

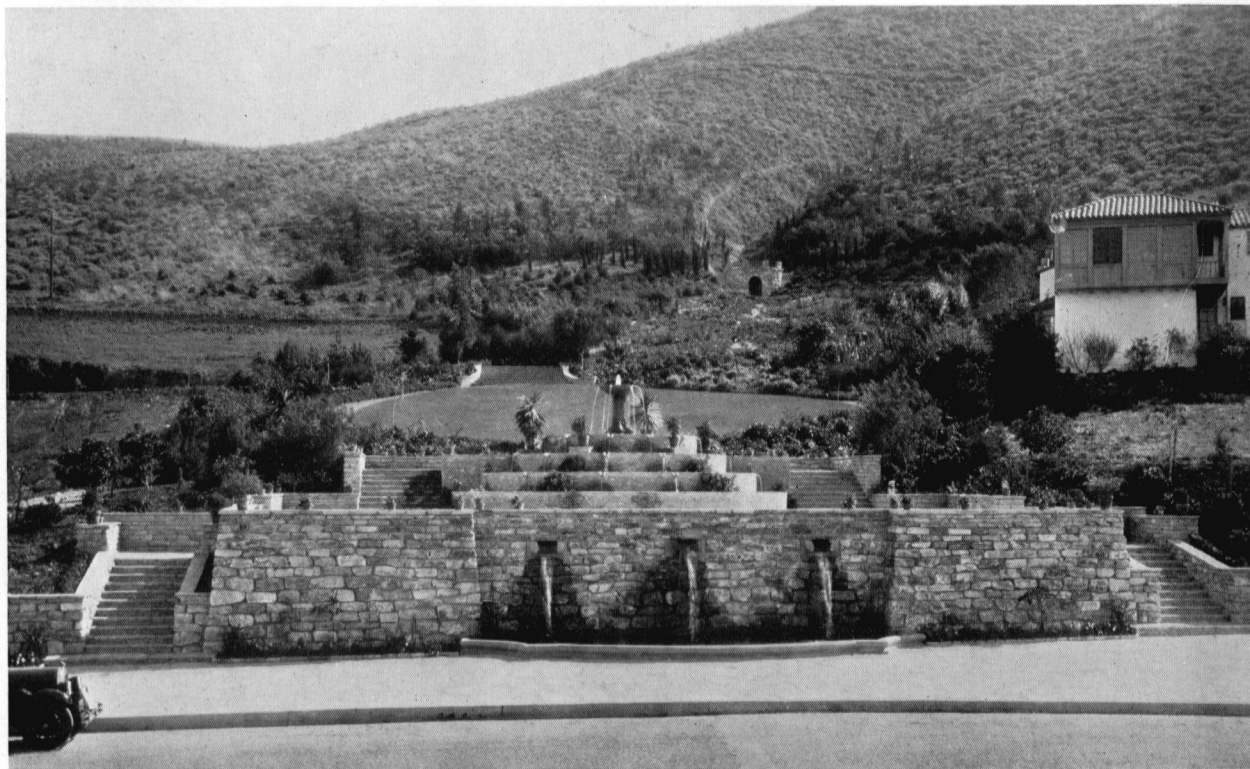
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THE NEW FOUNTAIN IN FARNHAM MARTIN'S PARK AT THE HEAD OF VIA CORTA
The Library site immediately adjoins on the left

LIBRARY BUILDING PROGRESSING

Rapid progress is being made in the carrying through of the new Public Library Building for Palos Verdes Library District following the decision of the California Court of Appeals the last week in March validating the \$90,000 bond issue voted last summer. On March 31st the trustees, with architect Myron Hunt, Frederick Law Olmsted, landscape architect, and Jay Lawyer, general manager of Palos Verdes Project, carefully examined the site and the preliminary studies for the building, and tentatively agreed that the lot adjoining Farnham Martin's Park on the east (Lot 23 in Block 1621) was the best site. This lot is over 100 feet wide and nearly 240 feet deep, running through from Via Campesina to Via Pinale and can be utilized with the beautiful developed park and fountain adjoining it almost as well as an area of twice the size. Accordingly, the trustees called a public hearing for April 8th, at which a number of letters commending this choice of site were received and no protestants appeared. The board thereupon ordered the purchase of this lot and approved the preliminary sketches for the building.

Mr. Hunt's plans provide for a commodious reading room flanking the park on the east with a large children's room opening into it at the south end, and an outdoor reading room or patio on the east. Behind the reading room will be the librarian's control desk and behind that the main stack which is arranged in a large, square tower in which can later be installed extra stack mezzanine floors both above

and below the main stack floor when the books accumulate sufficiently to require it. The library will be arranged for the present capacity of 35,000 books. At the north end of the reading room will be a large reference room and permanent art gallery. Underneath this room will be another room of ample size opening onto Via Campesina for committee meetings, lectures and temporary exhibits. Adjoining it will be basement space for storage of chairs, a vault for pictures, a small kitchen for service, boiler room and book receiving room with service entrance. It is hoped to have the plans ready to start work in June and to complete the building in the fall.



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News notes and items of interest should be in the hands of the editors not later than the fifteenth of the previous month.

"Quality First in Palos Verdes"

SPARE THE WILD FLOWERS

It would seem to be quite unnecessary, in this land where Nature is so prodigal of her loveliness and each person can have for himself, if he wills, a bountiful supply of flowers, to put up the bars against the picking of wild flowers. Yet Palos Verdes' experience has been the same in this respect as that of other communities. After going to considerable trouble and expense to seed the hillsides and other park areas and after the late Spring rains had brought out multitudes of blossoms, people have been seen on numerous occasions recently with their arms full of lupins and poppies, bunches of Mariposa lilies and even, in one instance, cultivated irises!

Let us be careful to see that everyone respects the common interest in the beauty of our parks and hillsides. A bouquet of wild blooms soon fades, but



THE BUCHANAN ENTRANCE GATE
A gem of Californian Architecture



THE FIRST TEE
As seen from in front of the Golf Shop

if left where they grow, they add to everyone's pleasure and scatter their seeds for a more abundant flowering next year.

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CALIFORNIAN ARCHITECTURE

Ever since the *Bulletin* announced for the first time in its issue of last October the decision of the Palos Verdes Art Jury to recommend the adoption of the term "Californian Architecture" for the distinctive type which is developing in this state, there have been evidences of interest on the part of many individuals and organizations, many of whom were mentioned in the March issue of the *Bulletin*.

Since that time there has come to our attention a typical comment, from a prominent newspaper of one of the smaller cities of California—the *Glendale News-Press*, which had the following to say in a recent editorial. We give it as they wrote it, although the Art Jury announcement recommended the use of "Californian" with an "n," just as you would say "Spanish architecture" and not "Spain architecture":

That there has been created in California a distinctive type of architecture that deserves to be known as California architecture, is the opinion of some of the leading architects of the west, men who have contributed in large measure to the creation of this style or type which has borrowed a trifle from the Mediterranean, some from the Spanish and perhaps considerable from the missions which the padres established in their conquest of California.

"The Palos Verdes Art Jury, composed of Myron Hunt, president; David C. Allison, vice-president, and James F. Dawson, Jay Lawyer, Robert D. Farquhar and Charles H. Cheney, has passed resolutions designed to remove the confusion in the public mind as to the proper designation of the style of architecture now so general in the state and asks that it be termed 'California architecture'"

The editor then quotes the Art Jury's definition

as published in the October *Bulletin* and closes with these words:

"In the resolution the request is made that the terms Mission, Spanish or Mediterranean be not used as they are misnomers for an art which has progressed to a degree which, in the opinion of the judges, deserves to have a distinctive title. And it is not difficult to agree with this opinion and request. It has reached the point where it might be termed distinctly Californian. So hail the new California architecture."



THE NEW HOME OF MR. AND MRS. E. T. PARKS
Via Anita, Malaga Cove

SOME EXPRESSIONS OF GOOD WILL

The following expressions of appreciation and interest in what has been done at Palos Verdes Estates have come, unsolicited, to the *Bulletin*, both from neighbors and from as far east as Cleveland, Buffalo and Pittsburgh.



A NEW HOUSE JUST COMPLETED ON VIA LARGAVISTA, VALMONTE

One man says, "Community life is ideal. . . . We have an ever-changing view of mountains and sea with beautiful sunrises and sunsets where you can experience the joy of rest and peace. . . I know I would never be satisfied elsewhere." Another says: "The longer we stay the more we enjoy it. The only fault we have to find is that with our daily duties we do not have time to thoroughly observe the wonderful views of the ocean which are never twice the same. We consider Palos Verdes a fair rival of the European Riviera." Another: "We are satisfied beyond every expectation and I doubt very much whether we would exchange Palos Verdes for any other place we have ever lived in."

On a recent trip to California, Mr. E. C. Balz-



THE FLOWER-BORDERED LAWN OF THE YOUNKIN RESIDENCE, GRANVIA LA COSTA, MARGATE



PART OF A GROUP OF HOUSES JUST COMPLETED AT THE CORNER OF VIA LARGAVISTA AND VIA COLORIN, VALMONTE

hiser of Cleveland, played the Palos Verdes course several times. He writes that he desires to "compliment the management for the magnificent golf course they have succeeded in building. No other course of the numerous courses played in California appealed quite so strongly as did Palos Verdes."

From Pittsburgh comes the following letter under date of April 11th:

"Palos Verdes Homes Association,
Palos Verdes Estates, California.

"Dear Sirs:

"This is to acknowledge receipt of the April issue of the *Palos Verdes Bulletin*, which recalls very vividly to me the drive which I made through your property about a month ago.

"I hasten, now, to congratulate you upon the splendid scheme for landscaping these Estates in such a way as to make them really a restricted residence section, and it is already evident that the social element of

Los Angeles will some day be very closely identified with the Palos Verdes Plan.

"Thanking you for the *Bulletin*, I beg to remain,

"Very truly yours,

(Signed) John L. Porter."

This letter came from North Long Beach, Cal.: "I am deeply interested in the Estates although at the present a home there can be only a dream. But dreams come true, sometimes. Many of mine have

"It is my favorite drive, and upon my return this



THE NEW RESIDENCE OF MR. AND MRS. JOHN G. KULZER
Via Anita, Malaga Cove



THE NEW HOME OF MR. AND MRS. WM. H. MUNROE
Via Anita, Malaga Cove



THE TAGGART, MCCOURT AND BLETHEN HOMES ON VIA LA SELVA

afternoon these verses sang themselves to the rhythm of *Palos Verdes . . . Palos Verdes.*"

THE HOMING

For many years I wandered free;
I loved the hills; I loved the sea:
And so at last I chanced to be
In Palos Verdes . . . in Palos Verdes.

Of all the views in memory's store,
In this fair land, on England's shore,
There's one that charms me, more and more:
Fair Palos Verdes . . . fair Palos Verdes.

In countries three, and states full seven,
Wherein I've been (e'en lovely Devon!)
No view excels—this side of heaven—
Los Palos Verdes . . . Los Palos Verdes.

And so I hope, when dreams come true,
On a hillside steep, with a mountain view,
My hearth will be, by the sea so blue,
In Palos Verdes . . . in Palos Verdes.

—Viahnett Sprague Martin.

A few days after receiving the little poem just given, a letter came from another Martin who has made the trip across the continent for his "annual sojourn in California." He accompanies his beautiful lines with the remark that he has found Palos Verdes "wonderfully worthy of commendation."

LA VENTA

Mine eyes had scarce known beauty till
I stood upon La Venta's hill,
And gazed while Day and Night were wed
Where seas their em'rald garments spread,
Lace bordered carpets for their feet,
And earth and sky and sea all meet.
Down front there rolls the mighty main,
Mid-stage, the city-dotted plain;

While for a back-drop 'gainst the sky,
Sierra Madre's watch dogs lie.
Then, when day's orb sank in the sea,
Ten thousand stars flashed up at me
From crescent shore. Down on the skies
I seemed to gaze from Paradise.
Come weary waves from fabled lands,
To cast their beads upon her strands;
And here, their pilgrimage complete,
They break in pearl-showers at her feet.
In Beauty's mosque here let me dwell,
A muezzin the hours to tell.
Tho barefoot, ragged, at her shrine,
A Croesus, with her eye-wealth mine.
From her high minaret I'd call,
The faithful on their knees to fall;
And Beauty's devotees each day,
Would face La Venta while they pray.

—Alfred H. Martin,

Pasadena, Cal., and Buffalo, N. Y.



LA VENTA BY NIGHT



PALOS VERDES PERSONALITIES

*William Woosley,
Chief of the Palos Verdes Police*

Not so long ago a policeman was "a cop," the natural enemy of small boys, and fair game for them. Now in most modern communities he is their chief playmate and protector. In Palos Verdes Estates we have one of the best of these men, who knows children and loves them, having several of his own.

Bill was a regular army man, serving in both cavalry and infantry, in the Philippine campaigns, various other parts of the world and in the World War. He rose to Master Sergeant of Infantry and is at present on the retired list. For the last five years he has been Chief of the Palos Verdes Police, with the rank of Deputy Sheriff and Deputy Constable of Los Angeles County. His force consists of three men including himself, all ex-soldiers and ex-Master Sergeants. As a result of their work, there is a well-founded feeling of security among the residents of Palos Verdes Estates.

It is not easy, in the above picture, to tell which is Bill and which are the kids. Every school day at three, when the closing bell rings and they come piling out onto Via Almar, he packs as many as he can into his car and "chuffs" them over to Malaga

Cove Plaza to connect with the bus. It is a lot more fun to do this than to take the bus either at the school or at the head of Arroyo Path nearby, and also much quicker for those who live near the Plaza or in Valmonte, where Bill has a cozy home.

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EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Nearly five hundred people joined the pilgrimage to the beautiful flowered cross on the top of Montemalaga just before sunrise Easter morning. A simple and impressive service, planned by the Sunday School committee of the Woman's Club, was carried out with the help of the neighboring communities. Readings from the Bible were followed by anthems sung by a large choir, congregational singing of two Easter hymns, and Mendelssohn's "Lift Thine Eyes," by a chorus of children's voices. The sun came through the clouds just in time to add its benediction to the "Sevenfold Amen."

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NOTES FROM THE WOMAN'S CLUB

The April meeting of the Palos Verdes Woman's Club was held at the charming new home of Mrs. Howard S. Dean on Granvia La Costa. Among the

forty women present were a number of new residents, who were cordially welcomed into the club.

Mrs. F. A. Vanderlip was the speaker for the afternoon and told about the work of the League of Women Voters.

Mrs. F. F. Schellenberg, entertainment chairman, announced the appearance of Michio Ito, Japanese dancer, at the Malaga Cove School auditorium, the last Saturday in April.

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ART JURY NOTES

The following matters were passed upon at the last meeting of the Art Jury:

*Plans for Mr. Edgar Frenger on Lots 1373-2 and 3—
Margate*

Attractive sketches for a stone house for this lot on Rico Place were presented by Architect Coate and carefully considered by the Jury, but no action taken pending submission of revised sketches of some minor details.

*Plans for Mr. C. H. Varney on Lot 1537-2—
Malaga Cove*

Tentative approval was given the sketches for



THE EIGHTEENTH TEE

this beautiful house on Via Somonte designed by Architect Roy Kelley.

*Plans for Mrs. R. A. Zimmerman on Lot 1616-2—
Malaga Cove*

Tentative approval was given plans for this house on Via del Monte designed by Architect Cutter.

*Gate and Wall for Mr. Walter Bird on Lot 1700-22—
Malaga Cove*

Final approval was given a garden gate and wall for this residence on Via La Selva.

*Plans for Mr. Ed. Heizman on Lot 1539-1—
Malaga Cove*

Final approval was given the design by Architect Kelley for this residence on Via Somonte.

Plan for Malaga Cove Library on Lot 1621-23

Architect Myron Hunt presented preliminary plans for the new public library and exhibition hall adjoining Farnham Martin's Park. Tentative approval was given with the felicitations of the Jury on the attractive tower and simple design.

Malaga Cove Beach Club

Architect Cutter presented sketches for the

GOLF CALENDAR

*May 1 and June 5—Women's Day—No greens fees—
Golf, Luncheon, Bridge.*

May 5 and 19—Semi-Monthly Tournament—Two prizes.

*May 28—Tournament of the Woman's Auxiliary—
about 150 players expected.*

Every Sunday—Blind Bogey Tournament.

beach club house, dressing rooms and pool at the foot of the bluff in Malaga Cove Plaza. These were carefully discussed and a number of suggestions made but no action taken.

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GOLF CLUB NOTES

On April 25th, a dinner and smoker was given by the Advertising Club of Los Angeles. About fifty played the course in the afternoon.

One of the most enjoyable gatherings recently was on April 11th when a hundred Los Angeles bond salesmen made a day of it on the course, followed by dinner and entertainment and speeches in the evening. Les Henry, Secretary of the Club, was the moving spirit of the occasion.

The Long Beach branch of the Bank of Italy gave a dinner dance on April 27th. Mrs. M. G. Welsh of Redondo was hostess at a bridge luncheon on Friday afternoon, April 19th. There were two affairs on April 27th, an announcement and bridge party by Miss Goodrich, and that evening a birthday anniversary party by Mrs. W. L. Fisher.

The tourneys held every other Sunday for the little cups are becoming more popular at every event. Some of the contestants are beginning to collect a set of these small cups—Wally Post seems to have the edge, having received four. On April 21st, three players tied—Slip Kelsey, J. C. Kensey and M. Taggart. The playoff had not taken place as we went to press.

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SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTED

At the School Board election March 29th, Mrs. Romaine C. Martin was re-elected Trustee for three years.

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A PARKLIKE FAIRWAY ON THE PALOS VERDES COURSE



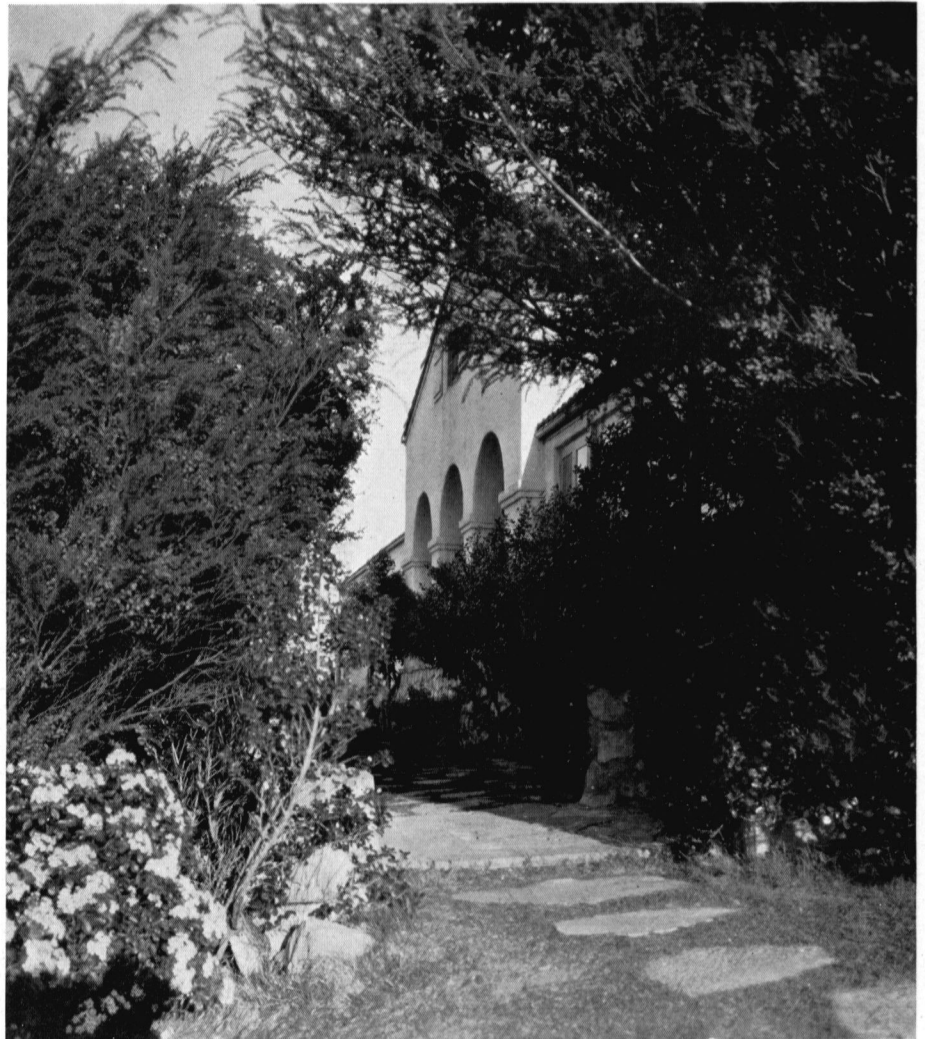
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GROWTH OF THE POST OFFICE

Postal receipts at Palos Verdes Estates post office show a gratifying increase from year to year ever since the office was founded, according to advices from the postmaster, Mr. E. L. Etter. The office was established October 5, 1925, and the re-

ceipts for the three calendar years following were: \$2,817.16, \$3,099.09 and \$4,086.99, respectively.

The year 1929 has started off with a rush, totaling for the first quarter \$1,571.12. As Mr. Etter points out, it is the largest quarter the office ever had.



NORTHWEST FACADE OF THE GOLF CLUB