

Obituaries

Claude E. Pickett

Funeral services for Claude E. Pickett, 53, of 3619 Emerald, will be held at Halverson-Leavell Mortuary chapel Tuesday afternoon at 1 with Rev. C. Miles Northrup of the First Baptist Church of Torrance officiating.

Mr. Pickett, a resident of Torrance for 18 years, died at his home Friday. He was a machinist at the National Supply Co. until illness forced his retirement some time ago. He was a native of Wisconsin.

He is survived by his widow, Evelyn; two daughters, Rose Marie Tuttle of Hawthorne, and Claudine Schultz, Wilmington; and three sons, Robert S., Byron L., and Austin D., all of Torrance. Also surviving is a sister, Maude Stanonik, of Waukegan, Ill. Interment will be in Pacific Crest Cemetery.

Chester M. Graves

Funeral services are pending today at Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel for Chester Melvin Graves, 49, of 1400 W. 218th St., who died Friday.

He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. George Taylor of Chino, Mrs. Joseph Sergio and Mrs. Oscar Ranson of Des Moines, Iowa, and Mrs. Lawrence Farrell of Camp Hood, Tex.; and two sons, Chester of Torrance and James Raymond of the U.S. Naval Station, San Diego.



REV. BERGESON
... Church Leader

Rev. Bergeson New Pastor At Torrance Church

Rev. Monrad Bergeson has come to Hope Evangelical United Brethren Church, 3347 W. 174th St., as pastor succeeding Rev. Homer Miller, who has taken up church work in Phoenix, Ariz.

The new pastor hails from Illinois, where he was graduated from Wheaton College and the Fuller Theological Seminary. He is experienced in youth work and has directed church camps in the middle west.

Rev. Bergeson's previous church assignment was pastor of a church in the Glendale area.

Rev. and Mrs. Bergeson live at 17802 Crenshaw Blvd. They were welcomed to this area recently by a reception given by the congregation.

He was named pastor of the local church at a recent conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Lodi. Clinton Beeson was the lay delegate to the conference from the Torrance congregation.

Service Station Nixed

Request for variance to establish a service station at the northwest corner of Sepulveda and Cabrillo has been denied by the Council on the recommendation of the Planning Commission. The application had been submitted by A. J. Langan, M.D., of San Pedro.

CARS SCRAPPED

About 3.5 million automobiles went to the junkyards in 1954, a record number.

Stauffer Dividend

The board of directors of Stauffer Chemical Co. has declared a dividend of 40 cents per share payable on Sept. 1, 1956, to the holders of record on Aug. 11.

Variance for New Real Estate Office

Petition of Sahdala Brothers of 18721 S. Crenshaw for a variance to establish a real estate office at that location has been granted by the Council. Approval was granted on the condition that no signs larger than 4x6 feet could be used and that parking for six cars off the street must be provided.

SOCONY MOBIL OIL COMPANY, INC.

Dividend No. 182
The Board of Directors on July 24, 1956, declared a quarterly dividend of 50¢ per share on the outstanding capital stock of this company, payable September 10, 1956, to stockholders of record at the close of business August 3, 1956.
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HIGHLIGHT OF MARDI GRAS... A blindfolded lass takes a healthy swing during the height of the Mardi Gras at the Seaside playground Friday afternoon. The pinata, target of the swing, was filled with candies, which precipitated the scramble shown below when it was finally broken. More than 170 children took part in the affair, according to directors Marca Wright and Howard Larimer. Ribbons went to the top four winners in the costume parade in all classes of best dressed, most unusual, prettiest, and funniest.



HEADING THROUGH MAZE... Karen Stevens takes her first shot as she opens a game on the maze board at the Greenwood playground. Watching her are Darold Kusch, director; Steven Kealey, Kathleen Shannon, and Mrs. K. D. Tuggle, president of the Fern-Greenwood PTA which helps on the playground one day each week.

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