

Isabella Didn't Pawn Jewels

New Slant on Discovery of America by Columbus

Modern commentators, in calling attention to Oct. 12, as the 445th anniversary of Columbus' landing in the Bahama archipelago, say that if it had not been for Jews and Jewish influence, the great explorer might never have set sail. They also contend, and historical records seem to agree with them, that Columbus was of Italian-Jewish blood, that King Ferdinand was the grandson of a Jew, and that one, Luis de Sant'angel, a Jew, and a sort of one-man finance company, provided the 1,140,000 maravedis (about \$11,000), through Queen Isabella's influence, for Columbus' exploration trip.

During 1491 and 1492 there was a wholesale expulsion of Jews from Spain. Sant'angel's purpose in helping Columbus, it is now believed, lay in the hope the explorer might find some new haven for Jewish refugees. Searching records to find what happened between Columbus' arrival and the founding of Los Angeles in 1781—a period of 289 years—the Federal Writers' Project, WPA, ran across a new historical angle.

"Isabella did not pawn her jewels, to raise cash for Columbus' voyage," Hugh Harlan, supervisor for the writers said today. "Sant'angel, according to the records, voluntarily advanced the Moorish money and Isabella, in a generous gesture, assured him her crown holdings would back up the loan." There is no record, however, that the sum was ever repaid. It is obvious why Ferdinand was in sympathy with the proposed voyage. An interpreter, two surgeons and a kinsman of Sant'angel were on the Santa Maria. Columbus' map and his sea quadrant were furnished by Jewish friends.

After 71 days' sailing in what was thought to be the direction of India, the three-ship fleet landed at what later was called Salvador or Savor Island. In 1497 the English Cabots set out for the North Atlantic coast. That also was the year the Spanish Crown decreed that all lands found by Columbus were to be used partly as penal settlements for political and religious prisoners. This again strengthened the haven-for-Jews theory. Sant'angel seems to have had a hand in this matter for by this time he had been made the Crown's royal treasurer, with no little authority.

In 1498, Vasco da Gama reached India by sea route. Ponce de Leon landed in Florida in 1513. Cortes conquered Mexico in 1519-1522, and 10 years later Pizarro subjugated the Incas of Peru. On Oct. 7, 1542, Cabrillo, the Portuguese navigator discovered Catalina Island which he, too, called San Salvador.

Barton Robinson has been engaged by the Torrance Mutual Building and Loan Association for special work, according to Torrance C. Welch, president of the association. Robinson was formerly associated with Welch in his Los Angeles office, and Welch expressed the hope that Robinson will remain permanently in Torrance.

TORRANCE HIGH LIGHTS . . . by Carl Gilbert

New Club Schedule . . .
A new club schedule has been planned for the students of Torrance high. Every other Friday morning, club meetings will be held at a specified period. This will give more students a chance to participate in the most popular clubs because a student may attend only one club meeting each Friday.

Pep Club Rally . . .
The Pep club opened the season for horse throats when it held its first rally Monday. The girls seemed very enthusiastic and, under the able leadership of Mrs. Margaret Allen and F. E. Barrow, the club will show some real school spirit at the coming football games.

Fire Prevention Week . . .
Fire prevention spirit is being displayed by the actions of many T. H. S. students this week and if everyone shows the spirit that these students have, there will be no need for a fire department in our city.

Pomona Fair Entries . . .
Ray Richhart, Art Hedrick, Joe Ray, Milton Carlson, Wilbur Franklin, and Harry E. Stone, their capable advisor, entered some chickens in the White Leghorn poultry contest at the Pomona Fair and came out with high honors.

These boys also know the art of chiseling, for they were also able to "crash the gates" to the horse show, as well as the main gates at the fair.

Townsend Club Activities By BETH PAIGE

An interesting program was slated for last Thursday night's Townsend club meeting. After the various reports were read, one of the first matters of business was voting a letter of thanks to Editor Grover Whyte for his splendid co-operation and generous space accorded to the report last week of the Townsend Day, Sept. 28, in Hollywood.

One most important item was unfortunately overlooked in that report, the fact that more than 1,000 new members were added to Townsend clubs of the Southland during the first week of Dr. F. E. Townsend's visit in Los Angeles.

All who wish to hear him once more before he departs, will have that opportunity Monday evening, Oct. 11, in San Pedro at the school house on Cabrillo avenue.

Mrs. Marietta Shields arrived in Atlanta, Ga., last Saturday for a six-weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Harder. She will return via Hagerstown, Pa., where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Kate Teeter.



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Cooking School Closes With Gas Range Awarded

In the presence of the largest gathering of women ever to attend a cooking school here, Mrs. Carl Steele of 1320 Cota avenue, was awarded the \$134.50 Gaffers and Sattler "Mode-o-Mat" gas range that was offered by the National Home Appliance company and the manufacturer as the major prize for The Herald-Southern California Gas company event that closed last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Steele, wife of the president of the Torrance lodge of C.I.O. workers employed at the Columbia Steel plant, was almost too surprised to comment on her good fortune. Then she managed to say: "This is too good to be true. I have wanted a new range ever since we came to Torrance—that was two years ago. I can't tell Mr. Harry Abramson or The Herald or the gas company how glad I am I won that beautiful range."

Three cards were drawn from a hopper containing the attendance cards of all who enjoyed the three-day gas cooking instruction given by Mrs. Jessie Ewing in the Civic Auditorium before the winning slip was announced.

The three cards, which were torn up immediately after a little girl had extracted them from the hopper, were signed by Mrs. Tom Holdsworth, 25046 Pine avenue, Lomita; Mrs. Fern Miller, 2108 Martina avenue, and Mrs. W. H. Birmingham, 1005 Satori avenue, Apartment A. Then Mrs. Steele's card was announced and she claimed the valuable gift.

Mrs. Ella Powell of 1740 Arlington avenue submitted the highest bid, \$145, on the \$189.50 six-burner Gaffers and Sattler "Mode-o-Mat" range offered by the National Home Appliance company for sealed bids. She claimed her range later.

The "Magic Chef" gas range which Fay Parks of the Torrance Plumbing company also offered for sealed bids received three identical offers from Mrs. C. Carlson, 1723 Andrea avenue, Mrs. Mary L. Parker, 1748 Border, and Mrs. Powell. It was finally sold to Mrs. Carlson for her bid of \$75 after Mrs. Powell decided to take the Gaffers and Sattler and Mrs. Parker decided to keep her "Magic Chef" which she purchased recently.

Dying Moment



Capt. A. S. Wolpert of Seattle is shown in the arms of a fellow fireman just as he died of a heart attack after being overcome by smoke while fighting a \$100,000 fire at a tar plant. Note the pleading look on the face of the other fireman as he seeks help for his dying captain.

People

Dr. C. L. Ingold will leave Monday to attend the Masonic Grand Lodge at San Francisco as representative from the Torrance lodge.

Ted Wertz, his son, Bob Wertz and Jimmy McLean left Saturday on a motor trip to Kansas City, Kansas, where they will visit for a week with Mr. Wertz's sister and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Thompson of Steubenville, Ohio, are expected to arrive in Torrance this week to visit with the latter's sister, Mrs. Lon Ralston, 1667 Gramercy avenue.

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