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Torrance Eighth In Population

Torrance is now in eighth place population-wise in Los Angeles county, and chances are that it will soon be in seventh place, surpassing Compton.

Torrance's population was estimated at 63,467 as of July 1 by the County Regional Planning Commission. Compton exceeded the Torrance population figure by 555.

City Manager George Stevens estimated the population of Torrance as close to 65,000.

Since 1930, Torrance has grown from a city with 22,241 population to its present size, growing at a rate of 1000 new residents a month.

Leading cities in the county as of July 1, 1955 were listed as follows:

Los Angeles	2,189,128
Long Beach	292,107
Pasadena	117,057
Glendale	115,057
Burbank	92,782
Santa Monica	77,981
Compton	64,022
TORRANCE	63,467
Inglewood	55,358
Alhambra	55,007
South Gate	52,962
Pomona	50,166
Redondo Beach	38,717
Arcadia	35,186
Whittier	32,205
Torrance and the Bay cities compare as follows:	
TORRANCE	63,467
Inglewood	55,358
Redondo Beach	38,717
Manhattan Beach	29,105
Hawthorne	26,815
Gardena	22,277
Hermosa Beach	15,030
Palos Verdes Estates	5,915

FIREFIGHTER



FIREMAN Ralph Collins is one of the first to try out the 85 ft. ladder, main feature of the new \$52,800 aerial ladder truck acquired by the Torrance Fire Department. The ladder is hydraulically operated. Chief J. J. Benner and Mack co. engineers designed the truck.

'Miss Torrance' Candidates



FOURTEEN have signed up so far for the 'Miss Torrance' Beauty Contest which will be judged July 29. Last date for entries is Friday, July 22. Beauties (l-r) are: top—Toni Duran, Julie Muniz, Georgia Sanford, Jean Zilliox, June Dahlin, Marjorie Osterloh, and Jeannette Monroe; bottom—Yolanda Goldsmith, Darlene Forrer, Jean Bray, Thelma Smith, Julie Carcerano, Linda Sells, and Diane Trimiew.

Learn-to-Swim Program Starts

Registration for the annual Learn-to-Swim program at Alondra park will start this coming Monday, July 25 at the local playgrounds, it was announced this week.

Participation in the program which is going into its fifth year is expected to top all former totals. Sponsors of the event are the Torrance Recreation Department and Kiwanis club.

The following information regarding eligibility and the program has been announced:

Children ages 8 through 12 may participate.

Parents must register children in person at local playgrounds.

Registration begins this Monday, July 25.

Swim program will last 4 weeks, starting Tuesday, Aug. 9 and ending Thursday, September 1.

Swim days are Tuesday and Thursday.

Children will be given swimming lessons, and swimming certificates will be awarded to those who pass their tests.

Children are divided into age groups.

Children will be transported free to Alondra by city buses (schedule to be announced).

The Kiwanis club pays for the bus transportation from money raised by the club from their annual Kids' Day program, which is held every September.

Competent, qualified swim instructors are furnished by the Torrance Recreation Department, officials announced.

Man Found Dead In Automobile

A 66-year-old retired resident of Torrance apparently committed suicide Monday afternoon. Victim of carbon monoxide poisoning, he was discovered in his auto by a passerby.

Reported dead on arrival at Harbor General hospital was George Gillies, 66, of 22401 Dolores street, Torrance. He was discovered seated in his car by Robert Rennie of North Hollywood.

Gillies' car was parked on 228th street, near Normandie avenue. He was wearing pajamas, a bathrobe and a pair of socks when he was discovered, according to San Pedro police.

Foreign Students To Study Here

Three European students, from Germany, Spain and Holland, will attend Torrance Senior High School for one year beginning in September under the sponsorship of the American Field Service International Scholarships. It was announced this week by Mrs. C. M. Lippincott, corresponding secretary of the local AFS chapter.

The teen-agers will live with Torrance families and enroll as regular students at the high school. They will arrive here in August, Mrs. Lippincott said.

House Guests

Arno Mehling, 16, from Germany will make his home with Mr. and Mrs. J. Melville, 1512 El Prado.

Gloria Montesinas, 16, from Madrid, Spain, will live with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lane, 1531 El Prado.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Stockle, 2612 West 175th street will have Adriaan Willemsen, 16, from Hague, Holland, as a guest in their home.

Aid Sought

Mrs. Lippincott disclosed that the chapter is in need of additional funds to meet the financial obligations involved in bringing the students to this country for study. She said

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Special Buses Slated For \$\$-Day Week-End

One of the most spectacular, bargain-packed dollar day week-ends ever offered in Torrance is promised shoppers for next week-end, July 28-30, by Torrance merchants.

"We're going all-out to make this the biggest dollar-day week-end in the history of Torrance," Carl C. Duncan of the Retail Merchants' association of the Chamber of Commerce stated.

One of the new features will be special bus routes which will be made available for the convenience of shoppers. Merchants will help subsidize this service.

A detailed break-down of the time schedule and proposed routes will be published in this newspaper next week for the convenience of our readers.

Route 1 will leave the depot via Cravens, Carson, Western, 220th, Meyler, Ocean, Figueroa, 234th to Mehdan and return the reverse route.

Route 2 will leave the depot via Cravens, Cabrillo, Torrance Blvd., 209th st., Normandie, 208th st., Budlong to 204th and return the reverse route.

It's All In Knowing How...

If you have a tooth-ache you go to a dentist and if you want to sell, buy, rent or find something you turn to the Torrance Press.

That's what Mrs. Elwood Pitman of 722 Crenshaw Blvd., found out.

Mrs. Pitman wanted to sell a range. After posting a notice on a market bulletin board for two months without results she decided to place the following ad in the Torrance Press classified section:

FOR SALE: Apartment size RANGE, \$15. FA. 8-1458

"I was really tickled and surprised with the results," she exclaimed happily, indicating that she sold her range without any trouble.

If you are looking for instant results, call FA. 8-2345. A friendly Torrance Press classified salesgirl will help you word your ad, just right—and it costs so little.

Driverless Car Goes for Ride

A driverless auto rolled down the hill, jumped a curb, knocked down a tree, crashed into a fence and finally came to a halt in a driveway at the home of Joseph Cagliostro, 210 Vista Anita last week.

The auto was registered to Adeline Silverman of Hollywood, according to police records.

City Plans Census

Torrance has been given the green light to go ahead with its third special census since 1950, with plans being made to hold such a census the latter part of October or the first weeks of November of this year, according to City Manager George Stevens.

Stevens told the City Council that the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, informed him that such a census would cost around \$9550 based on an estimated 65,000 population.

As a result of the additional official increase in population, the city would receive \$100,000 additional money the first year following the census and around \$140,000 a year from then on.

The last special census was taken in 1953 at which time Torrance's population was close to 45,000. At the time of the regular census in 1950, Torrance had a population of 22,241.

Stevens told the Council last week that there was room for only one other census in this area this year. Fast action on the part of Stevens enabled Torrance to qualify.

Council Will Also Consider Leash Law

In addition to considering a compulsory anti-rabies vaccination law for dogs, the City Council will also consider a stricter leash law, according to action taken Tuesday night.

City Attorney James Hall has been asked to bring the city's leash law ordinance up to date and "put teeth into it," upon request of Mayor Albert Isen.

Hall stated that he would submit a draft of such an ordinance July 26.

Sixth Finalist Named In Press Photo Contest

"Studying the Daily Paper," a razor-sharp photo of an unshaven man sitting at the plaza in Los Angeles absorbed in the daily paper, turned out to be the sixth finalist in the annual Torrance Press photo contest this week.

The picture was submitted by A. Van Kralingen, Jr., 25, of 2410 Arlington avenue, Torrance. It was taken with a 4x5 Graphic view camera.

This brings to a close this year's photo contest, except for the final judging, results of which will be announced next week Thursday.

Finalists

A finalist was chosen every week from among the entries for that week. The following six individuals and their pictures (listed chronologically) will be the recipients of one of six prizes to be given away following the judging:

"Judy" by A. R. Straton, 3326 Dalemead, a thoughtful study of a little girl wistfully contemplating her lollipop.

"The Pilgrim" by Joe Ulrich, 22, 1529 West 221st street, a picture of bearded, visionary old sage.

"Night Lights" by Evelyn M. Richmond, 17537 Yukon avenue, showing the dazzling spectacle presented by one of the local industries as seen at night.

"My Buddy" by Robert C.

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To Consider Oil Field Ordinance

The proposed oil field ordinance, regulating sumps, fences, and oil derricks, will come up for consideration before the Torrance City Council August 2 at the 5:30 p.m. meeting, according to action taken by the Council Tuesday night.

Pasteur Treatment Started

A frantic nation-wide search for a Torrance mother and six-year-old daughter who were bitten by a rabid dog Friday ended in Morgantown, West Virginia Tuesday night where the family was located.

They will undergo Pasteur treatment immediately.

Object of this search was Mary Liberatore, 29, and her 6-year-old daughter, Carolyn, who lived at 4180 W. Redondo Beach Blvd., Torrance.

The two were bitten severely by a rabid dog Friday, the day they were to leave for the East. Despite warnings by their private physician and South Bay Humane Society officials about the dangerousness of the bites and the need for prompt Pasteur treatment, the Liberatores started on their trip.

"The situation is little short of desperate," Dr. Benjamin Kogan, local Health Department official exclaimed Tuesday morning.

All-out Alarm

The Health Department investigated every possible lead they had on the whereabouts of the family, alarming health officials and highway patrols in the various cities to keep a sharp look-out for the Liberatores.

Relatives of the Liberatores at a number of possible destinations were also put on the alert.

The dog which traveled through Lawndale to Torrance scratched Carolyn about the legs and ankle while the girl was playing outside.

While trying to separate the two, the mother was bitten and

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Action Due On Oil Well

A zone exception sought for oil drilling operations in Lomita is due for consideration Tuesday by the County Regional Planning Commission.

The application of Tom and Grace Willacy has been recommended for disapproval by the commission's zoning board.

The couple seeks permission to drill three wells on their property at 2144 W. 240th St. The property is in an agricultural zone.

'Hot Dog' and 'Hamburger'



LONG DISTANCE... Opposing pitchers, Gary Little, 13, (r) of the Hot Dogs, and Gary Henderson, 13, of the Hamburgers, joined forces recently during a practice game with one pitching and the other catching. Both play for the McMaster Midgets who play every Monday night.

Editorial

CITY COUNCIL TO VOTE ON RABIES LAW TUESDAY

Torrance residents who have hoped and fought for a rabies law these last weeks have one more important duty to carry out to assure passage of the law.

It is vitally important that they attend one more Council meeting this Tuesday night. That is the time the Council plans to vote on the issue.

It is important that the many individuals favoring such a law attend this final meeting in order to make sure that their wishes are complied with and in order to block any last-minute attempt by the opposition to raise a howl and "scuttle the ship."

The Council will meet on the issue this coming Tuesday night, July 26, at an eight o'clock meeting in the council chamber of the City Hall, corner Cravens and El Prado.

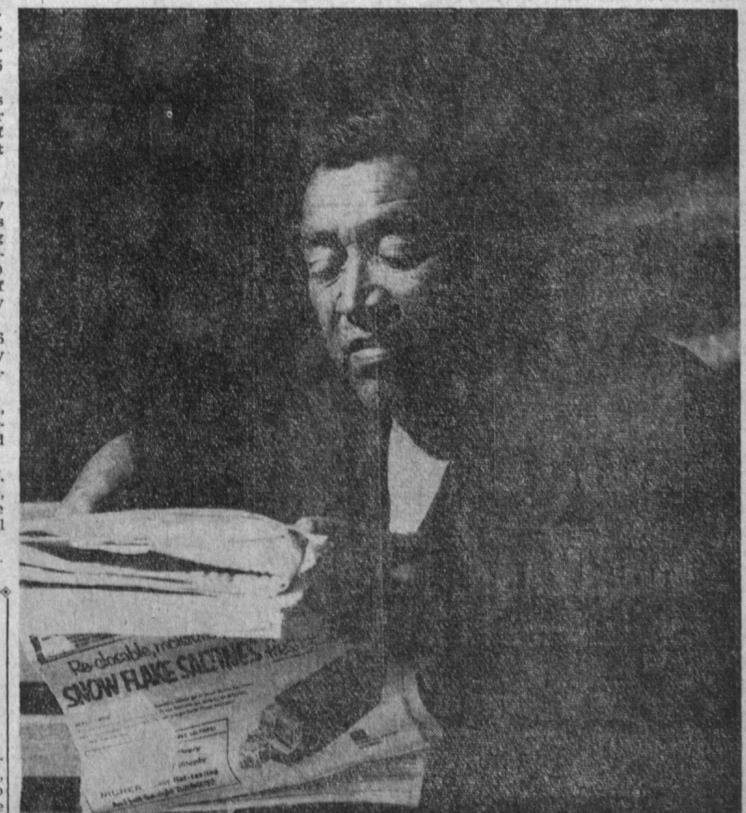
In the meantime, residents should continue sending letters and petitions to the City Council, City Hall, Torrance.

We cannot lapse into a false sense of security now that a hearing has been held. And, like a football player running for a touchdown, victory is not ours until we cross the goal line.

Now that both sides of the issue have been formally presented before the Council, we feel more certain than ever of the unquestionable merits of a compulsory anti-rabies vaccination law for dogs.

Arguments advanced by the opposition, deprived of their sound and fury, simply do not stand up under analysis and investigation.

We urge that our councilmen will wholeheartedly enact such a law this Tuesday night with the reassurance that they have on their side the secular trinity of Fact, Reason, and the wishes of the People.



"STUDYING THE DAILY PAPER" . . . by A. Van Kralingen, Jr., 25, of 2410 Arlington ave., is the last and sixth finalist in the Torrance Press photo contest. The shot was taken with a 4x5 Graphic View camera.