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TOP ROOSTERS . . . New officers of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce gather around President-Elect Bruce Jones as they go over early plans for the 1965-66 Chamber year. Standing from left are George Ebert, treasurer; Larry Bowman, second vice president; and Don Hyde, first vice president. The new officers will be installed at the annual meeting June 25 and assume their posts on July 1. (Press-Herald Photo)

Chamber to Install New Officers at Annual Fete

Bruce Jones, vice-president of Bank of America and manager of its Torrance branch, has been elected president of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce to succeed Arthur L. Reeves. He will take office July 1.

Taking office with him will be Don H. Hyde, director of personnel services, U.S. Steel, first vice-president, and Larry Bowman, partner in the law firm of Hitchcock and Bowman, second vice-president.

George Ebert, assistant administrator for Little Company of Mary Hospital, was elected treasurer.

DIRECTORS elected to

Torrance High Additions Approved By Board

A contract for additions to the music building and renovation of home economics facilities at Torrance High School was awarded by the Torrance Board of Education Monday evening.

Trustees accepted a low bid of \$239,020 for the project. The bid was submitted by Robert Tebbe Corp. It was slightly more than \$2,000 higher than estimated construction costs.

The board also accepted completed projects at Victor and Madrona elementary schools. Six classrooms were added at Madrona, while eight new classrooms will be available at Victor School next fall.

IN OTHER action, trustees:
• Adopted tentative budgets for the building fund, state school building fund, cafeteria fund, and child care center fund.

• Approved an application which will extend a Youth Corps project, financed by the federal government, through the summer. The project will provide up to 32 hours work each week for 50 to 70 students.

• Authorized the establishment of a tax-sheltered investment program for teachers who wish to participate. The program will be administered by Incentive Industries, Inc.

serve three-years terms expiring in 1968 are James P. Becker, local manager, Southern California Gas Co.; Larry Bowman; Bruce Jones and George W. Post, past president of the chamber and vice-president, United California Bank. Appointed by incoming president Bruce Jones to also serve a three-year term is Frederick G. (Ted) Green, president, Paul's Chevrolet.

Area directors appointed by Jones to serve one-year terms beginning July 1 are Charles T. Cederlof, assistant vice-president, Glendale Federal Savings and Loan Assn., for Del Amo area; Gerald L. Alter, owner, Alter Realty, for Downtown Torrance; S. E. Waldrip, assistant superintendent, Torrance Unified School District, for Hollywood Riviera; Harry L. Weaver, assistant plant manager, Union Carbide Chemicals Co., for North Torrance; George M. Ebert for Southwood; William E. Shawger, chamber past president and consultant for D & M Machine

Works, for WALTERIA; Robert H. Vroman, sales manager, Royale Realty, for Northwest Torrance; and G. S. Williamson, plant manager, Shell Chemical Co., named director-at-large.

Douglas Hedde, president of the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce, is an ex officio member of the board of directors.

NEW OFFICERS and directors will be installed at the chamber's annual dinner to be held at the Pen and Quill Hotel on June 25.

"The election and appointment of these leading business and professional men to the board of directors will ensure a progressive and productive year for the chamber," Reeves stated. "These men are well-known to the area, not only for achieved success in business, but also for their dedicated interest in the well-being of Torrance and its varied community projects. We are proud to have them serve on our board of directors," he said.

New Legion Commander Installed

Arthur M. Dupuis, a retired Army major, was installed as commander of the Bert S. Crossland Post 170 of the American Legion last night in ceremonies at the American Legion Hall, 1109 Van Ness Ave.

The Maywood - Bell Ritual Team conducted the ceremonies. Dupuis retired from active duty in 1960 and moved to Torrance in that year. During the past year, he served as the first vice commander of the Bert S. Crossland Post.

A veteran of 31 years service in the Army, the new legion commander saw duty in Korea and served in logistics



ARTHUR M. DUPUIS
Installed Here

during the Second World War. He makes his home at 3221 Antonio St.

Granville Crow was installed as first vice commander, while Grady Leeper was seated as second vice commander of the post.

OTHER NEWLY installed officers include: Edward A. (Continued on Page A-5)



WITH FACE MASK . . . Eric Bass, a seventh grade student at Parkway School, wears a face mask to shield him from metal as he learns to use power tools in elementary shop class. Students work with metal, wood, handicrafts, and home mechanics during seventh and eighth grade shop programs. Nine shops, such as this facility at Newton School are used in the district.

SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADES

Boys Learn Safe Skills In School Shop Program

Not every boy grows into a handyman. And only a few get to be good carpenters. But every boy needs to know how to make things and how to use the tools and machines with which they're made.

So says Myron Curtis, shop teacher at Newton Elementary School.

In Torrance, all seventh and eighth grade boys learn do-it-yourself fundamentals in shop classes conducted at nine schools. Students from the 24 elementary schools which are not equipped with shops are bussed to the other nine.

CLASSES AVERAGE 22 to 26 boys. They work at planning desks, workbenches, and at tool areas. Projects are completed at a "finish" area. Student shop foremen assign cleanup jobs in each area and supervise cleanup activity following work sessions.

At Newton the shoproom is divided into a wood area, metal area, handy crafts area, and home mechanics area. Students are given a chance to do one project in each area during the nine-week session.

In the course of the nine weeks boys learn to get ideas across by making drawings, become familiar with hand and power tools, and are taught the rules of safety. Emphasis is on learning to use the proper tools for the proper job.

BEFORE THEY build anything they are required to design the project, draw it up on paper, jot down a step-by-step work plan and figure the cost of what they have in mind. One of the objects of their planning is to use ma-

terials economically. They also pick up pointers on purchasing tools.

Seventh-grade students concentrate on projects requiring handtools primarily, and eighth-graders tackle the harder jobs which call for use of power tools. Popular seventh-grade projects have included wall boxes, magazine racks, and vanity lamps—with the most popular being skateboards. Eighth-grade handiwork has ranged from bookshelves to waterskis.

At the beginning of each hour, before the boys start working on their projects, Curtis demonstrates how to use various tools or different techniques. He may refer to the textbook or use a mockup to get his point across. Sometimes he will show a film on lumbering, or copper manufacturing, or safety. But the biggest portion of time is given over to the boys' work.

HOW IS A shop project graded?

Upon completion, the instructor checks the work for assembly and application of finish. But long before this he has made notes on how the student laid out his project, whether or not he was accurate in cutting the stock to size, and how well he planned and sanded the stock.

What problems does a shop teacher have to contend with? Biggest problem, Curtis confides, is getting the boys on the bus on time. "They're so interested in

Exhibit Held

Projects by industrial arts students at West High School were displayed last week in the school library.



OFFICER RETIRES . . . Chief of Police Walter Koenig (left) presents Officer Leo Gonzales (second from right) his badge during ceremonies honoring the officer Thursday. Looking on are Gonzales' wife, Alice, and City Councilman H. Ted Olson. The officer, 35, retired because of a disability, the result of a bullet wound suffered while trying to apprehend robbery suspects in April, 1964. His old badge was reworked and the word "Retired" now takes the place of the No. 7. Gonzales joined the Torrance Police Department in 1953. (Press-Herald Photo)

Classes To End Friday

Graduation ceremonies for more than 4,000 students in the Torrance Unified School District will be held this week, according to Torrance school officials.

Nearly 1,700 seniors, 2,300 eighth-graders and 200 adult school students will get their sheepskins during the last week of this term.

Columbia School will lead with exercises set for 7:30 p.m. tomorrow. Adult school graduation will follow at 8 p.m.

High School ceremonies will take place Wednesday. Following 7:30 p.m. exercises at West High. Ceremonies will begin at North, South, and Torrance High Schools at 8 p.m.

EXERCISES at all 33 elementary schools are set for Thursday. They are scheduled as follows:

Hamilton, 4:30 p.m.; Crenshaw, 5:30 p.m.; Wood, Lincoln, Edison, Calle Mayor and Arlington, 6 p.m.; Perry, Parkway, Madrona, Jefferson, Casimir and Carr, 6:30 p.m.; Towers, 6:35 p.m.; Fern-Greenwood, Victor, Adams, Seaside, Newton and Anza, 7 p.m.; Steele, 7:15 p.m.; Magruder, Walteria, Torrance Elementary, Riviera, Meadow Park, Hillside, Hickory and Arnold, 7:30 p.m.; Sepulveda, 7:45 p.m.; and Yukon, Madison and Flavian, 8 p.m.

Handing out diplomas at the various schools will be: William Hanson, Bert M. Lynn, Dr. Kurt Shery, Mrs. Kenneth Watts, and Dr. Donald E. Wilson, school board (Continued on Page A-5)

Crane Kills Worker - - -

A crane moving lumber at a construction site toppled, killing a Gardena man and endangering others Friday near Alameda and Sepulveda. Harry Kist, 52, of Gardena, was killed when he jumped from the truck-crane rig as it teetered, only to be caught by the falling derrick. John Henry Masterson, 54, of 22335 Vermont Ave., rode the cab of the crane as it fell and escaped without injury. Lumber dumped by the toppling crane fell dangerously close to several workmen busy nearby. Scene of the accident was the new refinery facilities for Richfield Oil Co.

Adult Trial Ordered - - -

Seventeen-year-old Raymond Morales Alvarez, one of two suspects charged with the shotgun "execution" of a 19-year-old Wilmington youth last month, has been certified to Superior Court as an adult for trial on the charges. Alvarez and 18-year-old Anthony Montoya Lara, also of Wilmington, are scheduled for preliminary hearing on the charges in San Pedro Municipal Court Tuesday. They are charged with the slaying of Raymond J. Mitchell of Carson, whose body was found in a Wilmington dump May 23. Mitchell's hands had been tied behind his back before he was shot twice with a shotgun.

Water Budget Approved - - -

The Metropolitan Water District (MWD) has adopted a budget totaling \$81,692,000 for the 1965-66 year, but anticipates no increase in the present tax rate of 14 cents per \$100 assessed valuation. The budget, up more than \$25 million from last year, includes \$32.5 million for major construction projects. Construction is scheduled to begin during the coming year on facilities to distribute Northern California water being brought to the area. First deliveries from the system are expected in the early 1970's.