

High School to Present A Cappella Choir



Leading L.A. Singing Group Coming Here

Torrance High School will sponsor an a cappella concert to be presented in the school auditorium Friday, June 11. The concert, which will feature religious, classical and semi-classical selections, will be sung by Los Angeles a cappella choir, under the direction of Dr. George H. Hultgren, head of the voice department at U.S.C. The choir, organized in April 1947, is composed of trained and professional voices. Purpose of the performance is to assist choral groups of the school toward purchase of music, robes and incidentals. George Zavislan, music director of the school, feels that Torrance music enthusiasts will be delighted with the performance to be offered and has expressed a wish to have a capacity audience to greet the Los Angeles artists.

CONTRACT RENEWED

Renewal of the contract between the city of Torrance and the South Bay Humane Society for collection of Dog licenses and furnishing of pound services has been ordered by the City Council for another year.

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Work Begun on Kettler Knolls Shopping Center

Work started this week on a new \$175,000 business district at the corner of Sepulveda boulevard and Narbonne avenue, to serve the Kettler Knolls homes project in South Torrance.

Jack Kettler and P. I. Wilsey, Jr., who started the Kettler Knolls project, said the new center would consist of a super-market, a corner drug store, shoe store, barber and beauty shop and a cleaning and pressing shop.

Another group of 117 homes is under construction by Kettler Western and will be completed in about five months, Kettler said.

'Six Cylinder' Hospital Name Made Official

"Los Angeles County Harbor General Hospital" is the new, official, six-cylinder name of the 600-bed former Army hospital on Carson street and Normandie avenue, adjacent to the city of Torrance.

The county hospital just opened at Long Beach is officially designated "Los Angeles County Long Beach Hospital."

Official action on the matter was taken by the County Board of Supervisors.

Don Hall With Group Flying to Arab Area

Donald E. Hall, 1400 West 219th street, is among 13 men and a girl from the Los Angeles metropolitan area making the 11,000 mile trip to Saudi Arabia where they will be employed by the Bechtel International Corporation, according to American Air Lines.

Unmarried Edna Rose Warner, pretty and leaving to do secretarial work in the far off land, said: "I'm going over to work and to see the world." Asked if she had any qualms about being outnumbered by men she added, "As I near Saudi Arabia the number of men per girl will increase considerably. However, I plan to stay single and at the end of the 18 months I intend to return here for a vacation."

The group, the largest to leave this area at one time, will work for the next 18 months on the construction of docks, pipe lines, railroads, refineries, and other improvements being built in the Persian Gulf Area.

King Tells Need for Revision in Federal System

Need for revision in the executive branch of the government to bring it up to date was emphasized in an informal talk before the Torrance Rotary Club Thursday evening by Congressman Cecil R. King.

"The system under which we now are operating was devised at the time of the Gold Rush," said the 17th District Congressman. "Our system now has far outgrown its purpose, and the whole inefficient system is being studied by a commission headed by former President Herbert Hoover."

This study, under the Reorganization Act, is about one-third completed, Congressman King said. He cited the great amount of mail received by every Congressman, which it is next to impossible to answer with the limited staffs now allowed each member. This mail comes in five deliveries daily "the first one alone containing more requests than we can normally answer," he added.

With the Congressman was Mrs. King, and his field secretary, Keith Lynden. The Congressman was introduced by Grover C. Whyte.

Sheriff's Annual Rodeo Scheduled For August 22

Los Angeles is to have its biggest outdoor show, according to the committee responsible for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Annual Championship Rodeo. Plans now are under way to make this big yearly roundup to be held at the Los Angeles Coliseum, Sunday afternoon, August 22.

Sheriff Biscailuz, president of the Sheriff's Relief Association, has picked his committee members and work has already started to bring the nation's leading cowboys to the coast to compete for thousands of dollars in prize money.

The Southwest's most highly prized horses displaying silver mounted saddles and equipment will form a prominent part of the spectacular grand entry parade, one of the highlights of the show. Mounted groups, sheriff's posses and auxiliary units from all over Southern California will participate in the parade which is expected to attract more than 1,000 horsemen.

Film to Show Church Work

Motion pictures showing the work being carried on by missionaries of the Nazarene church in Central and South America will be shown at the 7:30 p.m., Sunday missionary program at the Torrance church. It is announced by the Rev. W. A. Penner, pastor.

The program will be presented by Mrs. Elmer Gandy, whose late husband was a well-known artist, evangelist and world traveler.

WHAT'S NEW DEPARTMENT
A new adhesive mounts laboratory, fixtures, name plates, charts maps, etc., on walls without use of bolts or screws.

State's Schools Look for 'Peak Load' in 1952

If you think the schools of California are crowded now, just wait!

School officials who keep an eye on the birth rate for its effects on school attendance in later years, are looking anxiously toward 1952. That's the year when the full force of the war—and postwar activity of the stork is expected to have its impact on the educational system in California.

In spite of the multi-million dollar building program now going on, it is predicted that the present shortage of about 3,000 classrooms will more than double in the next five years. Adding to the problem of providing adequate facilities is the rising cost of construction. At \$12 a square foot, school building costs are nearly twice as much as they were a few years ago.

If both building costs and the birth rate continue to go up it may eventually be necessary to keep the kids home and have the classes conducted by radio.

State Fair to Open Sept. 1 in Sacramento

Minerals and lumber from the north, grains and fruit from the coast, rich agricultural products of the great interior valleys, and citrus from the southern counties, all bleeded in a riot of color against an attractive background, will form the greatest group of exhibits ever seen in the Agricultural building when the California State Fair is held Sept. 2 through 12.

Ned Green, secretary-manager, announced that 38 counties have reserved space and contracts with 15 others are pending. This, he said, assures the State Fair the greatest county representation in history, showing their wealth of agricultural, industrial and mineral products.

PERMIT GRANTED

Permit for the sale of fireworks July 1 to 4 has been granted to the Torrance Hobby Shop, by the City Council. The permit specifies "safe and sane fireworks" and is subject to regulations of the Torrance Fire Department.

Perry School Pupil Writes Essay on Flag

Frank Sheffield, sixth grade pupil at Perry Elementary school, wrote the prize winning essay on "The American Flag and What It Means to Me", according to an announcement made today by his teacher, Lester Clemons.

The essay follows: "I think the American Flag means that every person in the United States shall be protected from the rage of other nations in war. It means that here is a nation that can always help its people. Its 13 stripes and 48 stars stand for the peace of its people. The colors of the Star Spangled Banner are well chosen, for its red, white, and blue stand for the qualities of the land. The crops and harvests are very rich. The people are well educated. The Stars stand for its well-organized and well-known states. The 13 stripes are for the original states. The Flag stands for a nation that has the freedom to worship the way it wants to. It has had many well-selected presidents and many heroic leaders and soldiers. It is the best nation in the world."

Tract Will Be Slant Drilled

Extraction of oil by slant drilling under the residential area west of Crenshaw boulevard and south of Rodeo drive, is being contemplated by a major oil company, it was reported this week.

The plan is to whip-stock off the hills to the area beneath the new residential district. Some of the Baldwin Hills also is included in the plan, and about 200 wells are planned under a community lease which would cover about 1000 acres.



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Palomar Will Be Dedicated This Afternoon

Palomar Mountain in northern San Diego County, 65 miles north of the city of San Diego, will be the setting today for an impressive dedication of the huge Palomar Observatory. The ceremony is scheduled for 2 p.m. and will be attended by some 800 to 1000 invited guests.

Within the giant Palomar Observatory is a telescope containing the world's largest mirror, 200 inches in diameter. The mirror was brought last winter from the California Institute of Technology to its San Diego County home in an epoch-making trip by diesel trailer and traveled to the 5,550-foot level of the mountain where the observatory stands.

Some observations have been made and reports indicate that the mirror has proved more than equal to all expectations. The Palomar project was financed by the Rockefeller Foundation and will be operated in connection with the Mount Wilson Observatory jointly by Caltech and The Carnegie Institution.



SPANISH DANCER . . . Miss Jean Wathen, as she will appear on the Three Arts Studio annual dance revue Tuesday, June 8 at 7:30 p.m., in Torrance High School auditorium. She also will do other numbers including a lovely toe dance.



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