

Community Hall In Pueblo Is Well Under Way

The new community hall being constructed on property adjacent to the new city recreation property and St. Joseph's church on 203rd st. is already well under way and may be ready for occupancy in about six weeks, according to Father Wood.

City-wide benefit programs are being held to raise money for the Mexican Pueblo district community hall, and while the building is far from paid for, arrangements to finance the structure were completed.

One of the events which will aid in part the community hall is presentation of "The Great Virgil" tonight by the Lions club in Torrance Civic Auditorium.

William Davis At San Diego Marine Base

The Marine Corps has announced the enlistment of seventeen year old William Pierce Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Lee Davis of 3906 Emerald st.

Private Davis was a senior at Torrance High School at the time of his enlistment. He was a member of the Future Farmers of America Club.

Now at the San Diego Marine Corps Base, he is receiving a recruit training course.

RETAILERS MUST FILE

Statements showing inventories of all merchandise on hand, together with prices paid wholesalers or manufacturers for the articles, must be filed with OPA by midnight April 20, 10,000 retailers of wearing apparel and house furnishings in Southern California, were warned today by Harvey Roney, chief of the OPA district price section.

Bowron Says He'll Aid His Candidates

Returned to office for a four-year term by a landslide vote, Mayor Fletcher Bowron of Los Angeles has indicated he would take an active part in the final councilmanic races when he said in a formal statement that he needs "a city council that will work with the chief executive and not against him, as in the past."

He said the vote he received indicates a desire by the people that they "want done with bit-terness and bickering, and insist upon real accomplishments."

At the same time the voters overwhelmingly rejected the mayor's 13 opponents, they approved a 10 million dollar bond issue for construction of a modern sewage treatment plant for the Los Angeles area, by an easy 7 to 1 margin.

Although Bowron's election had been considered certain, his victory in the primaries came as a surprise. Most observers had believed that because of the large number of candidates in the field a run-off would be necessary.

Clifford Clinton, cafeteria owner, was runner-up to the mayor, and Supervisor Roger Jessup ran third, followed in order by City Councilman Ira J. McDonald, Anthony P. Entenza, and Capt. Samuel Yorty. The others trailed far behind.

Semi-official returns indicated run-offs in six of the 15 councilmanic districts.

Prospective run-offs indicated today are:

District 1: Between Delamere Francis McCloskey, incumbent, and Leland S. Warburton.

District 4: Robert S. Groman and Harold A. Henry.

District 5: George P. Cronk and Robert J. Kennedy.

District 6: Earl C. Gay (incumbent) and L. E. Timberlake.

District 9: Parley P. Christensen (incumbent) and Mearl Alan.

District 12: Ed J. Davenport and Richard L. Newton.

City-Wide Water Development May Be Undertaken

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To extend the metropolitan water into the area, the following costs would be necessary:

Outlay Estimated

Shop and garage, \$3,000; 10-inch pipelines, \$42,000; 8-inch pipelines, \$11,500; 6-inch pipelines, \$35,300; 4-inch pipelines, \$8,400; valves and fittings, \$5,000; service and meters, \$8,000; fire hydrants, \$5,400; tools, \$1,000; pick-up truck, \$1,000; office equipment, \$1,000; contingencies and engineering, \$12,000; organization expense, \$10,000.

The development of an independent, separate water supply and system would cost:

Well, \$5,000; well pumping plant, \$5,000; well site, \$2,000; reservoir, \$15,000; shop and garage, \$3,000; 10-inch pipelines, \$96,000; 8-inch pipelines, \$11,500; 6-inch pipelines, \$35,300; 4-inch pipelines, \$8,400; valves and fittings, \$5,000; services and meters, \$8,000; fire hydrants, \$5,400; tools, \$1,000; pick-up truck, \$1,000; office equipment, \$1,000; contingencies and engineering, \$15,000; organization expense, \$10,000.

"Actually," the engineers said, "the district could make use of many of the Quantd lines, however much must be looked forward to in repairs, replacements and renewals, increasing sizes as growth in the community takes place."

Growth Certain

"On growth, it seems certain that growth will continue, but it would be accelerated with the construction of a fine water-works with non-profit, therefore, lower water rates."

While the survey is based upon a district bounded by 234th st., Madison ave., Newton ave. and Ocean ave., Mayor W. H. Tolson, chairman of the city water commission, said that it is expected that possibly all of the area south of the C.C.M.O., or approximately Sepulveda blvd., with the exception of South Torrance served by Narbonne Water Co., and Clifton Riviera, formerly Hollywood Riviera, might be included in the new water district.

North Torrance

Further, Mayor Tolson said, a survey of North Torrance needs is being contemplated which might lead to development there of a municipal water system or possible purchase of the Moneta water companies lines and wells.

"Ultimately, we hope that all lines will be connected together," Mayor Tolson said, "into one big municipal district, but the law at this time will not permit this."

The present Municipal Water District No. 1, a profit making public enterprise, cannot be expanded under the present law. For this reason, it is hoped to make the proposed new district as large as possible to serve more of the population and reduce the per-capita cost.

All sections of the city already are paying 44 cents per \$100 tax to the Metropolitan water district, but only the Water District No. 1 is equipped to use the water.

The survey, said that the Quantd system "just grew" from an alfalfa grower's water supply to serving small farms and then to serving of the Water area.

It proposed the district take in all area south of Sepulveda except Clifton Riviera which is served by California Water Service Co.

Harold York Arrives to Join Family Here

Harold D. York, seaman, 2/c, arrived last Friday from Philadelphia, Pa., to join his wife, Frances, and their baby, Harold, Jr., at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. York, 1027 Portola ave.

York, who was taking Officer's Training at University of Pennsylvania, Pa., has received an honorable discharge following prolonged hospitalization at Naval Hospital, Philadelphia.

TO BOOT CAMP

H. Edward Robst, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Robst, of 307 W. Carson has enlisted in U. S. Marine Corps and leaves Friday to begin his training.

NEW BALLROOM CLASS

—Teaching Waltz, Fox Trot, Balboa, Rhumba, Charleston, Swing and New Yorker. From 12 to 16 years of age students. Monday, April 23, 8 P.M. at—

Torrance Woman's Club House 1422 ENGRACIA 8 Lessons \$4—\$2 Down, Balance Third Class BESSIE CLARK DANCE STUDIO 14 Years in Inglewood Le Roy Confer, Registrar Torrance 924-W



THREE TORRANCE SOLDIERS GET TOGETHER . . . These three Torrance boys had a reunion on foreign soil recently, according to a letter from Pfc. Robert W. Carlson, printed elsewhere in this edition, in which the picture was enclosed. They are, left to right, Carlson, John Hall and M. (Curley) Burdge. Carlson expressed his enjoyment in reading the Torrance Herald and said he passes it on to "Curley" to read.

People

and what they are doing

EASTERN GUEST

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Curless are entertaining as their house guest Mrs. Lois Switzer McCutcheon, of Oil City, Pa., and formerly of this city.

TO NEW YORK

Mr. and Mrs. E. Locatelli and Miss Eleanor Siegler left Tuesday for their homes in New York City. En route they will be guests at the Phoenix Biltmore for ten days.

DINNER HOSTS

Mr. and Mrs. D. N. McCormack entertained at dinner Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morris, of Hollywood.

OUT OF TOWN

E. Harwood Clark, president of Torrance Brass Foundry, left recently for a business trip to Chicago and Washington. Mrs. Clark and Judy are enjoying a month's vacation at Palm Springs.

ON TEXAS VISIT

Mrs. Anna Jacobs left this week for an indefinite visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore, of El Paso, Texas.

AT BEACH CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Smith, of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Quayle, of Long Beach, were guests Thursday evening at Pacific Coast Club when Mr. and Mrs. Norman Montague, of Long Beach, entertained at dinner.

ELEMENTARY P.T.A. REPORTS MEETING

The Torrance Elementary P.T.A. nominating committee met with Mr. Bernard Strand at the school, Tuesday morning.

Dresser Deal With Heater Firm Finished

Acquisition by Dresser Industries, Inc., of Day and Night Manufacturing Company of Monrovia, California, was completed April 2 with virtually 100 percent acceptance by shareholders of the California company of the proposed exchange of their common and preferred stocks for Dresser common stock, it was announced jointly by H. N. Mallon, Dresser president, and W. J. Bailey, Jr., president of Day and Night.

Holders of Day and Night common and original preferred shares have concurred 100 percent in the terms of exchange and better than 99 percent of the holders of Day and Night's remaining 7 percent and 6 percent preferred shares have signified their approval of the transaction. It is understood this exchange by a substantial margin the percentage upon which acceptance of the Dresser offer had been made contingent.

Day and Night manufactures a diversified line of gas fired automatic water heaters and will retain the same independence of management which characterizes all of the companies of Dresser Industries, Inc. No changes in personnel or management policies are contemplated, Mr. Mallon said.

MRS. L. AHRENS IS CLUB HOSTESS

Mrs. L. Ahrens was hostess to bridge club members Thursday afternoon. A salad course was placed for eight guests and bridge prizes were won by Mrs. H. E. Massie and W. J. Neelands.

CLUB MEMBERS MEET AT SHEPHERD HOME

The home of Mrs. Sam Shepherd, 2233 22nd st., was the meeting place for the Dollar and Doodle Club who were entertained at cards and bunco Saturday evening. Refreshments were served.

Permanent Navy Base Proposed For Harbor Area

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"In selecting a site, the Navy has been careful to avoid encroaching upon territory that may have industrial value in the postwar period. The spot now selected has been fully approved by your mayor and board of harbor commissioners."

The commandant then presented some details of operations at the Navy Supply Depot. "At present," he said, "in order to carry on expansion of the vast lines of communication and supply, we have in our depot 46,000 different items of stock, and these items are carried in various quantities. They are first procured, counted, received and subsequently issued, loaded and shipped to various parts of the world for the operation of the war program."

"For the quarter ended December 31, we handled 351,000 tons of supplies; for the quarter ended March 31 the total was 383,000 tons.

"Ships serviced have been of all classes, ranging from the largest battleships to small submarines and P.T. boats. The total supplied was 636 vessels in the quarter ended December 31 and 587 in the quarter ended March 31. Overseas cargoes loaded in the quarter ended December 31 totaled 121, while for the quarter ended March 31 the total was 141.

"On January 1 this year our civilian personnel totaled 2390 and by April 1 had climbed to 3065. That means at least 5000 people making their homes in the immediate vicinity of your harbor."

"In January our total payroll was \$528,334 and in March it had risen to \$647,790."

The campaign for five pounds of used clothing, shoes, or bedding from every man, woman, and child in Los Angeles will continue throughout the month of April, and although the house to house pick-up started this week in Los Angeles, Hollywood, and Westwood, the authorized depots at the churches, postoffices, police stations and fire stations in the communities continue to receive clothing contributions, and the public is reminded that "China Day for the United National Clothing Collection" will be marked by special observations.

Stressing the destitution of the Chinese people after almost eight years of war, Mr. Edison said, "For seven years and nine months, China has been fighting the aggressor. During that time, more than fifty million people have been robbed of their possessions and driven from their homes. While United China Relief helps greatly through the National War Fund, it also welcomes the efforts on the part of the United National Clothing Collection to provide a reservoir of clothing from which needy people all over the earth, including the Chinese, can draw for comfort and for life itself."

Put to use the slogan, "What CAN YOU spare That They CAN Wear?" and take your clothing to the depot in your neighborhood or phone 125.

Cpl. Flammer Is Wounded In Germany

Cpl. Harvey Flammer, serving with the 823rd tank division, attached to the 30th Division, of the 9th Army, has been wounded in action, according to a telegram to his wife, the former Sylvia Zampieri.

Overseas 15 months, the serviceman has participated in six major battles. His wife is a dental assistant and laboratory technician at Torrance L.A.P.E. hospital. The telegram telling of his injury was received the day following their sixth wedding anniversary which was noted by the gift of red roses from him.

TAC Beats Dix In Game Here; To Play Yanks

Torrance Athletic Club made the most of a good pitching job by Sam Snyder and Lefty O'Regan to smoke Dix Manufacturing Co. 10 to 4 at Torrance Ball Park.

Paced by the long distance hitting of Catcher Gus Muehler, Narbonne High school star, TAC jumped into a three-run lead in the first inning and was never headed.

TAC racked three Dix hurlers for 13 hits including a triple and double by Muehler who drove in four of TAC's 10 runs.

Next Sunday, providing they can get excused another date, the powerful Yankee Jrs. will play at Torrance.

G. P. To Buy Bush Oil Co. Of Long Beach

Arrangement for the purchase of all the outstanding capital stock of the R. R. Bush Oil Company of Long Beach by Gen. Petroleum Corporation was announced today by General's president, S. J. Dickey.

"The acquisition of the production on the Bush Oil Company," stated Dickey, "represents another step in General's over-all plans for substantial development of all phases of its activities. During the past few years we have added extensively to our refining facilities and this work is still continuing. Our recent purchase of the assets of Gilmore Oil Company materially strengthened General's marketing position, and purchase of these new sources of crude serves as an important addition to our crude oil reserves."

The properties involved in the purchase consist mainly of 30 wells in the Los Angeles basin, most of them in Signal Hill, with a production of approximately 7000 barrels per day.

RELIEVE GUARDSMEN

The Coast Guard Temporary Reserve members (civilian volunteers working a minimum of 12 hours weekly guarding harbors, docks and ships in port) have relieved 7,000 regular Coast Guardsmen for sea duty in World War II.

With the current restrictions on vehicles and tires, accidents involving defective vehicles increased from 8 per cent of the total in 1941, to 10 per cent in 1942, and to 15 per cent in 1943.

TANK TRAILERS

Ordnance evacuation units are equipped with hundreds of tank transporters, heaviest duty wheeled vehicle of its type in Europe.

MANY VISITORS

The Salvation Army red shield club at San Pedro, Calif., has had 162,498 visitors since its opening in February last.

Japs Save Marine From Burial Alive at Front

Marine Warrant Officer William H. (Spike) Amos, of St. Helens, Ore., and a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moe, of 1518 214th st., at whose home he was a frequent visitor when stationed here, finds it hard to believe, but the Japs saved him from being buried alive.

The 32-year-old leatherneck was lying in a foxhole under an embankment near the front lines when a Jap mortar shell hit the edge. A mass of volcanic ash poured down on him. "I couldn't breathe or move and I got panicky," he said. "Suddenly something crashed down on top of me and almost knocked me out, I poked an arm up through the sand, then my head, and those stars overhead were a welcome sight."

His company commander, who occupied an adjoining foxhole, said Amos was "exhumed" by a Jap heavy mortar shell which hit right on top of him a few seconds after the first shell had buried him.

John W. Armstrong, a chief boatswain's mate, serving with the Seabees, whose home is at 1218 Amapola ave., is based on a few miles from Amos and the families hear regularly of their joint exploits.

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