

# Toastmasters to Hold Panel on 'Dropouts'

By DON PAYNE

Dennis Bertelsen of Manhattan Beach presented his "Ice Breaker" speech at the South Bay Toastmasters Club Nov. 14.

The ice breaker speech is the first formal speech given by a new Toastmaster in his speech training program. Bertelsen took his share of the spoils home in his initial presentation.

Spud Monahan of Manhattan Beach presented a speech on "The Values Of Nickels."

Tom Rische of Torrance expounded his political views (impromptu) which was a part two portion of his previous speech titled "Straws In The Wind."

John Chadwick presented an educational speech titled "Benefits of Toastmaster Training." This speech was a special-interest speech for guests present.

Guests for the evening were Charles Smith of Manhattan Beach, Marc Otto of Torrance, Leo Gagnon of Torrance, Fred Green, Bill Deuel and Norm Nichiele of Torrance. Michiele was inducted as a member.

Tom Rische, a journalism instructor at South High School, will be toastmaster of the evening Wednesday and the moderator of a special panel discussion centered around the ever increasing problem of "School Drop Outs."

Scheduled speakers for the panel discussion are Dr. Robert Seaman of Manhattan Beach, James McDonald, Manhattan Beach, Robert Driezler of Redondo Beach, John Barton of Torrance, and Rey Rojo, also of Torrance.

A special invitation is extended to men interested in public speaking, men who have a desire or need to conduct meetings and who wish to develop leadership qualities to attend the South Bay Club, Wednesday 6:45 p.m. Redondo Elks Club, Call FR 1-2566 for further information.

# Mother, Baby Care Classes Set in Series

Preparedness training for expectant parents will be offered through Red Cross in its Mother and Baby Care course beginning Nov. 26 at the Wilmington Health Center, 612 W. "E" St., Wilmington.

Registration for the free series of seven classes to be held on consecutive Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. may be made by calling Red Cross, TE 2-8321 or TE 4-6773.

Although offered almost monthly at regional Red Cross headquarters in San Pedro, this is the first time a Mother and Baby Care course has been scheduled in Wilmington, and will be the last class offered in the area until January.

Red Cross nursing services chairman in Wilmington, Mrs. Ardythe Harper, says this is one course which requires no recruitment efforts, explaining that the problem lies in getting prospective parents to enroll far enough in advance.

Most of the expectant mothers and fathers don't enroll until zero hour is imminent.

Hence, just before a recent session a husband and wife phoned in to the San Pedro office to say he and his wife wouldn't make that evening's session. His reason: the missus was already on her way to the delivery room.

Two South Bay area girls have been named to student posts by the freshman class at Mount St. Mary's College 12001 Chalon Road.

They are Janet King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester King, 705 Yarmouth, Palos Verdes, vice president; and Kathy Reed, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Reed, 700 Avenida Mirala, Palos Verdes Estates, publicity chairman.

Both girls are graduates of Bishop Montgomery High School in Torrance.



FORMULATING PLANS for coming panel discussion covering school dropout program are (l-r) James McDonald, Moderator Tom Rische and Rey Rojo. Panel will be held Wednesday before South Bay Toastmasters.

# Employees Pledge Support of AID Givers Program

Employees of the Southern California Gas Company in the Southwest Division headquartered in Englewood have again pledged their support of the AID-United Givers program with a 1962 sign-up of 95.2 per cent, according to division manager G. M. Babbe today.

In making the announcement, Babbe said, "For our employees, this year's charity campaign featured a new concept in systematic support of the annual drive. Beginning with the 1962 registrations, the employee-donors were given the option of an annual sign-up or a "continuing" pledge in the equivalent of 12 minutes pay per week to be deducted from their bi-weekly pay check.

The "continuing" pledge, dubbed "Evergreen," would be automatically renewed each year unless discontinued by the employee. Nearly 75 per cent of the employees in our division have enrolled in this new plan of giving," Babbe said.

The division manager continued, "Since its inception eleven years ago, our group has generously supported the AID-United Givers program. Not only does it bring in more money for the Community Chest, Red Cross, and many other worthwhile charities, it does away with costly time-consuming multiple drives throughout the year."

Labor-Management Committee solicitors Bruce Fisher, John Huomoller, John Hyde, Guard Park and Charles Ray conducted the successful campaign in the Southwest Division.

# BIKE SAFETY

Forty-eight bicyclists were killed during 1961, an increase of nearly 50 per cent over the 1960 figure of 33, according to the California Highway Patrol.



HARBOR COLLEGE'S Homecoming Queen, Stephanie Korchak, is crowned between halves of Harbor-Glen-dale football game by President Wendell C. Black. Princess Caroline Van Dyck looks on.

# ORAL POLIO VACCINE IS SAFE, DECLARES SABIN

Dr. Albert B. Sabin eminent virologist and developer of the Sabin Oral Polio Vaccine says that there is no evidence whatever that Type III Sabin Vaccine has caused any person in this country, Canada or Western Europe, to contract poliomyelitis.

Dr. Sabin, who is in Los Angeles for a few days to lecture before the Los Angeles Pediatric Society's program session at the Ambassador Hotel, pointed out that of approximately 14 million people in the United States who took Type III vaccine this summer and spring, 15 suspect cases of paralytic disease resulted. Most of these cases were not polio, but resulted from echo and coxsackie viruses, and were therefore ruled out. But there was no evidence that those persons who did have polio received it from Type III Sabin vaccine.

He said that this applied to the four million people who took Sabin polio vaccine in Great Britain and the five million who had been given Sabin vaccine in Switzerland and Austria. In commenting on the withdrawal of Sabin vaccine about a month ago in Canada, he said that only four cases of paralytic disease were reported there, two in adults and two in children, and that the disease they had contracted was from some other cause, not Sabin vaccine.

Dr. Sabin praised the polio immunization program now being conducted by the Los Angeles County Association, and said that the efforts of the State of California to wipe out polio is superior to those of any other state in the Union. He said it is important to continue the immunization program in communities with large population movements, and urged that maximum immunization with all three types of polio vaccine be given to adults and children alike.

Oral polio vaccine immunization programs have proven highly successful in New York State, Ohio, Arizona, Texas and other states, according to Dr. Sabin, and he indicated that some thirty-one more states have scheduled similar campaigns on a community level. He said that this type of immunization program is the most effective.

Dr. Sabin further stated that everyone should be sure to take Type II vaccine (which will be made available here on Dec. 2 and 9), despite the fact that Strain II polio virus accounts for only 5 per cent of paralytic polio in the country.

He said that Type II polio could become as virulent as Type I, which is responsible for most epidemics as well as 85 per cent of all polio cases, and Type III, which accounts for 10 per cent of all polio cases. He pointed out that recently in Vietnam, a mammoth epidemic of 6000 cases of paralytic polio resulted from Type II polio virus and that other epidemics, also from Type II, have been reported in South America and Europe. He said it could happen here, unless everyone avails himself of Type II Sabin vaccine.

He also recommended that year-old babies who have already received all three types of the vaccine should be given a booster dose of a mixture of all three types.

# Unvented Gas Draws Note From Officials

The use of unvented space heating equipment in Southland homes drew a note of warning from City and County officials at a meeting with representatives of the Southern California Gas Company today.

The meeting, held Nov. 9, 1962 at the Statler-Hilton Hotel, was attended by officials of the city and county health, fire, and building departments, the National Safety Council, and the county Coroner's office.

The group met to discuss ways of further educating the public to the potential danger of continued usage of obsolete unvented heaters. The officials estimated that there are approximately 300,000 of these units in local usage and urged their replacement wherever possible.

The pointed out that the equipment in question lacks a venting system to carry the products of combustion out of the house, and should not be confused with the safe modern gas appliance and vented heating installations now available on the market.

The reminder, jointly issued by the government agencies and the gas utility, continues a safety program started nearly ten years ago. In evaluating the success of the program, it was pointed out that prior to 1952, accidental deaths from carbon monoxide poisoning averaged about 40 each year. Through annual public information campaigns this needless waste in human lives has been reduced fully 50 per cent.

A spokesman for the utility explained, "Although natural gas itself is not poisonous, improperly adjusted equipment or unvented heaters used in closed rooms can produce dangerous quantities of carbon monoxide. When using such equipment be sure and leave a window open for adequate ventilation."

Residents of the Los Angeles area were reminded to have their heating equipment checked by the utility or a qualified service agency in preparation for the coming winter months.

# Grad Training Program Set

Chief Roth, Navy recruiter in Torrance said today that prospective high school graduates may apply now for the Navy high school training program which offers training in more than 60 specialist schools.

"By applying now," Chief Roth said, "high school graduates may select their choice of schools and enlist immediately following graduation. Qualified applicants are guaranteed a trade school upon entering the Navy, to prepare themselves for a secure future. The rate of advancement is limited only by the man's abilities. A few of the rates open to qualified young men and women are as follows: Journalism, Hospital Corpsmen, Radiomen, Personnelman, Photography, Guided Missileman, Aviation and many more.

Students desiring detailed information or who would like an early application for the Navy high school graduate training program are requested to contact their local Navy recruiter at 1520 Cravens Ave., Torrance or telephone for an appointment at FA 0-3141.

# Vets Administration Issues New Artificial Leg Design

An artificial leg of revolutionary new design is being issued by the Veterans Administration to eligible veterans.

For above-knee amputees, the leg has a hydraulic knee mechanism which is designed to permit more graceful and efficient walking, with less energy.

This is the first such artificial leg to become available for use other than research. Developed commercially by a Glendale firm it was field-tested by the VA for about a year before the agency began general issue.

# DESIGN CHANGES

As a result of the VA test, several design changes have been made by the manufacturer to overcome early difficulties that were encountered.

Dr. Robert E. Stewart, director of the VA prosthetic and sensory aids service in Washington, D. C., said the new leg has been issued by the VA to 500 veteran-amputees, including the 100 who took part in the field test. Acceptance among this test group was very high.

He said about 8500 additional veterans are potentially eligible to receive the device from the VA and eventually may get it, on medical recommendation, as their artificial legs become worn out during the next few years.

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# Jewish Veteran Gains Position

SAN FRANCISCO—Irwin J. Kaplan, 4402 Torrance Blvd., state department commander of the Jewish War Veterans, has been elected chairman of the California State Veterans Employment Committee.

# Firm Declares Stock Dividend

A dividend of 30 cents per share was declared on the A Common Stock of Harvey Aluminum, Inc. The dividend will be payable Dec. 31 to holders of record of A common stock at the close of business on Dec. 12.

The action was taken by the board of directors of the company at a meeting held at the principal office of the company in Torrance.

# El Retiro Park Courts to Close

El Retiro Park tennis courts will be closed for resurfacing beginning Wednesday, Nov. 21, according to Harry B. Van Belleham, director of recreation.

# ABSENTEEISM

Arthritis is costing the nation's economy nearly \$2 billion a year, according to Floyd B. Odium, national chairman of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation, and founder of Atlas Corporation. Now resident of Indio, Odium reports that arthritis, net to respiratory ailments, is the leading cause of industrial absenteeism in the new booklet "Arthritis Cripples America."

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RESIDENT STARS Tim McCabe and his mother Mrs. Marvin A. McCabe, 1620 Greenwood Ave., Torrance, meet Actor John Conte at a recent Community Chest meeting, where Conte narrated the heroic story of Tim, a patient of Children's Hospital, to Community Chest Volunteers.

# 'Real Ham' Gets Training In Radios

The Nov. 8 meeting of the Marina Amateur Radio Club took a step in the direction of the real "ham," whose desire to build his own gear.

Lee Eighmey, WQGR/6, an applications engineer from the mid-west, shared his knowledge of bending sheet metal in chassis and basic hardware shapes used in equipment construction.

Members learned tricks pertaining to "homebrewing" a rig with nothing more elaborate than a kitchen table, some hardwood blocks, a little ambition and an understanding wife.

Another highlight was discussion of the auction scheduled on Sunday, Nov. 25. Auction in radio language is a get-together for trading or buying or selling of parts and equipment not currently in use in the "shack."

Visitors are always welcome at all club meetings. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m. in the fieldhouse at El Nido Park.

# GOOD RECORD

University of California records show that junior college transfer students earn scholastic records comparable to students who took their first collegiate work at the University.

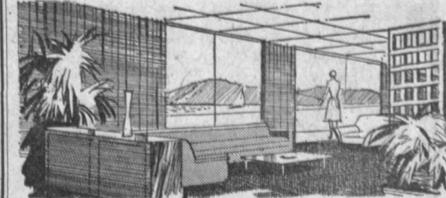
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