Famous Bullfrog Dies

ST. LOUIS (U.P.)—Lilith, the world's most photographed bullfrog, has croaked for the last time. Lilith, an albino, had been a stellar attraction for three years.

Firemen Stow Oars

BOSTON (U.P.)—No longer will firemen have to bend to the oars to answer alarms on Deer Island. Shirley Gut, between the island and the mainland, has been filled in.

M. E. CHOIR WILL PRESENT YULE CANTATA ON SUNDAY

The choir of the First Methodist Episcopal church will present its annual Christmas cantata, under the direction of R. F. Hogue, Sunday evening, Dec. 19, at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend and enjoy the evening of music. No admission will be charged.

The cantata, "King of Peace," will be given in the following program: Piano prelude by Bernice Guy, "Lamb of God, the Heavens Adore Thee" by the women's chorus, "The Annunciation" a baritone solo by Carleton B. Beil and chorus, tenor solo "While Shepherds Watched" by Gene Dotson.

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" by the chorus, a contralto solo by Mrs. Perry, "No Room in the Inn" a baritone solo by K. Fasnacht and chorus, "There is Room in My Heart" by the chorus, "The March of the Magi" by the male quartet, "Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices" an alto solo by Phyllis Hamilton, "The Wise Men and the Shepherds," "Hymn to the King of Peace" and "Praise the King of Peace" by the chorus.

Woman Operates Gold Mine

SYDNEY (U.P.)—After operating a gold-mine single handed for a year in the jungle in New Guinea, Mrs. B. Harper has come to Sydney for a holiday.

Children to Stage Nativity Scenes

The First Christian church Bible school will present Nativity scenes in miniature Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. A primary child will be the Mary, Junior boys will be Joseph and the shepherds and Intermediate boys will be the wise men. Intermediate girls will be candle bearers and the songs will be mostly by the primary and junior groups. The annunciation angel and reader will be an intermediate girl.

The piano and some adult support will accompany with chimes and xylophone. A processional, dressed to represent children of all nations, will follow the shepherds and wise men with white gifts to lay before the manger. Manger scenes in tableaux form grow out of each group appearing.

People and what they are doing . . .

Mrs. Mary Oetken of New Albany, Indiana, arrived in Torrance, early this week to visit for a time with **Miss Hermine Oetken, Mrs. Elizabeth Brod** and **Will Oetken** at 1001 Sartori avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Deininger recently celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary by dining in Los Angeles with **Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Bishop** and later attending the Carthay Circle theatre.

Mrs. H. C. Barrington and **Mrs. E. A. Miles** attended the Reciprocity Day luncheon at South Gate Woman's club Wednesday. **Mr. Miles** is a former member of the South Gate club.

Mrs. Harold Smith and **Mrs. Marcus Edwards** attended the meeting and Christmas party of Lomita-San Pedro Council.

Assisting in the **Baker Smith** store during the Christmas rush is **Mrs. Emma Quaggin.**

Mrs. H. R. Woodington, 2013 Arlington avenue, had as her house guest for the past week her mother, Mrs. Hulda Housinger of Santa Rosa.

Brian K. Welch, president of Dominguez Land Corporation is in Torrance this week on business.

Postmaster Birda Padilock of Lomita returned to her duties last Friday after taking sick leave to recover from an attack of influenza.

Ferris D. Stone of Detroit, Michigan, was a guest at the home of his sister-in-law, **Mrs. Edna Stone** of Post avenue, last evening.

Letters to the Editor

AID APPRECIATED

Editor,
Torrance Herald:

The Torrance Retail Merchants association, wishes to thank The Herald for its splendid cooperation and assistance in ushering in the Christmas season through the street decorations and programs.

The wholehearted support received from the city of Torrance, Chamber of Commerce, and all local business and professional agencies, has been gratifying.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) DEAN L. SEARS,
Secretary.

Recession Said Slight in County

Despite a general tendency of business to reflect the recent recession, the month of November was marked by the entrance of 16 new factories in Los Angeles and vicinity and expansions of 13 plants. This is slightly lower that the rate of increase prior to November, especially in the matter of expansions.

Chief "white spot" in the report circulated by the L. A. Chamber of Commerce for the county board of supervisors is postal receipts, which reached the highest November level in the history of the post office.

Foreign trade was an outstanding factor, with the gain for the first 11 months of the year amounting to 23 percent over the same period last year and November's increase amounting to $5,000,000 in value and 150,000 tons more than the same month a year ago.

Bank Debits Gain

Agriculture was helped by a favorable harvesting weather and crop prices and movements were good, with livestock conditions encouraging.

Under classification of manufacturing, aircraft, petroleum and motion pictures showed only slight effects of a recession. Retail trade is responding to stimulus of the approaching holidays, but may fall below last year's mark for the period.

Bank debits, which for the first eleven months of this year show a 10 percent gain over last year, were, in November, three percent below November of 1936.

The report pointed out that during October, Los Angeles county was the only area of the state to show a gain in industrial employment.

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