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## MRS. DIKE LAID TO REST FRIDAY

The last sad rites were paid Mrs. Sarah M. Dike, late resident of Torrance, at the funeral chapel in Gardena last Friday morning at 10:00 o'clock. Immediately afterward the body was shipped to San Diego, where many friends called between the hours of 10:00 to 3:00 o'clock Saturday to pay their last respects to a dear friend. The chaplain from the U. S. S. Prairie, of which her son is one of the crew, conducted a short prayer service at the chapel and at the grave. Many beautiful floral designs were placed around the casket, twelve of these being presented by the crew of the Prairie and the two orders of Eastern Star of San Diego. Interment was made in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

## ENTERTAIN ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. C. A. Paxman of Two Hundred and Tenth street entertained in honor of Mrs. Lucy Paxman on Tuesday afternoon, this day being Mrs. Paxman's birthday anniversary. The honoree has been visiting here with her son and daughter-in-law for several months, her eastern home being in Vermont State. The guests were Mrs. Nellie Zuer, Mrs. Reeve, Mrs. Anna Burmaster, Mrs. Crossitt, Mrs. J. G. Gay and Mrs. C. Garner. Refreshments of ice cream were served.

## REPEAT CANTATA

The Junior Chorus of seventeen voices of the Central Church, Mr. Van Hellen director, motored to Anaheim Sunday evening and gave the Easter Cantata, "The Disciple," by Diebel, at the church. Mrs. W. H. Neelands presided at the piano, while Mr. P. G. Briney read the story. The singing was rendered very beautifully before a large audience and was greatly appreciated. There were four soloists, Dorothy Howe, Francis Hayes, Johanna Neelands and Rosaline Paige.

## CAFETERIA DINNER SUCCESS

The cafeteria dinner given by the Ladies Guild of Central Church was well attended, many parties of four, six and ten having reserved tables ahead. The proceeds were about \$60. The Guild extends thanks to the public for their support and also the merchants and others who so kindly donated and helped to make the affair a success. The next regular meeting will be held in the church parlors.

## PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Order of Eastern Star of Gardena will give a five-course six o'clock progressive dinner Saturday evening, April 30th, at Gardena. The menu reads as follows:

Courses	Places
Cocktail	Mrs. J. D. Green (Corner Walnut and Wallen St.)
Fish	Follow the Leader
Salad	Ask Your Chauffeur
Chicken	Tell You Later
Desert	Wait and See

Tickets, \$1.00.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the O. E. S. Chapter of Gardena and Torrance members, Torrance school faculty and neighbors and friends for the kindness and sympathy given us during the recent illness and death of Mrs. Dike.

S. C. DIKE, R. C. DIKE AND RELATIVES.

## M. R. OSBORNE ELECTED TO SUCCEED THE LATE J. S. TORRANCE

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Dominguez Land Corporation held in the corporation's office in Los Angeles, Mr. M. R. Osborne was elected to succeed the late J. S. Torrance as General Manager and directing head of the Dominguez Land Corporation.

## WAR VETERAN OPERATED ON

Mr. S. L. Bonnett, an employee at the Union Tool Co., was operated upon Saturday at the Golden State Hospital for the removal of a growth. Latest reports are that he is recovering.

## ARRIVES FROM MANILA

After an absence of a little more than a year and a half, R. O. Denison, an old-time resident of Torrance, arrived home Sunday morning. Mr. Denison left the Philippines the middle of March, the trip homeward consuming nearly a month. This, however, did not represent the sailing time, but as many days were pleasantly passed on stopovers at Shanghai, Canton and other points, made the journey exceedingly interesting. In that it gave passengers an opportunity for side trips at the various ports of call. At Canton eight days were given passengers for recreation and voyages were taken into the interior points of interest near by. A short stopover was had at Honolulu, the voyage ending at San Francisco. Mr. Denison sees great opportunities in the Orient and is quite favorably impressed with that country. His plans for the future have not as yet been definitely decided.

## COUNTRY CLUB BOOMING

Application blanks for membership to the Torrance Country Club are being circulated this week by W. H. Gilbert, president of the association, and reports are that he is meeting with the most flattering success. Many subscriptions have voluntarily been offered with the first payment made.

## DINNER PARTY

Mrs. F. F. Denning of South Pasadena, Mrs. Lola B. Douglas of Stowe, Vermont, and Mrs. H. L. Billings were the week-end guests of Mrs. W. H. Gilbert. A delicious turkey dinner was served Sunday, and the party spent a pleasant day reviewing the Country Club site. Mrs. Billings, mother of Mrs. Gilbert, is leaving Tuesday for Worcester, Mass., to spend the summer with relatives. She expects to return after the holidays, if it does not get too cold.

## TORRANCE MERCHANTS WIN

The Torrance Merchants added another to their string of victories today when they defeated the A-Diamond Tailors of Los Angeles, the final score standing at 10 to 1. During the lull between seasons reorganization, and so forth, we are glad to note that the Torrance Merchants keep pretty well together, and they keep going strong. We are looking for them to be worthy contenders for the pennant of the summer league.

## NEW MANAGER

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Melbourne are recent arrivals in Torrance and are in charge of the well-known Rock-Bottom stores on Carson avenue, in the Steffen block. Mr. Melbourne has been with the Federal Company, who operate the Rock-Bottom stores, for five years, and is thoroughly experienced in the grocery business, and Mrs. Melbourne must be mentioned in equal terms. But it is not experience alone that counts. It is that indefinable thing which we call treatment that is of immense importance in any business, and you will always be pleased after a call at the Rock-Bottom grocery.

## NEW HOME COMPLETED

F. Sammons, contractor, has just completed a beautiful bungalow on Carson street for Mr. and Mrs. C. Dobrick. They sold their home recently on Cota avenue and now occupy their new home.

## TO ENLARGE P. E. SHOPS

The Pacific Electric shops that burned at Redondo recently are not to be rebuilt. The Torrance shop will be enlarged sufficiently to care for the extra work. Plans for the additions are being worked out now and it is expected that a large number of employees will move to Torrance to take up their duties in the near future.

Mrs. Martha Thomas of Long Beach has purchased a lot on the corner of Arlington and Redondo Boulevard.

## MANY LOCAL EVENTS TAKING PLACE

The next meeting of the Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church will be held at the home of Mrs. Gascoyne May 19th. Mrs. J. Cloyd Garner and Mrs. Gascoyne will be the hostesses.

Mrs. Helen Billings, mother of Trustee Gilbert, and Mrs. Lola Douglass, a cousin of the Gilberts, are leaving today for their home in Vermont.

W. C. Harris and family joined B. F. Wayt and family and took a most enjoyable motor trip through the canyon back of Hollywood on Sunday.

Mrs. Lucy Reeves has received a message telling her of the very serious illness of a sister, Mrs. Katherine Tyner, of Jacksonville, Ill. Her death is hourly expected.

While walking to church service Sunday evening Mrs. Harvey Haines of North Arlington had the misfortune to step into a rough hole left in the asphalt pavement near Engracia and Arlington streets. Mrs. Haines' injury at last accounts seems to involve injury to the knee as well as to the small bones of the foot. It is expected an X-ray will be necessary to determine the full extent of the trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Paige drove to Anaheim for the Junior Choir concert, having as their guests Lieut. Fay McAdorie of the Idaho and his wife.

## SURPRISE PARTY

The younger set surprised Miss Helen Tiffany on her 16th birthday Saturday evening at her home on Gramercy street, when they gathered unostentatiously and slipped into her home before she was unaware. Those present were: Misses Mary Jessome, Kathryn Burmaster, Helen Neill, Virgil Pratt, Virginia Watson, Ione Barnett, Gwendalyn Miller, Salina Williams, Ruth McKenzie, Marie Patton and Messrs. Douglas Collins, Wilbert Weatherwax, Harold King, Karl Von Hagen, Kingsley Tufts, Linues Adams, Dewey Quigley and Ralph Beall. Included in the program was the dancing of the Virginia Reel. Delicious refreshments were served and everyone had a wonderfully good time.

## CO-OPERATION

Co-operation is to be the watchword of the city administration. The newly elected board of trustees, who will form the administrative policy of Torrance, are expected to take oath of office this week. Work will begin immediately. One of the policies will be: "The people put us in office. Let the people guide us to run the city for them." All questions of importance will be brought before the Chamber of Commerce, where the people will have the opportunity to learn all the facts about the administrative policy and vote upon all questions before the trustees take action thereon.

## CENTRAL EVANGICAL CHURCH

El. L. Weatherwax, Pastor. Sunday school at 9:30. Rev. Geo. Streit, supt. Morning service 10:45 sermon by pastor. Evening service with song and sermon, 7:30. Rev. Otto Spreng will preach. Young People's Alliance, 6:30. Leader, Rev. Otto Spreng. Choir rehearsal, Wednesday eve., at 7:30. Mr. C. H. VanHellen at the piano and Mrs. P. G. Briney, directing. Prayer meeting Thursday evening. Robert Spencer will lead. Ladies Guild will hold their monthly meeting Thursday at 2:30.

## TIDAL WAVE

At eleven o'clock Monday morning a tidal wave struck the harbor at Avalon, when the boats that lay at their moorings were raised high out of the water.

"Europe seems to hate three things, England, Wilson and work."

## AMERICAN LEGION EVENTS OF INTEREST

Adjutant L. V. Babcock of the Torrance Legion Post is all swelled up these days. If you desire an introduction just look over the new bank notes turned out by the First National. L. V. has been on the job of late and has sent each member of the Post a good supply of tickets to the next Legion dance, which is to be held one week from next Saturday night.

Don't forget the date, May 7, 1921. Don't forget to get your tickets early. You can secure them from any member. He has a good supply and is anxious to rid himself of all of them at four bits per. And don't forget the place, the Ironton Hotel Dining Room, which will be fitted up in gala attire, with an orchestra 'n' everything, for an enjoyable time. Mr. A. W. Meiner, proprietor of the Ironton, is going to serve the eats, which are bound to be good.

It has been learned that Comrade E. B. Fawks has leased an apartment in the El Prada Apartments in which he intends to ensconce himself and bride in the very near future. Ernie, as he is known by to his friends, will now be able to attend a meeting, that is, providing he gains permission from the proper authority.

Comrade Swisher L. Bonnett, who has recently undergone a very serious operation at the Crocker Street Hospital, Los Angeles, is reported to be getting along very nicely. His buddies and friends will be glad to learn of this, and it is hoped that he will soon return to our midst. All members and friends are urged to call and cheer him up a bit.

## A JOLLY PARTY

The McKinley Inn was in its best "bib-and-tucker" Friday evening for a "Magical Monarch of Mo" party, as Forest McKinley entertained a party of young friends. Mr. Warren Webster, who is a guest at the inn, entertained the children with magic "stunts," much to the delight and excitement of all. There seems to be an abundance of talent in Torrance. Frances Haynes, Johanna Neeland and Dorothy Howe sang some charming songs. Later the entire party joined in singing lustily familiar choruses. Those present to enjoy the occasion were the Misses Frances Haynes, Dorothy Howe, Johanna Neeland, Vera Davis, Hazel Clark, Frances and Gertrude Anderson and Lois Zuer. The boys were James and Nevell Waite, Harry Phillips, Nealcolm Gardner, Melvin and Francis McFarland, Robert Kemble, Peary Quigley, Earl Bacon, William Diamond, Harwood Clark and George Dobrick. After delicious refreshments were served all decided Forest was a hundred per cent good Torrance host and bid him good night.

## PRASE FOR CHAUTAUQUA

Chautauqua directors and talent are real Torrance BOOSTERS. Letters of appreciation and gratitude are being received daily from those that entertained us last week. One and all say that they received more aid and assistance in Torrance than any place they have visited on their circuit so far. The publicity spirit was installed into them, and they are showing their appreciation and gratitude by helping put Torrance on the map.

Mrs. Helen O'Leary of N. Arlington, Mrs. Lottie Leonard of Gardena and Mrs. Chas. Mueller of Vista Heights, visited the "Willing Worker's Club," of the Amaranths at the home of Mrs. Geo. Miller of Sixty-fourth Street, Los Angeles, Friday.

Mrs. H. C. Ainsworth of 2012 Andree, wishes to announce that she has received a shipment of Sport Hats, ideal for Beach wear. All shapes and colors for Ladies and Children. Reasonable prices.—Advertisement.

The secretary of the publicity committee announces that the new four-page folders are in the hands of the printer and will be out Monday.

## PLANS BEING DRAWN FOR TORRANCE COUNTRY CLUB BY L. A. ARCHITECT

Plans and specifications for the Torrance Country Club are being drawn by Julius W. Krause, associated with the T. Beverly Kelm Jr. Architect Co., 716 Hesp Bldg., Los Angeles. Mr. Krause was in Torrance Wednesday and went over the grounds and pronounced the contour the most wonderful and adaptable for a club house site and golf links. Engineers will also prepare maps of the contour of the acreage, and state that the subject they have to work from is most ideal. Mr. Krause was the architect for the Lomita \$50,000 School building at Lomita several years ago.

## FORD SEDAN RAFFLED

Those who have purchased tickets for the Ford Sedan will be interested to know that the raffle will occur on May 19, at the West Ebbell Club, Forty-eighth street and Western Avenue, at 8:30 o'clock P. M. Frank Sammons, who has sold many of the tickets, invites those who are interested to be present that night as there is to be a big street dance and concert both by the West Ebbell Club and the Western Avenue Association, the latter affair to celebrate the completion of the paving of Western Avenue from Adams to Fifty-Fourth Street. Don't overlook an opportunity to enjoy a good time at this celebration and dance—May 19. You may win a Ford Sedan, too.

## CONTRACTOR BUSY

Mr. Nelson H. Reeve, contractor of Torrance, has just completed a six-room house for Mrs. R. S. Walker of Redondo. On the same day that Mr. Reeve moved his tools out Mrs. Walker moved in. In fact, the house was completed within thirty-one days from the time of the signing of the contract, which proves the efficiency of Mr. Reeve as a contractor. Mrs. Walker was so well pleased with her new home and the contractor that she purchased her furnishings from the Torrance Hardware Company, and after visiting Torrance was most pleased with the city.

## PROMINENT MERCHANT IS ARRESTED IN LOS ANGELES

Failure to comply with traffic rule, Mr. Jacob Isenstein, prominent merchant, was arrested in Los Angeles Monday and ordered to appear in court Tuesday noon. He left his "Lizzy" running near a fire plug on Seventh and Main streets, Los Angeles, "for just a minute." All this commotion was caused, Mr. Isenstein says, because he was trying to "give someone a lift to Torrance."

## DINNER PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bruno of Cota avenue entertained relatives at a dinner party Sunday, Mrs. H. L. Longshore, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Paget, Mrs. Richards and Mrs. Harr, all of Los Angeles, being present.

## LEGION DANCE

Adjutant L. V. Babcock of the American Legion Post No. 170, Torrance, announces a dance to be given by the post in the Ironton Hotel, Torrance, Saturday evening, May 7th.

## FROM NEW YORK

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Clark and son, Kenneth, and Mrs. Mac Adam of Rochester, New York, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sach of Cota avenue.

## NOTICE

The Chamber of Commerce would like to have suggestions for a slogan for Torrance. Put your thinking cap on and hand us something good at the meeting next Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Black purchased a lot on the Northeast Corner of Anapola and 214th streets and are planning to erect a new home. A. H. Bartlett made this sale.

## UNION TOOL TEAM IN FAST GAME

Saturday, April 23. Today the mighty Alexander and his Colored Giants paid Torrance a visit, only to carry away with them the semi-professional baseball championship of Southern California, grabbed from the Union Tool team by one aggravating little score. The game ended when the third U. T. man was out, which is saying a whole lot.

The smokes annexed five runs in the first inning, and a good portion of the crowd started for home. Of course, from then on it was a hard up-hill fight for the U. T. boys, and the grade was too much for them. Kessler, pitching for the U. T. team, could not get started, and it was not seen fit to yank him out, and he was hit all over the lot. We have often wondered where Kessler got his reputation as a hurler. It has been intimated to us that he has never gone up against a real baseball team.

The Giants' hurler played one of the best games we ever saw on the local field, and but for his support would have won his game much easier. A batted ball to the infield meant a runner safe on first base. He would loosen up and walk two or three men, and then begin to pitch.

Along about the fourth inning the U. T. boys got into their stride and commenced to hit the ball for all there was in it, and played real baseball for the rest of the game, piling up a total of ten scores, one less than those annexed by the dusky lads.

It was peculiar to see Bonett and Lowry walk up to the plate, whiff to three and return meekly to the bench. But it was sublime to see our left fielder walk up and unvarnishedly smack one into safe territory.

Action was paramount throughout the game, errors were not a few, and the comics, typical to our colored brethren, made an enjoyable affair of the whole game.

On Saturday, April 30, another Los Angeles colored team, the Morrison Giants, will play the locals on our home ground.

## TENNIS CLUB MEET

The members of the Torrance Tennis Club met Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Barnett. The evening was spent playing five-hundred. Mrs. Geo. Greaves won the first prize for the ladies, Mr. Arthur Hodges outpointing the gentlemen for first prize. The consolation prizes were won by Mrs. May McKinley and the Hon. Geo. A. Proctor. Those present were Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Lancaster, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Neeland, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Von Hagen, Mrs. Harry McManus, Mrs. Geo. Greaves, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rapaport, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Smith, Mrs. May McKinley and Miss Clara Barnett. The next meeting of the club will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Greaves.

## ANNUAL PICNIC

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Double, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stone motored to Santa Monica Tuesday to look over grounds convenient for the city and Union Tool annual picnic to be held some time during the summer months.

## OCCUPY NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Harris of Vista Highlands have moved into their new home in Vista Heights, and will be pleased to receive their many friends. Mrs. Harris was one of the live boosters that organized the Neighborhood Club, which eventually will be "the Torrance Woman's Club."

## FROM INDIANA

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Wise of Gramercy avenue entertained a party of friends from Muncie, Ind., last week. Mrs. James Evans, Mrs. Fred Cooper and Mr. Earl Evans. All went to Catalina on Monday for a pleasure trip.