Salmon is a saltwater fish, but it travels up freshwater rivers to lay its eggs, because at spawning time the female's weight is so increased that she has difficulty in remaining under the surface of salt water because of its buoyancy.

Townsend Club Activities

By Vernon F. Glidden

At the close of the business session last Friday evening, which included reports of work in Gardena and Lennox clubs by members of those organizations who were present, we enjoyed an old-time box lunch and a splendid social time.

We were disappointed that Mrs. Conine of Los Angeles, who had just returned from the national convention at St. Louis was ill and could not be with us to make a report of the convention doings.

A number of our members attended the Gardena club Monday evening and enjoyed an evening of music by the Keystone Swingaroos. These same young people will be with us next Friday in one of their fine musical programs. It will also be our birthday party. Ice cream and cake will be served.

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PUTTING THE QUESTION . . . "Why didn't I get no memo?" demands Edward G. Robinson of Allen Jenkins in an effort to learn why the latter didn't notify him before "bumping off a 'personality'" in "Brother Orchid," opening Sunday at the Grand theatre.

'Ballad for Americans' Special Feature at Hollywood Bowl July 23

The fervent and exciting "Ballad for Americans" will be a special feature next Tuesday night, July 23, in Hollywood Bowl during the current Symphonies under the Stars season. It will be sung by Paul Robeson, noted American born baritone, with the assistance of singers from the Hall Johnson choir. Since it was introduced a few months ago in the east the "Ballad" has won a tremendous following. It has been sung on leading radio programs and on symphony orchestra concerts.

Topnotchers on the schedule of Bowl concerts next week include the celebrated Bruno Walter, one of the foremost conductors in the world. He will direct his first of four concerts Friday night, July 26, offering a program of wide symphonic interest.

Bartlett and Robertson, duo pianists will make their Bowl debut July 25 with a group of compositions arranged for two pianos. These artists have just returned from a triumphant tour of the United States. Albert Coates, British maestro, will conduct the concert.

On the Robeson program which David Brokeman will conduct, the baritone will sing Negro spirituals and the popular favorite "Old Man River" by Jerome Kern from his "Show Boat."

ROMANCE AT MANDERLEY . . . In spite of the eerie mystery which overshadows their lives, Joan Fontaine and Laurence Olivier take time out for romance during the course of the film version of the best-selling "Rebecca" which opens Saturday at the Plaza theatre in Hawthorne.

RESCUE WORK STARTED ON 305-YEAR-OLD TREE

DANVERS, Mass. (U.P.)—Attempts are being made to save the life of the 305-year-old Governor Endicott pear tree, partly uprooted in New England's recent hurricane, from which most of the nation's pear trees are descended.

A few roots of the "ancestor tree" cling to the soil, lending hope to the possibility it could be saved.

It is thought that only one of the 12 apostles, John, escaped martyrdom.

More Decoration Desired In Civic Auditorium

Before the city council enters into a contract with a decorating company for the embellishment of the Civic Auditorium's interior, Mayor Tom McGuire intends to seek more display than was given last year for $500 by the Menard and Tabery firm of decorators.

He advised the council Tuesday afternoon to await a conference with the head of that firm before renewing the decoration contract. Last year the auditorium received a new "dress" with every quarter.

HISTORY OF INN FOUND WITHIN WALLS OF 1760

WEST BROOKFIELD, Mass. (U.P.)—While tearing away the interior of Ye Olde Tavern, swept by fire, workmen found a history of the inn written nearly a half-century ago by the late George E. Messenger, former landlord.

The history dated back to the founding of the inn in 1760 by its first landlord, David Hitchcock. Concealed in a tobacco box, the history was well preserved. Workmen also found old ammunition hidden in the walls.

The first circuses in America were very careful to overcome religious prejudice which existed against them. The words "show" and "circus" were eliminated, and they were advertised as "Great Moral and Educational Exhibits."

ROBINSON BOY . . . Freddie Bartholomew has the role of one of the sons of the "Swiss Family Robinson" in the screen-hit version of that widely loved classic adventure tale that opens tonight at the Lomita theatre. On the same bill is "Dr. Kildare's Strange Case."

"The Great Waltz" will be screened at the Lomita by popular demand for a return engagement July 24 and 25. Depicting incidents in the life and love of Strauss, the great composer this is one of the most beautiful stories ever portrayed in the movies.

O'Toole Enters Assembly Campaign With Well-Defined Platform

Declaring that he intends to conduct a vigorous campaign free from personalities and mud-slinging, James J. "Jimmie" O'Toole, well-known local Democrat, this week announced his candidacy as a member of the state assembly from the 68th District. O'Toole, a life-long Democrat, has been a resident of the district for the past 15 years and, besides conducting his own dairy business, has been active in veterans' affairs. O'Toole has been a dues-paying member of organized labor ever since he started to earn his own living, it is pointed out.

Among the fundamental planks in O'Toole's platform, his campaign committee states, are: to work for full cooperation of our state and national governments in securing immediate preparation for national defense; securing of adequate pensions for our aged, blind, disabled, widowed and orphaned citizens; alleviation of flood conditions that have caused great loss to some sections of the district; securing vital harbor improvements such as a marine hospital, naval base, graving dock and shore facilities; continued protection of the social gains benefiting labor, small business and the small home owner.

Another important objective O'Toole is pledged to work for as this district's assemblyman, his committee points out, is the securing of the development of the highways of the district in a coordinated unit for national defense. Many local civic bodies are already actively engaged in working for such a program, O'Toole states.

O'Toole owns his own home, is married and the father of three sons attending the elementary and high schools of Torrance.

JAMES J. O'TOOLE . . . says "no mud-slinging"

In 1938—the last Assembly race—O'Toole ran second to the late Assemblyman Fred Reaves, whose death recently left the office vacant.

GOOD FISHING

Late reports indicate that trout fishing in the Mammoth Lake district has been excellent with best catches taken on worms or spinners in the lakes. Back country is now open over Duck Pass and good reports received on the San Joaquin River and Lily Pond Lake. The river is still high but plenty of small fish.

Women's shoe styles to become quite fanciful. They'll have to go some to beat Cinderella's glass slipper.

Wooldridge Writes

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A face without a smile is like a lamp whose chimney is dirty.