

# An Appreciation of Harry Chandler

**B**orn of pioneer stock and reared in New England, Harry Chandler commenced life with a priceless inheritance of a sturdy resolve and a capacity for sane and conservative thinking.

Coming to Southern California in 1882 as only a lad, he early entered the newspaper field in the capacity of a newsboy. Slowly but persistently Harry Chandler developed the business of being a newsboy into the position of Circulation Manager. This is characteristic of the man, for in the lowly work of the newsboy he envisioned the greater opportunity.

It was but logical that General Harrison Gray Otis, the owner and publisher of the Los Angeles Times, should recognize in his newsboy and later his Circulation Manager a heart, brain and sturdy resolve that matched his own, and here the real career of Harry Chandler began in 1890.

Small wonder then that General Otis expressed, several years before his death, the belief that he could safely turn the ownership and conduct of his most cherished material possession, the Los Angeles Times, into the hands and keeping of Mr. Chandler.

To us of Los Angeles the name Harry Chandler is synonymous with progress, sound development, industry, shipping and with all of those splendid achievements which this community and this section have realized in the last two decades.

This has been the guiding hand in many of the great enterprises, national and international in scope, that have placed his adopted city among the great metropolises of the world.


Ever modest and retiring, notwithstanding an inspiring personality, Harry Chandler has grown up among his fellow citizens of Southern California, a loved honored comrade in a great cause.

This is the capacity of leadership and of a friend and adviser of the humblest citizen.

Harry Chandler has endeared himself to the citizens of Los Angeles and Southern California for his fearless leadership in those fundamentals in which we believe; for his untiring efforts in the building of the community's substance and progress; for his support of and leadership in all matters dealing with our cultural and educational advancement, and last but not least, for his humanness and kindness in dealing with us collectively and individually.

To Harry Chandler, citizen, business leader, philanthropist and kindly friend, these words are inscribed by the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce this eleventh day of November 1931.

  
Secretary

  
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