

# San Pedro Submits New Bid for College

A newly organized San Pedro group headed by Harry Carr has requested state officials to consider 196 acres near the South Shores area west of San Pedro for the homeless four-year state college, presently named the California State College at Palos Verdes.

The proposal, comprising maps, ownership lists, assessments, and aerial photos of the area, was put in the hands of the college trustees Monday, San Pedro sources reported.

The committee, calling itself the Harbor Committee for California State College,

asked that the San Pedro site be considered if for any reason the presently earmarked Peninsula site is not available.

Monday's proposal was the second attempt to put the college in San Pedro. Earlier Assemblyman Vincent Thomas, who makes his home in

the port city, suggested that a depressed area slated for redevelopment in downtown San Pedro be taken over for the college.

Assemblyman Thomas was not publicly identified with this week's San Pedro efforts but his local field deputy, Walter Harvey, was a mem-

ber of the committee that made the presentation.

Chairman Carr reported that Dr. Leo Cain and Dr. Harry Nethery of the college staff has inspected the new San Pedro site at the invitation of the committee.

Those charged with the site selection, however, have

not wavered from their decision to put the college atop the Palos Verdes Peninsula, even in the face of near unanimous opposition from community leaders throughout the area to be served by the new facilities.

Torrance proposals that a site at Sepulveda and Cren-

shaw be considered have been passed over, although property in the Dominguez area has been considered by some as a possible alternative to the prohibitively priced Peninsula property.

No official comment has been received here about the new San Pedro proposal.

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**NAVY BOUND . . .** Petty Officer Bill Harris checks eight new Navy recruits who have signed up under the 120-day delay enlistment program. From left are Edmond Diot, George Murphy, Gary Ehrenfeld, John Sadler, Robert Rodina, William Yurak, Darrell Matheny, and DeWayne Little. Chief Albert J. Meteney, local Navy recruiter, handled the enlistments. (Press-Herald Photo)

# City May Try to Buy Private Water Firms

## School Budget Cut \$600,000; More to Come

Initial cuts totaling more than \$600,000 in the 1965-66 school budget were recommended to the Board of Education Monday evening and trustees promptly ordered additional cuts.

The recommendations were presented at a special three-hour "work session" called to examine the preliminary budget "line by line." Board members expressed satisfaction with the cuts, but indicated additional reductions would be necessary if the district is to maintain competitive teacher salaries.

The \$600,000 cut reduces the estimate of expenditures to \$17,842,116. The preliminary budget, handed to trustees May 3, called for expenditures of \$18,450,983.

within our income. Any additional expenses can come out of the surplus."

Lynn told his colleagues he would "vote against any increase in taxes."

"Anytime you give a governmental body money, they'll spend it," he said.

THE NEW figures project an income of \$17,849,782—about \$5,000 more than the projected expenditures. The budget does not, however, provide for any increase in teacher salaries.

Dr. Donald E. Wilson, elected to the board last month, said he had seen the new Los Angeles salary schedules and was concerned that Torrance might lose teachers to the Los Angeles schools because of higher salaries. He said the district's "real problem is how we can maintain salaries and operate the district," then added, "we need to favor our teachers."

Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools, said the district could live within the recommended cuts, but suggested further cuts might degrade the educational program.

S. E. WALDRIP, assistant superintendent of schools for business, said the new figures reflect a cost-per-pupil of \$502, compared to nearly \$520 recommended in the first draft of the budget. The 1964-65 budget provided \$481 per pupil.

Dr. Kurt T. Shery and Bert M. Lynn declared they would vote against any increase in taxes this year. "Our taxpayers are just about taxed to the limit," Dr. Shery declared, "I believe we can live

THE REDUCTIONS were achieved by eliminating some (Continues on Page A-3)



NEWELL D. LARSEN Heads Lions Club

## Lions Name Larsen New President

Torrance insurance man Newell D. Larsen has been elected president of the Downtown Torrance Lions Club. He will succeed Ernest E. Harris as president of the group.

Other newly elected officers to be installed June 26 at the Indian Village Restaurant, include Walter Keberlein, first vice president; Thomas Burchfield, second vice president; Richard Vendeland, third vice president; Fred Boren, secretary, and Louis Schlanger, treasurer.

Dr. Alfred Redisch will be installed as tail twister, while Donald A. Wolf is the new Lion tamer. Ronald M. Boltz and Louis J. Assink were elected directors of the club.

Larsen and his wife, Agnes, live at 23317 S. Grant St. They are parents of two daughters and a son. A member of the Lion's Club for the past 15 years, Larsen has been active in the Torrance club since 1955. He owns his own insurance agency at 1616 Gramercy Ave.

A former president and founder of the Harbor Area Underwriters Association, Larsen is a member of the "Million Dollar Round Table" and has received the annual National Quality Award for the past 8 years. The award is made annually by the National Association of Life Underwriters and Life Insurance Agency Management Association.

## Freeway Ramp Signal Slated

A contract for the installation of traffic signals on Crenshaw Boulevard at the San Diego Freeway ramp has been awarded to Steiny and Mitchel, according to State Division of Highways.

Left turn channels will be established on Crenshaw Boulevard as part of the project.

## Voters Might Face Decision On '66 Ballot

An investigation into the possibility of Torrance acquiring the Dominguez Water Co. and California Water Service installations in the city was ordered by the City Council last night.

Councilmen acted on a suggestion by Mayor Albert Isen and asked for a report within 120 days.

"This study is long overdue," Isen said. The mayor said the two systems could be acquired and integrated into the municipal water system at no cost to the taxpayers and "substantial savings" to customers now served by the two private firms.

DOMINGUEZ Water Co. serves 5,000 customers in the city, while the California Water Service has some 2,500 customers, Isen said.

The report should determine a method of financing the acquisition, and the most efficient and economical method of switching the service, Isen told the council.

The 120-day time limit was established to permit the city to place the matter before voters in April, 1966, if a decision is made to proceed with the acquisition. The Torrance Municipal Water Department now serves about 22,000 installations in the city.

Councilman George Vico was absent from the meeting. He is commercial properties manager for the Dominguez Estate Co.

IN OTHER matters, the council:

- Retained Landscape Architect Richard P. Gawne to design Lago Seco and Hickory

parks. Lago Seco park is located in the Watteria Lake area, while the Hickory Park is adjacent to Hickory Elementary School. Both Parks are scheduled to be improved during the 1965-66 fiscal year under the city's capital improvements program.

- Authorized the sale of "obsolete Japanese lantern type" traffic signals to the City of Rolling Hills Estates.

- Allocated \$2,000 for street construction at the Border Avenue crossing of the Santa Fe Railway, north of Sepulveda Boulevard. Work will be performed by city forces.

- Denied a claim from R and B Development Co. for tention costs for an alley west of Anza Avenue.

## Key City Officials Insured

Key executives and elected officials of the city are to be insured for \$100,000 under a 24-hour, all-risk insurance policy, following action by the City Council last night.

Under terms of the policy, 10 per cent of the amount—or \$10,000—would be paid to the city, while the named beneficiary would get the remainder.

The insurance will be taken out on officials who must travel about on city business and replaces individual trip insurance normally issued. Substantial savings to the city is expected as a result of the group policies.

## They Sign Now, Go Later In the New Navy Program

The Navy's new 120-day delay enlistment program is attracting many young men from the area, Chief Albert J. Meteney, local Navy recruiter, announced today.

Chief Meteney said nine area men enlisted since the program was begun in the area. They include Edmond F. Diot, 22039 Selwyn Ave.; John R. Sadler, 1649 W. 227th St.; Dewayne G. Little,

406 W. Griffith St., Gardena; Robert D. Matheny, 2511 Alford Lane, Redondo Beach, and Bradley L. Stone, 18328 Wall St., Gardena.

Others who have enlisted are Robert P. Rodina, 19503 Anna Lee St., Gardena; William P. Yurak, 16914 Haas St.; Gary A. Ehrenfeld, 113 Paseo de la Plaza, and George Murphy, 1848 Marinetta Ave.

The 120-day delay program

offers young men the opportunity to enlist now and complete their senior year of high school. The delay time is counted toward completion of their military obligation, Chief Meteney said.

Other advantages include longevity for pay purposes and four months seniority before entering recruit training. There are no drills or meetings during the delay period, the chief said.

Young men interested in the delay enlistment program may call Chief Meteney at FA 0-3141 or visit the Torrance Navy Recruiting Station, 1520 Cravens Ave.

## George Putnam Heads Rancho Days Fete

Television newsmen and commentator George Putnam will head the city's Rancho Day Parade here Aug. 7, it was learned here this morning.

Harold (Bud) Walsh, representing Torrance Mounted Police, received word of acceptance from Putnam, who said he would ride his 9-year-old Platinum Palomino, Diamond, in the parade. Putnam rides in many parades.

The Saturday parade will kick off a weekend of fun as the Torrance Mounted Police open the annual Rancho

Days festivities. Following the 10 a.m. parade, an official rodeo sanctioned by the Rodeo Cowboys' Association will get under way. The rodeo always draws some of the top riders of the nation. Performances will be held on Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

Combined with the parade and rodeo attractions will be a carnival midway with booths operated by local service clubs. Thrill rides and other concessions will be available.

## North Names Two Girls To Direct Student Body

Janet Hanson and Karen Ireland will head the North High student body next fall as ASB president and vice president, according to Miss Mary Montgomery, student activities advisor.

Miss Hanson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hanson of 3140 W. 177th St., will be a senior.

Miss Ireland, who will be a junior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ireland of 2502 W. 178th St.

Completing the North High student council for the fall semester will be Gloria Her-

andez, commissioner of activities; William Albin, commissioner of athletics; Roberta Peterson, commissioner of business management; Scott Gordon, commissioner of club coordination; Julie Frese, commissioner of correspondence.

Jane Sexton, commissioner of finance; Jeanne Peterson, commissioner of group control; Donna Alexander, commissioner of pep; Barbara Stutler, commissioner of publicity; Charlene Sanwo, commissioner of records, and Connie Parsons, Girls' League president.



**WARMING UP . . .** Members of the Pagans get ready for their next round in the Battle of the Bands which will be climaxed in finals at Hollywood Bowl on June 25. From left behind pianist Cary Anderson are Neal Shinder, bass viol; Jim Crawley, guitar; Chuck Paddock, trombone; and Dale Stitt, drums.

## Street Study Planned . . .

The Community Planning Committee of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce will conduct a survey of streets in Torrance and make recommendations on major needs and priorities. The Chamber's board of directors ordered the study after considering requests for action on specific streets. The committee will consider the availability of gas tax funds, the major arterial plan of the city and county, and the need for major streets connecting residential, industrial, and commercial areas of the city.

## Children's Films Due . . .

Two children's films will be shown Saturday morning at 10:30 at the Torrance Library, 1345 Post. The films, which are open to all children without charge, are "Japanese Boy—The Story of Taro" and "Tales of the Riverbank—Autumn."

## St. Louis Trip Slated . . .

City Councilmen will not meet next Tuesday because a majority of the council will be in St. Louis, Mo., for the annual United States Conference of Mayors. Mayor Albert Isen and Councilmen J. A. Beasley, Ken Miller, H. Ted Olson, and Ross A. Sciarrotta Sr. are expected to attend the conference. The next regular council meeting is scheduled at 8 p.m. June 8.