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ANNEXED AREA OFFICIALLY IN CITY ANDERSON, MOREWOOD IN PRISON

REPORT AT NORTHERN PRISON

Former Chief and Attorney Give Selves Up at San Quentin
TERMS ARE YEAR EACH
Pair Go Unaccompanied to Penitentiary, Says Special Dispatch

STATE PENITENTIARY, SAN QUENTIN, March 3.—(SPECIAL.) B. M. Anderson, former chief of police of Torrance, Calif., and A. P. Morewood, Hermosa Beach attorney, reported here last week and began serving sentences of a year each for bribery.

Both the prisoners arrived at the penitentiary unaccompanied by officers. They chose to report here rather than to Los Angeles County officials.

Postpone Play To Wednesday Night, Mar. 10

"Are You a Mason?" Next Week Instead of Tomorrow Night

The three-act play, "Are You a Mason?" to be presented under the auspices of the Women's Club of Torrance, has been postponed until Wednesday night, March 10, when it will be given at the High School Auditorium.

Tickets are 50 cents and may be reserved at the Dolley Drug Store. The cast for the play is rehearsing every night under the direction of Willis M. Brooks.

Health Officers Here Monday to Vaccinate Folks

A member of the county Board of Health will be at the Torrance High School next Monday, March 8, at 9 a. m., for the purpose of vaccinating students, adults, or small children.

Walter A. Bruno Dies Wednesday

Walter A. Bruno, 35, died Wednesday at the General Hospital in Los Angeles, after a brief illness.

Mr. Bruno is survived by Mrs. Bruno and four children.

Christian Science services will be conducted at Stone and Myers' chapel Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

Observations

Victory in Failure—Buy at Home—Relief for the Middle Class—Uniform Traffic Laws—Mexican Nationalism—Wampus Again

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

A MAN who recently failed in business through no fault of his own met me the other day and shook my hand. In his eye shone courage and determination. His grip was firm, unyielding. He looked me squarely in the eye and said "I'm pretty much of a man yet."

There is often greater success in failure than there is in victory.

A LOCAL merchant was talking in his store with a business man from Redondo Beach. A third individual entered in the person of a man who makes all of his income in Torrance. After the third party had left, the Redondo merchant asked: "Who is that?" "That," answered the local merchant, "is Mr. ——. Do you know him?" "Well," replied the Redondo business man, "I didn't know his name, but I know him. He is one of my best customers."

The local merchant has contributed largely to the financial welfare of Mr. ——. Is Mr. — fair?

ALMOST 2,500,000 persons in the United States are relieved this year from the obligation to pay an income tax. The vast army of families with net incomes between \$2500 and \$3500 will not be required to pay a tax on their 1925 incomes. A married man with two children has an exemption now of \$4300. The exemption of a single person without a dependent is now \$1500. It was \$1000.

The new tax schedules bring great relief to the American middle class, the long suffering, hard hit element that is the backbone of the nation.

When times are good the "white collar" contingent benefits less than any other group. When times are hard the middle class is the hardest hit.

The new income tax schedules are roundly cheered by the middle class for reasons that every member of that important contingent readily appreciates.

TOURISTS from Nebraska and Iowa, New York, Illinois and all points east who have found themselves bewildered while piloting automobiles through the mystic mazes of Los Angeles traffic will relish the idea of uniform traffic laws throughout the United States. One of the most pitiful sights in the west is the face of a flivver-driving tourist trying to make a left turn at a Los Angeles street intersection. And there is no practice in California more unedifying than that which prompts local folks to toot their horns in impatient derision when some befuddled visitor stalls his motor and temporarily halts the traffic parade. When such a situation arises it always comes to my mind that most of the people who toot their horns because of the delay shouldn't be in a hurry anyway because their actions prove that no matter whether they are bound they will do no more than make fools of themselves after they arrive.

MEXICO under the leadership of Calles apparently is developing an intense nationalism. Which is both good and bad for Mexico. While Americans who live in a country founded on the theory of tolerance cannot hold a brief for recent Mexican activities against religious schools, we can understand Calles' insistence that Mexican resources shall not be pillaged by foreigners. Before Mexico can advance and develop, her people must acquire a patriotism for all things Mexican. Without this patriotism revolution will follow and conditions proceed from bad to worse, morally and economically.

The destiny of California is linked with that of Mexico. We should encourage Mexican nationalism for both the selfish and humane reasons.

THAT there young deposed editor of WAMPUS has dipped his collegiate pen in U. S. C. vitriol again and splashes belligerent invective against the writer. This time he expresses himself through the medium of the esteemed Los Angeles Record.

He says I am corn-fed. And I hereby and now wish to deny any such imputation against my character. I am not corn-fed. I am a skinny, undermuscled shrimp of 120 pounds—and that in itself ought to prove that I have not been eating corn. Now this here college editor never saw me—that I know of. And to attack a man as corn-fed when one doesn't know whether or not he is corn-fed is a terrible injustice. I did not read this WAMPUS chap's article. My bad habits do not include perusal of the Record. Else I would publish the boy's tirade in these columns. I wonder if he split any more infimitives.

WHEN a banker surveys a community or district he knows at what basic facts to look in order to arrive at an approximation of that community's economic solidarity.

So it is with interest that we read the recurrent interviews with eastern bankers on Southern California's prospects. Unanimously they make brilliant claims for the future of the Pacific Coast.

THE pictures in which Doug Fairbanks and Mary Pickford appear are clean, wholesome entertainment. Doug's latest release, "Don Q," proves that a film can be entertaining, funny and exciting without being full of sex appeal, low humor, and blood-curdling episodes. Doug is a patrician of moviedom. His pictures, always entertaining and wholesome, may some day prove

ZONE LAW TEST IS HALTED

Controversy Ends as Adjacent Owner Consents to Set-Back Allowance
ORDINANCE IS UPHELD
Conditions Imposed by Trustees Met in Andreo Ave. Case

The owner of property adjacent to the structure being erected at Andreo avenue and 218th street last week consented to the construction of the building outside the regular set-back lines and thus ended what looked like a test case in the courts of the Torrance zoning law.

The permit for the building had been issued subject to city ordinance. The trustees had passed a resolution that the building be erected on condition that owners of adjacent property consent in writing.

The building was under construction despite the fact that this consent had not been secured. The trustees ordered work on the building stopped. The owner of the adjacent property, not wishing to cause the builder to suffer a financial loss, signed the consent.

All parties are now satisfied that the conditions on which the permit was granted have been complied with and the zoning law upheld in all particulars.

Torrance Wins League Pennant; Bows to L. B. 5

Basketball Team Tops Marine Circuit; Defeated by Big School

Winners in the lightweight division of the Marine League, the Torrance High School basketball team Tuesday played Long Beach Polytechnic High for a chance to meet the winner of the Los Angeles City League. The local boys put up a game fight but lost to the Long Beach five by a score of 27 to 13 in a game that was faster and more warmly contested than the score indicates.

A large delegation of Torrance students and business men were present in the Long Beach gym to cheer the Torrance team.

Standings in the Marine League divisions follow:

STANDINGS		W.	L.
Class A			
Excelsior	.....	5	0
Narbonne	.....	3	2
Downey	.....	3	2
Wilmington	.....	2	3
Gardena	.....	2	3
Torrance	.....	0	5
Class B			
Torrance	.....	5	0
Gardena	.....	4	1
Narbonne	.....	3	2
Wilmington	.....	2	3
Downey	.....	1	4
Bell	.....	0	5
Class C			
Downey	.....	4	1
Torrance	.....	3	2
Excelsior	.....	3	2
Gardena	.....	3	2
Narbonne	.....	2	3
Bell	.....	0	5
Class D			
Excelsior	.....	4	1
Torrance	.....	4	1
Downey	.....	3	2
Bell	.....	3	2
Wilmington	.....	1	4
Gardena	.....	0	5

SPEAKER AROUSES PEOPLE

Rotary Crusader Inspires Young and Old to New Morality
HE SPEAKS HERE TWICE
High School Students and Parents Hear Great Messages Wednesday

Torrance high school students and men and women of the city were aroused to an inspired appreciation of modern social problems yesterday.

The occasion was the visit to this city of Dr. Charles Barker, former health adviser to President William Howard Taft. Dr. Barker came to Torrance under the auspices of the Rotary Clubs of Redondo Beach and Torrance. He spoke here twice—once to high school students in the afternoon and in the evening to men and women and boys and girls over 14 years of age.

Hits at Fundamentals
Striking at fundamentals that have to do with social morality, Dr. Barker delivered body blow after body blow to the influences that are tearing down the moral character of American children and American adults.

In the evening address he declared that it is the plain duty of every man and woman, if not to himself at least to the coming generation, to attend church on Sunday 52 times a year.

He asserted that it is the duty of every mother to be home when her children return from school.

He attacked modern "body-dancing" and caucused married women and men who engage in sex-exciting dancing which sets a low example to young boys and girls.

He drove home a beautiful lesson relative to the instruction in sex matters and birth that every parent must teach his or her son and daughter.

Urges Punishment
He said that it is the responsibility of every parent to punish his or her child every time that child disobeys.

He attacked violators of the law as enemies to organized society. In the afternoon at the high school Dr. Barker held the interest of the students as no other speaker has ever done. When he concluded his address students clustered around him with an admiration that brought tears to the eyes of the adults who were present.

That the visit of Dr. Barker to Torrance will have a permanent effect here was the opinion of teachers and ministers and others who heard his addresses.

Free Pamphlets
The Rotary Club of Torrance has ordered several hundred pamphlets on Dr. Parker's addresses on "A Mother's Responsibility to Her Daughter" and "A Father's Responsibility to His Son." Persons desiring either or both of these pamphlets are requested to notify Carl L. Hyde, secretary of the Rotary Club, at the Chamber of Commerce, phone No. 8, and the pamphlets will be mailed free of charge.

The Herald regrets its inability to publish a full, but is cognizant of the fact that it would even then be impossible to put in cold type the excellence of the message which this great crusader brought to the girls, boys, men and women of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Canterbury and Mr. and Mrs. Bradbury, of the Norman Arms, attended the Junior Orpheum in Los Angeles on Sunday.

Most Valuable Book in the World

The volume pictured below is the Melk copy of the Gutenberg Bible, recently sold for \$106,000. It is the first book printed from movable type. Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach of New York is the present owner.



FALLS TEN FEET HEAD FIRST THROUGH THICK GLASS CASE AND NEVER IS HURT A BIT

This is the story of a drug store high dive through a showcase made of half-inch plate glass and no harm done to anyone except the insurance company that promptly paid for the breakage of the glass.

through window showcase, splintering same into thousands of pieces, and comes to rest amid patent medicine display in window. Frank rises unscathed and uncut, sets up ladder again and finishes job.

Farewell Reception Is Given Rev. Essig of M. E. Church Here

More than 30 friends of Rev. Fred M. Essig met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shike, 220th street, Thursday evening to tender their pastor a farewell reception. Rev. Essig is taking charge of another field of service. A happy social evening was enjoyed by all, after which a splendid lunch was served.

Green presented a purse of \$55 to Rev. Essig as a token of the love of those who had labored with him while here in Torrance. Rev. Essig gave a feeling and touching reply as many heart prayers were offered bidding him Godspeed in his new charge.

CAST TO MEET

The members of the cast of the minstrel show planned for the benefit of the Women's Club are requested to meet at the clubhouse Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

FIREMEN INITIATE THREE

Ed Huddleston, Sergt. Edwards of the police department and Verne Zaver were initiated as honorary members of the Torrance Volunteer Fire Department Monday night. After maltreating the candidates the firemen then gave them a good feed and in the final analysis "no buddy was hurt."

CORN BEEF, CABBAGE

A "Dinty Moore" dinner will be served Thursday, March 4, from 5 until 7:30 p. m., by the Women's Guild of the Episcopal Church.

Weekend guests of Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Neelds and daughter at their cottage at Manhattan Beach were Misses Eunice Tansey and Lois Zaver.

FILE OKAY AT STATE CAPITOL

Citizens of Northwest Torrance May Vote at April City Election
ANNEXATION COMPLETED
Secretary of State Wires City Clerk Election Certified March 1

Almost four and a half square miles of territory with an assessed valuation of approximately \$2,000,000 officially became a part of Torrance Monday morning when Secretary of State Frank C. Jordan at Sacramento formally certified to the annexation of the area west and north of the city.

Chief of Police Louin Patterson took the necessary papers to Sacramento, where the secretary of state immediately made the proper certification and wired City Clerk A. H. Bartlett of his action. Mr. Jordan's telegram, received Monday afternoon, was as follows: "Albert H. Bartlett, 'City Clerk, 'Torrance, California.

"Certificate of annexation of northwest Torrance to City of Torrance filed today.

"FRANK C. JORDAN."

The Board of Trustees sent Chief Patterson to Sacramento in order that the certification be made as speedily as possible. This was desired for two reasons:

1—So that citizens of the annexed territory might be qualified to vote at the April election and thus have a voice in the selection of city officials to serve them for the next four years.

2—So that there would be no question about the receipt of tax money by the City of Torrance from the next year. Assessments on all property in the county are made as of March 1.

The filing of the certificate Monday qualifies voters in the territory to cast ballots at the April election and insures that the territory will be benefited by next year's promised reduced municipal taxes in Torrance, in addition to assuring the city of income from the area, which will make a substantial tax reduction possible.

As soon as the territory officially became a part of Torrance city trustees instructed Street Superintendent William Gascoigne to make a survey of roads in the consolidated district to ascertain what work should be done on roads in the area. While there are but few streets to be maintained in the district, Torrance city officials feel it the city's obligation to make such repairs as are at present necessary.

Bishop Confirms Large Class Here

Rt. Rev. W. Bertrand Stevens, bishop coadjutor of the diocese of Los Angeles, administered the rite of confirmation at Christ Episcopal Mission on Sunday.

The members of the class, the first in the history of the church in Torrance, were Anna Margaret Sprout, Frances Ada Woods, Beatrice Victoria Woods, Marjorie Guen Eade, Vera May Davis, Cicely Nancy Ball, Maybelle Marguerite McKnight, Ralph Edward Sprout, Earl Ernest McKnight, Francis Franklin McKnight, William George McKnight, and Robert Brent Nourse.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Woodington and their house guests, Mrs. Reavie, Mrs. Laing and Miss Laing, were entertained Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. J. McFayden of Altadena.

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