Lions Club Learns About Police Dept.

Torrance Lions Club learned about the operation of the City Jail during and following the weekly meeting Tuesday noon, two members learning the "hard way."

During a talk by District Governor Earle Baker of Hollywood, a police officer entered and took possession of Lions R. L. Plomert Jr. and Herbert C. Allen. Stunned, the club sat silently until their departure, and District Governor Baker continued his talk until conclusion.

Retiring to the police department where Chief John Stroh explained the workings of the Torrance police, the Lions found Plomert and Allen secure within the confines of "Hotel Stroh." Explaining that the Torrance jail may be small, "but just as hard to get out of as the county jail," Chief Stroh showed the Lions the procedure, accommodations, communications and weapons of the police department, and then let the "culprits" go free.

Dr. Rollin R. Smith, first vice president, presided in the absence of President Harry Lewis who was attending a conference in Los Angeles of Governor Warren's Post War Planning Commission.

Baker, in his talk, explained the troubles which are encountered by the Selective Service Board on which he serves, on "skid row," downtown Los Angeles. He explained how the board overcame the ability of gypsy men to avoid service, how it overcame the 33 per cent syphilitic population among men of "skid row," how "quack" doctors keeping men out of service for a "fee" were dealt with, and how the F.B.I. is aiding in eventually running down all delinquents, even women who had posed as men up to the time of induction.

Lewis Joins FairFleet Organization

Harry B. Lewis, resigning executive secretary of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, will be associated with Edsel Newton in the organization of a world-touring FairFleet of postwar surplus ships to carry an exposition to world ports.

This was revealed by Lewis and Newton this week. Newton, associated with the Herald-News and marine editor of the Long Beach Press-Telegram and Sun, first published his proposal for such an exposition March 5 and it was acclaimed internationally as a great plan for restoration and perpetuation of peacetime world trade.

Lewis may have other business associations in this area, he revealed.

Gradually, Lewis said, steps will be taken toward formation of a corporation and the ultimate organization of a fleet of ships carrying all the exhibits seen at a modern world's fair.

Reference to Newton's project is found in a growing number of national magazines after its appearance in hundreds of newspapers.

Lewis added: "The plan is a natural for all America and the rest of this war weary world. We will keep on the course laid down in the initial plan — to take to the world a new era of peace, progress and utilization of world resources. We don't believe American industry could possibly be so short-sighted as to ignore its possibilities."

LINDSAY WOUNDED

Pvt. Walter G. Lindsay, Rte. 1, Box 95-H, W. Torrance blvd., Torrance, has been wounded as reported by the Army. A check with the various lists of Torrance service men does not reveal any further information about him indicating that his parents had probably moved here since his induction elsewhere.

HONEYMOONING . . . Conrad V. Christensen, A.T.C., and his bride, the former Miss Berdine Ryan of Redondo Beach, who were united in marriage in candlelight rites performed Wednesday evening of last week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Christensen of 1520 Marcelina ave.

BETROTHED . . . Miss Thelma Marie Wright, who will become the June bride of Lt. Edwin C. Heinrich, United States Army Air Forces. The bride-elect is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester L. Wright, former residents here at 907 Beech ave. She was graduated from Torrance high school with the class of summer 1940.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester L. Wright have announced the engagement of their daughter, Thelma Marie, to Lieut. Edwin C. Heinrich, United States Army Air Force.

The bride-elect was graduated from Torrance High school with the class of summer '40. Her fiance is a radar navigator stationed at Victorville Army Air Field. A June wedding is being planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright whose home is now in Los Angeles, were former Torrance residents at 907 Beech ave.

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BETSY ROSS CLUB REPORTS CARD PARTY

Among the recent enjoyable benefit card parties was that held Saturday evening at Masonic Temple when members of Betsy Ross Club entertained. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Miller served as chairmen for the evening and delicious refreshments were served at the close of play. Prize winners were Nelle Phillips, Hazel Fossum, Frances Smith, pinochle; Frank Krekow and Esther Senner, contract bridge; Englais and Wilda McKenna, auction bridge; Alice Mort and Ruth Steinback, 500; T. B. Shepherd, door prize.

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EVANGELISTIC MEETING

The evangelistic meeting being conducted at the Assembly of God church by Evangelist Maurice Contreras is continuing all this week. According to Rev. P. H. Perry, pastor of the church, there has been an almost hightly increase of interest. The evangelist is a professional stringed instrument player and vocal soloist and his special musical numbers feature every service. The services continue nightly at 7:30 except Monday and Saturday. The church is located at 1741 Border ave., Torrance.

Honeymooning en route to his base in Florida are Cpl. Conrad Vern Christensen and his bride, the former Miss Berdine Ryan, who were united in marriage Wednesday evening of last week in a candlelight ceremony at the home of his parents. Rev. C. M. Northrup officiated in the presence of 30 intimate Torrance and out-of-town friends of the principals. White stock, iris and lighted tapers, arranged on the fireplace mantel created an effective background for the rites.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was beautifully attired in a white dressmaker suit with matching accessories, complemented by a corsage of yellow orchids. Miss Eileen Ryan, her sister's maid of honor, wore a brown suit and a gardenia and yellow rosebud corsage. Jack D. Christensen, U.S.N., was his brother's attendant.

The bridegroom, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Christensen, of 1520 Marcelina ave., was graduated from Torrance High school and is attached to the personnel affairs office, air transport command, at Homestead, Fla. His bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Ryan of Redondo Beach. A graduate of Redondo Union High school, she has been employed in secretarial work at the Torrance office of Rubbercraft Corporation.

At the reception a three-tiered decorated wedding cake and other refreshments were served. Mrs. Christensen and Mrs. Ryan received their guests in black gowns and wore identical corsages of white gladiolus and yellow rosebuds.

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TORRANCE R. N. A. OFFICER IS HONORED

Mrs. Marie Bankston, oracle of Torrance Camp, No. 8908, Royal Neighbors of America, was honored at the annual meeting of the Southern California District Association, held last week at Santa Ana by her election to the office of conference secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Bankston was elected from a membership of more than 600, it is reported.

Other officers and members of Torrance Camp represented at the all day and evening session were Mary Schroeder, Louise Walker, Mary Conner, Catherine Gossiaux, Zoe Dethiers, Lottie Phillips, Mildred Crowther, Marjorie Marsh, Marian Crum, Mary Bachiero, Bertha Alcorn, Lizzie Benzel, Vertie Grimm and Lucille Meyers.

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AMARANTHS PLAN FOOD SALE JUNE 9

Redondo Court, No. 44, Order of Amaranth, will sponsor a sale of baked goods and cooked foods to be held Saturday, June 9, at the entrance to the Levy Department Store, 1311 Sartori ave.

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JOB'S DAUGHTERS PLAN BARN DANCE

Torrance Bethel No. 50, Job's Daughters are planning a student "barn dance" to be held at the Civic Auditorium, Friday, June 8. Music for dancing will be provided by Jim Reiwer and his orchestra.

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Beginning in May an average of 1,000 persons lose their lives each month through drowning in the United States. This monthly average continues through August.

$1,000 Limit On Building Without WPB OK

Restrictions on new building, repairs and alterations for single-family dwelling units have been lifted to a point where $1,000 worth of work can be done without War Production Board authorization.

Other cost limits permitted without W.P.B. sanction include $2000 for two-family units, $3000 for three-family units, $4000 for four-family structures and $5000 for five-unit dwellings.

The limit for offices, stores and other commercial buildings is $5000; $25,000 for factories; $10,000 for churches, U.S.O. structures, playgrounds and so on; $1000 for farmhouses or other types of farm buildings.

Further liberalization is the proviso that earth removal, placement of foundations and other preparations for building do not have to be included in the cost limitations. The exemption of cost of labor when performed by the owner is retained as is cost of secondhand material.

OVERSEAS . . . S/Sgt. Richard T. Higgins, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Higgins of 1329 Portola ave., has arrived at a Pacific base overseas, where he will help keep B-29s flying over Tokyo. His wife, Mrs. Betty June Higgins, is living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pierson, at Phoenix, Ariz. S/Sgt. and Mrs. Higgins were graduated from Torrance high school.

Plummer-Hefner Back in Redondo Saturday Night

Promoter Dave Landau is bringing back Lou Plummer, sensational ex-service man, to wrestle Dutch Hefner at the Redondo Beach Arena Saturday night.

Last week Plummer, who was one of the first Americans to land on the beach at Sicily, won the one-night tournament of thrills.

Plummer is cutting a wide swath in wrestling circles from coast to coast with a style mixture of being rugged and also clever.

Count Rossi usually seconds Plummer. Critics say that Plummer and Rossi are the best team in grappling.

Hefner has become the idol of the Redondo club with his clean but strong and aggressive style. He doesn't ask any quarter from an opponent. He only wants what is coming to him.

Life consists in the alternate process of learning and unlearning, but it is often wiser to unlearn than to learn.—Bulwer Lytton