



HEADS STUDENTS AT UCLA . . . Don Hitchcock, popular Torrance high graduate of Summer 1940, who is now majoring in political science at UCLA, breaks record of university elections by winning presidency of Associated Students at Westwood campus at the primary. He has won many other honors in first two years at UCLA.

Don Hitchcock Swamps Opponents; Wins UCLA Election in Primary

Next Tuesday, Feb. 15, Donald James Hitchcock, 21-year-old son of Councilman and Mrs. James E. Hitchcock, Torrance, takes over the office of president of Associated Students of the University of California at Los Angeles—the top popularity honor which may be bestowed upon a fellow member by students at the big UCLA campus.

At a student election Jan. 31, Don Hitchcock so completely outran two opponents that he won the presidency of the student body at the primary—the first time in the history of the university that anyone has received a majority of all votes cast for that office and thus was elected at the primary. Hitchcock scored 964 votes, while his two opponents together polled only 388—Charlotte Klein, who resigned her post as co-editor of the Daily Bruin to become a candidate, tallied 302 votes, and Don Maumburg, football player, scored 86.

But receiving honors and winning student elections is no new experience to popular Don Hitchcock, who appropriately is majoring in political science. Since entering UCLA two years ago, he has been chosen a member of the California Club, which is an honorary fraternity sponsored by Dr. Gordon Sproul, university president, and to which only about 25 students from UCLA are selected. Don also heads the

New L.A. Terminal For Torrance Bus Lines Possibility

On recommendation of C. Z. Ward, manager of the Torrance Municipal Bus Lines, a two weeks' option has been obtained on what may become the Los Angeles terminal for the city-owned bus system at 1014 So. Hill st.

If present plans of Ward are matured, the bus lines will be better prepared to take care of patrons at the Los Angeles end of the line. If the lease is closed, the city council has authorized expenditure of \$465 for office equipment at the new location.

The change will necessitate some changes in routing in down town Los Angeles, it was explained.

Odd Articles-for-War-Stamps Auction to be Held Saturday

The idea of swapping excess articles around the house for war stamps and bonds, as proposed by a committee of local women, has gone over in a big way, according to Mrs. R. R. Smith and Mrs. C. C. Schultz, who developed the novel plan with the assistance of Mrs. L. C. Miller.

Everything is all set for the big auction sale on Saturday night this week, beginning at 7 p.m., and Jack Miller has agreed to auction whatever is on hand at the store building, 1217 El Prado, Torrance, to the highest bidder. Owners of all articles will be paid the full selling price in currency—but in U. S. war stamps. That's the principle idea back of all the tireless work that the women have put into the effort—to sell more war bonds and stamps for the Fourth War Loan.

Among the scarce articles to be auctioned Saturday evening are ice boxes, trunks, ranges, electrical appliances, etc. Espe-

Court of Honor Rites Climaxing Event of Boy Scout Anniversary

Confining themselves to a U. S. war bond and stamp selling campaign, an array of window displays and culminating with a Court of Honor at Narbonne High school at Lomita tomorrow night, is the manner in which Boy Scouts, Cubs and their leaders chose to observe Boy Scout Week ending next Monday, to mark the 34th anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scout movement in America, according to Hillman R. Lee, executive director and district chairman for the Harbor District Council.

Lee displayed enthusiasm one day this week when he looked over figures showing the growth of scouting in the harbor area, which includes Torrance, Lomita, Waverly, San Pedro, Wilmington, Harbor City, Rolling Hills, Dominguez and Gardena. There are 548 scouts, Scouts and 450 Cubs—approximately 1,000—enrolled now and interest is increasing, he said.

He mentioned a waiting list of 50 at Lomita and also called attention that the Torrance Rotary club is sponsoring senior scouting and now has 60 young men enrolled from the Torrance High school. It is expected that this group will be organized within the next few weeks, Lee emphasized.

Cub Organizations
One of the most active Cub packs in the area is No. 241-C, sponsored by St. Andrew's church in Torrance, having the guidance of Rev. Paul Moore Wheeler, always active in youth welfare work. Den mothers of this Cub pack consist of Mrs. V. V. Murphy, Helen Steele, Merle Spratt, Helen Burgener, Mildred Milton and Betty Turner, who were given much praise for their work among these boys.

Cub Pack 240-C, sponsored by (Continued on Page 6-A)

Fighter Plane Goal Set by Local Moose

Torrance Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, has been advised by Al Lusk, president of the California Moose Association, that the affiliated fraternal organizations throughout the state have joined in a "buy a bomber" campaign on authority of the Treasury Department.

The first goal is to produce \$300,000 in sales to purchase a heavy bomber to be named "Spirit of California Moose" and then to protect this bomber by an additional \$150,000 to buy two fighter planes.

Enthusiasm Shown
Torrance lodge members have entered enthusiastically into this campaign with the idea of making a sales record sufficiently high to guarantee purchase of at least one fighter plane which would be christened "Spirit of Torrance Moose."

Recently the lodge set its own quota at \$4,000, which was subscribed in one night by members themselves. They have kept on buying, at the same time inviting their friends to buy with credit given to the lodge. Secretary James W. Barker has advised that sales have run close to the \$10,000 mark. Although the campaign has only another week to go, Barker says their friends are being called upon to run the total up to \$60,000 or \$75,000.

Terror for Axis
"If we do this," he declared, "one of the fighters will bear the name of Torrance—the city where industries are working day and night to turn out airplane parts that are striking down the enemy on every war front. While our lodge would get credit for these sales, they would in turn be credited towards the \$60,000 quota for Torrance as a whole. It would help advertise our city abroad and let every man on the battle fronts know that we are backing them with the things they need to win this war," Barker declared.

"By backing the Loyal Order of Moose in this campaign we are also backing our fighting men. So we are calling on our friends to help us put it over. We hope to lead other lodges in the state in this patriotic effort," Barker concluded.

James Evans is chairman of the Moose drive. Receipts for the bond purchases may be turned in to him or to A. H. Bartlett, city clerk, to make sure that due credit is given to the Moose "buy a plane" drive.

Blood Bank to Visit Torrance Again Tomorrow

A few more than 300 persons in the Torrance area have signed their intention of sending a volunteer to some wounded or sick service man or woman. But a hundred more are wanted to make the picture complete.

The 300 or more have signed up to appear at the Torrance Civic Auditorium tomorrow afternoon between 3 and 7 o'clock to donate a pint of blood each to the Mobile Blood Bank for conversion into plasma being used to great success by military physicians and surgeons stationed near the battle fronts and military hospitals, Mrs. O. A. Kresse, local Red Cross blood bank chairman, said today.

The quota for Torrance is 400 pints, but it is hoped that more than that number will be on hand tomorrow while the blood bank unit is here.

Those desiring to make this patriotic donation are asked to sign up at the Red Cross office at Post and Cravens ave. or call Mrs. Kresse at phone Torrance 253. Appointments will be made for those who appear at the auditorium to cover the four-hour period that the blood bank is here. It is important that these appointments be kept on schedule so that there will be no delay. A Red Cross physician and a group of uniformed nurses will be on hand and they will be assisted by volunteer workers.

Torrance lacked only \$40,152 of having reached its \$80,000 quota in the Fourth War Loan bond drive last night, according to Hillman R. Lee, war finance committee chairman. "It looks now that Torrance will be well over the top again when the campaign ends next week," he said.

Reports from the two local banks and postoffice, with the added allotments that have come in showed a total of \$609,848, which includes \$50,000 from the Metropolitan Water District, not the Torrance Municipal Water Department as had been previously erroneously stated. Los Angeles County has allocated \$10,000 to the credit of Torrance, it was announced last night.

Schools Do Part
The Torrance Elementary school turned in this week a total of \$1,041.37 returns from the auction sale held at the school last Friday. Of this amount \$593.77 came from the sale of stamps.

The Torrance Moose Lodge, through Secretary Jim Barker, added over \$2,000 to previous sales obtained in the bonds at one of the banks.

Torrance industries have responded loyally as they always have done in other campaigns to build up the total sales, Chairman Lee explained.

The Boy Scouts and Cub Packs will wind up their activities for the present campaign Saturday evening.

Harbor Dist. Chambers Meeting in Torrance
The Torrance Chamber of Commerce will be host to the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce at the January meeting of that organization on Thursday, March 9, at the Torrance Civic Auditorium.

They Were Boy Scouts, Too



Tom Harmon, U.S. Coast Guard Lieutenant, USAAF; Doug Munro, U.S. Coast Guard Lieutenant, USMC; Ken Walsh, U.S. Coast Guard Lieutenant, USMC; MacKinlay Kantor, War Correspondent; Jimmie Stewart, U.S. Coast Guard Captain, USAAF; Bob Scott, U.S. Coast Guard Colonel, USAAF.

When they were boys, scouting played an important part in these men's lives. All have died death in the present war—Coast Guardsman Invader Munro giving his life in the Solomons invasion. Hundreds of thousands of men now serving America in our armed forces were once Boy Scouts.

TORRANCE FIRMS HAVE NEW OWNERS

Ownership of some of the oldest and best known business houses in Torrance underwent important changes this week, a check of escrow transactions reveals.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Miller, familiarly known to their hosts of friends as Jack and Bettina, are selling their M. & M. Transfer Company, 1617 Border ave.,

to Mrs. Viola Irene Moss, who operates a similar business in Los Angeles under the firm name of Lightning Drayage Company. Mrs. Moss is acquiring all trucks, equipment, storage facilities, land and buildings. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have no immediate plans for the future other than to take a long rest.

William Misselhorn, proprietor of the Torrance Men's Shop, 1325 Sartori ave., is selling his business to Jack C. Schlager, 449 S. Cloverdale, Los Angeles. Mr. Schlager has a background of long experience in the men's furnishing business.

Adding an attractive display to the corner of Sartori and El Prado, Karl's Shoe Store, well known chain organization, this week opened a store in Torrance. A formal opening is planned at a later date. Karl's formerly operated a store in Torrance a number of years ago.

John Weiler is selling his shoe repair shop at 1308 Sartori ave. to John H. Mason and William E. Busby of Santa Ana.

J. Hugh Sherfey, Jr., who since 1938 has acted as manager of Stone & Myers mortuary, has acquired a half interest in the business from Mrs. Bessie Myers.

Tomorrow First Day for City Council Nomination Filings

Tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 11, is the first date on which candidates for the Torrance city council may legally file their nomination petitions, it was announced today by City Clerk Bartlett, and they have until Saturday, March 11, at noon, to make these filings.

Three members of the council whose terms are about to expire are expected to enter the race to succeed themselves. They are: Tom F. McGuire, incumbent mayor; L. V. Babecek and George V. Powell. Indications are that they will encounter opposition, but it is yet too early to say definitely just who will throw their hats into the political arena. There are rumors, but nothing more at this time.

The last day to register for the municipal contest on April 11 is set by state law governing cities of the sixth class for Wednesday, March 2. Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained by applying at the office of the city clerk not earlier than March 22 nor later than April 6. It will be the duty of the city council to appoint election officers on or before March 12, the city clerk said.

Torrance Hi School Enrollment Exceeds All Previous Marks

With an enrollment of 1,047 and the proposed addition of another teacher to the faculty, the Torrance High school began the new semester last Monday by topping the enrollment at the commencement of any previous semester, according to Harold Perry, principal. Despite the loss of 100 students under the continuation education program to the Narbonne and Gardena High schools, Torrance High increased its enrollment from 964 at the beginning of the first semester in September to the present level with an anticipated rise in the near future due to the registration of an increasing number of new students.

An enrollment of 66 new B-7 students—28 boys and 38 girls—from the elementary schools has necessitated the need of 14 new facilities at T.H.S., Perry said.

A new bungalow school structure authorized recently is to be used principally by Leonard Green, director of students under the continuation education program, and his classes. The bungalow will be in use until alterations in the Science building can be made. Under provisions of a permit obtained from the Torrance city engineer's office the structure may be used for school purposes for the duration of the war.

Principal Perry also announced that Mrs. Catherine Henry, junior clerk of T.H.S., and well known to both faculty and student body, will leave her employment at the school and is being replaced next Monday, Feb. 14, by Miss Frances Bortman, a graduate of the Torrance High class of 1939.

Penicillin Given Torrance Man for Jaw Infection
Suffering from osteomyelitis, a bone infection which attacked his jaw and continued to grow worse despite the best skilled physicians could do, Roy Harper of 2112 Andreo ave., Torrance, is in the Methodist hospital, Los Angeles, where he is receiving treatment with penicillin, the most important discoveries of medical science in recent years.

Harper is employed as a sheerman by the Columbia Steel company and John Hanks, secretary of the hospitalization plan at the plant, became interested in his case after noting that Harper's ailment was not improving.

He recalled another case of a Columbia Steel employee who had his ailment cured by means of the marvelous drug, so he decided to consult G. Mosser Taylor, M.D., of Los Angeles, who had treated Harper.

Wire for Drug
Hanks asked Dr. Taylor if he believed penicillin would do any good in Harper's case.

"I certainly do, if we can get it," the physician responded. "Then we will try and get it," Hanks retorted.

The two sat down and framed a telegram to Dr. Chester Keefe of Boston, Mass., under whose direction the drug is distributed throughout the country. The message reviewed the case and stated that Harper was engaged in an essential war industry.

Quick Response
Within nine hours after the message was dispatched word came that a million units of the drug was on the way to Los Angeles. Harper entered the hospital last Sunday when the treatments began and the results are being anxiously awaited by his relatives and friends.

It is reported that drainage from the infected bone has lessened, which may be an indication that the drug is already attacking the germs which are causing the trouble. It is claimed that definite results should be known within two weeks.

According to the hospitalization plan secretary, the bone infection had its origin from ulcerated teeth.

Redondo Beach Elks Lodge Buys \$1,000 Bond Here

Redondo Beach Lodge No. 1378, B.P.O.E., of which a considerable number of Torrance residents are members, last Monday purchased a \$1,000 Fourth War Loan bond, which was placed to the credit of Torrance.

Local Woman's Nephew Tells of Three Trying Days in Foxhole
Mrs. William Fletcher, 2213 Mariopa st., Torrance, has received a clipping from the Montana Standard, published at Butte, containing an interview with Pfc. Eugene McCallum, 26, USMC, telling how he and a companion escaped death by Japs during three days in a foxhole during the battle of Tarawa while waiting for their wounds to be treated.

"The Japs had some 20 or more of us hemmed in and there was little more we could do except dig in and hope and pray," the young Marine, who is a nephew of Mrs. Fletcher, said.

"I had been hit in the upper part of the right side of my chest and as Pfc. Carl Rustin of Moorehead, Iowa, and I hurriedly dug a foxhole, shrapnel caught me in both feet. "The walking wounded were able to leave the trap we were in on the second night, but those of us unable to walk did not get out until the Japs had been driven away from that area on the third day.

"It seems a miracle that any of us escaped from Tarawa alive. I never believed anything like that could happen. I am confident the Japs thought they could win that battle in view of the elaborate fortifications they had. I saw one Jap jump up and laugh at us, but he didn't laugh long.

"I was afraid my wounds would cause me trouble in view of the fact that I had to wait so long to have them treated. My right foot did swell so badly they had to cut off my shoe, but the threat of gangrene was stopped.

McCallum was awarded the Purple Heart medal while receiving hospital treatment at Pearl Harbor. His home is at Butte.

Nelson Speaks Tonight Before Service Clubs

The Torrance Kiwanis club dispensed with its regular Tuesday evening meeting this week and will join with the Rotary club tonight at a dinner meeting to be held in the Woman's clubhouse, beginning at 6:30 o'clock.

The guest speaker of the evening will be Dr. Elmer Nelson, public relations director for Southern California, Office of Price Administration.

Dr. Nelson is described as a dynamic speaker and his topic will be: "Postwar Problems Confronting Us in the Transition Period." He will advance his ideas of what should be done in the change over from war to peace, with least disruption to business and industry which must be depended upon to supply jobs after hostilities cease.

Dr. Nelson is well known in Southern California and is coming here for this occasion through efforts of B. J. Strand, who serves on one of the panels of the price and rationing boards in Torrance.

A well rounded out program has been arranged for the joint session of the two clubs, it was announced.

AUTO COLLISION

Two automobiles, driven by high school students, were seriously damaged in a collision at Cata and Engracia aves. This morning about 6:30 o'clock. No one was injured.



PARTNER . . . J. Hugh Sherfey, Jr., who this week acquired a 50 per cent interest in Stone & Myers mortuary which he has managed since 1938.

mortuary business was made this week by Mrs. Bessie Myers. Sherfey has been manager of the establishment since October, 1938, and his work has been so successful that Mrs. Myers decided to enter into a business partnership with him.

The business will continue to be conducted under the firm name of "Stone & Myers, Funeral Directors," a name which has been favorably known to this community ever since the business was first established in 1922 in Lomita. In 1924 a second mortuary was established in Torrance on Cabrillo ave. However, when the present modern mortuary was built at Cravens and Engracia ave., in 1928, the offices at Lomita and Torrance were consolidated.

St. Andrew's Monthly Breakfast Next Sunday

Sunday, Feb. 13, following the 8 o'clock communion service, the members of the Boys Servers League and the Teeners of St. Andrew's church will hold their monthly breakfast in the parish house.