COMMUNITY'S SAFETY GIVEN FIRST CONSIDERATION . . . Here are a group of illustrations which support the move by City Engineer G. M. Jain in condemning the central Torrance fire station last week. In the photo at the left, wide cracks in the brick wall are shown. In the center, dangerous breaks along the second floor level and wall indicate the precarious condition of the structure. Right, Fire Chief J. E. McMaster points to heavy breaks along the floor, window and ceiling of the sleeping quarters of the firemen in the central station. Henry M. Layne, expert consulting engineer who assisted in rebuilding of Brawley following the disastrous quake there years ago, said that mortar between bricks in the fire department sidewalls is of such consistency that a serious explosion such as occurred in Los Angeles last week or an earthquake would result in leveling the structure. Equipment has been moved to the yard in the rear of the City Hall and firemen are being quartered in the City Hall until permanent measures are taken. The abandonment of the fire station was ordered by the City Council after City Engineer G. M. Jain had condemned the structure. (Photos by Lee Weinstein.)

Responsibility Facing Education Board—Thatcher

In assuming control of their schools, the citizens of Torrance are faced with a challenge that should be an incentive for making the Torrance School System second to none in the State, and members of the first Torrance Board of Education should be selected for their ability to use resourceful power in accomplishing results by exercising a democratic sense of responsible leadership, Geo P. Thatcher, sales-engineer and candidate for the Torrance Board of Education, decares.

He further stated that he felt emphasis should be placed on the fundamentals in education, but Torrance being an industrial city, her students should be prepared to meet competition for desirable positions in industry.

Thatcher owns his home in Walteria. He held offices in civic, Scout and church organizations in Pasadena, and Altadena, where he lived previous to his residence here. He moved to Torrance in 1942 and entered into youth and civic work at once. He initiated P. T. A. sponsorship of supervised summer playground, P. T. A. sponsorship of Girl Scouts, Brownies and Cub Scouts. Served as Pack committeeman and is present Cubmaster of the local Cub Scout Pack. He actively promoted purchase of a recreation park in Walteria, was instrumental in the creation of a permanent war memorial in the form of a dedicated book for each service man and woman. Thatcher is immediate past president of Walteria P. T. A., chairman of Torrance Civil Service Commission, member of Torrance Recreation Commission, an alumnus of University of Southern California law school, and program chairman and Lion Tamer in the Torrance Lions' Club. Has two children, a daughter in junior high school and a son in elementary school.

January Fines, Fees in City Court $4066

From Jan. 1 to and including Jan. 31, 1947, the City Court of the City of Torrance received $4066.00 net from fines and fees. Of this sum $1276.50 are general fund monies, while $2785.50 came from vehicle violations and thus are road fund monies. One civil case was filed, fee collected $4.00.

General fund monies were collected from the following cases: Drunkenness, $721.50; boulevard stop, $168.00; parking, $93.00 and miscellaneous criminal violations $294.00.

Road fund monies were derived from the following cases: drunk driving, $1310.00; speeding, $1010.50 and miscellaneous traffic violations, $465.00.

Appearing below is the number of criminal and traffic cases actually handled and the disposition thereof:

Violation	Total	Guilty
Drunkenness	39	37
Drunk driving	13	11
Speeding	118	114
Boulevard stop	39	37
Parking	52	51
Misc. Traffic	155	129
Defective equipment repaired (susp.)	64	0
Misc. criminal	17	15
Certified to Juvenile	8	0
Felonies held to answer in Euperior Ct.	1	
Felonies dismissed	1	
Total	507	394

MEN AND FURS

Furs were worn chiefly by men in the Middle Ages, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

HOUSING RIGHT MAY BE WAIVED

The 60-day veterans preference on for-sale housing may be waived under certain conditions, it was announced today by District Director John E. McGovern, Federal Housing Administration.

"To be eligible, a builder who has received either a priority, permission to construct without priority assistance, or a federal permit for construction of residential units, must submit a request for a waiver."

"Public Notices"

CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS
(Fictitious Firm Name)

THE UNDERSIGNED do hereby certify that they are conducting a dress manufacturing business at 2013 Pacific Coast Highway, City of Lomita, County of Los Angeles, State of California, under the fictitious firm name of Salem Dress Manufacturing Company and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names and addresses are as follows, to-wit:

Carl E. Large, 1168½ Queen Anne Place, Los Angeles, Calif.
Rose Salem, 1168½ Queen Anne Place, Los Angeles, Calif.
Steve Salem, 6720-A Malabar St., Huntington Park, Calif.

WITNESS our hands this 10th day of February, 1947.

ROSE SALEM
STEVE SALEM
CARL E. LARGE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

ON THIS 10th day of February A.D., 1947, before me a Notary Public in and for said County and State, residing therein duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Carl E. Large, Rose Salem and Steve Salem, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

(SEAL) DEAN L. SEARS,
Notary Public in and for said County and State.
My Commission Expires November 19, 1947.

Feb. 13, 20, 27, March 6.

CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS
(Fictitious Firm Name)

THE UNDERSIGNED do hereby certify that they are conducting a business at 1820 Torrance Blvd., Torrance, California, under the fictitious firm name of Torrance Trailer Park, and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names and addresses are as follows, to wit:

Sam Goldfaden and May Goldfaden, 8606 Stanford Avenue, South Gate, California, and
Edward L. Voltz and Martha Bertha Voltz, 1820 Torrance Blvd., Torrance, California.

WITNESS our hands this 7th day of February, 1947.

SAM GOLDFADEN
MAY GOLDFADEN
EDWARD L. VOLTZ
MARTHA BERTHA VOLTZ

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

On this 7th day of February, A. D., 1947, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Sam Goldfaden, May Goldfaden, Edward L. Voltz and Martha Bertha Voltz, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within Instrument, and acknowledged to me That they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

CHAS. T. RIPPY,
Notary Public in and for said County and State.

Feb. 20, 27, Mar. 6, 13.

Perry School Improvements Will Continue

Perry School district will make every effort to improve its present facilities preparatory to turning the independent North Torrance plant over to the Torrance City School District, it was revealed this week by Gordon Mann, chairman of the district's board of trustees.

Having completed a real estate transaction by which the main school grounds are being enlarged to seven acres, plans are in progress and will be carried out to fence the entire area with a seven-foot cyclone fence. The previously split school ground area has been united by a real estate transaction with a neighboring property owner making it possible to include the whole area in one seven acre plot.

The school, with an enrollment of 171 students of from first through eighth grades, recently installed a cafeteria, with Parent-Teacher Association help, and last week added a new teacher to its staff. The new teacher is Mrs. Isabelle Showler, making five full time classroom teachers, according to Principal Ray Reel.

In addition, there is a nurse on half time and a music teacher who spends two part days a week with the Perry school. The cafeteria has one full time employee with one about to be added due to the increased patronage of the cafeteria.

The district owns its own school bus and next year will need new classroom facilities in the way of temporary bungadue to the rapid growth of the area.

The school also owns another site of seven acres in North Torrance, and all of the property will become the property of the Torrance City School district.

Detailed Report Of Condition Of Condemned Fire Station Presented

Below is a detailed description of the condition of the central Torrance fire station prepared by Henry M. Layne, structural engineer, at the request of City Engineer G. M. Jain, who last week condemned the structure as unsafe and as a public nuisance. Layne handled reconstruction details in connection with Brawley and Long Beach earthquake disasters and has the reputation of being one of the most qualified engineers on such subjects in the Southland. The report was presented to the City Council Tuesday night with the findings of the city engineer, and the Council concurred in Jain's recommendation that the building be abandoned by the Fire Department for all time.

"February 25, 1947

'Honorable Board of the City Council
'City Hall
"Torrance, California
"Honorable Sirs:

"On the morning of February 24th, I made an inspection, with Mr. Glenn Jain, your city engineer, of the fire station building located on Cravens Street. The following is a description of the observations made during the inspection, and the conclusions drawn therefrom:

"The building is approximately forty by sixty feet in plan and is two stories in height. The exterior bearing walls are of common brick 21"-17" and 13" thick laid up in poor quality lime mortar. The roof and floor systems are of wood with the second floor supported on steel columns and beams. The interior walls are of wood stud, wood lath and plaster except at the front stair where brick walls occur at either side.

"Both the exterior and interior of the building show evidence of considerable movement and damage which was the result of the 1941 earthquake. The exterior walls are fractured and broken in many places, especially at the brick piers and at the corners of openings. The front wall was battered some by a heavy concrete vault which is centered over the front stairway leading to the second floor. The vault moved considerably on its interior wall supports, as is indicated by the ruptured plaster and brick work where it adjoins the interior brick stair walls. The interior wood stud and plaster partitions were crushed in various places due to horizontal movement of the exterior brick walls.

"The only place that possible anchorage of the floor or roof systems to the exterior walls could be observed, was in the attic space where it was noted that the old style steel rod tee head brick anchors were installed. Several of these anchors at the front of the building were pulled almost free of the brick wall and others showed evidence of movement and poor workmanship during installation.

"It is obvious from the amount of structural damage suffered by the building in the 1941 earthquake that it would probably collapse in any future earthquake or major explosion. Any building, to withstand horizontal forces which are the result of earthquakes or heavy explosions, must have certain fundamental resisting structural elements. These structural elements are horizontal diaphragms, vertical walls or frames, and sufficient anchorage between the horizontal and vertical members to hold them together so that they resist the horizontal forces as a unit.

"The fire station building as it now stands has none of these elements which are structurally sound. The walls have failed, the second floor and roof systems are not adequate and are not properly anchored to the exterior walls. The concrete vault over the front stairway is an especially hazardous situation and would most certainly be jolted down in an earthquake or explosion.

"It is my earnest opinion, in view of the structural inadequacies of the building, that it would prove to be unsafe for occupancy in the event of an earthquake or major explosion.

"Respectfully submitted,
"Henry M. Layne,
"Structural Engineer.

"Public Notices"

88373
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 262 930

Estate of SUSAN M. TYLER, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Executor of the Last Will and Testament of said deceased, to the Creditors of, and all persons having claims against said deceased, to present them with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice, to the said Executor at the office of CHAS. T. RIPPY, 1331 Post Avenue, City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California, which said office the undersigned selects as a place of business in all matters connected with said estate, or to file them with the necessary vouchers, within six months after first publication of this notice, in the office of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles.

Dated Feb. 13, 1947.

JOHN W. GARLAND,
Executor of the Last Will and Testament of said deceased.

CHAS. T. RIPPY
Attorney for Executor
1331 Post Ave.
Torrance, Calif.
Feb. 20, 27, Mar. 6, 13.

"Public Notices"

88859
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the provisions of Section 2440 of the Civil Code of the State of California, that J. EARL TURK and MARTHA TURK, Vendor, of 20340 South Harvard Blvd., Torrance, California, intend to sell to SMITH K. CAMPBELL, Vendee, of 20340 South Harvard Blvd., Torrance, California, all that certain property consisting generally of Grocery and Meat Merchandise "ONLY" of a certain Grocery and Meat business located at 20340 South Harvard Blvd., in the city of Torrance, California, and that the purchase price thereof will be paid at 9:00 o'clock a. m. on the 18th day of March, 1947 at THE OFFICE OF HAAS, BARUCH and COMPANY in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Dated February 24, 1947

J. EARL TURK
MARTHA TURK
Vendor
and/or
SMITH K. CAMPBELL
Vendee

HAAS, BARUCH & COMPANY
421 East Second Street
Los Angeles, California
March 6

"Public Notices"

CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS
(Fictitious Firm name)

THE UNDERSIGNED do hereby certify that they are conducting a printing and publishing business at 1336 El Prado City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California, under the fictitious firm name of Torrance Herald and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names and addresses are as follows, to wit:

Grover C. Whyte, 1620 Post Ave., Torrance, California.
Edwin B. Brown, 2404 Gramercy Ave., Torrance, California.

WITNESS our hands this 10th day of February, 1947.

GROVER C. WHYTE
EDWIN B. BROWN

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

ON THIS 10th day of February, A.D., 1947, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, residing therein duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Grover C. Whyte and Edwin B. Brown, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

(SEAL)

WALTER C. BRADFORD
Notary Public in and for said County and State.
My Commission Expires May 28, 1948.

Feb. 20, 27, Mar. 6, 13.

88727
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 265195

Estate of MARY BROOKS LITSEY, also known as MARY B. LITSEY, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Executor of the Last Will and Testament of said deceased, to the Creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to present them with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice, to the said Executor at the office of ALBERT ISEN, 1307 Cabrillo Avenue, City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California, which said office the undersigned selects as a place of business in all matters connected with said estate, or to file them with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles.

Dated Feb. 26, 1947.

ELLIS P. OWEN
Executor of the Last Will and Testament of said deceased

ALBERT ISEN
Attorney for Executor
1307 Cabrillo Ave.
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