

'End of World' Topic Discussed

"The End of the World: A Great Day in the Morning, or Fire and Brimstone" will be the sermon topic at Seaside Community Church, 230th and Ocean Ave., Torrance, on August 20. The first worship service and Church School is at 9 a.m., second worship at 10:30.

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County Awards Contracts For P. V. Storm Drainage

County supervisors have awarded a contract for construction of the first unit of the Palos Verdes Estates storm drain to Charles L. Burch and Sons, Inc. of El Monte, Supervisor Burton W.

Chace disclosed Tuesday.

The bid by the Burch firm ran \$313,656.10.

Flood Control district engineers recommended the action after a review substantiated the contention of the original low bidder, M & J Construction Co., that they had made an error in computing quantities in their bid.

Error was discovered by the company shortly after bids were opened July 14 and the firm requested their proposal not be considered on the basis that the mistake was an excusable one, Chace said.

After review and consulta-

tion with the County Counsel's office, the District agreed to recommend award to the second low bidder—the Burch Company.

Chace said the 1958 bond issue project will affect portions of Via Romero, Via Carrillo, Paseo Lunado and Palos Verdes Drive West.

Construction is slated to get under way within the next two or three weeks and the job is due for completion in about six months.

TRAFFIC PROBLEM

Plans for the drain make make special provisions for handling traffic in the con-

struction zone while work is in progress. The supervisor urged motorists to exercise caution while driving in the area.

The drain was designed under the direction of Palos Verdes Estates city engineer, Henry Ferling.

Flood control district personnel will supervise construction, operation and maintenance, Supervisor Chace added.

In a second announcement it was reported that four new local streets in the Miraleste area have been completed and accepted for maintenance.



HEAD OVER HEELS... Learning agility and coordination are these youngsters at South High, one of the spots where the Torrance Recreation Department is sponsoring tumbling this summer. Several hundred youngsters are enrolled in the program at South, Welteria, McMaster, Sea-Aire, El Nido, and El Retiro Parks. Further information can be obtained at the parks.

Italy Is Huge Study In Contrasts, Says Writer

By ROSS SCARROTTA Press Correspondent

As we rode through the state of Perugia in Italy, huge signs advertised a huge Communist meeting which was to take place in Ravenna. Curiosity got the best of me and at each rest stop I tried to interview as many people as I could. Six out of ten of those interviewed felt that Communism was their only salvation—that the Italian political leaders were a group of robbers and that in the very near future the Communist party would liberate them from these unscrupulous politicians. Around sixty percent of the women in this state back up their husbands on the Communist stand.

A different point of view exists in Rome. I had the good fortune of meeting and talking to Ernesto Viglione, editor of the newspaper, "Tela-Sera." He, by the way, was a candidate for the House of Deputies but was defeated.

Signor Viglione said that approximately 30 percent of the Italian electorate are either Communists or Socialists. He further stated that in Italy there is no difference between the Socialists and the Communists. As a matter of fact, they support one another. The Christian Democrats form the largest electorate and they are the middle of the roaders. The ex-Fascists, or the former followers of Mussolini, vote along with the conservatives. The monarchists also tie in with the conservatives. The college students are divided into two camps. One group, around 65 percent, follow the conservative line and about 35 percent are leftist.

BELIEVE IN U. S.

The Italian people, except for those who are leftist, believe that America has done a great deal for them. They point out the fact that now workers can buy Flats where, before the war, it was humanly impossible. There is some unemployment in Italy but conditions are much better than any other period in the history of the country. The people here are the most

hospitable people we've encountered. They go all out for us.

In Perugia the reverse is true. I talked to one Communist who went into a fit of rage. He went so far as to say that I should go back to America and take the Pope with me. Viglione did admit that the Pope's influence is keeping Italy from going Communist at a faster rate.

READING CELLS

The Communist party has established cells all over the country where those who can read the Communist papers read them, and those who cannot read listen to others. In these cells they discuss vital issues and the leaders guide these discussions in the direction which does the Communist the most good. I talked to a great number of these misled people and they actually believe that America is doomed—that Russia is far superior and that it is just a matter of time until we will have to acquiesce.

Editor Viglione said that America lost its prestige in the Suez, Hungary, Laos and Cuban affairs. He feels we bungled in all of these and especially the Cuban affair. He felt that we should have either stayed out of it completely or destroyed Castro in "fifteen minutes." "Our people," he said, "feel that America is afraid or timid. They have not acted or fulfilled their promises in the most important issues. The people listen to the Voice of America which says one thing but, when it comes to action, it's a different story."

TROUBLE

He also expressed a feeling that, if America should go to war over Berlin, the Italian government would back up the move, but feared that the Communist party in Italy would cause immense trouble to any Italian move in this direction. He fears that the Communists are well prepared and well schooled in what they should do to hinder Italian help to the point that it would be ineffective.

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