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Democrats Defend UNESCO

A group of Torrance, Wilmington and San Pedro Democrats, in a meeting last Thursday, went on record as opposed to any candidate for the Los Angeles Board of Education who objects to allowing children knowledge of the UN-sponsored UNESCO.

The action followed an explanation of the meaning and purpose of UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Social and Cultural Organization) by Mrs. Lucille Tower, legislative chairman of the San Pedro Democratic Club.

In discussing UNESCO and its affiliated organizations, Mrs. Tower declared that poverty breeds discontent and war and that FAO, Food and Agriculture Organization, a branch of UNESCO, has as its purpose the advancement of retarded areas of the world thru the use of technology.

She explained that this group teaches less fortunate peoples of the world better methods of agriculture, fisheries, nutrition, forestry and kindred activities.

The program helps those of retarded regions to help themselves and to understand that democracy has the best approach to solving the world's problems, Mrs. Tower stated.

Schools Get More Federal Building Aid

Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of Torrance schools, announced today that a Federal allocation of funds for construction of a new Crenshaw Elementary school has been increased from the original grant of \$235,000 to \$490,760, following his trip to Washington, D. C., recently.

Dr. Hull visited the capitol briefly after attending the national conference of school superintendents in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

He stated that at the capitol he presented enrollment figures and other materials prepared by school administrators here for review by government officials.

On the basis of the tremendous upsurge in student enrollment, largely caused by population growth directly attributed to defense activities in this region, the Federal government increased the aid to the local school district.

The bulk of the monies will be used to replace the current Crenshaw school, which is housed now in temporary bungalows.

Musical at El Camino Set May 27

Rehearsals for El Camino college's Spring Musical, "The Pirates of Penzance" by Gilbert and Sullivan, will begin after Easter vacation, Hamilton Maddaford, assistant director of student personnel, said today. The Musical will be given May 27, 28, 29, and 30.

Auditions for principal roles were held at the college Monday, Wednesday and Friday of last week, with some ten lead parts being assigned. A chorus of forty voices will be used as will the college orchestra and instrumental groups.

Preparations for the Spring Musical are being made by Maddaford with the aid of Dr. Gordon Orme, theatre arts instructor, and by Neil Hill, music instructor.

Students taking part in the event will be members of the college Production Workshop or the College Community Chorus, Maddaford said.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Highway Justice Brings Complaint

Editor, Torrance Press

I am in complete sympathy with T. E. S. in his letter to the Press recently regarding careless truck driving on Western Ave.

It seems to me that some of them get away with near-murder while we automobile drivers get a ticket for the most minor infraction.

Yours for better justice on the highways,
E. J. S.

ODD NAMES

Looking back over a list of children he had baptized, Rev. J. H. Pratt chuckled as he told of the names an American couple gave their two children.

He met the Americans, named Burst, abroad ship when he was returning from missionary work in China in 1933.

"They had christened their daughter Alice May Burst," the Rev. Pratt said.

"Their son they named John Will Burst."