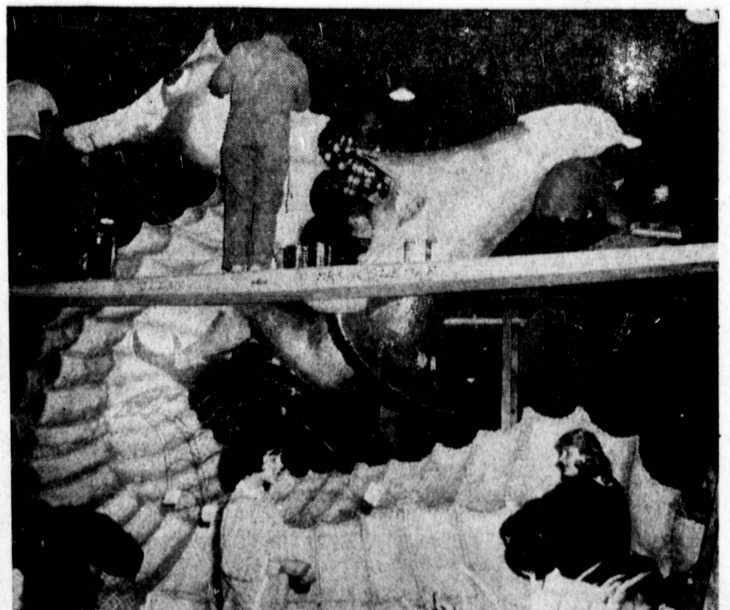




ON WAY TO WORK . . . Volunteers from all sections of the city are shown as they left by chartered bus Friday evening for Pasadena where they began putting final touches on the city's float for the Tournament of Roses parade next Monday. Operations will continue until late Sunday or early Monday when the float is pulled into line for the spectacular.



STARTING OUT . . . Workers climb scaffolds, glue pots and flowers in hand, to begin placing the thousands of blossoms which will give the city's "Seahorse" float its colorful finish for Monday's parade. When completed prior to the parade, the entire surface will be covered with blossoms.



MAKING PROGRESS . . . Workers here have covered much of the elongated snout of the huge seahorse and part of the hat of the pixie rider, but still have a long way to go before the entry will be ready for the Monday spectacular. Decoration is being completed under the direction of Mrs. Phillip Clark. (Herald Photos by Bob Vroman)

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A Penny for your Thoughts

"How do you plan on seeing the New Year in?" the Pennies photographer asked.

Velda Kuykendall, 2315 Lomita Blvd., Lomita: "I'm going to a party which will be held either in Palos Verdes or San Pedro and consist of a dinner and dancing. Many Long Beach State College students will be there. I usually go to a party on New Year's."

Pat Brooks, 22101 Meyler: "I am going to a neighborhood party which will be attended by 18 kids. There'll be dancing at the private home. Last year I was too young to attend a party."

Marty Ross, 1323 El Prado: "I'm going to a surprise New Year's party for my wife's grandparents' 50th wedding anniversary in San Fernando Valley. I went to a party last year also."

Mrs. Eugene E. Miller, 23501 Madison St.: "I'm going to spend the evening at home with my husband and teenage children. This is our usual way of seeing the New Year in."

Rosemary Streetmaker, 17308 Glenburn Ave.: "I'm going to stay at home. Naturally we will stay up to see the New Year in and probably make a little noise the front yard. Last year I was in Tokyo and I celebrated New Year's the Japanese way."

RAIDS UNCOVER DOPE, GUNS

Zone Change Hearings Set Jan. 2

Two zoning variance cases in the Torrance District of the Shoestring Strip will be considered at a Los Angeles City Zoning Administrator's public hearing to be held on Tuesday, Jan. 2, at the Wilmington Branch City Hall, 411 Neptune Ave.

One case, which will be heard at 10 a.m., involves the application of Margaret I. and Everett A. Bender to convert a duplex at 1309 W. 219th St. into a three-family dwelling. The R2 zoning in this area only permits one and two family dwellings.

The other case is a request by Woodrow Neighbors to develop property in the 1500 block of W. 228th St. with seven single-family dwellings on an 83-ft. by 225-ft. parcel. The front 180 feet of this property is in the M1 limited-industrial zone which no longer permits residential use as a result of a recent change in the Los Angeles zoning regulations.

Following the public hearings the zoning administrator will issue his determination.

Hospital Plans Guided Tours On Anniversary

Little Company of Mary Hospital will celebrate its second anniversary next Wednesday. The public is being invited to tour the hospital between 2 and 5 p.m. Mother Patricia said.

SUB-ORBITAL FLIGHT LOGGED BY AUTO HOOD

When a Torrance pipefitter, backing his car out of the driveway to go to work Thursday, beeped a greeting to his neighbor with the auto's horn, he put everything but the kitchen sink in orbit.

And for a while, Jack Hager, of 126 W. Desford, must have believed the kitchen sink was there too.

When Hager tapped the horn button on his auto to answer his neighbor's wave, a violent explosion rocked the car and blasted the car's hood 30 feet into the air.

Sheriff's deputies decided the blast was not the work of a mad bomber, but that gas had accumulated under the hood and was ignited by the electrical impulse to the horn.

Hager was uninjured — though he was a little late to work.

Trial Slated For Parents Of Dead Boy

A municipal court jury trial has been set for Jan. 18 for a Torrance man and his wife who have been charged with misdemeanor manslaughter and child neglect in the Christmas Otto death of their 4-year-old son.

Judge Otto B. Willett set the trial date for Mr. and Mrs. Claude W. Bishop, 1608 Cabrillo Ave., when they appeared for arraignment on the charges Thursday. He set bail on each at \$1,050 pending the Jan. 18 trial.

COMPLAINTS against the pair were issued by city prosecutor Charles F. Catterlin after murder and felony manslaughter charges were refused. Both were remanded to county jail in lieu of bail.

Charges against the pair were filed following the death of their son, Michael, who was pronounced dead at Harbor General Christmas morning.

THE FATHER had tried to awaken his son as the family prepared to open Christmas presents, and called police from a nearby pay phone when he could not arouse the boy.

Police had asked for murder charges, but reduced the charge when it was determined that the boy had been afflicted with encephalitis, a brain disease.

PARENTS TOLD police they had known the boy was ill, but did not consider him sick enough to be hospitalized.

Malnutrition was believed to be the cause of death at first because the boy weighed less than 17 pounds.

Four other Bishop children, who were taken into custody by Torrance juvenile officers on Christmas, are now being cared for at Juvenile Hall in Los Angeles. They are Darlene, 2; Mark, 5; Rodney, 8; and Barbara, 11.

Shoestring Demos Plan Elections

The Los Angeles Shoestring Democratic Club will hold its first meeting of 1962 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson, 21115 S. Hobart, at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 6, it was announced yesterday.

Election of officers for the coming year will highlight the meeting agenda, according to Secretary Sherry Grossman.

Other matters to be discussed include the coming Democratic convention and local civic issues.

Sales Tax Share Delivered to City

Torrance received \$368,167 as its share of sales tax revenue during the fourth business quarter.

Total sales tax revenue distributed to the county amounted to \$1,665,579 during the quarter. Statewide, the state Board of Equalization distributed a total of \$59,331,111 to the 57 counties and 362 cities that contracted for state administration of their local sales and use taxes.

Auto Strikes Two-Year-Old

A 2-year-old boy suffered minor injuries Wednesday afternoon when he was struck by a car on Pennsylvania Avenue just north of 237th Place.

Treated at Little Company of Mary Hospital was David Scott Martinez of 23921 Pennsylvania Ave. Driver of the car was Kenneth Wayne Huey, 24, of 24716 Pennsylvania Ave., who told police the youngster ran in front of his vehicle.

Condition of an 8-year-old Torrance girl, who was burned seriously last week, was reported "much improved" at Harbor General Hospital yesterday.

Marlene Fine, daughter of Mrs. Mary Fine, 1217 E. Jay St., received third-degree burns when her clothing was ignited in the family home.

Officers Arrest Four As Narcotics Peddlers

Four persons arrested here and in adjacent communities yesterday may have been major sources of barbiturates and other drugs to high school students, according to sheriff's narcotics officers.

Raids carried on early yesterday under the direction of Capt. D. R. Mahan netted thousands of pills and substantial amounts of marijuana, Capt. Mahan said.

Booked at Firestone station for charges of violating the State Narcotics Act were Dennis Charles Leipert, 28, and his 27-year-old wife, Wanda, of 313 Fiat St.; Mrs. Marlys Edna Oxford, 23, Dominguez; and Gary Dean Cooper, 28, a Manhattan Beach used car salesman.

CAPT. MAHAN said Mrs. Oxford was arrested at 228th Street and Figueroa after she made a sale to an undercover agent. Officers found several thousand drug tablets in her purse, and later found 1,000 second tablets and a few ounces of marijuana in her home.

Cooper was arrested on Del Amo Boulevard in the Dominguez area with 1,000 pills in his possession. He was described by deputies as a deliverer.

ARREST OF THE Leipers was made in the couple's Torrance home. Sleeping nearby were their four children, ranging in age from 3 to 9. They were taken into protective custody by the officers.

The Leipers were purportedly the wholesalers of the narcotics, and thought to be bringing the supplies into the area from Mexico.

IN ADDITION to the narcotics, officers found two loaded pistols and two loaded rifles in the Leipert home. Several thousand pills and a half-pound of marijuana were confiscated at the home.

Capt. Mahan said the arrests followed an intensive investigation into the sources of supply for teenagers in the southern part of the county. The four arrested yesterday had been under observation for some time before the arrests were made by undercover agents, he said.

Hospital Staff to Install

Dr. Carlo A. Tabellario of Torrance will be installed as chief of staff of Torrance Memorial Hospital at the annual banquet scheduled for the Palos Verdes Country Club, Saturday, Jan. 6.

The new chief of staff is a graduate of Tufts Medical School in Boston and has practiced pediatrics and pediatrics allergy in Torrance since 1956. Doctor Tabellario is assistant clinical professor of pediatrics at the University of California at Los Angeles Medical School. He is a diplomat of the American Board of Pediatrics and a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Doctor Tabellario is on the pediatric and allergy attending staffs of UCLA Medical Center and Harbor General Hospital. He is married and has two children. For the past two years he served as secretary-treasurer of Torrance Memorial Hospital.

Other incoming officers for 1962 include Dr. Nathan M. Spishakoff, Torrance radiologist, as assistant chief of staff; Dr. Edward W. Knutsan, Torrance general practitioner, as secretary-treasurer; and Dr. James K. Lees, Torrance ear-nose-throat specialist, assistant secretary-treasurer.

Guests of the medical staff at the installation dinner will include members of the board of directors of the hospital. Outgoing officers are Dr. John F. Nursall of Torrance, chief of staff; Dr. J. John Man-son of Redondo Beach, assistant chief of staff; and Dr. William A. Davies, assistant secretary-treasurer.

Social hour will start at 7 p.m. with dinner being served at 8 p.m. Dancing will follow the installation ceremonies.



NEW YEAR . . . Dr. Carlo A. Tabellario, second from left, new chief of staff for the Torrance Memorial Hospital Medical Staff, outlines the organization's 1962 schedule of events with outgoing Chief of Staff, Dr. John F. Nursall, third from left, and other new officers. Dr. James K. Lees, new assistant secretary-treasurer, far left; Dr. Edward W. Knutsan, secretary-treasurer, and Dr. Nathan M. Spishakoff, assistant chief of staff. (Herald Photo)