

School Enrollment To Top 23,000

A total of 22,968 children have topped, skipped, jumped, or waited back to schools in the Torrance Unified School District, according to latest enrollment figures. Since the enrollment generally increases daily for about two weeks, school officials expect that the figures will reach a predicted 23,300 by Oct. 1.

THE ONLY new school to open this year, Calle Mayor with 461 students, relieved double problems at Seaside School, which for several years had the largest elementary enrollment. This year, Seaside dropped to eighth place in size, with some 932 students. South High School became the city's second largest high school, although it has no sen-

OTHER ELEMENTARY enrollment were as follows: Ferry, 956; Arlington, 843; Crossbow, 937; Fern-Greenwood, 925; Seaside, 932; Wood, 806; Steele, 878; Edison, 684; Torrance Elementary, 824; Rivera, 809; Anza, 749; Flavian, 704; Hillside, 694; Walteria, 681; Sepulveda, 675; Parkway, 642; Madrona, 633; Calle Mayor, 461; and El Nido, 301.

Waldrip Warns Against Bond Issue Defeat At City Polls

If an Oct. 14 bond issue for new schools fails to pass, all new school construction in Torrance would stop, Assistant Superintendent S. E. Waldrip told members of the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee at its Monday noon meeting at the YWCA.

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development of the American public education system was presented by a panel, consisting of Dr. Max Appleby, Ted Cyphert, Margaret Denmark, Gertrude Burdage, and Rod McDaniel.

Explaining the need for the bond issue, Waldrip said that bond funds would be used to build four new elementary schools and one high school, to build additions to 14 elementary and two high schools, and to make Fern School earthquake-proof. In accordance with state law.

"The sale of bond is the way that the state has provided for us to build schools," Waldrip said. "The amount of bonds we can sell in any one year is limited by law. Thus, voting of more bonds would mean no increase in taxes."

"The bond issue is your program," Superintendent J. H. Huil told the group. "It is needed for your children, not for the benefit of any other group."

Mayor to Break Ground for La Romeria Park

Ground will be broken for La Romeria Park, opposite the Carl Siegel School in Southwest Park at ceremonies scheduled to get underway at 5 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 20, according to Mrs. Bisco, chairman of the "Torrance Citizen Committee for Parks and Recreation."

Waldrip reported that Yukon, Jefferson, Magruder, Lincoln, Hamilton, and Columbia Schools currently are under construction, as is the South High School gymnasium. All are expected to open later during this school year. Calle Mayor and 10 more classrooms at South High were opened to students when school started last week.

Following the official ground-breaking ceremonies, beverages will be served by the committee. Persons planning to attend are invited to bring pot luck dinner. Dancing will highlight the after-dinner festivities.

IN ANOTHER part of the program, a history of the de-

STUDENTS DANCE

"Back to School Blues" was the theme of the first dance of the new school year sponsored by the associated student body of North High School in the gymnasium last Friday evening. Music was provided by The Kingmen, a local combo, and decorations carried out the back-to-school theme.

Dance Chairman Pat Reynolds was assisted by Charlene MacLachlan and Nancy Mooney.

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