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Protest Of Residents Brings About Solution To New Garbage Problem

Solution to North Torrance garbage collection problems appeared this week as City Engineer G. M. Jain developed means for the city to continue the collection after residents had protested abandonment of the service in that area.

Last week, residents found tied to their garbage pails tickets to discontinue picking up garbage in those outlying districts not served by the regular garbage trucks. The reason given was the presence of rats in the city dump.

Contesting the decision, North Torrance residents pointed out that they are taxpayers the same as those in other parts of Torrance, and are entitled to the same protection and service as the rest of Torrance receives.

It was revealed that the city garbage collection contract with George M. Greene covers five routes at least twice a week, all south of 203rd st. The city pays Greene \$515 a month for the service. This has left hundreds of homes between 203rd st. and Redondo Beach blvd., Western avenue and Hawthorne avenue without service by the contractor. City trucks have been picking up garbage along with trash once a week in North Torrance.

After a conference with North Torrance residents, Jain concluded that he would install a large container on the trash and rubbish truck for the garbage, and would deposit the container where it would be picked up by Greene's trucks.

Meanwhile, consideration by

Columbia Asks Scrap To Avert Steel Famine

California consumers of steel products face an increasing steel famine unless scrap, a basic raw material, becomes available to the state's steel mills, William A. Ross, president of Columbia Steel Company, revealed.

Ross, who heads the Pacific Coast subsidiary of United States Steel Corporation, pointed out that the current crisis facing California steel mills is the gravest in the experience of the industry.

"California's steel industry depends almost entirely on an ample supply of scrap as a basic raw material," Ross said. "In order to meet the tremendous demand for steel products produced right here in our state and to keep our steel mills and foundries operating at or near capacity, requires approximately 1,380,000 tons of purchased scrap annually or about 115,000 tons each month. It is estimated present receipts of scrap at steel mills and foundries in the state are now, on the average, only 60 percent of current consumption. Furthermore, a canvass of the scrap inventory of leading consumers indicates an average supply on hand of about 15 days, the lowest in many years."

"Unfortunately, the grave situation has been aggravated by the necessity of shutting down one of our Utah blast furnaces for a long period," Ross added. "This furnace has been an important source of supply of pig iron for the entire Western iron and steel industry, and loss of its production will cause the current scrap crisis to become more acute."

Ross stated that some relief for the situation is in sight provided the current ship-breaking program is speeded up. Under this program, obsolete vessels of the Navy and Merchant Marine are being turned over to salvage operators to be broken up into scrap. Such a program is under consideration at the port of Stockton and other Bay Area shipyards, Ross said. "If ship scrap is made available in large amounts, the chaotic conditions which face the steel and allied industries of California will be alleviated," Ross said.

North Torrance Residents Praised On Formation Of Water Distict

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if a house is one-fourth mile from the water lines to be laid under the proposed \$174,000 bond issue, it will not cost the owner any more for water than it does the man who has a line right in front of his house.

Representatives of Taylor & Taylor told the group of half-hundred residents at the meeting that cost of the system will be only \$60 to \$70 an acre spread over 30 years, with interest the first year at about \$1.82 per acre. They agreed with Stanger that revenue from the sale of water will pay off these charges.

It was pointed out that of the \$174,000 cost of the district, nearly one-fourth, or \$41,000 is being paid by the General Petroleum Corp. and the Southern California Edison Company.

J. R. Poland, of the United States Geological Survey, illustrated remarks to the group with cross-section drawings showing how the ground water level has dropped from "above sea level" to as much as 200 feet below sea level. Since this drop, the flow of ground water has been from the ocean rather than toward the sea, as it was 30 years ago, and this has resulted in salt water contamination of some wells as far as 2 miles inland from El Segundo. He said that the only way to stop the salt water contamination is to reduce the production of wells and allow the water levels to rise again and push back the ocean water.

As was pointed out by Attorney Wright, this will be done only by court-enforced regulations reducing the production of wells in this area and the balance of the West Basin. "Everyone is going to be in the same boat," Wright said, as he praised the formation of the North Torrance water district.

W. C. Graham presided over the meeting, which was arranged by Gordon Mann and Ed Saul.

Weather Record
Official U. S. Weather Bureau

TEMPERATURE	Maximum	Minimum
Oct. 30	68	42
31	73	49
Nov. 1	72	42
2	72	44
3	71	39
4	75	42

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Children born to local parents in the Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week are the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Byk, 1621 Beech ave., girl, Oct. 30, 12:38 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fosco, 2923 Torrance blvd., girl, Nov. 2, 12:29 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Egedido Magante Jr., 21006 Valerie st., boy, Nov. 5, 1:24 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson S. Moore, 824 Beech ave., girl, Nov. 2, 12:30 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Metcalf, 3501 Spencer st., girl, Nov. 5, 10:18 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nardiello, 1660 W. 219th st., boy, Oct. 31, 11:22 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wallace, 22205 S. Vermont ave., boy, Nov. 11, 4:27 a.m.

Torrance Youth Writes Of His Tour Of Sweden

After three years in the Army, 18 months of which were served in England as a B-24 crew chief, Robert Carlson, son of Mrs. Esther Carlson, 1916 Plaza del Amo, set his work at National Supply Co. about three months ago to make good a long dreamed visit to his parents, homeland, Sweden.

Carlson reports an eventful hitch-hiking trip from Torrance to New York City. There he boarded a Swedish-American liner, the "Gripsholm," on which he sailed as "pantryman."

The youthful traveler says the name "pantryman" brought him visions of pies, cakes and other delicious pastries, and he was quick to accept such a coveted position, which also would dock him at his destination.

But, once aboard the liner, Carlson discovered the "position" to be that of a dish washer in the first class section.

In Sweden he visited all the places his parents had so often told him about, Carlson wrote friends here.

He returned to New York last week aboard the S. S. Seton Hall Victory, and this time as a seaman. A graduate of Torrance high school, Carlson plans to visit in Iowa before returning to Torrance.

Shoestring Strip Area Voters On Democratic Side

Predicts in the shoestring strip, east of Torrance, went predominantly Democratic in the voters' voting, where they had the opportunity.

Nos. 2348 and 2349, while according the unopposed candidates and those nominated by both parties the expected endorsement, chose John F. She Heley over Goodwin J. Knight for lieutenant governor, almost two-to-one.

They endorsed Edmund G. Brown over Fred N. Howser by substantial majorities.

Will Rogers Jr. was favored for U.S. Senator by almost two to one over Wm. F. Knowland.

On the judicial questions and the strip area voters followed the trend of the rest of the county and state endorsing Nos. 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 14, 16 and 17, and rejecting the rest.

Police Chief Thanks Parents For Youth Curb

Torrance Police Chief John Struh reported that two homes here suffered damage at the hands of vandals during an otherwise quiet Halloween. These homes, Struh explained, were damaged with a so-called "paint bomb" by youths whom police believe they may soon apprehend.

One of the homes damaged is occupied by James Burchett and the other by Miss Sara Vaubel. Both residents teach in schools here, it was said.

"But on the whole," the chief pointed out, "little other damage was done. I personally wish to express my appreciation to those parents who provided more worthwhile entertainment for their youngsters, which in turn averted what might have been widespread destruction of property. Their cooperation warrants the sincere gratitude of the police force."

Gardena Poker Club Involved In Cornero Suit

Three Beverly Hills business men have sued, Tony Cornero Stralla and seven associates, alleging that \$21,000 was obtained from them under false pretenses and was used for gambling operations aboard Stralla's ship Lux.

Sol Gross, Ben Schubb and Louis Ketchell, suing for \$50,000 damages, an accounting and dissolution of their partnership, asserted Stralla and the others promised the \$21,000 would be used to give them an interest in and to improve the Casino club, a poker parlor in Gardena.

They contended the money was not used for the improvements but was actually part of \$36,000 which federal government officials impounded when the government took over the Lux in a federal libel action. They asked an injunction to prevent Stralla and his associates from disposing of the funds if they get them back from the government.

PUEBLO TOPICS

By AGNES FLADUNG

The Redskins played the Hi-Jackers Tuesday after school and won the game 26-6. Those playing on the Redskins team are Charles Camou (captain) Benny Flores, Mike Grajeda, Adolfo Grijeda, David Molinar, Joe Ollague, Danny Martinez, and substitutes were Jose Acosta, Angel Acosta, Larry Banda and Junior Chavez.

E. S. Moon came out to Pueblo center on Monday evening and gave the "teen-age boys some pointers in basketball playing. Pueblo center now has a fine basketball court, all marked off and painted. We want to express our sincere appreciation to both Dale Riley and Elmer Moon for their cooperation and interest in our activities here at Pueblo center.

Ruben Ordaz presided at the Monday night meeting of the 203rd club in the absence of Alfonso Ordaz, who is ill. Josephine Reyes, Sadie Vilasquez and Virginia Camou volunteered to put on a party for the 203rd club for Saturday night.

The smaller girls' club of Pueblo center have chosen a new name, the Gardena club. Amelia Grijeda was elected president, Connie Solis vice president and Rachel Alvarez secretary. On Monday, their regular meeting day, the club members visited the Torrance City Hall, Police station and library.

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LOCAL RESIDENT FACES COURT FOR WIFE BEATING

Joseph Sciacci, Torrance rubber worker arraigned before Superior Judge William R. McKay Monday on a felony wife-beating charge, was ordered to appear in court this Thursday to enter a plea to the accusation that he attacked Mrs. Josephine Sciacci, of 789 W. Carson st., Torrance, two weeks ago.

Injury was so severe that her face required stitches, it was said.



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