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ACALANES UNION HIGH SCHOOL

HISTORICAL REVIEW

The opening of Acalanes Union High School on September 10, will mark the realization of a long-sought goal — the establishment of a modern high school to serve our rapidly growing area east of the "Tunnel."

Efforts to establish this much needed school go back over a period of years. Early work by leaders in individual communities soon led to organization of a district-wide committee to study the problem. This committee requested a survey by the State Department of Education. The report filed by Dr. Aubrey A. Douglass, Chief of the Division of Secondary Education, was completed in 1937, and indicated there was a genuine need for, and adequate valuation to support a strong new high school.

Circulation of petitions for the formation of a district was followed by the election in which voters of the district approved the establishment of Acalanes Union High School by a vote of 17 to 1. Approval of the bond election for \$330,000.00 made possible the construction of the school plant.

While grateful to the excellent schools which in the past have helped educate our youth, trustees of Acalanes Union High School are proud and happy to announce the opening of our own fine school for Orinda, Walnut Creek, Lafayette, Moraga, and Canyon.

J. E. LAWRENCE, *Chairman*,
Board of Trustees,
Acalanes Union High School.

FOOTBALL

Acalanes Union High School physical education program will include interscholastic football as the fall sport. Practice commenced August 26, at 6:00 p. m., with roll call in the high school gymnasium under supervision of Erwin Mattson, physical director.

Games are already scheduled with Danville, Mt. Diablo, Crockett, Antioch, Brentwood, and Livermore teams.

Orinda boys are assured an equal chance with all others to make the first Acalanes Union High School varsity team.

SEPTEMBER MEETING NOTICE

The September meeting of the Orinda Improvement Association will be held Friday evening, September 6th, at 8:15 p. m. At this meeting Mr. Stanley Warburton, District Superintendent, will speak about the new Acalanes Union High School. Following his speech, the meeting will be thrown open for questions from the floor.

CONSTRUCTION NOTES

Finishing touches are now being put on Acalanes classrooms. Interior painting is almost completed and electrical fixtures have been installed.

Units that have not been completed for the opening of school are the gymnasium and shop. These should be completed within a month.

Rough grading of the site will be completed before school opens. Landscape and site development will continue as a W. P. A. project. This work will in no way interfere with study conditions.

ACCREDITING ACALANES

Accrediting of Acalanes Union High School will be done by the University of California. Assurance that the program to be offered at Acalanes would meet all requirements was obtained by Stanley Warburton, principal, when he conferred with Dr. L. A. Williams, in charge of the Bureau of Relations with secondary schools for the University.

Further check of subject offerings with Dr. Aubrey A. Douglass, Chief of the Division of Secondary Education for the State of California, guarantees that students could transfer credits earned at Acalanes Union High School to any other school.

ACALANES PARENTS CLUB

The next meeting of the Acalanes Parents Club will be held on September 3rd, at 2:00 p. m., in the Library of Acalanes Union High School.

All interested residents are cordially invited to attend this and subsequent meetings of the club.

ACALANES HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY LIST

The following is the complete list of the faculty members of the Acalanes High School:

Stanley Warburton, District Superintendent; Rose K. Ambrose, Spanish, French, Latin; Louise Darling, Library, Study Hall, Library Practice; John S. Hopkins, Advanced Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry; Elmo V. Heard, Shops, Mechanical Drawing, Gardening; Henry Knight, Social Studies, Bookkeeping, General Mathematics; Lily Lahti, Art, Oral English, Counseling; Marie Markel, English; Margaret Nicholson, Girls' Physical Education, Life Science; Martin Rauhut, Music, Spanish; Erwin W. Mattson, Boys' Physical Education, World Culture, Photography; Stanley Walgren, Social Studies, Commercial Law; Mrs. Helen F. Williamson, Home Economics, Cafeteria Practice; Sara Woodyard, Typing, Stenography, Office Practice.

SCHOOL DRESS

Girls are requested to wear middies, skirts, and any color ties as the standardized dress for day-time school functions. This ruling is in accord with a letter requesting uniform school dress filed with the board of trustees and signed by a large majority of the girl students. Details of "civilian days" will be studied by the Girls' League and announced after school opens.

Gymnasium clothes worn by students at the other schools will be acceptable for wear in physical education classes. Tennis shoes are essential to protect the fine floor of the new gymnasium.

Lockers and combination locks for both book and gymnasium lockers, as well as towels, will be provided by the school district as required by a recent ruling of the State Attorney General.

OPENING DATE

Mr. Stanley Warburton announces that the new Acalanes Union High School will begin the Fall semester, September 10, 1940.

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EDITORIAL

In order to more fully present the activities of the community and the projects proposed by the Improvement Association of which this paper is the news organ, we have increased the size of the paper to six pages.

However much we needed this additional space it would not have been possible without the support of our loyal advertisers. The staff appreciates those advertisers who have been with the ORINDA NEWS since its beginning and welcomes the new advertisers who have helped make this growth possible.

We hope that we may expect from our readers this same loyal support; support which you can give by turning in all news which is of interest to the community.

COUNTY NEWS

The Board of Supervisors, meeting August 19, 1940, adjourned at 4:15 p. m., until Friday, August 23, 1940, out of respect to the memory of the Hon. Frank Bryant, former president of the Orinda School Board of Trustees, and a distinguished citizen of Contra Costa County, and this Board extends to the family of the deceased its sincerest sympathy.

TAX RATE

The tax rate for most sections of the Orinda School District has been set at \$4.119 for the year 1940-1941.

Looking at each separate tax levy as compared to the 1939-1940 rate which was \$4.014; the county rate has decreased 5 cents, the Orinda Water District rate decreased 12 8/10 cents, and the East Bay Municipal Utility District 2 cents. The Orinda Fire District is up 2 cents, the Elementary School up 10 1/10 cents, and the High School up to 18 2/10 cents over last year's levy.

REGISTRATION

Registration for Orinda, Moraga and Canyon students of Acalanes Union High School was held Thursday, August 29, from 10:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m., in Warren Harrold's office. Advisors were present to arrange detailed programs and answer questions parents or students may care to raise.

School will open Tuesday, September 10, at 8:30 a. m.

Transportation will be by bus. Kenneth Atkinson (telephone Lafayette 103) can answer questions regarding bus loading places and time of departure.

NOTES ABOUT ACALANES UNION HIGH SCHOOL

Alphabetically, Acalanes Union High School will be first in California, heading the list of four hundred public high schools. The name Acalanes comes from Rancho Acalanes, one of the earliest Spanish land grants in California. The Spaniards derived the name from the Aklan Indians, who inhabited this area.

Colors, insignia, school songs, yells and nickname for Acalanes Union High School will not be selected until the entire student body has an opportunity to consider these items and express an opinion. Names frequently suggested are Indians and Dons while royal blue and white are often mentioned as attractive colors.

Attendance is estimated at approximately 325 students, according to latest figures. Registration for Orinda, Canyon, and Moraga students was held from 10:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m., on Thursday, August 29. Students and parents are invited to confer with teachers at that time regarding programs, locker assignments, and advisors.

Lighting at Acalanes is as fine as in any school in the United States. Full windows on the north provide major source of natural illumination supplemented by transoms on the southern exposures. Light finish on wall panels preserves uniform intensity of light throughout the room and eliminates contrast.

Air in classrooms is always fresh because of natural cross ventilation made possible by placing of windows. Rock wool insulation under copper roofs is four inches thick and reduces classroom temperature ten degrees below rooms that have not yet been treated. Accoustic tile ceilings also insulate and have made the classrooms the favored spot for workmen throughout construction. "Coolite" blued glass in southern transoms eliminates glare and repels 40 per cent of the southern exposure warmth. All rooms have been cool, light and airy even on the hottest days of the summer.

Noise is reduced to a minimum in Acalanes by linoleum floors, Accousten tile ceilings, and wide courts between classroom groups.

Enthusiasm is running high. Students and parents alike are pleased with the attractive school that has been constructed and are anxious to start new traditions. The opportunity to start with everything new happens so seldom it is a privilege eagerly sought by students who want to be in the first group to attend.

Service is the keynote of the school. An excellent faculty has been selected from more than four hundred teachers who applied for positions at Acalanes, and it is the sincere hope of the principal and faculty that Acalanes can be developed as your school, meeting in every possible way the complex and varying needs of high school youth.

NEW ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

The following new members were reported by the membership committee: Herbert C. Freuler, Lucile M. Freuler, R. D. Anderson, Ida Pedder, Barbara Moorhead, Robert Moorhead, Ruth Harding, Ben Courant, Mrs. Ben Courant, Stanley Warburton.

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AUGUST MEETING

The August meeting of the Orinda Improvement Association was opened with the singing of "America."

Mr. Warner announced Mr. U. B. Smith as chairman of the Safety and Public Welfare committee.

Mr. Ketcham announced the budget formulated by his committee. This budget was accepted as amended.

Mrs. Ambrose Macdonald showed samples of dishes and it was voted to purchase 100 plates and cups and 9 dozen spoons for the use of the association.

OAK SPRINGS

Oak Springs Improvement Association welcomed nine new residents of Oak Springs at their monthly meeting in August: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Angus McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. Armand Monlux, and Mr. Nathan Gray.

Plans were made at the meeting to secure a sign for the entrance to the tract.

Other discussion at the meeting centered about improvements to roads and swimming pool.

Church Notices

ORINDA COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday Services at Casa Verano, El Toyonal and Orinda Highway — Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., Church worship at 11:00 a. m. Dr. Miles B. Fisher, pastor. Christian Endeavor for 'teen age young people at 7 p. m. New residents and visitors in the community cordially welcome.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The Christian Science Society of Orinda holds regular Sunday services at 11:00 a. m., and one evening meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at 8:00 p. m. Sunday School meets at 9:30 a. m. Pupils up to 20 years are admitted. Reading room open every Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 o'clock. Everyone welcome.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday Morning Masses the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays at 10 o'clock, and the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 8 o'clock.

The next meeting of the Santa Maria Church Association will be held on Tuesday evening, September 10th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Malone, on Loma Vista Drive.

FIRST AID CLASS

Dr. Clifford L. Feiler announces that the First Aid Course conducted by him in Warren Harrold's office, has been completed by thirteen members of the class. Those members who will receive the Standard First Aid Certificate are: Miss Jane Kinnison, Mr. Robert Rose, Dick Dawson, Al Ritchie, Mr. Arline Harrold, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Beatrice Cleborne, Mrs. J. J. McMillan, Mr. J. J. McMillan, Mr. Grover LaVelle, Walter Christie, Ambrose Macdonald, and Miss Anna May Reid.

A new class in First Aid instruction will begin Friday, September 13th, and will continue for ten weekly lessons. This class is open to everyone over eighteen years. Those interested in attending may register with Mrs. Beatrice Cleborne at Warren Harrold's office.

A trip to the Emergency Department of the Berkeley Hospital is planned for September 11th for anyone interested in seeing first aid work in a hospital.

ORINDA HIGHWAY

The community is watching with interest the improvements being made on the Orinda Highway. The straightening and widening of this road has long been needed and will add much to the development of this community. It is hoped that this new road will be adequately marked so that the least possible danger will be presented to the school children.

Orinda Union Grammar School

The Orinda Grammar School will open for the fall semester Tuesday, September 10.

Now that school is re-opening it is well for the residents of Orinda to remember that careful driving is more necessary than ever.

KINDERGARTEN - NURSERY SCHOOL OPENS

Mrs. Gerald A. Woods, 44 La Vuelta, will re-open her Kindergarten-Nursery School on September 3, in the Community Church building. Thus enters the little school on its third year, and great is the gratitude and appreciation of Orinda residents for Mrs. Woods and her initiative in giving this advantage to our young children. Mrs. Woods' vast experience with this age-group, and her interest in and knowledge of child psychology make her indispensable to the community.

The school is open to all children between the ages of two and six. The hours are from nine to eleven-thirty a. m., and during that time great activity prevails. When the children arrive, they hang up their coats and put their fruit juices on assigned shelves. Then each child chooses his morning activity: easel painting, clay, crayons, cutting or finger-painting. Following this there is a clean-up period, after which the children drink the fruit juices. Then comes the recess, or about twenty minutes of supervised outdoor activity, when they play in sand-boxes or on swings or slides. Very well-planned is the next short twenty minute period for the purpose of resting, and many are the heavy eyes that close soundly in sleep. After this comes rhythms, music, songs and stories, then dismissal at 11:30, a new hour, but one that may be more convenient to the mothers.

In addition to the regular work with the children, Mrs. Woods will organize an adult discussion group to study various problems, if enough mothers are interested in attending. She intends also to hold private conferences with parents, by appointment, so that any problem arising may be straightened out without any undue pressure being brought to the child. With these two methods of discussion in use, the parents, too, will have the advantage of Mrs. Woods' study of child psychology.

Parents will be responsible for the transportation of the children to and from school.

INFORMAL BAND REHEARSING

An informal band to represent Acalanes Union High School at the Lafayette Horse Show and similar community events in the district has started rehearsing in the Lafayette Elementary School Auditorium, under leadership of Martin Rauhut, music director.

Any student, with an instrument, interested in trying out for the group can secure information from Stanley Warburton, principal, by telephoning Lafayette 175.

PARENT - TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The first fall meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association will be held on September 17, at 1:30, in the auditorium of the Orinda Union Grammar School. Mrs. C. B. Chantler, P.-T. A. President, urges all members to attend, as the primary business of the meeting will be to welcome the mothers of new pupils.

Mrs. Chantler would like to announce the rummage sale to be held late in the fall, and asks that members of the community start gathering any and all materials that could be of use on this occasion.

GUILD MEETING

The first meeting of the Women's Guild of the Orinda Community Church, following the vacation period, will be held at the home of Mrs. Ralph Sisson, 11 La Campanero, on Tuesday, September 3rd. Mrs. E. D. Casterline, Mrs. Sisson's mother, will be co-hostess.

A dessert luncheon will be served at 12:30, followed by the regular meeting. A very interesting program has been arranged. Dr. Galen Fisher will speak on "Lights and Shadows of Japan." Dr. Fisher, for many years a resident of Japan, is an authority on this country.

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Personals

Mrs. Delight deLaveaga has returned to her Orinda home, Bien Venieda, after an absence of three months.

Mrs. A. W. Elkinton has returned home after a vacation spent at her summer home at Echo Lake.

Mrs. C. C. Fratzke is convalescing at home after a brief stay in the Alta Bates Hospital.

Mrs. J. T. Cotton recently spent several days in Carmel.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Pitt have returned from a trip to Lake County. They are now visiting in Carmel.

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Whitener are leaving for an extended trip to South America. Business will keep Mr. Whitener in Rio de Janeiro for several years. Upon leaving this city, a tour of South American and Central American countries will be made prior to the Whitener's return to Orinda.

Mr. Henry M. Hyde, of Alameda, father of Mrs. C. B. Chantler, is spending some time at the Chantler home in Orinda. Mr. Hyde has been heard frequently on the radio in discussions of astronomy, of which Mr. Hyde is considered an amateur authority.

Mrs. Lowell Berry, with Barbara and Patricia, has returned from a month's stay in General Grant National Park.

Mr. E. E. Matheson, of Orinda, left recently for an extended business trip in the East and Canada.

Mrs. Ralph Sisson, 11 La Campanero, will be hostess to the Dorcas Society of the Women's Guild of the Orinda Community Church on Thursday, September 19th. Mrs. E. D. Casterline will be co-hostess.

Mrs. Wm. A. Davis, President of the Women's Guild of the Orinda Community Church, was hostess at a luncheon, at her home, to the members of her board, on Thursday, August 22nd. Plans for the fall meetings were arranged.

Miss Virginia Hickok had as her house guest, Miss Jan Thorpe, of Hollywood.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Fageol have spent several weeks at their home in Orinda. They returned to Ravenna, Ohio, on August 20th.

Mrs. Kenneth R. Allen entertained a number of guests at the Red Cross Tea, among whom were Mrs. Angelo J. Rossi of San Francisco, and her daughter, Mrs. John Kleise.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blakeney are giving up their home in Orinda and are moving to Sacramento, as Mr. Blakeney has been transferred to that city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Patterson are vacationing in Southern California.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert D. Haworth have returned from a vacation trip to Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Scott have been entertaining Mrs. Scott's sister, Mrs. Edward Eckley Johnson of Buffalo, New York, who visited here for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Guerard have moved back into their home on Camino Sobrante. During their absence from Orinda, their house was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Clay H. Sorrick.

Eugenia Anasta, known in Orinda as Dolly Mayo, came with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen of Merced, to spend a week-end with her good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey W. Mayo.

Professor and Mrs. Charles E. Chapman have returned to their home, after a two months' sojourn in Southern California, where Dr. Chapman gave a course at the University of California at Los Angeles during summer session.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred E. Banta have leased the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. Mauss on Vallecito Lane. Mr. and Mrs. Mauss have moved to town.

BOBBY GORDON

Bobby Gordon, the eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Swale F. Gordon of La Espiral, knows more about the geography of the United States now than when his vacation began last June.

Leaving here shortly after school closed in the company of Mrs. Thomas F. Bachman, who had been a house guest of the Gordon family, Bobby went north, through Oregon and Washington, into Canada. The trip was made by train, and advantage of all stop-over privileges was taken, so that each city was carefully inspected and studied. Bobby saw Vancouver, Lake Louise, and Banff, in Canada, then back to the United States by way of Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Chicago. He continued on to Louisville, Kentucky, where he was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bachman. Later he went to Baltimore, formerly the home of Bobby's mother, and from there under the guidance of Mrs. Gordon's relatives, he was taken to Washington, New York, and many points of interest in the east. He returned home accompanied by Mrs. Gordon's sister and uncle, Miss Laurine Stevens, and Mr. Alexander Dodd.

GEORGE BROCKHURST RETIRES

Mr. George Brockhurst, a familiar figure in Orinda for the last 30 years, is retiring from active business.

Coming to Orinda as a very young man, after having farmed in several different parts of the state, Mr. Brockhurst settled here and bought the Miner farm. He watched the influx of "city folk," who came first as members of the Orinda Country Club, later to build homes and remain here. Both new and old residents of Orinda extend to Mr. Brockhurst their sincere wishes for his continued success in retirement.

LABOR DAY FESTIVAL

Labor Day will be celebrated at Orinda Park on September 2 of this year with a picnic supper and a bigger and better "Junior Aquacade," according to Manager Morgan. Lifeguard Payson Woolsey announces that the main features of the July Fourth Water Carnival will be repeated, and in addition there will be several new surprising developments. A number of new starlets have been discovered among the Woolsey "Aqua-kids," and filling in between the fancy swimming, diving and rhythm numbers, there will be new and more comedy acts.

The Orinda Park Pool, nestled snugly as it is among the oak trees of our southern hill, makes a more than fitting stage for such delightful entertainment. The friendly spirit around the pool and the picnic tables provides an atmosphere that all may enjoy.

Among those taking part in the water carnival are: Jimmy Ludlow, Patsy Pfeiffer, Betty-Jean Farrar, Wayne La Velle, Lily Dorrington, Tom Snook, Helen and Dorothy Heinrici, Fred and Frances Allen, Philip Dawson, Gordon La Velle, Curtis and Bill Harrison, Diana and Clay Ludlow, Holly Hammond, Peter Wilkins, Herman Gericke, Bob and Jack Hulse, Earldene Torbet, Kenneth Gelwix, Constance Pearson, and Dick and Monty Dibbern.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hill moved into the Frank Bryant home in Minerinda.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Connells, recently of Hawaii, have leased the Adams' house on Camino Sobrante.

Mr. and Mrs. Teasleau have bought the Walsh cottage on Rose Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Dills have taken a long lease on the Samuel J. Holmes property on Canyon Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lax will soon be moving into their new home in the Cotton Ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman M. Green expect to build immediately on their property on Las Vegas.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Coates have started construction on their home on El Toyonal.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Nielsen have moved into their new home on Los Dedos.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. George have moved into their new home on La Noria.

MR. BRYANT

The Orinda Improvement Association extends sincere sympathy to Mrs. Frank Bryant on the death of Mr. Bryant.

Mr. Bryant was a past president of the Association, and a member of the Orinda School Board.

**ORINDA
BARNSTORMERS**

The Orinda Barnstormers held their first regular meeting of the new season on August 28, in the Orinda School Auditorium. The first order of business was the presentation of a play in rehearsal, entitled, "For Pete's Sake." The cast included Messrs. Robert Harrison, Marshall Shapiro, George Horton, Jack Pedder, and Lynn Bell. The play was directed by Mrs. Marshall Shapiro.

During the meeting which followed it was decided that the members meet in informal classes where brief training in voice, diction, make-up, and pantomime be given. Plans for two new plays were discussed and a program of activities for the fall season was outlined and approved.

The Barnstormers invite all those to join who are actively interested in dramatic work.

AMENDED BUDGET

The following Budget has been passed upon by the Executive Committee of the Orinda Improvement Association and was accepted as amended by the members at the regular August Association meeting:

Operating Expenses of the Association for 1940-41:

Refreshment Committee	\$100.00
Membership Committee	10.00
Secretary	10.00
Stationery, Printing, Postage, Etc.....	30.00
Contingency	50.00

This total is derived from Dues.....\$200.00

Allotments from Treasury for 1940-41:

Donations	15.00
Boy Scouts	\$100.00
Charity Contributions	85.00

\$200.00

Balance in Treasury at time this Budget was approved, to be held as an unappropriated community service fund to be expended only on community projects.

ORINDA COUNTRY CLUB

On Saturday evening, August 24, 1940, the Orinda Country Club celebrated their sixteenth anniversary at a dinner dance for club members and friends.

SEPTEMBER PLANTING

Flower Seeds

Calendulas, centaureas, nemesias, salpiglossis, cinerarias, pansies, violas, snapdragons, stocks, wallflowers, forget-me-nots.

Bulbs

Baby glads, callas, freesias, irises, dog's tooth violets, and watsonias.

Plants from Flats

Fairy primroses, stocks, snapdragons, calendulas, pansies, violas, and cinerarias. These should start blooming by Christmas, weather permitting. Young perennials and biennials are ready, also delphiniums, foxgloves, sweet Williams, English daisies, Oriental poppies, Shasta daisies, and polyanthus primroses.

RED CROSS NEWS

The Orinda Unit of the Red Cross has successfully completed its first quota. The garments made for this quota include 25 children's dresses, 20 sweaters, 64 hospital bed shirts, 25 hospital gowns, and 3 men's bathrobes.

The new quota has been received and there is a great need of workers each day in the Red Cross Work Room in the Orinda Grammar School.

RED CROSS TEA

A bridge tea was held at the home of Mrs. Walter Thayer Wood, Lafayette, on Wednesday afternoon, August 21st, by the Orinda Unit of the American Red Cross.

Mrs. Frank Fee, chairman of the tea, was assisted by a capable committee. Tea was served at four o'clock, at which time Mrs. John F. Maxwell, Red Cross Representative from Berkeley, spoke on the work of the Red Cross throughout the nation, and the method of distribution of money and materials.

Door prizes were contributed by the Orinda Store and the Craviotto Market. A box containing two orchids grown and donated by Mrs. H. Atkinson, and a five dollar bill donated by Mrs. Walter Thayer Wood were raffled during the afternoon. Mrs. Warnecke, who won the five dollar bill, graciously donated it to the Red Cross.

Mrs. Frank Fee announced that \$208.00 was raised as a result of the afternoon's entertainment. The Red Cross wishes to thank all those who assisted in making the afternoon a success.

LION'S CLUB

The Orinda Lion's Club is fast becoming one of the leading local groups of interest in the community. Since being presented with their charter on July 10, there has been no cessation of activity in carrying on their good work and in increasing their membership.

Regular meetings have been held as usual, every Wednesday night, at 7:00, at the Wild Duck Inn. On each occasion there have been speakers, among whom were: Mr. McWhorter of the Coca Cola Company; Mr. George Springer, Telephone Company; Mr. Lance Barden, who is in Government Service.

At an early meeting this month, the club, under the leadership of Mr. Guthrie Clark, officially adopted the Constitution and By-Laws of the International Association of Lions' Clubs.

The members were eager participants in the celebration of the new stage line, and they attended the Charter Night of the Danville Lion's Club.

New members who have joined within the last month are: Victor Ritchit, Bert Fratus, Richard Steiner, Clifford Coakley, James Anderson.

**NEW IMPROVEMENT
ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED**

On Friday, August 23, 1940, a group of men, representing the Moraga District, met at the Orinda School and organized the MORAGA HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION.

The meeting was called to order by temporary President Herbert Hauser, and the following officers were elected to serve the Association:

President	Herbert Hauser
Vice-President	Herbert Wood
Treasurer	Calvin M. Orr
Recording Secretary.....	R. E. Wadsworth
Financial Secretary	L. A. Mattes

The members of this Association were very enthusiastic about the future development of the organization. Forty-one (41) members signed up for membership in the Association at their first meeting at the Orinda School. By-Laws were drawn up and presented at the meeting for the members' approval.

Active membership will be limited to men only, either property owners or residents of Moraga Valley, south of the Tunnel Road.

Meetings will be held the 4th Friday of each month, at the Orinda School.

The subject of incorporating the Association was brought up at the meeting, and a committee was appointed to investigate this matter.

The following committees were appointed:
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS — Louis Bosa, Wm. Diefenbach, B. Ginsburg.

SCHOOL — Donald Badgley, Stanley Allen, Gus Nordquist.

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENTS — Herbert Wood, Dr. J. V. Holcombe, L. A. Mattes, C. B. Chantler.

MEMBERSHIP — C. B. Chantler, Dr. Francis A. Donovan, Oscar Huebner.

ENTERTAINMENT — Harry S. Holt, R. K. Leslie, Martin Hanson.

AUDITING — Wm. A. Siefker, E. Bodenhamer, J. J. Schroll.

PUBLICITY — Leo S. Levy.

NEW DEVELOPMENT

The noise and dust emanating from the direction of the fourth fairway are but a preview of future activity. Orinda is growing. Recently twenty acres of land were added, and sub-division work is going on at the present time.

This property was formerly owned by Mrs. F. R. Fageol and Amy Long Sutton, and it is now being handled exclusively by Mitchell and Austin. Improvements are rapidly developing, and soon all the facilities will be available: gas, electricity, and water. The same high restrictions which exist in Orinda proper will be maintained in this new district.

Mr. James Sullivan is doing the work on the roads, and the two new streets in this area will be Acacia Drive and Hacienda Circle.