

Dr. P. Lindstrom, Bergman's 'Ex,' May Leave Harbor Hospital Staff

Dr. Peter Lindstrom, chief of the Department of Neurosurgery at Harbor General Hospital, has been offered a post as head of the Department of Neurosurgery at Aspinwall Veterans Hospital near Pittsburgh, Pa., it was revealed this week.

Dr. Lindstrom, former husband of actress Ingrid Bergman, indicated that he would accept the offer but would not make a formal announcement until final confirmation was received from the Veterans Administration in Washington, D. C.

A native of Sweden, Dr. Lindstrom became an American citizen in November, 1949, just one year before he divorced Miss Bergman, who is now the wife of Roberto Rosellini, Italian film director.

Shoestring Meet With Gibson Set

Members of the Shoestring Strip Civic Association will meet next Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. in the new Normandale Playground Building, H. T. Unander, president, reported this week.

Flood control work along 212th St. and street lighting along Torrance Blvd. from 209th to 212th Sts. will be brought up with City Councilman John Gibson, it was stated.

Unander also said that the group will ask Gibson to recommend that a bridge be built over 212th St. and that a drain be constructed to route water into the nearby slough.

Residents also will back citizens of Harbor City in their battle to obtain a bus line to Los Angeles, the president advised.

POPULAR PLAYS

"Life With Father" ran for more than 3200 performances on Broadway, setting a record. "Tobacco Road" was second with about 3150.

Firemen Douse Blaze—Twice!

Torrance firemen were called out to the same location not once but twice within a three day period—and both times for a fire probably caused by smoking in bed, reports show.

A small fire in the Gateway Apts., 1929 Torrance Blvd., each time was confined to less than \$30 damage. Occupant Bernice Haggerty told fire captain E. K. Walker that she apparently fell asleep while smoking.

The blazes were both in the early morning hours.

Pair Beat, Rob Man for \$20 Bill

Frank A. Bland, of 611 Acacia Ave., received severe head contusions and abrasions, and a possible fractured rib when he was beaten and robbed of \$20 at Hawthorne and Redondo Beach Blvds. Tuesday, he told Deputy W. A. Kennard.

Bland said that he stopped at a bar and while there entered into a conversation with two men. Shortly after 10 o'clock the gents decided to move on to a different tavern, and all piled into Bland's car.

Several minutes later, one suspect grabbed the ignition keys and both men started beating him, Bland said. He was rendered unconscious. Deputy Kennard transported him to Park Emergency hospital for treatment.

BRIDGE OPENED

The George Washington bridge from New York to New Jersey those in open country, 24, 1931.

TWO ENTER MOBILGAS TEST RUN

Two auto companies tied for the honor of being first to have their cars chosen as entrants in the 1952 Mobilgas Economy Run, the American Automobile Association said.

The Kaiser-Frazer Corp. and the Hudson Motor Car Co. had their cars picked simultaneously and without warning. AAA East Coast officials picked out two Henry J. "Corsairs," a Kaiser and a Kaiser "Deluxe" at Willow Run.

Meanwhile, West Coast men went to Bakersfield, where a Hudson "Commodore 8" was selected.

Both autos were driven to Los Angeles, where they are impounded until the start of the run to Sun Valley, Idaho, April 14 to 16. The exact route to be taken will not be announced, to prevent cars from practicing, it was said.

Religious Sound Movie To Be Shown in El Nido

"The Man Who Forgot God," a Christian sound motion picture, will be shown during the evening service of El Nido Baptist Church Sunday, according to Rev. Leland L. Pisel, pastor.

Rev. Pisel has extended an invitation to the public to attend the interesting program, slated to begin at 7:30 p. m. in the church, 182nd St. and Kingsdale.

Times of other services at the church are Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; morning worship, 11 a.m.; young people's service, 6:30 p.m.; and mid-week prayer and Bible study, 7:30 Thursday evenings.

DIRTY FOGS

Because of soot and dirt in the air, city fogs generally last longer and are more dense than those in open country.

STRIPPED NEW CAR FOUND IN GARAGE

A 1951 Ford convertible was found parked in the garage of an unoccupied house at 17003 PoySmith Ave. Monday evening stripped of its wheels and several accessories.

Harry Jackson, of 17003 PoySmith Ave., told police officers that he heard someone in the area Sunday night, but couldn't call the police because he doesn't have a phone.

The car was registered to a Ford dealer in Long Beach.

Educators Pick Casey as Coast Representative

Raymond J. Casey, Harbor Junior College director, has been notified of his appointment to the post of Pacific Coast representative for the National Council of Local Administrators of Vocational Education.

As Pacific Coast representative of the organization, which is affiliated with the American Vocational Association, Director Casey will be responsible for contacting administrators of vocational education in Washington, Oregon and California to determine what resolutions they wish presented at the national convention of the group to be held in Boston this coming summer.

Director Casey will serve with eight other vocational education administrators representing other geographical areas of the United States on the resolutions committee of the National Council at the Boston meeting, and was selected for the position because of his extensive background in the field of vocational education.

RUBBER SUPPLY

About 96 per cent of the 1951 natural rubber output came from southeast Asia, and more than one-third came from Malaya alone.

Population Jumps But Fire Losses Show Drop in 1951

Although the population jumped considerably and the number of homes has increased steadily, the fire losses for 1951 were below those recorded in 1950, Fire Chief J. J. Benner reported this week in the chief's annual report.

Mercantile fires accounted for the biggest drop; the fire fighters battled only seven last year as compared with 47 in the previous period.

Total alarms answered by engines in the department were 330 in 1951, or less than one per day. In 1950, 385 alarms were reported.

The estimated loss last year was only \$20,736 as compared with \$33,117 in 1950.

Service offered by the department has steadily improved with the addition of new modern equipment and the completion of a North Torrance fire station to augment the headquarters companies and the Walteria crew, Benner said.

A complete revamping of the telephone setup for the Fire Department also helped to speed up the dispatching of

apparatus to fires and to help in centralizing all activities. All fire companies are sent out from the headquarters station via the department's private phone system.

A more modern building is planned for the downtown station, plus the addition of two battalion chiefs, Benner said.

Wisteria Fest Slated at Park

A 200-foot wisteria vine will be one of the featured attractions at the 1952 Wilmington Wisteria Festival to be held in Banning Park Sunday, March 30 at 1 o'clock.

Planted more than 80 years ago by General Phineas Banning's Chinese gardener, the giant vine is expected to be in full bloom if recent storms haven't ruined the long blossoms.

Tours of General Banning's 30-room mansion also will be allowed.

Strip Sidewalks, Curbs Get City Board's Okay

Installation of curbs, gutters and sidewalks in Western Ave. between 219th and 220th Sts. finally received approval by the Los Angeles City Board of Public Works late last week.

The project is costing \$2596, it was reported. Construction forms were in place along most of the stretch yesterday.

Personality Problems

A series of free lectures offered by the El Camino College cultural relations department, is being presented each Tuesday evening at 8 in Room 8 of the college Administration Building.

At the next lecture in the series, March 25, Dr. Lawrence Barr, El Camino psychology instructor, will discuss the use and abuse of psychology in solving personal problems.

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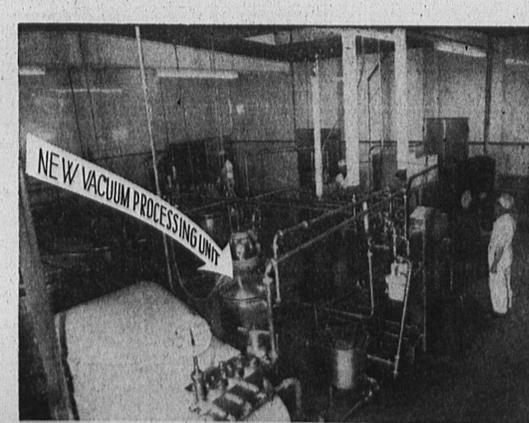
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