

## Fears of Slide Area Voiced By Councilmen

Fears that the Torrance beach area may become a landslide area were expressed by members of the City Council this week as they considered plans for a fashionable housing development in the area.

Admitting that the development met the code—building permits have already been issued—the councilmen decided against declaring the property a hazard area, but sought means of protecting the city in the event a slide developed in the future.

**BUILDING** Superintendent Lee Schlens had asked for a clarification of the building height limits for the area. The council had previously set a limit when an earlier proposal for development of the area by the Dan-Ja-Ran Corp. had been under consideration.

Residents on Paseo del Playa across from the development

expressed concern about the building heights.

**SCHLENS TOLD** Council members that soil tests had indicated no slide danger existed, but the Council was not easily convinced.

"These are going to be beautiful homes, but one day we may find them in the ocean," George Vico said. The council's concern that the beach was to be fenced off in the area was allayed.

**CITY OFFICIALS** were assured by the developers that the beach would remain open to the public.

The councilmen also took a few minutes Tuesday to decide that foreclosure sales, although open to the public, did not need to be held in the foyer of the city hall to meet the requirement.

Such a sale was conducted

## Lynn Attends School Confab

Bert M. Lynn, member of the board of education, represented the Torrance school district at an all-day regional conference of the California School Boards Assn. in Riverside Saturday. Dr. W. P. Shofstall, dean of students at Arizona State University, was principal speaker.

Tuesday morning by a Fullerton loan firm, whose officials were incensed when City Manager Wade Peebles and City Attorney Stanley Remelmeier questioned their right to hold such a sale in the city hall.

"WE WERE accused of being communists," Remelmeier told the Council.

Councilmen hastily adopted a policy that anyone seeking to use the city hall for any purpose would have to submit a request in writing in advance of the date required, and that such use was subject to the approval of the Council.

## From the Mailbox

By Our Readers

### King Bill Flayed

I have been very much surprised at the lack of comment on the King Bill that would provide medical benefits under Social Security.

I deplore the American

Medical Assn. and most of their acts, but I think they are absolutely right when they call this bill socialized medicine. This is the biggest step toward socialization that has ever been taken in this country. Some of the proponents of this bill have openly declared that this is only the start—that extension of this measure is only a matter of time.

This bill provides benefits for all, regardless of ability to pay. Why should the millions of people who can afford to pay for services have the government pay for it? When you bring up this question to Cecil King (Congressman from this District and author of the bill), he dodges it.

I can say this: that anyone who sponsors a bill such as this loses my support at the polls, and for good. If this one goes over, you will pay and pay and pay.

DONALD J. MYERS, Lomita

### ... Aviation

(Continued from Page 1) fort, (USN Ret.) of Torrance, head of Area Civil Defense.

FOR HIS part in hosting the event and furthering the cause of helicopter progress, A. D. Ucci, associate manager of Plush Horse Inn, was singled for special praise by the speakers. Ucci told of plans for expanding both the hotel and the restaurant in the near future.

Prominent in greeting the 92 guests were Oliver Berthoud, manager and vice president of the Freiden Corporation, owners of the Plush Horse properties, and Mrs. Bernice Goodwin, public relations.

## Obituaries

### CLARA M. PFLUGH

Funeral services for Mrs. Clara M. Pflugh, who resided in Torrance for nearly 30 years before moving to Bakersfield four years ago, were conducted in Bakersfield Monday afternoon. Burial was in Greenlawn Cemetery in that city.

Mrs. Pflugh is survived by four sons, two living in Bakersfield, one in San Diego, and one in Pittsburgh, Pa. Also surviving are sixteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

### IRENE R. TREAT

Funeral services for Mrs. Irene R. Treat, 53, of 26211 S. Western Ave., were held at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary, San Pedro, on Monday with the Rev. G. Henry Green officiating. Mrs. Treat died at her Lomita home on Sept. 13.

She is survived by her husband, George; a daughter, Mrs. Wayne Collins; two sisters, and three brothers. Interment was in Green Hills Memorial Park.

Norsworthy, 53, of Manhattan Beach, will lie in state at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary until Friday evening. Mrs. Norsworthy died Monday after residing in this area for 15 years. She is survived by her husband, Thomas; a son, Thomas Jr., of Torrance; a daughter, Doreen Brener of Simi, Calif., and six grandchildren.

### ALLAN P. KIRK

Funeral services for Allan Percy Kirk, 82, of 1606 Crenshaw Blvd., were conducted by Christian Science Reader Maxine Babb at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel Monday. Mr. Kirk died in Buena Park Sept. 14. He had resided in this area for 14 years.

Mr. Kirk is survived by his widow, Emily; a son, Allan J. Kirk, and a daughter, Mrs. Anne E. Day. Five grandchildren also survive him.

Cremation was at Pacific Crest Crematory.

### MARTHA SHERWOOD

Funeral services for Mrs. Martha Alice Sherwood, 41, of 17204 Ardath Ave., will be held at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel at 1 p.m. today with the Rev. Paul Cox officiating. Mrs. Sherwood died Sunday after residing in this area for 20 years. She was a native of Illinois.

She is survived by her husband, Duane; three sons, Mark, Glenn, and David; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul T. Jones of Venice; two sisters, Mrs. Pauline Jensen of Playa del Rey and Mrs. Mary Nater of Anaheim; and four brothers, Warren Quick of Gardena, Robert Jones of Venice, and William and Ira Dean Jones of Santa Monica.

Donations to the American Heart Assn. have been suggested by members of the family.

### JACK F. MITCHELL

Funeral services for Jack F. Mitchell, 46, of 23813 Park St., will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Brown Colonial Mortuary, 204 W. 17th St., Santa Ana. Mr. Mitchell, a machinist, died at his home Sunday. He had resided in Torrance for 15 years.

Dr. John M. Vander Meulen of the First Presbyterian Church of Santa Ana will officiate at today's rites. Interment will be in Fairhaven Memorial Park.

Mr. Mitchell, a veteran of World War II, is survived by his widow, Vivian; his mother, Mrs. Nellie Mitchell, Santa Ana; and a brother, William J. Mitchell, Garden Grove.

### ALEXANDER MELVILLE

Funeral services for Alexander Melville, 87, who died Sept. 14 in the Golden Age Rest Home in Lomita, were held Saturday at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary. The Rev. G. Henry Greene officiated.

Mr. Melville, a carpenter for 60 years, has resided in the area for 40 years. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Fred G. Smith of Torrance and Mrs. William Roy, San Pedro; a son, Mathew, of Arizona; grandsons, Dr. Fred G. Smith Jr., of Torrance and Robert M. Smith of Lake Tahoe; and five great-grandchildren.

Interment was in Green Hills Memorial Park.

### EDWARD STOCKINGER

Funeral services for Edward Stockinger, Navyman who was killed in an accident Sunday, will be held at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel at 2 p.m. Friday. Interment will follow in Roosevelt Memorial Park.

Mr. Stockinger was stationed at Miramar. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Stockinger of Lone Pine; three sisters, Mrs. Gertrude Briney of Torrance, Louise Wallace and Nancy Ann Cross; and three brothers, David, Delbert Jr., and Charles.

The family has suggested that donations in his name may be made to the Assembly of God Youth Camp, Post Office Box 157, Twin Peaks, Calif.

### IRENE NORSWORTHY

The body of Irene Stethanie

## Council Aids Board in Bus Line Trouble

Removal of a number of safety hazards, approved by action of the City Council Tuesday evening, will permit elimination of some school bus service in the Sepulveda School area, according to the Board of Education. The board Monday night approved bus routes in the area until Oct. 1.

The City Council the following evening approved an appropriation of \$100 to construct an asphalt pavement along a water company property on Sepulveda Blvd., agreed to check a shopping center variance at Sepulveda and Palos Verdes Blvd. to see about moving cars off the sidewalk right of way, and heard a police report that a crossing guard was being hired for that intersection.

THE ACTION met most of the objections raised by parents of Sepulveda students living south of Sepulveda Blvd.

The Council also instructed Superintendent Marshall Chamberlain to investigate the possibility of expanding runs of the Torrance Municipal Bus Lines at the school hours to offer transportation to students, especially in the Riviera, Waverly, and North Torrance areas. A special student rate also was discussed and referred to Chamberlain.

Laing says "Misery up to the extreme point of famine and pestilence, instead of checking, tends to increase population." After Laing has illustrated this by statistics, he continues, "If the people were all in easy circumstances, the world would soon be depopulated."

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