



"JUST A LITTLE BIT OF IRELAND" . . . Shore 'n its a bit o' blarney John Dolaghan is giving El Camino College colleens. Listening intently to John's stories of the homeland are Sally Cunningham of Manhattan Beach and Lois Jones of Redondo Beach, seated to the left and right of him respectively. On the campus center steps are (left to right) Carol Lenzki, Gardens; Judy Palmer, Hermosa Beach; and Marian McDonald of Torrance. Dolaghan, a native of Ireland, moved to America three years ago. He attended Ingewood High School and now studies at El Camino.

Lomita Man Held As Suspect in \$10,000 Vending Firm Burglary

A Lomita man with \$1048 in small change in his possession was arrested in Las Vegas Tuesday in connection with the theft of 700 pounds of nickels, dimes and quarters—\$10,000 worth—from a Long Beach vending machine firm Sunday.

Long Beach police believe that the man, Delbert Chapman, 41, of 1746 261st St., may be connected with the burglary of the Staber Vending Machine Co., 1224 South St.

Chapman's brother-in-law, Edward I. Doll, 31, of 138 Harbor Hills, Lomita, was picked up by police shortly after Chapman's arrest and booked for investigation of carrying a concealed weapon and suspicion of burglary. Doll is a serviceman for the vending machine company.

Police said they found a .25 caliber automatic in Doll's car when he was arrested Tuesday. Investigation showed that Chapman paid a long standing grocery and meat bill Sunday afternoon in Lomita with \$390 in quarters. Then, officers said, he persuaded the grocer to write him a check for an additional \$500 in dimes.

The suspect gave his two young sons \$11 for food and

Original One-Act Play Tournament Underway at THS

An event that would be unique in a college, but is practically unheard of in high school circles is the Torrance High School Original One-Act Play Tournament, which is scheduled to hit the boards March 27, according to Louis Bereskin, faculty supervisor.

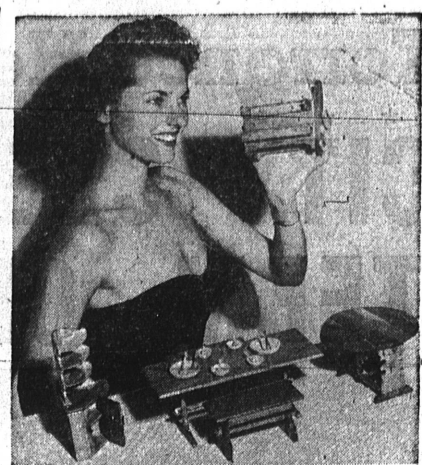
In this tournament, students write, direct and stage their own plays and awards are given for the best play, and the best actor and actress. The awards are sponsored by radio and motion picture actress Rosemary DeCamp, wife of Judge John Shidler of Hollywood Riviera.

Most colleges would consider this type of event too difficult, Bereskin said, and, on the high school level it is quite rare. But the Torrance High Tournament has been a rousing success for the past three years, the instructor stated.

Out of eight or nine original scripts submitted this year, three were selected for presentation and rehearsals are currently underway.

The plays and their authors are: "Dawn," by Leon Serin; "Safe-cracker's Suite," a comedy by Jerry Westmoreland and Frank Sheffield, and "Road to Freedom," by Carole Davis and Carl Larson.

Following the tournament, a group of script writers from Hollywood, Mrs. Shidler and a guest drama instructor from USC get together with the student authors and discuss their plays, Bereskin said.



PLUG FOR HOBBIES . . . Helen Weir in early American Ball gown inspects a set of miniature furniture built for the same period as the dress that will form one of the thousands of pastime displays at the annual California Hobby show at Shrine Exposition Hall March 19 through 23.

Goed Repeats Speaking Win At Lions Club

Lorraine Miller, Torrance High School coed, repeated last year's performance before members of the Torrance Lions Club Tuesday by winning top prize in the club's annual public speaking contest.

By winning over two classmates, Ann Lowen and Dale Williams, Miss Miller won the right to represent Torrance High and the local Lions Club in the zone competition later this month. Miss Lowen and Williams were voted a tie for second by judges of the affair.

Each of the three students spoke on the topic, "What the Constitution of the United States Means to Me."

Judges for the event were Donald Robinson, principal of Carr Elementary School; Stanley Wilson, member of the speech and counseling staff at El Camino Junior College; and Attorney Donald Hitchcock.

Mrs. Nancy Goodrich, drama and speech instructor at Torrance High School, has served as coach for the speaker.

Winner of the state contest, scheduled to be held in Bakersfield in June, receives a scholarship worth \$1500.

Ross C. Dorsett Elected Prexy Of Riviera Group

Ross C. Dorsett, outgoing vice-president, was elected president of the Hollywood Riviera Homeowners' Association by an unanimous vote this week. He succeeds W. A. Garbrant.

Dorsett will take charge of the battle to obtain sewers for the Riviera section. Residents of Lower Riviera can expect sewers by the end of the year, it was reported. Under Garbrant, petitions for District Two have been completed and will be turned over to the city this week.

Dorsett, an insurance adjuster for the Los Angeles Automobile Club of Southern California, lives at 151 Via Los Altos with his wife, Nancy Jane, and two children, Nancy, a freshman at Torrance High School, and Sue, a sixth grader at the Riviera School.

Elected to the executive board of the group were Leonard G. Kitch, vice-president; Conrad Williams, A. Mason, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Stanley M. Sutherlin, recording secretary; and R. C. Herreck, treasurer.

New members of the Board of Directors are James Greer, Ralph W. Hennings, L. K. Di Mayle, R. A. Carlton, and Garbrant.

Keystone Civic Group Sets Final Zoning Meeting

E. J. Walker of the County Planning Commission will present proposed zoning maps Tuesday night, March 9, when the Keystone Civic Betterment Association holds its final zoning meeting at 7:30 o'clock at the Calvary Community Church, corner of Milton and Elliott Sts.

After two legally required public hearings held two weeks apart, the plan will then be presented to the zoning commission. If approved, the proposal will be sent to the Board of Supervisors, who also are required to conduct a third public hearing before taking action.

These meetings will be announced by legal notice in a local newspaper.

Plans for the discussion of zoning were made last Monday when the Association met at the 21120 Moneta Ave. home of J. G. Caldwell, Election of officers, with Charles Bragg heading the roster as president, also featured the meeting.

Named to assist Bragg were Caldwell, vice-president; Mrs. William E. Roller, secretary; and Morris Tarling, Theodore Bredahl, and Lloyd Rowe, board of directors.

The Association also called for better mail service for residents of the new area on Moneta Ave. between 220th and 223rd Sts.

U.S. Attorney To Address GOP

Laughlin E. Waters, United States Attorney for the Southern District of California, will address the combined branches of the 46th District Republican Assembly at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Center St. School, 1214 Pacific Ave., Manhattan Beach.

A former member of the Republican National Committee and delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1948 and 1952, Waters will speak on "The United States Department of Justice."

This is the annual meeting of the combined branches of the 46th District Assembly, District President Arthur Coffman reported. The nominating committee will give its recommendations for candidates for 1954 Assembly offices.

Pacific Bowl Prexy to Speak

Roscoe Sevier of Gardens, president of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce, has invited Pacific Bowl Association President Elyse Aehle to speak before the District's general district meeting, Thursday evening, March 11.

Representatives of all South Bay and Harbor cities and coordinating councils will gather at the San Pedro YMCA, 921 S. Beacon St., at 6:30 p.m.

Miss Aehle will explain the Bowl's wide cultural aims — to provide this area with a center for entertainment and culture, combining a bowl, a museum, a pavilion, an auditorium and parks, and picnic grounds with adequate parking facilities. Further information about the Pacific Bowl Association and membership may be obtained by writing in care of P. O. Box 953, Palos Verdes Estates, or phoning FRontier 5-4041.

Don Bragg at Pendleton

Marine Pfc. Donald G. Bragg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester H. Bragg, of 5286 Doris Way, is undergoing four weeks of intensive combat training at Camp Pendleton. Assignment to a school or to a permanent duty station will follow the training period.

George Arnold Services Slated

George Arnold, 71, father of Dorothy Wright, of 2126 Middlebrook Rd., died Friday at his daughter's home, and funeral services have been scheduled for Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Hammond-Mispigale-Ruppe Mortuary in Inglewood.

A resident of Los Angeles, Arnold was a member of the Mt. Olive Masonic Lodge in Hollywood and a Canadian World War I veteran. Besides his daughter, he leaves another daughter, Violet Cooper, of Phoenix, Ariz.; two sons, Argold Austin Arnold, of Los Angeles, and Harry V. Arnold, of Burbank; and seven grandchildren.

Missing Girls Sought Here Found in Oklahoma

Two teenage girls sought here after they ran away from their homes in Graham, Tex., have been found in Oklahoma City. It was learned yesterday, James Fryback of 1803 W. 221st St., said his daughter, Jeanne Fryback, 15, and Rosanna Shackelford, 12, were located by authorities after they had been missing for more than two weeks.

Fryback traveled 8000 miles seeking them.

Week for a new official world speed mark of 765.149 miles per hour.

The Federation Aeronautique Internationale in Paris formally acknowledged the record, the average of two runs over a Salton Sea course last Oct. 29 by L.L. Col. F. K. (Pete) Everest.

Open New P.V. Tract

A 58-acre tract for 84 single-family homesites will be opened by the Palos Verdes Corporation south of Palos Verdes Dr. North and east of Crenshaw Blvd.

The County Regional Planning Commission approved the application this week after a hearing.

Rites Held For Mrs. I. Chapman

Funeral rites were held yesterday at Stone and Myers Chapel for Pearl Chapman, 48, wife of Ivan Chapman and mother of Robert and Dennis Chapman, all of 1614 W. 214th St.

Mrs. Chapman died Thursday at California Lutheran Hospital. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Frank E. Knouse of Woodcrest Methodist Church in Los Angeles and interment followed at Green Hills Cemetery.

A native of Minnesota, Mrs. Chapman is also survived by two sisters, Bernice Jones, of South Gate, and Marvel Wolfe, of Iowa; and two brothers, Ronald Remond, of Red Bluff, Calif., and Roy Remund, of Kansas City, Mo.

Auditions For South Bay Civic Show Continue

Auditions will continue Tuesday evening for "Knickerbocker Holiday," next musical production of the South Bay Civic Light Opera Association, according to Melville Tully, musical director.

Auditions are held in the auditorium of the Redondo Union High School, beginning at 7:30 p.m., or in the music room next door, Tully said. Many parts are available in the cast, crew and orchestra for the Maxwell Anderson-Kurt Weill musical play, which will be staged in early summer.

Director for the show will be Jim Brittain, who starred in the production "Bloomer Girl," staged by the group in October. The Association recently completed a successful production of the Cole Porter hit "Kiss Me Kate."

Relays Open Metro Track

The Metropolitan track season will open on March 19 with the East Los Angeles Relays to be held at ELA Junior College, according to Commissioner Cecil G. Zaun.

Dual meets begin on March 26. El Camino College will open its league season in a triangular meet with Santa Monica and Valley at Santa Monica.

The Metropolitan Conference meet will be held at Santa Monica on May 1 and the State meet will terminate its season May 22, also at Santa Monica.

Funeral Services Held For Father of Local Man

Funeral services were held Monday for John Jay Mullaney, 71, father of Ray William Mullaney of 419 E. Doble Ave., who died Feb. 27 at Harbor General Hospital.

Services were conducted by the Rev. P. J. McGuinness at Nativity Church and interment followed at Holy Cross Cemetery. Stone and Myers Mortuary handled arrangements.

Seek Names of Past Student Body Prexies

The search is on at Torrance High School for missing student body presidents, Peggy Wood, commissioner of publicity, announced this week.

Anyone knowing the names of student prexies from 1938-1937, 1940-1942, and 1947-1949 is asked to call Miss Wood at FAirfax 8-7293 or the high school at FAirfax 8-3236. Those calling the latter number should ask for the principal's office, Miss Wood said.

In addition to the name of the president, the person calling is asked to give the year and semester during which he served.

Award Contract For Storm Drain Next Tuesday

Contract for the construction of the Lomita Blvd. storm drain will be awarded Tuesday by the Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Burton W. Chace revealed this week.

Low bidder on the project is the Adolph Teichert and Son Co. of Baldwin Park at \$547,298.04, considerably lower than preliminary estimates, Chace said. All 16 bids submitted were below the county's estimate of the cost, he said.

The drain will handle the runoff from 6000 acres including flood waters from Rolling Hills, county officials said.

One and a half miles in length, it will begin at the Torrance City boundary line at 246th St., run along 246th St. to Pennsylvania Ave., south on Pennsylvania to 248th St., east on 248th St. to Lomita Blvd., and along Lomita Blvd. to President Ave., where it will connect with an existing storm drain in Harbor City.

Chace said that plans for Walteria sump drain, which will connect with the Lomita drain are being prepared by the Torrance City Engineer and should be completed this year.

The Lomita drain will alleviate the periodic flooding of west Lomita and 248th St. — the latter known as "Rose River" during the rainy season.

DEEP MINES

Some of South Africa's gold mines are 9000 feet deep.

Allied Gardens Group Hopes to Increase Ranks

In line with promotion of membership and active participation in the Allied Gardens Home Owners Association, urged at the latest meeting, the group will make a canvass of the tracts during next month.

Project was approved after a report made by William Clarke, membership chairman.

Also addressing the group was Ralph Schmidt, past president of the Torrance Gardens and Plaza Home Owners Association, who spoke on the problems overcome by that Association.

It was announced that anyone desiring to submit news of neighborhood doings for publication in the Herald call Mrs. John M. Klug at FRontier 5-5928.

Harry Van Bellehen, director of the Torrance Recreation Department, will be guest speaker at the next Allied Gardens meeting, slated for 8 p.m. Mar. 22 at the Seaside School Auditorium.

Service Center Leaders Attend Birthday Party

Pat MacDonnell, president of the Community Chest sponsored Veteran's Service Center here, and Mrs. Helen Dill, executive director, attended the ninth birthday party of the Service Centers in the Los Angeles Area last week.

At the luncheon meeting, the Centers looked back on their nine years of operation and also installed new officers. 200 persons attended the affair.

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