

Veterans Must Register For Free Tickets

Veterans who show evidence of service and of residence in Torrance may call at the main jubilee tent, El Prado and Cravens ave., today or any day during the big five-day Torrance Fourth of July jubilee celebration and register for tickets to various events on the program.

The tickets are for veterans only, and must be restricted. It was pointed out. One book of tickets is allowed to each veteran, since it is the service men and women who are being honored by this big pro-

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Welcome Home

Prohibition Of Highway Parking Told

A parking prohibition on the following listed routes during the Air Circus, July 5 and 6, has been announced.

101 Highway, from Torrance city line to Hawthorne Blvd. Hawthorne Blvd., from 101 Highway to Lomita Blvd.

Lomita Blvd., from Torrance city line to Hawthorne Blvd. Madison Ave., from Newton St. to 101 Highway.

The California State Highway Patrol will cooperate in this matter, it is said.



LOVELY QUEEN GREET'S PERPLEXED MARINE . . . "Horse Marine, ma'am?" questioned S/Sgt. Gill Mitchell, suspecting a rib, "no, that's just a lot of Army propaganda." But pretty little Frances Barrington, 1946 Queen of Torrance who will reign over the annual rodeo here, didn't call at the Marine recruiting booth in El Prado Park, to enlist the horse. She rode up in grand style on her horse, "Treasure," and extended an invitation to the Marine recruiter to attend the gala five-day Veterans Welcome Home Jubilee. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. (Jack) Barrington of this city. (Torrance Herald photo.)

Big Veterans' Welcome Home Program Opens; Rodeo, Air Show, Dances

Veterans of Torrance, more than those of any other community in California, knew they were "Welcome Home" as the big Fourth of July jubilee program got into the swing Tuesday night, to be followed by the first performance of the Fourth Annual Torrance Rodeo Wednesday—all free to the vets.

Sharing opening honors with the American Legion performance of Hollywood talent in the Civic Auditorium Tuesday night, was the El Prado midway with booths where everything could be found—even nylons, gals) to satisfy a celebration-hungry populace which had planned for weeks to give out with the real American "glad to see you, buddy" spirit.

The old-fashioned barbecue sponsored by the Lions club, opened for business; carnival features seemed to spring up like mushrooms.

Truly, vets, Torrance is glad to see you, and our adoration for the record you have made in the service of your country is tempered only by the memory of those who "did not come home."

The special edition of the Torrance Herald, in which you read this account of the "Veterans Welcome Home" celebration contains the names of those who lost their lives in the great conflict for liberty; it contains the available pictures of all veterans, a record, we believe, for any newspaper—daily or weekly.

If the picture of your brother, son, father, husband or daughter is not included in this big 56 page Souvenir Edition, it is not that we did not ask it—and modestly kept many a man from submitting data as to his record.

The edition contains the list of names of all persons who served in the armed forces in World War II, likewise as complete as possible.

The Fourth of July parade Thursday morning will feature the participation of many local organizations in the effort to show their interest in the gigantic veterans' welcome home program.

The parade is due to start at 11 a.m. on Cabrillo avenue and to follow that street north to Torrance Blvd., then to Cravens avenue to Marcella avenue, Arlington avenue and back to Plaza del Amo, where it will break up.

The parade will be followed by the second performance of the big Torrance annual rodeo in which championship cowboys of the Cowboy Association of America are participating.

On July 4th, in the early evening, a veterans banquet and stage show will be held in the Civic Auditorium with such prominent persons attending as Mrs. Walter Harrington Boyd, president of the American Gold Star Mothers, guest of honor, and Supervisor and Mrs. Raymond V. Darby.

Also present will be Col. Roger Q. Williams and Mrs. Williams, who, with their children, Roger Q. Jr. and Audrey, arrived in Torrance Tuesday. Colonel Williams is the famous New York to Rome flier of some 20 years ago, whose feat won world-wide fame.

Participating in the big veterans banquet in the Civic Auditorium tonight will be artists from the Three Arts Studio, with Bettie Thomas and her talented Accordions supplying popular song selections as rousing musicians.

Martha Jane Rickard and Edward Rickard, of the Three Arts Studio, also will present a program of specialty numbers during the open air vaudeville program Friday evening.

The banquet will be followed at 9:00 p.m. by the annual cowboy dance in the Civic auditorium, presented by the Rodeo committee. A war trophies exhibit.

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WASP Pilots To Participate In Big Aerial Show

The United States Civil Air Patrol, whose members number hundreds of veteran Army, Navy and Marine Corps pilots, will present an aerial show at the local flight strip in conjunction with the huge Marine Corps and civilian pilots' offering here on July 5 and 6.

Holmes announced yesterday, "Our organization has the material," Holmes said, "to match anything in the lighter ships. In addition to this we have those gallant ladies of the air among our members. These women fliers need no introduction," the major exclaimed, "as the Women's Army Service Pilots did a bang-up job during the time when the males were slow to get."

These WASPs will put their PT-17's and 19's through their paces during the big show, Holmes declared.

Civil Air Patrol cadets will be assigned on the field in great numbers for the purpose of watching cars and aiding in the parking.

VETERANS PICTURES READY FOR RETURN AT HERALD OFFICE

Pictures of veterans of World War II, which were brought to the office of the Torrance Herald by the hundreds for publication in this "Veterans Welcome Home" souvenir edition, will be returned to those calling for them starting tomorrow morning, July 5.

In the process of making half-tone engravings reproduction of the pictures in this edition, the pictures are in no way damaged. They will be returned by the business office of the Torrance Herald to their owners upon request.



CHILD EXPERT . . . This is little Coleen Alpaugh, age 8, who will perform roping acts on her Welch pony, "Peewee," during the Fourth Annual Torrance Rodeo Wednesday night and Thursday afternoon. The little tyke sold more than a half million dollars worth of bonds with her performance during the war, and was cited by the Treasury Department for her activity. An expert with snakes, she also does a snake dance with an indigo blacksnake. She appeared in "Dark Corner," recently with Bob Hope.

Championship Rodeo Performers To Participate In Big 2-Day Show Here

Rodeo ring performers, champions of the world and others vying for heavy purses will compete in the Torrance Fourth Annual Rodeo July 3 at 8 p.m. and July 4 at 2 p.m. in a Torrance ball park performance under management of Torrance Rodeo committee and sponsored by the Cowboy Association of America.

The thrill-packed events will be witnessed by an estimated 10,000 spectators.

Singing of the Star Spangled Banner will open the gigantic show, followed by the grand entry, led by the Rodeo Queen, the lovely Frances Barrington, "Miss Torrance of 1946," and introduction of judges and officials.

John Quijada, champion CAA bull rider, will be featured in the thrills-a-minute second event when a galaxy of rodeo stars will attempt to ride ferocious Brahma bulls. Carl Grimes, champion team roper, has hand-picked the wildest of his bulls to match against the daredevil riders.

Event number three will feature Carl Goodstead in one of the fastest of western rodeo sports, championship calf roping. Roy Hall, of Good Luck Riding Academy, will present a trick pony act in the fourth event.

Wild broncs from the plains of Nevada, will attempt to spill their riders in the fifth act, which features Harry Floyd, a champion in riding those dynamite-packed bundles of wild horse flesh.

Event number six will fea-



GOLD STAR MOTHERS' LEADER HERE . . . Honored guest of the people of Torrance Thursday night during the "Veterans Welcome Home" banquet in the Civic Auditorium will be Mrs. Walter Harrington Boyd of Long Beach, national president, American Gold Star Mothers, Inc. Mrs. Boyd, who lost two sons, her only children, during World War II, is pictured here as she was installed recently in Philadelphia as national president of the Gold Star Mothers. "It is only with courage and understanding that we will win the peace after our men have won the war," Mrs. Boyd said in accepting the invitation to Torrance for the banquet.

"Ever See A Plane Do A Clover Leaf?" No? You Will July 5-6

In addition to the veteran U. S. Marine Corps pilots who will thrill the most hardened observer at the two-day Air Show here July 5 and 6, many civilian pilots scheduled to make the appearance during the thrill-fest, promise to shake the stand and bring the crowds to their feet with something new!

This was revealed yesterday when Capt. Jim Schuckert, who operates the Schuckert Flying Service at the Central Airport field to look over the loes field in his 1946 model Luscombe Silvair. Jim cautioned this observer not to let his aerial beauty, which develops only a mere 80 horsepower, for us as to its ability to "do the big acts," for as the captain put it: "It's not built to make noise, but to maneuver—as you will see Friday when my instructor, Lt. Dick Dana, a former B-29 pilot, puts it through a "cloverleaf!"

This reporter tried to visualize the sleek Silvair going through a "cloverleaf," when Schuckert explained: "Four loops with 90-degree turn in each, and—first thing you know Dana is made an Irishman's favorite plant—and," the former "Humpty" pilot promised, "the people sitting in the grandstands will have to stretch their necks—because Dana does this one down in front!"

Dana also will demonstrate the Luscombe in a series of loops, vertical reverses, loops, and including Japan's surrender. (Torrance Herald photo.)

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Withdrawal of Schools From Los Angeles to be Issue on Aug. 20th Ballot

The people of Torrance will get their long-advocated opportunity of setting up their own independent school districts on August 20.

The City Council, by unanimous action of the four members present, ordered placed on the special election ballot on that day a City Charter which provides for setting up the Torrance Board of Education for control of the local schools under the Education Code of California.

The charter provides that the present setup of municipal government remain the same, with personnel, ordinances, resolutions, civil service rights and other provisions intact.

Four members of the council voting Tuesday night are Mayor J. Hugh Sherfy Jr., Councilmen W. H. Tolson, A. L. Jackson and G. V. Powell. Councilman C. M. Gilbert was absent, but previously had indicated his approval of the plan. Councilman Powell, an employee of the Los Angeles city school district as custodian at the Torrance high school, said that he was in favor of giving the people a chance to vote on the issue, but opposed the charter.

The charter is printed in full in this edition of the Torrance Herald, as required by law, and will be presented later in pamphlet form for information of the voters.

It was prepared originally by J. Louis Burke, expert on municipal law, and adapted to the needs of Torrance by City Attorney J. E. McCall, Deputy City Attorney Otto B. Willett and a committee of citizens appointed by the City Council for the purpose, consisting of Dr.

prosecute the campaign with all vigor.

Dr. Wood and Lynch said that committees will be formed in each section of the city to assure that the voters have the proper information on the effect of the school issue and the benefits of control by Torrance people of their own schools.

The Board of Education would be an independent body, subject only to the Education Code, and in no way would be connected with the municipal government, it is pointed out. Members of the City Council could not sit as members of the Board of Education, as the Board of Education must be selected at a separate election held for that purpose, and strict requirements

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Claims Of Inadequate Instruction By Los Angeles Schools Substantiated

Proving that long-standing complaints of inadequate instruction by the Los Angeles city school system, of which Torrance is a part, were well-founded, was an evaluation study presented to the Los Angeles Board of Education last week.

As a result, as Torrance residents prepare to exercise their recently provided privilege of showing their desire to operate their own school system, the Los Angeles city school system curriculum and teaching program is due for a complete overhaul.

The report which stated that tests showed that pupils of the

Los Angeles city school system are below the national "normal" in arithmetic fundamentals, spelling, reading and language was presented to the Los Angeles Board of Education by Maurice G. Blair, assistant superintendent. (Continued on Page 8)