

## A COMPLIMENT TO THE TORRANCE "ENTERPRISE"

What a Newspaper Means to a Small City

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President of Torrance Chamber of Commerce

I want to compliment the Proprietors of the TORRANCE ENTERPRISE on the quality of the paper which they are publishing for our benefit. I hear favorable comments from many of the citizens of Torrance. Even the ladies look forward to receiving it and read it before they do the daily paper from Los Angeles. Every family in Torrance should subscribe for the "ENTERPRISE" and get the local news.

A good local paper is a large factor in the growth and prosperity of a small city and we should support it with subscriptions and advertisements. The press is the medium through which people learn what is going on and through which things can be accomplished, which otherwise would not be a success. There are many things that should be done by the people of Torrance during 1921 that will add to its growth and prosperity and make it a better city to live and work in. These can be a greater success if everybody will take an interest in the TORRANCE ENTERPRISE, subscribe for it and see that your friends do likewise. Everyone should read this paper and know what is going on, for I fully believe that there will be big things going on here this year. See that your friends know about this paper.

I presume everyone in Torrance reads some Los Angeles paper every day, but those papers do not have much of our local news and say much about those things that are of vital importance to us in our home town.

I am quite sure that the editors would like to receive any local news that you can send in, so help out by sending them items of news that will be of interest and instruction to the people of Torrance.

I have always contended that there are two things a town needs to help its growth, a good newspaper and a hall. We have both and later will probably have larger ones. We must have a medium through which to let people know what is going on and to push things, and a community hall where the people can meet and discuss matters that pertain to the interests of the citizens.

### TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL

An informal luncheon was enjoyed last Tuesday noon by the entire Torrance faculty in honor of Mrs. Russell whose marriage took place recently. A cut glass bowl was presented to Mrs. Russell together with the wishes of her fellow workers.

On Friday morning, Miss Bartlett and Miss Stetler were entertained at a breakfast prepared by the cooking class of the eighth grade. Seelen McNeil and Mildred Richardson acted as host and hostess respectively and each performed the duties devolving upon her to the entire credit of their teacher Miss Helen Collier.

The second semester has begun and many pupils find themselves in new quarters. The kindergarten and first and second grade both morning and afternoon sessions are located in the bungalows while the sixth grade is now in the main building. The eighth grade were glad to leave their cramped quarters, formerly the teacher's rest room, to move into the first grade room which was made ready for them.

### HOW JAPS FLOCK HERE

How Japanese flock to Southern California is shown by the Federal census. According to figures furnished yesterday, 39.3 per cent of the Japs in California are in ten Southern California counties.

There are 70,707 Japs in the State, 27,817 of whom are in the ten southern counties.

The population in each of the ten counties follows:

County	Jap.
Los Angeles	19,503
Imperial	1,953
Orange	1,463
San Diego	1,373
Kern	333
Riverside	614
San Bernardino	519
San Luis Obispo	488
Santa Barbara	910
Ventura	661
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27,817</b>

### FRUIT, GRAIN VIA PANAMA

A few weeks ago a shipment of wheat went from Vancouver, Canada to Liverpool via the Panama Canal. But the Fruit Growers on the Pacific Coast are awakening to the fact that their fruit can get quicker and cheaper transportation to the Atlantic, by way of the Panama Canal. In the Eemidijk of the Holland Amerika line 19073 boxes of Washington apples, 11950 boxes of California apples 924 half-boxes of California pears and 480 boxes of Emperor grapes were loaded. The Eemidijk is a refrigerated steamer and the shipment took seven weeks to get across the Atlantic Ocean. The fruit arrived in perfect condition. Out of more than 30,000 boxes containing apples, only 183 required repacking. The cost of transportation and refrigeration was only \$1.60. This evening up in the matters of freight costs should induce the fruit growers who ship extensively to far east by the overland rail route to examine the possibilities of refrigerator ships on the Panama route, and no good shipping channels should be neglected.

### LOOKING FOR A RESUMPTION OF BUILDING ACTIVITIES

The opening of spring is confidently expected to furnish employment for a large number of men who today are without jobs. Whether that hope is realized will depend more than upon anything else upon the extent to which the general building industry survives.

The optimist believes that a house building boom is coming this spring, partially because he is an optimist but also because of factors in the situation which should encourage building. The first of these is that there is a serious shortage of houses, second is that prices of material are going to drop. The pessimist meets the first by pointing out, there is just as great a shortage of houses and second by saying the people will endure any discomfort rather than buy houses until the prices come down.

Whether house building goes on extensively or not there seems little doubt that a good deal of building will be done in a general way. There are quite a number of jobs that have been held up by the high cost of building. Another matter, was the difficulty of getting the contractors to bid on the jobs owing to the uncertainties of labor and material costs. That difficulty has been overcome, not so much by the steadying of costs as by the conviction that if changes do come in the market after tenders are in they will be to the advantage of builders and not a menace to the profit margin.

### TESTED RECIPES

#### Norwegian Pudding

Cook 1-2 pound prunes until soft and chop fine. Add 1 inch of stick cinnamon, 2 cups water, 1-2 cup sugar and the peel of 1-2 orange. Simmer 10 minutes. Add 2 rounded tablespoons cornstarch and cook five minutes. Remove cinnamon and orange peel, chill and serve with cream. Delicious and a pleasing variation in cooking the inexpensive prune.

#### Baked Egg Omelet

Two eggs, ½ cup sweet milk, ¼ cup bread crumbs, pinch of salt. Soak bread in milk, add beaten yolks and lastly whites beaten to a stiff froth. Bake in buttered dish about 20 minutes.

#### Cream of Parsnip Soup

Scald 1 pint of milk with a slice of onion. Remove onion and add milk to ½ cup cooked parsnips, rubbed through a sieve. Season with salt and pepper, thicken with 1½ tablespoons flour moistened with a little milk, and add 1 tablespoon butter. This makes a very delicious luncheon dish and is a change from the more common cream soup.

Statistics are wonderful: If all the phonograph records made in this country in one year were placed in a pile they would topple over.

A New York woman advertised for a husband, and got one, and is now being sued for alienation of affections. It is safer to advertise for a single man.

### CIRCULAR CHARGES RECEIVE BIG JOLT

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Inated themselves to the offices," is absolutely false and a gross misrepresentation, and tends to injure the reputation of each and all of the candidates and should be discontinued in no equivocal language.

Six of the eight men named above: Messrs. Gilbert, Fitzhugh, Dolley, Deininger, Luck and Long were never even remotely connected with the plans for incorporation and only consented to become candidates after being urged to do so by the Citizens' Committee, which was and still is of opinion that said men are honest and trustworthy citizens of Torrance and competent to fill the respective offices. None of the candidates are or ever have been members of this Citizens' Committee. True, Messrs. Proctor and Bartlett, together with Messrs. Sammons, Paige, Parks, Gourdier, and Bennett were appointed at a public mass meeting of the citizens of Torrance called by the Chamber of Commerce of Torrance and held last August, as an Incorporation Committee, to determine boundary lines, and draft and circulate a petition requesting the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County to hold the election for incorporation, and to represent those favoring incorporation before the Board of Supervisors. Judge for yourself as to their responsibility. Mr. Sammons is a contractor, Mr. Paige a grocer, Mr. Proctor a foreman in the Union Tool shops, Mr. Parks is the Torrance plumber, Mr. Gourdier is the Torrance postmaster and Mr. Bennett is accountant for Llewellyn Iron Works. Never has any citizen of Torrance inferred that any of these men were not responsible business men, until the circulation of the fatherless hand-bills.

As such an Incorporation Committee the above committee of seven men are not to be confused with the present Citizens' Committee which latter is a self constituted body of Torrance citizens whose names are subscribed to this announcement, and whose sole objects are to set before the people of Torrance the truth regarding incorporation, and regarding the candidates, and to see that at least one honest and trustworthy candidate is before the people for each office to be filled. Other Torrance Citizens desirous of furthering these objects will be welcomed as members of this committee.

It is ridiculous for anyone to make the assertion as does the unnamed writer of the above advertisement that the candidates nominated themselves. Every qualified voter knows that a candidate cannot even circulate his own nomination petition. It has also been explained in last week's issue of this paper that no one can sign the nomination paper of more than one candidate for any office, so that this committee which at that time consisted of only twelve citizens, nine of whom signed the nomination petitions for the various candidates named above, had not the power to nominate any other candidates had they desired to do so.

Every voter knows also that the name of any candidate can be written in on the ballot and any one wishing to become a candidate after the time for filing petitions has expired has but to announce that fact to the public in order to become such candidate which facts render absolutely childish and absurd the statements that the candidates are saying "You've got to elect us because we are the only nominees." It is an insult to the voter to infer that he is ignorant of the right he possesses to insert on the ballot the names of any other candidates. Everyone knows of this and at least one candidate is requesting the people to so insert his name. Mr. Charles H. Long, who has become a candidate and been endorsed by this committee since the withdrawal of Mr. Luck.

Reference in the above circular to "the D. L. Co." which we interpret to mean the Dominguez Land Company are so absolutely without reason that they do not deserve comment. Suffice it to say that the very act of incorporation will absolutely free the city from the Dominguez Land Co., and is the only thing that will do so.

Instead of suggesting any possible method whereby the Dominguez Land Co. might give to Torrance the wrong "kind of deal" after incorporation, the unnamed individual who circulated the anonymous advertisement very designedly ask a question which conveys the idea that the Dominguez Land Co. may possibly have it in its power to wield some kind of control over Torrance.

The further statement that they (the D. L. Co.) "knows a trusted employee of theirs will be elected to the most important office," shows the metal calibre of the writer of the anonymous paper just as

clearly as his failure to assume responsibility for his statements shows his moral strength. The "trusted employee" spoken of is doubtless Mr. Deininger, who is candidate for the office of city clerk, which office requires a high degree of skill as an accountant, and which on account of the necessity of keeping accurate records is a very important office, however the city clerk has no voice whatever in the management or government of the city or in the expenditure of money.

All matters of policy and finance and government are entirely in the hands of the five trustees, none of the candidates for which offices are even remotely connected with the Dominguez Land Co. Any inference or assertion that Mr. Deininger could, even though he were disposed, take any action favorable to the Dominguez Land Co., is absolutely groundless.

All the officers of the city will be fully bonded as required by law to protect the city against any possible breach of duty.

For the information of everyone we quote the section of the Penal Code of California numbered 62a:

62a—Circulation of Anonymous Circulars Referring to Political Candidate. A Misdemeanor.

Every person who intentionally writes, prints, posts, or distributes or causes to be written, printed, posted, or distributed, any circular, pamphlet, letter, or poster, which is designed or intended to injure or defeat any candidate for nomination or election to any public office by reflecting upon his personal character or political action, unless there appears upon such circular, pamphlet, letter, or poster, in a conspicuous place, either the name of the chairman and secretary or the names of two officers at least of the political or other organization issuing the same, or the name and residence, with the street and number thereof, if any, of some voter of this State, and responsible therefor, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(Signed)

Alfred Gourdier, Chairman Citizens' Committee; W. T. Klussman, J. Fess, G. E. Townsend, W. Von Hagen, H. E. Paige, P. F. Brum, L. Parks, Geo. D. Watson, L. F. Bennett, Perry G. Briney, J. M. Croley, C. J. Croley, Roy H. Flood, Arthur Mullin, G. W. McKenzie, Guss Bray, R. L. Rigg, G. Woodward, Dock White, Richard Kite, C. H. VanHellen, S. R. Ludlow, L. J. Smith, Miss C. Barnett, W. J. Dy- maid, F. V. Lessing, J. M. Guyan.

Harry Double, J. E. McMaster, R. D. Pearson, J. S. Babcock, H. W. Roberts, J. Isenstein, I. G. Anderson, Mrs. Phoebe J. Tolson, D. C. Turner, B. Rappaport, J. S. Lancaster, C. A. Paxman, Geo. W. Neill, James W. Post, L. V. Babcock, H. M. Tolson.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

CARL BASSETT

Well named "whirlwind" evangelist will preach a good gospel sermon every night during the coming week with the exception of Saturday. His titles for Sunday are:

Morning: "Power, and How to Get It."

Evening: "Turning Loops in an Aeroplane."

### HAWAIIAN MUSIC

Mr. and Mrs. Kahaie are recently from Hawaii and they play on the ukelele and steel string guitar. They will be with us Friday evening, February 4th. This will be young people's night, and a special program of interest is assured.

### A CONVERTED CARTOONIST

Ernest Hansell, blackboard artist, will give a special chalk talk Thursday evening, January 27th, at the hour of 7:30. Mrs. Hansell, soprano, will sing. Carl Bassett will preach on the topic: "The Suicide's Question." A pleasing feature of this evangelist campaign is the special music which is being arranged for, something every night. E. H. Doty, baritone of the South Park Baptist Church male quartette and Mrs. Kite have this matter in hand. If you are not there every night you will miss something.

"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."—1 Tim. 1:15. First Baptist Church of Torrance, Cabrillo and 220th street.

### MISSIONARY MEETING

The Reading Circle of the Lomita Ladies' Aid met for study at the church Thursday afternoon, January 20th. Mrs. L. J. Hunter had charge of the study, "Christian Americanization" and a real live, interesting meeting was enjoyed. An added feature of much interest were two personal letters read by Mrs. Clark from friends in the Philippines. The one from China being a young lady who had gone from their church in Placerville, California.

## Free Illustrated Lecture

Lomita School Auditorium

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4th  
7:30 p. m.

Speakers: Mr. Waterhouse, II. Willard Todd, Chas. E. Ware.

This meeting will mark the beginning of an annual singing contest among the boys and girls of Lomita.

All Come—Everybody Welcome.

### Young Men's Bible Class Meet

Twenty-two young men met at the home of Mr. Andem, Gramercy Avenue, last Saturday evening and had a very enjoyable time. These young men are members of, and the nucleus of, the Young Men's Bible Class at the First Baptist Church, which is expected to be increased in membership to fifty at least. A business meeting was held and officers and several committees will be announced at a banquet to be held by the Class on February 19, at the Hall in the Steffen building. The young men decided not to hold any entertainment while Evangelist Bassett is holding meetings at the church.

It was arranged to have a Base Ball Team formed, and probably a Basketball Team. The class promises to become a large and strong organization for good in our community. Nineteen of the young men attended the class last Sunday morning at 9:30. All young men not attending Sunday School are invited.

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