

# No. Torrance Group Seeks Girl For Community Fair

North Torrance girls who would like to try for the "Miss Community Fair" title are being offered that chance. The North Torrance civic improvement association is looking for a girl, 16 years or older, which they can sponsor in the contest.

All interested girls are asked to appear at the meeting of the group Tuesday night, June 2, at McMaster Hall, 174th and

Yukon at 8 p.m. or contact Jim Gray, 16413 Illinois Court, ME. 4-9070.

The civic association will be one of many groups sponsoring a contestant. The girl who sells the most tickets will be named "Miss Community Fair."

# Board Studies Preliminary School Budget

Of all the items on the school budget for the coming year, cost of instruction shows the greatest increase over last

year's figure, according to the preliminary budget submitted to the board of education Tuesday night.

While teachers' salaries are responsible for the greatest increase in school costs for the coming year, there was no indication that the board would grant another pay hike this year as it did last year. The closest to an increase in teachers' salaries may come in the form of a \$2 per month payment per teacher toward health

and accident insurance, it was indicated this week. The board has not taken official action on this as yet.

Increased costs and a salary schedule that compares favorably with other school districts were given as reasons why no increase was recommended this year.

The preliminary budget reads as follows:

1953-54		1954-55	
Administration	\$ 95,933	\$ 115,062	
Instruction	1,800,689	2,411,668	
Total expense of education	2,440,157	3,230,376	
Total current expenditure	3,230,376		
Total expenditure	2,539,117	3,345,656	
Undistributed reserve	9,225	9,225	
Total expenditure and undistributed			

2,539,117		3,354,881		Total general fund	
General reserve	150,000	150,000	budget	2,689,117	3,504,881

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# Bob Finch To Visit In Finchmobile

The "Finchmobile," traveling headquarters of Robert H. Finch, candidate for Congress in the Seventeenth District, will be in town and talk to local businessmen and residents about national and local issues.

His appearances are scheduled as follows: Thursday, May 20, 10:30 a.m., Lomita, Narbonne avenue and Lomita boulevard; Monday, May 24, 10 a.m., Torrance, Sartori and Marcelina, in front of Torrance theater, at triangle; 11 a.m. El Prado and Cravens, in front of park, it was reported.

The Finchmobile is a patriotically decorated former passenger bus, which has been altered to provide space for meetings and coffee hours.

"It is really a sort of home meeting place on wheels," Finch said. "This district is the largest in population and the second largest in area in California, and every place in it is important. The Finchmobile gives me the greatest opportunity to meet the most people."

Finch invites everyone aboard when the Finchmobile comes around.

### Reading Methods Cited

Richard Strickland, second grade teacher at 259th Place school, recently narrated a series of slides on reading education in grade school. Today each child studies reading in every grade through elementary school. Several years ago actual reading instruction stopped at the third grade.

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