



ANTARCTIC CRUISER HITS DITCH ... This is the sight created near Lima, Ohio, when a 37-ton, \$150,000 snow cruiser built for Admiral Byrd's forthcoming antarctic expedition hit a bridge and turned over after running into a ditch. The 55-foot monster is shown after being righted. It was on a test run. Occupants escaped injury. Built by Chicago's Armour Institute, it carries four men and provisions for a 12-month cruise. A small plane will be carried on top. It's 10-foot tires are largest ever built.

Ten Months Building Total is \$553,143

New construction here during October amounted to \$29,995, of which nine new homes represented \$20,200 of that sum, according to the city engineer's office. Construction during the same month a year ago totaled \$91,208. The total in new building for the year ended October 31, at \$553,143 as compared to \$2,872,203 for the same period during the all-time record year of 1938.

In addition to the new residences erected or started here during October, the building total included permits for six private garages, a milk barn and milk house, seven oil tanks, an oil cleaning plant, mill room, two sheds, a chinchilla pen, and additions and repairs to three residences and three industrial buildings.

Permits of the Week
New permits issued during the past week were: Fur Farms, Inc., at 2701 West 182nd street, pen, 13 by 148 feet in size, costing \$900; K. Kanegawa, small frame house at 2201 Maple avenue, \$300; Sam Levy, a 30 by 28-foot store room addition to his department store at 1313 Sartori, \$300; R. E. Parker, frame addition to a cafe kitchen at 24043 Hawthorne avenue, \$100.

Nancy Logan, foundation and general repair to a residence at 2409 229th street, \$100; K. Kennison, repair and alterations to a house at 2004 Andree avenue, \$200; Lillian Schneider, three-room frame house and garage attached at 16813 Redondo avenue, \$1,700, and M. McLain, re-roofing four courts at 927 Arlington avenue, \$195.

Two Cars Stolen Here This Week

Returning from a drive, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Brown parked their new car beside their home at 1738 Cabrillo last Sunday afternoon and went indoors to freshen up before going on to church. When they came out less than 15 minutes later, their machine was missing. They had left the keys in the car but had heard no sound of the motor as it was driven away by the thief.

Local police notified the sheriff's office and Los Angeles police but no trace of the car has yet been found.

Another car was reported stolen Tuesday by Mrs. Anstis M. Albertson of 1521 Date street. The machine was reportedly taken from her yard by a 16-year-old neighbor boy who asked permission to borrow it for 10 minutes. He is believed, according to Mrs. Albertson's report to police, to have returned and surreptitiously removed his clothes from his home and departed in the car.

Quintet Held in Connection With Series of Robberies

Five young men, suspected by Los Angeles and Long Beach police of connection with a series of holdups, including a service station at Waverly, are in jail in Long Beach.

The quintet was arrested in Los Angeles by detectives. They were booked as Robert and Elbert C. Thompson, brothers, ages 20 and 24, respectively; Lester Jette, 22; William A. Scheets, 23, and William A. Brand, 23.

The five had been hunted by police for several days previous to the start last week of the

FIRST TAX PAYMENT NOW DUE

All property owners should have their new tax bills by the end of this week, calling for payment of a total of a mere \$122,075,528 to operate the county government, schools, flood control, fire protection, water and other special districts for the fiscal year 1939-40.

The figure represents an increase of about \$2,500,000 over the county's total tax bill of a year ago, amounting to \$119,241,486.

The first installment taxes became due yesterday although they may be paid as late as Dec. 5 and escape the seven percent penalty imposed for delinquents.

School taxes are a large part of the tax bills, the county collecting the money although the amount of the levy is determined by the local boards of trustees. The county also acts as tax collector for 38 of the 44 cities of the county-Torrance included. Cities will receive their first installment of new tax collections from the county about Dec. 1.

Walteria Library Action Next Week

Members of the Torrance public library board are expected to send a recommendation to the city council next week that the long-proposed new library building for Walteria be erected on Neece avenue in the rear of the fire station on portions of the two lots owned by the city.

William H. Stanger, secretary of the board, said yesterday that he intends to call a meeting of the group, headed by President Scott R. Ludlow, early next week to make a decision on the Walteria project.

According to a report from City Engineer Leonard Young, a building of the size suggested by the county public library would cost about \$2,304 to construct. The county library estimated the structure would cost only \$1,920 but based its figure on a square foot cost of \$250 which Young declared, in a letter to the board under date of Oct. 10, was at least 50 cents too low.

Negro Held for Copper Thefts

Altho he was linked to the theft by two confessed confederates, now serving 30-day county jail sentences, Herman Davis, Los Angeles Negro employed at the P. E. shops here since 1920, emphatically denied he was involved in three charges of petty theft of 1,000 pounds of copper from the plant here when he was tried before City Judge Robert Lessing Tuesday morning.

However, the court found him guilty and set today for sentencing. The thefts began Sept. 1, according to evidence collected by P. E. detectives and deputy sheriffs. City Attorney John E. McCall prosecuted the case.

MWD Contractor's Liability Release Is Recommended

With the installation of the Metropolitan Water District's Palos Verdes feeder line practically completed between Eagle Rock and Palos Verdes reservoir, County Forester Spence Turner yesterday recommended that a release from liability be given John Artukovich, Hynes contractor.

The contractor was held responsible for safeguarding trees along the route of the large water pipe, since it required a large ditch to be excavated for it. The route of his contract was from 120th and Avalon streets to 283rd and Appian way, in the Lomita district.

Water Earnings for Quarter \$5,104

In 1935 the city of Torrance acquired the present municipal water system for \$223,000. Today that department is valued at \$450,337.10, according to Manager William H. Stanger's quarterly reports as of Sept. 30.

Net earnings for the quarter amounted to \$5,104.37, Stanger reported. The surplus balance for the three-month period was \$119,106.68.



MAKING FAREWELL APPEARANCES

This is the last year that girls will serve as yell and song leaders in Torrance high school. A recent pronouncement from the Los Angeles board of education

Those who "view with alarm" the encroachment of the so-called weaker sex into the fields of masculine endeavor will "point with pride" to the recent decision of a policy-forming group of Los Angeles city high school principals which prohibits girl song leaders, yell leaders and majorettes next year.

But those who have enjoyed the color and grace of the girls who have lent an added zest to football games by their costumes and carvings will brand the school biggies as a bunch of "Miss Mollies."

Even the innocuous pom-pom with its fluttering crepe-paper streamers came under the disapproving eye of the school masters and consequently will join the girl pep raisers in oblivion except on certain well-defined occasions, to-wit and as follows:

Pom-poms cannot be displayed except by the host school on its own field and only between halves of football games. A member of the faculty will have custody of the fluttering paper creations and will issue them to the girls when the marching stunts begin. At the conclusion of the maneuvers, the girls will surrender the pom-poms to the faculty member, who, it is presumed, will march off to put them under lock and key for the next big appearance.

The reason for the thumbs down on the girl song and yell leaders, majorettes and pom-poms indicates that the "nice nelly" pedagogues look with disfavor on the gyrations of the girls who keep about with abandon in urging more volume in yelling and songs. Pom-poms in the spectator stands evidently

has put the ban on the lassies and their pom-poms. Left to right above are Wesla Toler, Elizabeth Fish and Margaret Moon, song leaders; Lois Jayne Allen, David Ross and Rudella Bay, cheer leaders.

have been waved with a bit too much vigor—perhaps to interfere with someone's view of the game.

Let it be reported to the credit of Principal Thomas Elson of Torrance high school that he does not share his conferees' views on this matter. He has said that "for the life of me I can't see any harm in letting the girls lead songs and yell and wave their pom-poms." But majority rule prevails and other high school principals have doomed the feminine encroachment in such a manly field as football.

So far as it could be determined this week, the Los Angeles city high school censors have not requested whispering cheers instead of the usual full-throated variety. But that may come ... that may come.

350 Kids March in Hallowe'en Parade; 'Spook' Celebration Causes Little Damage

Uncle Sams, Nazis, Fascists, paunchy John Bull, did not "make" the first annual Hallowe'en parade for local kids here Tuesday night but just about everyone else was represented in the costumes of the 350 youngsters who noised their way down Sartori avenue. The colorful garb

Carney Emmett, William Wylam, Steve Schmidt, Frank Higgins and four high school boys. As the kids passed Marcelina avenue they were reviewed by a committee of eight judges standing atop an M. & M. Transfer company trailer. The judges were Revs. Harry G. Banks and Frank T. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Murchison, Mrs. John Ellwood, Mrs. Fay Parks, Mrs. Harry Alcorn and Mrs. Kathryn Buffington. E. W. Quimby was in charge of prizes.

Ray Brooks, Herald advertising manager, chanted into the city's public address microphone installed by Dale Riley. After considerable consultation, the costume judges reported their decisions as to the nine winners of prizes donated by local merchants. These were: two to six-year-old group: Shirley May Brooks and Charles Underwood, Jerry Spansky and Bobby Pauling; seven to 10 years: Pearl Odolque, Dick Turner and Lenore Murphy; 11 to 15 years: Jerry Goddard, whose "Robot" creation was the hit of the parade, Billy Knithe and Loraine Stanley. Norman Downing was judged to have the most freckles.

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This Week and Every Week

You'll find these outstanding news features in The Herald:

Dr. Arthur Dean's "Let's Talk It Over";
"The Sporting Thing" by Lang Armstrong;
Patricia Lindsay's "Beauty and You";
"Seems Like Yesterday"—"a remember when?" cartoon
Up-to-the-Minute House-hold Hints—"My Neighbor Says";
"Know Your Stuff"—Romance, history, odd facts

23 Polls Serve 8,119 Voters In Dist. On Nov. 7

Back in 1910, when "ham and eggs" meant products of the ranch to local merchants, there were only 173 voting precincts in all of Los Angeles county, and a total of 55,000 voters.

Today, when the phrase has been applied to a pension plan on the eve of the Nov. 7 election, there are 4,529 precincts with a total registration of more than 1,500,000. The polls will open at 6 a. m., and close at 7 p. m.

Torrance has 13 voting precincts for its 4,639 voters. They are located at:
No. 1—18127 Prairie
No. 2—1615 Cedar
No. 3—708 Border
No. 4—1634 Marcelina
No. 5—1313 Portola
No. 6—2312 Torrance Blvd.
No. 7—1417 Cota
No. 8—1734 Arlington
No. 9—1916 Andree
No. 10—23010 Narbonne
No. 11—2013 Arlington
No. 12—24439 Park (Walteria)
No. 13—807 Portola

Lomita and Palos Verdes voting precincts, serving 3,480 qualified electors, are located at:
No. 1—2035 W. 240th
No. 2—24708 Cypress
No. 3—24803 Oak
No. 4—25506 Narbonne
No. 5—25701 Eshelman
No. 6—1856 W. 25th
No. 7—26111 Oak
No. 8—25047 Pennsylvania
No. 9—Miraflores school,
Western and Via Canada.

No. 10—Office Room 1, The Plaza, Malaga Cove Place.
Next Tuesday is a legal holiday throughout the state because it is a general state election, although a special election.

All county offices, including courts, will be closed throughout the day. Local city offices and banks and similar institutions also will be closed. Federal offices will remain open, however.

U. S. Steel Changes Company Name to Clarify Meaning

Effective yesterday, the name of United States Steel Products company, United States Steel Corporation export subsidiary will be changed to United States Steel Export company.

By substituting the word "export" for "product" it is felt that the company name will indicate more clearly the business carried on by the company. The export subsidiary of United States Steel does not manufacture any steel products itself but is the sole export outlet for the vast line of products manufactured by the subsidiaries of United States Steel Corporation for the use of the manufacturing, agricultural, transportation and construction industries.

Walteria Plans Armistice Program

An Armistice Day program will be given Nov. 10 by the Walteria Civic Association according to plans revealed this week by Joel Hagberg, press chairman. Members of the 19th district American Legion post will be invited to address the group, he said, and participate in the observance.

More than 200 attended the association's Hallowe'en masquerade dance last week-end. Costume prizes were awarded Don Knight, Ralph Hodges, Billy Slonecker and Leona Polston.

SCOUT SPEAKER TONIGHT

Ed. B. De Groot, Boy Scout executive for Los Angeles county and a former Torrance district governor, will address members of the local Torrance club tonight.

HAUGE GETS LOMITA DRAIN BACK ON LIST

As a result of Supervisor Oscar Hauge's vigorous opposition to action taken by his colleagues on the county board in transferring a fund set up for the Lomita storm drain W.P.A. project to another public work, the supervisors unanimously adopted on Tuesday his resolution to commit the board to a new appropriation for the Lomita work.

This resolution provides that the county will proceed with the construction of the Lomita storm drain when labor for this purpose will be available. Furthermore, the chief administrative officer of the W.P.A. is asked to make a report to the board of supervisors as to certain funds which might be available from savings in the W.P.A. program for the purpose of reallocating these savings to the Lomita project.

The supervisors also committed themselves to a "continuing appropriation for this project, of an amount not less than that which was appropriated (\$104,800) for the current fiscal year."

Workers Needed at Fort

In the absence of Supervisor Hauge last month, the board voted a transfer of \$100,000 of the fund set up in the budget for sponsors' contributions to W.P.A. projects from the Fourth district, to the East Compton Creek storm drain in the first district. At that time, Supervisor Smith of the first district asked for the transfer based upon the report of Herbert C. Legg, W.P.A. administrator, stating that all of the available relief clients in the harbor area were required to work on the construction of Reeves Field at Fort MacArthur. The Lomita project was then "temporarily abandoned."

Originally, the Lomita storm drain project had an allotment of \$104,800. The sum of \$100,000 was taken out of this amount and transferred to the East Compton Creek project. In presenting his resolution for reinstatement of the local work, Supervisor Hauge told the county board:

"The Lomita storm drain project has for years been recognized as of first importance. The people of that district have been promised from time to time that work would be started. The project had the recommendation of both County Engineer Alfred Jones and the Federal government as being of primary importance. In view of this, it seems difficult to understand why the Federal government or anyone representing the Federal

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Episcopal Men to Hear Two Speakers at Dinner, Nov. 7

Two speakers, both said to be exceptionally interesting, will address members and guests of the Episcopal Men's club at a dinner-meeting next Tuesday evening, Nov. 7, according to President J. Wallace Post. All men of the community are invited to attend the dinner-program which will be held in the Guild hall next to the church on Engracia avenue.

Major Sidney H. Kaye, British Army, Retired, will speak on "We Americans" and the consul of the late Czechoslovakian Republic will make the second address of the evening. Tickets for the dinner are 50 cents each.

LOST WATCH RETURNED TO OWNER IN 48 HOURS

Here is what a 30-cent Want Ad in The Herald, Oct. 19, did for Mrs. F. M. Krekow of 1742 Manuel:

"A young girl saw my lost ad in The Herald shortly after it was published and returned my wrist watch in less than 48 hours," says Mrs. Krekow.

Thanks for telling us about your success, Mrs. Krekow. Experience has shown that 75 percent of lost articles advertised in Want Ads are returned within 72 hours from the time an ad appears.

How about you folks? Have you lost anything? Phone Miss Lee, Torrance 414 and let her help you get it back!

Presenting... New Herald Writers And Artists for Your Entertainment

Three artists, a noted counselor of human relations and a beauty adviser whose clientele spans the continent joined The Herald staff this week.

Their initial offerings to readers are contained in this issue. Every week they will present interesting "copy"—an all-embracing term for everything written, photographed or drawn used by newspapermen the world over—for your entertainment, guidance and information.

The Herald is glad to welcome them and hopes that its readers will find additional interest in their newspaper from the writings and drawings of:

Dr. Arthur Dean, whose "Let's Talk It Over" column has won him the title of "The Man With a Million Letters." Dr. Dean's introductory letter to you will be found on Page 3-B;

Lang Armstrong, whose "The Sporting Thing" is a bright spot in the field of humorous cartooning. You'll

find his pertinent first laugh on Page 7-A;

Patricia Lindsay, a beauty consultant, who is well-qualified to advise young girls and women about safe and sane roads to charm. Read her opening article on Page 2-B;

C. Kessler who takes you for a glance backward at the years of the horse and buggy, the mustache cup and pearl-buttoned shoes. Remember when with him on Page 1-B;

George Egger has accumulated a mountain of material from which he mines a weekly curia library on uncommon facts. See his first "Know Your Stuff" on Page 7-B; and

An anonymous collector of household hints whose brief, concise aids to better living are titled "My Neighbor Says." The first group is on Page 3-A;

For all six features. No other newspaper in this area has this service for its readers.

This week Dr. Dean gives you something of his background and experience for his interesting job as human-relations consultant to the U. S.

During the next five weeks, The Herald will introduce each one of the members of the staff in detail so that you will be well-acquainted with their work and come to look forward to their visits in your home.

The addition of these new features does not mean that The Herald will "skimp" on its complete coverage, by news reports and local pictures by its own staff photographer, of the local news. Instead, the home staff will work even harder to give you more news about your friends here in order to keep pace with the new members of The Herald family.

We hope you like our new writers and artists. Will you let us know what you think about their efforts to please you?