

### Judge Invites City Officials To Hear Court Bill Explained

Mayors and chiefs of police from South Bay cities have been invited to attend a breakfast Saturday morning at the home of Judge John A. Shidler, justice of the Gardena Township court.

"Purpose of the affair," said Shidler, "is to acquaint the city officials with the various ramifications of the chief justice's inferior court revision bill."

"The measure, originated by Judge Phil Gibson of the State Supreme Court, proposes to eliminate the confusion now existing in the municipal, justice and city courts in many California communities," the judge said.

"If the courts are eliminated as proposed, the cities and communities who benefit by the fines collected will certainly suffer a loss in revenue," Shidler claims.

He said that under the proposed bill, which will appear on the November ballot, the monies collected in the courts would be given to the county to be allocated to the cities on a percentage of cases handled. This handling by a higher agency than the cities will certainly mean loss of revenue to the city and increase the load on the taxpayer, the judge claims.

Justices of the peace now serve at a far lower salary and do the same work as would municipal judges under the new system. Their pay would be \$13,500 yearly, Shidler said.

"In addition to the added cost," the judge pointed out, "there will be one court, probably located at the most densely populated area of the district and serving all the cities in the district. This means that offenders arrested in Torrance would have to appear in Redondo Beach or perhaps Hermosa Beach or wherever the court is established by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors."

### CAA Officials Issue Warning Against Summer Beach Buzzers

Beach buzzing came in for some special attention this week from officials of the Civil Aeronautics Administration in the area as that group began to step up its program for safe flying.

With the approach of summer and beach weather, the crowded beaches present a buzzing challenge to wayward pilots.

Warning that flying below 1000 feet above the beaches is a violation of the Civil Air Regulations, officials says pilots may have certificates revoked or suspended and other penalties levied for such stunts.

Citizens are being urged to report the number of any plane flying too low. In county territory violators should be reported to the sheriff's aero detail at Mutual 9111, CAA officials say.

Reports of violations can also be made to any VAA office listed in the telephone directory.

### FRontier Phone Rates to Rise On 1st of June

Torrance residents who are affected by the Frontier telephone exchange will have their rates boosted on June 1, according to an order issued this week by the Public Utilities Commission.

Local service rates for those phones, located principally in Hollywood Riviera, Seaside Ranchos and the western part of Torrance, were raised as follows: One party flat rate, \$3 to \$3.50; two-party rate, \$2.50 to \$2.75 and suburban flat rate \$2.50 to \$2.75.

There was no change in the present \$2.25 four-party rate on which the Associated Telephone Company had asked an increase of 25 cents.

Business service phones will be changed as follows: One-party, \$3.75 to \$6.50; two-party, \$3 to \$5; four-party, \$2.75 to \$4.75; and suburban rates \$3 to \$4.50.

Only the Frontier phones in Torrance were affected by this order.

### Photos Nose Out Kittens in Talk

Kittens lost a close decision to photography in last week's talks by members of the Torrance Toastmasters Club.

Park Montague delivered himself of a six-minute talk on photography and was judged the speaker of the evening.

M. C. Hunt did likewise for kittens, winding up a close second to Montague.

In another part of the evening's program, Kenny Ruffell, education chairman, conducted a program of vocabulary building.

### Torrance Workers Get \$12,300 in Disability

Disabled workers in the Torrance area collected \$12,354.95 in State Disability Insurance payments during the month of April, according to V. L. Hetzel, district manager of the program. The disability insurance program in California has been in effect since December 1, 1946, and its purpose is to partially reimburse a worker for the wage loss suffered during a period of disability.

### Welfare Council To Discuss Camping Needs

How Southern California stands in regard to camping facilities and its needs will be pointed up at the monthly meeting of First District Welfare Council, which will take place next Tuesday, May 16 at noon in Madeleine's Restaurant, 164th and New Hampshire avenue, Gardena. It is announced by Warren W. Hamilton, chairman.

Guest speaker is Dr. Elizabeth Frank, member of the Research Department of Welfare Council of metropolitan Los Angeles, one of the arms of Welfare Federation which also operates the Community Chest.

Dr. Frank will draw her facts from the recently completed Camping Study dealing with the situation here, particularly as applied to youth.

Parents and other citizens interested in youth welfare have a cordial invitation to attend. Those who wish to have luncheon with the group are asked to make reservations by calling Community Chest Service Center, 1339 Post avenue, Torrance 1356.

### Pre-School Classes Organized at Seaside

The "Prepare Your Child For School" class held each Monday at the Seaside School will be split up into two groups, with the two to four-year-olds attending the class on Wednesday at 1 p.m.

Sponsored by the Torrance Adult School, it is designed not only to prepare young children for kindergarten but to help their parents better understand their own children by watching them play in a laboratory type classroom.

Children from four years old to kindergarten age will still be admitted to the Monday class at the Seaside School at 12:30. Children in both classes must be accompanied by their parents, but adults without children are invited to attend.

Tickets for El Camino college's spring musical "Sunny", to be held May 18, 19, and 20 will be on sale this week at the college bookstore, according to an announcement by school officials.

The play, to be presented in the auditorium of the Leuzinger high school, is a musical comedy from the pens of Oscar Hammerstein I and Otto Harbach. Jerome Kern supplied the music.

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