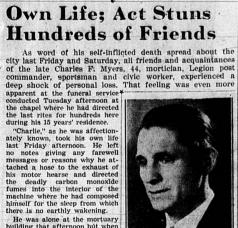
# **Charles Myers Takes Own Life: Act Stuns Hundreds of Friends**

there is no earthly wakening. He was alone at the mortuary building that afternoon but when Mrs. Myers, his wife for 16 years, lett to visit her critically ill father, the 80-yearoid O.W. Stone who was senior member of the mortuary firm, at Wilmar, 'Charlie' was in good spirits. He had returned from a successful hunting trip in the High Sierras a few days earlier. No Note or Letter Found On her return from Wilmar, Mrs. Myers found her husband dead. He was lying in the body of the hearse, a small pillow under his head. Thrown over the top of the machine was a heavy earwas tarpaulin. The motor was full runnic, pouring the gas funces from the exhaust-thru the hose and into the hearse interior. Mrs. Myers summoned their good friends Mr, Myers as head of the losal Legion post hast month. The fire dopartment's pulmotor squad was hurriedly called and Engineers Benner, Winters and Engineers Benner, Winters and Engineers Benner, Winters and Engineers Mr. Myers was beery yout recall. With Mrs. Myers' glothing, the garage and his of-fie an quest of any note or let-ter fur hore sould be found. That Mr. Myers was unable to rest and yas in need of a pro-let furthes. Mr. Myers was unable to rest and yas in need of a pro-let further of the short at excellent spirits and as host at a version dimer to a group of friends Thursday light gave on sis father. After training in this country he went to France where Mrs Myers was a warst fine filter Myers was a warst filter fur none could be found. That Mr. Myers was unable to rest and yas in need of a pro-let engins and as host at a version dimer to a group of friends Thursday light gave no sign that he was on the verge of self-destruction. **Barther Her Heres Here** "Charlle" Myers was a warst filter further after training in this country he went to France where filter but no france to a group of friends Thursday light gave an instructor korp-him form actual combat duty. He was in neet on Barton ta st, fean , de Mort

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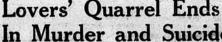
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# Tax Strike Looms in Alondra Park Dist. No Relief Gained

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to Cei. 1 was \$1.017.581. September building arounted to \$70,822 as compared with \$21,436 for the same month in permits were issued for seven new homes, four private garages, one service station, three indus-trial buildings, six tarks, a church, an oil derrick, three alteration and repair jobs to residences and one industrial alteration project. New Building, slow struction jobs: W. R. Stelber, Long Beach, for an additional com to the residence and a double frame garage at 23750 Pennsylvania, \$300; L. M. Hind-son of 1911 220th is creating an additional sup orch to his prop-erty at 2023's Andreo, \$160; N. A. Hurst, Los Angeles, is creat-ting a 2,500-gallon wooden water tank and tower at 17126 Redon do avenue, \$150. The Standard Oli company is building a steel derrick on its Marble lease for its No. 9 well is sout Torrance, \$5,000; General Petroleum is building a sand filter and salt tower at its re-finery plant for \$2,500; Firm and Delsigne, 712 F Amapola is building a four-room frame house on Emerald street for \$2,000; C.C.M.O. is repairing a wooder darrick at its No. 15 well og C.C.M.O. is repairing a wooder dartick at its No. 15 well og C.C.M.O. is repairing a wooder dartick at its No. 15 well og c. Soupuleda boulevard for \$2,000; and H. P. Cabel is installing two to Sbogallon water tank and tower e at 17210 Redondo avenue, \$150; R. C. Chriss is creating a stole for the subilding a wooder the constructing a corrugated for building to a gas engine on John G. Wilson, 1922 Plaza de to for sou. Toil Activity The city council will meet Tu

# **Oil Activity Declines Here; Gains in Lomita**

Completion by Standard Oli of another well, the Marble No. 1-14, from 4,986 feet for 539 bar-rels of 25.7 gravity and 500,000 cubic feet of gas and prepara-tions by operators of the Blue Bell outpost at 241st and Penn-sylvania to resume operations were the outstanding activities in the South Torrance field the past week.

nine months of 1934 was \$29, 218.35. "While the drop in postal rev-enue is \$270.84 for the past three months here, we are not losing any sleep over it." Postmaster Conner said. "Instead we are anticipating a record-breaking final quarter and a larger vol-ume of Christmas business than ever before. I believe that the postoffice will show a gain over the previous year at the close of business on Dec. 31."



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the assessments to meet bond in-terest and redemption charges totaling \$97,645 which is due this year. This fact, together with the knowledge that at least two new supervisors will come on the county board Jan 1, has caused many of the district taxpayers to assert "all we got out of the Tuesday hearing was a lot of half-baked promises." That further efforts-perhaps a general "tax strike"-will be necessary at once to obtain the relief so urgently demanded by nearly every property owner in the Alondra Park assessment dis-trict is the opinion of leaders in the movement to clear the prop-erty of the tax liens. These ef-forts are expected to be the chief topics to be discussed tonight at a general meeting of the recent-ly-organized Alondra Park Park Park Property Owners' association. The meeting will be hold in the Civic Auditorium starting at 8 o'clock with Mayor William H. Tolson, president, presiding. May Form Special Group A complete report on the hear-ing before Supervisors Leland Mi Frad, Gordon McDonough and Herbert C. Legg - Supervisors Jessup and John Anson Ford were absent- will be given by Udge Frank Carrell of Ingle-wood, who served as spokeman for the Alondra Park delegation Tuesday. It was learned today that one possible solution to the tax problem may be the creation of a special committee to con-tinue the fight before the super-visors. This committee, it was suggested, could have as its nucleus the eity attorneys of Tor-

The city council will meet Tues-day evening, Oct. 11, at 7:45 o'clock in the city hall. One of the principal actions to be taken will be to start the proposed city-wide re-zoning ordinance on its way to become a municipal sta-tute. The ordiance committee may present its report on findings pertaining to the petition re-ceived by the council Sept. 27 asking that legalized gambling games be permitted to operate here under city license.

# Lomita Gains As Torrance Postal Receipts Slump

special committee tinue the fight before th yisors. This committee, suggested, could have nucleus the city attorneys rance, Gardena and F Beach. Receipts Slump While the Lomita postofflee was making a five and one-half quarter ending Sept. 30, the Tor-rance postoffice was taking a four percent loss, according to reports issued this week by Post-matter Birda Paddock of Lomita and Earl Conner of Torrance. Duing the past quarter, postal receipts here totalel 48,684.72 as compared to \$9,064.56 for the same period in 1837. The total receipts here totale 48,684.72 as the Torrance postoffice are \$23,-883.42. The total for the first nine months of 1937 was \$29,-218.35. "While the drop in postal rev-come is \$279.84 for the past three Beach. The attorneys were instru-att the mass meeting here-attorneys were instru-ter at the mass meeting here-attorneys were instru-ter attorneys were instru-attorneys were instru-ter attorneys were instru-attorneys were instru-ter attorneys were instru-attorneys were instru-attorneys were instru-attorneys were instru-ter attorneys were instru-attorneys were instru-ter attorneys were instru-attorneys were instru-instructioneys were instru-instructioneys were instru-attorneys were instructioneys were instru-instructioneys were instructioneys were instructioney

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