

Torrance Sixth In Permits for Month of May

This community went over the one million dollar mark in building permit valuations last month to place sixth among the cities in Los Angeles County.

The total construction valuation for May was shown as \$1,122,769 in a Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce survey. This amount far surpasses the April figure of \$181,184.

This meant that Torrance ranked over the near-by cities of Redondo Beach, \$689,865; El Segundo, \$104,150; Hawthorne, \$198,500; Palms Verdes Estates, \$67,900; and Hermosa Beach, \$28,360.

Of the total 152 permits which the \$1,122,769 figure represents, 99 were residential. The residential permits include 111 dwelling units.

Among the ten localities exceeding the one million dollar mark in permits were San Fernando Valley (Van Nuys) \$8,657,424; Long Beach \$4,782,195; Venice, \$3,490,502; West Los Angeles, \$2,522,959; Monterey Park, \$2,132,720; San Pedro, \$2,022,851; Inglewood, \$1,932,815; Santa Monica, \$1,235,888; Torrance, \$1,122,769; and Burbank, \$1,004,391.

Grand total for Los Angeles County was \$63,159,384. The county's unincorporated areas totaled \$14,117,620.

POSTMASTER IS AUTHOR

The Azusa, California postmaster, Thomas Barclay Thompson, has published more than 100 short stories and novels.

NERVOUS DOGS

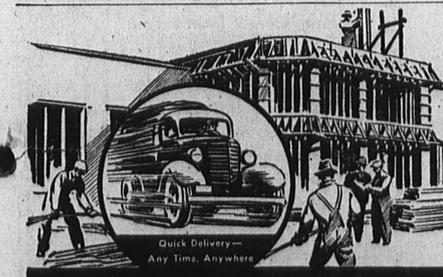
Seeing-eye dogs are loyal and nervous. They are frequent sufferers from ulcers.



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Referring of course to the new series of \$20 bills. A check with a local bank revealed that a number of persons have noticed the new Federal Reserve Note series and have wondered if they were counterfeit.

They are as good as gold, says Dean L. Sears, manager of the Bank of America.

Slight difference in the new bills is noted on the "back" of the notes which had a modernized picture of the White House. The old series pictured the president's home in 1929—in the height of the depression. The new picture shows the White House as it is today complete with the "Truman Balcony." Wind seems to be blowing a little bit more since the flag is almost straight away from the staff and the shrubbery has grown some, other than that the difference is slight and hardly noticeable without comparing bills. The single difference to be noted is the words "The White House." The old bills simply called it "White House."

On the front of the bill Andrew is his same old Stone-wall self. It is signed by John W. Snyder rather than the former Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau Jr.

P.S. For those who doubt the authenticity of this information and plan to get rid of their twenties we have provided a receipt for that purpose.

Scouting . . . Around

BY BOB MAXFIELD

Here is some good news for the boys of the Torrance area. The National Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America, has just announced the new age requirements for the Scouting program. The minimum age limits have been lowered one year in all phases of Scouting. Under the new provisions, which become effective September 1, 1949, boys may enter Cub Scouting at the age of eight years; Boy Scouting at 11 years and Senior Scouting at 14 years of age. At the age of 14, a Scout automatically becomes an Explorer, which is the new, all inclusive term for Senior activity. He may choose to remain with his Troop, or to join an Explorer Post, Sea Scout Ship or Air Scout Squadron, all offering the adventures of the Senior Scout Program.

This new age grouping promises to greatly expand the Scouting activities of this area. A great increase in membership is expected and this will naturally bring about a great expansion of the program to fit the needs of the new age groups. All of the Torrance Troops, Packs, and Senior units are hard at work paving the way for new memberships. So come on all you boys, let's take advantage of this and visit the Troop of your choice! They'll be glad to see you.

For the convenience of the reader, the following is a list of the Scout Units of Torrance, with the sponsor, time and place of meeting, and name of the leader:

Troop 216, sponsored by Nativity Church, meets every Thursday evening at 7:30 at the Girl Scout Hall, Bob Wertz, Scoutmaster.

Troop 240 of Waleria, sponsored by the Torrance V.F.W., meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Waleria Park Recreation Hall, Tom McNulty, Scoutmaster.

Troop 241, sponsored by St. Andrew's Episcopal Church meets at the St. Andrew's Parish Hall

at 7:30 p.m. with Hal B. Laude-man, Scoutmaster.

Troop 219 is sponsored by Torrance Kiwanis and meets every Tuesday at 7:30 at Torrance Park, Ralph Allen, Scoutmaster.

Troop 721 is sponsored by the First Baptist Church and meets at the church at 7:30 every Tuesday, William Newland, Scoutmaster.

Cub Pack 241-c is sponsored by St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and meets at the Parish Hall on the fourth Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m., Luke Nikol, Cubmaster.

Pack 721-c, sponsored by First Baptist Church meets at the church at 7:30 p.m. on the first Friday of each month, Paul Shinoda, Cubmaster.

Sea Scout Ship 213-s is still without a sponsor but holds regular meetings every Thursday evening at 7:30 at Torrance Park under John P. Wilson, Skipper.

Cub Pack 241-c will hold their regular Pack Meeting on Friday, June 24, at St. Andrew's Parish Hall. The program will be under the direction of Den 4, Mrs. Vera Lewis, Den Mother, and will feature a skit by the den followed by motion pictures. This Pack is unusually active during the summer months. Den 10 recently made a trip to the Torrance Fire and Police Stations to view the equipment and learn of the excellent protection afforded this community by these agencies. Den 4 took a trip to Cabrillo Beach on Wednesday, June 24 and enjoyed a full day of swimming and water sports. A regular athletic program has been set up by Den 1 with a softball game scheduled every Tuesday afternoon at the Fern Avenue School playground, with Louis Jones officiating.

The Pack is planning a full round of activities this summer which will stress advancement toward graduation from Cubbing into Scouting.

Where's The Fire?

17235 Arlington avenue, at 1:03 p.m. straw and manure.

Sepulveda boulevard and Pennsylvania avenue, at 8:42 p.m. June 18, burning old band wheel, tree branches and brush. Huber street and Torrance boulevard, at 11:40 a.m. June 19 grass.

Sepulveda boulevard and Pennsylvania avenue, at 8:21 p.m. June 19, rekindle of same fire day before.

Abalone avenue and 220th street, at 8:17 a.m. June 21, grass.

Eldorado street and Date avenue, at 1:15 p.m. June 21, grass.

190th street and Inglewood avenue, at 1:500 p.m. June 21, ten acre grass fire.

1740 Flower avenue, at 5:25 p.m. June 21, grass.

Sea Scout Ship Status Doubtful Says Leader

Whether or not the Torrance-Lomita Sea Scout's boat is launched in the early part of July and the Sea Scout unit continues, hinges upon obtaining a sponsor.

This was emphasized this week by Skipper John P. Wilson of Lomita, adult advisor for Sea Scout Ship 213-S, as he announced that work on the boat is nearing completion.

The 38-foot officer's landing craft, which is undergoing repairs by the Sea Scouts at the Senior Scout base at Cabrillo Beach, San Pedro, was donated to the unit by the Navy. The Navy overhauled the boat's diesel engine at a cost of more than \$2000, stated Wilson.

Plans for the launching ceremony include the appearance of Edna Mae Snell, Miss Torrance of 1949.

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Youth Bands Organize New Groups

Torrance Area Youth Bands is not only a roarin' tootin' organization—but from now on it will be a rootin' tootin', twirlin' organization.

The twirlin' will be added by an all-girl baton corps now being organized by the Youth Bands, revealed James Van Dyck, director.

The girl baton corps will be an auxiliary to the bands and will take part in parades as a separate marching unit, said Van Dyck.

Composed of girls from seven to 15 years of age, the corps will be trained by Bob Roberts, coach of the Los Angeles Donettes. Instruction will be given in the V.F.W. hall.

Van Dyck also disclosed the organization of a new beginners band which is open to any boy or girl nine years of age or over. This new division of the bands will rehearse Friday mornings in the Civic Auditorium.

Information about both of the new groups may be obtained by calling the Chamber of Commerce or by writing the Torrance Area Youth Bands, box 458, Torrance.

"SHOE SHINE SHOE"

One of the best shoe-polish mitts available is a sheepskin slipper that has worn out. To use it most effectively, turn the slipper wrong side out and clean the woolly surface.

LARGEST CATHEDRAL

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FLORIDA SOIL

The soil of Florida is of coral formation.

LIONS CLUB ERECTS SIX ROAD SIGNS

Torrance Lions Club has installed road signs at six entrances to Torrance, it was announced this week by Paul Diamond, second vice-president elect of the club.

Thirty-inch Lions signs, with the words "Torrance" and the meeting place and date of the club, were installed on Narbonne avenue at 29th street; Western avenue at 174th street; Crenshaw boulevard at Redondo Beach boulevard; Hawthorne boulevard at 190th street; Torrance boulevard at Hawthorne boulevard and Pacific Coast highway at Hollywood Riviera.

The club also has a Lions sign on the three clusters installed and maintained by several service clubs on Torrance boulevard at Crenshaw boulevard; Torrance boulevard at Western avenue, and Carson street at Western avenue. This makes nine Lions signs at entrances to the City of Torrance, Diamond pointed out.

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Library Offers Summer Program for Children

The Book-A-Week Library Club, feature of the Summer reading program of the Torrance Library Children's Room, will begin this week and continue until the second week in September, according to Mrs. Dorothy Jamieson, city librarian.

All children in fourth to seventh grades are invited to join. Members will read and report on one book each week. When five books have been reported on by a participant, he will receive a certificate showing the names of the books he has read, and stating that he is a member in good standing of the Book-A-Week Library Club. Only one book may be reported on in any one week, but there will be time to earn more than one certificate, Mrs. Jamieson said.

"ATOMIC" MUSIC

"The Atomic Bomb Fox Trot," a piece of popular music now played in the United States, was written by a 10-year old boy.

UNDERGROUND CAVERNS

Mammoth Cave is the largest underground cavern in the world. It is situated in southwestern Kentucky.

FIRST CALENDAR

The Egyptian calendar was established in 4241 B.C., the earliest dated event in history.

FIRST TEMPLE

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