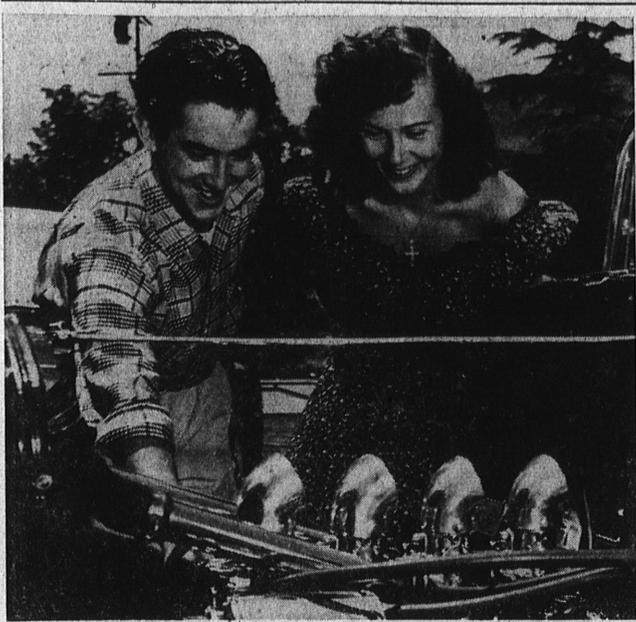


SWIM POOL UP TO VOTERS



REALLY STACKED . . . Don Van Hoff, whose car took the trophy for the best street coupe in Sunday's Hot Rod Show at Narbonne High School, shows Martha Morris "The Cinderella Girl" his four-stacker power plant. Martha, a senior at Narbonne, found herself much in the headlines in November of 1951 when her marriage to a Swiss millionaire, Roland DeVigier, caught the romantic imagination of newsmen who dubbed her "Cinderella". Now estranged, she lives with her parents at 1429 W. 218th St.

700 See Display Of 97 Hot Rods In School Show

Hot rod fans and custom car enthusiasts numbering more than 700 in all walked through the turnstiles at Narbonne High School Sunday afternoon to inspect 97 of the sleekest and scuffed-up cars in the Southland.

Top club honors, which included a gold trophy, went to the Road Kings of Wilmington. Judged the best all-around car was a \$6000 custom Baris-built Mercury owned by Bob Hira-heta of Arcadia.

Judging the affair was Ralph DePalma, one of auto racing's all-time greats; John Christy, managing editor of "Hot Rod" magazine; and Officer John Waddell of the California Highway Patrol.

Among the club entries were cars from the Ambassadors of Torrance, the Hi-Waymen of the South Bay, ACLB and Hoods from Long Beach, Rambling Knights of Gardena, Scarabs of Wilmington, and the RTA and Heads of Gardena.

Winners included Buddy Alcorn of Long Beach, best custom; Jack Southerland of Long Beach, best street roadster; Bob Fugat of Lomita, best competition roadster; Jack Hand of Long Beach, best competition coupe; Don Ferrara of Long Beach, best semi-custom; Jerry Greenhoat of Long Beach, best prewar stock; Don Van Hoff of Wilmington, best street coupe; C. R. Smithgall of Long Beach, best sports car.

In April

Voters to Ballot On \$300,000 Pool

Whether Torrance wants a municipal swimming pool and is ready to pay \$300,000 to get it will be left up to the voters in April.

Such was the substance of action taken by the City Council Tuesday night. On a motion by Councilman Willys G. Blount the council voted 40 in favor of proceeding with legal steps to place the controversial swimming pool issue on the ballot in 1954.

Although the location was not discussed, informed sources indicated that in all probability it would be located on acreage the city intends to purchase for a future civic center northeast of the intersection of Torrance Blvd. and Madrona Ave.

Although they voted for the measure, Councilmen Victor E. Benstead and Nick Draie voiced objections to Blount's motion.

"I think that we should discuss this among ourselves before we vote to put it on the ballot. We still have lots of time," Benstead stated.

Draie stated that he wanted it a matter of record that Blount was presenting an unwritten communication for action by the council and that this was contrary to policy.

Blount presented his motion following action by the Recreation Commission at its last meeting, at which time the commission indicated it felt that the question of a swimming pool in Torrance should be left to the voters and taxpayers to decide.

The commission also suggest-

\$3,000,000 Oceanarium To Be Built in P.V. Hills

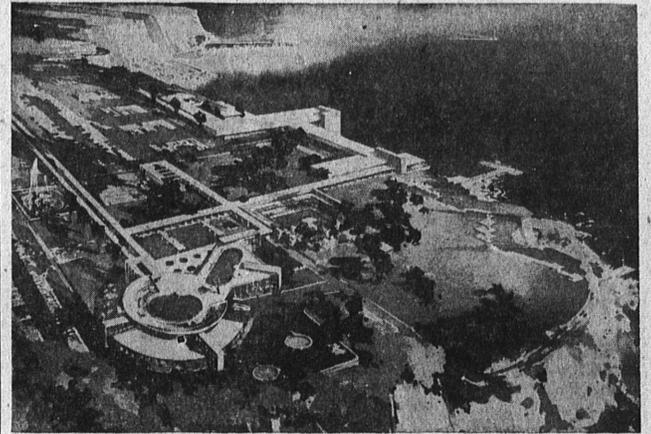
Builders Tell Plans For Huge Oceanarium

Destined to be another major attraction for millions of Southern Californians, tourists and other sightseers, a spectacular \$3,000,000 amusement, educational and museum facility to be known as Marineland of the Pacific will be constructed on the Palos Verdes Peninsula, according to an announcement made yesterday by Henry U. Harris, president of Oceanarium, Inc.

The project will be situated on a sixty-five-acre tract acquired from the Palos Verdes Corporation of which Frank A. Vanderlip Jr. is president. The acreage, taking in most of Long Point, is located on Palos Verdes Dr., South, just south of the Point Vicente Lighthouse.

Two Years in Planning

A master plan of the development, embodying over two years of architectural, engineering and marine research, and designs for the individual buildings, has been completed by Pereira and Luckman, Los Angeles architects-en-



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School Board Takes Stand On Recreation

For the first time, the Torrance School Board took a definite stand on the controversial recreation issue Monday at the monthly meeting of the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee.

Speaking for the Board of Education, Mrs. Grace Wright, member of the board, made it quite clear that the school board does not intend to take over recreation in Torrance. Mrs. Wright said that the school board has neither the time nor the manpower to do so, and that the five-member board is spreading itself thin with its present responsibilities.

Mrs. Wright emphasized that the school board is elected to educate children, and that recreation will have to be supervised by someone else.

Civic Leaders Speak

Various other Torrance civic leaders, including Mayor Mervin Schwab, W. A. Felker, of the Planning Commission; Darwin Parrish, chairman of the Recreation Commission, and City Councilmen Willys Blount and Nick Draie, sat in on the TEAC meet, held at the YWCA, and included in some serious cogitating on the problem of recreation here. In the exchange of ideas, the following seemed most prominent:

1. There is definite need for more and better recreational facilities.

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Murder Charge Faces Husband

Sheriff's homicide officers said yesterday they would seek a murder complaint against Robert Jacobson, an oil worker who admitted beating his wife a short time before she died of a ruptured spleen last Saturday.

A coroner's jury yesterday morning found that the death of 34-year-old Mrs. June Elizabeth Jacobson was a homicide and that her husband, "probably was criminally responsible" and recommended he be held to answer.

The inquest into the death-

Harvey Confident He Will Get TV Channel 34, UHF

Laurence Harvey, operator of the Harvey Machine Co., expressed confidence this week that his application for television channel 34, UHF, would be chosen by the Federal Communications Commission over two other organizations who have applied for the station.

"A hearing on the applications will be held at a date that has not as yet been announced. If his application is accepted, Harvey will erect a TV station in Los Angeles with facilities for transmitting live, as well as film and remote telecasts.

Contrary to rumor, the station will not be erected in Torrance because the FCC-designated areas for erecting Ultra High Frequency stations do not include Torrance.

Harvey revealed that plans and specifications for his proposed station, which will have a broadcasting station on Mt. Wilson, have already been drawn. His chief engineer is Harold Jury, former chief engineer for CBS Pacific Coast Television.

The purposes of his station, Harvey said, would be to promote culture and education in the Los Angeles area. He believes that there is a definite need here for a station devoted to literature, music, and the arts, and a station that would promote the tremendous industry, not only in Los Angeles, but in Torrance as well.

10 Grass Fires Plague Firemen

Careless burning of trash and low humidity combined this week to keep Torrance firemen on the jump.

Torrance firemen responded to 10 grass fires in the first three days of this week, one car fire, and a small cafe fire.

The week's log:

SUNDAY
1:25 p.m., grass fire, 226th and Kent.
3:51 p.m., grass fire, Santa Fe and Cabrillo.

MONDAY
11:17 a.m., grass fire, Marble Lease, Standard Oil, south of Sepulveda.
3:20 p.m., grass fire, near Al-

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Korean Veteran Gets Bronze Star

Awarded a Bronze Star with "V" device for meritorious service with the Army Medical Corps in Korea Saturday in ceremonies on the Ft. MacArthur Parade Grounds was former Army Corporal George FATHERREE, of 1830 Torrance Blvd., a Korean veteran.

The citation accompanying the award, which was presented by Maj. Gen. Hobart R. Gay, commanding general of Fort MacArthur, commended Fatherree for "heroism against an armed enemy on 21 June 1952 near Sokkoga, Korea."

The citation read:

"Supported by well-adjusted artillery and mortar fire, enemy units converged on Allied outpost positions on Hill 200. During the early morning assault, numerous casualties were sustained by the friendly force. Corporal FATHERREE, a medical aidman, ignored the peril to his own life and moved from position to position comforting the wounded, administering medical aid, and assisting in their evacuation. Although the enemy stormed the Allied perimeter and engaged the friendly troops in hand-to-hand combat, Corporal FATHERREE did not falter in his mission. Despite exhaustion, he refused to slacken his efforts or seek cover until ordered by the Battalion Surgeon to accept relief."

Also Wounded

At the time of his commended heroism, Corporal FATHERREE was a member of the Medical Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, 45th Infantry Division. Although the citation didn't mention it, he suffered wounds in the battle and was later awarded the Purple Heart.

The 22-year-old veteran, a member of the South Bay Chapter of Disabled American Veterans,

PT & T to Mail New FA & DA Phone Books PDQ

Telephone directory supplements containing new Davenport and Fairfax numbers for Lomita and Torrance will be mailed to subscribers beginning May 25, it was announced this week by Manager R. S. Fyfe of Pacific Telephone.

The new numbers become effective when the dial system goes into operation here at 12:01 a.m., May 31.

The manager said the old book must be used until after the cutover, at which time it should be used only for numbers outside the Lomita and Torrance exchanges.

A new Southern Section edition is scheduled to be delivered next October and will include the new Davenport and Fairfax numbers.



TEEN QUEEN CANDIDATES . . . Ten lovely young ladies of the Avalon Village Dominguez area, each has high hopes of being declared "Queen of the Teens" in the contest sponsored by the Carson Chamber of Commerce which will be decided on May 23. The winner will get a \$100 wardrobe, plus additional prizes, and will reign over the four-day fun festival scheduled for the Avalon Village Shopping Center. Shown here they are, left to right, Jackie Urbas, Marlene Mills, Janice Shryver, Renee Day, Marlys Gasser, Willa Spears, Doris Perry, Sylvia Reed, Carol Clanton and Pat Mullins.

is now employed as a dispatcher at the Torrance plant of the Douglas Aircraft Co.

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CORPORAL GEORGE FATHERREE
Heroism in Korea Cited

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