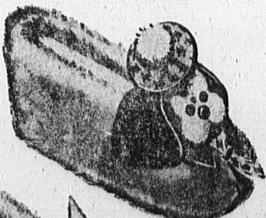


Corduroy, whisper soft turquoise or red 2⁹⁹



Finest quality kid light blue or black 4⁹⁹

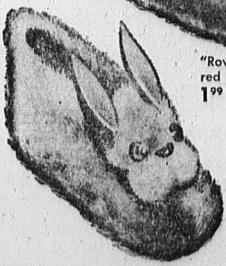
Children's Slippers



"Rover" red "Scotty" 1⁹⁹



Warm felt Black or Red 1⁹⁹



"Bertie" light blue bunny 1⁹⁹



Crepe soles royal blue or red 1⁹⁹



light or dark blue or red 2⁹⁹

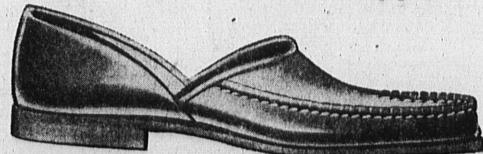


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