

Naomi McVey Wins 'Citizen of the Year' Citation

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FLAMES DESTROY FAMILY HOME

A Penny for your Thoughts

Gov. Edmund Brown has called for a statewide meeting of prominent citizens and law enforcement officials to seek a solution to what he called a rise in disrespect for police officers. The Pennies photographer asked Torrance shoppers "Do you think there is an increase in disrespect on the part of adults and juveniles for law enforcement officers?"

Mrs. Bruce Harralson, 20708 Mansel Ave.

"I don't think there's a growing disrespect for the police. Where would we be without them? Teen-agers probably don't respect policemen in a lot of ways but as a rule policemen are held in pretty high esteem."

Miss Susan Method, La Mirada

"I think everyone holds a grudge against the police because they think they are in the right and can't do anything wrong. I think there is more disrespect among young people simply because they haven't learned to accept the laws and rules of society."

Don S. McCarty, 2622 Pacific Coast Highway

"Sure there is growing disrespect among teenagers not only for the police but even for their own parents mainly because parents are not taking care of their kids. There is only one answer and that is for parents to start teaching their children at home instead of leaving it up to the schools and other people."

Mrs. William Roberts, Kokomo, Ind.

"Evidently from what you see on television news broadcasts there is growing disrespect could be corrected by parents in the home. If kids don't respect parents then they can't be expected to respect the police."

Mrs. Leonard Lidster, 21625 Bernice Ave.

"I think there is an awful lot of law enforcement officers who bring this disrespect upon themselves. If policemen earned more money police departments could get more qualified men. You only get what you pay for in anything."

Hearing Friday

Court Stops Rezoning Petitions

Certification of the petitions seeking referendum of the council's action in rezoning the Marble property here has been stopped temporarily by court order.

City officials were served Tuesday with the temporary restraining order issued by Superior Judge Gordon Files for developer Don Wilson and principals of the Marble family estate who had sought the rezoning.

Airport Bond Vote Approved

City councilmen have approved a \$1.25 million revenue bond issue for airport improvements going on the April ballot.

Putting the bond issue on the ballot got unanimous approval of the council. In order to reduce interest costs bonds would be sold as the money is needed, according to Councilman Willy Blount.

Land will be acquired and cleared at the west end of the runways with much of the money from the bond issue. Fifty-four per cent of the cost of some of the improvements in the master plan will be paid by the Federal Aviation Agency.

Councilmen also voted to submit a request this month to the Federal Aviation Agency for \$19,000 which would pay for fencing the facility.

Petitions filed with the city clerk last week call for a vote on the rezoning at next April's municipal election.

Wilson's attorney claimed the city permitted persons to remove the petitions after they had been filed to add addresses, precinct numbers, and the dates to those which had not been inserted by the signer.

A show cause hearing has been set for tomorrow morning to determine if the temporary order should be kept in force until arguments on the matter can be heard the following Friday morning.

WILSON ALSO has filed a writ of mandate seeking to force the city to issue a certificate of insufficiency because of the petitions he claims were incomplete on filing.

Several persons apparently were supervising the insertion of precinct numbers, addresses, and dates, according to affidavits filed by Wilson and others associated with him.

Wilson stated he saw four women inserting the information.

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AWARD WINNER . . . Mrs. Kenneth McVey this week became the first woman to win the highly prized selection as the city's outstanding citizen as a climax to the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet held at South High School Tuesday evening. Previous winners have included Mervin M. Schwab, Paul D. Loranger, Dean L. Sears, Sam Levy, Dr. Howard A. Wood, Glen Koger, and J. H. Paget. (Herald Photo)

First Woman Chosen for High Honor

An impressive list of activities which embraces nearly all facets of community life won the coveted "Citizen of the Year" award for Mrs. Kenneth (Naomi) McVey as the highlight of the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet here Tuesday night.

Introduced by Chamber President Harold Frenz, Mrs. McVey stepped up to receive the huge trophy in ceremonies in the cafeteria at South High School.

Mrs. McVey became the eighth person to win the Laughon-Whyte award and has the distinction of being the first woman to win it. The award was first presented in 1953 in memory of Dr. William I. Laughon, pioneer Torrance physician, and Grover C. Whyte, publisher of the HERALD for more than 30 years.

THIS YEAR'S winner was cited for her activities as chairman of the Konyas Days celebration here, including her role during the visit of Mayor and Mrs. Sitsi Bilgin of Konya last year. Other citations included work in Parent-Teacher Assn., scholarship awards programs, Torrance Educational Advisory Committee, and as a member of the city's Recreation Commission.

Specifically, Frenz cited her

activities as coordinator for the Torrance Council PTA, chairman of PTA Council honorary life membership committee, judge of Bank of America scholarship award, as a member of the Torrance Council PTA scholarship committee, secretary and vice moderator of the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee, president of Eta Kappa chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha and 1959's "outstanding member of the year" of that group, as a member of the dental committee for the Torrance Dental Health Assn., and for her activities with Community Chest, American Cancer Society, March of Dimes, Multiple Sclerosis, Heart Assn., Easter Seal campaign.

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Parents, Five Children Left Homeless

Flames which swept through the modest home of a Torrance area family Monday caused what the American Red Cross declared was a "single family disaster."

The family of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Rose, including the couple's five children ranging in age from 3 to 10, were without a home after flames destroyed their dwelling at 20814 Shearer Ave.

"We lost everything," Rose told the HERALD after the conflagration. "The only thing we got out with was the clothing we were wearing."

IN THE CASE of the children, that consisted of pajamas as the flames struck in the early morning hours.

The Rose family, formerly of San Diego, had returned to California from Oklahoma only two weeks earlier. Rose was seeking work as a router operator, his trade for many years with Conair.

Temporary housing was found for the family at 25424 Doble Ave. in Harbor City, Rose said. He said the Red Cross had found the family a public housing dwelling, and that the organization also had provided the family with necessary clothing and furniture.

"WORST OF ALL," Rose said, "I lost my tools in the fire." He had hoped to find employment, but said his tools were damaged beyond use in the heat of the blaze. In his trade, the worker provides his own tools, he explained.



JOSEPH E. YATES
Elevated by Elks

Elks Put Yates in High Post

Election of Joseph E. Yates, 910 Faysmith Ave., to the office of vice president, California Elks Assn., was announced here this week.

Yates, chairman of the organization committee for the Torrance Elks Lodge and the first exalted ruler of the lodge in 1955, will be in charge of the South Central Coast district for the state fraternal organization.

The new vice president has served the state organization during the past six years. He was chairman of the district ritualistic committee in 1959-60 and a member of the state ritualistic judges panel during the past year. He also served as chairman of the Elks National Foundation Committee for the past year.

He has acted as grand exalted ruler at the installation of officers for the Torrance lodge the past two years, and was elected an honorary life member in 1960.

Jaycees Schedule \$1 Polio Clinic

The Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce and the March of Dimes will co-sponsor a \$1 polio clinic Saturday from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the luncheon room on the lower level of the J. C. Penney Co. store in Del Amo Center.

Chairman Vern Smith said the clinic is the 12th in a series which will continue on alternate Saturdays.

State Board Plans El Camino Session

Members of the State Board of Education will hold their November meeting at El Camino College, it has been announced here by Dr. Stuart E. Marsee, president of the college. The meeting is scheduled for Nov. 9 and 10.

Parents Protest U.N. Day

A telephone campaign in opposition to observance of United Nations Day in Torrance schools next Tuesday has been launched here, the HERALD was informed yesterday.

Approval of the observance, including the reading of the President's proclamation on U.N. Day in all classrooms, was voted by three members of the Board of Education Monday night. Board member Bert M. Lynn abstained.

Action of the board came after a request for the observance was submitted by the Rev. Gilbert Zimmerman, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Torrance.

Opposition to the action centers around the one-world idea being promoted by the event, the HERALD was told.

School administrators and board members are being called, the HERALD was told.

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SETTING UP CLINIC . . . Representatives of the South Torrance Lions Club and Torrance Memorial Hospital go over plans for Friday's free glaucoma clinic at the hospital, 1425 Engracia Ave., between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Shown here (from left) are Miss Peggy Bowden, medical lab secretary; Mrs. Don Hyde, Women's Auxiliary; Dr. Fred Hoopes, clinic chairman; and Jack Davidson, president of the sponsoring club. (Herald Photo)