

Torrance's Water Need Critical Says Engineer

Torrance is living on borrowed time, so far as its water supply is concerned.

Such was the situation pointed out Monday afternoon by James Montgomery, hydraulic engineer, who has been preparing a water rate survey for the city and engineering plans for the proposed development of the city's water system.

Montgomery, addressing members of the Board of Directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, pointed to the precarious position of North Torrance.

NO RESERVE

There is no reserve supply for North Torrance should the pressure suddenly drop in the Metropolitan Water District lines. There is no way of cutting the district into other basins at present," the engineer stated. Central Torrance, supplied by



John S. Gibson for Councilman

Voters in the Harbor City and Shoestring area, long without active representation in city government, have an opportunity on May 29 to change that picture.

By the election of John S. Gibson, they can be sure of an active, able councilman who will meet with them in their own community to discuss and work out solutions to problems.

John Gibson has an excellent background for public office. For years he has been a leader in all phases of civic work. He is a past president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, founder of a Boys' Club, and active church worker. Gibson is a successful business man and has a reputation of "Getting Things Done."

Through his plan of advisory committees in each section of the district, Gibson proposes to represent "all of the people." Too long certain areas of the district have been without such representation.

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TEAC To Discuss Cooperative Relationships

Cooperative relationships between the schools and community agencies will be the topic of discussion at the next meeting of the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee meeting, according to Mrs. Grace Wright, moderator.

The group will gather for luncheon at 12:05 p.m. in the cafeteria of Torrance High School. Those intending to attend are asked to make reservations by phoning Torrance 2111 before noon today.

... Juniors Win

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foundation prizes was made at the week-end convention of the state junior membership of the California State Federation of Women's Clubs. Besides Mrs. Morton the convention was attended by Mrs. C. E. Wallace, president-elect of the Torrance juniors, and Mrs. Phil Jensen, district chairman of reciprocity of the Los Angeles area, and Mrs. Douglas Baldwin.

PROUD OF IT . . . Mrs. Robert C. Morton, president of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club, proudly shows a check made out to the local club for \$350. The Torrance Juniors won the amount in a state-wide contest sponsored by the Sears-Roebuck Foundation. The club's sponsorship of the YWCA building project earned the Juniors the award. Pictured at the Hotel Del Coronado in San Diego are Mrs. Morton (left), Mrs. Arthur E. Cron, president of the California Federation of Women's Clubs, Junior Membership; and Mrs. Rodney J. Ross, of La Crescenta who is chairman of the state-wide contest.

... School Ages

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tage a year sooner of the State law requiring an older age. School officials estimated that a cut in kindergarten enrollment of 20 or 30 per cent might result from the change if adopted.

The board will consider the proposal again next Tuesday evening at its regular meeting.



... Pittsburgh

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Anges plant the new Torrance works becomes the division office for the three coastal states.

An open house for employees and their families is planned for the evening on May 16.

... Burglary

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thief pried open the back door of the vacant store building next to the drug store and then pried a hole in the wall with a short length of two by four to gain entrance to the pharmacy.

College Prof Due in Court

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trip to Japan. He is also charged with denying that he had been informed that Ignacy Witezak, later identified as a Red espionage agent, was a member of the Communist International.

TELLS OF MEETINGS

Vetterli, who lives with his wife and two children at 17101 Crenshaw boulevard, testified before the Federal Grand Jury on May 25, 1949 about meetings alleged to have taken place at his home.

A transcript of the Grand Jury testimony reads:

Q. You remember Mr. Miwa now. Is it not a fact that in 1941 you gave Miwa instructions as to what he should do when he got to Japan?

A. No, it is not.

Q. Is it or is it not a fact that those instructions from you to Miwa were that he was to stand in front of the Saisei in Ueno Park, Tokyo, wearing a white Panama hat one week after his arrival in Japan?

A. It is all news to me.

DENIES DONATING \$100

Q. Did you at that time give Miwa approximately \$100 for traveling expenses in addition to money for his tickets?

A. No I did not.

Q. Did you give him any money at any time? Do you know whether or not Miwa did go on that occasion to Japan?

A. I believe he did.

Q. Do you recall any social gathering at your place when Patterson and Witezak were present?

A. I don't recall.

Q. They could have been together at your house?

A. Could have been. Yes.

Q. And did you at any gathering at your house or elsewhere at which Witezak and Patterson were present tell Patterson that Witezak was an important person with a great deal of influence in foreign countries?

A. No.

MISLEAD FBI

Q. Did Patterson and his wife come to your home on that occasion and tell you that Witezak had just told them that he was a representative of the Communist International and wanted them to go to South America?

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