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Rites Set for Blankenship, Steel Worker

Buried under two tons of warm slag at the Columbia Steel Company's plant Sunday afternoon, Robert O. Blankenship, 28, a brakeman on a yard train, was fatally injured.

Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock this morning at Stone & Myers chapel, followed by private cremation at Pacific Crest cemetery, Redondo Beach. The Rev. Clyde E. Ruckman will officiate.

Blankenship, who was unmarried, had been living with his brother, Paul Blankenship, at 2205 Redondo Beach boulevard. He had been employed at the steel plant since 1940, except for a three-year military leave which he served with the Army transportation unit in the African, European and Middle Eastern theaters.

The accident happened when a dump car attached to a switch engine opened unexpectedly, releasing the hot slag, according to Roy Wilson and Lester C. Burger, who were witnesses. Blankenship was dead when fellow-workers extricated him from the pile of slag.

Blankenship was born in Los Angeles July 16, 1920, and had many friends in Torrance. Pallbearers at the funeral will include employees of the plant where he worked.

Truant Officer Submits Report Of Year's Work

Several parents in the Torrance Unified school district are lax about getting their children to school, and court action may be resorted to next term if they persist in keeping their children out, according to a summary report of the district's attendance officer, F. A. Applegate.

His report, presented to the Board of Education, reveals that many cases of habitual truancy can be tracked back to parents who had previously kept their children out to "go shopping" or to "see uncle in El Monte," and the result of this lax attitude on the part of parents is poor attendance habits by pupils. Many children who became ill at school were returned by car to their homes, and 19 children were found to be out of school because of lack of proper clothing. Parents were aided in making arrangements for relief in such instances.

ERECTING BUILDING* The Great Lakes Carbon Corporation, 12918 Madrona avenue, is erecting a new corrugated iron shop building at its Palos Verdes excavation site, at a cost of \$8800.

"Public Notices"

TORRANCE HERALD ORDINANCE NO. 44

WHEREAS there has been filed with the City Engineer and presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Torrance, under the provisions of Section 15 of Ordinance No. 316, as amended, a Petition for Change of Zone, executed by the owners of said property hereinafter described, situated in the City of Torrance, requesting the reclassification of the following described property from an A-1 (Light Agricultural) Zone:

(a) All of Lots 1 to 46, inclusive, Tentative Tract No. 16071; being the frontage on Prairie Avenue and Redondo Beach Boulevard, with a depth of 100 ft. extending approximately 1370 ft. westerly and 125 ft. southerly from the southwest corner of Prairie Avenue and Redondo Beach Boulevard; to be reclassified to a C-2 (General Commercial) Zone; and

WHEREAS, after due and legal publication of said petition, and public hearings on said petition, as required by Ordinance No. 316, as amended, and Statutes of California, particularly Ordinance No. 221-B, the Planning Commission of the City of Torrance recommended the reclassification of the following described property to the Agricultural Zone of the following description:

(a) All of Lots 1 to 46, inclusive, Tentative Tract No. 16071; being the frontage on Prairie Avenue and Redondo Beach Boulevard, with a depth of 100 ft. extending approximately 1370 ft. westerly and 125 ft. southerly from the southwest corner of Prairie Avenue and Redondo Beach Boulevard; to be reclassified to a C-2 (General Commercial) Zone; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Torrance, after due and legal publication of notice of said petition, and public hearings thereon, regarding said proposed reclassification, as provided by said Ordinance No. 316, as amended, and the Statutes of California, particularly Ordinance No. 221-B, has taken into consideration the recommendation of the Planning Commission and other interested parties, and has determined that it is in the public interest that such change be made, and that such change will not be materially detrimental to the public welfare, nor to the property of other persons located in the vicinity thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF TORRANCE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 1. That the City Council of the City of Torrance does hereby find and determine that the Change of Zone recommended by the City Planning Commission is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of substantial property rights of the owners of property named in said petition, and that said Change of Zone will not be materially detrimental to the public welfare or to the property of other persons located in the vicinity thereof, and further finds and determines that due notice to owners of property to be affected by said petition has been given, as required by Ordinance No. 316, as amended, and Statutes of California, particularly Act No. 5211-B; and that the petition has been approved by interested parties, as therein provided, to protest the granting of said petition before the Planning Commission and the City Council of the City of Torrance.

SECTION 2. That the Change of Zone recommended by the Planning Commission to reclassify and change the use of said property hereinafter described to the same is hereby approved, and the Land Use Map of the City of Torrance, included in Ordinance No. 316, as amended, is hereby amended to show such reclassification and zoning; and the portion of said Map, as amended and hereby attached to and made a part of said Land Use Map of the City of Torrance, is hereby substituted for the portion of the original Land Use Map covering the property herein reclassified.

SECTION 3. That the property to be reclassified, and the change of classification hereby made, is as follows: (a) All of Lots 1 to 46, inclusive, Tentative Tract No. 16071; being the frontage on Prairie Avenue and Redondo Beach Boulevard, with a depth of 100 ft. extending approximately 1370 ft. westerly and 125 ft. southerly from the southwest corner of Prairie Avenue and Redondo Beach Boulevard; to be and the same is hereby reclassified to a C-2 (General Commercial) Zone.

SECTION 4. All ordinances of the City of Torrance inconsistent herewith to the extent of such inconsistency and no further, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect thirty days after the date of its adoption, and prior to the expiration of fifteen days from the passage thereof shall be published at least once in the Torrance Herald, a weekly newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the City of Torrance.

Witness my hand and the seal of the City of Torrance, this 13th day of July, 1948. J. HUGH SHERREY JR., Mayor of the City of Torrance

ATTEST: A. H. BARTLETT, City Clerk of the City of Torrance. STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, SS CITY OF TORRANCE: I, A. H. Bartlett, City Clerk of the City of Torrance, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and approved at a Regular Meeting of said City Council of the City of Torrance on the 22nd day of June, 1948, and adopted on the 13th day of July, 1948, at a Regular Meeting of said Council by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Drahe, Haglund, Jackson and Powell. NEGATIVE COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT COUNCILMEN: Sherrey (SEAL). A. H. BARTLETT, City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

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CAFETERIA OPERATIONS TAKEN OVER BY SCHOOLS

officials to set up operation of the cafeterias at the high school and at Perry elementary school, following authorization by the board of education.

The high school cafeteria was operated by Redondo district last year, and the Perry avenue PTA operated the cafeteria there during the year, the mothers generously donating their services in order that the children might have a balanced noon-day meal.

School cafeterias have to be self-supporting, it was explained by Emmett Ingram, business manager, and he outlined the problems of the district taking over this operation. A cafeteria fund has to be set up, which can be done in this instance by having the Board of Education advance a sufficient sum to get the program under way, and then have the cafeteria fund repay the district before the end of the school year.

He was authorized to plan for operation of cafeterias both at the high school and at the Perry school, and to recommend a salary schedule at a forthcoming meeting. As tentatively outlined, this would involve a competent head cafeteria worker at each of the two schools who will be responsible for the complete operation, including menus and ordering of supplies.

Three or four cafeteria workers will be needed at the high school and one or two at the Perry school, Ingram estimated. He also anticipates it will be necessary to employ not less than one person half-time to take care of the accounting and purchasing part of the program.

Factory Body Hails Tax Cut

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but your city is growing and these additional services are needed."

With Plomert were representatives of the Santa Fe, CCMO, the Edison Company and International Derrick Company, while Plomert represents General Petroleum.

Logan E. Cotton, the city's official auditor, rose to say: "Your city is in sound financial shape because all of your city employees have held the line. A year ago the city's financial condition was very bad. There are things in the new budget that probably should have been bought last year, but they were not available in some instances."

James Evans, local business man, was the only other person to speak on the budget Tuesday night.

"If you have any extra money I think you should put it in the fire department," said Evans, a one-time candidate for City Council. "I also believe the Council should repeal the city sales tax as soon as possible."

'Excessive' Tax for Schools Hit

Branding the combined tax rate for schools as "excessive," the Industries Tax Committee today asked the Torrance Board of Education to "make every effort to reduce the general rate for schools for the coming year," in a letter directed to Supt. J. Henrich Hull.

THEEVES ENTER MARKET

Taking \$46.12 in merchandise and \$750 in cash, thieves broke into the Alondra Market, 16525 South Prairie avenue, last week by prying open the front door with a jimmy, according to Berna Mae Bragg, owner.

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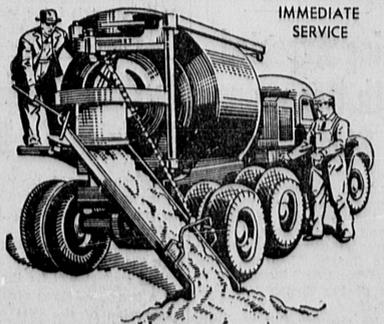
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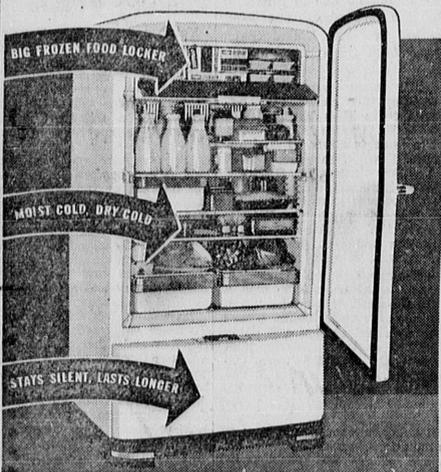
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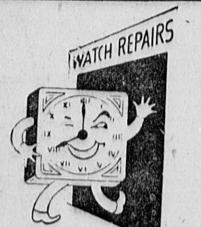
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