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CRASH BLACKS OUT LARGE AREA

A Penny for your Thoughts

With John Powers, of modeling agency fame, predicting the end of "sack" dresses for women the HERALD photographer thought this would make an interesting subject for this column.

"What do you think of sack dresses now that they are going out?", was the question asked five ladies and one lone man.

Linda Thistle, 19, 1614 Accacia, USC student.

"I think sack dresses are flattering to some types of figures, just because they are a tad, or in style. I don't think all types of women should wear them."

Frank Simoni, Torrance Recreation Director.

"Sack dresses can go any time. Why hide beauty under a sack? The men and not the women will be glad to see them go. I never did like them them, and hope they are on their way out."

Mrs. Shirley Finnell, 20822 Halldale Ave., housewife.

"I am glad if real sack dresses are going out. Some features of them might not be bad and I think that is the way it will be. Fashion will modify the extreme and there are some good points."

Mrs. Tillie Salls, 20844 Halldale Ave., housewife.

"I think sack dresses are here to stay because college and high school girls will not give them up. At least I feel they will be worn for another two, or three years."

Mrs. Pauline Chestnut, Rt. 2, Box 1716 Seattle, Wash., housewife.

"I have a sack dress and wear it and like it. They do justice to the right type figure. I think I can wear them and would hate to see them go, but on some women they look terrible."

Mrs. Cora Mae Miller, 24823 Hamatic Ave.

"I doubt if sack dresses go out but because John Powers doesn't like them. On certain types they look wonderful, but if you are not the type you shouldn't wear them."

NEW SCHOOL RECORD DUE Schools Expecting 23,500 Students

Some 23,500 students are expected to answer the call to return to school when classes in the Torrance Unified School District start again on Thursday, Sept. 11. This will be an increase of about 2150 students over the opening enrollment figures last year. The 1958-59 enrollment is expected to include some 19,100 elementary and 4400 high school students. The teaching staff includes 394 teachers, 182 of whom are new to the district.

One new elementary school, Calle Mayor, and 10 new classrooms at South high school will be the only school facilities to be used for the first time this September. However, four new elementary schools, a school for the mentally retarded, and the South High gymnasium are expected to open later in the school year.

JEFFERSON SCHOOL, 21717 Talisman, is expected to open about Nov. 1 while Hamilton, 2009 W. 182nd St., Yukon, 17815 Yukon Ave. and Magruder, 4190 W. 185th St., are slated to open early in 1959. Columbia School, for mentally retarded youngsters, also will be finished early next year.

The double session problem will be a little better this year than in 1957, as only 4550 students will be on double sessions compared with 5349 last year. Opening of the other elementary schools

later in the year is expected to eliminate half-day sessions at several schools.

FOR THE FIRST time, some freshmen students entering the three local high schools will be enrolled in advanced math and science courses, as the result of special classes they took during summer school. This program will allow some of them to graduate in three years.

Other classes for top students in math, science, social studies, and English will be held this fall at the three local high schools, varying somewhat from school to school. South High held special Saturday classes for top students last spring, with considerable success. The programs this year will be part of the regular school day.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS will be observed on Veterans' Day, Nov. 11; Thanksgiving, Nov. 27 and 28; Christmas, Dec. 22

Jan. 2, Lincoln's Birthday, Feb. 12; Washington's Birthday, Feb. 23; and Easter, March 23-27. School will be in session for a total of 177 days.

There will be three new principals, while three other local principals will take over new assignments.

Myrl C. Ruppel, formerly at Yucca Valley, will take over at Calle Mayor school. Edwin Brown will head El Nido school, while Donald Credell will take over at Edison. Both are former vice principals.

William B. Forrest, ex-El Nido principal, will take over the same job at Madrona school, from which George March will move to the soon-to-be-opened Jefferson school. Lester Foster, former Edison principal, will head the Columbia school for mentally retarded.

Final Plans Revealed for Airport Day

Final plans for Torrance's first Airport Day celebration scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 6, were announced today by Co-Chairmen J. D. Thomas and Jack Egan.

The full day of activities will take place at the Torrance Municipal Airport starting at 9 a. m. and continuing until 5:30 p. m.

Items of interest at the "free to the public" event, designed to arouse public awareness of the airport, include a Trophy Dash for private planes to Palm Springs and return, open house at both Ryan Aeronautical and the Nike Base, displays of private and executive planes, exhibits of aviation and military aircraft, home-crafting exhibitions, fire-fighting demonstration films, etc.

Heading the entertainment field will be band concerts presented by bands representing March Air Reserve Base, Fort MacArthur, and the Torrance Air Youth Band.

The project is sponsored by the aviation committee of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Torrance airport commission and the city of Torrance.



TALK SHOP . . . Elyse Achle (center) checks over a musical score that will be played during the Torrance Recreation Department's Pop Concert. Miss Achle will conduct the orchestra at the Band Shell, Torrance Park, today at 3 p. m. Linda Thistle, SC student and Dick Reynolds, recreation director, look on with interest. (Herald Photo)

Outstanding Artists Slated For Today's 'Pops Concert'

Two outstanding artists and the young conductor of the Harbor Youth Orchestra will be featured today in the third annual "Promenade Pop" concert at Torrance Park band shell, Arlington and Santa Fe.

The concert, to be presented by the Torrance-South Bay Civic Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Conductor Elyse Achle, is sponsored by the Torrance recreation department. The concert opens at 3 p. m.

Scheduled for featured appearances during the concert are Helene Seaton and Robert Gilmore in solo roles while Eugene Minor, described as a young and promising conductor of the Harbor Youth Orchestra, will conduct one number.

MISS SEATON has appeared throughout the country following her graduation from the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago. Among her 23 singing roles were those in "Sister Angelica," "Paint Your Wagon" and "Hansel and Gretel." She now resides in Manhattan Beach.

Gilmore is a concert pianist of distinction and has studied with Dr. Paul Hutmman and Dr. Carr at the Zeslauer Conservatory.

WHILE ATTACHED to the Army Special Services, he gave more than 500 performances and recitals for troops in Europe.

He also presented 16 concerts for cultural audiences and American military audiences during 1953 and 1955, winning high acclaim from German critics.

Scheduled for a trumpet solo is Ronald Romm, a member of the Torrance-South Bay Youth Orchestra and the son of one

of the orchestra members. **AMONG THE** selections to be heard today are Tschakowsky's "Romeo and Juliet," Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess" and "Rhapsody in Blue," Offenbach's "Can-Can" from Caille Parisienne, and songs from "Kismet" by Wright-Forrest.

Four Torrance Residents Cast in Three-Act Comedy

Four Torrance residents have parts in the three-act comedy "The Remarkable Mr. Pennypacker," which opens Aug. 29 at the Camino Real Playhouse in Redondo Beach.

They are Warren Lavender, of 4009 Scott St., George Devenny of 23849 Hawthorne, Robert Riley, of 23011 Doris Way, and Brian Edwards, of 208 S. Prospect.

Lavender is cast as Horace Pennypacker, an 1870 Philosopher and traveler who maintains two large families in two different cities. Trouble

starts for Pennypacker when the two families learn about each other.

Devenny plays the part of an Episcopalian minister who gets involved in the mad antics of the Pennypacker family. Robert Riley and Brian Edwards are two of the Pennypacker children.

The play is being produced by the South Bay Community Players and will run for four week ends.

Margaret Walker of Hermosa Beach is director.

Traffic Snarled Nearby

Signals Off at One of Area's Busiest Spots

A 15-year-old girl who had just received her driving permit blacked out a large section of west Torrance yesterday afternoon when her car veered off the roadway, hit loose sand, and crashed into a power pole carrying high voltage lines.

Police identified the driver as Carolyn Maki, of 5402 Carmen St., who was driving east on Del Amo Blvd. just west of Hawthorne Ave.

THE DRIVER was taken up but apparently escaped injury. The auto was heavily damaged.

Much of the Victor Trail and parts of the Southwood Homes section were blacked out by the crash. Signals at the intersection of Torrance Blvd. and Hawthorne were knocked out, and traffic officers were rushed to the busy corner to unsharpen the growing traffic jam.

SCORES OF telephone calls came into the police station here within a few minutes of the crash.

Excited callers were certain that there were injuries in the crash, police reported.

10 CAP Cadets Attend Summer Training Camp

Ten young men and women of the South Bay Squadron 43, Civil Air Patrol, are among the nearly 200 cadets qualified to participate in the annual two-week encampment at North Air Force Base near San Bernardino.

Selected for the trip were Judie Arlington and John Heiges of Torrance; Richard Johnson, Michael Pohn, Terry Holstead, and Larry Lipson of Torrance.

City Employee Announces Move for Full Time Mayor

A recommendation that the mayor's post be made full-time with a salary of \$10,000 a year will be made to the city council this week by Jonathan L. Dunmyer, a city employee.

Dunmyer also said he would like to see members of the council receive \$4000 a year and up to half that amount in expenses each year.

HE STATED that he would like to "start the ball rolling" on the local initiative for our employees to do something for our council.

Dunmyer recommends that a proposition be presented to the voters for:

1. Pay the city council \$5000 annually and up to half that amount for expenses.
2. Make the mayor's post a full-time job at \$10,000 a year with necessary expenses.

relative to the position.

"IN A CITY of this size I think that this is the time to institute the above program," Dunmyer wrote.

The matter is on the council's agenda for Tuesday evening.

Other matters scheduled to come before the council Tuesday at its 8 p. m. meeting include an ordinance setting the city's tax rate at a penny less than last year.

not be used for tax purposes, he said.

THE COUNCILMEN also will receive a claim from William L. Chase of Redondo Beach for damages totaling \$50,150 for injuries he sustained last June at the Torrance police firing range in Pacific Hills. Chase was injured when a bullet struck him in the right leg.

Another claim filed by Catherine L. Martina on behalf of her 13-year-old daughter for an unspecified amount of damages for injuries allegedly sustained by the girl July 7 at the municipal plunge. The claim filed with the city this week charges that city officials were negligent in operation of the pool and that her daughter fell from a diving board and sustained injuries to her head, left forearm, left leg, and both eyes.

AT AREA PARK SHOW

Capacity Crowd Views Exhibits

A near-capacity house Thursday night and a more-than-capacity house the second night of the Torrance Summer Fair, Friday, saw "Country program, and Mary LaRage, Fair Days" the closing show of the Torrance Summer Fair.

A DANCE DANCE with 12 bands, including the Blue Vipers, Billy Nick Bluff and Sandra Craig. It recalled also the busy boys and girls who were considered by the community as "heading for the dogs." Those youngsters of 20 years ago today are the most dignified, middle-aged grandmothers and grandfathers of today.

A Charleston in the happy style of the late 20s in which the youngsters equipped with short dresses, rolled-down stockings and chipping gum, considerable rouge, lipsticks and mascara, brought back memories of that "Rock and Roll" of our day, featured by the Blue Vipers, Billy Nick Bluff and Sandra Craig. It recalled also the busy boys and girls who were considered by the community as "heading for the dogs." Those youngsters of 20 years ago today are the most dignified, middle-aged grandmothers and grandfathers of today.

THE PROGRAM included a rollicking dance and a karpis doll scene with Linda Gibson and Helen Masterson participating in the former and Shirley Turman and Margaret Peterson in the latter.

Interpreted with the dancing was singing—solos and quartets—and band music. With the program checked the 125 members of the convention staff can now enjoy a little recreation, although very little for most of them will be in school next month, either as students or teachers.

—Mary Ruppel