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## IN MODEL LEGISLATURE

### South High Senior Seeks Speakership of Assembly

A 17-year-old South High senior this week is conducting a political campaign which he hopes will result in his election as Speaker of the California State Assembly.

Paul Schmidt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Schmidt, of

4712 Paseo de las Tortugas, is conducting his campaign among YMCA delegates throughout Southern California in preparation for an election convention which will convene Saturday.

Schmidt was nominated by the Torrance YMCA to run for the state-wide office as YMCAs throughout the state make plans for the annual YMCA Model Legislature. The model legislature will meet in Sacramento in February.

He is not sure he will be on the track team this year since the track and gymnastics seasons overlap.

HE CALLS the YMCA Model Legislature a "real copy."

"I like to think of the model legislature as better than Boys' or Girls' State (a youth in government program

THE YOUTH in government program is held annually and offices are divided between the northern and southern sections of the state. This year, a student from Northern California will be named governor, and the Speakership of the Assembly, the second most powerful political job in the state, will be held by a Southern California student.

The election will be held during a convention Saturday at Pepperdine College in Los Angeles. Officers are elected prior to the actual meeting of the model legislature to give them time to attend training sessions.



PAUL SCHMIDT Campaigns for Office

SCHMIDT previously has participated in two model legislative sessions, representing the local YMCA in 1964 and 1965. He currently serves as vice president of the YMCA Inter-Club Council.

How is he going about his campaign?

Well, he's not making any special promises in the bid for office, but he is sending out circulars to other YMCA delegates who will meet Saturday at Pepperdine College. He also plans to speak before the groups Saturday.

If elected, Schmidt will press efforts in the model legislature to examine the problems of the recent Los Angeles riots. "Not too much has been done," he said.

A MATH student, Schmidt spends his free time working special mathematics problems, collecting reptiles, or riding waves on his surf board. He hopes to attend the University of California at Los Angeles, where he will major in mathematics.

Eventually, Schmidt hopes to attend graduate school and study bio-physics.

At South High, he is a member of the gymnastics team and was a pole vaulter for the track team last year.

sponsored by the American Legion) because the YMCA chooses its own delegates," Schmidt said. "Delegates are not chosen by adults and there is a chance for more kids to participate," he added.

Does he plan a future in politics? Schmidt said he doesn't, but then politics is not a career field which can be planned—or unplanned—with certainty.

Seaman Rec. Donald H. Roane, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald L. Roane of 4440 Calle Mayor, has begun seven weeks of Navy basic training at the U. S. Naval Training Center, San Diego.

In the first weeks of his naval service he will study military subjects and live and work under conditions similar to those he will encounter on his first ship or at his first shore station.

### Youngsters Stay After Class to Work in Shop

If the proof of the pudding is in the eating, then it would follow that the proof of the handicraft would be in the finished product.

And the finished product—be it a wooden skateboard, a plastic peaholder, or a metal ashtray—is what a group of eighth-grade Torrance boys are interested in. When a shop teacher at Magruder Elementary School recently mentioned to students that they could come back for a couple of hours after school to work on their projects, 35 boys showed up for the first in a series of weekly sessions.

DURING the after-school sessions, youngsters worked on everything from bud vases to mosaic tables. Because they had been taught in class that cleanup is part of shop procedure, they pitched

in and cleaned up when they had finished their extra work.

Torrance youngsters are taught how to use tools and machines for do-it-yourself projects in seventh and eighth grade shop classes. They work at planing desks, workbenches, and at tool areas. Student shop foremen are in charge of cleanup activity following work sessions.

IN ADDITION to learning to make drawings and become familiar with tools, students are taught the rules of safety. Emphasis is on learning to use the proper tools for the proper job.

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### Torrance Man Gets New Post

Appointment of Bruce Sizelove of Torrance as a vice president of Continental Bank of Los Angeles has been announced by the bank's Board of Directors.

Sizelove will have duties as an administrative officer in the bank's loan department. He first joined Continental Bank in March, 1964, as a credit officer.

The new vice president is a former assistant national bank examiner for the controller of the currency.

He and his wife are parents of two daughters.

The bank also announced the election of George Corliss, a vice president, as senior vice president and director. He will continue to manage the bank's main office.

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