

New Goodyear Store Opens Here Tomorrow

Supervisor Burton W. Chace and Mayor Merwin M. Schwab met with company officials to look over the new Goodyear store at 2026 Torrance Blvd. yesterday as the new store manager and his staff put the place in order for the grand opening tomorrow and Saturday.

Showing the new \$100,000 store to the Mayor and Supervisor were Carl Crafts, district manager for Goodyear, and R. R. Robins, store supervisor for the company.



ED MAULDIN Store Manager

Manager Ed Mauldin said everything was ready for the grand opening, which will be celebrated from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. both Friday and Saturday.

Others on the staff at the new store include Jim Maxwell, office manager; Ray Creel, budget manager; Fred Redd, service manager; and Ken Bancroft, brake man.

The store will carry Goodyear auto, truck, and tractor tires, and automotive accessories. In addition, it will handle refrigerators, washers, washing machines, television sets, and complete lines of small electrical appliances, household hardware, and toys.

Tire, brake, battery, and wheel alignment service will be offered, and a specially equipped truck will handle road service.

Valuable gifts, prizes, and souvenirs will be given visitors to the store during its grand opening, Mauldin said.

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Obituaries

Mrs. Nora Elliott

Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the Bible Baptist Church, 1919 W. Compton, Gardens, for Mrs. Nora D. Elliott, 65, of 1505 W. 24th St., who died Tuesday at Harbor General Hospital.

The Rev. Gilbert Thomas will officiate at the services and interment will follow at Roosevelt Memorial Park. Mrs. Elliott is survived by her husband, Fred C. Elliott of the above address; two sons, J. P. Elliott of Wyoming and W. M. Elliott of Texas; two daughters, Mrs. Maxine Baker of Lawndale and Mrs. Winifred Stubblefield of Torrance; a brother, H. L. Hatfield of Oklahoma; a sister, Mrs. Josie Clevenger, of Wyoming and five grandchildren.

William J. Sager

Funeral services for William J. Sager, 62, a former resident of 15 years in Torrance, will be held today at 2 p.m. at Stone and Myers Chapel conducted by the Rev. Paul Wendel of the First Lutheran Church.

Sager died Sunday at his home. Burial will follow at Roosevelt Memorial Park. Members of the Bert S. Crossland Post of the American Legion will act as pallbearers for Sager, who was a member of the Post.

Sager, a native of New Jersey, was a resident of Mt. Baldy, Calif., at the time of his death. He was formerly employed here as a machinist in the aircraft industry.

Survivors include a son, William Sager, of Mt. Baldy, two brothers and four sisters in New Jersey and two grandchildren.

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Tract Parents Ask Protection For Schoolkids

Representatives of the Torrance Police Department and City Council are slated to meet with parents from the Shady Nook tract this morning to discuss complaints that children from the tract are in danger during their long walk to and from school each day.

Chief of Police Willard Haslam, Juvenile Officer D. C. Cook and Councilman Willys Blount will visit the tract, which lies in the triangle between Sepulveda Blvd., Western Ave. and 228th St.

A delegation of parents from the area have requested school bus transportation for their children and a survey of distances has been made by the Police Department in cooperation with the Board of Education.

The survey shows that the children from the tract live within the one mile limit set up by the Board as a dividing line between children who need bus transportation and those who don't. A child must live farther than one mile from school, as the crow flies, or a mile-and-a-quarter overland.

The Shady Nook parents were informed that giving their children bus transportation would be impossible at the present time because of lack of funds. It is estimated that 500 children would be added to the present bus load, necessitating seven additional busses, since the present facilities are all fully in use now.

This would cost the School District a total of \$148,000 the first year. Lowering the mileage limit to include Shady Nook children would mean great addition expense in other areas of the city, Board of Education spokesmen stated.

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Community Fair Interest Grows

Demand for display booth area for the proposed Community Fair here in August is beginning to snowball, Chamber Secretary Dale Isenberg reported yesterday, and applicants are already signing up for the queen contest to be held in conjunction with the affair.

The community-wide fair, slated for Aug. 11-15, is still looking for a spot to land according to Isenberg, but officials indicate that a site should be obtained soon. Latest site proposed is the vacant CWOD property between Maple and Madrona on Torrance Blvd. This is the proposed location for a new City of Torrance Civic Center.

Cooperating in the promotion of the fair are the Chamber of Commerce and the Jaycees. Appointed to head up the fair committee from the two organizations is Chamber member Paul Diamond, who is chairman, and Vern Lovelady of the Jaycees, who is co-chairman.

Mayor Norris Foulson is expected to attend the Michigan Mid-Winter picnic Saturday at Sycamore Grove Park in Los Angeles, being held for all former "Wolverine" and friends.

An entertainment program begins at 2 p.m., according to Archie Garlon, president of the state association.

Former Missourians Plan Annual Spring Reunion

The annual spring reunion of all former Missourians and their friends has been scheduled for Sunday at Sycamore Grove Park in Los Angeles.

The full day of activities will include registration by counties, and an entertainment program.

'Good Reason' Delays Filing Of State Tax

Taxpayers having a good reason may obtain an extension of time for filing their State Income Tax returns, Robert C. Kirkwood, Chairman of the Franchise Tax Board, announced this week.

To obtain an extension, application in triplicate must be made on the form prescribed and filed with the Franchise Tax Board. The application must contain a concise statement of the reasons for requesting the extension.

Forms for making application for an extension may be obtained from the local office of the Franchise Tax Board at 206 State Building, 217 W. First St., Los Angeles or by writing to Sacramento 14.

Extensions are granted for a period of 90 days unless a longer period is requested. However, under no circumstances can longer than six months be granted.

Kirkwood also called attention to the fact that an extension for filing a return does not extend the due dates for paying installments, and interest will accrue on the tax until it is paid.

After hours

Article 6, Part 2 of the U. S. Constitution a TREATY becomes the supreme law of the land in all the 48 states. When the Framing Fathers wrote this into the Constitution, there was no "international organization" like the UN in existence. Our treaties were made DIRECTLY with the country involved, but now that the United Nations Charter is a TREATY, our enemy, for example, Russia, sits quietly here and has authority to interfere in the so-called "peace talks" concerning Red China and Korea, both enemies of the UN and the U. S. I would, to say the least, not only the Soviet Union sits in judgment while helping Red China and Korea, but also the United States of being the aggressor. If by some quirk of fate Russia is able to muster enough votes at some future time, the U. S. Constitution could be super-imposed by the UN Charter LEGALLY on any point that the majority in the UN saw fit. We are less than 7 per cent (161,000,000) of the world's population. Russia controls about 800,000,000. Even with our present Allies we cannot match the man-power potential of Communism in any revised UN or "world government" setup.

UN Proposed Communism

The U. S. lost its first war in history in Korea, principally because the UN opposed an all-out effort to gain victory. Truman-Acheson used to agree with our Allies in the UN that if we bombed the bases across the Yalu, we could be involved in a war with Russia and China. Such strategy had been advocated by "General MacArthur as a "calculated risk" that had to be taken. When Truman-Acheson sent our troops into Korea (and without Congressional approval), it also involved a "calculated risk" of war against Russia and China.

THE MAIL BOX

Councilman Speaks

Editor: It appears that a restatement of the facts surrounding the investigation of Tract No. 18540, which resulted in the suspension of two of the employees of the City of Torrance, is in order.

Upon my recommendation, a group of citizens appeared before the City Council of the City of Torrance to air their complaints relative to certain defects in the homes they occupy in the above-named tract. These people were heard by the City Council and by unanimous action of the Council certain investigations by agencies of the State of California were requested.

These investigations were made by officials of the State of California at the Council's request, and their findings indicated that the responsibility lay with the Franchise Tax Board. Upon receipt of these findings, City Manager George Stevens made recommendations that the two employees mentioned be suspended pending a hearing by the Civil Service Board as to their responsibility. The City Manager also recommended that the entire Building Department be reorganized so that inspection of buildings in the City of Torrance could be done in the proper manner and to insure strict compliance with the building code and ordinances of the City.

I repeat, the above listed action has been taken not by a majority of the City Council, but in every instance by the entire membership of the Council. There are no engineers or construction experts on the Council; therefore, we must take the findings of an expert of the State of California as fact.

My attention has been directed to a statement that the Council's unanimous action in the matter was "merely a political maneuver at this crucial election period."

Investigations of the Division of Housing, Department of Industrial Relations for California, and the Contractors' State License Board fail to bear out this contention. The actions of the City Council have been taken as a result of the findings of these two California agencies, which findings we have accepted as official.

Political motives are involved, whose motives have not been brought to our attention. My position as to new building in the City of Torrance has been made clear in the four years I have served as a member of the City Council of Torrance.

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As of today, all of the facts about the situation are not yet known or available, even to the city officials. It takes more than a few days to make a proper and thorough investigation. I am not an architect, an engineer, or a builder—but as an attorney I have learned not to make snap judgments. Unfounded charges are subject to the laws of libel and slander. Innocent people can be hurt.

We need a more adequate personnel in the building department so that every job shall have thorough and proper inspections. If an Inspector fails to do the job properly, either through lack of experience and training or other reasons, he should be replaced.

If elected to the City Council on April 13, I would do all in my power to determine where the responsibility lies. The working man who invested his savings and the veteran his mustered out pay in a house in Torrance have the right to rely on their homes being built according to building code and ordinance. They need protection, not sympathy. It must be understood that in the event the charges are sustained, the homeowners will have a meritorious civil lawsuit against the builders and subdividers for monetary damages. This is a matter which will have to be determined by the courts.

Thank you for this opportunity of expressing myself on this matter.

ALBERT ISEN

Editor: I stand on that record of protecting the little man at all costs and I submit myself to the electorate on that record.

Thank you for this opportunity of presenting my views on this important matter. Yours for City Government, You Can Trust, Councilman Willys G. Blount

Hold First AFSIS Committee Meet Here Saturday

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Working with Mrs. Schwab on the organization committee are Mesdames Dean Sears, Grover C. Van Deventer, outgoing president of the Torrance Woman's Club; Ruth Rogers, president-elect of the same group; and Willard Keyes of Hollywood Riviera.

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Candidate Says 'Wait for Facts' On Home Charges

"There have been charges made and counter-charges made, and all that I know about it is what I have read in the newspapers," was the comment Attorney Albert Isen, a candidate for the City Council, made this week about reports that some houses had been badly constructed in a North Torrance tract.

Speaking before more than 100 persons at a rally in the Legion Hall Sunday afternoon, Isen said he felt that one should never be prejudiced, and that both parties should be heard in court before a decision is made. "I am not an architect, an engineer, or a builder," Isen told those at the rally. "I can not determine the facts, and I don't think any other candidate can at this time," he said.

Isen's comments came in response to a demand last week that each candidate determine the merits of the charges and state in writing what steps should be taken.

Following his introduction by Planning Commission Member Jim Minter, Isen traced his life in Torrance which nearly parallels the life of Torrance. Isen came here in 1913, he told those at the rally, when his father started the city's first store. For the past 21 years, he has been an attorney and a businessman here.

Clark inventory Sale To Continue

The Clark Supermarkets' twelfth annual inventory food sale will be continued for four more days. Clark officials stated the week. The big sale commences today and will continue through the close of business at 10 p.m. on Sunday.

The decision to continue the great money-saving event was prompted by the overwhelming response on the part of thousands of people in the community, Clark officials stated.

The continuation sale will present a completely new selection of sensational money-saving bargains from each department and will equal in every respect the original sale, they said.

"We want to take this opportunity to show our sincere appreciation to our many thousands of customers who participated in our twelfth annual million-dollar inventory food sale and also to assure them that the next four days of this great sale will afford them equal opportunities to save many, many dollars," Clark officials concluded.

UN OPPOSITION GROWING

After hours tonight it appears that the recent defeat of the amendments to curtail executive powers on international law has highlighted the necessity for more serious study into the coming proposals for the revision of the United Nations Charter next year. In my lectures through several states in recent weeks I have observed a growing sentiment against the United Nations due to the defeat of the Bricker Amendment.

In addition to the coming Geneva Conference on April 26 on Korea and Indo-China, I noted public and editorial concern about the United Nations Covenant on Human Rights emphasizing fears that its adoption as a treaty could put U. S. religion under control on the UN. Memories of the Supreme Court decision on the seizure of the steel mills by ex-President Truman are being revived. Although the majority of the Supreme Court judges ruled against Mr. Truman, the Chief Justice and two other judges, in writing the minority opinion states: "that under the UNITED NATIONS CHARTER THE SEIZURE OF PRIVATE PROPERTY COULD BE ALLOWED."

The Nation is also concerned with the Status of Forces Treaty, already adopted, which allows U. S. troops to be tried under the laws of the land to which they are sent by their Commander-in-Chief. They are prohibited the protection of the Constitution of the United States as citizens of the United States. The case of Private Keefe, who received a five-year sentence for "stealing a taxi in Paris while under the influence of liquor, has focused national attention on this treaty with NATO.

"A. We Moving Forward World-Government? A majority of those opposing the Bricker Amendment are pro-UN and some type of "world government." They are working feverishly to set the foundation for some type of "world government." In the coming United Nations Charter revisions, Under Article 100 of the UN Charter, amendments will be presented automatically in 1955. Vice-President Nixon has already appointed a Senate Committee of four Republicans: Senators Willes, Forney, Knowland, Cooper and four Democrats (Senators Gillette, Mansfield, Sparkman, Holland) "to study proposals for the revision of the UN Charter."

Four of these Senators have had their names on bills proposing some form of world-government. If the amendments they propose for the United Nations Charter are for some "kind" of world-government, all they need for its adoption as a part of the original treaty between the U. S. and the UN is a vote of two-thirds of the Senate PRESIDENT, not two-thirds of the ENTIRE Senate body.

We must always keep in mind that the United Nations Charter was adopted by the U. S. as a TREATY. Under

USC Drama Instructor To Offer Criticism At THS Play Tourney

Dr. James Butler of the USC drama department will attend the Original One-Act Play Tournament at Torrance High School March 27 and will discuss the plays with the young playwrights at a reception to be held afterwards, it was announced this week.

Film and radio actress Rosemary DeCamp and her husband, Judge John A. Shidler, president of the Torrance Board of Education, will act as host and hostess at the reception, which will be held in the school cafeteria.

Awards will be given to the best play, and best actor and actress by Mrs. Shidler. Three plays will be presented: "Dawn," by Leon Stern; "Sawcracker's Suits," by Jerry Westmoreland and Rodney Williams, and "Road to Freedom," by Carol Davis and Carl Larsen.

The play "Dawn" is set during the French resistance in World War II and is a character study of a man and a woman who are caught in the toils of the underground.

The recent sawcracking at Torrance High inspired "Sawcracker's Suits," which has a high school setting. The comedy, it was directed by Nancy La Duke, who also will play the part of Brenda.

Dick Rudy has been given the role of Von and the second policeman will be played by Howard Davis.

"Road to Freedom" takes place in a German prisoner of war camp during the last war. It concerns four men and their thoughts just before they go to the firing squad.

Selling to Slicks Manuscripts' Topic Friday

Writers interested in selling to national slick magazines will find professional tips plenty when Southwest Manuscripts meet next Friday, Mar. 18, 8 p.m., at Clark Stadium in Hermosa Beach, according to Joan Coverdale, program chairman.

Featured speaker will be Harriet Pratt, dynamic short story writer whose fiction appears in Good Housekeeping and other widely read periodicals. In addition to her output of magazine fiction, Miss Pratt is now putting the finishing touches on a novel which is scheduled for early publication. She is a resident of Beverly Hills.

Prize-winners in the current short-short contest being sponsored by the club, with membership-wide participation, will be announced. Cash awards will be presented to the winners whose work is being judged by Polly Booth, Thomas W. May, and Nancy Williams.

Membership in Southwest Manuscripts includes not only established professionals but beginning writers who are very interested in writing to sell. Members are drawn from Torrance, the South Bay, Westchester, and surrounding areas.

All interested persons are invited to attend Friday's meeting. Detailed information may be secured by calling Catherine Bolton, secretary, at FRontier 2-2204.

Coming Events

Mar. 28—Lions Club Dinner-dance, Western Club Cafe, 8 p.m.

Sunday, March 21—Open House Art Exhibit, 408 Monte D'Or, 2 to 4 p.m.

Apr. 10—JayCetts dance, Club Alondra.

Tuesday, April 15—Municipal and primary election.

May 31, 22—Hobby, Arts, and Flower Show, Civic Auditorium.

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