NORTH TORRANCE TATTLER

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The children of Perry Elementary School have been sad these past two weeks. You see, Roy E. Patterson, 17348 Yukon avenue, senior custodian of the school suffered a heart attack. Mr. Patterson, better known to his little friends as "Pat," has been at the school for three years and a resident of our area for 12 years. The wishes of many are that soon again Mr. Patterson will be seen at his duties at Perry and spending his leisure hours at his favorite pastime, fishing.

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Seems this is birthday month in these parts. At a pot-luck dinner followed by square dancing at the Dave Dyers, this past Saturday, four birthdays were honored. A beautiful cake served 18 guests, those having birthdays were Mrs. Betty Johnson, Mrs. Myrtle Dyer, Mrs. Eleanor Black and Delbert Alford. Congratulations to all.

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The friends of Melvin Ballenger Sr. are very unhappy to hear that he is in Torrance Memorial Hospital suffering from a gland infection. We sincerely hope to see Mr. Ballenger bowling as usual in the very near future.

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Lenis Smith, 17512 Arlington avenue, a junior at Torrance Elga School, didn't get to the field this week. He broke his arm during football practice.

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Community Church Ladies were called to a " "come as you are" breakfast this week at the home of Mrs. Bob Richter, 17208 Crenshaw boulevard. Fourteen showed up to enjoy the coffee. The Community Church holds Sunday school at McMaster Hall, 174th and Yukon avenue for some 65 or 70 children. All are welcome. An adult class follows the Sunday school with volunteers as teachers.

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The Boy Scout doughnut drive got under way this past Saturday and was off to a flying start with 300 dozen orders taken the first day. Boy Scout Leader Delbert Alford will have stands located in front of both Verburg dairies (the old Rosebud on Crenshaw boulevard recently purchased by Verburg) Saturday October 27. Troop 761 will sell doughnuts through the day.

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Dave and Myrtle Dyer did all right as "Little Red Riding Hood" and the 'Big Bad Wolf" at the adult costume dance sponsored by the NTCIA at McMaster Hall Saturday, Oct. 20. They walked away with first prize for both men and ladies. Two squares were swinging their partners the major part of the evening. Many unusual costumes do-si-doed and many wondered what Myrtle had in her little basket!

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Hey kids, didja know Monty Montana is going to be at the Perry School PTA Carnival come this Saturday, Oct. 26. I heard tell he'd arrive around 5 o'clock.

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Welcome home to Mary Carroll, 3229 West 170th street, who has been in Seaside Memorial Hospital from October 3 to 19. Also to Mrs. William Sinclair of 17026 Glenburn, who recently spent some time in the hospital. Virginia Gatti is also on the mend.

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Walt Bronson, Cub Scoutmaster of Pack 761-C, reports a very nice time was had at the wiener roast in Torrance Park by this group. At least 10 families were present at the first "after-dark" affair for the boys.

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Just a word of warning to you who haven't as yet fortified yourselves with plenty of "treats" for the ghosts, clowns and goblins who will come "trick or treating" this Halloween. The NTCIA will play host to the many revelers of this area with games and prizes for the best costumes at McMaster Hall on the eve of October 31.

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The Ed Collinses and daughter Sally, 17025 Crenshaw boulevard, spent the Sunday at La Crescenta visiting relatives.

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Miss Shirley Winthers was the recipient of a very lovely bridal shower given by Mrs. Victor Winthers and Mrs. Arnold Lopez at the latter's home last Friday. Forty guests were served cake and punch.

On Monday Mrs. Winthers became the bride of William Coffman of Wilmington at the First Lutheran Church in Torrance. Rev. Paul Wenske officiated. Miss Winthers, dressed in an eggshell suit carrying an orchid corsage, was accompanied by her sister Carol as maid of honor. Carol wore a grey suit and carried yellow roses. Both had navy accessories.

A reception was held at the church and guests shared the wedding cake and punch. Mr. and Mrs. William Coffman will reside in Wilmington.

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The "men behind the scenes" of the Perry PTA Carnival met at the home of H. L. McGeachy to discuss the building of the booths and to determine the games that will be in operation. Soon now the hammers will be pounding in preparation for the big evening, Friday October 26.

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I just can't let down Mrs. Germain, 17019 Casimir avenue. Seems she is loaded with pets she would like to see placed in good homes. Five puppies and two kittens (with seven claws). Wanta pet? Animal, that is!

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Gail Marie Adamson, 17027 Glenburn avenue in her best Sunday dress played hostess to the younger set Oct. 17. Those honoring Gail on her fourth birthday were: Cousins Johnnie and Jimmie Allison, Ken Brewer, Cheryl Ann Montgomery, Larry and Stevie Micanson, Mike Fadick and Joan and Sandra Vann. All the candles were blown out on the cake and it soon disappeared along with the ice cream and punch. Each child carried home favors in memory of a gay time. Many hapy returns, Gail!

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The Bill Wrights of 18238 Roslin avenue are "dog-sitting" again! The John Slatten family, 18328 Roslin avenue, are spending the weekend in Ventura with Mr. Clatter's brother and meanwhile the family pet is spending a weekend at the Wright home.

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Cousins, cousins by the dozens! Well, at least 13 showed up at the home of Mrs. Florence K. Boehme of 3127 West 188th street. A reunion of the Kelly sisters of Iowa after a separation of several years brought Mrs. Edna R. Woodruff, Mrs. Boehme of Torrance and Mrs. Bette J. Prouty of San Bernardino. The cousins enjoying the get-together were: Charles, Junior and Johnnie Boehme; Bob, Rusty, Sandy, Kathy and Stevie Prouty and the Woodruff children consisting of Dennis, Judith, Nancy, Phyllis and Donna. Whee . . . !