

Rotary Club to Celebrate 39th Anniversary Tonight

The Rotary club of Torrance tonight will celebrate the 39th anniversary of the founding of Rotary at its regular meeting in the Woman's clubhouse.

"It was just 39 years ago," said Fay L. Parks, president of the local Rotary club, "that the first Rotary club was organized.

The Torrance club was chartered on Nov. 6, 1924, nearly 20 years ago.

In tracing briefly the growth of Rotary, President Parks said: "The first Rotary club in the world was organized in Chicago on Feb. 23, 1905, by Paul P. Harris, a young lawyer, who suggested the idea to a group of his friends and with them organized the club.

"During these past 39 years, the ideas of Paul Harris and his friends have become ideals which are not confined to any one group, one community or one nation. They have been accepted by men of practically all nationalities, of all political and religious beliefs. Today there are Rotary clubs in Algeria and Australia, in China and Chile, in the Fiji Islands and in French West Africa, in Sweden and in Switzerland—in more than 50 countries of the world.

"Rotary has grown in amazing fashion during these 39 years. Even during times of war, the growth has not ceased. During the last six months, for example, 72 new Rotary clubs have been organized in 19 countries, and today there are more than

5,200 Rotary clubs with some 220,000 Rotarians.

"The general objects of Rotary clubs in every country are the same—the development of fellowship and understanding among the business and professional men in the community, the promotion of community betterment endeavors and of high ethical standards in business and professional practices, and the advancement of international understanding, good will and peace.

"In addition to their regular service activities, Rotary clubs are actively cooperating with their governments in rationing, salvaging and fund raising campaigns and in all phases of civilian defense. Recently, for example, the U. S. War Production Board presented a citation to Rotary International in recognition of the meritorious salvage activities of the Rotary clubs in the United States.

"Rotarians are especially interested in the problems of the post-war world and for the last three years Rotary has had a special international committee to study these problems. The principal activity of this committee right now is the development of the 'Work Pile' idea of cataloging post-war work now planned by individuals and organizations so as to assure adequate work for demobilized servicemen and war workers when the war is over.

"Rotary clubs everywhere are composed of men representing the principal business and professional interests in the community, as well as the various religious and political beliefs. Therefore, they are in a particularly advantageous position to be of service to the community and the nation in wartime emergencies. Here in Torrance, the Rotary club has a committee devoted to war effort and post-war planning," Parks said.

Invest In Liberty . . . Buy Bonds and Stamps!



FAY L. PARKS . . . president of Torrance Rotary Club, explains wide-spread activities and ideals of world-wide organization.

Brotherhood Week Program at T.H.S.

In observance of World Brotherhood Week, a special religious program was presented in the Torrance High school auditorium for students, parents and teachers Tuesday.

A speaker, sent to the school by the University Religious Conference for the purpose of forwarding appreciative understanding between Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faiths, spoke in behalf of all denominations. An attentive and enthusiastic audience was present to greet the speaker.

JOINT MEETING

OF HARBOR DISTRICT CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND CIVIC AND IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATIONS

TORRANCE CIVIC AUDITORIUM

Thursday, March 9th, 1944—6:30 P. M.

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE
TICKETS ON SALE AT TORRANCE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Shepherds Lead Yanks to Italian Front



But for the good offices of this ragged Italian shepherd, lives of many Americans might have been lost on Italian front. Shepherd leads fighting men along narrow road, permitting them to avoid mines and booby traps left by fleeing Nazis.

Morgenthau Thanks Advertisers Who Helped In War Loan Drive

WASHINGTON, D. C.—In a signed message issued in the form of an advertisement intended for local sponsorship, Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., today extended the thanks of "your government and your fighting men" to the millions of Americans who helped make the Fourth War Loan a success. But he emphasized that war bond buying must continue unabated as long as war goes on with ever-mounting fury.

The unusual statement is captioned, "When the Fourth War Loan ended, our fighting men kept firing," and is illustrated by a sketch showing a soldier carrying Old Glory forward into battle.

Secretary Morgenthau, in his "Report to the Nation," made special mention of the Fourth War Loan activities of patriotic newspapers, magazines, radio stations and networks, members of the motion picture industry, the outdoor industry, advertisers and agencies, retail stores, industries, banks, postoffices, credit unions, fraternal organizations and farm credit associations.

The Treasury Department war bond advertisements are carried by more than 1,500 daily and thousands of weekly newspapers and are paid for by local businesses, industries and other private sponsors as a patriotic service.

The text of the secretary's statement follows: "News that the Fourth War Loan goal of \$14,000,000,000 has been reached and passed will cheer American boys from Italy to the Marshalls. But they will hear the news not only over sputtering radios but over the din of battle.

"For the war still goes on with ever-mounting fury. And that means that our war bond buying must go on unabated, too.

"To the millions who bought extra war bonds in this drive, all America gives thanks. "To the 5,000,000 and more volunteer workers who contributed their time and abilities to help make the drive a success, your government and your fighting men give thanks.

"To the thousands of patriotic newspapers, magazines, radio stations and networks, members of the motion picture industry, the outdoor industry, advertisers and agencies, retail stores, industries, banks, postoffices, credit unions, building and loan associations, labor unions, fraternal organizations and farm credit associations, the nation gives thanks.

"Once again Americans have proved their determination to 'Back the Attack' to the full.

"But the attack goes on. Look at Italy. When the Fourth War Loan drive ended at midnight Feb. 15 the drive on Rome was still going on. American boys were still crouching in water-filled foxholes—clinging with bitter and bloody tenacity to a beachhead. The Germans were equally determined to take back.

"Thus on the same midnight that witnessed the end of the Fourth War Loan drive, the hands of the clock met like shears to snip the lives of scores

of American boys engaged in the march on Rome. And the fight goes on.

"Look at Japan. At the same hour that saw the end of the Fourth War Loan, the 'March of Death' that shocked all America to a realization of Jap brutality to American prisoners of war—that march was still going on.

"To liberate those heroes of Bataan and Corregidor before it is 'too late,' other American boys stormed and took the Marshalls on the road to Tokyo.

"But that march to Tokyo—still 2,000 miles away—that march goes on.

"And we on the home front—can we afford to stop now that the Fourth War Loan is history, while our all-important job of supplying and financing this costliest war of all times still goes on? We have won a home front battle here, yes. But just as our boys continue even more vigorously once they have established a beachhead, so we must continue to build on the success we have already achieved.

"The bonds we bought last week and the week before are today's exploding bombs and shells and spent bullets can never be used again. We must provide for tomorrow, too. The need for new guns, planes, ships and tanks goes on.

"For the war still goes on with ever-mounting fury. So, while all of those on the home front who have bought bonds and have worked hard to make the Fourth War Loan drive a success have earned the nation's thanks, none of us can afford to forget that our home front job, including bond buying, also still goes on."

Council Planning To Offer Profitless Water Plant for Sale

The old Mutual Water system in North Torrance is to be offered for sale to the public by the Torrance city council in the near future. Recently City Clerk Bartlett was instructed to write to former stockholders in the company asking them to advise the council if they were interested in repurchase of the well and equipment, but no response to the letters had been received, the clerk reported.

The property was taken over by the city some years ago and has been operated at a loss ever since. The matter was taken under advisement until the first session of the council. Meanwhile the city attorney will map the procedure to be taken to dispose of it.

AVOID SKIDDING
Car drivers, be sure your brakes are oiled and otherwise in good condition. This is an important factor in preventing skids.

National Supply Bowling Leagues

Standings of Friday Night Women's Handicap, as of Feb. 19:

Team	W.	L.	Total
Five Aces	57	27	38276
Pin Busters	53	31	33620
Hell Cats	45	39	34603
Planor	45	39	31437
Bombers	43	41	34614
Mickies	39	45	39641
Stinkers	39	54	39222
Gutter Girls	24	60	30434

G. Forbes holds highest score in 63 games played, 8,806 pins knocked down for an average of 140.

Standings of the Men's League as of Feb. 21:

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Gunners	7	1	.875
Welders	6	2	.750
Pirates	6	2	.750
Rebels	4	4	.500
Pumps	4	4	.500
Foremen	2	6	.250
Foundry	2	6	.250
Play Boys	1	7	.125

Rowe holds high score in this league.

Bowling Schedule For Monday, Feb. 28

The schedule for the bowling matches of teams in the Columbia Street Bowling League at the Manchester Bowling Academy alleys Monday evening, Feb. 28, are announced as follows:

- Laboratory vs. Sheet Mill Shipping, 12.
- Warehouse vs. Open Hearth, 3-4.
- Foundry vs. Outcasts, 5-6.
- The "Misses" vs. Engineering & Maintenance, 7-8.
- Rolling Mill vs. Sheet Mill, 9-10.

Sailor Skids Into Two Parked Cars on Slippery Pavement

Paul R. Foulstish, U. S. Navy, whose home address is 330 Mills st., Reno, Nev., skidded on the slippery pavement into two parked cars on Cabrillo ave. near 222nd st. Wednesday morning. The parked cars were owned by Glenn Powers and Mrs. Gene Powers, who had moved to Torrance last Monday from Santa Monica. The rear end of Glenn's car was practically ruined and the one owned by his wife was considerably damaged. The front end of the car driven by Foulstish was caved in. Sgt. Bill Evans of the police department, who investigated the case, reported.

The young sailor was preparing to leave for Bremerton, where he was to report for duty, it was said at the police station.

More About Storm in Torrance Area

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owned power lines were without light or power. Food spoiled in refrigerators left without power to operate them.

Flood at Lomita
In the Lomita area the most serious part of the storm resulted from the run-off from the Palos Verdes hills which flooded streets and highways. Many automobiles were stuck in water and mud which kept the tow cars busy, particularly on Tuesday. Rainfall at Lomita was reported at 6.98 inches for the storm.

Of all of the beaches, Long Beach appears to have suffered the greatest damage, particularly in the peninsula district near Alamitos. There a number of houses were destroyed by the high tides which weakened the underpinnings.

Tides Sweep Belmont
High tides swept two blocks inland at Belmont Shore and the ocean front highway was closed when several feet of water, sand and silt covered the pavement.

The snowfall in the mountains was heavy and the runoff from that area back of and east of Pasadena flooded highways all the way to Long Beach. Scores of workers at the Douglas Aircraft and other plants in that area were unable to reach their work Tuesday. Hundreds of automobiles were stalled on the highways. Hundreds of plate glass windows were reported smashed at Long Beach by high winds which reached gale proportions.

Forest rangers on snow shoes went to the rescue of persons marooned in the mountain districts where roads were blocked by deep snow.

Freight Train Derailed
Eight freight cars of a Southern Pacific train were toppled on their sides when 800 feet of track near Holmby Junction gave away after being undermined by flood waters.

More than a score of fishing boats were torn from their moorings by high waves in Santa Monica harbor and driven ashore.

Long Beach lifeguards took their dories by trailer to a large flooded area north of State st. to evacuate several hundred families marooned there. At places the water was six feet deep.

In Rosemead a freak wind tore roofs from two houses and blocked an interurban line. It ripped the roof from the home of W. T. Croach and threw it against the roof of a house next door. Two blocks away the roof was hurled from another house to a nearby Pacific Electric track, knocking down poles and a high power electric line and interrupting traffic.

Only two deaths were due to the storm, one in Ventura County, where the body of Donald Irwin, 39, was found in a water-filled ditch. William Aitkin, 17, of Hawthorne, was killed when his automobile crashed into a parked car during a blinding rain.

As aftermath of the four-day southeaster, five-foot waves yesterday piled again onto Cabrillo beach at San Pedro, tearing at sand surrounding the bathhouse building, shearing water pipes and tossing huge pieces of concrete and sidewalk into the surf.

Schools, shipyards and electric trains were getting back onto schedule as the storm gave way to intermittent sunshine.

City Employees Want Retirement Fund Created

The Torrance city council will be asked at an early date to take steps to invoke use of a state retirement act to set up a retirement fund for all city employees working under civil service regulations.

Municipal employees have had the matter under consideration for some time and at a meeting held last Thursday evening a committee was named to formally present the proposal to the councilman body. The employees stress that they have been excluded from any benefits that might be derived from the national social security act and have nothing to look forward to as a reward for long service.

The state law, they claim, provides a way in which the fund may be set up so that city employees may retire with compensation after they reach specified ages.

The committee consists of John Street, chairman, W. H. Stanger, C. Z. Ward, Jack Hudson and Roy Winters.

War Loan Workers Win High Praise

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Shell Oil Company, \$3,000; Southern California Gas Company, \$4,000.

Last week Torrance was over the top of its quota of \$650,000 by \$66,856, which has since been increased to \$444,978, with total sales to date of \$1,094,978. The campaign ends Feb. 29.

"Almost every citizen in Torrance has been buying bonds and more bonds, which indicates that they realize the need of our armed forces and also are looking ahead during the post-war period when they will be able to use these bonds for the many new things that they'll want when we have ceased firing on the front lines," Lee stated.

"We have only four more days left, Feb. 29 ending the drive of the Fourth War Loan. Let's keep on selling and buying bonds," Lee emphasized today.

PAY INCREASED

Robert Moffett, having been a member of the Torrance fire department for one full year, was granted an increase in pay of \$10 per month at the meeting of the city council last night.

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