

Principals Assigned New Posts

Reassignment of four Torrance principals and promotion of two vice-principals for the coming school year have been announced by Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools.

Changes include: Larry Miller, from Towers School to Walteria School; Victor Kilburg, from Walteria School to Lincoln School; Ernest Thom Jr., from Lincoln School to Towers School; and Dr. Ralph Wilson, from Adams School to Hickory School.

Andrew Kovach, vice principal at Wood School this year, will be principal of Wood School, and Cecil Paschall, vice principal of Hickory School, will be principal at Adams School.

Assigned to the post of principal of Sepulveda School during the six-week summer session is Donald Mullaney, Wood School principal.



HEAR HOSPITAL PLANS... Initial planning for development of a new 250-bed hospital has begun following a meeting last week between architects for the project and representatives of the Torrance Memorial Hospital board and medical staff. Discussing the preliminary ideas are, from left, John Tippin, M.D., chief of the

medical staff; Gene Verge of the firm of Verge and Clatworthy, AIA; Mrs. Margaret Woolley, president of the hospital board, and Jack Lehman, technical representative of Aetron, a division of Aerojet General Corp.

School Aides Cite Main Achievements at Meeting

"What have the schools accomplished this year?"

This question was posed by the four assistant superintendents of the Torrance Unified School District during the year-end meeting of the Educational Council of Torrance.

Highlights of the educational program, according to Dr. Albert N. Posner, assistant superintendent for education, were the introduction of foreign language for all students beginning with the sixth grade; awarding of a government grant for planning vocational training; opening of continuation high school classes; new programs aimed at up-grading achievements of youngsters from economically deprived families; and curriculum revisions in economics, English, and the high school science program.

Plans to enlarge the scope of the music program by developing orchestras and a sequential program of vocal music and music appreciation are in the offing, Dr. Posner said. Also under way are plans for a regional occupational skills center on land being turned over to the schools by the Navy department.

SCHOLARSHIPS amounting to more than \$250,000 have been won by 168 graduating seniors, he pointed out.

Introduction of a pilot program on family life education at West High was by Dr. Louis Kaplan, assistant superintendent for special services and research.

Success of the nursing skills program at Torrance High resulted in jobs for each of the nine students who completed the program, Dr. Kaplan said. Enrollment in the vocational course is expected to double next fall.

Accomplishments in the field of child welfare and attendance, Dr. Kaplan pointed out, include improved relations with the Torrance Police Department and the County Probation Department. Regular meetings between the child welfare officer and the head of the juvenile division of the police department have resulted in early solution of problems through frequent exchange of information, he said.

SEVEN HUNDRED CASES

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of students referred for behavioral, academic, or emotional problems were completed by the psychology and guidance staff this year. Dr. Kaplan reported. Of this number, 200 to 300 will be referred to outside agencies for further help.

In a pilot program aimed at self-interpretation of their own potential, 600 eighth graders were asked to plan their high school courses in light of individual aptitudes, accomplishments, and test data. As a result of the experiment, procedures will be refined and the self-evaluation of eighth-grade testing program expanded next year.

Largest expansion in special services during the year was the growth of classes for educationally handicapped youngsters (those having learning difficulties stemming from emotional or neurological problems). The classes grew from 7 classes serving 70 students a year ago to 20 classes serving 220 students this year. In the coming year, 24 classes serving 271 pupils will be held.

PERSONNEL division accomplishments this year, according to assistant superintendent Dr. Robert Morton, consisted primarily of securing faculty members for the 1966-67 school year. Although nearly Los Angeles is still 2,000 teachers short for fall, Dr. Morton said, Torrance has staffed 99.5 per cent of its elementary posts for next year and 98.5 per cent of the high school positions. Hardest spot to fill, he said, is that of the teacher qualified to instruct mentally retarded and educationally handicapped youngsters of high school age.

During the past year, the personnel division worked with half a dozen employee organizations and coordinated their efforts to attain varying goals, Morton pointed out. Twelve screening boards interviewed over 100 Torrance teachers and administrators who competed for openings ranging from vice-principals to supervisor of educational facilities, he said.

ASSISTANT superintendent of business Frank Mattox reported on classrooms and facilities completed during the past year. "The board has approved projects calling for expenditures of \$2,706,845. We will fall short of this sum by \$846,675 due to the failure of the bond election," he said. "If we want to build ad-

ditional classrooms and facilities to keep up with growing enrollment," Mattox said, "we will either have to levy a 75 cents to \$1 override tax or approve a bond issue. Or we can stop building classrooms and double-session the kids." He pointed out that administrative costs per child are cheaper in Torrance than any other district in the county, averaging \$10.90 per pupil this past year. County average is \$16.50 and in some districts goes as high as \$65.60.

OBITUARIES

William Laven
Funeral services for William Edward Laven, 1809 Arlington Ave., will be conducted tomorrow at 1 p.m. at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Walter M. Stanton, pastor of the Central Evangelical United Brethren Church, officiating.

Mr. Laven, who was 85, died in Hemet, Calif., Wednesday. A native of Illinois, he had lived in Torrance 47 years and was employed by the city for 25 years.

He is survived by a daughter, Geraldine Satchell of Sun City, Calif., and by a son, Francis M. Laven of Texas. Also surviving are four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Interment will be in Inglewood Park Cemetery.

C. R. Erickson
Funeral services for Charles Rudolph Erickson, 70, of 1920 Torrance Blvd., were conducted yesterday at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel. Private inurnment services were held at Roosevelt Memorial Park.

Mr. Erickson, a tool maker, had lived in Torrance for 14 years. He was born in Pennsylvania. Mr. Erickson died June 10.

He is survived by a daughter, Lucile Zile of Newberry Park, Calif.

Begin Planning Board Meets Architects For Torrance Hospital

Preliminary discussions about the design of a new 250-bed hospital to replace the present Torrance Memorial Hospital were held last week during a meeting with the medical staffs of the Torrance Memorial Hospital and the Riviera Hospital.

Architects Gene Verge and R. N. Clatworthy, of the firm Verge and Clatworthy, AIA, Architects and Associates,

met with medical staffs and members of the board of Torrance Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Margaret Woolley, president of the board, cautioned that the meeting was a preliminary session "to discuss generalities."

PLANS FOR a 250-bed hospital, to be built on a 10-acre site which a group of local doctors has offered to the hospital, currently call for a twin tower hospital with medical offices, long-term care facilities, clinics, and supporting activities included, Verge said.

The hospital site is part of a 35-acre tract near Lomita Boulevard and Madison Street which is to be developed by local doctors as a medical complex. A potential \$30 to \$50 million investment is envisioned on the site.

Torrance Memorial Hospital will remain a voluntary nonprofit community hospital, Mrs. Woolley remarked, controlled by the community through the board of the Torrance Hospital Association.

JACK E. LEHMAN, technical representative of Aetron, a division of Aerojet General Corp., will work with Verge and Clatworthy in the planning of research facilities, electronics, data processing, and other automatic activities in the hospital.

"While we intend to make full use of all labor-saving devices and include planned flexibility to meet the challenge of medicine of the future," Mrs. Woolley said, "we will continue to have as our goal the provision of the best possible patient care."

Verge and Clatworthy have worked on such hospitals as Little Company of Mary, Queen of the Valley, Holy Cross, and Glendale Memorial. Ideas and suggestions from the medical staff will be welcomed, Verge told the group.

Seniors Win USC Honors... Injured

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CAMPBELL'S DENTURES

Seniors Win USC Honors

Seven area graduating seniors have been admitted to the University of Southern California with Honors-at-Entrance.

The award is based upon a high school grade average of at least 3.75, or almost all As. Students are:

South High School: Clyde W. Ford, 4227 Calle Mayor; Roxanne L. Brown, 221 Paseo de Granada; Andre W. Gregoria, 141 Paseo de La Concha; and Paul F. Kaplan, 111 Via Monte de Oro.

North High School: Miss Janice T. Cohn, 3925 W. 185th St.; Patrick R. Reis, 3917 W. 187th St.; and Stanley M. Sorensen, 16424 Taylor Court.

THE SECOND injury occurred about 3:15 p.m. at Sepulveda and Crenshaw boulevards.

Police said Mrs. Kathryn O. Anderson of Gardena was stopped for a signal at Sepulveda Boulevard and was struck from the rear by a car driven by Terry L. Alcock, 18, of 2432 Arlington Ave.

The brakes on Alcock's car apparently failed as he approached the busy intersection. Alcock refused medical attention at the scene.

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