Parents Give Views on Grading Systems for School

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I certainly think we should I certainly think we should all give a very sincere vote of thanks to all of the teach-ers in Torrance, as we have surely found every one of them to be not only good teachers, but pleasant to know.

MRS. WILLIAM D. TRUAIR How Are They Doing?

Editor, Torrance HERALD: We feel yery strongly on the ABC grades in all schools. We got them when we went to school and we believe we all learned our work because of the ABC grades. We nevel lived in Torrance for seven years, one son starting in the third grade and the other son in the first grade and we can truthfully say their report cards have told us nothing. This report-ing system has been a sore spot with us all the time and feel that now that it thas pub-le notice, is the time to do something about it. As for parent conference, we like them only for one reason, and that is, we always find out how their conduct is, not their work. I just had a conference for my youngest son and was told. "He is cap-table of doing his work, but he just can't seem to settle down to it." That's all. I have heard this every conference, it ever had for him. This year, our oldest son entered high school and is re-ceiving grades and we feel he is choing much better in school now as he can com-pare his grades to others and try to do better than he has done in the past. He likes the grades better as he can see wat they mean by looking at them and doesn't need to remean.

means. Parent conferences are fine once in a while, but grades are so much better



for the teachers (not so much work), the parents, and last but not least, the children. PARENTS HOT ON THE SUBJECT haps in November and in

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Rude Awakening

Rude Awakaning Editor, Torrance HERALD: Our two children have at-inded Torrance schools since 1947. They are now in high school. Then came the rude awakening. They used to get report cards that that d'do ing well in etc. etc., but could do better." (Well, could nt everyon?) Then came the D's and C's and minuses and plusses. Dy whink that a 14 year-old is capable of grasp-ing the fact that after a glori fied, report card, he deserves a cord with straight D's' Re-port card day is always a blue day in this family, at least that do be graded in the sev-ent and eighth grades a bu-be scatter the first or second be scatter the first or second b, lose heart and give, Der Letter Grades

For Letter Grades For Lefter Grades Editor, Torrand HERALD: Letter grades given twice a year would be valuable, we think for most seventh and eighth grade student's achieve-ment in various fields com-pared with that of others in the same grade. In or der ot eliminate as much as possible the effects of different op in ion as and preferences of different teachers, it would be helpful

May. In addition to the usual in addition to the usual written achievement tests, the children might be given tests of strength, speed, and skill, to determine their grade in physical education,

sixth grade. **One Less Hurdle** Editor, Torrance HERALD: In regard to grades in the sam for them. Students know a mong shacking or working-doing passing or failing work. I hink the use of grades with he done without putting un-due stress on the child. The with tho grades in the sev-enth and eight grades would students to have when they entities thave when they inter high school. musical tests, and any others

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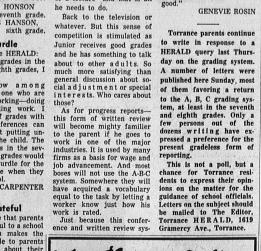
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