

Walteria Business Leaders to See 'Y' Boys at Meeting

The Torrance Y.M.C.A. will put on a program for the Walteria Businessmen Club tonight at their regular meeting at the Fish Shanty.

The 1949 Rams Football movie will be shown and a special recognition of the boys "Y" athletic teams will be featured. Boys on the program, are Donnie Crowell, Otto Steffel, and Shippy Hearrea.

Milt Isbell will be program chairman.

ONE IN THREE One out of every three families will see one member hospitalized during 1950, the Association of California Hospitals reports.

Dance Class To Open Here Next Monday

Fred Totten, who has operated a dance studio in Hollywood the past ten years, will open Monday classes for all age groups at the Woman's Club at 1422 Engracia avenue, beginning next Monday, he announced this week.

Totten, who has appeared in more than 30 motion pictures himself, and has just finished 15 weeks in a television show, "Totten Teaches Tap," said the opening of the Torrance classes is part of an expansion program that has included classes in Redondo Beach, Inglewood, North Hollywood and Santa Monica.

1246 Enrolled At Adult School

A new high in enrollment has been reached in the Torrance School of Adult Education, according to Donald Manashaw, director of Adult Education. With 1246 men and women now in attendance, the school has a larger number of students than it has ever had since its inception.

Listing the causes of increase, Manashaw gives credit to a wide variety of class offerings — ceramics, leathercraft, dressmaking, first aid, gardening and landscaping, lamp shades, textile painting, expectant mothers, and business subjects.

It has been the policy of the Torrance Adult School to start new classes wherever there was sufficient need in the community. There are now 34 different adult classes held by 27 instructors in seven buildings.

Substantial increases are now being shown in classes in interior decorating, dressmaking, salesmanship, rugmaking, and physical education.

WHERE'S THE FIRE? Grass fire at 220th street and Western avenue at 4:10 p.m., Friday. No damage.

Gets 20 Days To Think of Man's Rights

A number of Torrance citizens were said to have breathed a collective sigh of relief this week as Jess Tidland, 63, of 1229 Annapola avenue, was sent to the county jail for 20 days to think over the privileges and responsibilities of the individual in society.

Police said they had received numerous complaints about Tidland's assertion of extra privileges such as his sampling of picnic lunches of other persons in City Park.

He was arrested last week on a charge of disturbing the peace, filed by one woman who said Tidland repeatedly and insistently drove beside her as she walked with her small daughter en route to school, insisting that she and her daughter ride with him, because he didn't "like to see women walk."

Told to mind his own business, Tidland assentedly replied, "I'll mind anybody's business I like."

Tidland is thinking it over with 16 more days to go.



STAGE FRIGHT? . . . Not a bit said Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young, 2321 El Dorado street, after their personal appearance on the stage of the Vermont Drive-In Theater on February 24. And why should they be? They stepped up to receive a \$200 check for their participation in an attendance promotion stunt. Manager Jack Rice made the presentation.

Holdup

Both appeared to be between 20 and 25 years old. Francis put the gun sticking out a receipt for it. He looked up to ask the man's name and found his answer in the man's hand — a blue steel .32 automatic was staring at him from near the man's belt.

"It was shaky," says Francis. "My heart started working overtime. I was shocked."

"Step in the back room," said the gunman, "we don't want to hurt anybody."

Francis said he then felt a slow chill and edged sideways around the counter and through the door, walking forward from there to the lavatory at the rear, still keeping his head turned toward the man, fascinated by that starting gun.

Finally, after what seemed like a long time, he was inside the lavatory and the following man shut the door and tried to lock it, but it wouldn't lock from the outside.

Stepping back a few feet, he called quietly, "Stay there." And Francis did until he heard their feet scrape across the threshold and a car start away.

Then he stuck his head out cautiously, just as he is in the picture, and finally made his shaky way to the telephone to call police.

"It's just as well it wasn't a dial phone," he grinned nervously, recounting it.

A survey of the shop after the men left showed only a .32 caliber automatic pistol and a brown shoulder holster were missing, prompting police to believe another holdup was in the making.

Francis said it was the first holdup in the store. However, the place was burglarized almost a year ago of some fishing reels, air pistols and a number of hunting knives.

March of Dimes Campaign Nets \$2465 to Date

Torrance has fallen so far short of its attempt to collect \$5000 for the March of Dimes, that Chairman Mrs. Clara Conner would rather not talk about it.

Torrance has collected \$2465.99 so far, though, she said, and hopes there will be a few more dollars in the miniature "iron lungs" on store counters that are now being collected.

She also hopes that the initial wrestling bout of the Optimists Club, scheduled for March 16 at the Civic Auditorium, may help. Proceeds of the first professional bouts in Torrance will go to the March of Dimes.

Included in Mrs. Conner's list of donors and drives conducted by individuals and small groups are:

Table listing donors and amounts: Firemen's Ball \$1147.38, Torrance Elem. School \$58.35, Parade \$410.35, Torrance Elem. School \$60.38, Perry School P.T.A. \$58.47, Business and Professional Women's Club \$10.00, Fern Street School \$75.12, Torrance Elem. School \$22.46, Perry School \$44.50, Fern Avenue School P.T.A. \$43.31, Van De Kamp's \$9.87, Curries \$6.17, Daniels Cafe \$14.84, Margaret Fordice \$2.00, Charlie Gots \$20.00, Jean Walker \$17.00, Mrs. Fanny King \$2.00, Frank Norwood \$1.00, Air Raid Warden \$75.77, Steve Nyland \$12.00, Leona May Scott \$5.00, Alice L. Lichtenberg, and Maxine Jensen \$10.00, Jeannette Clark \$5.00, Dr. Howard Wood \$40.00, P.T.A. Mothers \$34.98.

TOTAL \$2465.99

Public Notices

TORRANCE HERALD NOTICE OF HEARING OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL No. 30224 In the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles.

TORRANCE HERALD NOTICE TO BIDDERS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Torrance, California, until 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 7, 1950, for furnishing electric poles and materials for lighting Walteria Ball Park.

Council

inary to the citizens of Torrance that it takes a former county resident to think they are wonderful. However, it seems essential that a cost-accounting system be installed for the city bus lines. The service should be increased, not decreased, but it should be done at a profit.

"My 30 years' experience in the transportation field leads me to believe that it can be done. Business efficiency may be needed.

Torrance has parks, playgrounds, ball parks, and a civic auditorium. A planned recreation program might use them for the benefit of our young people more fully.

"Proper attention should be given to the protection of school children by assigned police protection.

Inasmuch as Torrance is the largest independent city in the 68th Assembly District, the problem after election will be manifold. First it is an important labor center with a large recent population increase — mainly of veterans and their families. While these groups are intermingled, both deserve proper consideration of their problems.

"If elected to the Torrance City Council I shall try to represent all factions in a cooperative, democratic way."

GEORGE W. DOWNING "I have been, and am still, interested in the welfare of Torrance and its future. I am not subservient to any group or individual. I have taken a deep interest in all civic and recreational activities and as a member of the Civil Service Board have always tried to be fair and just in all my decisions.

"I have had previous experience in municipal government, eight years of it under the city manager plan. I was one of seven citizens who framed our present city manager charter and am a firm believer in the form if it is adhered to. It is my firm intention if elected to represent each and every resident in an unbiased way."

CITY CLERK BARTLETT "No government is more intimate with the daily lives of the citizens than the local municipality, and a strong local government affords the protection of its inhabitants. Whatever the form of local government, one of the most important officers is its clerk whose problems are many and his duties various. The clerk's office can be truly called the hub of local government. It is the clerk who is the contact between the citizens and the government. He gives advice on many subjects, not necessarily relating to the government, but by his contact with the public, they, for a great part, place confidence in him as the man who can answer most questions.

"With this thought in mind, I feel that my many years of proven experience as City Clerk qualify me to again seek election to the office which I now hold. I, therefore, announce myself as candidate and am again asking the same support from the electorate in this April 11th election which has been given me in the past."

Final Rites Held For Sylvia Teal

Services were conducted last night at 8 p.m. at Snyder's, South-west Mortuary at 1020 West 99th street in Los Angeles for Mrs. Sylvia Teal, 72-year-old pensioner, who telephoned her directions for the services to the mortuary a few minutes before she apparently took her own life last Sunday.

Mrs. Teal's body was found in her trailer home at 1416 West 222nd street, Sunday by Noel Bottomley, owner of a residence in the rear of which Mrs. Teal parked her trailer home.

She had apparently taken a dozen sleeping tablets and turned on a gas stove.

Services were conducted by Dr. E. O. Ford, pastor of the Sunnyside Baptist Church near the mortuary, followed by interment. There were no immediate survivors.

Rites Held For Infant Daughter

Graveside services for the infant daughter, Josephine, of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Garcia, were conducted by Rev. Cornelio Sierra of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church on February 27 at Holy Cross Cemetery. Surviving are four sisters, Virginia, Beatrice, Esperanza Seseate and Erlinda Garcia. Stone and Myers Mortuary were in charge of arrangements.

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