

Public Showing of 'Hush-Hush' Army 'Copter Set THOUSANDS FLOCK BACK TO SCHOOL

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FALLS FROM TREE . . . Thirteen-year-old Charles Howard was injured seriously Friday afternoon when he tumbled from a tree house perched some 35 feet above the street at Main St. and Sepulveda Blvd.; he struck a limb on the way down. Here he is shown being comforted by his mother, while Jacobs ambulance attendant Walt Henry splints a leg. The lad possibly suffered internal hurts. He lives at 325 W. 237th St.

City Near All-Time Record As '52 Home Building Zooms

New Building Total Nearing All Time Record

Recent predictions by city officials that September would be a good month for new construction was well on its way this week of becoming one of the understatement of the year.

Permits for more than 200 homes, hundreds of garages, home repairs, fences and other construction, boosted the month's total to nearly \$2,000,000 to bring the year's total nearer the 1950 record of slightly more than \$16,000,000.

A large block of the permits went to Berman Gahver, who is building about 100 homes in the North Torrance area.

Arcadia Savings and Loan received permits for 35 homes to be built in the West Sepulveda area, and permits for 28 homes were being issued Friday to Lind Construction Co. for the Kehler Knolls area.

And, the City Council Wednesday evening gave the green light to still another 161 new homes by approving tract maps for four subdivisions. All will be constructed in the North Torrance area, scene of much of the past year's feverish home building.

3 Saw It!

Flying Saucer Seen Over PV, Diners Report

What is believed to be the first report made of flying saucers allegedly seen flying over the city was filed unofficially with the Torrance Police Department late Wednesday by a Hollywood Riviera woman.

Mrs. Clyde Beck, of 328 Calle de Andalucia, phoned Torrance officers to tell that she and two other persons were eating dinner in the patio when they saw a shiny silver object hovering over the nearby Palos Verdes Estates area.

"It stayed in the same location for quite some time," Mrs. Beck related, "We all saw it, whatever it was, and talked about it for a considerable time before it seemed to vanish."

"It didn't fly out to sea or inland, but rapidly disappeared," she said.

Police officers who didn't know quite what to tell Mrs. Beck, advised she contact the newspapers. No other reports have been received.



NEW TROOP FLAG . . . Presenting Boy Scout Troop 219 with the flag which draped their grandfather's casket during World War I are (left to right) Steven Buckalew, Pamela Ferlin, and Donna Ferlin. Accepting is Scoutmaster C. LaVerne Jones.

Shhhh!

Dignitaries to See Noisy 'Copter Test

Public showing of the noisy "hush-hush" helicopter which has had the man on the street guessing about the noise and the woman in the house complaining about the windows rattling will be held on Torrance Municipal Airfield tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Secretary of the Army Frank Pace Jr., Congressman Cecil R. King, Sixth Commander Lt. Gen. Joseph Swing, as well as a long list of other dignitaries have returned their RSVP slips for the first demonstration of the new jet-helicopter.

Double Names

Called a "Jet-Jeep" by its designer-builders, the American Helicopter Co. of Manhattan Beach, and a "Hush-Hush Helicopter" by newsmen, the tiny flying wonder has caused considerable consternation among Torrance people.

News-hounds who flocked to the local flight field several weeks ago when noise of the first tests permeated the area were steered clear of the plane and advised that the midjet was "classified" and "hush-hush" was the word.

Meanwhile, civilians flocked around the craft as test pilots roared its two 16-pound jet engines.

Designed for the Army, the ship is powered by pulse jet engines mounted on the tips of the double rotor blades. It is designated the one-man, collapsible, XH-26 helicopter, and is rated the smallest and lightest military helicopter in the United States.

First Engines

The Jet-Jeep was made possible by the development of a small light-weight yet powerful pulse-jet engine, developed at the Arizona plant of American Helicopter. The engines are the first to be approved for use on piloted aircraft, according to company officials.

Program of events for tomorrow includes an examination of the ship by press representa-

Bob Finch to Be Guest At Lions Club Tuesday

GOP Congressional candidate Bob Finch will be a guest speaker at the Sept. 16 meeting of the Torrance Lions Club. It was announced yesterday. He will be introduced by Lion Warren Hamilton.

Hearing on City Request for New Bus Line Slated

A hearing on Torrance's application to run an additional bus line through North Torrance and into Los Angeles will be held Tuesday before the Board of Public Utilities and Transportation in the Los Angeles City Hall. It was reported yesterday by Marshall E. Chamberlain, superintendent of the Torrance Municipal Bus Lines.

The proposed line would run up Crenshaw Blvd. to El Segundo Blvd., then east and north into downtown Los Angeles. No changes in the present Torrance to Los Angeles line is contemplated.

68th District GOP To Meet Monday Night

Dinner meeting of the 68th District Republican Assembly will be held Monday evening, Sept. 15, beginning at 7 in the Persian Room, 208 W. Anaheim St., Wilmington. It was announced yesterday.

Supervisors Blast Incorporation Move

California county supervisors Friday took a poke at moves to bring about mandatory "fringe area" incorporation and at the same time added their support to a proposal to enact a uniform sales tax in which the counties would have the right to participate along with cities.

Meeting in convention in San Diego, California's supervisors passed a resolution vigorously opposing any state laws setting up the "fringe area" incorporation.

The resolution pointed out that such a bill possibly would be introduced before the Legislature. The supervisors expressed the belief that the residents of these unincorporated areas should be allowed the "privilege of self-determination."

Action on the uniform sales tax proposal was taken after Adrian A. Kragen, professor of law at the University of California, suggested a state-wide uniform sales tax of 4 per cent.

Eliminate Confusion

This would leave 1 per cent above the state sales tax of 3 per cent for local governments. Kragen told the supervisors. He pointed out that this would eliminate a confusing condition in

which 157 cities now have sales taxes in varying amounts. Along the same lines, the Torrance City Council Wednesday evening ordered a resolution drawn up for their approval which would protest such a tax. The city now has a sales tax of one-half of one per cent which now brings into the city about \$70,000 a year.

Support Requested
The action was taken in response to requests for support in opposing the 4 per cent tax were received by the council from the cities of Inglewood and San Fernando, and from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

The Supervisors Association also passed a resolution Friday calling for an equitable distribution of fines and forfeitures from "inferior courts," pointing out that the cost of state highways, county roads, and city streets in California may reach \$5 billion.

Family of Ten Awarded \$500 On NY Telecast

Mrs. Dorothy Wixom and her daughter, Marilyn, 14, of 1521 Date Ave., returned from an all-expense trip to New York, where they appeared on the "Strike It Rich" program—and came home at least \$500 richer. Other telephone calls still are coming into the New York television station with people offering aid, it was reported yesterday.

Mrs. Wixom is the mother of eight children, one of whom, Judy, is hospitalized with polio at Rancho Los Amigos hospital. Her husband recently suffered a broken arm and was unable to work for some time. The Wixoms have four boys and four girls.

Faker May Be Navy Man, Agents Reveal

The man who posed as a Navy chaplain and called on the mother of a young serviceman falsely telling her that her son had been seriously wounded in action may have been a Navy man and not a civilian, it was revealed yesterday.

Office of Naval Intelligence, working jointly with the FBI to solve the mystery of the vicious hoax played on Mrs. Lee LeRol, 240 Calle de Madrid, announced that from early investigation it appears that the formally attired "Chaplain Donohue" may have been a Navy man.

No Donohue is listed on 11th Naval District rosters, but ONI theorizes that the suspect was not a civilian.

Mrs. LeRol received telephone calls as well as a visit from "officials" telling her that her only son, Richard Barth, now a

Scouts Receive Flag From Soldier's Bier

Boy Scout Troop 219, which is Torrance's oldest chartered troop, has a new flag for its standard.

Presented to the troop Thursday evening was the flag which draped the casket of Edward A. Study, who died in action during World War I.

Making the presentation were Pamela and Donna Ferlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Ferlin of Norwalk; and Steven Buckalew, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Buckalew, 1711 W. 238th St.

Mrs. Buckalew and Mrs. Ferlin are daughters of Edward A. Study. Accepting the flag for the troop was C. LaVerne Jones, 1612 Cota Ave., Scoutmaster of the troop. The presentation was

witnessed by members of the troop and visitors at the regular troop meeting.

'Treasure Hunt' List of Prizes Told by Kiwanis

A list of prizes to be "hidden away" for the Torrance Kiwanis Club's Kids' Day treasure hunt Sept. 27 was revealed yesterday by Paul Loranger, president of the club.

The following merchants have joined in the planning for the hunt and offered to donate the following items: Levy's Department Store, sport shirt; Allen's Jewelers, one pair sterling silver hurricane lamps and one diamond clasp pearl necklace; Gay Shop, one ladies' suit, 1 box hosiery, and ladies' lingerie; Lawson's Jewelers, a diamond ring; Industrial Paint Co., one gallon white paint.

Kids from 12 to 120 will claim their treasures in store windows throughout the city. Small capsules will be hidden in El Prado parkway and finders must match the number found inside with that on display in the merchants' windows.

For the tots, a Captain Kidd's treasure hunt will be held, with real prizes offered on the spot.

Adult School Schedules

General Information

Cost: There is no charge for registration or instruction, but students are expected to pay for material used in classes.

Who May Attend: All classes are open to adults 18 years of age or older and high school graduates.

Registration: Students should register in the classroom on the opening day or night of class. However, late registration is permitted in most classes. Students on waiting lists will be notified by card, when they may attend.

High School Diplomas: Adults may qualify for a high school diploma by attending these classes. Credit is given for work experience, military service, and general knowledge.

For Additional Information: Telephone Torrance 1518 or call in person at the Adult Education office. Open afternoons and evenings Monday through Thursday and all day Friday.

Subject	Night	Time	Room
Arts and Crafts (Leather and Metalcraft)	Tu-Th	6:30-9:30	109
Cake Decorating (Beginners)	M	7:10	112
Cake Decorating (Advanced)	Tu	7:10	112
Ceramics	M	6:45-9:45	123
Concert Chorus (Men-Women)	W	7:9	New Music Room
Dressmaking and Tailoring	M-Tu-Th	6:30-9:30	114
Knitting	Tu	6:30-9:30	110
Lampshade	W	6:30-9:30	114
Landscape and Gardening	Tu	6:30-9:30	108
Machine Shop	M-Tu-W	6:30-10	Shop
Orchestra	W	7:9-30	New Music Room
Parent Education	M	7:10	Cafeteria
Physical Fitness (Men-Women)	M	7:10	Boys Gym
Physical Fitness (Men-Women)	Tu-Th	7:10	Boys Gym
Social Dancing	Tu	6:15-9:15	201
Shortland	M-W	7:10	H. S. Library
Textile Painting	M-W	7:10	124
Typing (Business Machines)	M-W-Th	6:15-9:15	205
Upholstery	Th	6:10	Girls Gym (Upstairs)
Woodshop	M-Tu-W	6:30-10	Shop
North Torrance School, 17220 Casimir St.			
Cake Decorating (Beginners)	Th	7:10	Homemaking
Ceramics	W	6:45-9:45	Shop
Torrance Elementary School, 2005 Marina Ave.			
Square Dancing	Tu	7:10	Aud.
Seaside Elementary School, 4651 Sharynne Lane			
Ceramics	Tu	6:45-9:45	Shop
Lampshade	Th	6:30-9:30	Aud.
Walteria Elementary School, 21456 Madison Ave.			
Lampshade	M	7:10	4