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North Torrance to Get First New High School



TRIES CONTROLS . . . Secretary of the Army Frank Pace takes a close up peek at the new jet Jeep which was unveiled Monday morning on Torrance Municipal Airfield. Inspecting the tiny ship with the Secretary is Lt. Gen. Joseph Swing. Test pilot Lou Harwig explains the controls. (Herald Photo) (Story on Page 13)

GREEN LIGHT GIVEN TO NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Authorization for the firm of Schreiber and Petterson to proceed with drawing of plans for a new North Torrance high school was given Tuesday night by the Board of Education.

Surveyors were signed to plot the ground for the new plant to be located in the vicinity of 182nd St. and Yukon Ave.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. J. H. Hull told the board that careful study was given to the proposed high school, taking into consideration the expanding population of all Torrance areas.

Figures for total school enrollment to date reveal that 1512 pupils are attending all South Torrance schools, while 1874 are enrolled in the North Torrance areas. An additional 2342 attend schools in Central Torrance.

Planning Commission figures were scrutinized in an attempt to learn where the largest number of proposed homes are planned.

Members of the Board of Education will tour three new high schools in the county next Wednesday in order that they can see what is taking place in nearby towns. They plan to visit the new Bellflower, Aradina and Westchester schools.



TROUBLE AVERTED . . . A dozen mounted officers and several squad cars screamed to the 190th St. gate of Douglas Aircraft Tuesday afternoon when pickets and plant workers nearly clashed. The demonstration was quelled without incident. Here the patrolmen stand by as the day shift leaves the plant. No signs of settlement were evident yesterday.

Record Enrollment Bulges City Schools

Torrance schools were only a few students away from a total enrollment of 7000 at the end of the third day of the fall term, it was reported yesterday by Warren Hamilton, director of special services for the district.

Figures compiled Tuesday by Hamilton indicated that the Torrance Unified School District

had a total enrollment of 6941 students when school was out on that day.

Comparison with figures for each school at this time last year are difficult, with two new schools in operation—the Madrona Elementary and the Riviera Elementary.

Central Torrance elementary schools continue to lead in total enrollment with 2342 students. North Torrance has 1866 and South Torrance schools have 1512.

High school enrollment, which stood at 987 when school let out for the summer vacation, rose to 1213 by the end of the third day, Tuesday.

Elementary schools in the order of their enrollments:

Torrance Elementary	1672
North Torrance	910
Walteria	628
Fern Ave.	621
Riviera	593
Perry	478
Seaside	381
Madrona	348
Greenwood Ave.	301
Crenshaw	269
El Nido	132

Classified by grades, the first grade classes accounted for the

heaviest enrollment. Enrollment by grades:

Kindergarten	861
First Grade	885
Second	681
Third	656
Fourth	627
Fifth	578
Sixth	525
Seventh	476
Eighth	429
Ninth	391
Tenth	345
Eleventh	254
Twelfth	221

Home Classes
 8 |

Special Classes
 22 |

Removal of the Hollywood Riviera students from the Seaside Elementary School reduced their enrollment from 787 last spring to 381, but the relief appears to be only temporary in view of the many new homes nearing completion in the area surrounding the school site.

The crowded conditions of the North Torrance schools appears to be just beginning and probably will be acute before the new Carr Elementary School is completed next year.

Sometime today, Hamilton predicts, the 7000th student will enroll in a Torrance school.

Herald Carrier Hit With Polio Siege

Timmy Lee Baldwin, 14-year-old Torrance Herald carrier boy, was recovering yesterday at the Los Angeles County General Hospital where he was confined Monday night for treatment of polio.

Timmy, a freshman at Torrance High School, is the son of Jack O. Baldwin, assistant to the publisher of the Torrance Herald, and Mrs. Gloria Baldwin, active Torrance Elementary PTA worker.

A partial paralysis of the left leg is noted, according to the doctors.

His condition was first listed as serious after physicians detected the development of a nasal congestion which they feared might lead to bulbar poliomyelitis.

The three other children in the family, Donny 7, Danny 6, and Shelley 5, were put under a medical watchdog routine for symptoms of the disease.

The young patient delivers the Torrance Herald to subscribers in the Kettler Knolls area, where he lives at 23114 Falena Ave.

He became ill, complaining of a sore leg, on his first day in high school.

Timmy's polio siege is the fifth to occur in the city of Torrance this year, according to Dr. Jules Comore, county health officer for the Torrance Health District.

"The number of cases of polio reported this year is below that of last year," Dr. Comore commented this week. "However," he cautioned, "we can still expect the peak of polio cases during the remainder of this month."

There have been no deaths reported in this area this year.

He said that the annual polio epidemic got a late start this year, which accounts for the lower number of reported cases compared to those in 1951. Last year Los Angeles County reported 712 cases to date while this



STRICKEN . . . Timmy Baldwin, who a few weeks ago enjoyed a vacation swim in the mountains, was today listed as Torrance's fifth polio victim of the year.

Pioneer Citizen Taken by Death

Private cremation followed funeral services for Leona Dillman, for 27 years a Torrance resident, yesterday morning at the Stone and Myers Chapel. The Rev. G. J. England officiated.

Mrs. Dillman, 66, resided with her husband, Fred, and son and daughter-in-law, William and Mary Bowman, at 1226 Madrid Ave.

She was active in the Culver City Chapter of Order of Eastern Star, and had been a member for over 30 years.

Death Overtakes Chickie; Club Seeks Fund Aid

Lomita Optimist Club members are soliciting funds to help defray the expenses of shipping the body of tiny Henry Chickie Johnson Jr., 3-year-old leukemia victim, to the Johnson funeral plot in Connecticut.

Little Chickie died Monday, following a six-months battle for his life.

Dick Jones, Lomita Optimist president, said that funds already collected to help pay for medical expenses would be used to aid the Johnsons with funeral costs.

Chickie's father flew with the lot's body to Connecticut Tuesday, and his mother left by train a day later.

Rehearsal Call for 'Y' Circus Put Out

The first rehearsal calls were sounded this week by Phil Butler, director of the amateur production "Synopacted Circus," to be staged here Oct. 2, 3, 4.

The show, similar to last year's "Three Nights in Torrance," is being staged as a benefit for the Torrance YMCA. It will be presented before the footlights in the Torrance High School auditorium.

This year's production, far more elaborate than the 1951 show, was written by Butler, who also composed the words and music around which the circus theme revolves.

"Right now we need talent," Butler said. "We can use a good male singing lead. We need more dancers—lots of them. There are four dance numbers in this year's show and we'll need plenty of dancers, both men and women."

The four dance numbers will be directed by Joe Cunningham, whom Butler brought with him to help stage the Torrance show which will be a premiere of "Synopacted Circus."

Rehearsals are being held every afternoon (3:30 to 5:30) and evening (7:30 to 10) in the

YMCA building at Arlington Ave. and Plaza del Amo. Any person who would like to be in the show is urged to contact either Butler or Cunningham at the YMCA.

"We can use several specialty acts, especially a dancer team," Cunningham said. "We need other types of acts for a spot in the 'Center Ring' in Act II," he added.

Many New Tunes

Among the many numbers will be "It's a Wonderful Day for the Circus," "Behind the Scenes," "What'll We Do Tonight," "Tiny Tim Joins the Circus," "Wagon West," "The Letter," "The Ballet Dancers of Ball Ball," "Everybody Wants to Get Into the Act" and "It's Great to Be an Ape."

When fully cast the show will have a cast of more than 150 persons.

Herald Cooking School to Open At Civic Auditorium Wednesday

Top-notch advice and information on automatic gas cookery and easy meal preparation will be forthcoming to local homemakers at the Civic Auditorium, 1349 El Prado, beginning at 1:30 p.m. next Wednesday, Sept. 24, when the Torrance Herald and Southern California Gas Co. present the colorful and entertaining Cookery Carnival, latest production of the famous Modern School of Gas Cookery.

Miss Helen Bickford, noted home economist, will give the trio of two-hour culinary programs scheduled for Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, Sept. 24, 25 and 26. She has an extensive background in the homemaking field, including a degree in home economics from UCLA.

Miss Bickford's foods and cooking training began at an early age. She was an experienced hand in the kitchen before she decided to augment this natural talent with the formal, scientific training of college and the gas company's Home Service department.

Her Cookery Carnival food displays will feature dishes that are budget-wise, yet touched with enough glamour to make them as pleasing to the eye as to the palate. Her demonstrators

include such theme recipes as Big Top Apple Pie, Side-Show Meat Loaf, Cannelones, Broiled Turkey, Berry Jamboree, Penny Arcade Burgers, Carousel Salad Platter, and Calico Tea Ring.

Admission to the Herald-sponsored cooking school is free.

Jail, Probation Sentence Given To Girl Forger

A raven-haired gal who was nabbed with her young husband soon after they allegedly passed some stolen checks was placed on probation for a year, provided she serve the first three months in jail this week.

Superior Judge Fred Miller sentenced Mrs. Theresa Pfeffer, 22, who admitted forging a check for \$18.96 in a Harbor City Cafe on July 27. Her husband, Frank, 17, is being held by juvenile authorities.

Traced through a license number furnished by a girl gas station attendant at Carson and Western Aves., Theresa implicated her husband and two

sailors.

Crenshaw Link Lengthened As County Lets Contract

Awarding of bids for construction of Crenshaw Blvd. between Pacific Coast Hwy and Lomita Blvd. was announced this week by the Board of Supervisors who said that a contract had been let.

The job went to the J. A. Thompson Co. of Inglewood, who turned in a low bid of \$99,126. The contract calls for building a 40-foot wide paved right-of-way, and is slated to be done next January.

Proposed route of the Los Angeles to the sea artery is down the Torrance-Lomita boun-

30-Hour New Bible Reading Period Set

Sixty members of the Torrance First Methodist Church will take turns reading the complete new revised version of the Bible starting at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and will continue for thirty hours, or until the last verse has been read.

The Rev. John L. Taylor said yesterday that the church is joining with 3000 others across the nation in the reading of the new standard version. Members and friends of the church will come at their convenience to listen.

TUSD Employs Three

Employment of new "classified" personnel for the Torrance Unified School District was authorized Tuesday night.

Hired were William Cordell, groundsman; Richard Robles, bus-driver; Dane Wood, custodian, John Aggola was reclassified from custodian to head custodian.

Boys Seeking Strayed Kitten

Bills and Paul Truair, 3224 W. 186th St., are looking for a cat.

Not just any cat will do, the boys, ages 4 and 8, explain.

They are looking for their pet, an orange cat, half Angora, male, one year old.

The boys explained that the cat was afraid of cars and "hardly ever left the yard." They bought the cat with their own money.

"Kitty has been gone a week," the boys reported. Anyone having a clue about their cat can reach the boys at the 186th St. address.

New Teachers Hired

Two new elementary teachers were hired by the Torrance Unified School District Tuesday night. They are Robert I. Blevens, and Heloise J. Shelving.