C. L. Petersen Topples Herald Scribe from Self-Sought Throne

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Any More Here Claim Oldest Motorist Title?

By MICHEAL STRASZER

My claim of owning the oldest motoring vehicle operator's license in Torrance lasted about one hour after last week's Herald was distributed.

Then the phone calls and personal assaults on my self-established throne began and I was forced to abdicate to C. L. Petersen of 1621 Greenwood street Charlie, who is an upholsterer at the P. E. shops, beat my seniority by two years less seven days.

His driver's license bears the date July 9, 1921. Mine is stamped July 2, 1923.

Gardenan Ruled Out

However, both of us are a long time overdue in getting driver's cards which would bear the scrutiny of a cop. We should have obtained new ones in 1927 and for that reason, Bill Mullin interposed his claim to the senior motorist title by producing a license dated Jan. 8, 1927.

B. A. Wagner of 17019 Brighton street, Gardena, entered his claim and produced a license dated Feb. 5, 1920, but both Charlie and myself rule him out of this contest because of his Gardena residence we are trying to discover the owner of the oldest operator's card in our 53 bailiwick.

Any More Claimants?

But there must be older motorists than either Charlie Petersen or myself . . . where are they? . . . will they come forth and put us in our places as rank juveniles when it comes to legally piloting a horseless carriage over the highways and byways of California" They've got to have proof, tho, in the form of old-time licenses.

All motorists, young and old, must renew their driver's licenses at once. Permits issued in 1927 are being called in first by Howard R. Philbrick, director of motor vehicles, and renewals must be obtained by the end of the summer.

'Death Corner' Claims Life of Child

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blame for the fatal accident. He testified briefly but was in a state of collapse. He said he swerved his car and applied his brakes but the little girl hit his right front fender with her bike.

The condition of the intersection was graphically described by various witnesses and deputy sheriffs. Its obstructed view a three-foot bank and tall grass prevents a child or pedestrian from seeing east and prevents motorists going west from a full view of the intersecting traffic until they are almost in the crossing.

Bob Ueda, who was driving behind Huffman, said the youth was not traveling fast, estimating his speed between 20 and 30 miles an hour. He said Huffman stopped shortly beyond the intersection. Bill Mertz also testified that he saw the fatality from his store immediately after it occurred. Deputy Coroner J. Pearce Kane conducted the examination and reported the little Hedstrom girl succumbed as result of a fractured skull.

MAY CLOSE HUNTING

The Forest Service is contemplating the possibility of closing the Kaibab National Forest in Northern Arizona to build up a declining deer population, which is said to have decreased from 140,000 head in 1924 to about 17,000 this year.

Townsend Club Activities

By Vernon F. Glidden

Routine business occupied most of the time last Thursday evening, with discussion of plans for future activities of the club. Mrs. Beth Paige, chairman of the program committee, is busy with arrangements for the remaining meetings of March and early April.

Tonight we celebrate the 53rd wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Colburn. It is Mr. Colburn's 75th birthday. The Colburn's have endeared themselves to all our members and we wish to do them especial honor at this time.

Following this event, the men of the club will stage a mock wedding ceremony, which promises to "bring down the house." All friends are invited to join with us on this occasion.

Ten Patients Enter Hospital

Ten patients entered Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week. Two of them, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Bowman, of Ocean Park were treated for injuries suffered when Bowman lost control of his car on Palos Verdes Drive east, two miles south of Palos Verdes Drive north, and the machine turned over Saturday night.

Mrs. Bowman, 60, suffered a fractured knee and nose lacerations, while her 70-year-old husband was treated for lacerations over his left eye and on his left wrist. Later Mrs. Bowman was removed to the General hospital.

Other patients of the week were: A. C. Stamps, 20706 Shearer street, Torrance, Saturday for an appendectomy; Mrs. Lena Coldiron, 20504 South Normandie, Wednesday for a tonsillectomy, and Charles R. Camomile, Redondo Beach, for treatment of fractured toes suffered when a locker fell on his left foot at the Columbia Steel plant last Saturday.

Mrs. Magdalina Chichernea, 813 Border avenue, last Thursday for surgery; Ed Cantwell, Redondo Beach, for medical treatment Monday; Fred Eshom, 2462 Sonoma avenue, for surgery last Friday; Mrs. Thelma Kemp, Redondo Beach, for surgery Tuesday, and little Barbara Jean Rouse, five years old, of Wilmington, for an appendectomy Tuesday.

C.M.T.C. Camp Enrollment to Start Soon

Offering an opportunity to young men between the ages of 17 and 24, the Citizens' Military Training Camp at Monterey will enroll 1,145 for the encampment to be held from July 2 to 31.

Enrollment officer, Major Alton W. Howard, states that no military obligations are incurred by attending camp which this year will include infantry, cavalry and field artillery courses. All expenses, including transportation, food and clothing, are paid.

The Monterey camp will be the largest C. M. T. C. post west of the Mississippi and the quota will be apportioned among 58 counties of California and the seven western counties of Nevada.

OBITUARY

MRS. MARY PRICE . . . a resident of this city for 24 years, succumbed at Torrance Memorial hospital last Friday at the age of 65 years. Mrs. Price, who lived with her devoted family at 1919 Andreo avenue, was born June 11, 1874, in Indiana.

She was a member of the local Eastern Star lodge, a charter member of the Deers, Woman's Auxiliary of the Elks lodge of Redondo Beach, and was house chairman for the Torrance Woman's club. The funeral service was held Monday morning at Stone and Myers' chapel with Rev. Ben H. Lingenfelter officiating and members of the Eastern Star conducting last rites. Interment was at Inglewood cemetery.

Mrs. Price was survived by her husband, A. A. Price; a son, Harry Kent, of Los Angeles; two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Lindner of Inglewood and Mrs. Thelma Thomas of this city; a sister, Mrs. Rose Scully, of San Diego, and a brother, James Rout, of Wichita Falls, Texas.

JERRY DON WRIGHT . . . four-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harland Wright of Harbor City, passed away Monday. In addition to his parents, the baby was survived by two brothers, Larry and Jimmy. Funeral service was held Tuesday afternoon at Stone and Myers' chapel with Rev. Carl of Wilmington officiating. Interment was at Pacific Crest.

MRS. EDNA C. KORFF . . . wife of Ervin Leo Korff, well-known steel worker, and mother of two children, Bernard and Eunice, succumbed at a Los Angeles hospital March 13. She had been confined there for the previous 10 days. The family lives at 903 Portola avenue. Mrs. Korff was born in Long Prairie, Minn., where her mother, Mrs. Minnie Lohrke, and a sister, Miss Selma Lohrke, reside. Another sister, Mrs Esther Johnson, lives in Minneapolis.

A resident here for the past three and one-half years, Mrs. Korff was a member of the Torrance Lutheran church and its Ladies' Aid. Funeral service was conducted Monday afternoon at Stone and Myers' chapel by Rev. Mechling. Interment was at Inglewood cemetery.

MRS. THERESA DOSSI . . . mother of Mrs. Anthony Zamperini of this city, passed away at her home in New Kensington, Pa., March 16, at the age of 70 years. The funeral service was held in that city Monday. In addition to her daughter here, Mrs. Dossi was survived by another daughter, Mrs Mary Gatto, of New Kensington, and three sons, Louis and Jildo Dossi of Wilmington and Sylvio Dossi of the Pennsylvania city.

COUNCIL MEETING

A regular meeting of the city council will be held Tuesday evening, March 26, at 7:45 o'clock in the city hall.

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