

## Mrs. Wright Is Re-elected by Advisory Unit

Mrs. Grace Wright was re-elected moderator of the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee at the annual meeting and election of officers held Wednesday noon at the Woman's clubhouse.

Carl Steele was elected alternate moderator and Mrs. Evelyn Carr was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Introduction of the 130-odd new members of the school district's teaching staff was another feature of the September meeting. Superintendent J. H. Hall introduced the members of his teaching staff.

Dr. Irving Melbo, educational consultant and professor of educational administration at the University of Southern California was the speaker at Wednesday's meeting.

He is one of three educators speaking here this week to the teachers of the Torrance Unified School District, in connection with "Orientation Week."

Dr. Peter Spencer of Claremont College addressed the teachers on "Modern Trends in Curriculum Making," and Claude Wilson of the county superintendent's office spoke Wednesday afternoon on "Learning to Understand Children."

## Walteria Has New Arrival; It's Library!

Walteria was celebrating a new arrival today!

Books, not cigars, however, seemed to be more in order, since the new arrival was the 26 by 36-foot library building which was moved in from San Pedro early Wednesday morning.

The building is one of two purchased as government surplus by the city for use at the Walteria playground. The second building, a 24 by 60-foot structure, will serve as a recreation building and civic center, according to Dale Riley, city superintendent of recreation. The building is due to arrive this week.



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## Next Auction of Tax-Deeded Properties Set for Oct. 18

The Torrance Herald is one of 35 newspapers in the county which have been selected by H. L. Byram, county tax collector, to carry advertisements of the forthcoming county-wide sale, beginning Oct. 18, of tax-deeded properties in which 3300 parcels will be sold at public auction.

The plan of publishing the sale notices in local newspapers is in accordance with the county's policy of localizing all county advertisements in the public interest.

The forthcoming sale, the third to be held this year, and the 53rd of the series, will continue the new county policy of opening all bids with an opening minimum price of \$10.

Some of the valuations of parcels being offered at the Oct. 18 sale are in excess of \$3000, Byram said, but in every instance the opening price will be \$10.

The sale will be held on the third floor of the Hall of Justice and will be conducted by Deputy Frank B. Murphy of Alhambra.

At the sale which commenced Aug. 2, the tax collector sold 2304 parcels, largest number of parcels to be sold by the tax collector at a single auction, for a total of \$190,000, amounting to 57 per cent of the total assessed valuation.

The goodly share of the Southland's top horses and riders will go through their paces Saturday in the greatest equestrian extravaganza ever staged in Lomita—the first annual Open Horse Show.

More than 3500 spectators are expected to be on hand for the torrid competition in 10 classes, which gets under way at 1 p.m., in Lomita Park.

Sponsored by the Little Hills Saddle Club, the show is one of the top attractions in the first annual three-day "Gaucho Days" fete.

Show Chairman Dick Cahill said that he expects more than 70 entries to vie for a share of \$550 in cash prizes plus the trophies and ribbons which have been put up for the event.

Jumpers, roadsters, three-gaited horses, walking horses, and trail horses will be passed upon by eagle-eyed American Horse Show Association judges.

Expert riding, both Western and English, will be honored with trophies and ribbons in two of the ten classes of events.

Entries for the affair, which has already gone far toward putting Lomita on the map as far as Southern California horse fans are concerned, have poured in from all over the Southland.

Officials in the show, besides Cahill, are Earl Taylor, Little Hills Saddle Club president; Mrs. Leo Dupe, director of activities; C. F. Davidson, publicity chairman; and Henry J. Mathews, "Gaucho Days" activity chairman.

Allan Ross will handle the announcing chores.

Other trips during the summer were to Knott's Berry Farm, Griffith Park, Naval Fire Fighting School and to San Pedro harbor. Over 300 boys have made the one-day tours offered by the local Y.M.C.A.

Other trips are planned for fall and winter activities, featuring Y.M.C.A. day in Hollywood, Oct. 23, climaxed by attending the UCLA vs. Oregon State football game. Reservations can be made at the "Y" office, 1339 Post avenue, Torrance.

## Snake's Prey Gets Away; Talks to Club

Blood-curdling experiences with 19-foot pythons and other snakes that inhabit the Philippine Islands were related to members of the Walteria Business Men's Association at their meeting last Thursday evening at the Fish Shanty.

Al Tyler, Long Beach contractor and a former Naval service doctor who was stationed in the islands from 1919 to 1923, has the distinction of being one of the few men struck by a python and who lived to tell about it. The huge snake struck him a glancing blow in the water, broke two ribs and put him in the hospital. He estimated the snake was more than 30 feet long.

George Schaefer, program chairman, introduced Tyler. George Thatcher urged every member to see that he is properly registered for the coming November Presidential election.

## No Polio Here Since Aug. 10; Cool Air Helps

There have been no reported cases of polio in Torrance since Aug. 10," Dr. H. C. Smiley, Torrance district health officer, reported yesterday.

Torrance proper has had no deaths from the disease this year, according to the health officer.

The slight drop in temperature during the last week was believed to be aiding a slight decline of the disease throughout the entire district which includes the nearby beach cities as well as Gardena, Palos Verdes and unincorporated county territory.

He urged residents of the community to go about their activities in the normal manner. He stated also that there was no need for hindering the activities at schools.

While polio seemed to reach a stalemate locally, the Los Angeles General Hospital made arrangements to transfer overflow patients to the Harbor General Hospital. Two wards have been set aside at the Harbor hospital with a capacity of 90 patients. Only 46 are being cared for at the present time and all are beyond the contagious stage, hospital authorities said.

The Board of Supervisors took action Tuesday to thank private airlines who are flying nurses to Los Angeles free of charge for work at the County Hospital polio ward. Supervisor Raymond V. Darby stated.

In an endeavor to provide all necessary facilities for the treatment of polio victims and to reduce the death rate as much as possible, the Board of Supervisors Tuesday approved a budget transfer of \$10,000 for the purchase of additional iron lung equipment for use at the county hospital.

The new units were designed by an engineer at the request of the hospital and are for the purpose of regulating the pressure from oxygen tanks to polio victims in iron lungs.

WHERE'S THE FIRE  
City dump, 10:50 a.m., Sept. 1. Trash and sulphur being unloaded from truck ignited from sparks from the dump fire, no damage.

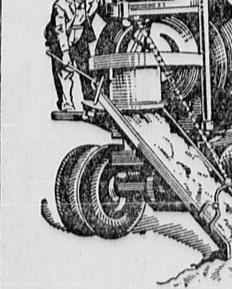
Southwest corner 231st street and Eshelman avenue, 11:15 p.m., Sept. 6. Burning after hours. No damage.

226th street west of Western avenue, 8:07 p.m., Sept. 7. Field fire. Rubbish. Fire chief's car stuck in sand. Called crash truck to pull out car. Crash truck got stuck. No damage.

MORE TRAFFIC PAINT  
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## New Member of Planners to Be Named

Appointment of a new member of the Torrance City Planning Commission is scheduled to be made at the next meeting of the City Council, following notification from Bronson C. Buxton that he will be unable to serve. He was nominated Aug. 10.

Jesse W. Crowther was elected to preside as chairman of the planning body, but his election also was contested this week by a Torrance property owner who said he believed that all members should live within the city limits.

Other new members of the nine-member planning body are C. Merton Gilbert, Albert D. Gianni, Byrom Johnson and Robert Deinger, while hold-over members are W. A. Felker, L. G. Barkdull and John Salini.

Ex-officio members under the new ordinance are George Stevens, city engineer; C. Douglas Smith, city attorney; John Patrick, city building inspector and J. Hugh Sherkey, mayor.

DESERT WEEKEND  
Recent weekend vacationers at Yucca Valley, 29 Palms were Messrs. and Mesdames Frank Schmidt and children Frank and James; Earl C. Wells and daughter Glenda Lee and H. Newman.

TAXES PASS CHICAGO  
Los Angeles has passed Cook county, (Chicago) in the amount of property taxes levied annually.

It is estimated that outdoorsmen spend more than \$250,000,000 annually in California for food, travel, lodging and sporting equipment.

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