

Doug Tillotson Wins Election At Occidental

Douglas Lee Tillotson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley T. Tillotson, 2525 Via La Selva, has been elected president of the Associated Men Students of Occidental College.

Tillotson, a junior majoring in education, was the former secretary of the association. He is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, a social fraternity.

L.A. Councilman Warns of Higher City Tax Rate

A warning that the Los Angeles city tax rate will rise to 17 cents next year unless additional revenue sources are developed was made by L. A. Councilman Harold Henry, Monday in commenting on Mayor Brown's finance message to the council.

"If more money is taken from the reserve fund," Henry declared, "the tax rate will go to 17 cents next year. It is apparent, if property taxes are to be held at their present level, we must find other methods of getting revenue."

The council then urged the finance and the revenue and taxation committees to start an immediate study of the possibility of imposing new excise taxes.

BUSY FBI
In the fiscal year 1947-48 the FBI handled and solved 33 kidnapping cases.



IN TUNE . . . In harmony with the spirit of Christmas, J. E. Smits, (left) superintendent of Harbor General Hospital, accepts gifts given the hospital by the Torrance Rotary Club. Making like Santa Claus are John Melville, community service chairman, and Dr. Arthur Berke, chairman of the Rotary youth committee. —Herald photo.

Arraignment Due For Man Mum on Missing Money

Clyde Hill, 33, of 2215 Torrance boulevard, is due to be arraigned in Superior Court in Long Beach today for his part in an episode which, according to court records, left a Redondo Beach woman poorer by 500.

Mrs. Augusta K. Ferner, in her complaint said she met the defendant early in December near the unemployment office. The defendant said he knew of a man who would do the job she wanted for \$75—namely to tail her husband.

Sometime later, Mrs. Ferner claims, Hill's acquaintance took \$500 from the glove compartment of her car.

"You had better not tell the police about this," Mrs. Ferner said the unknown stranger told her.

Hill was held to answer on grand theft charges in Judge Otto B. Willet's court on December 8 when he refused to identify his friend.

State Legislature Passes Resolution
A resolution co-authored by Assemblyman Carley V. Porter requesting the maintenance in operation of the Long Beach Naval Shipyard was passed by the Legislature in special session at Sacramento.

According to Assemblyman Porter the resolution memorializes Congress to take such steps as may be necessary to maintain the shipyard in operation to the fullest possible extent.

Assemblyman Porter pointed out that not only will many thousands of skilled civilian workers be unemployed but the security of the West Coast in event of a national emergency would be endangered.

Lone Ranger Rides Again On Rotary-Donated Radios

The Lone Ranger rides again for children at Harbor General Hospital who are now back "in the know" as the result of three radios donated to the children's ward by Torrance Rotary Club.

For many children in the pediatric ward, the radios will mean a "contact" with home, a nurse said Friday. The absence of their favorite radio hero, is what almost all the children miss the most, the nurse added.

The radios, presented by John Melville and Dr. Arthur Berke, Rotary representatives, were part of the local club's presents to youth in the area.

The club also gave the Salvation Army 59 tricycles for distribution to needy children in the Torrance area.

Two Telephones Reported Stolen

Gil Bennett, 2424 Cabrillo avenue, told police Sunday he stepped into a phone booth at 218th street and Cabrillo avenue to discover the instrument had been stolen.

Also reported stolen was the pay-station telephone in a booth at Lincoln and Arlington avenues.

A desire by the thieves to rifle the coin box was believed by police to have been the motive for stealing the phones.

'LUCK' WITH DRIVER IN CAR CRASH

Charles Bowden, 1925 Crenshaw boulevard, had an accident early Saturday morning described as "lucky"—both good and bad.

Returning from a dance in Redondo, Bowden told police he lost control of his car on Pacific Coast Highway near Newton street striking the curb and turning over into the adjacent field. He escaped unhurt, which was lucky, he claims.

He was driving a borrowed car, which was unlucky, he said.

Lester McCluer was the owner of the car, he told local police.

Walton Named New Ideco Vice Prexy

Election of George W. Walton as executive vice-president and member of the Board of Directors of the International Derrick & Equipment Company, a subsidiary of Dresser Industries Inc., was announced in Dallas, Texas this week by J. M. Gardner, Ideco president.

Walton joined Ideco in 1944, and as vice president in charge of the company's Machinery and Export Sales Division, gained both a national and international reputation for his knowledge of oil field equipment, Gardner pointed out.

His early association with the oil business was as a representative of the National Supply Company, serving three years in this country and two in London, England. Later associations were with the Wilson-Snyder Mfg. Company where he developed the mud pump program; with EMSCO as vice president and sales manager; and with Unit Rig and Equipment Company as sales manager.

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Hot Combine Booked for Tonight's Teen Snow Ball

Frank Sclarotta, his hot trumpet, and his band have been booked for the Teen Agers Snow Ball to be held tonight, starting at 8 p.m. at the local VFW Hall.

Members of the Torrance Teen Agers, who are sponsoring tonight's dance urged early purchase of tickets today. Tickets may be procured from members of the dance committee which includes Janet McClure, Eddie Carroll, Betty Smith, Jerry Moore, Marilyn Finch and Jimmy Taylor.

Although the complete program of dancing, refreshments and floor show will continue until midnight, doors will close at 9 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the "gate" by late arrivals.

A "semi-formal" affair, the mode of dress will be white blouses or sweaters and skirts for the girls; sport clothing for the fellows.

All proceeds of the dance will constitute the Teen Agers appropriation toward establishment of a local Teen Age Center.

Disabled Pay Hits \$353,662 In 3-Year Span

Disabled workers in the Torrance area received a total of \$353,662.63 from the State Disability Fund during the first three years of operation of the California disability insurance system, V. L. Hetzel, manager of the Long Beach district disability insurance office of the California Department of Employment, announced today upon the third anniversary of the program's beginning.

Disability insurance is payable to persons who suffer non-occupational illness or injury, and who are covered by the California Unemployment Insurance Act. Benefits first became payable in December of 1946. Annual payments by the Long Beach district office since totaled \$2,264,315.00 in 1947, \$2,243,730.94 in 1948, and \$3,157,871.96 in the first 11 months of 1949, Hetzel said.

OBITUARY

WILLIAM ROBERT FEWELL
Interment in Dupont Cemetery in Dupont, Indiana, will follow services to be conducted in Shelbyville, for William Robert Fewell, 40, of 1428 West 222 street.

Mr. Fewell, a resident of Torrance for the past two years, died December 16 at his home. The remains were shipped Monday to Shelbyville by Stone and Myers Mortuary. Surviving are Mrs. Ruby Elizabeth Sparks, a sister of Long Beach; James Arnold Fewell and Charles Raymond Fewell, both brothers of Shelbyville; and two nieces and a nephew.

INFANT GIRL GULLEY
Graveside services were conducted Saturday for Infant girl Gulley who died December 15 at a local hospital. Rev. U. S. Schauer conducted the rites. The infant was interred in Inglewood Park Cemetery. Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Gulley, 1531 Torrance boulevard; a brother, Steven; and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gulley, Stone and Myers were in charge of funeral arrangements.

HENRY JACOB FLOCK
Services were held yesterday at White and Day Chapel in Redondo Beach for Henry Jacob Flock, 421 Via La Selva, who passed away Sunday. He is survived by the widow, Bertha A. Flock.

LYNCHING RARE
Statistics for 1948 show only two unmistakable cases of lynching.

Runs Ceramic Shoppe
Miss Marge Dunham, queen contestant in the 1948 "Miss Torrance" competition is the proprietor of a studio art shop at 21617 Halldale avenue.

Miss Dunham, who recently perfected a formula for painting ceramics which does not require firing, is specializing in plaster craft objects.

LAST MINUTE GIFT ITEMS

- PROCTOR POP-UP TOASTERS \$5.95
- OTHER \$16.95 Value POP-UP TOASTERS \$13.50
- Waffle Irons \$7.50
- MIXERS \$24.50 \$32.50 and up
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- CORY and SILEX COFFEE MAKERS \$3.75
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SEASON'S GREETINGS

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THERE IS STILL TIME

Yes there is still time to buy those last minute gifts. We still have the best selection of childrens clothing and toys in town.

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