Trailer-Builders Feted at Shower Get Many Gifts

Last Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. John Schreiber, who have been building a new house trailer, had a group of friends call to inspect it and after showing them around were invited to go over to the A. J. Fitzgerald house for a few minutes.

There they found a surprise planned for them. Tables were set in the patio, the fire was built and hot dogs and covered dishes ready for a feed. And then of course, the proper complement to an outdoor dinner, watermelons appeared.

A shower of gifts for the new house trailer were presented and the group spent the evening in games around the fireplace. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames F. J. Frye, R. L. Lewis, Andrew Spaan, R. E. Hufford, F. P. Halling, M. L. Colvin, A. J. Fitzgerald, and John Schreiber, Jim Fitzgerald, Mervin Colvin, Bill Colvin, Wilma Schreiber, Arline Schreiber, Jacquelyn Hufford, Marilyn Hufford, Andrew Spaan, Jr., Marilyn Spaan, Ralph Lewis, Mallam Frye and Frances Frye.

BOYLE BACKS MRS. COLDEN FOR CONGRESS

Former Assemblyman James J. Boyle, who was a candidate for Congress in this district two years ago, has pledged "100 percent support" for the present candidacy of Mrs. Clara N. Colden for the Democratic nomination to Congress in the same district, it was announced this week. In a letter to Mrs. Colden, made public by Boyle, the former Assemblyman says:

"I am prompted to make this decision in the sincere belief that you are the best qualified person in the 17th Congressional district to succeed the incumbent — whose apparent inability to produce any tangible results for the benefit of the district is so well known as to need no further comment. Knowing of the constant and valuable assistance which you rendered to your late husband, Charles J. Colden, when he so ably represented this district for many years, I cannot but feel that you are better qualified to carry on his work than any other person."

"I pledge you my 100 percent support in your campaign for this important office," Boyle adds. Two years ago Boyle polled 9,383 votes for Congressional nomination at the primary.

Boyle, who represented the 66th Assembly district in the Legislature and is well known for his interest in behalf of the smaller independent merchants of the community, has accepted appointment as chairman of the Colden for Congress committee in that area, according to William J. Barber, campaign manager.

Hauge Endorsed By Both Capital and Labor Organizations

Supervisor Oscar Hauge, who is a candidate to succeed himself as supervisor of the Fourth District, has been given the endorsement of both labor and business groups. This was demonstrated this week when the veteran railroaders of the National Brotherhood of Transportation Employees and the Manufacturers and Industries Committee of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce endorsed his candidacy, according to H. Kirby Shellaby, Hauge's campaign manager.

Shellaby reported that offices were being opened throughout the Fourth District, which includes Torrance. The local headquarters is located at 1405½ Sartori avenue and is in charge of Mrs. Roxie Sleeth.

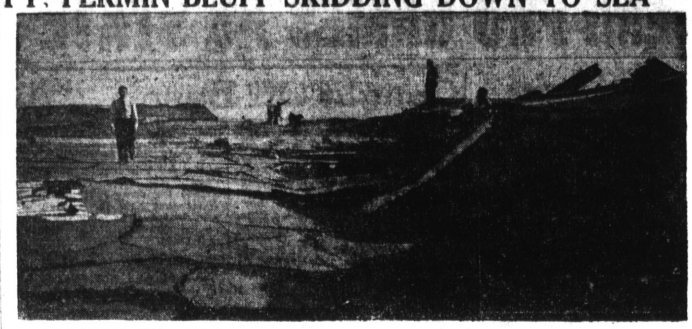
Mayor Tom McGuire is serving on the Hague executive campaign committee. Other members of the Torrance committee are: Frank Kendall, Councilman J. E. Hitchcock, L. J. Gilmeister, and Councilman John V. Murray.

Sales Tax Revenue Jumps During 1939-40

SACRAMENTO. (U.P.) — Revenue from the state's three per cent sales tax was $5,305,364 more during the last fiscal year than in the previous 12-month period, State Controller Harry B. Riley reported this week.

Receipts from the tax totaled $98,773,361 for the 1939-40 fiscal year, which ended June 30, compared with $87,910,157 for the 1938-39 fiscal year.

PT. FERMIN BLUFF SKIDDING DOWN TO SEA



DROPPING SEAWARD . . . Slipping ever faster, a two-acre segment of the Pt. Fermin bluff today continued carrying a section of Paseo Del Mar seaward. Extent of the drop in recent days is shown above, the white stripe on the uptilted piece of paving having once marked the center line of the thoroughfare. Crevasses of varying width and many feet deep, riddle this area which engineers expect to slowly fracture and drop into the sea 150 feet below.

Scores of people visited Point Fermin Sunday to see the crack which has widened alarmingly the past two weeks.

A desolate scene is the area about 40th and Bluff Place, once considered the most desirable residence property in San Pedro. Where once there were seawalls, beautiful gardens and homes there is nothing but a few parts of the foundations of houses.

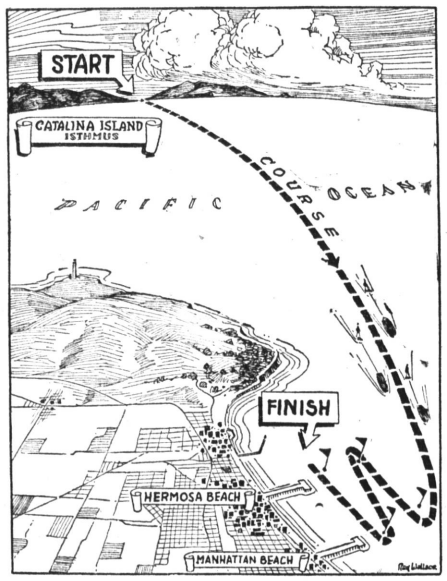
All the houses have been moved away, their beautiful gardens overlooking the harbor have gone into the sea where the water is now constantly muddy. Great cracks and gullies fill 40th street. High steel fences keep the public back from the area.

The dslie, whose cause has never been discovered, started in 1929. Time and again it has been reported that the sliding had ceased only to have it suddenly start again.

During the past three weeks it has changed its tactics. It is no longer sliding by inches but by feet, faster than the engineers can figure it.

Whether the bluff will slip gradually into the sea or whether a large slide will occur suddenly as it did in 1929, no one knows, but to guard against accidents all the walks from the park to the ocean and several hundred feet of the street have been fenced off and are guarded by police.

Famous Race Course Changed



The sixth annual running of the world famous Catalina Island, Manhattan, Hermosa Beach Aquaplane Race will start this year from the Isthmus next Sunday, August 4. This arrangement will send the channel riders and pilots over the open water to the Pacific as in the past, but this year new laps have been added to the course between the Hermosa and Manhattan Beach Piers, as shown above.

The new course has been described as one of the most dangerous ever attempted and the thousands of spectators who line the strand will be given thrills galore. More than thirty teams, among them four girls, will seek the world's title in the mad dash over the gruelling run.

Huge Naval Expansion Program Means More Wages, Sales Here

California — and particularly the Harbor District—will benefit substantially in increased employment, wages and sales resulting from the new Navy expansion program involving construction of 92 combat vessels at a cost of $1,140,000,000. Donald Renshaw, State Director for the Office of Government Reports, stated today that seven of these vessels will be built in California shipyards and much of the material used on construction will be purchased from California manufacturers and producers.

Renshaw advised that California manufacturers or producers electric machinery, structural iron and steel, lumber, paint, insulating materials, blocks and riggings, navigating outfits, petroleum, glassware, asbestos, cement, aluminum castings, and sheets, bolts and nuts, and to a lesser extent, many other products used in modern construction.

"On the basis of Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates, the construction of 92 vessels will result in $445,000,000 in wages to labor employed in the shipyards," Renshaw said, "but even more will be spent in wages in the mines and factories where the raw materials are produced, and in transportation."

Plan Huge Purchases

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics estimate that 41 percent of total costs in private shipyards is spent for materials, more than $476,000,000 will be expended for materials and manufactured products for naval expansion. Many of the 200 major industries producing materials used in ship construction, such as boilers, bolts, electrical equipment, hardware, tools, paints and navigation instruments, are located in California.

More than 540,000,000 man-hours of work in shipyards and more than 647,000,000 man-hours of work at mines, factories, and in transporting materials will be created by the new program, providing sufficient work to keep the equivalent of 242,000 workers employed two full years.

"Although there are more than 40 types of skilled mechanics needed to build a ship," Renshaw said, "the actual building of the ship requires less labor than does the production of the materials used. Here in California the yards will purchase large quantities of small hand and pneumatic tools, cement and sand for foundations, steel for temporary scaffolding, lumber for staging, shoring and planking, engines, and all types of fuel, coal, coke and oil—all necessary to this program."

California is one of the eight leading States in the production of pumps, wire products, paints, navigation instruments; second in the production of petroleum products; third in the production of boiler shop products and lumber.

State Picnic-Reunions

TOPEKA, KANSAS . . . All former Topekans are invited to attend the all-day picnic-reunion at Bixby Park, Long Beach, Saturday, August 17.

WYOMING . . . The annual summer roundup of all former residents and visitors from Wyoming will be held Sunday, August 4, in Sycamore Grove Park, Los Angeles.

IOWA . . . All former Iowans will rally for the annual summer picnic-reunion Saturday, August 10, in Bixby Park, Long Beach. The program will begin at 2 o'clock.

TEXAS . . . All former residents and visitors from the Lone Star state are invited to the annual picnic next Saturday, Aug. 3, in Bixby park, Long Beach. An all-day program is featured.

REDUCED STAFF

LOS ANGELES. (U.P.)—State official personnel of the State Relief Administration has been reduced from 517 to 353 since June 30.

Ephebians Sponsor Candidate Forums at High Schools

The Harbor Chapter Ephebians, who are sponsoring a series of meetings at which political candidates are invited to talk, announce their first meeting for Aug. 9 at San Pedro high school when 11 candidates for the 68th Assembly will speak.

Nick Zorotich, president of the chapter, will preside and Kiyoto Naoka, vice-president, who is a graduate of Narbonne, is publicity chairman. Each speaker will be allowed 12 minutes, six minutes to present his platform and six minutes to answer questions.

On Aug. 16 at Torrance high school assembly candidates will be given another chance to speak and on Aug. 21 candidates for the 17th Congressional District will be invited to speak at Banning high school. The public is invited to attend these meetings.

KINGS CANYON POPULAR

Travel to California's new Kings Canyon National Park thus far during the 1940 travel year reflects an increase of 26 per cent over last year.

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