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FAIR SCENE . . . Scenes like this will be repeated here beginning Aug. 11 when the gigantic Torrance Community Fair opens at Torrance Blvd. near Maple Ave. The fair, sponsored

by the Chamber of Commerce and Junior Chamber of Commerce, will run for five days.

Nine-Year-Old Lomitan Battles Against Effects of Polio Attack

By ADRIENNE SIDWELL - After spending three terrible pain-wracking days fighting for his life against polio in Los Angeles County Hospital, the nine-year-old son of a former Lomita miss now is recuperating in the children's ward at Long Beach Community Hospital.



BUTCH CULBERTSON . . . Battles Polio

Husky Lawrence James "Butch" Culbertson, victim of the dread disease, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Culbertson of 300 N. Eleanor Lane, North Long Beach. His mother, the former Rose Tarico, daughter of Mrs. Lucy Tarico of 2379 W. 239th St., Lomita, was well-known in that community prior to her marriage 10 years ago. She owned the Personality Beauty Shop, which was located at 2152 Lomita Blvd. at that time.

The plucky brown-eyed youngster can wriggle his toes a little, with difficulty, but he cannot move his legs. He is undergoing treatments to strengthen the paralyzed limbs with hydrotherapy.

Butch, who had just received a brand new bathing suit before contacting polio, was tickled pink when his orthopedic doctor said he could wear it when he entered the hospital pool for his treatments.

Rushed to Seaside Hospital on July 23 after he fell out of the swing in his backyard, Butch suffered from a slipped spinal disc. Doctors put four lb. weights on each foot on an overhead traction.

Four days later the youngster was rushed to the County Hospital where his case was diagnosed as polio. Three doctors started "shooting" him to save the boy's life. His condition was critical, and doctors didn't give the Culbertsons much hope.

Parents Kept Hope - But mom and dad, along with their five-year-old daughter, Lilo, and many relatives and friends refused to give up and prayed for the boy's recovery.

He is making slow progress now and with the hydro-therapy treatments there is hope of a cure.

Butch would like very much to receive letters to help pass the idle hours he has ahead of him. His address is Long Beach Community Hospital, Children's Ward, Long Beach, Calif.

Where D'ya Live? And Why Not?

The fact that the South Bay is just one big happy family was illustrated in a recent news article appearing in a San Pedro newspaper.

Under the headline "Torrance Registrars Listed," the story read:

"WALTERIA - Four registrars, all located in Redondo Beach, have been authorized to accept voter registrations from the Torrance city area."

The registrars were then listed, and all had Hollywood Riviera addresses.

King Praises Housing Bill For Military

"With the passage of the Housing Bill of 1954, military personnel on active duty will be permitted to purchase homes with small down payments," it was pointed out in Washington by Congressman Cecil R. King.

One of the provisions of H. R. 7539 permits servicemen in the Armed Forces and their families to purchase up to an \$18,000 home with only five per cent down payment.

"This will greatly benefit the military personnel stationed in and around Southern California," declares Congressman King.

"For example, a serviceman may purchase a \$8000 home with only \$400 down payment. Previous to the passage of the Housing Bill of 1954, a serviceman was required to make a down payment of 20 per cent. This made it difficult and often times impossible for service personnel to purchase homes.

"It should be further pointed out," stated the Congressman, "that this will in no way affect the housing benefits provided under the veterans act when a serviceman leaves the Armed Forces. He may avail himself of both types of benefits if he qualifies.

"This benefit is also applicable to servicemen in the U. S. Coast Guard," King said.

Ladies Honored

"Ladies' Night" was the theme of Tuesday's 7 p. m. Kiwanis Club meeting at the Lomita Scout Hall on Narbonne Ave. Glenn Keith, president, reported this week.

Guests were entertained by the comical "Senator Fishface."

Normandale Play Set

Young thespians from Normanville Playgroup will present the play "Little Women" at Banning Playground Aug. 9 as a part of the Los Angeles City Recreation Department Drama Week, Aug. 9-13.

Interclub Match Scheduled by Obedience Club

The San Pedro Obedience Club, which consists of members of Long Beach, Compton, Gardena, Torrance, Lomita, Redondo, Manhattan Beach, Harbor City, Wilmington, and San Pedro, will have an Inter-Club Match on Sunday, Aug. 8. The match will be held at 2:30 p.m. at Peck's Park on Western Ave. in San Pedro. A large number of dogs are expected to participate.

The first place trophy is being donated by the O. K. Pet Shop in Torrance. Trophies will be given for the dogs who finish in the first five highest scores. There is no admission charge and the public is cordially invited to attend.

At present the club has a very good novice class going into its fourth week of training and will have a new class starting in five weeks. A class in advanced work will begin Aug. 4. All classes being held at Shephaven Kennels on Sepulveda Blvd. and Bill Hunt is the instructor for the training courses.

Profits from these classes are used to help obtain seeing-eye dogs for the blind. The club recently gave \$200 to International Guiding Eye, Inc.

Princess of Alondra Park To Be Chosen

Anyone can have a Queen Contest. So Alondra Park officials have decided to hold a Princess Contest Saturday Aug. 7 for girls ages 14-17.

The winner of the beauty contest will represent Alondra in two county aquacade pools, Aug. 13 and 20, at the Garvey pool and the Mayfair pool.

On the following Wednesday, Aug. 11, the pool's water ballet class will stage a ballet act in combination with an American Red Cross Water safety and small craft demonstration.

There will be 15 girls, ages 12-18, in the water ballet. They will enter an act in each of the county aquacades.

Red Cross representatives will give demonstrations on what to do when your canoe or paddleboard tips over during the safety show.

Need Bond Issue To Repair Roads

The only way the county road system can be modernized and improved is through the passage of a bond issue for that purpose, County Counsel Harold W. Keimley advised Supervisor Kenneth Hahn this week as a group of top county officials met to discuss the financing of urgently-needed road improvements being proposed by Supervisor Hahn.

It was indicated at the meeting, attended by Supervisors' deputies, the chief administrative officer, and the county counsel, that opposition might develop to Hahn's proposal for a bond issue designed to meet what he described as the "minimum" amount of \$402,000,000 needed to solve critical deficiencies.

Will Take 60 Years - "We know that it will take 60 years at the present rate of construction to modernize and improve the roads we already have," one official declared, adding his belief that the voters would not approve the proposed issue by the necessary two-thirds majority.

County Counsel Kennedy pointed out that the law placed a ceiling of about \$300,000,000 on a bond issue as the county's bonded indebtedness cannot exceed five per cent of the assessed value of all taxable property in the county.

Road Commissioner Sam Kennedy suggested that two other issue amounts should be considered, one of \$268 million to take care of the most critically deficient roads, or one of \$96 million to solve the road problems described as urgently critical.

Experts Support - Supervisor Hahn expressed the view that the voters of the County recognized the need and would support the bond issue once it was made clear that no relief can be expected from present-day congestion unless drastic action is taken immediately.

A proposal for sound financing of the road deficiency through encumbering a portion of future revenues from the gas tax fund was held not possible by County Counsel Harold Kennedy, because the constitution would not allow diversion of gas tax funds for payment of bond issue debts, nor is it legal for the county to spend more money than it has on hand.

Possibility of securing a more



DEVELOPS NEW TOOL . . . A Torrance man, Nelson Harvey, 4082 Newton St., has developed a portable cable terminal swaging tool in his office at the tool division department of Northrop Aircraft Co. The new tool will replace heavier, stationary equipment now used to fasten terminals to the end of steel control cables. An employee of Northrop for about five years, Harvey formerly operated his own foundry. His job is to work on various tools to find which will operate at maximum efficiency.

State Office Here Seeking Employment Interviewers

Torrance residents who can be trained as employment interviewers now have an opportunity to qualify for occasional work with the California Department of Employment. Mrs. Winona Ellis, manager of the Department's office in Torrance, said yesterday.

A civil service examination will be given in Torrance Aug. 28 to qualify "seasonal employment assistants," she said. Applications must be filed by Aug. 9.

There are no experience and education requirements for entry to this examination, but applicants are preferred who have had experience in personnel or welfare work, insurance, vocational teaching, or other applicable fields, Mrs. Ellis said. A good education and ability to write effectively also are required.

"Persons passing the examination will qualify for seasonal employment at \$1.75 an hour," she explained. "Jobs lasting from a few days to possibly several months will develop when the volume of unemployment insurance claims is high, and we have

Board Postpones Carson Zone Act

Action on a proposed master zoning plan for the Carson district was postponed this week by the County Board of Supervisors, to allow Supervisor Burton W. Chace time to make recommendations on proposed minor revisions.

After holding a public hearing, the board decided to allow Chace to study suggestions made by residents. The question will again be considered next week.

The Regional Planning Commission recommended that the board adopt a zone plan for the district, 4 1/2 miles square, which included 10 different land uses, varying from heavy manufacturing to single family residences.

Considered in the zoning plan is an area from Del Amo Blvd. and Dominguez Channel on the north, Normandie Ave. on the west, Lomita Blvd. on the south, and a line halfway between Avalon Blvd. and Bonita St. on the east. Harbor City and Avalon-Sepulveda zone districts form part of the southeast boundary.

Aircraft Plant Traffic Snarls Prompt Survey

A comprehensive study of peak hour traffic problems in the vicinity of aircraft plants reached into the Torrance area this week when the State Division of Highways began counting cars on 174th St.

The survey is being conducted jointly by the county, State and local cities. It will attempt to provide answers to problems arising from peak hour traffic in an area of approximately 42 square miles around International Airport.

Funds Allocated - Allocation of \$5000 in County Road funds to finance the survey has been approved by Supervisor Burton W. Chace and the County Road Department will act as a coordinating agency for the project.

"The extent of the problem is indicated by the fact that more than 100,000 employees enter and leave the area daily during relatively short peak periods," Chace declared.

The types of improvements to be studied will include highway and intersection widening and improvements, traffic signal improvements, channelization and medians, separated turning lanes, turn prohibitions, parking prohibitions, off-center lanes, train interference, staggering of working hours, plant access improvements, and other possible improvements, the supervisor said.

Sailor Assigned

George W. Souder, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Souder of 1455 W. 222nd St., has been assigned for duty at the US Naval Training Center, in San Diego, as a member of Choir Company.

Souder entered the service in June and received his recruit training at the San Diego Training Center.

Lomita, Harbor City Chest Chairman Named

With the appointment this week of J. W. Munson as city chairman of the fall Chest campaign in Lomita and Harbor City, all seven city leadership posts in the Harbor area have been filled.

Munson, assistant manager of the California Bank in Lomita, accepted the chairmanship this week, according to Tommy Thompson, Harbor area chairman.

Munson will be responsible for three divisions of the Chest campaign in Lomita and Harbor City - small business, advance gifts and residential.

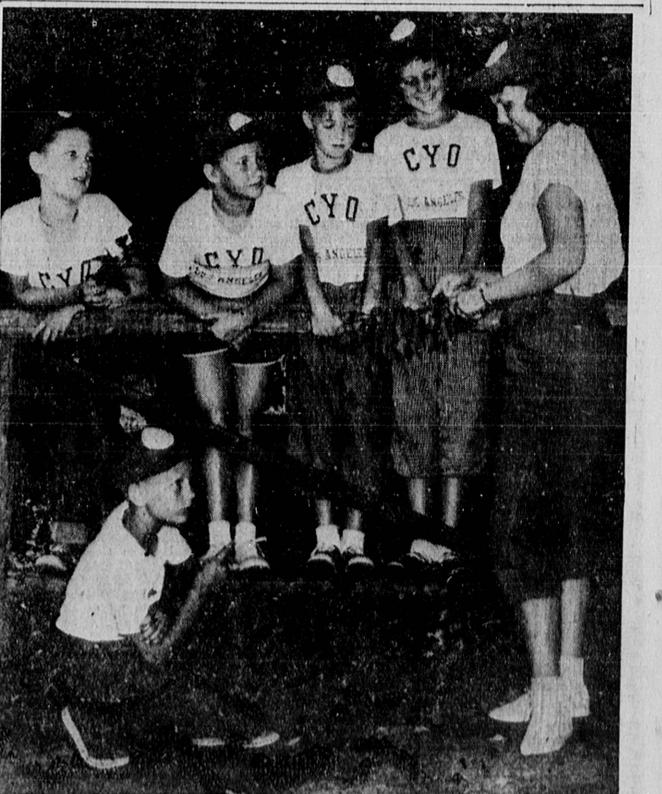
Lennox Deputies Win Promotions

Promotion of two deputy sheriffs at the Lennox Station, which covers the Torrance area, has been announced by Sheriff E. W. Biscailuz.

Temporary Captain Robert F. Karney was made a permanent captain, and assigned to the Patrol Division at Lennox. Sgt. Carl F. Morrison was promoted to lieutenant in the Lennox patrol division.

Pvt. Sandoval Arrives in Korea for Training

Pvt. Joseph M. Sandoval, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Sandoval, 1715 W. 251st St., Lomita, recently arrived in Korea for a tour of duty with 25th Infantry Division.



NATURE STUDY . . . Children at the CYO Mary Star of the Sea Day Camp at Banning Park in Wilmington study nature under capable supervision. Left to right, they are Dexter Patrick, Torrance, Katherine King, San Pedro, Mary Margaret Ruff, Redondo Beach, Carolyn Szambelan, Gardena and Counselor Sandy Harris, Long Beach. Kneeling, Paul Michaleczyk of Gardena.