RAY BROOKS

SHOP TALK

BARBER'S BEHAVIOR

A life size portrait in oil (of the political type) of the Great White Father goes this week to Barbers G. Morton & E. Rinker, whose tonsorial parlor . . . of all names . . . is called American. This coveted award is bestowed on these Loyal Lather Laddies for their unswerving allegiance and unselfish fealty to the Causus New Dealus in general and to the Great White Chief in particular.

Their amazing act is unknown in the annals of American barbering. Locking up their shop about 10 a. m. last Saturday and planning to go west to Redondo Beach to play Bingo, Morton & Rinker set their compass all screwey, got lost in a heavy fog, found they had traveled east instead, were on Main street. And WHO do you think they saw? Why the Great White Chief!! And to make this story amazing, G. Morton swears (and can he swear!) that the Chief, observing both boys still wore their barber smocks, leaned over to an aide, whispered, "Remind me to tell Farley to cut those two barbers in on a nice slice of political pork. Why, I'll wager a nice new destroyer they are the only two loyal Democrats in Torrance!"

(Whassa matter, Conner?)

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DIPS DEPLETED

A half dozen short, snappy cheers for the city official who was responsible for the elimination of the many roller coaster dips out on Torrance boulevard. One used to wrench one's back every time one zipped over those dips, didn't one?

However, I'm reserving another half dozen cheers until the stretch between the P. E. station and Cedar is paved completely. Hardly a ballroom floor it is now, is it? Even with the dips out.

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GARGANTUAN GAG

A Hollywood studio this week reached the pinnacle of publicity-getting gags when they used actor Alan Mowbray's name in as cheap a stunt as has been tried in many a moon.

In a form letter to "Gil" Gilmeister, Chamber Secretary, this actor, thru the mouth of some smart studio publicity agent, pleads to be adopted by some city in Southern California, explaining that a new picture is to be released soon and that the studio has promised all stars a trip to their home town for the picture premiere. As his birthplace is London, that is out of the question. (Why out of the question? The farther away the better).

Then follows the suggestion that the newspaper or some other medium break out in a rash, start a gigantic campaign to impress the citizens' with the necessity of voting for Mowbray.

Well, blow me down!

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VEXATIOUS VACATION

Ed "The Man Who Treats You Right" Thompson, Chev. Dealer, returned last week from a fortnight's vacation in the East. Ed "The Man Who Treats You Right" Thompson leaves next week on a three days sojourn at Lake Arrowhead . . . for a rest.

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C FOR YOURSELF!

We ourselves are too lazy to count them, but A. W. Wiggins, president of the Florida Power Corporation, tells us there are about 6,000 words in the English language that begin with the letter C. Higgins gave a talk at a convention of the Florida League of Municipalities in which he deplored class attacks and urged that confidence displace confusion. He went on to tell his hearers that the C's are not only great in number, but great in meaning.

"What power and foreboding there lies in the word **chaos!**" he exclaimed.

"Then, there is **creation.** In government, we have **constitution** and **court.** In economics, **capital** and **consumer.** In all aspects of life, to a lesser or greater degree, we have **controversy** and **collapse.** But, these C's and their thousands of cousins are as nothing compared to the one word that identifies 'Homo Sapiens' who, individually and collectively, in the final analysis **controls** all the mighty 6,000—that word is **citizen.**

"The word **citizen** has a French origin; but man actually became a **citizen** when his intelligence, **centuries** ago, told him he could get more through **co-operation** with his neighbor than he could by **conspiring** against him—usually with a **club.** He learned to be **constructive, charitable.** But he also learned to **conspire,** to **crush.** He acquired **conscience** and **character,** but **caprice** and **corruption** as well.

"So today, man is **confronted** with the problem of handling the good C's and the bad C's. On the solution of this problem rests **civilization** itself."

—Shining Lines.

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JOKE

"Are you from Mexico?"

"Si."

Got a job?"

"Si, si."

"Working for the government?"

"Si, si, si."

Another 'Ideal' Match on the Rocks?

When Movie Actor Richard Arlen married Actress Jobyna Ralston 12 years ago they were called a "perfect couple." But when Arlen boarded his yacht without her, Mrs. Arlen revealed that the "ideal Hollywood married" couple had separated two days previously. The Arlens are shown with their 5-year-old son, Richard Jr.

Arizona Vicar to Officiate Here

Rev. David Jones of Winslow, Arizona will conduct services at St. Andrew's Episcopal church during the month of August. Rev. Jones with his wife and two children will leave Winslow for Torrance Aug. 1. Their residence in this city will be at 1635 Post avenue. Rev. Thomas R. Marshall will be away on vacation during the month.

L. A. Drain Plan Frustrated by Co. Engineers

Plans of the city of Los Angeles to dump flood drainage waters from its pet "white elephant," Mines Field municipal airport, into the already overtaxed drainage system of the Inglewood-Lennox-Hawthorne area, were frustrated this week by precautionary moves of county flood control engineers.

Los Angeles was granted permission by the board of supervisors to install a 48-inch drain from Mines Field to connect with Drainage District No. 8 system, but an outlet gate will be installed and controlled by district engineers.

When the district drains are in use up to capacity, no waters from the Mines field line will be permitted to enter the outlet, so that there will be no additional load placed upon the district system, according to C. H. Howell, chief flood control engineer.

No Money Available

The city of Hawthorne protested granting of the permit to Los Angeles, pointing out that Mines Field is outside of the assessment district which constructed drainage No. 8 originally.

The present system is very inadequate to properly care for the storm waters now tributary to it, the city's protest declared, and new development within the present drainage area is constantly increasing the flood runoff to the detriment of the city of Hawthorne.

Tentative plans have been made for the construction of relief storm drain systems for the Inglewood, Lennox and Hawthorne areas, but the supervisors have been unable to find money for the project.

It pays to advertise in The Herald.

FIVE BABIES BORN HERE

Five babies, four of them boys, were born at Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week.

Those claiming sons were: Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dunklin, 721-B Sartori, on Tuesday—Dunklin is employed by the C.C.M.O.; Mr. and Mrs. D. E. McKee, Los Angeles, on Tuesday; Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Myer, Los Angeles, on Saturday, and Mr. and Mrs. John N. Pflugh, 20519 North Oak (Hammerton tract) on Friday.

The lone girl was welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Perusati of Puente on Saturday.

'INCUBATOR' BABY GAINING WEIGHT

Nurses at Torrance Memorial hospital have given the "incubator baby" a son born to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Montgomery of Wilmington, July 2, exceptional care and attention.

The result of their interest has been a 13-ounce gain in weight for the tiny mite which tipped the scales at four pounds, four ounces when he arrived. Today the baby weighs five pounds one ounce and is steadily gaining.

Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery will take their baby home when their physician is confident that Master Montgomery is tipping the beam at an even six pounds or better.

Colorado Railroad Man and Wife on Southland Tour

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Murn and son Robert, of Sterling, Colorado, arrived in Torrance recently for a summer vacation visit, and are guests of Murn's nephew, R. J. Sayre and wife at 2317 El Dorado, his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Hough, and niece, Mrs. Jean Barney who reside at the Park Hotel. Murn has been for 41 years an engineer on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad in Colorado. He is one of the road's oldest employees in point of service. He and his wife are enjoying their trip to the coast and plan to visit many local places of interest.

Carriage Purchased for Grand Piano

Taking no chances of damage to the concert grand piano which is a fixture in the Civic Auditorium, the city voted an appropriation of $57.50 Tuesday night to purchase a piano carriage for the instrument.

The carriage will permit moving the piano to any part of the Auditorium easily and quickly.

600 Candidates Pay $13,049 to Get On Ballot

Candidates for assembly and other state offices have paid in fees from which the Los Angeles county treasury will benefit to the extent of $13,049.65, Secretary of State Frank C. Jordan announced this week.

Although throughout the state there are reported to be more candidates for office than ever before in the state's history, in Los Angeles there are but about 600 candidates this year, as compared with 699 four years ago.

Veterans' Reburial Sought

UTICA, N. Y. (U.P.)—Utica war veterans have opened a campaign to provide "decent burial" for 51 former soldiers, sailors and marines now interred in potter's fields at two city cemeteries.

Kiwanians Consider Public Affairs at Dinner-Session

With Jack Miller presiding and taking a leading part in the informal discussion, members of the Kiwanis club devoted their dinner-meeting Monday night to consideration of civic affairs. Miller is chairman of the club's Public Affairs committee and president of the Torrance Coordinating Council.

His guests who participated in the round-table consideration of such projects as the Coordinators' program and objectives, Cabrillo and Torrance boulevard improvement, the "Factory Frolic" here in October, tree planting and street repair work were Mayor William H. Tolson, Vernon Coil, Rev. Harry G. Banks and Dr. O. E. Fossum.

Next Monday night Dr. W. I. Laughon will be program chairman.