EDITORIALS

A Salute to Faith

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Selection of the original downtown Torrance business section as the site for this important capital investment reveals a course of thinking on the part of this great financial institution that should quiet those of little faith in the future of the present business district.

Without banks, individuals would be greatly inconfew communities in the United States are without the services of these fountainheads of every day business. There are few indeed who do not often avail themselves of the many services provided by the local bank.

Without banks individuals would be greatly inconvenienced and business would grind to a near stop. Like many of the other good things of our American way of life, we are prone to take for granted our great American banking system. It is a natural for the average individual to go to a bank as it is for him to press the electric light switch or get into his automobile.

Under the branch banking system in California, the old adage "in union there is strength," finds practical application. At the same time, the builders of these vast financial establishments have realized the acute importance of maintaining a close liaison with the community through local managers selected for their ability to assume positions of leadership.

In Arthur O. Otsea, the California Bank chose wisely. Mr. Otsea came to Torrance when the bank purchased the assets of the Torrance National Bank, an old and respected institution that had been closely allied with every phase of community life through the Post family. Armed with much more than a brief case full of facts and self assurance, Art Otsea set out to become a part of Torrance. How well he has succeeded needs no repetition here. In less than two years he has become one of the best known and most popular men in the community and there are few worthwhile projects that have not had the benefit of his experience and enthusiasm.

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Parking Suggestions

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The next way to acquire arking bond issue, such as raising bonds. This is accomplished in the following manner; inst. the City Council must locate a portion of the sales ax money to repay the parking bonds. I understand that orrance this year will take in ome \$200,000 in sales tax, he City Council should alloste from \$250,000 to \$50,000 er year of this money for the payment of bonds. A \$1,000 bond issue should then a proposed to the voters, sowing them that these onds are absolutely tax free ansumed as they will be paid in through sales tax and posbly parking meters. It is obvious to anyone that more parking is made available in the downtown area, edity will obtain more sales x and, therefore, the money exity allocates for the se ands will also come back to etty in the form of incased sales tax.

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sure you gentlemen will be favor of this plan. GEORGE BINDER Heart Campaign

Heart Campaign
Editor, Torrance Herald:
Your willingness to cooperate
with the Heart Campaign and
to assume specific responsibility is sincerely appreciated.
The month of February has
been set aside for the campaign and if I can be of any
help in any particular area,
please let me know.
We understand that so me
money is already rolling in
from somebody's efforts.
J. H. HULL,
Torrance Chairman

Elks Open House

Editor, Torrance Heraid;
About a year ago our Elks received her charter, and in the ensuing months that followed some charity work has been done in our local area, especially during the holiday season. However, there is a great deal more to be done, once we are firmly established.

Many of you may not know all of the fine work being done by Elks Lodges throughout the country in support and maintaining recreation at a mp s, sponsoring you the groups, awarding scholarships, etc. By means of this letter we hope to acquaint you with our one main project—Cerebral Palsy. The California Elks Assn. through the combined efforts of all of the Elks Lodges from San Francisco to San Diego, has now at its Lodges from San Francisco to San Diego, has now at its clipsoal! If new, completely equipped station wagon ambulances and a staf of well-trained physiotherapists. These are being used as mobile units in the remote areas of our state for care of Cerebral Palsied patients to whom treatment would not otherwise be available.

On Wednesday evening, Feb. 15. at 8 p.m., we have scheduled an open meeting at our Elks Lodge, 1951 Carson St. The purpose of this meeting is to better inform the people of our community of the work being done for Cerebral Palsied patients. Everyone who attends will have the priviledge of seeling a most interesting and spectacular film on Cerebral Palsy and of meeting and spectacular film on Cerebral Palsy and of meeting and spectacular film on Cerebral Palsied patients. Everyone who attends will find the time well spent. We feel this is an excellent way to meet you and have you become be tet er acquainted with us.

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W. FAHNESTOCK, t. Leading Knight

Bipartisan Foreign Policy?



Glazed Glances

My Grandfather Shlepp says that for 50 years his marriage has been ideal. It's been one poker game after another, with Grandma continuously pleading: "I deal! I deal!"
That recent grave! strike certainly put a lot of working folks on the rocks.

Don't you love those television commercials: "Buy a 1966 car! Nothing down and 5 years to pay! No red tape!" (That's right, no red tape. Just miles and miles of plain old white tape that you can trip over for the next 5 years).

Bill O'Connor's granddaughter, two-year-old Jo an ne, spilled her cocoa, so her mom smacked her hand lightly and reprimanded her: "You make a terrible mess!" The youngster shook her head and reprimanded her: "You make a terrible mess!" The youngster shook her head and reprimanded her: "You make a terrible mess!" The youngster shook her head and sobbed: "No, no. Cocoa make mess."

Yhis Sumac has been accused of really being Any Camus (Yma Sumac spelled backwards) of Brooklyn. Hearing that there is a John Camus living in Van Nuys. Yna wonders if he isn't really Juan Sumac, of Peru.

'A' A' I learned it from a waiter at the Cocoanut Grove that there is a drink called "arrack" from the sap of palm trees which, if taken internally, would make any spinster look like a lovely bunch of cocoanuts.

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During a lull in conversation at the Castle Restaurant, someone mentioned a carnival's two-headed man who fell heads-over-heels in love with the tattooed lady. It seems that the tattooed lady. It seems that the tattooed lady illted her admirer because she didn't agree that two heads are better than onc. As a result, the poor fellow has simply gone out of his minds.

We're told by radio station discer Joe Adams that a boomerang is something you can throw and it will come back and hit you when you least

IT'S A FACT

expect it. "If you don't have a boomerang on hand," sug-gests Mr. Adams, "you can obtain the same effect with a whingding."

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A newspaper reporter recently asked a woman in a sidewalk interview: "Madam, what do you think of sex." is d'best store in all id" SH and she replied: "I tink Sex Teen-age telephone conversation: "I'd ask you to come with us, Myra, but I don't want you."

It never fails. The modern housewife takes 15 minutes to throw together a meal that looks like it took two hours. Then she takes two hours to fix her hair and it looks like it was thrown together in 15 minutes.

I just bought a home tatooing kit but my wife won't let me tattoo our home. It al happened within the span of one day and don't tell me tattoo our home. It al happened within the span of one day and don't tell me it was mere coincidence either! Young Pinky Melis acquired the chicken pox the very same day that a neighbor next door reported to the police that two of her prize chickens were missing.

Newspaper headline: "Actress Says Husband Left Her Wilhout a Word." What a slinker, that guy. He could at least hat yell where the common decency to say goodbye.

My wife introduced me to this nice lady and said: "Barney, do you know Sally Sparks?" And I said: "No. I didn't know she does, but now that you tell me, it's too bad I'm married.""



LAW IN ACTION

1. Has the seller asked tor a payment to show you mean business? Who gets the money if the deal falls through?
2. Does your contract fix a firm price? Or does the price go up with costs?
Do you plan to pay the balance with a loan? Then may you get your down payment

By JERRY CAHILL

STEAM ENGINE, FICK OVER SAM FRANCISCO IN IBA!

back if you can't get the loan? May you pay up early to save interest?

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3. Must the seller turn your place over to you by a given time? Can you get your money back if he fells to?

4. Has your builder set out in writing the type of house, size, materials, etc.? Did you check these specifications with some experienced person?

If not, can you set a time with your builder to do so?

Have you checked the land and its legal desoription against a map? Do you get all the land you bargained for?

AFTER HOURS

One of the top-secrets of World War II was the fact that in 1944 a woman and five children were killed by enemy action on American soil. These six persons were picnicking on a Saturday afternoon in the green hills of Oregon. One of the small boys ex plor in garound noticed pieces of rope extending from under an opening in the brush. He pulled on a piece of rope when suddenly there was an explosion. The rope was attached to a Japanese balloon which carried a time bomb floated all the way to the United States by air surrents across the Pacific. All the children were stilled instantly. The woman survived long enough to tell this story.

War came close to the soil of the United States in World War II. If the Japanese kneour state of unpreparedness after Pearl Harbor, they could have landed on the West coast almost at will. While such an eventuality is remote today, because of the greatest military preparedness in our peace-time history, there is a price we have to pay to insure the peace. The price has many risks. Peace is never on sale in a bargain-basement counter.

In covering the hot-spots of the world I am exposed to the signs that precede a period of peace, or a period of war. You can almost feel it in the wind and in the temper of people.

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The Freelancer

By TOM RISCHE
The Bible tells us that we should build more stately mansions, but it looks as if the Board of Supervisors is overdoing it a little bit.

Another story in this paper tells about the plans for a \$600,000 memorial to pioneer forefathers who raised the first American flag to fly in Los Angeles.

I am delighted that these

Los Angeles.

I am delighted that these intrepid souls managed to raise the first American flag in Los Angeles way back in 1847, but I am not glad \$600,000 worth. I am not glad even 25 cents worth. I am just eled

The ploneers may have raised the flag, but it is their describing the money, as Supervisor Kenneth Hahn pointed out.

Some officials have declared that the structure will be of an "inspirational nature." For \$600,000 everybody ought to be overflowing with inspiration. It is highly doubtful that it this will be the result.

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itable purpose — recreation, home for orphaned children, better schools, scholarships, or leadership training courses.

As one taxpayer, I would rather see my money go for these purposes than see towering columns of sculptured marble.

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