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A Penny for your Thoughts

The Pennies inquirer asked three girls and two boys: "At what age do you think young people should be allowed to start dating?"

Janice Cilley, Lawndale:
"I think they should be allowed to go out when both the young persons and their parents think the teenager is mature enough."

Mary Martin, Hawthorne:
"At first I think parents should let them go to school dances. If they are with a good group of kids they won't get in trouble."

Sue Matthews, Gardena:
"I think they should be allowed to date when they are freshmen in high school. I think the parents should approve of the boy, though. Both the boy and girl should be about the same age when they start going out."

Bill McWald, Wilmington:
"Oh about 16 I guess. I think that is a good age for them to start. They should be allowed to go unchaperoned and stay out until about 10 p.m."

Larry Brislin, 5419 Edgemere Dr., Torrance:
"About 13 for both the boy and girl. They should be home about 10 p.m. I think they should be allowed to go unchaperoned and that parents should know the person their son or daughter is going with."

TEAC to Meet

Sam Waldrip, assistant business superintendent for the Torrance school district, will speak on "Sources of Funds to Pay Increasing Costs of Education," at a meeting Monday of the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee.

The luncheon session will be in the Masonic Hall. The Anza School band under direction of Frank Snyder, instrumental music instructor, will perform.

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City's Hopes To Win Site In Nosedive

A glum delegation of Torrance councilmen and representatives of the city's steering committee for a four-year state college here is due in Sacramento today in a last ditch effort to win approval of a site at Crenshaw and Sepulveda for the college. Hopes for their success have been noticeably shaken with the announcement in Sacramento that the site selection committee would hold a public hearing on a proposal to erect the college on the site of the Fox Hills Golf Course at Sepulveda Boulevard and Slauson Avenue near Culver City.



JAYCEE SPEAKER . . . Dick Fitzgerald, former manager of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce and past president of the California Junior Chamber of Commerce, will speak to Torrance Jaycees tonight on the history and aims of the Jaycee movement at a meeting at the Palms. Fitzgerald is now manager of the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce.

Eight on Ballot in Board Race

Eight candidates will be seeking election to one of the two posts at stake on the Torrance Board of Education in the April 16 election, according to the final slate compiled by the County Superintendent of Schools this week.

Both incumbents in the office will be on the ballot — William C. Boswell, a member since 1958, and Dr. Kurt Shery, appointed to the post following the 1960 election.

Challenging the incumbents will be George Brewster, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce; K. Maureen Heaton, housewife and bookstore operator; L. Milton Isbell, real estate salesman; Dr. John McClure, Riviera physician; Joseph Platt, analyst and member of the city's Youth Welfare Commission; and Mrs. Kenneth E. (Polly) Watts, active in civic affairs and member of the city's South Bay College committee.

Also at stake at the April 16 election will be an \$8 million bond proposal to finance the construction of schools and additions to existing schools.

turned out to be an 'Alice in Wonderland' situation," Mayor Albert Isen said during a City Council meeting here Tuesday. "Before last November's election, we were told that the choice was between the Torrance site and the one on the Palos Verdes Peninsula. People here voted overwhelmingly for the state bonds," Isen said.

He intimated local voters might not have been so eager to back the bond issue had they realized the college might ultimately be placed so far away.

OTHER Torrance area leaders who have been active in the campaign to bring the college to the Torrance site were equally glum about the prospects, but were keeping a "chins up" attitude about it.

"We still have to go to Sacramento with all the optimism we can muster," City Attorney Stanley E. Remelmeyer said. Announcement that the site selection committee would hold a public hearing on the proposal to take 100 acres of the huge Fox Hills Golf Course property confirmed rumors of recent week that powerful forces were at work to place the college in the Inglewood area.

"WE WERE told the college needed at least 320 acres." (Continued on Page 2)



TORRANCE NEWCOMER . . . City officials and executives of White Front gathered yesterday for pre-opening ceremonies of the store at Torrance Boulevard and Hawthorne Avenue. Taking part in ribbon cutting ceremonies are, left to right, Sam Nassi, general merchandising manager; Sol Cantor, White Front president; Bobbet King, Miss Torrance; Mayor Albert Isen; Sam Fried, local store manager, and Harry Epstein, general manager. Official opening is at 10 a.m. today. (Herald Photo)

\$15,000 Damage Claim Denied By Councilmen

Claims for damages totaling \$15,000 arising out of purported injuries sustained by a 4-year-old boy who alleged he was struck by a city vehicle were denied by the City Council Tuesday night.

The claim filed by John McKowan IV on behalf of his son, John McKowan V., charges that a city vehicle struck the boy

on Feb. 8 in an alley between Border and Sartori streets. The claim stated that the boy received injury to his neck, back, and chest.

IN OTHER action, the City Council voted to oppose a special assessment district which would include Torrance for a regional county park in the Malibu hills. The councilmen ordered a resolution opposing the project be prepared for adoption next week.

The Council also authorized the city manager and city attorney to enter escrow for sump property to correct flooding conditions in the Victor Precinct.

ALSO APPROVED was a recommendation of the Torrance Safety Council for an automobile safety check program to be held in June. Requested expenditure of \$1,000 for the program was authorized subject to specific approval of the City Council.



MAKE PREPARATIONS . . . Mrs. Ray Apsy (right), chairman of the Torrance Beautiful Commission, is shown discussing Plant-A-Tree-Week preparations with Mrs. Valley M. Knudsen, chairman of Los Angeles Beautiful and W. Herbert Allen, Plant-A-Tree-Week chairman. Plant-A-Tree-Week is being observed through March 11.

Officials Preview New Store

Mayor Albert Isen, city councilmen and civic dignitaries were invited to a special grand opening preview on Wednesday of the eighth giant White Front Store, located at Torrance Boulevard and Hawthorne Avenue.

White Front executives Harry Epstein, general manager; Sam Nassi, general merchandising manager, and Sol Cantor, president of Interstate Department Stores (parent company of White Front), personally escorted the mayor and the official party through the gigantic location.

They were shown 130,000 square feet of space housing 45 departments, including famous brand major appliances, and now also featuring an extensive soft goods line of men and boy's wear, women's and children's wear and domestics.

The official grand opening for the general public, with the appearance of Hollywood motion picture and television stars, along with a spectacular price-slashing grand opening sale to celebrate the occasion, begins at 10 a.m. today.

Y Drive at \$31,000

Mayor Albert Isen, general chairman of the Torrance YMCA's current support campaign, announced that the youth agency has raised \$31,000 toward its \$50,000 goal to date.

Isen lauded the 205 volunteer YMCA campaigners who are working to provide neces-

sary funds to operate the Y during 1963.

Isen reported that 62 per cent of the goal had been raised with less than 400 contributors. YMCA campaigners meet this evening at the Y headquarters to report latest progress in the community's largest annual charity drive.

Victim Told To Put Money In Pillowcase

A young bandit who kept his face covered with a white cloth robbed a Torrance root beer stand operator of an estimated \$1,500 in a daylight holdup Tuesday morning. He fled after forcing the victim to stuff the money into a pillowcase.

Rober Parkman, manager of the stand at Redondo Beach Boulevard and Crenshaw, told investigating officers that the bandit entered the stand about 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, struck him, and then ordered him to put money into a pillowcase.

PARKMAN SAID the youth apparently was acquainted with the stand's operation because he knew just where the money was located.

Before leaving, the bandit cut the receiver wire on the telephone. A knife he had picked up when he entered the stand was left on a cabinet nearby.

THE EVENING before a gunman had robbed the owner of a liquor store at 190th Street and Crenshaw of approximately \$53.

Mick Gegas, who was working in the store at the time of the Monday evening robbery, said the bandit walked into the store, displayed a revolver, and demanded money.

Gegas was ordered into a back room of the store after putting the money in a bag.

A SERVICE station operator was bound with wire and spent 45 minutes wriggling across the station floor to summon help after two gunmen robbed him of \$670 Sunday night.

Robert Cody, co-owner of the station at 21138 S. Western Ave., told Harbor Division police that he had been working on the books at the closed station when the two bandits appeared.

One of the pair aimed a gun with a two-inch barrel at him and forced him to turn off the lights and open the safe, Cody said. (Continued on Page 2)

New Site Decision Reached

Torrance school officials today are moving to acquire land in the Marble Estate tract on which to construct a new elementary school.

Following a unanimous decision by the Board of Education Monday night, the administration will acquire property rights to a 15-acre site in the southern corner of the Marble Estate area, south of 229th Street, currently owned by the Santa Fe Railroad.

Three months of discussion on the matter was ended when Dr. Kurt Shery made a motion to acquire the property.

THE DECISION was made after Ray Watt, a partner in the Torrance Knolls project, a tract for citizens 50 and over without children, said he could obtain the land for \$28,000 an acre.

An eight-acre site recommended by the administration, was estimated at a cost of \$35,000 to \$40,000 an acre. Superintendent J. H. Hull recommended the eight-acre location on the basis it was best for zoning schools.

DR. HULL'S main objection to the 15-acre site was that it may take a long time to obtain since Santa Fe currently owns a right-of-way for a spur track through the property.

Dr. Shery's motion authorized the administration to be (Continued on Page 2)

RAY SEAVER NAMED CARRIER OF THE MONTH

Raymond Seaver, a seventh grader at the Evelyn Carr Elementary School, has been selected as the "Carrier of the Month," for February it was announced yesterday by Darrell Westcott, circulation manager for the Torrance HERALD.

Seaver, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Seaver, 16506 Cerrise Ave., "really has an eye for business as indicated by his constantly growing list of subscribers," Westcott said when making the announcement.

The HERALD's circulation manager pointed out that Raymond realizes the value of good service and careful attention to the wishes of his customers along his North Torrance HERALD route.

When not busy with his route or school work, Raymond keeps busy with Little League and model building. Currently, he is working on ship models, he reports.



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