

High Schools to Graduate 1,900 Tonight

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More than 1,900 Torrance high school seniors will be graduated tonight during ceremonies at the city's four high schools before thousands of parents and guests.

Ceremonies are expected to begin at 8 p.m. at North, South, West, and Torrance high schools when students will receive their diplomas from members of the board

of education and district supervisors.

Largest of the graduating classes will be South High's 604 seniors. Special guest speaker for the event will be Carl Terzian, lecturer and public relations director of Charles Luckman Associates, who will speak on "What Kind of a World Have I Inherited?"

Valedictorian for the Spartans will be Trudy Warriner.

Diplomas and congratulations will be offered by speakers Dr. Frank Mattox, assistant superintendent for business; Dr. Bruce Magner, curriculum consultant; and Mrs. Kenneth Watts, board member.

North High will honor 534 graduating seniors during exercises in which superintendent of school, Dr. J. H. Hull, will speak. Assisting Dr. Hull in presenting diplomas will

be Dr. Robert Morton, assistant superintendent for personnel; and William Hanson, board member.

North's valedictorian will be Pamela Oliver.

Graduating from Torrance High will be 435 students who will receive their diplomas from two district board members and the assistant superintendent. Board members Dr. Owen Griffith and Bert Lynn will assist Dr.

Louis Kaplan, assistant superintendent, during the commencement exercises.

Margaret Ackerman will act as valedictorian for the Tartars.

Torrance's smallest high school graduating class, West High's 340, will receive congratulations from Torrance School Board member Dr. Donald Wilson and Dr. Albert Posner, assistant superintendent for educational services.

Class valedictorian will be Kenneth Smith.

After commencement exercises graduates will board buses for an all-night party at Disneyland from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.

In addition to 1,900 high school graduates, approximately 2,600 eighth grade students will be promoted to high school during ceremonies at 32 elementary schools Thursday. During each cere-

mony, school supervisors, board members, and members of the community will be present to offer their congratulations.

Two hundred adult high school diplomas were presented Monday night during commencement exercises at Torrance Adult Evening High. Several board members offered recognition for the graduates' scholastic achievement.

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Industrialist Leo Harvey Named to Hospital Board



LEO M. HARVEY

Leo M. Harvey, Torrance industrialist is the latest appointment to the Torrance Memorial Hospital board of directors.

Harvey is founder and chairman of the board of directors of Harvey Aluminum, the company he organized in 1914.

Mrs. Boris Woolley, hospital board president said that she is pleased Harvey, a leading industrialist, philanthropist and humanitarian, joined the board.

"Mr. Harvey is that rare combination of a top technical man and astute business leader," she said.

"His leadership in the industrial world will be a tremendous asset to us, especially now that we are seeking financial backing from industry to help raise \$3 million for construction costs of our new \$7.6 million hospital," she said.

Holder of more than 100 patents on special machinery, metalworking equipment, and metal processing, Harvey is also an internationally known art collector.

He is a member of the Foreign Trade Advisory Committee and numerous business, technical and social service organizations.

Harvey will attend his first hospital board meeting Friday, at a noon luncheon in the hospital staff room.

Board Told 700 Students See Dentists

Over 700 Torrance elementary school youngsters have visited their dentists for treatment during the spring term as a result of dental health programs in the classroom, according to Dr. Louis Kaplan, assistant superintendent, special services.

In a report to the Board of Education, Dr. Kaplan said that 1,644 of the 4,959 children examined in schools during February and March were found to be in need of dental care. Of this number, 724 had initiated follow-up care within six weeks.

Chace Tells Colleagues

Cut Spending, Keep Valuable Land

County Supervisor Burton W. Chace has branded an attempt to sell three county-owned civic center properties as a "short-sighted gimmick which would prove costly to the taxpayer in the long run."

Chace referred to a proposal which calls for the sale of the civic center land in an effort to forestall any increase in the County property tax rate.

"It is just not good business to sell property to balance a budget," Chace said. "Instead, each County Supervisor should direct his attentions at paring down the size of the proposed 1967-68 budget."

Chace called on his colleagues to cut down on ex-

penditures rather than liquidating the County's assets.

"The land in question will be needed for County services in the future—and not the too distant future," Chace said. "If we sell this land, we will only have to buy it or other property at a higher price, plus possible condemnation costs."

The Fourth District Supervisor has been the leading opponent of the Board's attempts to sell the valuable civic center land in the past.

"When the plan originally was proposed, the land was valued at between \$5 million and \$10 million," Chace said. "Now it is worth between \$15 million and \$25 million."

He pointed out that the land could be used for several County programs.

Legislation at the state level may require the County to open a domestic relations court and the civic center site would be ideal, Chace said.

"Imagine how silly the Board would look to the taxpayers if we sold the land now to balance the budget, then had to buy it back at a higher price," Chace said. "This is false, temporary economy."

"Certainly I would share some of the credit for balancing the budget if I went along with this plan," he said. "But I cannot do it in good conscience."

The Supervisor pointed out to the Board that substantial cuts in the budget had been made already, and more were possible.

He referred to a cut of approximately \$1 million in the exploitation section of the budget, effected by the Board of Supervisors when the budget hearings opened. The largest item in this section—an \$884,357 allocation for the All Year Club for promotion purposes—was deleted on Chace's motion.

"The record \$1.2 billion budget must be cut even more if the Board is to guard against an increase in the County tax rate," Chace said.

Council Paves Way for High-Rise Development

New Zone Controls Setback, Open Area

By TIM O'DONNELL
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A plan to govern future high-rise construction in the city received tentative approval of the City Council Tuesday evening and has been sent to the Planning Commission for preparation of the controlling ordinance.

The new zone, to be known as R-5, is an attempt to create a zone which would encourage high-rise, high-density residential developments of a substantial nature. Such development could mean considerable savings to the city in the provision of municipal services, councilmen were told.

The new regulations will control setback and open areas.

IN OTHER matters, the council:

Voted to stand by its approval of a conditional use permit April 5 to allow construction and operation of a veterinary hospital on property located on the southeast corner of Hawthorne Boulevard and 235th Street.

Reconsideration of this appeal was asked by Thelma J. Turner, a real estate broker in that area, who felt that the subject land was "too valuable for this type of business, and it would downgrade the area."

The only conditions which would disallow building the hospital would be that it cause noise, or smoke, explosion, fire or contamination, an abundance of vehicular traffic, or was incompatible with the surrounding development.

Mrs. Turner used the last point to argue against the project, asking what could be built next to a veterinary hospital.

PROponents of the hospital produced examples in various locations in and out of the city where these hospitals are functioning effectively in the presence of other thriving businesses.

Although there are at present (Continued from Page One) no businesses or industrial (See HIGH RISE on A-7)



'PUFF DERBY' CHECK . . . Pilot Judy Wagner of Palos Verdes (right) checks lineup for the 1967 All Woman Transcontinental Air Race, better known as the Powder Puff Derby, with Mary Pinkney (center), who will pilot a 200-horsepower Mooney, and Pracilla "Pert" Avis, Torrance school teacher who will fly as copilot. The race will leave Atlantic City, N.J. on July 8 and end at Torrance Municipal Airport on July 11. (Press-Herald Photo)

Bandit, Victim Exchange Shots

A gun battle between a bandit and a woman liquor store owner raged Saturday night during a robbery of Campisi Liquor, 6314 Pacific Coast Hwy.

Patricia Campisi, 59, of 5627 Via Del Collado, said she was confronted by a man about 23 to 25 years old brandishing a 2-inch blue steel revolver and demanding the store's receipts about midnight.

After taking approximately \$50, the gunman left the store and then turned back and shot at Mrs. Campisi through a plate glass window three times.

Mrs. Campisi said she returned the fire, using her revolver, as the suspect fled in a 1966 Ford police later found to be stolen. Torrance police said the woman fired six shots at the man but apparently he was not hit.

Submit Low Bid

Coastate Builders of Long Beach has submitted an apparent low bid of \$12,285 for mechanical and electrical alterations to the State Department of Employment building at 1220 Engracia Ave. Four bids were received.

Preliminary Hearing Set In Church Burglary Case

A preliminary hearing has been set for an unemployed grinder charged with burglarizing the Ascension Lutheran Church, 17910 S. Prairie St., of an electric typewriter, June 5.

Charles P. DuPont, 20, was arraigned Tuesday and bound over for criminal action on two counts of burglary with bail being set at \$3,300. Pre-

liminary hearing is set for June 19.

DuPont and Gene E. Fountain, 22, both of West Los Angeles, were arrested Friday by Beverly Hills police for burglary of a church there, but later transferred to Torrance police when it was discovered the pair had possession of an electric typewriter believed to be the property

of the Ascension Lutheran Church.

Beverly Hills police said the pair used books of matches for light in the Beverly Hills church. Police have found several burned books of matches on the floors of Torrance churches burglarized during the last month.

Journey Set For EC Prof

London, Nairobi, South Africa and Australia will be on the summer itinerary of Julius Sumner Miller, El Camino College physics instructor.

Next the ECC instructor will travel to Nairobi to set up a series of lectures for July and August, 1968, under the sponsorship of the Swedish government.

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Lomita Soldier Killed ---

Spec. 4 Samuel R. Durham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel F. Durham, 1939 Pacific Coast Hwy., Lomita, was reported killed in Vietnam in an announcement made Tuesday by the Defense Department. Durham was one of 19 servicemen listed. Details of his death were not reported. His death brought to 15 the number of Torrance area servicemen killed in Vietnam during 1967.

Budget Hearings Scheduled ---

Formal public hearings for the city's 1967-68 budget have been called for 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, and again for 8 p.m. Thursday, June 29. The hearing will be held in the council chambers of city hall. Open work sessions have been scheduled by councilmen for Saturday, June 24, from 9 a.m. until noon and again on Monday, June 26, from 3 to 6 p.m.

Sports Scores Delayed ---

Results of area sports events, including Little League and other youth baseball organizations, normally included in the Wednesday afternoon editions of the Press-Herald, will be printed in Sunday's Press-Herald this week. The second publication of the 1967 delinquent tax list for a large portion of Torrance is published today on pages E-6 through E-9.