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School Election to Decide Three Board Seats, Special College Tax

Voters Asked To Grant Tax Levy to ECC

Torrance, with other communities comprising the El Camino Junior College District, will vote tomorrow on a 55-cent tax proposal for expansion of the local junior college.

The tax, 35 cents for operation and maintenance, and 20 cents for new construction, will be levied on a pay-as-you-go plan.

A present tax levy of 60 cents expires this year.

Forrest Murdock, president of the college, estimates that if the public grants the proposed tax levy that the administration will be able to complete the construction of the nearby school within the five-year period.

Planned to be erected are a physical science building, additional shop units and homemaking department for women, an auditorium, speech arts, music, men's gymnasium and health center, business training division and general classrooms.

With the increased assessed valuation of the college district, the Board of Trustees has expressed the opinion that it would be unnecessary to recommend the former levy of

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Six Seeking Election to School Board

By JACK O. BALDWIN

What has been described as one of the quietest school board campaigns of the past five years may come to a close tomorrow with a surprise ending as part of the city's 12,400 eligible voters go to the polls to elect three members of the Torrance Board of Education.

Entering the race at the eleventh hour is Wilford E. Walton, 44-year-old industrial engineer at Columbia Steel Co., Walton, who lives at 1415 Acacia Ave., has been a resident of Torrance for the past 16 years. He has one daughter, Connie, 14, a student at Torrance High School.

On the printed ballot tomorrow will be the names of five candidates, listed alphabetically as follows:

J. A. Beasley
Kathryn Matson
Rollin E. Smith
Carl D. Steele
Grace Wright

Three of the five candidates, Smith, Steele, and Wright, are seeking re-election. Beasley, an employee of the Felker Manufacturing Co., and Mrs. Kathryn Matson, a housewife, are running for the Board for the first time. Both are active members of the Torrance Unified Taxpayers, Inc. Beasley lives with his wife, a Walteria Elementary School teacher, and three children at 24032 Neece Ave., in Walteria. Mrs. Matson, who has a daughter and two grandchildren, lives at 2812 W. 174th St., in No. Torrance.

Dr. Smith, head of the Harbor Animal Hospital, has two boys in Torrance schools. He lives at 1855 Torrance Blvd. He is presently chairman of the board of managers of the Torrance YMCA and a past president of the Torrance Lions Club.

Steele, a member of the board since its inception in 1947, lives at 1320 Coza Ave. He also is an employee of Columbia Steel and has served the United Steelworkers of America, Local 1414.

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Warm and Dry Day Predicted For Tomorrow

The weather tomorrow will be continued warm and dry—especially dry.

Tomorrow, May 16, is a school election day, and under the political code of California, all bars, cocktail lounges, and liquor stores must remain closed during the time the polls are open.

The polls will open in Torrance at 7 a.m. and will close 12 hours later.

There is no election scheduled in Los Angeles, consequently the liquor establishments in the Shoestring area will not be forced to close.



—HERALD PHOTO

NEW WARNING DEMONSTRATED . . . John Brinker, of the Civil Defense Dept. of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co., shows what the new "Bell and Light" air raid warning system looks like. The dial mechanism on the desk would be installed in "two or three" key spots in the Southland and would activate hundreds of the warning systems in plants, cities, and other vital centers throughout the area.

Services Today For Walt Zuver

Funeral services for Walter Lynn Zuver, 44, a resident of Torrance for 37 years, will be held today at the Stone and Myers Chapel with Rev. C. M. Northrup, pastor of the First Baptist Church officiating.

Zuver, who had been employed by the Felker Manufacturing Co., died in Long Beach Monday following an extensive illness.

He leaves his widow, Rita Mary, at 2279 W. 239th St.; two daughters, Nancy Ann and Diane Lynn, at the home address, and one son, Lee Wayne. He also leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vern L. Zuver, 24701 Narbonne Ave.; a sister, Mrs. Lois Lisoni, 2004 Andree Ave., and Miss Ruby Zuver, of the Narbonne address.

Vote! Battalion Chairman Says

"The Ballot Battalion has but one task tomorrow—that is, to GET OUT THE VOTE."

That was the charge issued to the battalion yesterday by Paul Loranger, temporary chairman of the group.

Check On Boys Collecting for Herald Advised

Reports continue to arrive at the Torrance Herald that unauthorized persons are attempting to collect for delivery of the paper to homes in the area.

To avoid making payment to someone other than your carrier boy, ask to see the route book of any boy trying to collect for the Herald. The route cards are printed by the Torrance Herald and contain the name and address of the subscriber.

Identification cards bearing a photograph of the carrier are being prepared and will be issued in the near future to each authorized Herald carrier, according to Bob Nemecek, circulation manager.

Bell and Light Warning System Unveiled Here

Members of Torrance industries and city agencies saw a demonstration of the "Bell and Light" system of air raid warning signals at the City Hall Tuesday.

John Brinker and John Miller, representing the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co., showed instruments which would immediately alert all of Southern California with the simple dialing of one digit.

The alert boxes would be placed in fire stations, police stations, important industries, and other vital defense centers.

Provisions for a bell and light signal which would signify a yellow, blue, red or white alert have been incorporated into the device. No blue alert condition is now operative, but the blue dial could be used to signify an atomic attack or any other condition wanted, Brinker said.

Members of most of Torrance's major industries were represented at the demonstration arranged by George Powell, assistant director of Civil Defense.

Members of Local 218 of the National Brotherhood of Operative Potters voted last evening to accept terms of a new contract offered by management calling for 7 cents across the board increases and other benefits, according to Floyd Stephens, president of the local.

The new contract will be retroactive to April 1, 1952, Stephens said. Terms are subject to the approval of the Wage Stabilization Board.

A strike of approximately 300 workers of the American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corp. hinged on the outcome of a meeting of the local Potters Union which was in session last night as this issue of the Herald was put on the presses.

The workers, members of Operative Potters, A. F. of L., Local 218, were due to vote for or against ratifying the proposed 1952-53 contract calling for a 7-cent across the board pay hike.

Some of the members objected to the contract, charging that there was not enough pay differential between skilled workers and day workers.

The old contract was due to expire today.

The meeting, well attended by union members, was held in the YMCA building at Washington and Arlington Aves.

An earlier vote taken on Monday indicated that none of the members was against accepting the terms of the contract as agreed upon by their negotiating committee at a recent com-

Gardena Buses to Travel Disputed Western Ave.

Gardena Municipal Bus Lines will provide regularly scheduled bus service to Harbor City and the Shoestring Strip starting at once, following a decision handed down by the Los Angeles City Public Utilities Commission yesterday afternoon.

The move brought to a halt a two-year battle for transportation waged by Harbor City civic groups, spearheaded by the Harbor City Council Advisory Committee led by Mrs. Jos. Hencel.

A request by the City of Torrance asking that the Commission deny the request of the Harbor City citizens to allow Gardena buses to travel Western Ave. was not considered during the hearing.

Torrance charged that to allow Gardena to pick up passengers on Western Ave. where Torrance buses already are running, would result in a financial loss to the Torrance lines.

Mrs. Hencel appeared at the hearings armed with facts and figures on the transportation setup in the Harbor City area. She said last evening that pre-

party-union huddle held in Pittsburgh.

At the Pittsburgh meeting the company and union agreed on the 7-cent pay hike for all workers. It was the maximum allowable by the Wage Stabilization Board.

Increased also was the pay differential for shift workers. Swing shifters were boosted from four to six cents while graveyard workers went from six to nine cents per hour more.

At the Pittsburgh meeting held on April 23, the company and union officials agreed also on a vacation pay schedule; one week after one year, two weeks after two years, and three weeks after 15 years.

sent schedules call for a bus to run north and south on Western Ave. between Gardena Blvd. and Pacific Coast Hwy., and north and south on Normandie Ave. between Imperial Blvd. and Pacific Coast Hwy.

The buses also will travel between Western and Normandie Aves. on Pacific Coast Hwy.

Passengers desirous of traveling into Los Angeles will transfer at Imperial and Normandie Aves. to a Los Angeles Transit Lines bus. Mrs. Hencel said that she was informed that officials of both concerns will meet to work out efficient transfer timing schedules at this point.

Karen Dean Wins City Wide Polio Poster Contest

Karen Dean, pretty 19-year-old high school senior, this week was named winner in the high school division of the annual emblem art contest among city school students for the Sister Kenny Polio Foundation.

Miss Dean, who lives at 2564 Torrance Blvd., and attends Narbonne High School, pictured a small girl with braces on her legs, walking alone.

Encircling the figure was a motto: "With Your Help, She Will Walk Alone." The poster was done in green and white water colors.

For her efforts Miss Dean was awarded a set of artist's tools. She is majoring in art at Narbonne.

Contest winners were announced at the Sister Kenny Foundation was in the midst of its annual \$365,000 fund drive in Southern California.



KAREN DEAN AND POSTER
.. Best in city, judges say

—HERALD PHOTO

Butter Wasted!

In ancient Greece butter was first used as fuel for lamps before they learned to eat it. Even as late as 1943 the Russians were reported to have used as grease for their weapons American butter shipped there under lend lease. Chalk up another first for Russian inventive genius.

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