

Worker Saved in Trench Cave-In

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A Penny for your Thoughts

With the summer vacation just around the corner, five young school children were asked, "What would you like most to do for a vacation this summer?"

Debra Sutherland, 7½:
"We are going to go up to Bishop, and I want to go fishing. We will go fishing at June Lake. I like to fish."

Kary Harger, 8:
"I would like to go horseback riding. I just love to ride horses. We plan to go visit my grandmother. She lives up north in Santa Cruz."

Carol Maher, 7½:
"I like to get some sleeping bags and sleep out on the ground. We are going to Oregon on a trip, and will take my grandmother with us. We may camp out some."

Deanna Selman, 7½:
"I love to go camping. I always have a lot of fun when we are on camping trips. We may go to Flagstaff this summer, and if we do, we may go camping."

Karen Stidham, 7½:
"This summer we are all going up to Washington on a visit. I have relatives there. My brothers probably will like to go fishing, but my mother and I probably will go bowling. I like to bowl."

City Gets Share
Torrance received \$28,680 for its six-months share of fees paid by holders of Alcoholic beverage licenses.
Total payments to Los Angeles County were \$2,157,876.

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Friends Leap To Pull Man From Cave-In

A 26-year-old construction worker was saved from possible death by suffocation by his brother Thursday morning.

Salvatore Lamas, Los Angeles, was covered with earth in a 15-foot trench in the 3000 block of Sepulveda Boulevard when the sides of the excavation gave way. His brother, Zenon, 37, and other workers worked to uncover the victim. The brother uncovered his face while others freed Lamas from the ditch.

Lamas was taken to Little Company of Mary Hospital with possible leg fractures and internal injuries. A second man, standing on the edge of the ditch when the banks caved in, sustained minor leg injuries.

Witnesses told police an unidentified co-worker had attempted to hand a board to Lamas from the edge of the ditch when the bank gave way. Lamas was working at the bottom of the ditch at the time.

The brother worked quickly and uncovered Lamas' face within seconds of the cave in, police were told. Other workers helped to remove Lamas from the ditch.

Rescue efforts were delayed because of wood and pipe braces which had been placed in the excavation at close intervals. Lamas was finally removed in a wire basket lowered by a fire department rescue unit.

The metal helmet, a type normally worn by construction workers, and the quick action of Lamas' brother were credited with saving the victim's life.

Trustees Slate Budget Session
Members of the Torrance Board of Education will meet for an adjourned meeting Monday evening at 7:30 in the board offices 2335 Plaza Del Amo.

The trustees will devote most of the meeting to a discussion of the budget for fiscal 1964-65.



JAYCEE LEADERS . . . James Ackroyd (left), new president of the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce, gets some pointers from Harold Smith, who has served that group as president during the past busy year. Smith has been elected district governor of the California Junior Chamber of Commerce. (Herald Photo)

Ackroyd Installed as New Jaycee President

A 32-year-old buyer for Space Technology Laboratories was installed last night as president of the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce.

James Ackroyd, who lives at 21617 Linda Drive, was installed during ceremonies witnessed by members of the Jaycees, their wives and guests.

Ackroyd succeeds Harold Smith, who has been elected district governor of the California State Junior Chamber of Commerce, with jurisdiction over 15 chapters in Southwest Los Angeles County.

THE NEW president was installed along with other officers who will assume their duties on June 4. First vice president is Tom Stade, 4601 Deelane St.; second vice president is Hal Lindborg, 5518 Wilma; secretary is Ray France, Inglewood; and treasurer is Pete Pedersen, 5224 Beran St.

Doug Hedde, 115 Cranbrook, has been named state director. Members of the Torrance chapter's board of directors are Ron Davis, 19910 Ingram Way; Ralph Gansemer, 5605 Edgemere Drive; Jim Hussey, 1643½ W. 255th St., Harbor City; Dick Long, 5511 Lee St.

HE WAS born in Brampton, Ontario, Canada, and came to California in 1955. He currently is attending UCLA in the evening division. He and his wife, Audrey, have a daughter, Kimberley Jaye, 6 months.

In his acceptance of the office, Ackroyd pledged to see that the Torrance Jaycees attain a respected position as "Young Men of Action," dedicated to community development and leadership training. He also pledged to shoot for a membership of 100 or more, and to dedicate his administration to the return of the All America City stature to Torrance.

Bloodmobile Here Thursday At Elks Hall

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be stationed at the Elks Lodge, 1820 Abalone, Thursday.

Donor appointments for the 2 to 6:30 p.m. period should be made early, according to Mrs. Robert Orsini, blood program chairman for the Torrance-Lomita Red Cross Branch, TE 2-8321 or FA 8-0510.

A 265-pint collection quota has been set for the Bloodmobile's visit, one of four scheduled annually by the local office.

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Second Man Jailed for Murder Try

A second man sought since April 30 for the shooting of Torrance Police Officer Leo Gonzales was arrested at gunpoint near a Pico-Rivera motel Friday evening by Torrance and Los Angeles officers. The man, believed to be the triggerman in the near-fatal shooting of Gonzales at the scene of a drugstore robbery, submitted to arrest meekly.

Jailed in Torrance was Jack James Smith, also known as Jack Lancaster, a 39-year-old ex-convict. He was booked on suspicion of armed robbery and attempted murder.

Officers Donald Cook and Wally Nitz, responding to reports that a car which had been identified with the suspect had been spotted, raced to the motel where they joined Los Angeles officers in making the arrest as Smith prepared to leave the motel.

The suspect was not armed, but a revolver was found in a suitcase in his car.

The arrest ends the search which has been under way for nearly a month. Smith's alleged partner in the April 30 robbery of a drugstore at Hawthorne Avenue and Pacific Coast Highway was arrested the next day in an East Los Angeles apartment.

William Alvin Snow, 30, was charged with attempted murder and robbery. His arrest led to the identification of Smith, and the wide-ranging hunt has been in progress since.

Spotting Smith's car came on information furnished Southland police agencies by Torrance, according to Det. Lt. Joe Miles. He added that police are convinced that Smith was the triggerman in the shooting which left Officer Gonzales gravely wounded with a shot in the head.

Gonzales now has been released from Little Company of Mary Hospital and is recovering at home.

Bureau Seeks Drivers for Young People

Drivers are needed to transport handicapped children to day camp this summer sponsored by the Volunteer Bureau.

The day camp will be held at a park located in the South Bay area for two weeks from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Further details are available by calling Peggy Cooper, TE 3-5227.

Hearings Scheduled on Renewed High-Rise Plan

Hearings have been scheduled before the Planning Commission next Wednesday, and again June 10 on the renewal of a request for a zone change that would permit high-rise construction on the site of the old Riviera Clubhouse.

Robert D. Keillor renewed the application for a change of zone to construct a 16-story apartment building at Paseo de la Playa and Calle Miramar on the Torrance-Redondo Beach city line. The application was withdrawn last year after massive protests developed from residents of the Hollywood Riviera section. Plans call for three floors of underground parking space, shops on the ground floor, and a restaurant on the top floor.

The planning Commission recommended denial of the petition after more than 700 protests were received. Keillor then withdrew the petition before it reached the City Council.

Jahn Asks \$4 Million In Damages

Former city manager Wade Peebles and six city officials were named as co-defendants with the City of Torrance in a \$4 million damage suit filed this week by former city councilman Robert Jahn.

Jahn claimed false arrest, false imprisonment, malicious prosecution, and conspiracy in the suit. The suit grew out of Jahn's arrest in July, 1963, which later figured as a key issue in the investigation into the city's police department.

Mayor Albert Isen and five police officers were named with Peebles in the suit. The suit was filed in Inglewood Superior Court. The five officers are Lt. D. C. Cook, James Weyant, Daniel E. Murray, Roger Jacobsen, and Leo Gonzales.

Jahn's arrest was alleged to have resulted from an order issued by Peebles to members of the police department's vice squad. The case was never brought to trial because of the circumstances surrounding the arrest.

In the suit, Jahn asked for \$500,000 damages from each of the defendants.

Jahn alleges that then city manager Wade Peebles ordered officers to keep him under surveillance until he (Jahn) broke some law and could be arrested.

Youths Attend 'Day in Navy' Yearly Cruise

Two North High School journalism students and their advisor were guests aboard the attack carrier Yorktown (CVS-10) yesterday on the eighth annual "Day in the Navy" cruise.

Attending were: Kent Hiner, 4607 Towers St.; John Mac Gillivray, 4335 W. 176 St.; and Robert Griffin, advisor at North High School.

An estimated 400 journalism students and advisors from 327 Southern California high schools participated in the cruise.

Chest X-ray Unit Slated Here June 4

The mobile chest x-ray unit sponsored by the Los Angeles County Health Department will be stationed at the Ben Cluff Dairy, 220th and Avalon Blvd., June 4, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. X-rays are without charge and minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.



HOPE SUNDAY CHAIRMAN . . . Pioneer Torrance businessman Sam Levy has been named again to head up the Hope Sunday drive in the Torrance area, scheduled this year for June 7. Levy said the national medical center, City of Hope, depends on the generosity of the public to keep its doors open to those who come for help. Hope Sunday, a one-day blitz of the Southland, is the principal drive for the center.

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