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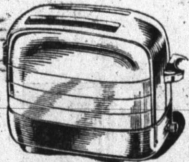
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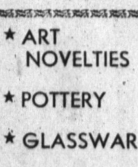
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\$2,982 Stolen Last Month

Torrance police recovered property worth \$1,784.50 of \$2,982.50 reported stolen during the month of November, according to reports compiled by Lucille Stroh, police record clerk.

Four burglaries were reported during the month and thefts numbered 22, of which only two involved \$50 or more. One auto theft was reported with the car involved being recovered. Two vehicles stolen in other communities were also recovered here. Arrests made during November totaled 72 with 25 of them for drunkenness, followed by 9 for disorderly conduct. Traffic and motor vehicle violations numbered 200; road and driving violations, 136, and parking violations 51.

Squad cars traveled a total of 8,168 miles in enforcing the law during the month and in making the arrests mentioned above.

Hawthorne and 182nd Crossing Problem Shelved

Another government subdivision, this time the City of Redondo Beach, has been injected into the controversy over traffic control at 182nd street and Hawthorne boulevard.

The Board of Supervisors, at its Tuesday meeting, adopted the recommendation of its traffic committee on the matter of conditions at the intersection of Hawthorne boulevard and 182nd street, which has been before the committee for investigation. The recommendation sends back to the Cities of Torrance and Redondo Beach the problem, since one-fourth of the intersection is in that city. One-half is in Torrance and one-fourth in unincorporated County territory, known as El Nido.

Chairman Raymond V. Darby stated that a 12-hour traffic count at this intersection was made by the County Road department on October 15. This showed an average hourly count of 509 vehicles on Hawthorne boulevard, but only 67 per hour on 182nd street. From 7 to 8 in the morning there were 889 vehicles on Hawthorne boulevard as against 18 school children pedestrians crossing the intersection; from 8 to 9 there were 463 cars as against 20 school children; and from 9 to 10 there were 360 cars as against two pedestrians.

On the basis of this traffic count, the State Division of Highways recommended that neither pedestrian nor vehicular traffic warrants any further control at that intersection, unless it be that a crossing guard be used during the hours students are crossing Hawthorne boulevard. The traffic committee concurred in this conclusion, and recommended that, inasmuch as most of this intersection is under the joint jurisdiction of Torrance and Redondo Beach, the matter of a crossing guard maintenance be referred to these two cities.

The report apparently did not take into consideration the fact that the traffic, while it might be considered light, is of a high speed type, and the intersection is not noticed until cars and trucks are "on top of it" because of the rise in Hawthorne boulevard, local leaders said.

The City of Torrance now is maintaining a crossing guard for school children there.

All-Brahms Program Due

The Brahms Cycle planned by music director and conductor Alfred Wallenstein as a highlight of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra's 29th season continues on Thursday evening, Dec. 18, and Friday afternoon, Dec. 19, when the second of five all-Brahms programs will be presented in Philharmonic auditorium.

The program to be presented on this, the fifth concert pair of 1947-48, will bring before the Philharmonic symphony-goers for the first time Leon Fleisher, 19-year-old pianist, who will play the mighty Piano Concerto No. 2 in B-flat major.

PROGRESSIVE STATE

North Carolina is one of America's progressive states. It produces a large variety of agricultural products, including peaches, pears and grapes. It produces a large amount of minerals, among which are gold, silver and copper.

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The first paper mill in colonial America was built in 1690 at Germantown, Pa., resulting from the combination of the needs of a Philadelphia printer, William Bradford, and the arrival of an ambitious German papermaker, William Rittenhouse.

Disability Insurance Plan Completes Year

Victor L. Hetzel, manager of the Department of Employment Long Beach Disability Insurance office, announces the completion of one year of activity in the payment of benefits to individuals unable to work due to disabling sickness or injury. Since Dec. 1, 1946 the Long Beach Disability Insurance office has paid \$2,004,230 to applicants eligible for disability benefits. Of this amount approximately \$200,000 was paid to claimants in the Redondo-South Bay area.

"We expect a general increase in claim load during the winter months," says Hetzel. "The anticipated upswing in the number of claims filed may be due to two factors. We will no doubt have many cases involving respiratory diseases. Also, a new change in the law, effective Jan. 1, 1948, will permit an individual to receive benefit payments for each day of disability following the seven-day waiting period. Previously, compensation was payable only for completed weeks of disability. "Particularly during this Christmas season it is a pleasure to be able to lighten somewhat, through our Department of Employment Disability Insurance program, the financial load of those unable to work due to disabling illness or injury." "Applicants who file claim now through Jan. 31, 1948, will be filing on wages paid to them from July 1, 1946 through June 30, 1947. Application forms may be secured by writing P.O. Box 468, Long Beach, or by calling at any Department of Employment office.

SCOUTS PARTY

Senior Scouts and Boy Scouts of Troop 241 will have "Parents' Night" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18 in the parish hall of St. Andrew's Episcopal church. Parents and friends of the Scouts are invited. Refreshments will be served by the Mothers' Club.

OKLAHOMA

When admitted to the Union, Oklahoma had a population larger than twenty-one other states.

DEEPEST IRON MINE

The deepest iron mine in the world is located at Ramsay, Mich.



FIVE HITS AND A MISS... Participating in a Christmas music festival to be presented by Three Arts Studio at 7:30 Tuesday night in Torrance High School auditorium are, left to right: Buddy Roger Shipley, Galen Bottin, Nancy Levesque, Edward Rickard, Jr., Gary Cope, and Jack Elliott.

Classes Slated On Unemployment Insurance Laws

A series of free classes on Unemployment and Disability Insurance laws will be held in January under the auspices of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, according to Blaine Walker, executive secretary.

Under Ralph Ward, of the State Department of Employment, the classes will be given from 2 to 4 p.m., Jan. 5, 12, 19 and 26 in the Chamber offices at 1345 El Prado.

Topics will be the problem of insecurity, history of social insurance, administration of the California Act, field organization of the Department of Employment, employers subject to the U. I. Act, source and distribution of funds, merit rating provisions of the act, methods of protecting merit rating, basic provisions of the act, disqualifications regarding unemployment insurance, filing of appeals, notices to employers, employment service functions, unemployment compensation disability benefits and servicemen's readjustment allowances.

POLICY LAID DOWN FOR NEW RELIGIOUS CLASSES

Policies and procedures for released time classes in religious instruction, available to Torrance city school students after Jan. 12, were announced when the classes were approved by the Board of Education last week.

Students of grades four, five and six may enroll for one period a week if their parents request it.

Religious groups to whom the children are released will be responsible for providing an escort to and from the place of instruction, furnishing the schools with weekly reports of attendance and seeing that the students are not detained from school longer than the allotted time.

The Torrance Inter-Faith Committee will inform all religious organizations of the conditions under which they may become affiliated with the released time program. Each organization will be required to register for the program prior to Aug. 1 or Jan. 1 in order to participate during the first or second half, respectively, of the school year.

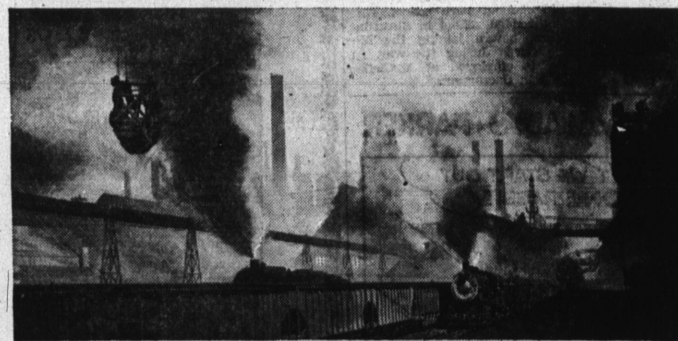
Pupils may enroll in the classes at any time during the semester provided that their parents file the regular form requesting their release, and the religious group concerned is willing to accept them.

Because of the shortened school day and the effect upon

Townsend Club No. 1

Townsend Club No. 1 will have their regular pot luck dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the Woman's Club. Everyone is asked to bring a dish.

MORE STEEL IS ON THE WAY



ONE BILLION DOLLARS Worth of New Plant Capacity Is Being Added

STEEL production in 1947 is breaking records.

More than 7,564,000 tons of ingots were turned out in October, which is more than the average monthly output during the peak year of World War II. Total tonnage for this year will be 17,000,000 tons more than the record for any previous peacetime year. This has been accomplished despite short-

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