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QUEEN HAS EVERYTHING—Homecoming Queen Nancy Taylor of North High is model of beauty, popularity, activity. As song queen (above) she'll give team reason to win.



ACTIVITY — Queen Nancy assists special friend, Jerry Carothers, to devour his pie at school contest. Although immersing his features in comestible, she couldn't aid digestion.



POPULARITY—Nancy's ace-high at home with mother, Mrs. David Taylor, who would not come in last in any beauty contest. Both appreciate Susie, the family Cocker, who digs herself in the mirror. Sister Judy also was finalist in contest. (Story, Princess, p-3.)

Little New Cars Given the Air

Now, so-called compact cars will get no attention from City Hall during the present flurry of purchases.

Last week the City Council noted that the smaller jobs cost little less than the grown-up models, and their value was held in doubt.

Tuesday, on recommendation of Robert B. Jahn, the council voted to stay away from the little cars till they are proved landworthy.

PRESS CIRCULATION HOLDS TOP POSITION

The Torrance Press is holding its lead over all competition in circulation, it was revealed today in a report by the Verified Audit Circulation Co.

The Press, with a total 45,386 weekly circulation from July through September, maintained its comfortable superiority over the nearest trailing paper by 9232.

The latest report keeps The Press well ahead of any news publication — daily or weekly — in the Torrance South Bay area.

Everyone Will Pay: Volume to Govern Monthly Charges

A new trash-removal system, designed to eliminate inequities and a storm of heated complaints from commercial establishments and apartment-house owners, has been drafted by the City Council.

The new system will establish an across-the-board rate of \$1 a month for everyone—single homes, apartments, businesses and industry.

Added charges will be pro-rated on a basis of volume and time consumed over trash and garbage covered by the minimum fee.

The proposal, presented by Councilman Nick Drale, chairman of the trash committee, won approval over two others.

One, by Mayor Isen, would eliminate the city's service to all but single residences. The other, by Councilman George Bradford, would impose a mandatory \$1 rate on houses and an optional \$3 for apartments, motels and the like, and \$5 for industry. The plan would carry a sliding scale of payment and no payment at all if the service was declined or if the city was unable to provide it.

Bradford won applause from apartment-house operators when he declared no one should pay for a service they do not use.

Edward A. Chandler, partner in the Serv-Rite disposal firm of Lawndale, offered to pick up everything from bottle caps to bed springs for a flat \$2 monthly fee and had some cogent remarks to pass along on the efficiency of competition and private enterprise.

His firm now serves some 2000 customers in Torrance.

Councilman Robert Jahn received Chandler's declarations enthusiastically and told him that he would be most interested in seeing a proposed contract at \$2 a month.

Chandler noted that private firms are forced to keep up good service or lose patronage and go out of business.

Asked about the possibility that he might raise rates when he had the city collection sewed up, he replied that in his experience, raising the price only cost money in lost business.

His firm suffered worst from a question by Councilman J. A. Beasley, who asked what would happen if the teamsters went on strike. Chandler said they never had. It apparently did not occur to inquire what would happen if the city crew went on strike.

At the request of Jahn and with approval of the council, Chandler will prepare a survey and proposal for council consideration within 30 days.

Meanwhile, everyone pays \$1 a month. It is considered a tax on occupancy.

Council to Be Appeal Board for Weed-Clearance Charges

The increasing droves of irate property owners now officially have a court of last resort in disputes over weed-clearance charges.

The offices of The Press and City Hall have been flooded with complaints of discrepancies in the bills, one man being hit with a statement on property long since sold.

Others are being charged two widely varying prices on lots of identical size.

George Stevens, city manager, explained that field men are being directed to go look at property in question. When it is an out-and-out error or case of mistaken identity, an adjustment is made at once, he said.

The bills are prepared on basis of the amount of work done, Stevens explained. Thus, if a great tonnage of weeds has been harrowed and carried away, the charge would be much greater than that for little work.

The City Council agreed to sit as a board of appeal, and property owners at least now know where to take their complaints if they can't get satisfaction at any other office.

Torrance Plans Split of Lomita Water District

City Attorney Stanley J. Remelmeier has been instructed to investigate possibility of splitting off Torrance's part of Narbonne Water District No. 2 after the county Board of Supervisors declined to delay an election by residents to join the county district.

Councilman J. A. Beasley, who doubts the voters will join the county, recommended that Remelmeier find out what can be done to protect Torrance residents' interests.

The district lies largely in Lomita and has been the center of a hot battle over this city's inclination to bolster the pressure and improve service to citizens throughout the district. Lomita groups have charged the only pressure attracting Torrance is that of invading Lomita.

The City Council, on the other hand, has professed only a good-neighborly interest. No one in Lomita has thanked them for it.

If the voters do choose to join the county, Torrance can obtain a court injunction while this city acts to split the district.

City to Pave Street; Family Gets Building OK

Years of planning and trips to City Hall finally were resolved for the Stewart family and Dorothy Usui, owners of property bounded by 168th and 169th Sts. and Kornblum and Yukon Ave.

Over steadfast objections of Councilman Robert B. Jahn, who didn't want the city to pave the street providing access, Councilman Nick Drale headed a four-man approval of the petitioners' lot split so they can build. The city will pave the street.

The argument centered on whether or not the property, individually owned by three members of the Stewart family, constitutes a subdivision, Jahn joined City Attorney Stanley Remelmeier in contending it does. They were supported by Councilmen

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THE HEAT'S ON—Progress resumes at U. S. Steel's Torrance plant after enforcement of injunction fetched crews back to work. First heat was poured Monday. (Story page 4.)

INSIDE THE PRESS

In keeping with its policy of being out front at all times, The Press today brings you exclusive coverage of Fashion Press Week on Page 1-B.

The Press's fashion editor, Sylvia Miller, is the only writer in the South Bay area with credentials to this top annual style event, which fixes the eyes of the world on Southern California.

In addition to today's review, illustrated with photographs of the latest in causal creations, Miss Miller will report later developments on P r e s s Week in Sunday's edition. To be sure not to miss a word of these exciting events, order Sunday's issue of The Press today.

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Recreation Department Accepting Reservations for Theater Bus Trek

Reservations now are being taken for another theater bus party sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department.

The group will go to the Las Palmas Theatre Nov. 20 to see a performance of "Murder in the Red Barn" starring Pamela, Portland and James Mason.

The cost of \$2.75 covers bus transportation and theatre admission.

Reservations should be made by Nov. 16. The bus will leave from 1511 Cravens Ave. at 7 p.m. Call the Recreation Department FA 8-4108.

Theatre Bus trips are a regular monthly feature of the Torrance Recreation Department program.

Debbie's Heart Beating; She's Living Again

Little Debbie Hodges, killed by an electric shock and restored to life by artificial respiration and heart massage, was in excellent condition yesterday.

She has been put on regular visiting hours at Riviera Hospital, her father, James, told The Press. Bandages covering the incision to her heart were removed Tuesday.

Debbie's heart ceased to function after she touched a vacuum cleaner at her home, 21926 N. Ocean Ave. A neighbor heard Mrs. Hodges' screams and took Debbie and her to a doctor's office three blocks away.

While one physician applied respiration, another cut into Debbie's chest and massaged her heart back into operation. At Riviera Hospital she was packed in ice before her complete recovery.

Police-Fire Integration Study Urged

City Manager Asked to Study Single Unit

Torrance may look forward to the possibility of having a single police and fire department if Councilman Robert B. Jahn has his way.

At Tuesday night's session, mentioned that more and more cities are discovering economies in joining the two departments.

Municipalities experimenting with this procedure usually put the agencies under one administrator and label it a department of public safety.

Jahn asked City Manager George Stevens to keep abreast of the efficacy of such integration by other cities and be prepared to consider the proposal later on.

There was no urgency in Jahn's request.

WATER PLAN GETS COUNCIL, CHAMBER OK

The City Council and Chamber of Commerce are among more than 92 groups in the county which have endorsed the Central and West Basin Water Replenishment District.

The district will be submitted to voters for approval at a special election Tuesday, Nov. 17.

The district also has been endorsed by the county Board of Supervisors and the county

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