

Only One School in City and Lomita Hit by County Measles Epidemic

Torrance Elementary has 150 Absentees; Instructions to Parents Are Outlined

A survey made this morning of attendance records in all schools in Torrance and Lomita schools showed that the incipient measles epidemic, reported gaining in the Los Angeles area, has only affected the Torrance Elementary school. Principal Merle Helbach said he feared that a large percentage of 150 absent pupils were confined with the disease.

Attendance surveys of other schools showed the following reports: Fern Street, only two known families with measles, 12 absentees out of an enrollment of 200. Torrance High school very few known cases of the disease—probably just one or two—with about 25 absent today out of 865, 17 absent yesterday.

Walteria school had perfect attendance today with 115 present; only five absent Tuesday and yesterday; Perry School in North Torrance, no measles cases known in community, five absent today which Principal C. C. Crawford said was "about normal for the windstorm."

Gain in County Noted
Narbonne high school in Lomita, one case of mumps, no measles and about 50 absent, most of these believed to be attending Catholic services in honor of the late Pope; Lomita Elementary school, 31 absent on account of an unusual number of colds, Miss Harriett Michaelis, principal, states she doesn't know of a single case of measles among her charges.

Orange Street school in Lomita, four out of 10 rooms had 100 percent attendance today, much more yesterday, most of these attending Catholic church services, according to Principal Arthur Payne.

Showing signs of what may be the beginning of an epidemic of measles, incidence for the disease in Los Angeles county for the past week rose to 123 cases, an increase of 32 over last week, and an increase of 49 over the average weekly incidence for the past four years. It was revealed this week by Dr. J. L. Pomroy, Los Angeles county health officer.

"There has been no alarming amount of measles cases reported by Torrance physicians to this office," Dr. J. L. Pomroy, district health officer at the Torrance Health Center, said yesterday. "We have not had more than three or four cases a week reported to us and that is about normal for this time of year. There have been no smallpox cases reported in Torrance or vicinity."

While at the present time the increase in measles elsewhere in this county cannot be called a serious epidemic, it is definitely in the early stages of one, and unless exceptional caution is taken by the public, it may spread and become a serious epidemic, Dr. Pomroy warned.

Instructions to Parents
"Measles can be avoided by keeping children away from others having the disease. Many times may be saved by precautions in preventing the disease, and by adequate care and isolation if it is contracted," he continued.

The following instructions to parents were issued by Dr. Pomroy:

1. As soon as your child shows symptoms of a cold it may also be the first sign of measles—if he sneezes and coughs and if his eyes are watery, keep the child out of school—inducers in bed in a light, airy room—and away from other children.

2. Call the doctor without delay. He will give your child the proper treatment.

3. Protect the child's eyes from direct bright lights or glare.

4. Be sure to follow your doctor's directions for keeping your child's eyes, ears, mouth and nostrils perfectly clean. The discharge from your child's nose and throat and cough should be carefully gathered in clean rags and burned. Measles can easily be caught through the disease germs the sick person spreads by talking or coughing. For this

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OBITUARY

MRS. BETTY THORNTON... 18-year-old wife of Jack N. Thornton of 2481 Woodward avenue, Lomita, passed away last Friday at a San Pedro hospital. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Thornton was survived by an infant daughter, her father, Bud Hewett of San Francisco; her mother, Mrs. Beverly Derrell of Wilmington, and a brother, Kenneth Howell of San Pedro. Mrs. Thornton was born in San Francisco and had resided in the harbor area for the past nine years. Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at a San Pedro chapel and interment was at Roosevelt Memorial park.

STEPHEN WISEMAN... well-known meat dealer in Redondo Beach and later in Hermosa Beach, succumbed Saturday morning at Torrance Memorial hospital where he entered Feb. 5 for medical treatment. In addition to his widow, Mrs. Edna Wiseman, he was survived by a son, daughter, sister and two brothers.

MRS. ELLA EDITH McCABE... a resident of Lomita for 17 years, succumbed Monday at her home at 1803 West 23rd street at the age of 74 years. With Mrs. McCabe at the time of her death were her devoted husband, John McCabe, and her sister, Mrs. Della Burkhardt. She is also survived by two sons, Robert H. of Ontario, and Joe J., of Lincoln, Nebraska; two sisters, Mrs. Emma Forry of Idaho and Mrs. Addie Hatfield of Kansas, and a brother, George Croffoot of Kansas.

Archie Photographer
Mr. Welch was also president of the Torrance Mutual Building and Loan association, which he helped to found; and he was also affiliated with the Torrance Building company, Industrial Housing corporation and the recently disbanded Torrance Auditorium company. He also practiced law in this city and twice sought election as justice of peace, campaigning the last time in 1938.

He was active in the Torrance Rotary club and gave much time to his hobbies of photography and painting. His camera work received many awards at various exhibitions and he possessed very large collection of pictures taken on various tours in Europe and the Orient. He made a world tour in 1927-28.

Mr. Welch was a man who gave unstintingly of his talent to any cultural movement for the city. He owned a splendid library at his attractive residence at 1604 Juniper street and was an amateur but exceptionally fine craftsman in all branches of photography. His charities were many but he always refused to publicly acknowledge his gifts, preferring to remain anonymous.

He took keen interest in financial matters, at one time being a member of the Los Angeles Stock Exchange, and was a close follower of politics as that subject pertained to national economies. Last year he went east to attend the 25th reunion of his Yale class.

reason only the doctor and the patient should enter the sick room. As soon as the rash fades, the skin will begin to peel. This peeling may last from several days to a few weeks. Although children are more likely to catch the disease, adults, too, sometimes develop measles. In adult cases, the disease is even more serious.

5. Do not let the child get up until the doctor says it is safe, and take him to the doctor again in a few months, to make certain there are no bad after-effects.

6. Be particularly careful of the child when he is recovering from measles. The after-effects are often serious. Unless you give him good care, your child may develop pneumonia and other diseases. The kidneys may also be harmed and may develop chronic disease in later life. The eyes and ears are often inflamed. This sometimes results in loss of sight or hearing.

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FROLIC FUND ARGUED BEFORE COUNCIL

(Continued from Page 1-A) given them by the Chamber of Commerce.

Can't Make 'Donation'
"Now all bills for the Frolic are paid and we are asking reimbursement of \$318 according to the agreement reached last October with the finance committee for the city council and the Chamber of Commerce," resident John Miller told the council. "The agreement was that if we needed more than the \$400 we had to stage the Frolic, the city would back us to the extent of \$400."

When Mayor Tolson said that there were no outstanding bills to pay and we can't make a donation to the Coordinating Council," he was asked by Miller what the city intended to do about the \$318 request.

"The matter is closed," Mayor Tolson said. But subsequent discussion that is still continuing today proved it was not. Councilman James Hitehook entered the argument by saying "the bills (which Miller had presented the council several days previously) were a long time coming in."

Had to Pay All Bills
"You must have had funds or you wouldn't have paid them," he stated. Miller and Shidler pointed out that they had informed the Coordinators had to pay all bills before they could be reimbursed for expenditures over their original \$400 limit. The deficit was cleared up, they said, "by paying the bills one by one as we made money on the student dances after the Factory Frolic." These bills were checked by L. J. Gilmeister, chamber secretary. Shidler said and declared that the council has a "moral obligation now in living up to its agreement."

"It's not the \$318 we're objecting to," Mayor Tolson interjected, "but the council wants to stand clear of any criticism or liability for misappropriation of funds. We cannot make donations for things of this nature."

Mrs. Flora McDonnell was among those who attacked the view. She declared "You fellows owe us \$318. You promised it thru Chamber of Commerce funds to the extent of \$400. If Mr. Miller and his other officers in the Coordinating Council were any enough to go ahead and pay all the bills over and above the \$400 which the Coordinators had to spend without turning the unpaid accounts over to you, they should not be penalized for this action."

Collection not pressed
At this point, Councilman Hitehook reversed his stand opposing the appropriation and saying that he believed the council is morally bound to pay the balance over \$400, he moved that the city pay the \$318. Councilman John Murray seconded the motion and it was carried with Councilman Powell voting "aye."

City Clerk Bartlett then announced his decision not to sign the check. He said "I'll not intimidate my job or the city treasurer's by being a party to this illegal appropriation." Councilman Powell announced that he was also of the same opinion.

Miller did not continue the discussion but merely thanked the council for its action and announced that the student dances, sponsored by his Coordinators, were much improved by new age regulations and invited the council to attend the Friday night festivities "to see for yourselves how they are conducted."

In the following discussion of the Walteria entertainment subsidy of \$10 monthly, Mayor Tolson "cracked down" on Hagberg after the latter had declared:

"It's evident that you fellows here don't like Walteria and are not giving us the recognition we are entitled to in our community. If you fellows don't want to give us that lousy 10 bucks—don't be behind legal technicalities."

Mayor 'Cracks Down'
"I don't like those remarks," Tolson said, "and I wish you would stick to the point."
"Do we get the \$10?" Hagberg insisted.

"You've heard the action of the council," Tolson replied. Councilman Powell, reading the minutes of the council session when the Walteria subsidy was approved several months ago, declared: "If that appropriation is illegal then this action we've taken to give the Coordinating Council is illegal too—as I have contended all along."

Working for Whole City
"Why can't the Chamber of Commerce make the two donations?" Tolson questioned. "I suggest that they do and the Walteria people and the Coordinating Council should see them and have these matters straightened out."

"I resent remarks like 'we don't like any particular part of the city,'" Tolson continued. "Walteria is getting its share of city finances and all its residents have to do to confirm this is to look at the city books. I don't mean this as a reprimand but I want it known that we are not working against Walteria or any part of the city. We're trying our best to represent the whole Torrance."

Club Holds Second Dinner Gathering
Members of the S.Q.S. club enjoyed their second dinner-party gathering last Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Chatlan in Walteria. A delightful chop suey dinner was served and then games were played. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames Jack Pryor, Harry Borden and William C. Coburn of Torrance, William E. Coburn of Hawthorne and George Shelton of Inglewood.

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