

**Moose Donations**

Torrance Moose Lodge members have donated a total of \$860 to date for the construction of the proposed California building on the Moosehart campus which will be home to many orphan children from this area.

Henry Moeller, chairman of the building committee, announced this week.

**Easter Week Activities at McMaster Park Announced**

The Torrance Recreation department announced today that all children in the McMaster Park area are invited to participate in the Easter Vacation activities which will be held there starting April 15. The park will open from 9 a.m. until 10 p.m. all five days of Easter vacation and there is a different schedule for each day.

The week's Boys' Tournament finals will be held on Thursday along with an introduction to a Boys' Sacket game. A mother-daughter doll show is scheduled for Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m. All mothers and daughters are invited to attend; cookies and punch will be served. A Boys' Track meet has also been scheduled for Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m. There will be three divisions; Class A (high school age boys); Class B (seventh and eighth grades); and Class C (fifth and sixth grade boys).

On Friday morning there will be Easter craft and an Easter egg coloring contest. All boys and girls are requested to bring two hard boiled eggs to color. After lunch there will be an Easter egg hunt followed by Easter story telling and Easter games. Friday is the big day of the week for the boys for the race car derby will be held from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. For further information contact the Park at 3624 W. 174th st.

**Permit Asked For Local Radio Station**

Application for a permit to build a new Standard Broadcasting Station in Torrance has been made to the Federal Communications Commission by Charles R. Bramlett, it was reported. The station would operate on 1190 kilocycles with a power of 250 watts. The applicant asked unlimited hours of operation and permission to employ directional antenna, with an amendment asking to make changes in the proposed directional antenna system and ground system.

**GP GUEST**

Joe L. Cudd is a guest of General Petroleum corp. on the 1957 Mobilgas Economy Run, according to R. W. Stiekrod, district sales manager for the company.

**Schools Get \$137,842 In Federal Aid**

Congressman Cecil R. King announced today that a treasury check in the amount of \$137,842 has been certified for immediate payment to the Torrance Unified School district for federal assistance with current expenditures. The award was made under Public Law 874, which provides financial assistance for schools in federally affected areas. A tentative entitlement for the fiscal year has been established at \$172,303.55, and additional payments will be made to the Torrance Unified School district, Congressman King stated.



COMEDY OPENS APRIL 25 Ed Cook, as Stosh in Accent Theatre's production of "Stalag 17," dreams of the girls he left behind.

**FIREFIIGHTERS CHARGE 'ABUSE OF RULE OF 3'**

The International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 1138 asked the Civil Service board last night to curb the "abuse of the rule of three" in making civil service appointments.

According to the present set up, a municipal department head may appoint any of the top three persons on a promotional eligible list. A man, however, may not be passed over more than twice.

Jerry Hollomon, chairman of the safety and welfare of the Torrance union, and spokesman for the group, claims that in the past eligible men have been bypassed unnecessarily. In a recent survey made by the fire fighters, "by-passing" in nearby cities has occurred only 13 times out of a total of 2324 appointments in the past 10 years. In Torrance, in only 7 years, 28 by-passed have occurred out of a total of only 41 appointments.

In order to maintain the high standards of the combined fire services of the area, the first firefighters want this "demoralizing situation" corrected.

This issue was brought before the City Council Tuesday night after Councilman Victor Benstead asked that he be supplied with reasons for by-passing individuals in the normal line of promotion.

Since the council has no jurisdiction over these appointments, Councilman Robert Jahn declared that he, for one, did not want the information. Assistant City Manager Don Mansfield cited a case of a Federal Civil Service applicant who was first on the eligibility list but rejected because she applied wearing a "green umbrella to ward off the cosmic rays."

Also on the Civil Service board agenda last night was a request by firemen that they be allowed to take a regular three-day off period just prior to the start of their vacation. City Attorney Stanley Remelmeier, who stated that such a practice would be up to the discretion of the fire chief, was to give his opinion to the board.

**POOL CLOSED SATURDAY A.M.**

The Victor E. Benstead plunge will be closed to the public Saturday, April 20, until 1 p.m.

Civil Service exams for life guards will be held that morning so the Recreation Department is forced to close the pool until the examinations are completed.

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**'STALAG 17' WILL OPEN APRIL 25 AT PLAYHOUSE**

Local theatre-goers will be in for a treat when Accent Theatre of Torrance opens its production of "Stalag 17" on Thursday, April 25.

Opening night promises to be a gala occasion, enhanced by the presence of local cultural and civic leaders. A number of Hollywood motion picture personalities, guests of the director, Charles Gray, have been invited.

The Torrance Art Group will feature an exhibit of its latest work in the Playhouse green room.

A total of twelve performances will be given, April 25 through May 18, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 8:30 p.m. at the Playhouse, Cabrillo and El Prado.

Reservations may be made by phoning FA 8-2322, or tickets may be purchased from members of Accent Theatre.

**Britts Lose Two Months Old Infant**

Thomas Dwayne Britt, 2½-months old infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas James Britt, died Thursday, April 11. Cause of death is as yet undetermined. County Coroner's report is expected in about a week.

The child died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Britt, 24228 Park st., parents of the father.

The child's mother stated that she found the baby lying on the bed and that the white pail of its skin caused her to be instantly alarmed.

Torrance Fire Department responded with a resuscitator, but the baby was pronounced dead on arrival at Harbor General hospital.

The infant was buried at Green Hills Memorial park. Arrangements were made through Gamby Mortuary in Lomita.

Mrs. Britt is the sister of Seaman Ronald J. Kordich, who was reported missing in the Pacific air disaster exactly three weeks ago from the day of the baby's death. No trace of the sailor or the other 66 passengers has been found to date.

**7 RESCUED**

Seven Redondo Beach teenagers were rescued by county lifeguards at Torrance Beach Sunday upon being caught in a rip tide near the Torrance station.

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