



BUSINESS STARTED . . . Peter R. O'Brien (center) gets the details of the campaign from Treasurer George Post (left) and Industrial Chairman G. L. Revel. O'Brien has been named chairman of the Retail Business Division for the Little Company of Mary hospital gifts campaign.



PLAN BENEFIT BALLET . . . Students of Marjorie Peterson, former member of the American Ballet Caravan, will present "An Evening of Ballet" as a benefit performance for the Torrance Dental Health Assn. Friday and Saturday evenings, May 10 and 11, at the Torrance High School auditorium. Here Kathleen Solon, Queen of the Swans, strikes a pose from the show with Swans Maureen Uchino, Sandy Fagnano, Nancy Schindele and Vicki Hardy.

Boross Gets Civil Defense Officer Post

Appointment of Arthur Boross as public information officer for the Los Angeles County Disaster-Civil Defense Authority was announced today by Howard Earl, director.

For the past two years Boross has conducted various phases of public relations for the public information and education division of the County Air Pollution Control District. In his new post, Boross will also coordinate public information between Civil Defense and other public and private agencies.

The County Disaster-Civil Defense Authority is responsible for directing emergency measures during either natural or man-made disasters within Los Angeles county. These include floods, fires, earthquakes or other natural emergencies which reach disaster proportions.

A graduate of Rutgers University, Boross has had many years of experience in the public information field. He served for several years as European correspondent for eastern newspapers and later was engaged in motion picture, radio and television production.

Boross resides at 730 Westbourne Dr., West Hollywood, with his wife and two daughters.

Pay Boosts Due Douglas Aircrafters

Across-the-board pay raises which add nearly \$10,000,000 dollars to the annual payroll were announced by Douglas Aircraft Co. for more than 68,000 hourly-paid workers in California, Arizona and Oklahoma.

Locally, 22,400 employees of the company's El Segundo division, which includes the Torrance facility, will receive annual increases totalling \$3,280,000.

The pay hikes are being made effective over a four-week period, ending April 15, on the first anniversary of two-year wage agreements negotiated by the company with various bargaining units in 1956.

Of the total increase, eight and three-quarter million dollars will be shared by more than 60,000 employees of the company's Santa Monica, Long Beach and El Segundo divisions, including their facilities in Culver City and Bell, as well as Torrance; and in Tucson, Ariz. The wage increase will raise the company's total payroll for these areas to approximately \$500,000,000 per year.

Another \$1,160,000 will be added to the annual payroll for 8000 hourly-paid workers at Tulsa.



O'Brien to Head Business Section of Hospital Fund

Campaign solicitation of funds for the Little Company of Mary Hospital, went into high gear last week with the appointment of Peter R. O'Brien of 1663 W. 215 St., as chairman of the retail business division of the Torrance area.

O'Brien will appoint assistants who will call on the retail dealers of the Torrance and South Bay areas in an all out effort to reach the campaign goal, and to provide the opportunity for merchants of this area to give contributions to the hospital fund.

The new chairman related that in the past when he has served on other fund raising projects for this area, he found the Torrance business people to be generous in their contributions and hopes to meet with the same whole hearted support in helping to bring one of the world famous hospitals to Torrance.

If each merchant would give seven per cent of the taxes he would otherwise have had to pay for a district hospital which was being planned for Torrance, then the hospital is as good as built, O'Brien declared.

One of the outstanding benefits to be derived from the Little Company of Mary hospital

is that medical treatment, cancer research, and surgery that heretofore had to be done in eastern hospitals would be available right here. The latest in life saving drugs, eye banks, and even heart surgery would be a short ride for local residents to obtain.

O'Brien is highly experienced in raising funds for worthy projects. For the past two years he has conducted a sports program for some 250 area children and has been one of the arch workers for Boys Town of the West, a home for delinquent boys. He can be reached by calling FAIR-fax 8-1063.

200 CAMPAIGNERS OPEN DRIVE TODAY

More than 200 United Jewish Welfare Fund campaigners from throughout the Centinela Valley-South Bay division will open the local area UJWF drive today with a dinner meeting at the Western Club in Gardena.

Guest speaker will be Miss Gitti Zand, who last year toured Israel and North Africa. UJWF chairman for the Centinela Valley-South Bay division is Dr. Matthew Ellenhorn.

Ballet Students to Give Benefit Shows for Dental Health Association

"An Evening of Ballet" will be presented by Marjorie Peterson, teacher and choreographer, in two benefit performances for the Dental Health Assn. of Torrance, at the Torrance High School Auditorium, Friday, May 10, and Saturday, May 11, at 8 p.m.

Mrs. Peterson, formerly Marjorie Moore from the school of American Ballet, New York City, toured professionally with the American Ballet Caravan under the direction of George Balanchine, throughout South America, Cuba, Canada, and the United States.

Solo Paris Students with solo numbers include Linda Slama, Marsha Frost, Charlene White, Barbara Campbell, Eileen Wojchek, Vicki Hardy, Toni White, Clara Fritzel, Kathy Fritzel, Kathy Solon, Mylie Rapstad, Kathy Bahajan, Jo Gartrell, Kathy Streit, Cindy Lou Streit, Jane Mills, Linda Comstock, Susan Solon, Marcia Gragg, Renee Sadov, Maureen Uchino, Sandy Gagnano, Nancy Schindele, Carolyn Peterson, Camille Manahan, Maureen McLaughlin, Marna Levin, Michelle Bladow, Nancy Radford, Sharon Peterson, Emily McKee, Patrice Burke, Robin Cherin, Susan Palumbo, Marlene Sparling, Sherry Schaffier, Francine Brown, Janet Rizzo, Margie Pelletier, Janice Hoffman, and Pat Mecham.

Adult students are June McLaughlin, Betty and Connie Rapstad, Ethel Manahan, Joan Allinson and Betty McKee. The mistress of ceremonies will be Paula Wansink.

Audio will be handled by Charles Comstock Jr. Stage manager will be Helen Fritzel. Lights will be under the direction of the Torrance High School students. Captain of the girls is Linda Slama.

Meadow Park School Seeks Kindergarteners

The Meadow Park Elementary School has scheduled their pre-registration and health examinations on May 1, 2, 3 and 6 for children who will be entering kindergarten next September.

In order to be eligible for kindergarten next year, a child must be five years of age by Dec. 1, 1957.

An enrollment blank and appointment for physical examination may be obtained by calling the school.

Costumes for the production are by the mothers. All proceeds of the performances will be turned over to the Torrance Dental Health Assn. for use in providing needed dental care to Torrance children.

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Courtesy Key To Regulating Traffic Laws

Courtesy is the basis for many traffic laws says the California Highway Patrol.

"Traffic laws regulating right-of-way, the use of hand or mechanical signals and ear lights at night are all based on common courtesy," declared Patrol Commissioner B. R. Caldwell. "Courteous drivers usually obey these laws giving the right-of-way, using signals to indicate turns and stops and dimming headlights for the other driver.

Practicing courtesy in traffic tends to keep a driver out of accident trouble and helps others stay out of such trouble too," Caldwell stated. "Other laws based on courtesy include the minimum speed law, driving in the right hand lane on multiple lane roadways, following too closely and parking regulations.

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