



**CHECK ROUTE . . .** Kevin Eliason, YMCA co-director, points out river Colorado Rocky Mountain Caravan will take as one of several trips planned. Gregg Radford, who hopes to make trip, looks on. (Herald Photo)

## Rocky Mountain Trek Planned For Teenagers by Local 'Y'

Older teenagers have been busy in the past few weeks planning several Torrrence YMCA summer caravans with their leaders. The most ambitious trip by the local youth agency will be the Colorado Rocky Mountain Caravan from Aug 13 to 27.

The Y trip is open to all boys 14 and older, and since it has been completely planned by young people, teenagers can expect fun. Kevin Eliason, 20 year old staff member, will serve as the Director of the trip. Several men will assist Eliason in his work with 25 boys.

**HIGHLIGHTS** of the two week adventure include Utah Lake; Dinasauro National Monument; Rocky Mountain National Park; chuckwagon supper at Flying W Ranch; Pikes Peak; Royal Gorge; Black Canyon of Gunnison National Monument; narrow gauge train ride between Durango and Silverton mining towns; Mesa Verde National Monument; and, Oak Creek Canyon.

Other groups of teenagers are busily preparing for additional Torrrence YMCA caravans to Virginia Lakes from July 15 to 21 for boys 11 and older who wish to hike, boat and fish for a week in the Sierras; Sierra Trails Caravan from July 1 to 8, including a climb to the top of Mount Whitney for boys 12 and older; a girls' caravan to Mount Lassen Volcanic National Park from June 17 to 25; and, several John Muir Trail Backpack Hikes.

**IN OTHER Torrrence YMCA programs**, adults are busily preparing for the traditional summer camp sessions for boys and girls from 9 to 12 which will spend Aug 5 to 12 with the Y at Camps Meadow and Mozumdar.

All sixteen sessions of Torrrence YMCA camp bear the approval of the American Camp-in. Assn., for program content, health standards, and leadership staffs.

## Ralph George In Law Firm

Ralph N. George, Torrrence High School graduate with the Class of '47 and a former Tartar athlete, has announced his association with Attorney William J. MacCabe at 18039 Crenshaw Blvd. for the general practice of law. George has been associated with a local insurance agency for six and one-half years, and was admitted to the California Bar in January, 1960.

George attended UCLA and the UC at Santa Barbara and took his degree in law at Southwestern University. He has been a resident of Torrrence for 22 years.

## MWD to Celebrate Enlargement Of Lake Mathews on Wednesday

Dedication ceremonies celebrating the completion of the enlargement of Lake Mathews, terminal reservoir of the Colorado River Aqueduct, will be held at Mathews Dam Wednesday at 11 a.m., it was announced today by Robert B. Diemer, General Manager and Chief Engineer of the Metropolitan Water District.

The celebration is being held to dedicate to the service of the people the enlarged reservoir which is a vital link in the Colorado River Aqueduct system and will include addresses by various District officials and the unveiling of two bronze plaques. Because of limited parking and seating facilities, it has been necessary to limit the number of invitations to the ceremonies, Diemer said.

**LAKE MATHEWS** is located about 10 miles southwest of Riverside and 60 miles east of Los Angeles and was completed in its first development in 1939. The enlargement of the reservoir from 107,000 to 182,000 acre-feet capacity - or 60 billion gallons - is part of a \$200 million expansion program to bring the Aqueduct system to its full planned delivery capacity, Diemer declared.

The work of enlarging Lake Mathews was started in March of 1959. It is now capable of storing a greatly increased volume of water which is brought from the Colorado River 242 miles away, the water official pointed out. Huge distribution lines several hundred miles in length, some 12 feet in diameter carry water from the reservoir to a large part of the Metropolitan Water District service area.

**CONSTRUCTION** work on enlarging the reservoir involved the raising of the existing dam and dike 33 feet in elevation, constructing extensions to the dam and dike and construction of one additional embankment.

The work included approximately 6,000,000 cubic yards of earth embankment and rock refill, 42,000 cubic yards of concrete in embankment paving, a spillway, bridges, enlargement of the control tower, curbs, and a foundation drainage system and appurtenant works, Diemer said.

**HE SAID** that due to the overall expansion program, including the enlargement of Lake Mathews, all of the people and areas within the Metropolitan Water District are assured an abundant water supply throughout this year-breaking drought year.

The District now includes 92 incorporated cities and large unincorporated areas. It has a population of 7,500,000, an assessed valuation of nearly \$14 billion and extends into the six counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego and Ventura.

## New Comfort Promised by Local Banker

Customers of Bank of America's downtown Torrrence branch will be able to bank in comfort despite soaring temperatures this summer when installation of a refrigerated air conditioning system is completed there.

A 48-ton unit is being installed in the main banking building at 1255 Sartori Ave., and a 15-ton unit in the annex on the west side of the branch.

Harold G. Frenz, branch manager, said that completion of the \$34,000 project is scheduled for the latter part of this month.

## Saxon Band Rated Highly

The North High Saxon Band and Orchestra competed in the 26th Southern California Regional Music Festival in Long Beach Friday. Both the band and orchestra received second place ratings of excellent.

There were 80 musical groups entered in the festival which covered the entire Southern California area.

This is the first year that the North High groups have entered this festival. The band and orchestra are under the direction of Robert Jones.

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