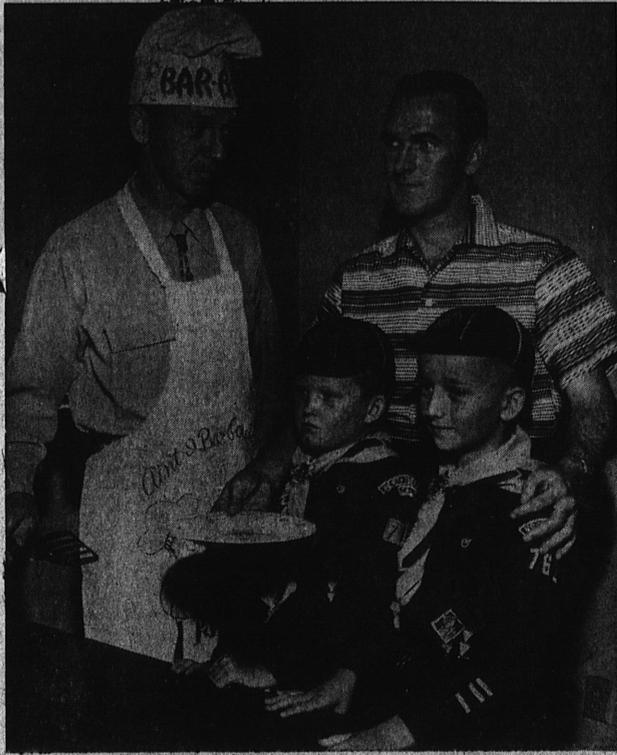


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READY FOR HUNGRY MOB . . . North Torrance Cubs and Scouts will host their neighbors at a pancake breakfast Saturday morning at McMaster Hall, 174th and Yukon Ave., as Troop 761 and Cub Pack 761-C seek to raise funds for their coming activities. Shown here are Ilna Carlson and Larry Ball, who will aid the Scouts with the meals, and Buddy Ball and Richard Carlson, who will represent the Scouts at the affair.



OBSELETE BUT STILL USED . . . These Army-built barracks-type hospital wards—row on row of them—make up today's facilities at Harbor General Hospital which last year cared for 13,000 bed patients and more than 113,000 outpatients. These buildings would be replaced with a modern hospital structure if the \$15,000,000 bond issue passes on the November ballot.



NEW MANAGER . . . Robert I. Shelby, a Torrance resident for two years, was recently named manager of the Torrance Safeway store, Sartori and El Prado. He is a brother to Rev. Don Shelby, assistant pastor of the First Methodist Church here.

Boy Gets Note From Mrs. Ike

A Torrance youth's four-year battle with polio has brought him a letter of encouragement from Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower, wife of the President.

Fred Diesel, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Diesel, 1608 Post Ave., received the letter Monday after a friend, Mrs. James Burchett, 1507 El Prado, had written to the First Lady about him.

Gets Diploma

The 18-year-old youth last spring received his high school diploma, although he is confined to his bed and is forced to use an iron lung to breathe. He was stricken with polio, which almost completely paralyzed him, in October 1952.

Despite the fact that he was at one time a promising athlete, his activity is not limited to watching athletic events on a TV set at the foot of his bed.

"I go over there thinking that I will cheer him up," one friend noted. "It turns out that I'm the one who is cheered up."

Letter Received

In her letter, the First Lady told young Diesel:

"Your friend, Mrs. James Burchett, wrote me such a wonderful letter about you that I suddenly felt that, more than anything, I wanted to send you a short note.

"I can't tell you how much I admire your courage and en-

durance in continuing and completing your studies despite the handicap you suffered.

"I was both touched and inspired by all you have done, to say nothing about your wonderful attitude and enthusiasm for life. This is just to let you know that you have been in my thoughts and that I send you my very best wishes. God bless you and keep you in faith.

"MAMIE DOWD
EISENHOWER."

Open House Slated for New Jeweler

A gala open house slated for Friday announces the grand opening of C. W. Humphreys Jewelry Store at 1410 Cravens Ave.

"The purpose of the open house is to familiarize the people of Torrance with the merchandise we carry and the many services we render," states C. W. Humphreys.

The new establishment to be known as C. W. Humphreys, Jeweler, will feature watches, jewelry, costume jewelry, diamonds, precious stones, mounting, re-mounting, engraving, and watch and jewelry repairing.

"Opening a jewelry store in Torrance has long been a fond ambition of ours. We have watched the area grow for many years and have been impressed with its fantastic growth. Coupled with this we have nurtured the desire of joining a young and aggressive city, for many years. When the opportunity enabled us to secure just the right location, we naturally jumped at the opportunity and hope to spend the rest of our years in Torrance," Humphreys says.

Previous to opening the Torrance store, Humphreys operated a jewelry store at Jefferson and Vermont for 23 years and another at 54th St. for 14 years.



NEW LOMITA QUEEN . . . Marti Fowler, runnerup to Miss Torrance here earlier this year, was named Miss Lomita in the annual contest sponsored by the Lomita Optimist Club. Her selection was announced in Lomita Saturday evening.

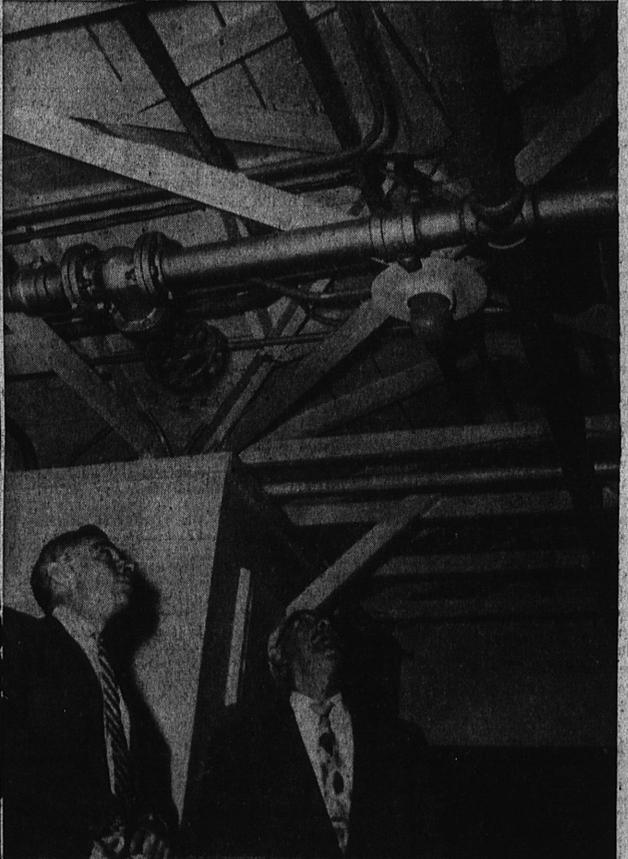


SELLING DANCE TICKETS . . . Pretty Barbara Fedor, daughter of Police Reserve Officer John Fedor, sells tickets to Paul Loranger for the Saturday night dance for the reserve officers at the Hollywood Riviera Clubhouse.

Firemen Check Flow From Hydrants Here

Torrance residents who see gallons of water gushing down their streets in the next few days don't need to worry, Fire Battalion Chief Eugene Walker reported yesterday.

The water in the streets probably will be coming from hydrants which are being tested by officials making a periodic flow check. During the



MAKESHIFT PLUMBING . . . A. L. Thomas, left, director of Harbor General Hospital, and Sam Levy, chairman of the countywide committee favoring passage of the \$15,000,000 bond issue for the rebuilding of the hospital, check the overhead plumbing in one of the corridors of the Army-built facilities here. Levy made a tour of the hospital Monday to acquaint himself with the latest conditions there.

Family Night Set Saturday

Members of the Torrance Moose lodge will honor the family circle with the presentation of "Family Night," a dinner-dance engagement scheduled for Saturday, at the lodge hall, 1744 Carson St. Dan Desmond, governor of the local fraternity, announced this week.

The men of the lodge will join with the women members of the chapter to present a turkey dinner from 5:30 to 8 p.m. George Clay, chairman of the event, also announced that an orchestra will provide music for dancing immediately following the dinner.

Permits Pass \$2,000,000 in First Two Weeks

More than \$2,000,000 in building permits were issued here during the first two weeks of October, it was reported yesterday by Walter Bradford, building department clerk.

Issuance of a permit valued at \$1,600,000 this week for the new South Torrance High School topped the list, while other permits the first 10 days of the month topped the \$500,000 mark, Bradford reported.

Chest Needs Assistance

Community Chest volunteers for leadership and the residential campaign, slated to get underway Nov. 8, are urgently needed in the WALTERIA area, Dick Pyle, city chairman, announced today.

Continuing Pyle said, "Cooperation makes the Chest campaign a simple operation. Many residents in this area receive benefits from the Chest's Red Feather agencies, including, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, visiting nurses, veterans aid, Orthopedic and Childrens Hospitals, Salvation Army, and the Catholic Welfare Bureau.

Persons wishing to volunteer their services may contact Mrs. F. J. Kelly, 1633 Hickory, residential division chairman, or Harbor Area campaign headquarters, 540 W. Sixth St., San Pedro, TE 3-2458.

Lawson's Celebrating Seventh Anniversary



A. ROBINSON

Lawson's Jewelers, 1317 El Prado, is celebrating its seventh year of operation in Torrance with a big anniversary sale, according to A. Robinson, vice president of the firm.

Robinson said the sale was to express the thanks of the firm for the patronage of local residents, who have helped to make the firm grow during the past few years.

Featured during the sale will be a large 24-inch doll and toy dog which can be purchased for a dollar with the purchase of \$19.95 worth of other merchandise.

Christmas Shoppers

With Christmas only two months away, Robinson reminded residents that now might be a good time to do their lay-away shopping.

Available at the modern El Prado Store are top lines in men's and women's watches, including the Bulova, Elgin, Hamilton and Gruen; Heart-Lock diamond, featured exclusively, and other men's and women's jewelry.

Radios, record players, and hi-fidelity equipment made by

Man Kills Self With Pistol Here Tuesday

Services for C. B. Turner, 2024 Martina Ave., are pending at Stone and Myers Mortuary, after police reported that he took his life by shooting himself in the head with a .38-caliber pistol Tuesday.

Police said that Turner, who was found in the bathroom, left no note or indication for the act.

Survivors include his widow, Emily.

Shutter-Bug Supplies

For the shutter-bug, a complete line of Eastman Kodak equipment has recently been added. The store offers printing and developing services. Argus, Polaroid, and Revere and Keystone movie cameras also are available.

The early Yuletide shopper also can find Sunbeam and General Electric kitchen appliances, clocks, and other necessities.

For the traveler, the store features Samsonite luggage.

Woman Reports Theft Of Her Pet Raccoon

Somebody stole her pet raccoon from her back yard, Ruth Tatom, 26010 Eshelman Ave., Lomita, reported to sheriff's deputies Tuesday.

She said that the six-month-old raccoon had been tethered in her back yard, but someone apparently came in to take it.