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Fire in Hospital
A technician received minor burns on her hand when a fire broke out in the Riviera Hospital pathology lab Tuesday.
Firemen, who placed loss at less than \$100, said the blaze might have been started when vapors were ignited by a hot plate. The fire was extinguished by an employee.

TEACHER REPORTS THEFT
Theft of \$240 from a cedar chest, was reported to Torrance police by Keith Timmer, of 4818 Deelane place, a school teacher.

MERCURY SIZZLES
Torrance residents sweated in 89 degree heat Tuesday, but were grateful that it was considerably cooler than in other parts of the county.
The mercury climbed from a low of 59 degrees Tuesday. Monday's temperature ranged from 62 to 87.

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JAHN SERVES AS MAYOR
Councilman Robert Jahn was elected acting mayor Tuesday, after Councilman Willys Blount who had served in that post for a week, relinquished it. Mayor Albert Isen was out of town attending a Miami Beach mayors conference.

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Merit Pay for Teachers Leads to Favorism—Hull

Merit pay for teachers only benefits a few favorites, Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of Torrance Unified School District, said in opposing the system.
He made his remarks during an orientation session of school teachers here last week.
"We've spent too much sweat and blood getting the single salary schedule, to go back to the old pay 'em what you can get 'em for routine and all its abuses. That's what this so-called merit pay really is," the superintendent said.
"When you examine the school systems that claim they have it (merit pay), it's one percent who are the favorite few or there is some other phony angle that destroys its meaning," Dr. Hull added.

He also pointed out that parents will object if their child is placed in the classroom of a non-merit paid teacher who is deemed second-rate.
In going into the problems of the new school year, Dr. Hull pointed out that one of the most difficult tasks is to divide responsibilities as the district grows.
"When you are dividing, there is a feeling that you are in some sort of demotion conspiracy," he said.

Torrance Missile Site Now Operated by Guardsmen

National Guard troops of California are today in full operational control of four Army Nike guided missile sites in the Los Angeles area. For the first time in the history of this country these "citizen soldiers" will maintain and operate Army missile units, 24 hours a day, everyday.
The National Guard troops, California's 720th Missile Battalion, were given control of the Nike sites in turnover ceremonies at the site's locations Sunday. The four units are located in Torrance, Long Beach, and two in Playa del Rey.

With the raising of the California State flag beneath the national colors, the 720th Sunday became a permanent element of the Regular Army's 47th Artillery Brigade, relieving the 865th Missile Battalion of its duties. The 720th's four batteries now join 12 other Regular Army missile batteries in the overall air defense of the greater Los Angeles area.
Top military officials from both the state National Guard and Regular Army along with many civilian dignitaries and friends and families of Army and National Guard personnel took part in the turnover ceremonies. Among these were Lt. Gen. Charles E. Hart, commanding general of the United States Army Air Defense Command. Gen. Hart flew here from his nationwide command to participate in ceremonies he termed as making "the citizen soldiers of the 720th an integral part of his command."

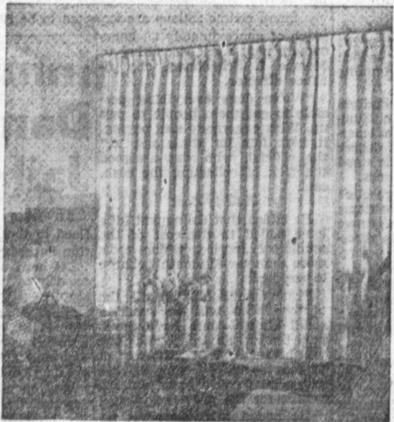
HARVEY GETS CONTRACTS
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