# Creamery Executive Unveils New Carrier

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"Something new under the sun," is every inventor's dream, but the next best is an improvement on a proven item in use, according to John Melville, manager of the Mayfair Creamery in Torrance.

Melville did not invent the milk case, but he did develop one made of plastic instead of the conventional wood units. The idea was the result of a need for lighter weight milk cases for school use where women handle the sale of milk to children.

The weight of plastic cases is approximately 10 per cent less than that of wooden cases now in use by most creameries. Not only does the new material make up into a milk case that meets the California Standard of weight women are allowed to lift, but it lowers the truck load gross weight.

**Easier to Clean**

Polystyrene plastic is rugged enough to stand up under rough handling and is easier to keep sanitary than conventional cases. Wire baskets have been tried but were harder to handle and did not meet weight requirements, Melville said.

The next most important feature offered by this case, according to its inventor, is a center head and slot holding the cases together and making stacking faster and easier.

**Cases Job Tested**

Melville worked on this milk case for several years and has job-tested them for two years. Now he plans to replace wooden cases in use at Mayfair and then offer the 15" x 15" x 5", unit and overall design plastic case to other creameries throughout the country.

Having been associated with the milk industry since 1930, Melville said he has done every job in the processing and distribution of the product, but "I have never milked a cow."

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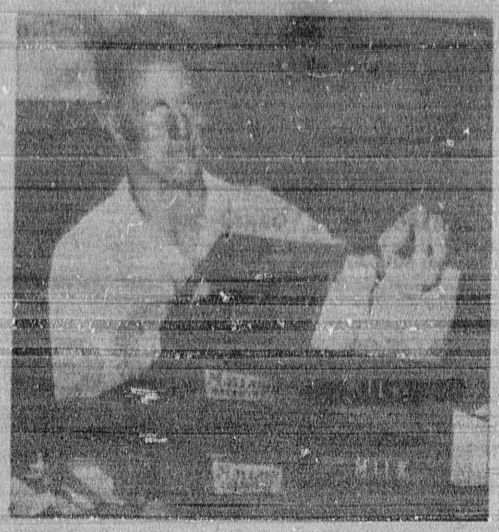

SOMETHING NEW . . . John Melville, Mayfair Creamery manager, shows how cartons of fresh milk fit into the plastic cases he developed to replace the conventional wooden ones. The idea grew out of a need for lighter cases. A novel feature is an interlocking device making stacking easier. (Herald Photo)

## GARDENERS CHECKLIST

1. When you fertilize your lawn be sure to read the directions carefully. When a little is good, [illegible] be disastrous.
2. During warm weather, overhead sprinkling of shade-loving plants will help raise humidity. This is good. Be sure to wet foliage.
3. If you are not acquainted with the attractive Aster Frikarti, you will have a pleasant surprise in store at your nursery. Lavender-blue daisies and a well-formed bush make it a desirable addition to most any garden.
4. If too much lawn is getting you down investigate some of the popular ground covers such as dichondra, ajuga, wild strawberry, hypericum.
5. Cooking outdoors is lots more fun with a built-in herb garden. Garlic, dill, parsley, mint, basil are all wonderful and easy to grow.

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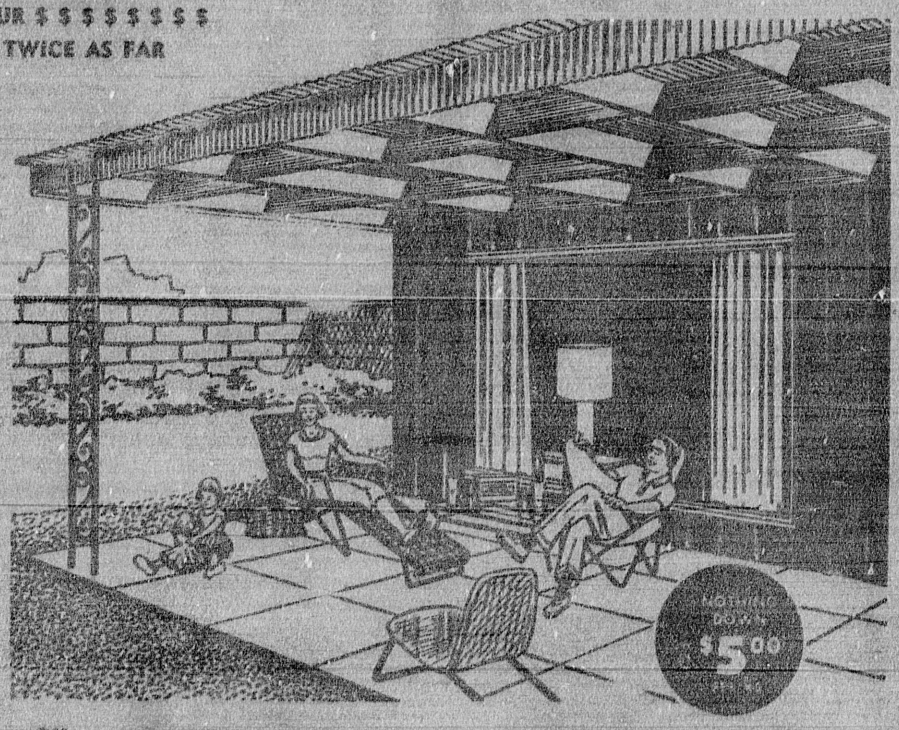


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## From The Mailbox

**On Lighting Issue**

The basic conception of a lighting district holds that it shall be paid for by the people most directly benefitted. The council as a whole, I think, acted wisely in making that decision at the regular Tuesday meeting.

We have an old resident friend here in Torrance who can recall the past with accuracy, live enthusiastically in the present, and pretty well accurately suspect the future. In his words, "The only time Torrance ever got into trouble was when city officials tried to do too many favors for people with a selfish motive. Too often there have been too many people who want something for nothing at the expense of everybody else and we can expect that it will always be thus."

We can expect "that it will always be thus" if we don't stop to think about the consequences of our special requests for services from government. The kind of thinking that wants a special favor at the expense of someone else is the same kind of thinking that prompts lobbyists to try to do away with the need [illegible] to reduce state income taxes on the mass of low income voters.

It is not too much, we think, to expect every property owner to pay his share when his property is directly improved. Certainly, in the event of a sale, he will try to get it back.

(Signed) A TAXPAYER

**Department Hailed**

Editor, Torrance Herald.

To Those Who Are Skeptics of the Accomplishments of the Torrance Recreation Department:

I was one, until I had the opportunity recently to see the Torrance Recreation Department in action, when my daughter participated in the Aquacade presented a few weeks ago during Ranchero Days.

It was very gratifying to see all the teenagers doing something creative and and spending their time in a wholesome manner under the supervision of men and women who seem dedicated to their work. It was too bad that there was no admission charge, as I am sure that each person who attended would have been delighted to show their appreciation of the talent and abilities displayed that evening.

There were only two full rehearsals of the aquacade, yet the two performances were given smoothly as if the cast had spent hours of rehearsing together. This was made possible by the teamwork of Von Hershey and Vern Clary, who directed and produced the show, together with Marilyn Jensen, (Asst. Director of Recreation), Jim Davidson, Ed Novak, Mickey Van Deventer, and Judy Weiss.

It is certainly well worth the effort when parents encourage their children to use the facilities of the Recreation Department at the plunge and in parks throughout the city, during the summer school vacation. Each park has its own program planned for each day's activities (under the supervision of capable leaders) which include all age groups.

There is no relaxing for the workers of the Torrance Recreation Department, as no sooner is one project completed than they are in full swing on another. My hat's off to the Torrance Recreation Department!

Mrs. R. E. Schroeder

**School Bond Vote**

Editor, Torrance Herald:

Oct. 14, 1958 looms as a most important day for several thousand citizens of tomorrow. These several thousand children, your sons and daughters, nieces and nephews, and neighborhood friends are the leaders, producers and distributors of the next generation. We will have to depend on these fast growing youngsters in a few short years. God grant that we will have the time to develop their abilities.

Oct. 14, 1958 will be a day that determines a great deal of thought. Our tomorrow's citizens are the products of today's schools. These citizens will be neither better nor worse than the education we give them in our Torrance schools, homes and churches. The type of education we provide is the result of the combined effort of trained educators and interested parents. This education is indirectly the result of our business and industry for here is the eventual "Proof of the Pudding." Here our youth either succeeds or fails.

Oct. 14, 1958 will be a day of decision. Our need say little about today's scientific, political, economic, moral, and educational crisis. We will sink or swim. In medicine, a possible cure for cancer is surgery. So be it in education and other areas of crisis. Where weaknesses exist they must be either strengthened or removed. This is no time for low standards and satisfactory or average performances. We must have the best. After all, what is more important than providing the best for our children. Let us not slip back into complacency.

Oct. 14, 1958 will be a day of action. Each registered Torrance voter, I trust, will cast his vote on the bond issue. A simple check may determine whether your child or neighbor will have the best or the second best, double or split-day school sessions. Many of our students are now on double sessions and even at best, school officials "hope" to eliminate double sessions in 2 year. I know of one Torrance seventh grader that has been on double sessions for six out of seven years.

My aspirations for Oct. 14 and the future educational program in Torrance follow. I'd like to have your reactions.

1. Eliminate double sessions at earliest possible time.
2. Reduce class size to MAXIMUM of 30 for upper grades and 27 for primary grades.
3. Raise all educational standards to produce the best program possible.
4. Have administrators spend at least 50% of their time directly on curriculum and the instructional program.
5. Hire superior administrators and teachers and pay the best the most.
6. Strengthen or replace weaknesses in the system.
7. Be willing to dig deep for time and money to pay for what we get, pass the bond issue.

J.A.

**Training Program Set For Reception Station**

Lt. Col. H. L. Brier announced today that the 618th Reception Station, wich he commands, will depart Sunday, Aug. 10, for two weeks training at Ft. Ord. The unit consists of 120 officers and men who will train with an operating Regular Army Reception Station.

A reception station is engaged in receiving inductees for the army and assigning them to their initial positions in the Army.

The unit will return to its headquarters in Hawthorne, from Ft. Ord on Aug. 24. Col. Brier is a resident of Torrance, and teaches here. The majority of the members of the unit are South-Bay residents. Maj. H. J. Reynolds, the executive officer is the postmaster at Manhattan Beach, all the beach cities are represented as well as Gardena, El Segundo, Hawthorne, and Torrance.

**Police Nab Long Beach Man After Firing Shot**

Surprised in the act of attempting to open a liquor store safe, a Long Beach man was arrested near here early Friday after police fired one shot as he fled.

Gordon Sumrall, 36, of 473 E. 55th St., was injured when he landed on his head while leaping over a fence in the rear of the Trading Post Liquor Store, 21184 S. Western Ave., at about 5 a.m.

## Births

RIVIERA HOSPITAL

SPILLMAN—Mr. and Mrs. Donald W., 2327 Lupine Dr., a daughter, Leann Ann, July 16.

KARADEMAS—Mr. and Mrs. Harry G., 4216 Jackson St., a daughter, Cheryl Lynn, July 16.

CARLSON—Mr. and Mrs. John W., 21631 Maricopa Ave., a son, Michael Anthony, July 17.

GOOD—Mr. and Mrs. Ted C., 3424 Carnegie St., a daughter, Cori Lynn, July 17.

[illegible]—Mr. and Mrs. Edward D., of Redondo Beach, a daughter, Lynda Ann, July 17.

[illegible]—Mr. and Mrs. Harold R., 2222 Paseo de Pablo, a daughter, Deborah Kay, July 17.

IRVING—Mr. and Mrs. James H., 2121 W. 250th St., a daughter, [illegible] Rebecca, July 18.

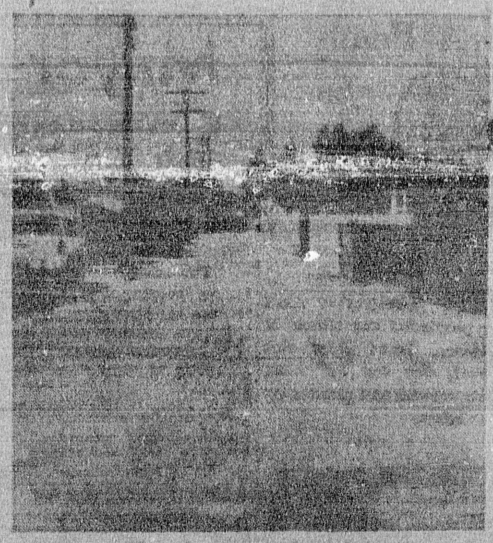
DOUGHTY—Mr. and Mrs. Fred H., of Manhattan Beach, a daughter, Jeri Rebecca, July 18.

HALL—Mr. and Mrs. Howard H., Jr., of Palos Verdes Estates, a daughter, Lisa Michele, July 20.

NUESBAUM—Mr. and Mrs. Otto W., 2811 Via El Nacion, a daughter, Tracey Irene, July 21.

CAMPBELL—Mr. and Mrs. William A., Jr., of Hermosa Beach, a son, Jeffrey Dean, July 21.

BEFORE . . . A cleanup program got under way last week in Torrance as city street department members began ridding alleys of unsightly and dangerous rubbish.



AFTER . . . The same alley is shown here after being cleaned up by city workers. Vermin-breeding wastes, broken glass, cans and other eyesores were removed in the campaign to clean the alleys. (Herald Photos)

## County Seeks Clear Title For Juvenile Hall Facility

A federal deed restriction may prove to be a big stumbling block for a plan proposed by Supervisor Burton W. Chace to build a harbor area branch juvenile hall on a portion of Harbor General Hospital land in Torrance.

Two weeks ago, Chace requested Robert B. Heuer, chief of the county's property management division, to look into the possibility of using roughly 20 acres of hospital land for the hall.

Friday, Huer stated he was going to San Francisco next week to meet with officials of the Federal Health and Welfare Agency to discuss the aforementioned deed restriction.

**Purchased in 1946**

In 1946 the county bought 28 acres for the hospital from the federal government for $45,000, only 5 per cent of the fair market value, with the government attaching a deed restriction that the land be used for hospital purposes only for the next 25 years, he explained.

Heuer said his trip will be made in an attempt to achieve a "meeting of minds" so the county may proceed with plans to build the hall on the hospital land.

Late last year the county released a list of six possible locations for the hall, four of which were in Torrance, not including the hospital site.

**Council Protests**

This drew the immediate wrath of the Torrance City Council which fired a resolution to county supervisors which said the facility would be "extremely detrimental" to the All American City.

Torrance councilman urged the supervisors to build in the large unincorporated area east of Western Ave. which is "more centrally located and largely uninhabited."

Plans for the harbor branch juvenile hall drew a "top priority" stamp when statistics revealed this area will furnish 331 or 24 per cent of the 1380 juveniles expected to be detained daily by 1960 if the present trend of delinquency continues to rise as it has in the past.

## 13 Stitches Needed After Roadside Tiff

It took 13 stitches to close cuts in the head of a Torrance man here Friday after he was struck in the head by a beer bottle during a roadside altercation at Western Ave. and 166th St.

Larry D. Crandall, 21, of 23837 Madison St., said he was struck by one of three youths who had stopped their car by his after a series of verbal exchanges along Western Ave.

He was taken to Torrance Memorial Hospital. The three youths sped away following the incident, Crandall reported.

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