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Trustees To Hear Bus Issue

Parents of 26 students at North Torrance Elementary School who balked at sending their children to school last Monday unless school bus transportation was furnished were informed this week that the buses would continue to operate on a temporary basis.

A group of seven women and three men called on Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools, Monday morning to push their demands for transportation. Dr. Hull told the delegation that since they lived beyond the 1½-mile limit any special consideration would have to come from the Board of Education. He promised the group, however, that the buses would continue to run until the next Board meeting, at which time the issue would be brought before the five-member board.

"The feelings of these people who live only slightly closer than the 1½-mile limit is understandable. However," Dr. Hull explained, "if the Board were to lower the limit to 1¼ miles the number of children who then would be eligible to ride the bus would necessitate the purchase of at least three, and possibly four, new buses. These cost approximately \$15,000 each. The Board has adopted the policy of spending as little on transportation equipment, gasoline, and drivers' salaries as is possible and instead to invest those savings in the construction of new schools. It is the aim of the Board eventually to have 'neighborhood' schools within walking distance of all students."

Disturbing to the North Torrance parents also is the presence of a Los Angeles Elementary School only seven blocks distant from the homes of the complaining parents. The school, Denker Avenue Elementary School, can only accept children of parents who live in Los Angeles.

The State requires school districts to transport all students to school who live beyond two miles. The Torrance Unified School District lowered this to 1½ miles, Dr. Hull pointed out. Members of the Board of Education will meet next on October 9. The regular meeting scheduled for October 2 was postponed because some of the Board will be attending a school trustees convention in San Jose.

Tuna Packers to Get Biggest Share of American Can's Output

American Can Company's huge new plant, capable of producing 350,000,000 cans per year—or more than two cans for every man, woman, and child in the U.S.—will officially be dedicated Friday morning, September 28.

The new plant, located at Main street and Sepulveda boulevard, in the most part will furnish cans for the rapidly expanding tuna canneries.

R. K. Frederick, who comes to the plant as manager from Honolulu, where he was the assistant plant manager, stated that without metal containers the local tuna industry would find it difficult, if not impossible, to market fish from Pacific waters throughout the world.

Construction of the one-story, steel, brick and concrete plant was started more than a year ago. When the plant gets into



YOUR NAME, PLEASE? . . . Mrs. Mel Howard (left), chairman of staff assistance of the Torrance branch of the Red Cross and Mrs. Clifford Easley, blood recruitment chairman, take last-minute reservations for the visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile at the Civic Auditorium this afternoon. Residents wishing to donate should contact headquarters here at Torrance 3447. (Herald photo).

TORRANCE DEER HUNTER 'FOUND' IN MOUNTAINS

A weekend probing of the Sierra Nevada mountains for a missing Torrance deer hunter was called off Tuesday when search crews found him in his camp near Cliff Lake, according to press dispatches from Fresno.

Identified only as Ray Reese of Torrance in the dispatches, the hunter was reported to have told sheriff's deputies that he had been in camp since Sunday.

Friends here identified the "lost" hunter as Raymond Reese of 3711 Garnet, a welder with the city bus department. He is hunting in the Sierra Nevada with Captain Ernie Ashton of the Torrance Police Department, Paul Hughes and his son Lloyd, Glen Kirkoff and five unidentified men from Watertown.

There was no information here about how the search was started, and friends were at a loss to explain the story appearing in wire dispatches.

"I'll bet Ray wishes he'd stayed home and hunted rabbits," one of his co-workers said, explaining that Reese raises rabbits as a hobby in his back yard.

full production it will allow the Los Angeles plant to manufacture more cans for the frozen fruit juice industry, which canned more than 2,000,000 gallons of concentrated lemonade last year—only one year after the product was placed on the market.

Ceremonies dedicating the 259,000 square foot plant will be held at 11 a.m. tomorrow. An open house for the public will be held Saturday from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Nickle Will Still Buy the Herald Publisher Says

While the Los Angeles Examiner announced yesterday it was upping its per copy price of seven cents, Grover C. Whyte, publisher of the Torrance Herald, said no price increase of the Herald was anticipated.

The Examiner is raising its price on midweek copies to 10 cents, effective October 1. Other "uptown mags" are expected to follow the Examiner's price hike too.

Final Appeal Made for Blood Donations Today

A pint of your blood may mean the difference between life and death for some American soldier on the Korean battle front.

There is one catch to it, however, the soldier can't come after it, so you have to send it to him.

To make this task simpler, the Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the Torrance Civic Auditorium from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m. today to collect blood donated by citizens of this area.

Mrs. Clifford Easley, blood recruitment chairman for the Torrance branch, says:

"Telephone for an appointment now at Torrance 3447 or 3448."

Mrs. Easley and the entire staff of the Torrance branch of the American National Red Cross will be on hand this afternoon at the Civic Auditorium to assist the blood recruitment program.

Chief Asks for Slight Shuffle of Department

Police Chief John Stroth asked the City Council Tuesday night to reorganize the police department to allow for an assistant chief, a captain, and a lieutenant instead of three captains as at present.

His request was referred to the Civil Service Commission for recommendation at an early date.

Dials Due by 1953 Phone Company Says

Flatly and unconditionally denied yesterday by telephone officials was a rumor that dial phones for Torrance were "out" for the immediate future and possibly as long as the present critical material shortage exists.

F. Y. Snyder, district manager for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, said the rumor "was untrue."

The rumor had reached officials of several local industries and was considered reliable enough to prompt action by the head of one local firm.

Brought to the Herald by a lesser-light within the telephone company itself was the report that proposed installation of automatic equipment here had been re-routed to another area, said to be engaged in extensive defense work.

Snyder said the company was progressing with the new building now under construction on Craven avenue at Engracia avenue and that installation of automatic equipment would start as soon as the building was completed. He said the building should be ready about February of 1952.

Installation of the automatic equipment should require approximately another year, according to A. B. Smith, manager of the Torrance and Lomita exchanges.

John Gibson To Address Association

City Councilman John S. Gibson of Los Angeles will be the guest speaker on Tuesday night during the October 2 meeting of the Shoestring Community Association in the Nazarene Church at corner of Carson street and Denker avenue.

Harold Unander, president of the association, urges all residents of the Shoestring Strip to be present and to participate in the question and answer period to follow Gibson's talk. The meeting is to start at 8 p.m.

Construction For New Super Market Started

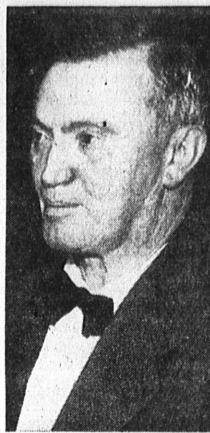
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Lester Weisz, vice-president of the company which owns five other super markets, said last Thursday during simple ground breaking ceremonies that the \$600,000 project would include also some smaller stores for barber shop, cleaning plant, and similar businesses.

Due to be completed within 120 working days, the concrete brick building is to be erected in the northwest corner of the large lot, which is likewise on the northwest corner of the intersection. Parking space, marked and black topped, will allow for 350 cars to park in front of the huge market.

Asked how the owners decided to build in Torrance, Jack Kennedy, the president, said: "We like the balance between residential area and industrial area in Torrance. Such a balance indicates a stable community and one which can not help but show great growth."

The owners feel that they will be able to better serve this area due to an efficient distribution system they will inaugurate when they complete another store currently under construction on Highway 101 in Redondo Beach. Other locations of Jim Dandy markets are Inglewood, Bell, Los Angeles, and Westchester.



ALUMINUM PRODUCER . . . Leo M. Harvey, a heavyweight scrapper in the lightweight field. (Herald photo).

Sunday Will Be Longest Day of Year--25 Hours

Officially summer may have ended September 21, but for most Californians it won't officially be over till next Sunday morning at 2 a.m., when the state goes off Daylight Saving Time.

If Torrance residents want to make the switch back "right and proper-like," they should stay up until 2 a.m. on September 30 and when the chimes sound the hour, set the clock back to 1 a.m. and wait for daylight.

On April 27 of 1952, California will return to Daylight Saving Time under the terms of the initiative law of the state.

For persons planning to catch trains, planes and buses on Sunday, the best advice appears to be to call the depot. Some schedules will change with the time—others will not.

Like Living In Boiler Factory, Residents Say

Complaints of residents of the Pacific Hills area that the nearby Torrance Sand and Gravel Company made life for the residents of the area "like living in a boiler factory" were being investigated this week by City Attorney James Hall.

Appearing before the City Council Tuesday night were several residents of the area who protested that the company was abusing its land use permit in stacking huge piles of gravel "virtually in our back yards."

Noisy equipment starting as early as 6 a.m., Sundays included, were declared to be disturbing to children and other late sleepers in the area.

Whether the company is in violation of its city permit will be determined by Hall and reported at the next meeting of the City Council.

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Pearson Attacks Harvey

An all-out gang war between the Aluminum industry's "Big Three" and Harvey Machine Company broke out into the open this week following the local company's move to "muscle-in" on the raw aluminum producing field.

Drew Pearson, wearing the battle scars of many previous political scraps, jumped into the fray when he charged on a recent nationwide broadcast that Leo M. Harvey, president of the Harvey Plant on Western avenue, and his company were seeking a political loan when the company sought a \$46,000,000 government loan.

The local company, through their public relations department, lashed back at the bombastic Pearson, saying:

"... this is an attempt to belittle our efforts, the efforts of our employees, and to blacken our characters."

Harvey's application for the loan to build a raw aluminum producing plant at Kalispell, Montana, to feed aluminum to his plant here, was approved in Washington. As the company had its hand out to receive the check, another Washington agency put a "hold" on the payment of the loan. The Defense Electric Power Administration launched a survey to determine whether sufficient electrical power was available to operate the Kalispell plant when and if it were constructed.

Only this week Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson sent telegrams to the "Big Three" and Harvey asking their reactions to a plan to shift the western aluminum producing plants out of the "critical" electrical supply area.

Meanwhile, scrappy Leo Harvey, who built his plant from a humble start in a backyard garage, came out fighting. "Our company has been the target of constant sniping since we applied for the loan," he said through his public relations department.

"The entire campaign has been aimed to force us to withdraw from the raw aluminum field," he claims.

Without naming any names Harvey said:

"The reports aired recently concerning our loan are irresponsible."

Still a third development in Washington took place this week when a House committee on Tuesday decided to investigate Harvey's loan.

To this Harvey stated: "We will welcome a full and impartial investigation by a qualified committee. It is time that the need for aluminum was made public."

The company states that they were forced to buy imported aluminum at "double prices" to keep its Torrance plant supplied after the "Big Three" showed a reluctance to meet Harvey's request for raw aluminum.

"We need the Kalispell plant to feed metal to our Torrance plant if we are to keep our 1400 workers gainfully employed," according to a company release.

"As far as electrical power, we have been assured that the Hungry Horse Dam now under construction will be able to supply us with ample power to operate our proposed plant. We will not draw from the power produced at Bonneville Dam as the case with other aluminum producers," claims Harvey.

The three largest producers of aluminum at present are Alcoa, Reynolds, and Kaiser.

U. S. Sixth Army Signs Pact With Harbor Hospital

Nearby Harbor General Hospital is one of 11 civilian hospitals in the Greater Los Angeles area with which the Armed Forces has made arrangements to provide emergency medical treatment for service personnel. It was announced this week by Col. Sidney F. Dunn, chief of the Sixth Army's Southern California sub-district.

In addition, all public and private hospitals through Southern California are authorized to care for military personnel involved in dire emergency cases, Col. Dunn stated.

The program was established in order to expedite treatment of military personnel injured or

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