

Torrance Merchants Feted at Appliance Dinner



PLAYING HOST to dealers from the entire South Bay and Harbor area was Sunbeam Appliance Co. at a dinner held Tuesday night at the Palos Verdes Country Club. Representing

ALLEN'S JEWELERS were (l-r) Delos Nadeau, Louis Arbetter, Mrs. D. Nadeau, Mrs. L. Arbetter, and Mrs. Rose Epstein.



PRESENT AT THE DINNER and representing LIBERTY HOME APPLIANCE CO. were (l-r) Mr. and Mrs. Milton Isbell while Harvey Abram-

son and Mrs. Arlene Moore appeared on behalf of NATIONAL HOME APPLIANCE.



ERNIE CHARNEY, Bill Dominguez, Frank Dominguez Sr. and Jr. of FRANK'S FURNITURE were

also present at the regional dinner.



REPRESENTATIVES OF LAWSON'S JEWELERS who attended as guests of the Sunbeam Co. were (l-r) Polly Bertlett, A. Robinson, Mrs. Lo-

raine Trimble, Mrs. Levon Trimble, Mrs. A. Robinson, and Dave Tenner.

94 SUMPS UNDER SUSPICION

There is an unusually large number of brine sumps in the Torrance area — 94 to be exact — a survey made by the California State Water Pollution Control Board revealed this week.

Brine sumps have proved a serious danger to unsuspecting children and animals roaming the fields. The present survey is being conducted to determine if these brine sumps are also seeping into the underground water supply and polluting it.

The 94 sump violators are small operators rather than large outfits, on the whole, a spokesman for the Water Pollution Control Board stated.

Recommendations Following the present pollution survey which will cover industrial wastes as well, one of four recommendations will be made to violators: draining the brine into sewers; reinjecting it into the ground through abandoned wells (the most common); carrying the brine off in tank trucks; or evaporation.

The sump problem has been a serious one in this area and it was the Torrance Press which first called attention to the deplorable condition and dangers, carrying on an editorial campaign which brought about considerable improvements of these conditions.

Once caught in a sump, one needs quick help in getting out of the sticky downward-pulling black substance.

In the past, recommendations for the elimination of sump hazards made by the Water Pollution Control Board have always been complied with. The Board has the power of taking uncooperative violators to court.

Gets Scholarship

Scholarships totalling \$11,125 are being awarded by Palos Verdes College for the school year 1953-54. President John A. Howard of the Rolling Hills institution announced.

Martha Lorraine Scholarship, \$800, was awarded to Betty Wilson of 24336 Luella avenue, Lomita, a graduate of Narbonne high school.

THINGS TO COME . . . Effective scarecrows which periodically let loose with a shotgun-like boom are available.

Many Attend Phone Co. Open House

When the 2-day telephone open house ended last Friday night, an official count showed that 3238 Torrance telephone users, their friends and neighbors visited the show.

Big Success Manager Richard Pyle of Pacific Telephone said the open house programs were a big success from every standpoint. Visitors were able to see for themselves how their telephone system works. They learned many additional aspects of the communications business through demonstrations, exhibits and displays.

Get Acquainted The programs, held at the dial building, 1307 Cravens avenue, also enabled telephone people to become better acquainted with those they serve, the manager said. "I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all those who took time to attend our programs at the open house," he said. "I hope that through these programs FAIRfax telephone users have seen how far the company has advanced in providing fast and efficient service for everyone."

159 BOYS TO ATTEND YMCA DAY

It has just been announced that Y-Day in Hollywood will be televised coast to coast for the first time in the history of this major YMCA event.

As of Saturday, there were 159 persons going from this area under the banner of the Torrance YMCA, an increase of 60 over last year. Of this 159, 100 are from Mira Costa High school under the supervision of the H-Y advisors and the Tri-Hi-Y sponsors. Bud Ingersoll, Mr. McKenzie, Miss J. Risse, Mrs. Greenberg, and Miss Eva Risnel.

The large group from Torrance will be under the supervision of Dick Brown, Program Secretary of Torrance YMCA, and Stan Roberts, the executive secretary.

The groups will go by chartered bus of the Torrance Municipal bus leaving the YMCA

Trial Set: Firm Pleads 'Not Guilty'

A "not guilty" plea was entered by operators of the Torrance Sand and Gravel company to charges that their pit near Crenshaw boulevard and highway 101 is in violation of Torrance's "Kathy Fiscus ordinance."

Trial was set for December 16 in South Bay Municipal court. Operators of the pit, Charles Sheppard and Thomas Block, were named in a complaint filed by George Powell, Torrance land use investigator.

The complaint charges that three sumps, which are a part of the pit operated by the pair, are "likely to produce great bodily injury . . . are of dangerous nature and a public nuisance."

Meanwhile the firm has kept earth moving equipment busy filling the sumps in question. "We've been filling these sumps as quickly as possible. I can't understand why the city took this action," Sheppard said.

The city's action was taken after residents of the nearby Weston Hills subdivision made numerous protests to the city about the sumps.

Demos To Meet

The Torrance Democrats, Incorporated, will hold a business and organization meeting at the Allen Richard Hall, 1931 Carson street, Sunday, November 1, at 2 o'clock.

Scholarship Pin Awarded R. Floyd

Richard Floyd, who resides with his wife at 1643 Acacia, now attending Woodbury college, Los Angeles, has been awarded the bronze pin of the Phi Gamma Kappa Honor Scholarship fraternity.

To attain this honor Floyd's grades were of the high scholastic standing required for membership in this organization for one quarter's excellence at Woodbury college where he is majoring in Advertising.

at 7:45 a.m. for Hollywood Bowl for the morning program of TV and Radio personalities and the amateur talent show. In the afternoon, they will attend the UCLA-California football game. Stan Roberts announced today that only a very few tickets were left for this yearly event.

Pistol-packin' Cowboy Lookin' For Pistol . . .

"Pahnd me, Pohnner, but have you seen mah pistol?" "Cowboy" E. J. Robinson, president of the Pacific Hills Homeowners Association, had himself a real good time at the association's masquerade dance held at the VFW in Lomita last Saturday, October 24.

By the time the evening was over, however, Robinson discovered the loss of his trusty old-fashioned cap and ball pistol (a colt).

Robinson, who was unrecognizable because of his outfit and mask, hopes that anyone who may have found the gun would contact him, now that the "mysterious cowboy" has let his identification be known.

The sorrowful cowboy who is pining after his trusty pistol lives at 24735 Winlock Drive, DA 6-2090.

Water Co. Promises Pressure

The state public utilities commission will consider the application for increased water rates asked by the Narbonne Ranch Water Company. The matter was referred to the board following a public hearing held in Los Angeles.

At the hearing, conducted before a commission examiner, a spokesman for the firm promised that more pressure would be put on the lines if this is recommended by fire insurance underwriters who are now surveying the area.

More pressure to areas at relatively high elevations was promised by the firm.

Sought is a basic rate of \$1.25 for 500 cubic feet of water. The rate now is \$1.25 per 800 cubic feet of water.

The company serves the north section of this community as well as part of southeast Torrance.

A NEW monthly record for both cars and passengers was set in August when 197,352 automobiles and 566,758 visitors to California were counted.

Comedy To Run 3 Nights

Sally McMullin and Warren Lavender appear in the coming presentation by the Hampton Players, local little theatre group.

The play is a three act comedy named "Morning's at Seven" by Paul Osborn and will run three nights, November 5, 6, and 7, at Redondo Union High School, curtain 8:30 p.m.

Debut Mrs. McMullin makes her debut before the footlights in Hampton Players in this production at



SALLY McMULLIN . . . makes debut

though she has been active backstage during several past productions.

Warren Lavender is a Geller Workshop graduate. He is assisting on stage production as he did last summer for "The Two Mrs. Carrolls" in which he also had a role.

Cast The cast for "Morning's at Seven" includes the following players: Dorothy Tunis, Thelma Ludwidge, Joe Mulqueen, Dodie Mulqueen, Claude Ferrel, Eye Adamson, and Bill Bulkley. Mr. Bulkley has done summer stock in the East and Miss Adamson at present studies at Bliss Hayden.

Keystone Group To Meet Nov. 2

Keystone Civic Betterment Association will have a speaker Al Tillman, a representative of the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation. Tillman is going to give a report on a recent survey of this area regarding recreational facilities for children and teenagers of this community.

The meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Caldwell, 22120 Monita, November 2 at 7:30 p.m.

All parents are urged to attend.

MORE PEOPLE entered California in out-of-state automobiles during the first nine months of 1953 than resided in the state in 1920, the Touring Bureau of the Automobile Club of Southern California said today.

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