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City Probe Widens; Call More Officers

Vice Officers Also Testify

Assistant Chief Mervyn H. Porter was questioned this week in the state attorney general's probe into alleged irregularities in the Torrance Police Department. Deputy Attorney General Jack Goertzen said that four more officers will be asked to testify today.

Porter gave statements in a closed session to Jack Goertzen, deputy attorney.

Goertzen said another member of the Torrance Police Department, Lt. Donald Hamilton, was scheduled to testify late yesterday afternoon.

Goertzen said Lt. Douglas Cook, head of the Torrance department's vice detail, and officers James Weyent, Leo Gonzales and Daniel Murray are to appear today.

Police Chief Percy Bennett and City Manager Wade Peebles already have testified in the investigation, which was requested by the Torrance City Council after the arrest last summer of three police officers charged with major crimes.

Walter Nollac, city engineer, faced the probes Wednesday in what was described as a day-long session.

Other members of the city branches as well as councilmen are expected to be subpoenaed in the near future, a spokesman said.

Christmas Home Lighting Competition Under Way

Torrance's fifth annual Christmas Display Lighting Contest gets under way this week, it was announced yesterday. Sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, this year's project is under the chairmanship of Mick Bock.

Two divisions — novelty and religious — have been established for the purpose of judging. Bock said, and awards will be made in each division.

First place winners will be presented with a trophy and an enlarged color photograph of their entries. Residents who place second will receive an engraved plaque along with the color photos.

Judging will take place on the evenings of Dec. 16 and 17. Project chairman Bock warned that all entries must be received by the Jaycees by Dec. 16 to be eligible for judging. An entry blank is printed on page A-2 of today's PRESS.

The Junior Chamber will host the winner's at the group's Dec. 19 dinner meeting, where the awards will be presented. Trophies and plaques for the project have been donated by local businessmen.

"The Christmas Display Lighting Contest serves a dual purpose," Bock said. "It not only encourages the spirit of the season, but makes Torrance neighborhoods even more beautiful during the holidays."



CHECKING the numerous bikes being held at the Torrance Police Department is Jo Vaughn, police matron. The more than twenty bikes are to be auctioned off this weekend. All bikes will be sold to the highest bidder and the money will go to the general police fund, according to Lt. Bob Wright of the department's record bureau. —PRESS photo

Bicycle Auction Set By Police This Saturday

Unclaimed bicycles being held at the Torrance Police station will be auctioned off this Saturday at 9 a.m. in the department patio.

The auctioneer will be Lt. Joseph Miles.

There will be approximately 25 bikes available for sale at the Saturday auction, according to Lt. Bob Wright of the department's record bureau.

With Christmas only a few days from the time of the auction police officials predict a lot of bidding since many of the bikes are suitable for gifts.

B of A Buys School District Bond Issue

A Bank of America N.T. & S.A. underwriting syndicate Tuesday, Dec. 3, purchased the \$1,870,000 bond issue of the Torrance Unified School District, Los Angeles County.

The Bank of America group paid a premium of \$599 for a combination of 4 per cent, 2 3/4 per cent, 3 per cent and 3 1/4 percent bonds. Net interest cost to the district was 3.15 per cent. The bonds were reoffered to investors to yield from 2.10 per cent to a dollar price of par on the 3/4 per cent bonds, according to maturity Jan. 1, 1965 to 1984.

The issue sold today is the first offering of 1963 Bonds. Proceeds will be used for various school purposes. The district is located 5 miles north of Los Angeles Harbor. The city of Torrance, almost 100 per cent contained in the district, accounts for virtually all of the assessed valuation. Estimated population is 114,400 and assessed valuation is more than \$261 million.

Bank of America underwriting syndicates finance an important share of the new school construction in California as well as additions and improvements to existing schools. The Bank and its associates in the past 12 months bought more than \$348 million of California municipal bonds.

Members of the bank group which purchased the Torrance Unified School District Bonds were: Paine, Webber, Jackson & Curtis and Kenower, MacArthur & Co.

State College President To Tell School's Plans

Dr. Leo F. Cain, president of California State College at Palos Verdes, will be guest speaker at a joint luncheon meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 11 at the Redondo Beach Elks Lodge, the presidents of sponsoring organizations said today.

Presidents LeRoy L. Center of the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce and Dick Fitzgerald of the Redondo Beach Coordinating Council said Dr. Cain's message is open to any interested South Bay citizen — reservations are available at the Chamber office — FR 5-0554 for the noon luncheon.

Dr. Cain will discuss the future of the State's newest College planned for the Palos Verdes Peninsula. Areas to be covered will be construction plans, enrollment, curricula, and economic impact on the South Bay area.

Dr. Cain was born July 30, 1909 at Chico, California. He received his A.B. Degree from Chico State College and both his M.A. and Ph. D. at Stanford University. He has been certified by the California Board of Medical Examiners as a Psychologist.

Dr. Cain has served as both teacher and principal at elementary and secondary levels in California public schools. He has taught psychology and special education at San Francisco City College, San Jose State, University of Maryland, University of Oklahoma and San Francisco State College. He served as dean and vice president of San Francisco State College.

He has served as Professor or Summer Lecturer at University of California, Stanford University, Brigham Young University, University of Arizona, University of Utah, University of Oklahoma, Colorado State

University, University of Illinois, University of Texas and Texas Christian University.

Dr. Cain is Immediate Past President of the Council of Exceptional Children, Chairman of the Special Education Advisory Committee of the United Cerebral Palsy Association and chairman of the Task Force on Coordination of services to the Mentally Retarded of Los Angeles County.

He has served on a number of special educator's committees including a survey of Liberian Education in Africa. He has contributed many constitutions to National Publications in the fields of Educational Research, Experimental Psychology, Criminal Law and Criminology and Mental Deficiency. In October of this year Governor Brown appointed him to the study commission on Mental Retardation.

Dr. Cain and his wife Margaret and three children reside at 312 Rocky Point Road, Palos Verdes Estates.



LEO F. CAIN

Contract Awarded

Improve Vermont Segment

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn announces award of a \$54,516 contract to Contractor H. E. Baker for the improvement of Vermont Ave. between Torrance Blvd. and 214th St. in the Carson area.

Baker was the lowest of eight bidders. Plans and specifications for the project were prepared by the County Board Department. "Work is scheduled for completion in February, 1964, weather permitting," Hahn said.

The job will consist of widening Vermont and making it a curbed, divided and channelized highway for a quarter-mile from Torrance Blvd. southerly. The project's remaining portion to 214th street will consist of the construction of a 25-foot wide section of pavement with curb and gutter on the west side of the roadway.

Also included in the work will be the construction of roadway drainage structures and other roadway facilities,

Hahn said. This is another major improvement to keep pace with the growth of the Carson area," Hahn said. "I have been giving special attention to the safety and convenience needs of motorists in this area since it became part of the Second District last summer."

The Second District Supervisor draws attention to County Road Department provisions for control of traffic while work is in progress:

"One 12-foot traffic lane in each direction will be maintained on Vermont Ave. at all times," he said.

During paving operations on the east leg of Javelin St., traffic may be reduced to one flagman - controlled lane.

On the west leg of Javelin St., one 12-foot lane will be maintained for the duration of construction within the street. Supervisor Hahn pointed

JESSE UNRUH HONORED AT LOCAL RECEPTION

Honorable Jesse "Big Daddy" Unruh was a shadow of his former self when he visited Torrance yesterday.

The assembly speaker, in town to be honored at reception last night at the Jump 'n Jack Restaurant, was some 66 pounds lighter than the last time he was here three months ago.

Unruh was honored by the Torrance Democrats, Inc. He

told the PRESS that his political future is uncertain. Unruh admits he slimmed down to run, but qualified it by saying that today it's necessary in politics to run to "stay alive."

"I haven't decided rather or not to seek reelection," he said, "but my interests are definitely not in Washington."

The assemblyman said that he is in favor of a tax reform in state school financing. More state money should be available for aid to schools, Unruh said. He suggested a possible hike in cigarette tax to cover the expense.



HON. JESSE M. UNRUH

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WEATHER

Sunny today and Saturday with little temperature change. The high is expected to be 74 degrees, low 53. Water temperature at Torrance Beach, 60. Fog is expected tonight and Saturday morning.



ADMIRING HUGE TROPHY won by the Torrance Blue Devils, Pop Warner Football team are, from the left: Ray Futrell, Coach; Charles Oates, president of the Torrance Police Officers Association; Percy Bennett, Police Chief; and Ralph Hogue, Coach. The

Torrance Police Officers Association sponsored the Blue Devils. The trophy is for the South Bay Conference Champs. This is the first year a Torrance team has won the trophy.

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