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HEADS SUNDAY CONCERT . . . Miss Elyse Aehle, director of the South Bay Symphony Orchestra, will bring her group to Torrance Park Sunday afternoon for a promenade "Pops" concert as a benefit for parks and playgrounds in Torrance. Jayettes will "pass the hat" during the performance. (Story on Page 10)

DEATH TAKES PALOS VERDES DEVELOPER

Kelvin Cox Vanderlip, 44 year old financier, one of the developers of the Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills and Portuguese Bend areas, died Tuesday morning at his Palos Verdes home after a long illness.

The son of the late internationally known financier, Frank A. Vanderlip, Sr., had been suffering from cancer.

He was president of the former Palos Verdes Corp., a land-development company on the peninsula, from 1944-1950, when he was succeeded by his brother, Frank. The company was responsible for the development of over 16,000 acres in the Palos Verdes region.

With Architect Firm

In 1950 he became vice president of Welton Becket and Associates, architects and engineers.

During World War II, Mr. Vanderlip was senior housing representative of the National Housing Agency of Southern California and Arizona, and supervised construction of the Wayfarer's Chapel.

For his services to Holland relief in World War II he was made a Knight of Orange-Nassau by the Netherlands government in 1948.

In Many Clubs

He was also a member of many clubs and aided numerous charitable and civic groups.

He is survived by his widow, Elin; two sons, Kelvin Cox Jr. and Henrik Nils; two daughters, Narcissa and Katrina; his mother, Mrs. Frank A. Vanderlip; three sisters, Mrs. Julian Street, Mrs. Henry Shufeldt, Mrs. Dudley N. Schoales, and two brothers, John M. and Frank A., Jr.

Private memorial services will be conducted at the Wayfarer's Chapel in Palos Verdes tomorrow.

Pierce Brothers' Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Burial will be in North Tarrytown, N. Y.



GREASING THE SKIDS . . . A rupture in an oil line at Carson St. and Main yesterday flooded the intersection with sticky crude oil. Traffic was halted for nearly an hour while the oil flow was stopped and the intersection was sanded to prevent dangerous skids. This photo by HERALD Photographer Milt Svensk shows the Main-Carson intersection during the height of the oil flood.

Skin Diver Dies in Plunge To Rocks in Palos Verdes

William T. Hammond, 36 year old Torrance skindiver, plunged to his death Sunday when he accidentally slipped and fell 80 feet while climbing down the cliffs at Hagerty's Landing in Palos Verdes.

His companion, Oliver Keelor of Redondo Beach, summoned life guards from Hermosa Beach, who took the victim from the almost inaccessible rocks at the base of the cliffs to the patrol boat "Bay Watch," then to a nearby pier, and by ambulance to Harbor General Hospital where he died at about 7:30 p.m. Hospital authorities said he suffered a broken leg, multiple rib fractures, and internal injuries.

He is survived by his widow, Lorraine, and a son, William T., both of Portland, Ore.; a daughter, Lennie E.; mother, Florence, and sister, Genevieve, with whom he made his home; another sister, Mrs. Theresa King, and a brother, Francis, of Torrance.

Young Republicans

The newly organized Torrance Young Republicans Club met last week and elected officers for the coming year.

Harry Herranen was selected as president; Bob Aguilar, first vice president; Betty Chapman, second vice president; Betty Puccetti, secretary; and Bob Tolson, treasurer.

The deceased was a welder for National Supply Co. in Torrance, and had been residing at 3650 Garnet St.

Council Studies Proposal to Offer Old City Hall as Temporary Court

The possibility that an early appointment of a third judge for the South Bay Municipal Court District might be accelerated through use of the now vacant city hall on Cravens Ave. in Torrance as a temporary court house was raised by Councilman Nick Drale at the regular meeting of the council here this week.

"The city hall would be ideal," Drale said. It has an adjoining jail section which could be used, there is ample room for clerks and other attendant offices, and the city probably will have no use for the facilities for some time, he explained.

Construction of a new court building on the Torrance Civic Center has been assured by the County Board of Supervisors, and Architect Kenneth S. Wing of Long Beach has been assigned the contract to prepare plans for the building. It will be built adjacent to the new police station on Torrance Blvd.

Recommendation Due

City Manager George Stevens was instructed to study the matter and make a recommendation to the Council.

Drale said yesterday that he thought the city should band every effort to seek an early appointment to the third judgeship authorized by the Supervisors. The case load at South Bay Court, he emphasized, was getting heavier each day, and that the appointment was needed.

In other action to come before members of the Council this week, former City Attorney Hall reported that he had been able to obtain informal approval of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, for modifications in the conditions under which Torrance has title to the airport property on Pacific Coast Hwy.

Spurs Development

Hall recently returned from a week-long trip to Washington, D.C., where he met with government officials on the matter. He told the Council in a memorandum that the Washington office of CAA would send a directive to the regional office authorizing redrafting of the conditions under which Torrance received the airport property.

Changes in the conditions have been sought by principals of Store Properties, Inc., who contemplate a commercial development on 35 acres of the property lying east of Crenshaw at Pacific Coast Hwy. Financing of the development has been delayed because of the clouded titles on the property due to the government restrictions. These appear to be settled, city officials commented Tuesday, and the development should proceed in the near future.

Beasley Resigns

The Council also accepted the resignation of J. A. Beasley as a member of the city's planning commission. Beasley's resignation followed his appointment to the temporary position as land use investigator pending completion of an eligible list through Civil Service examinations.

The resignation of James S. Dresser, former city building superintendent, effective Aug. 1 also was accepted by the Council. His resignation was part of the settlement arrived at after Dresser was discharged more than two years ago. The matter has been in court since that time. His resignation followed payment of nearly two years' back salary as part of the settlement terms.

Lease for New Motor Vehicle Office Signed

Torrance has been given the No. 4 priority for a new state building to house the department of employment. Assemblyman Vincent Thomas told the HERALD yesterday.

A budget providing for the construction of 19 new department headquarters next year has been prepared, giving Torrance the No. 4 spot in the priority list, Thomas said.

The new building, which has been planned for a number of years, will be built on state owned property at the corner of Cravens Ave. and Engracia. The budget provides \$249,949 for the construction.

Assemblyman Thomas also revealed that a lease for a new Department of Motor Vehicle office had been signed and that construction would be started in the near future. The office will be on Border Ave. south of Carson St.

Expanded Newberry Store Opens Celebration Today

A grand opening celebration at the newly expanded and remodeled J. J. Newberry Co. store at Sartori and El Prado will be kicked off at 9 a.m. today with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the store.

Remodeling and expansion of the store has been accomplished during the past few months, according to Manager J. H. Paget. Included among the projects at the large store have been the addition of about 3500 square feet of floor space and addition of a snack bar which can accommodate three dozen customers at a time.

"The new space available to us now permits our departments to expand and stock larger selections of merchandise," Paget said.

New Facilities

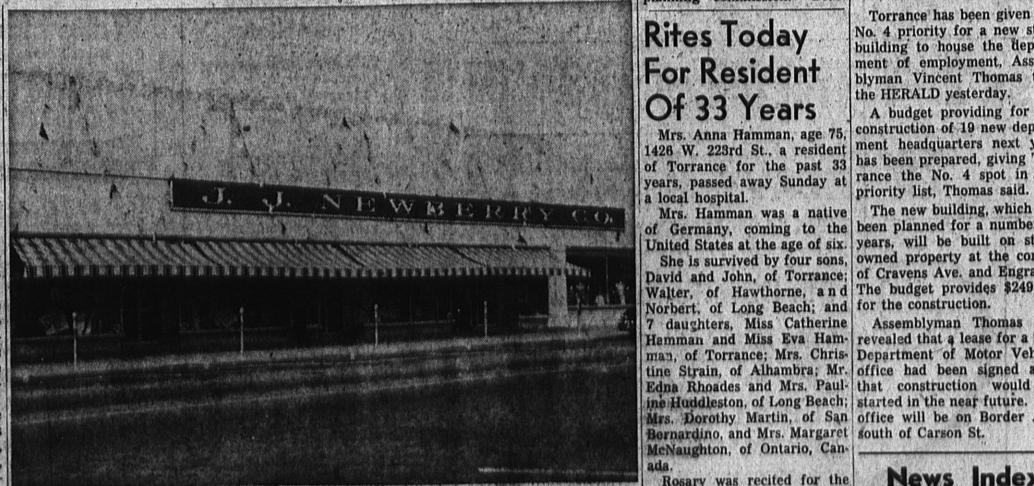
New fixtures, counters, cashier islands, and other shopping conveniences are noticeable throughout the store. One new facility at the store is the panels used for displaying pictures and paintings—one wall has sliding panels which permits pictures to be displayed to the greatest advantage.

New signs throughout the store clearly mark the various departments, such as jewelry, bedding, electrical, dry goods, music, toys, and other well-known Newberry departments.

An added facility for customer comfort is a new air conditioning unit, Paget said.

MANAGER J. H. PAGET
Supervises Expansion

Paget, who is active in community affairs as a director (Continued on Page 4)



CELEBRATING EXPANSION . . . J. J. Newberry Co. will celebrate the remodeling and expansion of its Torrance store at Sartori and El Prado with ceremonies starting at 9 a.m. today. Civic officials will join those of the famous variety store in opening ceremonies, which are scheduled to include a ribbon-cutting ceremony. For special values at the store during the celebration, see pages 5 through 9 in today's HERALD.

Supervisors Put Harbor Hospital Issue On Ballot

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, meeting Tuesday, ordered that the proposal for a \$15,400,000 county bond issue for rebuilding of Harbor General Hospital be placed on the November ballot.

Sole dissenting vote on the motion came from Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, who thus supported Atty. Benjamin M. Reinhardt who contends that other sections of the county, particularly the San Fernando Valley, need hospital facilities as badly as the harbor area.

Reinhardt spoke for the Welfare Planning Council, a Valley-wide group which has voiced the needs of that area for services offered in a public hospital facility.

Opposition Foreseen

The attorney argued that the Harbor bond issue is "endangered from the outset because people who need hospital services in one area are not willing to help finance a facility in another area."

Reinhardt received individual assurances from several of the Supervisors that it is "only a matter of time" until all county areas will be served by branches of the General Hospital administered by the County Welfare Department.

Need Medical Help

Counsel Paul Sheedy of the Property Owners Assn. of California informed the board that the County Medical Assn. will not at present sanction a new hospital construction except at Harbor General "and you need their support to get any bond issue passed."

Sheedy also reported on a recent meeting of the executive committee of the CMA which took the position that studies of hospital needs will be continued, but declined to give approval of added facilities at this time.

Legg Backs Chase

Sheedy in the past has been in opposition to other proposals for public improvement in this area, including the establishment of a Torrance Municipal Court.

Doctors Unite For Hospital Fund Drive

Doctors of the South Bay area met Monday night to initiate formation of the medical staff and participation in the \$768,000 fund drive for the new 125-bed tax-free Little Company of Mary Hospital.

Edward Ewing, M.D., of Manhattan Beach, presided at the gathering of about 20 doctors. Five special committees were appointed, one to determine the extent of the doctors' financial participation in the campaign, another to consult with the architect regarding plans for construction and equipment of the new institution, and the other three to supervise organization of a new medical staff and to act as liaison between the staff and Sisters of the Little Company of Mary.

The following committee members and co-chairmen were named: Building committee, John E. Micks, Hollywood-Riviera, and George C. Anderson, Hermosa Beach; publicity and campaign committee, Gerald M. Eastham, Torrance, and A. Carl Niemeyer, Hermosa Beach; constitution and by-laws, Charles T. LaFrance, Redondo Beach, and Richard C. Schaeffer, North Redondo Beach; joint advisory committee, (liaison with Sisters) Robert F. Nielson, Hollywood-Riviera, and Howard A. Wood, Torrance; credentials committee, Richard S. Murphy, Hollywood-Riviera, and Jerry W. Greenhut, Redondo Beach. All are M.D.s.

Dr. Ewing and Dr. Joseph Nebalon, of Lomita, will act as ex-officio members of all committees.

The publicity and campaign committee will meet tonight.

Rites Today For Resident Of 33 Years

Mrs. Anna Hamman, age 75, 1426 W. 223rd St., a resident of Torrance for the past 33 years, passed away Sunday at a local hospital.

Mrs. Hamman was a native of Germany, coming to the United States at the age of six. She is survived by four sons, David and John, of Torrance; Walter, of Hawthorne; and Norbert, of Long Beach; and 7 daughters, Miss Catherine Hamman and Miss Eva Hamman, of Torrance; Mrs. Christine Strain, of Alhambra; Mrs. Edna Rhoades, of Long Beach; Mrs. Dorothy Martin, of San Bernardino; and Mrs. Margaret McNaughton, of Ontario, Canada.

Rosary was recited for the deceased at Halverson-Leavell Mortuary, Wednesday evening. Interment will take place this morning at Holy Cross Cemetery. Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Patrick McGuinness at Nativity Catholic Church.

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