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ORIENTAL INTRIGUE—A collector's-item cashmere for nights in Hong Kong or a suki-yaki supper at home. Fashioned by Lee Her-

man and Jean Smith of imported lace and pleated ribbon, set off by tassels and jewelry; in white only.

Nation's Fashion Press Applauds California Styles

(Miss Miller, The Press's fashion editor, is the only news representative in the entire South Bay area accredited to cover Press Fashion Week.—Ed.)

By Sylvia Miller, Fashion Editor

California fashion creators told a beautiful story this week, and top fashion writers of the U.S. and Canada loved what they saw and heard!

As one fashion expert from Washington, D.C. put it, "I've never been sorry about anything I've bought in California. I've loved every outfit I ever found here!"

Actually, the California fashion story is not one, but many stories. First, of course, is always the sportswear story... first because it has so much meaning for our easy kind of life, and because California designers do it better than any others.

We gave you some of the highlights on Thursday. Here are some others:

SHIRTMAKERS: shirtwaist dresses make more of a fashion mark than ever, especially in the average priced collections.

But they're rescued from the uniform look by skillful use of magnificent fabrics imported from the far corners of the world, scarf prints that are eye and beau catching, very cool colors and equally bold ones, and dainty eyelet batistes which seem to be the perfect soft mate for the severe shirt.

Top interpreters of this look are Ardee, Junior Miss, Stephanie Meret, Sir James, Casual Time, and, of course, the classic Miss Pat and Tabak.

SWEATERS: matching or mixing sweaters are made to go with almost every dress... stressing the complete look so important this 1960 fashion year.

When your sweater is by talented designer and manufacturer Lee Herman something special is added. This is a sweater house, and these are, tops in tops! They're works of art, softly flattering. Not inexpensive... but the true couturier look never is. Wear them as tops for chiffon skirts, or over slim dresses... and every party becomes an event.

The Dress Story... New York designers... look to your laurels! For California (Continued on Page 5-A)

Butcher Strike Looms; Supply Seen Plentiful

Even if there is a meat-cutters' strike—and it appears 12,000 Southland butchers will walk out Monday—there will be plenty of meat for Harbor area housewives, Harold Woodard, secretary of Meat Cutters' Local 551, said before entering another session with Mediator John L. Fenton and representatives of 1400 food markets in Los Angeles.

Some employers have indicated that they will settle, and union surveys show that there will be plenty of meat whether or not (Continued on Page 4-A)



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Rash of Hot Checks Loose in Torrance

Safe Still Missing in Burglary

Loot Taken at Cement Firm Partly Recovered

Police today are searching for 529 checks stolen with a safe from Greene's Ready-Mix Concrete at 20427 Hawthorne Blvd. Wednesday. There is no money in the safe, but the checks can provide detectives a lively time throughout the South Bay area if they are used.

Detective Sgt. Don Hamilton, Detective Miles Hamilton, and Detective Sam Piazza pinned the burglary on Ealton Eugene Forsythe, 21, of 126 Oak St., El Segundo. They were assisted by Sgt. Ed Hora of El Segundo police in the arrest a few hours after the theft.

They said the suspect admitted being at the scene at the time of the burglary. They found a typewriter stolen from the firm in his car. Paint chips matching the color of the safe also were found in the vehicle.

Witnesses identified the car as Forsythe's.

But the whereabouts of the safe and the checks, plus ledgers and accounts receivable and payable remain a mystery. Police believe the safe might have been dumped into a vacant lot near by. The checks are Greene's, numbered 6294 to 6600, 149 to 300, and a batch in the name of Dominguez Ready-Mix, numbered 229 to 300.

They are printed on an account in the Bank of America, Redondo Beach.



TOAST MASTER—Mayor Albert Isen toasts the Legislature's stormy petrel, Charlie Chapel, with water—an odd beverage

for politicians. With Assemblyman Vincent Thomas (right), they told hows and whys of politics to Chamber class. —Press Photos

Jack T. Belasco Candidate for Water District Post

"After a careful study of the water-replenishment proposal, I recommend that my fellow citizens vote yes at the polls," said Hermosa Beach Mayor Jack Belasco, candidate for the water district directorship.

Belasco, a teacher of American

government at Morningside High School, was elected mayor by the largest vote ever cast for a municipal candidate.

Last year he won an award as Inglewood's "Educator of the Year" for his ability to interest students in practical politics at the precinct level.

"I am running for office simply because I believe the cities and the average taxpayer need a representative on the water district board," said Belasco.

"It is too easy to let these special assessment districts be dominated by a large corporation or special-interest groups. Many a taxpayer has found this out too late and to his sorrow."

Belasco has a bachelor's degree from UCLA and a master's degree from USC. He has eight years experience in production engineering, five years in sales work, and 10 years experience teaching. He is married, has three sons, owns property, and is 42 years old.

The Ford Foundation awarded Belasco a fellowship in 1954 to spend a year studying government at all levels in the United States.

"The taxpayer is really being asked to pay to straighten out a mess caused by the conflicting interests of more than 400 water producers," Belasco emphasized.

"Don't be misled that this is a well-planned and timely measure. It is a long-overdue desperate effort to save a tremendous natural resource. Some of our water basin already has been lost; we must protect what is left."

City's Residents Save \$300,000 in Yule Club

H. G. Frenz, manager of the Torrance Bank of America branch, said 2900 residents have saved \$300,000 in the bank's Christmas club.

State figures are up from last year by more than \$3,500,000 and 16,000 accounts.

Politicians Tell All to Chamber Class

Three eminent politicians took their places at the head table Thursday to clue in members of the Chamber of Commerce practical-politics course at the class's ninth session.

The innocents got more than they bargained for, when, as could have been foretold, Charlie Chapel of Inglewood swiped the show, Assemblyman Chapel was joined by Mayor Albert Isen and Assemblyman Vincent Thomas of San Pedro.

The session, which extended far past its scheduled 1½ hours, was moderated by Bill Holmes.

Asked how they started in politics, Mayor Isen replied he hadn't considered it politics when he sought public office, but rather wanted to do a service for a city that had been good to him and his family. The notion to run for office took possession of him when he was working in behalf of other candidates.

Since he has lived here since the age of five, Isen viewed his message of better government as a genuine grass-roots campaign among people he knows either slightly or intimately.

Thomas said he flunked his bar exam and was seeking to put to use the training he had received. When first he ran for the Legislature, he hadn't the vaguest hope of winning, but took the Democrat primary by 63 votes and the final by 1800. He has endured ever since.

Few persons but those closest to Chapel are entirely certain about what makes him function. It is virtually incontrovertible that his chief motivation is a dedication to viewing things as they are and not as anyone might wish to think they are. Thus, as is true of anyone who is dedicated to facts, much of his reminiscing and advice becomes unprintable.

There is no one with such a mania for dealing with facts as (Continued on Page 3-B)



QUEEN IS HERE—Fifteen South High seniors who will compete for Grid Queen title are shown above: Front: Carol Mallory, Ginger Phillips, Carolyn Cummings, Marian Daniels, Carolyn Roettger. Rear: Paige Bailey, Lynn Burman, Susan Branigan, Kandra McBride, Mitzi Yoshioka, Nancy Coleman, Mar-

ien Courtney, Karen Griffen, Jean Woodard, Linda Bishop. Queen will reign at final game with El Segundo Friday. Dance will honor queen in gym after the game, when white football will be presented to her.

—Press Photo

City to Open Bids on Signal

Bids will be opened tomorrow at 10 a.m. on installation of traffic signals at Hawthorne Blvd. and Carson.

The city and state are joining forces to railroad the signals into existence in time for the Christmas rush.

EXPLOSIONS ROCK CITY'S HIGH SCHOOL

Torrance High School was rocked by explosions and fires Thursday, but nobody got upset. They were started by the fire department.

Battalion Chief Gordon Northington and two aides—Leo Palumbo and Gordon Clark—presented a series of demonstrations on fire safety before the health and driver education classes of Joe Sarthou, Howard Towle and Ronald Brown.

The firefighters showed how explosions and fires can occur through oily rags, storage, solvents, and other methods.