

### Two Torrance Schools Offer Class for Future Teachers

Prospective student teachers from Long Beach State College last week began a three-month observation-participation program at two Torrance schools.

Under the supervision of William Leahy, principal, 13 students have been assigned to Carr Elementary School. They include: Marilee Boyle, Joan Jordan, Elmyra Murray, Julianne Libbea, Diane Steele, Avis Nunnally, Jay Ann Tess,

Sharon St. Gean, Thora S. Prince, Blanche Jackson, Victoria Bliss, Mary Ann Brigham, and Ester Pereira.

Four students, supervised by Dr. Robert Ford, principal, are observing classes at West High School. Students and their subject areas are: Mavis McGowan, speech and English; Michael Stark, history and English; Dennis York, business and economics, and Mary Brennan, mathematics and chemistry.

### Students Learn Functions Of Government on Council

Election season has arrived. The Torrance 10-to-14 year old set has been casting ballots this month in an annual event which results in government of the children, by the children and for the children — student council elections.

At Anza Elementary School, as at many of the 34 elementary schools throughout the city, the day at the polls was preceded by post-polls politicking, and campus campaigning climaxed by a

pre-election assembly program.

For fourth-through-eighth grade students, student councils are the first chance a boy or girl gets to put his studies of democratic government into practice. Not only do students elect school officers, but they also choose classroom representatives to speak for their group in the rule-making body.

OPERATING under the framework of a student-written

constitution, the student council meets weekly to discuss activities to encourage good citizenship. Serving as an ex officio member of the Anza student council is Edwin Raphael, vice principal, who interprets school policy to the council members and assists them in organizing activities.

What sort of problems come before the student governing body? "One of the first things new council members will discuss this year,"

Raphael said, "will be rules and regulations for playing tetherball. When a 10-year-old sits in a governing body and sets up guidelines for 900 students on something that is part of his daily routine, such as tetherball, he's gaining insight into the problems of the adult sitting in Sacramento or Washington deciding on the law of the land."

IN ADDITION to establishing rules for playground

games, last year Anza student council members sponsored a bicycle safety poster contest in connection with a bicycle safety program where licenses were issued and bikes checked for defects, planned and presented a Lincoln's Birthday program and a Washington's Birthday program, developed an honor roll and a citizenship roll for students who earned "B" or above on their report card, assisted in staging the school's fifth annual science

fair; and put on a student service awards assembly.

Student council activities at other Torrance elementary schools last year ranged from collecting toys and food for underprivileged children to keeping bulletin boards up to date.

ONE COUNCIL ran a radio station during lunch hours which played records and announced school news over a campus loudspeaker. Another student governing body organized a school newspaper. Some sponsored original play and poster contests and cleanup drives. And some promoted sports competitions between faculty members and student teams.

Under provisions of the student constitution at Anza School, the principal has veto power. Changes in the constitution and by-laws require a two-thirds vote.

### El Camino To Present Albee Play

Edward Albee's "The Ballad of the Sad Cafe" will be presented at El Camino College this Friday and Saturday, Nov. 5 and 6.

The playwright adapted "The Ballad" from a novella by Carson McCuller. "It's basically a study in loneliness," Robert McKinnon, director of the play, commented "It's a kind of loneliness that comes from not having a purpose in life and as a result, all the characters have warped personalities," McKinnon added.

The cast includes Rebecca Goldstein, Allen McCollum, Mark Robenson, Barry Cravey, Ken Heckman, Mike McCann, Emma Hale, Bob Hartstein, Terry Collier, John Wilson, and Judy Vandleningham.

### Scouts Will Pool Candy For Retarded

Members of Girl Scout Troop 2000 will collect Trick-or-Treat candy this weekend for mentally retarded children at Pacific State Hospital in Pomona.

The troop's collection will be combined with that of the Culver City Girl Scouts to achieve a quota of one ton of candy, which will be presented to the children at Pacific State Hospital Nov. 5.

The troop is sponsored by the Harbor-Lite Dog Obedience Club, Marty Lehr is the leader.

### Hahn Seeks Southwest Area Study

A five-point study designed to provide a "full and comprehensive" community development program for the South Los Angeles County area has been started at the direction of Supervisor Kenneth Hahn.

"The aim of this program should be to revitalize this area as a place in which to live, to work, and to play," Hahn said.

The supervisor asked the county's chief administrative officer and the Regional Planning director to:

- Analyze the communities in the area in terms of their economic and social characteristics.
  - Make an inventory of present land use patterns.
  - Prepare a long-range community general plan, including land use, circulation, schools, parks, public buildings and sites.
  - Develop liaison with community leadership.
  - Recommend programs and activities to implement the general plan.
- Hahn said one of the chief reasons for the program is to determine land use patterns, which have changed significantly since the original zoning was voted.

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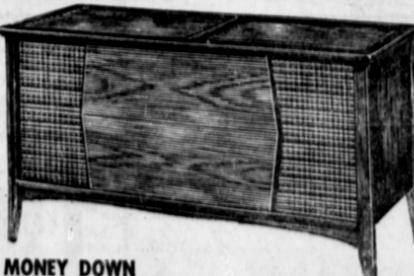
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