

TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, THURSDAY, MAY 29, 1952

Thirteen



ON THE DOTTED LINE . . . City Judge Otto B. Willett instructs Warren Bennett, THIS senior, in the signing of legal documents during Warren's visit to the City Court Tuesday during Visitation Day. The senior, who plans to follow police work, was Judge Willett's guest for the day. Warren is son of Police Det. Sgt. Percy Bennett.



STAMP OF APPROVAL . . . Ed Forcier, THIS senior class president, "approves" Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall firm check for advertising in The Torch, school annual, during a visit to the architectural and engineering company's offices during Visitation Day Tuesday. Watching are THIS students, Alex Bellehumer, left, Don Babbitt, Forcier and Byron Jackson. Arthur E. Mann played host to the boys, all of whom wish to become engineers or architects.



(Herald Photo by Virgil Barber)

BUSINESS, TRADE STUDENTS . . . John D. Mills, Torrance Herald advertising manager, left, and Clay B. Carley, Herald composing room foreman, explain the fine points of advertising, makeup and layout to THIS seniors Jo Ann Benard and Jim Paddock during Visitation Day Tuesday. More than 100 pre-graduates visited business, industry and government organizations. Virgil Barber, learning the inside at the Herald editorial department, took the picture.

T-Men Nab College Youths With Thinned Down Pennies

Two Torrance youths attending the University of Wyoming evidently were all fed-up with the dormitory raiding fad, so they started one all of their own—changing pennies to dimes to fit in the automatic Coke machines.

And authorities, who got plenty burned up over the nationwide flap towards swiping flimsy unmentionables, also became heated when they learned of the latest practice.

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Motorist Booked After 70 MPH Police Pursuit

A 70-mile an hour police chase along crowded Pacific Coast Hwy. Monday night ended in the arrest by sheriff's deputies of a motorist on a drunk driving charge, according to Lennox station deputies.

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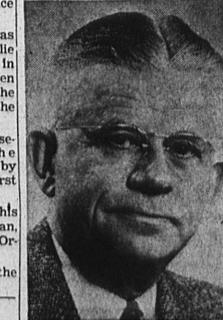
Knowland-King Rally Slated

Senator Knowland and Congressman King will be the guest speakers at a Knowland-King rally to be held tonight in the Mira Costa High School auditorium under the sponsorship of the Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce.

Rep. King, who headed the "King Committee" which launched a recent nationwide probe into federal income tax matters, will describe some of his experiences while conducting the congressional investigation.

Both Sen. Knowland and Rep. King will be introduced by Judge D. Clifford Higgins, a candidate for Office No. 2 of the new South Bay Judicial District.

The rally will start at 8 p.m.



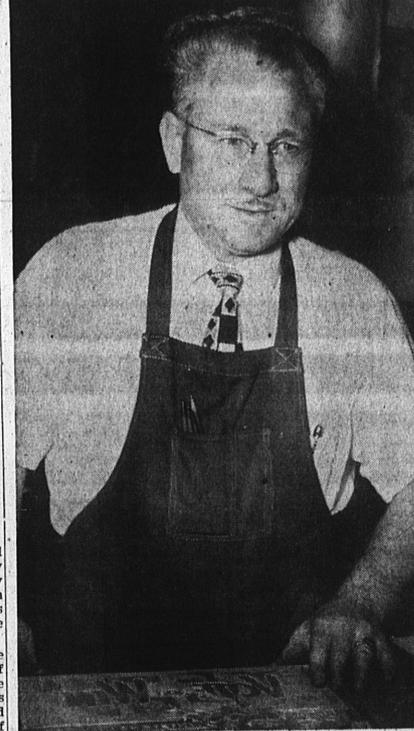
H. W. CHRISTENSEN . . . Heads Purchasers

Former Torrance Steelman Given National Post

Election of H. W. Christensen, director of purchases for the Columbia-Geneva Steel Division, to the presidency of the National Association of Purchasing Agents Tuesday was announced here yesterday.

Christensen began his extensive industrial career in 1920 in the purchasing department of the Llewellyn Iron Works here. He later became general purchasing agent for that company.

He joined Columbia Steel Co. in 1933 as manager of rolled steel products for the Southern Sales Division. Five years later he was named assistant manager of sales in charge of service for the district, and the following year was appointed director of purchases for the company.



CLAY B. CARLEY . . . Joins Herald

Carley Acquires Share of Herald

Clay B. Carley, for three years mechanical superintendent of the Santa Rosa Press-Democrat, has acquired an interest in the Torrance Herald and assumed the duties of production manager, according to Grover C. Whyte, publisher.

Carley's acquisition of an interest in the semi-weekly Herald follows a pattern instigated by the publisher last January. At that time he announced he was entering partial retirement and yielding interests to Edwin B. Brown, his partner and business manager of the Herald, and to Jack O. Baldwin, now assistant to the publisher.

Whyte, now recuperating at his home from a heart attack suffered five weeks ago, informed members of the Herald staff that Carley would have general supervision of all mechanical production departments, including the composing room, stereotyping department and the press room. The new mechanical superintendent assumed his duties May 26.

Busy while her husband is at work in Mrs. Grace Carley, his wife, who is house-hunting. The Carleys have two sons, Clay Jr., 26, and George, 24. The elder son is an apprentice stereotyper at the Press-Democrat and plans to remain there. George, a football star at the University of San Francisco, is commander of the R.O.T.C. unit there and has already been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Army. He graduates in June.

The new production manager is Past Patron of the Order of Eastern Star, Camilla Chaytor No. 83 of Eureka. He served twice, in 1946 and again in 1949, as Patron. He is a member of the Masonic Order of Modesto and of the 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Consistory of San Jose.

Mrs. Carley is a Past Matron of the Camilla Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star of Eureka, having served alongside her husband in 1949.

Carley moved to California from Missouri when he was three months old and was raised and schooled in Modesto. He began his printer's apprenticeship on a Modesto newspaper in 1921. He was later mechanical superintendent of the Salinas Index-Journal (1932), the Santa Cruz newspaper (1937), and the Humboldt Times and the

Paint, Brushes Taken

Joe Crossman, construction man, reported to Torrance Police the loss of eight paint brushes and 27 gallons of paint from a building at 344 Paseo de la Playa, yesterday. He valued the loss at \$150.

Photos by Wire Will Help Police Capture Crooks

Criminals won't have a chance with this new device put into operation this week by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's office.

The first coast-to-coast photographic transmission went winging across the continent as the department's new "speedphoto-transceiver" for the wire transmission of photographs, fingerprints and other identifying data was put into official use.

This machine, one of the latest innovations in modern police science and the only one of its kind in the southwest, can be placed on a direct hookup with the major police agencies in the nation.

"We feel this is a welcome addition to the field of law enforcement," Sheriff Eugene Biscailuz said. "Before we had to rely on mail service which took days and now we can receive and send fingerprints, photographs and documents within a matter of minutes."

Similar to a news service wirephoto machine, the machine has unlimited possibilities for use by local governmental agencies who must immediately send copies of charts, blueprints, and documents to some other agency in other locales, Biscailuz said.

There are now 24 transceivers operated in the United States by police agencies, including the Chicago, Miami, New York, St. Louis, and Boston Departments, and the California State Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation.

Rides, Baby Sitters For Voters Offered

Members of the Lomita Elementary PTA will furnish transportation to the polls and will serve as baby sitters for any one desiring such services during Tuesday's election. Information can be obtained from Mrs. L. B. Hampton, 4641 Cypress Ave., or by calling Lomita 79-R.

Supervisors Ask Funds to Expand Hospital X-Ray

Adoption of a resolution by the Board of Supervisors Tuesday requesting \$37,750 of State Chapter 20 Funds confirmed plans for expansion of the Clinic and X-Ray buildings at Harbor General Hospital as reported in Sunday's Torrance Herald.

Supervisor Raymond V. Darby said that the county will match the requested funds, making a total cost for the improvements of \$75,500.

Darby also stated that two new rooms will be added to the X-Ray building and new equipment as well as to provide space for superficial and deep therapy treatment rooms.

The clinic building will be remodeled to include a waiting room and comfort and dressing rooms for both patients and employees.

Initial Hearing Set for Rubber Check Suspect

For Edward H. Pope, who last week got out of jail after spending 45 days for a bum check-writing charge, there is no good news in sight.

Pope will appear before City Judge Otto B. Willett for preliminary hearing next Monday on six complaints of issuing checks with insufficient funds in the bank.

The suspect, listed as an unemployed engineer, allegedly handed out \$275 worth of the rubber checks recently, police charge.

Issuing of worthless checks is a felony, it was stated, and Pope faces six such felony counts. Bail was set at \$500.

He was sentenced to spend 15 days in the county jail after he pleaded guilty to one count, a misdemeanor, a day after he was first apprehended here, it was reported.

'Children' Topic At Third Clinic

Miss Dorcus Palmer, dean of the David Seabury School of Psychology, will be special speaker at the third Marriage Clinic tonight, 8 o'clock in the American Legion Hall.

Topic of the evening will be "Children in Marriage." She will point out the importance of genuine understanding of children in the home, and tell the practical relationship necessary between children and parents.

Sponsored by the Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church young people's group, the series is being conducted for newly married couples as well as the older parents. A 50-cent admission charge is collected.

Miss Palmer was the first woman ever to speak before the New York City Town Hall organization.

Suspect Held On Return Trip to Home

Held on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon after he allegedly cut and hit a young woman in his apartment early Sunday morning, Ralph R. Alverson will appear for preliminary hearing Monday before City Judge Otto B. Willett.

Police report show that the suspect allegedly threatened a female companion, Miss Lillian LaNier, Hollywood, in his apartment at 705 Sartoff Ave., and when police arrived, fled the scene.

Less than an hour later officers were summoned back to the address by apartment manager Mrs. Melvin Phillips, who said Alverson was attempting to get back into the apartment.

Police booked the suspect on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon after they said a knife was found in his possession, and Miss LaNier reported that she had been hit and had several cuts on her hands.

Bail was set at \$500.