

DEAR EDITOR....

Desperate

Editor
Torrance Press

We are writing this letter with the earnest hope that your newspaper can do something to help one of our dear neighbors, Mrs. Joseph F. Stemann, who right now is in very desperate need.

Her husband, Mr. Stemann, a veteran of World War II, contracted Bright's disease in February and has been hospitalized since March 2.

Mrs. Stemann was pregnant at the time and has a seven-year-old child, so she could not go to work.

Upon receiving an eviction notice and other delinquent payment notices, she cashed in all of her insurance policies in order to keep her home and meet those payments.

At the present time her only source of income is State Welfare aid which enables her to meet her house and furniture payments only. This source of income will run out in August and will leave her with nothing.

There are still utility bills, doctor bills, hospital bills, a \$500 loan, and a bill for specialist who had to be called in at the request of Mrs. Stemann's physician when her husband was on the critical list.

There isn't enough food in the house for the family to live on....

Many of the creditors are now demanding their money....

Mrs. Stemann has been able to see it through this long with the help of Mr. Stemann's co-workers who have contributed all they possibly could.

She also had an operation during her pregnancy and still isn't in perfect health herself.

Her baby is now seven weeks old and the few friends who know her have helped in the past with baby furniture, food and clothing.

Right now the need is so great that the help of these few friends is not enough.

The doctors at the Long Beach Veterans' Hospital say that although Mr. Stemann's solution is improving rapidly it will be several months before

he can be released to work. We, her friends, can most truthfully say that Mrs. Stemann has been most courageous through all this, but now that the demand is so great, we feel her health and courage are failing.

We are appealing to the people in this community to open their hearts for this very wonderful and deserving family. Any help given until Mr. Stemann is able to work will be so greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Stemann lives in Sepulveda Gardens. Her address is: 4710 Reynolds Drive Torrance FRontier 5-2628 (NAMES WITHHELD ON REQUEST)

Teacher Caravan

(Editor's note: Ross Sclarotta, Sr., of 1630 Beech, returned last week from his second annual tour of the United States with his teacher caravan. The tour is offered as one of the summer courses for teachers at Long Beach State college. Sclarotta, who heads these tours, gave his impressions in a letter to the Torrance Press of which the following is an excerpt):

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Our trip this year has been a huge success....

We had quite a chat with Cecil King and also Senator Douglas of Illinois. As you know Douglas wants to give further reduction to the lower bracket people on income taxes.

There exists all kinds of feelings as to our foreign policy in Washington. Some feel that we should go to the source—Russia; others that the people of Russia are restless and we are waiting for a break or revolution within Russia.

McCarthy has disappeared. No one knows where he is.

Secretary of Interior McKay welcomed us in his office and wholeheartedly answered numerous questions for us.

Mr. Freedman of the State Department outlined our foreign policy to us in a rather eloquent fashion. He sold us on our policy....

We saw billions of dollars being printed before our very

eyes. We even saw a \$100,000 bill....

Velde and his committee gave us a treat when they met to question a subversive person on Communist activities....

In the Department of Justice the work of the F.B.I. was fully explained to us....

We spent the 4th of July in Independence Hall in Philadelphia. We next move to New York. There we are to meet Mayor Wagner, Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. and a number of foreign delegates. We are going to spend a full day in the U.N....

I sure miss Torrance and will be anxious to get back, not, however, until we have met with Gov. Knight....

Cordially,
ROSS SCLAROTTA, SR.

All For It Junior Chamber

Editor
Torrance Press

I wish to express my thoughts on Mrs. Betty Helm's article in your paper about compulsory anti-rabies vaccinations for dogs.

It's the best article I have ever read, as it gives the answers to every question one might possibly have on the subject.

We lost our little dog when she was bitten by a rabid dog. At that time anti-rabies shots were not yet given.

I am all for compulsory anti-rabies vaccination.

I do hope that the State of California will pass such a bill. Chicago, Illinois did.

MRS. CHARLES JONAS

Yours truly,
20934 Brighton

Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Sanchez, of 2064 203rd St., announce the birth of a son, Freddie Mark, on July 17, weighed 7 pounds and 9 ounces.

Of A Different Mind

Editor
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May I respectfully suggest that Mrs. Betty Mae Helms read the enclosed pamphlet and try to absorb some of it ("Gaines Dog Research Progress," Spring, 1954).

About the only thing worth reading in her recent article on "rabies" was the reference to the old adage, "A little knowledge is a dangerous thing."

This most certainly applies to Mrs. Helms and her article. If she had at least read the Los Angeles papers she would have known that Los Angeles is spending \$50,000 in an all-out enforcement of its leash law, this being the first step in the control of rabies.

The Gaines Dog Research Center has spent thousands of dollars in the study of rabies control and undoubtedly is the best informed group on the matter in the country.

Yours truly,
(signed) R. A. SOLBURG,
24433 Hawthorne Blvd.

(Editor's note: The article recommends quarantine for dogs in place of compulsory vaccination.)

Junior Chamber 12vb sec....

Editor
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The Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce takes this opportunity to thank you for the service you have given us in the past year.

The year 1953-54 was a big year for us and we hope for 1954-55 to be even a greater year. We would appreciate the continued fine cooperation you have given us in the past.

Thank you again.
Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce

Very truly yours,
BOB CURRY, Secretary

Lomitan Form Zone Committee

The Lomita Zoning Advisory Committee, with Tim McCormick, of 1733 W. Pacific Coast highway, as chairman, has been formed to promote zoning in the community.

Mrs. Edith Smith was named secretary of the group, which will acquaint residents with zoning regulations and explain the benefits of land use laws.

Others on the committee are Glen Keith, Leonard Loy, Mrs. Frank Atkinson, Mrs. Bruce Schweitzer, Mrs. Lloyd Powell, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ross, Mrs. Mary Shurgot and Ray Bullock.

A neighborhood meeting to discuss the tentative master plan for the community is scheduled for Lomita Park Wednesday at 8 p.m.

John Richerson of the Los Angeles Regional Planning Commission will present the tentative plan.

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Crawford, 2403 Grant Ave., announce the birth of a daughter, Kathryn Ann, born on July 14, at Torrance Memorial hospital and weighed 7 pounds and 8 ounces.

KICKOFF DANCE SATURDAY NITE BY LOMITA VFW

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1622, Lomita, are having a kickoff party for the membership contest this Saturday evening at 2043 Lomita boulevard, Lomita. There will be dancing to a well-known local orchestra, and games.

The dancing will be from 9 p.m. until 2 a.m., and a nominal donation will be received at the door. All local veterans, members and their guests are cordially invited to attend.

The post has been divided into two teams, the first headed by Senior Vice-Commander Charles Gilbert, and the second headed by Junior Vice-Commander Bill Prudhomme. At the conclusion of the 90-day contest, the winning team will be served a chicken dinner by the

Attend Sessions For Cheerleaders

Two Lomita boys, Gordon Getz, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Getz, 26321 Ozzone avenue, and Bobby Bates, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harland Bates of 26246 Regent street, have been chosen to represent Narbonne High School at a special cheerleaders' course at Pepperdine College.

Gordon and Bobby, both 15 years of age, were highly recommended by school officials and athletic association cohorts to attend the special course, according to Earl Barnett, principal. The boys will en-

ter the B-10 class this fall, and have been elected by student body members as "yell leaders" for the next three years.

Adult League Ball Games

Adult softball league games for the coming week have been scheduled as follows: Monday, August 2, at Torrance Park; Marine Clerks vs. Harbor Hornets; Dow Styron vs. Walteria B.M.C.

Wednesday at Torrance Park: Longren Aeros vs. Pre-Cast Concrete, 8:15 p.m.

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YOUR NEW DIRECTORY GOES TO PRESS SOON

Residents of the Torrance area will be interested to learn that the October '54 issue of the Southern Directory which serves their area is now being compiled.

If a member of your household wishes to be listed in the new directory, the last date for adding new listing is August 17. The added convenience is well worth the small monthly charge.

For you business men who want to take advantage of the tremendous selling power of the Classified Section, August 3 is the closing date for advertising in this year's book. Because your directory is published but once a year, may we suggest you call your Business Office Representative today.

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