

### Obituaries

#### Elsie Lang

Funeral services for Elsie Violet Lang, 4912 Marion Ave., will be conducted at 7 p.m. today at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel. Private cremation will follow.

An Army nurse during World War II, Mrs. Lang was born Oct. 30, 1889, in Pennsylvania. A resident of Torrance for the past 18 years, she died Tuesday.

Surviving Mrs. Lang are two daughters, Lorraine Watson of Torrance and Elsie Di Gangi of Kenmore, N.Y.; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

#### Geneva Whaley

Funeral services for Mrs. Geneva J. Whaley, of 1410 Carson St., were scheduled for 1 p.m. today at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel with burial following in Roosevelt Memorial Park.

Mrs. Whaley, born Feb. 15, 1939, in Colorado, died last Sunday. She had lived in the area for three years.

She is survived by her husband, Richard; a sister, Sharon Templey of Paramount, Florence Daron of Golden, Colo., and Marcel Emmons of Hotchkiss, Colo.; a brother, Cleo Addis of Grand Junction, Colo.; and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson of Torrance.

#### Gus Kinney

Private services for Gus Kinney, 1635 Cota Ave., were conducted at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel. Mr. Kinney died last Monday.

A native of West Virginia, he was born Dec. 5, 1884. He was employed for 12 years by the National Supply Co. as a chemist prior to his retirement.

#### Leah Stavert

Funeral services for Mrs. J. E. (Leah) Stavert, 63, were conducted Tuesday morning with burial following in Inglewood Park Cemetery. Mrs. Stavert died Saturday at a Torrance hospital.

Born May 27, in California, Mrs. Stavert, of 3210 Merrill Drive, had lived most of her life in the Torrance area. She was a member of the Torrance Triple T Club, the Torrance Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, and the Torrance Woman's Club.

Mrs. Stavert is survived by her husband, James of the home; a daughter, Mildred Harrington of Huntington Beach; a sister, Lois Grande of Van Nuys; and two grandchildren.

#### Donald Darrow

Funeral services for Donald Ray Darrow, who died Wednesday afternoon, will be conducted at 11 a.m. tomorrow at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel with burial following in Green Hills Memorial Park.

Mr. Darrow, of 2546 W. 237th St., was born Jan. 29, 1939, in Livingston, Montana.

He is survived by his widow, Joyce of Torrance; two sons, Robert F. and David P.; a daughter, Kathy Lynn; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Darrow of Los Alamitos; a brother, Douglas of Los Alamitos; and two sisters, Carol Van Hemeryck of Crestline and Linda Darrow of Los Alamitos.

### City Honors Faithfulness Of Employee

Ladeene B. Chamberlain, a long-time city employee who died Feb. 17, has been honored in a resolution passed Tuesday by City Councilman. The resolution extends deepest sympathies to her husband, Marshall Chamberlain, and her family.

Mrs. Chamberlain joined the city team in November 1947, working her way up to administrative secretary. She lived in Torrance 40 years.

#### VOLUNTEER HELP

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**GRAND OPENING . . .** Wayne Davis and his wife Jean chat with a customer after the opening of the new Carson & Crenshaw Liquor and Junior Market. Davis is manager of the new store, which features a complete line of imported and domestic wines, liquors, and beers, as well as a complete line of national advertised groceries. The store, at 2517 W. Carson St., is open from 6 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. daily. (Press-Herald Photo)

### Information Center for Veterans Established

Information for veterans and their dependents is now available at newly established information centers at Marina Federal Savings and Loan Association, R. C. Chase, president and general manager, has announced.

The information centers are located at Marina's Del Amo and Westchester offices, Chase said.

Summary information and directory service will be provided by manuals and handbooks, supplied by the American Legion Headquarters, and will outline the benefits, rights, privileges, and services provided by federal laws and regulations for veterans and their dependents.

**CHASE SAID** the Westchester and Del Amo offices will be equipped with brochures con-

### Fire

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second big fire flared up shortly after midnight and it required about two hours to control.

In all, 19 County Fire Department units and 12 units from the Los Angeles City Fire Department responded to the alarm. Two helicopters from the County Fire Department also responded.

Harbor General Hospital put its disaster plan into operation after officials there were notified of the explosions.

**SPOKESMEN** for Harbor General Hospital said 34 persons were treated for injuries between 6 and 9:30 p.m. Three of those were admitted to the hospital.

They were Yancy; Louis Calzada, 21, of Wilmington, who is in serious condition; and Gerald E. Racht, 13, of Harbor City, who suffered burns on his shoulders and arms.

Three persons also were admitted at Wilmington Community Hospital, where numerous other injured persons were treated and released or transferred to other hospitals. Those admitted were Abel Chalez, 23; Keith Pendegrass, 14; and Sharon McCoo, 14, all of Wilmington. All were reported in good condition early today.

A third to a half of the refinery was destroyed.

**EXPLODING** tanks blew lids as far as 50 yards and numerous broken lines, apparently without shut-off valves, burned out of control.

The 12,000-volt power lines serving the refinery were shut down by Southern California Edison Co. moments after the explosions.

Homeowners along Lomita Boulevard were advised to spray their homes with water, then stay inside with shades and curtains pulled to protect against possible shattering windows.

Windows up to 150 feet from the refinery area were shattered by the explosions and some homes in the area were evacuated.

Fire department units remained at the scene throughout the night and Main Street between Lomita and Sepulveda Boulevards was closed to traffic.

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## South Side

By Lynne Alessio

Today marks the last day of the week, the end of the third quarter, and the beginning of Easter vacation for all South High students.

Slave day, sponsored by the Quill and Scroll, was held today. All week members of the newspaper staff sold tickets, the boys competing against the girls. Whichever sex succeeded in selling the most tickets became masters for a day. When a ticket was presented to a "slave," whatever the master commanded had to be done.

Such stunts as standing on the cement benches singing "Mary Had a Little Lamb" or hopping around the flag pole on one leg were commanded. All the money from Slave Day is used for the scholarships presented by the Journalism Department to seniors.

Upon returning from vacation, a host of activities sponsored by the Sophomore Class are planned. Pictures were posted this week for the "Craziest Legs" contest to be held the week of April 7 through 11. Students will be able to vote all the week for the legs they think are the craziest looking.

On Friday, April 11, the annual Donkey basketball game will be held. Spartan teachers will compete against each other while riding donkeys. This event is the major money-raising project held by the Sophomore Class to raise the funds for the 1970 Junior-Senior Prom.

### Rancho San Antonio Fund Drive Continues

A drive to raise funds for Rancho San Antonio, known as the Boys Town of the West, is currently under way throughout the Southland.

Local members of St. Gerard Council No. 4919 of the Knights of Columbus will continue their appeal through April 27, when a fiesta will be held on the Rancho grounds marking the end of the drive.

Joe Sweeney is serving as chairman of the local effort. He is being assisted by Jack Wolansky, Oren Davis, Don Randles, Joe Trujillo, Bill Bix, Dick Abshar, Charles Butterfield, Bill Rettig, Tony Carcerano, Jim Alford, Dean Maley, Pete Crotty, Andy Bambrick, and Al Lawrence.

Construction of a new dining facility, kitchen, and staff quarters has been completed at Rancho San Antonio. His Eminence James Francis Cardinal McIntyre will dedicate the new facilities Sunday, April 20.

The fiesta will include the world's largest barbecue. To be held on the Rancho grounds in Catsworth, it is open to the public.

### Burglar Takes \$2,700 in Cash

Theft of \$2,700 in cash from the apartment of Henry Valles, 2059 W. Artesia Blvd., was reported to Torrance police Thursday. Valles said a television set valued at \$100 also was taken.

Investigating officers said the burglar did not ransack the apartment. A total of \$2,100 in currency and more than \$600 in silver coins was taken.

### DAYS OF STEAM

A year-around view of the past can be seen at the Los Angeles County Fair, Pomona, in the historical locomotive display featuring the world's largest steam locomotive and a number of old coal burners in use before the turn of the century. They're also on display during the fair run, Sept. 12-28.

**BEST OF ALL**, Rosenberg said, the Queen Mary will mean better times economically for the entire Los Angeles area. It will mean that thousands of conventioners from all over the country will be bringing new money into the area. It will mean scores of new jobs for persons living in the greater Long Beach area.

Rosenberg said that the Queen Mary project is a reflection of good faith in the American economy for the foreseeable future. He predicted that the average citizen's "discretionary income" (extra spending money) will quadruple within the next decade.

**THIS MEANS** more money will be spent on entertainment and leisure time activities, and hence, more money will be spent aboard the Queen Mary and similar endeavors which prove themselves to be quality tourist attractions.

It's just a matter of developing the possibilities for attracting this money, Rosenberg said.

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## Youths Earn \$4,000 from Work Experience Program

North High School students who are coupling their schooling with part-time employment pocketed more than \$4,000 in wages last month.

Earnings of 31 work experience students who attend school four hours a day and work after school totaled \$4,309 in February, according to Ron-

ald Hindres, distributive education teacher.

Individual earnings ranged from \$23.25 to \$260. Students received wages ranging from \$1.25 an hour to \$2 an hour.

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