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THIEVES HIT IDLE CHOPPER

A Penny for your Thoughts

With classes well under way now, the Pennies photographer asked several mothers for comments about the effect of a new school year on their households.

Mrs. Joseph Jay, 205 del Sol:

"I'm not particularly glad my children are back in school, I like it when they are home. This year, they seem to be very serious about school and devote a lot of time to studying."



Mrs. R. L. Rudy, 5504 Halson St.:

"I don't have any children of my own, so my activities and chores have not changed much. A new school year means football season, so my husband is now playing football each afternoon with the neighborhood children—on my front lawn."



Mrs. Howard Barnes, 15907 Chanera St.:

"The busy part of my day has changed from mid-day to early evening. I am glad to have the time during the day. It gives me more opportunity to work in the groups to which I belong and to do my household work."



Mrs. D. E. Stoner, 15903 Chanera St.:

"I have a lot more time for things I want to do—such as bowling league or club work. I would rather have my boys at home—I enjoy my children. It is kind of lonely on our street with all the children back in school."

Peebles Refuses To Talk

Former City Manager Wade Peebles, called before the grand jury to answer questions relating to alleged irregularities in the city, cited provisions of state codes Thursday and declined to answer any questions before the panel.

Peebles reportedly read a prepared statement to the county grand jury panel outlining his legal grounds for not appearing as a witness. He alleges that he is being accused of a crime and was there under subpoena to answer questions about it.

PEEBLES' appearance followed by two days of inquiry into facts surrounding the arrest last year of ex-Councilman Robert B. Jahn on a charge of drunk driving. Jahn and several Torrance police officers had appeared before the panel to give statements about the events surrounding the arrest.

Jahn has claimed he was arrested on the charge of drunk driving after being followed by police for several weeks on orders issued by Peebles. Peebles, who later resigned from his post, has denied issuing the orders.

The charges against Jahn were dropped as soon as City Prosecutor Charles Catterlin learned of the circumstances of the arrest.

Math Teacher Wins Year's Science Grant

Frank Small, math instructor at North High School, has been selected to attend the National Science Foundation Institute at Alhambra.

Presented by the Physical Science Extension of the University of California, L. A., the one-year math award includes free tuition, and book and travel allowances. The courses will cover modern aspects of algebra, geometry, trigonometry, and analytic geometry.

Small was one of 25 secondary school teachers to receive the grant. The National Science Foundation was established in 1950 by Congress and is supported by the Grant National Science Foundation through yearly appropriations.



PATHS CROSS . . . Five cadets at the U. S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs who met in the dormitory at the Academy last month had something in common. They are all graduates of South High School.

Shown looking through a Spartan year book are: Cadet James B. Schindler, Cadet Capt. John A. Hewitt Jr., Cadet T/Sgt. William R. Latham III, Cadet S/Sgt. Donald E. Hickman, and Cadet Phillip Q. Dowsing.

U. S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY

Five Spartan Graduates Meet at Service School

On college campuses throughout the country each fall reunions between students from the same hometown are commonplace. But when five uniformed students cross paths at a government military academy and discover they hail from the same school and hold \$100,000 in scholarships between them, it's no ordinary reunion.

That's exactly what happened to five Torrance cadets last month at the nation's newest service academy—The U. S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colo.

Filling the ranks of the classes of '65, '66, '67, and '68 are five graduates of South High School, and each holds an Air Force scholarship valued at \$20,000.

MEMBERS of those classes include Cadet John A. Hewitt Jr., who will graduate next June; Cadet William R. Latham III, entering his junior year; Cadet Donald Hickman, a sophomore, and James B. Schindler and Phillip Dowsing, freshmen at the Academy.

The future Air Force officers had active careers during their four years at South High.

Hewitt, a graduate of South High in 1961, earned three letters in varsity golf, served in the student government, and was a member of the National Honor Society. He received an athletic scholarship award. Hewitt is the son of Col. and Mrs. John A. Hewitt Sr.

MAJORING in military management, Latham entered the Academy after graduating in 1962 from South High. He was a member of the Boy Scouts and high school activities included baseball, football, and track. He is the son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. W. R. Latham Jr.

Football highlighted Hickman's high school career. His other activities included wrestling, choir, services clubs, and the California Scholarship Federation. He served as president of the Russian Club for one year. Hickman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray C. Hickman.

Schindler served as president of the Chemistry and Chess clubs while earning letters in track. He won a first place award in the annual Torrance Science Fair, was a member of the Astronomy

and Scholarship clubs. He is the son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. W. J. Schindler.

DOWSING participated in varsity football and attended El Camino under the advanced placement program. He was a member of the Order of Apollo, the school service club. Other activities included Lettermen's Club and Boys' State. He served in the student government and was honored by the California Scholarship Federation.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Dowsing Jr. When Cadet Hewitt gets his commission in June, it won't be the first time Academy officers have found themselves handing a diploma to a South High graduate. Cadet Michael R. Robbins, a member of South's class of '60, was commissioned last June.

Tartars Set Annual Open House Event

"Back-to-School" night at Torrance High School will be held Wednesday evening. Letters inviting all parents to participate in the annual open house have been mailed, according to Dr. Carl Ahee, principal.

The program will include a short general meeting at 7:15 in the school auditorium, to be followed by a seven-period day. Parents will visit their children's classrooms to hear about courses and meet teachers.

Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria following the classroom programs.

Harbor Chambers Slate Meeting

The Harbor District Chambers of Commerce will meet Thursday at the Community Savings and Loan Building, 3901 Atlantic Blvd., North Long Beach. The meeting will begin at 7:45.

Radio Gear Stripped in Daring Raid

You're not safe from thieves even in the middle of the day and at a busy aircraft operation at a busy airport, Ralph Lewis of Bay Area Aircraft Co. concluded this week.

While one of the firm's helicopters was parked in the firm's airport hangar, someone slipped in, cut wiring and aerial connections, and removed a 90-channel VHF transceiver valued at more than \$1,200 from the machine.

Lewis told investigating officers that the radio equipment in the chopper was intact at 9 a.m. Thursday and a little later in the day he found the equipment missing.

ANOTHER daytime burglar entered the William Leslie Jr. home at 23007 Doris Way Friday while Leslie, an engineer, was away at work. Leslie told police someone had ransacked the house after entering through a window and had left with coin collections and bills totaling \$95.60. Among the loot was a number of silver dollars, he said.

The burglar who hit a new home at 4825 Torrance Blvd. must have worked at night, according to reports filed by Adco Development Co. Police were told that someone entered the house and stripped out the built-in AM-FM radio system and intercom which had been installed.

Adco officials said the radio base station had been installed in the kitchen, and that speakers were placed throughout the new house. All were taken by the thief, police were told. Value of the system was placed at \$650.

Help Asked As Vickers Cuts Staff

The employees of the Vickers Aerospace Division in Torrance are faced with severe cutbacks in jobs with possible complete suspension of operations at the plant according to an announcement Vickers management has sent to IUE Local 1512, bargaining agent for the Vickers production workers.

In a letter signed by Walter K. Deacon, California operations manager, the company stated that changed economic conditions and changes in the government aerospace program are responsible for this move.

Both the Local Union and the Washington headquarters of the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, AFL-CIO, are contacting Senators Kuchel and Salinger, Congressman King and other officials as well as key figures in the Defense Department, Air Force, Navy etc., in an attempt to direct contracts to Torrance Vickers plant and save the jobs of the affected workers.

Employment at the Torrance Vickers facility has fallen from a high of over 600 employees to a present work force of approximately 300 with the number declining weekly.

Three to Learn About New Plans

Three members of the instruction staff of the Torrance Unified School District will travel to Newport Beach to get the latest word on developments in production and utilization of audio-visual materials and equipment. They will attend the annual conference of the Southern Section of Audio-Visual Education Assn. of California Oct. 23 and 24. Attending will be Roderick D. McDaniel, Neil A. Lewis, and Mrs. Stella M. Olsen.

Student Attacked - - -

A 22-year-old student was treated at Harbor General Hospital for injuries he said were inflicted by attackers in North Torrance Friday night. Dennis Patrick Rogan, 3601 W 172nd St., was walking near his home when he was attacked without provocation, he told police. He was struck on the head with a beer bottle, he said. He could not name his assailants.

Robber Wears a Derby - - -

A bandit attired in a derby hat tapped the cash register of a market at 1115 W. Pacific Coast Hwy. Thursday night and fled with an estimated \$1,000. He took from checker Don Takahama. The bandit ordered Takahama and another clerk, Eddie Flores, to put the market's cash receipts into a bag, they told police.

Johnson Win Predicted - - -

Lt. Gov. Glenn M. Anderson, speaking before the Young Democrats club at El Camino College this week, said President Johnson would defeat Barry Goldwater by "the greatest margin in American history." Anderson said Goldwaterism was not in the mainstream of American life but was "nothing more than a babbling brook."



THREE EAGLES . . . Achieving Eagle rank in one Court of Honor, Larry Stanley, Steven Vrana, and Bobby Lyons were invested with the Eagle Scout rank during ceremonies held last week. The boys, members of Troop 154, which is sponsored by Kiwanis International, were honored along with other members of the troop who received awards.

To Discuss New Needs, Programs

Raymond E. Collins, principal of the Torrance Adult School, will exchange ideas on adult education programs during a trip to San Francisco late this month.

Collins will attend the annual conference of the California Association of Adult Education Administrators.

Set for Oct. 29, the meeting will place emphasis on new laws adopted by Congress which will affect adult education.



GETS TROPHY . . . Mrs. Porter B. Marsh, right, general chairman for the Centinela-South Bay district of the American Cancer Society, receives the Litton Achievement Trophy from the County branch president Mrs. Robert L. Brown. The trophy will be displayed at 16503 Hawthorne Blvd., during the next year.