

Demos Hold Registration Lead in Torrance Areas

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CAR-TRUCK CRASH KILLS SAILOR

A Penny for your Thoughts

"Do you think there is any merit in Russia's charges that the United States is using tourists for spying?" the Pennies photographer asked.

Mrs. Robert Jackson, Rolling Hills:

"Of course I don't think so. I don't think America would do this because I believe in America. It's just another Russian propaganda movement."

Mrs. Larry Martinez, Redondo Beach:

"I think it's one of those fabrications. I don't think the United States would use tourists as spies. I think Russia would use tourists as spies in the United States and if they did I don't think the United States should do it because we'd only get in deeper."

Mrs. L. Rizzo, 21513 Reynolds Ave.:

"It could be possible for the United States to do so but I don't think it's likely. I think it's just another propaganda statement by the Russians."

Mrs. Richard Smith, 20525 Toluca Ave.:

"I don't think so. I give our country more credit than to do something so stupid. Tourists are hardly expert spies."

Philip Kennedy, 433 Via La

Soledad, Hollywood Riviera: "I don't think the United States would do this. In my opinion the whole game of politics is turning into a farce and this is another of the farces. It's strictly propaganda."

County to Buy Lomita Land

Land at the corner of Narbonne Avenue and 242nd Street in Lomita will be purchased by the county for the County Administrative Center. Purchase price will be \$5,150, according to Supervisor Burton W. Chace. Purchase of the land will create a contiguous parcel of land owned by the county for its Administrative Center which is now under construction.

The parcel, owned by Takeji and Kikuyo Schinden, is 151.80 feet by 50 feet.

Republicans Lead Only in 46th District

Democrats continued to hold a comfortable lead over Republicans in all Torrance areas except the 46th Assembly District, figures released Friday by Benjamin S. Hite, registrar of voters, reveal.

Of the 43,912 voters registered within the city of Torrance, 26,126 are Democrats and 16,167 are Republicans, Hite said. The balance are registered for minor parties or decline to state a preference.

Democrats continue to hold more than a 2-to-1 lead over Republicans in the 17th Congressional District, with 98,076 persons preferring the Democrats and 38,405 registering as Republicans. Total registration is 141,039. Congressman Cecil R. King, a Democrat, represents the 17th District in Congress.

A similar advantage is held by Democrats in the 68th Assembly District, represented in Sacramento by Democrat Vincent Thomas. Democrats in the 68th total 48,241 while Republicans total 16,892.

In Assemblyman Clayton Dills' 67th Assembly District, the Democrats outnumber the Republicans 49,835 to 21,513. Total registration in the district is 74,115.

HONORED . . . Dr. Rollin Smith, long active in management of the Torrance YMCA, has been named to the national committee of YMCAs. It was reported here yesterday. He will serve a three-year term.

A special tribute to departed brothers has been planned by members of the Torrance Elks Lodge for 2 p.m. today as the fraternity holds its annual memorial service at 1820 Abalone.

An invitation to the public has been extended by Exalted Ruler Charles Marquand. Chairman of the service will be Gale Hun.

Kiwanis to Hear Baseball Scout

Jim McNaff, scout for the Los Angeles Angels, will be keynote speaker at a meeting of the Torrance Kiwanis Club Monday evening at 1925 W. Carson St.

The meeting is scheduled for 6:30. In addition, Don Drysdale of the Dodgers will talk on his life as a baseball player.



UNUSUAL FIND . . . Seashells, starfish and other marine life in abundance were bared yesterday in a canyon near the end of Bluff Street. The items, found by residents in the area after the rain, were found on top of the ground throughout the canyon and some were washed out onto Bluff Street itself.

Youth Takes Part in UCSB Chorus Event

Louis Higgenbotham, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Higgenbotham, 21236 S. Figueroa St., will be a member of the University of California Santa Barbara, for the elaborate production of Carl Orff's "Carmina Burana" at the Lobero theatre Friday and Sunday.

The "Carmina Burana" is a dramatic oratorio which calls for a chorus of 170 in addition to 15 dancers.

Higgenbotham, majoring in music, is a senior at the university.

Lumber Yard Office Entered

Airport Lumber Co., 4274 Redondo Beach Blvd., was broken into about 4 a.m. Friday but nothing was apparently taken. Entry was gained by breaking a window and crawling into the building. Office drawers were ransacked and an audible alarm set off.



TWO INJURED . . . Driver of this sports car, Mrs. George Creighton and a passenger, her son, Gary 11, of Rolling Hills, suffered injuries yesterday afternoon when the vehicle was involved in a collision on Pacific Coast Highway west of Crenshaw Boulevard. Three other boys in the sports car were not hospitalized. Driver of the other car was Walter Louis Hoff, 20, of Hermosa Beach.



MAJOR INJURIES . . . Driver of this car and one from another vehicle suffered major injuries about 11:30 Wednesday night in a collision on Torrance Boulevard east of Prospect. Injured were George Gary Martin, 27, of 20307 S. Amie Ave., and Bart Vahack Vartanian, 47, of 902 Esplanade, Redondo Beach.



HIGH AND DRY? . . . Frank Pierson of 3904 Bluff St. points out where rains washed out marine life in a canyon near his home, causing speculation about early history of the area which is now some 150 feet above sea level.

Palos Verdes Teacher in Death Plunge

A 21-year-old sailor was killed Friday morning when his car collided with a tank truck on Figueroa Street near 223rd Street.

Police said Ralph King, crewman of the USS Phoenix, apparently fell asleep at the wheel of his convertible and veered head-on into the tank truck-trailer which was driven by Edwin Hayes, 44, of Lynwood.

King was thrown from his car and under the truck where his right leg was severed from his body, police said. The truck driver escaped serious injury.

The peninsula area also recorded a traffic fatality Thursday afternoon when Mrs. Belle Fishel, 50, of Portuguese Bend, a third grade teacher at Montemalaga School in Palos Verdes Estates, died after her car went out of control on Via Zurita in Palos Verdes Estates.

Her car plunged down a bluff and landed on Espinosa Circle.

KILLED IN A crash in Gardena Thursday was Samuel Howard, 44, who resided at 16514 Purche Ave. Howard died as the result of injuries suffered when a milk truck he was driving and an auto driven by Byron T. Mitsunago, 18, of Hawthorne, collided in Gardena. Howard was thrown from his vehicle by the impact, investigating officers said.

DRIVER OF A sedan was seriously injured in the Lomita area Thursday afternoon when the vehicle collided with a school bus at Palos Verdes Drive North and Western Avenue. Injured was Mrs. Lois M. Paul, 33, of San Pedro. She was treated for a fractured jaw and severe face cuts at Harbor General Hospital.

Highway patrolmen said no one was injured in the school bus which was driven by Clarence M. Schmid, 54, of San Pedro.

TOMMYE HELEN Chandler, 18, of 1816 Marinette St., suffered minor injuries and was treated by a private physician after her car collided with a parked sedan on Border Avenue just north of San Ardo Street. The accident occurred about 10 a.m. Thursday.

Stanley E. Crabtree, 25, Wilmington, suffered minor injuries and was taken to Harbor General Hospital yesterday morning after a small foreign car in which he was driving collided with the center divider at Pacific Coast Highway and Crenshaw Boulevard.

DRIVER OF the sedan was Mrs. Raquel Irene Molpus, also of Wilmington. The accident occurred about 1:30 a.m. in the rain. Crabtree suffered lacerations on his face.

Noninjury accidents were reported at 11:30 p.m. Friday at Hawthorne Avenue and Garnet Street; midnight on Crenshaw Avenue south of Lomita Boulevard, and 6 a.m. yesterday on Torrance Boulevard east of Crenshaw.

Without the proposed building line a greater setback would be required because of the existing setback of other buildings in the block.

The hearing will be conducted by an examiner designated by the City Planning Commission. Following the hearing a report will be submitted to the Commission and, if favorably recommended, final action will be up to the City Council.

County supervisors have allocated \$8,200 for a roadway improvement project on 214th Street east of Vermont Avenue in the Carson area.

The work will be scheduled by the Los Angeles County Road Department pending the completion of other portions of the current work load.

Work will consist of reconstructing the existing pavement and extending it to join existing curb and gutter. In addition, a catch basin and other appurtenant drainage facilities will be constructed and the pavement of the intersection will be reconstructed.

"This improvement project typifies a phase of work performed by the County Road Department in cooperation with property owners who constructed the curb and gutter under county permit," Supervisor Burton W. Chace stated.

Benefits to be derived upon completion of the project are improved area drainage, reduced roadway maintenance costs, and increased roadway operational efficiency.

Window Stoned

Alvin Schriver of 20105 Tullman St., reported to police Friday evening that someone threw a rock through a window at his home. He estimated monetary loss at \$3.

Dogs Bites Boy

County Health Department authorities are trying to locate a brown and white dog which bit Kim Couwger, 6, of 23910 Huber Ave., Wednesday on 238th Street between Walnut Street and Eshelman Avenue.

The youth was on his way to Adams Elementary School when the incident occurred. If the dog is not located the boy might have to start Pasteur treatment. Persons having information concerning whereabouts of the dog may contact the County Health Department at FA 8-3310.

Carson Apartment Project Approved

Regional Planning Commission approval has been given for construction of 44 single family residences on seven acres of land north of 220th Street, east of Avalon Boulevard in the Carson area. Owner and subdivider is Dan E. Butcher of 2371 Torrance Blvd.

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