

Torrance Scouts at Arrowhead Leadership Training

(Thursday morning Herald writers Gregg Petersen and Jerry Reynolds were among a group of newsmen representing newspapers of Los Angeles County visiting the Lake Arrowhead Boy Scout camps. The story of their day with the Cedar Badge Scouts in camp is told here in words and pictures.)

By GREGG PETERSEN and JERRY REYNOLDS

Be Prepared! The world famous motto of the Boy Scouts of America has taken on a new meaning for the boys of the Los Angeles Area Council. At the Lake Arrowhead Boy Scout Camps, top boys from every troop in the council are enrolled in a special training camp designed to turn out leaders for the Boy Scouts.

Known as Cedar Badge Training, the program is jointly sponsored by the Sears Roebuck Foundation and the Boy Scouts. The program is now in its eleventh year, and during that time more than 5000 scouts have participated in it directly, and countless others have received special courses from the returning scouts.

While the Cedar Badge program is new—it was set up in 1957—the training program began in 1952 as a pilot project under the leadership of the Sears Roebuck Foundation. Its purpose has been to train outstanding scouts for leadership in an effort to increase the effectiveness of scouting and gain experienced Scoutmasters.

Among the 500 Scouts who participated in the

Cedar Badge program this year were 16 members of Torrance troops, including Scoutmaster Ed. Brady. The troop returned to Torrance yesterday to organize training program at the troop level.

Scouts in the Cedar Badge camp enjoy all the things which every Boy Scout camper enjoys, but between each activity, classes are held to instruct the boys in the proper way to do things. Activities include setting up camp, cooking, hiking, swimming, fishing, and other camp skills.

Troops, representing each district from which the boys are drawn, are organized on the first day of camp. The Harbor District, which includes most Torrance and other harbor area troops, sent 46 boys and two assistant

leaders along with Scoutmaster Brady. The assistant leaders went to camp a week earlier than the rest of the troop to receive instruction from top leaders of the Boy Scouts. They then serve as the instructors for the smaller district troops.

Cost to each boy for the program is \$11, but the total cost of the Cedar Badge training runs about \$30 per boy. The Sears Foundation picks up the tab for the difference. In the 11-year history of the program, the foundation has given about \$120,000 for the program, and this year's bill is close to \$16,000.

The Lake Arrowhead camp site is divided into three camps, which are in turn divided into smaller (Continued on Page 2)

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A Penny for your Thoughts

Children are certainly taking advantage of the summer vacation and participating in many activities throughout the city. Five of them were asked the following question: "What are you doing for fun during the summer vacation?"

Denise Huber, 6, 5408 Rockview Dr.:

"I like going to the beach. I am going to take swimming lessons and I'm going to Day Camp once a week which is fun. I get to play with my friends more when there isn't any school."

David Peterson, 12, 22720 Crosshill Ave.:

"I like the beach and baseball games. We have a boat and fish at Catalina and Rocky Point. My brother, Richard, caught a big bass and a halibut. We also swim a lot in our pool at home. I plan to go to Boy Scout Camp this month too."

Peter Sargent, 12, 5501 Rockview Dr.:

"Last week I went to Big Bear and stayed until July 4th. I went horseback riding twice. My family and I are going to San Francisco pretty soon and I'll get to do some fishing up there."

Derie Moore, 7, 22629 Crosshill Ave.:

"We all go to the beach. I plan to take swimming lessons so I can really learn to swim. I like to ride my bike a lot with my sisters. We just got a new black kitten and we play with it a lot."

Henri Moore, 4, 22629 Crosshill Ave.:

"My sisters, Pixie and Teri, want swimming lessons and go to the beach but I just want to splash in our plastic pool that Daddy just got. I'll probably learn to swim in it. Anyway, it's fun."

Polio Clinic Set

Polio vaccine shots at \$1 each will be given in Torrance, Wednesday, July 19 from 2-3 p.m., at the Bain Medical Clinic, Torrance Blvd. Sponsoring the community service event are members of Medical Staff in cooperation with the March of Dimes.

Ex-Tartar Athlete Arrested By Police on Forgery Charge

Decision Made

Wade Peebles Given City Manager's Post

Wade E. Peebles, who has been public works director for the city since April, 1959, is moving this week end. He's moving from his downstairs office at the city hall to the city manager's suite on the top floor where he has assumed the post of city manager.

Peebles' appointment to the top administrative post in the city came at the tag end of an adourned city council meeting Wednesday night on the motion of Councilman George Vico, who has abstained from voting on a successor to George Stevens since April.

VICO'S ACTION broke the deadlock which has split the council down the middle since Stevens announced in April that he was retiring from the post as of June 30. Stevens left the office at the end of May to use accumulated leave. He is now in Ankara, Turkey, where he has been assigned by the federal government as a municipal government advisor. Voting with Vico to seat

Peebles were Victor Benstead, George Brandford, and Albert Isen. Opposing the appointment were J. A. Beasley, Willys Blount, and Nick Drale.

BEASLEY pointed out that there had been no screening or interviewing of candidates for the position, and rather than congratulations he offered sympathy to the new city manager.

Vico added that he wanted it "distinctly understood that if within six months Peebles is not doing a good job, I will be the first to move to remove him."

THE NEW city manager came to Torrance two years ago from the city of Inglewood where he had been city engineer and director of public works for seven years.

Prior to his Inglewood assignment, he spent more than seven years with the State Division of Highways as a design supervisor.

HE HAS received a bachelors and masters degree in civil engineering from the University of Southern California and is currently pursuing a course leading to a doctorate in public administration.

"I'll have to look at the whole thing," he told the HERALD this week when asked about any contemplated changes in the city's administrative functions.

"There will be no sudden changes," he explained. "I don't expect to fill Mr. Stevens' shoes . . . he will be a tough man to replace," Peebles added.

"I ONLY HOPE to achieve the same economical measures he used to give as excellent a city government as possible with the least amount of expenses," he added.

He started out by saying he would take a long look at the job he was vacating as director of public works. He indicated that he might assume some of the load as city manager and eliminate the \$17,000 post.

Peebles' appointment by the council was effective immediately.

New Hours Set For Area Parks

New hours for Torrance Park and Paradise Park were announced Friday by the Torrance Recreation Dept.

Effective immediately, Torrance Park will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 9 to 5 p.m. Saturdays. Paradise Park will be open from 1 to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9 to 5 p.m. Saturdays. Both parks will be closed all day Sunday.

Sleeping Guard Gets Five Days

George Arthur Bayer, 25014 Ebony Lane, Lomita, began serving a five-day jail sentence in Long Beach Friday after a court martial found him guilty of sleeping while on armed guard duty at a Torrance missile base.

The 24-year-old soldier, who is employed full time as a technician at the 4th Missile Battalion in the National Guard's 234th Artillery Group, was convicted of

sleeping on duty on July 2. His job, which obligates him to guard duty, pays about \$500 per month.

The court martial, convened by Major William Bird, sentenced the soldier to 15 days, but group commander Col. Glen A. Duke reduced it to five days.

Bayer is confined to the Long Beach city jail as a prisoner of the National Guard.

Ten New Stores Announced For Del Amo Center Here

Representing another chapter in the expanding story of the Del Amo Shopping Center, lease negotiations have been completed with a group of stores which will be the newest merchandising units in the huge center located at Hawthorne and Sepulveda Blvds.

According to the Del Amo Estate Co., owners and developers of the center, the new stores include C. H. Baker Shoes, Judy's Sportswear, Helen Morgan Women's Shop, The Men's Shop, Tot's Toggery, and Suburban Shop.

ron's Jewelry and Children's Shoe Store are also among the list of new tenants. Coldwell, Banker & Co. handled the leasing negotiations.

Pat O'Melveny, who as vice president of the Del Amo Estate Co. is in charge of center operations, said that the new group of stores represent the major nucleus of merchants which will occupy the final building unit on the center's east mall section. The building, containing more than 50,000 square feet, is currently under construction in the center.

ing of the remaining portion of the east mall building, consisting of a 110' x 150' store unit, is underway to facilitate completion of the center's construction program scheduled for the end of November.

"The newly-leased stores," O'Melveny said, "will serve as an added complement to the already diversified group of national and regional merchandisers which comprise the Del Amo Center."

In addition, he said that the new shops would also provide a broader merchandise appeal for the convenience of shoppers in the greater Torrance area.

HE ALSO reported that less



CITY MANAGER WADE E. PEEBLES Packing for a Week End Move . . . Upstairs

Zone Hearing Set For 'Strip' Area

The Los Angeles City Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on a proposed change of zoning from the industrial to residential classification on 203rd St. between Western Ave. and Denker Ave. This hearing will be held on Monday, July 10, at 1:30 p.m. in the Wilmington Branch City Hall, 411 Neptune Ave.

Consideration of this change was initiated by the Planning Commission after disapproval of a previous similar request on a more limited half-block area near Denker Ave. At that time the commission concluded that new rezoning should be considered on an over-all basis rather than piece meal.

THE PUBLIC hearing will consider the possibility of changing the present M2 and M3 industrial zones to the R-3 multiple-dwelling zone. Such a change would include property fronting on both sides of 203rd St. in the two block area as well as the 100 foot former railroad right of way midway between 203rd and 204th St. This area is now predominantly

Bogus Credit Scheme Cited By Detectives

A former Torrance High and El Camino athlete who went on to establish an enviable athletic record in the Army and at the University of California at Santa Barbara was jailed in Long Beach Friday for investigation on charges of high living through various means, including forgery.

Arthur F. Sues, Jr., 25, was arrested at his home at 1734 W. 234th St. by Detective inspectors E. R. Ragsdale and C. A. Wiggins Jr. of Long Beach. The officers said young Sues had established bogus identities in a number of cities, including Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, Las Vegas, and Albuquerque.

THE OFFICERS said Sues would check into a luxury hotel where he would use messages from "wealthy relatives" with promises of awards for his scholastic achievement to obtain credit.

He was specifically charged with issuing a forged check to a Long Beach automobile dealer for car repairs, according to police.

Sues was graduated from Torrance High School in 1952 as one of the youngest members of his class, and attended El Camino College and the University of California at Santa Barbara.

DURING SERVICE with the U.S. Army, he was a member of the highly ranked service basketball team, and was honored for his outstanding athletic ability.

He spent last summer as a lifeguard at the Torrance city plunge, but did not return this year, the HERALD was told yesterday.

Long Beach police estimated Sues had been "living a life of

Two Torrance Teachers Get LASC Grants

William A. Wood and Melton J. Nygren of Torrance, driver training teachers, have received grants from the Allstate Foundation to a six-week advanced workshop in driver education at Los Angeles State College. They are among forty teachers receiving similar scholarships from the Foundation.

The workshop meets daily from 1 to 4 p.m. from June 19 through July 28. It is a six-unit course open only to graduate students. Leading authorities in the field will be in attendance and will serve as guest lecturers during the workshop, according to Saxon C. Elliot, head of the health and safety department.

The summer session will include the study of recent legislation, financing of driver education programs, current problems, and personnel preparation and experience, he said.

Planning Chief Receives Clean Bill on City Fees

An appeal by Bert M. Lynn, president of the city's planning commission and member of the board of education, for vindication on charges that he had not paid all fees on a commercial development here was granted by the Council Wednesday night.

At the same time, an attempt by Mayor Albert Isen to get a city ordinance repealed which requires contractor's license fees from contractors building their own commercial units in the city failed to receive a second and died.

THE COUNCIL voted unanimously to relieve Lynn of any responsibility for unpaid fees on his development at Tor-

rance Blvd. and Henrietta after the city engineer, building superintendent, and acting city manager had reported that Lynn had paid all required fees.

In a second motion introduced by Mayor Isen, the council voted 6-0 with Willys Blount abstaining to offer Lynn a vote of confidence.

THE VOTES came after Lynn had made his appeal for complete vindication, climaxing his appeal with an offer to provide books on Americanism to our American Heritage for the new West Torrance library in the amount of the disputed fees.

The matter was touched off anew last week when City Attorney Stanley Remelmeier said he was prepared to institute civil action to regain the money allegedly owed to the city.

HE WAS ASKED to hold off until this week, and Wednesday night's action served to kill the move.

The question of fees was brought up earlier this year by C. Albert Smith who appeared before the council and charged that the city had shown favoritism in ruling that certain fees were not applicable on the Lynn development.