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• From Crest Ave. Looking North •





Michael Lizarraga

In memory of Michael Lizarraga, who died April 10, 1969, in Vietnam, The Point Richmond Teen Center is establishing a fund in his name with the hope of furnishing a room of the new Recreation building, soon to be built in Point Richmond.

Those wishing to contribute to the fund may do so by sending contributions to Gloria Crim, 134 Santa Fe Avenue, Point Richmond 94801, or sending it to this paper.



# Reminiscing *with Don Church*

Interesting and sometimes amusing articles from old Richmond and Point Richmond newspapers, courtesy of the Richmond Museum.

May 28, 1917.....

## STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON TOBACCO.....

"High and grammar school boys who frequent pool halls, saloons or who use liquor or tobacco may be suspended from school by the principals and forced to remain away from school until he and his parents give assurance to the Board of Education that such practices will cease. This is the order that the State Board of Education just issued."

"Principal B.X. Tucker stated today that his official notice has not yet been received."

(So the boys had a few more days to carouse???)

May 29, 1917.....

## THE HIGH COST OF HAIR - CUTS IN 1917...

"Prices in tonsorial arts have taken a jump, a new schedule having been adopted last night at a meeting of bosses and journeymen barbers in the union hall. The following price list will become effective June 4: Shaving 20 cents, hair cutting 40 cents, pompadour hair -

cut 50 cents; shampoo 35 cents, tonic or egg shampoo, 50 cents, massage with or without electric, 50 cents; double massage, 75 cents; tonic, 15 cents; singeing 25 cents; neck shave, 5 cents; razor honed 50 cents; beard trimmed, 25 cents; head massage, plain and machine, \$1.00."

(The headlines implied that the reason for the price jump was that barbering was now an art-- considering the things they used to do, the reason seems justified--what's the excuse today???)

May 29, 1924.....

## "BONDS FOR NEW NATATORIUM PASS BY 3 TO 1 MAJORITY"

"Nothing that has happened in Richmond in years has done more to unite the city as did the municipal swimming pool bond election yesterday.

The West Side voted almost unanimously for the bonds."

"The John

Nicholl company merits the thanks of the citizens of Richmond for its donation, absolutely free to the city of a site worth many thousands of dollars, ideally situated and provided with a fresh water well 1200 feet deep (Which John Nicholl had drilled previously, in search of oil.)

"The city will take immediate steps to have the bonds printed and sold and to have plans and specifications put in shape for actual construction of the Natatorium at an early date."

May 28, 1921.... "600 autos lined up at the Richmond ferry at noon--busiest day in history."



Nicholl Ave

# THE OLD PROF

## FUN WITH WORDS



Well, hello again, my faithful students! I'm oh, so glad to return from my recent sabbatical and even gladder to find our classroom intact and to see you militants haven't burned down the Board of Regents or trussed up the Trustees. So before you get any ideas your OLD PROF will start the NEW CURRICULUM, which will begin with another of my ever-popular history lessons. Let us, then, commence...



APOLLO

This tale concerns the god APOLLO;  
A myth that's mighty hard to swollo.  
In fact, I almost have to chortle  
To think this guy became immortle.

In Greece, APOLLO'S Pop was "ZEUS",  
Who ruled OLYMPUS fast and leus.  
The Romans called his Daddy "JUPITER".  
It's hard to say which group was stupiter.)

Apollo's "thing" was shooting arrows  
At other godly caballarrows,  
And so the gods decreed this archer  
Should make a sudden, swift deparcher.

They brought APOLLO up for trial.  
They said, "Young man, you cramp our  
stia,  
We like our style so don't you cramp us."  
And kicked him of of MT. OLAMPUS.

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He bought some sheep and learned to  
herd 'em.

At shearing time our boy de-ferd'em,  
And when this life became a bore  
He took off for the TROJAN WORE.

As you can see this godly joker  
Was anything but medioker.  
He was the GOD OF ARTS and SCIENCE,  
And he sure had a lot of clience.

But then the other gods grew jealous,  
For they were mere immortal fealous.  
They told APOLLO to come home...  
They didn't want the Greek to Rome.

But he remained the people's choice  
Of all the mortal girls and boice  
Which proves that, though one may be  
godly,  
One cannot beat APOLLO, hodly!

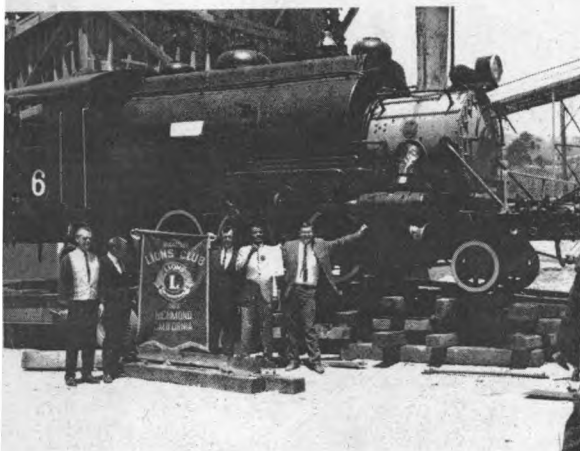
\* Robert C. Friend

THERE'S TROUBLE!  
RIGHT HERE IN RIVER CITY!

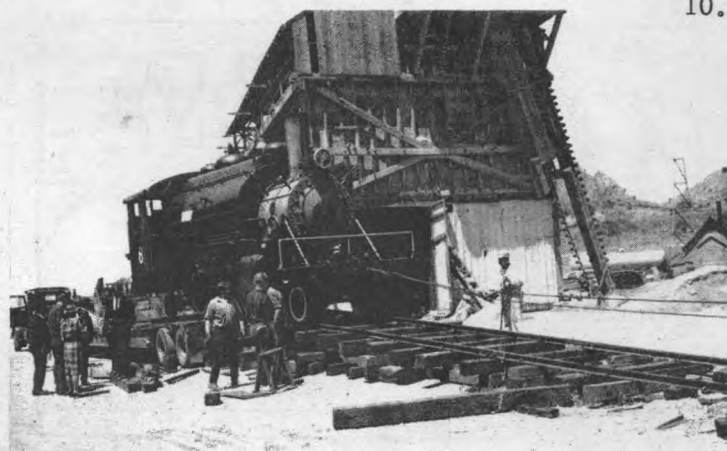
The "Music Man" is coming to town!  
With a cast of 60, a full orchestra, and  
John James and Eileen Gray in the lead  
roles, the musical created by Meredith  
Wilson will fill the hall, and the hearts  
of everyone, with music. "76 Trombones"  
and "Goodnight, My Someone" are just  
two of the popular tunes from the musical;  
(and did you realize that they are the  
same melody???)

Tickets for the show, which will  
be presented Friday, June 6, Saturday,  
June 7, (8:30 p.m.), Sunday, June 8 (2:30  
p.m.), Friday and Saturday, June 13, and  
14 (8:30 p.m.) and Sunday, June 15 at 7:30  
p.m., may be obtained by mail (First Un-  
itarian Church, 1 Lawson Rd., Berkeley,  
94707), or by phone - 525-0302. General  
admission is \$2.50; students \$1.50, and  
children under 12, \$1.00.





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RIDE ON A STEAM TRAIN ON THE  
FOURTH OF JULY.....JOIN IN AN OLD-  
FASHIONED 4th OF JULY CELEBRATION  
AT POINT RICHMOND!

The Richmond Breakfast Lions Club  
of Richmond will sponsor a ride on a  
real steam train during the old-fashioned  
Fourth Celebration at Point Richmond.  
Bands, entertainment, fire engine rides,  
fireworks, side shows and all the things  
we used to know will also be on hand.

The choo-choo will be a 1913 model  
reconditioned by the San Francisco Loc-  
omotive Association. Engine 6 will pull  
old cars up the Richmond shoreline to  
Point Molate and back again. This  
annual celebration is held under the  
auspices of the American Field Service,  
which raises money each year for for-  
eign exchange student program.

The Steam Train will begin operations at 10  
a.m. Busses to connect with the train will leave  
Point Richmond every 15 minutes beginning at  
9:30 and running until 5:30.

Tickets will cost 50 cents for adults and 25  
cents for children--with authentic souvenir tic-  
kets! For tickets, write Lions Railroad, 12855  
San Pablo Avenue, Richmond, Ca. 94805.

Shown above is the launching of Engine 6,  
near the old San Rafael Ferry ramp. The huge  
undertaking was witnessed by several Lions  
Club members, Douglas Joy, Jim Rounds and  
Dr. Owens; Mr. Heimerdinger of the Locomo-  
tive Association; George Livingston of the City  
Council; Dick Covell from AFS, and several  
press and TV people. The 50 ton giant rolled  
gently down the ramp to the place where it will  
take off on its trips to Castro Point and back.  
It was unloaded last Friday morning, brought  
to the site and handled by Sheehy Drayage Com-  
pany.

## Music for the 4th!

More news about the Fourth of July  
Celebration includes the Second and  
Third grades at Washington School, who  
have been asked to lead the kiddie par-  
ade at 10:30 a.m., starting the festivi-  
ties. They will play rousing music on  
their recorders, and are preparing for  
the great event now.

If you haven't attended a Fourth  
of July Celebration at Point Richmond,  
you are in for a great surprise. There  
is a full day of entertainment for thous-  
ands of people who attend.

## WEEK-END GAMES

Here's the schedule for the Point Richmond  
Boys' Baseball Teams:

"Point Businessmen's" team: Saturday,  
12 wins- King Park, 3:30 p.m. (10th  
2 losses. and Cutting)

"Santa Fe Market"-Saturday, EastShore  
7 wins- Park- 11 a.m. Sunday-  
4 losses. Belding, 1 p.m., 17th &  
Lincoln.

"West Side Improvement Club"- Saturday-  
6 wins Wendell Park, 4 p.m., Sun-  
4 losses day, 3 p.m., 26th & Esmond.

"Pacific Boat Works- Sunday, Washington,  
1 p.m. 4 wins- 6 losses.

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Got a headlight on your car that doesn't work? We watched a woman "fix" hers last Saturday. Pulling up to the stop at Garrard and Standard, she got out of the car, banged and kicked the left front headlight, the light went on, the woman got back into her car and drove off!

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Have you been across that local Miracle? Interstate 80 became six lanes in six days!

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The Richmond Public Works Department is to be thanked for making our Beautiful Down Town Point Richmond more presentable at a minimum of inconvenience on Wednesday.

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ROBIN WHITE arrived Thursday, from Vancouver, Washington, for the Grand Council Fire. One of only four girls in the district to receive the second highest Camp Fire Award, Robin undertook the task by mail after locating a library specialist to assist her. Members of her Junior High Group, wanting to show their appreciation for their Camp Fire sister, used the funds from the sale of candy mints to help finance the fare back. Friday night, after the Awards ceremony, the group will hold a slumber party in a tent in their leaders' back yard. The true spirit of Camp Fire has been expressed by all the girls in this adventure, and their leader is truly proud of them.

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Mr. and Mrs. JOHN BIDOU (Eileen Lucas) are happily announcing a delightful, delectable, deductible doll named Marcie Helene, born on April 27.

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Don't overlook the first class entertainment so close to home this Friday and Saturday at the Richmond Plunge. The Aquabelles and other synchronized swim groups have been preparing a year for this show-- why not attend and encourage them. And, after the show, stop by for a Fireman's Float at the ice cream parlor.