

RAY BROOKS



SHOP TALK

THINGS ABOUT TORRANCE YOU PROBABLY WOULDN'T CARE TO HEAR ABOUT:

... that the Bellinis, Teala & Bob, have spelled their moniker wrong for many years now! Seems that Bob's sister, out from the East, informed him that their old family name in Italy was spelled Bellini, not Billini, as they have been writing it.

... that Mayfair Milk announces a price drop... not due, as Ed Brunner remarks, to Tuesday night's earthquake.

... that it was rather peculiar that the tremor occurred almost while the votes were being counted in Tuesday's primary. (Must have been the combined groans of defeated candidates!)

... that wrestling with a ballot in one of those piggy size voting stalls is worse than trying to play a game of rugby in a phone booth.

... that the marble machine is becoming so popular at George Probert's Torrance Pharmacy that Fountain Man Harold Watson is now making appointments for players days in advance.

... that Myrtle Melz, whom many will remember as former operator of a beauty salon on Torrance Blvd., is now back in Torrance, having plunked down cold cash for Geo. Morton's American Beauty shop on Cabrillo. Myrtle will concentrate on the females whilst George will now have more time for the males. (Or have I got that backwards?)

... that Les Prince's boy alibied to his mother that the reason he didn't want to scrub the kitchen floor was because he couldn't get his corduroy pants rolled up high enough. No alibi to her, Mrs. Prince made him take them off, scour the linoleum in his B.V.D.'s. At this, the lad remarked he didn't mind pushing the mop, but hated to scoot around in the suds with only a thin piece of fabric between him and the floor!

... that all the Election Board women at Precinct No. 6 on Annapolis were complaining about the city's garbage collection service, claimed that garbage cans were left undumped for days, quickly ruined, and left in the alleys where passing cars made pancakes of them. (Wonder why they were thinking of garbage? Certainly no connection between it and politicians!)

... that inasmuch as Shop Talk got a house for houseless George Arnette, new operator of the Gilmore Station out on Torrance Blvd., by mentioning it here last week... therefore it hopes to do the same for Pete Beville, soft spoken Southern boy, who recently came out from Florida to help Don Miller at Firestone's. Pete's family... wife and two children... arrives within the fortnight, will find no home, no nothin' unless something pops.

... that two darn nice young fellows, Earl Moore, Mgr. and Bill Morgan, helper, have only this week taken over the Shell Service Station on Carson street down by the Torrance Laundry. They say they mean business, are getting new equipment and additional stock, plan to stay in Torrance and make a profit. Bill Morgan, as friendly and likeable as he is short & round, formerly operated a station in Santa Ana, got held up one night, was taken into the hills in a frightful storm and cracked on the head. Says he doesn't like hold-ups.

... that Les Prince reports excellent response (sold out after first shipment!) to his rather novel offer of skillets and chicken fryers at a big saving after the customer has punched out \$1.95 in purchases at Les' Beacon Drug.

... that Penny manager Hillman Lee reports excellent business, with last Thursday over 100% gain over the same day last year. Hillman is now in a back-to-school sale, says he has some bargains for parents that will make their eyes pop out!

Tables Turned Perfectly SAN FRANCISCO (U.P.)—Edward Collins, 27, feels that he has more than paid his debt to society. On the day he was released from San Quentin prison where he had served a term for robbery, he was held up in this city and robbed of his trousers and \$28 by two gunmen.

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Orange Entry



Miss Estherann Walker of San Bernardino, runner-up in a recent "Miss California" beauty contest, will represent the Southern California orange belt at the 10-day State Fair opening Sept. 2.

Auto Parts Lead in Local Thefts

Thefts-of-the-week as reported to the police department:

Old batteries and tires... from Fred Harder's service station late last week. In one night 11 batteries and two tires were purloined, Harder said.

Auto horn... from T. Kitano's car last Thursday night while it was parked near 190th and Western.

Spare wheel and tire... from Frank J. King's car sometime during the past week. King lives in the Norman Arms apartments on Torrance boulevard.

Reported as stolen last week by Cecil Furman from his front yard at 1008 Cravens avenue, a trunk containing household equipment was merely taken in custody by a neighbor, police were informed, to safeguard it against possible theft. The neighbor noticed the trunk standing in Furman's yard at nightfall and removed it to his garage for safekeeping until the owner returned.

No Liquor Propositions On Ballot

No propositions relative to the control and regulation of liquor in California will appear on the ballot at the November election. This is the first state election since repeal of prohibition that the people have not been called upon to vote on one or more propositions relative to control and regulation of liquor.

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Alondra Park Suffers from Supervisors' Slash

Taxpayers in delinquent special assessment districts throughout the county will receive only half the financial aid from the county treasury that has been given for the past several years, by action of the board of supervisors, in cutting the budget preparatory to its adoption last night.

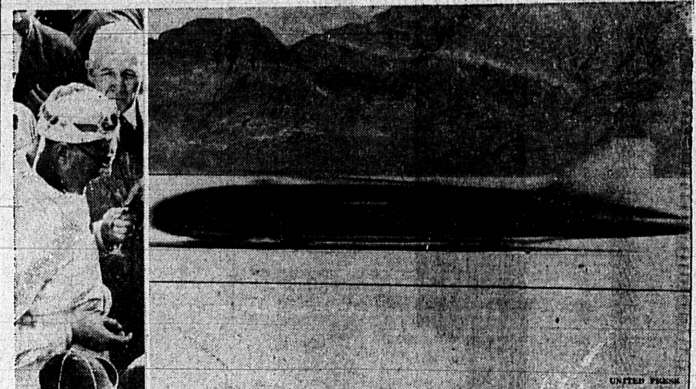
Alondra Park north of Torrance is one of the badly delinquent districts that will suffer as a result of the board's action, and Supervisor L. M. Ford, in whose district it is located, urged that a cut of some \$400,000 be not made, altho it was recommended by the department of budget and research.

Alondra Park was on the list with 13 other "sour" districts where the delinquency was between 10 and 20 percent this year. The Alondra district had an average delinquency of 16.78 percent. Last year it was only 12.51 percent, and the year before it was 14.68 percent. This disclosure prompted Supervisor Gordon McDonough to remark that "apparently taxpayers in this district are not doing their part in paying their taxes."

Pierce Fazel, investigator who recommended the slash in aid to special districts where they were between 10 and 20 percent delinquent, said bondholders were not desirous of selling their bonds at less than 80 cents on the dollar, in spite of the higher delinquency this year. The county has given the district \$72,000 a year for several years to relieve the burden.

Chairman Roger Jessup, who voted for the cut in aid said that since the other members of the board saw fit to leave \$240,000 in the budget for beach and park land purchases at an earlier session that "a cut had to be made some place," and voted to slash the \$400,000, leaving a balance of \$704,550 for aid to the special districts.

How Camera Saw 345.49 M. P. H. Dash



Faster than any man in history had ever traveled, Captain George E. T. Eyston, British speed king, roared past the camera at 345.49 miles per hour in a run on Utah's Bonneville salt flats. Eyston, after driving his seven-ton "Thunderbolt" over the measured mile, talked to London as a throng crowded about him.

3 Oil Workers Hurt in Field; Now at Hospital

Eleven new patients were received during the past week at Torrance Memorial hospital, including three oil workers injured in accidents in the South Torrance field. They were R. H. Alexander, 42, who was hit by a falling pipe Tuesday night but escaped serious injury; Carl Marquardt, Gardena, and Frank G. Scholl, of the Plaza Hotel, both suffering from oil burns were received last Friday.

Other new patients bedded at the hospital were: Donald Smith, Redondo Beach, Sunday for an appendectomy; Mrs. Miaso Tsunoda, Redondo Beach, Monday for surgery; Mrs. Nellie Nowen, North Redondo, last Thursday for medical care; and Mrs. Lillie Hudson, 1911 220th, Monday for surgery.

Thomas J. Jordan, Escondido meat cutter, Tuesday for surgery; Joe Lamar, San Pedro sheet metal worker, Wednesday for medical care; Mrs. Rose McCracken, 1628 Date street, Sunday for observation, and Mrs. Dena Monzakis, 1207 Amapola, Monday for medical care.

Life Goes Round 'n' Round
DES MOINES, Ia. (U.P.)—Ten thousand miles in a circle, that's George Gorsuch's record. The 68-year-old amusement park employee says he has traveled that far operating a merry-go-round for the past 22 years.

Left Turn Most Perilous
TULARE (U.P.)—"Beware of the left turn" is the warning of Capt. W. E. Riley of the California Highway Patrol.

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