

THE HOGS ARE LEAVING TOWN!



THE LAST OF THE SWINE

Soon there will be no more pigs in Torrance. They received their eviction notice about four years ago. The date, June 15, 1957. Those aren't spots on the pen—they're big, black flies.—Press Photo.

The hogs are heading out of town and, come June 15, not a porker will be seen, heard, or smelled within Torrance's city limits.

The mass exodus has been taking place within the last few weeks as three local pig farms are complying with a law requiring all hogs to leave the city by June 15.

At one time, the three farms had about 6000 hogs between them. As of Tuesday there were only about 600 left, according to George Powell, planning director.

George Green and Lester Kazarian had about 50 hogs each left, Tuesday, Powell said. These were to be shipped out today.

Green's ranch is located at 190th st. and Beryl st, Kazarian's is located next to the Foley ranch at Madrona and Spencer, just north of the civic center.

Foley still had the most hogs left, about 500, and consider-

able accumulation of manure for which he is being cited into court.

The court hearing has been set for June 20.

Powell said that Foley told him Tuesday that the pigs will be out before June 15 and that he has ordered trucks to haul the manure out starting June 17 in an effort to avoid court action.

"By next Tuesday," Powell said, "I think I can report to the City Council that all the swine are out of the city of Torrance."

The city began making things hot for hogs in 1953 when Foley's operation came under fire as a health menace.

Three years ago the council passed a law giving hog ranchers until this time to pack up and leave.

Since about a month ago, they have been getting rid of their hogs at the rate of about 300 a day, Powell said.



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135-Acre Sports Center 'Pipe Dream' at Present

Talk of a 135-acre county sports center including the area bounded by Del Amo Blvd., Henrietta, Torrance Blvd., and the city limits is just talk at this stage. That was the general impression following a meeting of Torrance city officials, Torrance city councilmen, and Los Angeles officials Monday night.

The best that could be said was that if the park is to materialize, its realization is still a long ways off.

Talk of the park was first stirred up by a recreational survey conducted by Robert L. Gold of Louis J. Kroeger and Associates.

The survey suggested that the city "cooperate fully with the County Regional Planning and County Park and Recreation Departments in building a major regional sports center on the 135 to 170 acres."

Following the Monday night meeting, Mayor Albert Isen stated that the sports center at this time is "just a pipe dream."

"We can't count on this park in planning for our recreational needs," the mayor said. "Right now the issue is just in the discussion stage."

Mrs. Herma Tillin, Recreation Commission chairman, felt similarly.

"We can't say definitely that we're going to get it, but it still looks hopeful," she said.

"One thing, however, we won't be able to use this as a selling point for the recreation bond issue that may be coming up," she added.

The big problem in getting the sports center is money, she indicated. She also said that there has definitely been talk among county officials about such a center, confirming the statements made in the Gold survey.

The survey also took into consideration the possibility that the sports center may still be a long way off in coming.

Alternative
In that event, it recommended
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Phone Rang All Day

"I thought the phone would never stop ringing," said Mrs. Roy Patton, who placed the following add in the Torrance Press Classified Ad section:

1956 CHEVROLET — 1/2-ton pick-up. DA 6-6158

The phone rang all day Thursday and the first man that came out, bought the truck, she said. The phone calls continued, however, Friday and Saturday.

For quick, inexpensive results, place your classified ad with the Torrance Press, FA 8-2345. Fifteen word cost only \$1.30. If paid at the time of placement, there's a 30 cents discount.

MERCHANTS OFFER FREE 7-DAY TRIP TO HAWAII

Some lucky couple will be the recipient of a trip to Hawaii lasting eight days and seven nights.

Sponsoring the trip is the Downtown Merchants division of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

The winning couple will travel via Trans-Ocean Airlines to Honolulu on a four-engine plane and will be lodged either at the Reef or the Edgewater hotel on Waikiki beach.

Included is transportation to and from the airport, tour of Mt. Tantalus, lunch at Waiohi tea room, a luau at Queen Surf, tour of a pineapple factory, outrigger canoe ride, a visit to the Eastman Kodak Hawaii show, and an Aloha dinner at the International Sky Room.

Tickets to be eligible for the trip may be obtained and filled out at any downtown Torrance store which is a member of the Retail Merchants assn., beginning Saturday, June 15. No purchase is necessary.

The winner will be announced at the Chamber of Commerce, Monday, July 11, 11:45 a.m. Winner need not be present.

EDITORIAL

\$1 Per Month Rubbish Fee Looks Certain

Starting October 1, no more incinerator burning will be permitted in Los Angeles county.

This means that the city must make plans for additional mass rubbish collection.

It has been estimated that the total cost of refuse collection will amount to about \$373,000.

In order to pay for this, city officials have indicated that a \$1 per month rubbish fee per residence will have to be charged.

Otherwise, the city will go in the red. Even with such a fee, the city budget will remain an "austerity budget" with no money left over except for the barest essentials.

If the city were to contract with a private collection agency, it could save about \$47,497.

However, we agree with the City Council that from a long-range point of view it is better that the city, rather than private operators, handle the refuse collection.

What happened recently in Los Angeles serves as a good example.

As long as the city handles the refuse collection, it can keep the cost down to a minimum and exercise complete control in the interests of the taxpayers.

If it were handled by private operators, there would always be the danger that the citizens would be placed at the mercy of one collector who, by exercising virtual control here, could force residents to pay higher collection rates at will.

We believe that the \$1 collection fee which the city has in mind is reasonable and that municipal control over collections is desirable.

At present it looks as if the collection fee will be added to the water bill to minimize the bookkeeping expense.

LOCAL MAN KNIFED IN BARROOM BRAWL

Stabbed in the chest when going to the aid of a gang fight victim, a Torrance man was in serious condition Saturday at Community Medical Center, Compton.

He is James Hopkins, 20, of 12335 Aree ave., who tried to aid Don Brandt, 30, of Compton, when William Lewis Woodlief, 35, of East Los Angeles, allegedly pulled a knife on Brandt in a Compton bar.

Brandt told police he had been beaten by Woodlief and another man two months earlier in the same bar. He returned there at frequent intervals to "even the score."

Witnesses told police Brandt was in the bar when Woodlief entered shortly before closing

Council OK's Civic Center Compromise

A compromise settlement on the controversial "civic center park" appeared in sight Tuesday night when the City Council agreed to negotiate with Santa Fe on terms proposed by the company.

Santa Fe agreed to offer some acreage for sale if the city would drop condemnation proceedings against 55 acres of Santa Fe property there.

Councilmen agreed to reduce the park and recreation area to 15 acres and to drop the condemnation suit.

According to the firm's proposal, the city will have one year in which to purchase the land at a fair market value to
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Torrance Man Testifies:

UNION MONEY USED FOR GOONS, 'GIRL FRIEND'



TESTIMONIAL DINNER

The State of Israel will honor the executives of Cal-Metal, Torrance industrial firm, for distinguished service at a testimonial dinner on Thursday, June 20, at the Plush Horse restaurant. Discussing arrangements for the affair are (l-r) Charles A. Babbitt, Cal-Metal; Lawrence A. Harvey, Harvey Aluminum, dinner chairman; A. Hausman, Israeli industrialist; and Gerald L. Revell, Cal-Metal.

ATTENTION SOUTHWOOD HOMEOWNERS!

An attempt is being made to locate a monkey described as being dark brown with a black spot in the middle of the head who scratched 5-year-old Larry Charles Weeks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Weeks, 5106 Carson st.

The monkey drew blood Monday, June 10, at 5:30 p.m. when he scratched the child, who will have to take painful Pasteur treatment within 15 days if the animal is not found and kept under observation.

If you have information regarding the monkey, you are asked to call the Weeks at FR. 8-2017 or the Torrance Health Department, FA. 8-3310, or Torrance Police, FA. 8-3456.

WOMAN DIES IN CRASH

A Torrance woman was killed in Wilmington Sunday night when the car in which she was a passenger left the road and crashed into an utility pole.

Dead is Miss Vivian Johnson, 51, of 2975 Torrance Blvd. Driver of the car, Miss Wilma Boyd, 36, of the same address, was reported in serious condition at Harbor General hospital.

ISRAEL WILL HONOR CAL-METAL OFFICIALS

On Thursday, June 20, the State of Israel will honor Gerald L. Revell, Charles A. Babbitt, and their associates at Cal-Metal for distinguished service at a testimonial dinner at the Plush Horse.

Cal-Metal developed the pipe industry in Israel, constructing a pipe manufacturing plant and training personnel in the techniques of pipe fabrication.

To emphasize the importance of Cal-Metal's work, material from the Israeli pipe mill now carries oil from the Gulf of Aqaba to Beersheba. This pipeline through Israel is a strategic alternate to the Suez Canal and reduces the free world's dependency on that waterway.

Dinner chairman of the affair, which will be held at the Plush Horse restaurant, is Lawrence A. Harvey, executive vice-president of Harvey Aluminum.

BLOOD ASKED FOR STRICKEN BABY BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cliborn, 3323 W. 188th st., are appealing for blood today for their 11-month-old boy, Richard Allen, who is suffering from usually-fatal leukemia.

Blood donations of any blood type will be accepted at Harbor General hospital, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., according to Mrs. Virginia Stoddard, president of Volunteers for Children, Inc., at the hospital.

AIRPORT TRIANGLE SHOPPING CENTER CHANGES HANDS, STORES OPEN IN 9 MONTHS

It appears as if the airport triangle shopping center will be brought to life again.

Jim Bower and Albert Levitt, officers of Jefferson, Incorp., informed the Torrance City Council that they had purchased the entire interest of Store Properties, who had held the lease to the 35 acres until now.

Legal tangles, resulting from the death of the firm's president, had prevented Store Prop-

erties from going ahead with its original plans.

Bower and Levitt indicated that they plan a multi-million dollar development "quite similar to that of Store Properties."

They expect the first businesses to be open within nine months of this date.

According to the original lease, Store Properties could sell out to another buyer without council approval.

Prostitute Named In Bakers' Union Probe

A total of \$35 a week went into a fund to pay thugs whose activities involved beating up a 14-year-old boy, burning a car, and beating up a "colored gentleman." Another \$75 a week went to the "girl friend" of a union boss.

So testified Albert Barclay, Torrance Bowl-O-Drome bartender, at a Senate investigation of the Bakers' Union and its international president, James G. Cross.

Barclay testified that he was office manager of Bakers' Union Local 37 in Los Angeles before he was fired.

He indicated that during that time, \$35 a week went into a fund to pay thugs and that \$75 a week was sent to the local by the International Union for "Mr. Cross' girl friend, so to speak—Mrs. Elsie Kay Lower."

Prostitute
Mrs. Lower, a convicted prostitute, refused to say Friday at the Senate hearing whether Cross beat her up in a row over a diamond ring.

The comely but nervous 26-year-old brunette took the Fifth Amendment on whether she Cross and whether he beat her up.

Later on she admitted receiving money from him but invoked the Fifth Amendment when asked what the payments were for.

Cross is married.
14-Year Old Boy Beaten
Barclay testified that John D. Nelson, who runs the local, used a blackjack on a 14-year-old boy named Newsom.

Nelson denied he was in on
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Torrance Press Survey:

ANYONE FOR PAY-TV?

Are you satisfied with present-day TV fare? Or would you be in favor of pay-TV under which system you would pay a certain amount — probably from 25 cents to \$1.50—to see a new movie, a Broadway show, a top sports event or some other special program on your TV set.

Los Angeles and Chicago residents favored the pay-TV idea. A spot-check in Torrance indicated a variety of opinions, of which the following five are typical:

BERNICE FLORENCE, police matron: "I don't see how pay-TV would improve television. It would still cost a lot of money to produce a program. It would give us movies free from commercials, but it would be cheaper to go to a show."

AL POSNER, school official: "I really haven't given the matter much thought. However, I haven't noticed too many musical programs at present. Whether pay-TV would change that I don't know."

DOROTHY FOLK, secretary: "I don't think I want to put 25 cents in every time unless I knew what the program was all about. But how many people read the advance reviews? I feel that I paid enough after paying for a TV set. Just put the commercials at the beginning and at the end, and I'll be satisfied."

BERNICE GOODWIN, city hall employee: "I'm all for pay-TV. I'd rather pay and get something I want. This might give us more educational programs. The average person is far more intelligent than the average advertiser thinks. What makes me think so is the average program. Most people I know are bored with TV."

JEAN WREN, secretary: "I don't think I would like it. I don't really know how it would function. A combination set-up—commercial TV and pay-TV—would be best."

455 Torrance Seniors to Graduate in Record Year