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Halliburton Speaks Here Twice Next Monday

STEEL 'COMPANY UNION' DISSOLVED

Court's Rule Followed by Columbia

First effect of the supreme court's recognition of the National Labor Relations Act to be felt in Torrance was noted here this week in the form of a statement to all employees of the Columbia Steel Company from President A. N. Diehl. This was the discontinuance of the company's support and recognition of the Employee Representation Plan, commonly known as the "company union."

Columbia Steel's workers were notified Monday morning of the company's withdrawal from participation in or further recognition of the "Plans of Employee Representation" as they have heretofore existed. The Employee Representatives were notified that the company will no longer recognize them as spokesmen for employees.

This information was conveyed in the form of the following letter from President Diehl:

Discontinues Support

"There has been effective in all of the plants of the company a Plan of Employee Representation, an organization through which the employees in each plant engaged in concerted activities for the purpose of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection of employees. The company was advised, and believed, that these plans as constituted and as administered were proper and in conformity with law.

"Each of said Plans applied to only such of the employees as may have chosen freely and of their own volition to avail themselves of the machinery thereof for the presentation and adjustment of any matter which, in the opinion of said employees or any group thereof, required adjustment.

"On Monday, April 12, 1937, the Supreme Court of the United States announced its decision in certain cases, under which decisions it may be held that certain of the provisions of the National Labor Relations Act apply to the existing Plans of Employee Representation. To remove any question as to whether said Plans are in all respects in conformity with said Act, it is necessary that the company discontinue any financial or other support to the existing Plans or participation therein, and any recognition of any representatives elected thereunder as a representative of the employees. To this end and effective at once, the company

"(a) Will discontinue any financial contribution to the Plans.

"(b) Will not furnish any facilities for the election or other activities of the employees or representatives under the Plans.

"(c) Will not furnish any stenographic or other office service or facilities for the activities of the employees or representatives under the Plans.

Workers to Decide

"The provisions for amendment of the Plans require, in one form or another, the participation of the company in amendments of the provisions affecting the company. These provisions affecting the company are those relating exclusively to the company or to the joint procedure for adjusting grievances involving action by both the company and the employees or their representatives. These provisions are in those sections of the present Plan which relate to joint committees or joint procedure or which relate exclusively to company functions, such as articles V, VIII, IX, and X, and Paragraphs 5, 6, 7, and 8 of Article VI; Paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9 of Article VII, and the final sentence of Article XI.

"The company considers that all such provisions of the Plans relating exclusively to it or to joint procedure involving action by the company and the employees, should be left to the employees to decide.

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20-30 Sponsors Boys' Day Here

For the first time in several years National Boys' Week will be observed here next Wednesday, May 5, with the 20-30 Club sponsoring a day-long program. The club, composed of young men from 20 to 30 years of age, is keenly interested in boys' work and has planned the following program:

From 10 a. m. to 12 noon, boys will man all offices in the city hall. From 2 to 4 o'clock there will be plant visitations at the National Supply Company and Pacific Electric shops. At 5:30 all boys attending high school are invited to a wienerbake given by the 20-30 Club at the city park.

Officers of the young men's service group expressed their appreciation to the city officials, Principal Thomas Elson, Tom McGuire of the National Supply and P. E. Geibel, assistant superintendent of equipment at the P. E. shops for their cooperation in the Boys Week observance.

Monday Rain Brings Total to 21 Inches

Lowering clouds late Monday afternoon hinted that the rainy season was not over yet and a few hours later their presence on the darkened horizon was more than a hint.

The downpour, which did considerable damage to new gardens and some new terraced lawns, added .26 of an inch to the season's total, making that figure 21.28.

Last year the last rain, on March 31, made the season's total 10.32 inches, according to the weather report kept at the high school.

Waste-Haulage to Be Banned

When the city council meets May 11 an ordinance which will prohibit the transportation of garbage in or thru Torrance by private individuals or firms is scheduled to be adopted. The law was read for the first time Tuesday night and was approved with an amendment that will allow such transportation after special permission is obtained from the council.

The amendment was inserted to make provision for any other adjoining city to convey garbage thru Torrance in an emergency. The prime purpose of the ordinance is to halt garbage feeding of hogs within the city limits. The city retains the exclusive right to the collection and transportation of waste-matter here.

Columbias Meet; Movies Shot Here

Columbia Pictures received Columbia Pictures this week and the result was the shooting of a number of scenes by a location crew from the studios in North Hollywood at the ingot yard and warehouse of the local plant.

A large number of local workers were included in the sound motion pictures that were taken for "atmosphere" scenes that will be used in Columbia's forthcoming screen drama titled "White Heat."

Deputy Assessor Here Again Friday

A deputy tax assessor will be at the Chamber of Commerce tomorrow (Friday) from 3 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon to assist any resident in details of their tax assessments. In previous Fridays the deputy has served a large number of Torrance people, according to L. J. Gilmeister, secretary of the chamber.

List Herald Workers

Bonus Check Subscription Campaign Off to Good Start

Published for the first time, the names of workers in The Herald's \$2500 Bonus Check Campaign appears today. This list must not be misunderstood. It does not tend to show all of the active workers but merely those who have enrolled. To date there are nine active workers who have reported to the campaign department with the subscription business, while others in the list have not. They are workers in name only.

In the next issue of The Herald, the standings of the week-end List Score will be published. All workers who have not become active by that time will be dropped from the list.

The following people have been engaged by The Herald to collect on renewal subscriptions as well as issue receipts for new subscriptions:

Mrs. Mae Richardson.
Mrs. Phoebe Milburn.
Mrs. Cora Selby.
Mrs. E. G. Rowell.
Jimmy Higgins.
Mrs. Karmie Dolley.
Mrs. Emma Quaglin.
Mrs. Dorothy Weber.
Mrs. Jack Price.
Fred Marsteller.
Mrs. Jack Murray.
Mrs. Margaret Kelsey.
P. W. Giddings.
Jim Yoshinobu.
Jim Frank Carr.
Carl Steele.

Attention Workers!

Now is the time to get down to business. Each worker should plan an active program, spend as much time with their work as they can. The more time and effort they spend with the campaign the more money they are going to take out of it. The campaign is just starting; there is plenty of business in the field for the worker who will go after it.

Within a few short weeks five people will be presented with checks amounting into several hundred dollars. This money is worth working for. All that is necessary is work—no worker will fail to do business if he or she will work.

Subscribers Get Check

The subscriber's \$200 Gift Check is indeed creating interest. On June 19 some subscriber will receive this \$200 check simply by renewing their present subscription or placing their new subscription order with one of the campaign workers.

All workers must report to the campaign office Wednesday and Saturday, either in the evening or afternoon. This is a compulsory rule and all workers are asked to abide by it and make their regular twice a week reports to the office whether they have subscriptions to turn in or not.

Acceptance of Mural Planned

Plans are being made by Principal Thomas Elson and Miss Ada Chase, art instructor, for an acceptance ceremony at the high school on May 14 when the 34-foot mural painting by Miss A. Katherine Skeele in the school library will be formally presented to the institution by the Federal Art Works Project. Altho the painting, which depicts the communal life of Hopi Indians at their pueblo near Taos, N. M., is not entirely completed, it has won enthusiastic praise from artists for its conception, design and coloring. Miss Skeele is seriously ill at the present time and for that reason has been unable to finish her work, which she started some eight or nine months ago.

Appendicitis Strikes Family
ROCK SPRING, Wyo. (U.P.)—The "appendicitis" championship of Wyoming is claimed by the C. E. Petty family, with five operations in four months.

Torrance Girl Leaves Friday for Coronation

Thrilled to the tips of her toes, Neva June Loren, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lowen of 904 Beech street, was busy packing today for the longest trip of her young life—a trip which many an older resident would dearly love to make.

She is going to the coronation, Neva, who is a sixth grade student at Fern avenue school, leaves tomorrow for New York City where she will sail aboard the S. S. Berengaria for England next Tuesday. Neva will be accompanied by Mrs. Roy P. Malsby, of Los Angeles, long time friend of the family.

A chance to witness the pageantry of British royalty is not the only thrill in store for Neva. Later in the summer she and Mrs. Malsby plan to go to Paris to visit U. S. Ambassador William C. Bullitt, who is a personal friend of Neva's father. The little Torrance girl and her companion expect to return late in August or September.

Mrs. Malsby was a dinner-guest at the Lowen home Tuesday. Only a few minutes before had the Lowens consented to allow Neva to make the overseas trip. Thus Torrance will be represented by three residents at the coronation—Mrs. Tom Ramskill of 1608 220th street left for England Monday and A. J. Ritchie of 2108 Arlington avenue departed for the same destination April 20.

Community Event to Honor Mothers Here May 7

A "community get-together" will be held Friday, May 7, at the Civic Auditorium to which all residents of Torrance and vicinity are cordially invited to attend. Torrance churches are to be represented by musical talent and community singing will be a feature of the gathering.

The date being so near to Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9, the program will be dedicated to all mothers. More details of the event will be announced next week.

DRUNK CRASHES

William Fred Kurbat, 48, of Los Angeles, was jailed early Saturday morning on a charge of drunk driving. Officers found his car overturned near the Hydrant plant but Kurbat was uninjured. He received the usual sentence from City Judge Robert Lessing.

Juniors Score With "Dulcy"; Night Performance Friday

A matinee performance of the junior class play, "Dulcy," at the Civic Auditorium this afternoon before a large audience of students and quite a number of adults revealed that the junior comedians have prepared a splendid entertainment for those who will attend the evening performance at the auditorium tomorrow (Friday) night at 8 o'clock.

"Dulcy" is the story of a scatterbrained young wife with many ideas. The queerest one is that of inviting a group of people, all with different interests, one with a strange fixation that he is a millionaire, to a house-party expecting them to get along together while she helps her husband put over a big business deal. In the first act "Dulcy," played by Norma Schemm, nearly runs her husband, Carl Andrews, who gives a fine performance, into a nervous breakdown. In the second act she helps with an elopement, breaks up a happy home and makes a business deal that has a most unusual ending.

The last act sees them all happily made up and an amusing mystery solved. Other members of the cast, Addison Smith, Dorothy Jean Craig, Helen Smith, Wilbur Franklin, Jack Kent, David Powell, John Schmidt, Weston Leech and Akira Nakamoto are very good in their parts. The final presentation tomorrow night should attract a large crowd and when the curtain goes down for the last time, the junior class of 1937 will have added another hit to the list of class plays presented here, in the past.



'Dulcy' Herself
Is Norma Schemm

Schools Present Program Tonite In Auditorium

A joint program in the Civic Auditorium tonight at 7:30 o'clock will be the only local observance of Public Schools Week. This entertainment, to which all residents of this city and vicinity are cordially invited to attend, is being given by the Parent Teachers' Association in Torrance under the auspices of Torrance lodge, F. & A. M. No. 447, Willis Brooks, master.

Thomas H. Elson, principal of the high school and a past master of Crescenta Valley Masonic lodge, No. 625, will be master of ceremonies. The program, with about 225 students participating, will be as follows:

Pledge of Allegiance by Boy Scouts, led by Army Dowell.

Two numbers by the Torrance elementary school orchestra, directed by Mrs. Husted.

Verse Choir and Chorus

Dances by the B1 and A1 pupils of the elementary school, directed by Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Haydon.

English folk dances by A5 and B6 pupils from the Fern avenue school, Miss Macduff, directing.

Verse speaking choir composed of A6 pupils from Fern avenue, presented by Miss Thomas.

Harmonica band numbers by grades 1 to 6 from the elementary school, Mrs. Burns.

Parent Teachers' Association chorus singing three numbers, directed by Mrs. Elschen.

"Our Good Neighbors" with Japanese and Mexican students from the high school presenting songs and dances under direction of Mrs. Allen, Mr. Harrow, Mrs. Elschen and Mrs. Hitzler.

Three numbers by the high school a capella choir, directed by Mrs. Elschen, followed by the singing of the national anthem by the audience.

Names of all students participating in the program will be found on page 2-A of this edition.

Work Starts On Civic Building

Bright and early Monday morning, Elser Wickholm, Ltd., started preliminary work on El Prado for the erection of the \$19,780 Civic Administration building adjoining the Auditorium. The contractor was on the site with City Engineer Frank R. Leonard and Leonard J. Young, his assistant, surveying to set the stakes for the building which will house the Chamber of Commerce and serve other civic bodies when completed.

Later in the week a work of force building was moved to the front of the lot to provide headquarters for the builders. Actual construction work is expected to start the first of next week.

Two more resolutions pertaining to the WPA grant of \$10,695 toward the building's cost were adopted by the city council Tuesday night. These put the city on record as formally accepting the Federal grant.

Paved Walk Extends to Lomita; Street Being Improved

From the center of Torrance to the center of Lomita via cement sidewalks.

That was a stroll available to pedestrians for the first time this week when the street department, under the direction of William Gascoigne, superintendent, completed laying the new walk from the city limits here to the northerly end of Lomita's concrete sidewalk along Narbonne avenue.

Approximately 1,400 feet of concrete were laid by the city crews. At the present time the same workers are putting in a five and one-half foot shoulder of rock and soil to complete the pavement of Narbonne avenue up to the new curbs.

Auditorium Audiences Will Hear Adventurer in Person at Low Cost

Many and varied have been the forms of entertainment offered residents of this city. But not until next Monday afternoon and evening, May 3, will the outstanding treat for every member of the family be presented here.

GLOBE-TROTTER



RICHARD HALLIBURTON

Whose personal appearances next Monday afternoon (3:30) and evening (8:15) are being sponsored by The Herald, Admission to his graphic travel talks at the Civic Auditorium are the lowest charged anywhere in the South—25 cents for students and 55 cents for adults. At the matinee, 25 cents for children under 12 and 55 cents for adults in the evening. Tickets are being sold at The Herald office, 1335 El Prado, and at the Torrance, Narbonne and Gardena high school offices. Get yours now and be assured of a delightful entertainment next Monday.

Life Story Reads Like Page From His Own Books

Richard Halliburton was born at Brownsville, Tenn., Jan. 9, 1900. He was educated at Lawrenceville Preparatory School and at Princeton University, and was graduated from the latter in 1921. Several times before he took the vagabond trip around the world young Halliburton had been taken abroad by his parents, traveling in luxury. But immediately upon graduating he took himself off without benefit of money, made his way to Europe on a cattle boat and went completely on his own, an incurable romanticist.

In that first year of his wanderings he climbed the Matterhorn, was a prisoner at Gibraltar, lived the beach-comber's life in the East Indies, had an encounter with Chinese pirates and on his 23rd birthday amazed Japan by doing the impossible—scaling Fujiyama in mid-winter.

Found Modern Circe

He returned from that first vagabond journey and wrote the phenomenal best-seller, "The Royal Road to Romance." The book led in popularity for over three years the library lists of the country. At 24 he began to lecture and he is now one of the most popular lecturers in the United States. After a year on the platform, he was off again, this time to the Isles of Greece, reliving the Odyssey. He swam the Hellespont, ran the Marathon, climbed Olympus and Vesuvius and followed the fantastic trail of Ulysses, even to finding a modern Circe. Then he came back home and wrote his second book, "The Glorious Adventure," which in turn was as widely read as the first.

Once more he told of his joyous adventures via the lecture platform. His second tour took him all over the country where he found that the fame of his books had preceded him and that everywhere people were eager to know and see the young blond zestful man. Not for long (Continued on Page 3-A)

City Seeks Data On Water Service

Pointing out that the city is collecting 15 cents per \$100 assessed valuation for fire protection and there are no water mains in the district, R. F. Geardt, spokesman for a committee of North Torrance residents desiring water service, told the council Tuesday night that immediate action is necessary to satisfy those living in that sector.

"We urgently request fire protection and at the same time, water at a nominal cost for service," he said. "If we don't get it soon, we intend to start legal action to recover what we have paid in taxes for fire protection."

Mayor William H. Tolson instructed City Attorney C. T. Rippe to obtain information at once on how the city can obtain water from the Maneta Mutual Water Company and assured Geardt that a special council session will be held as soon as this is determined. City Engineer Frank R. Leonard estimated it would cost about \$8,000 to install a six-inch water main to serve the North Torrance families desiring water.

Geardt informed the board that nearly every resident is willing to contribute toward the cost of connecting with the main, this expense to be spread over a period of years. Leonard estimated that it would cost about \$50 per house to meet service expense. Members of the council indicated that this extension of water service should be the first order of business for the city until the North Torrance folk are satisfied.