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"The Housing Plan," adopted by the Pacific Electric Railway for the purpose of providing housing facilities for its employes at Torrânce gives mute evidence- to the demand which has been made for homes in Southern California. Notwithstanding the tremendous building activity which has been evident in all sections, of Southern California during the past several years the Pacific Electric Railway found it necessary to adopt a plan whereby its employes at the Torrance shops could be aided in locating themselves in close proximity to their work. Many of the 700 employes of the company at Torrance, due to the lack of housing facilities in that vicinity, found it necessary to travel long distances overthe company's lines night and morning, resulting in an abnormal labor turnover and use of equipment which could to better advantage be used in handling the public. Despite the fact that the Pacific Electric has mdde material increases in its rolling stock lack of and delay in obtaining equipment ordered has been a serious obstacle in its operations.

For the purpose of overcoming existing difficulties, the Company appropriated a revolving fund of \$260,000 for the exclusive use of constructing and purchasing homes at actual cost, for its employees at the Torrance shops. Under the terme of the contract, employes may purchase a home up to \$4000, being required to pay only \$100 cash and the balance at the rate of 1 per cent permonth, the rate on deferred balance and the rate of 1 per cent permonth, the rate on deferred balance home up to \$4000, being required to pay only \$100 cash and the balance at the rate of 1 per cent permonth, the rate on deferred balance in of the home, or purchases it outright, after making appraisal and establishing its true value. The

nine months. The Company entire to the home, or purchases it outright, after making appraisal and establishing its true value. The employee then makes payments of 1 per cent monthly, direct to the Company. The only stipulation is that the purchase price of the home shall not exceed \$4,000, and in case the employee desires to pay more than this amount an additional cash payment is necessary. It has been found, however, that a very satisfactory and comfortable home can be purchased for \$4,000.00 and in many instances considerably less is required.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mahon were reek-end visitors in Red Canyon

visitors for five days last week at

eft Sunday to jain her sister in Gardena, and went to the beach, where they will stay for the summer, returning in September.
Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Allen were

sumptious dinner was served to

NOTICE!
The final meeting of the Torwill be held in Auditorium at 2:30
p. m., June 19, 1922. All members
and their friends are cordially invited. Program and Installation
of officers. A luncheon in Dominguez Land Co. Salesroom will be
given for members and their husbands only at 12:00 noon.

New H.S. Building On 17 Acres Five More Oil Wells To Be Keep Pay Roll **Contest Exciting** Drilled Near Torrance As The question of a Fiesta Queen is being discussed on the quiet in all quarters of Torrance. Keen competition will be the result this year for votes to elect the most popular young lady. It has been suggested that Gardena, Lomita, Keystone, Vista Heights and Harbor City, may furnish queens from these towns, who will act as attendants in the Torrance Queen's Court of honor. Fine idea, Cooperation is the keynote of great successes. Result of Good Showing

Del Amo Well No. 1 Continues to Make 900 Barrels Daiily Under Pressure, While Excitement Runs Wild On Joining Property Leases.

Union Tool Picnic Huge Success

Interest in the development of the Torrance Oil District has reached a point where men seekreached a point where men seeking investment are coming from all directions and looking over the field. Leasing of land and lease trading has been more active the past ten days than at any other time during the past year. Acreage is commanding higher prices since the Del Amo Well No. 1 came in over a week ago, and local investors have been feverishly active in closing on desirable tracts of five and ten acres in this section. Prices of land in the city limits, west, have soared the past week and everybody is sitting tight.

Five new oil derricks are under construction in the vicinity of the Chanslor-Canfield-Midway Well No. 1 and the Santa Fe Co. is erecting two derricks in the vicinity of the Standard Well on the Torrance Holding Company property, just inside the city limits. Provisions of leases on the acreage lying north of the active well, demand that work be started within thirty days after bringing in the Del Amo Well, and it ing investment are coming from

is presumed that before another three weeks this whole district will be dotted with oil derricks under construction and soon will resemble Signal Hill.

A steakly flow of the same high gravity oil continues at the Chanslor-Canfield-Midway We II No. 1 on the Del Amo Ranch, and about 900 barrells a day under pressure gushes into the large reservoirs that had been built for this particular well.

Cementing off in three other wells is now being done and when this phase of the work has passed the inactive stage, these wells will be brought in. Other wells in the district are on the top of the sand waiting completion. So far there is nothing but encouragement from all the wells and no disparaging news has been sent out.

In Torrance Park, the Keystone district and in Vista Heights, comes reports of activity from the different companies that have negotiated leases in these sections and residents are enthused over the news that actual work will be started within a few weeks.

Here Is Slogan

Keeping the pay roll in Torrance is a question that has been intermittently discussed for years. It blazes forth in anexciting appeal, at times, and then apparently is forgotten again for a time. But this time we believe something will be accomplished to "Keep Torrance Money in Torrance." A town that is goo denough to make your money in, is good enough to spend it in." The secretary of the Chamber of Commerce is on the job and we believe he will be instrumental in holding a big portion of the pay roll here before he is through. Announcements of progress will be made each week.

Vista Highlanders To Have Oil Well

Twenty-one land holders, representing eighteen acres of land; closed a lease to the Hub Petroleum Company, of the State of California last Thursday evening. This company is an Oklahoma Corporation, and has large holdings in nearby fields. Drilling will start on the "Vista Highlands Lease" in ninety days.

Farewell Dinner For Mrs. Dolley

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gourdier entertained a number of friends Tuesday evening at a farewell dinner in honor of Mrs. W. H. Dolly, who will leave in a short time to visit friends and reatives in Indiana. A very pleasant evening was spent with cards and music. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dolly, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stone, Harry Dolly, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gourdier.

Modern Woodmen To L. A. Camp

The Modern Woodmen of America, fifty strong, left here Wednesday evening, for the Los Angeles Camp, where they were guests of honor of that Lodge. Each wore a badge with the inscription, "Torrance, No. 16868," and had the honor of being at the top of the classe for membership drive during the month of May for the entire Southern California district.

Many Will Attend Smoker Tonight

Several of the Chamber of Commerce boosters of Torrance will attend the smoker at Glendale tonight, J. O. Stvenson, professional organizer of chamber of commerces is sure to have an excellent program. Redondo Beach and Long Beach will be represented also.

Monrovia Sees

Torrance P. T. A. held its final meeting of the year in the High meeting of the year in the High School Study room. This meeting which was for members and their husbands only was well attended; A good porgram hod been prepared; consisting of "The Flag Salute," selection by the High School Orchestra, a vocal duet by Misses Katherlyn Burnmaster and Jassamine Coker, acompanied by Misse Trotman. A istory of the P. T. A. from its organization until the present time was read by the historian for the coming year, Mrs. Milburn. Mrs. Kite then gave a group of two songs accompanied by Mrs. Fitzhugh. This was followed by a couple of selections by the orchestra, after which voting for the fern took place. Miss Green's room having the most present won the fern. This voting is always a sourch of much fun and friendly rivalry between the rooms. Professor Barnett then made some announcements that brought great joy to all of those interested in the school. The first being that the board of education had closed the contract for 17 1-2 acres and that Torrance now owns the site for a new high school. The second was that the "architects would soon be on the job." Professor Barnett also spoke a few words in commendation of the P. T. A. and its good work. He thanked them for their co-operation and help, saying tha the Torrance P. T. A. not only talked, but they got out and worked. Later in the everening the Professor made another announcement that also was good news to Torrance patrons of the school had been inspected by the state inspector on June 13 and was now an accredited school which means Torrance graduates may enter the state university on their high school credits without taking the entrance examinations.

The seven reel picture, "Solas Marner," was then shown. This was followed by an old fashioned spelling match, Jack Gay attired as an old time school master appointed George Proctor and Joe Stone as captains of the two sides and the fun began. The school master appointed George Proctor and Joe Stone as captains of the two sides and the fun began. The school master used Harrington's old s School Study room. This meeting which was for members and their

a draw.
Refreshments of strawberries and
cream, lady fingers and cocoa
closed a very enjoyable evening.

Maccabees Meet **Tuesday Evening**

The regular meeting of the Mac-cabee Review wes held Tuesday ev-ening with a full attendance of members. Two new members were initiated. A social hour was passed after which refreshments were

The regular meeting of the Child-ren's Order of the Court of Rose was held Tuesday afternoon,

The Redondo Beach Review is celebrating its 27th anniversary to-night, June 16, and has invited the Torrance Review to be present.

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Torrance Film

RANQUET FOR GRADUATES
The Philathea Class of the Baptist Church entertained at a banquet last Friday evening at the
home of Mr. and Mrs. Amel Anderson on Andreo street for the young
people of the church who will
graduate from the high school this
month. The honor guests were Miss
Virgil Pratt, who will graduate
from the Torrance High School, and
Mr. Melvin Kern. who will graduate The Torrance Film was shown in Monrovia Monday night when H. D. Pottenger explained the different reactures as they were flashed on the screen. A great deal of enthusiasm was manifest by business men of Monrovia as they saw the different industries working.

Saturday, June 10, was gala day for employees of the Union Tool Company. All roads led to Brookside Park, where a pleasant and smiling sun shown down on that beautiful place, seemingly for the express benefit of the merry makers. Two sections of the park were barely enough to accommodate the assemblage, but there was plenty of room to take care of the overflow and nowhere did the crowd become too dense. There were games and races for young and old, which held the attention of the major portion of the picnickers until about eleven o'clock, when a few surreptitiously handed out sandwiches, starting a stampede for the barbecued beeffichill beans, coffee and ice cream. The original plan to serve luncheon at high noon was upset right there. People were unanimous in expressing their delight at the dinner and to Messrs. W. E. B. Patridge and J. F. Stone, and their hardworking committee should give the credit for the efficient arrangements and grand spread. Seven special Y. T. Glee Club made a hit with all hands, especially those who had never heard it before, when the with all hands, especially those who had never heard it before, when shad in ever heard it before, when and the clever fancy dancing of two youngsters, whose homes we have youngsters, whose homes we have received by the crowd. Of course, our own George Procor, was Master of Ceremonies, but it remained for Mr. Partridge to deliver the address of welcome in only that manner and those words and with that feeling that has and with that feeling that has and with that feeling that has an innovation not exhauster to course, our own George Procor, was Master of Ceremonies, but it remained for Mr. Partridge to deliver the address of welcome in only that manner and those words and with that feeling that has an innovation not exhauster to course, our own George Procor, was Master of Ceremonies, but it remained for Mr. Partridge to few the address of welcome in only that manner and those words and with that feeling that feeling that feeling that feeling that feeli A New Athletic Association

About fifty citizens of Torrance met in Legion Hall last Monday for the purpose of organizing the Torrance Athletic Association.

The constitution and by-laws of the organization had been prepared by the Legion and a copy given to each person present. people of Torrance, whether they belong to the American Legion or not. The Legion offers to do nate the use of their Hall.

Mr. Bennett was appointed temporary chairman and two committees were formed—one to temporary chairman and two committees were formed—one to

secure names of prospective members, and one to obtain prices of athletic equipment. It is expected that we can get sufficient members to pay 6 months dues in advance, about \$5, it would be possible to buy enough equipment to get started in fine shape.

shape.
The meeting was adjourned until Monday, June 19, at 8 p. m., when the committee reports will be read and the organization formed.
If you are interested, be there.

Torrance Film in South Pasadena

large and entusiastic audience.

The Torrance Film was shown in South Pasadena last night to

Patronize our Advertisers.

Money! Money! Money!

The city treasurer, city attorney and two councilmen went in to Los Angeles and escorted the \$54,000.00 of street improvement coin to Torrance. The city dads wore some very broad smiles as they gathered around the official board and made definite plans for imediate commencement of work on our street pavins.

There is no use talking, Torrance is stepping off on the march of progress with a firm, sure tread, an erasof rapid growth is setting in and we are due for rapid development from this day on. The number of new people and business interests that are looking us over is increasing every

Fiesta Queen The Torrance Holding Company, one year old Tuesday, June 13, held their first annual meeting. Several members were absent, but a very enjoyable two hours were spent in reviewing the progress made on their first well on the tract. Plans for future operations were discussed and methods of handling the affairs of the company considered. Developments from the present will now being sunk on the property is being watched not only by stockholds of the Holding Company, but by all of Torrance, everyone ex-

quired.
Employees who have purchased their homes through the Company are unanimous in expressing their entire satisfaction and it is noteworthy that the 85 employes who have accepted the liberal offer of the Company during the year and a half the plan has been in effect, not a single instance has a purchased home reverted to the Company.

CASTLE APARTMENT NEWS

week-end visitors in red Canjon above Mojave.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Truesdale, with a party of relatives and friends on the Long Beach, left this week for a camping trip near San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brickley week et In order to lend their help to Gardena for the Chamber of Commerce drive which is now under full blast, and being conducted by J. O. Stevenson, porfessional organizer, H. D. Pottenger, local chamber of commerce secretary, and J. M. Fitzhugh, president of the city council, and Postmaster Gourdier; met with the executives of the drive last Tuesday night. A very enjoyable evening was the result of the visit.

the Erickson Camp, Big Bear Lake. Mrs. Edyth Barton and daughter

guests Sunday at the 29th wedding anniversary of Mr. Allen's brother anl wife, Mr. anl Mrs. Claude Allen of Huntington Park. The tables were laid and beautifully decorated on their lawn under the trees, and

Mrs. Cyrus Crosby passed Tues-day in Los Angeles. Mrs. Harry McManus was a Los Angeles visitor Tuesday.

Many Inquiries Since Oil Gushes

Attaches of the City Hall report scores of inquiries the past week regarding the possibilities and advantages for factory sites as well as home sites. Things are looking up, since the last issue of the "Herald" chronicling the development of the gusher oil well.

Torrance Holding

Company Meeting

by all of Torrance, everyone expecting the report of another good well soon.

Torrance Boost

Gardena Gets

BASE BALL DANCE

The Union Tool base ball team will give a dance at the American Legion Hall Tuesday evening, June 20. Avery's Orchestra will furnish the music and the proceeds will be used to purchase team equipment. Everybody invited. Tickets on sale at Torrance Pharmacy.

American Legion Brevities

Watch for the date of the nxet Legion dance. The Auxiliary ladies are craving another old fashioned good time.

It is hard to describe the surprised pleasure of the Legionnaires who have visited their building of late. A spic and span, brick and brand new gas range adorns our kitchen, many thanks to the Auxiliary.

want the whole town to know what the proposed athletic association really promises to be.

How about a football team for Torrance next fall?

Don't forget to explain the bond loan—not a gift. And one of the biggest thing ever proposed for the assistance of California exservice men.

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Comrade Frenger wanted to know what there was to look at in the galley.

Thanks, Comrade Frenger, for the neat little bulletin board which now hangs on our bulkhead.

No excuse now, Adjutant, for interest to Legionnaires.

We are now working tooth and nall to put across the Torrance Athalit to

Moves Into New Torrance Home

M. L. May moved his family to Torrance yesterday. The new seven room house is just completed for the reception of Mrs. May, daugh-ter and son. Mr. May is sales manager for the Dominguez Land Corporation.