

Application for the Erection of Frame Building

CLASS "D"

To the Superintendent of Buildings of the City of Brea, Calif.:

Application is hereby made to the Superintendent of Buildings of the City of Brea, for a building permit in accordance with the description and for the purpose hereinafter set forth. This application is made subject to the following conditions, which are hereby agreed to by the undersigned applicant and which shall be deemed conditions entering into the exercise of the permit:

First: That the permit does not grant any right or privilege to erect any building or other structure therein described or any portion thereof, upon any street, alley, or other public place or portion thereof.

Second: That the permit does not grant any right or privilege to use any building or other structure therein described, or any portion thereof, for any purpose that is, or may hereafter be prohibited by ordinance of the City of Brea.

Third: That the granting of the permit does not affect or prejudice any claim of title to, or right of possession in the property described in such permit.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Lot No. Block

Tract

No. 116-114-112 ^{LOCATION OF JCB} West Ash Street

(USE INK OR INDELIBLE PENCIL)

1 Purpose of Building Living No. of Rooms 3 No. of Families 3

2 Owner's name Phone

3 Owner's Address

4 Architect's name Phone

5 Contractor's name A. J. Van Dyke Phone

6 Contractor's address

7 COST OF BUILDING \$ 2000 1500

8 Any other buildings on lot? How used

9 Size of proposed building x Height to the highest point feet

10 Number of stories in height Character of ground

11 Material of foundation Size footings Size wall Depth below ground

12 Material of chimneys Number of inlets to flues Interior size of flues x

13 Give size of following materials: REDWOOD MUDDSILS x Girders x

EXTERIOR studs x INTERIOR BEARINGS studs x Interior non-bearing studs x

..... x Ceiling Joists x Roof Rafters x First Floor Joists x

Second Floor Joists x Third Floor Joists x Specify material of roof

14 Remodelling partitions plaster painting REMARKS:
Bleedburg & Est.

I have carefully examined and read the above application and know the same is true and correct, and that all the provisions of the Building Ordinance will be complied with, whether herein specified or not.

(Sign here) Lo A. Strasser
(Owner or Authorized Agent)

FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY

Plans and Specifications Checked and found to conform to Ordinances, State Laws, etc. (Use Ink) Supt. of Buildings	Application checked and found O. K. (Use Rubber Stamp)	Stamp here when permit is Issued.
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Businesses

① The Baco Shoe Shop - C.O. Wright proprietor
Delaney Bldg - Nov 14, 1917

Sat, Dec 22, 1928

Now that the branch library has been moved to its new location in the city hall building, C. F. Stanger, owner of the property formerly known as the Delaney rooming house, will proceed with his plans for remodeling the ground floor of that building. Mr. Stanger expects to make two apartments of the three large rooms that are now in the building. A. V. Van Tuyle has the contract for the work.

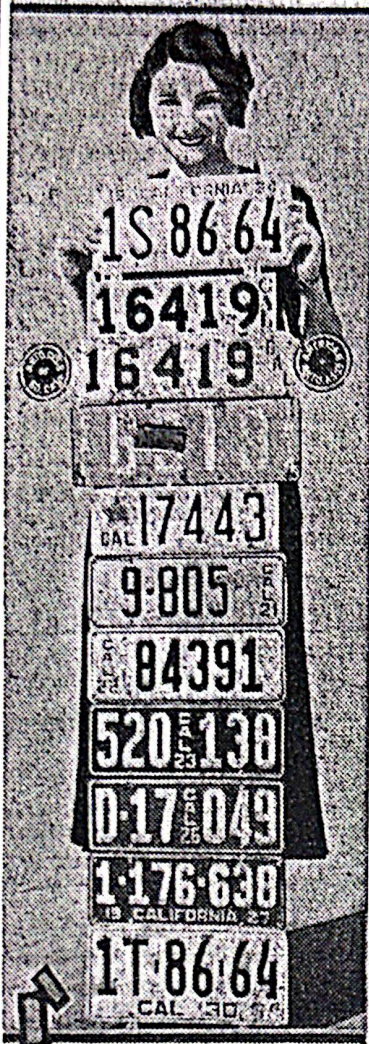
Brea Star
Wed Nov 7, 1917

Adopt Boy —

Mr + Mrs H. L. Delaney of Brea have taken a three-year-old kiddie to raise as their son, who as soon as the wheels of the law move, will be known as Lee Delaney.

H. L. Delaney's first name is
Hiram according to records
at Loma Vista Cemetery where
he's buried

Auto Tag History



Phenomenal increases in motor cars are recorded in this Auto Club of Southern California collection of old license plates. Contrasted with the 1934 plate at top, the "tags" show many changes in number systems and colors. Third from top is an iron marker made for members by the auto club in 1909. Fifth down is type used from 1916 to 1919, with emblems of bear, poppy and bell marking the only annual change.

TELEPHONE TROUBLES THWARTED BY PRE-RAINY WEATHER CABLE TESTS

It's tough to be a telephone cable!

Although carrying hundreds of telephone conversations hourly, some cables find life just one puncture after another. These voice carriers have varied misfortunes; some are bitten by insects, others are struck by bullets, pierced by arrows, speared by fishermen, strangled, electrocuted, pinched, cut or burned. Some cables contain as many as 3,600 separate wires, each strand covered with colored wax paper. When a pair tests "dead," the trouble shooter immediately selects another pair for ser-

BIRTH OF PROGRESS TOLD BY FOUNDER

By O. A. MEACHAM
Brea's First Publisher
(Continued From Last Issue)

What was generally considered as the first well of high gravity oil in those days was the famous Birch No. 5, which came in with a flow of 2400 barrels a day at about the time that the Brea townsite was laid out. In 1913 this single well was assessed by the county at one million dollars, probably too high a figure, but it attracted widespread interest and stimulated all kinds of business in this northern section of the county, which heretofore had been regarded by the more populous sections as being sort of "wild and woolly" or "way out in the sticks."

Also in 1913 the Standard brought in their famous No. 7 well on the Emory lease. This well came in with a flow of 11,000 barrels, or about four times that of any other well in California outside of Kern county fields up to that time, but it did not continue flowing for the long period of time which helped to make the Birch well famous. This was a "scoop" for the Progress as the news of Emory No. 7 was published in your home paper before any of the dailies got hold of it.

The Brea oil fields also attracted much attention from the fact that the first casinghead gasoline was manufactured here. The first plant of the kind was that of the Pacific Gasoline Company in Brea Canyon, under the management of W. A. Culp, and which had an initial capacity of three thousand gallons a day. Within two years time there were eight other plants operating in the local fields, some of these working under lease agreements and some owned outright by the producing companies.

Brea was the first town south of the Tehachapi to utilize natural gas for fuel purposes when the Birch Oil Company laid a pipe line into town and began serving local residents, and it was about eighteen years ago that the first natural gas was piped to points outside

the oil fields. In some localities it was used "straight" the same as in Brea and in some places it was mixed with the artificial or manufactured gas.

The California National Supply and the Oil Well Supply Company were already located here before the founding of the Progress, the Standard Oil Company shops were established about the same time, and within a few months time buildings were constructed for the Union Tool Works, Dietzel's Boiler Works and the Tay-Pike Company.

The Delaney building, where a newspaper was printed in Brea for the first time, had three store rooms on the lower floor and a rooming house on the upper floor. About the time this building was ready for occupancy, work was started on the McCarty building on Pomona avenue, which when completed, had accommodations for four more businesses, and a hotel dining room on the ground floor. The entire upper floor was occupied by the Brea Hotel, which made it quite a hotel for such a town in those days. Then about a year later the Sewell building was erected on the site of the old building which, as I have related, burned down in September, 1913, in such fashion as to prove the complete lack of fire protection. The new Sewell building had five store rooms on the ground floor, several office rooms on the second floor and an auditorium which was the source of considerable pride to the young and growing town.

With all of these building activities the town of Brea passed away from the cross-roads trading center period and became a lively little industrial city, keeping pace with the important developments in the local oil fields at that time. So, in closing, I hope that the readers will understand what a big part the events of those two years had in laying the foundations for the present prosperous and progressive city of Brea.

THE END

Many repair jobs result from bullets fired into telephone cables; either by mistake or purposely. The Fourth of July, New Year's Eve, and certain other joyful occasions add to the bullet problem.

keeps 1,250 men and women constantly at work in the Southern California Telephone Company. They keep records, test the lines, receive reports of trouble and clear them. Eliminating some of the haz-

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113 So. Pomona

Stationery Specials

29c to 69c

Xmas Cigars in packages

25c



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B.P.

4th, Dec. 22, 1933

The fire in the Delaney Bldg was in
1915

Birth of The Progress Described by Founder

By O. A. MEACHAM
Brea's First Publisher

The first issue of the Brea Progress, or the La Habra Valley Progress, as it was called for the first two years, made its appearance on June 20, 1913. As there was no postoffice in Brea at that time, the papers were delivered to each house in town by carrier, and a supply left with each of the original advertisers for the benefit of their customers residing on the leases of the different oil companies near town.

It had been during the month of April of that year that I first passed through the new town of Brea, and was told that two years previously there had not been a single building on the site of the town, and that the townsite had only been laid out a little over a year. I was greatly impressed with the advantageous location and with the fact that here was one of a very few towns in Southern California at that time which was in no way dependent upon seasonal crops. I had been conducting a job printing business in the town of Ontario, twenty-one miles away, with fair success, but a severe freeze had damaged the citrus crop and caused considerable depression in local business conditions.

But there was no place available in which to locate a printing plant, not even an unoccupied dwelling in the new town. Finally I discovered that a loyal citizen, H. L. Delaney, had just had plans drawn up for the construction of a two story business building on W. Ash street with three store rooms on the lower floor and a rooming house above, so I agreed with him to rent one of his stores when the building should be ready for occupancy. For the first two months

the Progress was printed in Ontario and I spent three days a week in Brea, making the trips back and forth by motorcycle.

On July 14th, 1913, the Brea postoffice was opened for business with C. H. Sweet in charge as postmaster, and was located in Mr. Sweet's confectionary store, adjoining the La Habra Valley Bank. It was just a month later that the Progress was established in the Delaney building and became a home newspaper in every sense of the word. The first advertisers included the following firms:—La Habra Valley Bank; Stern & Goodman, Harry Ray, Mgr.; S. A. Salveson; J. P. Hoffman, gen'l merchandise; Welch's Pharmacy; Mitchell & Long garage; Brown & Dauser Lumber Co., J. M. Shirey, Mgr.; Craig and Bird, contractors; Brea Hotel; Brea Machine Works; J. E. Russell, jeweler; Chas. King, auto stage; Enoch & Cowden, pool room; Mrs. Rankin's restaurant; A. J. Olsen, real estate; Sweet's confectionary; and Mr. Dudgeon, dentist.

Every live town, which has not yet reached the stage of incorporation, has its chamber of commerce or local improvement club, and Brea was no exception to this outstanding rule of advancement. However, this pioneer chamber of commerce was especially notable for two reasons. Many of its members engaged in the smaller lines of business could more profitably have been working for wages as work was plentiful in those days, but chose to be in business for themselves because they had faith in the future prospects of the town. Many others who were not in business and had no property interests were always ready and willing to lend a hand toward any project for the good of the community.

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86 Brea Men Work Under C.W.A. Plan

COUNCIL MEETS UP ADDITIONAL PROJECTS

Eighty six men heads of families in Brea to work Wednesday under the Civil Work program for Office Assignments were made county headquarters at Every man with dependents are residents of Orange the eligible list show work which will last until that date. They will receive a minimum wage of 45¢ per hour work six hours a day to 130 hours per month. Sixty six men at work in Brea mean a monthly income of \$100. Forty six of the men from Brea are working on project know as D 3 T on Creek ditch in the vicinity Fullerton Airport. The project have been assigned to project-D 2 M, Group 3 on oté Creek in the vicinity of Highway and La Mira of La Habra.

A special meeting of Council was called Monday to consider working up within the city to be submitted to the government for approval under the C. W. A. Present councilmen were City attorney Herbert Launer, city engineer Phelps and Fred Boxall superintendent of parks and streets. A resolution was passed by council authorizing the engineer to work out a plan which would include restoration of buildings, tennis courts, painting ornamental light sculpture, landscape gardening, drains, lighting in parkways and a system within the park.

Another project to be worked calls for repairs to the sewer disposal plant and sewer. The third project would include laying a storm drain.

TWO BOYS HIT BY AUTO

Roy, Wheeler, small son of Ray Wheeler of 207 E. Imperial Highway and Leonard Contreras, 220 So. Orange Ave. each received fractures, cuts and bruises last Saturday at 5:15 P. M. when they ran out into the path of a car driven by Wayne M. Glade on East Birch St. near Redwood Ave. The boys were selling olives and ran directly into the path of the car according to reports made of the accident. They were treated at the Brea Emergency Hospital and are now at their homes. The Wheeler boy received a fracture of the left ankle while the Contreras lad's right thigh was broken.

Football Banquet Set For Coming Tuesday Evening

SEATING CAPACITY LIMITED
SO GET YOUR TICKETS
EARLY

Tuesday evening at 6:30 P. M., the annual football banquet for the coaches and football teams of Brea-Olinda will be held in the Cafeteria of the High School. With the championship team of Orange county—it is expected that there will be a rush for tickets of admission. The coveted pasteboards will cost \$1.25 per piece. Regrettably it seems to the committee on arrangements, they will only be able to accommodate 120 persons outside of the guests. The exact number of tickets—to accommodate the maximum number that can be accommodated are now on sale at Close's and Le Gro's Drug Stores. It is recommended that EVERYONE anxious to get to the banquet—and that means everyone—arrange to purchase their tickets at once.

John Dougherty has charge of ticket sales.

Tom Lieb, one of the outstanding coaches of the country, is the guest speaker of the evening. You are assured of a whale of a talk from him. In addition to this headline of the evening, the Committee has arranged a football novelty—dedicated to the charging Wildcats—Champions of Orange county—

HAROLD DANIELLY HAS BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Harold Danielly was complimented by a group of his young friends last Saturday night with a

Ami Tai Officers Are Guests in Brea Home

H. L. DELANEY MEETS INSTANT DEATH

H. L. Delaney of this place was instantly killed Tuesday evening while at work as a driller for the Standard Oil Company at Baldwin well No. 5 near Montebello. The accident which caused the driller's death occurred shortly after 4 o'clock and just a few minutes before the day's work was to have been ended.

Working with Delaney was A. N. Richardson. Richardson was operating the drilling machine on signals given by the driller. Delaney had given a signal and as a steel cable moved, a piece of timber fell from a height of 80 feet in the derrick and struck the unfortunate man squarely upon the head. He sank immediately to the ground in a lifeless heap.

The steel line had been working against a two by twelve timber in the derrick and had so cut it that it parted, and it was a piece of this about five feet long that fell with its deadly results.

The body of the deceased man was taken to a Whittier undertaking establishment where it remained until the coroner's inquest yesterday afternoon, when it was removed to McAulay's parlors in Fullerton to await funeral arrangements.

Funeral arrangements are awaiting word from the east, but in all probabilities services will be held at McAulay's chapel, Fullerton, at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. Internment will be made at Loma Vista Cemetery.

H. L. Delaney was one of the oldest oil well drillers in this section, and was reputed to be one of the very best. He had worked for the Union, Standard Petroleum and Standard Oil companies in the Brea field and was one of the very best informed men on oil formation.

When the oil field around Montebello was first opened a year ago Mr. Delaney grasped an opportunity to secure a lease on twenty acres of land in that section. This was before the development of the field had started, but the experience of this oil worker led him to feel an assurance that oil in goodly quantities was there. The development work of other companies around Mr. Delaney's lease soon proved the correctness of his judgment.

One big producer after another was brought in around Delaney's lease until gushers were spouting within a couple of thousand feet of his property boundary.

Eager operators were after the Delaney holding, and he was offered bonuses reaching as high as \$15,000, but he held the property, feeling that what was good for the big man was good for him. A few weeks ago he organized a stock company among Brea business men and oil workers for the development of his lease. Officers had been elected, he being placed in as president, and development work was to have been started soon, the president of the company to drill the first well. And Delaney looked forward to this with great anticipation and pleasure.

H. L. Delaney was among the founders of the city of Brea. He erected a two-story business building here in the town's early history, owned a nice home and made himself generally a good citizen. He leaves a wife, having no children of his own, but a few months ago the couple adopted a bright orphan boy who had stoled into the heart of the big oil driller and was shown the full love of a devoted father.

H. L. Delaney was born in Wainsburg, Pa., and was 39 years of age. As a young man he engaged in the oil development work pursuing this line of employment for a number of years in the Pennsylvania field. In

1905 he came westward, stopping in Colorado, where he spent two years. He came to California in 1907 and immediately went to work in the Olinda field. With the exception of a short time at Taft during the opening of oil development in that area, all the time since coming to California has been spent in this section. Mr. Delaney has made a number of visits back to the old haunts in the east, the last being during the summer of 1916.

The deceased leaves a father and one brother in the old home town in Pennsylvania, a brother in Cleveland, Ohio, and a third brother is Guy Delaney, formerly of Brea, but now of Los Angeles. Tom Delaney, who is now at work in the Montebello field, is a cousin to the deceased driller.

BREA PROGRESS, Fri., Feb. 15, 1918,

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