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This Week's Motto:

It isn't too late to change bad habits, but some think it is too early.

Aide to Education

Occasionally, in the continuing hubbub of discussion over aid to education, something happens to remind us of the one true and essential aid that cannot be legislated — the devotion to learning of dedicated, inspired teachers.

Such a "something" is the announcement by the staff of the California Teachers Assn. that it will sponsor a testimonial dinner next month in San Francisco for one of its most beloved members, recently retired, Mary A. Ball gave up active teaching in 1928 to become manager of the Assn.'s San Francisco office. She served in many responsible roles in the office and in legislative work, and for the past ten years has been Council Activities executive and administrator of the Assn.'s committee programs.

Probably her finest contribution to education, however, was the organization and sponsorship of the California Student Teachers Assn. Her devoted leadership over the years inspired hundreds of young men and women to enter the field she so loves. More than any one person, Mary Ball undoubtedly contributed most to solving the serious "teacher shortage" problem during California's past two decades of tremendous population growth.

Laws and methods and manners of education change with the times, but so long as there are leaders like Miss Ball to give young people the incentive to channel their love and understanding and wisdom into helping others find the truth through learning, we have a firm foundation on which to build.

Beach Threat Looms

Hopes for blocking a proposal to mine magnetite from the waters off Torrance beach were dimmed this week with the observation by a high state official that there was no objection on the part of the state to issuance of the permit to a "duly approved applicant."

At question is the application of two engineers to obtain a mining permit for the off-shore waters at Torrance and Palos Verdes Estates.

The HERALD has previously objected to such operations on the grounds that any detractor from the use of the city's mile of beach would deprive the more than 100,000 residents of the city of a choice recreational area.

Other objectors have included city officials of Torrance and Palos Verdes Estates, and the city councils of those cities.

We repeat . . . any operation which would lessen the value of the ocean front as a recreational area is most objectionable. State officials who might be looking ahead to royalties (the city would get none) would do well to consider the rights of Torrance area citizens to their beach.

Opinions of Others

"The National Safety Council might well take into consideration a statement made by Will Rogers. He suggested that highways be opened only to cars that are paid for." — Jan Cumming, East Grand Forks (Minn.) Record.

"Spend your vacation in your own back yard and your friends will know the kind of person you are . . . sensible, imaginative, home-loving, and broke." — Dale Holdridge, Lengford (S.D.) Bugle.

"Those necessary, tremendous expenses so essential to our national defense provide the more reason for curtailing immediately the unnecessary, nonessential federal expenditures." — E. R. Woodward, Oberlin (Kansas.) Herald.

Out of the Past

From the Files of the HERALD

30 Years Ago

As the attention of the public was being directed to the 150th anniversary of the founding of Los Angeles, residents of this area were historically correct in realizing their communities, too, have roots in California's Spanish past. Torrance, along with Wilmington and the other Harbor communities, were once part of the Rancho San Pedro, given to Manuel Dominguez by the Spanish crown. Originally the Rancho consisted of more than 40,000 acres but 20,000 acres were sold in 1854 when the Dominguez heirs sold 2400 acres to Phineas Banning for about \$10 per acre.

A lengthy story appeared in the Sept. 10, 1931 edition of the HERALD giving details disclosed in a speech before the Torrance Rotary club by George Hand, then chief engineer of the Dominguez Water Co., which still serves many areas of the city.

Compilation of the final registration figures completed by Registrar of Voters Kerr this week showed that 4052 citizens of Torrance would be entitled to vote at

the Metropolitan Water District bond election Tuesday, Sept. 29. There were 698,030 persons in the entire district who were eligible to cast votes.

Nine months tuition for Little Mary and Johnnie who trudge or ride off to the Torrance Elementary school five mornings a week cost the taxpayers residing in the Los Angeles city school district (of which Torrance is a part) \$107.66 each, according to the auditor's report.

All Protestant churches of Torrance joined in a union meeting at the First Methodist church Sunday evening, Sept. 15, under the auspices of the WCTU.

20 Years Ago

The abortive attempt to unseat Torrance City Council members through recall reached a climax on Sept. 11, 1941 when George V. Powell was re-elected councilman by a margin of 59 votes over his nearest opponent, Kenneth H. Kail was elected to the council, the youngest man in the history of the community.

Security



From the Mailbox

By Our Readers

Fight Commies

Editor, Torrance Herald

I am sure that many of our Torrance citizens were fortunate enough to be able to attend the Southern California School of Anti-Communism held at the Sports Arena, or to view the evening portion of the school over KTTV or KTLA television. This school alerted many of our citizens as to the true nature of the Communist conspiracy.

This is a plea to all loyal Americans to personally enter into this fight against these master criminals. This is one battle that we cannot forget and just hope it will go away nor can we be deluded into the idea that Washington can negotiate peace and still retain our freedom. Communism has just one objective — "World Domination." Let's show the

rest of the U.S. that the citizens of Southern California have served their "Basic Training" and are now carrying the ball on our Fight for Survival.

JAMES H. TUTTLE, JR.

League Grateful

Editor, Torrance Herald

On behalf of the boys and parents of Tordondo Little League we, the undersigned, wish to express our thanks for all the cooperation you have given us this past season.

The parents and boys always looked forward to the next edition of the HERALD to read the full coverage you allowed our games.

Please thank Greg Peterson, your sports editor, for all the fine help he has given us.

We look forward to next

season and your continued cooperation.

LEO FISCHER, president
MURRAY WEISSMAN, publicity

Thanks

Editor, Torrance Herald

The Torrance Mounted Police wish to extend a very heartfelt thanks to your fine newspaper for the effort and cooperation put forth by your organization in promoting our seventh annual rodeo Aug. 5 and 6.

We enjoyed meeting the photographers and writers and feel that they are the greatest. Plans are already under way for even bigger and better rodeo next year.

Many thanks again for a tremendous effort in aiding us to stage a successful civic activity.

JACK PHILLIPS,
Secretary

Law in Action

Separation of Church, State Key to Freedom

Separation of church and state is a basic principle in our law.

For example, the other day a Maryland citizen sought a notary's commission. To get it, he would have had to de-

clare his belief in God. Refusing to make this religious declaration, he got no license. He sued for it and lost.

He took his case to the U.S. Supreme Court. The court said he should get his license without taking the religious oath. The court will not enforce such a state law since it violates the safeguards of freedom of religion.

At common law all oaths referred to God. Their reference to God was a reminder of possible divine punishment for a false oath. For centuries, an Englishman who would not take such an oath could not enforce his rights in court.

Today, other solemn declarations are allowed to bind a person's conscience instead of an oath referring to God.

The U.S. Constitution says that "no religious test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office or public trust under the United States."

Though some federal oaths have religious references, the government cannot enforce a person to profess a belief or disbelief in religion.

Government cannot "establish religion" and must remain out of religious activities so far as possible. How far can the government go in religious activities? The state can provide buses for parochial schools to promote safety for children (not to establish religion). State schools may release children for church classes. A church or church school may claim tax exemptions.

In the past, the U.S. has provided funds for ex-G.I.'s to go to colleges, some of them religious. The Armed Services have long had chaplains of various religious faiths. A long time ago the U.S. used funds to aid missionaries.

Note: California lawyers offer this column so you may know about our laws.



"From a roadside advertisement in central Illinois gleaned this warning: 'Thirty days hath September . . . April, June and the speed offender.' Neil L. Maurer, Laurens (Ia.) Sun.

"Today, management and employees are two fingers on the same hand. Cut off the blood supply, which is profit, and they both are subject to economic gangrene." — Wilfred Weiss, Winchendon (Mass.) Courier.

"Could it be possible that the countries we have helped and the countries that are mad at us are on the same list?" — D. E. Dewel, Algona (Ia.) Advance.

"If the four-day work-week ever becomes a reality, then who's going to compensate us for the two coffee breaks we'll no longer have?" — Kenny Bennett, Putnam County (Greenecastle, Ind.) Graphic.

AFTER HOURS By John Morley

Communist Internationale Heads Soviet Conspiracy

The lifeblood of Communism, as we have covered it around the world for 30 years . . . is the Communist Internationale. It was first established in Moscow in 1919 on the Marx-Lenin concept of combining all human forces at their disposal into a constant international revolution against capitalism and free institutions.

For 42 years it has never deviated from its objective of "war" on a gigantic scale: "war" against anything, any idea, any system, any concept, any government which opposes its doctrine.

The Communist Internationale masterminds the strategy . . . the techniques of infiltration, revolution, guerrilla activity, sabotage, propaganda, espionage, assassination, blackmail and whatever else it takes to destroy the opposition.

It does all this through some 5000 well trained agents in some hundred nations throughout the world . . . all trained in Moscow. This is the fanatical core of the Communist apparatus which does the leg-work in the field upon orders from Moscow. While representing many countries, their allegiance is solely to the Internationale, the base of the Communist - Soviet conspiracy around the world.

The most recent meeting of the Internationale was in Moscow last year, then the elite members pledged an intensified effort against the United States as the major target of the declared "war."

The Communist Internationale operation throughout the world is no secret . . . although secrecy is maintained

until the apparatus is in motion. It works something like this:

(1) The creation of "front" organizations and the dupes to fill them with honorary posts. (2) Infiltration into schools, unions, churches, news media, magazines, books, films, the stage, TV, radio. (3) Organization of "international culture groups" advocating universal good-will as a front for Communism. (4) Subtle propaganda to advance Communist stratagems and tactics. (5) Demoralization of students through Communist teachers who subtly refer to religion and free institutions as remnants of a decaying society.

(6) Political war against existing government officials and institutions. (7) Agitation of labor against management, regardless. (8) Psycho-political war to break down resistance. (9) Guerilla war in the form of anti-U.S. riots . . . anti-Congressional investigating committee hearings . . . plus terrorist guerilla war in the pattern of Algeria, Laos, Congo, Vietnam, Cuba. (10) Final infiltration and sabotage of important political departments.

All this for the purpose of creating confusion, fear, defeatism, complacency, suspicion. . . to inflame hostility among racial, religious, minority groups . . . to exploit nationalism, anti-colonialism, and especially anti-Americanism throughout the world.

The line-up of the Communist Internationale begins today with the first secretary of the Communist party of the USSR, Nikita Khrushchev. Under him are 13 voting members of the Soviet Presidium (formerly Polit-

buro) . . . Koslov, Brezhnev, Mikoyan, Suslov, Ignatov, Kosygin, Furtseva, Aristov, Kussinen, Mukhltidov, Podgorny, Polansky and Shvernik.

The secretariat of the central committee of the Communist party of Russia, which is the base of the Internationale, consists of Khrushchev, Kozlov, Suslov, Kuusinen, Mukhltidov. This committee controls all the machinery of the Communist party of some 7 million members inside Russia and some 25 million scattered throughout the world.

This group controls Radio Moscow . . . Pravda, newspaper for Soviet and world Communist propaganda . . . Izvestia, for Soviet government affairs . . . Tass, international wire service for government and Communist party affairs.

The above represents the Communist party machinery in Russia. But the actual government, while in the group of the party, functions independently through the following interlocking line - up: Khrushchev, as the Chairman of USSR Council of Ministers . . . under him in the Presidium of Council Ministers are: Ignatov, Kosygin, Mikoyan, Ustinov, Novikov, Zasyadko, Olshansky, and Garbuzov.

Below the council are the heads of ministries consisting of Malinovsky, defense . . . Gramyko, foreign affairs . . . Furtseva, cultural affairs and propaganda . . . Garbuzov, finance, and down the line of several thousand key-party functionaries.

It is this handful of men who control and operate the greatest conspiracy against mankind the world has ever seen.

How's Your Memory, Bud?

By SETH B. MOSLEY II

Remember when you wound up the Victrola after each record? . . . Folks went to the park for the band concert—the 'tho' you could hear it anywhere in town? . . . Acid from the A battery of your Atwater Kent burned a hole in the rug? . . . And people sometimes ate parsnips? . . .

What was the name of the pianist who played at the William S. Hart shows . . . Remember how the shabbiest shack in town had the prettiest pine trees? . . . This year's amateur minstrel show had last year's jokes? . . . Gals wore black bloomers? . . . And the front porch swing went scree, scree scree? . . .

Have you forgotten the town supported two black-smith shops? . . . The nights when dad brought ice cream home and you had to eat it before dinner, or it melted? . . . The days Ma said your stockings weren't on straight and your shirt tail was out? . . . Is the town depot still there — the one where you had to go to send a telegram — but no one ever did unless someone died? . . .

Do you really remember? Is Constance Brown—the one who ran the jail with no one in it still around? . . . And whatever happened to the retired brakeman: the one who shuffled out of the little house at trackside—and held up the "Stop" sign while the 4:38 clanged through town? . . . Weren't those the days when doctors wore beards?

Test your memory: remember when Happy Hooligan was your favorite comic strip? . . . Farmers grew any crop they wanted and got whatever they could for it? . . . When you shunned friends after a haircut because you smelled like a girl? . . . The day you sipped your first soda seated on a wire chair at The Greeks? . . . And we called overshoes galoshes? . . .

Remember how the richest man on your block drove a Chandler — with a red light

on one running board and a green one on the other? . . . And you cranked your Model T and held the choke via a two-party system? . . . The afternoon you ran two miles to watch a plane land in a pasture? . . .

When you first had the house wired for electricity, didn't it come on at 6 p.m. and go off at 11—and come from the Interurban Railway? . . . How about the first overnight hike — when no one slept? . . . Who can forget the poor postman — who had to deliver the boxes of baby chicks the same day they arrived in town? . . . Didn't he bring you the BB gun you got for selling 436 packets of garden seed? . . .

Those were the days, we remember, when a diaper was always three-cornered . . . When a dime bought 100 "ladyfingers" on the 4th of July and lasted until breakfast . . . When corn cobs made good kindling for the furnace . . . When fly ribbons caught hundreds of flies, but not nearly enough . . . And in the long summer evenings, — remember parcheesi? . . . Remember?

During This Week

Sept. 10, 1794 — America's first non-sectarian college was chartered, at Knoxville, Tenn. The Blount College charter gave students of all denominations equal advantages for a liberal education. In 1879, it became the University of Tennessee.

Sept. 11, 1851 — The Christiana, Pa., riot occurred. Citizens and a U.S. Deputy Marshall attempted arresting a fugitive slave. Two Quakers talked peace, but the citizens' leader was shot. The slave went free.

Sept. 12, 1793 — America's initial local health board brought the first action by a city against another city, when the Baltimore Health Board proclaimed a quarantine against Philadelphia, which had a yellow fever epidemic.

Sept. 13, 1788 — A Constitutional Convention authorized the original U.S. federal election. State electors were appointed the following Jan. 7, to meet in their states Feb. 4, for a presidential vote.

Sept. 14, 1822 — Abraham Lincoln, aged 13, helped a younger schoolmate. Teacher Andrew Crawford asked a class to spell "defied." Katy Roby hesitated after the first three letters. Smiling Abe put a finger to an eye. Katy took

the hint and spelled the word.

Sept. 15, 1857 — William Howard Taft, future 27th U.S. President, was born at Mount Auburn, Cincinnati, Ohio. The moment his predecessor, Theodore Roosevelt, left, standpatters and reactionaries appeared, edging Taft from party leadership.

Sept. 16, 1810 — Mexico's "Fourth of July" originated when her independence from Spain was declared. Hidalgo, the patriot priest of Dolores, began the successful uprising on that date, after others had failed.

Gains and Brains

Richard Cobden, English economist and apostle of free trade, said, "Luck is ever waiting for something to turn up. Labor, with keen eyes and strong will, will turn up something. Luck lies in bed, and wishes the postman would bring him news of a legacy. Labor turns out at 6 o'clock, and with busy pen or ringing hammer lays the foundation of a competence. Luck whines. Labor whistles. Luck relies on chance; labor on character."