



By JACK O. BALDWIN

There are many who'll shed no tears when the new dial phone system goes into effect at the end of this month. However, if there is any list of mourners Tom Watson, a former commander of the American Legion post, is reserving the bottom spot.

Tom's number is Torrancia 116. A number published by the telephone company to DIAL to report fires, crimes, or call for an ambulance is 116. Tom, a plastering contractor, and his wife have been rolled out of bed more than once to answer the phone only to have some excited about-to-be papa shout, "Send an ambulance. Quick! My wife is having a baby!"

Right now Tom and his wife are just biding their time until the operators wheeze their "Number, please," and the system is switched over to dial.

Dear Jack:

I am now a firm believer that anything can happen in Texas. I have seen it with my own eyes. When I saw this happen I said to myself, "Now if this doesn't sound like a Baldwin tale."

This happened to LeRoy Swigart and his wife Pat, who are now stationed here in Kingsville, Texas.

About three weeks ago LeRoy and Pat were annoyed by a mouse in their house. Each night after going to bed they would hear the darn thing making all kinds of noise in the kitchen. So the next day he buys a mouse trap. That night there was a loud crash, the trap went off, but no mouse.

So he was convinced that it was not a mouse but a rat. So LeRoy gets a rat trap. But what does the little varmint do? He isn't satisfied with getting the bait from the trap, he would rather play around in the garage bag and make a lot of noise while Pat and LeRoy are trying to get some sleep. The old boy was having himself a time at night when the lights were out, but each morning Pat had to clean up his mess. After two weeks of this, LeRoy gets a "Catch-Them-Alive" trap and instead of cheese he put a hamburger inside the box. Along with the hamburger he threw in the old meat wrappings. He figured the rat would feel more at home if the place was all cluttered with papers.

Well, last night it finally happened. After three long weeks LeRoy captured the culprit alive. But he isn't sure what he is going to do with a baby skunk. See ya!

JACK DEAN.

Whatever he does, just tell him to be careful of which way he points!

Never cease to be amused by Matt Weinstock's astute powers of observation. For instance this item from a recent column:

"Frank H. Frohneiser of 1116 Hickory Ave., last week received a bronze star medal for exemplary conduct in ground action against the enemy during the Northern Solomons campaign," dated June 12, 1944. The date on the certificate accompanying the medal was Jan. 10, 1953, and it was signed by Secretary of the Army Frank Pace Jr. Frank can't help wondering if Pace found it while cleaning out his desk prior to Jan. 20."

Palos Verdes Church To Present Oratorio

The oratorio "The Temple," by Joseph Clokey, contemporary composer of sacred music, will be presented on Sunday, May 31, at 8 p.m. in the Palos Verdes Neighborhood Church by the church's covenant choir.

The oratorio, written for soloists and a mixed chorus, will be directed by Barbara Mabin, minister of music for the Neighborhood Church. Donations from those attending will go toward the memorial organ fund, which will be used to purchase a new organ for the church.

Mr. Clokey has based the oratorio on religious poems of the 17th century English poet George Herbert.

Planners Finish Rolling Hills Rezoning Layout

The County Regional Planning Commission Thursday after weeks of study recommended a zone plan for the Rolling Hills area, located south of Torrance and west of San Pedro comprising 4250 acres.

A small portion of the property east of Palos Verdes Dr. East and south of the Metropolitan Water District Reservoir will be designated for agricultural use with a minimum lot size of 7500 square feet.

Other sections of the area would be zoned for residential-agricultural uses with a 10,000 square foot minimum, 15,000 square foot, 30,000 square foot and one acre. Another area would be designated for agricultural development with 20,000 square foot minimum.

At previous hearings there was sharp disagreement between those who wanted the lot areas limited to an acre and those who wanted smaller plots.

The case must finally be decided by the Board of Supervisors.

New Scoutmaster Announces Sale Of Doughnuts

James McMillan has been named Scoutmaster of Troop 721 in an election held Thursday evening. Bill Wilcox, a student at the University of Southern California, was named assistant Scoutmaster.

During the business meeting following the election, approval of a donut sale which will be held Saturday, May 23, was voted. Scouts of the troop will open a house-to-house campaign Saturday in an effort to raise money for camping equipment.

The Scouts hope to raise \$375 to purchase equipment for summer camps.

Raise Moose To Lieutenant Colonel Rank

Promotion of Air Force Major Harvey E. Moose, Assistant Air Force Plant Representative for Northrop Aircraft, Inc., of Hawthorne, to the rank of lieutenant colonel was announced recently by Lt. Col. Charles W. Tennant, Air Force Plant Representative, Colonel Moose, who lives at 1215 Kornblum St. in Torrance, has been on his present assignment in the Air Force office at Northrop since being recalled to the service in March, 1951. Prior to that time he had been with Boeing Aircraft in Seattle as an engineer in the B-47 project office.

During World War II, Colonel Moose was an administrative officer in the Pacific Theatre, assigned to both 7th Air Force Headquarters and Headquarters of the Army Air Forces, Pacific Ocean Area. He participated in the Central Pacific campaign. Colonel Moose was separated from the service in 1946 and placed on inactive status with the rank of major.

Colonel Moose has a bachelor of aeronautical engineering degree from Purdue University and is a member of Gamma Alpha Rho, national aeronautical engineering honorary fraternity.

Moose Lodge Variety Show Ready For Presentation Tomorrow Night

Final plans for the huge Legion of Moose variety show to be held at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles tomorrow night have been completed and the show is "ready for the road," according to Charles Shiffer, local chairman of the event.

Billed as "International Varieties of 1953," the show will be presented at the Shrine at 8 p.m. tomorrow.

Entire proceeds of the production will be set aside for a gigantic Christmas Party in the Coliseum next Dec. 24, Shiffer said. The Christmas party plans call for a free afternoon and evening show featuring TV and movie personalities, and other attractions.



READY FOR DRIVE . . . Members of the Bert S. Crossland Post of the American Legion get their jeep-train ready for a drive to enlist more members for the local post. Up on the rig from left to right are Howard Weber, Commander Harry T. Green, Jimmy Parks, Bob Ernst, and down on the side are Gordon Arnold and Bob Faren. The train will be sign-up headquarters downtown Saturday.

Dinner Slated By Democrats

The Torrance Democrats, Inc., will hold an installation of new officers at a dinner meeting to be held on June 4, at the Alan-Richard Hall, 1925 W. Carson, at 7:30 p.m.

One of the principal speakers will be John Anson Ford, county supervisor, and Judge John Shidler will preside over the installation.

Reservations, at \$2 per person, can be made by calling Frontier 5-1276, Menlo 4-6230, or Torrance 2297-W, and must be in by June 1, according to Irene Fraser, executive secretary.

Outgoing officers are Nick Drake, president; J. A. Beasley, vice-president, and Mrs. Fraser, Treasurer Jess Dean will retain his office.

It's Not Money They're After, But It's Blood

It's not like money or anything—they're just asking for blood.

The local branch of the American Red Cross announced this week that appointments for the quarterly visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile at the Civic Auditorium on June 8 are now being accepted.

"It's easy," according to Publicity Chairman Virginia Jones. "Just call Torrance 3447 or 3448 and tell the volunteer which time between 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on June 8 would be the best time for you."

After that all you have to do is show up for your appointment.



G. S. HONEY . . . Speaks Today

Honey To Speak At PIRA Meeting

Frank Coffin, chairman of District Six of the Personnel and Industrial Relations Association, announced this week that G. S. Honey, one of the founders and past presidents of the association, will speak at the group's monthly meeting, which will be held today in the Cloud Room of Mike Lyman's Flight Deck Restaurant, at International Airport.

Honey, who is assistant director of industrial relations at North American Aviation, Inc., will discuss his company's employee counseling program. Coffin is associated with General Petroleum Corp. as personnel and industrial relations director.

Found No Law

King stated that in his study he failed to find any present statutory authority for narcotic agents to make arrests such as FBI agents have, although narcotic agents are forced to deal with similar unscrupulous characters.

The third new measure would authorize the Commissioner of Narcotics, in the execution of his duty, to enforce the narcotic laws, to summon persons to produce books, papers and records, and provides authority for compliance.

Congressman King pointed out that the authority that would be given to the Commissioner of Narcotics by this latter bill is not something new—that Internal Revenue agents have had the same authority for many years.

"The narcotic traffic is a vicious commercial racket which thrives on the slow murder of its customers. It must be dealt with in more drastically and realistically. These measures, strengthening the narcotic agent's hand, and the imposing of a five-year mandatory sentence on the dope peddler, would go far to help stamp out this illegal traffic," King declared.

Teen Age Employment Agency To Be Formed

By MARV HALL

Once again, summer is a-comin' on, and along about June, over 3000 students from Torrance and Narbonne High Schools will invade the local job market searching everywhere for work—and this summer their search will not be in vain.

This summer their search will be given purpose and direction by a wonderful new organization which is being set up by some equally wonderful people to help the youth of Torrance find jobs. By the 25th of this month, a teen-age employment agency, run by teenagers, for teenagers will be inaugurated with the sole aim of finding a good job for every high school student under 18 years of age who wants one.

The Founders

The people who have given a lot of their leisure time to start this employment agency are Herma Tillim, director of a personnel agency, at 1628 Gramercy Ave.; Warren Hamilton, director of special services at Torrance High School; Wendell Walker, who works at Longren Aircraft in personnel; Dale Isenberg, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce; and William Harlicker, student at Torrance High School.

Mrs. Tillim, the originator of the idea, says the plan occurred to her after trying to find a job for a young man who had just spent five years—one-fifth of his life—in prison for stealing some parts for his car when he was 18 years old. Trying to get a job for a parolee is not easy. If this young man had had a chance to earn the money for his car through legitimate employment, Mrs. Tillim thought, would he now be facing the bitter life of an ex-conv? The need, obviously, was to close the barn door before the horse was stolen, and Mrs. Tillim's solution was the teen-age employment agency.

She proceeded to get the aforementioned group of civic leaders together and tell them her plans. They agreed heartily. Mrs. Tillim offered part of her office space at 1628 Gramercy to the agency and the use of her telephone to contact employers. Harlicker, who also attended the meeting, will sit behind the desk and interview students for jobs.

Plan Phoenix Flight

Isenberg and Walker plan to fly to Phoenix, Arizona, sometime soon to look over a similar set-up there which, in three years, found over 2000 after-school, weekend and summer vacation jobs for Phoenix teenagers. The Phoenix agency, called the Youth Employment Service, was founded by a teenager and is run by a competent staff of students of local schools.

Nearby resorts will be contacted for summer openings, and a program will be set up whereby families going on vacation will be able to hire a teenager to accompany them and take care of their children for a small salary plus a vacation for themselves.

Agency Non-Profit

On May 25th the wheels will begin turning. The teen-age agency, of course, will be entirely non-profit, and will have to be supported by voluntary donations from the teenagers themselves, taken from the wages they receive from the jobs they obtain, or by their employers' donations. Mrs. Tillim has offered her office space, rent-free, and another helpful lady, Mrs. Linden Johnson of Harbor City, has donated a desk to the youthful enterprise. What is needed now, Mrs. Tillim said, are chairs, a filing cabinet, a typewriter, blackboard, a marker, a desk lamp, and things will be going to roll.

Any Torrance resident who can possibly donate any of the above articles will be treasured forever in the memories of some very grateful youngsters. Mrs. Tillim can be contacted at Torrance 3321.

Here's the "Why"

Why such a hullabaloo over teenagers getting jobs? Why can't they just go out and get them? The fly in the young people's employment ointment is the fact that employers are reluctant to hire anyone under 18 in their factories because they lack the insurance to cover them, or in some cases, because they believe there's a law agin' it.

The facts are that youngsters under 18 CAN be employed under the California Child Labor and School Attendance laws in all but certain jobs. The exceptions to the law are jobs that would be dangerous to life, limb, or injurious to health or morals.

Ruling out industrially hazardous jobs, the field is still wide open for such fields of employment as the clerical jobs, bus boys, boys boys, delivery boys, babysitting jobs, vacation companions, resort help, lawn and gardening work, and many other similar forms of work.

Try a Teenager!

"All these young people need is a chance to prove themselves," Mrs. Tillim tells employers. "Try a teenager—you may be surprised."

Mrs. Tillim says that employers have a great chance to gain workers while their knowledge is fresh, by hiring those students who will graduate in June. Excellent in-school training is being given to these youngsters in clerical, secretarial, and mechanical work, and great value can be received by hiring these students while their high school training is still young in their minds.

Besides helping themselves, employers can help teenagers by enabling them to earn the money to get a good start in school for the following year, and they can also do a great service to the community, by building good citizens, and by helping local business merchants. How? Listen to this:

In June, approximately 3213 students will be looking for work here. If the teen-age employment agency works, most of them will succeed. Their earnings during the summer will be spent right here in Torrance for such things as school clothes, books, cars, and the myriad of things that young people buy. This represents a potential buying power of almost a million dollars per summer.

And this vast amount is practically untapped. 3000 students spending an average of \$300 each—that's \$900,000. Figure it out, merchants. Help the teenagers and you're helping your selves.

How can you help the teenagers? If you have any kind of a job for a teenager, whether after school or summer, call Mrs. Tillim at 3321 and let her know. A group of Torrance High School students and a group of adults will screen the jobs and interview the applicants. In no time at all you will have the right man for the job knocking on your office door.

Here Are The Rules

During summer vacation, all students from 12 to 17 can work a full 48 hour week, with all of Torrance.

Tartar Teen Talk

By JUDI REID

It's getting closer—that time of the year, that is, when the end turns against friend in the battle for a school office. If you want to know who the candidates are, just look down the hall and see which students are wearing the big posed smiles on their faces. (Aside to school kids: Let's make this election the best ever!)

A slumber party at Yo Goldsmith's house Saturday night was reported to be "loads of fun." The girls, Connie Sto, Jan Desmond, Betty Martinez, Babs Whitley, Betty Davis, Carolyn Mallo, and Yo went to the pike before attempting slumber (of which little was obtained).

"Cupid's Capers" is coming May 22, tomorrow night, at the YWCA from 8 to 11:30 o'clock. The dance will introduce a great new band, "Tartar Serenaders." Admission is only \$1 per couple—don't miss this terrific dance.

Saturday, May 23, is a big day for many Torrance trackmen at Oxnard. The whole student body is backing up these guys who they hope will bring back honors to Torrance High School. Good luck, boys.

work permits, according to the California Child Labor laws. During school time, those 12 and 13 cannot work on school days; ages 14 and 15 can work after school and on non-school days a maximum of 18 hours a week; ages 16 and 17 must attend school four hours a week if employed full time because of home financial difficulties, or must attend school three hours a day if not regularly employed.

Cost for Summer

It will cost \$300 to run the juvenile employment agency this summer, Mrs. Tillim said, and this money will have to be supplied by voluntary donations from interested citizens, from employers who have given students jobs, or from the students themselves.

The students that participate in the birth of this "Try a Teen-Ager" movement this summer will be building the foundation for future employment of their younger brothers and sisters, and must build that foundation firmly, Mrs. Tillim said. They must impress their employers with their honesty, ability, eagerness, and ambition so that future summers will see the teen-age job program in Torrance grow healthy and wax strong. If they do, the "experiment" will become a success.

8 Locals Help Invade Coast With 'Seajump'

Taking part in "Operation Seajump," a large-scale amphibious training exercise off the coast of Southern California held from April 20 to May 17, were Edward D. Worshum, boat-swain's mate second class, USN, of 16603 Erma n 11a, serving aboard the attack transport USS Magoffin; Ismael Garcia Jr., radioman first class, USN, of 3238 West 188th St., serving aboard the attack transport USS Menard; Navy Lt. Robert J. Baldwin, of 2524 Lesserman St., serving on the staff of Commander Amphibious Group Three aboard the flagship USS Mount McKinley; Derry O. Woodworth, Lomita, aboard the attack transport USS Montrose.

Robert D. Prince, torpedo boat's mate seaman, USN, of 3208 W. 188th St., serving aboard the destroyer USS Mount Frank E. Evans; Pfc. Pete Dodds, 21614 S. Berendo Ave., 12th Marine Regiment; Willis H. Chapman, seaman, USN, of 1319 Carson St., serving with Utility Landing Craft Squadron One; and Navy Lt. John P. Schwartz, of 1731 Marina Ave., serving as the staff of the Commander of Dock Landing Ship Division 12, with all of Torrance.

Don't forget! Manuel Bugara's band will play Saturday night for the regular teen-age dance. The dance will be held at the YWCA this week, not the Civic Auditorium.

Tryouts for next years majorettes and flag twirlers are being held today at the high school stadium. This is a big day for all the girls trying out. Song and yell leaders tryouts will be held in the gymnasium Monday, May 25. All these kids have been working real hard, so let's give serious thought to the performers and show our appreciation by voting.

The volleyball tournament got under way Tuesday. It is being sponsored by the Boys League.

Remember, you high schoolers—nomination blanks for the coming elections must be filed by Friday.

A fashion show will be presented before the Girls League next week. The clothes will be modeled by the girls who made them in sewing class. It promises to be a very entertaining show.



IN VARIETY SHOW . . . One of the major attractions of tomorrow's "International Varieties of 1953" will be the Roguettes, the five sweethearts of song. Members of the Torrance Moose have tickets for the show.