

California Lawns Are Due for Blitzkrieg by Sod Webworms

Word came this week from the College of Agriculture on the Westwood Hills campus of the University of California that a mass attack on private property in the state is considered imminent. No warning is expected to be given and property owners will only know that the worst has come when large irregular brown spots begin to appear in their lawns almost overnight.

According to Dr. R. M. Bohart, instructor in entomology, the blitzkrieg on the California lawns will be carried on by the sod webworms, pests which are extremely active in July, August and September. Bluegrass and bent grass are particularly favored in the webworm diet. Young lawns are preferred.

As soon as brown spots appear in the lawn, says Dr. Bohart, portions of it should be flooded. If, after a submergence of from five to ten minutes, large numbers of slender, grayish, and black-spotted worms crawl to the surface, then webworms are causing the trouble.

These pests can be controlled by the use of lead arsenate, dichloroethyl ether, or pyrethrum extract. Care must be exercised in using these substances. Exact directions for their use are contained in a mimeographed circular available free of charge from the College of Agriculture, room 108, Giannini Hall, on the Berkeley campus of the University.

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Child Welfare Work Major Activity of 10th Dist. P.T.A. Units

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Among the items paid for from this fund were lunches and breakfasts, milk, cod liver oil, orange juice, clothing, transportation, medical, dental and optical care and student aid.

The greater part of all money raised by Narbonne P.T.A. was used for child welfare work and as in past years, Narbonne took care of all its own needs without help from the district, according to Mrs. C. A. Lindgren, treasurer.

Mrs. Keyes Bound for Hawaii Stay

Mrs. Ivan Keyes, who leaves tonight for Hawaii, has been entertained at a number of bon voyage parties, among the hostesses being her mother, Mrs. J. H. Splittstoesser, who gave an elaborate dinner at her home, 1829 247th street.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. William Splittstoesser of Van Nuys, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beaver and Paul, Jr., of Alhambra, J. Gunderson and daughter Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rolfe and sons Gerald and Harold, Mrs. Ivan Keyes, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Splittstoesser. Mrs. Beaver and Mrs. Rolfe have given farewell parties at their homes and a number of teas and luncheons have been given Mrs. Keyes who will join her husband, Ivan C. Keyes, chief machinist, U. S. N., for a stay of two years or more in the Islands.

Candidates' Filing Fees Apportioned to Counties; L.A. Given \$13,908

SACRAMENTO (U.P.)—Secretary of State Paul Peek this week apportioned to the counties \$29,599 in filing fees from 569 candidates seeking nomination at the primary election August 27. The fees, received from candidates for U. S. Senator, Congress, State Senate and Assembly, are to be distributed to the counties July 15.

Los Angeles county with \$13,908.28 filed the largest amount; San Francisco with \$2,028.27 was second, and Alameda, \$1,668.28, was third. In Los Angeles county the filings were: U. S. Senator \$48,28; Congress \$9,200; Assembly \$4,660; Total \$13,908.

Scout Patrols Reorganized

Lomita Scouts have been reorganized into patrols based on geographical lines and have also a new setup, an officers' staff, appointed by Ed Barth, scoutmaster.

Richard Kuhns is junior assistant scoutmaster, Stanley Johnson, senior patrol leader; Don Bailey, quartermaster; Bill Bailey, scribe; Lawrence Tarrico, treasurer; J. H. Imel, bugler; Jimmie Wolverton, sergeant-at-arms, and Wilton Stowell, recruiter.

The troop has been given five waterproof tents and a gasoline lantern, all the gift of the Scout Mothers.

No Tax Refund In Sight, Bills To Be Returned

Hundreds of thousands of receipted tax bills which many local property owners forwarded to the board of supervisors several years ago in the hope of obtaining tax refunds are to be returned to them soon by the county counsel's office, it was learned today.

The final chapter in the long drawn-out legal battle waged thru the superior courts of the county, the state supreme court and even in the United States supreme court was written at San Francisco June 10 when the state supreme court made the final entry in the Southern Service Company's action against the county. Points involved in this case set a precedent for the thousands of other similar suits.

Cost of returning the receipted tax bills will be \$6,800 the board of supervisors was advised today by Wayne Allen, chief administrative officer. The bills will be returned however with an explanation that the high court's ruling will not permit a refund to be made. The county also will publish a legal notice of explanation.

Four years' taxes are involved in the cases acted by the Southern Service Company's suit, 1933-34, 1934-35, 1935-36 and 1936-37. The applications for the refunds also will be returned.

Still pending are other tax refund suits in which the validity of the levy is attacked on different grounds. Most of these suits were handled by a group of attorneys who set themselves up as specialists in these involved law suits, and who hoped to realize several million dollars in commissions, since they had taken practically all of the suits on a contingent basis.

25 Boys Now In Camp La Verne

With fond mamas on hand to bring a lunch and give the final injunctions, a group of 25 boys left Monday morning from Narbonne high for Camp La Verne in a chartered bus.

L. A. Stump and George Key, Jr. accompanied the group who will spend the week at camp.

The boys, whose ages ranged from nine to 12 years were: Dolas Broder, Bruce Brown, Bruce Bullock, Kenneth Clayton, Jimmie Coates, Stanley Dahlgren, Donald Dana, John Erickson, Bob Hicks, Bob Houser, Tommie Jackson, Billie Jenkins, Jean La Chance, Bob Le Fontaine, Ronald Lindeman, Billie Menz, Joe Moody, Donald Morrow, Robert Reagan, Donald Sawatzke, Charles Schildmeyer, Warren Taylor, Arthur Walters and Donald Wilkerson.

Lomita Friends Honor Trio at Park Picnic

Invited to Long Beach last Thursday a number of Lomita friends of Mrs. Hannah Owens, Mrs. Lillie M. Pollock and Miss Alice Pollock spent a most enjoyable day in Bixby Park where the hostesses had spread a picnic lunch which was a feast of everything one could desire at a picnic.

The day was spent enjoying the cool shade of the park while renewing old friendships.

Those present were Mesdames Bertha King, Emil Hespe, Joe Luck, Walter Tappin, Albert Owens, Jack Ferguson, Ethel Waite, Hans Andersen, Regina Hudson, Harold Taylor, Hannah Owens, Lillie M. Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sheak, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Harvey, Misses Alice Pollock, Gloria Sheak, Cordelia Crawford and Barbara Owens and Ralph Owens.

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This bargain rate, good only for Thursday, July 25, is made through an arrangement between the publisher of the Torrance Herald and Lomita News, and Lloyd D. Mitchell, general manager for the Pilgrimage Play.

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portrayed by Nelson Leigh, who appears for the fourth consecutive season in the part. He is supported by a cast of 122 players, and the entire production has received unusual understanding under the guidance of Director Jerome Coray.

You can make Torrance and Lomita night at the Pilgrimage Play an outstanding success by attending yourself. The coupon found in this paper allows you a special rate for tickets.

Your home-town newspaper as well as church denominations, are anxious to make the Pilgrimage play for 1942 the greatest in the production's history. Plan to attend on Torrance-Lomita night, Thursday, July 25, by using the coupon found in this paper. Curtain time is 8:15 p. m.



FIGURES AT CHICAGO CONVENTION... These two men, Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York, left, and Postmaster General James A. Farley, are powerful figures at Chicago national Democratic con-

vention. But President Roosevelt, sitting in White House, can do as he likes with convention. Wagner heads resolutions (platform) committee; Farley is national chairman.

CAMP SEELEY OPENS

Los Angeles families seeking a vacation retreat to which they can take their children for a complete but inexpensive outing, are enjoying Camp Seeley, which was recently opened. The camp is operated by the Los Angeles Playground and Recreation Department on a non-profit basis, enabling families to enjoy mountain outings at cost, which in most cases is no more than average living expenses at home.

Only one-third of the world's inhabitants are Christians.

Pioneer San Pedro Matron Succumbs

Last rites for Mrs. Emma L. Kirchner, resident of San Pedro for nearly 40 years, were held at the San Pedro Lutheran church this afternoon, Rev. W. H. Klaustermeyer officiating. Interment was at Inglewood. Mrs. Kirchner, who was 68 years old, died Monday night at her home, 550 21st street.

Born in Germany she came to America 50 years ago and to San Pedro 39 years ago. Nearly all her large family has continued to live near the harbor, where they spent their childhood. Four of her daughters have been residents of Lomita. They are Mrs. Elsie Myers, Mrs. Katie Gray, Mrs. Gertrude Huffman and Mrs. Louise Wiesemann. Another daughter, Mrs. Marguerite Olinger, and three sons, Adolph, Robert and Walter, are residents of San Pedro. There are also 16 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Mrs. Kirchner belonged to the pioneer San Pedrans who saw board sidewalks succeeded by paved walks, the hills for which the town was so well known to sailors cut away and even that most famous landmark, Deadman's Island, entirely obliterated.

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Present Influx of Midwest Migrants Send Fifth Great Migration to State

SACRAMENTO (U.P.)—The influx of midwest migrants to California during the recent years represents the fifth great migration in the state's history, according to a report by George Gleason, executive secretary of the Los Angeles county committee for church and community cooperation.

The new migration, however, is the first of native, white Americans. The previous immigrants were Chinese, Japanese, Mexican and Filipino, respectively.

The Chinese, in large numbers, were brought in following the gold rush of 1849. Gleason recounted. They built the railroads and provided the cheap labor for

mines and farm. Their immigration was cut off by law in 1888.

In Two Classes

Then followed three successive waves of cheap foreign labor. First the Japanese, whose immigration was checked in 1907 and finally stopped in 1924. Japanese were followed by the Mexicans and by 1920 there were 70,000 Japanese and 80,000 foreign born Mexicans in California. Filipinos to the number of 31,000 were brought in between 1920 and 1929.

"Since 1924, however," Gleason said, "due to the repatriation of many Mexicans and the cutting off of Filipino immigration, the complexion of the agricultural migrants has literally changed, so that 80 to 90 percent are now native white Americans."

He pointed out that the migrants are divided into two classes—the habitual migrants, who from choice or habit have been following the harvests, and the removal migrants, who have been forced by low prices, drought and mechanization to seek a better life in another state.

Present New Problem

"The latter are truly the dispossessed," Gleason declared. "They form the large part of the 250,000 to 300,000 people who desperately need help in California."

"Orientals and Mexicans, accustomed at home to a lower standard of living, usually bettered their condition even in the rough, unsanitary camp life of the intermittent farm work," he continued.

"But now, with the presence in the state of a quarter of a million migrant people whose culture is similar to our own, this, fifth migration is presenting a problem which must be promptly faced and wisely solved."

Hauge Headquarters Open on Sartori Ave.; Committee Announced

Headquarters for Supervisor Oscar Hauge, candidate to succeed himself as supervisor of the Fourth District, have been opened in Torrance at 1405 1/2 Sartori avenue, H. Kirby Shellaby, campaign manager, announced today.

Shellaby said that a local campaign manager for the community would likely be appointed soon. The executive committee for Torrance is composed of the following: Mayor Tom McGuire, Frank Kendall of the Hollywood Riviera; Councilman J. E. Hitchcock, L. J. Glimister, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, and W. H. Stanger, manager of the city water department.

"We are confident that Supervisor Hauge will poll a large vote in Torrance in the Aug. 27 primary," Shellaby said today. "Everywhere in the community, I find thousands of enthusiastic supporters, who are grateful to Supervisor Hauge for the fine things he has done for the district. Many of them declare that he is the best supervisor the Fourth District has ever had."

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