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1100 TO GRADUATE TONIGHT

South High Leads With 450 Seniors

School is officially closed for summer vacations tomorrow but for 1,100 graduating seniors in Torrance's three high schools, tonight is THE night.

Ceremonies for the three graduating classes, representing the largest class ever to complete studies here, have been scheduled at 8 p.m. with students, school officials, and board members participating.

South High School, newest of the city's three schools, will field the largest class of graduates in ceremonies beginning at 8 tonight in the El Camino Stadium. The 1962 class at South High totaling 450 seniors will be presented to Dr. Albert Posner, assistant superintendent, by Principal John Lucas.

Realtors To Attend Sessions

WILLIAM HANSON, member of the Board of Education, will deliver the commencement address. Board President Albert Charles and former board member Charleton Mewborn will hand out the 450 diplomas.

North High ceremonies are scheduled at the same time in Saxon Stadium. Principal Richard D. Guengerich will present a class of 363 to Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools, and board members Bert M. Lynn and Dr. Kurt Shery will present diplomas.

TORRANCE HIGH ceremonies will be held on the school's athletic field with Principal Carl R. Ahee presenting a class of 287 to S. E. Waldrip, assistant superintendent. Waldrip will be joined by board member William Boswell in passing out the diplomas.

While a senior might be hard to find on Friday, the rest of the student bodies from kindergarten through the 11th grade are scheduled to be on hand for a short time to wind up the year's school business before taking off for the family's favorite vacation spot.

Petitions Due

Thursday night at 9 has been set as deadline for presentation of petitions seeking Senate Reapportionment, according to Chairman Frank G. Bonelli. Petitions must be delivered to the Senate Reapportionment Committee, Room 711, 417 S. Hill St., before the deadline.

Budget Hearing

Final public hearings on the city's preliminary budget for 1962-63 has been set for 5:30 p.m., June 26, in the Council Chambers. The city's fiscal year begins July 1.

Torrance Leads Southwest In Taxable Sales Totals

Taxable sales in Torrance reached a total volume of \$45,125,000 during the fourth quarter of 1961, according to figures published this week by the State Board of Equalization in its quarterly report.

Retail sales provided the bulk of transactions, accounting for \$37,512,000, the report showed.

GENERAL merchandise stores accounted for the bulk of the retail business with a sales total of \$14,835,000, it was reported. Other retail figures included apparel stores, \$2,855,000; food stores, \$2,674,000; packaged liquor stores, \$1,305,000; eating and drinking places, \$2,390,000; drug stores, \$2,232,000; home furnishings and appliance stores, \$1,868,000; building materials and farm implements, \$1,883,000; motor vehicle dealers, \$2,676,000; service stations and auto supply stores, \$2,393,000; and other retail stores, \$2,401,000.

TORRANCE, with \$45.1 million in sales for the quarter, outdistanced all of its neighbor cities in the Southwest. Inglewood placed second with sales totals of \$38.2 million. Other Southwest cities and sales figures included Compton, \$33.9 million; Redondo Beach, \$22.3 million; El Segundo, \$20.5 million; Hawthorne, \$17.3 million; Gardena, \$13.8 million; and Manhattan Beach, \$5.9 million.

Funeral Rites Conducted for Carl S. Warner

Funeral services for Carl S. Warner, 70, retired executive of U. S. Steel Corp., who lived at 1452 El Prado, were held at Halverson-Leavell Mortuary at 2 p.m. Tuesday. Interment was at Green Hills Memorial Park.

Mr. Warner died at home Sunday morning of a heart ailment. He was born Nov. 4, 1891, at Duquesne, Pa.

At the time of his retirement in 1956, after more than 50 years with U. S. Steel, Mr. Warner was superintendent of maintenance and engineering at the Torrance Works of U. S.

Steel's Columbia-Geneva Division. Mr. Warner began his career in steel Sept. 6, 1906, in Monessen, Pa., as a 14-year-old apprentice in the mechanical department of the American Steel and Tin Plate Co.'s National Works.

BY THE time he was 17, Mr. Warner was machine shop foreman. He attended night school at the Carnegie Institute of Technology and enrolled in various correspondence school courses to complete his formal education.

At the time of his transfer to the West Coast in 1932, Mr. Warner was resident engineer of the A. S. & T. P. Co.'s roll and machine works.

After six years with the Torrance Works as superintendent of construction and plant engineer, Mr. Warner was transferred to Columbia-Geneva's Pittsburg Works as works engineer. During his 10 years at the northern California steel mill, he also served as superintendent of maintenance and construction assistant to the general superintendent and superintendent of field construction.

FROM 1948 to 1951 he was superintendent of construction at U. S. Steel's Los Angeles Works. Mr. Warner returned to the Torrance Works in April, 1951, as superintendent of maintenance and utilities and in June, 1954, was named superintendent of engineering and maintenance.

Survivors are his widow, Emily Grace, of the Torrance address, and a son, Robert, and three grandchildren of Fresno. The family suggests that contributions may be made to the Torrance Memorial Hospital, Rotary Room.



CARL S. WARNER
Sudden Passing Mourned

Two Injured In Accidents

Paula Jean Bonozo, 32, Hermosa Beach, suffered minor injuries Tuesday when her compact station wagon rolled over on a curve on Crenshaw Boulevard near 25th Street. She was treated at Harbor General Hospital.

In an accident about 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Norman Carl Miller, 48, Los Angeles, was treated by a private physician for minor injuries after his sedan, northbound on Palms Verdes Boulevard, struck a wall at Paseo De La Playa, police said.

L. A. Beautiful Cites Two Torrance Buildings

A Torrance hospital and manufacturing plant have received awards for outstanding landscaped grounds and buildings.

They are Little Company of Mary Hospital at 4101 Torrance Blvd. and Bethlehem Steel Co. at 2100 W. 190th St. The awards were presented by the Los Angeles Beautiful Community Committee, a 13-year-old organization dedicated to the goal of a clean and beautiful community. It is sponsored by the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

BOTH AWARDS were presented at a "Review of Progress" luncheon in Los Angeles Monday. Co-Chairmen Rose Navarro and C. M. Deasy of the awards committee complimented Robert Eisleben, assistant hospital administrator, who accepted the award in behalf of Mother Patricia, hospital administrator.

Steel Co.'s Torrance works manager, in accepting the award for his firm noted, "As a member of the industrial community of Torrance, Bethlehem Steel Co. is honored that the Torrance works has been singled out for its contribution to the beauty of this area."

Bethlehem's Torrance works administrative and engineering personnel are housed in an air-conditioned office building of contemporary design. In the production shop, steel for many of Southern California's major structures has been fabricated.

LOS ANGELES Beautiful was organized during a period of cataclysmic change in the community, when open spaces, orchards and fields of flowers were rapidly disappearing from the southland scene because of industrial and residential expansion.



IN NEW HOME . . . The Rev. Hugh R. Percy, rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, is joined by Mrs. Percy (second from right) in greeting Mr. and Mrs. Sabino Cantos and their son, Roberto, who fled Castro's Cuba and are now making their home in Torrance. The Cantos family was brought to the Southland from Florida by the Episcopal Diocese and are being sponsored in their new Torrance home by the members of St. Andrew's parish. (Herald Photo)

Cuban Refugee Family Now Making Home Here

Torrance is a long, long way from Castro's Communist Cuba and the Sabino Cantos family who have just taken up residence here are just as happy as they can be for the distances involved.

To the Cantos family, which includes Mr. and Mrs. Cantos and their son, Roberto, the only improvement might be more distance, but they feel Torrance is just about right.

The family, one of several brought to the Southland in the second flight of refugees sponsored by the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles, has been taken under the sponsorship of

the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church parish here, and have been provided a home at 1855 1/2 Torrance Blvd.

PARISHIONERS of St. Andrew's, who had been told the week before that the family was due, had their first opportunity to meet the Cantos Sunday at worship services.

They were presented by the Rev. Hugh R. Percy during morning worship services, and then met large numbers of the parishioners during a fellowship hour between services. Mrs. Percy, chairman of the Christian Social Relations Committee of the church, reported that nearly everything the family needed — including jobs — had been obtained.

BEFORE FLEEING Cuba, Cantos had been employed for nearly 20 years in an administrative capacity by the Armour Packing Co. Mrs. Cantos was a teacher in the kindergarten and primary grades, and their son Roberto had recently completed his high school education.

Chamber Offices Burgled

Thieves broke into the Chamber of Commerce office, 2204 Torrance Blvd., last weekend making it the sixth time since August the office has been entered.

Entry was gained by prying open a door. A total of \$2.50 was taken from an unlocked safe. Chamber Manager Don Reining said prices are being obtained on the installation of an alarm system. "We don't keep any money here. Everything is put in the bank," he said.

Members of St. Andrew's responded well to the call of the committee for assistance. Mrs. Percy reported Sunday. Furniture for their new home, foodstuffs, and cash donations were received by Mrs. Percy and her assistants, Mrs. Ted Whismann and Mrs. Robert Hollister.

"Our heartfelt prayer is that God will bless them with happiness and strength as they become rehabilitated under the sponsorship of our parish," the Rev. Mr. Percy said Sunday.

Other listings and their totals included itinerant and mail order vendors, \$15,000; business and personal service, \$769,000; and manufacturing, wholesaling, contracting, and miscellaneous outlets, \$6,829,000.

A Penny for your Thoughts

"Do you think automobile mechanics should be licensed by the state the same as barbers, beauticians and other professions," the Pennies photographer asked.

Mrs. Hagl Marashlian, 1750 Greenwood Ave.:

"I think it's a good idea but you have to be objective about it. Some persons might be good mechanics but some mechanics are not good at answering questions or passing tests."

Mrs. James E. Kimble, 4749 Darien St.:

"I think it would certainly help the accident rate if mechanics had to be licensed and pass tests. I think anything that would help cut down accidents is a good idea."

Clarence Lieb, Brookfield, Ill.:

"Myself, I think they should be watched over. It would probably cut down on accidents. My buddy was killed last week in an automobile accident and no one knows what happened, it could have been mechanical failure."

Charles Imboden, 1614 Van Horne Lane, Redondo Beach:

"I wouldn't think so, offhand. You can have mechanical faults in your car and it may not be the fault of the mechanics. I do not see where it would cut down on automobile accidents."

Earl Asmus, 1534 W. 107th St.:

"No. If mechanics were licensed then they would say why not also license the automobile makers and other persons and trades involved with automobiles. It might come to licensing mechanics if we get into the push button era of driving cars."

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