WEEK'S WORLD NEWS

The Harris-Box bill, which would have applied an immigration restriction quota to Mexico and Canada was killed in committee. Growers and industries of the Southwest objected stremously to the measure and Secretary of State Kellogs behind closed doors told the committee that the passage of the law would seriously impair the friendly relations between the United States and Mexicon

to immigration was the decision of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in New York declaring that Canadians working or seeking employment in the United States may cross the border daily without restrictions. The Court based its decision on the Jay treaty of 1794 which was interpreted as granting residents of each side of the border the right to come and go on business purposes. While the major portion of the country was little interested in this case sections near the American-Canadian border were intensely interested. The decision ends a serious diplomatic contryversy between the Ottawa and Washington governments.

David Starr Jordan, "grand old man of California" and known all over the world as a great thinker has endorsed the candidacy of the United States. The famous educator declared that Hoover has never made a serious mistake in his whole like. "To the world," said Dr. Jordan, "It is mess disportant to have at the head of its greatest nation a man without illusions, who cultivates no shams."

The threat of a "holy war" waged by Moslems against the Christian British Empire flared up again when Ibn Saud, King of the Hedjas and Sultan of Nedj made formal declaration of hostilities against the three British domains that border on his desgrt realm from the Red Sea to the Persian gulf. A dispatch from Jerusalem says that thousands of Wahabi tribesmen are under arms.

The Council of the League of Nations is in session at Geneva European statesman are deficient of the Council of

Daily man improves his victory over the air. The latest contribution of aeronautics is the flight in England of the largest airplane ever built. Weighing fifteen tons, the inflexible, made a successful trial flight. The wing span of this gigantic monoplane is 150 feet. The landing wheels alone are 7 feet six inches in diameter,

A few photographers, a handfull of newspaper men were present. There was no cheering crowd. Down from the sky swooped the plane. Out stepped Mr. Charles Levine- at Havans, Cuba. He looked at the group, expressed disappointment that so few had come to greet him. With him was Mabel Boll. They flew from Florida in the Columbia.

Guild Ladies Have Unique Plan for Increasing Funds

The Ladies Guild of the Centra Evangelical church is employing a unique scheme to add to the

The parish is divided into four districts, in each of which there will be circulated a market basket. Each home to which the basket comes will make a donation, marking the selling price, and then will purchase some article in the bas-

The district supervisors who will keep the baskets moving are Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Spaulding, Mrs. Wink-

Asks Zone Change to Build Church on El Prado Lot

The Foursquare Lighthouse Association, Inc., through John Salm, applied to the Council Tuesday night in writing for a change of zone on the lot at El Frado and Arlington, so that a church building may be creeted there. The request was referred to the city engineer and the city attorney for report on the action necessary for





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PLATFORM DETAILS ISSUES

Dennis - Maxwell - Raymond Policies in Campaign Are Frankly Set Forth

ECONOMY-PROGRESS AIM

People's League Document Attacks Lighting Comnanies' Interests Here

Continuation of the policies of the present city administration continued economy and progress were the outstanding planks in a platform adopted by the People's League which is supporting the candidacies of Mayor John Dennis Councilman Charles Raymond and Charles Raymond and the platform stresses the fact that although Torrance has one of the lowest city tax rates in the state this city led all of California.

The platform discusses a number of municipal problems a length, including a lighting system. It attacks light post agent and deals with the police department and industrial co-operation The platform to which Mayor Dennis, Councilman Raymond and Mrayrelle have pledged themselves

follows:

"It is the function of a City government to operate for the good of the greatest number of people, t provide a clean, unbiased administration of the municipality's affairs, to provide modern conventences and facilities for law enforcement, order and civic comfort and to promote sound progress.

"Two years ago a municipal tick et was elected to office in Tor rance on a platform of lowe taxes. That promise has "beekept. Nor has it been kept at the expense of any backward movement in the development of thi city. Under the present administration taxes have ben cut twice until now they are the second low est in the southland. Yet in 182 Tornance led the whole state of Catternies in building permits in

"These facts are eloquent testimony to the fact that Torrance has been well governed under the present administration."

Praises Administration
"In city after city progress is
purchased only at the price of
overlapping assessments, and the
oppressive burden of ever-increasing taxes. In Torrance under the
present administration exactly the

"Low taxes had much to do with the decision of the Columbia Steel to double its capacity in Torrance and lay plans for even greater en-

"Low taxes helped induce the Santa Fe to choose Torrance as the location of its Southern Cali-

fornia industrial development.
"Low taxes were largely responsible for the location of the big
Doheny-Stone Drill Company plant

in Torrance.

"Low taxes attracted the General Petroleum Corporation to purchase 900 acres for a huge refin

"Low taxes accounted in a large measure for the big building permirecord here last year, "Low taxes mean more jobs

"Low taxes mean more jobs more homes, more people in Torrance.
"Two members of the presen

"Two members of the present City Council which labored hard cutting budgets in order to make tax cuts possible are running for re-election. They are Mayor John Donnis and Counciliain Charles (Leymond, With them, standing for the same policies, G. A. Maxwell, an employe of the C.-t. M. O. and a clean, honest, attle young and a clean, honest, attle young

man is running for election.

The Peoples' League, believed in progress and economy, commends to the citizens of Torranctic candidacies of these three me who stand for a continuation of it type of administration Torranchas had during the past two year.

A number of problems confrol Torrance. They require the exe

Observations

The Navy and Naval Men—Introducing "Cootie" Hull, Ex-Tramp, Inhabited Soldier, Expert Gambler and Big Hearted Philosopher

By W. HAROLD KINGSLEY

THE more I see of men of the United States Navy the more proud-I am of our sea forces. A friend tells me how men of the fleet treat his son who visits the ships with a petty officer often Says my triend, "We are apt to think of sallors as pretty rough fellows. But they are always gentlemen when ladles are around and they treat little boys as any self-respecting father would like to have his son treated."

That is a pretty good recommendation for the lads who wear the blue of the Navy. People who live near port cities are ant to look upon sailors with disrespect. The uniform too often is looked upon with disrespect. But oh, what a difference when there is war of danger of war. Then the man in the uniform is a hero—loved fawned upon.

I ENJOYED a recent contact with two naval officers. In a gold club locker room two gentlemen in civilian clothes were discussing the never-failing subject of shots and drives. One of them asked if "our sixteen lnch guns shook the windows the other night."

asked if 'our sixteen inen gins show the wind was a warm officers.

That question revealed the fact that they were naval officers.

Before this intelligence was available we had remarked what fine looking, gentlemanly men they were.

I asked the younger of the two how I could get aboard the Saratoga on a week-day. He said it was difficult, whereupon the elder took out one of his cards and wrote upon it. I thanked him and they left. I looked at the card. He had written a pass to the new acroplane carrier. On the other side was his name. He was the man who takes command of the Pactic fleet in July.

I MENTION this incident to illustrate the fact that the Navy is anxious that the public be interested in the fleet and the activities and equipment of our sea forces. This vice-admiral saw that I wished to inspect the Saratoga. He didn't know me from Adam's off ox. But he was big enough to realise that anyone who is interested in a new ship of the fleet is a potential booster for the whole Navy. So he swept away red tape and issued me a pass. I retierate here what I told him—that I hope his golf drives carry straight and far all the rest of his life.

WARM philosophy often blossoms where we least expect to find it. This talk about men of the fleet has called to mind an experience I once had with a soldier in France. His name was Cootti Hull—so called because he boasted the possession of more lice or his person than any other man in the A. E. F.—a contention which none of us challenged and which was borne out by numerous re-

Coolie wasn't such a success in civillan life before he put on the uniform. He confided to me that most of his adult years had been spent on the rough and tumble byways of hobo life.

could wish for. I was baby-tender in a tenement house. All the men in that house were laborers and their wives were floor-swabbers in New York office buildings. The men and women all went to work in the morning and I stayed in the tenement and took care of the kids. Before going to work the women would put a big kettle of beans or soup on the stove and I'd watch it. Whenever one of the kids cried I would give him a bowl of soup. That job lasted through a cold winter and gave me a warm place to sleep and plenty of sium to eat. That sure was a soft job. Of course when spring came I resigned and took out to the open spaces. But vever since I have wished I could land a job like that every winter."

COOTIE'S ideas regarding acceptable occupation will give you some insight into the type of lazy hound he was. Nevertheless he had a heart as hig as a washtub. Cootie never struck prosperty in any army game of chance that he did not whack up with these of the outfit he most admired. And it is fitting here to make plain that he very frequently made a cleaning by virtue of his nimble fingers which could manipulate a pack of cards or a pair of dice with more skill than honest intent. In short his execution was on a much higher level than his ethics.

BUT to Cootie's philosophy. The outilt had rolled into Nancy after two months in Belleau Woods. We were a tired crew- and broke almost flat. Nancy is a lovely city and our lack of money was no boon, since we were off duty and provided with

plenty of leisure.

One sunny atternoon Cootie and I were sauntering down the main avenue of Nancy looking in the windows and bemoaning our lack of funds. On a curb sat a crippled French solder. Both his legs and one of his arms were gone—and he was blind. Cootie travered and surveyed the poor fellow carefully.

"CHERMAN was correct," said Cootie. "How much money have by you got?" The question was addressed to me and I answered. "Ive got just two francs. Why?"
"Well," said Cootie, "Ive got three, but this here Frog needs

I agreed and we cast our five france into the hat of the cripple.

As we proceeded down the street Cootic philosophised, "You know," said he, "I never helped anybody out like that but I got back what I gave a hundred times. It works every time, I tell you Ir you give all you get to somebody that needs it worse'n yea do you'll get it back and a lot more, every time. You wait and see."

He had scarcely got the words out of his mouth than around a corner came Slim—a lad who oved me 400 francs, but who had been transferred from our outfit and whom I had never expected to see

CLIM grabbed me enthusiastically and said, "Boy howdy! I'm glad I run into you. Last night I mõte a big killing in a crag game gad I'm AWOL. But I've grot plenty of trancs and I always pay my debts when I'm flush. Here's your 400 francs and 100 more on me. And he pealed five 100 franc notes from a buge roll."
I was about to hand him back the extra 100 when Cootte nucked me in the ribs. "Wis, Doc." he said. "Keep the century. That's contract of the contract of the 100 and of the 100 and the 100

AS we proceeded down the avenue Cootte puffed out his chest and squinted up one eye, "What's I tell you Doc. Didn't I say we'd set it back? I never seen it fall. Five hundred franckles. Hot

Suffice to say that the balance of our stay in Nancy was a collete success—and all philosophers are not in the universities.

CANDIDATES PLEDGE SELVES IN PLATFORM





G. A. MAXWELL

Mayor John Dennis, G. A. Maxwell and Councilman Charles Raymond are running on the People's League ticket for the City Council. Their platform, which appears in another column on this page, League ticket for the City Council. Their platform, which appears in another column on this page, discusses the major problems in Torrance and pledges them to definite policies regarding lights, the police department, industrial co-operation, low taxation and community progress.

REGISTER!—REGISTER!—REGISTER!

Friday is the last day or which citizens of Torrance which wish to vote at the city election on Monday, April 9 may register. All persons must re-register this year. If you have

not re-registered since Jan. 1, 1928 do so between now and Friday night or you cannot vote on April 9. Mrs. Laura Anderson, deputy registrar will be at A. H. Bartlett's new office at 1320 Sartori avenue
Thuraday and Friday
The books will close friday
night. REGISTER IF YOU
HAVE NOT DONE SO SINCE
JAN. 1.

Fim Hogan Takes Hand in Riddle Which Stalks Thru Women's Club; Who Throwed Them Jools Around?

Great mystery surrounds the Women's Club these days and nights. Footlights mysteriously blink op. Doors open without the aid of human hands and tales of loss of gleaming pearls are nightly

Who did it? Why?
The mystery is more of a mystery than ever. Chief Calder, with
all his wit training and native
shrewdness is all at sea.
Mrs. Willis Brooks, the president
of the Women's Club of Torrance.

Mrs. Willis Brooks, the president of the Women's Club of 'Torrance, when approached about the mysery and when questioned about he strange lights, revolver shots, creams and cries so often heard in the neighborhood of the club-louse, replied:

ystery is. I do know that we ave one It must be solved, and lift the aid of Chief Caider, Watden, his aide, and Sergeant Timopy Hogan, who has been detailed, it he mystery it will soon be istory. I call upon the residents this city to help in this matter; you cannot solve the mystery, u, might help on the night of arch 16 to learn, WHO STOLE HE CARSTON PEARLS?"

Roy Scouts Object to Garbage Cans Without Covers War Vets Auxiliary Is Given Flags

Boys of Torrance have keen eyes And they have noted the fact tha many garbage cans in the city ar left uncovered.

Principal Herbert Wood of the High School, president of the Court of Honor of the Boy Scouts wrote the Council that the boys had reported this to him repeatedly. The Council referred the matter to the police department.

Citizens point out that can top are frequently mased off by dogs and that often small boys lift then off to use them as shields in mimiwarfare.

Will Photograph Babies at Center

At the next meeting of the Mothers Educational Center, held Apri 6, from 10 to 12 at the Women's clubhouse photographs will be made of bables registered, for display at the Chamber of Commerce Los Angeles during Better Bables Week in May. During this week bables will be scored as to their health, posture, individual gain, and those showing a score of 98 or over will be awarded a blue ribbon All' bables showing a gain over their score of fair years will be given honer certificates.

At the meeting of the Center heal Friday Mirch 5, sinches hables were registered, of which ten were new.

BEG YOUR PARDON
By error the date of the Wo
men's Club card party was give
in the Herald last week as Marci
B. The correct date is March i

A real plan service, Consolidate

Officials Nail Statements on Lights, Sewers

City Engineer Leonard Leaseap night explained the status
of proceedings for a lighting
system in Torrance. He said
that the map of the proposed
system is just about completed.
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system is just about completed.
The propose of securing guaranteed
costs from contractors and light
post companies, so that the
people may know the exact
costs before any action is taken by the Council. It is stated
with conviction, contrary to rumor, the cost of installation of
the system will be less than \$1
per front foot. The cost of
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eer Leonard or about \$4.50 pe year for a 50 foot lot.
Mayor Dennis nailed anothe statement ourrent in the city relative to the Metropolita sewer system. There will be no increase in Torrance taxe when the sever is connected according to the mayor. Several years ago the Fifth district voted a bond issue for the big trunk sewer and taxes on this have been paid during the past two years. The fact that he sever here will be conected with the big system will make absolitety no difference in

These statements were made because some taxpayers have been informed that the proposed lighting system would cost about \$3 a foot and that taxes would go up when the saver system is connected.

Hawthorne Ave. Extension Deed Given to City

Standard Awarded
City Gas Contract
The council Tuesday night instructed City Clerk A. H. Bartlett to enter into a contract with the Standard Oil Company of Callfornia for the purchase of gasoline for the current year. Standard's bid was 17½ cents a gallon including tax. If the retail price of gasoline doilse drops during the year the price to the city will drop proportionately but the city is protected against an increase. Bids of the Union Oil Company and the Callfornia Petroleum Corporation were rejected. Union bid 17½ cents but stipulated that the price would go the transfer of the sassoline tax were in the made against any other property.

Delay Action in Used Car Dispute

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HURLS HOT SHOT AT CRITIC

Dennis, Facing Klusman Says
"You Lied and You Know
You Lied"

SLAMS MIS-STATEMENTS

Mayor Declares Independent Charges False; Lambasts "Dirty, Yellow Sheet"

"You lied and you knew you vere lying!"

That was the hot shot fired again and again by Mayor John Dennis Tuesday night in open Council meeting into the teeth of William

T. Klusman,
Standing face to face with Klusman, the mayor waved the most recent copy of Klusman's Independent, political handbill, and charged repeatedly that statements contained therein were not only false but that Klusman knew they were false when he wrote them and circulated them broadcast over the

It was the most outspoken speech ever make in a meeting of the Torrance council.

Faces Klusman

When the moment came for oral communications Mayor Dennis left his chair and walked to the other end of the Council table where he put c. his glasses, unfolded a copy of the independent and faced Klusman who was seated immediately behind the railing. Holding the handbill in the air

he mayor launched forth into a keries of electric sentences charging Klusman with knowingly writing and electricing falsehoods for
he purpose of winning votes.

"I told you once," shouted the
mayor, "that if you ever printed
anything about me you had better
be right. Now I am going to
show you that you are not only
wrong, but that you led knowwrong but that you led know-

Reads from Paper
The mayor then read the follow
may paragraphs from the Klusman

"I have the best and finest recommendation to present to the voters of this city, why they should elect me. This is from Mayor John Dennis, who stated at a Trustee meeting lately that a lot of people had come to him and told him with all sincerity and that very forceful, I will quote him ad verbatum just as he said it: (Still reading from Independent

(Still results from independen as it quoted the Mayor).

"It is a good thing that ther is a fearless man like Bill Klus man in Torrance. If it was no for Bill nobody would know wha was going on."

was going on."

Waving the handbill the mayor hen shouted, "That is a lie and wliat is more you know it is a lie. What I said in open council meeting was that in a conversation before witnesses a man named Leath-irman declared it was a good thing fortrance had Bill Kluman so he build watch the crooks."

"You lied and you knew you."

Hits Madrid Statement
The mayor then read the folwing piaragraph from the Indeendent written by Klusman;
"They (the Council) took over
20,000 of our Tax Money and
aved Madrid street on both sides
aved Madrid street on both sides

\$20,000 of our Tax Money and paved Madrid street on both sides of the R. track."

"I say here to your face," declared the mayor, shaking his fineer at Klusman, "that when you wrote that you knew that the cost to the Madrid paving job was less than \$10,000. Too asked me what the cost was and 1 fold you it was

wrote that you knew that I of the Madrid paving job w than \$10,000. You saked mu the cost was and I fold you less than \$40,000. Then you mp pulliplied the statement was over \$20,00°. You livou know you lied. The co \$8,901.22. Charges Vots Wish "You lied to set votes. Y

Charges Vote Wish
"You lied to set votes. You did
to be smear the names and repulation of the council. Ever since
have been in Torrance you have
seen doing the same thing. But
of once liney you ever come for-