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SARAH BRIDGFORD

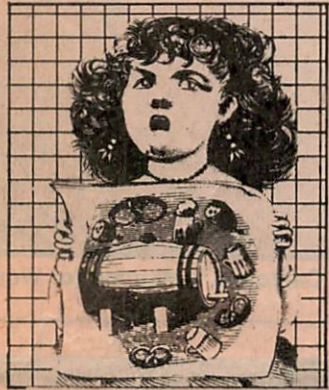
Sarah Alice Bridgeford, 84, died in her home at 1325 McClay Street this morning after an extended illness. She was born in Louisville, Ky., and had lived in Santa Ana for 62 years. She was a member of Torosa Rebeka Lodge and the First Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, Walter E. Hiskey of Santa Ana, and 2 daughters, Maude E. Gould of Tustin and Nancy M. McClay of Santa Ana; a brother, Charles L. Thomas of Hollywood; five grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. Funeral arrangements will be announced later by Winbigler Mortuary.

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A determined body of women worked hard to rid Orange County of one of its pleasures. That was "Sister Willard's Gang." Their target: booze.

Early in 1894, they got an important ally in Rev. E.O. McIntyre of Santa Ana. The city had consistently held its saloons to six, and by one count there were only 14 others in the county. Santa Ana's six paid \$3,600 annually in license fees which endeared them to the City Council.

McIntyre launched a petition calling on the Board of Supervisors "to forbid intoxicating liquor in Orange County" and secured 1,455 signatures.

But Santa Ana Standard Editor Dan Baker ran the names of all 1,455 signers on the front page! A few names on petitions are bound to be invalid, and women could not vote. The ordinance died miserably.

— **Turn the Rascals Out!**  
By Jim Sleeper,  
Orange County historian

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The rise in Santa Ana's population brought the necessity to improve the quality of life for the residents. By the mid-1880s, there was still no pavement on the streets. The rainy months turned the city into a sea of mud.

The locals, taking matters into their own hands, hired contractors to pave the streets. Residents were required to pay for paving in front of their properties, and ... a local network of paved streets was established in the early 1890s.

— **"Orange County Experience"**  
By Louis Reichman  
and Gary Cardinale

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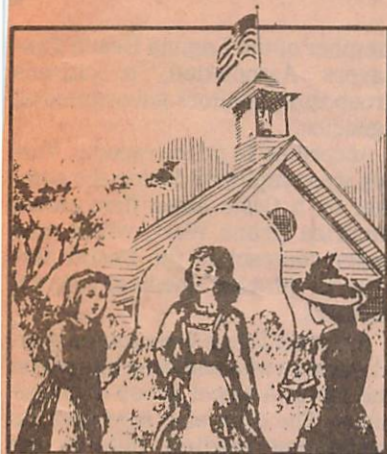
Tobacco was long grown in parts of Orange County. Factories where the plant was cut and hung to dry included one in Anaheim at Thales and Center owned by Frank Arnold, who rolled and sold "Shoe-Peg" cigars. They contained tiny wooden pegs in the end that were pulled out before smoking.

Santa Ana's most prominent cigar-maker was H. Richter, who opened in 1895 at 209 W. Fourth St. His best brand was "Silkwood," named after the county's most famous pacer.

Other labels included the "Santa Ana," the "Little Phil," and in 1899, Richter brought out the "Newport Beach," described as "an honest cigar" (whatever that means).

— **First Orange County Almanac**  
By Jim Sleeper  
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district was formed around their property and was named Delhi after their native town. A school was built on what became Delhi Road. Around 1910 several sugar factories were built near the school and a little community developed.

A post office called Delhi was applied for but was not allowed since there was another Delhi in California. The name Harbor was substituted and the office was opened on April 25, 1914. A little more than a year later, on June 24, 1915, the name was changed to Gloryetta. The Gloryetta post office was consolidated with Santa Ana on April 14, 1936.

— **Historic Place Names in Orange County**  
By Don Meadows

The McFadden brothers, pioneers of Orange County, who were natives of Delhi, New York, developed several hundred acres of land south of Santa Ana. In 1878 a school

Kenneth <sup>Bridgford</sup> and his  
dog at their 5th St.  
home.

Santa Ana, CA

ca 1900 ??

Kenneth Bridgford  
was 1st cousin to  
Zela Thomas Beardoff  
on her mother's side.



Kenneth <sup>Bridgford</sup>  
<sup>in front of</sup>  
old Thomas farm that  
Johnny Bridgford built.

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