

Lomita Man Dies in Crash; Torrance Man Booked

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CITY VOTES FIVE-CENT TAX CUT

A Penny for your Thoughts

This week the Torrance area Brownie Scout Day Camp is in progress at the Torrance Park, and with the Brownies running around the park, the Penny photographer asked five of them, "What do you like most about the day camp and why?"

Their answers and pictures appear below.

Gayle Quiring, 1219 Ritner St., 10, Troop 2554:

"This is my first day camp since I've only been in the scouts since last December, but I like cooking the best. It is interesting and I like to work over the open fire best. We have also learned to start a fire, and we do a lot of crafts but cooking is still my favorite."

Ronda Merrell, 1158 Clarion Dr., 10, Troop 2554:

"I like everything about the day camp, but cooking and crafts are my favorites. This is my second camp, and I have learned to start a fire. Crafts is my favorite because I like to make things with my hands, and I also like to cook over the fire."

Marilyn Barenc, 1726 Hickory St., 9, Troop 236:

"This is my second camp, so I have had a chance to do all the things. It is hard to pick out a favorite, but I would like to say that crafts is the best thing for me. I like to make things, and we don't get to do a lot of crafts in troop meetings, so that when I come to camp I like to make the things."

Debbie Flicker, 1513 Denker St., 10, Troop 782:

"Cooking is my favorite. This is my third camp, and each year I get to cook something different. Today, our troop is making Sloppy Joes. Cooking is a lot of fun because we get to make things and cook them ourselves. I also like the crafts."

Will Dossey, 22203 Halldale St., 9, Troop 2461:

"Cooking's my favorite, too. It is a lot of fun to cook our own meals when we come to camp. This is my second camp, and this year we get to plan our own meals and then cook them with the help of the scout leaders. It is a lot of fun and I like it very much."

\$12.9 Million School Budget Set by Board

A tentative \$12.9 million budget for the 1961-62 school year was approved by the Torrance Board of Education Tuesday night.

As presented, the budget contains no new service or salary increases, Assistant Superintendent S. E. Waldrip said. It provides for district growth, including some 1800 new students next fall. Total enrollment is expected to be nearly 29,000.

The new budget compares with an \$11.6 million budget for the current year. Factors in the increase, he said are:

HIRING NEW teachers and other personnel to handle the enrollment increase.
 Buying supplies and equipment needed for the 1800 students.
 Buying supplies and equipment for two new elementary schools—Hickory and Victor—and additions to several other schools.

Step raises automatically given teachers and employees for continued service.
 Increased costs of retirement and other fringe benefits as employees grow older and their number increases.

BY BUDGET categories, expenditures are nearly identical with the current budget, Waldrip said. About 85 per cent would go for salaries.
 Local taxpayers would supply about 59 per cent of the total budget, while state aid would provide about 41 per cent. Federal aid, which provided about 2½ per cent of last year's budget, appears negligible because Public Law 874 expires and Congress is still debating whether to renew it.

LAST YEAR, local taxes provided 52½ per cent of the budget, while the state share was 45 per cent. However, a legal formula set up by the state, reduces state aid as the total amount increases.
 The budget anticipated collection of the 50-cent override approved by voters in February, meaning a \$2.90 operating tax rate for local property. Assessed valuation of about \$230,000,000 also is estimated.
 The final school budget will be adopted in August, once assessed valuation totals are known.

OFFICER A. L. Jackson of the Torrance Police Dept., said that "no boy who had been cited for even one traffic violation of any kind, six months prior to the run, is eligible to compete." He also said that the run has a record of more than a quarter of a million miles of accident-free driving, "and we want to be sure that we will be able to boast about that mark this year."



BEHIND WHEEL . . . Members of Torrance area police-advised car clubs will leave Lynwood Monday in the annual Youth Safety Run. This year's run will be to San Jose and back. Shown here are drivers of cars which will be entered by Torrance car clubs. They include Lt. A. S. Thompson, an official for the run, Dick Marion, an observer, and drivers Gary Shirley, Bill Ladd, Gill Hebert, and Paul Schmidt (behind the wheel). Officer A. L. Jackson is also an official. (Herald Photo)



LOOKING FOR JOBS . . . During the summer these youngsters, and many more in the Torrance area, will be helping each other to find work through the Youth Employment Service. Lyle Probst, 16; Dave Harvey, 16; Bill Desmond, 15; and Meryle Korpl, 17, are getting instructions from Mrs. Sylvia Humber on how to complete file cards. The service, set up by the Dept. of Employment and the School District, is one of five in the area. (Herald Photo)

Y.E.S. Finds Summer Jobs For Vacationing Students

High school students in the Torrance schools have come up with a cooperative effort to place students in summer jobs. The Youth Employment Service, now in its second year, is the answer these youngsters have come up with to provide Torrance teen-agers with summer jobs.

YES is now affiliated with the State Department of Employment, and in the past two years has placed students who have earned more than \$14,000 during the summer.
 Rita Baglio, representing the United States Employment Service, and Lysie Albro, from the Torrance Unified School District, serve as advisors to the student operated service. Service clubs representatives

will form an advisory council next year.
 The Youth Employment Service is completely operated by the students. It asks for no financial help, and its only other help comes from the Department of Employment, which furnishes the group a

small office in the department building in Torrance. The only overhead for the service is its telephone bill.
 The Torrance is one of five organized in the South Bay area. Similar groups also operate in Lomita and Palos Verdes Estates.

Four in Ten First Graders Require Some Dental Care

Inspections of first graders' teeth through the Torrance Dental Health Assn. program showed that about 40 per cent needed some kind of dental care, a report to the board of education indicates.
 Of 3278 children whose teeth were checked, 1297 or about 40 per cent had some kind of defect. A follow-up survey indicated that of these, 483, or

about one-third of those needing care, had seen a dentist as a result of the recommendation.

Seventeen dentists volunteered their time to check the children's teeth. Reports of their findings were sent home to parents as part of the school dental health program.

Wage Raises Included in New Budget

City councilmen neared a utopian situation for elected officials Tuesday night by approving a \$6.1 million general operating budget for the city, granting pay hikes almost to the point requested by employees, and holding out for the taxpayers (and voters) a tax cut of 5 cents per hundred of assessed valuation.

In order, the council finally settled on a tentative budget to become operative on July 1 with a net total of \$6,181,326 for general city services. Additional finances for the airport, bus department, and water department, to be paid from revenues of those operations, brings the total budget of the city to \$7,779,395, according to figures compiled yesterday by the city's finance office.

AT THE SAME time, they approved a 10 per cent raise for all uniformed police officers and firemen, and 7½ per cent for all other city employees. In addition to the raises, police officers were granted compensation for time spent on the firing range and a minimum of three hours pay for court appearances.

Held for this year, at least, were employee requests for longevity pay and other benefits.

COUNCILMAN Nick Draie, who had previously announced his intention to push for a 10-cent cut in the city's tax rate, found backing from most of the other councilmen, but the proposed cut was limited to 5-cents because of the tightness of the budget.

Final adoption of the budget and tax rate must await announcement of assessed valuation figures made usually about the middle of August.

TUESDAY'S meeting of the council, one of the longest in recent years, began at 5:30 and was not adjourned until about 11 p.m. The council took an hour recess during the session for dinner, resuming their deliberations at 9 p.m.

Among the reductions in the budget proposal were elimination of the position of staff nurse, assistant director of public works, senior administrative officer in the city manager's office, and a large number of equipment purchases authorized two weeks ago to be financed from surpluses in the current budget.

REPLACEMENT of City Manager George Stevens, who left his post last month to accept Federal appointment to Ankara, Turkey, will be the principal item for discussion at a closed personnel meeting of the council Monday evening.

Applications for the position total nearly half a hundred, according to Personnel Director T. E. Donovan. The full council is expected to be on hand Monday to begin the process of selecting a new city manager.

"This is not going to be any political football," Mayor Iesen said Tuesday in pushing for prompt selection and appointment of a new manager.

Pre-Dawn Accident Kills One

An early morning crash at Figueroa and Anaheim Sts. Wednesday resulted in the death of a 55-year-old Wilmington shipyard worker. A Torrance riveter was booked on suspicion of manslaughter by Wilmington police.

Dead is Walter Wally, 2419 W. 254th St., Lomita, while police booked Richard Paura, 21, of 1414 W. 215th St.

Witnesses said that Wally was waiting at the intersection of Figueroa and Anaheim Sts. to make a left turn when the car driven by Paura sped into the intersection and hit the Wally vehicle broadside. Wally was thrown from his car and pinned under it as it turned over.

Police said Paura, who has one drunken driving conviction, admitted that he had been drinking. He said that he must have fallen asleep at the wheel. The crash occurred about 2 a.m.

Paura was treated for minor injuries and taken to the Wilmington Police station for booking. He was also cited for speeding and for failing to yield the right-of-way.

Vienna Summit Meeting Given A Second Look

The Vienna meeting with Khrushchev was badly timed, **HERALD** Columnist John Morley said at the time of the meeting between Kennedy and the Red dictator.

Now that time has tempered the conference atmosphere, Morley takes a moment from his travels of the world to reflect on the accomplishments of the new president's first summit meeting.

Morley's report, "Latest Tales from the Vienna Woods," will be published Sunday on the **HERALD'S** editorial page.



AT DAY CAMP . . . Brownie Scouts from the Torrance area are shown here as they await lunch at Day Camp in Torrance Park. The girls, all members of Unit 3 at the camp, spend a week each summer at the Day Camp learning such basic skills as cooking, craft work, knot tying, and nature contests. Mrs. John Borum and Arthur Hauk are in charge of Unit 3. (Herald Photo)