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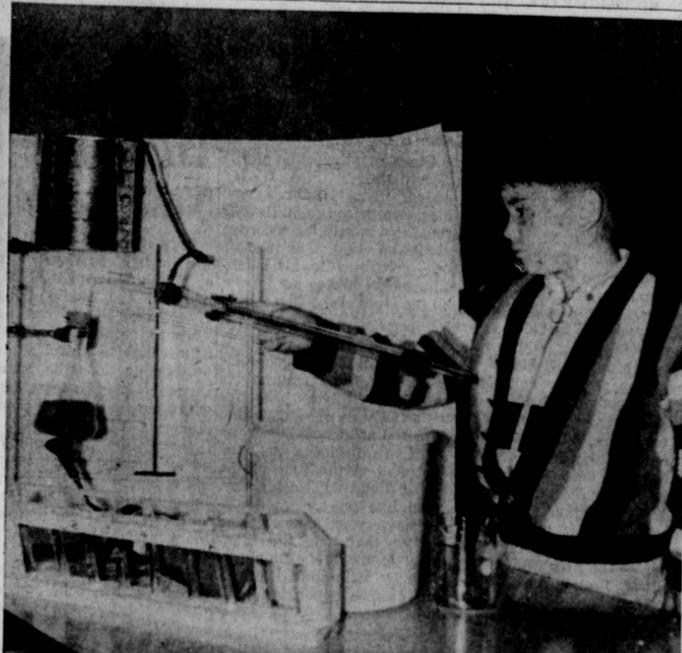
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PREPARE FOR FAIR . . . Mark Dooley, a fourth grade student at Hillside Elementary School, works on a project that will be displayed at the Torrance schools' Elementary Science Fair, May 4 through 6. Mark's project on the distillation of water is one of 300 projects expected to be on display during the three-day fair.

Elementary Science Fair To Be Held Here in May

Budding scientists will have an opportunity to display their accomplishments in Torrance's first all-elementary school science fair next month.

Students from 33 schools have been invited to enter the event, to be held at the Torrance Recreation Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd., May 4, 5, and 6.

In past years, the Torrance schools have sponsored a combined elementary and high school fair each May. This year two events were scheduled in order to give more students an opportunity to participate. The high school fair was held in March.

NEARLY 300 students are expected to submit entries, according to Dr. Lloyd Jones, elementary science fair chairman. Each display will be accompanied by a written report explaining the procedures used to solve the problems.

"Emphasis will be on how the student tackled his problem rather than on what results he attained," Dr. Jones said. "This year's redirected emphasis," he stated, "is an outgrowth of the science guide recently published by the school district."

Science materials from the district's Educational Materials Building, which are used to support the elementary science program, will be displayed in the lobby of the Recreation Center throughout the fair.

Youth Found Innocent Of Reckless Driving

A 19-year-old Torrance youth, charged with reckless driving after he allegedly fled an unmarked police car March 18, has been found innocent of the charges by a South Bay Municipal Court jury.

Paul Francis Ruhl, 3402 W. 226th St., was cleared of the charge Thursday when the jury returned its not guilty verdict to Judge Otto B. Willett.

Ruhl was arrested Friday, March 18, after he reportedly fled from Officers Robert Armstrong and Bruce Randall of the Torrance Police Department. The officers, in

VIEWING will be open to the public from 1 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday. There will be no admission charge.

Student tours will be conducted from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday and from 9 to 3 p.m. Friday.

Winners will be named at ceremonies set for 7 p.m. Friday. A grand trophy will be awarded to top displays in three categories: biological, physical, and earth science.

NINE LAMP of knowledge

UCLA Gives Scholarships To Six Here

Six area high school students, named winners of alumni scholarships from the University of California at Los Angeles, will be honored by the Harbor Area UCLA Scholarship Committee.

The six students will be guests of the committee for a tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon McKenzie, 2350 Daladier Drive, San Pedro. Mrs. McKenzie is chairman of the committee.

Winners include Richard Kallmeyer of Bishop Montgomery High School, Mary C. Lau of Carson High School, Robert Jurmain and Fred Yunt of South High School, and Robert Lee and Barbara (Continued on Page A-2)

winners will be selected. This honor will go to first place winners in three age groups in each of the three scientific categories. Age groups will include primary (first through third grade), middle (fourth through sixth grade) and upper (seventh and eighth grade).

Entries will be judged on the basis of creative ability, scientific thought, thoroughness, technical skill, knowledge of student, and project report.

Science fair committee members assisting Dr. Jones will include Robert Allen, Philip Korman, Andrew Kovach, and Edward Richardson. Judges will be members of science-oriented industries in Torrance.

Younger Steps Up Action Against Obscene Material

District Attorney Evelle J. Younger has disclosed that his office handled 38 obscenity cases in the past year and now is ready to go with 49 new ones.

"The difference," he said, "comes from the recent rulings of the United States Supreme Court."

Three decisions were handed down last month. In two of them—Ginzberg v. United States and Mishkin v. New York—Younger sees some relaxation of the pressures against successful prosecution.

"We are going to go into court with a lot of cases," he predicted. "One reason we are sure of that is that many police agencies are attacking the obscenity problem with fresh vigor. The results of a preliminary study in our office show a sharp increase in law enforcement activity against those who are spreading this trash in our community."

YOUNGER'S analysis of the Supreme Court rulings follows:

Ginzberg changes some of the effect of the "redeeming social value" idea. In earlier decisions the phrase seemed to mean that if there were anything praise-worthy in the

Wife Held in Shotgun Death of Her Husband

Council Canvass Of Voting Will Make It Official

City Councilmen will convene Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. to make the results of last week's municipal election official. Swear in the new councilmen and city officers, and then take on a 54-item agenda.

City Clerk Vernon W. Coil, who led all candidates at the polls, received 14,541 votes, while City Treasurer Thomas C. Rupert was re-elected with 14,219 votes.

Latest semi-official returns, which include 79 absentee ballots, gave Mayor Albert Isen 10,247 votes—a 988 vote margin over challenger Nicholas O. Drale.

FINAL tabulations in the City Council race gave Ken Miller 11,037 votes—the highest number ever accorded a Torrance councilman. Ross A. Sclarotta Sr. received 8,988 votes, while J. A. Beasley was re-elected with 6,344 votes.

Voters soundly defeated two proposed charter amendments which would have provided increased salaries for the city council and the mayor. Amendment A, the council salary measure, was defeated, 13,607 to 6,123, and Amendment B, a salary increase for the mayor, lost by the same two-to-one margin, 13,156 to 6,508.

A third charter amendment, which prohibits the ex-

posure of female breasts in public places, was adopted by a three-to-one margin, 14,460 to 5,366. It must be approved by the State Legislature before it becomes part of the city charter.

IN HIS OFFICIAL canvass of election results, Coil reported 20,250 voters cast ballots—slightly more than 39 per cent of those eligible to vote.

A public hearing will be held Tuesday prior to certification of the results. Protests about the results must be made at that time.

Tweedy Quits Post on City Commission

John A. Tweedy, 1325 Arlington Ave., has resigned from the city's Planning Commission.

Tweedy, in a letter dated last Tuesday, said he was quitting the post "for personal reasons." His resignation will be submitted to the City Council Tuesday.

He is the second planning commissioner to quit in recent weeks. Leo F. X. Salisbury, an unsuccessful candidate for the city council in last week's municipal election, resigned during the campaign.

He Lets Big One Get Away

Fishing gear and a spare tire belonging to a Torrance fireman were taken from a station wagon parked in the 2600 block of Sepulveda Boulevard sometime Thursday.

Dennis Donatelli, 26, of 2512 W. 230th St., told Torrance police he had parked his vehicle near the Southern California Automobile Club offices Thursday about 10 a.m. He discovered the fishing tackle and tire missing about 6 p.m. Thursday.

Donatelli said the stolen items are worth about \$200.

A TYPEWRITER worth \$125 was taken from his North Torrance home Thursday, Homer Ratliff told police.

Ratliff said the thief entered his home, located at 4130 W. 177th St., between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Police reported a sliding glass door had been opened by the burglar.

A HAIRDRYER, valued at \$150 was taken from an apartment laundry room late Thursday evening. Anthony DiFiore, 33, manager of an apartment building at 3655 W. Artesia Blvd., reported the theft to police.

A burglar took a stereo tape player, several tapes, and a pool cue from his car, Ralph Holland, 20, told Torrance police Friday.

Shotgun Blast Ends Argument Over Pregnancy

A 20-year-old pregnant woman was jailed Friday night on suspicion of murder after she told Torrance police officers she had shot her husband.

Mrs. Nancy Berry, 23231 Pennsylvania Ave., is charged with the murder of Harley Berry Jr., 30, a painter and construction worker.

Torrance police officers Edward Estrada and Robert D. Holmes went to the Berry home shortly after 10 p.m. Friday to investigate a reported shooting. They discovered Mrs. Berry sitting in the den beside a single-barrel shotgun.

"I've just shot my husband with this shotgun," Mrs. Berry told the two officers. Berry was found lying on a bed in another part of the house. He had been shot once in the abdomen and reportedly had been dead for several hours.

Officers said the shotgun was loaded when they took it from Mrs. Berry. An expended shell was found near the chair in which she was sitting.

The shooting apparently ended a quarrel which had begun when Mrs. Berry told her husband she was pregnant, police officers said. Police say Berry probably died about 7:15 a.m. Friday, some 15 hours before the shooting was reported to police.

His body was removed to the Los Angeles County Morgue.

Mrs. Berry is in custody at

the Torrance City Jail pending arraignment on the charge.

\$90,000 Grant Planning Funds Win Approval

A \$90,000 federal grant for initial planning of a vocational education program in the Torrance schools has been approved by the State Department of Education, Dr. J. H. Hull told the Press-Herald Friday.

Dr. Hull said he was informed by telephone that the local district's application for funds under Title III of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 was approved last week.

The money—a total of \$92,562—will provide for office space and a staff to plan a permanent vocational training program for high school students and adults, Dr. Hull said.

The superintendent will make the grant official April 25 when he must go to Los Angeles to sign papers.

The funds provide for the district to hire a planning director, an assistant director, two vocational education researchers, and three clerks. Office space also must be leased.

The grant is administered by the State Department of Education for the U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

Election Results

Complete, semi-official returns of last Tuesday's municipal election follow:

MAYOR	
Isen	10,247
Drale	9,259
Write-ins	99

COUNCIL	
Miller	11,037
Sciarrotta	8,988
Beasley	6,344
Johnson	4,949
Talbert	4,567
Peterson	4,179
Salisbury	3,872
Cagel	2,923
Forsythe	2,484
Bandell	1,401
Absher	1,292
Belcher	1,274
Bisou	1,271
Briganti	1,267
Morris	796
Wright	632

CITY CLERK	
Coil	14,541
Casey	3,919
Toffelmeyer	9

CITY TREASURER	
Rupert	14,219
Fleetwood	3,980
Sparks	9
Revill	3
Tully	3
Fawcett	1
Morehart	1

AMENDMENTS	
Amendment A (Council Pay)	
Yes	6,123
No	13,607
Amendment B (Mayor Pay)	
Yes	6,508
No	13,156
Amendment C (Topless Ban)	
Yes	14,460
No	5,366

Shotgun Taken From Police Car

Theft of a shotgun from a Torrance Police Department patrol car was reported Friday evening by Officer W. H. Nitz.

Nitz said the gun was taken from his patrol car about 10:45 p.m. while the car was parked in the 200 block of Via Riviera.

New College Quarters Set . . .

New quarters for the California State College at Palos Verdes will be constructed by R. A. Watt's Stevenson Village Co. at 809 E. Victoria St. to house students until a permanent Dominguez Hills campus is ready. The temporary facilities will consist of a two-story, 61,000-square-foot building to serve the students during the 1966-67 academic year. Students now attend classes in leased quarters in Rolling Hills Estates. When the campus is moved to the Dominguez area, the college will be renamed California State College, Dominguez Hills.

Garrett Gets Contract . . .

Award of a contract worth \$35,996 to the Garrett Corp.'s AirResearch Manufacturing Co., 2525 W. 190th St., has been announced by procurement officials of the Sacramento Air Materiel Area, headquartered at McClellan Air Force Base, Calif. The contract calls for AirResearch to furnish four transducers.

School Board to Meet . . .

Trustees of the Torrance Unified School District will meet at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow at the board offices, 2335 Plaza del Amo, for their regular meeting. Board members will get a progress report on cuts in the proposed 1966-67 budget. They also will get a request from the Torrance Elementary School Principals Association that all elementary principals be given a 12-month contract. Principals currently are employed for 11 months of the year.