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Other Honors Won By Herald

The Torrance HERALD was awarded first place for general excellence as a community newspaper at the conclusion of the 68th Annual Convention of the California Newspaper Publishers Assn. in Coronado Saturday. The HERALD was selected for the top award by a panel of nearly 40 judges who had studied the more than 400 entries the statewide contest attracted.

The coveted Sigma Delta Chi plaque, which is presented each year to California's top community newspaper, was accepted for the HERALD by Publisher King Williams at the annual Awards Breakfast held Saturday morning at the Hotel del Coronado. Lt. Governor H. J. Powers, acting for Governor Goodwin J. Knight, made the presentations in the annual contest.

Two Other Awards
The HERALD also won honorable mention in the Best Editorial Page and Best Special Edition sections of the statewide contest.

Second place in the General Excellence division—in which newspapers are judged for all departments: advertising, news coverage, special features, sports, society, and use of type and composition—was awarded to the Van Nuys News. The Lompoc Record and South Gate Press won honorable mention. Winner in the daily division was the San Jose News with the Riverside Enterprise placing second. Honorable mention in this division went to the Palo Alto Times and the Santa Barbara News-Press.

The awards event climaxed the four-day convention attended by 720 persons, largest convention registration in the history of the association. Other programs included workshops for all departments of newspapers and receptions for members and prominent guests.

Praises Staff
In accepting the award, the HERALD's publisher praised members of the staff whose labors and talents during 1955 produced the quality newspaper that was able to win top place over hundreds of high type newspapers throughout California. He said the HERALD has no intention of resting on these laurels but is already making plans for improvement and expansion of the paper's services to the community.

"We are sure the Torrance community will take pride in knowing that it is being served by a newspaper that has won this recognition. Since taking over the HERALD in June, 1954, it has been our policy to build for the future and with this great community. The HERALD will continue to have only one master—the general welfare of the people who read this newspaper."

Seymour Sterling, publisher of the Sanger Herald was installed as the new president of the CNPA, largest state organization of its kind in the United States. He succeeds Walter Kane, publisher of the Bakersfield Californian, who was credited with one of the most active and effective administrations in the history of the 68 year old association.

Judges Drawn From All Parts Of California

Judges for the 1955 California Newspaper Publishers Assn. contest were drawn from all sections of California communications media, giving the panel a true professional flavor, according to John B. Long, general manager of the publishers group.

The judges, named by a special Awards Committee of the association, poured over the 436 entries in January to select the winners in the various classifications.

Among the 40 judges who selected the winners in the annual statewide contest were Ferdinand Mendhall, Van Nuys News; Robert E. G. Harris, Journalism Department, UCLA; John McCoy, Journalism Department, University of Southern California; Joe Mitchell, State Museum of Sciences and Industry; Stan Roberts, Wave Publications; Ben Woolbert, Los Angeles Examiner; George Davis, Los Angeles Herald-Express.

More Judges
Coy Williams, Los Angeles Mirror-News; Paul Zimmerman, Los Angeles Times; Richard Russell, advertising firm of Richard C. Russell Corp.; Roy Campbell, advertising firm of Foote, Cone & Belding; Charles Levitt, advertising firm of Smalley, Levitt & Smith; Louis F. Thomann, western editor of Printers Ink; Ray Gleason, former editor of the California Publisher and now with West-Gas & Oil's public relations; Andy Carpenter, Dan B. Miller Co.; Fred Kopp, Fred Kopp Advertising Art; Gene Duckwalk, Foote, Cone & Belding; C. Oliver French, and Paul Calvert, Los Angeles Times.

And Still More
Charles Cliff, Los Angeles Times; Jean Warren, Los Angeles Examiner; Irene Raddan, Los Angeles Herald-Express; Muriel Barnett, Los Angeles Mirror-News; George Burt, George Burt Agency; Casey Shavhan, director of National Broadcasting Company's radio-television program and former Mirror-News city editor; Dan Gann, Dan Gann Public Relations; L. S. Van Sant, bureau of advertising, American Newspaper Publishers Assn.; Rich Reeve, Retired Producers Assn. executive; John Rose, advertising firm of Mayer & O'Brien; Jack Gillean, public information section, Los Angeles City Schools; and Evie De Wolf, Los Angeles Times.

Dog Poisoned, Another Shot In Lomita Area

Pet lovers in Lomita were shocked upon learning of the death of one dog because of poisoning and injury to another when it was shot in the leg by a pellet gun, sheriff's deputies reported yesterday.

According to the residents, a man living on Ocean View Ave. in Lomita, has threatened animals on occasions and may be a suspect in the cruelty cases.

Mr. Jane R. Clement, 32, of 2822 Ocean View, told authorities that her three-month-old Doberman pup became violently ill late Sunday and began bleeding from the mouth. She rushed the stricken pet to a veterinarian where the animal doctor said the animal definitely had been poisoned.

The pup died early Monday morning from the effects of the poison.

Authorities said the dog had been fed some ground meat, which evidently contained the lethal dosage. Mrs. Clement said the last time she had fed her dog, he had eaten kibble. Mr. and Mrs. James A. Mann, of 1844 W. 262nd St., Lomita, said their dog, a Boxer, was shot in the hip Sunday afternoon.

Two-Year-Old Dies After Car Backs Over Tricycle



G. S. EVANS

Former Police Sergeant Files In Council Race

A fourth candidate filed nomination papers this week for election to one of the three City Council posts at stake in the April elections.

Gwilym "Bill" Evans, member of the Torrance police department for more than 20 years prior to his retirement last year as traffic sergeant, was the latest to join the growing ranks of candidates.

Evans has lived in Torrance since 1923 and in the harbor area for nearly 30 years. He and his wife, Florence, live at 1229 Beech Ave. where they own their home.

Active in Toastmasters during past years, he has served the local chapter as president; has been deputy governor and educational chairman for Area 10 of Toastmasters International.

Active With Youth
In addition to this, Evans was active in the organization of the Peace Officers Car Club Assn., which has its headquarters in Lynwood, and sponsors youth groups and car club activities. Among the achievements of the group is the annual Junior Economy Run to Las Vegas, which Evans has attended each year since its beginning.

"With my familiarity with traffic and its attendant problems, I would like to improve the situation in the city with regard to moving traffic and parking," Evans said.

Others who have filed nominating papers include Councilman Nick Dralle, who is seeking his third term; Former Police Officer Jim Thompson; and Machinist Walter G. Ryan.

Grocery Store Burglarized

Sheriff's deputies are seeking juveniles in connection with the Saturday night burglary of a grocery store, at 26327 S. Western Ave.

Alberta A. Miller, 38, owner of the store, reported to Lennox deputies that \$100 in cash and about \$350 in coffee and cigarettes were taken from the store in the night raid. The victim indicated the burglary might have been committed by juveniles in the area.

The suspects entered a rear door and took 11 cases of coffee, each containing 24 1-pound cans, and 160 cartons of cigarettes, the owner stated.

Rites Today For Local Youngster

Final rites for two-year-old David Kinane, who was run over by a car backing out of a driveway here on Tuesday, will be held today in St. James Catholic Church, Redondo. The little boy was playing on his red tricycle at 4757 W. 191st St., Tuesday morning when he was struck by a car driven by Pearl Gilbert, 48, of that address. Police say Mrs. Gilbert told them she got in her car and backed out after checking to see if the way was clear.

She told authorities she did not see anything and proceeded to back up. It was then the wheels of the car ran over the boy.

David was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kinane, of 4718 W. 191st St. He is survived also by a sister, Susan, and a brother, James.

The youngster died at 2:15 p.m. at Hawthorne Emergency Hospital, where he was taken by South Bay Ambulance, following the tragedy.

Mass For Victim
Mass of the Angels will be said for the tiny victim. His remains will be sent to Lynn, Mass., for final interment. Har-din-Flanagan Mortuary is handling funeral arrangements.

Two other boys were injured here Tuesday, one while riding a bicycle, the other while driving his motor scooter on Palos Verdes Blvd.

Fourteen-year-old James G. Peterson, of Redondo, was reported in critical condition late yesterday at Harbor Hospital from injuries sustained when his motor scooter flipped over in front of 846 Palos Verdes Blvd. Peterson was described as conscious, but suffering from a broken leg and a serious head injury by hospital authorities.

Scooter Hits Hole
He told investigating officers that his scooter hit a huge hole

in the road and he lost control of the vehicle, causing the wreck.

Jay Roventstein, 13, of 2029 Cabrillo, was injured while riding his bike late Tuesday afternoon, traffic officers reported. Authorities said that Roventstein's bicycle and a car driven by Orphie G. Jones, 35, of 1908 1/2 Martina Ave., collided on 218th St., west of Adlington Ave.

Wife Beater Faces Court

Connie Mack Dalrymple, who is charged with felony wife beating in connection with the beating last Saturday of his wife, Jimmie, is in county jail in lieu of \$500 bail and will appear for preliminary hearing Feb. 14 in South Bay Municipal Court, detectives said yesterday.

Dalrymple is accused of severely beating his wife early Saturday, after reporting home from the late shift at a machine plant here.

She still is in Harbor General Hospital being treated for the beating, hospital authorities said yesterday.

Dalrymple was arraigned Monday in South Bay Court on the charges. Authorities say the flare-up was touched off by a family argument. The couple lives at 2013 W. 178th St.



PUBLISHER HONORED . . . HERALD Publisher King Williams, left, receives the Sigma Delta Chi plaque after the HERALD was chosen best in California in the general excellence class of a statewide competition. Presenting the plaque is Lt. Gov. Harold Powers. At the speaker's stand in the background is Earlton G. Palmer Jr., of the Hollywood Citizen News, awards breakfast chairman.

Council to Hear Firemen Tonight

A special meeting of the Council to continue its investigation into fire department promotion policies has been scheduled for 5:30 this evening. The meeting was called after spokesmen for the firemen had placed their protests before the Council for the second time in a week.

In addition to setting the continued meeting for tonight to delve further into the matter, a majority of the Council issued what might be taken as an ultimatum to Chief J. J. Benner to promote the two men who had been previously bypassed on departmental promotion lists.

Promotions Suggested
At the insistence of Mayor Albert Isen, although he was told twice that such a motion was out of order and in violation of the City Charter, the Council voted 3-2 to "suggest" the promotions to Benner. Councilman Dralle and Benstead joined Isen in the matter while

Policy Disputed.
Disputed is Chief Benner's policy of bypassing the applicants for promotion who had otherwise qualified by Civil Service examination.

Appearing before the Council for the Torrance firemen were Tullio J. Rizzo, vice president, southern district, of Federated Fire Fighters of California, and Ceil O. Johnson, secretary-treasurer, San Pedro-Wilmington Central Labor Council.

An attempt by Councilmen Blount and Schwab to call for an investigation by impartial outsiders was hampered down by Mayor Isen who insisted on issuing the promotion ultimatum to Benner.

All sides to the dispute are scheduled to be heard before the Council this evening.

Queens Are Needed
Queen candidates are being sought for the Annual Festival of Friendship for the South Bay district which will be held at Alondra Park beginning Friday, Feb. 24.



HENRY KEARNS
Featured Chamber Speaker

U.S. Chamber's Vice President To Speak Here

Henry Kearns, vice president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, will be guest speaker at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce annual banquet and installation to be held Tuesday evening, Feb. 28.

According to John A. Ebbinghouse, president of the Torrance Chamber, reservations are now being taken for the banquet.

Kearns was named vice president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in 1955. President Ebbinghouse told members of the Torrance Chamber's Board of Directors that he thought the Chamber was extremely fortunate in having secured the services of Kearns for the feature address.

2000 Visit California Bank Opening

More than 2000 visitors, over and above the customary heavy Monday traffic, visited the California Bank in its new quarters of the new location.

The crowds came to see one of the most modern establishments of its kind in Southern California. Visiting high officials of the California Bank agreed that it was one of the best in the many branches located throughout the state.

Arthur O. Otasa, vice president and manager of the Torrance bank, was on hand to greet all the visitors along with others of the Torrance branch personnel. Hundreds partook of refreshments and many were escorted through the elaborate facilities.

Moving of all records and safety deposit boxes was accomplished over the week end without confusion and the bank was ready for business at 10 a.m. Monday.

RARE PAGES . . . Co-ed Jeanno Bader inspects valuable pages recently presented to El Camino College. Found in Spain, the documents are believed to be 600 years old. The documents were described in detail in the Monday, Feb. 6, edition of the Torrance HERALD.

