

PANTOMIME AND GROUP SINGING WIN MENTION

One of the special highlights of the Torrance Vocal Festival given at Torrance High School last Thursday evening, was the group singing, with pantomime, performed by Walteria School under the direction of Mrs. Fern Springer and D. Boone Kirks, principal.

Five songs were sung by the group: "I Love You, California." The following girls wore California costumes to illustrate this song: Linda Carman, Kathryn Belenger, Carlene Watts, Tanya Green, Priscilla Reynolds, Jacqueline Paine.

"Serenade of the Bells." This was illustrated by a Padre, Michael Baille; Senorita, Judy Edman and Senor, Allen Rainwater. "Four-Leaf Clover." Linda Sells dressed as an elaborate four-leaf clover, tap danced for this number.

"April Showers." Three girls: Helen Campbell, Sharon Barton and Marie Winon dressed in pink rain capes and pink parasols, pantomimed for this song.

"How Lucky You Are." original patriotic words were used for this song and a Cub Scout, Jackie Johnson and a Girl Scout, Carolyn Cumiford, stood at attention and saluted while the group sang.

Elect Jones To College Board

Charles V. Jones, of Torrance, will represent Torrance on the board of trustees of El Camino Junior College, as the result of last Thursday's election. Canvass of the ballots cast will be made this week as required by state law, at a special board meeting.

According to President Forrest G. Murdock, Jones received 5913 of the 6125 ballots cast. The election report shows that 107 ballots were blank, 23 were void and 17 were cast for other persons.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Registered voters desiring absentee ballots for the June 8 special water district election should request same in writing from R. W. Pritchard, West Basin Water District, 141 S. Pacific Avenue, Redondo Beach.

RED ROCK CANYON

Red Rock Canyon, Kern county, affords tourists a magnificent spectacle of highly colored cliffs and an excellent specimen of erosion. Here pillared temples and fantastic formations abound.

Vince Thomas Expected To Win Primary

With upwards of 45 per cent of the total eligible voters in the 68th assembly district going to the polls, Vincent Thomas legislative veteran of the 68th, is expected to capture the nominations of the two major political parties at the primary elections Tuesday. Thomas campaign leaders predicted this week.

Assemblyman Thomas for the past three elections was elected at the primaries and his supporters in the Torrance-Lomita area are confident that the coming election will see little change.

Only when first nominated and elected to office in 1940 was Thomas forced to campaign for election at the November general.

During the past eight years he has established a legislative record exceeding that of any official who ever held the office and he has wide support in labor, business, industrial, educational and veterans circles, his committee assert.

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PLANTS FIRST TREE . . . Flo Ann Hedley, student body president, Palos Verdes College, receives a young tree from Pat Coleman, student body president of Loyola University, for planting on Founders' Day. Coleman donned student costume of 1865, dating back to Loyola's founding, for the presentation. Other local colleges and universities also have promised trees for a "lane of Friendship."

Palos Verdes College Outlines Plans At Founders' Day Event

One of the newest colleges in the Southland stepped into the spotlight last Sunday to welcome civic dignitaries, representatives of Latin American nations, and citizens from every Harbor community. The occasion was the First Annual Founders' Day observance of Palos Verdes College, attended by over 800 persons.

"Palos Verdes College is another in a long line of 'firsts' which this area has marked on the pages of history," said Don Pugh, master of ceremonies, as he keyed the opening ceremonies.

"The first Spanish explorer of California landed near here 400 years ago. The first 'soldier's bonus' in America was the land which included this present campus. Now Palos Verdes College represents another milestone in the cultural development of this district."

Pugh told how the college literally burst into being by a spontaneous effort of Harbor residents who, in the short space of two months last summer, moved 11 buildings, transformed them from weatherbeaten Army barracks into cheery, comfortable classrooms, and landscaped the campus.



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Dem County Group Okayed By Committee

Attention of all local voters was called today by the Democratic County Council to the list of officially endorsed candidates for County Central Committee, to be voted on at the June 1 primary election next Tuesday.

In this county, a group of leading Democrats have banded together with the avowed purpose of "throwing the Communists out of the Democratic party." The Democratic group, of which Will Rogers, Jr., is a member, reports that the Communists and their fellow travelers are making a major effort to further infiltrate the Democratic County Central Committee.

Locally-endorsed Democratic candidates are Congressman Cecil R. King, Assemblyman Vincent Thomas, and the following seven for county central committee: Tom Glenn, George T. Porter, Edwin G. Sandison, James MacDonald, Kenneth Beight, Cecil G. Johnson and Robert "Bob" Hillyer.

Chairman of the endorsing committee is W. C. Fields, Jr., and other members are Frederick Dockweiler, Frank Dee Scriven and Rogers.

"Because few people know who is who, Communists and fellow travelers have, in the past, been able to infiltrate into the Democratic County Central Committee," Fields pointed out.

"Our problem is to get people to take a list of non-Communist candidates with them to the polls. Without a list of the actual candidates before him, the average voter may unwittingly, vote to place a fellow traveler on the committee."

"Our failure to place certain candidates on the anti-Communist slate does not necessarily mean that they are Communists or fellow travelers; but we do know that the candidates on our list are NOT Communists or Wallace supporters using our Party as a front for their American activities."

The Democratic County Central Committee is the official organ set up by State law under the California Constitution to conduct Democratic Party affairs in this county. It consists of seven members from each Assembly District.

They are elected every Presidential year by all of the registered Democrats of that district. The members serve for four years, without pay.

The anti-red group, under the name of the Democratic County Council, met last Tuesday evening at Hollywood Athletic Club to perfect campaign plans.

Club Inducts Five In Week

Membership of the Torrance 20-30 Club is larger by five members today, following induction ceremonies conducted last week at Daniel's cafe.

New members are Bob Mowry, Harvey Abrahamson, Ernie Duncan, Bob Cahn and Duncan DeZell. More than 40 members and friends attended the swearing-in ceremony.

President Joe Setting presented the pins to the new members.

PASSENGER TRAVEL
Traffic fatalities and fatal accidents on California's rural highways showed a decrease for the first three months of 1948 as compared with those in the first three months of 1947.

While there were 149 fatalities and 360 fatal accidents during the first quarter of this year, there were 436 fatalities and 371 fatal accidents during the same quarter last year. This shows a decrease of 3.8 and 2.9 percent respectively.

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Terrace Fiesta Draws Crowds Despite Cold

"Hi, step right up and show your skill" . . . "This way to the pony rides" . . . "here we go, folks, watch the pie-eating contest" . . . these and a hundred other assorted calls and yells were used to lure the crowds to attractions at the Normont Terrace "Spring Festival" Friday night.

Booths had been set up to form a mid-way along the sidewalks and under the porticos of the administration building, and on the play area was "Tiny Town" with a merry-go-round, Ferris Wheel, toy cars, and the

main attraction . . . a real pony ride. The large crowd tried to knock over bottles, toss baskets

PVT. ROBERT LAINE ASSIGNED TO ISLAND

Private Robert L. Laine, son of Mrs. Mary Laine of 116 E. 203rd street, Torrance, has been assigned to duty with the 518th Medical Service Detachment stationed at Fort William McKinley, Manila area, upon his discharge from the Army on Sept. 27, 1947 and departed for his present tour of overseas duty last March.

balls into wastebaskets, shoot out candle flame with water pistols, test strength with a bell-ringing gadget, and in other various and sundry ways enjoy themselves.

The pie-eating contest was one highlight of the evening and in true contest style, with arms behind the back, six kids bent down and smeared their faces into the berry pies, coming up looking like something out of this world.

"Despite the cold, the festival was a success" said a very tired Bob Hodgins, recreation director.

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