

Supervisors Report Carson Petitions OK

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SCHOOL USE DENIED RELIGIOUS GROUPS

Board Says Plan Illegal

A request by the Youth for Christ organization to rent space at South High School for its meetings ran smack into two obstacles last Monday night at a meeting of the board of education of the Torrance Unified School District.

One was the Supreme Court's ruling against prayer in the schools, the other was the fact that the approval of the request would open the floodgates for similar requests.

Board members assumed that the action, if approved, would be illegal and it was proposed to refer the matter to the county council for a ruling on the legality.

Answer Delayed

An answer will be given to the group at the board's Oct. 21 meeting.

The Youth for Christ group was represented by Orville Robinson of 4509 Green Meadows Ave., and more than a dozen teenagers who accompanied him.

Jerry Klippert, executive director, said the group presently was using rooms at Banning High School, Carson High School and Narbonne High School.

He said the proposal would not conflict in any way with school activities.

It was Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of the district, who brought up the church-state conflict. "This is a church-state matter," he said, "and don't forget it."

Dr. Hull praised the movement but doubted that the action would be legal. In this, he was supported by President Bert Lynn.



SPARKLING BITS OF GLASS cover the intersection of Western Ave. and Pacific Coast Hwy. Two cars collided here at 1:30 a.m. last Sunday morn-

ing, the one shown upside down and another. The wonderful fact is that no one was seriously hurt.

—PRESS Photo by David N. Ranns



FIREMAN GREG POWELL instructs swim pool owner in mouth to mouth resuscitation using life-like dummy imported from Norway. This is part of

a program by the Torrance Fire Department to teach water safety and methods of saving lives to owners of swimming pools in the city.

—PRESS Photo

Isen Disowns L.A. Strip at Council

Mayor Albert Isen last night at City Council disowned the Los Angeles strip which is reached by mail through Torrance Post Office.

"This area," said the mayor, "is always causing our city much unfavorable publicity, and it isn't Torrance at all." He was referring to the bank robbery which was described by newspapers as a "Torrance" holdup.

The mayor suggested sending a letter to news media "disowning" the area.

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VIEW OF LARGER class is shown with each taking turns at practice on dummy under supervision of Fireman Powell. The classes are held at poolside at

the homes. Service is available upon request by groups or clubs in Torrance as well as pool owners. Firemen donate time.

—PRESS Photo

Cityhood for Carson Is One Step Closer

The city of Carson came one step closer to reality Tuesday when county supervisors approved a petition circulated by those who support the cityhood movement.

Twenty five percent of the home owners in the area had to sign the petition in order that it be approved.

Final count showed that 30.08 percent had signed. The proponents also were well over the minimum 25 percent of the area's assessed valuation with 33.8 percent.

Set Meeting

Supervisors now will set a meeting on the proposal for cityhood which will give local residents a chance to voice opinions on the action.

The next step will be to place the cityhood proposal on the ballot so that voters can make the final decision.

Members of the Carson Cityhood Committee have said that it will be approximately two to three months before the issue can be placed on the ballot.

Proposed Area

It was said that this period should give everyone living in the area plenty of time to dig up all the pros and cons of the issue.

The area proposed for the city of Carson is bounded by Main St., Harbor Freeway, 213th St., and Dominguez St.

The present try for cityhood does not stem from trouble with the county, according to the cityhood backers, but is to protect Carson from being gobbled up by other cities through annexation proceedings.

New State Bicycle Laws in Effect; Contained in Section of Vehicle Code

Every time a youngster rides a bike on a public street, he faces all the hazards and pitfalls that await the average motorist.

And, though it may not have been clear before, he also accepts all the responsibilities and duties of the motorist.

That bicycle riding does carry heavy responsibility was emphasized by the 1963 Legislature, which added an entire section dealing with bicyclists to the California Vehicle Code. The new laws became effective Sept. 20.

Perhaps the most important is the section requiring riders to stay as near the right side of the roadway as possible (but not on the sidewalk). This section prohibits riding on the left side of the

center of the traffic lane. Riders also are warned to exercise caution in passing any vehicle.

Also of great importance is the provision that a bicycle rider must have at least one hand free at all times to grip the handlebar. This section aims at eliminating the practice of carrying anything which occupies both arms so that the rider has no control over the steering mechanism.

Another provision prohibits a bicycle rider from attaching himself or his bike to any other vehicle on the road.

No bicycle may be altered so that the pedal at its lowest point is more than 12 inches off the ground.

The handlebars may not be raised above the rider's

shoulder level.

The rider must sit on a permanent, regular seat, attached to the bike. And he may not carry any passenger on the handlebars.

Equipment requirements also were set forth. A bike now must have a brake capable of making one braked wheel skid on dry, clean, level pavement.

For operation during darkness, bikes are required to have a California Highway Patrol-approved red reflector on the rear, capable of being seen from 300 feet. Retained in the law was the previous requirement that bicycles be equipped with a white lamp on the front, which can be seen from 300 feet. Optional equipment is a red lamp on the rear.



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SHERMAN MILLER, 21 years a driver with the Torrance Municipal Bus Lines, receives a 21-year safe driving

pin from Les Rieman, acting superintendent. Miller lives at 1606 Gramercy, in Torrance.

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