

# Supervisor Chace, Others to Be Feted for Court

Efforts of city officials and laymen in bringing the Southwest District Branch of the Superior Court to the Torrance civic center will be recognized Friday by the South Bay Bar Assn. and the city of Torrance at a luncheon at the Plush Horse.

Supervisor Burton W. Chace, whose efforts have been credited with securing establishment of the court in Torrance, will be the guest of honor at Friday's luncheon, according to Eric Rafter, president of the Bar Assn.

Other guests Friday will include Boris S. Woolley,

Torrance attorney who was chairman of the Torrance Courts Committee, and who will be master of ceremonies at the luncheon.

Others include Judge John A. Shidler, presiding judge of the Southwest District Superior Court, now located temporarily in Inglewood, and Municipal Judge William E. MacFadden, presiding judge of the South Bay Municipal Court.

"There will be no long speeches . . . Mr. Woolley has said he would run a snappy program," City Attorney Stanley Remelmeyer said yesterday.

On the list of honorees for Friday's affair are mayors of Torrance area cities, headed by Torrance Mayor Albert Isen; judges and court officials of the Southwest District, members of the Torrance Courts Committee which was headed by Henry W. Creeger; Chamber of Commerce presidents; and cooperating city councils of the area.

Establishment of the Superior Court on the Torrance civic center climaxed a campaign of several years conducted by The HERALD and city officials.

Plans for the structure are now being drawn, and

the supervisors Tuesday added another \$700,000 to the project and ordered plans for an additional floor and more courtrooms. When constructed near the Torrance city hall, the courthouse will contain 12 courtrooms in which cases on the Superior Court level can be heard.

Other facilities will include quarters for county offices such as clerk, marshal, and district attorney.

Tickets at \$3.50 each are available at the Chamber of Commerce or at the city attorney's office in the city hall.

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# \$1,225,000 Airport Proposal Placed on Ballot for April Election

**A Penny for your Thoughts**

"Do you think the United States did the wise thing in trading for U2 pilot Gary Powers?" the Pennies photographer asked.

Gene Carr, 1323 Crenshaw Blvd.: "Why not? It was an even trade. I think they are both spies. America can do more good by having Powers back than having him in jail in Russia. Information we can learn from Powers will help."

Mrs. Steve Walsh, 5414 Calle de Ricardo: "I think so. We should have Powers back because we have everything to gain by having him back and nothing to lose by keeping the other guy in jail."

Mrs. Lloyd Burkhardt, 2567 Sonoma Ave.: "I think we should have him back. I think it was partly his own fault that he allowed himself to be caught. I don't think he deserves to be paid for his efforts. There was nothing lost in the trade."

Edward Diaz, 943 W. Carson St.: "I'm not too much of a politician to know of the advantages but for the sake of his home life I see it was quite fair. If it is true what has been published in the papers then I think information he gave the Russians might have been of some value to them."

Liydia Montejano, 18409 Falda Ave.: "If our pilot is of so much value to us that we need him back then I think the trade was OK. I think it was a wise decision. I don't think I did the United States any harm in what he told the Russians."

## Deadline for City Ballot Is Noon Today

Torrance has long prided itself as a growing city, and lists of candidates being compiled by personnel in the city clerk's office could testify yesterday that the ballot will keep pace.

As of 4:30 yesterday afternoon, the mayor's list had grown to four candidates, the Council list to 14, the city clerk's list to 8, and the city treasurer's post was still the objective of one formal petitioner.

And, judging from the traffic at a late hour yesterday in nominating petitions, the lists are destined to grow some more before today's noon deadline.

**FILING TO ENTER** the race for mayor yesterday was Arthur Armijo, 4309 Carson St., a self employed metal worker. He joins incumbent Albert Isen, Councilman Willys G. Blount, and Roger "Pat" Hogue in the race.

Joining the race for councilmen during the week was J. A. Beasley, only incumbent on the ticket, who lives at 24248 Ward

St. Blount is vacating his seat to run for mayor and George Bradford is not a candidate.

Others in the race will include Nat Mondati, barber, 3125 Sonoma; Realtor Ken Miller, 20514 Amie Ave.; Garth Belknap, high school teacher, 17822 Bailey Drive; John J. Barton, attorney, 4160 Via Lado; Fred Steinbroner Jr., auto shop owner, 2409 Grand Summit Road; Russell Cameron, mutual funds agent, 4913 Bindewald Road; Stewart "Bud" Rose, advanced electronics technician, 3326 Newton St., and Jean Clawson, printing company president, 2909 Eldorado Ave.

Nearly a score of petitions are still out, personnel in the city clerk's office reported yesterday afternoon.



**DRIVER JAILED . . .** Officer Fred Jackman inspects topsy-turvy auto which flipped onto a bus stop bench at Sepulveda Boulevard and Hawthorne Avenue to climax a high-speed chase by officers through heavy rain early Sunday. The driver was charged with evading arrest and driving with a suspended license. (Herald Photo)

## Car Flips in Rain-Soaked Chase by Police Officers

A 22-year-old Torrance resident was arrested early Sunday morning after a 90-mile-per-hour pursuit by police which ended with the young man's car turning over. In other accidents, a 78-year-old man was injured when struck by a car and four other persons injured in separate accidents.

Police booked Dennis Dean Duchemin, 22, of 17202 Glenburn St., for felony reckless driving, evading arrest, and driving with a suspended license after his vehicle skidded and overturned at Sepulveda Boulevard and Hawthorne Avenue.

**IN AN ACCIDENT** about 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Walter Barnes, 78, of 5235 Lorna St., Apartment B, suffered bruises and cuts on his nose and head after he was struck by a car on Torrance Boulevard east of Henrietta Street.

Barnes, a retired farmer, was treated at Little Company of Mary Hospital. Police said the car was driven by Juanita Pearl Porter, 42, Hermosa. Barnes was walking south across Torrance Boulevard when the accident occurred.

**MARGO BOOTH**, 24, of 216 Pacific Ave., Redondo Beach, suffered minor injuries about 3 a.m. Wednesday when her car, southbound on Hawthorne Avenue south of Torrance Boulevard, careened off a utility pole, struck the center highway divider, and came to rest in a field.

She was the only occupant of the car. She went to a private physician.

Three persons suffered minor injuries Sunday afternoon in a two-car accident at Cadison Street and Firmona Avenue.

**GRACE BILOTTIA**, 19, of 18528 Ashley Ave., was treated at Little Company of Mary Hospital. She was a passenger in a sports car driven by James

## Drawings for New Carson Street School Approved

Preliminary drawings for a two-story \$470,000 classroom building at Carson Street Elementary School, 185 E. Carson St., have been approved.

The new building will include 12 classrooms, an administration office unit, library and book room unit, physical education unit, audio-visual room on the second floor, storage room, and sanitary facilities.

Four classrooms will be located on the first floor along with library and administration units, and eight classrooms will be on the second floor. The new building will be connected to the existing cafeteria at the school by a covered walk way.

The superintendent said originally seven classrooms had been scheduled for construction on the site but the continued rapid growth in the area caused school officials to increase the number of classrooms to 12.

Funds for the project were approved by district voters in the 1960 school bond building program.

The new building is being designed by the architectural firm of Andrew Joneich and William Lusby. The firm will have 75 days to complete drawings and specifications for the project and following this, the plans will be forwarded to the State Division of Architecture for further approval.



**PROPOSED CLASSROOMS . . .** Design of working drawings and specifications for a two-story \$470,000 classroom building at the Carson Street School, 185 E. Carson St., is now under way, following approval of preliminary drawings. The new building will have 12 classrooms, administration office unit, library and book room unit, additional smaller rooms.

## Backers Say Taxpayers Escape Cost

An airport bond issue for \$1,225,000 which backers say would be repaid from airport revenues and not by taxpayers has been approved for inclusion on the April 10 municipal ballot by action of the City Council.

In a vote on the proposal Tuesday night, Councilmen were unanimous in their decision to place the proposal on the city ballot.

**UNDER THE TERMS** of the bond proposal, the city could finance improvements which are needed on the airport by selling the bonds and repaying them from revenue which must remain in the airport funds. The bonds would have no claim on general city funds, President Joe Doss of the Airport Commission said Tuesday.

Approval of the bond issue by the voters can be accomplished by a majority vote, he added, saying the two-thirds majority will not be needed because it is not a general fund obligation.

**REVENUE FROM** the bonds would be used to finance a two-phase program, Doss said. The first program would be to acquire a clear zone on the west end of the airport, and to provide sewer facilities and water to the airport. Development of the Pacific Coast Highway frontage has been held up because the city cannot furnish water nor other utilities.

Also included in the first phase of the program would be the purchase of a crash truck for use on the airport. Cost of this phase would include \$218,465 for the clear zone acquisition, \$240,000 for the utility installations, and \$24,200 for the crash truck. Added to this would be \$259,459 which the federal government would pay for obtaining the clear zone at the west end of the airport.

**IN THE SECOND** phase of the program, paving of a new landing strip and other paving would cost the city \$299,476 and the federal government \$175,111. Lighting would cost \$100,332 to the federal government and \$85,382 to the city.

"These improvements will enable the airport to increase its revenue substantially by making areas available for development which cannot now be used," Doss said.

A citizens committee headed by George Powell and Mervin Schwab has been named to direct the campaign for the bond issue. Assisting them will be the Rev. William Schatz, George Schneider, and Arney Tonneson.

**Polio Clinic Set**

A March of Dimes polio clinic will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at the Sepulveda School, 4600 Merrill St., under the cosponsorship of the Sepulveda PTA. A charge of \$1 will be made for the inoculations. First, second, third, and booster shots will be offered.

## Herald Wins New Honors In Statewide Judging

The HERALD was one of the award winners in the 1961 Better Newspaper Contest at the 74th annual convention of the California Newspaper Publishers Assn. held last weekend at the Hotel del Coronado, Coronado.

The HERALD was adjudged second place winner in the Best Front Page division in the nondaily classification. The Burlingame Advance-Star won the top award. The Los Angeles Times received the first award in the category of dailies with more than 10,000 circulation.

A record-number of entries totaling 930 were studied by 60 judges in a variety of classifications. The HERALD'S award marks the sixth time this newspaper has been recognized in recent years. Previously honors were received for general excellence, best woman's interest coverage, best editorial page, and best special edition.

The convention also marked the election of Glenn W. Pfeil, HERALD co-publisher and general manager, to a two-year term on the board of directors of CNPA. Ralph H. Turner, publisher of the Temple City Times, was named president.

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