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SEE CITY'S HAND IN MOVE

'Blind' Phone Calls From L. A. Indicate Source of Opposition

PROPONENTS CONFIDENT Committee Marshals Forces and Sees Majority of Favorable Votes

As was anticipated by the committee seeking annexation of the territory west of Torrance to the city of Torrance, opposition to the movement appeared early this week. Whether this opposition originated in Los Angeles the committee has not been able definitely to determine. It took the form of a meeting to which a petition for annexation of the territory to Redondo Beach was signed by 17 persons.

The committee proposing annexation to Torrance is not worried over this petition, however, as the law particularly states that no such petition shall be presented to any legislative body while another annexation proceeding is officially pending in another city.

The petition for annexation to Torrance takes precedence over any petition asking for an election for annexation to any other city. This point is covered clearly and at length in the statute covering annexation proceedings.

Predict Majority
While this slight opposition is showing itself, however, the committee in Torrance were marshaling their forces and are confident that the question of annexation to Torrance will be carried by a wide margin of votes.

It is pointed out that only registered voters in the district are allowed to vote. Persons owning property in the district but not residing there cannot ballot. But a person who resides in the district, if he be properly registered, may vote whether he owns property or not.

More than 60 residents of the community have registered this week and the vast majority of them will vote for annexation, according to the committee.

Ordinance Adopted
The Board of Trustees of Torrance Monday night passed through final reading the ordinance calling for the special election to be held on Tuesday, Dec. 8, with Rogers Garage on Carson street as the polling place.

The law stipulates that this ordinance must be published four times in a newspaper published outside of the city to which annexation is proposed. The ordinance will be published in the Culver City Star.

Women's Clubhouse Dedicated At Impressive Ceremony While Civic Leaders Laud Purposes

By PHOEBE MILBURN
Dreams do come true, especially when there is a will to make them true. This was shown Thursday afternoon when members of the Women's Club, representatives of the civic organizations of Torrance and representatives of the Women's Clubs of Inglewood, Lynwood, San Pedro, Redondo Beach, Compton, Wilmington, and Gardena met at the new clubhouse to dedicate the beautiful building.

After the singing of "America the Beautiful" and an invocation by Rev. F. A. Zeller of the Evangelical Church, Mrs. F. L. Parks, president, spoke a few words of greeting and introduced Mrs. George Frumhart, past president of the California Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Frumhart dedicated the building to kindness, tolerance, understanding, and the progress which will result from these three attributes.

Mrs. Frumhart said, in part: "Within these walls, may you meet to know and understand each other. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. All days are glad days. Dedication of clubhouses are going on all over the United States every day, but nowhere so rapidly as in California. I wish the Torrance club born, and am happy to be here today. Coming to California in the year in which Torrance was started, I know the lovely vision that was in the heart of those who founded the town, and because of that vision Torrance is to become one of the picture spots of California."

Stresses Harmony
"In this clubhouse I see a number of things—harmony, love, and co-operation. Over your door is written, 'Opportunity. Through this door will pass the thoughtless woman, the joyous woman, the lonely woman, and the careless woman. What are you going to give them?'"

"I urge you to consider your duty to politics. We are not afraid of it. 'Gone are the days when the men voted alone. Gone are the days when the women stayed at home. Gone are the days when the children were taught that the hand rule the universe and man could not.'" Call on Past Officers
The past presidents of the club were called upon to speak, and Mrs. Frank Sammons, second president, and Mrs. J. M. Fitzhugh, fourth president of the club, responded.

Mrs. W. H. Gilbert told of the first meeting held in Vista Highlands, when the idea of a federated club was born.

Miss Betsey Byrnes sang a group of folk songs, and Grace Andrews of Los Angeles at the piano.

Brian K. Welch, representing the Torrance Investment Company, told of the plan of financing the building.

Mrs. J. C. McVey Directs Torrance Show House Now
Mrs. J. C. McVey, who with Mr. McVey formerly owned the Torrance Theatre, is now managing the picture house for the Pacific Southwest Theatres, Inc., succeeding Harris Anderson, who resigned to accept a position in Los Angeles.

Observations

The King of Spain and Women—Are Children Cruel? The "Dutch" Andersons—Mexico and the Six-Hour Day—Hoover's Warning

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

FROM the lips of the King of Spain comes the most interesting theory that has been expressed by anyone in connection with the so-called emancipation of women.

King Alfonso has announced that a royal decree will soon be promulgated giving the right of suffrage to unmarried women over 23 years of age and to widows who are the heads of families.

In explaining this limitation, the king said: "We think that only those who by work are factors in the economic system of the country should have the right to express their political opinions and would exercise the privilege to use that right. But married women will have the greater privilege and responsibility of rearing children, and, fully occupied in that service to their country, will be content to leave the task of voting to their husbands."

At the risk of bringing down upon my head the wrath of all the ladies in the land, I cannot but utter a loud hurrah for the intrepid King of Spain.

Wait a minute, wait a minute, ladies, before consigning me and all my ilk to the scaffold.

Hurrah for Alfonso!—not because he would bar married women from the polls, but because he has sense enough to proceed with caution.

SUFFRAGE for women is so new, it is still an experiment. The King of Spain is unwilling to be swayed by sentiment. He seems motivated by the idea that when mothers take on political duties they sacrifice something of the beauty of their divine position. The king deems the sanctity of mothers more important than their desire or right to vote.

I do not know whether the king is right or wrong. But I must admit that suffrage for women is so new that nobody is wise enough to tell whether it is good or bad.

And in shouting my hurrah for Alfonso I do so because I cherish an age-old respect for women. I respect that I would not like to have shaken, but which is constantly being threatened by a shake whenever I see a woman neglect her home and family for club, social, political, or quasi-political interests.

Table Reveals Torrance Taxes Lower Than Neighboring Cities

Carl L. Hyde, secretary of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, has compiled the following table, showing the 1925-1926 tax rates, existing in Torrance and neighboring cities:

Assessed Valuation	CITY	Total Tax Rate	Municipal Rate	Total County Rate	Schools
\$13,760,345	Compton	\$4.36	\$1.43	\$0.78	\$2.15
3,611,415	Hawthorne	4.31	1.50	.78	2.03
10,893,890	Inglewood	4.42	1.51	.78	2.13
2,008,325	Lawndale	4.60	1.50	.78	2.32
90,074,500	Los Angeles, Shoestring and San Pedro	3.79	1.51	.74	1.54
6,792,750	Redondo Beach	4.58	1.70	.74	2.14
9,608,270	Torrance	3.80	.98	.78	1.64

Women's Club Hears Address On Heir Taxes

Miss Rose W. Hendree recommends discontinuance of impost

Miss Rose W. Hendree of the California Taxation Improvement Association spoke before the Women's Club on the California inheritance tax, recommending its discontinuance.

Torrance High To Have Annual For First Time

Torrance High is to have an annual this year for the first time. It is under the guidance of Miss Burnham, the faculty supervisor, who is working with the following staff: Editor, Ruth Linsinger; assistant editor, Jack Roelofs; business manager, Floyd Chandler; assistant managers, Richard Van Hagen and Harry Phillips; joke editor, Thomas Daugherty; assistant editors, Lex Briney and Helen Bodley; kodak editor, Garnet Cook; sport editor, Harry Nebensahl; assistant editor, Ray Steppy; senior class editor, Martha Lingenfelter; assistant class editor, Ida Reeves; art editor, Kathryn See; assistant editor, Richard Sinclair; class editors, Edith Harshman and Dorothy Darling.

Baby Center Will Be at Clubhouse

Mothers interested in the Education Center will please note that the place of meeting has been changed. The Center will in the future be held at the Women's Clubhouse instead of the Methodist Church.

Jury Acquits Man On Liquor Charge

Charged with the possession of liquor and equipment for the manufacture of same, and also a violation of County Ordinance 650, David Yanovich of Los Angeles pleaded not guilty to all three counts, at a jury trial in the justice court Tuesday.

BRRR! SUN FEELS GOOD

Mr. and Mrs. Willis M. Brooks returned to Torrance Saturday night, after a month's trip in the east. After encountering several snowstorms they were delighted to return to Southern California.

Hawthorne and Torrance Join Hands For Road

Torrance and Hawthorne joined hands Tuesday night through the agencies of their Chambers of Commerce in a plan for the promotion of a diagonal boulevard between the two cities.

The following Torrance delegation attended a meeting of the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night: Mayor Robert J. Deinger, George Proctor, Rufus Page, Wallace Gilbert, Fred Hansen, Sam Levy, Grover Whyte, and Carl Hyde.

Hawthorne deserves an equal share of any credit for the suggestion for this road, and a renewal of the agitation for endeavoring to obtain same was received by the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce by unanimous endorsement.

Who Will Donate A Sewing Machine To Relief Society?

WANTED—A sewing machine, old, medium, or new. Don't care as long as it will sew.

American to Give Turks Away Free

Free Thanksgiving and Christmas turkeys will be given away by the American Bowling Alley, according to an announcement made by Cal Alverson today.

CHURCH BAZAAR

The Women's Guild of the Episcopal Church will hold a Christmas bazaar and dinner Friday, Nov. 13, in the Parish Hall, Em-gracia avenue.

QUANDARY DELAYS WORK

C. of C. and Trustees Halt Madrid-Cedar District Proceedings COST IS CHIEF ISSUE Need for Cheap Residence Lots May Bar Expensive Paving

What type of pavement should be laid on the streets between Madrid and Cedar avenues? This is the question now being considered by the Board of Trustees and the directors of the Chamber of Commerce. And both bodies are seeking more definite information before making a final decision.

The question is many-sided. The project was first instituted by the Board of Trustees at the behest of the Chamber of Commerce. The directors of the chamber recommended that the district be improved to provide reasonably priced lots in an improved district for workers in factories seriously considering Torrance as a location.

It was originally suggested that the streets be paved with rock and oil or oiled macadam. But in the belief that neither of these types would last until paid for—10 years—the trustees decided to specify five inches of cement concrete. This decision was made after the Chamber of Commerce had conferred with the executive of an industry whose employees may be among those who eventually will live in the district.

Torrance Plans Big Event For District Meeting

Harbor Chambers Will Meet in Industrial City in January
About 350 visitors from all sections of the harbor area are expected to attend the January dinner of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce at the Women's Clubhouse.

Father of Local Merchant Expires

Reuben Hoffman, father of David Hoffman, Torrance shoe merchant, died in Los Angeles Friday. He was 59 years old. He leaves a widow and seven children.