



CONDUCTED TOUR . . . Pfc. John Ritchey, USAF, (right) son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ritchey of 1314 West 218th street, sets out in a ricksha with his buddies to explore the historic city of Nara, Japan. On rest leave from his Air Force missions, John spent several days at the Special Services-operated Nara Hotel, in the city which was Japan's capital in the eighth century. (U. S. Army photo).

City Considers \$100,000 in New Bus Equipment

Purchase of \$100,000 in new bus equipment is being considered by the Transportation Committee of the City Council, City Manager George W. Stevens said this week. He said that the purchase of eight new buses is being considered by the committee headed by Councilman Willys G. Blount. Needed are four large 45-passenger diesels and four smaller 20-passenger buses, the latter of which would be used on the local runs. Biggest problem facing the committee is how to finance the deal. The payments can hardly be made from bus line revenue since the lines are already operating at a loss. Facts and figures presented to the committee by Marshall A. Chamberlain, manager of the bus lines, show that present antiquated equipment is costing the lines far too much money in maintenance and repair.

Head-On Crash Fatal To Torrance Resident

Killed in a head-on crash near Barstow last Saturday was 29-year-old Kaylen B. McNutt who lived at 20527 South Vermont avenue. The Torrance woman was killed when a car in which she was riding crashed into a truck driven by George Wittenberg of Barstow. Injured in the crash was Shirley Viola Steelman, 41, of the Vermont avenue address.

Expect Crowd of 20,000 At Youth Band Parade

A crowd in excess of 20,000 persons is expected to view the Torrance Area Youth Band's Fifth Annual Band Benefit Parade May 19 to watch 100 entries vie for \$550 in gold trophies and ribbons.

The parade is staged by the local musical group as a means of raising funds to purchase 40 uniforms needed by the growing organization.

The campaign had its "kick-off" last week and will run until June 9, according to James Van Dyck, director of the Torrance Area Youth Bands, Inc.

Trophies will be awarded to first place winners in twelve equestrian divisions and to first and second place winners in bands, marching groups, baton corps, and floats. Aside from the trophies, which are valued at over \$400, there will be 1500

Phone Call Will Bring Answers

Units or organizations still wishing to enter the parade may obtain additional information concerning forming time, route, and parade position by contacting James Van Dyck at Torrance 3391-W.

worth of ribbons awarded to first, second, and third place winners in all equestrian divisions.

Classes of competition in the equestrian divisions include parade horse, silver singles (men), silver single (women), silver pairs, typical cowboy, typical cowgirl, matched pairs, mounted group (western), Spanish singles (men), Spanish singles (women), outstanding authentic costume, and mounted posse. Other classes of competition include senior high school bands, junior high school bands, community-sponsored bands (junior), community-sponsored bands (senior), college and/or service bands, drum and/or bugle corps (junior), drum and/or bugle corps (senior), marching groups (non-musical), baton corps, floats (commercial) and floats (non-commercial).

15 Acts Booked On June Jubilee Variety Show

A total of 13 prominent vaudeville acts from the entertainment fields of radio, TV, the stage and screen have already been contracted for the benefit "June Jubilee," scheduled for June 1 in the Civic Auditorium, according to an announcement released today by Lou Deinger, co-chairman of the event.

Tickets for the variety show, staged for the benefit of junior baseball in the Torrance area, and co-sponsored by the Torrance Department of Recreation and the local American Legion post, are being circulated by legion and recreation department members.

Jan Darian, producer, has revealed that the following acts have been scheduled for an appearance: The Harmonica Sharps, Jean McDougal troupe, Bonnie and McCabe, a comedy team appearing on many TV shows; Gus Norman, KFLA artist, who will come from a show at the Last Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas; Ben and Lorry, featured on Jimmy Durante's TV show; the Mood Makers, Betty Ann Hallett, Charles Andrews, and Tena Jankowska, ballerina.

At least 15 acts are expected to be seen during the two-hour variety show.

Injures Arm in Fall

Councilman Ed Karlow sustained a painful shoulder injury Sunday when he fell from an automobile in Fresno. He fell on his right arm, jamming the shoulder socket and breaking a blood vessel.

gers theorized the green painted four-place Howard airplane crashed into a dense woodland but did not burn. He feels the craft, being green, blended with the forest so well that detection of the lost airplane is virtually impossible. Aboard the plane also was the pilot, Edwin S. Coe, and his wife. They have three children. The pilot was an ex-Army flyer with 1500 hours in the air. They live in Pacoima.

Organized For Civil Defense

An emergency defense organization to protect employees and to cooperate with local and state civilian defense programs has been established at the Harbor plant of the American Can Company, at 110 East Sepulveda boulevard, it was announced this week by R. K. Frederick, plant manager.

He said that R. F. Thompson, general foreman, has been appointed civilian defense coordinator for the plant and will work with local authorities to develop and place in operation a plant defense program in line with local activities.

The plant's health and safety program is ideally suited for immediate conversion to emergency duties, Frederick explained. Under this program, he continued, a group of plant people have been trained to perform emergency duties which might arise from a plant fire or similar exigency.

The plant's medical department, under the supervision of Dr. Rodney A. Stetson, Torrance physician includes a staff of one registered nurse, ten first aid specialists along with medical supplies and equipment for emergency care of employees, Frederick said.

"The local plant's health and safety organization is flexible in its scope and operations, and it is our intention to cooperate in the fullest degree practical with the local civilian defense program by providing equipment and techniques to combat any emergency that might arise from any possible enemy action," he concluded.

Representatives of many of the Southland's major industries were on hand for the afternoon tour and the dinner that evening. Included were members of the San Fernando and San Gabriel Valley management clubs, and members of such firms as General Petroleum, Wilshire Oil Co., Gladding-McBean, Fairbanks Morse Co., the aircraft industries of both Los Angeles and San Diego, and other manufacturers.

Pointing out how the labor picture had changed during the past 10 years, Ford emphasized that the age levels of our population showed marked changes during World War II.

"The number of persons in the United States who are 55 years old or over has increased 28.9 per cent since 1940," he said. On the other end of the population ladder, the number of persons 15 years old and under has increased 27 per cent, he said.

The rest of the age brackets have either remained at their 1940 level or declined, Ford said, a situation which decreases the potential labor supply considerably.

"Industry will not only have fewer new workers coming into the market, but stands to lose many of these it now has, if full-scale production is attempted," Ford said.

His remarks were made as a preface to his discussion on training systems in industry, a field in which Ford is a recognized expert.

Prior to the discussion conducted by Ford, John Spaulding, works manager of the National Supply Company, welcomed the more than 200 men to the meeting, and extended his belated welcome to those who had spent the afternoon visiting the Torrance plant.

Fred Mill, assistant secretary and division controller of National, was in charge of the program which included a selection of songs by the Deaconaires, a local barber shop quartet.



STRIKE UP THE BAND . . . Three cute majorettes in the Torrance Area Youth Band Majorette Corps pose with some of the Trophies to be awarded to units marching in the Fifth Annual Youth Band Benefit Parade to be staged here on May 19. Pictured are (l. to r.) Marilyn Ryan, Connie Bender, and Joy Pearman. (Herald photo).

National Supply Co. Hosts 200 Management Club Members

The manpower situation in America could become very serious if the country went on a full war-production basis, members of Southern California management clubs and the National Association of Foremen were told here this week.

Tartar Teen Talk

By MARIAN McDONALD

Congratulations are indeed in order for the cast of the operetta "Belle of Bagdad," who put on a wonderful show last Friday night. Congratulations to Mr. George Zavislan, vocal director, to Mr. Harold Dunn, music director, and to the pit orchestra.

Elaine Rehwoldt turned in her usual outstanding performance as Jewel, the Belle of Bagdad. A very unusual person, Heneretta Whipstitch, a jilted spinster, was played by Grace Laferty. Grace gave an outstanding performance in this part. Lenzy Reid also gave an accountable performance as the Chief "The Happy Journey" written by Thornton Wilder.

The cast of "The Happy Journey" includes Glyn Boyce, stage manager; Barbara Jackson, as the mother; Irwin Kasten, father; Marian McDonald, plays Caroline the 15-year-old daughter and Jim Crane takes the part of Arthur, the 13-year-old son. Bulah, the married daughter, is played by Sally Radicky. Of Police. The rest of the cast included Colleen Mooney, Pat Dunmyer, Emily Burchfield, Darrel Green, Pat Wilson, Betty Klem, Janice Hurley, Beryl Jones, Bob Moon, Joe Laferty, Buddy Powers, Joe Clevenger, Darlene Four, Ann Olson and Mary Lou Hutchison.

Everyone who missed seeing this show be sure you make it to the next year. If this year's production is any preview to next year's, I heartily recommend it.

Tomorrow, May 11, will be a very busy and exciting day at El Camino College. It is Senior Day at the college, the day when all the high school seniors who are interested in going to El Camino can look over the college. El Camino is also sponsoring a Drama Festival with six high schools in this area competing. Torrance High School is presenting the one-act play

The senior class has a very busy schedule ahead of them. On the 18th of this month they are planning to go to Catalina on the annual Senior trip. On the 1st of June is the long awaited Junior-Senior Prom. June 3 is Baccalaureate, June 4 Senior Breakfast, June 5 Senior ad call, June 6 Senior Tea and June 7 is the date they have been waiting 12 years for . . . GRADUATION!

The Junior class is getting set to take over the very envious position of being seniors. Six members of this mighty class are on the sweater committee to pick out a few sweaters for the class vote. On this committee are Edgar Forcier, Diane Anderson, Penny Baker, Charlotte Anderson, Jim Rathbun and Pat Portlock. The color of the sweater will be kept secret until next fall.

Entries are being taken for the design of an emblem for the sweaters. The person who designs the best emblem will be given his or her sweater free.

Yesterday Torrance had the first Bay League Forum of the Boys' League Cabinet members. This forum was started so all the Boys League cabinet members. This forum was started so they could get together and exchange ideas.

The annual Boys League volleyball tournament will start May 15. All boys in high school are urged to sign up with the coaches and participate in this activity.

Last Monday was the Key Club Visiting Day. All members of the Key Club or Tartar Knights visited with a member of the Kiwanis Club to see what his occupation was like.

Tomorrow, May 11, is the deadline to turn in nomination blanks for all student body offices, GAA offices and Bays and Girls League offices.

Today is the last baseball game of the season. The Torrance team is playing Inglewood at the Torrance Ball Park. Our team is in third place and has really played some great ball this year. So let's all go to the game today and really support the team.

Hits Tree After Losing Control

After striking the soft shoulder on Hickory avenue at Torrance boulevard last Thursday afternoon, William Frank Shelly, 70, of 2471 Torrance boulevard, lost control of his auto and struck a tree, according to Torrance police accident reports. He was treated at the Acacia building by Dr. R. A. Stetson.

'Mommie Hasn't Phoned'

Crashes 5 Years Apart Rob Tot, 9, of Parents

How would you tell a fatherless nine-year old girl whose daddy was killed in an airplane crash in 1946 that nearly every one has abandoned hope of finding her mother alive after she disappeared April 6 on a flight to Nevada?

That is the unpleasant task facing the grandparents of Donna Rae, the daughter of Carmine Anastasia who crashed at the Torrance Municipal Airport on August 8, 1946, and Mrs. Dorothy Anastasia Taylor who was one of four persons aboard a private plane, which suddenly dropped from sight a month ago and which has never been seen or reported since.

LIVED ON ANDREO The Anastasias lived at 2119 Andreo avenue until the crash at the airport which took the life of Carl J. Pouncey, 32, a grocery clerk at Hinkley's market in Lomita. Anastasia operated the A and A garage at 248th and Narbonne avenues.

The daughter who now lives in Van Nuys knew her mother was flying to Las Vegas and then onto Prescott, Arizona, but has been "unable to understand why Mommie hasn't phoned me since she left."

STEPFATHER MISSING After the death of her first husband Mrs. Anastasia married Gerald Taylor who was also aboard the ill-fated craft which disappeared.

Captain Sewell Griggers of the Sheriff's Aero Detail said last week that all organized searches for the lost craft had been abandoned. He said that "several thousand hours" of search missions had been flown by his department and by the Army's Air Rescue unit at Hawthorne. No trace of the plane has ever been seen. Capt. Grig-



HOT STUFF . . . Half a hundred members of Southland management clubs watch as the giant electric steel furnace is emptied into a ladle before being taken to the various waiting molds at the Inset Supply Company's plant here. The clubs were visiting National Supply last Friday. Inset is George C. Ford. (Herald photo).