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### L. A. Elects N. Poulson

Representative Norris Poulson has been in office 15 years. Poulson will take office July 1. Shoestring strip residents are directly affected by the change-over.

### Planes Still Bothering Lomita Area

Citizens of Lomita are still disturbed by plane flights despite attempts made recently by the Civil aeronautics commission to remedy the situation, Malcolm Cameron of 1936 Lomita blvd. declared.

Cameron said that the situation was fairly well under control the first three weeks after the commission had been here. Since then, however, residents have found cause to voice their former grievances again.

What is needed for a permanent solution of the problem are laws and a law-enforcement officer at the airport, Cameron said.

If nothing is done it will be necessary for Lomita citizens to bring a law suit, he declared.

Some of the suggestions which he made were made by him and his group at the recent hearing: changing the flight pattern so it would extend over an oil field area rather than a residential area as it was done at one time; making planes carry insurance; having planes fly over the ocean rather than circling constantly above the city when they are up in the air "just for the ride."

### Combination Class-Room Successful

Due to the increased enrollment at the Seaside Elementary school it was necessary to formulate another class at the intermediate and upper grade level. In order to avoid disrupting many classes by too much shifting of pupils, the new class was formulated by selecting students from the fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh grades to go into this room. Students from the seventh grade were selected first and given the choice to accept or reject the assignment. Those that accepted in turn named pupils from the other rooms who then also had the choice of accepting the placement. The students explained the plan to the parents, and parents wrote notes of approval to the school.

A group conference of the parents was conducted after the first week of this class to answer questions and offer explanations. The group has now been in session several weeks and is progressing very nicely. The pupils, parents, and teachers are all enthusiastic about their room and their school work. This is a good example of avoiding changing teachers for many pupils by trying to formulate a new room with a straight grade, it was disclosed at the last meeting of the Board of Education.

This is the nearest to the old-fashioned one room school, with children in all different grade levels, that we have in the district. Some of the advantages are that children get a preview, a chance to study and then a review as other students are taking up the subject matter. The unique feature of this particular experience seems to be that the teacher seems quite adept, for example, in teaching social studies and having children do work at different levels within the same subject headings, but progressing at their own level.

### Postponing Of Rezoning Goes Thru

Requests to postpone the third and final hearing on the 55-acre rezoning issue were granted by the city council at Tuesday's meeting.

The council did not set a definite date in the matter.

Don Armstrong, a local attorney, requested the postponement in order to have more time to present the matter properly.

Sylvester Morning, partner of the company wanting to subdivide the property in question, also made a similar request, in order that he would be able to present a housing plan to be considered by the council.

L. J. Leroy, J. J. Starkey, and Mr. Robertson, representatives of industry, asked that action be taken on the matter at this meeting, maintaining that enough time had been allotted for making proper preparations and that the delay might discourage industrial growth in this area.

### COUNTY ASKS TORRANCE FOR RIDING, HIKING TRAILS

Attempts are being made to link Torrance to the extensive riding and hiking trail system in Los Angeles county. This was made apparent when two officials from the county asked for easements to install trails across North Torrance, at the last meeting of the Planning Commission.

A Mr. Evans of the Los Angeles county engineering department and a Mr. Little of the Los Angeles county parks and recreation department spoke to the Commission.

Evans explained the county system of riding and hiking trails, and said the county now wanted to link up the trail which follows the Los Angeles River to El Nido where the county has a park which will be devoted to riding and hiking and activities.

Evans told the Commissioners that the county would like to have the trail follow the Edison Co. power lines across North Torrance,

### Race Classic To be Held At Speedway

Southern California's stock car classic of the year, the annual Poor Man's Indianapolis, 500-lap URA Stock Car Championship, takes the sport spotlight at Carrell Speedway Saturday night, May 30, it was announced.

Racing Director Don Basile has elected to hold down the field to 33 cars, the same number which will start the 500-mile event at Indianapolis.

The event is limited to late model cars, mostly 1953, '52 and '51, with a few 1950 models trying to make the selected field of thirty-three which will face the starter's flag at 8:00.

Qualifying will begin at 2:30 on Saturday afternoon and fans are invited to watch the time trials at that time.

More 1953 models will be in the

race, than have been seen in any stock car race in the West this year, according to Carrell promoter Don Basile. The event is a history making affair, in that it is the first "500" for the stock cars at Carrell.

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