

Young Baritone Enters Water Kent Auditions

Charles S. Root, high school senior, of 4801 Torrance boulevard, has entered this year's 10,000 Atwater Kent Auditions for one of the 10 prizes that will be offered by the philanthropic organization during 1951. The 18-year-old baritone will enter preliminary auditions which will begin soon after the first of the year.



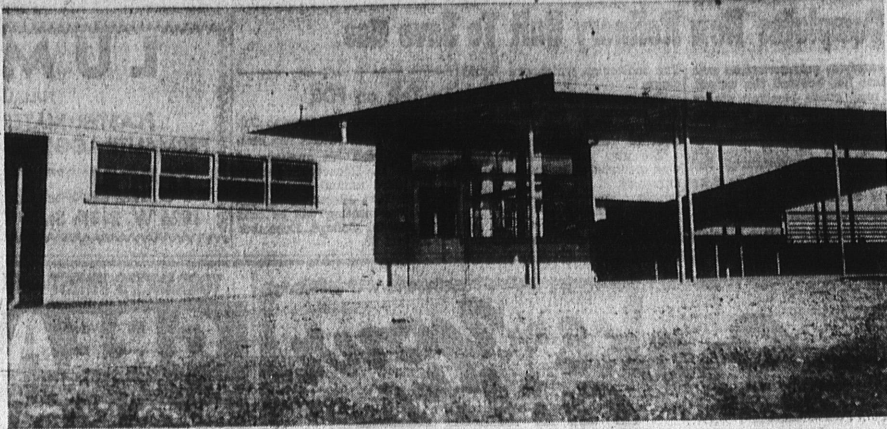
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NEW WALTERIA SCHOOL WHICH WILL OPEN AFTER CHRISTMAS VACATION

Navy Expands Air Program

The Airman Recruit Program of the United States Navy has been expanded considerably commencing this month, reported Chief Robert S. Kronberger of the Navy Recruiting Station in Gardena this week. Full information on the Airman Recruit program may be obtained at the Navy Recruiting Station at V.F.W. Hall, 1822 Market street, Gardena. This station is equipped to give the Armed Forces Qualification Test and preliminary physical examination for this Naval Aviation Program.

Institute Boys To Attend Party

A Christmas party will be given to 35 boys from the Spanish-American Institute December 21 by El Camino College Bells, a service organization. The party will be held at 7:30 p. m. in the college cafeteria, according to Mary Ellen Burke, club president.

The boys, ranging in age from 9 to 14 years, will be shown movies and served refreshments. The Bells will present individual gifts to the boys.

HIGH DEATH RATE

Persons, 65 years old or over have the highest traffic death rate of any age group.

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The office of U. S. attorney general was created by Congressional act in 1789.

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Dr. Eugene Cook New Staff Chief

Dr. Eugene L. Cook was voted to serve as chief of staff at the Torrance Memorial Hospital at the December meeting of the staff.

Elected to serve as assistant chief of staff was Dr. Earl E. Madden of Redondo Beach, while Dr. Rodney A. Stetson was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Drs. Howard A. Wood, Charles T. LaFrance and Richard C. Schaefer were appointed to the executive committee.

Installation of the new officers will take place at the annual staff dinner scheduled for January 9, 1951.

LOCAL BOY JOINS NAVY

Gerald Lee Entis, 1226 Greenwood avenue, enlisted in the U. S. Navy on December 12, and is now at San Diego undergoing basic training.

Gerald enlisted at Navy Recruiting Station Gardena, located in VFW Hall, corner of Western and Market streets.

Chief R. S. Kronberger, recruiter-in-charge, states that requirements having been lowered, the Navy is now taking men with dependents. The age limits remain from 17 to 31.

BIGGEST PIPELINE

Largest natural gas pipeline in the U. S. will run from the lower Texas Gulf coast to Chicago. It will be 1,400 miles long.

Walteria School To Open After Christmas Holidays

Designed for beauty and learning, the ultra-modern Walteria elementary school will open its gates for the first time to some 240 eager youngsters after the Christmas holidays.

The \$200,000 ocean and yellow plant on Madison street between Pacific Coast highway and Newton will make its debut on January 2nd according to present plans, John Shidler, president of the Board of Education, announced today.

Pacific Hills Developer Wins National Honors

Second prize in the 1950 neighborhood development contest was awarded last week to K. Sande Senness, developer of the Pacific Hills area in South Torrance.

Sponsored by the National Association of Home Builders, the award to Senness was made in the class of projects for economic units or more. The announcement of the award was made in Washington, D.C. last week.

Commenting on the Pacific Hills development which was the basis of the award to the Torrance developer, the judges said: "The subdividing of an irregular shaped tract had been well handled. The jury felt the house plan was good, particularly the privacy of the living room and its orientation to the garden."

Bob LeBlanc Completes Radio Course

Private First Class Robert W. LeBlanc graduated this week from the Air Force Communications School at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, it was announced by the base commander, Colonel George W. Pardy.

Graduated as an Air Force radio mechanic, Pfc. LeBlanc is qualified to perform installation and maintenance of ground and airborne communications equipment, thereby serving a vital need in the World Wide Air Force Communications system.

Pfc. LeBlanc, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. LeBlanc, 1614 Madrid avenue, graduated from Torrance High School and has been on active duty with the Air Force since October 10, 1949.

Prior to entering the Scott communications school, Pfc. LeBlanc completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

EARLY COAL USERS

The English used coal as early as 1300 A.D.

Local Post Office To Close Early

With the exception of one stamp window, all windows at the Torrance Post Office will close at noon on Saturday, December 23, Mrs. Clara Conner, postmaster, announced this week.

The stamp window will remain open until 5 p. m. After that time local residents may obtain postage from an automatic stamp machine in the lobby.

The post office will return to normal schedule on Tuesday, December 26.

Housewife Gets 30-Day Suspend Jail Sentence

A thirty-day suspended jail sentence was handed out last Friday to an 18-year-old mother of two who admitted taking a pair of diamond rings valued at \$350 from the window sill of her landlady while the two women chatted and had a cup of coffee.

Sentenced by City Judge Otto B. Willett was Mrs. Lorraine Reinberger, of 24220 Ocean Ave. Back in possession of her rings is Mrs. Mary L. Frisby of 24222 Ocean avenue.

According to Detective Sergeant Percy Bennett, Mrs. Frisby first thought she had misplaced the rings but upon becoming suspicious early last week, began a systematic check of pawn shops in the area. She discovered her rings had been hooked with a San Pedro pawn broker for \$50.

Mrs. Reinberger later admitted taking the rings and refunded the money from the rings.

Because she refunded the money before coming to trial, a grand theft charge was reduced to petty theft.

NEW CARS ORDERED

Class I railroads in the first five months of 1950 ordered about 35,000 new freight cars, nearly seven times as many as were ordered in the same period of 1949.

OREGON VISITOR

Mrs. Josephine Smith, of Ashland, Ore., is here to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Perry G. Smith, 2304 Torrance boulevard. This is Mrs. Smith's first visit at her son's home in 19 years, and her stay here, while brief, is being filled with pleasant entertainment and family reminiscence.

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