

## DeMolay Ceremony Witnessed by Large Group Friends, Relatives

The Torrance Chapter, Order of DeMolay Installation of Officers Ceremony was witnessed by a large crowd of friends and relatives Saturday evening, October 6, at the Masonic Temple.

Officers installed were: LeRoy Swigart, master counselor; Robert Chambers, senior counselor; Bernard Berkowitz, junior counselor; Don L. Mitchell, scribe; Charles V. Coulson, senior deacon; William C. Bloomfield, junior deacon; Fred Abramson, senior steward; Gary Carter, junior steward; Jimmy Rathbun, chaplain; Richard A. Ueland, usher; Kenneth R. Van Dyke, senior; Calvin Figgins, stand-bearer; Floyd D. Mead, orator; Preceptors, Jerry W. Neely, Herman Chambers, Thomas E. Neely, William C. Disario, Ron E. Thane, Donald D. Linane, Charles E. Collins, Gerald M. Olson. Serving as ushers were: Myne Scholl and Dick Carrow.

The address of welcome was given by Leonard D. Babcock, P.M. and Worshipful Master of Torrance Masonic Lodge. This was followed by the entrance of the installing team.

The Bible was brought to the altar by Marian McDonald, Honored Queen of Job's Daughters, Torrance Bethel, accompanied by Mary Ann Lenton, Senior Princess, and Ann Olson, Junior Princess. Carol Campbell, Marshal of the Torrance Job's Daughters, served as installing assistant.

Two solos were sung by Dean Osberg, who was accompanied



**NEW DEMOLAY OFFICERS** . . . Posing for their first photo following installation Saturday night were these members of the Torrance Chapter, Order of DeMolay. Pictured are, front row left to right: Norman Chambers, Robert Chambers, LeRoy Swigart, Bernard Berkowitz, Fred Abramson, William Disario, James Rathbun, Charles Collins. Second row: Charles Coulson, Gary Carter, Richard Ueland, Ronald Thane, Donald Linane. Third row: Kenneth Van Dyke, Jerry W. Neely,

Thomas Long, Floyd D. Mead, William Bloomfield, Calvin Figgins. Fourth row: Frank Schmidt, dad of Torrance DeMolay, installing team Donnie Cook, advisory board and P.M.C. of Torrance; Charles White, grand senior counselor; Jimmie Miller, P.M.C.; George Novinger, M.C.; Robert McClellan, M.C.-elect, all of Glendale and Robert Bowers, junior P.M.C. of Torrance. (Photo by Photo Arts Studio).

## NTCIA Hears Reports: Install New Officers

Year-end reports on various projects of the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association were made by outgoing committee chairmen at the installation of officers held October 3 at McMaster Park.

Following his charge to the new officers Burt Johnson, outgoing president, was presented with an automatic lawn sprinkler by Mrs. Anne Collins, on behalf of the association.

Jack White, the new president, stated that the association was renewing and dedicating its efforts to push the state to improve 174th street.



**JACK WHITE**  
... President NTCIA

had been completed with Don Brewer of the Allied Fur Industries who will describe the activities of one of Torrance's lesser known but interesting industries. To speak also is Jack O. Baldwin, managing editor of the Torrance Herald, who will describe the new system of reporting to parents to be used in Torrance schools this year. The speaker was one of the group of parents and teachers who last year formulated the new plan of reporting.

Among the new officers installed at the meeting were: Dave Dyer, vice president; Mrs. Anne Collins, secretary; Mrs. Janice Bates, treasurer and Larry Gatti, auditor.

The outgoing officers include: Johnson, president; Ken Beight, vice president; Mrs. Anne Collins, secretary; Mrs. Wayne Alford, auditor.

Appointed committee chairman by President White were: Bob Reichert, ways and means; Mrs. Alice McGuinness, membership; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Rusbud, co-chairmen of publicity; Dave Dyer, program chairman and Ruth Brooks, educational.

## Attack Fatal To Veteran GP Foreman

A heart attack proved fatal early Wednesday morning for Lawrence M. Olivas, 49, a shift foreman in the Torrance Refinery of the General Petroleum Corporation since 1922.

Olivas died in Los Angeles. Stone and Myers are in charge of arrangements, which as of noon yesterday were still pending.

Surviving is his widow, Helen, of Los Angeles, and a son, Lawrence A., 16, of Ventura.

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**BUSY TERM AHEAD**—Hard at planning the forthcoming activities of the Torrance Chapter, Order of DeMolay, are two officers installed Saturday night. Pictured are: (seated) LeRoy Swigart, master counselor, and Bernard Berkowitz, junior counselor.—Herald photo.

## Torrance Herald Wife of Pioneer Merchant Passes

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