

Christmas Music, Film Scheduled

Christmas music and an outstanding technicolor film "Holy Night" will be presented by the Young People of First Lutheran church, this Sunday night

at 7 p.m. Festive decorated candelabras in the aisle will add to the Christmas atmosphere. A period of meditation will precede the program as Christmas carols will pervade the church. The youth choir consisting of twenty-five voices and the junior choir with thirty voices will present a half-hour musical program.

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DEAR EDITOR....

Five Councilmen

Your front page editorial of December 1 issue, under the heading, "Five Councilmen or Seven?" is thought provoking and timely. Rumors are going around town as to whom we might expect to run for the available openings this Spring. Would we be able to find seven qualified men to fill such responsible positions? We were not able to find men to fill the Assistant City Manager or the Deputy Attorney positions this past year and last year we brought a man from outside the state to carry on the duties of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

Are not these Council duties demanding of similar talented and experienced managers? Then, again, even if we were to find within our City capable men, would their interests not be divided as to duty to their employers which might, at times, be in conflict with the interests of Torrance? It has long been said, that "man cannot adequately serve two masters."

It is my belief that, in a city management type of government, five councilmen are sufficient. It is difficult to get more than three men to agree upon a controversial question and, therefore, additional representatives would slow up the work of the City Council.

Capable men who not only live but depend upon their livelihood from within the city should be encouraged to seek office. Those who are capable but have obligations to financial interests outside the city should be discouraged from seeking office and, instead, interest themselves in the development of bigger and better civic associations which, along with the various City Commissions, can provide valuable and needed assistance to the City Council.

A Councilman Speaks

Editor Torrance Press
With reference to your editorial in the December 1 issue of the Torrance Press regarding a 5 or 7-man Council, my personal opinion is this:

My belief is that Torrance should have a 5-man Councilmanic District because we have five natural divisions in Torrance namely North Torrance, South Torrance, Central Torrance, West Torrance and the beach area such as Hollywood

Riviera and Seaside Ranchos. The districts would be determined by registration in each district. This would assure representation in all areas. In this way no area can have no more than one representative.

I believe in the 5 man Councilmanic District provided that the Councilmen are elected at large. The man must live in the District but must be voted on by 'all the people. In this way, machine politics could be avoided where one man has to vote for another to get something done.

I also believe there should be a Mayor elected at large and voted on by all the people and that we should continue the City Manager form of government. Compensation for Councilmen and mayor should also be decided on by the people's vote. This can be done two ways; either by Charter Amendment or by referendum of ten percent of the registered

CHANUKAH PARTY SET

The South Bay B'nai B'rith Women's Chapter 727 will hold its "Get Together" Chanukah party Sunday, December 11, 8 p.m. at the Higgins Lounge, 2217 West 174th street, Torrance.

This affair is one of many planned to acquaint new members and their husbands with their fellow chapter members. Dancing, games, prizes, refreshments at the snack bar, will comprise the evenings' entertainment.

Further plans for the Annual Children's Chanukah party to be held at Gardena Community Center, 1651 Market street will be made at the board meeting to be held Thursday December

voters of Torrance. If five men can govern the Los Angeles County area, then most certainly five men should be able to govern the City of Torrance.

Sincerely yours,
(S) NICK DRALE

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8:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Abe Maurer, 15011 Bodger, Hawthorne.

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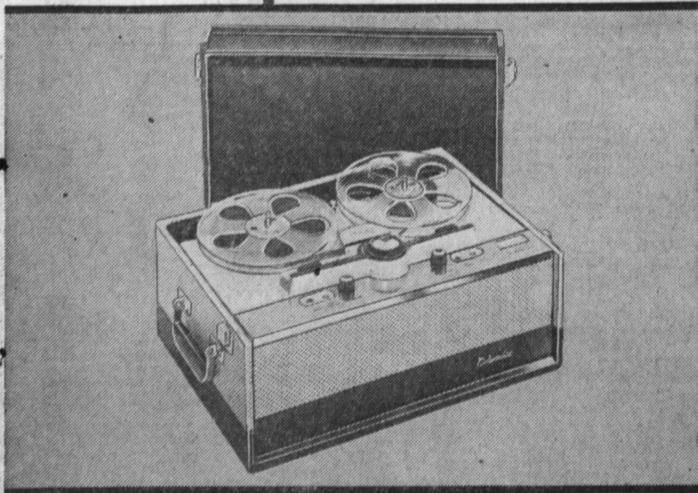
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