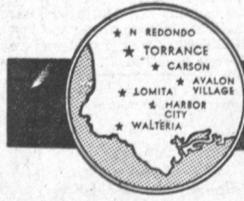


Fire Unites Divorced Couple

Winners Announced in Letter-Writing Contest



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TORRANCE LIKES IKE!

Torrance, which went Republican in 1952, still likes Ike! In addition, Torrance turned out to like Kuchel, King, Thomas, Chapel, and Bowron in keeping with the general trend.

Proposition-wise, Torrance went for numbers 1, 2, and 3, (veterans, school bond, construction bond); against number 4 (oil measure); against No. 5 (liquor sales); for number 6 (church exemption); against number 9 (boroughs); for proposition A and B (juvenile and hospital facilities).

The local picture thus was typical of the general over-all trend of the election.

Torrance, which has always been considered a Democratic area, gave President Dwight D. Eisenhower 16,035 votes as against 13,588 for Adlai Stevenson.

Keystone and Lomita, on the other hand, went Democratic, giving Ike 1761 against 2838 votes in Keystone and 1813 against 2399 votes in Lomita.

Rolling Hills ran strongly Republican in every race.

While Torrance Democrats still outnumber Republicans, 3:2, the odds are no longer as heavy as they were in 1952, when the proportion was 2:1.

Of Torrance's 35,253 registered voters, 30,104 turned out to the polls. This represents an 85% turn-out, slightly less than the 88.6% turn-out in 1952.

Of the registered voters, 20,716 are Democrats, 13,108 are Republicans. These figures, in 1952, stood at 10,128 Democrats against 5,716 Republicans.

At that time, the margin of victory for Ike over Adlai was 7,617 to 6,914.

The senatorial race alone was close here with State Senator Richard Richards capturing 14,536 votes to U.S. Senator Thomas Kuchel's 14,961.

Congressman Cecil King won handily over his Republican opponent, Charles Franklin (18,209 - 11,006) as did Assemblyman Vincent Thomas who was challenged by GOP candidate Thomas Brewer (16,452 - 8,640).



DOWNED MESSERSCHMIDT

Pilot and passenger received painful injuries after crash-landing this Messerschmidt when the engine apparently failed.

How This Area Voted

Local returns include the following precincts: Torrance, 130; Lomita, 17; Keystone, 10; and Rolling Hills, 10, totaling 167 precincts. Here are some unofficial partial and full returns.

PRESIDENT	
Ike Adlai	16065 13588
Stevenson	2838 1761
Lomita	2399 1831
Rolling Hills	369 1680
Total	21319 19194

SENATE	
Kuchel Richards (R) (D)	14961 14536
Keystone	1534 2927
Lomita	1789 2493
Rolling Hills	1618 429
Totals	19902 20285

CONGRESS (17th District)	
King Franklin (D) (R)	18209 11006
Keystone	3372 1033
Lomita	2945 1082
Rolling Hills	725 1280
Totals	25251 14401

ASSEMBLY (68th District)	
Thomas Brewer (D) (R)	16452 8640
Keystone	3274 1022
Lomita	3099 1059
Rolling Hills	626 1417
Totals	23451 12196

ASSEMBLY (46th District) (16 Precincts Out of 412)	
Jonas, Chapel (D) (R)	12816 12327
Rolling Hills and Hollywood Riviera	1205 2046
JUDGES (Office 28)	

Bowron Call	
Torrance	12816 12327
Keystone	2112 1493
Lomita	2020 1531
Rolling Hills	811 1046
Totals	17759 16397

TOTAL VOTE CAST	
Torrance	30104
Keystone	4635
Lomita	4346
Rolling Hills	2074
Total	41159

Pilot Makes Crash Landing, Avoids Homes

A pilot, whose plane engine apparently failed, maneuvered his plane clear of a residential area, making a forced landing in a near-by field as the plane tangled with telephone wires Sunday.

Pilot of the light-green four-passenger Messerschmidt, N 108 M, was George S. Wing, 40, of 3805 Paseo del Campo, who was accompanied by Joe J. Pfeifer, 44, of Santa Susana.

Wing brought the German plane down in a field north of Lomita Blvd. in line with the prolongation of Madison ave.

Wing, according to a Torrance airport official, received painful facial cuts and a possible back injury while Pfeifer suffered bad cuts on the right arm.

The plane was estimated to

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CHILDREN ESCAPE DISASTER

Fire which reduced a beautiful partly constructed hillside home to ashes rekindled the flame of love between a man and woman who were divorced six months ago.

Planning to remarry as a result of the tragedy which destroyed a home they had both helped to build over a period of two years are David and Frances Glabe, according to Det. Capt. Ernie Ashton of the Torrance Police Department, who helped investigate the blaze.

Flaming Torch

The fire broke out suddenly around 8 p.m. Tuesday, quickly leaving the frame work of the partially constructed home a flaming torch.

The house, located at 24,900 Hawthorne ave.—the last house on the dividing line between Torrance and Palos Verdes—became a beacon of fire easily visible for miles from the bottom of the hill.

There was no one home at the time except the three children — two boys and one girl aged 8, 9, 10 — who were living in an adjoining trailer.

The children, who said that the electricity and TV suddenly went off, rushed out of the trailer and ran to the bottom of the hill.

Police were notified who sent the alarm through to the Torrance fire Department, it was reported.

Localize Fire

Firemen were able to localize the fire which had already started spreading to an adjoining house and which could easily have started a serious hillside conflagration.

Mrs. Glabe told Ashton that she had gone to a movie. She said that she was concerned about leaving the children alone but that she just had to get away for some relaxation.

The father, a Northrop engineer, who lives at 24246 Park st., had visited the children shortly before the fire broke out.

Extent of loss has not yet been estimated.

Firemen were under the supervision of E. K. Walker, battalion chief. Engine 3 of fire station 2 responded as did equipment from station 1, it was indicated.

Torrance police helped keep traffic clear of the area.

Housewife Attacked

After hiding for more than an hour in a bedroom closet, a man criminally attacked a 29-year-old housewife as she was preparing for bed. She said the assault happened about an hour after she returned home with her two children, who were asleep in an adjoining bedroom when the attack occurred.

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Industrial Leaders To Meet Tonight For Hospital Drive

The first phase of industry participation in building and equipping the new 125-bed Little Company of Mary hospital will be planned tonight (Thursday) at a meeting of some 20 leading South Bay area industrialists at Capri's restaurant in Torrance.

Gerald L. Revell, president of Cal-Metal corporation and chairman of the industry committee for the \$766,000 fund campaign, said the gathering will be held to give industry an opportunity to determine an equitable formula for giving which will assure participation by nearly 150 plants in the area.

Industrial Campaign He pointed out that industry gave \$180,000 for 36 new beds in the Torrance Memorial hospital campaign in 1953, and predicted that on the basis of this participation, industrial firms will give more than \$500,000 for 125 new beds at the Catholic institution.

"The addition to Torrance Memorial, while it is most commendable, doesn't begin to meet the needs of our industrial

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It was a tough job but judges finally emerged with 14 winners in the letter-writing contest tying in with the "All America Cities award."

Winners of the Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsored contest will receive \$10 each, donated by local individuals or firms. Over 8000 letters were screened.



'DEAR MAYOR . . .'
Mayor Albert Isen got some pretty good ideas about what to tell the All America Cities judges from the more than 18,000 letters sent to him by Torrance school children. Pupils gave reasons why Torrance should win the award.—Press Photo.

City Council Considers Multi-Story Parking Lot

Purchase of three lots which might be used in the future for a multi-story parking building was approved by the City Council Friday morning.

This, and other actions, were taken involving certain changes in the original off-street parking proposals as the council moved ahead to increase parking facilities in downtown Torrance.

The council acted upon the advice of Ralph Dorsey, traffic expert.

The following actions were taken:

1) Condemnation proceedings were started as the first step toward acquiring three lots on Post ave. They are located behind the Bank of America and will be used as a parking lot, and, eventually, for a multi-story parking building. Owner of the property wishes to sell but condemnation was started to indicate the city's good faith.

2) The city manager was instructed to investigate the best use for the old city hall property at 1515 Cravens. Dorsey suggested that bids be taken to see if the property could be sold for enough money. If not, the best use might be for parking, he said.

3) The council decided to eliminate a parking lot on Border

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Winners and winning letters are as follows:

1ST GRADE CLASS, Perry School: Torrance should be the All American City for 1956 because it has: 1. Good stores, banks and other places of business; 2. good police and fire protection; 3. good schools and churches; 4. good doctors, nurses and hospitals; 5. beautiful homes and parks; 6. many places for fathers to work; 7. good weather. We wish all boys and girls could live in Torrance.

BOBBY MONTGOMERY, 2nd Grade, Torrance Elementary: Torrance should be the All American City for 1956 because: We have good weather, schools, teachers, people, shopping centers, transportation, and recreation centers. It is close to beaches, parks, Marineland, and Disneyland.

ANN WEBB, Grade 3, Hillside school: Torrance should be the All America City because it is a clean friendly place to live, it has many nice homes, it has very good schools, and there are many good industries here.

KATHLEEN JESSOME, Grade 4: Torrance should be the All America City for 1956 because: It is a well founded, religious, cultural, economic metropolitan city with the friendly, informal atmosphere of a small town, with beautiful homes near gainful employment.

DIANE HOWELL, Grade 5, El Nido Elementary school: Torrance should be the All America City for 1956 because of its popularity as an industrial and residential site due to ideal climate and a government interested in building necessary schools, parks, and in passing laws for the people's benefit.

PAUL REASBECK, Grade 6, Nativity school: Torrance should be the All America City for 1956 because of our rapid development. Along with this fabulous growth we have kept pace with our clean government. This alone would suffice. However, most of the credit must go to the people themselves, because it was they who made this great achievement possible.

KATHARINE FREE, Grade 7, Riviera school: I think Torrance should be the All America City because lot of people have worked hard for this. We are proud of our city. We have many parks, schools, churches, recreational buildings, etc. We have good kids who will be the strong leaders of tomorrow. These are the things in my opinions make an All America city.

JUDY MARTIN, Grade 8, Howard Wood school: I think Torrance should be named the All America City for 1956 because of its overwhelming increase in population in the past few years. The basic reason for this is the many large factories and plants which offer many job opportunities. Another feather in Torrance's cap is its tremendous school program. Many new schools are built each year. Its fine new civic center, constructed only this year, is a credit to the community. I'm not a native of Torrance, but the few short years that I've been here have led me to the realization that Torrance is a city well worthy of a prize.

BENJAMIN GARCIA, Grade 9, N. Torrance high school: Torrance should be the All America City for 1956 because it has done more for its citizens and

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How to Rock Yourself Into Money

Mrs. Robert Moore of 20023 Mansel, had rock-'n-roll results with her platform rocker and bed divan.

She placed the following whiz-bang ad in the Torrance Press classified section:

SMALL SIZE bed, divan, and platform rocker. Good condition. Reasonable. P. R. 9-20-56.

She sold the whole works almost the moment the Torrance Press hit the streets Thursday morning.

So, for crack-of-dawn action, do it with a classified ad. Call FA 8-2345. It's only \$1.30 for 15 words. If you come into the office and pay for it before the date of publication you earn a 30-cent cash discount.

City's Building Activity Reaches All-Time High

Torrance is already \$19,000 ahead of the building totals for all of 1954, the previous record year. The total this year through the end of October is \$45,105,311.

The October total stands at \$3,361,068, as compared with last year's October total of \$3,461,743, according to Walter Bradford, senior clerk in the City Engineer's office.

Building officials believe that residential construction in the city has reached its peak. Building totals for 1956 will probably pass the \$50 million mark, they estimated. Future records, however, will have to be broken by industrial construction, it was stated.

Largest single permit during October was for the new South high school to be built at Pacific Coast highway and Calle Mayor for \$1,600,000.

Residential construction included 31 Kalsel Homes near 238th and Vine streets worth \$404,520 and 20 Norco Homes near 225th and Border avenue, worth \$276,390.

HORSLEY TO STAND TRIAL FOR MURDER

Fred E. Horsley, murder suspect, was held to answer charges against him in Los Angeles Superior Court Sept. 41, November 16.

So ruled Judge Otto Willett at a preliminary hearing in South Bay Municipal court Friday.

Horsley is being held on suspicion of murdering his wife, Maudie Lee, 35, of 3221 W. 190th st., Torrance, who was brutally beaten and strangled after returning from her job October 15.

Fracture of the windpipe, resulting in strangulation, was listed as the primary cause of death by Dr. W. C. Ridgely, county autopsy surgeon, upon being questioned by Deputy District Attorney William B. Keehe.

The physician also said that the murder weapon was some type of blunt, heavy instrument. It was indicated that bits of human flesh and blood adhered to the victim's fingernails and that Horsley had scratches on his face.

A baby sitter, who set with the Horsley children earlier during the evening preceding the tragedy, testified that Horsley did not have

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Know Your Gold Seal Merchants

By DAVID MCGRAW

Gold Seal Merchants who are outstanding leaders in their particular fields have been selected for their integrity and honesty and are especially pledged to uphold the highest code of business ethics.

Displayed in their window will be a Gold Seal which is the symbol of satisfaction when shopping.



JOHNNY GREYTER, native of Iowa, owner of Johnny's Muffler Shop at 213 Engracia, is a highly skilled expert on duals, headers, custom work, stock equipment and Belond Equiflow exhaust systems. Fifteen minute muffler service speeds motorists on their way. All work is guaranteed. Free estimates are gladly given. Pivoted to a peak spot in his field because of his peerless workmanship, honesty and minute inspection of each job before it rolls down the ramp, he is deluged with customers who drive onto his lot for a surplus of satisfaction.

RAY KINGDON, a dynamo of personality, who owns and operates Kingdon Sheet Metal at 1401 Border Ave., Torrance, has piloted his reliable concern to a position of prominence since taking over three years ago. Established here since 1947, Kingdon Sheet Metal, which confines its activities to both the industrial and residential field, specializes in general sheet metal, heating and ventilating, air conditioning, skylights, kitchen vents and hoods. The firm employs three highly skilled experienced craftsmen. Predicated on the past, the future augurs for even greater success.



MAKING PLANS FOR HOSPITAL

Sisterhood visitors confer with local campaign leaders on plans for new 125-bed Little Company of Mary hospital. Left to right are Mother M. Genevieve, Provincial of the Sisterhood; John D. Spalding, works manager of National Supply company and member of the campaign industry committee; Mother M. Patricia, a member of Mother Genevieve's hospital council; and George W. Post, campaign treasurer. The Sisters came from Evergreen park, Illinois, U. S. Headquarters for the Little Company of Mary.