

Tartar Teen Talk

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The Christmas season is now in full swing. Christmas music rang out and the Christmas tree was beautifully trimmed at the past two assemblies. The enrollment at Torrance High dropped this week, as many Tartars have checked out of school in order to work during the Christmas rush. Tomorrow is the last day of school this year and Torrance High will not be in session again until the new year, 1955. All Tartars are cordially wished a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Third Annual Father and Son Fall Sports Awards Banquet was held last night in the cafeteria, honoring the members of the Varsity and Bee football teams and the Varsity and JV Cross-Country teams. Guest speaker of the evening was Mel Hein, line coach at USC. One of the highlights of the banquet was the announcement of the Blanket Award. This is the coaches' choice for the most outstanding football player of the year. Also the Richtart award was presented to the two boys with the best sportsmanship on the Bee and Varsity teams. Awards of trophies and medals were given by the Varsity Club to the members of the All-Bay League teams. During the course of the evening the Bee Championship football team was awarded gold footballs and the Varsity and JV Cross-country teams were awarded gold track shoes. The most exciting event was the announcement of next year's Varsity football captain. Excitement had been mounting all week, as Tartars wondered who would receive this high honor.

Playing their instruments with the El Camino Band in the Junior Rose Bowl Parade and half-time activities were the eight outstanding members of the Tartar Band. The Torrance Band had more representatives than any high school in this area. Participating from our school were Henry Puckoff, James Thompson, Dan Buckley, Herman Cobrea, Paul Rowe, Ed Alvarez, Bill Colby and Bill Traxler. After the exciting but tiring day, they were treated to dinner at the Chuck Wagon and could eat all the food they wanted.

Gals! Put on your favorite slacks, pedal pushers, or bermudas for tomorrow is Slacks and Pedal Pusher Day. The annual event is being sponsored by the Girls League and in order to wear this attire you must purchase a "slack tag" for ten cents. No levis, denims or shorts may be worn. Enjoying the musical comedy, "The Wayward Way," last Thursday night were the Tartar Ladies. The hilarious performance was followed by a very entertaining olio. At the intermission, birthday cakes were presented to Jo O'Hanlon, Joan Laskaris and Judi Reid. The TLA also volunteered Terry Akers to sing for the audience. All in all, the TLA had a tremendous time and are looking forward to returning next year.

Many Tartars were impressed by the Youth Crusade at the First Baptist Church last Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. Featured at the meeting were Bob Davenport, UCLA fullback; Wayne Allen, accordionist and recent winner of a National Music Championship,

and Stan Hill, a former gunman. Stan was in San Quentin on robbery charges, and as a result of a gunshot wound is paralyzed from the waist down. He will speak to all Tartars at an assembly Jan. 15.

Tartar Knights enjoyed a delicious installation dinner at the home of Tartar Knight Captain Jim Haworth, last Saturday night. On the menu for the evening was spaghetti, jello fruit salad and pumpkin pie. All the new members, especially Tom Vanderpool, had a swell time eating the spaghetti with chopsticks. This takes real talent. The dinner was in honor of the newly-elected Tartar Knights and the guys had a great time.

Congratulations to Norma Lorio and Chick Cope, who were married two weeks ago.

The Girls League presented its first aid class of the year yesterday. The aid class was a Christmas program. Christmas music and cute pantomimes were provided for entertainment. Some of the presidents of outstanding clubs on campus were introduced and told about their respective clubs. Last but not least Santa Claus came and passed out candy to all the gals.

Ann Bayless' home was the scene of a swell party last Friday night. Many Tartars attended and had lots of fun. A slumber party followed for the girls that attended.

"Winter Wonderland" is the name of this year's winter formal. It will be held Jan. 8 at the Civic Auditorium and the price is only \$1.25 per couple. Tickets will be on sale after Christmas vacation. The affair is being sponsored by the Student Council.

Christmas Vacation Teen Dance will be held in the Civic Auditorium on Saturday night, Dec. 18, from 9 to 12 o'clock. Music will be furnished by members of the high school orchestra, under the direction of Mr. John Baum. It is expected that we will have a large attendance as this is the last dance of the year. The proceeds will go to the Torrance High School Band Uniform Fund. Admission, 50 cents per person.

'Young Man' Nominations Due Thursday

In line with similar awards throughout the United States, local Jaycees will present a distinguished service award to Torrance's "outstanding young man" at a banquet in January. According to Chairman John Willd, the award will be presented during Jaycee Week. Selection will be made by a committee of local citizens, and approval will be given by the United States Junior Chamber. The award will be given to a man under 35 whom judges feel has done most for the community during the past year. Nominations need not be Jaycees. Today is the deadline for return of the entry blanks, which may be obtained at the Chamber of Commerce Building, 1345 El Prado. Mayor Nickolas Drile has proclaimed Jan. 14-21 as "Junior Chamber of Commerce Week."

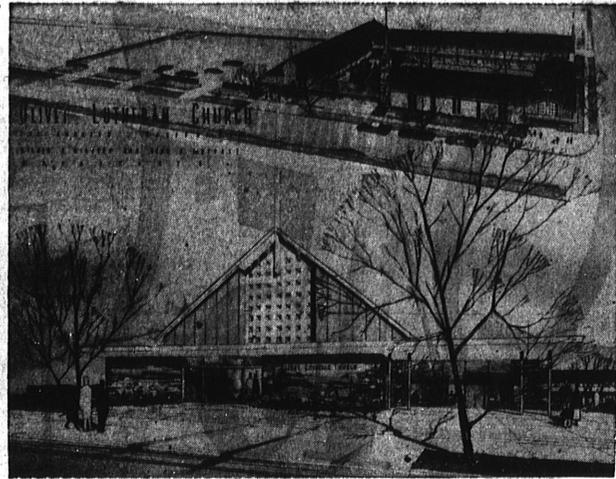
Lutherans Plan New Church on Imperial Hwy.

A new \$500,000 building will be constructed at Imperial Hwy. and Casimir St. in Grandview Hollypark by the Olivet Lutheran Church, now located at 3901 W. Adams Blvd.

The Rev. Joseph M. Girtz announced that the church will move into the first half of the project—a chapel and Sunday School buildings by Feb. 1. A parsonage on Casimir St. is now being built.

The building will be of contemporary design, with the chapel and later the church, fronting on Imperial Hwy. A balcony Sunday School building attached will form a quadrangle when the building is completed. The church is located in a new subdivision of three and four-bedroom, two-bath homes being sold by Walter W. Mansfield and Associates. Features include 75,000 BTU forced-air heating, decorator bathroom fixtures, 13/16 oak floors, and lath and plaster construction. Model homes are open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., near Imperial Hwy. and Wilton Pl.

No down payment homes are available for veterans, and non-veterans can get a home with a \$2100 down payment. Thirty-year VA loans are available for veterans.



NEW CHURCH PLANNED... A modern \$500,000 building program for the Olivet Lutheran Church is now under way at the corner of Imperial Hwy. and Casimir St. in Grandview Hollypark. The church will move there from present quarters at 3901 W. Adams Blvd. before Feb. 1.

Recreation, Talent Night Set at Tech

An all-college recreation night will be held at Harbor Junior College, Thursday evening, from 7 to 11 p.m. Clubs and organizations on the local campus will sponsor talent

entries which will be judged and a trophy will be awarded to the club sponsoring the winning entry. The evening will include volleyball, ping-pong, a talent show, and dancing.

The affair is sponsored by the Sport and Recreation Council. Chairman is Miss Pat Tully, assisted by Matilda Crvarich, Dave Short, Eric Detert and Irv Miller.

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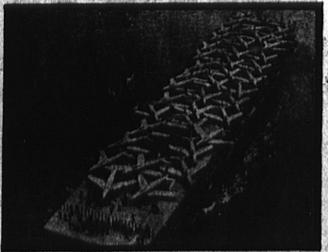
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UNITED GIVERS GET \$8,000. Mr. Ed Achley, president of the United Givers—Fresno's Community Chest organization—accepts an \$8,000 contribution check from North American manager, John I. Fluck. The company and its employees have contributed more than \$42,500 to local health and welfare agencies during North American's 3 years of operation in Fresno.



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