

Children Make Up 44 Per Cent of City's Population, Census Shows

Children represent 44.4 per cent of the population of Torrance, according to a 1960 census report received by the Torrance Board of Education Tuesday night.

According to U.S. Census figures, Torrance's 100,991

population includes 30,543 school age children between five and 18 years old. Another 14,332 children are less than five years old.

Figures indicated that since the last census in April, 1959, the number of children continued to increase, but that the number of high school age students is increasing faster. Children 5-9 years old increased 3.6 per cent, while high school age students increased 13.2 per cent.

While the number of people 20 to 34 years old declined slightly, there also was an increase in the number of people 35 or older.

The report showed 14,332 children less than five years old, 14,286 between 5 and 9 years old; 11,045 between 10 and 14 years; and 5,980 between 15 and 19 years.

American S-L Greets Saver No. 100,000

American Savings and Loan Assn. opened its hundred-thousandth new savings account this week with an official welcoming ceremony at its Temple City branch.

When Mrs. Arthur R. Woodall of Temple City stepped up to the counter to open a new savings account she received an unexpected reception. On hand to greet her were Executive Vice President Lowell Peterson, Branch Manager E. C. Boutault and Harold Jacobs, advertising director.

A congratulatory gift and a letter from Lowell Peterson were presented to Mrs. Woodall.

In addition to reaching the 100,000 figure in its list of savings account holders, American Savings and Loan Assn. reports increased assets totaling \$265 million.

The Association has 12 branches serving the Greater Los Angeles area. Its home office is located in Whittier at 210 E. Philadelphia St.

Pacific Tel To Make Last Tax Payment

Pacific Telephone will make the final payment on its 1960-61 property tax to the county tax collector on Monday.

The installment amounts to \$6,365,174.42. The first payment of nearly \$21 million was made last December 10. The total of both installments — more than \$27 million — is \$2¼ million higher than the company paid during the last fiscal year.

Other counties receiving second installment property tax payments are Ventura and Santa Barbara. Direct payments also are being made to the cities of Long Beach, Oxnard and Santa Barbara.

Data Processing Plan Approved for Schools

Approval of an agreement for electronic data processing services for some accounting services in Torrance Schools was voted by the Torrance Board of Education Tuesday.

Municipal Data Processing, Inc., Los Angeles, was lowest of four bidders, at \$300 per month.

"This is the first step in the plan to cautiously and gradually mechanize the accounting system and is also complying with the recommendation of the Citizens' Advisory Committee to reduce operating costs," Assistant Superintendent S. E. Waldrip noted.

Southwood To Get Views Of Candidates

Candidates seeking seats in the Torrance Board of Education election, April 18, have been invited to present their views before citizens of the Southwood area, according to the Southwood Community Club.

The meeting will be held at the Anza School Auditorium, April 12 at 7:45 p.m.

Each candidate will discuss topics from his platform and then participate in a question period with the audience. The meeting, described as non-partisan, will be presided over by a moderator.

The public is being invited to attend.

Board Calls For Bids to Cover Sump

A call for bids to fill the Calle Mayor School sump was issued by the Board of Education Tuesday night.

The sump was constructed before any master drainage plan was set up for the Walteria Lake area. With completion of a large new sump for the whole area, the school sump will no longer be needed. It will be incorporated into the playground area.

Bids to Revamp Child Care Center Approved

A \$21,988 bid for completion of revamped Child Care Center facilities on the south end of the Torrance Elementary School site was approved by the Torrance Board of Education Tuesday.

Pauli Builders were lowest of four bidders. The revamped facilities, which will replace present inadequate quarters, are paid for from a separate Child Care Center fund, not part of the regular budget.

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