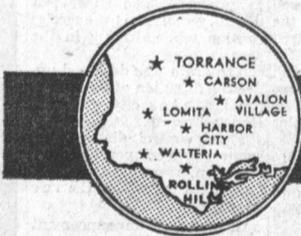


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City Launches Drive for State Funds for Del Amo Blvd. Work

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UCLA Schedules Classes At North High This Fall

With a major center newly established at North High School in Torrance, University of California extension this fall will bring an expanded program of University level adult courses to the greater Torrance area, according to Dr. Richard Baisden, associate director of campuses and centers.

Appointment of Leonard F. Dalton, assistant principal of North High School as university extension representative



LEONARD F. DALTON

is also announced by Dr. Baisden.

Dalton, who is president of the bay league of C.I.F. and a past president of the Pioneer League of C.I.F. has served as 1959 and 1961 principal of summer school at North High School. He received his BA and MA degrees at Arizona State University at Tempe, Arizona. A veteran of World War II, he is captain and supply officer for the 143rd Evacuation Hospital of the California National Guard. With his wife and seven children, five of whom are enrolled in Torrance Elementary School, he resides at 1811 Grammercy Ave. in Torrance.

LARGE CLASS
The largest group of univer-

sity extension classes will be at North High School in Torrance. All beginning during the week of September 18, the majority from 7 to 9:30 p.m., courses will be offered in the divisions of business administration, education, engineering, real estate and others.

"The recent rapid growth of the Torrance area has brought an influx of persons whose educational needs can only be met by high level university courses. In order to meet these needs, University of California extension has expanded its offerings for engineers, teachers, businessmen and the general public. With a major center for these classes now established in the area, hundreds of business and professional men and women will find a helpful solution to a need for advanced study," Dalton said.

University extension classes, starting during the week of September 18, will be offered in Culver City, El Segundo, Santa Monica and Torrance. An additional university extension activity will be the presentation of an international film series, "Neglected Masterpieces" to be shown in the Plaza Theater in Hawthorne on five successive Thursdays at 8 p.m. beginning October 12.

Advance registration and information bulletins listing complete information on the film series and Torrance courses as well as those in nearby communities are now available on request to offices of university extension at UC-



ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL—James Wetzel, 19, of 23841 Madison Ave. was hospitalized Monday morning after his automobile side-swiped a telephone pole and spun around at the corner of Carson St. and Maple. Wetzel told investigating officers that he fell asleep

at the wheel of the vehicle, which went out of control. Auto was completely demolished. No citations were issued to the driver, who was taken to Harbor General Hospital for treatment of lacerations and possible internal injuries.

Elimination of Four Top Executive Posts Saves Funds for Torrance, Says Manager

Torrance city is saving \$3000 per month because of absence of four employees who held executive positions at this time last year, it was estimated by City Manager Wade Peebles.

Either eliminated or unfilled, the four jobs include senior administrative assistant,

which was held by John Bramhall; public works director, formerly held by Peebles; assistant public works director, which was held by Douglas Horlander, and planning director, formerly held by George Powell.

Powell's vacated position is the only one to be refilled.

The personnel office presently is formulating a list of candidates for the post, Peebles announced.

When Bramhall was promoted to assistant city manager recently, his former job was left vacant.

When Peebles became city manager, he recommended he carry his old duties into his new office and redistributed them among remaining department heads.

The assistant director of public works post was abolished with adoption of a new budget. Horlander has appealed for reinstatement on the payroll in a different classification. Hearing is set for Sept. 8.

Civilians to Hear Edison Company Official Tonight

Torrance Civitans will hear John V. Wilts of the Southern California Edison Company at their regular meeting this evening, according to program director Dr. A. A. Rauch.

Wilts is a power consultant with the Redondo Beach division and will discuss the "Highlight of 1961" and progress of the Edison Company.

Wilts has been with Edison for many years and is also active with Civil Defense in Redondo Beach perfecting evacuation methods. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Jump 'N Jack.

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Estimate Project at More Than \$3,000,000

Acting upon a recommendation of the Intercity Highway Commission, the City Council last night took the first step in a highway improvement project that could make Torrance one of the major focal points of the county.

And what's more, proponents of the measure stated, successful conclusion of the project will save some \$3,000,000 of Torrance taxpayers' money.

Councilman J. A. Beasley, president of the commission, moved that a committee of councilmen be appointed to contact state highway officials on the feasibility of using state funds to improve Del Amo Blvd., utilizing it as an access speedway through Torrance to the end of the Artesia Freeway.

UNANIMOUS
Unanimously approving the measure, the council

named Councilmen Nickolas Drale, Victor Benstead and Beasley to the committee.

Beasley reported that his commission had conducted studies on the feasibility of establishing both 174th St. and Del Amo as "collector" routes to the extreme western end of the Artesia Freeway. Freeway currently ends at Normandie Ave.

He said that both county officials and officers from nearby communities have registered approval of the plan.

Currently state officials have been wrestling with the problem of how to route traffic from the terminus of the freeway through Torrance to Pacific Coast Hwy. to the beach cities. Freeway, in turn,

will connect with both the Harbor and San Diego freeways.

Artesia Freeway is expected to bear many times its present volume of traffic when completed.

Engineering plans for the improvement of Del Amo are currently being prepared by the city. Estimated cost of the work had run in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000.

Beasley pointed out that if the state accepts the route for a collector access road, this money will be saved by the city.

Another fringe benefit of the project, he said, will be the elimination of any possibility of still another freeway slashing through the city, bringing traffic to highways already built.

Civic Center Architect's Aide Dies Monday in Long Beach Hospital

Andrew H. Lail, 62, well known Torrance planner and city officials as representative of the city's prime architectural consultant, died Monday morning in a Long Beach hospital.

Lail was employed by Adams, Morgan, Latham, Kripp and Wright as director of public relations. In that capacity he had served the city of Torrance in its development of the civic center site and in planning for the municipal airport.

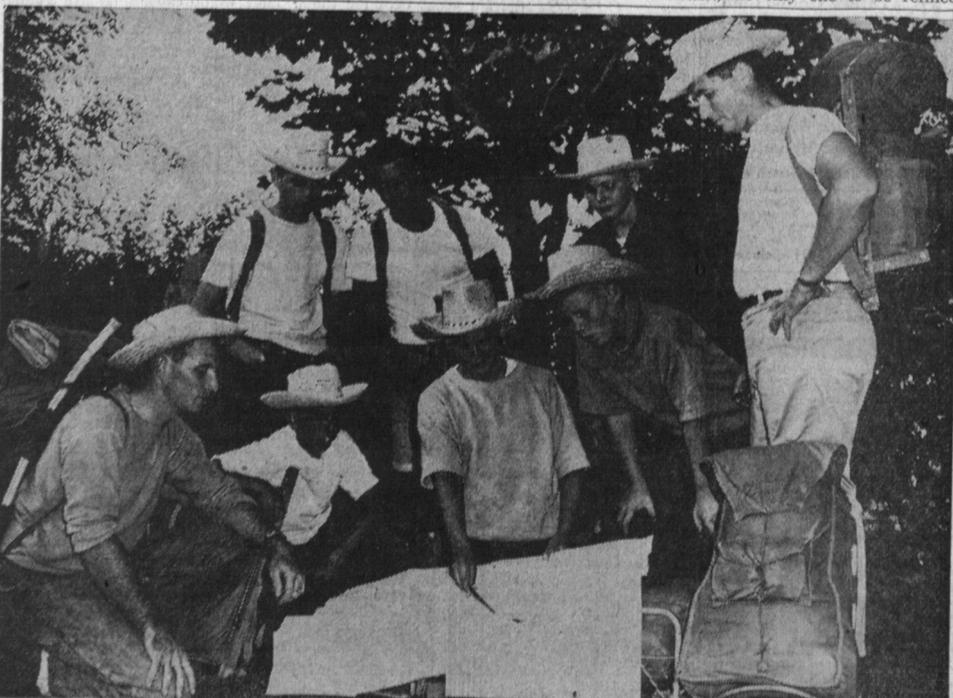
He was currently engaged in the preliminary planning for the new Superior Court scheduled for the Torrance civic center by the county.

He is survived by his wife, Wilda, and a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy M. Sherlock. Services will be held tomorrow

morning, 9 a.m., at Mottell and Peck Mortuary, Long Beach.



ANDREW H. LAIL



STUDYING ROUTES to Florence Lake, embarkation point, from which members of Boy Scout Troop 732 departed for a 15-day hike in the Sierra Nevada Friday, are (left to right,

front) Bob Scarborough, leader; Robert Franconbandera, John McVey, Steve Sisson, Rano Sullivan, (back) Wes Kennedy, Bob Bowman, and Nick Nicolle.



LAST DAYS OF SUMMER—Torrance youngsters, recognizing that the last bright days of summer are virtually over and that the first glum days of fall are just ahead, are descending upon the city's recreational facilities in force. Most popular spot for the

early-teen set are the watery expanses of Benstead Plunge, which has racked up a record attendance throughout the summer. Here lifeguards keep a watchful eye on the frolic-ing youngsters below.