

Obituaries

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WELLS (Garden Grove)—Willard Edwin Wells, 79, of 10061 Larson St., who died yesterday from burns received in a fire at his home, was born in San Bernardino, but lived in Garden Grove since 1943...

MATTHEWS (Artesia)—Mrs. Evelyn Clara Matthews, 38, of 12234 E. Grant St., died yesterday at her home. She was born in Minnesota and had lived in Artesia since 1946...

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BUESS (Bellflower)—Jacob T. Buess, 81, of 9227 E. Walnut St., died yesterday at his home. He was born in Switzerland, Jan. 18, 1868, came to the United States in 1891, locating in Kansas in 1935...

VARNY—Wayne L. Varney, 69, of 3712 E. Anaheim St., who died yesterday in a local hospital was born in Garrison, Iowa, and came to Long Beach in 1919...

NEWBOLD—Mrs. Emily Newbould, 69, veteran Salvation Army worker of the Long Beach Citadel, died Feb. 17 in a Los Angeles hospital after a brief illness...

ASH—W. Frank Ash, 49, of 26 Bonito Ave., died yesterday at his home. He was a native of Wise County, Texas...

DALES (Torrance)—Jesse A. Dales, 2515 Eldorado St., well known as a gauger for the Texas Company, who passed on Feb. 17 at his home, had been a resident of Torrance for 23 years...

COOPER (Torrance)—Alvin Cooper, 31, of 20942 Jamison St., who died last night in a Long Beach hospital, was a native of Oklahoma, employed as a die cutter for the Coast Envelope Paper Co. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Virginia Cooper...

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Court Voids Damage Suits

A suit for damages brought by the International Association of Cleaning and Dyehouse Workers against operators of cleaning plants in the harbor area and a counter suit brought by the employers blew up suddenly yesterday after two years of litigation when the case was dismissed by Superior Judge Paul Nourse on stipulation of opposing counsel.

In pretial discussions with Attorney George Shibley for the union and D. A. Boone for the employers, Judge Nourse had simplified issues until the suits, which originally demanded in excess of a million dollars each, had boiled down to where nominal damages were involved when the case went to trial without a jury Monday.

In entering into the stipulation, Shibley stated that employers had agreed to discuss contracts with the union and the dismissal of the damage suit was agreed upon to permit the union and employers to discuss the issues of a working contract without being hampered with the thought of defending suits in court.

Water Front Figure Passes

Arthur M. Gardner, 77, of Hollywood, familiar figure on the water front for the past 30 years and for 18 years the representative of one of the country's largest fish net firms, died at Hollywood Hospital, friends learned yesterday. He had been ill for several months.

Gardner lost a fortune in the depression after being in retirement for years during which time he owned the yacht Windward and was a member of two yacht clubs. In his younger days, Gardner participated in the Alaska gold rush. After suffering heavy losses in the depression he rallied his resources and built up a considerable estate, even purchasing a large Hollywood dwelling on property adjoining his home property at Hollywood Blvd. and Wilton Pl.

He leaves his widow, Frances; daughter, Alice Felstead, wife of Lt. Col. Charles Felstead, U. S. A., and a granddaughter. Interment will be at Buffalo, N. Y.

L. B. Speakers Bureau Urged

Directors of Long Beach Chamber of Commerce will be requested Monday to authorize formation of a permanent speakers bureau, using the membership of the Industry Leaders Conference as nucleus.

C. E. Scott, chamber president, recommended this action yesterday evening at the close of a two-day conference in the Wilton Hotel. "We have received immeasurable good from these sessions," Scott told the group. "To realize the full benefit we must put this information and training to practical use by making speakers available to other groups in our city."

John A. Carey, chairman of the chamber's industrial relations committee and conference chairman, was unanimously elected to head the bureau and was instructed to choose his own steering committee. Another meeting will be held soon, it was agreed.

HARRIS—Mrs. Susie M. Harris, 74, of 3113 E. Seventh St., died Feb. 17 in a local hospital. She was born in Johnson County, Iowa, lived for many years in Atlantic, Iowa, and came to Long Beach in 1941. She had been a member of First Methodist Church at Atlantic since 1898. Surviving are her sons, Brenton Q. Harris, Costa Mesa, and Elmer M. Harris, Long Beach; a daughter, Mrs. Edith M. Perkins, Long Beach; her brother, Ralph McFarland, Seattle, Wash.; nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Services were held this afternoon at 1 o'clock in the chapel of Motte's Mortuary, Rev. Frank C. Matthews of North Long Beach Methodist Church, officiating. Interment will be in Sunnyside Memorial Park.



FIVE COMPLETE—Five young women will compete for the title of "Miss Sweetheart of 1949" at the sixth annual Sweetheart Dance tomorrow night at Lakewood Country Club sponsored by the Young Matrons of Temple Israel Sisterhood. Shown above, left to right, are Zandra Josel, Harriet Galper, Debbie Michaels, Janet Rosenberg and Renee Parmitter. The dance is a yearly fund-raising activity by the Young Matrons to raise funds to carry on charitable activities.

Judge Hits Red Claim of Bias

NEW YORK, Feb. 19. (AP) The presiding judge in the Communist conspiracy trial says that defense lawyers have proved nothing in their five-week effort to show the federal jury-picking system here is biased.

On the contrary, Federal Judge Harold R. Medina said yesterday, the defense has "pretty well convinced me" that there is no discrimination in the selection of jurors.

The defense in the prolonged preliminary proceedings has sought to kill the indictment against the 11 Communist leaders by showing that it was returned by grand jurors chosen under an unfair system.

The defense claims that well-to-do persons are picked for jury service, with only token representation for poor people, manual laborers and minority groups.

The 11 Communists, all members of the party's national board, are accused of conspiring to advocate the forcible overthrow of the government.

The case was adjourned yesterday until next Thursday.

Released Time Film Showing Scheduled

The new Released Time Education motion picture which had its premiere showing Tuesday before the Ministerial Union and guests at the Armed Services Y. M. C. A., will have its first public showing tomorrow evening at Belmont Heights Methodist Church. Titled "Let Them Come," the film is based upon the released and placed for the Released Time Education program in the daily lives of school-age children.

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Army Further Studies Baby Death Case

BREMERHAVEN, Germany, Feb. 19. (AP) The U. S. Army announced last night that manslaughter charges against an unmarried American woman in connection with the death of her newborn baby were being withdrawn "for further study."

The Army on Wednesday identified the woman as Mary A. Morone, 25, of Elizabeth, N. J., and said she would be tried before a court-martial beginning Feb. 24. Miss Morone is an Army employe here.

Heart Attack Fatal

Miss Anna S. Lederer, 83, 5933 Lemon Ave. suffered a heart attack yesterday at her home. She was pronounced dead by a private home nurse and the body was taken to the Patterson & Snively Mortuary.

Rifle Match Results Told

A rifle team of Polytechnic High School R. O. T. C. lost to a rifle team of the United States Military Academy at West Point by a scant 14 points in a "postal" match. It was announced today. Scores of the five high men on each 10-man team were counted. Each man shot 300 times.

The collective score of the five top men on the West Point team was 1340, while the Poly men had 1326 out of a possible 1500. High man on the Poly squad was Marvin Johnson, who shot a 279, and following him were Kenneth Penkov, with 268; James Boyd, 261, and William McAnulty, 256.

Kenneth Kronlund, a Poly graduate now attending the military academy, arranged for the match and shot on the West Point squad.

The match was shot at the respective schools under strict observance and the results were mailed. Each man fired 100 shots prone, 100 kneeling and 100 free-lying.

Lt. Col. William Haycock, head of the Poly unit, announced the results through Cadet Lt. Selwyn Berg.

Church to Get Youth Leader

Through its pastor, Dr. Claude A. Smith, Belmont Heights Methodist Church announces the coming of Robert S. Ford of Huntington Park as part-time director of Christian education, beginning with tomorrow's services. Ford is a student in the graduate school of religion at University of Southern California, having received his A. B. degree from the same university last June.

He is working toward his degree of Ph.D. in Religious Education. A graduate of Hoover High School in Glendale, he has been manager of the Wrightwood Summer Camp for First Methodist Church of Los Angeles, in 1946-48, and has taken part in other activities in the youth program in the Glendale district.

Here he will have charge of the youth division of the religious education program at Belmont Heights Church and will devote as much time to the program as his studies will permit.

Group Conducting Program on Radio

"Citizens in Action," radio program on KFVD, Monday through Friday, is sponsored by a board of advisers of pastors and leaders of Southern California, including Dr. Harold C. Case of First Methodist Church, Pasadena; Clifford Clinton; Rev. Carl L. Crain of North Long Beach Christian Church; Rev. Charles Blaustein, Rev. Frank Fageburg, Los Angeles; Supervisor John Anson Ford; Rev. Earl N. Griggs, Prof. Morgan Harris, Rev. Hill Harter, Rev. George W. Miller, Paul C. Johnson, Lt. Chand Mehra, Dr. Kirby Page, Dr. Edwin P. Ryland, Jagann Sharm, Ph.D., and Dr. George A. Warner Jr. of Pasadena. Speakers for each day include Monday, Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Norman Thomas, Dr. Frank Fageburg, Louis Fischer, Catherine Little and J. Frank Burke, commentator.

Mickey Rooney Film to Be Shown Sunday

Visual Vespers, a Sunday evening service for the church family and friends of the community, will present the motion picture, "Little Lord Fauntleroy," starring Freddie Bartholomew and Mickey Rooney, tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock in Pilgrim Hall of First Congregational Church. Taken from the world-famous tale, the film depicts the adventures and difficulties of an American boy who goes to live with his grandfather in England. Special music will be provided for the program. Rev. William H. McCance, minister of education, will have charge of the service.

Rev. Nelson on Air

Rev. Arnold M. Nelson, pastor of Our Savior's Evangelical Lutheran Church, will give the message tonight on the weekly "The Call of the Church" radio broadcast on KFOX at 7:45 o'clock. The broadcast is sponsored by the Long Beach Ministerial Union and has attracted widespread interest and listener following. Rev. Edward E. Baird of Emmanuel Presbyterian Church will be next week's speaker.

Week of Compassion for Disciples of Christ

Throughout the Disciples of Christ denomination, the week of Feb. 20-27 is known as "The Week of Compassion," and the offerings and contributions are gathered into the local churches to be sent on to the church headquarters for a "better job of overseas relief and reconstruction" in co-operation with all major Protestant churches and several Orthodox groups in the United States.

The entire day at East Side Christian Church will be centered on this theme, according to Rev. George F. Tinsley, pastor.

Pastor to Air Plan to Merge Churches

This afternoon at 5:30 p. m., on KGER, Dr. Stuart LeRoy Anderson, son of First Congregational Church will report on the merger of Congregational, Christian and Evangelical and Reformed churches, into the United Church of Christ. The radio broadcast will be sponsored by First Congregational Church. The merger was approved at the general council meeting of the Congregational churches at Cleveland, Ohio. He also will make a report on the meeting at an open session of the congregations Sunday at 4 p. m. in Pilgrim Hall of the church.

County Funds to Back Sunrise Service

Easter sunrise service at Hollywood Bowl will be held this year with the help of county funds, according to action by the Board of Supervisors this week. On motion of Supervisor Raymond V. Darby, the board approved the sum of \$2500 to be transferred from funds previously budgeted for the county band and San Francisco Opera Co. as yet unused.

Rabbi to Address College-age Youths

Dr. L. Elliot Grafman, rabbi of Temple Israel (Reform) Congregation, will speak to the Canterbury Club of St. Luke's Episcopal Parish tomorrow at 8 p. m. in the parish hall. The Canterbury Club is composed of college-age young people and young adults. The program will observe the National Brotherhood Week, and Dr. Grafman will talk on "Our Common Heritage."

Dean Speaks Sunday

"The Science of Effective Prayer" will be the topic of a sermon by Gilbert N. Holloway of the Mystical Science Brotherhood Sunday at 7:45 p. m. in Masonic Temple, 833 Locust Ave. On Tuesday evening he will speak on "Advanced Study Experiments in Clairvoyance and Divination." The brotherhood is a nonsectarian group devoted to the study and application of spiritual truths.

Student Counselor to Be Guest Pastor

Rev. Paul Schenk, student counseling pastor at the University of California at Los Angeles, will be guest pastor and preacher for the morning service at Holy Trinity American Lutheran Church, Cherry Ave. and Carson St. The pulpit at Holy Trinity is vacant since the resignation of Rev. Carl F. Pohlman to accept the pastorate of Fordham Road Church, New York City.

Europe Talk Listed

Rev. Claude E. Copperwheat, representative of the European Christian Mission, will be the speaker Sunday evening at Bellflower Community Presbyterian Church. He will talk on European conditions and show color slides illustrating his remarks. Rev. Copperwheat served as missionary in France until June, 1940, when that nation fell before Hitler's armies but escaped to London and has since toured post-war European countries.

Table with columns for 'RADIO PROGRAMS', 'TONIGHT', and 'DIAL-LITES'. It lists various radio stations and their broadcast schedules for the evening.

Cornerstone Ceremony Set

Invitation has been extended to all persons holding the faith of the Orthodox Church to attend the laying of the cornerstone of St. John Chrysostom Greek Orthodox Church, tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The church site is located at Pacific Ave. and 17th St. Very Rev. Antonius Costouros, pastor of Church of the Annunciation, Los Angeles, will officiate for the ceremonies, which will include litany with antiphons. Free will contributions received at the ceremony will be blessed for use in building the church. There will be no collection. Celebration in commemoration of the event will be held in Scot Hall, 1009 E. Sixth St., with dancing. No admission. Refreshments will be served.

Grant Expands State Operation

Phases of California government were explained by State Assemblyman William S. Grant to members of the North Long Beach Commercial Club in its Thursday noon meeting at the Virginia Country Market dining room. City Councilman Bash U. Cagason spoke about House Bill 1535, a proposal to merge the Long Beach-Los Angeles Harbor. Carleton cautioned members not to take the measure lightly and suggested that a protest from the organization be sent to committees preparing the bill. Program chairman was Ed Prichard. Jake Hunter presided.

Colonel, Wife, Others Feared Lost in Crash

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 19. (AP) A former commander of a U. S. bomber group in England, his wife and six other persons were believed today to have met death in the crash of an American transport in northwest Argentina. Search crews pushed by jeep and muleback into the mountains 60 miles west of Salta toward the wreckage sighted yesterday from the air. The U. S. embassy announced last night that the pilot was Col. Gerald E. Williams of Presque Isle, Maine, holder of the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross and British Distinguished Flying Cross.

Brewer in Pulpit

Rev. Scott T. Brewer, who is studying at University of Southern California for his Ph. D. degree, will be the speaker tomorrow morning for the 11 o'clock service at the Japanese Presbyterian Church, 1333 Locust Ave. There will be no Issei service in the afternoon but the Young Adult Fellowship will have a supper at 6:30 p. m. with the men in charge, followed by a motion picture.

Illustrated Talk

Dr. Robert Hulbert, pastor of Unity Temple, San Francisco, will come to Long Beach tomorrow and at 7 p. m. will give an illustrated talk at Unity Chapel, 833 E. Broadway, it was announced by Dr. Louise C. Newman, pastor of Dr. Hulbert will show motion pictures in color of his recent trip to South America and will describe the scenes.