

## COMMUNITY CONCERT DINNER TO BE JAN. 12

Reservations are being made for the opening dinner meeting of the Torrance Community Concert Association membership campaign, it was announced today by James Lynch, president, who said that the affair will be held Monday evening, Jan. 12 in the Woman's clubhouse.

The dinner will launch the intensive campaign for the following week, during which a large corps of volunteer workers will enroll members for the recently formed association.

"Memberships are selling so rapidly in advance of the campaign," Lynch said, "that it is possible that we will be sold out in a very short time."

He advised all residents interested in attending the series of at least three top-ranking concerts by some of the world's most famous artists to be presented in the Torrance High School auditorium this coming season to join immediately.

The workers will be special guests at the dinner, where instructions and materials for the campaign will be received.

The membership fee, including the federal tax is \$6 for adults and \$3.50 for students, for a maximum of three concerts. Den Carper of the Torrance Music Shop has offered the winner of the member sales contest ending Jan. 20 a selection of any album of fine records he has in stock. Memberships in the concert association also may be purchased there.

The community concert plan was organized nearly 30 years ago as an experiment in Battle

Creek, Mich. The success of the organization, which guaranteed no financial risk through the pre-season enrollment of an "organized audience," caused many other cities to take up the idea.

In 1930 the service became a branch of Columbia Concerts, Inc. of New York, world's largest booking agency for concert artists. With established artists available in increasing numbers, Community Concerts flourished at an always increasing tempo throughout the nation.

"We know that the community appreciates good music, and through this plan we can bring cultured performances to Torrance," Lynch said. "If we cannot get a maximum of three concerts for the amount of money subscribed in the membership drive, the whole thing is off; but at the rate sales are going now, we expect a successful sellout well in advance of the Jan. 20 deadline."

### REDONDO CHIEF GOES TO F.B.I. TRAINING SCHOOL

Richard B. Hood, special agent in charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Los Angeles, announces the appointment of Chief A. Lowell Hopkins, Redondo Beach Police department, to attend the FBI National Academy in Washington, D. C.

The FBI National Academy provides a three months course of instruction in police training in the latest methods of crime detection.

## Incorrect Motor License Fees Cause Delays

Many motorists are submitting incorrect fees for duplicate registration cards and certificates of ownership, causing themselves unnecessary delay, Edgar E. Lampton, director of motor vehicles, disclosed.

"Fees for duplicates of these documents have been raised from fifty cents to one dollar," Lampton explained.

"The new fees have been in effect since July 1, 1947 but there still are many application blanks in the field which bear the old amount. Applicants should remember that the duplicate fee now is one dollar."

The Department of Motor Vehicles announces that license renewal will be conducted from Jan. 2 to Feb. 4. Private passenger car owners renewing by mail should not forget to add \$3 to their present fee and round the amount off to the nearest dollar. The minimum 1948 fee is \$7.00.

## REGULAR FELLERS—Slight Hindrance



## SANTA VISITS PUEBLO DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Santa Claus arrived a day late and he had a truck full instead of a sleigh full but the result was the same—lots of nice toys for lots of kids.

To many children gathered at the big party at the Pueblo

Community Center Friday evening it may have seemed even more like Christmas than the day before. There were toys aplenty for all. J. G. Caldwell, who spearheaded the drive for used toys in the First Welfare

District, had seen to that. After launching an appeal early in December, collection centers were set up in various parts of Torrance, Gardena and Long Beach which comprise the First District. The hearty response

showed that to many throughout the three communities, Christmas was truly the season of unselfish giving.

The playthings, many of which were well used, had to be fixed and repainted before they would

make worthy gifts. This work was carried on by Caldwell and his wife as well as a retired engineer, L. H. McNitt, and an interior decorator, L. N. Igou.

Finally after a lot of work the toys were ready to be divided between the three communities.

## Torrance Student Acts As Delegate To Kansas Meet

Bill Moon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Moon, 1024 Amapola st., is serving as a delegate from the University of Southern California campus to Disciple Student's Fellowship convention now in progress at the University of Kansas.

Moon, a sophomore majoring in architecture, is representing Campbell Club, a Christian church organization on campus. The convention, which started Dec. 27 and is continuing to Jan. 1, will include delegates from over 150 colleges throughout the United States. Among the objectives of the meeting is the drafting of a constitution for the Disciple Student Fellowship.

At the same time, 1800 other delegates will be at the University of Kansas for the national convention of the Student's Volunteer Movement, an interdenominational organization.



## WHEN THE CLOCK STRIKES TWELVE

When the clock's enthusiastic hands wend their way to 12, midnight . . . and the bells intone the New Year . . . resounding throughout your home . . . it will sound our best wishes for a New Year full of happiness, attainment and good health. And with the New Year we resolve to serve you even better than we have been able to do in the year gone by . . . so everybody . . . HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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