

ACCENT: Theater! Group To Preview One-Act Play

Sneak preview of a one-act play to be presented in the Pacific Coast Drama Tournament in Santa Monica next week will be the main attraction at a business meeting of ACCENT: Theatre! tomorrow night at 8 p.m. at the Torrance Woman's Club, 1422 Engracia.

Featured in "The Parade at the Devil's Bridge," a masque written by Henri Gheon as a part of the current French religious reaction against the playwrights of despair, will be Dora Heinlein, property wom-

an; Hank Heinlein, Father Kado; Muriel Carlyle, his cat; Ed Cantle, the Devil; Kenneth Carlyle, a Breton fisherman, and Lola Kelley, a young maiden.

Jack Hudson is director, while Eileen Pulliam is in charge of script and props, Marion and Carol Davis are set designers, Ana Norris and Dora Heinlein executed costumes of an indefinite pre-Renaissance period, and Emma Roberts-created make-up. Others on the staff of this

production are B. J. Wilhelm, Betty Kissler, Kenneth Lawless, and Ann Humphreys.

The general meeting itself, first to be held at the Torrance Woman's Club, which will be the scene of ACCENT: Theatre! activity for two evenings a week during the summer months and for the run of "The Fourposter" June 24, 25, and 26, is for the purpose of distributing "Night of January 16th" cast pictures, circulating the latest edition of Entertainment News, and discussing coming productions. The public is freely invited, and all members of the association are urged to be present.

Final plans for a family picnic to be held Sunday in Torrance Park will be announced.

Vets May Receive Only One Type of GI Benefit at Time

Veterans training under the Korean GI Bill may not draw GI unemployment and GI training pay at the same time, since simultaneous use of the two GI benefits is illegal, Mrs. Helen K. Dill, director of the Torrance Area Veterans Service Center stated Tuesday.

Even though a veteran is not working while taking Korean GI Bill training, he still would not be eligible for the unemployment allowance, she said.

Unemployment payments are limited to Korean veterans act-

ively looking for work, who are not receiving GI training benefits. A veteran who, for any reason, does draw both payments at once would be required to return his unemployment allowance to the State from which he received it, Mrs. Dill added. Also under the law, he may be liable for a fine of up to \$1,000, or imprisonment of up to one year, or both.

Unemployment pay-administered by the U.S. Department of Labor through the States, may range up to \$26 a week for a

maximum of 26 weeks. GI training allowances-handled by VA—range from \$110 to \$160 a month, for veterans in school full-time. Lower monthly rates are paid to part-time trainees, and to veterans training on-the-job or on-the-farm, said Mrs. Dill.

CARE OF BLIND

Americans spend about \$150 million per year for the care of the blind, the National society now estimates.



READY FOR DANCE CAPADES . . . Four-year-old Bonnie Bladen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Bladen, of 1437 W. 214th St., will be among those performing tomorrow evening at 8 in the Civic Auditorium when students of Bettie Thomas Studio will present "Dance Capades." Tap, ballet, acrobatic, and singing groups will perform in garden scenes from Japan, Holland, and the United States. Instructors represented in the show directed by Mrs. Thomas will include Dorothe Adams, Betty Eardley, Tom Green, Fred Rex, and Al Romaine.

New Law Extends Number of Vets Eligible for Benefits

The Governor has signed a state law which in effect expands the World War II and Korean eligibility periods for "Cal-Vet" benefits by 90 days at the beginning and 90 days at the end.

J. Marvin Russell, State Director of Veterans Affairs, said many veterans whose applications for eligibility (for "Cal-Vet" farm or home loans or educational assistance) were rejected because their minimum 90 days of military service didn't fall within wartime periods, may apply for reconsideration now and obtain certificates of eligibility after Sept. 7, when the law takes effect.

Russell said under the new law, if one day of a veteran's 90 consecutive active duty was served during a wartime period, he may be eligible. Up to now, all 90 days had to be served within the set limits.

Like Federal Law
He observed that the new law (Chapter 404—formerly Assembly Bill 2870-Donald Doyle) brings California's eligibility requirements more in line with the federal GI Bill of Rights.

To be eligible for "Cal-Vet" assistance, he said, war veterans must have been born in California or have entered military service as state residents. Under the new law they must have had active duty "for a period of not less than 90 consecutive days, any portion of which was on or after Dec. 7, 1941 and prior to Jan. 1, 1947, or on or after June 27, 1950, and prior to Jan. 31, 1955."

90 Days Needed
"This means for example," said Russell, "that a person who entered service on Jan. 30 would become eligible if he served 90 days consecutively from then on, or a person discharged on Dec. 7, 1941 becomes eligible if he ended at least 90 day's continuous service on

that date." The active duty must have been other than temporary or training duty.

The veterans' benefits to which the law applies are farm and home financing and up to \$1,000 in educational assistance to qualified ex-servicemen.

Double Benefits
Russell also pointed out that a veteran who had qualifying time in both World War II and the Korean period may be eligible twice over for "Cal-Vet" benefits under certain conditions.

A "Cal-Vet" 3 per cent loan is now available to the amount of \$8,500 on a home not valued at more than \$12,500 and up to \$15,000 on a farm not exceeding \$18,500 in value.

California veterans may take advantage of state educational assistance if they used up their GI eligibility and meet certain other requirements.

Man Fractures Arm In Auto Collision On Hawthorne Blvd.

A fractured forearm was sustained Thursday by David E. Whisler, 21, of 25522 January Dr. in an auto collision at the intersection of Hawthorne Ave. and 174th St.

Whisler was hospitalized at Harbor General Hospital, where his condition last week was called "good."

However, the car he was driving south on Hawthorne was demolished, police said.

Driver of the other car, Ernest Archie Newbern, 20, of Redondo Beach, received only minor injuries. The front end of his car was damaged.



Golly,
will there
be room
for us?

Every youngster in Torrance should have the opportunity for a good education, but unless something is done to alleviate our overcrowded classroom situation, this opportunity may be denied them.

The plain facts are these:

Torrance now has 307 classrooms in operation... by September there will be 80 more. This will still be 64 elementary classrooms less than needed to get off double sessions.

The population of Torrance is growing faster than our present school system is able to handle this growth. There are 12,457 youngsters attending schools from kindergarten through high school... in five years, allowing for no additional population growth, our schools will be required to house 29,966 pupils!

What's the answer?

It's really quite simple... and well within the power of each and every citizen of Torrance.

Next Tuesday's special school bond election holds the key to the education of our young people. Passage of this measure will mean a tax increase of less than a penny per day for the average homeowner, but look what it can mean to our educational system:

18 more elementary schools and two new high schools can be built by 1960 to handle this unprecedented increase in school enrollments.

We've studied the proposed school bond issue thoroughly and, although it will add materially to our own taxes, we feel that its passage at the polls is vital to the future of our young people and to the growth of Torrance.

We respectfully urge that you vote **YES** on **SCHOOLS**!

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