

Lynn Removed as Planning Commission President

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M-2 REZONING WINS AT HEARING

A Penny for your Thoughts

Tuesday night, President Kennedy spoke to the nation to tell American citizens of the dangers of the Berlin crisis and outlined the official U.S. position on the Soviet Union's attempts to create a "free" city in that divided country. Five area housewives were asked: "How do you feel about the present U.S. stand on Berlin in the light of the President's address to the nation?"

Elnor Phelan, 1005 Cerise Ave.,
 "I like the firm position that President Kennedy has stated. I agree with everything he said and I believe that the American people are willing to make any sacrifice to insure that the freedom and safety of the city of Berlin is not endangered."

Mrs. A. J. Daley, 509 Paseo de Lunada, Palos Verdes Estates:
 "I admire the stand that the President has taken and especially like his firmness on the subject. We cannot afford to let the Russian leaders take over the city of Berlin and we must be as firm as necessary to prevent that."

Mrs. David Hurford, 353 Camino de las Colinas, Hollywood Riviera:
 "I agree we must take a firm stand now and not let the Russians take over that city. I am sure that any sacrifice needed from the people of this country will be made in the cause of freedom."

Mrs. Stephen Lovas, 5012 W. Mariloma, Rolling Hills Estates:
 "We should certainly take a strong position on this Soviet-created crisis. We cannot afford to let the Russians bully us into getting out of Berlin, nor can we forget the people of Berlin and their genuine desire for freedom."

Mrs. Robert J. Richards, 872 11th St., Manhattan Beach:
 "I very definitely agree with the stand. I don't think that Russia should get away with anything else on us. It is high time that we applied the brakes and put a stop to their efforts."

Bike Auction Set
 Torrance Police will auction off more than 40 bicycles and miscellaneous bicycle parts and accessories at a police auction to be held on the ball diamond at Torrance Park Saturday morning.

School Board Job Conflicts, Blount Insists

President Bert M. Lynn of the Planning Commission was relieved of his post by the Torrance City Council Tuesday night when Councilman Willys Blount, charging a conflict of interest with Lynn's membership on the Board of Education, moved he be relieved of the office.



MRS. LILLIAN BARRINGTON
 A Pioneer Dies

Long Time Resident Mourned

Mrs. Mary Lillian Barrington, 57, died Tuesday at 6 a.m. at the Torrance Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness.

A member of a pioneer Torrance family, Mrs. Barrington had lived here for the past 39 years. She was born in Montgomery, Ala., in 1903 and came to the South Bay area 39 years ago. She was married to H. C. (Jack) Barrington on March 21, 1922, in Hermosa.

Active in the civic and social life of Torrance, Mrs. Barrington had served two terms as president of the Torrance Woman's club. She was one of the founders of the Y-Teen Youth Canteen during the war years and was a past member of the Torrance Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and the Torrance American Legion Auxiliary. She was also a member of the First Methodist Church here.

Survivors are the husband, H. C. Barrington, 1541 Post (Continued on Page 19)

Mayor Albert Isen and Councilman George Vico defended the Planning Commission president, but failed to change a 5-2 vote for dismissal.

After Councilman George Bradford had seconded his resolution, Blount said: "There is a decided conflict of interest here despite what attorneys may say. The school board gets into problems with the city and I don't think any man can serve two masters. Bill Hansen resigned from his commission post when he was elected to the school board."

Councilman Jay Beasley remarked: "Mr. Lynn has done a fine job but I do think he should relinquish this position."

Mayor Isen suggested the abrupt action "deprecates Mr. Lynn's valuable service to the city. He has been giving and giving plenty and has been a perfect liaison between the school board and the city. I feel this is a kind of slap in the face, but I am sure he will take it in good grace."

No successor to Lynn has been appointed.



HONORED AT DINNER... Mrs. Ray Olsen, retiring from 25 years service at Torrance Memorial Hospital, was honored at a testimonial dinner given her by members of the hospital staff Tuesday night. Here, she receives congratulations from Mrs. Viola Anderson, director of Nurses at the hospital, and Leonard Ensminger, Hospital Administrator. (Herald Photo)

Police Break Up Forgery Ring

A forgery ring responsible for cashing nearly \$5,000 in money orders stolen from the garage of a Torrance resident has been rounded up by police.

Complaints charging Jack Chilton, 21, of Long Beach, with burglary and forgery and Virginia Romanoff, both 18, of Long Beach, with forgery were issued Tuesday, according to Detective Gene Erbetta.

Erbetta said the trio was arrested in Long Beach last week after officers found narcotics in an automobile being driven by the Romanoff woman's husband, Jack, 24. A search of their apartment uncovered the money orders and two checkwriting machines.

The money orders, which could have been cashed for a total of as high as \$37,500, and the machines were stolen June 26 from the garage of Sam Ward, 2342 W. 238th St., an employee of Travelers Express Co., Erbetta said.

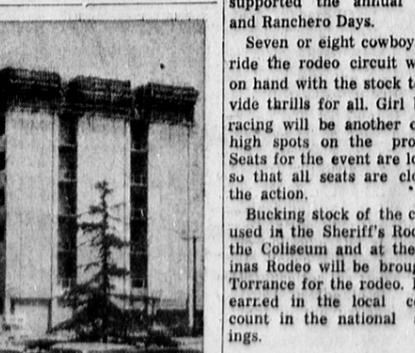
Erbetta said some of the 250 blank money orders taken have been cashed in scattered points of Los Angeles and Orange Counties.

Romanoff is being held by Long Beach police for violation of federal parole on a narcotics conviction, police said.

Plans For Rodeo In Final Stages Now

Torrance will take on a western flavor during the weekend of Aug. 5 and 6 as the RCA Rodeo comes to town for the seventh year. Under the sponsorship of the Torrance Mounted Police, the two-day event will begin with a parade through the downtown area to the civic center.

Top rodeo stars and stock will be on hand for the two performances, slated for 2:30 p.m. Aug. 5 and 6, which will be held in the arena behind the Police station, 3131 Torrance Blvd.



PROGRESSING... Work on the new Harbor General Hospital buildings is being pushed in an effort to have units in use by fall or early winter. Pictured is the acute unit and out patient building with administrative section at left. The new units are located east of the old buildings on Carson between Normandie and Vermont. (Herald Photo)

Retiring Nurse Is Honored By Staff

Members of the nursing staff and the Torrance Memorial Hospital staff Tuesday night honored Mrs. Ray Olsen, who is retiring after 25 years of service at the local hospital.

Mrs. Olsen, who had lived in Torrance for 32 years before moving to Wilmington eight years ago, has been a member of the nursing staff since 1936 and for 22 years a night supervisor.

She was presented with a silver tray by the 37 nurses on the hospital staff. The doctors presented the retiring nurse with a check.

Mrs. Olsen now lives at 1115 W. Q St., Wilmington, with her husband. They will be moving to Ocala, Fla., soon. They have two sons, Robert, an architect, and Charles, employed by the Bank of America. There are two grandchildren.

RODEO co-ordinator Lt. D.C. Cook has expressed a word of thanks to the people who have supported the annual rodeo and Ranchero Days.

Seven or eight cowboys who ride the rodeo circuit will be on hand with the stock to provide thrills for all. Girl barrel racing will be another of the high spots on the program. Seats for the event are located so that all seats are close to the action.

Bucking stock of the caliber used in the Sheriff's Rodeo at the Coliseum and at the Salinas Rodeo will be brought to Torrance for the rodeo. Points earned in the local contest count in the national standings.

A WESTERN parade will get things rolling at 10 a.m. Saturday morning. Horsemen will be here from San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Centro with their silver saddles and colorful costumes.

Tickets for the rodeo are \$1 for adults, and 75 cents for children under 12.



FALLEN TREE... Workmen hurriedly try to remove a tree which fell across Acacia Ave., in the mid afternoon Wednesday. The tree, in front of an apartment building at 2405 Acacia Ave., was rotted at the roots and the high breezes which cooled off the city yesterday were strong enough to blow it over. A convertible parked across the street was damaged slightly when the falling tree tore the top. (Herald Photo)

Wilson Plan For Housing Progresses

Hurdling a confused situation that would have produced a deadlock vote at Tuesday night's council meeting, the proposal to rezone the 155 acre Marble property at Sepulveda and Crenshaw finally won a 4-3 favorable decision.

An enabling ordinance still has to win approval as Tuesday night's action was only a hearing. A change of position by two council members could still bring about a reversal and abstention of one council member could effect a hopeless deadlock.

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Offering a "headquarters city concept" in planning for an area, Adsit left the impression that it was up to Torrance to assume its natural position as the logical center of the South Bay area destined to have a population of 600,000 to one million as Southern California expands to a possible 14 million.

"AN ECONOMICALLY sound Southern California area is the only possible if each part of the area is sound," he added.

Then he charged each city with the responsibility of having the kind of government that will use its tools of planning and development—"the only true reason for the existence of local government that really serves the people."

Ideal standards in urban development for industry, the speaker said, were to preserve 12 acres of industrial land for each 1000 population, pre-planned industrial tracts and land reserves for school and recreation facilities.

"THIS CAN be accomplished only if the property owners and community leaders approve an Action Program. Don't allow your community to follow the line of least resistance but think of it as a balanced headquarters com- (Continued on Page 19)



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