STATE LEGION HEAD SPEAKS AT BANQUET

Pointing to the futility of America's entry in last world war, William Dunn, state commander of the American Legion, stressed the importance of staying out of Europe's troubles in a stirring talk before Edison Legion post No. 431 at its third annual banquet held in Torrance Civic Auditorium Saturday evening.

The state Legion chief was supported in this contention by other Legion state officials as well as L. I. Herrill, commander of the Edison post; Superior Court Judge Leroy Dawson and others who addressed the 220 guests at the gala dinner and show.

This was the third year the Edison Company war veterans had selected Torrance for their meeting place, and high praise was expressed for the hospitality of this city and the fine dinner served by the American Legion Auxiliary. Visitors came from thruout Southern California. C. C. Bartlett, district manager of the Southern California Edison Company at Redondo Beach, acted as toastmaster.

Train Runs Over Boy, He Lives

EAST LIVERPOOL, O. (U.P.)—Two-year-old Robert Wilson was knocked down by a locomotive and 30 freight cars passed over him. He suffered a fractured skull and lacerations, but was expected to recover.

When the 1900 auto chugged down the road, without top, without headlights, without windshield or fenders or bumpers, it cost the driver 30 cents a mile to own and operate.

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People and what they are doing

Representing the Torrance Woman's club at the request of president **Mrs. A. H. Silligo, Mrs. Elmer L. Patterson** of 1318 Acacia, motored to Whittier last week to attend the regular monthly Reciprocity luncheon. Following the luncheon and business meeting, a musicale, presented entirely by members of the hostess club, the Whittier Woman's club, was enjoyed.

Miss Frances Gallucci, 10-year-old daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Gallucci,** former Torrance residents, is in the Whittier hospital recuperating from an appendectomy. The operation was performed last week.

A. W. Brownlee of Oakland, Calif., is spending a two weeks' vacation with his younger brother, **L. R. Brownlee and family,** 1605 Beech avenue. The two brothers met for the first time last July in Oakland.

Dr. and Mrs. John W. Beeman returned this week from an Eastern trip.

Miss Dorothy Matz, daughter of **Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Matz,** who is attending Santa Barbara State College and her friend, Miss Marion Hammond, whose home is at Pasadena, Calif., and who is also a student at Santa Barbara State, spent the week-end at the Matz's home, 1543 Marcelina avenue.

Miss Katherine Engle of Los Angeles is a house guest of **Mrs. Florence Welch,** 1510 Engracia, this week.

Miss Patty Post, popular subdeb daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Post** of 1541 Post avenue, will be formally initiated into Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. Miss Post is in her second semester at the university.

Albert L. Owens, manager of the Motor Coach company in Lomita, was operated upon for appendicitis Monday night at a Long Beach hospital. Owens lives at 2347 246th Place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith, 1451 El Prado, left Saturday by motor to spend Thanksgiving with their son, Lester F. Smith, at Independence, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Silligo of 1412 Engracia avenue had as their Sunday afternoon dinner guests, Mrs. Silligo's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Halstead of Burbank.

My Neighbor says:

In cooking anything with cheese, use a low temperature because intense heat makes cheese tough and stringy.

When washing dishes used for either raw or cooked fish, about two heaping teaspoonfuls of baking soda added to the dish water will deodorize the dishes, dish water and dish cloth.

Writing ink can be removed by using table salt and lemon juice. Cover the spot with salt and squeeze on the lemon juice. Repeat until all the stain is removed. Then rinse in clear water and wash as usual.

You can put your house plants in the proper soil. You can give them the right amount of air and moisture but unless they have enough light they won't thrive.

Dip thin slices of sweet pickles in mayonnaise. Then place the pickles on crackers or toast spread with fish paste.

If your clothing has become too blue from bluing wash it well in plenty of hot water and soap suds. If it is still too blue soak it in three quarts of hot water to which three tablespoons of vinegar have been added.

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Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Cucci left their home at 802 Sartori avenue and motored to Glendale to be the week-end house-guests of **Mrs. Cucci's** brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Folker of that city. Enroute home, the quartet stopped in Hollywood and attended the Jack Benny broadcast.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Mendenhall, Jr., moved into their new home on Plaza del Amo this week.

Mesdames E. C. Prime, Hillman Lee, M. J. Edwards, H. P. Smith and Rufus Page represented Torrance at the Tenth District P. T. A. conclave held last Thursday night at Le Conte Junior High School in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Elmer L. Patterson recently enjoyed a short visit with a former Torrance resident who now makes her home in Whittier, **Mrs. N. F. Gallucci.**

Miss Laurella Lancaster made a charming bridesmaid recently when she was in the wedding party of a sorority sister in Los Angeles.

An airmail letter dated Nov. 7 from New Orleans, La., advises that **Councilman and Mrs. J. E. Hitchcock** who have been motoring thru the East and South are soon to start back home. They are accompanied by **Mrs. R. R. Smith** and **Mrs. Harvel Guttenfelder.**

Mrs. Vernon Glidden spent the day in Los Angeles last Wednesday where she visited her mother, Mrs. Idell Nash.

Mr. and Mrs. Hillman Lee and their two daughters motored to Beverly Hills Sunday to attend the open house of Mr. and Mrs. H. Amstugt at their recently completed home on La Cienaga boulevard in that city. Lee is local manager of the J. C. Penny Co., and Amstugt is district manager of the stores.

Harry Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carleton B. Bell, was pledged to the Kappa Delta Rho, a national fraternity at the Fresno State College. He is a sophomore.

Scrap-Pile Pilferers Get Jail Terms

Three Los Angeles men who were found guilty of petty theft of metal from the Columbia Steel's scrap pile today began five-day sentences each in the county jail. A fourth member of the quartet arrested yesterday received a suspended sentence of $50 fine or 25 days in jail.

Those taken to the county jail this morning were Tom W., 18, and Ray Gene Cantrell, 25, brothers, and Clyde E. Jones, 20. They plead not guilty when arraigned shortly after their arrest. Manford Olson, 32, Los Angeles, received the suspended sentence after he plead guilty to the theft charge.

Petrified wood is used in the construction of many Texas homes.

BREAKS GROUNDS FOR HUGE DAM . . . Secretary of Interior Ickes operates tractor with aid of California's Governor Culbert L. Olson in breaking first ground for huge Friant Dam. Ickes heralded start of work on this unit of gigantic Central Valleys Projects as part of a "life line to preserve and enhance our American civilization."

Five Operations in 8 Months

VIRDEN, Ill. U.P.)—Twelve-year-old Elmer Merry has undergone five operations in the past eight months. The first four were performed in an effort to enable him to walk, the last for appendicitis.

Cleveland Red Cross First

CLEVELAND, O. (U.P.) — Cleveland is the No. 1 Red Cross in the nation for 1939. Membership here exceeded 110,000.

Oil has been discovered in Bahia, Brazil.

Lomitan Will Share Mother's Large Estate

Jesse Leo Johnson of Lomita and Everett A. Johnson, Compton, will share in the estate of their late mother, Mrs. Sarah May Johnson, who died Sept. 16 at San Pedro, according to the will filed this week in Los Angeles county superior court.

Disposing of an estate valued at more than $10,000, consisting of real estate in San Pedro and in San Bernardino county, the will directed that the property be divided equally among her ten surviving sons and daughters. All but one live in California.

Nov. 28 was set for hearing on the petition to admit the will to probate.

Law To Protect Blind

CONCORD, N. H. (U.P.)—The legislature has passed a bill to protect the blind. The measure requires motorists in cities or congested districts to come to a full stop when they see a person with a white cane—which indicates blindness.

The average price of autos in 1907 was $2131.