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## Lyman Calls for Passage Of Unruh-Petris Tax Bill

Enactment of many major provisions of the defeated Unruh-Petris tax reform bill by the reapportioned State Senate were called for Sunday by David K. Lyman, now seeking the State Senate seat from the new 32nd District.

Lyman, speaking to an afternoon gathering at the Lomita home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kessenick, termed the measure "the first major comprehensive tax reform bill to come out of the legislature since the 1920s."

The Unruh - Petris bill passed the Assembly in 1965, but was killed by the State Senate, Lyman noted.

**THE PROPOSED** reforms would decrease school property taxes by an average of 25 per cent, Lyman said. It also would eliminate taxes on business inventories, household goods, and solvent credits such as accounts receivable.

Massive relief for overburdened elderly taxpayers also would be provided by passage of the measure, Lyman said.

The property tax was enacted at a time when most land produced income, Lyman explained, and, therefore, was really a tax on income. Today, however, many persons owning small pieces of property utilize their land for a home, with no income-producing features.

"USUALLY, these people have a small investment and a large mortgage," Lyman said. "Yet they pay taxes based on the high value of the land rather than their investment."

Under some provisions of the Unruh-Petris proposal, a more equitable shift of the tax burden would be found in an increase in income tax and enactment of a withholding measure a one-cent increase in sales tax, a 5-cent-a-pack cigarette tax, and increases in bank, corporation, and inheritance taxes.

"THE PROVISIONS eliminating the business inventories tax are extremely vital to the 32nd Senatorial District," Lyman said, "because many businesses are located within the district." Reduction in business inventories would act as a stimulus to business and employment, he predicted.

Another significant need is elimination of the tax on solvent credits, or accounts receivable, Lyman declared. These are a "great burden" on small business, he said, adding, "The small businessman's problems are great; unless he went to see the end of this segment of our economy, we must take steps to strengthen its position."

## Tartar Teen Talk

By Jeanne Rubeo

It is mid year — finals, term papers, completion of projects, anticipation of report cards — the end of the first semester, the beginning of the second. With the fast tempo of activities here at Torrance High, I would like to begin my first column by sharing with you the exciting events planned for the months ahead.

On March 5, our 15th annual Original One-Act Play Festival will be presented. It will be a special treat for those of you who haven't witnessed this splendid thespian activity. Students write, direct, produce, design sets, and act in the plays. To top off the evening a panel of leading drama professors from Southland colleges and universities will critique the plays.

The junior class will sponsor a donkey basketball game in our gymnasium on March 10. Last year's donkey basketball game was a side splitter and we hope this one will be just as tremendous. DELIGHTFUL sounds of music will be heard April 28, when the Tartar Music Department holds its annual Spring Concert. This is a music highlight of the year. A wonderful program is being planned.

The event awaited for throughout the school year, is the annual Junior-Senior Prom, which is sponsored by the junior class. This year it will be held April 29 at the International Hotel in Westchester. A theme for the prom will be chosen later by the Junior Class Council.

The third Annual Art Exhibit is scheduled for May 6. The outstanding work produced by our art students

will be an exhibit for all to view. The judging will be done by noted artists in the area.

It is going to be a great semester, and the Tartar student body would like your support at these activities.

I would like to congratulate Julia Takayama for her fine job this past semester as commissioner of publicity. She was effective in all phases of her work and I only hope I can do as well. Julia is now serving as senior class president.

See you next week . . .

## Photography Class Slated By Torrance Night School

Darkroom work will highlight the photography course to be offered for the Spring semester by the Adult Education Division of the Torrance Unified School District.

Under the direction of Melvin Steinberg, photography for beginners and advanced students will be taught Thursday from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at Torrance High School, 2200 W. Carson St., beginning tomorrow.

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## Principals Given New Assignment

Administrative changes involving four Los Angeles City Schools serving the Torrance area were announced Monday as the spring term began here.

Two new principals and two new vice principals were assigned to schools in this area by Jack P. Crowther, superintendent of Los Angeles City Schools. Crowther said 151 administrative assignments have been made for the spring semester.

Paul Anthony Shonafelt was named principal at Hall-dale Avenue Elementary School, 21514 Hall-dale Ave. Joseph Nick Marino becomes principal of 223rd Street School, located at 1123 W. 223rd St.

The new vice principals are Mrs. Alice Putnam, assigned to Catskill Avenue School in Wilmington, and Francis Van der Linden, who is assigned to Normont School at 1001 W. 253rd St., Harbor City.

## Auxiliary Will Hear Medical Man

Dr. Thomas Gucker, assistant medical director of rehabilitation at Los Angeles Orthopaedic Hospital, will discuss "Habilitation and Rehabilitation" at tomorrow's meeting of Las Madrecitas.

Las Madrecitas is the South Bay Auxiliary to the Crippled Childrens Guild. Mrs. David Conleton, new president of the auxiliary, will preside.

Husbands and friends of Las Madrecitas members are invited to attend the session, which will be held at the home of Mrs. Eugene Eichler, 420 Via Malaga, at 8 p.m.

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