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## EDISON CO. REDUCES RATES

Edison Company has voluntarily reduce electric charges one cent per kilowatt hour, or from the present maximum rate of nine cents to eight cents, a reduction of eleven per cent, affecting one hundred and twenty thousand consumers outside of Los Angeles, the Southern California Edison Company has announced.

Manager C. E. Houston has advised from Vice-President M. Kennedy of the filing of the new schedules, which when approved by the Railroad Commission will become effective from and after January 1, 1922.

In a communication to District Manager Houston concerning the proposed rate reduction, Vice-President Kennedy says: "In order to do as much as possible toward reducing cost of living, the Southern California Edison Company has been advised to make a reduction of rates for the months past."

"I am sure that there has not been reduction in the cost of labor, the company has maintained a level of wages to employees, but the other hand, there has been increase in the efficiency of the plant, has helped materially in reducing costs of operation, making possible the reduction in rates announced."

The change in lighting rates become effective almost immediately, and during the darkest part of the year, it will mean a considerable lowering of the light bills of all consumers on the system.

Experts are making a thorough investigation and comparison of schedules for service to industrial and commercial consumers, and it is expected that some reduction will be announced in these rates of service in the very near future.

The readjustment of its rates is the company's desire to eliminate inequalities which may have existed during the past year's operation, and to so arrange the rates that they will be equitable to all classes of consumers.

## RENEW STAGE FIRST ANNUAL BALL

Last Saturday evening the Torrance Volunteer Fire Department held its first annual dancing party at the American Legion Building. The music was furnished by the McColored jazz orchestra, and the evening was well pleased. In spite of rain, the hall was packed to capacity and most of the crowd still present when the music ended. To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levy first prize for the waltz, while W. Webster and Mrs. Ecklund awarded second prize. Messrs. Brown, Al Harder and Messrs. F. H. Clark and D. E. Aiken as judges.

The affair was a complete success both from a social and financial point.

Guest Funder of Los Angeles a guest Sunday at the home of sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kite of South Arlington. Mrs. Kite's home is in St. Louis. She has been in California a year but Monday morning for the middle of the holidays.

**Torrance Theatre**  
PROGRAM

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26  
David Powell in "Appearances"  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27  
Ethel Clayton in "Sham"  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28  
Dorothy Gish in "The Ghost In The Garret"  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29  
Dorothy Dalton in "Behind Masks"  
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30-31  
Richard Dix, Louise Lovely, John Bowers and other  
Stars in a Special Feature  
Reginald Barker's Production, "Poverty Of Riches"  
And Charles Hutchison in "Hurricane Hutch"  
News Reel and Comedy  
SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 1922  
Norma Talmadge in "The Moth"  
Larry Seaman Comedy and Pathe News  
Coming—Friday and Saturday, January 6th and 7th  
Gloria Swanson in "The Great Moment"  
Show Starts Every Evening at 6:30 Second Performance at 8:30  
MATINEE EVERY SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P. M.  
MR. and MRS. J. C. McVEY, Managers

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lots 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22, block 90, Torrance tract.  
December 5—Reeves, Torrance, lot 21, block 25, Torrance tract.  
December 6—Susan Smith, Long Beach, lot 4, block 62, Torrance tract.

December 6—Miller Fox, Santa Monica, lot 25, block 59, Torrance tract.  
December 6—Henry Fox, Santa Monica, lot 26, block 59, Torrance tract.

December 7—Joseph Fox, Santa Monica, lot 23, block 59, Torrance tract.

December 7—Caroline A. French, Los Angeles, lot 17, block 92, Torrance tract.

December 7—H. R. Smith and party, Long Beach, lots 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26, block 62, Torrance tract.

December 9—H. R. Smith and party, Long Beach, lots 1 and 24, block 91, Torrance tract.

December 9—H. R. Smith and party, Long Beach, lots 1 and 24, block 55, Torrance tract.

December 9—J. A. Hunter, Long Beach, lot 8, block 88, Torrance tract.

December 9—G. W. Reed, Long Beach, lot 8, block 88, Torrance tract.

December 9—Kate McCaughrin, Long Beach, lot 5, block 62, Torrance tract.

December 9—A. D. C. Walker, Santa Monica, lots 21 and 22, block 92, Torrance tract.

December 9—F. Henry Shultz, Long Beach, lots 2 and 3, block 4, Torrance tract.

December 10—C. C. Abbott, Santa Monica, lot 8, block 67, Torrance tract.

December 10—J. A. Hunter, Long Beach, lots 20 and 21, block 76, Torrance tract.

December 13—Lettitia Hood, Long Beach, lot 2, block 90, Torrance tract.

December 13—W. F. Baer, Los Angeles, lot 1, block 92, Torrance tract.

December 13—H. Hofer, Los Angeles, lot 3, block 63, Torrance tract.

December 13—J. H. Hunter, Long Beach, lot 7, block 54, Torrance tract.

December 13—Mannir Vlaher, Long Beach, lot 17, block 92, Torrance tract.

December 13—Mrs. H. G. Barclay, Los Angeles, lots 1 and 2, block 89, Torrance tract.

December 13—E. Turner, Santa Monica, lot 8, block 89, Torrance tract.

December 13—H. Voorhies, Los Angeles, lot 5, block 92, Torrance tract.

December 13—C. E. Briney, Torrance, lot 11, block 13, Torrance tract.

December 13—J. F. B. Richards, Long Beach, lot 1, block 90, Torrance tract.

December 13—J. F. B. Richards, Long Beach, lots 9 and 11, block 62, Torrance tract.

December 13—Milton Johnson, Long Beach, lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, block 91, Torrance tract.

December 13—T. G. Gowdey, Santa Ana, lots 25 and 26, block 90, Torrance tract.

December 13—G. S. Kingsbury, Long Beach, lot 5, block 90, Torrance tract.

December 13—Dr. Eye, Long Beach, lot 4, block 90, Torrance tract.

December 13—C. E. Ware, Los Angeles, lot 3, block 90, Torrance tract.

December 13—C. Leatherman, Torrance, lot 10, block 78, Torrance tract.

December 14—Wm. Boyer, Santa Monica, lot 17, block 80, Torrance tract.

December 14—S. S. Stone, Santa Monica, lot 15, block 91, Torrance tract.

December 14—Elsie Smith, Long Beach, lot 5, block 54, Torrance tract.

## FOR THE YOUNG MEN

A friend of mine gave me a letter to read and it suggested a thought to me that I'm inclined to pass on to you, as this is near our glorious annual anniversary when all the world should be happy—Christmas, 1921.

The letter was from a young man who was looking through an old package of letters and found one from his mother. He was glad to find it, for so many had been written and destroyed and now that her hand was stilled and no more letters came addressed to "My Darling Boy," he said he had longed to have a few to keep and re-read, as he remembered her loving messages when he was absent from her.

"My Darling Boy," the letter began, and then the first line—"I was so glad to hear from you," and "so" was underscored.

The letter was not long and he spotted its pages with tear drops. It closed with: "From your Little Mother." That is what he called her, "Little Mother." He said: "I'm glad when I wrote I called her 'Darling Little Mother.' I think she got homesome for the childhood days, and she read my letters and knew I had not forgotten either. She knew it was only the strife and work that comes with manhood's years that had taken some of the boyhood's warm, affectionate expressions away."

"I remember once I sat for a moment on her lap and she drew my head down on her shoulder, and I heard her whisper, 'My little boy!' and when I looked up there were tears in her eyes. They were happy tears of memory."

To mother we are only boys—her boys. She never forgets, and she longs to hear the old, sweet words we used to say to her.

Boys, when did you write to mother?

A good, warm, loving letter now would mean more to her than costly gifts. She would cherish the letter and read and re-read it until it is worn out.

Tell her what you are doing. Remind her of the childhood days at home, of the stockings hung in the corner, of the tiny red sleigh, the tin horn and all the good things to eat, and, most of all, tell her you realize her deep love for you. Write the letter as you lay aside this paper, and you will receive joy for your reward.—Mrs. N. K. Wood

Beach, lot 5, block 54, Torrance tract.

December 14—Celia Gay, Long Beach, lot 4, block 54, Torrance tract.

December 14—C. E. Chamberlin, Santa Monica, lot 13, block 90, Torrance tract.

December 14—E. M. Loomis, Los Angeles, lot 9, block 67, Torrance tract.

December 14—Mrs. E. Whitney, Los Angeles, lot 1, block 32, Torrance tract.

December 15—Corwin Phelps, Santa Monica, lot 12, block 23, Torrance tract.

December 15—E. B. Verety, Los Angeles, lot 6, block 54, Torrance tract.

December 15—F. J. Miner, Long Beach, lot 1, block 54, Torrance tract.

December 15—H. M. Berger, Long Beach, lots 8, 9 and 10, block 90, Torrance tract.

December 15—D. R. Henoch, Los Angeles, lot 6, block 62, Torrance tract.

December 15—Beland & Branson, Los Angeles, lots 2, 3 and 4, block 92, Torrance tract.

December 16—Wm. Boyer, Santa Monica, lot 8, block 52, Torrance tract.

December 16—D. E. Raymond, Torrance, lot 21, block 22, Torrance tract.

December 17—Lella J. Johnson, Los Angeles, lot 15, block 54, Torrance tract.

December 20—Edward Newton, Los Angeles, lot 1, block 62, Torrance tract.

December 20—F. C. Carlson, Long Beach, lots 15 to 22, block 54, Torrance tract.

## XMAS TREE—CENTRAL CHURCH

The Christmas program and tree will be held tonight (Friday) at 7:30 o'clock at the Central Evangelical Church.

## TORRANCE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Christmas program given by the Torrance school last Thursday evening was well attended. All the seats were filled and standing room was taken well into the hall. The program was rendered as follows: Two selections were given by the school orchestra. The intermediate children, both boys and girls, sang in chorus four different selections during the evening. The kindergarten children entertained the audience with a well-formed band, each with a make-believe musical instrument, a tin can, whistle, drum or two tiny boards to clatter together, and kept in time with their very capable leader, Baldwin Kite, the kindergarten teacher assisting at the piano.

The second grade dramatized "The Princess Rosy," a fairy tale, which was much appreciated. The high school pupils dramatized "Byrd's Christmas Carol."

The cast of actors and actresses who played the different roles and proved to be real artists were: Carol Byrd—Mary Alice Davis. Carol's Uncle—Clifford Simpson. Mrs. Ruggles—Katherine Burmaster.

Sara Maud Ruggles—Bertha Fix. Peter Ruggles—Earl Conley. Susan Ruggles—Virginia Watson. Kittie Ruggles—Geraldine Miller. People Ruggles—Gwendolyn Miller.

Larry Ruggles—Walter Zuver. Clemet Ruggles—Carl Burmaster. Cornelius Ruggles—Thomas McNay.

Russell Quigley son of Mr. and Mrs. Quigley of North Arlington, is quite ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. Martin Russel of Kern County is attending the teacher's institute this week in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wine and family have moved from Park Terrace to Andree Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Strickland of Sierra Madre were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kite.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh M. Steadman have gone to San Jacinto to visit Mr. Steadman's parents over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Johnston and son Walter have moved from Lomita to 2263 Carson street, Torrance.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Elmquist of N. Cota left Tuesday to visit relatives in Kansas during the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Shumaker and son and Mrs. Helen O'Leary will be guests Christmas day of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Guild in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Soddy attended the Christmas entertainment at the Hermosa Public school Tuesday evening, where their daughter, Miss Lyle Louise Soddy is teaching.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Zeller of Swift Current, Saskatchewan, Canada, arrived Monday to spend the winter with their son and daughter Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Zeller.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Webb of Santa Cruz arrived in Torrance Wednesday to visit with Mrs. Webb's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Butler of Arlington Ave. They expect to locate in Southern California for the winter months.

## STORY OF 1921

In the last issue of this year, December 30, 1921, we will print a large cartoon from the pen of our special cartoonist, Frank Parks, picturing the chief events of 1921.

Everyone has different opinions as to what were the chief events of the year just closing. What do you think were the twelve outstanding features of 1921?

Get them down and when you get the next issue of your local paper next Thursday evening compare and count in how many of your choices agree with Frank Parks. Maybe your pick will be better than his.

## NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the firm or co-partnership of Hale & King of Torrance, Los Angeles Co., State of California, is this day mutually dissolved, and all moneys due the firm shall be paid to J. R. Hale, and all indebtedness shall be assumed by J. R. Hale.

J. L. KING.  
J. R. KING.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, A. H. Bartlett, a Notary Public of Los Angeles County, State of California, this 16th day of December, 1921. A. H. BARTLETT, Notary Public in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California.

**Want Ad Column**Per Line -----10c  
Minimum Charge -----25cAll Want Ads  
Must be Paid in Advance.

## FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Business lot. Sacrifice sale. A. H. Bartlett, 108 First National Bank Bldg., Torrance. D-23-tf

FOR SALE—Goodrich Tires, 30 x 3, first, \$9.00; electric lamps 40 watts, 3 for \$1.00; violin, \$10. King's New and Secondhand Furniture Store, Harbor City.

FOR SALE—Cypress Christmas trees. Mrs. C. E. Wells, Almond street, Lomita. D-23-2t-pd

FOR SALE—5-room modern house on Andree; a good buy; your terms. A. H. Bartlett, 108 First National Bank, Torrance. D-23-tf

FOR SALE—Hatching eggs and baby chicks; large or small amount. J. P. Carr, 1 mile south Lomita school. Address R. F. D., Box 88, Torrance. D-23-1 mo.-pd

FOR SALE—6-room house; double garage. Terms. A. H. Bartlett, 198 F. N. Bank Bldg., Torrance.

FOR SALE—5-room house and furniture on Andree avenue, \$2750. Terms. Must be sold. Rents for \$40 mo. A. H. Bartlett, 108 F. N. Bank Bldg., Torrance. D-23-pd

FOR SALE—Harts Mountain Roller Canary; a fine Xmas present. Mrs. T. J. Tonkin, 2705 Beacon street, Lomita. Will 178-J-2. D-23-pd

FOR SALE—5-room house; good location. Terms. A. H. Bartlett, 108 F. N. Bank Bldg., Torrance. D-23-tf

FOR SALE—Residence lot. Good location. Very cheap. A. H. Bartlett, 108 First National Bank Bldg., Torrance. D-23-tf

FOR SALE—6 acres. A. H. Bartlett, 108 First National Bank Bldg., Torrance. D-23-tf

FOR SALE—Two residence lots on 219th street, near Harvard Blvd. Each 155 x 180 feet. \$750 each, with all oil rights. A. H. Bartlett, 108 First National Bank Bldg., Torrance. D-23-tf

FOR SALE—5-room house, newly painted; with or without furniture. Reasonable terms. A. H. Bartlett, 108 First National Bank Bldg., Torrance. N-25-tf

FOR SALE—Have too many goats. Make me an offer. Some fresh, some to be fresh and some kids. R. H. Trunnell, 1428 Oak street. D-2-tf

FOR SALE—Firewood cut to order; Ford truck load, \$6.50, delivered; also fence post and planks. D. Thiele, 836 First, San Pedro Phone 279-W. O-21-tf

FOR SALE—Packing boxes, all sizes. Rozell, the Transfer Man. Phone 178-J-3. N-4-tf

FOR SALE—Truck load of dry fire wood in stove lengths; \$8.50, delivered. Menveg & Son, Wilmington. Phone 129. tf

FOR SALE—5 acres, with oil rights. Must be sold and is worth more than asked, even if there is no oil. See A. H. Bartlett, 108 First National Bank Bldg., Torrance. D-16-tf

FOR SALE OR OIL LEASE—80 acres in oil belt west of Torrance. See A. H. Bartlett, 108 First National Bank Bldg., Torrance. D-16-tf

FOR SALE—6-room house, double garage, in fine location. This is the best buy ever offered in Torrance. Terms. See A. H. Bartlett, 108 First National Bank Building, Torrance. N-28-tf

FOR SALE—Six acres good cultivated land for lease. A. H. Bartlett, 108 First National Bank Bldg., Torrance. N-25-tf

FOR SALE—1 acre, \$1000; 1 acre, \$1100; 1 acre, \$1350; 1 acre, \$1,200; 2 acres, Blvd., \$2100 each; 1 acre on Weston avenue, \$1300. I. J. J. Cypress street, near Redondo Blvd. D-2-5t-pd

LOOK! LISTEN!  
Before you buy a Gas Range  
See Paxman's BUCK

## FOR SALE

## Improved Property

\$1000—A brand new house, large rooms. \$350 cash and small monthly payments.  
\$1050—A good two-room house, 1/2 acre, electric lights and water.  
\$1350—Three-room house, half acre, \$200 down.  
\$1550—Three room house; rabbit and chicken pens, 20 chickens, 16 rabbits, \$400 down.  
\$2450—Four-room house, about 1 and one-third acres, facing on two streets; one fronting on boulevard.  
\$2500—Four-room house, new, one acre, \$1250 cash.  
\$2850—Brand new, strictly modern house, close to school. \$500 down, \$30 month.  
\$2500—New three-room house, bath, screen porch, stationery tubs, garage, cement driveway. \$500 down and \$20 month.  
\$3200—Four-room modern house, 1/2 acre, garage, chicken and rabbit pens, bearing fruit trees, grapes and berries. Terms.  
\$3500—Four-room house, one acre, horse, wagon and farming implements; about 200 chickens; chicken houses, and yard.

## LOTS FOR SALE

\$400—Have two 50-foot lots near school house. \$140 down; \$10 month.  
\$500—Fifty foot lots near school. \$50 down and \$10 month.  
\$1000—Corner half acre.  
\$1100—An acre in the north end.  
\$1200—An acre on Pepper street. \$400 cash and \$10 a month.  
\$1200—110 feet on Weston Street. East of Narbonne. \$200 down and \$15 month.  
HUNTER & RENN  
Lomita Long Beach

## FOR RENT

FOR RENT—5-room house furnished after Jan. 1, 1922. A. H. Bartlett, 108 F. N. Bank Bldg., Torrance. D-23-tf  
FOR RENT—A good house and one acre on Narbonne. \$15 month. Hunter & Renn. D-16-tf  
FOR RENT—Store; a good chance for furniture or music. H. E. Paige, Torrance. D-16-tf

## WANTED

WANTED—Chickens, any variety or age. J. McMullen, 1312 Eshleman street, Lomita. D-9-4t-pd  
WANTED—Poultry and rabbits; all kinds. G. M. Brokaw, Harbor City.

## TO RAISE WATER RATES

H. P. Gillette, an engineer of note is in Torrance gathering data which will be of service to him in January when he is to appear before the Railroad Commission in behalf of the Torrance Water, Light and Power Company relative to an increase in water rates.

## DRENCHING RAIN

With torrential rains falling in this valley since early Sunday morning, the God of Rain has been exceedingly generous in dispensing H<sub>2</sub>O, over two and-a-half inches having fallen to gladden the hearts of dry farmers. In other sections of Southern California considerable damage has been done, and families are suffering from the floods, trains are held up with passengers marooned at different points, bridges have been washed away, which will stop motoring over some boulevard for some time to come.

## ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Wilmington. Rev. Thos. P. Swift, Rector.

Christmas Day—Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. Festival service and Holy Communion at 11.

There will be special Christmas hymns and carols and a special sermon on the topic, "Christmas The World's Need."

All are assured a very hearty welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lincoln are enjoying the purchase of a fine Emerson piano.