

**Home Nurse Class Set**

The Red Cross will sponsor seven sessions of home nursing classes each Tuesday and Thursday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Red Cross Headquarters, 390 W. 7th St., San Pedro. Lorraine McWhinnie, nursing chairman, has announced.

**Auto Decommissioned**

The battery distributor, and carburetor were taken from his car as it was parked near Normandie Ave. and Sepulveda Blvd., Tuesday, Philip Bustamante, of 5227 Milne Dr., told sheriff's deputies.

**AS TORRANCE GREW**

**Hospital Didn't Keep City Pace**

Torrance Memorial Hospital has been an institution of community service throughout the 30 years it has served the health needs of the people of Torrance and the surrounding area. That was the wish of the hospital's founder, and it has been the hospital's policy since it opened its doors.

In expressing his desire to establish the hospital, the late J. S. Torrance specified that it should be a non-profit institution and should provide free care to the poor as far as practicable. Although the cost of hospital care has risen along with the other costs of living since 1925, the cost of room and nursing service at Torrance Memorial Hospital have been kept below rates which prevail at other hospitals in this area.

**Studies Made**  
Donald K. Findley, secretary of the hospital's board of directors, said frequent studies are made to assure patients of the local hospital receive more economical hospital care. He credits the loyalty and teamwork of the hospital staff with its ability to maintain this policy.

The hospital originally had a staff of four doctors who practiced in Torrance and its staff now includes 69 doctors serving patients from not only the rapidly expanding local area but the surrounding towns and beach

area as well. In order to care for its increasing number of patients, the original 25-bed hospital had to enlarge its capacity twice. It did this both times without asking the community for money to finance the needed expansion, first when it added 16 beds in 1941, and again when it added 23 beds in 1949.

**Population Outgrows Hospital**  
The population of Torrance has continued to expand at a tremendous rate, the latest population estimates showing 52,000 citizens. This is more than twice as many as in 1950, not counting the thousands more in nearby communities who are served only by this hospital.

With this great local growth, the demands upon Torrance Memorial Hospital for medical and surgical care and, especially, for maternity care, have again greatly exceeded its physical capacity.

**Torrance Man Honored Guest Of Union Oil Co. President**

Phillip L. Hayes, of 22425 Warmside Ave., was a recent guest of Reese H. Taylor, president of Union Oil Co., at the company's annual service recognition dinner in Los Angeles. He was the only Torrance employee so honored in a group of employees who have completed a total of more than 16 centuries of service.

Subsequent assignments for Hayes included jobs as drum and barrel clerk, shipping clerk, storekeeper, warehouseman and finally the position which he now holds, of shipping foreman at Union's Los Angeles refinery.

Hayes' father, two brothers and a sister all have long service records with Union Oil totaling some 80 years now. He is married, has no children, and has one of the finest and most complete collections of classical records in the area—close to 1000 records.

**Alondra, Cabrillo Set To Be Regional Parks**

Alondra Park and Cabrillo Beach are among seven areas slated for development as regional parks, according to B. P. Gruendyke, county superintendent of Parks and Recreation.

The parks are operated so that they will be of county-wide use, Gruendyke said. He announced the appointment of County Chief Administrative Officer Arthur J. Will to select park designers who will determine recreational facilities to be placed in the parks.

**Voters Duties Heavy, Lady Tells Council**

California voters have more responsibilities than voters of other states, Mrs. Camden Rogers, board member of the League of Women Voters, told the Torrance Coordinating Council Tuesday night.

Their responsibilities are heavy because the state constitution places passage of much legislation before the voter, she said. Dr. Frank Sullivan, of Loyola

University, was a guest at the meeting. Paying tribute to youth, Julius Klein, of the County Probation Department, and advisor to the Coordinating Council, urged members to attend the 23rd annual meeting of Coordinating Councils at El Camino College on Nov. 13.

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