

# Torrance Family Preparing for Duty in the Congo

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**A Penny for your Thoughts**

"What do you think about the length of girls' skirts?" the Pennies photographer asked.

Mrs. Richard Berg, 22749 Date Ave. "I don't think anybody has pretty knees. Women have a skirt length that is becoming to them and should wear the length that is most becoming. I don't feel the knee should be exposed."

Clarence Hart, Gardena: "I would say that I approve. As long as women run around public places in shorts what's the difference if a skirt is a few inches above the knee? With the costumes so brief and unusual, an inch or so at the hemline is negligible."

Mrs. Jerry dondo Beach: "I like them. Short skirts are nice for short people. It makes girls look younger. They are definitely going to extremes. It's mostly teenagers who are real short."

Mrs. Jim Fruchey, 4621 Narrot St.: "Myself, I think they are extremely uncomfortable. I think a woman looks a lot better wearing a skirt the proper length for them. A short skirt makes it very difficult when you have children who sit in your lap."

Ed Helwig, Lakewood: "I like them short but not too short. I think when girls are above the knee then they are too short. I don't think most girls are going to extremes with their skirt lengths."

## Doctor Plans Futher Duty To Africans

A Torrance family is busy this week making plans to rent their house and acquire supplies for a three-year stay in the Congo.

Dr. Paul E. Carlson, his wife, Lois, and two children, who live at 21402 Budlong Ave., will leave this city early in September to go to the Ubangi area of Equator Province in the Congo for missionary work.

Dr. Carlson, a surgeon, spent five months in the area last fall, and is returning as a missionary at the request of the Ubangi Church of Christ. He is the first American missionary to go to the Congo at the request of the people there.

BECAUSE many Belgian doctors fled the Congo when that



DR PAUL CARLSON

nation became independent, a void in medical services has been created. Dr. Carlson explains that many of the hospitals and missions there have no doctors at this time and nurses must do all that is done. He first went to the African nation as a volunteer with the Congo Protestant Relief Agency. During his stay last fall, Carlson had numerous experiences that convinced him of a real opportunity for service in the Congo.

When he returned to this country, the Ubangi Church sent a request to the Evangelical Covenant Church of America, which last week informed the family funds were available for the trip.

DR. CARLSON and his fami-

ly came to Torrance six years ago, after he received his MD from George Washington University in Washington, D. C. Prior to that time, Carlson had received a degree in anthropology at Stanford University and done graduate work at UCLA and North Park College. He is also a Navy veteran.

Mrs. Carlson is a graduate of the Swedish Covenant Hospital nursing school. The Carlsons have two children, Wayne, 7, and Lynette, 4. Wayne will go to school in the Congo.

Since coming to Torrance, Dr. Carlson has served a two-year internship and a four-year surgical residency at Harbor General Hospital. He is currently working with a medical group which has offices in Redondo Beach and Rolling Hills Estates.

THE CARLSONS are members of the Rolling Hills Covenant Church. The family has been active in church affairs since joining the church.

This is the first missionary assignment for the Carlsons, and the family is very anxious to begin work. Dr. Carlson will take a course in tropical medicine in the Congo before going to his assigned mission in Ubangi. He views his assignment as a unique opportunity to minister to the spiritual and physical needs of the people of the Congo.

THE FAMILY has just returned from Seattle, where they were presented to the annual conference of their church as full-time missionaries. They will spend the next few weeks preparing their family and packing belongings and supplies for the trip.

Carlson says that "help us now" is no idle cry. "One can't come back from an African visit like mine without feeling one's Christian responsibility tremendously," he says. "In Africa I knew I was doing something that wouldn't get done if I weren't there. Here, I know there are plenty of men who can do the job I am doing."

## Did Night Drag By? Power Off

Electrical power in about a one square mile area of Torrance was off from periods varying from a half to one and a half hours early Tuesday morning.

Edison Company officials said about 1,200 customers in an area approximately bounded by Crenshaw Boulevard, Maple Avenue, El Dorado Street and Torrance Boulevard were affected.

Although the exact cause had not been definitely determined the company said workmen are reasonably certain the outage was caused when a vehicle hit a guy wire causing wires to come together and short out. Automotive tracks at one location indicate that is what might have happened, officials said.

## Denn Names Shawger to Directorship

William E. Shawger has been named area director at large for the Torrance Chamber of Commerce for the coming year, according to the new president, Martin Denn.

The appointment completes the Chamber's board for the coming year.

Shawger has just completed a term on the Executive Committee of the Chamber and is a past vice president and past president. He has been a Rotarian for the past 17 years and is also a past president of the Torrance Kiwanis Club. Presently, he is active in Shrine.



HE IS HAPPY NOW . . . Tony Furtado sits on bed at Harbor General Hospital, showing Candy Stripper Nancy Davis, Palos Verdes Estates, a speed-typing book, one of the many gifts he has received. Tony has only three months left to live because of incurable lung cancer, and although the many visitors he receives daily have boosted his morale, the hospital has restricted visiting hours from 2 to 3 p.m. and 7 to 8 at night so he can get more rest. (Herald Photo)

## Full Summer Schedule Set By Recreation Department

All of the Torrance Recreation Department's recreational areas are now open to the public for the summer, and will include seven parks, 24 playgrounds, the Adult Center, the Victor E. Benstead Plunge, Sea Aire Golf Course, and the Arts and Craft Center.

All parks and playgrounds are staffed and will offer complete recreational programs. The leaders of each area are responsible for planning the program there, and in their planning they take into consideration such factors as age of the children who usually use the facilities available, in-

terests of the children, and their own skills and talents.

THE NUMBER of persons participating in organized recreational activities last year was 777,277. Left out of the count are picnic groups, many field trips and general park attendance.

The Torrance Recreation Department offers something for everyone. A partial list of activities offered by the Department includes:

Swimming and life saving are held daily at the Victor E. Benstead Plunge. "Swim Buses" pick up boys and girls to

take them to the pick-up point after their swim.

Camp Clatawa, a mountain camp in the Big Bear Lake area will provide hiking, cookouts, swimming, overnights, crafts and other camp activities from Aug. 18 to 25.

"CHIPPEWA Pow Wow" Day Camp will teach camping skills (Continued on Page 8)

## School Chief Says Schools Feel Growth

"There is nothing but pressure on Torrance to become a city of 250 thousand," believes school superintendent J. H. Hull.

Dr. Hull expressed the opinion Monday night at the school board meeting while explaining figures which conservatively predict an enrollment of over 40,000 by 1970 in Torrance schools.

This year, total enrollment is expected to be 29,508, but figures released by the administration predict an increase to 40,454 by 1970.

The projected figure would find 29,200 in elementary schools and an additional 11,254 in high school. For the coming term, there will be an estimated 22,682 enrolled in elementary schools and 6,826 attending high school.

THE ADMINISTRATION stressed that it is a conservative estimate and represents the minimum enrollment increase which could be expected in the Torrance schools.

It is conservative for two reasons, the administration states:

The kindergarten enrollment shows no increase from the years 1962-1970. There was an 11 per cent increase in the marriage rate of 1957 which should reflect an increased birth rate in 1962 or 1963 and an increased kindergarten class in 1967 or 1968.

The projection assumes no houses will be built in Torrance after 1962. The Torrance Planning Commission estimates that in 1960 there were 800 acres of undeveloped land in Torrance which was available for residential construction. There is a strong probability that most, if not all of this land will be used for residence construction before 1970, and the school popula-

tion would increase accordingly.

MONDAY NIGHT, the board and the administration continued their squabble over a telephone bill which has

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## Girl Dies Under Car; Rites Set

A 7-year-old Harbor City girl was struck by a car and killed Saturday evening when she ran into the street near her home.

Dead is Joanne Laura Halle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wales, 1245 W. Anaheim, Harbor City.

The driver of the car was identified by police as Frederick A. Harding, 35, of 18812 Billings Ave., Gardena. Mrs. Wales rode with her daughter to the hospital, but the girl was pronounced dead on arrival.

Rosary for the girl was recited last night at 7:30 at the Stone and Myers Chapel, and a requiem mass will be celebrated today at 9 a.m. at Saint Margaret Mary Church in Lomita.

Joanne is survived by two brothers, Thomas and Monk Halle; a sister, Julie Halle; and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie George.

Interment will be in All Souls Cemetery.

## Prize Winners Told After Downtown Sale

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Moreno, 21223 Foxwell Ave., won the top prize of \$100 cash in the annual Downtown Torrance Old Time Value Days promotion last week. Moreno received the cash award this week from Glenn W. Pfeil, copublisher of the HERALD, donor of the prize.

Other prize winners listed by the participating merchants:

- Aluminum patio chaise lounge from McMahan's Furniture Store—Celia Pons, 1731 Cabrillo Ave.
- Bulky knit sweater from Dales Department Store—Jean Wolf, 22910 Cabrillo Ave.
- Five-piece chef set from Buddy's Bargain Stores—Loretta Norton, 802 S. Juanita Ave., Redondo Beach.
- Transistor radio from J. J. Newberry — Vina Milford, 25534 January Drive.
- Hair style and cut from the Hair Stylists — Elsie Doran, 2141 W. 177th St.
- Twenty dollars in groceries from Norley's Market — Grace Fosnaugh, 16632 Ainsworth Ave., Gardena.
- Three-piece luggage set from Torrance Jewelry and Loan—Nick Drake, 1960 Torrance Blvd.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Moreno, 21223 Foxwell Ave., receives \$100 cash award from Glenn W. Pfeil (left) copublisher of the HERALD as the top winner in the promotion prizes offered during Downtown Torrance's "Old-Time Value Days" last week. Moreno deposited his winning ticket at the Mary Carter Paint Store to win the HERALD's cash award. (Herald Photo)

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