

Turner Rites

over the years, and the event will stand as a memorial to his work, YMCA leaders said.

IN ADDITION, to his local YMCA work, he had been active for many years with the Camp Branch of the Los Angeles YMCA.

Y.M.C.A. A plaque in his memory is being erected at the Y's Camp Round Meadow in the San Bernardino Mountains.

He is survived by his widow, Betty Turner, of the home address and two sons, Richard and Jack, both physical education instructors and teachers in the Torrance school system.

The Rev. Hugh Percy will conduct funeral services here tomorrow and members of the Torrance Optimist Club will serve as pallbearers. The family has suggested that donations in his name may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Burial will be in Green Hills Memorial Park, with Stone and Myers Mortuary in charge.

John Francis Runyan

Funeral services for John Francis Runyan, 70, of 16714 Cherry Ave., were held at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel here Tuesday afternoon with the Rev. John Taylor of the First Methodist Church officiating.

Mr. Runyan, a native of Illinois, had lived here about a year and a half before his death Sunday.

He is survived by his widow, Winnie Runyan; a daughter, Mrs. Helen Ford; and a son, Joseph T. Runyan, all of Torrance. Seven grandchildren also survive him.

Burial was in Roosevelt Memorial Park.

ACIDENT TOLL

About 15,000 workers were victims of fatal accidents in the U. S. in 1956.

Obituaries

Mrs. Grace Mort

Funeral services for Mrs. Grace Mort, 70, who had lived at 1221 Cota Ave. for many years until recently, will be held tomorrow morning at 10 at the Stone & Myers Mortuary Chapel with Leonard Babcock officiating. Members of the Redonda Chapter of the Order of Amaranth will assist.

Mrs. Mort had lived in Torrance for 23 years, and left last year to make her home with a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Pettit, of 1908 Pacific Ave., Manhattan Beach.

In addition to her daughter, she is survived by a brother, Daniel Murphy, of Akron, Ohio; and two granddaughters, Sheryl and Leslie Pettit.

Interment will be in the Inglewood Park Mausoleum.

Roy Dennis Smalley

Funeral services for Roy Dennis Smalley, 64, of 21607 S. Menlo Ave., were held at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel here yesterday afternoon with Brother Bruce Gaudin officiating.

Mr. Smalley, who had lived in this area for 30 years, died at his home Sunday.

He is survived by his widow, Edith Dora Smalley; three daughters, Mrs. Irene Chapoy of Redondo Beach, Mrs. Gladys Drouillard of Long Beach, and Mrs. Lois Weeks of Wilmington; two sisters, four brothers, and six grandchildren.

Interment was in Green Hills Memorial Park.

Charles E. Covart

Funeral services for Charles Edward Covart, 46, of 2209 Maricopa St., were held at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel yesterday afternoon with the Rev. John Hulpke of Long Beach officiating.

Mr. Covart died in Long Beach Saturday. He had lived here for 15 years.

He is survived by a son, Don of Torrance; a daughter, Mrs. Regina Harp, of Tulsa, Okla.; four sisters, four brothers and three grandchildren. His mother, Mrs. Mary Corbett, also lives in Torrance.

Burial was in Green Hills Memorial Park.

Mrs. Juanita Pichardo

Funeral mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. today for Mrs. Juanita Gonzalez Pichardo, 68, of 1805 Gramercy Ave., who died here Monday morning.

A native of Mexico, Mrs. Pichardo had lived in the Torrance area for 30 years. Rosary was recited last evening at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel.

Mrs. Pichardo is survived by her husband, Gonzalo Pichardo, of Torrance; a son, Ralph Cecero, of Gardena; a sister, Marié Rios, of Gardena; and a brother, Pacalé Rosero, of Mexico.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

School Board Adopts Record \$9,222,991 Annual Budget

The 1958-59 operating budget of the Torrance Unified School District totaling \$9,222,991 was adopted by the board of education following a public hearing here Tuesday evening.

More than 85 per cent of the budget will go for employees' salaries, with nearly \$6 million going for teachers' salaries.

The newly adopted budget is the largest in the Torrance school history and is designed to provide educational service for 23,800 local students. The enrollment is expected to be about 1900 higher than last year.

SIXTY-SEVEN per cent of

budget will go to teachers salaries and other instructional expenses; operation of the plants 11 per cent; fixed charges 4 per cent; capital outlay 4 per cent; administration 4 per cent; maintenance 3 per cent; with auxiliary services, transportation, and food and community services getting the balance.

Cost per pupil during the coming year has been estimated at \$367.29, which is reported by school officials to be under the average state cost.

THE NEW budget will require a tax hike of about 29 cents, school officials said.

Establishment of the final tax rate will be made when the assessed valuation figures are announced later this month. School officials estimate that the city's valuation will be near \$178,000,000 this year, a sharp rise over last year's valuation figure.

Infant Lloyd Counts

Private cremation services will be held at Pacific Coast Cemetery today for Lloyd Elida Counts, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Vonda Counts, 2453 1/2 W. 236th St. In addition to his parents he is survived by a brother, Donald; a sister, Janice; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elida Counts, all of Torrance.

Halverson-Leavell Mortuary will be in charge of services.



FUN DAY . . . Children from 223rd St. School, and eight city schools, enjoyed "Playday" Monday afternoon at the above school. Skating, relays, contests and shows were featured. Part of the audience is pictured (above) watching a puppet show in which Mr. Tull tried to stop the two geese from going to Disneyland.

Playday Is Featured at Local School

"Fun was had by all" as the 223rd St. school was host to 300 boys and girls from eight other Los Angeles City schools, last Monday afternoon. The schools that participated in the "Playday" were Dominguez, Dolores, Catehill, 232nd St., Bonita, Carson St., Torine Ave., and 186th St. school.

The fun started at 12:30 with roller skating on the black-top, followed with a puppet show, dramatic play of Cinderella, relays, contests, and ended with refreshments.

Don Heath and Miss Donna Withers were greatly assisted by the school's PTA. Mrs. James Gonderman, president of the local PTA, and six of her members helped in the supervision and the serving of snow cones to the children. The six PTA members were Mrs. Carl Epperheimer, Mrs. Ellis Blankenship, Mrs. Wayne Smith, Mrs. Paul Kelsa, Mrs. Leo Hazler, and Mrs. Willis Albaugh.

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