

# John Barnett to Direct Concert

John Barnett, assistant conductor of the Los Angeles Philharmonic and widely-known Southern California musician, will be directing four combined symphonies in the Saturday Pacific Bowl Festival at Torrance High School Auditorium. Included in the program, which will start at 8:15 p.m., will be 50 first chairmen from the Vine St. Music Workshop and the South Bay, Compton, and Long Beach Symphonies.

## Play Tryouts Slated Friday

A second series of tryouts for singers and actors interested in participating in the community-wide Christmas festivities as members of "The Little Angels" cast will be held Friday night at 8 p.m. at the YMCA, 2080 Washington Ave. Mrs. H. F. Heinlein, president of ACCENT: Theater, said no role has definitely cast yet.

Performance of the pantomime with narration and music will be given three times during Christmas week. Further information can be obtained from Mrs. Heinlein at FA 8-6130.

# Building Slow As Strike Continues

Local construction work involving cement continued to be pretty nearly stymied last week, as the sand and gravel strike entered in its sixth week.

The Torrance City Council last week voted to share the cost of paying for premium concrete with the contractor at the new civic center and the North Torrance fire station. City Manager George Stevens estimated that the additional cost for the civic center would be about \$300 and for the fire station about \$65.

Work had nearly ground to a halt on the city hall, police station, swimming pool, and fire station. The city hall and police station should be ready by early summer Stevens said, but swimming pool construction will await the end of the strike. Also affected was the work on local park improvements.

Since 90 per cent of sand and gravel firms are affected by the strike, available material sells at a premium of \$3 to \$5, Stevens said.

**Schools Planned**  
School construction work on a gym and music building at North High School, on Sepulveda School, and 10 portable classrooms at Wood and Madrona Schools—was halted by lack of material. A bid on Arlington School, 180th and Arlington, is scheduled to be let this week.

Assistant Superintendent S. E. Waldrip said schools could not pay a premium for material, under a county counsel's ruling. These might be construed as gifts of public funds, he said.

In the Los Angeles School District, work on Narbonne and Gardena High Schools has completely stopped, and construction has been delayed indefinitely. The Gardena school was scheduled to open in February, but may be able to open later in the spring, officials said. Narbonne was scheduled to open in September, 1956.

**Elementary Schools**  
Schools in this area also affected by the strike are 15th St., and 223rd St. Elementary Schools, where improvements were being made.

At the 2500-home development of the Don Wilson-Milton Kaufman Co. west of Hawthorne Ave., work has been slowed by the strike.

The city Council voted to al-

## MAN DENIES MOLESTING CHILDREN

A Torrance man pleaded not guilty to charges of child molesting in South Bay Municipal Court, after four teenage boys said he made indecent proposals to them.

Hulin Hedrick, 31, of 3119 W. 168th St., pleaded not guilty to the charges, and asked for a jury trial, to be held Dec. 15.

A 15-year-old Torrance boy told sheriff's deputies that Hedrick had picked him up while he was hitchhiking, and made indecent proposals and asked him for a date.

The boy said he made a date, and brought three buddies with him. The group went to an isolated spot near 167th and Prairie Ave., the boy said, where the man renewed his indecent proposal. The boys started to beat up Hedrick, but he escaped in his car, the lad told deputies.

A Los Angeles school teacher, Hedrick is married and the father of three children.

**OIL CONSUMERS**  
The U. S. accounts for more than 60 per cent of the world's oil consumption outside the Iron Curtain.



LAST RITES . . . Weeping at the final rites for U. Noah Who, are these members of the Howard Wood PTA—Mimes, R. G. Madary, F. A. Bergon, M. H. Ferguson, and J. B. Moraine. The tombstone was built as part of the PTA safety campaign. The tombstone reads, "The signal was red, The driver was green, The wreck they saw, Was the worst ever seen."

## Harvey Plant Workers to Hold Union Election

Electricians at the Harvey Aluminum Co. must vote within 30 days to determine whether they shall be represented by a union, according to an order of the National Labor Relations Board.

The election would determine whether the employees would be represented by Local 11, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (AFL), the U. S. Steelworkers of America (CIO), or neither, in collective bargaining with the firm.

Local 11 is seeking a craft unit of all electricians, including working leadmen, helpers, and learners in the aluminum division, the board said.

On the other hand, the company and the CIO union say such an organization would be inappropriate because the employer is a part of the basic aluminum industry and its workers do not comprise a true craft group.

There has been no history of collective bargaining at the

plant, the board declared, although a production and maintenance unit represented employees from 1942 to 1945.

Harvey's Torrance plant is one of the largest producers of aluminum extrusions and forgings in the country, being numbered among the industry's "big five."

**COIN DIAL PHONE**  
First coin operated dial telephone was installed in New York in 1927.

## Boy Captured After Fight With Deputy

A sheriff's deputy who lives in Torrance finally subdued an unruly 17-year-old Gardena youth Thursday, after the lad had socked him and kicked him in the head.

Deputy Robert L. Moore, of 16321 Casimir, was called to stop a fight between the boy and another youth, and ordered both to leave the game played Thursday night at the El Camino stadium.

A little later, Jack Ames Phinney, of 4914 Newton St., and Wesley D. Bradley, of Palos Verdes, teachers attending the game, pulled the same youth down as he tried to scale the fence.

Arriving on the scene, Moore was struck by the boy, and

## FINN TWINS, RIN-TIN-TIN STAR, BEAUTIES TO CUT FREE CAKE AT SITTER'S PARTY

In a gigantic public party next Wednesday at 2 p.m., Hermosa Beach's nationally known flagpole sitter will celebrate his 100th day atop the 65-foot pole in his attempt to beat the present world's record of 196 days.

George and Charles Finn, the famous Flying Finn Twins, will join with local officials and Hollywood personages to mark the event. Among these will be Crash Corrigan, famed movie cowboy and operator of Corriganville Ranch, and Elaine DuPont, star of Rin-Tin-Tin series and many movies.

Official hostess will be Miss Kay Lawrence, 20th Century Fox star who was recently voted "Miss Flagpole." Cake, refreshments will be served and souvenirs will be given.

Local Civil Defense officials will be present with a preparedness event to be disclosed Wednesday. TV and radio stations will be on hand for national coverage.

Everyone is invited to come to Twin Pontiac, home of the flagpole sitter at 505 Pacific Coast Highway in Hermosa Beach.



WE'RE HEADING FOR HERMOSA FLAGPOLE BIRTHDAY PARTY  
Pictured in their home surroundings of Corriganville, above, are two of the many movie stars and celebrities who will attend the Twin Pontiac flagpole sitter's 100th day. They are Crash Corrigan and Elaine DuPont, at the left. Alibi Terhune is on the right. (Adv.)

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