Proposed New MWD Line May Aid Walteria

Eight and 10-inch pipe needed for the new Walteria water district will cost $1,996 more than anticipated, the City Council was informed Tuesday night, and steps were taken to delay the purchase pending an investigation of possible routing of a Metropolitan Water District line along 101 highway through Walteria to serve Redondo Beach and other beach cities.

Southern Pipe and Casing Company, successful bidders for 16,000 feet of pipe, told the Council that in accordance with provisions of its bid the $1,996 will be added to the $41,948 original estimate offered and accepted.

George P. Thatcher asked the council to investigate reports of possibility of construction of a Metropolitan Water line in 101 highway, declaring that if this line is built possibly it can be tapped at Walteria and thus eliminate the necessity for building a similar line from Oak st. in Lomita to Walteria.

Beach cities, sadly in need of outside water supply and in sympathy with the formation of a municipal district to buy Metropolitan water, are planning another election to form the necessary district. The same cities were overwhelming in their favor of the West Basin district, but were outvoted Jan. 14 by inland areas.

The council agreed to contact C. T. Rippy, Torrance member of the Metropolitan Water District Board of Directors, for advice on the matter.

The move would save the Walteria water district upwards of $50,000, it was said, and these funds could be spent in expanding the grid syste mof the district.

New County Jail Farm At Castaic Wins Approval

With county jail congestion becoming more and more acute, the Board of Supervisors Tuesday approved plans for the immediate construction of a maximum security prison of the Wayside Honor Farm at Castaic to house at least 200 prisoners.

The new jail will be of temporary nature, built from materials salvaged from Army barracks, according to a report made to the supervisors by County Manager Wayne R. Allen. The cost of construction, including steel fence, guard towers and prison buildings, will be approximately $100,000, Allen told the board.

The plans for the new institution also include homes for 16 guards, who will be veterans of World War II.

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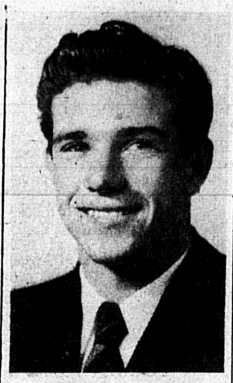

MERWIN JARRATT
Student Body President

Merwin Jarratt Has Unusual Student Honor

To Merwin Jarratt, new Torrance high school student body president, goes a signal honor—that of being the leader of the last student body at the school under the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles High School District. Voters Tuesday decided that Torrance should join Redondo Union High School district next year, during the interi mperiod while the Torrance Unified School district is being formed.

Young Jarratt, age 17, also can boast that he a native son of Torrance. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jarratt of 2255 Carson st.

Well known as a 'hot" trumpeter, he has gained recognition both for musical and athletic prowess.

Known to the student body as "Moe," the new student body president was one of the spark plugs of the championship Marine league football team last year and is an ace on the baseball diamond. He received the 1945 Sportsmanship award for the league and is no novice on the cinder path.

He received his early start as a trumpeter by winning the 1944 bugling contest of the 17th American Legion district in the Los Angeles coliseum. He is active in both De Molay and Y. M. C. A. work.

Pair Injured When Auto Skids On Slippery Street

Slippery pavement along Western ave. near 205th st., Tuesday morning was said by Torrance police to have caused injuries to Yuso Hamado, 23, and Hideo Tsuchiyama, 25, Long Beach, when the late model sedan driven by the latter victim went out of control and skidded into a tree.

Hamado received deep lacerations about the neck and face when the impact plunged him through the windshield.

Tsuchiyama sustained painful bruises in the mishap, police said. The two men were transported to Torrance Memorial hospital by South Bay ambulance. They were allowed to leave the hospital after emergency treatment.

Reduce Boys Club Swimming Rates At L.B. Plunge

Leo Wagner, president of the local Boys Club, announced this week that lower rates had been secured for youths here, who will enjoy the weekly swimming classes at Long Beach plunge. Money saved from the reduced plunge prices will go into the March of Dimes fund, Wagner said.

Local youngsters interested in the weekly swim instructions are instructed to be at Torrance Civic auditorium Friday at 7 p. m. More than 40 boys last week took advantage of the Boys Club offering and were accompanied to the plunge by the Rev. Paul Perry. The Rev. Miles Northrup is slated to join Friday's swim crowd, Wagner said.

NET OPERATING INCOME OF SANTA FE R.R. REVEALED

Santa Fe's net railway operating income for December, 1946, was $4,269,652, according to a statement released by president F. G. Gurley today. This is an increase of $2,085,177 compared with December, 1945. Gross for the system was $37,031,997, an increase over December, 1945, of $1,746,976.

Healthy Student Body Fund to Stay Wth Torrance High Under Redondo

Torrance high school student body funds amounted to approximately $5,000 at the start of the present school year and are reported to be in a much more healthy condition under the close supervision of Bernard Donahue, boys' vice principal who has closed lots of the "leaks" which resulted in much increased income from athletic events this year.

It was said that if Torrance had a large enough bowl, such as has Redondo Union high school, revenue from the football season, which saw Torrance High win the Marine league championship, would have amounted to thousands of dollars.

Since the money belongs to the student body, it was said, and not the Los Angeles Board of Education, the funds will remain in the school in September when the Redondo Union high school District Board of Trustees take over the Torrance high high school. Likewise, gifts to the school from the various senior classes and Parents Teachers Association will remain at the school, since they belong "to the school" and not to Los Angeles school district, it is pointed out.

Three $500 war bonds and considerable cash was taken from the Student Body Store in a burglary a year ago, but it is reported that complete restitution to the student body funds has been made.

During the summer months Mrs. Fern Strauss, former financial manager at the high school, continued her efforts to obtain substitution of the three $500 bonds which are property of the student body. A few months ago she was notified by the Division of Loans and Currency of the Treasury department that the school claim had been approved and that the bonds had been sent to the Torrance high school student body on Sept. 18, 1946.

Recovery of the bonds and the monetary and supply loss having been paid in full by the insurance company, there was no loss to the student body because of the January, 1946, burglary.

All indebtedness, other than trust accounts of the student body, having been paid in full, inventories, bonds and $4,500 in cash in the Torrance banks as of June 30, gave the Torrance high school student body, as of that date, a net reserve of approximately $5,000, it was revealed.

Veterans Await Incorporation Of Housing Project

The necessary papers of incorporation have been sent to Sacramento for the Veterans Housing Project here and, according to J. G. Caldwell, veteran head in this district, negotiations are progressing for the occupancy of barracks at the Lomita Flight Strip.

Membership cards, at $1 a year, are being sold to all who are interested in aiding the project, Caldwell revealed. The public is urged to buy these memberships in order to aid veterans in obtaining this emergency housing.

Local Firm To Construct Big Housing Project

Federal housing authority approval of the Haddock Co. 500-unit housing project at Twenty-eighth and Gaffey sts., has been granted and incorporation of an operating company, to be known as Marine View, is set for Wednesday.

The $3,750,000 apartment house is to be constructed on a 39-acre site.

The army formerly held title to part of the site upon which Haddock Co., new Torrance firm, has completed rough grading. Streets have been laid out, but paving will await installation of utilities—about a six months job.

The project should be completed in from one and a half to two years, it was said.

WINTER DRIVING

Motorists are cautioned to keep windshield and headlights clear during winter months. Rain or snow alone will result in badly impaired visibility without the added hazard of lights and windshield splattered with mud or frost.

Health Dept. Letter Spurs Sewer Plans

Protest hearings will be held March 4 at 8 p.m. on the proposed sewer districts in South Torrance and Walteria.

The City Council fixed the hearings after reading of reports by the County Health department that conditions in the two areas are such as to cause a serious health problem. It was pointed out that even if a majority protest is voiced, the Council can proceed to form the district in view of the health department report.

Fifty-five percent of the people in South Torrance and 34 percent of the people in Walteria have had trouble with cesspools due to conditions of the soil, it was said.

UPHOLSTERY WEAR

Seat cushion life in automobiles would be much longer if car owners would realize that it is dirt rather than wear that shortens the life of automobile upholstery. Vacuum cleaning is the best precaution against this form of disintegration.

$550,000 'If' Stands In Way Of New P.V. College

Palos Verdes college, a private junior college, will be established on a 70-acre, 1,000-foot elevation Palos Verdes site only if $500,000 can be raised by next Oct. 1.

Dr. Richard P. Saunders, president, said the Palos Verdes Corp. has agreed to donate the site provided the money is placed in escrow by Oct 1, 1947, and the fund is expended or committed for construction by Oct. 1, 1948.

Dr. Saunders hopes to open the college this fall, either in new buildings or temporary quarters in the city of Palos Verdes. Plans call for a co-educational, non-profit institution with a capacity for 300 students.

Initial construction would be two dormitories, a dining hall and an administration-classroom building.

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