

COUNTY FREEZES AREA PROJECTS

A Penny for your Thoughts

"Why are you at the Torrance Airport?" This is the question the HERALD photographer asked people he saw at the municipal airport last week. They answered this question and posed for their pictures below.

Hubert McKay, Los Angeles: "I spend Saturdays, Sundays and afternoons at TAP. I have a Cessna 140 and do a lot of flying. I like the field here and naturally like flying as I have been doing it since I was in the BCAF."



Iris Critchell, TAP instructor:

"I am here at TAP by appointment, as I instruct women students in solo and private license times. Then I do a lot of flying on my own and in my 99's club activity."

VIOLINIST TOSSY SPIVAKOVSKY
... To Open Concert Series Here Tomorrow

Noted Violinist Here Tomorrow

Tossy Spivakovsky, violinist, will be guest soloist in the opening concert of the Joint Youth Band-Artist Concerts, scheduled for tomorrow night in the Torrance High School Auditorium.

Spivakovsky, acclaimed as "One of the Most Brilliant Violinists Alive" by Time Magazine, is Russian born and Berlin educated. He has made sensational news ever since his American debut in 1943 with the New York Philharmonic Symphony.

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Bank Declares

First Western Bank and Trust Company will pay a quarterly dividend of 30c per share on Dec. 24, to shareholders of record on Dec. 18, on the outstanding shares of capital stock, according to T. P. Costa, chairman of the Board and president of the Glendale banking system.

Funds to Pay Salary Hikes

A freeze on several area projects was ordered this week by the Board of Supervisors after granting a pay raise of 3.5 per cent to city employees. The board ordered to hold pay the 3.5 per cent across-the-board pay hike granted by the supervisors effective Jan. 1.

Blue-inked by the board were plans for a Torrance production buildings, \$87,950, Carson Park improvement, \$90,000, Lomita Safety building, \$37,000, and Gardena Valley Park improvement, \$126,000.

LARGE LAND purchases planned for future golf course sites also were vetoed by the supervisors who began seeking ways to meet the increased county payroll. A number of swimming pools scheduled for construction also were frozen for the fiscal year.

Not effected by the freeze order is the projected Harbor General Hospital project, for which voters approved a \$13 million bond issue several years ago. To date, none of the improvements have been started.

OPPOSITION to the wage boosts had been voiced by supervisors Burton W. Chase and Kenneth Hahn prior to Friday's voting, but only Chase opposed the raise when roll was called.

Chase said the raise would set a bad precedent, and indicated that inasmuch as the county employees had sought court relief, the courts should be permitted to settle the matter.

Barrel A. Adamson, electrician's mate from San Diego, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald P. Adamson of 26022 Cypress St., Lomita, left San Diego Oct. 29 aboard the high speed transport USS Begor for a tour of duty in the Western Pacific.

\$1 Million Price Tag on Del Amo Blvd.

It would cost nearly \$1 million to extend Del Amo Blvd. from Western Ave. to the Redondo Beach boundary, according to estimates prepared for the city council this week.

Cost of punching the road through from Western Ave. to Crenshaw would be \$168,358 plus the right of way costs, the report said. It would cost \$240,383 plus land to extend it from Crenshaw to Hawthorne, and another \$191,225 between Hawthorne and the Redondo Beach city line. Much of the right of way for the latter stretch has already been obtained, and a roadway does exist.

Right of way costs would be \$398,000, estimating the land at \$18,000 an acre.

Councilman George Bradford has been taking for a study on putting Del Amo Blvd. through, especially Western Ave. and Hawthorne ave. This section would serve the fast growing industrial section north of Maricopa St. west of Crenshaw Blvd.

Bradford is seeking the order as a truck route to take the potential traffic off Torrance Blvd. and other city streets.

DIVIDEND VOTED

The board of directors of Citizens National Trust & Savings Bank of Los Angeles today declared an extra dividend of 25 cents per share, payable Dec. 10 to shareholders of record Dec. 1.



COULDN'T WAIT... Bobby Saunders, who'll be 7 next week, just couldn't wait until Thursday to get started on that turkey drumstick. The son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Robert Saunders, of 5975 Enderwald Road, he is a second grader at Calle Mayor School. (His's eating the second turkey leg for Thursday, we hear.) (Herald Photo)

Two Early City Residents Die, Rites Held Yesterday

Two long-time Torrance residents, Earl P. Kent, a long-time employee of the Columbia Geneva steel plant, and Len J. Gilmeister, early Chamber of Commerce secretary, died here this week.

Mr. Kent, who lived at 2007 Gramercy Ave. for more than 32 years, died here Wednesday after an illness of two years. He was 61.

A native of Kansas, Mr. Kent came to Torrance 36 years ago and went to work in the Leavelle Iron Works, later the Columbia Steel Co.

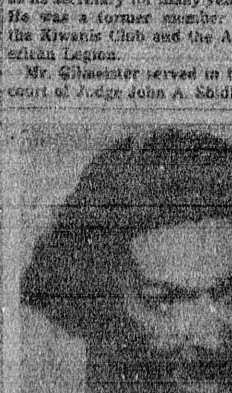
He was a member of Torrance Lodge 457, F.A.M., Redondo Blk. Lodge, the First Christian Church, and the U.S. Steel management club. He was a roller at the mill here for many years.



EARL P. KENT
... Pioneer Does

He was an early leader in the city's Chamber of Commerce, and served that group as its secretary for many years. He was a former member of the Kiwanis Club and the American Legion.

Mr. Gilmeister served in the court of Judge John A. Schilder before the court was consolidated into the county's municipal court system. He later was associated with Realtor William H. Tolson, and during the past years was secretary to the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors, maintaining their new headquarters on Arlington Ave.



LEN J. GILMEISTER

HE IS survived by his widow, Lucille, and a sister, Rose Bennecke of Los Angeles.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. yesterday at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel with Leonard Babcock officiating. Private cremation followed.



BOBBY SAUNDERS

MEMORIAL... Rosemary Emma, 71 Camino del Rio, whose terracotta bust of March 1898, was the first of her kind. Her parents discovered they had very few the "copy" of their daughter, so Miss Emma, a friend of the family, made the bust, using a photo taken about three months before the city South Beach and it was a perfect likeness. The bust was given to the family yesterday.

Margaret Ross, 4730 Bingerwald Rd.:

"I flew my private license and speed all my time of as a dental assistant here studying flying and talking flying. I have been flying for the past 16 months and love it."

J. P. Gilman, Rolling Hills:

"I do not fly a plane myself, but I do a lot of flying, both on business and pleasure trips. The company I am with has a twin engine Beechcraft. I am taking a Vega plane out today."

Shirley Gunther, Hawthorne:

"I have just started learning to fly. Since I started flying I found a lot of new friends, where I work at Hugo Aircraft. I plan to earn my private license and then buy a light plane."

Wednesday Casaba Sessions Cancelled

The usual weekly sessions for the adult basketball league will not be held Wednesday night, Nov. 20, because the school team will be using the gym that evening according to T. P. Costa, chairman of the Board and president of the Glendale banking system.

For the Young

THE JUNIOR RED CROSS

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

JUNIOR RED CROSS... In your country and mine... marked the International High School Student Day program conducted for 14 exchange high school students by the Los Angeles chapter of the organization early this week. Getting pointers on the local program of activity are foreign students attending classes in the vicinity of (clockwise from top) Hiroko of Japan, Noriwa High School (1244 1/2 St. Palmdale, Palmdale, Calif.); Eileen, daughter of the Seller of Germany, Torrance High School (11965 Hallock Ave.), Torrance; Per Svanvik of Norway, North High School (1244 1/2 St. Palmdale, Palmdale, Calif.); and Miss Barbara Godey of Germany, San Pedro High School Student (175 N. Hollywood Ave., San Pedro).