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went on to state, found such a law "valid, equitable, and necessary," and thus constitutional.

Dr. Clinton H. Thienes, M. D., director of the Huntington Memorial hospital in Pasadena, and president of the Citizens Committee for Better Health which has fought for such a law, stated that there are more cases of rabies in Los Angeles county already than in all of 1953, one of the record years.

Each rabid dog is capable of biting on the average of six people, he said.

The vaccine will not cause disease, yet, at the same time, it will prevent it, he went on to say. When asked if it would harm aged dogs, and therefore, if an exception should be made for them, he said, "I don't

think we need to make an exception, but I would not object. The fear that the vaccine would injure such dogs is fallacious.

Charges Unfounded
"Many stories are told by our opponents about the vaccine killing dogs or making them rabid," he said. "Our organization has run down most of these stories and found that there are no facts on which they are based."

"We, in turn, have actual statements and official documents to substantiate our claims."

Where cities or states have such a compulsory law and still have rabies, it is a question of the law not being properly enforced. He named Alabama as an example.

While other animals (mammals) are subject to rabies, like cats, rabies in these animals is relatively infrequent, he said.

Ed Price, 4214 West 176th street, Torrance, stated that doctors give shots for other diseases which are effective, and this situation is no different. "As far as the cost is concerned, we can stand it," he said.

Statements by other residents

were as follows:

"My dog has been vaccinated since 1940. He has never been sick as a result," Mrs. Herma Tillim, 16940 Osage.

Mrs. Ruth Vaughan of 1724 Juniper refuted claims made by the opposition in an "Emergency Bulletin" which they circulated.

Dick Wallace, 22443 Aldena avenue, contrasted the allegedly ineffective Japanese inoculation method with those of the United States which are effective.

No Controversy

Robert Hamer, 302 Calle de Arboles, whose wife circulated a petition favoring the law in Hollywood Riviera, said: "I was amazed to learn that while other subjects cause big debates, this provokes no debate."

Residents, he said, were eager to sign.

Elvin Schoonover, president of the Pacific Hills Home Owners association, stated his group has endorsed the proposed law.

Rev. Doyle, of Redondo Beach, a victim of a rabid dog bite when he was 4 years old, and

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rare in cats," she went on to say. "Cats are the second largest rabies carriers," she said, "and horses third."

The reason why no one bothers with cats is because they are not licensed and there is no money in it, she charged.

"Five per cent of dogs vaccinated by the serum are fatalities," she claimed, in an attempt to point out the danger of the vaccine.

The labels on the vaccines even caution doctors against possible ill effects, she said, quoting some of the labels.

The Pittman-Moore label indicates that nervousness and irritability do occur on occasion, and "more rarely" temporary post-vaccination paralysis "usually when hypersensitive."

These possibilities, however, were also called "remote" on

subsequent Pasteur treatment, stated dramatically, "For eight long years I didn't know how to go to bed without waking up screaming... I still have nightmares... This just about wrecked my nerves... The emotional and mental scars hurt most of all."

Elbert Fredrickson, 1965 Reynosa, pointed to the number of shots administered by the army to its personnel. "I had Pasteur shots once... I didn't enjoy them... If we had been protected, I wouldn't have had to take these."

the label. "The bill is futile," she went on to say, "since we cannot vaccinate all warm-blooded animals."

Miss Taylor went on to say that Alabama had more rabies outbreaks after the law was passed than before.

Even when such a law becomes compulsory, the city will not assume any legal responsibility in case of dog bites, she stated.

To prove her stand, she brought out that there is a drug on the market to alleviate paralysis from rabies vaccinations.

In a final barrage of remarks, she charged compulsory vaccinations to be more lucrative than the "numbers racket," called various medical explanations "mumbo-jumbo"; accused those favoring such a law of representing special interest groups who are afraid of the open market, and then asked Maj. Abrams, U.S. Marine Corps, retired, and a judge at the atrocity trials in Japan, to speak.

Maj. Abrams, who spoke shortly after, said that Japanese dogs were never vaccinated and never suffered from rabies, while U.S. dogs in Japan received rabies shots and died of rabies. "We lost 14 of them," he said.

Fights With Mayor

Rita Delmar spoke next. She was granted five minutes since Miss Taylor had taken up most of the time. After indulging in

a sharply worded verbal battle with Mayor Isen to the effect that she could not "possibly" tell the whole story of rabies in five minutes, Miss Delmar was given a choice of taking or leaving the opportunity to speak five minutes.

She took it. Her time was extended five more minutes by courtesy of the Council.

"Similar legislation was defeated in Los Angeles county cities such as Glendora, Glendale, Arcadia, and Alhambra," she said, after first accusing the Council of using unparliamentary proceedings. "Missouri has repealed the law at the first session after it was adopted."

She quoted Dr. G. T. Newman, president of the Arkansas Veterinary association, as stating that this was a "deplorably dangerous law" and "socialized medicine in the lowest form."

She minimized the seriousness of rabies epidemics by quoting figures allegedly released by the U.S. Bureau of Health, that the percentage of rabies death is "zero point zero."

What of Accidents?

"No one is alarmed when over 700 persons are killed on the 4th of July. Mechanical examinations of automobiles are turned down because it is argued that garage people will make a racket out of it," she said, trying to point up the more serious nature of other causes of death.

"I have not presented the rabies story," she said, after her time ran out.

Others who spoke and some of their comments were as follows:

James Watts, 22050 S. Vermont ave., said he had 40 dogs in his yard and asked for the proper enforcement of the leash law.

Grant Tidmark, 2151 Middlebrook road, also asked for the same thing, claiming that 90 per cent of the people who are bitten, are bitten by dogs running loose.

Mrs. Blanche Y. Connors, 16802 Almsworth ave., claims she had a dog die of rabies shots.

Joe Friedland, 3921 W. 242nd st., cited the opinion of one U.S. Supreme Court judge labeling such a law unconstitutional. Friedland also said that the city would be responsible for anything which might happen.

Eileen Goetz, of 502 Milne dr., who asked Miss Taylor and Miss Delmar to speak, claimed that she lost 19 out of 37 dogs from anti-rabies vaccination in Houston, Texas.

B. C. Frith, 22228 Warmside ave., expressed the opinion that human beings suffer from their various diseases because doctors keep giving them vaccinations.

Jess Lockhart, 2837 Sonoma, called for the proper enforcement of the leash law.

CONTEST...

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The following information should be submitted with the picture: Name, age, address, and telephone number of the individual taking the picture; identification of the scene or individuals in the picture; type of camera; speed and shutter opening (with cameras where this applies.)

Snapshots need not be of a local nature but have to be taken by residents living within the circulation area of the Torrance Press.

Size of the picture should be 5x7 inches or 8x10 inches, dull or glossy paper. If smaller they should be accompanied by the negative. Larger ones will be accepted.

All pictures may be picked up at the Torrance Press office at the end of the contest.

FAIR...

(Continued from Page 1) the Mounted Police and the Torrance Scout Center. Tickets for the Rodeo may be purchased at the fair grounds.

The Torrance Community Fair is sponsored annually by the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the service clubs and civic clubs of this area, with a distribution of profits being used by the service clubs for their charitable projects.

Mayor Albert Isen and other dignitaries will officiate in presenting to Miss Rosemary DeCamp and her husband, Judge John Shidler, a tribute to their activities in the Torrance civic and cultural history.

ANNEXATION...

(Continued from Page 1) Council asked its city manager Monday night to submit boundary descriptions to the Los Angeles County Boundary Commission.

Torrance City Manager George Stevens was charged by the City Council to take immediate action.

The issue must be decided by residents of the area.

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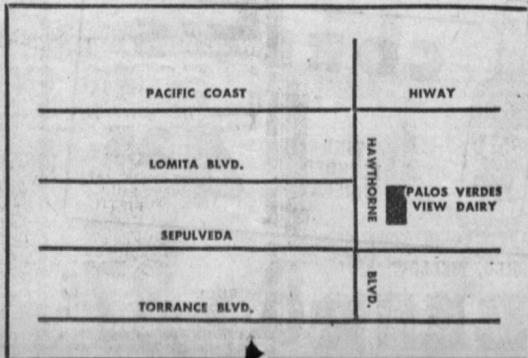
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