

### Adults in Bereskin's Class Learn to Talk

"You learn to speak by speaking" is the principle Lou Bereskin uses in his speech class which meets every Monday night as part of the Torrance Adult Education program.

Bereskin uses a minimum of theory and a maximum of practice seeing to it that his 16 adults always have some interesting and challenging topic to talk about.

Topics have ranged from "Gripe Night," "Tall Tales," "The Most Dramatic Thing That Ever Happened to Me," to "The Most Interesting Experience of My Life."

Individuals from all walks of life attend the class. Some wish to improve their speech for occupational purposes. Others simply attend to fulfill a personal need.

One of the gratifying experiences in teaching this class is to see how individuals, who were formerly timid and hesitant, get over their shyness and learn to speak with complete ease, Bereskin commented.

Once every three weeks he treats his class to a round table discussion at a local restaurant where members meet for dessert and coffee.

Topic for the table talks at the last meeting was "The Most Interesting Experience of My Life."

Both topics and treatment were highly individualistic, capturing some of the color and personality of each speaker.

Winner was Marvin Pike who talked about his "Most Awkward Situation." It dealt with the time that he got his thumb caught in the knot hole of his desk while still a high school student.

Other speakers included Mrs. Pearl York, Fred J. Westfall, Mrs. Jean Rhodes, Edward Massler, Mrs. Ellen Parshley, Leo Shaw, Sharley Rhodes, Dr. Eleanor Thill, George Shindler, Floyd Osborn, and Mrs. Ardu Nosek.

Dr. Cyril Lathan acted as master of ceremonies.

Harbor Area Health Conference Scheduled

"Meeting Community Health Needs" will be theme of the Harbor Area's second annual Community Health conference, set for Saturday, April 21, 9 a.m. at Harbor Junior college, 1111 Figueroa street, Wilmington, it was announced today by Mrs. Miriam Fay Furlong, Harbor Area supervisor of public health nurses of the Los Angeles, City Health department and chairman of the conference planning committee.

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### WESTERN AVENUE CRASH

A two-car collision in the vicinity of 1931 West 174th st. last week resulted in major injuries to Wayne R. Hawkes of 10716 1/2 Valley Springs Lane, North Hollywood. Hawkes underwent extensive plastic surgery to save his ear and suffered multiple facial lacerations. Carl L. Vaughn, driver of the '52 Chevrolet sedan in which Hawkes was a passenger, suffered minor injuries. Vaughn, 24, resides at 1339 E. Harvard, Glendale. Ivo A. Whigler, 49, of 811 E. 141st st., Hawthorne, driver of the other car, also received minor injuries.

### New Plant Will Begin Construction

Ground crews are at work in preparation for a new \$10,000,000 plant to be built at the southeast intersection of Sepulveda and Wilmington avenues for the manufacture of a new low pressure-type polyethylene plastic, it was announced today.

The plant will be constructed and operated as a joint venture by Brea Chemicals, Inc., subsidiary of Union Oil Co., and

Koppers Co., Inc., with operation date scheduled by mid-1957. When in operation the plant will employ 300 workers including engineers, chemists, technicians, skilled and semi-skilled laborers, and will produce an ultimate 60,000,000 pounds per year.

Polyethylene is used in the manufacture of toys, household items, insulating mate-

rials, pipe, bottles, jars, packaging film, rope and other products.

The contract calls for Brea Chemicals to operate the plant with technical assistance from Koppers Co.

The plant will function in accordance with the Los Angeles air pollution regulations, Homer Reed, president of Brea Chemicals stated.



### FIRST PLACE FOR THIRD YEAR

For the third straight year, the Torrance Works of United States Steel's Columbia-Geneva Steel division placed first in the steel classification at the seventh annual Safety Award Dinner of the Greater Los Angeles chapter of the National Safety Council. First place plaque is displayed by, from left, seated, C. C. Morgan, general superintendent, and E. J. Ahlstrom, supervisor of safety and plant protection. Back row, from left, are J. M. Ogborn, assistant superintendent—engineering and maintenance; Don Hyde, superintendent—industrial relations; J. S. Moore, assistant superintendent—rolling mill; W. T. Ayers, Jr., superintendent—rolling mill; and C. S. Warner, superintendent—engineering and maintenance.

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### Loranger At Chevrolet Conference

Paul Laranger of Paul's Chevrolet has just returned from taking part in a meeting of the Chevrolet Dealer Planning Committee for this zone.

Loranger was elected to the committee by fellow dealers under a nationwide program by which Chevrolet keeps in touch with retail selling conditions. In his position he acted as spokes-

man for other Chevrolet dealers in his district.

The dealer committee system of operation was pioneered in 1937 by Chevrolet and has been widely used since that time in the automotive and other merchandising fields. The program serves as another means by which dealers and the company exchange views on industry developments and discuss mutual problems.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Lehmann, of 22726 S. Menlo Ave., announce the birth of a son, Terry Lynn, weighing 7 pounds and 9 ounces. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard M. Dougan, of 1327 Cola Ave., announce the birth of a daughter, Teresa Marie, weighing 9 pounds and 2 1/2 ounces.

### Council Sets Mental Topic

Torrance Coordinating Council will meet tonight, April 5, at the Greenwood elementary school, room 3, from 7:30 until 9 p.m.

The topic for discussion this evening will be Mental Health.

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