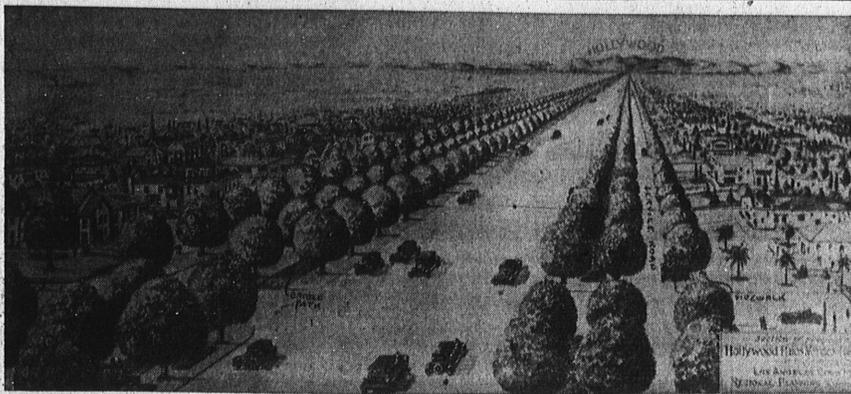


TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 1952

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A DREAM WORLD . . . Promoters of the Hollywood Riviera area years ago dreamed of a wide thoroughfare linking their suburban community to the flicker city of Hollywood and correspondingly named the proposed street Hollywood Palos Verdes Parkway. Subdividers who are now developing tracts in the area find that sections of the dedicated

street with the elongated name pop up in the middle of their subdivisions and must be used. Latest is Builders Mortgage Co. whose proposed tract at the west end of Sepulveda Blvd. in Torrance has a short street running east and west which must be called Hollywood Palos Verdes Parkway.

Cooperation Key Factor in TUSD Receiving Funds

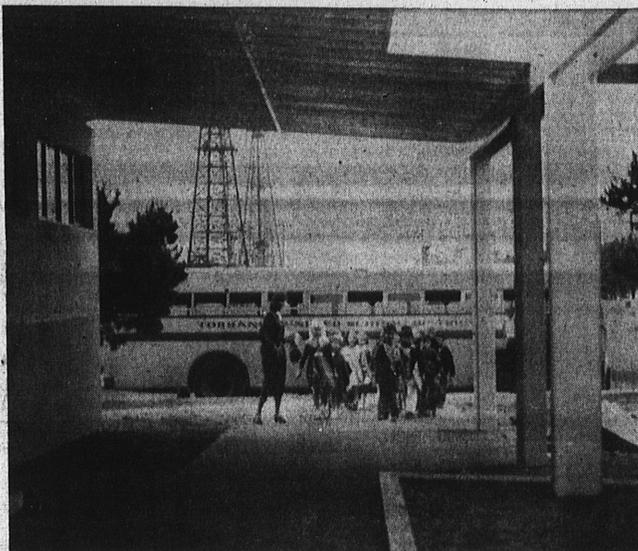
It has been the excellent cooperation of Torrance parents, teachers and the administration that has enabled the Unified School District here to qualify for large Federal fund grants which have been awarded without strings attached to districts that have unusual increases in enrollment. Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools, stated this week.

Upon completion of a survey of the employment of parents in the Torrance district next week, the District is in a position to receive additional Federal funds for school buildings, maintenance and operation.

During the 1950-51 school year the District was awarded \$153,518.18 as the result of the enormous increases in enrollment here resulting from Federal activities in the area.



TORRANCE HIGH STUDENT ED PALMER . . . from Hong Kong, an Ivory Ship



HOME AWAY FROM HOME . . . Here's part of the more than 300 students who moved into the new Madrona School Monday morning. The recently completed buildings will help to alleviate a crowded situation which prevailed at the Fern Ave. School.

El Nido Park Improvement Program Related by Darby

Plans are already under way to provide barbecue facilities at El Nido's 22-acre park site for use this summer, Supervisor Raymond V. Darby told 100 residents of El Nido at a community meeting Monday night.

Darby said that some landscaping would also be accomplished before the end of the year, and the rest rooms and other major improvements were scheduled for next year.

County Parks Manager Reay Marshall also attended the meeting with Darby. A traffic signal is to be installed at 182nd St. and Hawthorne Blvd., when the State Highway Commission pushes through a proposed four-lane roadway in that area some time later this year. Sewers for the El Nido area will be completed during the summer, the supervisors said.

Outfall for the El Nido sewer will be via an extension of West-ern Ave. to White's Point, and not at the Hyperion plant, Darby related. Coffee and donuts were served at the conclusion of the Monday meeting.

Zitzer Trial Set May 28

Jacob Zitzer, Walteria father of six children, charged with three counts of burglary, pleaded not guilty before Superior Judge Fred Miller in Long Beach Court Tuesday and was ordered to appear for trial May 28, a court clerk reported yesterday.

Zitzer was released on bail Monday morning after a friend in Sheboygan, Wis., allegedly posted bond. He had been detained at the County Jail since his arrest last March 27.

New Board Members to be Named At Annual Red Cross Meeting

Election of officers for the Torrance Red Cross Branch, selection of a Branch chairman, and naming of thirty-five persons to the Board of Directors is slated to take place tomorrow evening at the annual Red Cross Report meeting, 7:30, in the City Council Chambers.

Mrs. Don Hyde, present chairman of the Torrance branch, has sent out a call to all interested persons to attend the meeting in order that an active and representative board of directors can be elected.

Activities undertaken for the year by the Torrance Branch Red Cross Chapter will be told by Mrs. Hyde. Separate jobs

done by the Blood Service, training personnel, civil defense and home service workers groups, and a civil disaster survey report will be revealed, Mrs. Hyde said.

This is the first year of activity for the Red Cross since it was reactivated in 1950.

Mrs. Hyde said that the local chapter has been handicapped because of a lack of good leaders to head up the various organizations affiliated with the Red Cross. Staff aids to serve in the office are vitally needed, the chairman said.

No gray ladies' or nurses' aid programs have been conducted here because of insufficient personnel, she said.

Held By Commies

Hong Kong Pen Pal Sends Ivory Gifts

From Hong Kong, China, to Torrance, California came a small metal box containing a miniature, solid ivory junk and a small letter-opener set, also of ivory, addressed to Eddie Palmer, Torrance High School student.

The items came from Ng Yik, 32 King Kwong St., Happy Valley, Hong Kong, a 16-year-old Chinese boy who lives in a town controlled by the Communists.

Palmer with many other Torrance High students, sent some Christmas gift parcels to Chinese youths, and Ed's went to Ng Yik. A correspondence was started and to show his appreciation to Palmer, Ng Yik mailed to him the ivory carvings. The junk, which stands only 3 1/2 inches tall and is 4 inches long, bow to stern, is delicately carved right down to the last fingers on the two figures aboard the ship. It is mounted on a black wooden base presumably of some root material.

Both the junk and the letter-set were encased in glass covered boxes, equally as well made. Eddie also received a picture of his Chinese friend, a small snapshot taken sometime last year. The parcel was mailed

from China many weeks ago. Ng Yik, who writes in very delicate manuscript, told Ed who are virtual dictators—in a letter received sometime ago. He was interested in what American boys do for pasture and "what can you buy in using 25 cents?"

Palmer said that a more recent letter related how Ng Yik took part in a 1500-meter race, and although he did not come in a winner he is determined to keep working in order that he might do better next year.

The first box of candy that Ng Yik received from his American friends was quickly devoured by pals in the neighborhood, so Ed sent another which could be stashed away and eaten when he had less company.

Health Officer In Warning About Rabies

Five more cases of animal rabies reported in Los Angeles County yesterday boosted the total to 29 cases since the first of the year, Dr. Roy O. Gilbert, County Health Officer, said today.

Rabid dogs were reported from Lennox and Keystone in this area. A total of 12 people were bitten by the dogs and all are under Pasteur treatment at the present time.

As a result of reports to the County Health Department that several children have been bitten by gophers, weasels, and squirrels, as well as stray dogs and cats, Dr. Gilbert yesterday turned over a report of the rabies situation to County Superintendent of Schools C. C. Trillingham for issuance to all school districts.

The report stated that the present outbreak of rabies is widespread throughout the County and that it is probable that the disease is being spread from wild animals to dogs, cats, and other domestic animals.

Children should be warned against playing with gophers, weasels, and squirrels which, if they were not sick, would ordinarily escape capture, the report said. It was stated also that children should be impressed with the necessity of staying away from stray dogs and cats.

The report ended with the serious warning that once the symptoms of rabies develop in either humans or animals, the result is sure death.

West Basin Sea Intrusion Noted at Test Well Site

Pure sea water is rushing into the West Basin's underground fresh water reservoirs, it was discovered this week when a special 12-inch test injection well at Manhattan Beach was completed, Carl Fossette, Basin manager said yesterday.

Analysis of water taken from the initial well shows a chloride content of 16,000 parts per million. Maximum ratio for usability is only 250 parts per million, Fossette reported. Pure sea water has only 25,000 parts per million of the chloride content. The findings tend to support engineers' belief that high-chloride content water has intruded inland about two miles into the

basin. The intrusion line extends from the Palos Verdes Hills northward.

Eight other special injection wells are to supplement the one newly completed. Fresh water is pumped back into underground basin to force intruded sea water back to the Pacific Ocean.

The test, being conducted by the county flood control district in cooperation with the West Basin is being watched by hydro engineers throughout the world, it was stated.

Posies Grace Council Table

There was a feminine touch at the all-male Torrance City Council table Tuesday night.

It was a large bouquet of flowers sent to the new council from Mrs. A. H. Bartlett, wife of the city clerk.

Leaning over the floral piece composed of lilies, Dutch iris and snowballs, one of the councilmen quipped:

"Better take a good look at it, boys, it may be the last bouquet given the council for two years."

Normandie Ave. Widening Sought

A long-range program for improving Normandie Ave. in the county area from 182nd St. to Rosecrans Ave. to ease congested traffic through the North Torrance and Gardena areas was revealed recently by county road officials.

County Road Commissioner Sam Kennedy in a letter to the Board of Supervisors emphasized that the principal bottleneck remaining for through traffic on Normandie Ave. exists between Rosecrans and 182nd St. The County already has opened Normandie south of 182nd St. to Lomita Blvd. and Imperial Hwy. to Rosecrans with a two to four lane highway, which more than takes care of the traffic. Some 3500 cars daily use the highway.

Judge Otto Willett on Bench at South Bay

City Judge Otto B. Willett will replace Judge John A. Shilder on the bench of the South Bay Justice Court for the remainder of the week, it was announced yesterday.



CAMERA STUDY, KOREAN STYLE . . . From the 40th Division Information Office in Korea come these pictures of four members of the 578th Engineer Battalion as they go about their daily routines. In the picture at extreme



left, Pfc. Jack Stevens, left, of 150 E. 232nd St., and Sgt. Kenny Wakefield, 1546 W. 204th St., utilize a lap-board and an "ammo" box as a desk to write letters in their tent bunker. Cpl. Loran D. Steele, 1220 Cota Ave., center, man-



ages an early whack at the whiskers without the luxury of running water. At right, a demolition box is checked by newly-promoted Sgt. Bobby R. McClellman, 1016 W. 266th St., Harbor City, (U. S. Army photos).

It'll Take a Smile to Win Queen Title

"You girls who would like to be Miss Torrance of 1952 had better brighten up on your smiling," warned George Post, queen contest chairman, this week.

"That's what'll it take this year to win the title—a pretty smile and charm," he says.

This year's contest will be judged by a bevy of out-of-town judges, who will select the Torrance queen on the basis of her beauty and poise. The contestants will not be required to solicit votes to win the title, according to Post.

The 1952 contest is being sponsored by the Torrance Area Youth Band, Inc., for the purpose of raising funds to purchase 50 uniforms for the Junior Band, according to W. E. Bowen, president of the musical group.