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FOR HOSPITAL . . . Mrs. Boris Woolley, president of the board of Torrance Memorial Hospital, accepts a check for more than \$8,000 from C. Nelson Rucker, Union Carbide's Torrance plant manager, during a tour of the Torrance Memorial Hospital construction site. The check represents a third of a \$25,000 pledge to the hospital building fund. The new hospital, now under construction on a 10-acre site near Hawthorne and Lomita Boulevards, is due to be completed in mid-1970. (Press-Herald Photo)

From Union Carbide

\$25,000 Pledge to Hospital Received

A major Torrance industrial firm yesterday turned over a check for more than \$8,000 to the Torrance Memorial Hospital.

The check represents a third of a \$25,000 pledge made last Friday by Union Carbide Corp. C. Nelson Rucker, plant manager of Union Carbide's Torrance facility, made the presentation to Mrs. Boris Woolley, hospital board president, during a tour of the hospital construction site.

IN MAKING the presentation, Rucker said he was "delighted that my company, an international corporation with worldwide markets, has recognized the hospital's need and felt a responsibility in helping to provide this needed health facility."

Union Carbide produces and

distributes chemicals and plastics for the West Coast market at its Torrance facility. The firm is active in numerous areas, including the production of plastics, industrial gases, carbon products, metals, and oil exploration. It has plants throughout the world.

"Union Carbide has been a part of Torrance for 13 years," Rucker added. "Concern for social, economic, and political affairs, and the role of Union Carbide and her employees has been a major emphasis of our company. This gift to our community hospital reaffirms our belief."

MRS. WOLLEY, accepting the gift on behalf of the board, said, "We are pleased to have this gift from Union Carbide toward the new Torrance Memorial

Hospital. We are particularly appreciative since Nelson Rucker has served with us as a director since 1957 and has given us unselfishly of his time and counsel."

The gift will name the anesthesia office suite which will join surgery and recovery rooms. The new hospital, being built as a result of a merger between Torrance Memorial and Riviera Community hospitals, is located on Lomita Boulevard about a half-mile east of Hawthorne Boulevard. Construction, which began last July, is now 22 percent complete, according to the contractors.

Opening of the new hospital, which will initially provide 250 beds and the most modern medical facilities available in this area, is expected in mid-1970.

Landlord Angered by Loud Party; Two Die

Report Notes Gains

The city's population passed the 135,000 mark last Jan. 1 for the first time, according to estimates released yesterday by the Los Angeles County Regional Planning Commission.

The newest figures, updating estimates released last Oct. 1, showed a gain of nearly 1,000 new residents here, pushing Torrance's total population to 135,535.

According to the Oct. 1 estimate, the city then had 134,397 residents. The city, however, is still ranked behind Glendale as the county's fourth largest municipality.

THE NEW city of Carson, which observed its first anniversary just last month, was ranked 18th among the county's 77 cities with a population of 64,516. That represents a gain of more than 3,000 in the three-month period between Oct. 1, 1968, and Jan. 1, 1969.

Total population of the county was estimated at 7,154,845 — an increase of nearly 18,000 in the three-month period.

Population of other nearby cities follows: Gardena, 44,586; Hawthorne, 53,723; Hermosa Beach, 18,299; Lawndale, 26,273; Lomita, 20,610; Manhattan Beach, 37,068; Palos Verdes Estates, 13,366; Redondo Beach, 59,243; Rolling Hills, 2,975; and Rolling Hills Estates, 6,595.

Meet Tomorrow

Members of the city's Airport Commission will hold a regular meeting tomorrow at 8 p.m. The session will be held in the Council Chambers at the City Hall, 3031 Torrance Blvd.



BENEFIT FOR PAM . . . A benefit held to dent the mounting medical bills incurred by Pam Fischer (right) sustained in a November traffic accident netted \$285. The winners, selected by Sister M. Magdalen (second from left), administrator of Little Company of Mary Hospital, were the personnel of the emergency room at the hospital. The prize was an afghan blanket (foreground) knitted by Mrs. Etta Greenwood (left), a nurses' aide. Pam's father, Torrance Police Lt. Mickey Fischer, observed the presentation. (Press-Herald Photo)

Nollac Questions Center On Boat Upkeep, Bidding

Questions about the upkeep of the fishing boat "Bajji" were raised again Monday as the hearings against suspended City Engineer Walter M. Nollac moved closer to a conclusion.

Nollac is accused, among other things, of testifying falsely at an earlier hearing that he made regular monthly payments of \$25 to Bajji enterprises to cover

his share of the boat's costs. City Manager Edward J. Ferraro's case against Nollac contends that there were several months in which Nollac did not make the \$25 payments.

NOLLAC FORMERLY co-owned the "Bajji" with land developer Kenneth Batrum. The hearings have raised the question of whether or not Nollac accepted favors from Batrum in regard to the boat in exchange for favors to Batrum's land interests.

Nollac testified Monday that he did testify last August that he made his payments to Bajji Enterprises "automatically," in the sense that there was no billing involved. However, he reiterated that he defined the word "pay" to mean "discharge an obligation." Nollac had testified earlier that he supplied labor and material for several improvement projects aboard the boat in lieu of cash payment.

MONDAY, prosecuting attorney Walter Anderson asked Nollac if he actually sent Bajji En-

terprises a check or cash in the amount of \$25 each month for the upkeep of the boat, and Nollac answered no.

Defense attorney Walter Young injected that Nollac testified in August that he "paid" his share of the boat

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Last Rites Conducted For Bernard M. Brady

Funeral services for Bernard M. Brady, 54, 7946 Dunbarton Avenue, Westchester, were scheduled this afternoon at Hillside Memorial Park Chapel, with Rabbi Mordecai Soloff of Temple Jeremiah officiating. Interment followed at Hillside Memorial Park.

Born in Georgia, Mr. Brady had resided in Los Angeles County 27 years. He was national advertising manager for Rodgers & McDonald Publishers, Inc., and King Williams Press, publishers of the Press-Herald. He formerly was display advertising manager of the Westchester News-Advertiser and Angeles Mesa News-Advertiser and had been employed by Rodgers & McDonald since Nov. 15, 1948.

He joined the staff of the Press-Herald in June, 1963. Mr. Brady was active in the Westchester-El Segundo Moose Lodge and was a volunteer driver for the Junior Blind. He died Tuesday at a Redondo Beach hospital after a brief illness. He is survived by his widow, Frances Brady; three daughters, Mrs. Barbara Burcham, Mrs. Joyce Dobar, and Mrs. Su-

Third Victim 'Fair'

An all-points bulletin has been issued for an East Torrance landlord wanted in connection with the death of two persons during a party Sunday.

Los Angeles Harbor Division police are seeking Antoine Rene Poissant, 42, of 1410 W. Carson St., on murder charges.

Investigating officers say Poissant shot and killed Geneva Joy Martinez, 30, of 1410 W. Carson St., and Eduardo Antonio Martinez, 35, of Anaheim, Sunday about 2 a.m.

A **THIRD** victim of the shooting, Raymond Martinez, 37, husband of the slain woman, is reported in "fair" condition at Harbor General Hospital. He underwent surgery for a gunshot wound in the head and remains in the hospital's intensive care unit.

Police said the shooting climaxed an apparently long standing feud between the landlord and his tenant. Officers said each of the victims was shot once in the head while they stood outside the apartment occupied by the dead woman.

A **SECOND** woman, Rose Marie Martinez, was inside the apartment at the time of the shooting. The wife of Eduardo Martinez, she escaped injury.

The shooting apparently was sparked by an argument between the landlord and the victims over noise.

"It was the result of a feud that's been brewing between these people for a long time," one detective investigating the case said.

Father, Daughter Honored by Group

Unveiling of an engraved marble stone and presentation of a classroom plaque were tributes paid to the memory of the late Ralph Vincelli and his 8½-year-old daughter Marion during a memorial service at Garden Valley Training Center.

Both were members of the Southwest Association for Retarded Children.

Participating in the ceremony were LeVane Eorsythe, association president, and members of the Gardena Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3261, who began the program with a presentation of the colors.

MR. VINCELLI joined the association in 1963 and served as an active member of the board of directors.

His daughter was a student at Garden Valley Training Center, one of three training facilities supported by the association. In 1964, she appeared in a movie filmed for the Joseph P. Kennedy Foundation award dinner.

In attendance were Mrs. Ralph Vincelli, widow and mother of Marion; Mrs. Ruth Holly, school principal; and Mrs. Terisa Bruce, the child's last teacher.

Mrs. Bruce presented a plaque which will hang in her classroom as a permanent tribute to her former pupil.

LESTER FOSTER, association board member and Columbia School principal, gave the eulogy.

A stone inscribed to the memory of Mrs. Vincelli was unveiled by Harry Stiers and was followed by a tribute from Commander Ray Treal of the Gardena Veterans of Foreign Wars.

A choir of Garden Valley trainees performed.

The Southwest Association for Retarded Children is a non-profit, non-sectarian organization which aids retarded children in 18 area cities.



TRIBUTE PAID . . . Mrs. Ralph Vincelli (right), whose husband and 8-year-old daughter Marion were members of the Southwest Association for Retarded Children, inspects a memorial plaque which was presented Sunday in memory of the pair. With Mrs. Vincelli are Mrs. Ruth Holly (left), principal of the Garden Valley Training Center, and Mrs. Terri Bruce, Marion's last teacher. The plaque was placed in Mrs. Bruce's classroom, while an engraved marble stone honoring Mr. Vincelli and his daughter was unveiled at the training center. (Press-Herald Photo)

Army Officer Killed During Vietnam Action

A Torrance soldier was killed in Vietnam, the Department of Defense reported Monday.

He was identified as Army 1st Lt. Isaac E. Heath, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Heath of 2409 Faircross Ave. He was killed in action against hostile forces, it was reported.

Lieutenant Heath was one of nine Southern California servicemen reported killed Monday.



BERNARD M. BRADY

san Lopez; three brothers, Dr. Edward Lewis Brady, Augustus M. Brady, and Jack Emerson Brady; and four grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Malinow and Silverman Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.