

El Nido Voters Approve Annexation to Torrance

MAYOR THREATENS TO HOLD UP AIRPORT NEEDS FOR TWO YEARS

Five Directors Named to 1957 Chamber Board

Election of four new members of the Chamber of Commerce board of directors and the appointment of a fifth was announced here yesterday by Dean L. Sears, chairman of the Chamber's election committee. Elected to serve as directors in balloting by the Chamber membership were Fred W. Mill, National Supply Co.; J. H. Paget, J. J. Newberry Co.; R. S. Pyle, Pacific Telephone Co.; and A. E. Thompson, General Petroleum Corp. Appointed to the board by the directors was Edward Raphael of Gary's Jewelers. Holdover members of the board include Attorney Donald Armstrong, Henry W. Creger, American-Standard; G. M. Eastham, M.D.; John Ebbinghouse, American Rock Wool; A. O. Otsea, California Bank; Paul Loranger, Paul's Chevrolet; Darwin Parrish, Parrish Stationers; Dean Sears, Bank of America; O. R. Trueblood, McMahon's; and King Williams, HERALD publisher. Election of new officers for the Chamber will be announced next week.



10 SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

Hull Asks Anti-Red, Pro-U.S.A. Program

By TOM RISCHÉ
"A positive, dynamic program of teaching pro-Americanism and anti-Communism" in the Torrance schools was proposed at the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee meeting Monday noon by School Superintendent J. H. Hull. Declaring that children of today live in a world in which they face a choice between communism and democracy, Hull asked, "Do we have the right to teach Americanism and democracy passively? Do we have the responsibility to tell what communism is and the horrors which accompany it?" Red Taught Here The Torrance Unified School District once had a member

Talks to Resume At National Supply

Plans to resume negotiation at the National Supply Co. between management and the representatives of Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers Local 1-29 were announced here yesterday by Fred Ferguson, members of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. Ferguson, who had previously attempted to mediate the dispute which sent workers out of the plant Dec. 2, said a meeting had been called for 10:30 a. m. next Monday. Place of the meeting was not announced. 900 Walk Out Production workers left the plant just before midnight, Dec. 2. About 900 employees are affected by the walkout. Five hundred salaried personnel are still working in the plant. Still to be settled are disagreements on wage rates, ef-

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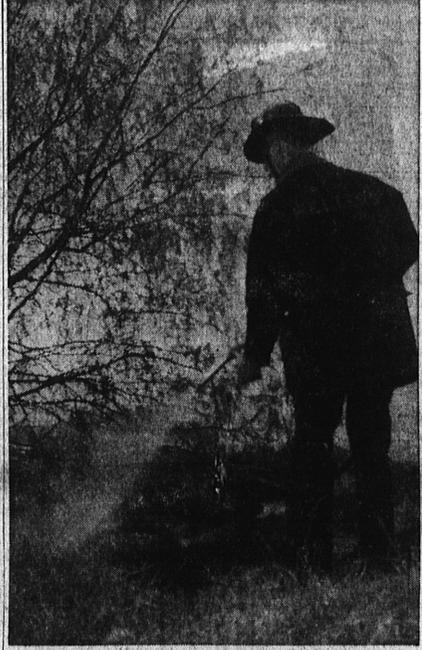
Airport Triangle Proposal Under Study by Councilmen

New hope that development of the city's 35-acre airport triangle might be on its way again was indicated this week when representatives of the leaseholder and a proposed new principal on the lease met with the Council to discuss the plans for the property. The commercial property at Crenshaw Blvd. and Pacific Coast Hwy., boomed at one time as the site of a regional shopping center, has been under lease for more than

EL NIDO VOTERS AGREE TO ANNEX AREA TO CITY

Torrance put on a little more weight around the middle this week. The El Nido area, a historical little community of people west of Hawthorne Ave. and north of 190th St. voted 74 to 42 Tuesday to annex their area to Torrance. The area has previously been part of the county's unincorporated area. George Morehart, civic leader in the area and often referred to as "Mayor" of El Nido, announced the election to the City Council Tuesday night, saying he was speaking as the ex-mayor of El Nido. "I think I can speak for the 74 people who voted to annex to Torrance: we joined not for what we can derive from the city, but what we can contribute," he said. City Clerk A. H. Bartlett, who made the official announcement of the balloting, said the ballots would be canvassed at the Council meeting next Tuesday night. The results are not expected to change.

State Law Cited Atty. Robert Weil, representing the City National Bank of Beverly Hills, administrators for the Genis estate, explained to Councilmen this week that state law prohibited an estate executor from entering into leases longer than 10 years, therefore the bank would have to dispose of the airport lease by assignment. Proposed as a new lessee was Morris Linde, who was represented at the meeting by his attorney, John Sisson. Ready to Buy Lease Sisson said his client was prepared to go into escrow for the lease (which does not need city approval, according to terms of the agreement) providing modifications of the lease to make it conform to requirements of title insurance companies and lending agencies can be agreed to by the Council. The Council held off with a formal agreement, saying it preferred to see some development plans before making the changes. "I think we should be careful," Councilman Willy Blount warned. Project Downgraded "This development has been downgraded during the past year, and I for one want to know who is going to develop it, who is the leasing agent, and who some of the tenants are before agreeing to changes in the lease." A meeting in the near future with Linde was proposed by the Council. The developer was described as a prominent builder with commercial and subdivision developments throughout the Southland to his credit.



MAN VS. FIRE . . . Torrance Fireman Stanley H. Sellers turns the hose on a grass fire near 24432 Hawthorne Ave. last Sunday which for a time threatened to spread due to high winds. The local department reported that due to the hot, dry weather during November, that month was third high for the year. During most years, November has few grass fires.

City's Traffic Toll Increased to 14

An elderly Porterville man was killed almost instantly here late Saturday when he was struck by a pick-up truck while crossing Torrance Blvd. at Portola Ave., according to police. Dead is Joseph A. Cassidy, 76, who was visiting his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Baker, of 1304 Portola Ave. Investigators said the victim was carried more than 50 feet when hit by the truck driven by Clovis R. Justis, 30, of 1504 Fern Ave. Justis told officers he stopped slowly to avoid throwing the victim from the hood of his vehicle. Cassidy was pronounced dead on arrival at Harbor General Hospital where he was taken by Wright's ambulance. The body was removed to Stone & Myers Mortuary, but was expected to be sent to Porterville for funeral and interment. Justis, who said he didn't see the pedestrian until too late to avoid hitting him, was not held. Cassidy is Torrance's 14th traffic fatality of the year. A youngster who came down town to see Santa Claus was injured when struck by an auto near Santaland Monday evening, according to police. Officers said that Charles Weeks, 5, of 5106 W. Carson St., suffered a foot injury when hit by an auto at El

Church Hit Second Time By Burglars

For the second time within a week burglars broke into the Ascension Lutheran Church at 18002 Prairie Ave., police reported Monday. The Rev. L. C. Warneke, pastor, said the intruders drank grape juice from a refrigerator after breaking through a boarded window. Nothing else was taken. Last week thieves forced entry and made off with \$15 from the pastor's desk. Police believe juveniles are responsible.

Herald Carriers To Call Soon

One of the largest groups of small businessmen in the community—the TORRANCE HERALD carrier boys—soon will be visiting local homes with a special offer. The offer these young men have to make should interest many householders in the city, so watch for them.

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Isen Nixes New Landing Strip

The possibility that any improvements on Torrance Municipal Airport will be delayed as long as the present management contract is in effect was indicated here Tuesday night by Mayor Albert Isen during discussion on a proposed "touch-and-go" strip on the field.

"I'm going to tell you right now that I'm going to abstain from voting on this," Isen said when the matter of the second landing strip at the field was brought before the Council. Three members of the Airport Commission — President Jack White, George Schneider and John G. L. Crain—had spoken on behalf of the Civil Aeronautics Authority suggestion that a second strip be given high priority on the field.

Mayor Unhappy "From my standpoint," Isen said, "I've read the minutes of the Airport Commission and I've read all the reports, and I'm very, very disappointed and unhappy with the whole Airport Commission, to put it bluntly." After expressing his disappointment, Isen opened an attack on the present airport management, which is operating under a contract with the city.

"I've seen the efforts of the Airport Commission and I want to commend you to try and get information from the airport manager," he said. "I've seen it through these reports, his attitude regarding the management and his lack of cooperation." To Start Over "I frankly believe that this contract we have on the airport is going to have to expire of its own weight, and we're going to have to start all over with a manager through civil service working through the city," he said. "Then the airport will truly be developed," the mayor went on.

"I can't see any development at all now until the expiration of that contract," he stated. The contract referred to is between Collins-Dietrich and the city. It does not expire until May, 1959. Proposal Fails On a motion a few minutes later to approve construction of a second landing strip at the airport to be used for student pilot landing instruction, the Council deadlocked 2-2 for the second time in less than a month. Councilmen Benstead and Jahn voted against the strip; Blount and Dralle for it, and Isen abstained. Jahn had previously objected to the proposed second landing strip because of the lack of control on the airport. Although it had not been

LETTERS TO SANTA DUE SATURDAY

Youngsters who are planning to enter the HERALD's Letters to Santa Contest should get them in to the HERALD office, 1619 Gramercy, by Saturday at 5 p.m. Four \$15 merchandise certificates will be awarded to the winners in each of four classifications — girls and boys, first through fourth grade and girls and boys, fifth through eighth grade. Some of the many entries which the HERALD has received to date are printed on pages 6 and 38 of today's paper. All children living within the HERALD's circulation area are eligible to enter the contest, but all entries must be in the office by 5 p.m., Saturday.

Roy Shaw Named President Of Realty Board for 1957

Roy A. Shaw, realtor with offices in Torrance, Lomita, and Harbor City, was elected president of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors at the annual organizational meeting of the group here yesterday morning. He will succeed Perry L. Connert when he is installed on Jan. 9. Elected by the nine-man board of directors to serve with Shaw were Harry Bowker, Lomita, vice president; Mrs. Rose Craig, Torrance, secretary; and W. E. Bowen, Torrance, treasurer. Other members of the board include Edith Smith, Eliza Trivoli, Chris Sorenson, William H. Tolson Jr., and Connert. In addition to his new assignment with the Board of Realtors, Shaw is president of



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