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## NEW 'GIRLIE MAG' LAW STUDIED

### Model Statute Handed Council

City officials today are studying the legality of an Ontario ordinance dealing with lewd magazines.

City Attorney Stanley Remelmeyer was instructed Wednesday by city councilmen to determine if the other city's new law was a possible constitutional infringement.

The council action came after the group heard Dr. D. G. Cortum, member of a recently formed Torrance Self-Censorship Committee, declare this city's present laws dealing with the sale and distribution of questionable magazines and some comic books were inadequate.

Similar Law  
Dr. Cortum recommended Torrance adopt a similar law to that recently enforced in Ontario.

The Ontario ordinance prohibits the presence of illustrated comic books, magazines and publications of obscene nature.

The ordinance differs from the one in Torrance in that specific crimes, which must not be in reading material sold in that city, are named.

Included in the list are assault, arson, burglary, murder, armed robbery, maiming and disfiguring, and illegal sale of narcotics.

Urges Action  
In urging the adoption of a similar ordinance, Dr. Cortum declared that both Torrance and the state have laws prohibiting the sale of lewd and obscene magazines.

"However, the codes are written in broad terms since individual and community standards of morality vary from place to place and from time to time," he said.

### Rains Delay Airport Day Preparations

Torrance's "Airport Day" scheduled for Saturday, May 3, has been postponed until a later date, yet to be determined, according to the Chamber of Commerce.

Chairman J. D. Thomas said the unprecedented heavy rains have not only made conditions unfavorable for the celebration, but that the steady deluge has hampered progress on airport construction and clean-up.

Thomas, plant superintendent of Douglas Aircraft's Torrance plant, said a new date will be set at a meeting of committee chairmen to be held Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in the Chamber office.

### City of Hope Meet Slated

The City of Hope's newest chapter in Torrance will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schwartz, 3244 Eldorado, next Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Plans to visit the City of Hope at Duarte will be presented at the meeting of the recently organized chapter.

Mrs. Schwartz, who is membership chairman, said all friends of the City of Hope are welcome but asked that persons interested contact her before the meeting.

### Dr. Hull Set To Lecture

Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of Torrance Unified School District, has been appointed to give a course during the summer Session of the University of Southern California, according to Dean John D. Cooke.

The six-weeks session beginning June 23 will be followed by a postsession term of four weeks from Aug. 4.

A series of courses for high school students are planned as well as specialized classes for teachers and administrators leading to advanced degrees, according to Dean Cooke.

### City Sprays, Pumps After Rains Cease

As the sun beamed and temperatures zoomed, the city of Torrance set to work last week to repair the havoc wrought by heavy rains, particularly in the Waleria Lake area.

The city was drying out from the 21.66 inches of rain which have fallen here so far this season, making this the wettest year since 1940-41 when nearly 31 inches fell. Weathermen indicated that rain later this week was a possibility.

Spraying for mosquitoes started yesterday, while pumping of stricken areas began earlier in the week. Pumps were working day and night; city officials said, to drain a flooded area north of 230th and Ocean Ave. where a number of residents have had to move from their homes.

The water from this area is being pumped into Waleria Lake through a six-inch line at the rate of 75,000 to 90,000 gallons an hour. Waleria Lake water then is pumped through a 12-inch line across Hawthorne Ave. to a storm drain at 245th St., where it will flow to the Bixby Slough in Long Beach.

Farmers in the 300-acre Waleria Lake area asked that the flooded land not be drained completely. At the present it is covered by one to three feet of water. The pumping project should take about a month.

City crews also began the job of spraying summs and part of the lake area to prevent mosquitoes. Mosquito fish have been placed in some of the areas and a generous crop of frogs and mollusks has flourished in the water.

### Small Blaze In Hospital

A small fire occurred at the Riviera Hospital, 228th and Kent Ave., at 3 a.m., Thursday morning, but was contained by an automatic sprinkler system until firemen arrived.

Hospital officials made arrangements to evacuate the patients, but this was not necessary. Cause of the fire, which started in a wastebasket underneath a cabinet in one of the equipment rooms, was not determined. The blaze started the sprinkler system, but was not extinguished because it was under the cabinet.

Damage was confined to the one room.

### Special Page Notes National Realtors' Week

This is National Realtors week! Throughout the Torrance area, members of the National Association of Real Estate Boards are making every effort to show their very best buys in real estate.

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### CITY COUNCIL TOLD

## Large Market Planned Here

Construction of one of the Southland's largest food markets is scheduled for the Airport Triangle shopping center this summer, the city council was told Wednesday night by Albert Levitt, president of Jefferson, Inc., developers of the property. Levitt reported that a huge Foods Co. store containing approximately 55,000 square feet would be constructed by the S & T Investment Co. Another Foods Co. store is located at 174th and Crenshaw.

The S & T Co. holds a 20-acre sublease on the airport's 36-acre triangle, Levitt said.

Other Stores  
Additional retail stores will include a national drug store and a national junior department store, Levitt told the councilmen. He would not disclose the names of the two stores publicly, but did give their names to the council. He said he had letters of intent for both.

The council agreed to modify Jefferson's 50-year lease to permit the starting date of the lease to coincide with the date of the construction loan on the property. Levitt explained that financing on leased property could not be arranged for less than 50-year terms.

Levitt said buildings totaling 130,000 square feet will be completed or under construction by the end of the 1958. The firm is required to have \$250,000 in construction started during the first year of the lease, and \$4,000,000 in construction must be completed in the first four years.

## Doctors See New Method For Surgery

Latest techniques for re-starting hearts that stop beating during surgery were shown to physicians of Torrance Memorial Hospital at a dinner meeting Tuesday in the Women's Club.

Conducting the course were Drs. Robert H. Anderson, Harold Miller, and Milton J. Marmer, who gave the latest information on procedures to follow in cases of cardiac arrest or standstill in surgery.

Dr. Edward N. Knutsen is in charge of the program at Torrance Memorial Hospital.

### Residence Burglarized

A television lamp, several articles of clothing and \$3.50 in pennies were reported missing from the home of Delores Salla, 5233 Zakon Ave., police said.



JAMES McCUNE  
... Moose Leader

## McCune New Governor of Moose Lodge

James McCune has been elected governor of the Torrance lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose fraternity for the coming year.

McCune, 36, a sergeant-at-arms and club steward for the past year, will succeed Fred Lydy as governor of the Torrance Moose. He will be installed in office during public ceremonies to be held at the lodge hall, 1744 W. Carson St., on Saturday at 7:45 p.m. Past Governor Stanley Heiman will be the installing officer.

Other Officers  
The other elected officers are Garvis Coffey, junior governor; William Olson, prelate; Joe Marley, treasurer, and Mike Cicero, three-year trustee.

Governor-elect McCune, an electrical engineer at Aire-  
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ROCKETS AWAY . . . Making one of the posters advertising North High School's Science Fair to be held all day tomorrow are Chuck Daugherty and Teacher Dick Garrett. Many scientific developments, ranging from a real satellite to a working oil well model, will be featured with 50 large companies slated to be represented. The public is asked to come from 7 to 9 p.m. (Herald Photo)

## Satellite, Missile, Oil Well Slated at NHS Science Day

Once upon a time, Americans smiled tolerantly at the Buck Rogers comic strip and at the fantastic stories of travel to the Moon and Mars.

Torrance residents tomorrow will be able to see some of the Buck Rogers-type equipment, including an earth satellite at North High School's second annual Science Fair. Included will be scientific equipment of all varieties, ranging from missile launchers to a working model of an oil well.

Some 52 companies will take part in the day, with 34 exhib-

its and a number of movies and demonstrations. Students will visit the lectures and demonstrations which will run from 8:50 to 2:40 p.m. The public is invited in the evening from 7 to 9 p.m.

In addition to the company and students displays, the following program will be followed:

At 7 p.m.: Pacific Telephone's "Adventures in Sound," Southern California Gas Co. "Facts about Natural Gas," General Motors "Previews of Progress," Ramo Wooldridge lecture of missile and rockets, Firestone

Tire and Rubber "Corporal Story" and "Monza Challenge."

At 7:45: Moody Institute of Science "Story of the Bloodstream," Shell Oil Co. "The Magic Barrel," American Latex lecture; Felker Mfg. Co. "Diamonds as Applied Tools," "Westinghouse Electric "A Dawn's Early Light."

At 8:30: Pacific Telephone "Adventure in Sound," General Telephone "Microwaves," Douglas Aircraft Co. test pilot lecture, Dow Chemical, "Use and Properties of Plastics, and Union Carbide lecture on plastics.



PLAN SESSION . . . Lt. D. C. Cook of the Torrance Police Dept. discusses material for Wednesday evening's meeting of the Coordinating Council here with District Attorney William B. McKesson, who will be featured speaker of the event. The public meeting will be held in the Civic Auditorium.

## Town Hall Meet To Hear McKesson

"Juvenile Delinquency" will be discussed by District Attorney William B. McKesson at a town hall meeting sponsored by the Torrance Coordinating Council this Wednesday at 7:30 in Torrance Civic Auditorium.

## Eviction Set For Lady on School Site

Notice was served Friday on Miss Peggy Swick, 2534 W. 182nd St., that she will have to move by 10 a.m. tomorrow or be evicted by the sheriff to make way for construction of the new Hamilton School.

"I guess they'll have to move me," she said yesterday. "I haven't made any plans to move."

Also scheduled for removal are an assortment of horses, dogs, chickens, parakeets, canaries, and pigeons, which also are housed on the two-acre property.

Miss Swick's property was obtained by the school district through a stipulated judgment and money was deposited to her account. She said she had not picked the money up because "I wouldn't do me any good. I owe it all."

As the school board approved final plans for the school, Miss Swick appeared with a petition protesting location of the facility on 182nd St. because of the "additional traffic and danger to the children." She indicated she would not move and the board ordered her evicted.

## Rivets Reports

If you want to work in the yard, go down to the beach, or pick up a sun tan, today should be a good day for it, according to Rivets, HERALD weather dog. His prediction is for more 80 degree weather.

Highs and lows include Thursday (78-49); Friday (87-50); and Saturday (85-53).

## A Penny for your Thoughts

As he rocked down the street, the HERALD's hep cat photographer asked this question:

What do you think of rock and roll? Do you think it's a dying fad?

Leon Sana, 1965 W. 218th st., printer:

"It's mostly a teenage thing. I like the guitars, but that's about all. It seems to be dying, mainly because Elvis Presley, one of its biggest influences, is in the Army."

Mrs. Mary Rourke, 1603 W. 204th St., housewife:

"I think it's OK. I like it myself. It's good for listening, especially the rhythm. I think it'll go on for a while."

Jess Bridges, 2537 Lesserman St., Torrance High student:

"I like it OK and I like rhythm and blues too. Some of the rock and roll is good, and some of it's bad. I think it'll last a long time."

Mrs. Erna Nowack, 3419 W. 227th Pl., housewife:

"I don't go for it personally, but the teenagers seem to like it. It's OK, I guess. It does not seem to be dying out as I can see."

Conard Springwater, Manhattan Beach, electrical operator:

"I love rock and roll. I like the rhythm in it. I don't dance myself, but I like to sit and listen to it. I've got a number of records."

Betty Foster, 1023 Kornblum Ave., Madrona sixth grader:

"It's OK. I like to listen to it usually. I like the rhythm to it. Kids seem to like it just about as much as they ever did."

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