

South Side

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Is it worth all the trouble? Many Spartans are asking this as ticket sales for the Jefferson Airplane - Sunshine Company concert enters its fourth week. Because of a new record released by the Sunshine Company, the price on the contract has been raised, and much debating of the subject has been the result.

Students from South have been visiting elementary schools in the area, attempting to raise enough money in ticket sales there to pay for the down payment on the contract. Sales, both at South and other schools have not gone as well as expected, and Spartans are becoming dubious

as to whether the concert will be given.

If the concert is not held either another band or a Battle of the Bands will be scheduled in its place March 16. Tuesday, Jan. 30, the Lettermen's Club at South is sponsoring the Harlem Clowns. Members of the faculty have been challenged to a basketball game with these renowned players.

Last semester's ASB vice president has defeated last semester's senior class president to attain the highest office the school offers for the coming semester. Roy Campbell, in defeating Mike Maxenti, will begin his third semester on Student Council as the new ASB president.

Other newly elected presidents are: senior, John Gazdik; junior, Dave Brenner; sophomore, Steve Shev; freshman, Rich Peterson; Girls' League, Susi Levanas; and Boys' League, Randy Kimose. The major event heading the new semester is Operation Nepal, and through the week Feb. 7 to 14, a 10th anniversary celebration is being planned.

Because semester finals are being given today, Thursday, and Friday, there will be minimum days. All classes will be dismissed at 12:20 on these days.

Funds for Area YMCA Solicited

More than 400 calls will be made this week by workers in the South Bay YMCA's advance gifts campaign for 1968 current support.

Charged with raising \$14,000 of the \$41,000 goal, the advance gifts campaigners are working with Carl B. Terrano, advance gifts chairman.

Five teams, headed by R. Stuart Johnson, Robert Harworth, Al Lukes, Jan A. Meier, and Harold Nelms, will work toward goals of \$2,800 each.

THE ADVANCE gifts section of the campaign is involved with major contributors, particularly Century Club memberships of \$100 or more.

"There are 37 dedicated people in this year's advance gifts campaign, and I am confident we will reach the \$14,000 goal," Terrano said.

South Bay YMCA served more than 5,729 young people during the past year and the total is expected to be considerably higher in 1968, Terrano said.

"Every dollar raised here stays here. South Bay YMCA receives no funds from the United Crusade or government and has no obligation to share funds given by South Bay donors," he said.

Road Work Scheduled

A 240-foot-section on the east side of Main Street between Broadway and Griffith Street in the Victoria Park area will be improved to provide greater convenience and safety for residents of this area, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn said today.

Work will consist of widening the pavement to join curb and gutter recently constructed under county permit by owners of adjacent property.

Hawaiian Dance

A class in Hawaiian-Style dancing is held at the Lomita Recreation Center every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. under the direction of Bette Jo Zankie. The class is free and newcomers are welcome.

Assembly Group Seeks Uniform Drug Penalties

Capitol News Service SACRAMENTO — The assembly committee on Criminal Procedure has recommended that penalties for possession of marijuana and dangerous drugs be made more uniform—a slight relaxing of the penalties on marijuana and a tightening of the penalties for dangerous drugs.

Assemblyman W. Craig Biddle (R-Riverside) has introduced legislation to this effect.

At present, the penalty for possession of marijuana is a felony, with imprisonment in the state prison from one to 10 years. The penalty for the possession of restricted dangerous drugs, such as LSD and methedrine (commonly called Speed) is a misdemeanor, with imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one year.

Biddle's legislation would make the penalty for first offense of possession of either marijuana or restricted dangerous drugs a felony, with the provision it also might be a misdemeanor. The decision on whether the penalty would be for a felony, in state prison, or a misdemeanor, in the county jail, would be up to the judge.

"To provide that possession of methedrine is a misdemeanor and marijuana is a felony is an absurdity," Biddle said. "This legislation will make the punishment uniform by providing for a

felony conviction for marijuana and all of the restricted dangerous drugs.

"The thrust of this legislation is to 'support your local judge' by providing that the judge can make the decision whether or not the individual shall have a felony or misdemeanor record," he said. "Presently, many judges and prosecutors find ways to avoid the present law by other charges and findings of not guilty."

Jewelry, Cash Stolen From Torrance Home

Torrance police are looking for the burglar or burglars who broke into the home of Samuel W. Smeltzer sometime Sunday and stole \$1,940 worth of jewelry and currency.

Smeltzer told police he returned to his home at 3838 Bluff St. to discover the loss of two diamond rings, two wrist watches, costume jewelry, and \$625 in cash.

Approve Plans

Plans for a two-lot subdivision at 223rd and Main streets in the Carson area have been approved by the Regional Planning Commission. The half-acre parcel is owned by Denver C. and Estelle Hilliard of Anza, Calif.

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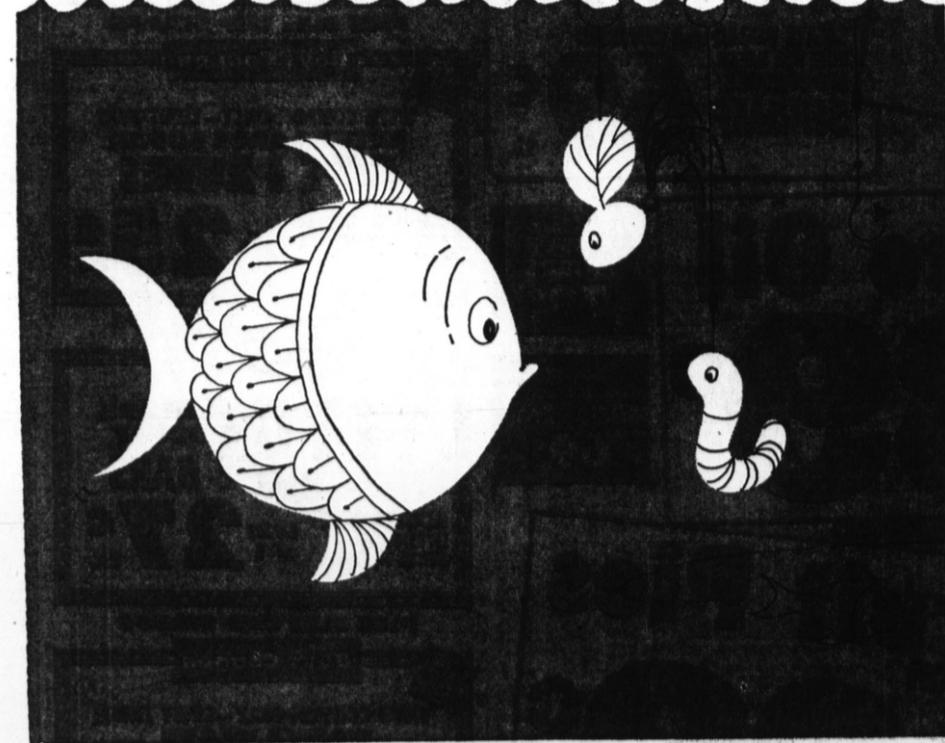
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