



CLASS LUAU—Barbara Jo Gullett and Ker- en Gibson [standing], eighth-grade students at the Hamilton Elementary School, welcome Mrs. David Shoup to Hawaiian program.

'Littlest Outlaw' to be Viewed by PTA Members

Members of the Sepulveda PTA will have the opportunity to view "The Littlest Outlaw" Saturday at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at the school. Profits from the film showing will benefit the school library. On Jan. 21 the school faculty will present a program entitled, "Learning the Abilities of our Teachers."

The association theme for the new year is "We Come as Learners."



Bids Called for Sewer Main Work

Supervisor Burton W. Chace announced today that bids have been called for construction of a sanitary sewer main for the Harbor General Hospital.

Authorization for the bids, which must be received in three weeks, came after approval of plans and specifications by the Board of Supervisors.

Chace said the plans call for construction of a sanitary sewer main and lateral in 220th Street to serve the Heating and Refrigeration Plant and Laundry Building now under construction at Harbor General Hospital.

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College Cosmeticians Awarded Top Honors

Ascending from elementary pin-curls to top-place honors in the senior and junior divisions of El Camino College's cosmetology contest were Neela Turek, Lawndale, and Patricia Beckett, Torrance.

Other winners from the department's enrollment of 61 students were, in the senior division, Roberta Rowley, Manhattan Beach, second place; and Julie Hayward, El Segundo, third. Sandra Gish, Torrance, took second place in the junior division; third place in the junior division went to Adele Bardelon, Hawthorne.

According to Grace Mezzanatto, cosmetology instructor, the aspiring beauticians were judged on the basis of creativity and originality, workmanship, and current trend.

Miss Beckett, first place winner in the junior division, received a rotating trophy which will be passed on to next semester's winner. Senior division first place winner, Mrs. Turek, received a permanent trophy.

Second and third place winners in both divisions received certificates, recording their achievements.

Survey Shows Parents Pleased with Torrance School System

An informal survey of parent opinion has been taken under study by the Torrance Board of Education and school officials.

The survey indicated that parents generally are pleased with the education their children are getting in Torrance schools. About three-fourths felt that Torrance schools compare favorably with other schools their children attended or other schools with which they were familiar.

Replies were received from 123 local parents, whose names were selected at random from files of all schools and grade levels. Replies were anonymous, but they represented 239 Torrance families.

Twenty-seven per cent had attended only Torrance schools. Others had attended schools in 30 California cities, 20 states

and six foreign countries.

"We make parent surveys from time to time, to help us evaluate our school program," Superintendent J. H. Hull declared. "However, we must use not only opinions, but what we know about children's learning, to evaluate the total school program."

"While parents generally seem satisfied with local schools, we are constantly striving for improvement. We hope that tomorrow's schools will be better than today's. We take parents' suggestions seriously as we try to improve the schools."

Parents commented on a variety of aspects of the school program. Arithmetic and reading were mentioned by half the parents as the areas in which the best teaching is being done. Reading was mentioned most often as the area in which improvements are needed.

"There were a great variety of suggestions made for improving the school program," Dr. Hull noted. "Many of them expressed exactly opposite viewpoints. They covered everything from lunches and playground supervision to report cards and discipline. We have to take various viewpoints into account, add the best information available, and come up with an educational plan for Torrance children."

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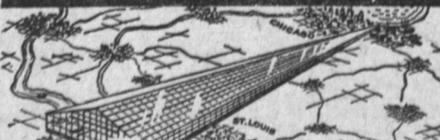
Chief Northington, assisted by members of his department, will give a demonstration of the dangers of fire in and around the home, and will discuss methods of prevention.

The entire program is under the direction of Mrs. Don Moore, chairman of safety and civil defense.

At the December meeting of the association, members witnessed a holiday pageant following the theme of "Around the World with the PTA."

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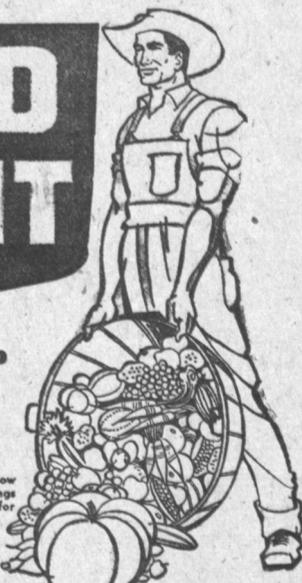


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