

# SHOP DOWNTOWN TORRANCE and SAVE

## CLASSROOM SHORTAGES

### Students Play Musical Chairs

Torrance school officials are playing the melody for a game of musical chairs which involves several hundred youngsters.

Enrollment predictions for the district have been substantiated by first-week figures, according to Dr. Louis Kaplan, assistant superintendent of schools for special services, but variations from school to school have created classroom shortages.

Dr. Kaplan said classroom shortages have been noted at Adams, Wood, Meadow Park, Torrance Elementary, Madrona, and Hickory schools. New classrooms will be available at Adams School in February to relieve overcrowding there, Dr. Kaplan said. In the meantime, one class is meeting in the cafeteria.

**THE PROBLEM** is not so easily solved at the other schools, Dr. Kaplan reported. Growth expected during the year at Wood and Hickory School will create a need for more classrooms.

And the need already is apparent at Meadow Park School. To solve the immediate problems, Dr. Kaplan asked the Board of Education for permission to move educationally handicapped children from Madrona to Hillside School and from Torrance Elementary to Seaside School. In addition, one entire class has been moved from Meadow Park School to the Arnold School.

### Chamber Campaign Goal Near

An additional \$3,385 has been added to the budget for the Torrance Chamber of Commerce "Keep Pace With Opportunity" program, according to co-chairmen Arthur L. Reeves and George W. Post.

The new pledges bring to \$46,244 the amount collected to date toward the \$60,125 "challenge goal" and \$54,375 minimum goal set by the chamber's board of directors.

Included in the latest report are 12 more new members and 17 more "old" member increases. The chamber had 526 member accounts, with an annual goal of \$40,449, when the expansion program was launched. Membership now includes 542 accounts for the annual total of \$46,244.

During Wednesday's report, the diversified group led by Roger E. Wright and John Flanagan won the free lunch.

## Obituaries

### Thomas A. Rodda

Funeral services for Thomas A. Rodda, 52, of 24023 Fulmer Ave., Lomita, were conducted in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1432 Encarnacion, Tuesday afternoon with the Rev. Hugh R. Percy, Rector of St. Andrew's, officiating.

Mr. Rodda, an area resident for five years, died in a Harbor City hospital Saturday. He was a member of St. Andrew's church and before his death he and Mrs. Rodda were pledge secretaries for the parish.

He is survived by his widow, Emily; a daughter, Lynda Saldana of Torrance; his father, Albert; three brothers, Ralph, Harry, and James; four sisters, Margaret Price, Doris Zupancic, Jane Turner, and Alberta Caldwell; and one grandson.

Interment was in Green Hills Memorial Park.

### John C. Smith

Funeral services for John Clarence Smith, 50, of .050 W. 22nd St., will be held Thursday morning at 10 in the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel. Mr. Smith, a native of Texas, died at his home Sunday. He had lived here for 24 years.

He is survived by his widow, Lorena; two daughters, Geneva Upchurch and Jerrie Lea Ward; three brothers, Truman, B. F., and Roy; and six grandchildren.

Interment will be in Green Hill Memorial.

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## Will Host Montgomery Welcomes Open House New Faculty Members

South High School will host its annual "Back-to-School" night for parents Wednesday, Oct. 13. Dr. John A. Lucas, principal, announced today.

"I want to extend an invitation to all parents of South High students to visit campus and classrooms," Dr. Lucas said. More than 2,000 parents accepted the invitation last year, he noted.

A general meeting and a short Parent-Teacher Association session will be held in the gymnasium at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Lucas said. Following the general meeting, parents will have the opportunity to meet teachers by following their student's program.

Classroom visits will be scheduled for 15 minutes each and parents will be given five minutes between periods. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria at 10 p.m. by the PTA.

Haig Marashlian, assistant principal for instruction, and curriculum coordinators Mrs. Jean Melton and Howard C. Shoen are in charge of the program.

### IOWAN PICNIC

Former residents of Dubuque, Iowa, will hold their annual picnic and reunion Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. in Griffith Park at the tables below the merry-go-round.

## Montgomery Welcomes New Faculty Members

Fourteen new teachers, including eight laymen, have joined the faculty at Bishop Montgomery High School this fall.

Three priests are included in the new faculty members. They are Father Patrick, who will teach Greek, Spanish, and Latin; Father David, who will teach math and English; and Father Gregory, who was assistant pastor at St. Joseph's Basilica in Milwaukee, Wis. Both Father David and Father Patrick are from St. Mary's Preparatory Seminary in Crystal Lake, Ill.

Sister Mary Joann, English instructor and yearbook moderator, comes to Montgomery from the Academy of Our Lady of Peace in San Diego. Sister Mary Martin, a business teacher, is from St. Mary's Academy in Los Angeles, and a new Latin teacher, Sister Francis Clare, comes from Star of the Sea in San Francisco.

New lay teachers include H. H. Harrison, who previously has taught at Nativity Catholic School in Torrance; Dan McFadden, a history instructor from Punahou School in Honolulu, and Gus Sollano, a Latin teacher who comes

from St. Augustine's Seminary in St. Louis, Mo. Miss Kathleen Maguire, who attended schools in Oregon, will teach English and French, and James Vegher will teach English. George Cannady, a 1961 Montgomery graduate, has returned to the school to teach history. Michael Antista will teach physical education.

The school also welcomes a new band director, John Bowen.

### REPORT CITED

Financial World Magazine has awarded a second-place citation to the Southern California Edison Co. for the firm's 1964 annual report to shareholders. The award was presented at the conclusion of the magazine's national annual report survey competition.

### NEW PRESIDENT

Emanuel H. Fineman has been elected president of the City of Hope's board of directors for a two-year term. During Fineman's term, the medical center will enter the first phase of a \$10 million expansion program.

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