



OFF TO CAMP... Off to Boy Scout camps—the first in many years for a number of the group—are Torrance area officials and community leaders. The group toured the Southland's Scout camps last week on a first hand inspection of the facilities provided for the excellent outdoor summer program of the organization.

Community Leaders View Summer Boy Scout Camps

Lake Arrowhead Boy Scout camp, where Torrance boys and their neighbors in the Harbor Area council go to camp, were seen first-hand last week by 32 local Scout and community leaders. They came away impressed with the expanded physical facilities and convinced that Los Angeles Council members are receiving the benefits of an outstanding Boy Scout training program.

A specially chartered bus provided transportation as well as a mobile conference room with District Executive John Walgreen of Torrance. District Chairman James E. Rush of Gardena, and others explaining the local Scout program. Midway up the San Bernardino Mountains, the party stopped at a roadside camp for a picnic lunch and arrived at the camps in time for a full afternoon of inspection.

Family Camp

First stop was the Outpost Family Camp where wives and family members may be accommodated while husbands are giving up part of their vacations to Scout leadership duties. The camp is sufficiently remote from the others to allow privacy and not conflict with the regular programs.

After leaving the main road north of Lake Arrowhead to enter the camp property, members of the party were shown the effects of last year's destructive fire set off by the crash of a jet plane. Maintenance sheds and equipment were destroyed as well as many large trees and valuable watershed.

Big Horn Largest

Largest of the camps in Big Horn where a full scale camping program is provided for new or inexperienced camping troops. One of the features of this camp is the issue of total camping equipment including food. Camp Big Horn is the headquarters for all the camping areas and represents a capital investment of more than \$118,000. Like the other camps, Big Horn is located on properly owned outright by the Boy Scouts, a gift some years ago from Santa Anita race track.

As the road penetrates deeper into the forests of pine and cedar, visitors pass the Staff Family Area where the full time adult staff man lives with his family while serving in his camp duties. Working with him are staff men specializing in one of four "Scoutskill" departments — aquatics, handicraft, nature and scoutcraft.

Cedar Camp is unique in that it is developed for the more experienced campers with their own equipment. It is also used as a winter camp site and currently is engaged in a special logging operation as the result of the fire. Harbor council visitors were impressed with the facilities of Camp Cedar, notably a large swimming pool and a mobile science unit where the Scouts operate their own ham radio station.

Pepperdine Is New

Pepperdine, goal of last week's visit, is the newest campsite and already has become popular for its Northwest flavor. A new road was cut into dense forests from a parking area located one mile from the camp. The boys must hike into the site. Pepperdine is equipped with a new \$42,000 swimming pool and a full complement of tent houses where the boys live.

Late in the afternoon a barbecue dinner of beef, beans and salad was served the visitors by the boys. Following the dinner, Chairman Rush presided at an informal meeting where camp leaders, including Robert Fleischman, Torrance Scout district field executive, answered questions and re-evaluated what the visitors had seen.

Tour Members

Interested participants on the inspection tour were Vincent Thomas, assemblyman 68th district and John Gibson, president of the Los Angeles City Council.

Others — all from Torrance, San Pedro, Wilmington, Lomita and Gardena — who made up the party were: B. F. Blossom, Donald B. Bowker, George Bradbeer, George A. Bradford, William Coty, John Gibson, Fred Gledhill, Glenn Koger, Paul D. Loranger, Byner Martin and Lloyd A. Menzies.

Also, F. W. Mill, Clark W. Mills, T. W. Mills, Albert J. Moore, Allan K. Muir, K. Kenneth Nakagaki, J. H. Paget, Edward B. Patterson, V. Rios, D. W. Ryan, Vincent Thomas and Kine Williams.

Officials of the Harbor Council attending in addition to Chairman Rush were Commander A. F. Benschmidt, Linden H. Chandler, Bob Cooper, John Donley, Cliff Samson, Dean L. Sears, and Thomas Wilkes.

EYE PROBLEMS

About 53 per cent of office employees have vision problems.

Nurserymen Elected to Trade Posts

Dick Oehlman and Reg Whitney, owners of the Ladera Garden Shop at Crenshaw Blvd. and Lomita, were elected to offices with the California Association of Nurserymen during a meeting of the Centinela chapter Thursday in Lomita.

Oehlman, past president of the Centinela chapter and associated with the nurserymen's group for 12 years, was named director of the statewide organization.

Whitney was elected vice president of the chapter.

Oehlman and Whitney are well known throughout the state by members of the nursery trade and its officials.

Six Types of Plaster Used

There are six types of plaster surfaces for interior walls and ceilings, commonly referred to in the trade as finish coat plasters, according to the Southern California Plastering Institute. Each has a specific function which the family building a new home should bear in mind when discussing construction with their contractor.

The most common finish is called a lime putty white coat finish. It consists of a combination of lime and gypsum and is troweled on smooth over the basecoat of plaster to form a hard surface of mirror-like smoothness.

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The Standings

Blue Streak Six-Pitch League	W 1
Fire Dept. "A"	13 1
Columbia E. R. A.	8 5
Elks Club	8 5
Christian Men	7 7
Local No. 1135	7 7
Torrance Teachers	6 8
N. T. Lions Club	5 9
Walteria Kiwanis	2 12
Open League	
Lovely Hardware	W L
Longren Aeron	13 0
Gold Star	10 6
General Petroleum	4 11
Torrance Sand	8 12
Pittsburgh Paint	2 13
Service Club Six-Pitch League	
Fire Dept. "B"	W L
Optimist Club	11 3
American Legion	8 6
Rotary Club	7 7
Lions Club	5 9
Kiwanis Club	5 9
Walteria E. M. Club	4 10
Junior C. of C.	4 10
Industrial League	W L
Gilde Easy	13 2
Vickers	13 2
Post Office	8 7
Rome Cable	7 8
Dow Chemical	2 13
Ingledwood Farms	1 14

Residents to Audition for Light Opera

Announcement was made this week by the South Bay Civic Light Opera Assn. of a new show "The Gypsy Baron" by Johann Strauss to be presented in Redondo Beach Oct. 25 and 26, and Nov. 1 and 2.

Torrance residents and those of other South Bay communities are invited to appear for auditions for the parts of the light opera tonight from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Auditions will be in the music room of Redondo Beach Union High School, which is at Pacific Coast Hwy. and Diamond St. (near the stage entrance—rear).

In announcing the show, director Melville H. Tully of Hermosa Beach added that Dick Williams of Manhattan Beach was the selection for drama director, and that in addition to singers, there were openings for dancers and instrumentalists.

The South Bay Civic Light Opera Assn. is a semi-professional organization that has presented 28 musicals in the

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