

## Board to Let Teachers Study at Junior College

Revising a technicality in the salary schedule that has been debated off and on for several years, the Torrance Board of Education unanimously voted Monday night to allow teachers to take certain credits, necessary for advancement in the pay scale, at a junior college.

Operating without the services of Board President William Hanson, the trustees approved a measure which allows instructors to advance themselves by taking certain courses at junior colleges. This cuts down the cost of furthering his education for an instructor.

With Albert Charles taking over as chairman, the Board breezed through a short 2½ hour meeting.

The Board received a report which indicated that during the first five months of the school year, there were 751 accidents reported. Of this total, 429 were taken care of by immediate first aid at the school.

According to the remaining 322 reports, the child was either taken to a doctor or it was recommended that a doctor be consulted. None of the 751 accidents were severe in

terms of permanent disability. On the matter of school suspensions, it was pointed out by Dr. Kurt Shery that, while suspensions had risen slightly over last year's figures, there had still been no suspensions for using, selling, or possessing narcotics on or near a school.

This is the third year in a row that Torrance schools have found no problem with narcotics.

## Clerk Has Ballots for Servicemen

Absentee ballots for the April 10 municipal election may be obtained at the city hall from Monday through April 3, according to Deputy City Clerk Gale Whitacre.

Any registered voter who expects to be absent from his precinct or who will be unable to vote because of a physical disability may apply for an absentee ballot, giving a Torrance address and mailing address to which the ballot is to be sent.

Reason for requesting an absentee ballot must be given. Each person must make the request over his own signature. A man cannot sign for his wife nor the wife for her husband, Whitacre said.

Voted ballots must be returned to the city clerk by April 7. A serviceman must apply for a ballot prior to Monday.

When a speaker starts off by saying he's not much of a speaker, why does he have to prove it?

## ...Pennies

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Mrs. Vivian Chilcoat, Lennox: "Although I don't live in Torrance I feel there is a need for an auditorium in the area for youth groups to meet. If Torrance had one at one time why not have one now? I think groups from surrounding areas would be glad to pay for use of good facilities."



AIRPOST BOOSTERS . . . Mervin M. Schwab (center), former mayor and chairman of the Airport Improvement Committee, discusses proposal with Jack Egan (left), manager of the airport, and Jack Pellerin, assistant manager of the Security First National Bank. The city proposes to offer revenue bonds to raise \$1,225,000 for airport improvement, the cost to be repaid by users of the airport. (Herald Photo)



CHECKS EQUIPMENT . . . Paul R. O'Connor (left), University of Minnesota scientist who conducted a three-day visit on the El Camino campus during the week, checks science department facilities with William T. Mooney Jr., assistant director of instruction at the local college.



WINNER IN AGONY . . . Guy Shellman, center, pushes a plate of pancakes away as he accepts a trophy from David Decker, a judge, for eating the most pancakes Tuesday in a contest at a local restaurant between El Camino and Harbor colleges. Shellman and Barbara Rogitz, offering the pancakes, competed as a team and won first place. (Herald Photo)

## Honor Roll Established Chapel Theatre Play Popular Production

This year for the first time at Stephen M. White Junior High School, an Honor Roll has been established to honor those boys who accomplish 10 of the most difficult tumbling stunts for junior high school students.

These 10 stunts are: head stand for 90 seconds, hand walk 15 feet, hand spring, cartwheel, back round off, handspring, shoulder kip, reverse kip, back handspring, and front sault.

Of a total of 50 boys qualified to try out, only 10 made the honor roll by performing at least eight out of ten stunts. The following boys performed eight out of ten stunts: Don Wallace, Robert Jones, Ron Buchanan, and Ronald Crisp. Those performing nine out of ten were: Anthony Canania, David Webb, George Austin, Jim Williams, and Warren Whidbee. Top performer, however, was Larry Fear who performed all 10 stunts.

The names of the above boys will be placed on the Honor Roll located in the boys' locker room. In addition, an insignia signifying their accomplishment will be stamped on the boys' gymnasium uniforms.

By BETTY SCHROEDER

### "Streetcar Named Desire"

cast, production crew, and especially director Fred J. West (Playa Del Rey) were rewarded for their endless hours of rehearsals and preparations for opening night, which was last Friday at Chapel Theatre in Torrance.

True, the audience had the feeling of being somewhat "wrought-out" because of the emotion packed drama, and being so enthralled with the powerful portrayals of the members of the cast, but it was a rare dry-eye that left the theater!

The most gratifying and touching moment of all involved in the workmanship of this production was at curtain call, when the audience set up a roar of acclaim for the actors. This spontaneous cheer and applause was the reward that all people involved in theater work look forward to, but do not always receive in such a voluntary burst of praise.

THOSE WHO have never seen a Tennessee Williams play, and were expecting only serious drama, were pleasantly surprised at the abundance

of humor and tenderness which ran throughout, as well as violence and passion.

Although the audience realizes the tremendous effect Blanche (Mitzi Phillips of Manhattan Beach) has in changing the lives she comes in contact with, the viewers are unable to deny sympathy to this pathetic, lost soul.

Other performers who so capably portray their characters include: Ed Long (Hermosa Beach) as Stanley the unpolished, clumsy, uncultured husband of aristocratic Stella (Frances Ward of Manhattan Beach); Stan's good friend Mitch (Bob Connor, Manhattan Beach) who is enchanted by Blanche's demure grace and femininity; and the neighbors Ed Rawlingson (Manhattan Beach) as Steve, and Sally Stowe (Torrance) as Eunice who alternate between bickering and love-making.

"STREETCAR" is scheduled for a four-week run at Chapel Theatre, located at 4164 Pacific Coast Hwy., in the heart of Smith Brothers Shopping Center, Torrance, with curtain at 8:30 p.m., Fridays through Sundays. Since the popularity of this play is such that there are several evenings sold out, it is suggested that reservations be made in advance by calling FA 2-9636 or FR 8-9017 evenings.

COLOR AND glamour are added to the auditorium of Chapel Theatre with the display of oils and water colors in an art exhibit created by Mrs. Vara Brube, 408 Monte D'Oro, Torrance.

Much favorable comment was bestowed upon the artist by the audience as they viewed the selections taken from her large collection of traditional, as well as modern, works.

## Obituaries

ANN C. GITSCHIER  
Mass will be celebrated this morning for Anna Catherine Gitschier who resided at 1417 Cota Ave.

She died Monday at Torrance Memorial Hospital. Rosary was recited last night at Stone and Myers Mortuary chapel. Mass will be celebrated this morning at the Church of the Nativity.

Born in Pennsylvania, she had resided in this area 11 years. Survivors include two sons, Lawrence and John, both of Torrance.



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