

Univ. Students Visit Columbia Steel Plant

Torrance's Columbia steel mill was the scene of an investigation tour which members of the American Management Association on the campus of the University of Southern California, made Thursday evening, January 24.

The visit of the S. C. students was one of a series of tours to various industrial concerns in this vicinity which the commerce group sponsors. Dave Osburn, president of the association, announced that while at the plant the guests were given an opportunity to study not only the details of construction and operation of the large machines, but also to learn something of the functional set-up and efficiency of the mill.

It is interesting to note along management lines, that this particular plant at Torrance is the only plant in the United States Steel Corporation which has not operated at a loss during the depression," Osburn concluded.

MOTHER OF MRS. HILLIER PASSES AWAY ON FRIDAY

Mrs. Olive B. Hazlett, mother of Mrs. Harry P. Hillier, passed away Friday, January 25, in Los Angeles. Besides her daughter, she is survived by her husband, Earl C. Hazlett, and one son, Charles C. Hazlett, both of Los Angeles.

CASE CONTINUED

The cases in the justice court against James J. O'Toole and Robert Williams, which were set for trial last week were continued until February 5.

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can be paid off, hospital officials do not anticipate any financial troubles in the future.

Plan Benefit Ball

Plans have been completed for a benefit ball to be held on Washington's birthday, February 22, at the Surf and Sand Club in Hermosa Beach, the proceeds of which it is hoped will pay up the \$2000 deficit. Committees have been formed in the various communities served by the Torrance Memorial Hospital who will sponsor the ball. Tickets will be one dollar per person, and an eleven piece orchestra will furnish music. A colorful floor show is also being planned.

Committees from Torrance, Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Gardena and Lomita have been appointed and already a number of enthusiastic meetings have been held at the Dolphin Inn at Redondo Beach to work out details of the benefit ball. The general ways and means committee consists of Dr. Geo. P. Shidder, chairman; Dr. Russell Shea, Dr. Roy Fleisher and Dr. Ernest Butts. Committee on prizes: Drs. Butts, Smiley and Leake. Arrangement and management of the ball: Doctors, dentists, and druggists' wives, with Miss Maxwell, superintendent of the hospital, and Mrs. Jared Sidney Torrance. Publicity: Drs. Dorland, Baird, Fuller, Cain, Schmid, Leake and Spencer. Administration and finance: Drs. Schaefer, Racer, Stevenson, Cain, Lancaster, Wilkie, Leake and Eastley.

Supporting these general committees there have been appointed a number of citizens' committees in the various communities, as follows: Redondo Beach, I. H. Hawkins, Sam Austin, Norman Sprowl and Jorge Orribet. Hermosa Beach, Mrs. Willis Prouty, Glendon Reah and Knolen Blair. Lomita, Mrs. Jesse Welch, Mrs. Robert Kemp and Hugo Schmidt. Manhattan Beach, Mrs. L. C. Lull, Mrs. Frank Koonitz and Morris Rosen. Gardena, Albert McKenzie and Lewis Guild, Jr. Palms Verdes, Mrs. Robert Paul, Jane Forrester and Mrs. Allan Rice. Dr. S. Lancaster has been selected as chairman of the Torrance committee which will include representatives of nearly every organization in the city. Dr. Lancaster announces that a meeting of the Torrance committee will be held at his office, Friday at 7 p. m.

News From Washington

By Your Congressman
CHARLES J. GOLDEN

John Steven McGroarty, California's pastor, philosopher and poet, introduced the Townsend Old Age pension plan in the House. The bill was referred to the Ways and Means Committee which has to do with the raising of revenue for the government. In the past twelve years, old age pension bills have been referred to the committee on labor. The consequence is that the labor committee which has been studying old age pension systems all these years, now finds at this time that its most important subject has been switched to another committee. The result is that the labor committee has declared war and promises to do some old age pension reporting on its own account. But the House leaders and rules do not afford much chance of success.

The evident purpose of referring the Townsend Old Age Pension plan and other pension bills to the ways and means committee is to prevent the passing of any bill until the revenue producing features have been studied by the committee which has always had the responsibility of this problem. This committee depends upon treasury experts for much of its information although other views are given consideration. The treasury information is based upon the experience and methods of the department, while outside information is frequently academic and sometimes wholly impracticable. However, all the old age pension bills, and there are a number of them, will be given a hearing by the ways and means committee. The big problem in all of these bills is the question of raising the required revenue.

Considerable disappointment and criticism is being heard concerning the small pension recommended by the President and the commission appointed by him to study the question. This proposal recommends a \$15 per month contribution to those states that have old age pension laws that conform with the federal government requirements. It is assumed that the states will contribute an equal amount and some of them probably more. Thereby the total would reach somewhere from \$30 to \$50 per month according to the state's allotment. It is impossible to predict at this time just what bill the ways and means committee will favorably consider. The probability is that the committee will formulate a bill of its own including features from several of the bills. So far the federal government has avoided a general sales tax because this field of taxation is relied upon by so many states. Also the sales tax is opposed by many because of the heavy burden it places upon the wage earner. The inheritance tax is considered by some as a more equitable method of raising the required revenue. The transaction tax is suggested but a thorough analysis of this method has not yet been made by the authorities.

Most Congressional offices are swamped these days with letters and petitions from Townsend Old Age Pension clubs. Mail has become so heavy that a petition is being circulated among the members to add another stenographer to the office staff of each member of the House. The Senators did this last session. In addition to the regular correspondence which is unusually heavy, this office received 65 communications in one mail in favor of the Townsend Old Age pension. It is reported that one member received 3000 letters in one mail on the above subject. The Townsend plan advocates have aroused intense interest in the issue.

The proposed payment of adjusted compensation to the veterans promises to stir up a lively fight in this session. The Patman bill passed the House last session by a big majority but was defeated in the Senate. President Roosevelt is opposing the payment at this time. Many of us who favor the payment of this just debt to the

Lighthouse



Inauguration of new distance finding service at Los Angeles harbor lighthouse, above, today added materially to the safety factor at the port, already safest port of the Pacific for navigators.

farmers, the agriculturalists claim that they are only receiving a just share of protection benefits which should be shared by the farmers as well as by the industrialists. There seems to be a sort of traditional difference between Massachusetts and Texas that has as yet not been wiped out.

The Senate committee that has been investigating the munition makers has brought out the interesting information that those who profit in war, have in various ways opposed the peace treaties, the World Court, and the League of Nations. The committee has already brought out sufficient information to justify the entire elimination of excessive profits in the munition business. It will also discount the opposition to the various movements toward peace.

The District of Columbia appropriation bill aroused the usual scrap on the floor of the House. The people of the District of Columbia are always demanding that the federal government make a large contribution for the local government of the district. The tax rate in Washington, D. C., is \$1.50 per \$100 as against over \$4.00 in the city of Los Angeles and many other California cities. And yet, from the newspapers, you would gather the opinion that the people of Washington are abused and imposed upon by Congress. The House bill provides for a contribution of \$5,700,000 from the federal treasury to help support the city government of Washington. In addition to this, the federal government furnishes a large number of parks, police protection for the parks, buildings for monuments and buildings, cars for all the trees throughout the city, and in many other indirect ways, Washington is benefited. There are no income taxes, inheritance taxes nor sales taxes. Many wealthy people reside at the capital because of the low rate of taxation and the many other attractions due to its being the seat of the federal government.

Massachusetts and Texas have had several clashes on the floor of the House. The Massachusetts members representing purely industrial districts deeply resent the processing taxes under the AAA for the benefit of the farmers. Since Marvin Jones, of Texas, is the chairman of the committee on agriculture, he and some of the members of his committee replied to the Massachusetts assaults. On one occasion, Mr. Hope, of Kansas, a Republican, came to the rescue and defended the agricultural bill. The main defense is that Massachusetts industries have enjoyed the benefits of a protective tariff to which all parts of the country have contributed. Now that the manufacturers are paying tribute to the

Commencement At Narbonne Hi Tomorrow Night

Merrill Pankey Chosen As Student Speaker to Deliver Oration

Members of the winter class of '35 will hold their commencement exercises in the Narbonne auditorium, Friday evening, February 1, at 8 o'clock. Admission to the exercises will be by ticket only.

Arthur Gould, deputy superintendent of the Los Angeles city schools, will be the guest speaker, while Merrill Pankey has been chosen as student speaker.

Other members on the program will be a piano solo by Helen Johnson, a vocal solo by Catherine Lupinus, a piano solo by Alton Bergstrom, and a selection by a string trio made up of Catherine Lupin, Biagio Cannistraci, Emma Widner and Emma Erickson.

With the exception of Emma Erickson all the students on the musical program are members of the graduating class, which is said to be the most musically inclined group ever to be graduated from Narbonne.

The graduates are Chloell Alkman, Jerry Angelich, Claire Armstrong, Wilford Barnett, Alton Bergstrom, Joyce Bunge, Jane Byham, Biagio Cannistraci, Bruce Carpenter, Edith Chilton, Maynard Early, Julia Gannon, Delbert Getchel, Joe Haslam, George Hoffman, Helen Johnson, Catherine Lupin, Merrill Pankey, Louie Parker, Joe Ramirez, George Roberts, Norman Robinson, Helen Smith, Ernest Sprague, Dorothy Springman, Geneva Straub, Nondus Stumpy, Norval Vorhis, Emma Widner and Jack Yalden.

Miss H. Marie Stiff is the class adviser.

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- * A MINIMUM CHARGE of 50c a month will be made for each commercial account (or combined accounts by the same party) the average balance of which is less than \$100 against which one or more checks are paid during the month. If activity is excessive, account will be analyzed and charges made according to prevailing regulations.
 - * GO-BACK CHECKS—A minimum charge of 50c for each check returned because of insufficient funds in maker's account.
 - * OVERDRAFTS—A minimum charge of 50c will be made for paying checks causing an overdraft of \$1.00 or more.
- * NOTE:—As contrasted with minimum charges of \$1.00 in Los Angeles city banks.

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