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Thoughts

"Do you think past scores, or team statistics, may have any bearing on the outcome of tomorrow's USC - UCLA football game?" This is the question the HERALD photographer asked five people at the El Segundo-South High game Friday night after he took a sneak shot into the stands.

Jack Mapes: "I don't think past scores have anything to do with a team's potentials in a game, unless it would be to increase their spirit to win. I think the fact that USC is undefeated will be more in their favor than games in the past."

Dudley Shouse: "No I wouldn't say that past scores will have too much to do with Saturday's game, unless you want to figure the Bruins have won six out of the past ten games with USC. I'll just pick the underdog Bruins to win."

Mary Brian: "I think both past scores and present team statistics have everything to do with the winning of a football game. I think all other things being equal Don Clark's Trojan favorites will win tomorrow."

Les Knesel: "Past scores are not as important to me as the scores the teams have been rolling up during the present season. I think Trojan defense plus the passing combination of Willie Wood to Jim Conroy will win the cross-town game."

Louise McFall: "I think past scores and statistics have a lot to do with a team's winning and it sure helps in picking a winner. Even though most of the sports writers favor U.S.C., Skip Smith will win for the Bruins."

Realtors Pick Lee Dawson As President

Torrance realtor Lee Dawson has been named president-elect of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors, it was reported here yesterday. Dawson will be installed at a dinner-dance on Dec. 18 to succeed Ken Miller.

Elected to serve with Dawson were Delmar Wright, vice president; Irene Baker, secretary, and Don Houston, treasurer.

New directors elected at the Friday evening meeting included Ken Miller, Don Borden, Hatcher, Hallie Crow, and Kenneth Peters.

Holdover directors include Delbert Vaughn, Rose Craig, Paul Hill, and William McEwen.

Oil Field Clean-Up Reaches Fever Pitch; Deadline Near



CLEAN-UP TARGET... Planning Director George Powell looks over one of the several remaining open sumps in the Torrance oilfield area. A new city ordinance governing oilfield operations will force the elimination of such hazards. This sump can be reached from the nearby roadway with ease—it is not fenced. (Herald photo)

Death Takes Businessman John Tracey

A heart attack which struck him at his store took the life of a Torrance businessman Thursday morning.

Succumbing to the attack in a doctor's office adjacent to his business was John J. Tracey, 61, who lived at 1008 Patronella Ave., and operated Torrance Liquors, 2506 Torrance Blvd.

Mr. Tracey, who had been here for eight years, had just opened his store Thursday morning when he became ill. He went to the adjacent physician's office where he died a few minutes later.

He is survived by his widow, Evelyn and a daughter, Wanda Lee Tracey at the Patronella Ave. address.

Rosary will be recited at Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel at 8 this evening and funeral mass will be celebrated at Nativity Church at 9 a.m. Monday. The Rev. Father Joseph McArdle will be the celebrant.

Pallbearers will include Bill Smith, Jim Fowler, Curtis Schimmel, Norman Cedarburg, Ted Ward, and Louis Friend.

In addition to his widow and daughter, Mr. Tracey is survived by three sisters, Mary Metcalf, North Hollywood; Kate LaMonte, Oklahoma City; and Ellen Welsh, Shawnee, Okla. Interment will be in Holy Cross Cemetery.

Rev. Anger Killed in Train Crash

The Rev. Raymond W. Anger, 50, who established the Torrance congregation of the Church of Religious Science, was killed Wednesday in Sacramento when his car was struck by a Southern Pacific Railroad locomotive.

The former Torrance and San Pedro pastor had been transferred to Sacramento only a month ago to serve the church in that city.



A SUMP DIES... Workmen operating bulldozers, draglines, and dump trucks made short work of this sump as the clean-up progresses in the oilfield area. It was necessary to excavate nearly 12 feet to get under the oil slime. Clean fill dirt replaces the oil, ending the hazard. (Herald photo)



LIKE THIS... This is what is expected of oilmen in the new city ordinance regulating the city's oilfield operations. This well, at the northeast corner of Sepulveda and Cabrillo, is properly fenced, has the name and phone number of the operator affixed plainly, and the license attached properly. An underground conduit from a roadside control box supplies power to the electric motor which operates the pump. (Herald photo)

Plan For Park Accepted

An offer to provide landscaping plans and materials for Los Arboles Park in Hollywood Riviera was accepted by the city's park and recreation commission Wednesday night. The plans were drawn by Richard Gawne, a landscape architect who resides in the Riviera, and carry a companion offer by members of the Riviera Garden Club and the Las Colinas Garden Club to plant trees, shrubs, and flowers.

Strict Laws Now in Force

Activity in the Torrance oil field has reached a feverish pitch as owners and operators race a deadline to comply with provision of a new city ordinance regulating sumps, fences, and safety features of oil field operations.

Recognized as the city's first workable ordinance, the new law provides for a formal notification procedure, a reasonable time for compliance, and penalties to be applied for failure to meet the regulations.

An inspection of the fields this week revealed that many of the most dangerous sumps have been eliminated, exposed oil machinery is being fenced, names of operators and licenses are being posted, and other requirements being met.

TYPICAL OF the work now under way may be seen at the northeast corner of Sepulveda and Cabrillo where crews have excavated a former sump, placed new underground conduits to the electric pump, and fenced the well site securely. Filling of the former sump site was nearly completed by this week end.

Not typical but still existing is another well site a few blocks south on which an open sump with inadequate fencing stands on an otherwise spotless lot.

THE PROBLEM: as explained by George Powell, planning director for the city, the sump was created by an operator on an adjacent lot as a "temporary" facility. Temporary sumps are often like government taxes, and in this case, the operator who created the sump has since sold the adjoining well site, and is gone.

A list of violations throughout the oilfields numbers more than 200, and a number of owners, who have been granted the maximum time for elimination of the hazards, are being cited by the city attorney.

AS OF JAN. 1, the wooden oil derricks will be a violation according to terms of the ordinance.

"It looks, at long last, like we are making some headway in getting this city eyesore cleaned up," Powell said.

Petitions Ask End To Meters

Petitions asking for the removal of parking meters in downtown Torrance are being circulated throughout the business district and have already been signed by 1500 persons, the HERALD was told yesterday.

Businessman Sid Gans, who operates a television store on Cravens Ave. in the downtown business district, said he began circulating the petitions after people kept asking,

"Why doesn't somebody do something?"

MOST BUSINESS establishments on El Prado, Sartori, Cravens, and other downtown streets had at least one of the nearly 300 petitions now circulating, Gans reported. He said he hoped to have 1000 circulating by Monday.

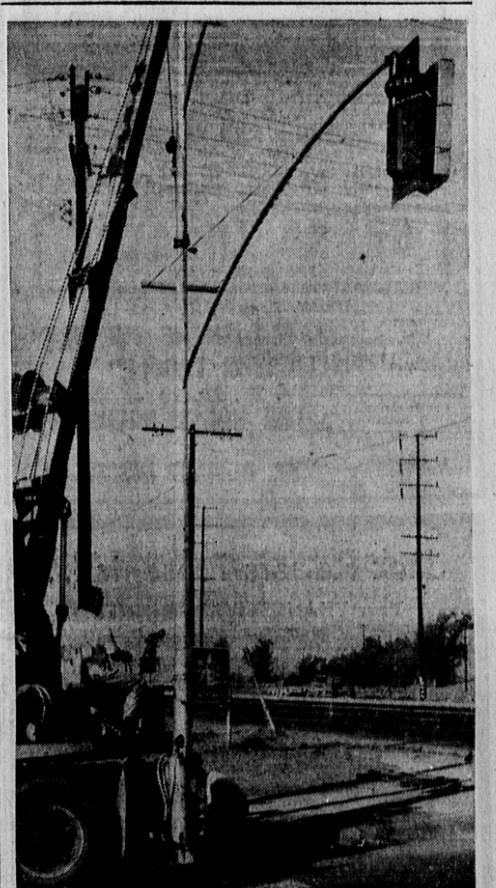
"I'm not irate, and I'm not a man on a crusade," Gans told the HERALD.

HE SAID SO many people complained about the metered parking that he decided to circulate the petitions and present them to the city council for consideration.

"Nobody is opposed to parking controls," he added. "We all know that we can't have 24-hour parking in a business district."

He indicated that enforced two-hour parking should be adequate without the meters.

Formation of area committees to oversee the circulation of the petitions is being planned for this week, Gans said.



RACING TIME... Crews of the Weststates Electrical Construction Co., successful bidders for installation of the traffic control signals at Hawthorne Ave. and Carson St., surpass all known records as they get the first signal lamp in place just three days after the city approved the contract. The intersection, opened nearly a year ago, has which took the life of Police Sgt. William R. Lewis in August. (Herald photo)

CIF Transfers Samohi into Foothill Loop

The California-Interscholastic Federation's executive council voted Saturday afternoon to transfer controversial Santa Monica High out of the Bay League into the Foothill League, as recommended by the council's relegating committee.

A heavy majority of the 38 members present at the meeting concluded Samohi's 43-year stay in the Bay League, of which it has been a charter member since 1916.

The transfer will become effective in the fall semester of the 1960-61 school year.

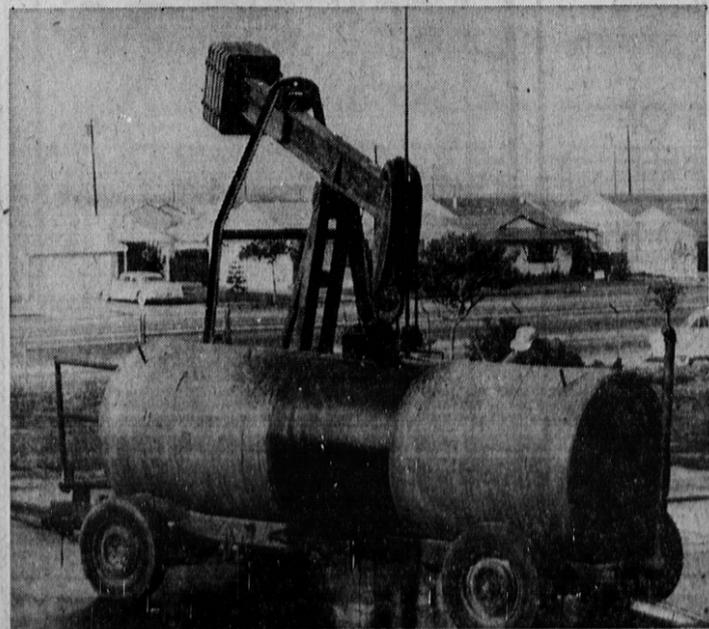
THE MEETING was held at 10 a.m. yesterday at the Culver (Continued on Page 2)

Today's Herald Offers 'Bonus' To Advertisers

HERALD advertisers today receive a healthy circulation "bonus," according to Darrell Westcott, circulation manager of the HERALD.

The HERALD'S regular Thursday distribution, largest VAC-audited circulation in the Torrance-South Bay area, is being made today to implement advertisers' pre-thanking sales efforts.

Advertisers using the Thanksgiving issue of the HERALD Nov. 26 also will receive the normal full Thursday distribution, Westcott said.



OIL SPILL... Operators of a Torrance oil well underestimated the pumping potential of the well this week and as a result, oil was ankle deep around the well. The operators had spotted a huge tanker beside the well, set the pump to putting oil in the tanker, and left. Neighbors called police, who shut down the pump. (Herald photo)