

Committees Tackle Chamber Project List

Committees were delving into the various projects listed for the Chamber of Commerce this week following an open membership meeting attended by a disappointing turnout of about 20.

President R. I. Plomert Jr. appointed a committee of five headed by Don Wagen, of Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., to put the 13 projects into a "workable order for the membership to handle.

Included in the project were such items as a buy-at-home campaign, additional parking lots, new members, promotional brochures and other civic betterment proposals.

Dale Isenberg, executive secretary of the group, said after the meeting that ticket sales for the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet were "practically sold out."

"It looks like we'll have a record turnout," Isenberg said.

Mrs. Atwood Sells Star Furniture share

Sale of her share of the Star Furniture Co., was announced yesterday by Mrs. Leonard Atwood, a partner in the firm for the past six years.

Mrs. Atwood announced plans to open a Mode O'Day shop at 829 N. Avalon Blvd., Wilmington, next Tuesday.

A resident of Torrance for the past seven years, Mrs. Atwood said the family would continue to reside in their home at 1504 Acacia Ave. Leonard is a buyer for Columbia Steel and the couple's son, Bill, is a senator at Torrance High.



OFFICIALS AT BIRTH OF EIGHT NEWSPAPERS . . . John B. Long, general manager of California Newspaper Publishers Association, studies display of eight newspapers affiliated with the Torrance Herald as exhibited in the lobby of the Herald building. Herald publisher Grover C. Whyte points out vast trading area of 80,000 population which is covered 100 per cent by the semi-weekly Torrance Herald and its eight companion neighborhood papers. Ribbons identify districts served by the different newspapers. Long, who is popularly known as "Mr. Newspaper of California," speaks for some 550 daily and weekly newspapers in the state. He commands association offices at Los Angeles, San Francisco and Sacramento. In his hand is the first Sunday issue of the Torrance Herald. The Herald is now distributed on Thursday and Sunday mornings.

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Sewer District Okayed

Petitions to form a sewer district at Torrance Blvd. and Denker Ave. were approved this week by the Los Angeles City Council. Owners of property in the district will be assessed for the sewers.

Tartar Teen Talk

By MARIAN McDONALD

Some of the girls around THIS week. With a sigh of relief, the young dramatists settled back into the routine of classes after completing their one-act play festival in the auditorium. High light of the festival for many was the presentation of trophies by Judge John A. Shidler on behalf of his wife, Rosemary DeCamp.

There must be a moral in this one! While members of the drama class were visiting the Pasadena Playhouse earlier this week to view some of the one-act plays being prepared for the festival, members of Miss Rous' classes were visiting a Los Angeles slaughter house.

Did you buy a book from the Freshmen Y-Teens yesterday? The funds will send a representative to the annual convention.

Defense Contract Awarded National

A military contract valued at \$378,801 was awarded to The National Supply Co. for tube forgings for 155-mm guns, it was announced in Washington this week.

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And, by gosh, sidewalks are important. If you don't think so, walk four or five blocks to school with your children along a muddy path after the rains.

I'LL DO ALL I POSSIBLY CAN to keep our children off the busy highways—away from heavy trucks and high-speed traffic.

AND I'LL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT the Torrance Traffic Department in asking state installation of important traffic signals on Highway 101 at the entrance to Seaside and Hollywood.

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Red Shield Trucks to Start In Area One Week From Today

A special fleet of Salvation Army Red Shield trucks will operate in the Torrance area next week during the annual salvage drive, which will run from Sunday through Saturday.

The trucks will answer calls from local residents to pick up discarded materials. The trucks will be reconditioned in work shops of the Salvation Army Social Service Center which serves this area.

Caltech Men To Observe In Test Run

Engineering students from the California Institute of Technology will again serve as AAA observers on the Mobilgas Economy Run, Dr. Peter Kyropoulos, assistant professor of mechanical engineering at Caltech, advised this week.

Forty-five students were chosen from among more than 100 applicants. Engineering students were picked because they have the technical knowledge to qualify as observers but do not have professional affiliations with any company, the AAA said.

Some 60 different places on each car are sealed and only AAA officials may break one of these seals. Whenever a seal is broken the observer "must" not leave the car or take his eyes from the unsealed part until it is resealed," according to the rules. This year's run, to Sun Valley, Ida., over a secret route, will be a longer and more rigorous test of regular passenger automobiles than any previous Mobilgas run, it was said.

Brigadier of the center, said that discarded donated last year provided thousands of hours of occupational therapy, meals, beds and financial assistance to needy and handicapped men. He reported that the center has urgent need for used clothing, shoes, furniture, bedding, dishes, electrical appliances, radios, stoves, rugs, rags and miscellaneous items to continue its social rehabilitation program.

Parsonage Work Now Under Way

Work on a new residence for their minister was started last week by members of the First Christian Church, under the chairmanship of Phil Jensen.

Located on Onrado St. in the Torrance Plaza district the residence is of modern design. It is the first building to be erected on the church property—site of the planned Christian Church.

Working on Jensen's committee are Ray Peer, Freddie Smith, Burke Mosley, Ed Pletschke, Mrs. Carl Steele, Mrs. Glen Stock and Mrs. Walt Levy.

The committee drew the preliminary plans and Mrs. Levy made final drawings. Peer is superintendent of construction. Church members gather each Saturday to build on the new home. Those who have days off help out in the middle of the week.

NEW AF ENLISTEES TO AVOID LACKLAND

It'll be California for Californians who sign up with the Air Force from now on, Sgt. Larry Daniels, local recruiting officer, said this week when he announced that all enlistees will now be sent to Parks Air Force Base.

Robbery Suspect Nabbed in East

Harold Glenn Smith, 33, who reportedly held up at gun point a service station at Hawthorne and Redondo Beach Bldvs. nearly two years ago, blew into town Thursday in the custody of two deputy sheriffs.

Smith was arraigned in City Judge Otto B. Willett's court and remanded to county jail pending preliminary hearing next Friday. Bail of \$5000 was continued.

Det. Capt. Ernie Ashton said the suspect was nabbed by FBI agents in Lansing, Mich., on an unlawful flight to avoid prosecution charge. He was given a free train ride to Torrance by authorities.

Once picked up in Houston, Tex., Smith was released when "hold" orders by California authorities became lost in the shuffle.

He had no previous arrests prior to this, Ashton declared.

YMCA's Annual Learn-to-Swim Program Ready

Annual "learn-to-swim" program of the YMCA will be conducted during the Easter vacation, April 7-12. It was announced yesterday by Dick Brown, program director for the Y.

Signups for the program—limited to boys between the ages of 7 and 12—will get underway Tuesday, Brown said. Information and application slips will be made available at the schools, he said. Parents must sign their approval before a boy can be accepted for the swim class.

Classes will be conducted at the San Pedro YCA during the week. Transportation will be furnished by the Torrance Lions Club.

The "learn-to-swim" program is made available by the YMCA and Lions at no cost to the boys participating.

Lifeguard Jobs Available With Los Angeles City

Applications are now being accepted by the Civil Service Department for lifeguard positions at Los Angeles' municipal pools and beaches, the City Recreation and Park Department reported yesterday.

Compensation for beach lifeguards will be \$141 per hour, with positions open to men only. With both men and women eligible for the jobs, pool lifeguards will be paid \$127 an hour, according to the Civil Service Department's bulletin.

Candidates for beach lifeguard positions must be at least 18 years of age, at least 5 feet 7 inches tall, and weigh at least 150 pounds. An additional requirement is the ability to swim 1000 meters in 25 minutes or less.

Applicants for pool lifeguard jobs must be at least 17 years of age and be able to swim 400 meters in 9 minutes or less. Male candidates must be at least 5 feet 7 inches tall and weigh at least 150 pounds. Women applicants must be at least 5 feet 4 inches tall and weigh at least 115 pounds.

Pool guard candidates must have an American Red Cross or YMCA senior lifesaving certificate when they apply for employment, or must present proof of enrollment in a course leading to issuance of the certificate.

HEART RATE

When a normal individual is quiet and resting, his heart contracts at the rate of 70 times a minute.

ed that all enlistees will now be sent to Parks Air Force Base. "Effective 16 March 1952 all male original enlistees from the eight western states will go to Parks Air Force Base" directive from headquarters reads.

"This means," Sgt. Daniels says, "that new AF men won't be sent to Texas and the Lackland Air Force base; at least those from the eight states out here."

Lackland, known as the World's largest AF base, holds a special place in the heart of each who has passed through its hallowed cactus-lined dusty streets.

Parks, located in California's central valley, is a town in itself—the government says. It's a former Navy base which the AF converted for its purpose. It has a capacity of 33,000 men, 8000 of whom are permanent personnel.

More than 1000 acres enclosed within its barbed wire fences. More than 800 miles of wire are in the telephone system alone.

Commanding officer of Parks is Col. Merlin I. Carter, who started on his flying career at California's March Field. He has been assigned the job of starting basic training stations throughout the nation during his career as an AF officer.

So, for Californians who like the real hospitality of the Texas folk, but won't shed a tear over not being shipped off to Lackland, it's Parks AF base—in Central California, from now on—Whoopie!

Final Lecture Set For Tuesday Night

The final lecture of the 1952 series at Palos Verdes College will be given Tuesday, April 1, at 8 p.m. in the college auditorium.

Frank Weir, of the college faculty, will speak on the subject "Have You Tried Liking Contemporary Art?" The lecture is open to the public. Reservations may be made by calling the college office, FRontier 74541.

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