



**TOP ACCORDIONIST** . . . Bill Cosby, young Torrance accordionist, made a grand slam at the Western States Accordion Festival in Long Beach last week end. He played with the Music Center Hit Parade Band, which finished first in the senior amplified division. His trio finished first in the Grade 3 open division and he won solo honors in the Grade 5 open division. He will be a seventh grader at Fern-Greenwood next year.

**New 'Hands Free' Telephone Allows Group Conversations**

A new type telephone, the "hands free" set, which permits several persons to engage in conversation without using the conventional handset, is now available to customers served by the General Telephone Co., according to Horace C. Vaupel, manager of the Frontier number area.

To make a call on the new phone, you push a button and dial the number you want. You do not have to remove the receiver. What's more, you can talk and hear from any part of the room.

The new instrument looks like a conventional desk phone, except for two small switches below the dial, one in each corner, and directly in the center, a small opening covered with a metal screen behind which a tiny microphone is located. A small loudspeaker is placed near the telephone.

"There are many advantages," Vaupel said. "For instance, should a clerk in an office wish to examine the files and report his findings to someone on the phone, he can do it right where he is. He doesn't have to return to the telephone to talk."

"Of if a group wishes to call some member of the family—possibly long distance—all present could chime in the conversation as though the person were right in the room with them."

The manufacturer of the loudspeaking telephone is Automatic Electric Co., of Chicago, the company that made the world's first dial telephone.



**LOOK MA, NO HANDS** . . . Homemaker Jacqueline Hart is talking on the telephone, even though she is using both hands to hold her son, Steven. General Telephone Company's new "hands free" telephone permits a normal conversation without touching the receiver. All that's needed to dial or receive a call is to push a button in the base.

**Dryer Given By Frank's**

Mrs. William Allen, 24132 Ravenna Ave., Wilmington, is the winner of the new Westinghouse electric range last Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Called a 4-Star party, the event attracted many residents who came to view the demonstration of the new range which cooks eggs in 30 seconds, bacon in 27 seconds, bakes a cake in three minutes and performs other cooking marvels.

**Methodist Youth 'to Find Place' in Week-Long Meet**

"To Find Our Place" is the theme of the forthcoming Youth Activity Week at the First Methodist Church, 1551 El Prado, which begins tomorrow at 7 p.m.

Senior High youth and older youth of the Wesley Fellowship will gather each evening to examine what youth's place will be in the world of today.

Monday evening's program will center around the theme, "Through Sharing." Following a worship service, the group will see a movie "Neighbors," and then discuss the implications of it. The evening will end with a watermelon feed. On Tuesday evening, the group will paint the Fellowship Hall of the church as they follow the suggestion, "Through Working."

**Prompt Reply By Disabled Vets Urged**

There's no deadline for a veteran to request compensation for a service-connected disability, but there's an added dollars-and-cents incentive to promptness for the veteran who has just laid his uniform aside.

"If you are disabled when you come out of military service," said Mrs. Sara R. Evans, director of the Torrance Area Veterans Service Center, "it will pay you to file a compensation request within one year from the date of your discharge."

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will precede the meeting. "Through Our Creative Expression" will be the topic for Thursday's program with Betty Hope acting as chairman of the evening. At 6 p.m. an international Smorgasbord will be served to the youth.

Friday evening will be marked by a wiener bake and worship service at the Playa del Rey beach. Fellowship activities will be the order for Saturday evening. Activities on Sunday evening include a vesper sing around a patio fire, a service of dedication led by Jane Moffatt, and the service of Holy Communion, which will end the week's program.

**Chairmen Named**

Dick Hiebert is serving as general chairman of the program, and will be assisted by Larry Drury, president of the Youth Council. Jane Moffatt is worship co-ordinator and Kathleen Taylor will supervise the meals. Publicity chairman is Carol Whittington. Other committee members are Sally Speck, Gerry Roberts, Duane Wyrick, Evalyn Shanklin, and Bill Horst. Mr. Marvin Hiebert, Mr. and Mrs. Don Castle, Mr. and Mrs. Al Purviance, and Rev. Don Shelby are adult advisers.

**Players to Cast Play**

Readings for Manhattan Players next production, "Don Juan in Hell," by George Bernard Shaw, will be held Aug. 12 and 13, at 8 p.m. in the Camino Real Playhouse, 526 South Irena, Redondo Beach.

The play will open on Sept. 5 and run for three week ends. There are parts for three men and one woman, each a "showcase" part and requiring extremely fine acting since the play is done without props or set.

**Moose Plan 'Calypso' Dance Saturday Night**

Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes at a "Calypso" setting dance of the Torrance Moose Lodge at the Lodge Hall, 1744 W. Carson St., Saturday at 9 a.m., according to Governor Fred Lydy. Joe Radolovich and his orchestra will supply the music.

**Dependents Aided**

Veterans who are 50 percent or more disabled may draw additional amounts for their dependents.

To be eligible for compensation, ex-GI's must have been discharged under other than dishonorable conditions, and the disability must not be the result of misconduct. Further information can be obtained at 1622 Gramercy Ave., Torrance. This is a Community Chest Sponsored Agency.



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