

### Moon Installed High School P-TA President

Elmer Moon was installed as president of Torrance High School P.T.A. at the final meeting of the year, Tuesday evening, May 8th. Mrs. A. C. Turner, president of the Torrance P.T.A. Council was the installing officer.

Others installed were: Mrs. Kenneth Finnings, 1st vice president; Mrs. J. Garver, 2nd vice president; Mrs. Charles Curtis, recording secretary; Mrs. John Beeman, corresponding secretary; Mrs. John Spiller, treasurer; Mrs. E. Rhone, historian; Mrs. J. E. Popovich, auditor.

Mr. Moon received the President's pin and Mrs. Van Devanter was presented with the Past President's pin.

Mrs. Van Devanter told of further plans for the graduation party and said the financial help of the following had made the party materialize:

Student Body, \$100; Senior Woman's Club, \$50; Junior Woman's Club, \$50; Kiwanis Club, \$50; Business and Professional Woman's Club, \$18.40; and Lions Club, \$50. The following also contributed: Mr. and Mrs. Barkdull, Mr. and Mrs. Karsten, Mr. and Mrs. Morin, Mr. and Mrs. Booth, Mr. and Mrs. Abramson, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Groves, and Mrs. Olsen.

Mrs. E. Rhodes read the historian's report of the year's activities. The capella choir, very impressive in new gray and maroon robes was proudly presented by Mr. Zavisalan. He directed them in singing songs from the "Belle of Bagdad," and as a tribute to Mrs. Van DeVanter, the son, "Just a Memory" was dedicated to her.

Mr. Zavisalan expressed his

### Man Loses Wooden Leg

Mr. Dennis Davenport of El Prado Street today lost his wooden leg. But it wasn't the first time. Mr. Davenport asserted that the leg has been a constant source of trouble, continually falling out of place and causing him no little embarrassment every time he sat down.

After trying everything, including glue mixed with some well chosen words, Mr. Davenport decided on a permanent cure. He called in specialist Jack Vinik of this city, who expertly attached the leg to the chair and at the same time reupholstered Mr. Davenport's seat — chair seat, that is.

Mr. Vinik of Torrance Upholstery, 1927 West Carson Street, respectfully submits this closing thought, "Your easy chair may be modest — let us cover it". Best selection of fabrics, lowest prices. The phone number please Torrance 1167. It's an advertisement to the P. T. A. for interest shown and financial aid given toward buying the robes.

### CONGRATULATIONS

... Len Swanson, owner of Len's Television, (right) shakes the hand of Paul Drury, winners of the all-expense-paid 10-day round trip vacation to Hawaii offered in the Westinghouse television contest. Looking on is Mrs. Drury. Drury, of 2043 Middlebrook Road and a bus driver for the city bought his Westinghouse set which enabled him to enter the contest at his TV.

—Photo by Dixie Lee Studio.



### City Employee Wins Free Vacation

One of the happiest men in Torrance this week and for a good reason was Paul Drury, 2043 Middlebrook Road, a bus driver for the city.

Drury was notified last Wednesday night that he had won an all-expense-paid 10 day round trip via Strata-Cruiser to Hawaii for himself and his wife, by winning one of Westinghouse's three television contests. He had purchased a Westinghouse television set at Len's TV, 1615 W. Carson street about the first of the month and had entered the contest on doing so. The Drury's received their tickets for the 10-day vacation last Saturday night at Cliffie Stone's television show, "Hometown Jamboree" on KTLA.

"I just didn't believe it," was all Drury could say when first notified of his win. The lucky city employee and his wife plan to leave on their free vacation about June 17. The trip includes four days at Waikiki, a night in San Francisco on the way home and back to Los Angeles by air.

The slogan that won Drury his vacation is as follows: "After trying out all other brands of television, we found Westinghouse TeeVee to have the clearest picture and easiest to operate."

AT LEN'S TV  
Len Swanson, owner of Len's Television, said that the contest in which Drury was one of seven winners, ended last week, but two more contests are being held. Forty-two all expense paid 10-day round trip vacations to Hawaii are being offered by Westinghouse in all three contests.

Drury and his wife have two children, Robert, 4 years, and Marilyn Jo, two months.



### A. Mellinkoff, Theatre Pioneer Of Area, Dies

Theatre pioneer of the Torrance area, Albert Mellinkoff, 63, died at his Beverly Hills home last Friday, May 11, of a heart attack.

Mellinkoff in partnership with Harry Milstein, opened the Torrance Theatre here in 1937 after which they opened the Grand Theatre in Lomita and two others in Gardena. The Stadium Theatre, was opened here about two years ago.

Mellinkoff is the father of Abe Mellinkoff, city editor of the San Francisco Chronicle.

A native of Boston, Mellinkoff first came to Los Angeles 40 years ago where he was employed in the office of the old Pacific Steamship Co. Later he operated a retail shoe business until 1927 when he entered the real estate investment field.

He was the owner of extensive holdings in the southwest part of the county and also owned

### Installation Of New YMCA Officers Wed.

The Torrance YMCA will install new officers at their annual installation meeting to be held 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 23, at their newly acquired headquarters, 2080 Washington avenue, it was announced by Rev. Cecil England, chairman of the event.

Officers to be installed are: John Steinbaugh, chairman; R. R. Smith, vice president; Warren Hamilton, secretary; R. I. Plomert, Jr., treasurer. Installing officer will be Eric Chapman, executive secretary of the Hollywood YMCA.

Speaker of the evening will be Coy Sanders, of the Juvenile Department of the Long Beach Police, and an outstanding authority on youth. The 200 guests expected will also hear the annual report to the community on the program, activities and finances of the YMCA.

### Smits Resigns As Director

J. E. Smits, almost six years director of the Harbor General Hospital here, tendered his resignation this week to accept an executive position with a private hospital in Los Angeles.

Named to fill his post here is Alfred Thomas, who has been assistant director of the county's Olive View Sanitarium.

Smits has been administrative head of the hospital here since the county took it over in 1946. It previously was the Army port of embarkation hospital.

Thomas has been in county services for 21 years.

several community theatres.

For many years he was active in political and civic affairs and in community building activities.

Besides his son, Abe, he leaves his widow, Helen; two other sons, Atty. David Mellinkoff of Beverly Hills and Dr. Sherman Mellinkoff of John Hopkins University in Baltimore, and a daughter, Mrs. Jan Watt of Cambridge, England.

Funeral services were held at noon Monday, May 14, at a Los Angeles mortuary.

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### Employers Group Reports Activities

The Harbor Area Employers' Council rendered a service a total of 1944 times to 127 of its members during the past year, according to a report submitted to the Board of Directors by Frank S. Selover, executive secretary of the Council. The services were rendered in the matter of disputes and grievances, and were in addition to representation in contract negotiations, he said.

There were 194 conferences with the various labor unions on the several disputes, and the representation of members by the Council prevented picket lines in 51 cases. Picket lines were quickly removed and disputes settled in four cases.

"Peaceful and harmonious relations have been established with the various labor union representatives," Selover told his Board of Directors. Disputes settled covered nearly a score of problems, including union organization, wage disputes, vacation pay disputes, cash register shortages, grievances over sick leave, insubordination, contract violations, trust and contract clarification, hiring disputes, discharge of employees, union membership clause questions, pay classification, the manager clause, work classification, and others, he said.

Contracts negotiated by the Employers Council over the period include: With Retail Clerks Local No. 905, the mercantile, food, shoe and liquor contracts. The bakery contract with the same local was not reopened. With Retail Clerks Local No. 324, Long Beach and Compton, the variety store contract, and negotiation now is in progress on the retail drug agreement with that local. With Teamsters Union, Local No. 692, the furniture drivers and warehousemen's contract. The Employers Council participated in negotiation of the retail meat contract with Butchers Local No. 551; the automobile dealers contract with Ma-

### Hospital Site at San Pedro Backed By Realty Board

The Torrance-Lomita Realty Board, at their meeting of May 14, voted to back San Pedro in urging that the new Naval Hospital be built in the San Pedro hills, it was announced by C. J. "Paddy" Ryan, president.

chinnists Local No. 1484; the tavern and restaurant contract with the Bartenders, Culinary and Waitresses joint executive board, and the food contract with Retail Clerks Local No. 324, Selover reported.

The Employers Council has established and maintains an exchange of information and service with San Francisco Employers Council, Merchants and Manufacturers Association, California Conference of Culinary Employers, Western Employers Conference, Employers Council of Santa Clara County, San Diego Employers Association, United Employers of Oakland, Food Employers Council, California Grocers Association, California Association of Employers, Harbor District Tavern and Restaurant Association, Motor Car Dealers Association of San Pedro and Wilmington, Long Beach Restaurant Association and others, the Council's executive secretary reported.

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## Honor Lodge Mother

Trio Rebekah Lodge met in regular session on May 15th in the California Hall on the Pacific Coast Highway, Lomita with the Noble Grand, Mrs. Amy Savage, presiding.

After the business meeting a short program honoring Mother Tappin, the mother of Trio Rebekah Lodge, was enjoyed. Mrs. Winifred Brase sang two songs, "Memories" and "Mother."

A skit entitled "The Family Album" was then presented by Mrs. Alvin Ulman, with the following taking the part of the characters: Mary Smith, Anna May Isbell, Ona Pence, Amy Savage, Lelia Sellens, Gertrude Kastrup, Fronia Branagh, Ora Brown, Ruth Deems, Harrie Schroeder, Mrs. Rickey, Eleanor Farquar and Belva Brase.

The social hour was under the supervision of Mrs. George Tappin who was assisted by Mrs. Marshall Tappin, Elida Smith and Hattie Schroeder.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

**THE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**—El Prado at Manuel Avenue. Rev. Clarence E. Miller, Minister, 1620 Manuel Avenue. Church School for all ages, 9:30 A.M. Morning Worship Service, 10:30 A.M. Youth Fellowship, 7:00 P.M. Women's Society meets 2nd Thursday of each month at 11:00 A.M. Men's Club meets at the church last Wednesday at 6:30 P.M. at the church for dinner.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**—24404 Hawthorne Blvd., Welteria. Rev. and Mrs. Fred Martin. Phone Frontier 5-2977. Sunday School, 9:45 A.M. Morning worship, 11:00 A.M. Children's Church, 11:00 A.M. Evangelistic Service, 7:30 P.M. Morning Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 10:00 A.M. Mid-week Service Wednesday evening, 7:30 P.M. Young Peoples' Service Friday, 7:30 P.M.

**FOUR SQUARE GOSPEL CHURCH**—1207 El Prado. Phone Tor. 1153. Arthur P. Pedersen, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 A.M. Sunday Service, 10:45. Youth Peoples' Morning, 6:15 A.M. Evangelistic Service, 7:30 P.M. Wednesday and Friday evening service 7:30. Children's hour, Saturday, 2:30 P.M.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**—1415 Engracia. Rev. Cecil England, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 A.M. Morning Worship, 10:30 A.M. Young Peoples, 6:30 P.M.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**—Carson at Manuel, Rev. C. Miles Northrup, Pastor. Rev. J. Russell Killman, Asst. Pastor. Church Phone 3084, Northrup 148, Killman 3037-R. Bible School 9:30 A.M. Story Hour and Children Church, 10:30 A.M. Nursery for every service, Morning worship 10:30 A.M. Training Unions 6:30 P.M. Evangelistic Service 7:30 P.M.

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**—1501, West Carson Street. Rev. W. A. Penner, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:45 A.M. Morning worship, 11:00 A.M. Youth Groups, 6:30 P.M. Evening Service, 7:30 P.M. People's Meeting Wednesday, 7:30 P.M.

**TORRANCE ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**—1317 Cravens Avenue. Across from Library. Henry and Ida W. Sande, Pastors. Phone 1793-J. Sunday School 9:45 A.M. Morning, 11:00 A.M. Evangelistic Service 7:30 P.M. Mid-Week Service Thursday evening 7:30 P.M.

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**—Located on Acacia and Sonoma in Torrance. Rev. Paul Wenske, Pastor. Res.: 2550 Eldorado. Phone 3397-W. Church Office: 1610 Acacia. Phone 591. Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Morning Worship Service 10:45 A.M.

**CHURCH OF RELIGIOUS SCIENCE**—503 So. Catalina Avenue (Masonic Temple) Redondo Beach, California. Rev. Earl D. Barnum, Pastor. Phone FR. 4-8331. Sunday Morning Service, 11:00 A.M. Children's Church, 11:00 A.M. Wednesday Meditation Hour, 1:30 P.M. Friday evening service, 8:00 P.M.

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST**, 218th Street at Manuel Avenue. Sunday School, 9:30 A.M. Sunday Service, 11:00 A.M. Wednesday Evening Meeting, 8:00 P.M. Reading room in church edifice open from 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Daily except Sundays and holidays. Monday and Friday evening 7:00 to 9:00 P.M.

**LOMITA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**—245th Street at Woodward Ave., Lomita. Rev. Eldon Durham, Pastor, 24346 Lucille Ave. Church School 9:45 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship 7:30 P.M. Westminster Fellowship 6:30. Mid-Week Service Wednesday 7:00 P.M.

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