



LIFE SIZE . . . Paul Salzberg, Torrance sculpter, puts finishing touches on an eight-foot camel he modeled out of sand and cement. The camel, one of many of artist's masterpieces, is located near gate to Disneyland. Salzberg dreams of making a statue 150-feet high as a challenge to his skill.



HONORS YOUTH . . . Sculptor Paul Salzberg stands beside a typical Little League player he modeled out of sand and cement. The artist, who maintains his studio at 1612 Greenwood Ave., hopes this statue will be placed in one of the Torrance parks or at Civic Center as a tribute to organized baseball. (Herald photo)

Noted Sculptor Still Has an Ambition—a 150-Foot Figure

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Paul Salzberg has been a recognized sculptor for 30 years and his masterpieces are on display throughout the world, but he still has an ambition yet to realize — this is to make a figure 150 feet high. The local artist, who has his studio in his home at 1612 Greenwood Ave., thinks he may soon create his king-size dream and backs his feeling up with a growing trend for large statues and carvings now in existence in courts of deluxe motels, shopping quads and amusement centers throughout the country. He cited the use of over-size figures in many European cities as indication that his dream is made of "more solid stuff."

IN THE CASE of the material Salzberg uses it is as solid as any basic natural rock and is a combination of sand and cement forming a stone-hard aggregate with a ceramic finish that is modeled on steel frames. He can imitate, or reproduce, any finish from wood grain to a mosaic pattern. Besides himself, Salzberg said there was but one other sculptor using the media of sand and cement and he is Claude Bell, whom he worked with on many of the figures seen at Knott's Berry Farm.

SALZBURG recently completed an eight-foot statue of a camel that may be seen near the entrance to Disneyland and is preparing a 35-foot replica of Peter Pan to be located in the same area.

The philosophy of Salzberg regarding his talents reflects the man. He says, "The first requirement for an artist is to go hungry for awhile, but to keep on working. This means giving up something to receive something." watch him while he is working and feels that they enjoy seeing an artist applying his skills, especially when the subject is a familiar one and is recognized by the audience. But when these onlookers say his work looks easy he tells them "there is no easy road to artistic success as it is ten per cent genius and 90 per cent work."

LEARN-TO-SWIM CLASS REGISTRATION LISTED

Registration for learn-to-swim lessons offered by the Torrance Recreation Dept. will begin June 2, according to Recreation Director Harry Van Bellehem. Registrations must be made in person at the city plunge, 3331 Torrance Blvd. Sign-ups will be continued June 2 and 3 from 1 until 5 p.m. and 6 until 9 p.m., June 4 from 9 a.m. until noon and 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. and June 5 from 5 until 8 p.m. Classes are scheduled weekdays at 9, 10 and 11 a.m. starting June 13, June 27, July 11, July 25, Aug. 8 and Aug. 22. There will be a pool service charge of \$2 per child for each series of lessons. Youngsters must be at least 3½ feet tall and from 7 through 12 years of age. Over 3300 children participated in last year's program, Van Bellehem said.

John Baldock Promoted by Local Bank

The promotion of John W. Baldock to assistant operations officer at Bank of America's Torrance branch was announced by Manager Harold G. Frenz.

Baldock, whose new title is assistant cashier, has been with the bank for the past three years. He started as a teller and worked his way up to junior officer status the following year. For the past several months, he has been on the Los Angeles Headquarters branch service staff.

GOP Opens Headquarters In Torrance

The Torrance Republican Club was host at the formal opening of the 68th Assembly Republican Headquarters located at 1406 Cravens Ave., according to an announcement yesterday by its president, Tom Brewer.

More than 100 guests attended the meeting and heard Republican candidates Isham, Coffee and Glasier discuss the issues confronting the electorate in the 17th Congressional and 68th Assembly Districts. Featured speaker of the evening was the Honorable Bruce Reagan, Assembly Incumbent of the 47th District, who deplored the rising state budget and the recent creation of so many costly state agen-

cies and commissions. According to Reagan, unless the present state administration curtails the cost of government spending, the California taxpayers will be faced with a 3 billion dollar budget at the next fiscal session of the Legislature. Many prominent Republicans in the District attended the

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