

PACKED HOUSE . . . Part of the capacity crowd which packed the Civic Auditorium Monday night to attend the Annual Chamber of Commerce Round-up Banquet "Hold it" while cameraman snapped this photo to record the event.—Keystone Photo

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stucco apartment building.

"Across the street on El Prado
was an exact duplicate of these
buildings, one housing the Thom
as D. Campbell Company, tract
agents, the other an apartment
building. That's all there was at
this end of town. At the corner
of Cabrillo and Gramercy was
the Colonial Hotel, another threestory brick building. In this
building was Jamieson and Gourdier, engineers and builders (later Mr. Gourdier became our postmaster, and served as such for
many years).

"Mr. and Mrs. Jamleson are

aster, and served as such for any years).

"Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson are titll residents of Torrance, firs. Jamieson being our present librarian.

"Next to the offices of Jamieson & Gourdler." he continued, am Rappaport had a drygoods ore, next to him was a restautint, and across the street was two-story building. Here was egrocery store and meat mart. At the corner of Cabrillod Carson was another three-ory building known as the righton Hotel building occupied, the Dolley Drug Store and drum Reeve Hardware Store.

"That was the business section of Torrance thirty years go!" bust around the corner on

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"Our residential district consisted of two blocks on Andreo avenue and two blocks on Gramerey.

"The school, library and church were on Cabrillo avenue, at about 220th street.

"The industrial section starting at the south end of town was the Torrance Glass Factory, now the Doak Aircraft Plant. This was the town gathering place. You could always find a goodly number of the towns-folk gathered there watching the men blow window glass any evening.

"At the beginning of World War I, I believe the Union Tool invented what was known at that time as the "velderette." They had dozens of girls and women welding heads in oil drums. I believe this was the beginning of the woman welder.

"Then to the north of town was the Llewellyn Iron Works, which is now the Columbia Steel Company, on 213th and Border was a lumber yard known as the Southern California Lime & Cements, Company, and here is where I came into Torance, as manager-of this lumber yard, "There is one other thing I want to mention in passing, and that was the fields of Wild California Poppies and Blue Lupine. All the vacant lots and fields for miles around used to be covered with these flowers. People would come here by the thousands in the spring to see this sight. It was most beautiful.

"With the building of homes and cultivation of the land.



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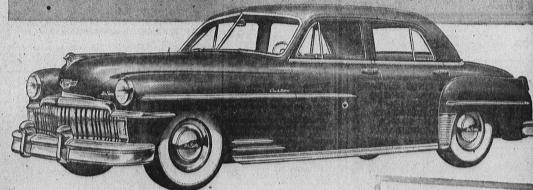
sledge hammer. When we had a fire, the first one who would get the first one would sound the alarm, we would get the first one would sound the alarm, we would get the first one would sound the alarm, we would get the first one would sound the alarm, we would get the first one would sound the alarm, we would get the first one would sound the alarm, we would get the first one would sound the alarm, we would get the first one would get the first one



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