

Unification Of Schools Prepared For State Board

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assessed valuation of the City of Torrance, \$33,500,000 this year and estimated at some \$36,000,000 for next year, will be thrown behind the schools of Torrance, from kindergarten through high school under one administration.

Torrance, in joining the Redondo district, more than doubled the assessed valuation of the Redondo Union High School District.

The tax rate from this valuation, in addition to the state school support which it will receive next year, will more than compensate Redondo district for handling the high school for Torrance this year, it is pointed out.

All the resources of Torrance schools, and unification is the only way in which it can be accomplished, according to Dr. Wood.

The Torrance school officials and board members will be in Sacramento to present the petitions to the State Board, in connection with the convention of the California School Trustees Association to be held Sept. 28 to Oct. 1.

OBITUARY

KATHLEEN ELLEN JONES
Services were held Saturday 2:00 p.m. in Stone and Myers chapel for Kathleen Ellen Jones, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jones who live in Torrance, army barracks located on Torrance Municipal Airport. The child died Friday in Harbor General Hospital. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. A. E. Rainwater. Burial was at Pacific Crest Cemetery.



PERRY SCHOOL . . . Teachers of the Perry School are pictured above, front (left to right), Robert C. Morton, principal; Helen Weiman, kindergarten; Mary Rose Dalton, 1; Betty H. O'Brian, 4; Back, (left to right), Molly Marshall, 1; Olive M. Marshall, 2; Laura E. Combs, 5; Marie E. Weimer, 3; and Lester S. Clemons, 6. (Torrance Herald Photo).



TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY . . . Pictured here are the members of the faculty of Torrance High School which opens classes here tomorrow. Front row: L. W. Waller, principal; A. Vihlen, industrial arts; C. Saunders, science; J. Elmore, English and dramatics; Miss M. Kloster, English and journalism; Miss E. Crowe, art; Miss D. Avis, physical education; Mrs. M. H. Isaacs, English and journalism; Miss F. Lawrence, business English; Miss J. Cope, physical education; and Miss E. F. language; Miss F. Lawrence, business English; Miss J. Andrus, mathematics; M. Buck, Alterton, registrar. Second row: A. M. Main, vice-principal; F. J. Andrus, mathematics; M. Buck, Alterton, registrar. Third row: Mrs. D. S. Dwight, social science; C. B. Steele, industrial science; Mrs. M. Buchanan, homemaking; Mrs. G. Kyles, business education; C. McMoran, industrial arts; and Mrs. J. L. Hinds, mathematics. Back row: Mrs. G. Zavislan, music; A. Milstein, music; Miss H. H. Hardy, H. W. Irwin, social sciences. Back row: Mrs. C. McVey, English; Miss H. E. Rodger, librarian; dean of girls; Mrs. H. Smythe, orientation; Mrs. C. Graybehl, physical education; and A. Applegate, attendance and Miss M. Marshall, English; C. Graybehl, physical education; and A. Applegate, attendance and continuation. E. Cole, football coach and physical education teacher, is not in the picture. (Torrance Herald Photo)



TORRANCE 7th and 8th GRADES . . . Seventh and eighth grade pupils of Torrance City School District will go to classes in Torrance High School, with these teachers in charge. Seated (left to right) are: Louise Robbins, grade 7; Esther Crandall, 7; Vera Robertson, 7, and Maud M. Fraser, 7. Standing are (left to right) Earl W. Eckert, 8; Wm. H. Clinkenbeart, principal; Edmond E. Powell, 7; Lester I. Foster, 8; R. M. Cosby, Physical Education; Anna Losley, Physical Education; Darrel H. Slocum, 7; Lerlyn Anderson, music; George Marich, 8; Abe Milstein, director of music George Zavislan, music. (Torrance Herald photo).



TORRANCE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL . . . Teachers who will greet students of Torrance Elementary School on Monday morning, Sept. 15, are shown here. In the front row (left to right) are: Mrs. Evelyn L. Coles, secretary; Marcia E. Menzies, grade 4; Valdo Murphree, 5; Amelia Grace, 5; Marcia McClasky, 3; Betty Lee Huizing, 4 and Eva G. Bannett, 3. Center (left to right) Guida Benstead, K; Lynn Jackson, 2; Beryl Wilhoit, K; Mabel T. Holt, 6; Helen P. Boyd, 1; Alma M. Nelson, 2, and Dora J. Freeman, 2. Back (left to right) Albert R. Beardsley, principal; Jean Graves, 4; Margaret M. Hodgson, 5; Gertrude Powell, 3; Lorene L. Douglass, K; Doris Lindsey, 2; Venus M. Knoll, 1, and Ray F. Reel, 6. (Torrance Herald photo).



FERN AVENUE SCHOOL . . . Here are the teachers of Fern Avenue School. Front row (left to right) Edna E. Wright, grade 1; Ruth B. Lindgren, 4; F. D. Boland, 1; Ruby M. Clere, 2, and Mary Leach, 2. Center (left to right) Albert N. Posner, principal; Eva M. Thomas, 3; Veda L. Knoll, 1; Louis L. Gongmer, 4; Dorothea B. Hodges, K. Back (left to right) Dorothea Bull-ock, 3; Maxine Hoyle, 5, Irma L. Eyerly, 5, and Melvin R. Osborne, 6. (Torrance Herald photo).

MAN SENTENCED TO SERVE 7 DAYS FOR BAD CHECK PASSING

Leland Paul Handley, 1046 Cabrillo, was sentenced Monday to serve seven days in the Torrance city jail by Judge John Shidler for passing nearly \$200 worth of bad checks in the area.

The Judge suspended a 180-day sentence on condition that Handley make full restitution to the owners of the bad checks.

AT MOUNTAIN RESORT
Mr. and Mrs. Neil J. McConlogue have returned from an enjoyable week's vacation at Big Bear Lake.

Return Petitions Superintendent Hull Requests

Superintendent of Schools J. Henrich Hull requested this week that all petitions for unification of the Torrance School District which are still outstanding be returned to school administrative offices, 2093 Torrance blvd.

The action is necessary so that officials can determine how much of the job remains, he added.

DRUNK DRIVING BRINGS REDONDO MAN \$150 FINE

All Reynosa De Anda, 1606 Havermyer lane, Redondo Beach, was fined \$150 and had his license suspended for 30 days in the Torrance City Court Monday morning.

De Anda was sentenced by Judge John Shidler after pleading guilty to drunk driving.

AT LUKES HOME
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Riley and Dale of Pt. Hueneme, spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lukes, 1015 Fortola ave.



WALTERIA SCHOOL . . . Here are the new teachers at Walteria School. Front (left to right), D. Boone Kirks, principal; Isabelle Showler, 4; Fannie B. Reasley, K; Esther Leriault, 1; Marion Downing, 3. Back (left to right) Mildred Hangar, 2; Jennings Davidson, 5 and 6; and Mrs. P. B. Michels, president of the Walteria PTA. (Torrance Herald Photo).

Streamlining City Asked By Local Chamber

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strictly on a basis of civic responsibility.

3. Repeal of the ten-cent tax per \$100 assessed valuation voted originally as a civic promotion and advertising fund to be administered by the Chamber of Commerce, but recently largely allocated for other purposes. Such action by the electorate will automatically guarantee a ten-cent reduction in the municipal tax rate as the present city tax rate is now the maximum permitted under the City Charter, despite the fact that most other Southern California municipalities made substantial reductions in their tax rates this year due to increased valuations.

4. Abolition of the city sales

tax to prevent any future enactment by the City Council.

5. Enactment of legislation by the electorate prohibiting the collection of parking meter fees or any other type of levy for use of the city streets, except for violation of parking hours, etc.

6. Amendment to the City Charter creating an Airport Commission and outlining its duties and authority, to insure proper development and operation of the Torrance Municipal Airport.

7. Prohibiting the licensing of public gambling casinos by Charter amendment, thus precluding the possibility of any future City Council permitting the operation of poker halls within the city limits.

8. Creation of a City Recreation Commission to work in conjunction with the City School District. The City Manager and Superintendent of Schools are specified as permanent members of the commission along with others to be appointed from the citizenry.

In outlining the program, Chamber of Commerce officials pointed out that the suggestions enumerated above are submitted as an agenda for discussion by the enlarged Citizens Committee. They are subject, of course, to amendment, elimination, or additions by the larger group who will participate in drafting the final program. Because of the time limitations affecting Charter amendments, which must be ratified by the State Legislature, it is requested that organizations which will be invited to participate in the discussion act promptly in selecting their representatives.

First meeting of the Citizens Committee is called for Monday evening, Oct. 6, at the Chamber of Commerce offices. Invitations to the various organizations will be in the mail within a few days, Chamber Secretary Blaine Walker states. The decision to inaugurate the campaign was made by unanimous vote of all Chamber directors, who are: Reed H. Parkin, Charles V. Jones, R. I. Piomert Jr., L. Washer, the Rev. Paul M. Wheeler, Charles Gotts, Dean L. Sears, Chas. T. Rippy and Grover C. Whyte.

Surveys made by impartial agencies, opinions of prominent financial leaders, government statisticians and many other sources, all forecast the growth of the area between Los Angeles and the harbor as due for the next big development, surpassing by three to six times the growth of any other portion of the Southland, commented a Chamber official. We hope by this program to "set our city house in order," in order to capitalize on this coming development and make Torrance the center of it. We can, if we act with determination and courage to do the things that must be done. We must not let petty bickerings, politics or selfish interests interfere with this broad civic program.

Evening High Classes To Be Offered Here

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ing, citizenship and public speaking are the usual subjects offered, others can be offered to meet the needs of any group. There is a strong possibility that a public forum will be organized if from 150 to 200 registered names can be listed.

The evening school program should be a very popular addition to the offerings of the local high school. Adults may attend as many classes as desired, and at no expense except for supplies — even these may be brought from home.

Anyone in the district, interested in registering should phone the high school office, Torrance 645 in care of Mr. Main, any time next week, or plan to come to the high school on Wednesday evening Sept. 17, registering any time from 7 to 9 p.m. and thus aid in determining what classes will be scheduled for the first week of classes, starting the 22nd. A class should have from 20 to 25 members to be started in the program.

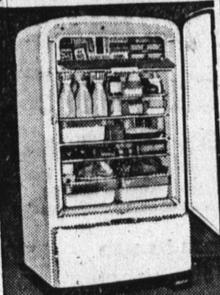
HOME ASSIGNMENT
A veteran of any of the armed forces may now enlist for direct initial assignment to the Sixth Army military installation nearest his home town, provided a vacancy for his rank and skill exists.

Mayor Appoints Five Man Airport Planning Board

Mayor J. Hugh Sherrey last night appointed a five-man board to discuss planning and development of the Torrance Municipal Airport.

To be known as the Torrance Airport Planning Commission, the following members were appointed at the Council meeting last night: Tom F. McGuire, chairman of the City Planning Commission; O. B. Willett, City Attorney; Glenn M. Jain, City Engineer; E. Y. Tarkington, airport manager, and as yet unnamed representative of the City Council.

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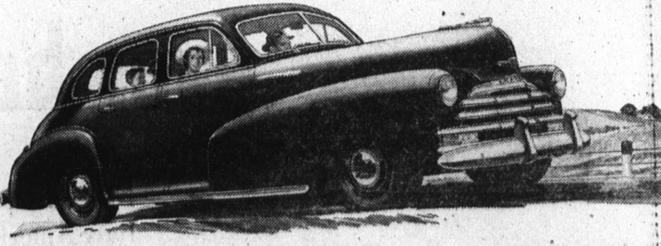
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