Torrance Hi News Notes by ELIZABETH FISH

SAUTER RETURNS . . . The students are very glad to see Louis J. Sauter back again. He was transferred to Van Nuys when the community college was discontinued. Sauter is a graduate of the University of Minnesota, is a professional violinist and has played in symphony orchestras. He is here to organize a school orchestra and band which is certainly needed.

RECOVERING . . . Principal Thomas H. Elson is on the road to recovery. It is doubtful when he will be back with us, probably not until next September. He is still in a Los Angeles hospital where he will remain for a few weeks more.

TO BOWL . . . Monday a meeting of the Teeners was held at the home of Jenoyne Barkdull. After quite a discussion it was decided by the club to go bowling the next meeting. Those present were: Jenoyne Barkdull, Ruby Benner, Shirley Guttenfelder, Anne McAnally, Marian Robinson, Ruth Pankey, Margie Rusk, Reba Mathews, Hazel Burchett, Virginia Zamperini, Vera Weber and Elizabeth Fish.

Warmth 'Possum's Undoing

PASADENA, Cal. (U.P.)—One warmth-loving opossum finally located the steam heating pipes beneath the bathroom of the E. Post home as an ideal nesting place. When discovered a month later by the family, they transferred it to a still warmer place in the oven, where it came out a roast.

INFORMATION PLEASE

TORRANCE WELCOMES
These New Residents This Week

MRS. JOHN O. ANDERSON	1521 Acacia
R. B. LEEDS	2363 Maricopa
MRS. JAMES W. CORY	716 Portola

SHOP TALK
by RAY BROOKS

HIGHLIGHTS & SHADOWS

Saw Ed Thompson's comely daughter Helen (who gets more beautiful every day) scooting about town in a new 1940 red Chevrolet sport roadster that really is a darb. Ed is proud of the Chevie but is equally proud of his daughter. Together they make a rare eyeful. (Unpaid advertising!)

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Heard early this week that Jack Koch, of the Star Furniture, had quite a surprise last Saturday afternoon during the heavy drizzle when a section of the store roof opened and about a ton of accumulated water poured down, splattered over quite a goodly amount of merchandise. Appears that someone had tossed a piece of linoleum on the roof which had clogged the drain, backed up the water to the depth of several feet. Once it wormed its way under the roofing paper it came with a rush, practically inundated the store. This week-end Jack is having a Flood Sale, slashing prices right & left on the mdse. damaged. Some rare bargains await shrewd buyers.

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Laughed when I heard the story about Herman "Two Gun" Mitchell who, out hunting, scared up a rabbit, blasted away with all the shots in the gun only to miss the bunny who sat quietly to be mowed down. Disgusted, "Two Gun" threw down the gun, picked up a rock, clipped the cotton tail as neat a cropper as you'd ever see, had a delicious rabbit stew that night for dinner. Strange thing is: why does Herman tote a heavy old gun about when he could as well go hunting with a pocketful of rocks!

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Roared when I heard of the goings-on at the Chamber of Commerce meeting last night at Daniels Cafe where Postmaster Earl Conner suffered some pungent pokes anent the strange stench emanating these days about the post office bldg. Conner politely remarked that the grass had recently been fertilized with a potent potion of Super XXX Steer. Someone asked Earl if that stench (which, by the by, has been carried from Cabrillo to Plaza del Amo to Western to Cedar and back again!) was characteristic of the present administration. Good Democrat Earl replied that No, what they smelled was the last whiff of the Republican party!

But the odor remains and 'tis said that business at Probert's Torrance Pharmacy has almost doubled on the strength of it.

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Was interested to hear that Mrs. M. W. Evans, who operated the Torrance Gift Shop on Sartori is this week-end celebrating her third successful year in business in Torrance. In appreciation Mrs. Evans (who has a son who is a naval flyer stationed in Alaska) is holding open house, with a free gift to all.

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Was in sympathy with Dave Kimmel, prop. of Torrance's newest market over on Cabrillo, when he asked the city to repaint the marker lines in front of his business to help customers park more easily. As yet nothing has been done. Maybe we should all chip in and help the city buy a can of paint.

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Speaking of paint reminds us that Geo. Moore's Hardware, for years the Torrance agent for Sherwin-Williams paint, has now forsaken that brand for what he terms a better paint . . . Fine Old Colony Paints. Result: drastic savings now available in George's entire stock of S-W to make way for the new line. At the prices George is selling the S-W it won't last long.

Gardenan Found Guilty of Drunk Driving Here

Glen Ginn, 25, Gardena, was found guilty of driving while intoxicated on Jan. 8 by City Judge Robert Lessing following his trial Monday afternoon and was fined $50 or 25 days in jail. He applied for probation and the sentence was continued until a report on this is made to the court.

BURGLARIES LEAD

Nearly two-thirds of the felonies reported by city police departments and county sheriffs in November were burglaries, the state bureau of criminal identification reported this week.

Aged Chinese Dozes In Sun In Gardena

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eucalyptus grove near two busy streets. His history is well known to his patron.

Lem came to the United States via San Francisco when he was 17. He had married in China the year before and had one son born after he left there. He has not seen his wife or his child since and does not know if they are alive.

He came to Gardena in 1888 after working in many different jobs all up and down the coast. He worked in stores in Chinatown, both in San Francisco and Los Angeles, was a gardener in Oxnard and Sacramento, a cook for "Lucky" Baldwin at Santa Anita for ten years, picked grapes in Ontario and San Bernardino, packed fruit in Riverside, washed dishes in San Diego, worked on the railroad in Oceanside and farmed in Arcadia and Gardena.

Twenty years ago, after farming for a number of years in Gardena, old Lem was pretty well fixed, but he was a trusting soul and, according to De Paemelaere, a "good" American citizen beat him out of $800 on his crop one year, leaving him exactly $3 for his year's work. Lem refused to give the name of the man who had robbed him to De Paemelaere, however, not wishing to have the man punished.

Today he sits and dozes in the sun, reads his Chinese newspaper without aid of glasses, makes his tea and strange concoctions of vegetables and a scrap of meat over an open fire in one shack and sleeps—"long time sleep, good for old man"—in the other dark and dingy dwelling.

Lem Kee pays scant attention to the war in China—"too far 'way, no see him"—or the war in Europe "fight, fight, all-time fight, no good." He is glad every time De Paemelaere comes to see him and manages to drop in at that Gardenan's shop about once a week or so.

Lem want to return to the land of his ancestors some day but realizes that is nearly impossible. "Me go back, mebbe in long box, but China gods don't care no more then."

Federal Prison Inmates Issue Weekly Paper

One of the interesting exchanges that come to the editor's desk is "Terminal Island Topics." This weekly paper is published by and for the people of the Federal Correctional Institution located there.

It is well set up, has clever sketches, many interesting articles, a sports page, movie announcements, church notices, a quiz page and a circulation that is more accurate than any other publication outside because it is circulated free in the institution and the population is given weekly. At present there are nearly 500 there.

Articles by inmates are of course unsigned but they are well written and deal with a variety of subjects. Evidently from comments on various books and writers of the day they are eager for worthwhile reading matter.

The banner line reads "Faith—Hope—Courage—Fortitude," four things needed by all of us every day.

Woman Badly Bitten by Dog

Several stitches were required to close lacerations in Lila Ivey's forehead after she was assertedly attacked by a dog Monday morning. Miss Ivey, who lives at 2215 236th street, was treated at Torrance Memorial hospital. The dog was taken into custody by humane officers.

Harbor Chambers Meet at County Jail on Feb. 15

EUGENE BISCAILUZ

With Sheriff Eugene Biscailuz as host, the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce will hold their annual county jail dinner meeting next Thursday evening, Feb. 15, in the county prison. The sheriff will be principal speaker and he has promised to present an unusual program of entertainment.

Reservations for the dinner, at 75 cents per plate, are being received now at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, according to President L. J. Gilmeister. The dinner will begin at 6:30 p. m. Chief Jailer Clem Peoples is to give the address of welcome to which Gertrude H. Austin of Compton will respond.

Pair Held for Trials in L. A.

Accused of burglarizing the Firestone service station's warehouse and attempting to steal a large number of old battery boxes, Fred Skiff, 24, Bell, and James Harrigan, 24, Los Angeles, were bound over to Superior court by City Judge Robert Lessing at the conclusion of their preliminary hearing Monday morning.

Skiff and Harrigan, who were arrested Jan. 29, plead not guilty to the charge. Their bail was set at $2,500 each and they were taken to the county jail to await trials.

Ride a Taxi for only 25c within reasonable limits. See the ad under classification 24A.

F.S.C.C. Office Hours Listed

Announcement was made late last week that the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation's Torrance office will be open daily except Saturday (and Sunday) from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. On Saturdays the office, located at 1211 El Prado, is open from 9 to 11 a. m.

Get home cooked meals for as low as 35c. See Lexie's class. 28.