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GATHER DATA FOR FREEWAY BID

A Penny for your Thoughts

Ball season draws to a close but the HERALD photographer thought it only timely to ask six little fans who their favorite baseball hero was. Their answers, along with their pictures, appear below.

Leonard Mae Donald, 13, 21502 S. Berendo:
"Bob Trickett. Oh, you mean Major League? Well, Bob goes to school with me, but my hero is Ernie Banks, short stop for the Cubs. He knocked 43 homers last year and that makes him my hero."

Franklin Blount, 8, 1444 N. Prado:
"Duke Snider is my hero. He is very good and a good centerfielder. I always watch him on TV. He comes from around someplace. Over in Lynwood or Compton. I believe."

Dennis Bass, 14, 21502 S. Berendo:
"Eddie Mues is my favorite baseball hero. He plays third base on the Aves and he hit the grand slam in the Aves. I think he is a great player and never blows."

Dennis Brenner, 7, 1424 Post:
"I like Pee-wee Reese. He's great and a great ball player. I've seen him play on television and think he's great - just great."

Henry Smith, 16, 21502 S. Berendo:
"Rube Ruth is the all-time great of baseball and will always be my number one hero. He was a great player and a good sport. Both count to me. Then he was the 'King of Swat.' I'm not sure if his record has been broken, or not, but he held it for a long time."

Tommy Thompson, 10, 1427 E. Prado:
"My favorite baseball hero is Duke Snider. He is a good batter and can really catch. I'm a grinder. I think he is great."

League Backs Torrance Act

Endorsement of a Torrance resolution asking that proposed county charter changes be put on the November general election ballot was voted Thursday by the board of directors of the League of California Cities. Acting on a resolution of the city presented by Mayor Albert Jensen, the board voted unanimously to support the measure.

Mother Seeks Million for Death of Son

A Gardena mother is seeking one million dollars damages in a suit filed this week in Los Angeles Superior Court charging the cities of Torrance and Redondo and six police officers with the negligent death of her son.

Mrs. Ruby Elizabeth Terry, whose son was shot and killed by police March 16, filed the suit. She charges in the complaint that her son, Gerald, 19, was "wantonly and recklessly" shot and killed as he fled from his car following a 90-m.p.h. chase through Redondo and Torrance. The youth was shot near Roberts Road and Pacific Coast Hwy. in southwest Torrance as churchgoers were passing the scene of the Sunday morning event.

THE CLAIM for damages alleges that the cities were negligent in hiring and training of their policemen and in permitting such employees to carry firearms. Redondo Beach Patrolman William McCrory Jr., who fired the fatal shot has previously been cleared of any criminal responsibility in the shooting. Officers named as defendants along with the two cities included McCrory, Chief Curt Richardson, C. G. Sivolella and John Bruno of Redondo Beach and Don Harrel and Robert Hammond of Torrance.



STRATEGY HUDDLE . . . Leaders in the Inter-City Highway Committee's fight to accelerate the construction of the San Diego Freeway through Torrance and the South Bay meet to plan their presentation before the California Highway Commission later this month. Left to right are G. S. Honey, Palos Verdes; Ed. Rae, Manhattan Beach; Nick Drake, Torrance; and Committee President Wilburn E. Baker, El Segundo. Drake will lead a delegation to Sacramento on Aug. 27. (Herald Photo)

City Employees Ill in Memorial Hospital

Fred Franklin, 67, 23010 Arlington, is recovering from a punctured ulcer, according to Mrs. Franklin, who added that her husband has been ill for some time. He became worse last week and was taken to the Torrance Memorial hospital. He is under the care of Dr. E. L. Cook.

Airport Authority To Visit Realtors

Woodruff DeSilvia, manager of the Los Angeles International airport and a recognized authority on airport planning and management will be guest speaker at the August breakfast meeting of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors Tuesday morning at the YMCA building. DeSilvia will speak on the proposed expansion of the Los Angeles airport and its effects on developing real estate values in this area.



FIRST SERGEANT LYLE JORDAN . . . Among First in New Rank

Torrance Sergeant Among First in New Army Rank

Army First Sergeant E-B Lyle W. Jordan of 2724 Grand Summit Road, was among the first four soldiers of the 47th Air Defense Artillery Brigade to be promoted to the Army's new enlisted grade of First Sergeant, E-8. Sgt. Jordan, assigned to Battery C, 554th Missile Battalion, at San Pedro, was promoted during special ceremonies at Fort MacArthur, and received a framed copy of his promotion orders from Brig. Gen. Willis A. Perry. (Continued on Page 32)

Gala Affair Is Scheduled by Methodist Group

Square dancing for youth and adults and planned games for children are the latest additions to the Summer Carnival and Ice Cream Social to be held next Friday from 5 to 9 p.m., according to members of the Community Methodist church, 3646 Newton, Walleris. An attraction sure to please the little girls present will be a makeup booth sponsored by the Walleris Community Methodist church. A fish pond for small fry. A sponge toss will be sponsored by the Senior Methodist Youth Federation. Dinner for the whole family will be available. Hot coffee and punch will be furnished by Methodist Men, hot buttered corn by the choir and cake by the Women's Society Christian Service.

Aerial Photos Slated

Information including maps and photographs which will suggest a petition for acceleration of the San Diego Freeway in this area is being gathered this week by officials of the Inter-City Highway Committee. A delegation representing the committee will appear before the California Highway Commission Aug. 28. Councilman Nick Drake, chairman of the delegation, said this week his group is amassing photographs, maps, and traffic data which will aid the group in its presentation before the state board.

Tots Escape Major Hurts In Collision

A father and his two children escaped serious injury here Thursday when their auto was struck by another as they were leaving a ball field in west Torrance. Vernon G. Murry, 32, of 19021 Himsdale and his two children, Dannie Ray, 9, and Taralee, 4, were treated for injuries after their car and one driven by Gerald L. Barlow Jr., 16, of Gardena, collided on Henrietta Ave. just north of Torrance Blvd. Both cars were heavily damaged. In another accident, Robert S. Long, 16, of 21009 S. Main St., received minor cuts and bruises when he was thrown from a bicycle when struck by an auto near Sonoma St. and Hollywood Ave. The driver was Ray Neely, 45, of 1621 Iris Ave. Taken to Harbor General Hospital for treatment after she ran into a parked car Thursday was 11-year-old Alice Bell, of 5151 Newton St. She was treated for a broken tooth and cut lip.

Moose on Picnic

Members of Torrance Moose Lodge No. 725 have been invited to attend the annual picnic at Banning Park in Wilmington on Sunday, Aug. 17.

Shell's Maarten Voogd Announces Retirement

Maarten Voogd, manager of Shell Chemical Corporation's Torrance Rubber Plant and in past years active in the establishment and growth of this company's other San Francisco Bay Area and Southern California manufacturing facilities, will retire at the end of this year, it was announced today. Voogd will go abroad in mid-October on a special assignment for Shell following which he plans to move to Oslo and establish offices as a manufacturing consultant. He has served as manager of the Torrance Rubber Plant - the West's only large scale synthetic rubber installation - since 1955 when Shell Chemical Corporation acquired the facility from the government. A NATIVE of Rotterdam, Holland, Voogd holds a graduate degree in chemical engineering from the University of Delft and had varied experience in the chemical industry before joining the Shell Group in 1929. His early years with Shell were spent in the development of ammonia and fertilizer salt manufacture at Ymouzon, Holland, where Shell started its chemical business. IN 1936 he was transferred to the Shell Chemical Plant near Pittsburg, California, and in 1939 was named manager of the Shell Chemical Plant at Martinez. Two years later he moved to Southern California to become manager of the Dominguez Plant. From 1942 to 1950 he was assistant to the vice president of manufacturing in New York. In 1950 when the government reactivated its wartime synthetic rubber plant at Torrance, Voogd was named manager of the butadiene unit which Shell Chemical operated under contract to the government. He was named manager of the entire synthetic rubber plant in 1955 when the butadiene, styrene, and copolymer units were integrated into one plant and sold to the government to Shell Chemical. Voogd is a member of the Institute of Chemical Engineers, the American Chemical Society, and the Rotary Club of Dominguez. He resides with his wife, Anthonia, at 2635 Linden Avenue, Long Beach. They have two sons, Jacob, a chemical engineer in Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Anton, a student at Stanford University, and a daughter, Mrs. Frederika Burrows, of La Crescenta.



LIKE THIS . . . Louise Marsh does the art work with the stick on Raven Cramer while little sister, Connie Cramer, watches and waits her turn. This was a preview of what will take place in the makeup booth, part of a summer carnival to be held Friday evening at the Walleris Community Methodist church. (Herald Photo)