

By Year 2,000

Youth Will Spend Up To 20 Years in Class

By the year 2,000, America's youth will be spending two decades in school, the division manager of the Torrance office of a leading national's financial services company predicted today.

John Cartwright, division manager of the Torrance office of Equity Securities Corp., a subsidiary of Equity Funding Corp. of America, which sells insurance and mutual funds, said that by the end of the century, the school-age span would be from 4 to 24. Today's span is from 5 to 21.

Equity keeps closely attuned to statistical, economic and industrial trends.

"EDUCATIONAL technologies will permit learning many times as intense as that of today," he concluded. "Computers will have become commonplace in our classrooms and their associated software systems will be sophisticated to a degree practically inconceivable today.

Instructional methods and materials will become increasingly multi-media in nature, probably both more basic and sophisticated. The amount of knowledge that the student of tomorrow

First-Day Menus Set At Schools

Cafeterias will be open at all Torrance schools when classes resume Thursday, Sept. 12, according to John Blandy, director of food services.

Grilled cheese will be the featured item on elementary school lunches. Rounding out the first day's meal will be buttered green beans, lettuce and tomato salad, chilled apricots in syrup, peanut butter confection, and milk.

Oven-browned fish sticks will be Friday's main dish. High school cafeterias will offer a plate lunch at 40 cents and a variety of hot and cold sandwiches, soup, salads, desserts, and beverages at a la carte prices.

will assimilate will simply be staggering.

"Industry will account for an additionally large segment of educational technology. Industrial training, now one of the fastest growing industries, will grow at a rate of 10 per cent a year until the 1970s, when it will enjoy a tremendous acceleration.

"LEARNING and re-learning and orientation and re-orientation will become absolute necessities in the business world. No longer will a person be able to merely graduate from college and expect to coast along until retirement on the knowledge that he or she accumulated in a brief four- or five-year span. Learning will become a continuous process."

"And why shouldn't industry expect it to?" he asked. "Life itself is a continuous learning process."

In Torrance Schools New Materials Set For Fall Semester

During the coming school year, special emphasis will be placed on English, reading, economics, home economics, health and family life education, and the academically talented program.

Committees of teachers and administrators met during the summer to develop materials for teachers to use in these areas of the curriculum.

With the introduction of new state textbooks in English this fall for seventh and eighth grades, emphasis will be given to development of appropriate methods of including linguistics principles as basic elements of the English program.

TO PREPARE for an increased emphasis on economics, a summer curriculum committee of elementary and secondary teachers and administrators drew up a preliminary guide in eighth grades. Committee

members will introduce the new guide to seventh and eighth grade social science teachers at a series of meetings scheduled for fall.

Completion of the home economics guide for grades seven through 12 comes on the heels of a year-long study. Revisions include addition of a section on "cook and fry" classes for boys, and expansion of the nursing skills curriculum.

KINDERGARTEN classes will be conducted as a single session this year rather than as double sessions as they have been in the past. A kindergarten report card will go into use this fall.

To help first, second, and third grade pupils in reading, literature, and language, a reading specialist will be assigned to each school this year. In addition, third graders will be taught library skills during bi-

weekly visits of a mobile library.

In addition to using new English textbooks this year, students will have new state textbooks in music, spelling, and handwriting. Music records to accompany the new music texts will be provided in each school.

PORTABLE classroom labs will enhance the science program in the first through sixth grades. New materials, equipment, and facilities for the seventh through eighth grade program will enable the semi-departmentalized students

to actively participate in a laboratory approach to science.

Emphasis in the semi-departmentalized program will be placed on reducing the number of teacher-pupil contacts. To achieve this goal, 13 of the largest elementary schools will have additional teachers on their staffs this fall.

High school students who find mathematics difficult will receive extra help this year in a mathematics laboratory to be established at each of the high schools. Students enrolled in the labs will learn to use flow

charts, adding machines, and calculators.

OFFERED for the first time will be an elective course for high school students in health and family life education. Developed by a curriculum committee over the summer, the course will deal with such problems as emotional development, biological development, so-

cial and cultural patterns, economic and consumer education, and contemporary problems in health.

Other new high school courses will be: mass media review, the motion picture as literature, social health, machine lab, beginning folk guitar, computer programming and related mathematics, choral workshop, and English reading.

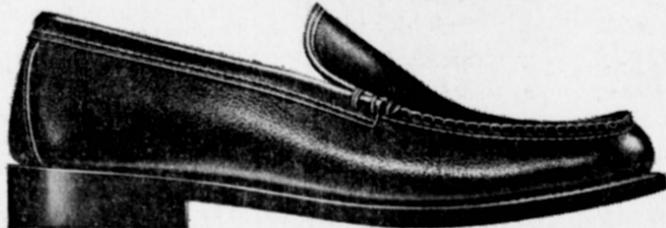
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