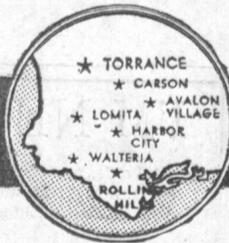


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CITY OFFICIALS TO AIR CONTROVERSY OVER AIRPORT 1000-SEAT THEATER

Driver Runs Red Signal, Causes Crash

A woman who had no auto license and ran through a red light caused an accident resulting in at least \$1200 in car damages to two vehicles, according to Harbor Division Police Department records.

The accident, which occurred at 2 p.m. Sunday at 190th St. and Vermont Ave., was initiated by Avanelle Sewanich, 40, 18616 S. Figueroa. She was driving a 1956 two-door Pontiac west on Vermont Ave.

She told police she failed to stop for a light because she was talking to her sister and did not see the red signal.

As a result of her talking, she slammed into Wilfred Eugene Eastland, 49, 18503 S. Normandie Ave., Torrance. He was driving a 1959 Ford pickup which was painted red.

Local Teacher Takes Part in Florida Class

Mrs. Tom Rische, 22920 Carlow Rd., has joined a select group of 57 French and Spanish Teachers from 10 states in an eight-week foreign language study at the University of Florida.

Mrs. Rische, an instructor at North High School, heads up the language department there. She teaches French.

At the University of Florida, Mrs. Rische is participating in a Foreign Language Institute which promotes the development of native fluency and competency in the foreign language taught during the school year.

The institute is under the direction of Dr. Irving Werchow, associate professor of Spanish at the university.



CRASH—Police report the running of a red light at 190th St. and Vermont Ave. caused an auto collision Sunday at 2 p.m. Damage to the two vehicles was estimated at \$1200. In one car was driver Mrs. Avanelle Sewanich, 40,

who had never owned a driver's license, and her sister, Mrs. Lucille Shirey, a passenger. In car two was Wilfred Eugene Eastland, who received a slight head injury. (Photo by Carolyn Perkió)

Knife Cuts Send Brothers to Hospital

The stabbing of two Torrance brothers Sunday in a San Pedro gang fight, resulted in treatment for one and hospitalization for the other, according to a Lennox Sheriff's report.

The Lopez brothers, Salvador, 17, and Edward, 20, both of 4123 W. 180th St., were treated at Harbor General Hospital for knife wounds.

Edward Lopez was released after treatment. Sal-

vador Lopez is still undergoing treatment. Harbor General Hospital reports early Wednesday showed he was responding satisfactorily.

INJURIES

Salvador suffered from punctures on the right and left side of his chest, internal bleeding, two slashes on his arm and a cut from his nose to his lip.

The two were involved in a gang fight at 3rd and Pat-

Injury to Brain in Mexican Waters Causes Boy's Death

Even a team of doctors failed to save the life of a seven-year-old Torrance boy who slipped into a Mexican surf hole last Sunday.

The youngster, Scott Ingersoll, son of the George Ingersolls, 3114 Sonoma St., was pulled out of the hole at La Mission Beach. He reportedly was lifeless from the surf.

A doctor who was nearby, Dr. Robert DeRiemer of Chula Vista used mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, and

Scott began to breathe.

The physician then gave the boy closed chest heart massage during a relay ambulance run that took him to Chula Vista Hospital.

Scott died 12 hours after his arrival at the hospital.

The coroner listed the cause as brain damage from lack of oxygen during the period when breathing had stopped.

Ingersoll, an engineer with IBM, said no funeral services will be conducted. The Ingersolls have two other children.

Editorial

Rewards leading to the capture and conviction of Dorothy Gale Brown's slayer continue to mount. To date the Torrance Press \$1000 offer is still one of the larger amounts to be set up for this purpose.

Meanwhile the murdered youngster has been interred at Roosevelt Cemetery in neighboring Gardena. So far there are few clues, and these do not offer any concrete evidence which might lead to a solution.

Police authorities in both Torrance and Orange County are doing everything possible to check out possible suspects.

The only positive suggestion that can be given parents is to redouble their efforts to keep their children out of the range of society's maladjusted

individuals. There's only one answer: Catch the murderer and serve notice on all pervers that Torrance is an unhealthy center for their operation.

The Press wants to make it clear that there is no time limit on the \$1000 reward. No price is too high to pay to bring the culprit to justice, and we feel that the amount we are offering might spur someone to uncover some unknown information.

Torrance now has lost two youngsters in less than a year. The first one, Karen Lynn Tompkins disappeared and was never found. A similar fate may have occurred to her as the one which ended the life of Dorothy Gale Brown.

Others desiring to add to the reward fund may contact the Press by calling DAVenport 5-1515.

Woman Attempts Suicide

A woman despondent due to her boy friend who left her for another girl tried to commit suicide by inhaling carbon monoxide fumes, according to police reports.

Denice Gail Heaney, 21, was found in an alley behind

Hearing on Issue Set Tuesday

A plush 1000-seat theater proposed for Rolling Hills Plaza will be quite a controversial item when it is brought before the Airport Commission at 5:30 p.m. next Tuesday (July 17) in a room adjacent to the City Council chamber.

The motion picture house, if approved by both the commission and the council would be located on airport land owned by the city.

There is the contention by some that Jefferson, Inc., the concern which leases 37 acres at the airport from the city should not be allowed a rezoning.

LOSE REVENUE

It would take an amendment to the present lease to place a theater and some fancy apartments on about 16 acres of the 37 acres.

Those opposed to amending the lease believe the city would lose valuable revenue by accepting the proposal.

In negotiating the lease with Jefferson, Inc. in 1957, City Atty. Stanley Remelmeier wrote in an amendment requiring that the land could only be used for shopping center development. Taxpayers who oppose changing the amendment contend the land would be far more valuable if it is used for other than the shopping center.

Opponents of the apartment houses also point out that homes would be a danger to the airport's flight pattern.

Airport Manager Jack Egan says, "Accidents can occur in the air, and there is the belief the best safety factor is to prevent construction in this area. That's one reason I consider apartments a real hazard."

SCHOOL PROBLEM

Egan said that in addition there is the school problem. More housing means more educational facilities, and this ultimately might increase taxes.

Representatives of Jefferson, Inc., the leaseholder, are not accepting the criticism without a battle.

Monday of this week, members of the firm appeared before a joint session of the Airport Commission and the Planning Commission in an attempt to gain approval for both the motion picture theater and the fancy apart-

ment houses.

City commissioners asked Jefferson, Inc. to split the theater and apartment house projects, contending that a decision could have been made on the motion picture. However, the airport leaseholder refused.

After the leaseholder's refusal, the Airport Commission set another meeting July 26 to air out the zone amendment request.

Yesterday Jefferson, Inc. representatives again appeared at City Hall, this time before the City Council at its regular session.

Spokesman Albert Levitt, president of Jefferson, Inc., asked that the council make a decision on the theater and that the apartment house issue be taken up at a later time.

Levitt contended that Sterling, a well known builder of motion picture houses, wanted an answer immediately on whether a structure could be placed at Rolling Hills Plaza.

The Airport Commission came to the council, and a spokesman said they would consider the Jefferson, Inc. request without prejudice July 26—even if the matter was heard before the City Council.

The council asked the Airport Commission to schedule the airport hearing next Tuesday (July 17), the same day the council meets.

Mavor Albert Isen said that if the Airport Commission finishes its business early, the group could give an oral report to the council.

Elks to Hold Officer Election

Election of officers will be conducted today by the Elks Lodge.

The Board of directors of the lodge meets at 7:30 p.m. in the lodge hall, and the ladies of the Elks will conduct their session at 8 p.m.



EAGER GROUP—Torrance youngsters leave on the initial summer trip of the Torrance Recreation Department. This trip was entitled the "City Tour" and featured a visit to Olvera St. and Angel's Flight.

Bank Now Open 59 Days Shows Good Return

New, independent Guaranty Bank of Torrance far exceeded projected deposit and loan business for the 59 days of operation since its opening in April, according to D. P. Loomis, president.

Acceptance of the bank's policies is reflected in the substantial financial figures reported in its June 30 statement of condition. Deposits totaled \$2,125,983; loans \$740,824; and total resources \$2,700,040.

"In behalf of the Board of Directors and Advisory Board I express our appreciation of the fine endorsement Guaranty Bank has received from the South Bay community, and its business and industrial firms," said Mr. Loomis.

He reported plans are proceeding for completion of the bank's permanent quarters at the same location. The new structure is expected to open in December.

Serving with Mr. Loomis on the Board of Directors are chairman Henry C. Griswold, Theodore E. Cummings, John F. Grube, M.D., James M. Hall, J. R. Higgins, Jr., George W. Schneider, E. J. Sorensen, and John A. Wilson, Jr. M.D.



THE WINNER—A E. Tracy, United States sales manager for Rambler, at left, congratulates Al Ortale, Torrance Rambler dealer, at right, for winning nationwide sales contest. As a result of winning the contest over 15 other California dealers, the Torrance agent will receive a trip to Switzerland and Italy for both himself and his wife, pictured in the center.