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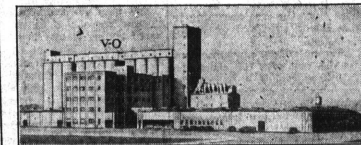
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Solons Expecting Payless Overtime

SACRAMENTO, April 27 (U.P.)—Members of the legislature began to worry during the past week about whether they will be able to adjourn about May 20 when their \$12 per day salaries stop, and the prospects were none too good.

As the lawmakers ended the seventh week of their final session, many hours of work remained to be done before final agreement can be reached on the biennial budget. Then will come revenue bills, and whether Governor Culbert Olson's budget is reduced or not, there will be long and strenuous debate over tax proposals.

Aside from these financial matters there were scores of major bills many of them controversial, yet to be considered. To meet the situation, the assembly began working long hours and probably will resort to Saturday sessions to clear away the mass of routine bills jammed behind the budget issue. The senate scrupulously cleared its calendar each day, in preparation



REFUSES BABY SURRENDER... Sergeant and Mrs. Charles Warner, and Josephina Amelia Jacobs, a year-old girl they refuse to surrender to guardians in Joliet, Ill., appointed by the child's father, who is in Manila. The Warners brought the baby from Manila following death of its mother and claimed its father, Joseph Jacobs, a navy seaman, gave them custody of the infant. Red Cross officials attempted to straighten out the tangle, while United Air Lines stood by, ready to fly the child to Joliet.

Compromise Claim for Tire Damage

A compromise settlement of \$8 for Melvin J. Trabold's claim of \$10 damages to a tire and tube was offered by the city council Tuesday night after hearing reports on the claim from City Attorney John E. McCall. Trabold asserted several weeks ago that the tire and tube was damaged because his car struck a rock placed in a street by a member of the city engineering staff.

for taking over the budget fight from the lower house.

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Prize Hog Wrecks Scales

NORWICH, Conn. (U.P.)—Attendees at Nawrocki Farm can only guess at the weight of their prize hog. They tried weighing it once, on a 900-pound scale. The hog wrecked the instrument.

MRS. DENNEY GIVEN BRIDAL SHOWER

A bridal shower was given last Sunday at the home of Mrs. Zola Thompson of Wilmington in honor of Mrs. Alice Denney, nee Schumacher. The decorations centered around attractive bouquets of pink sweet peas, white carnations and calla lilies and refreshments were topped by a beautifully modeled cake and heart ice cream.

Those attending were Mesdames Irma Gossiaux, Lulu Bell Severns, Mildred Tidland, Leola Denney and Helen Snyder, the Misses Jane Burkert, Dorothea Hilton and Maxine Clark. Those sending gifts were Mesdames William Burkert, Martha Jamieson, Margaret Blakemore, Kina Tompkins of San Bernardino, Lydia Neal and R. C. Fish of Denver and C. L. Wilson.

Letters to the Editor

Editor, Torrance Herald:

We were surprised and dismayed to read in the April 18th issue of the Torrance Herald, the text of a letter alleged to have been written by a City Councilman (George V. Powell) and read in an open meeting of the City Council. This letter, written in ambiguous and evasive language, gave the impression that the writer was convinced that the police department, or some members thereof, were accepting "pay-offs" from vice interests.

Obviously the writer had no direct proof that what he charged was true, otherwise he would have named the offending parties and would have insisted, as he promised to do, on punishing the parties involved. In our opinion, the letter was a bold attempt by a political-minded person to get publicity at the expense of innocent parties whose position denies them the privilege of answering the unfair and unfounded charges.

As citizens of Torrance, we are opposed to political chicanery of this sort. We believe that the success of law enforcement in any community depends to a large extent upon the public confidence in law-enforcement agencies. When a Councilman stoops so low as to attempt to raise a doubt in the minds of the people of the community concerning the dependability of their enforcement officers without direct proof of their delinquency, he is acting beneath his dignity and should be censured by his colleagues and by public opinion for his unjustified acts. If a man cannot be elected to office upon his merits, he does not deserve to be elected.

As fair-minded persons, we feel that the City Council should demand that the author of this letter be required to support his charges by competent evidence and if he is unable to do so, to publicly retract his charges. We feel that our police department is as free from graft as any in the U. S.

THREE PROPERTY OWNERS AND TAXPAYERS.

WOMAN'S CLUB ELECTIONS OFFICERS MAY 3

Indications are that Mrs. Helen Silligo will be the choice of Torrance Woman's club for the office of president, when the club holds its election next Wednesday.

Mrs. Silligo a comparatively new member in the club has served on various committees during the past year and recently helped organized the literary group, which she now serves as chairman. Prior to coming to this city Mrs. Silligo was active in the Woman's club at Wilmington.

Wednesday is the annual birthday luncheon and tables will be decorated to represent the different seasons. Speaker for the day will be Lucille Vance of Hollywood. Miss Vance a writer and lecturer will speak on the subject "How To Make Your Humor Seriously."

Ladies are asked to make reservations by phoning 264-W.

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EIGHT-YEAR-OLD CHAMPION... Here is Jobyna Sturm, Compton strutter and baton-twirl who appears with the Harris Melody Shop band that will give a concert performance tomorrow (Friday) night at the high school assembly hall for the Fern Avenue school. Pretty Jobyna is a national majorette.

Six Babies Born at Hospital

Six babies, four of them girls, were born at Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week. They were:

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Lauren F. Harvey of Wilmington, Saturday.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Townsend of Gardena, Sunday.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Ralston Buckwater of Los Angeles, Monday.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. James Reeves of 2254 Maricopa, Monday.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Schmidt of 2325 25th street, Lomita, Monday.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wolfe of Manhattan Beach, Tuesday.

ELEMENTARY P.T.A. ELECTS MRS. LEE PREXY

Mrs. H. R. Lee was elected president of the Elementary Parent Teachers Association at their meeting held Tuesday in the school auditorium. She succeeds Mrs. Harold Smith, who has served as head of the organization for the past two years.

Others elected at Tuesday's session were as follows: Mrs. Joy Prime, first vice president; Mrs. Merle Helbach, second vice president; Mrs. Harold Smith, recording secretary; Mrs. M. J. Edwards, corresponding secretary; Mrs. W. E. Tolson, treasurer; Mrs. T. H. Watson, auditor; Mrs. George Roos, historian; Mrs. Albert Leon, parliamentarian.

Elected as delegates to the Lomita-San Pedro Council meeting held in San Pedro today were Mesdames Harold Smith, W. H. Tolson, Tom Watson, M. J. Edwards and Mrs. Irwin.

An elaborate program of instrumental numbers has been arranged for the special concert to be given in the high school assembly hall Friday night at 8 p. m., by the Harris Melody Shop band of Compton boys and girls for the Fern Avenue school.

Directed by Franklin Harris, this talented aggregation will appear in new uniforms to assist the local school in raising funds for the purchase of sound motion picture equipment.

Interpersed among the band selections there will be a number of instrumental solos and duets featuring various members of the organization. A large crowd is expected to attend and tickets may be purchased for 20 and 10 cents at the entrance of the high school hall off Carson and Watson streets. The band has a roster of 47 youngsters, ranging in ages from eight to 15 years, who have won high praise for their musicianship in previous concerts in other cities.

GUILD PARTY AT SEARS HOME

Five tables were in play at the dessert bridge party given by the St. Cecilia Guild of St. Andrew's Episcopal church in the Dean L. Sears' home, 1428 El Prado, Wednesday.

Serving as hostess with Mrs. Sears was Mrs. Herman Mitchell. Prizes in contract bridge were awarded to Mrs. J. W. Post and Mrs. Mina Shidler.

GATEWAY COUNCIL MEETING HERE MAY 1

Torrance high school Parents and Teachers will be hostesses to Gateway Council at their next meeting which will be held in the high school auditorium Monday, May 1, at 10 a. m.

Mrs. Jack Lowry, president of the council, will conduct the business session. Mrs. J. O. Bishop, hospitality chairman for the council, will take registrations.

Torrance Mother Singers com-

With the OLD GRADS of Torrance High

Sport activities seem to mark the heartbeat of this week, as we find a great many of our alumni prominent in the field of sports. Loyola has claimed many former Torrance varsity men, as we see John McFadden, Bill Acres, Red Trevisie, and Leo Rossett out for spring football practice. We expect to see them on the first string in the fall.

It isn't only the boys that are athletes for we have a number of the fairer sex also representing Torrance in the field of sports. Pat Carlin, Korena Carlin, Bette Elliott, Florence Buchanan, Mary Frances Graves, Edith Quayle and Dorothy McMillan have formed a bowling team.

Be sure to note the date of the homecoming has been changed from June 16 to Thursday, June 15. The date of the dance remains the same—Saturday evening, June 17—Hollywood Riviera clubhouse.

The committee for the Homecoming has planned an enjoyable afternoon and evening program. It was decided to have a program the evening of the Homecoming as many of the grads will be unable to attend in the afternoon.

Eugene Stegelmeier, graduate of the class of '35 and now attending U.C.L.A., was recently elected into the honorary society, Phi Beta Kappa.

Phyllis Haeffel, '37, has chosen May 14 as the date of her marriage to James Carey at the Baptist church.

MRS. MILLARD ELECTED PRESIDENT OF P.T.A.

Mrs. J. J. Millard was elected president of the Fern Avenue Parent Teachers Association at a meeting held Tuesday in the school auditorium. Others elected at the session were Mrs. Derald Smith, first vice president; Mrs. Oda Vans, second vice president; Mrs. Wm. Jolley, secretary; Mrs. C. W. Stevens, treasurer; Mrs. Camille Underhill, historian; and Mrs. George Fisher, auditor. Delegates to the Lomita-San Pedro Council elected were Mesdames J. J. Millard, Irene Davis, John Garner, A. C. Turner and Derald Smith.

This bring public school week three sound pictures were shown in the school auditorium prior to the regular meeting of the P.T.A. Mrs. W. J. Jolley, then opened the meeting and presented Mrs. Oda Vans, who in turn presented the program.

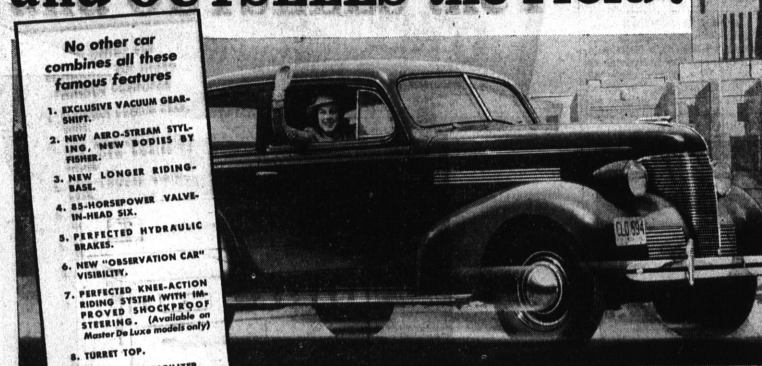
Selections by the school orchestra under the direction of Mrs. Hazel Hansen and a talk by H. Loren Mitchell, assistant supervisor of physical education in the Los Angeles schools, on the subject "Character Building Through Hobbies and Recreation" was followed by tea. Mrs. A. C. Turner served as hostess.

Fern Avenue P.T.A. was represented at the Consumer Education Conference held in the Berenda Junior high school Tuesday by Mesdames A. C. Turner, Irene E. Davis, John Garner and J. J. Millard.

posed of ladies of the elementary and high school association directed by Mrs. Marjorie Cooke will present the musical program.

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