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THEY BOAST OF REVENGE LATER . . . Crew of ship that brought these German prisoners to Canada for internment (they're shown boarding train at Quebec) said the men boasted of revenge. Release of 400 Nazi fliers to Germany by France was a bitter blow to Churchill. Other newsworthy war prisoners are 400 sailors interned at San Francisco.

100 State Highway Officers Attend Last Rites Here for William Malin

In the presence of several hundred friends, the last solemn requiem rites of his church were conducted for the late William F. Malin, state motor officer who was killed in a collision last Thursday morning, at the Catholic Church of the Nativity Tuesday morning. Rev. Father Joseph V. Fitzgerald officiated at the mass.

About 100 state highway patrol officers attended the services in a body in tribute to their fellow officer who had served the state for the past five years following the same period of duty with the Torrance police department.

The state officers had escorted the funeral cortege from a Los Angeles mortuary where Rosary service was held Monday night. Many of the uniformed men continued on as a guard of honor to Holy Cross cemetery where the internment took place Tuesday afternoon.

Motorist Blamed
The church was banked with many floral offerings, sent by the friends and associates of the popular police officer whose sudden death in La Brea canyon was a distinct shock to all who knew him as a friendly, trustworthy officer and devoted father of four children. The Malins live at 1870 Plaza del Amo.

At the coroner's inquest, held Monday in Los Angeles, the jury found that Officer Malin succumbed to injuries caused by Edward Lowell Hatten, 34, Los Angeles. Hatten was held guilty of reckless driving. He was later charged with negligent homicide by the district attorney's office and now is awaiting trial. Hatten hit the wooden curbing while driving north thru La Brea canyon when he attempted to pass a machine ahead of him, according to investigators' reports.

His car struck an embankment and when the motorist wrenched the steering wheel to get back into the highway his machine turned over. At that moment, Officer Malin, who was riding his motorcycle south thru the canyon, was along side and he had no time to swerve out of danger, sheriff's deputies reported. He was crushed under Hatten's car.

In addition to his wife, Officer Malin was survived by his children, Betty, Billy, Dick and Mildred; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Malin of San Diego; two brothers living in Los Angeles, and four sisters, three in San Diego and one in Pasadena. He was born in San Diego.

MARCH OF RIMES

A PICNIC — By H. F. NOAKE

The Smithers packed the family bus with all the kids, from Ann to Gus, and started on their merry way to spend a quiet holiday. About a half mile down the road a fire started to explode, so pa replaced it with the spare which lacked just one small item, air. At last they found a shady nook beside a none too babbling brook, where ma dragged out the luncheon kit resolved to make the best of it. But soon her lovely cakes and pies played host to a half million flies, and hungry ants began to come from every spot in christendom. A bee stung Gus, while from the creek they fished out little Dominick; and poison ivy left its mark where sister Lena chose to park. A bull chased pa from tree to tree, and one he climbed, eventually; except for ma, it would appear each got a rural souvenir. At dusk, the Smithers said good byes to ants and bees, to bull and flies; and as for picnics, all regard the safest place, their own back yard.

Asbury Asks Time to Study Permit for Bus Route

Asbury Rapid Transit System, who have leased some of its motor buses to the city of Torrance for transportation from Welteria, Lomita, and this city to Los Angeles, has received no reply as yet from the State Railroad Commission regarding its request for a 30-day extension of the permit recently granted by the commission.

Meanwhile, the city of Gardena has filed an application with the commission asking that a re-hearing be granted on the Asbury application for a permit to operate buses in this area. Gardena objects to the permit given Asbury on the ground that the privately-owned bus line parallels the Gardena municipal bus line.

Awarded Curtailment Permit
The Railroad Commission recently granted Asbury a franchise to operate buses from Welteria, thru Lomita, Torrance and Gardena to connect with the Los Angeles Railway's terminal at 116th and Vermont and 116th and Athens Way (Broadway). The bus company's acceptance or rejection of this permit was returnable July 3, according to Don C. Campbell, general manager for the bus company.

Asbury asked for a franchise to operate its buses clear thru to its Los Angeles terminal at 945 South Hill street, where the present Torrance municipally-leased line now ends. The Torrance municipal buses skirt Gardena in order not to compete with the Gardena municipal line which only extends to 116th street.

Vote Registration Deadline July 18

Thursday of next week, July 18, is the last day to register to be qualified to vote at the state primary election on August 27, it is announced by Registrar of Voters W. M. Kerr.

Offices to be voted on at the August primary are those of assembly, United States senator, representatives in Congress, 15 superior court judges, district attorney and supervisors from the second, fourth and fifth districts. Some of these are expected to be filled at that time, particularly in the judges' group.

New record totals for registration by parties in all communities are now in the making, Kerr believes, judging by the rush to register with field deputies. The last official total was 1,533,735, counted just before the May, 1936, primary. The Democratic party candidate for president this fall will be in the naming at the time the deadline passes for the August 27 registration. The registration deputies believe that some of the increased activity in G. O. P. registration may be due to the fact that the Republican candidate already has been chosen.

Gas Line Hooked by Road Scarifier Roars into Flames

A road scarifier, digging up the bed of 236th street between Narbonne and Eschelman late yesterday afternoon, hooked onto a main gas line and a spark immediately started a roaring blaze that took firemen and gas company workers more than an hour to halt.

The blaze was put out once by firemen but when a tractor was hooked the badly-damaged scarifier a spark or the heat still in the equipment started the fire roaring again. Gas company workers finally excavated to the line a block away and managed to cut off the damaged sector.

Tom R. Russell was driving the tractor that was pulling the scarifier. He shut off his machine and jumped to safety when the flames engulfed the equipment. Roy Wilson suffered a badly-burned left arm when he attempted to hook a chain to the scarifier from another tractor to pull it away from the flames.

"Blitzkreig of Bargains" Awaits Week-End Shoppers

The war-born word "blitzkreig" is being sorely overworked these days, but a "Blitzkreig of Bargains" is the only phrase that seems to adequately describe the avalanche of super values that are to be showered upon thrifty buyers this week by local merchants.

"Torrance Bargain Days—Friday and Saturday, July 12 and 13," is certainly the "Go" signal for all economy minded shoppers, for a most gratifying array of outstanding values are offered in this event.

The bargains include merchandise bought especially for this event, as well as many clearance items—selected from regular stocks for disposal at cost and below.

But why waste time reading this story—you'll learn heaps more by getting the dope first hand in the advertisements printed in this issue. Here is the list of stores which are cooperating in "Torrance Bargain Days":

BEACON DRUG CO.
BEN & MAC'S GILMORE STATION
CARSONMART
CLARA LEWIS BAKERY
DISCOUNT CUT RATE DRUG
ELLWOOD'S DRESS SHOP
EL PRADO FURNITURE STORE
FIRESTONE AUTO SUPPLY & SERVICE STATION
HEDGES RICHFIELD SERVICE STATION
IDEAL RANCH MARKET
KENNY'S SHOE REPAIR
J. LEPKIN, MERCHANT TAILOR
SAM LEVY'S DEPARTMENT STORE
NATIONAL HOME APPLIANCE CO.
J. C. PENNEY CO.
ROBERTS LIQUOR
ROYALE CLEANERS
SANDY & SCOTTY'S
STAR FURNITURE CO.
SCHULTZ & PECKHAM, FORD AGENCY
TORRANCE ELECTRIC SHOP, B. J. SCOTT
TORRANCE FEED AND FUEL

"Curley" Brumbly Takes Over

Parade to Be Big Feature of Torrance Factory Frolic

One of the outstanding features of the third annual Torrance Factory Frolic next September will be the parade Saturday, Sept. 28. The committee in charge of the community celebration has named M. G. "Curley" Brumbly, well-known sportsman and president of the Pacific Performing Company, to serve as general parade chairman.

This week he revealed a few of his ideas for the Frolic procession and if they are carried out with the enthusiasm that they aroused in the leaders of the Frolic, the parade will be the most elaborate ever to be attempted in Torrance.

To "Curley" Brumbly a parade means fine horses and costumed riders, lots of band music, plenty of floats, marching units and a generous sprinkling of comedy.

Many Trophies Planned
Working to that objective, he is contacting a number of riding organizations and individuals who own show horses and like to exhibit them. With the assistance of General Chairman L. J. Gilmeister, he is lining up at least three bands in addition to the Torrance Municipal band.

May Hold Barbecue
The Frolic committee, spurred (Continued on Page 7-A)

5 Police Officers Promoted; Hour Pay for Firemen

Promotions for five police officers and a return to the former pay schedule for volunteer or "call" firemen were approved by the city council Tuesday night on recommendation of Councilman George V. Powell.

Sergeants Frank J. Schumacher and Ernest Ashton were advanced to captain, effective as of July 1, with their pay accordingly boosted to \$185 per month.

Officers Willard H. Haslam, Percy Bennett and G. S. Evans were promoted to sergeants, also as of July 1 and will receive \$175 per month.

All volunteer firemen were returned to an hourly pay base. They will be paid at the rate of \$2.50 for the first hour on fire calls and \$1 per hour thereafter. Drill sessions will return them \$1 per hour.

All Experienced Officers
The volunteers were formerly paid \$7.50 per month and \$1 per drill. Before that schedule was instituted they were on an hourly paid basis.

Captain Schumacher was voted police chief May 14 when Councilman Powell reduced Chief John Stroth to a captain. This action was rescinded by the council nine days later and Stroth's offer to "step down" from the chief's position was tabled June 11. Schumacher, who has been a member of the police department since 1928, has been a sergeant for the past six years.

A member of the department since 1930, Captain Ashton was promoted to sergeant in July, 1935. Sergeant Haslam has been a Torrance police officer since May, 1935. Sergeant Bennett, who became a special officer in 1932, was made a regular patrolman in 1935, and Sergeant Evans, who uses the old Welsh spelling of his first name—Gwilym—for William, became a patrolman in 1934.

City Gets Contract With Sanitation Dist. on Sewer Job

Mayor Tom McGuire was authorized by the city council Tuesday night to execute a contract with the county sanitation district No. 5 relative to the installation of the sewer system now under construction in Vista Highlands.

Under terms of the contract, the \$177,000 project being constructed by the district with the aid of the WPA, will cost the city less than \$5,000. The city's share of the expense is \$5,542 but the sanitation district will reimburse the municipality for engineering work and material from the city engineer's office.

It is estimated that this will reduce the city's cost between \$700 and \$800.

Council Approves City, Water and Chamber Budgets

A tentative 1940-41 municipal budget totaling \$217,557 was adopted by the city council Tuesday night. Of this amount, \$186,657, it is estimated, must be raised by general taxation. While the new city budget is \$8,200 larger than the 1939-40 expense sheet, it is not the largest in the history of this municipality. The 1938-39 budget, which totaled \$228,780, was \$11,223 greater.

In fixing the estimated expenses of the city, the council anticipated increased revenue from such income sources as motor vehicle license fees, liquor taxes, fines and business licenses.

A total of \$186,657 is to be raised during the coming year by direct municipal taxes. This amount is the same as that obtained last year from the general tax levy here.

Await Valuation Figures
The 1939-40 total city budget was \$209,357. The city council also adopted a tentative budget totaling \$56,625.75 for the municipal water department this week and approved the Torrance Chamber of Commerce budget of \$7,200 over Councilman George V. Powell's and John V. Murray's "no" votes.

Last year the tax levies here—\$1.10 per \$100 assessed valuation on property within the original city limits and \$1.07 on property in annexed portions of the city—were based on a total assessed valuation of \$21,211,055. A general municipal tax of 88 cents per \$100 assessed valuation raised \$186,657 from that tax base.

The 1940-41 valuation figures will not be announced until about Aug. 13—after the county board of supervisors has completed its sessions as a board of equalization and has acted on the requests for valuation adjustments. When the valuation of the city is known then the city council can proceed with fixing the tax rate for the coming fiscal year.

Other Fiscal Figures
In 1938-39 when the total assessed valuation of the city was \$20,500,100, the total municipal levies were \$1.10 and \$1.07 and the general tax of 86 cents raised \$176,300 of the total city budget of \$228,780, according to City Clerk A. H. Bartlett.

The 1937-38 city budget totaled \$208,205, of which \$154,428 was raised from a general tax levy of 82 cents. That year marked the start of the total municipal tax rates of \$1.10 and \$1.07. The assessed valuation then amounted to \$18,954,595.

In 1936-37, when the city's valuation was \$18,259,395, the general municipal tax levy was 80 cents. This raised \$146,075 of the total budget of \$194,840. The total municipal tax rates that year were \$1.11 and \$1.07.

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S.W.O.C. Officers Will Take Posts Here Saturday

New officers of the Steel Workers' Organizing Committee lodge No. 1414 will be installed by Carl Steele, who will begin his fourth term as president, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in S.W.O.C. lodge headquarters on Cravens avenue across from the central fire station.

Two special guests will be present—Nicholas Fontecchie, assistant regional director of the national C.I.O., and vice-president of the Packing House Workers' organization, and Jim Thimmes, assistant director of the State S.W.O.C.

Assisting Steele in the direction of the local lodge during the coming year will be Tommy Wagner, vice-president; J. Elder, sergeant of arms; D. Phipps, guard; D. Waid, Journal agent; W. Bishop, Steele and Wagner, members of the grievance committee; Re-elected officers are: W. W. Smith, financial secretary; Kenneth C. Beight, treasurer; C. Haskins, recording secretary, and Joe Cipress, guide.

The board of trustees will be composed of Neil McConlogue, re-elected; A. L. Elder and R. Robinett.

Coordinators Propose Youth Center Suggests Building With N. Y. A. or S. R. A. Assistance

Concluding nearly a year of extensive research, conferences with relief agencies and the compilation of a detailed survey of youth activities in this city, the Torrance Coordinating Council thru its President, City Judge Robert Lessing, presented a comprehensive plan for the establishment of a young people's clubhouse here Tuesday night. The Coordinators recommended that a suitable building be constructed on city-owned property near the Torrance Health and Welfare Center, at the intersection of Carson street and Plaza del Amo.

Such a building, sketch plans of which were included in the 14-page report given members of the city finance committee this week, could be constructed with the assistance of either the National Youth Administration or the State Relief Administration. Both agencies have signified their willingness to participate in the building of such a center, Judge Lessing said.

The choice of the Plaza del Amo-Carson street property for a youth center was dictated entirely by two factors, the head of the Coordinators points out in the report. A map showing that such a location would serve the entire heavily populated area of the city within a radius of six blocks. The present city park facilities for play now serves less than half of the city.

Open-Type Building
"Statistics show that young people will not and cannot travel farther than three-quarters of a mile from home, not even to take part in an agreeable recreation program," the report points out.

The second factor in favor of the site near the Health Center is that the city already owns property there of sufficient size to accommodate a building of 10,150 square feet. This structure should include a regulation size gymnasium, 55 by 100 feet, a games and woodwork shop, library, hobby room, showers

and storage space for equipment.

The drawings attached to the Coordinators' report show that most partitions have been eliminated in favor of an open-type building permitting clear vision by a single supervisor into all of the space used for youth activity with exception of the gymnasium.

Reduce Delinquency
Last winter Police Chief Stroth, Mayor (then Councilman) Tom McGuire and others visited the Whittier club for boys. They returned with a glowing picture of the splendid results which this activity had shown during its one year of service in that community. The Whittier club, sponsored by the police department, is open to all boys from nine to 18 years of age. At the end of the first year, delinquency in that city had been reduced 60 per cent, the local men were informed.

Other Torrance men investigated the boys' club conducted and sponsored in San Pedro by the Lions club of that city. The same story of results emanated from that activity as at Whittier. Delinquency was reduced more than half.

Aroused by the potentialities of a similar venture here, some effort was made to secure a suitable building in Torrance that might be converted into a youth club. But no site was either satisfactory or available and the enthusiasm languished to extinction.

Many Idle Hours
But the Coordinating Council believed that "if our people could be shown the need for such a project and the possibility of bringing the plan within our means, its establishment would be assured. . . . We have a plan ready to present in almost complete form," the Coordinating group announced to the city council this week.

The Coordinators recently completed a survey which revealed the work that is being done by social agencies in the community and which is not reaching a large proportion of the city's youth.