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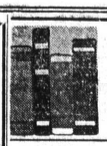


Ask for these at the Library

A PURITAN IN BABYLON by William Allen White: Against the background of his era, a marching screen of events and personalities, is portrayed in detail the life of Calvin Coolidge. Only such a veteran journalist with the skill, balance of mind and searching analysis such as William Allen White possesses could have written the story. One reviewer says that "an uneasy attraction between them makes a small town Western Republican try to explain a Vermonter." Every phase of Coolidge's career is studied against the parallel development of the larger historical scene and in a thoughtful style is given the history of an era of tremendous economic and social change.

THE PADEREWSKI MEMOIRS by Paderewski and Mary Lawton: For the first time in the life story of a "great pianist, a great patriot and a great man" comes to you from the man himself talking to the reader intimately and given with a great wealth of previously untold stories and anecdotes of boyhood, early discouragements and rise to fame. The personality of the man is alive in every page and the whole story is told with integrity and intense feeling which characterizes Paderewski's playing.

MILLBROOK by Della Lutes: Here is the vivid and warm hearted story of a country town (in Southern Michigan in the 1880s) told as only the author of "The Country Kitchen" could tell it. "Millbrook" will please those who have fond memories of childhood and who remember the vivid pictures painted for them when older people began "Well I remember when . . ."

COUNT BELISARIUS by Robert Graves: The story of two modern women of 500 A. D., Antonia and Theodora—two of the boldest and most beautiful women in history—will interest those who enjoyed "I Claudius" by the same author. In this very modern story of Constantinople in the heyday of its power they set the pace for the city to follow and through their husbands, one an Emperor and one his general, their will be frequently became the law.

"Wake Up" Service Sold

SEATTLE (U.P.)—Students at the University of Washington who have trouble waking up in time for morning classes can subscribe to the "We Wake 'Em Service" which telephones clients according to a prearranged schedule.

PLAN SKATING PARTY

A skating party is planned for the Torrance Sons of Legion at a Long Beach rink next Monday night, March 27. Several members of the local Legion post will accompany the boys.

Crash Fatal for Aged Man Here

Injuries suffered by C. W. Bagwill, 74, of Long Beach in an automobile - truck collision last Wednesday at Hawthorne boulevard and Spencer street proved fatal about 24 hours after the accident. He succumbed at Torrance Memorial hospital.

A coroner's jury investigating the crash blamed negligence on the part of the victim's son, William Lloyd Bagwill, who was driving the passenger car, for the smashup that involved a truck operated by E. M. Cadwell of Los Angeles.

The latter testified that he was following the Bagwills and when the son made a signal to turn and pulled in to the center of the road as if to make a left-hand turn, he proceeded to pass on the right. Then Bagwill turned right and the collision occurred. Police learned from an attorney representing young Bagwell that he intended to sue the truck company owning the machine driven by Cadwell for damages despite the inquest verdict.

Judges Scan Essay Entries

Nearly 300 entries submitted by Torrance school children in the 1939 "Fidac" essay contest sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary are now being studied by a committee of judges. The papers, each 1,500 words or less in length, are on the subject of "Queen Marie of Roumania, Ambassador of International Goodwill."

The winners of first, second and third place in the Torrance contest will receive cash awards of $5, $3 and $2. The best essay will be sent for the California Department elimination contest and the national winners will receive scholarships valued at $200, $150 and $100, it is announced by Mrs. Ethel Sears, who is in charge of the local event.

Announcement is to be made in the near future of the best essay writers in the local schools.

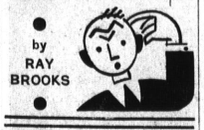
County Food Crops Decline

Total value of crops produced in Los Angeles county during 1938 showed a decrease in value from the previous year of $12,400,000 and was less than any year since 1933, according to the annual report of Harold J. Ryan, county agricultural commissioner. The figure for 1938 was $44,980,000.

Kidney Danger Signals

Getting up nights, frequent or scanty flow, burning, leg pains or backache may be nature's warning of functional kidney disorders Danger Ahead. Make this 4-day test. Diuretic the kidneys. Help nature eliminate excess acids and other wastes which can cause the irritation that wakes you up. Ask any druggist for a test box of Bukets. Locally at Beacon Drug Co.—adv.

SHOP TALK



by RAY BROOKS

THINGS YOU PROBABLY WON'T GIVE A WHOOP TO HEAR ABOUT . . . . .

That Harriett Leech made a lucky purchase at the flower market the other 4 a. m., is able this week-end to sell Ranunculus for the infinitesimal sum of 10c a dozen . . . . while they last! Last Dollar Day Madame Leech advertised the same flowers, had customers storming the place, sold out twice!

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That Art Woodcock, Torrance High student body prexy, unlimbered his tonsils before a radio mike last Saturday, told the world about THS - THS - THS! Rah! Rah! Rah! The program was an Al Jarvis "Swingaree" what ever that is.

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That good-natured Dave Jacobs, sink and bathtub installer extraordinary, tells the yarn about a plumber friend up town who planned to build his home. So much below his own figure for his own job was a rival plumber that he gave the rival the contract! Dave says that if ever he builds a house he's going to let Fay Parks do the plumbing!

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That His Honor City Councilman Jack Murray, former Dodge & Plymouth salesman for Walter Linch in Redondo Beach, has left the sea shore, is now salesman for DeSoto & Plymouth at Allen Paull's Torrance Auto Sales.

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That Harvel Guttenfelder, assisted by that incomparable pair Ben & Mac, the Oklahoma Kids, will stage a thriller-diller come Saturday afternoon around 4, when stunt man Jan King whoops up & down between Marcelina & El Prado (which will be roped off) in a big Buick, skids, spins, speeds, but does not spill. With his wife King will show the correct & incorrect way to drive an auto, give hand signals. In addition he will zoom out over a ramp, come down with a terrible crash on a wet street. The event has the co-operation of the Goodrich Tire & Rubber Co.

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That in Howard Locke's last monthly bulletin of jokes & insurance chatter appeared the following:

(Irate man on phone) "Zander is my name! No not C! Z, Z, Z! ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRST UVWXYZ . . . Z!!"

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That the likeable Dominguez brothers, Frank & Ralph, who recently opened the D & D market on Carson just east of Western, have the first dollar taken in pasted up on the wall behind the meat counter. (Please note that the dollar is BEHIND the counter!)

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That Used Furniture dealer C. N. Emmett, prop. of the El Prado establishment from the same name, has just recently been appointed as another Torrance dealer for the famed O'Keefe & Merritt line of gas ranges. Four beautiful models (ranges not gals) has Emmett stuck right smack in his front window, hopes to move quite a considerable number. Emmett plans to expand soon, take over larger quarters. Starting from scratch only shortly over a year ago, this young man, former steel mill employe, has done right smart, now has a store full of odds & ends, furniture, beds & mattresses. Good fun it is to browse thru a store like that. Emmett, invites all browsers to browse blissfully without being bothered, wishes them happy browsing.

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That Ethel Husbands, wife of that camera hound Bill Husbands, and Mildred Corder, spouse of that handy man Eddie Corder, got together a pound of sugar, a sack of beans, and a few odds & ends, and last week opened a restaurant on Carson St., a few hops east of Western. Known as the C & H Restaurant (do not confuse with the bran of sugar of the same moniker), Mildred & Ethel feature home grown pies, chili, tamales, etc. Stuffed plumb to the seuppers was Shop Talk after a delicious lunch of chili & tamales, topped by a goodly slice of pecan cream pie with whipped cream. Success to the C & H!

FOUR BABIES BORN HERE

Four babies were born at Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week. Mrs. Virginia Turner, 18-year-old wife of J. R. Turner of 1808 Sepulveda boulevard, gave Caesarian birth to a seven-pound six-ounce son last Thursday. She and the baby are now reported making splendid progress. Father Turner is employed at the Lomita Home Dairy.

A son was born to Dr. and Mrs. M. C. Woods of 2104 Redondo-Wilmington boulevard, last Sunday.

A son arrived to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Barnett of Manhattan Beach last Friday—but he has not been named Patrick after the saint's day.

And a son was born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Wilson of 1225½ Cota avenue. Wilson is employed at the National Supply plant.

Oil Men Paying for Damage to Intersection

Three of the eight oil development firms held responsible for damage to city streets at 247th and Walnut have paid their contributions to the fund for repair of that intersection, according to Police Chief John Stroh. Several others are expected to present their checks late today — the deadline for voluntary settlement of the city's damage claim.

Those who have contributed are the H.R.H. Petroleum corporation, Garner and Johnson, and Anderson Associates. Chief Stroh last week offered to let the firms whose sump holes overflowed into the intersection divide the cost of repairing the street rather than hale them into court on a civil damage charge.

Two More Join Local Chamber

Two more members were received by the Chamber of Commerce during the past week, Secretary L. J. Gilmeister informed the board of directors Tuesday. They were Dr. Clifford Easley and George H. Moore of Moore's hardware store.

"Here She Comes!"—Adv.