

Torrance Clergyman Will Visit Famed Humanist

The Reverend Gilbert S. Zimmerman, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Torrance, has accepted an invitation to spend one week with Dr. Albert Schweitzer, famed medical missionary and Nobel Peace Prize winner.

Reverend Zimmerman on April 24 will embark on this journey to French Equatorial Africa with Dr. Paul Woudenberg, pastor of the California Heights Methodist Church in Long Beach. He



REVEREND GILBERT ZIMMERMAN

will return Saturday, May 19. The journey's purpose is to study the recent life and work of Dr. Schweitzer, live in the hospital compound for a week, take moving pictures, and tape record the voice of the person many consider to be the world's greatest living man.

Reverend Zimmerman makes this venture at his own expense and primarily for his own growth as a clergyman. He will return to lecture on his experience and to share with as many as possible the life work and thought of Dr. Schweitzer.

Reverend Zimmerman has been the pastor of the Torrance First Methodist Church for the past 2 1/2 years.

Letters

In last Sunday's edition of the Torrance Press appeared a factual account concerning dubious trial procedures at a Long Beach court hearing that led to conviction of a Torrance area suspect.

The suspect, Billy Romain Smith, 21927 Harvard St., was found guilty on kidnapping and assault charges, last week even though reputable witnesses had testified that the suspect had been with them at the exact time the alleged crimes were committed.

Citizens, incensed at what they consider to be a case of "frontier justice" have deluged the offices of the Torrance Press with letters, commending our stand on the trail and conviction, suggesting a new trial be granted when the request is made on April 16, and deploring "questionable" court procedures.

A few of the letters are printed here. Others will be printed in subsequent issues.

Smith.

I read the article and I think you wrote it very well. I'm glad that at least there is someone who is not afraid to print the truth and see justice done.

I think it's unfair that such a trial as that fraudulent frontier court trial that was held for him could be done in this day and age. . . .

Sincerely,
Evelyn Secor

Dear Editor:

You have my sincere thanks for printing the truth about the Billy R. Smith case and giving his family a chance of proving his innocence.

Sincerely,
E. H. Duke

To the Editor:

It seems to me that, in the case of Billy R. Smith, recently convicted of assault and robbery and given

AVOID STOPS

Avoid unnecessary sudden stops on the road, the All-state Motor Club advises. You may stop in time, but the fellow behind can never react as fast as the driver ahead and a rear end collision can result.



Dear Sir:

I would like to express my deepest gratitude for printing my story. I am so pleased that someone was willing to listen to my plea for help. When I told you my husband was innocent and explained the facts, you listened and believed me.

I thank you from the bottom of my heart. My baby thanks you, too.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Sharon K. Smith and Billy, Jr.

Dear Editor:

I am glad that you are standing up for justice in the Billy Smith case, for I certainly don't like "frontier justice."

I will do all that I can to get justice for this young man. It is certainly something to think about as it could happen to anyone.

If we have to fight for something, let's fight to save this young man.

Sincerely,
M. J. Gage.
(Gage is Commander of the South Bay AmVet Post)

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter to you in appreciation for the article in your paper about the trial of Billy R.

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(Thank you for reading this ad)

life imprisonment was due to one of the pressures of our time.

It was proven in court that, on one occasion, he was with at least thirteen persons at a party but some were relatives so testimony was discarded, so declared the judge.

QUESTION: Was one Juror asleep during part of the testimony?

QUESTION: Is the D. A.

sure he is correct?

QUESTION: Is the Sergeant who told Mrs. Smith her husband would get the gas chamber, proud of himself?

QUESTION: How can a man 5'4" be mistaken for a man 5'10", and how can a man weighing 130 lbs. be mistaken for a man weighing 180 lbs. with different colored hair, eyes and clothing.

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