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All City Groups Urged to Help 1939 Factory Frolic Plans

SACRED FLAME . . . Akiko Tsukimoto pauses in San Francisco with the urn containing a flame from a sacred fire burning in a Shinto shrine in Japan, to be used in igniting a "tower of friendship" in Japan's pavilion at New York Fair.

MEETING CALLED TO SELECT DIRECTORS

What about the second annual Torrance Factory Frolic this fall?

Who will be in charge of this unique community event? What will it include? When will it be held? Who will participate?

Answers to all of these and many more questions pertaining to the distinctive city-wide celebration that was launched so successfully last year by the Torrance Coordinating Council will start being made Wednesday night, June 7.

At that time, all organizations in the city are expected to have representatives at a general meeting to start the ball rolling for the 1939 Factory Frolic.

Must Start Early

City Judge Robert Lessing, as president of the Coordinating Council, is calling this initial Frolic meeting. However, the Council will not sponsor the celebration this year, preferring to lend its support to a special Factory Frolic general committee.

This group will not be identified with any organization in the city but will function just for the purpose of staging the event with the assistance of all clubs, lodges, and service groups.

Decision to call the June 7 meeting—which will start at 7:30 o'clock in the city hall courtroom — was made by Lessing, Carl Marsteller, Fay Parks, Harry Abramson and L. J. Gilmeister yesterday. They realized it was important to start arrangements for the Frolic as soon as possible in order to secure a number of extra attractions, such as outside bands, exhibits and entertainment, for the fall event.

Will Have One Job

The notices to be sent Torrance organizations inviting representation at the first meeting, will state that all groups must cooperate with the Frolic committee in order to assure success for the 1939 festivities.

Judge Lessing pointed out that it has been deemed advisable to form a special directing body for the Frolic rather than allow any one organization in the city to have the sole task of staging the event.

Gypsy Chases Boys Out of Camp Here

A couple of young boys who made themselves obnoxious to a group of Gypsies encamped off Western avenue near the city yard in Los Angeles city territory were chased in their car by an irate Gypsy father and later were questioned by Los Angeles police oficers from San Pedro.

The boys, according to the story told local police by a Gypsy who gave his name as George, were bothering some small girls in the camp. They fled in their car on arrival of George, who pursued them into Torrance and obtained their license number. Later he asked San Pedro police to investigate. The boys were given instructions to stay away from the Gypsy camp.

10 Babies Born at Hospital

Ten babies, six of them boys, were born during the past week at Torrance Memorial hospital. The new arrivals were:

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. William Tucker, 727 Border avenue, Saturday;

A son to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Claus, 1737 Martina, Saturday;

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Hamman, 1314 West 222nd, Tuesday;

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley R. Frownfelter, 2379 236th, last Wednesday;

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Fox, Redondo Beach, Tuesday;

A son to Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Hall, Manhattan Beach, Saturday;

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hutcheon, Redondo Beach, last Wednesday;

A son to Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Rogers, North Redondo Beach, yesterday;

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Schierer, Reseda, last Thursday;

And a son to Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Surber, Redondo Beach, yesterday.

Old Brands of S. C. Are Preserved

Trademarks of the old days when cattle raising was the principal business of Los Angeles county and hides were the chief export of what is now Los Angeles harbor are being carefully preserved in the county recorder's office, at the request of Supervisor Oscar Hauge.

Stored away for more than 100 years, the old brands, inscribed on pieces of leather, were the trade mark of the county's early-day notables—the Alvarados, the Aguilars, the Dominguezes, the Duartes, the Olveras, the Picos and the Yorbas. Many of the pieces of leather were found by Hauge to be in first class condition, attesting to the excellent tanning.

In a historic volume in the office of County Recorder Mame Beatty is a registration of each brand, with a drawing made by a deputy recorder in charge of brand inspection. The earlier ones were recorded personally by Recorder Wilson Jones. Earliest American language brand registered is that of George Searles, on June 27, 1851.

First brands recorded were in Spanish, and date back to 1837. Most cattle ranchers also recorded the pattern cut into the ears of each animal. Some of them indicated most of the ear was cut away, while others showed the ear to be slit nearly its full length.

In addition to those recorded in Los Angeles county, scores of others are said to be recorded in Mexico City, dating back to the days when California was under control of Mexico. As the county's population grew, cattle ranching was forced out and only three brands have been recorded since 1917, Miss Beatty's records show.

Steel-Lined Roadways Under London Proposed

LONDON (U.P.)—A proposal to build 1,200 miles of steel-lined roadways underneath London which would provide adequate shelter for the entire population of London in the event of air raids, has been put forward by R. R. Stokes, M. P., engineer for Ipswitch.

More than 5,000 people, it is estimated, could be accommodated in every mile of the roadways, which would be 15 feet in diameter and 60 feet below the surface of the ground. The cost of construction would be $500,000 a mile.

Lomita Club Starts Sports Night Program

A series of community sports nights in Narbonne high school's gymnasium was launched Tuesday night by the Lomita Kiwanis club following its regular dinner-session at the Fleet Reserve clubhouse. Special guests at the gym for the inaugural event were members of the Harbor City American Legion post. President Charles Wood presided.

On successive Tuesday nights, Wood said, the Lomita V.F.W., Fleet Reserve and other community groups will be invited and the public will be welcome at any of the sports nights. Aim of the Lomita Kiwanians, he reported, is to develop the Tuesday night gymnasium workouts into community gatherings which later may include a choral group, dramatic instruction and hobby work.

The Herald—3 months, 50 cents.

What To Do With Duck Worries Northwestern U.

EVANSTON, Ill. (U.P.)—What do you do with a duck? was the question posed before members of the Scott Hall committee soliciting contributions for the building to be erected in tribute to Dr. Walter Dill Scott, retiring president of Northwestern University.

The dilemma came about when a Barrington, Ill., farmer, who said he "wanted to do something for the building but had no ready money," sent the committee a duck.

Why don't you get your "For Rent" sign where most people will look—in The Herald want ads. Phone 444.

FACES MUSIC . . . Grown portly after years of easy living as a fugitive in Germany, Grover Cleveland Bergdoll is shown as he returned to New York to "face the music" for being America's most celebrated World War draft dodger.

County Seeks Location of Vets' Graves

Burial records of all the 64 cemeteries in Los Angeles county will be searched for the purpose of discovering where United States war veterans may be buried without proper identification, as part of the new county-sponsored project which will get under way June 12.

Herbert C. Legg, Southern California WPA administrator, announced that 60 war veterans will be employed in the project for 12 months. The project is expected to cost $53,000, and will be under direction of Ernest B. Cornell, county supervisor of soldier burials.

"We estimate that there are 60,000 veterans of all wars buried in this county, and that hundreds of them are unmarked graves," declared A. L. Reddick, commander of the American Legion County Council.

"The Legion has promoted this project in connection with a national program whereby similar projects are being operated for the purpose of providing public records that will be available for relatives of the veterans.

"We expect to ask for WPA aid later in placing official markers over the veteran graves now without identification."

Cooperating with the Legion in the registration program are the Spanish-American War Veterans, Disabled Veterans of the World War and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Suicide Fails Dismally

BERKELEY (U.P.) — The efforts of a 51-year-old man here to commit suicide by shooting himself had for their inglorious result his arrest for discharging fire arms within the city limits.

Walterians Reaffirm Opposition to Road Plan, Favor Recreation Hall

Walterians are taking a keen interest in the proposed "City-Wide Highway Improvement Program" but those residents of that community who have affiliated with the Walteria Civic Organization continue their opposition to the improvement of Hawthorne avenue up the hill to Palos Verdes Estates.

Instead of the highway construction project, they want Hawthorne improved with curbs, gutters and permanent paving from Highway 101 south to Newton street; Newton improved with curbs and gutters on the north side to Madison street and permanent paving east for about three-tenths of a mile from Hawthorne, and a recreation hall and playground facilities.

Last night another meeting of the Walteria group was held and tentative sketches of what the recreation facilities would be like were submitted for inspection. At a meeting a week ago, the Civic Association heard short talks by Oscar L. Willett of Hollywood Riviera, Howard G. Locke and G. E. Harris, members of the Torrance City-Wide Improvement Association which is backing the general highway program.

Urge Unified Support

Willett stated that Hollywood Riviera, Palos Verdes Estates and Walteria had much in common and that Walteria was the eastern approach to the first two communities and would be the future business district for both inasmuch as Palos Verdes and the Riviera district were restricted to residences. He pointed out that Hawthorne avenue would be the logical traffic artery "if and when it was improved."

Torrance is bound to be the next city to further development—both in industrial as well as residential districts—due to the tremendous increase in surrounding industries, Willett maintained. Harris declared that he believed all districts of the city should cooperate in the city-wide highway program and urged the Walterians to support the major plan for improving Hawthorne avenue. Locke stated that Walteria had a fine community to develop and that the purpose of the City-Wide Highway Improvement Association is to develop and bring to the city council's attention other needed betterments of the city.

Members of the Walteria group who participated in the discussion were George Coates, John Minor, "Chic" Crowther, James Loughridge and Joe Hagberg. They spoke on needed improvements, especially in their community.

Georgia's 1938 peanut crop averaged 800 pounds an acre, an increase of 60 pounds over 1937.

"BOSS" GETS "RAP" . . . Boss Tom Pendergast, right, longtime political overlord of Kansas City, shown leaving court after receiving a 15-months "rap" (sentence) on tax evasion charges. His nephew, James Pendergast in center and son Thomas, Jr., at left.

Broadway's Dislike for 'Dead Ones' Makes Outcast of Museum Mummy

NEW YORK (U.P.)—The Field Museum's Mr. Harwa was installed in the New York World's Fair today after a fling at the night life of New York that came 2,800 years too late.

The consensus was that Harwa might have been hot stuff in his home town in the pre-Christian era, but he was a 20th century washout in New York.

About 900 B.C. Harwa was overseer of the wine cellar and granaries of the Temple Amon in Egypt. Of late years, his mummified form has been part of the collection in the Field Museum of Chicago. General Electric Company "borrowed" Harwa for its World's Fair exhibit of fluoroscopy. Through the fluoroscope, visitors will be able to see Harwa's completely preserved skeleton under its wrappings of linen.

Harwa was flown by transport plane from Chicago to New York recently and upon arrival embarked upon a tour of the city that was socially a flop. Even William Simons, X-ray specialist, and W. F. Dinsmore, Harwa's agent, admitted that.

They took the 40 pound mummy first to Hotel Lexington where Dinsmore explained to managing director Charles Rochester that he wanted a single room for himself and Harwa, who reclines in vertical position on a braced pedestal.

"Nothing doing," Rochester ruled.

Next they visited the show, "Hellzapoppin" and were denied admittance although Harwa had his seat ticket. Night club doormen frowned upon the brown shriveled figure. Other hotels wanted only live guests.

In desperation, Harwa's hosts took him to an office building where he spent the night before being transferred to the Fair grounds. Before the Field Museum released him—he is one of eight Egyptian mummies "tested" for the World's Fair job—General Electric was forced to take out every available form of insurance to guarantee his safe return.

Alaska authorities predict gold production this year will exceed $25,000,000.

Hit-and-Run Driver Fined for Accident

Booked Monday afternoon and released on his own recognizance, Axel Swanson of Los Angeles plead guilty yesterday to a charge of failure to stop after being involved in a car crash with an auto driven by Luke S. Moore, 38-year-old San Pedro garageman.

He was fined $100 of which $75 was suspended on condition that he pay for repairs to Moore's car.

The crash, which ripped away the front of Moore's car and tore the license plate and tail light from Swanson's machine, occurred Sunday night on Highway 101 near Walteria. No one was injured, police reported, and they traced Swanson thru the license number plate found near the wreck.

Glass In Ice Cream Injures Woman and Child, Report

When Mrs. Juanita Hunter, 22-year-old Wilmington matron was eating ice cream last Friday afternoon and feeding some to her six-months-old-son, she noticed some hard particles in the food but thought they were bits of ice until she began to regurgitate blood.

Frightened, she called a neighbor who, believing Mrs. Hunter had swallowed bits of glass, fed the young woman cotton and mashed potatoes. Today at Torrance Memorial hospital Mrs. Hunter and her young son, who it appeared was not affected by the experience, is reported recovering from the glass particles.

The ice cream company, when notified, started an investigation and assured Mrs. Hunter it would stand all costs, it was learned.

Queen Mary Dislikes Jazz

LONDON (U.P.)—Queen Mary does not like modern dance music. She intimated that she did not like jazz. She said she preferred light opera.

Wooldridge Writes

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The man who has nothing to say seldom interferes with conversation.