

# Newspaper is Eyes, Ears, Conscience of Community

National Newspaper Week is a concentrated effort to explain the functions of a newspaper. To inform, to interpret, to entertain—this is the role of the American press. Its foundation is the First Amendment's guarantee of freedom of the press.

The American people possess many other freedoms, as set out in our Constitution, and a priceless one springing from them is the right to know and to be informed. Here the newspaper performs its greatest service. It is the eyes, ears and conscience of a community. It jealously guards the many rights of people while giving them the facts and information necessary to be good citizens. For only when we know the truth can we support what is good or condemn what is bad.

Wars have been fought to gain and preserve our independence. So, too, is battle waged by the newspapers of our country to defend and guard the freedoms and rights of a free people. This is a never-ending fight, quiet at times, at other times loud—but always on behalf of the American people.

A newspaper informs its readers of what is going on in the world. It deals with such diverse events as the fall of a foreign government or an accident at a country crossroads. It could be that the accident is of more interest to the average reader, but what is happening around the world affects us all. A good editor realizes this and balances the spotlight with the international.

A newspaper is a service organization whose prime responsibility is to the reader. It performs a service when corruption in government is exposed. It performs just as important a job when the reader is informed of an outstanding accomplishment of a public official. It gives its subscribers an opportunity to voice their thoughts in its letter columns and provides accurate information upon which to form opinions.

Public opinion is reflected in the people's choice of elected leaders. To keep this country strong and free our leaders must be honest and wise. Therefore, sound thinking and a good foundation of knowledge are vital necessities to good government.

American newspapers are a strong link in the chain of defense of our way of life. The pages of a newspaper reflect the history of our times, the good along with the bad; and what thoughtful person could fail to choose our way of life after comparing news from behind the Iron Curtain with that of the free world?

Newspapers are a vital part of the American economy, purchasing many millions of dollars of materials each year and offering, through advertising, opportunities for businessmen to increase their revenue and for buyers to use their money to the best advantage.

Insurance for the future of America comes in the form of building character and integrity in our youth. Youngsters who deliver your newspaper are learning responsibility, dependability and the importance of service to one's community.

The free world has been shrinking. Evidence of real trouble comes in a nation when despotism finds an implacable foe in a free press, and murders it. We free Americans must be on guard constantly against any encroachment of the people's right to be informed correctly. For that is the real meaning of freedom of the press.—By Buford Boone, Tuscaloosa (Ala.) News, winner of 1957 Pulitzer Award for editorial writing.

## King, DiMiceli to Speak At October Chamber Meet

A "meet your candidates" program promises to account for the largest regular Torrance Chamber of Commerce membership breakfast of all time, according to President Fred W. Hill. In fact, the anticipated attendance has necessitated a location change from the usual YWCA to the civic auditorium, Hill added. John Wallace, chairman of the chamber's legislative committee, said both candidates for United States Congress will appear at the meeting. Wallace stated that a panel of six members of the chamber's legislative committee will ask the candidates questions regarding legislative issues facing the next session of Congress. Reservations are on a first-come basis, according to chamber leaders, who urged all interested parties to call from our 17th District will

## Your Park Department

Still listing the trees alphabetically, we start with Ficus (Ficus rubiginosa) or rusty fig (Ficus meaning fig), of which there are many. Many of them are fresh bearing and a good many ornamental. There are about 800 trees that belong to this group, including the widely known Banyan, also the household rubber plant. They are native of tropical Australia, and do well in California, also along the gulf coast of Florida.

THEY HAVE a moderate growth, height about 40 feet, and spread about 60 feet. They grow in a variety of soils, tolerate heat but very little frost. They need very little pruning. They have a strong, shallow root system and will grow in either sun or shade. They are free of pest and disease and need no special feeding or watering. These trees are quite interesting. From this group comes our rubber.

If you happen to have a rubber plant at home and prune off a branch, you will find a white milky substance that comes from the cut, and to win all of the figs, if you would care to see a good specimen of the above, go down Arlington toward the Torrance Park to about 218th St. There you can see one on the front lawn. This tree is quite old and dates back to the early days of Torrance.

THE NEXT TREE is Grevillea robusta or silk oak. This tree, of which there are many in Torrance, is not planted by the Park Department any more due to its in-

vasive roots. When planted in the outlying areas it makes a good screen and is planted for erosion control. In summer it has a slender spray of orange flowers. It tolerates heat or desert conditions but not much frost. It grows to a height of from 30 to 70 feet and its spread is from 10 to 35 feet. It is an open-headed tree with many upright branches. It is a fast grower but has a shallow root system. Grows best in dry, fertile, sandy, well-drained soil and needs no special watering or feeding. It has no diseases but is attacked by

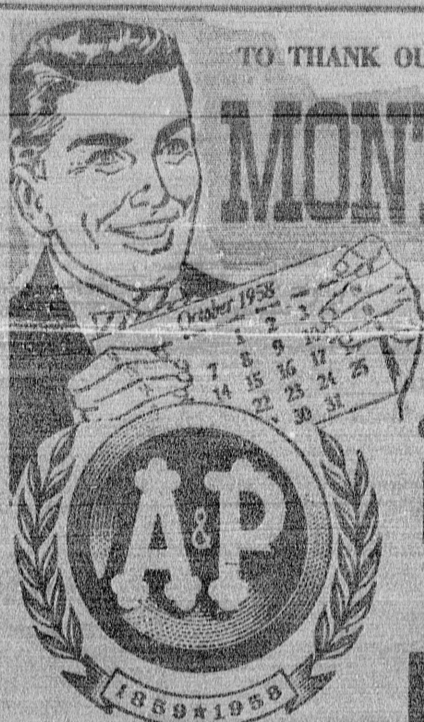
## Candidates to Appear at Rally

The Silver Spur School Cafeteria, located near Grandview Estates, will be the locale of an All-Candidates' Rally Tuesday evening, Oct. 7, at 8 p.m.

Robert Muncester, chairman of the event for the Peninsula Republican Assembly, states that letters of invitation have been sent to both Republican and Democratic incumbents and candidates, DiMiceli, the endorsed Republican candidate for Congress in the 17th Congressional District, has issued the first acceptance.

All members of the 46th Assembly District are invited to be present. The open meeting will be free of charge.

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