

Here at Home
By Maude Miller

Spring Thoughts

Mighty hard to realize, but Easter's coming along awfully soon now! So... some interesting and little known (we hope) facts about Easter: Takes its name from the Anglo-Saxon goddess, Eostre. She was considered goddess of light or spring time, and Anglo-Saxon tribes held a festival in her honor every April. In fact, people, as far back as history records, and probably even before, have greeted the Spring with celebrations... Idea of Easter eggs comes from ancient Egypt and Persia, being considered a sign of new life. White lilies, used so often as decorations for the holiday are a symbol of purity and light. Ever been puzzled as to why Easter comes at different times... not a set date like Christmas? The first Niene Church Council way back in 325 A.D. fixed Easter as the first Sunday after the first full moon on or after March 21. That clear? Earliest possible date of Easter is March 22, latest is April 25... Habit of wearing new clothes for the holiday goes way back too... just as old Mother Earth dresses herself in fresh green grass and fragrant flowers... so we mortals, female or male, decide its time to look gay and fresh. So don't feel guilty about buying that new outfit, Guys and Gals... there's lots of precedence for it... couple of thousand years at least!

Woman Side

Champagne fabric! Sound exciting? It is! That new look in a new Spring suit for the Easter parade. Mrs. L. says you've been asking for them... and she's got em! Champagne fabric... a "masterful blending of old-world silk with modern synthetic viscose and acetate" creates for you the natural beauty of this luxurious fabric. That's fashion magazine talk for a mighty good-looking material made into a stunning, soft, dress-maker type suit. In blue, rose or mint, with a mandarin collar, soft, natural shoulders, four fitting peplum on the fully lined jacket. Skirts are straight, with a deep back pleat for walking comfort. To finish the "perfect lady" look... a Paris styled hat from the fabulous new collection at the hat bar. Gee, you'll look pretty!

Girl Side

Teen agers, you rate a special department this week! Because Sam Levy Dept. Store has been doing some real concentrating on making you lovely and radiant this Spring. Frin'stance, Bonnie Blair has designed a black and white silk check, zippered and belted in back, full circle skirt, with pleated detail at the bottom. It's a Princess style to make you look and feel like a Princess! Then there's a washable cotton that looks like anything but a washable dress. Sophisticated and smart... aqua shirtmaker top, full, full skirt which has a black background printed with gay figures on mad unicyles. These aren't "little girl" stuff... they're perfectly proportioned adaptations of grown-up styles! For the really little girl... Sam Levy's got mouth-watering pink, full circle skirts decorated with jeweled bees! They'll make your little doll the queen bee of the Junior Set for sure!

Man Side

It's not for the Easter Parade... but it's cool! Those "Mexican Wedding Shirts," we mean. Styled in California for Californians by Cali-Craft, they are in great colors... toast, powder blue, maize and black, with large pockets and the easy collar outlined in squiggly embroidery. They're literally cool... and hand washable! Okay, Gentlemen, it's really time for that new suit! What's new in suits? At Sam Levy's there's an all-wool flannel, two-button, flap patch pockets, center vent... in light tan, light gray and charcoal. It's surprisingly inexpensive for a surprisingly good-looking suit! And we've still got the best looking sports coats anywhere! Like the McGregor in light gray flecked with char, or the light tan with an irregular oatmeal check. Just ask Ray for the Canberra Sport Coat. You'll like it!

Our Side

We'll see you at the El Camino Faculty Wives' Fashion Show tonight. All SAM LEVY DEPT. STORE Clothes. Naturally! Yes, the fellows are expected too! And after you have seen the stuff you'll want to rush right downtown, here at home to buy 'em. To 1311 Sartori... SAM LEVY DEPT. STORE. Naturally! (Advertisement)

Good Government Committee OK's Drale, Smith, Garrabrant

The Committee for Good Government, Torrance, has endorsed three candidates for election to the City Council of Torrance at the April 10 Municipal election, according to Ed Karlow, chairman of the large group of prominent and influential citizens which has been formed to bring greater development and better municipal affairs to the city.

Endorsed for re-election is Nickolas O. Drale, resident since 1933 who has served continuously on the City Council for eight years, part of this time as mayor. With the Columbia Steel Co. for 20 years, Drale now is in the real estate and insurance business.

The committee urges the election of Beverly B. Smith, president of the City Planning Commission for six years, resident for 38 years, and an employee of the National Supply Co. during that time. He now is superintendent of service and supply there. Also endorsed is Walter A. Garrabrant, general contractor who has lived in Torrance since 1947. He is former president of the Hollywood Riviera Home Owners Association, of the Redondo Rotary Club, and of the Bay chapter of the Building Contractors Association. He is serving his second term as a Director of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

"The Committee for Good Government," said Chairman Karlow, himself a former Torrance City councilman, "not only has a definite purpose and program, but is interested in seeing that the men we feel best qualified to carry out this program are elected as councilmen."

"We have investigated the qualifications of all the candidates, and we feel that the three candidates who have pledged themselves to our program should be elected."

"Not only do we urge all the voters to elect Nickolas O. Drale, Beverly B. Smith and Walter A. Garrabrant, but we ask our friends to work among their neighbors and acquaintances for these three fine men. There is much at stake in this very important election, for our community, our homes, our schools, our children. We need good men on our City Council, and we invite all those who agree with our program to join with us in this very important work."

Platform

The Committee for Good Government stands for: (1)—Separate school and municipal elections; (2)—A well-balanced city with sufficient industry, commerce, homes and schools; (3)—Fair play in all matters pertaining to Civil Service; (4)—Adequate police protection for all of Torrance; (5)—A Superior court for Torrance; (6)—Adequate drainage and floor control throughout the city; (7)—More parks, recreation facilities, and a closer understanding between the schools and city in the use of school and municipal recreation facilities; (8)—More off-street parking; economy, honesty, integrity and efficiency in government; (9)—Major highway and street development; (10)—Alertness at all times to curb delinquency; (11)—A chance for citizens to be heard and to vote on all controversial issues; (12)—To elect councilmen endorsing this program.

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Better Government Group OK's Jahn, King, Benstead

After careful elimination of the other 12 candidates, the newly organized Home Owners Association for Better Government, headed by retired police sergeant W. G. (Bill) Evans as president, announced today that it has selected three independent candidates to support in the April 10 municipal elections.

President Evans reported that the association has endorsed incumbent Victor E. Benstead, Jr., Robert B. Jahn, and William E. King for election to the three available seats on the City Council.

The association's executive board surveyed the entire field of 15 candidates early this week, he said, using a "simple but deadly" test for eliminating most hopefuls. To pass the test, a candidate had to represent the majority interests of Torrance's 73,000 residents and be unequivocally opposed to control and domination of the City Council by wealthy private interests.

Although a couple of other candidates also met the two requirements, Benstead, Jahn, and King were chosen, Evans pointed out, because they best filled both objectives and are men of "good personal reputation and integrity who most accurately represent the average citizen and home owner of greater Torrance."

"These three men give the voters a well balanced team that can be trusted to avoid selfish motives in their actions as servants of the people," Evans declared. "Among the considera-

tions in their selection were the following facts about each man."

FOR CITY COUNCIL
Torrance Airport Commissioner
ROBERT B. JAHN
President, Hollywood Riviera Homeowners
Torrance Lions Club — B. P. O. Elks Lodge 1378

FOR CITY COUNCIL
Past Commander, 23rd Dist. The American Legion
BARBARA JAHN and BOB JAHN
Candidate for Torrance City Councilman and their three children. Beverly; 4 months; Bart, 4; and Brian, 6.

Better Gov't Association Formed Here

Formation of a new, city-wide Home Owners Association for Better Government was revealed today simultaneous with an announcement that the group has systematically endorsed three independent candidates for election to the City Council on April 10. President of the new civic body is W. G. (Bill) Evans, recently retired Torrance police sergeant.

Evans was elected president at an organizational meeting early this week. Although himself a councilman candidate whose name will appear on the ballot, he had to cancel his own campaign plans after discovering that his retirement pension would be terminated if elected to public office in Torrance.

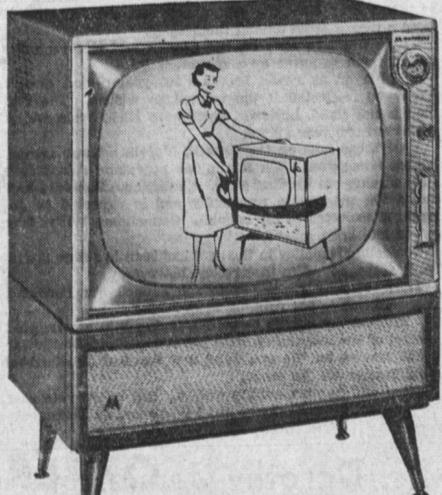
The Home Owners president who became well known throughout all of Torrance during 25 years on the police force, is widely recognized for his work in curbing juvenile delinquency through organized car clubs and youth groups. He has just been appointed by Mayor Albert Isen as chairman to organize a Torrance Traffic Safety Council in an effort to put a halt to the city's outbreak of traffic fatalities. He also is one of the community's most popular toastmasters.

Other officers elected by the new association are Mrs. Herma Tillim, well-known community affairs, especially the Police Reserves, and is a family man."

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