

Rec Director Sees Search For New Space

Sale of the old city hall may force curtailment or elimination of the Recreation Dept. arts and crafts program, according to Recreation Director Harry Van Bellehem.

He said the space in the northeast corner of the building now being used by the Arts & Crafts Center will be occupied by the end of this month by the Home Savings & Loan Assn., which purchased the entire building last week.

Moving of the center to any one of the department's eight other buildings would result only in displacement of some other activity, Van Bellehem declared.

THERE IS some chance that the program might be carried on to some extent at the Benstead Plunge when that facility is closed to swimmers next month, he said. However, this might hinder readying of the pool for the next season.

The arts and crafts center has attracted more than 1,000 children and adults a month.

Van Bellehem said the city also is faced with finding storage space for equipment from the Civic Auditorium when that building is turned over to the Security-First National Bank at the end of this month.

Seek Voices For Harbor Area Group

The 1959-60 season of the Los Angeles Harbor Chorus will offer a varied musical experience in choral singing according to Thomas Wilson, conductor of the group. It will include performances in the four great branches of the vocal music art; and in massed chorus performances with the other Bureau of Music Chorus, and in the Festival of Christmas Chorus at Disneyland.

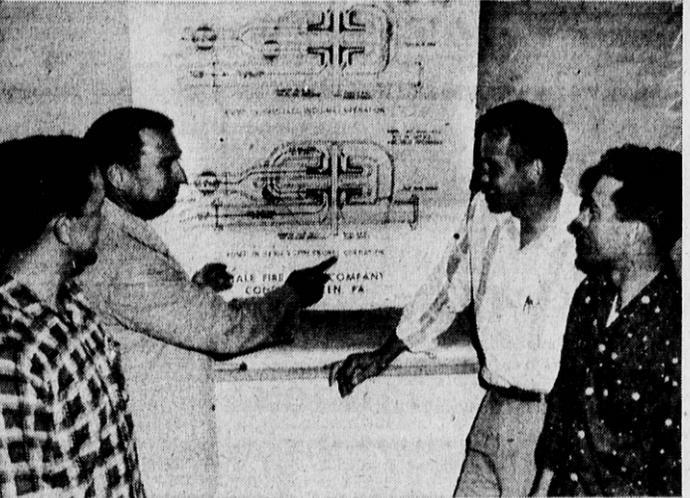
Singers may apply for membership in the organization by calling FR 5-6139, or by attending a Monday evening rehearsal, which will resume on September 14th at 7:30 P.M. at the Music Room (No. 236) of the San Pedro High School. There is no membership fee.

In order to assist the chorus in promoting their musical activities for the Harbor Area, a San Pedro Civic Advisory Council is being formed by Mr. Wilson, in cooperation with Dr. J. Arthur Lewis, coordinator of the Bureau of Music.

THE OPENING concert Nov. 3rd will feature the Chorus and the Pacific Symphonette in Mendelssohn's oratorio "THE ELIJAH" at the San Pedro High School Auditorium, co-sponsored by the San Pedro Adult School, Dr. John Kessler, principal. Outstanding soloists for the event include: Marilyn Niska, (San Pedro) Soprano; Gloria Hodes (Los Angeles State College) Soprano; Trudy Troy (Manhattan Beach) Contralto; George Bailey (Manhattan Beach) Tenor; Robert Mahoney (Hollywood) Tenor; Donald Ogren (Torrance) Baritone in role of Elijah; and James L. Wiley (Torrance) Bass. Mimi Bikesley (Lomita) is the accompanist; Ralph Schaeffer is concertmaster of the Orchestra, and Franklin Stokes of the Los Angeles Philharmonic, is contractor for the professional instrumentalists.



"Y" ADVENTURE CLUB... A busload of happy boys and girls wave goodbye as they departed from Torrance for the Y.M.C.A. month-long Adventure Club. The daily trips are to parks and recreation areas within driving distance and are open to children between six and nine years of age. (Herald photo)



"THIS IS THE WAY IT WORKS,"... explains Lawrence W. Erven, Harbor College fire science instructor, as he points to a diagram of a pressure pump used in fire fighting. Students (left to right) Albert Salcido, of 2336 W. 176th St., Torrance, Robert Hill, 3642 Garnet, Torrance, and Wilbur Orr, 18410 Hoas, Torrance, pay close attention.

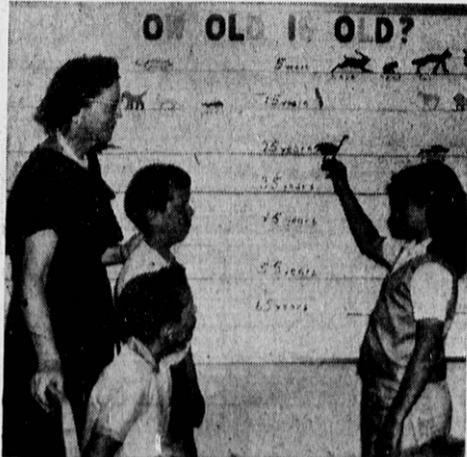
Moose Lodge Forms New Teen Group

The formation of a teen-age club "to promote healthful and enjoyable entertainment for the youth of the Torrance area, was announced this week George W. Clay, governor of the Torrance lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose.

Membership in the new organization, which will hold its first regular meeting at the lodge hall, 1744 W. Carson St., on Sun., Aug. 23, at 7:30 p.m., is open to boys and girls in the Torrance area between the ages of thirteen and twenty. Formation of the club is under the direction of Roger Evans, lodge chairman, for youth activities.

Leona Pierce was elected president of the "Torrance Teens" at last week's planning meeting. Named to the vice-president's office was George Coates, while Pat Marley was elected to fill the treasurer's chair for the first year. Mel Coates was successful in his bid for the secretary's spot.

Plans for a "Youth Honor Day" dance and party will be discussed at the next meeting of the "Torrance Teens" on Aug. 23rd.



TWENTY-FIVE FOR THE OSTRICH... That's what Kathy Clancy is telling Miss Darlene Roderick, Michael Davis, and Gene Ruecker in their class at Arlington Elementary School. The group studied various animals and this chart compares the various ages of animals. The rabbit, for instance, lives only five years, while ostriches have a span of about 25 years. Men and whales live to be 65 or older.

Calvary School Adds Spanish

Spanish will be offered to students in the 4th, 5th and 6th grades of the Calvary Baptist Elementary School in Gardena, Tom Kelly, Principal, announced today. School will open on September 10th and, in keeping with its basic principles, will emphasize a thorough foundation in the 3 R's.

Several new teachers have been added to the faculty this year to strengthen the teaching staff. Tom Kelly, besides his duties as principal, will also be teaching the 4th grade; Rev. Alfred Young will teach 5th and 6th; and Mrs. Marie Hodel comes to fill the 2nd grade position. Calvary Baptist Elementary School is beginning its 9th year with an expected enrollment of 185. There are still some openings in Kindergarten—which will be run on a double session if enrollment permits—and in the upper grades.

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Obituaries

VIRGIL EDWARD STAHR

Funeral services for Virgil Edward Stahr were conducted yesterday afternoon at the Stone & Myers Chapel. Interment followed at Pacific Crest Cemetery. Mr. Stahr died at his home, 520 E. Carson, on Wednesday. He is survived by his widow, Lois Stahr, daughters Candace Ann and Pamela, all of the family home. Also surviving are two sisters, Elaine of Long Beach and Evelyn of Nebraska and one brother, Marvin, also of Nebraska.

lived in the Torrance area for the past three years. He is survived by a niece, Anno Podzun, 4027 W. 282nd St., Torrance; a grand-niece, Reta Hockenberry, Inglewood; and a grand-nephew, Sigis Poszunas, Torrance.

JOSEPH GHORMLEY PRINCE

Funeral services for Joseph Ghormley Prince were conducted at the Stone & Myers Chapel on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Prince died at his home at 822 Anapola Ave., Wednesday afternoon. He is survived by his widow, Florence Prince.

CHRISTOPHER CHARLES DARGIS

Graveside funeral services were conducted at Pacific Crest on Saturday for Christopher Charles Dargis. Mr. Dargis died at Harbor General Hospital on Friday. Mr. Dargis was born in Lithuania and had

THREE INJURED

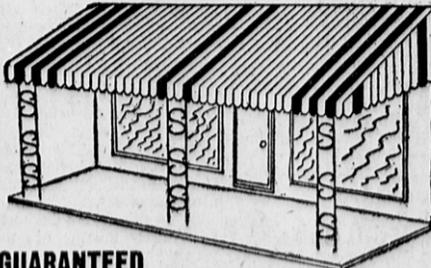
Mrs. Loreta Newberry, 38, and Dwight Newberry, 17, both of 22311 Eastwood Ct., suffered minor injuries when a car driven by the woman collided with a tree along the 4600 block of Pacific Coast Hwy., police reported Thursday.

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