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Annual Carnival At High School Is Tomorrow

One of the outstanding community-student events of the year at Torrance high school—the annual Carnival—will be held tomorrow (Friday) afternoon and evening at the tennis court and in the gymnasium. This "one big blow-off" of student fun and frivolity is presented to raise funds for the publication of the high school annual, an illustrated year-book of high school activities, history and lore that misses being self-supporting from its advertisements by about \$100.

Mrs. Marjorie Eischen is chairman of the faculty committee in charge of the Carnival. One of the big features of the event is the selection and crowning of the Queen. There are six candidates for this honor—Phyllis Haefli, Marion Sears, Peggy Woods, Donna McCutcheon, Merle McHenry and Marcella Crook. Friends of the Queen aspirants are conducting vigorous campaigns this week in selling tickets to the Carnival. The winning candidate will not be known until tomorrow morning.

Booths and Games
 Starting at 1:30 Friday afternoon, the event will proceed with only a brief recess for dinner to 10:30 at night. Included in the day's festivities will be the annual alumni baby show from 3 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon in room 106, a meeting of all alumni at 7 o'clock in the same room and the coronation of the Queen at 8:30.

Booths where pineapple, candy, popcorn, and peanuts, caps, ice cream, confetti and food may be obtained will be operated on the tennis court and in the gymnasium. Various games, such as "High-Striker," fortune-telling, milk-bottle ringing, fish pond, cherry tree, nail-driving, funny faces, balloon busting, horse and buggy, ring-a-duck and "Krazy-Krazin'" will be in operation. Other features will be a Chinese theatre, Junior high theatre, Varsity club show and vaudeville. A dance will bring the entertainment to a close.

Farm Bureau Head to Speak Monday In Gardena

"Only through organization on a large scale in which the vast majority of producers take a personal part in formulating and executing policies, can agriculture hold its own during these critical times in which rapid economic changes are taking place."

This statement will be the keynote of an address to be given by R. W. Blackburn at the Gardena Grammar school next Monday evening at 8 p. m. Blackburn is president of the California Farm Bureau Federation and a member of the executive committee of the American Farm Bureau Federation. He also owns and operates his own grape, date, and citrus orchard near Thermal in Riverside county.

W. E. Gainsley of Lomita, chairman of the Southwest Poultry Center of the Los Angeles County Farm Bureau, has been instrumental in bringing Blackburn to Gardena for this meeting. Plans to bring into the Los Angeles County Farm Bureau a minimum of 4,000 members which would establish a new state and national record in Farm Bureau acquisition were launched recently by the organization.

Supervisors Rush New Flood Drain Bill to Solons

Los Angeles county supervisors this week prepared to submit to the State Legislature a draft of a new bill similar to that voted by Governor Merriam late last week which would transfer drainage districts to the flood control district.

Speed will be necessary, however, if the bill is to be passed upon by the assembly and the senate before the last-minute rush preparatory to adjournment today or shortly thereafter, county officials conceded.

Supervisor H. C. Legg, in whose district one of the principal drainage districts is located, adjacent to the Central Manufacturing district, is sponsoring the new bills. He said he believed there was "no reasonable and just dividing line between flood control and drainage of storm waters." The present method whereby various communities deal with drainage matters as purely local problems is entirely wrong, he added.

Opponents of the original plan pointed out that the tax rate of the flood control district would have to be increased several cents, however.



New \$1,000,000 Fortress Is Dedicated
 This is the new Government mint at San Francisco described as the most nearly perfect a model mint this country or any other has ever had. It was dedicated recently with Mrs. Nellie Taylor Ross, director of U. S. mints; Peter J. Haggerty, mint superintendent, and state and civic leaders participating in the ceremonies. Mrs. Ross and Mr. Haggerty are shown at lower right.

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Three Hurt in Mishaps With Beasts

Three mishaps involving as many men and animals occurred in this vicinity during the past week. The most seriously injured was Vern Barlow, owner of the Ritz cafe on Carson street, whose face was ground into some Palos Verdes gravel early Tuesday morning when a horse he was riding slipped, fell and rolled over him.

The left side of Barlow's face was badly lacerated and his left ear almost severed. He was rushed to a local physician's office by his riding partner, Jerry Clark, also of Torrance. A large number of stitches had to be taken to close Barlow's wounds and today X-rays were to be taken of his neck and head to determine if he suffered any more injuries.

Last Friday a herdsman working for the Briganti dairy in Keystone was kicked by a horse and injured about the face. He was also treated in a Torrance physician's office. And on Monday another man, employed on a Bell dairy, applied for treatment of several broken ribs. He had been kicked by a cow.

Cooking School Well Attended

Hundreds of women attended The Herald's two-day all-electric cooking school held last week at the Civic Auditorium and learned many new ideas in the field of home economics from the instruction offered by Miss Nancy Baker.

Scores of valuable gifts were distributed each day by local business and professional firms and nationally-known food concerns. The Auditorium was well filled each afternoon and the fashion show, staged through the courtesy of the Lenae Dress Shop and Ellwood's, was a most enjoyable feature of the session.

Miss Baker demonstrated practical menus and also gave many sidelights on easier kitchen methods. Raymond Brooks, advertising manager for The Herald, served as master-of-ceremonies. Copies of the recipes demonstrated may be obtained at The Herald office without charge.

One S.S. Number Is Enough; More Will Mix Records

Persons subject to the California Unemployment Reserves Act who obtain more than one Social Security number may fail to qualify for benefits after Jan. 1, 1938. This announcement was made this week by John P. Chambers, Oakland member of the California Unemployment Reserves Commission.

"Our accounting department," said Chambers, "has found that many persons throughout the state are securing more than one Social Security number from their local post offices. It is found easier by an individual who loses a card to go to the post office and get a new one than it is to make application for a reissuance of their old card."

"This procedure endangers the individual's compensation standing due to the fact that employe records in California are to be kept through Social Security numbers."

Chambers pointed out that if an individual works under two numbers or even more than two, he might fail to qualify for benefits, but if he works under a single number and all his earnings have been reported under that number, he can readily qualify. If cards are lost, re-application should be made at the post office and the same account number secured the second time.

First Flood Suit Filed This Week

T. J. Nestor, real estate dealer in Compton, filed the first claim with county officials this week for damages from last winter's flood in the Keystone area. He asked for \$43,000 for damage to his Keystone property from the inundation which covered the district four months ago.

Nestor's holdings lie near Main street, just north of Carson boulevard in the Nigger slough area, that lay long under water. In his claim, Nestor alleges that the flooding was caused by negligence on the part of county officials.

The document was filed with the Board of Supervisors, the sanitation district and the flood control district, it was announced by A. K. Warren, sanitary engineer, to the Keystone Improvement association leaders, long active in the drainage fight here.

Damage was intensified by improper sewage disposal and inefficient maintenance of the drainage canal, the claim suggests.

'Show-Off' Speeders Will Get Jail Terms

Aroused by the practice of some high school students and more young men who are out of school of tearing around in their cars—generally on two wheels—in front of the high school, Principal Thomas Elson sought the aid of City Judge Robert Lessing this week in an effort to curb youthful speeders.

Judge Lessing responded at once. He announced that "in the future anyone brought before him charged with reckless driving in the vicinity of the high school and found guilty would receive a straight jail sentence." In addition to that severe penalty, the magistrate declared that the convicted offender's motor vehicle license would be promptly cancelled.

Check on "Speedway"
 Principal Elson says that most of the reckless driving on Carson street and El Prado in front of the high school is done during the noon hour when many of the students are traveling back and forth from their homes. Several narrow escapes have been reported by boys and girls who were almost run down by young men "showing off" at the wheels of their cars.

City police also intend to keep a sharp lookout in the future on that "speedway" location and unless the would-be daredevil drivers exercise more caution, wholesale arrests will be made.

No More Trespassing
 Because a number of former students or graduates of the high school have seriously interfered with the regular classroom routine at the school, Principal Elson this week announced that no one but a student or employee of the school will be permitted on school property unless they show a proper reason for being there. Any one noticed loitering about the grounds in the future, Elson said, will be prosecuted for trespassing.

Firemen Make Two Runs But Are Not Needed

Answering the third alarm in as many days, the fire department extinguished a small grass fire this morning off the alley in the rear of McKinley Inn, 1417 Cota avenue, before it did any damage. A power line pole was blackened by the blaze.

While he was filling the vacuum tank on his Dodge coupe with gasoline, Tuesday night on Post avenue near Carson street, Joe Page of 1601 Carson street was amazed to see his car catch on fire.

Fortunately Oscar Butterfield, city electrician, happened to be driving by at the time the car burst into flames and he had the fire under control with his extinguisher by the time the fire department arrived. Page's car was only slightly damaged.

The department made a second run Wednesday morning when an alarm was received from an oil rig near Hawthorne avenue and Sepulveda boulevard. An oil tank caught fire there but the blaze was extinguished by the time the fire truck arrived from central station.

Three Jailed for Drunk Driving

Three men were jailed here on drunk driving charges last weekend, one of them by local officers and others by deputy sheriffs.

John Bruce Blackburn, 43, 25110 Narbonne avenue, Lomita, was jailed late Saturday following a collision at Narbonne avenue and West 245th street. Deputies Tabor and Manning, the arresting officers, reported that Blackburn's machine struck a motor coach driven by H. E. McMillan of 1959 West 253rd street, Lomita. No injuries were reported. The accused driver appeared in the Gardena court later and was penalized.

Andrew Fabbro, 35, of a local hotel, was apparently grateful for his arrest early Monday morning, according to a police report. The officers said they discovered him driving about the hotel in an erratic manner, apparently trying to park his machine. He was reported to have sighed with great relief when they came along and offered assistance. Fabbro obligingly accompanied the officers to jail, where he asked them to awaken him early so he could go to work. He was accommodated but went before City Judge Robert Lessing first and was fined.

William Roby, 49, Swarthout, Calif., was arrested Sunday night by deputies in Lomita following his asserted failure to make a boulevard stop.

Deputy Assessor in City Last Time Tomorrow

Tomorrow (Friday) will be the last day a deputy county assessor will be in Torrance to assist local property owners in matters affecting their taxes and assessments. The deputy will be at the Chamber of Commerce from 2 to 4 p. m.

How They Stand

The positions for the five Bonus Checks are very close at this time. No worker has a safe lead in points by any means. By stopping now or allowing their campaign to lag, they take a desperate chance of losing a Bonus Check position. Every effort should be made by campaign workers during the few remaining hours of this all important first period.

Subscribers—Attention!
 Many Herald subscribers have stated to the various workers that they have promised their subscription to one of the other campaign workers. The Herald urges present subscribers to renew their present subscription during the next few days. There are quite a number of subscribers whose subscriptions are past due and ready for renewing at this time. ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE. Renew your subscription with one of the campaign workers now.

Subscribers Get Check
 The subscribers' \$200 Gift Check is creating keen interest. On June 19 some subscriber will receive this \$200 check simply by renewing his or her present subscription or placing a new subscription order with one of the campaign workers.

Local Student Is Elected Member of Phi Beta Kappa

Miss Alice Burger, 1104 Cedar avenue, was included among 19 superior students at the University of Southern California elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa this week.

Phi Beta Kappa is the oldest Greek-letter fraternity in the United States, being founded in 1776 at the College of William and Mary and includes among its members some of the most prominent educators and professional men in the nation.

Miss Burger is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Burger and is a graduate of Torrance high school.

Ueda Finishing New Greenhouses

Bob Ueda has nearly completed an extensive addition to his greenhouses on Lomita boulevard at Woodward street, east of Narbonne avenue. The new buildings are equipped with the latest modern devices for plant culture and represent an investment of several thousand dollars.

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Chamber to Show Local Products At Gardena Expo

A display of Torrance-made products and pictures of the Civic center buildings here will be placed in a booth that the Chamber of Commerce rented this week at the Gardena Merchants' exposition. This event will be held June 10-14 in a large tent in the adjoining community. The Torrance municipal band will also play an afternoon concert there.

Bonus Points Drop After Saturday

Promptly at 8 o'clock Saturday night the first period of the Torrance Herald Bonus Check campaign will end. Points on subscriptions will decrease to the following numbers after Saturday night:

First Period—Ends May 22
 New Subscription Points
 1 Year 24,000
 2 Years 92,000
 3 Years 196,000
 4 Years 380,000
 5 Years 500,000

Renewal Subscription Points
 1 Year 4,000
 2 Years 12,000
 3 Years 36,000
 4 Years 180,000
 5 Years 305,000

The following points will be in force for two weeks, starting Monday, May 24:

Second Period—May 23 to June 5
 New Subscription Points
 1 Year 13,000
 2 Years 49,000
 3 Years 106,000
 4 Years 205,000
 5 Years 305,000

Renewal Subscription Points
 1 Year 8,000
 2 Years 9,000
 3 Years 26,000
 4 Years 85,000
 5 Years 145,000

Japanese Badly Hurt In Crash

George Yasunaga, a Japanese residing at 22541 Meyler street, was seriously injured in an automobile accident about 8 o'clock Tuesday night at the intersection of Avalon and Carson streets. He was taken to Las Campanas hospital in Compton where his condition is reported improving today. Yasunaga's left eye and the left side of his face were badly lacerated.

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Name-Hunter Scans Herald Applies Adage, Finds Paper News-Worthy

Trite but true, "Names make News."
 Having nothing better to do last Thursday night a member of The Herald staff undertook to scan that day's edition of the newspaper.

Column by column he went thru the 20-page Herald, noted every LOCAL name, diligently tossed aside cognomens of LOCAL people who had been mentioned in preceding columns.

Page by page the name-hunting Heraldster tabulated the scores—38 on the front page, 20 on the next, 22, 37,

Protection Given Organized Groups' Insignia, Robes

Insignia and robes of fraternal and religious orders hereafter will have a more pronounced significance because of a legislative measure enacted into law by Governor Frank F. Merriam's signature. Under the new law, anyone wearing robes, uniform, lapel button or insignia of an order to which he does not belong will be subject to a fine and prison sentence.

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