LAWSUIT TO CLOSE DUMP THREATENED Record Air-Hop From Torrance Protests Overruled As Land Purchase Nears PENINSULA

SHOESTRIP

Soderstrom Plans to Set **New Mark**

Torrance Municipal Airport will be the take-off point on a record establishing non-stop transcontinental airplane flight of Charles Sodersfrom, Jr., San Pedro Ford dealer, the Press learned this week.

Torrance Better Merchants, retail division, Torrance Chamber of Commerce, invited Soderstrom to take off from Torrance after learning of his willingness to start the flight here instead of from one of the larger airports nearby. They promised Soderstrom a rousing send-off, with community participation. Soderstrom's plane is kept in the Acme Aircraft Co. hangar at Torrance Municipal Airport, where the company, composed of Roger Keeney, Hugh K. Crawford and Charles R. Klinkert, already are converting the Beechcraft four-place plane for the non-stop record attempt to La-Guardia field, New York. The flight will be made some time after June 1.

It was said at the airport that Soderstrom will make the flight from Torrance, even though it means a night take-off without a place for them to voice their airport lights, as a matter of lo- ideas at the Torrance Educationcal community spirit. Much na- al Advisory Committee meetings. tional publicity will be gained thereby. He is financing the flight himself just for the sport group, meetings of which the of the attempt, it was said.

Already sanctioned by the Na- nied the right to address the tional Aeronautics Association, Board of Education said. The the flight will be to establish a record for light land planes of Board of Education is a public the third classification, or body, with regular meetings, weights from 2200 to 3800 open to the public, and the pubpounds. Soderstrom's Beechcraft, lic has a right to be heard at is powered by a 185-horsepower Continental motor, and he just

record making flight.

Acme Aircraft will make sev-



Within a week after the Press

Attend Convention

end, May 5, 6, 7, and 8.

San Jose was the destination

The Jaycees held their state

HARBOR CITY

LOMITA

Imposition of the "gag rule" at Board of Education meetings brought scores of protests from indignant citizens who appeared at the meeting of the board May 2, and were denied their lawful privilege of addressing the board members by Dr.

H. A. Wood, President. Wood said that if school pa-**Fast Action** trons want to be heard, there is **In Parkway** The T.E.A.C , is a private public is not informed, those de-Cleanup reporte don the disgraceful condition of the center park strip on

TORRANCE

Torrance boulevard from Madrid these meetings. avenue to Western avenue, city completed a 12,000 mile flight Whether or not the "gag rule" park department crews were at with his family from Torrance is the idea of Dr. Wood as presithrough the south' to Florida, dent of the board, or a demand work cleaning weeds out of the north through Washington to of Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent strip and restoring dying plants New York and west over the of schools, was not immediately to life. sky-way route of his planned determined. However, Hull, early Petitions were circulated in the

in his career, is said to have ex- area asking that the park strip pressed the idea that the smaller eral tests of the plane after re- attendance at Board of Educabe' restored to its former beaution meetings, the better he will ty, and they were presented to

tions, and they are easier to

up for reelection on May 19. A.

L. Jackson is a fourth candidate.

There were some 50 citizens in

swing.

Entrance to a Beautiful City

10,000 CIRCULATION

Largest Circulation Newspaper or

Combination Newspapers in the

Torrance Trading Area.

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Pictured above is one of our main entrances, through the newly finished Western Ave. Cleanup project on this street has been discussed by several local service clubs including the Lions Club and the Junior Chamber of Commerce, but

to date no action has been taken. According to reports received this week, residents near the area will petition the City Council to take action in speeding up the cleanup.

-Press Photo **Open House Heralds**

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Threats of a lawsuit to prevent the city from using land adjacent to home for dump purposes were voiced Tuesday night as the City Council virtually ignored petitions protesting the expansion of the cut and fill area at Plaza del Amo, from Western avenue to Border avenue. The Council decided to

meet again to discuss financing the purchase of 10 acres at Bor-

der and Plaza del Ama, right

across the street from modern

homes, for purposes of the

dump, while admitting that only

two and one-half acres contain-

ing the old brick pit are essen-

The petitions asked that the dump be closed, all holes filled

with dirt or other yard materials, and that the whole area to

The recreation department pro-

poses creating a ball park at

pansion of the dump adjacent to

Nearby residents are said to

It was suggested that the

dump should be moved to one

of the big oil sumps, in the west-

ern part of the city thus serving

the double purpose of filling the

sump and providing a cut and

When asked by Councilman

George Powel and City Manager

fill area for refuse.

be in arms over the matter.

tial to the city.

the homes.

Parking Authority Is Named The City of Torrance now has

be turned into a recreation area. parking authority, to work out the complex problem of automobile parking in the central busi-Western and Plaza del Amo, but ness area of Torrance. the city officials have elected to Chairman is Police Chief John go ahead with the plans for ex-

Stroh, and assisting is Councilman Nick Drale.

The authority will recommend to the City Council steps to be taken to solve the parking problem, studying the availability of vacant land for permanent parking, the prospect of building a structure to house cars, and other phases of the situation.

As parking areas become more scarce, the business district expansion trend will be toward outlying sections, and parking meters which have been considered as a "solution" will add to that move, it was said by interested observers at the Council meeting Tuesday night.

Contract Inqueries Answered

At the request of several readers, the Press has viewed the minutes of the Board of Educa- would be orderly and controlled tendent of Schools J. H. Hull,

and presents the following rec-Hull was hired on April 1,

George Stevens if the ten acres is necessary to the dump, Stevens said that all he is interested in is the hole in the ground of two and one-half acres. Stevens, in his message to the City Council, asked "that the property at Plaza Del Amo and Border avenue, approximately ten acres in area and containing the old brick yard pit, be purchased, the City to use the pit as a fill-and-cover and cut-and-cover dump, until the pit is filled. The pit in question must be filled and I feel that the City can best do this to the advantage of the City as a whole and to the property owners in the immediate vicinity. If the property is purchased, the City would clear the premises and fence in the pit. The filling tion meetings to determine the and when finished would make contractural status of Superin- available land for recreation and park purposes."

Highways 1947, at \$10,000 per year with \$40 per month automobile allow-ance. His contract was for four Discussed

transcontinental flight starts.

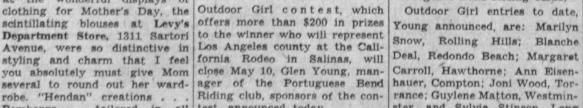


Three board members will be • AN ABSOLUTELY perfect elected. way to please mother is by eating out at the most popular Torrance rendezvous of food the audience at the board meet- Velko Miletich of the Junior ing of May 2, and several wanted Chamber of Commerce last weekconnoisseurs. The Ding How to be heard on matters of teach-Chinese Restaurant, 1652 Cabriler employment, "resignations" of lo and Carson streets has excitteachers, salary raises for Hull convention in this beautiful ing Chinese or American dishes and others, but Dr. Wood refused northern city, with many items served family style with all the to recognize them. added "extras" to make the dinner perfect. Or if you prefer eattive matter," he said, and no main items on the agenda was ing at home-phone Torrance 81 citizen could gain the floor, nor the election of the state presifor a pickup order. The Ding the ears of the board members. dent and district vice presidents. How Cafe, a little bit of the East

transported into the West. • GO ALL OUT this year, and give Mom a "special" present. One she'll appreciate a great deal. A family photograph from the Photo Arts Studio, 1520 Cravens Avenue. It's just the ticket if Mom is quite a distance away. Call the Photo Arts Studio-Torrance 2253-and inquire about their special Mothers Day rates. Incidentally, Photo Arts will move to a new location. 1311 Post Avenue, on or about June 1st, but in the meantime will continue their outstanding photography at 1520 Cravens Avenue. Remember, one photo is worth hundreds of letters. • INSPIRED BY the thought of Mothers Day, Louise Beauty Shop, 1521 West Carson street, decided Mom should have a special permanent in honor of her day. Therefore Louise has reduced her noted cold-wave permanent from \$6.95 'to \$3.95, complete with shampooing, cutting and individualized styling. Call Louise's Beauty Shop, Torrance 2643-open evenings by appointment.

• WANDERING OVER the streets of Torrance and gazing PORTUGUESE BEND - En- | Children's Horse show at the into the shop windows, looking at the wonderful displays of tries for the Rancho Palos Verdes Portuguese Bend Riding edlub.

robe. "Hendan" creations . . Bembergs . . . tailored in all test, announced today. sizes, these Levy blouses come Young disclosed that seven Beach.



in a very wide selection of col- girls have qualified to date for Young said he would receive Ave., between Sartori and Cravors, prints and patterns. For the the Outdoor Girl contest which Outdoor Girl contest applications ens Aves., and two-hour parking lady who knows clothes these will be held May 13 and 14 in at the Portugeuese Bend Riding on Gramercy Ave. between Bor-(Continued on Page Four) connection with the first annual club until 5 p. m., May 10.

Snow, Rolling Hills; Blanche

INGIIII like it. Also, the charter was the City Council Tuesday night. amended at his request to pro- City Manager George Stevens vide separate Board of Education said he would have the area elections, presumably because cleaned up and Wednesday mornfewer citizens vote at such elec- ing, the men were at work.

Following teachers and admin-Cleaning the area along the istrators were approved for em-Pacific Electric tracks, from Dr. Wood, Mrs. Evelyn Carr Border avenue to Western ave- ployment during the next school and Judge Shidler all are coming nue, also is being demanded, year at salaries indicated:

Teachers

\$8.600; Administrative Assistant, of Paul Loranger of Paul's Chev- rance.

of Prexy Howard Percy and Posner, Albert N., \$6,480 (12 rolet. Curriculum Librarian, mos.); Steinbaugh, John K., \$6,800.

Elementary Principal, Eckert, of importance to attend to and Earl W., \$4,800; Elementary "This is purely an administra- issues to vote upon. One of the Principal, Henderson, Roland C. \$5,400; Elementary Principal, Kirks, B. Boone, \$5,400; Adult Education Principal, Manashaw, Donald G., \$5,200; Elementary Principal, Morton, Robert C. \$5,500; Secondaty Vice-Principal, Wallace, Charles E., \$5,400.

> Elementary Teacher, Anderson, Merlyn X., \$3,150; Speech Correction, Beaver, Elizabeth O., \$3,550: Elementary Teacher, Bennett, Erma D., \$3,725; School Nurse, Caldwell, Violette N., \$3,400: Attendance Supervisor, Hamilton, Warren W., \$3,850; Elementary Teacher, Lewis, Ethel M., \$3,550; School Doctor, Markham, Dr. H. Veazie, \$4,200; Research Director, Melbo, Dr. Irving R., \$1,500; Director of Music, Milstein, Abe, \$4,600; Elementary Music, Reist, Lloyd A. \$3,700; School Psychologist,

Rouman, Jack, \$3,550. Elementary Teachers: Balloch Dorothea B., \$3,725; Bentwood, Frank H., \$3.150; Bergman, Mildred L., \$3,600; Boland, Floy D.,

\$3,725; Chisholm, Cathryn M., \$3,600; Clere, Ruby M., \$3,150; Dexter, Sharon D., \$3,725; Gard-Maxine, \$3,725; Huizing, Howard Selover. M., \$3,700; Jones, Lloyd G., \$3,150

Elementary Teachers: Kentta, Katherine E., \$3,600; Kilburn, E. Louise, \$3,725; Knoll, Veda L., Outdoor Girl entries to date, \$3.850: Lewis, William B. \$3,000; Lindgren, Ruth B., (Continued on Page Four)

> Regulatory Signs ry Berkowitz and Merlin R. Cook Traffic commission has recommended the following regulatory

ster, and Sylvia Stinson, Long signs be posted: One-hour parking on the west side of Cabrillo

der Ave, and Carson St.

Third Anniversary

Ultra modern is the word for. Two shows have been planned Forrance's newest building ad- for Saturday, one at 3 p.m. and the other at 7:30 p.m. lition.

unification of the school district, Ultra' modern is the word for Loranger pointed out that this the contract was extended at the Paul's Chevrolet showroom on was the third Anniversary of the same salary, for four years, from trict Chambers of Commerce Cabrillo, Grand opening will be Chevrolet Co., and the open July 1, 1948 to July 1, 1952. held Saturday afternoon and house will be presented as a On May 3, 1949, he asked and the Masonic Temple on the corevening when the famous Gener- token of thanks to the many got a salary raise to \$10,800 a ner of Broadway and Grevillea

Superintendent, Hull, Dr. J. al Motors Previews of Progress customers who have helped to year, effective July 1, 1949, and Ave. Henrich, \$11,000; Business Man- science show will be given in make Paul's Chevrolet one of the the contract otherwise remained ager, Ingrum, Emmett W, Torrance through the courtesy successful businesses in Tor- the same.

show, and to view the complete

Features in the show will be

Stage demonstrations will be Powell, Gertrude B., \$4,770 (12 featured in the rear with special mos.); Director of Instruction, preparations for the showing of Rehwoldt, Walter, \$6,720 (12 the mivie "Soap Box Derby," mos.); Secondary Principal, which will be given after the

7:30 program.

Albert Ewalt was the sole nominee for president of Tor-

Held On rance Lions Club for the year to start July 1, 1950, as the Lions held a closed meeting for the purpose of selecting candi-

dates for next year's slate of of-Judge John A. Shidler, encumficers in the Woman's clubhouse bent to the office of Judge for the Gardena Township, will en-Tuesday noon. Ewalt's nominatertain notables in his home with tion is tantamount to election, an early morning breakfast Satsince there can be no further urday.

variety colors.

Discussion

nominations, it was said. Purpose of the meeting is to discuss the aspects of the Infer-Paul Diamond will be first vice president, there being no ior Courts Bill which the Chief Justice has proposed and which other nominations for that of- the people will undoubtedly vote into existence this coming No-

Ewalt is first vice president vember, and what it will mean and Diamond second vice pres- in a financial way to the city reident, this year. Dr. Don C. venues of the Cities Involved.

Moshos is retiring president of "Should any concerted local acthe club. tion be taken against the propos-Nominated for the office of ed Bill?" "If so, this problem second vice president are L. Mil- must be decided, and, if action is ner, Sophia S., \$3,700; Hoyle, ton Isbell, John Ott and F. S. to be taken, then it is imperative that a complete understanding of the new system of inferior courts

Fred Boren is sole nominee be had," said Judge Shidler. for secretary and Ken Olson for treasurer, Lowell Spring is un-

opposed for Tail Twister, and **Gains Transfer** Warren Hamilton for Lion Tam-

Candidates for director, with presidency of the General Panel Texas, and continued there two officers to be elected, are: Corp. in Burbank, it was reveal-C. B. Walls, Roy Peterson, Hened this week.

was plant manager of Ideco.

The election will be held on The former city official said tinued at East Texas State June 6, with installation at a he would continue to make his Teachers College, where he was dinner dance later that month. home in Torrance and that his awarded teacher's credentials. It The nominating committee new position in no way would is an interesting sidelight on consisted of Dr. Rollin R. Smith, affect his candidacy for the Tor- Vaughn's character to note that Albert Isen and W. B. Hickcox, rance Board of Education. his college education was made all past presidents of the club. (Continued on Page Four) possible through his own earn-

years (provided by law) to run until July 1, 1951. On February 3, 1948, upon

Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce will host the Harbor Dis-May 11, meeting to be held at

Theme of the meetings will be "Highways" and those interested On May 3, 1950, Hull asked for in particular highway developa raise to \$11,000 per year, and ments are urged to attend the demons rations on Jet Propul- got it, over the protests of Carl highway meeting which will be sion, How Synthetic rubber is Steele and Judge John Shidler, held at 4 p.m. Business meeting made. The story of light, and a board members, after Hull as- will be held at 5 p.m., followed cold stove that actually cooks. sured the board that the raise by a dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. A cordial invitation is extended would not alter the effective Guest speakers at the dinner meeting will be Paul Harding,

ings. The first years of his adult

life were spent in the teaching

profession, starting in a rural,

one-room school in Franklin

County. He was able to advance

to teaching the sixth and seventh

grades at Miller Grove, after

having taken a summer course

which enabled him to secure a

higher teaching certificate. At

about that time in his life, he

took and passed a Civil Service

examination which won for him an appointment as an employee

in the Dallas post office. While

spending thirteen years there he

worked as a clerk and also as a

letter carrier. It was in the fall

of 1942 that Vaughn requested

and received a leave of absence

to enlist in the U.S. Navy and

during his tour of duty was as-

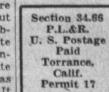
to all to attend this interesting dates in his contract. In some districts, it is pointed Assistant State Highway Engindisplay of Chevrolet passenger out, superintendents have been eer who will discuss "The Imcars which will be shown in known to perpetuate themselves portance of the Harbor Freeway in office for as long as 20 years to the Los Angeles Metropolitan by altering the contract every Area" and Ralph Dorsey, Los few years and making necessary Angeles City Traffic Engineer. its renewal for four years. Steele who will discuss "The Parked said he is going to guard against Automobile" and its effect on that in Torrance. traffic problems.

PRESS SPOTLIGHT BY ALEX WHITE



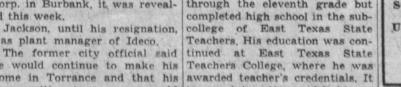
DELBERT VAUGHN

Ex - Councilman Albert L. He first attended school in a



signed to the mail service and saw service in all parts of the Pacific, After returning to the Life started for Delbert mainland from 27 months over-Vaughn on a farm in Hopkins seas service, he was stationed at County near Commerce, Texas. Terminal Island as chief in (Continued on Page Four)

Jackson has accepted the vice- rural school house near Branon through the eleventh grade but





Outdoor Girl Contest