

Four Seeking Trusteeships On Camino College Board

El Camino Junior College District will elect two members to its Board of Trustees in an election to be held May 20, 1949.

Eligible voters in all voting precincts of the junior college district will vote for one candidate from the Redondo Beach area and one candidate to represent the Hawthorne-Lawndale area.

Voters residing in the Torrance area, which is presently represented on the board by Charles V. Jones, will go to the polls to help Redondo Beach and the Hawthorne districts elect their representatives for a three-year term of office. Voters in the El Segundo area as well as the Inglewood area also will vote on the representatives from the Redondo Beach and Hawthorne districts.

Running unopposed from the Redondo Beach area is Robert Russell of 559 S. Helberta avenue. Redondo Beach, President of the present Board of Trustees and who is a candidate to succeed himself.

Three candidates are running for election to fill the vacancy left by Jordan E. Dunaway who becomes ineligible to run for reelection because of the modified ward system adopted by the Board of Trustees which was made upon recommendation of Dunaway. Candidates for this office are: Al Wilson, 13701 Kornblum avenue, Hawthorne; Harrison G. Stermer, 1303 Jefferson avenue, Hawthorne; and T. E. Frontieria, 4313 Redondo Beach boulevard, Lawndale, California.



DRIVING TESTS . . . M. A. Chamberlain (standing in photo at left) manager of the Torrance Municipal Bus Lines watches Milo Gilbert, driver, take depth perception test as part of recent safety examinations given drivers to show them their "weak" points. At right, W. E. Kruger, manager of the Drivers Safety Center's mobile testing unit determines foot reaction time of Wylton Zigler, bus driver with the local lines.—Herald Photos.



School Teachers, Leaders Given Salary Boosts

Following recent action by the Torrance Board of Education, school administrators and teachers were given boosts in salaries for the coming year ranging from two to five percent.

Teacher salaries were upped \$150, \$125, or \$100 a year according to the pay schedule adopted by the board last year. The plan provides that each year for the first five years with the Torrance Unified School District the salaries of teachers will be raised \$150. After the fifth year and until the eleventh year the yearly earnings of the instructors are boosted \$125. Thereafter the raises are \$100 a year.

The salary of J. Henrich Hull, superintendent of schools, was boosted from \$10,500 yearly to \$10,800. The raise was granted on a three to two vote of the board. George Thatchler and Carl Steele cast the dissenting votes.

Emmett Ingram, assistant superintendent and business manager of the school district, was granted an increase of \$275 for the coming year. His salary is now \$275 annually.

Minimum wage for regular credential teachers in the Torrance District is \$2850 for a teacher with no previous experience. Maximum teacher wage under the present wage scale is \$5550 for a teacher with 19 years experience.

Ingram's wage increase brings him to within 80 percent of the superintendent's salary. Normal for California for assistant superintendent's wages is between 75 and 82½ percent of that of the superintendent.

GRAND-DAUGHTER ARRIVES

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Solomon, of 1451 Post avenue, recently welcomed their second granddaughter who was born in St. John's Hospital, Santa Monica to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford N. MacDaniel, of Compton.

The baby has a sister, Lee Anne, 6. The children's mother is the former Jean Louise Solomon, of this city.

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RECREATION JOB STILL OPEN CLAIM

With the deadline set for next Sunday night for receiving applications for the position of Director of the Summer Recreation Program, members of the newly-formed Recreation Commission said this week that only two applications for the 12-week job had been received.

Bud Lee, chairman pro-tem of the commission, urged any qualified man or woman to write to the commission in care of the city hall stating their qualifications and past experience in the recreation field. A special application form is not necessary, he said. The applicant's letter would serve as an application for the job, he claimed.

Salary for the job will be approximately \$275-\$300 a month for the summertime job, Lee said.

Eddie Cole, coach at Torrance High School and playground director last year, indicated he would not apply for the job this year. He said he was enrolled at the University of Southern California for post graduate work during the coming summer.

Dave Colville, a member of the commission, told the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee meeting Wednesday noon that due to the limited budget, play areas in the city would be limited to six locations—North Torrance, Seaside Ranchos, Hollywood Riviera, Torrance City Park, Fern Avenue Annex, and Torrance High School.

He said the Teen-Age Canteen held in the Civic Auditorium on Friday nights would be under adult supervision during the summer months.

The Board of Education and the City of Torrance each pay half the salary expense of the program. The City Council at its meeting Tuesday night agreed to contribute \$5000 toward the program.

LOCAL BUS DRIVERS LEARN WEAK POINTS

When it comes to throttle pushing—plain, old, everyday busdriving, the drivers of Torrance busses are likely to get you where you are going smoother and safer.

This fact came to light as the result of a recent test given the 26 members of the local lines. Truly the test was not a test to determine whether or not any of the drivers were "good" or "bad" drivers, actually it merely indicated their weak spots and warned them where to exercise caution.

Conducted by the Driver Safety Center, an organization operated jointly by the Motor Truck Association of Southern California and the Western Line Drivers Council, the so-called unit—a Fruehauf-donated trailer parked on the city lot at El Prado and Cravens streets, during the past week.

In a mild sense the various tests given the drivers resembled the war-time commando course. Some of the "how-good-are-you-tests" as arranged by Lloyd Erleben, director of the center included some of the following means and devices:

For instance: One of the 60 questions given the drivers, "A brand new tire is likely to give you more trouble than one that has been used for some length of time? True or false?"

If you guessed that the new tire was more dependable than a tire that has been in use for a while—read up on your safety code!

Then there is a test to see if a driver sees what he sees when he sees it. For instance a driver catches a quick glimpse of a man on a motorcycle. Is it a boy on a bike, a girl on a motor scooter, or Claudette Colbert replaying the famous hitch-hiking scene from "It Happened One Night." They tell the driver, as they would you if you took the test, whether or not he sees what he thinks he sees when he sees it.

Most drivers, believe they are better than most guys on the road. Nearly every driver feels that he is a little quicker "on the draw" than the average driver. Two tests as conducted by

W. E. Kruger, manager of the mobile unit, show the driver just how quickly his reactions of the hand and foot respond to a signal. One measures the time it requires the driver to hit the break after seeing a red light. Another test reveals the same thing about hand-reaction time. One test always meets with the remark, "What a dirty trick."

The driver is told to look into a darkened box and read dimly lighted numbers. Suddenly a light flashes in the drivers eyes—like headlights coming over a hill. Nearly blinded, the driver is asked to relate how much he can see "beyond" the oncoming lights. This is always a test that takes the wind out of the sails of a would-be Barney Oldfield.

Much attention is given the eyes. Side vision is measured, night blindness is noted, as are also, the facilities of glare resistance, glare recovery, color blindness, and depth perception.

These tests arranged for by M. A. Chamberlain, manager of the Torrance Bus Lines, were not conducted as a means of classifying drivers as good or bad but for the purpose of showing each driver who took the test where his weak points were. And every driver has them.

This writer can vouch for that after running the gauntlet of tests.

The feeling one gets after taking the series of examinations is: "Not so fast buddy. You're not quite as sharp as you think you are."

As a result the next time you ride one of the buses of the Torrance Lines, sit down, read the ads, and relax. You'll get there on a ride that is bound to be smoother—and safer.

OBITUARY

SYLVIA I. FLEMING

Services were conducted in Stone & Myers Chapel Friday for Mrs. Irene Sylvia Irene Fleming, 55, of 2359 Torrance boulevard, whose death occurred May 5. Her remains were shipped to Ames, Iowa, for interment. Survivors are her daughter, Mrs. Bernice Michelson, of Battle Creek, Iowa; two sisters, Mrs. Ethel Jackson and Mrs. Oscar Sutton, residing in Iowa and two grandchildren Patricia and Micheal Michelson, of Battle Creek.

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