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Enrollment Gains

Torrance and Lomita Schools Show Increase In Attendance This Year

Enrollment at Torrance high school and Torrance elementary school increased this year, as shown by the figures released this week.

At the Torrance elementary school the gain was not so marked but shows a slight gain, with 707 pupils registered this year as against 688 last year.

New Teachers At the high school, Bert Merrill has been put in charge of gymnasium classes; Minnie Javens fills the place left vacant by the death of Mrs. Grace Granger.

At the Fern avenue school, enrollment increased from 280 at the close of school in June to 307 enrolled at the beginning of the semester.

Pupils Transferred Although several pupils were transferred from its district, the Walteria school is holding its registration well, with 149 pupils.

In Lomita, the Narbonne high school shows a gain of 62 over last year. The opening day registration last year totaled 887, this year there were 949 students, with more expected in the next few weeks.

Changes in teacher personnel are Jonathan Potter, replacing

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ASK RECOUNTS OF BALLOTS IN MANY OFFICES

Victories of Colden, Reaves and Leland Ford Are Challenged By Court Actions

Actions contesting the nomination of Congressman Charles J. Colden, State Representative Fred Reaves and Supervisor Leland M. Ford have been filed with the superior court of Los Angeles county.

Lee E. Geyer, of Gardena, who was endorsed by Townsend clubs thruout the district, in a complaint recites that the tally of the August election showed that Colden received 15,609 votes and that he received 15,232. He alleges that many of the ballots were counted by members of the election board in groups, instead of in one large group.

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Walteria Parents Ask For Ruling On Legality of School Bus Charge

Dissatisfied parents of Walteria students who attend the Narbonne high school in Lomita met Tuesday night at the Recreation hall in Walteria to discuss and take action on the matter of free transportation for their children.

Under the state school code, boards of education are required to establish free bus service for pupils residing within a two-mile radius of the schools.

For some time the Los Angeles board of education permitted Walteria students to ride to school free, but last year the ruling was made and enforced to a certain extent that the two-mile limit must be observed and all those students residing outside were required to pay for their transportation.

Much Friction The charge as laid down by the board is \$2 a month for one pupil, \$1 each for all other pupils in the same family who are attending the same school.

The application of the rule caused a great deal of friction last year, and this fall resulted in the calling of a mass meeting in Walteria to discuss ways and means of freeing the parents in that community of this charge, which many of them feel is unjust and a hardship to parents

who have more than one child attending school.

Mayor W. H. Stanger who attended the meeting Tuesday night after hearing the discussion requested the parents to pay the fee as required for the first month, under protest, and leave the matter of obtaining a ruling as to the legality of the charge in the hands of City Attorney C. T. Rippey of Torrance.

Mr. Rippey will take the matter up with the League of California Municipalities, and if necessary the problem will be taken up with the attorney general of the state, in order to settle the issue once and for all time.

Code Not Clear The question seems to hinge on the interpretation of the section of the state code which requires a board of education to furnish means of transportation to pupils within the school district, but does not specifically state that transportation to pupils outside the two-mile limit shall be without charge for the service.

Pupils who attend the Torrance schools are carried by bus from the two-mile limit, but those who reside outside the limit do not have the privilege of riding to school but either have to walk or provide their own transportation.

ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL CONTEST WINNERS



Above is a picture of an anonymous young gentleman taken at the height of the activities of the merchants' Mutt Show. He came, he saw and he fell asleep. He just couldn't take it. But what's one Mutt Show or so in his young life? Not a thing, as it's obvious to see.



The three winners of the Cake Baking Contest seem well pleased with the results. Reading left to right: Mrs. Agnes Marek, winner of the second prize for the best tasting cake; Mrs. Helen Miller, grand prize winner for the best looking cake; and Mrs. Amanda Law, first prize winner for the best tasting cake. Unfortunately the cakes do not show up well in the photograph.

Contest for cake bakers Successful

With as difficult a task as ever confronted any judge of any contest anywhere, Mayor William H. Stanger, Fire Chief Ollie Stevenson and Police Sergeant Ernest Ashton strolled somewhat reluctantly to the stage of the municipal auditorium last Saturday morning and chose three prize-winning cakes from twenty of the most delicious looking pastries as ever graced the banquet table of a king.

Many Kinds The occasion was the cake baking contest sponsored by the merchants as a feature of Torrance's Silver Anniversary Festival.

First Prize Winner The first prize of \$10 in silver for the best looking cake was won easily by Mrs. Helen Miller, 1317 Beech, with a handsome white creation, all bedecked with candles and with the words "Merchant's Silver Anniversary Festival" inscribed around the sides.

Second Prize of five dollars went to Muriel Alverson, Coral Linderman and Marjory Paige, all aged 15, who gave an excellent rendition of "Stars In My Eyes." They were accompanied on the piano by Norma Patterson, herself a later contestant, and a good one, with a piano solo.

Student Gets Third Prize money of \$2.50

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SILVER ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL ENDS WITH SHOW AND DANCING

Amateur Contest and Cash Award Climax Three-Day Affair In Civic Auditorium Last Saturday

Attracting an audience that filled the civic auditorium to capacity and overflowed into the streets, the Silver Anniversary Festival came to a grand climax last Saturday night with the staging of an amateur show, a cash award and free dancing. These events were the last of a series of festivities sponsored by the merchants of Torrance in celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the city.

Old Pruitt Bldg. Being Re-Painted The old Pruitt building at 213th and Border avenue is the latest of the older structures in Torrance to take on a new-like appearance.

ARM BROKEN The engine backfired, the crank handle flew back, and Frank Purcell, 1754 1/2 Andree, received a broken arm as the result when he was trying to start his car Monday.

Merchants Express Thanks To Public and Herald

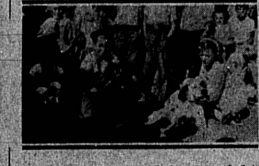
September 16, 1936.

"Mr. Grover C. Whyte, Publisher, 'Torrance Herald,' Torrance, Calif. 'Dear Mr. Whyte:—

"The business men's committee in charge of the recent Silver Anniversary Festival desire to take this means of expressing its appreciation for your splendid co-operation in providing, without charge, the very necessary advertising, stories and details which were published in the several issues of your newspaper and which played such an important part in the success of the event.

"May we offer our thanks, also, through the medium of your columns, to all the contestants who participated in the various events. While the committee could not award prizes to all, they are nevertheless appreciative of the generous co-operation in building the programs which were so thoroughly enjoyed by the audiences.

"Very truly, 'Dean L. Sears, Chairman.'



Pictured here, left to right, are Jacqueline Brady, Tommy Higgins and Doris May Martin, winners of five dollar prizes for the smallest, ugliest and largest mutts, respectively, in the merchants' contest held last Saturday at El Prado and Sartori. Story below.

Mutt Show draws hundred Mongrels

Mutts to the right of them! Mutts to the left of them! Into the jaws of a hundred wild dogs strode the three judges.

Such was the hazardous situation last Saturday afternoon at 3 p. m. when Alden Smith, Jack Koch, and Fred Blacha, as judges in the Silver Anniversary Mutt Show walked fearlessly on to the vacant lot at Sartori and El Prado to pick three winners from a veritable bedlam of howls, barks, kids, dust and pushing spectators.

Many Entered From appearances, every mongrel for miles around was entered in the contest. An accurate count was impossible but observers estimated the number of entries at well over a hundred.

Three Winners Five dollars in silver went to Tommy Higgins, aged 14, of 1329 Portola, for having the ugliest pooch, Teddy by name, an utterly repulsive looking black dog that won his prize without a struggle. From the first he was away out in front in his class.

The second five dollars was won by six-year-old Jacqueline Brady, 840 W. 105th street, with her "smallest dog entry," Mickey, a black and white pup that took the prize because of his ability to be led on a leash (red ribbon, it really was).

The last five dollars in silver went to 12-year-old Doris May Martin, 708 Border, for her "biggest dog" Buddy, the same monstrous canine mentioned above.

The judging went on for almost an hour because of the cramped space in which the judges had to work. Attempts to line up the dogs and their owners away from the spectators met with no success.

Young Boy Is Hit By Car Charles Kyle, Jr., 2120 Andree, was taken to the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital Monday afternoon where he was treated for a scalp wound and X-ray taken of his leg which disclosed no broken bones.

Building Permits Laura Edith Cusick, took out a permit this week for the erection of two houses at \$1,000 each to be erected at 1224 Cota avenue.

William Modglin is building a dwelling to cost \$3,985 at 1229 Acacia avenue.

W. M. Nye took out a permit yesterday for a 5-room stucco at 1222 Acacia to cost \$3,000.

Of this number, 2063, or 40 percent, dealt with wages and

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Donations Asked

To Carry on Work of Community Service Association

Campaign for funds for the Torrance Community Service Association, which handles the financing of worthy welfare projects in this city, started this week under the management of Sam Levy, appointed chairman.

Mr. Levy states that in contrast with the high pressure methods of other communities in the annual drive for funds, this drive will be carried on as a voluntary good will proposition. Individuals, commercial and industrial interests are invited to subscribe such amounts as they can afford, and all donations should be made at the Chamber of Commerce headquarters of the association.

All donations, large or small, will be gratefully accepted, but all who wish to contribute are asked to do so as soon as possible so that the drive may be quickly finished.

The Torrance Community Service Association provides funds for the maintenance of the Torrance Relief Society, the Veterans Co-operative Unit, and pays the rental of the rooms used by the WPA sewing unit, which could not operate without this assistance.

The funds are apportioned according to the needs of the organization and in this way Torrance is able to take care of its own people who are struggling to make ends meet.

At a recent meeting of the association new officers were elected with H. T. Lintott, president; J. W. Post, vice president; C. Earl Conner, treasurer, and L. J. Gilmeister, secretary. Directors are R. R. Smith, C. T. Rippey, Sam Levy and Sherwood McIntyre, elected at the last meeting to fill the place of Rev. O. D. Wonder who has left the city.

"Don't wait for a personal invitation," says Chairman Levy, "but bring your contribution to the Chamber of Commerce offices at once. The committee does not wish to high pressure anybody to give, but wants to make it plain that the association is in need of funds to carry on its welfare work this year and any sum you can spare will be welcome. Come down today, or mail your check to the Chamber of Commerce office. There is plenty of work for the association to do in helping these organizations to carry on their activities and you can have a part in this worthy cause."

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75 Percent of Complaints Settled In Favor of Steel Employees

Seventy-five percent of the questions arising under employee representation plans in the steel industry in the first six months of 1936 were settled in favor of the employees. Only 18 percent of the decisions favored management, while 7 percent were compromised or withdrawn.

These figures were reported to the American Iron and Steel Institute by steel companies employing nearly 80 percent of the total number of workers in the industry.

The institute's study shows that during the first half of this year wage questions constituted the largest single class of questions referred by employees to their representatives.

In 1934, the year covered by the first industry-wide study of the employee representation plans adopted by steel workers, questions of wages and hours of work were 28 percent of the total considered.

During 1935 about 35 percent of the questions concerned these important subjects, while in the first six months of 1936 wages and hours of work accounted for 40 percent of the total items brought up by the employees.

Although the relations between employees and employers in many industries were unsettled during the first half of this year, in the steel industry a total of 6136 questions were discussed by men and management in a quiet and orderly manner under the representation plans.

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MOVE MADE TO FORCE BALLOT MANAGER PLAN

Petitions To Be Circulated For Special Election Next Spring

Circulation of initiative petitions to compel both the board of supervisors and the Los Angeles city council to place the county manager and other governmental simplification proposals on the ballot for a special election next spring will be started shortly, it was learned today following action of the supervisors in refusing to place the proposals on the November 3 ballot.

The supervisors by a three-to-one vote declined to place the county manager and simplification proposals before the voters at the November election. The changes involved would lessen somewhat the duties and powers of the supervisors, but Supervisor Roger W. Jessup of the Fifth district was the only board member to support them. The proposals are the product of three years' work by a county-wide committee.

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