

### Kay Alspaugh Represents Camp Fire Girls

Another name added to the roster of Torrance social workers is Miss Kay Alspaugh, who is to be the representative of the Camp Fire Girls. She will arrive in Los Angeles Sept. 28 and will take up her duties in Torrance soon after. The selection of Miss Alspaugh as local representative follows a long search for a well qualified Camp Fire worker. She is coming to this area from Detroit, where she has been on the Camp Fire staff. She is a graduate of the national Camp Fire executive school and has a master's degree in social science from Northwestern University.

Camp Fire Girls is a national organization for girls from 7 to 18 years with a program covering home, health, hand, camp, nature, business, citizenship—to help girls grow up to be happy, socially responsible citizens of tomorrow. The junior group for girls from 7 to 9 years is called Blue Birds. The program for high school girls is called the Horizon club. Girls between 10 and 15 years are the ones who carry the national name of Camp Fire Girls. The Camp Fire program uses Indian symbolism.

Anyone interested in becoming a member or in sponsoring such a group may call the Torrance Service Center, Torrance 1405.

#### ATTEND WHITE SHRINE

Attending Nazareth White Shrine Chapter at Long Beach Monday evening were Emma Jean Crumrine, Billie Kerber and Hazel Hyde.

### Alondra Park Development, Oil Drilling Discussed by County

Plans are now being prepared for partial development of Alondra park in county territory adjacent to Torrance and the work will be undertaken "as quickly as it is possible to do so."

Director J. R. Wimmer of the county department of parks and recreation so informed the board of supervisors after several civic organizations in the area complained that recreational facilities were sorely needed on the large tract of land which has remained virtually unimproved for park purposes since the county acquired it years ago.

The Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce and the American Legion Auxiliary of Gardena were among groups that lodged complaints. In a letter to the auxiliary, Wimmer said improvements for which plans are now being drafted include playgrounds and picnic facilities. He disclosed an extensive post war development program is planned at the park.

Torrance district civic leaders together with those of beach cities and Gardena had been hopeful that the park might be held for a junior college and airport and their plans still are in the making to this end, it is said. Meanwhile, it is revealed that oil drilling may extend to Alondra park.

Supervisor Oscar Hauge disclosed that certain oil interests have made inquiries as to the attitude of county officials toward granting permission for oil drilling of the 319 undeveloped acres comprising the park. It was pointed out that the



**HOME AGAIN . . .** Donald C. Shafstall, staff sergeant, 120th ACS, arrived home Saturday night to visit his mother, Mrs. Fern Shafstall, 25934 Cypress st., Lomita, on furlough after a 17-months tour of duty in the Asiatic service. Sgt. Shafstall formerly was employed at the Torrance Memorial hospital, prior to his induction in February, 1942.

act under which the park district was formed prohibits use of the property for any than park purposes.

But in an opinion which he said was strictly informal, County Counsel J. H. O'Connor ruled that slant drilling would be legal if the wells were sunk outside the park boundary proper as is customary in that type of development.

Acquired in 1927 at a cost of \$1,003,000 but not improved in any appreciable degree for park purposes, the property is located between Redondo Beach Blvd., Prairie ave., Crenshaw Blvd. and the extension of Manhattan Beach Blvd.

The project has been a heavy financial burden on taxpayers in the district. Some years ago the state legislature considered a bill permitting oil drilling in the park but it failed to pass.

### High School Newspaper Staff Is Announced

The high school paper, the Torrance News Torch (more popularly called the T.N.T.), has a brand-new staff. Under its supervision, the first paper should be out Thursday or Friday of this week.

The co-editors are Carol DeBra and Dora Jean Pitman. The exchange editor is Dorothy Whiting, who gets the exchanges from the other schools. Nelda Parker is entrusted with the job of getting the letters from the service men and picking out the most interesting passages for the Torch. Myrna Fossum is the girls' sports editor, while Marvin Kent does the job with the boys' sports, assisted by Ralph George.

The nine columnists, or reporters, are Eunice Abramson, Reita Eiler, Virginia Fletcher, Sunny June Morris, Shirley Grace, Harriet Sparellich, Grace Hjerpe, Bertha Perez, and Dolores Perez.

The junior high reporter is Bob Waters. The advisor is Miss Irene Mills.

Werner Sommer and Ben Poorbaugh are business managers and the typists are Clarice Ossea, Marian Schmidt, and Betty Sommers. The man in charge of printing is Mr. Charles Hamilton.

The News Torch, besides going to the 1100 students of the high school, travels to all points of the globe to over 650 service men and women.

### Dr. Swartout To Attend Second Health Parley

Dr. H. O. Swartout, Los Angeles county health officer, has been authorized by the county board of supervisors to attend the second wartime conference of the American Public Health Association in New York City Oct. 1-7. He will leave Sept. 28.

Dr. Swartout on Oct. 2 is scheduled to act as moderator for a panel discussion of "what a health officer should expect of a health educator and vice-versa." On Oct. 5 he will accept the national certificate of award won by his department last year in the health honor roll contest. His application for a fellowship in the A.P.H.A. will be acted upon at this session.

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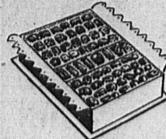
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