



THERE SHE GOES!—Being rooted out to make place for new modern mercury vapor luminous street light in front of Payless Drug Co. on Sartori avenue in downtown Torrance is this old conventional type light standard. The first of the new lights will be installed today. —Press Photo.

NEW STREET LIGHTS INSTALLED THIS WEEK

Installation started this week on some of the 20 new powerful mercury vapor street lights to illuminate the downtown shopping area of Torrance, according to City Manager George Stevens.

Eight of the 20,000-lumen lights are to be placed along Sartori avenue and El Prado by city crews. The old conventional type light standards were removed from the streets Sunday to make way for the new lights.

The necessary funds for the installation of the new modern lights were contributed through the cooperation of property owners in the area where the new lights will be installed, and turned over to George Stevens. Cost of the entire project is \$5029.19.

Employees Of City Get CIO Charter

Government and Civic Workers Organizing Committee Local 1135, which represents all Torrance City employees, announced this week that the local has received a new charter from the Congress of Industrial Organizations in Washington and has elected officers.

Torrance City employees formerly were represented by the United Public Workers, one of eleven international unions expelled by CIO during the past two years for alleged Communist domination.

Following the expulsion, Torrance city workers voted to disaffiliate from UPW and to apply to CIO for a new charter.

New officers are Sherman Miller, president; Lester Clouch, vice-president; C. R. Barton, financial secretary-treasurer; and Glenn Kirkuff, recording secretary. In addition, five executive-board members-at-large were elected.

The workers have been assisted by Sherman Dalrymple, CIO representative in charge of the Government and Civic Workers Organizing campaign in the Los Angeles area.

Senate Takes Stand Against Proposition 1

Condemning Proposition 1 as "an unfair and unwise measure which would only work hardship on the people of the State under the spurious guise of offering tax relief," the State Senate recently passed Resolution 24 urging a "No" vote on Proposition 1.

City Manager George Stevens and Unified School Superintendent J. H. Hull have both emphatically stated that the passage of Proposition 1 would cut down school and city funds, causing a "No" vote on Proposition 1. (Continued on Page Five)

Building in City Hits \$10,000,000

Maintaining an average pace of \$1,000,000 a month, the building permits as of the end of October in Torrance pushed the year's total to \$10,403,119. Last year's total for the same period was \$6,012,665.

Permits issued during October of this year amounted to \$995,340. Last year's October total was \$1,443,270.

Included in this past month's total were permits for 120 dwelling units, as compared with 73 dwelling unit permits issued during October, 1949.

Among the dwelling unit permits for October are a 71 house tract being developed by Torrance Gardens, and a tract of 34 houses in Pacific Hills near WALTERIA being developed by the Speness Corporation.

\$300 Prize Tomorrow Nite

Payless Drug, Gold Rush Event Locale

\$300 will be given away at 7:00 p.m. tomorrow night to some lucky winner in front of Payless Drug Co., 1269 Sartori avenue, at the Gold Rush Days event.

If the \$300 winner is not present, the money will be given in three single \$100 bills to the next three lucky winners present at the event. This is a deviation from the usual procedure, as number will be called until the \$300 have been given away to three separate winners.

Sponsored by Torrance merchants, \$1000 will be given away each Friday night during the eight more weeks remaining of Gold Rush days.

Tickets for Gold Rush days are available, free of charge, at the stores of leading Torrance merchants, announced Paul Diamond, chairman of Gold Rush days.

Tickets for those wishing to take advantage of this stupendous give-away event may be obtained with every visit to the following stores: A-1 Photo, 1312 Sartori avenue; Adams Dress Shop, 1274 Sartori avenue; Allen Jewelers, 1321 Sartori avenue; Almond Department Store, 1261 Sartori avenue; Bakers Furniture, 1512 Cravens.

Bernard's Family Shoe Store, 1319 Sartori avenue; Frank's Furniture, 1334 El Prado; Gary's Jewelers, 1322 Sartori avenue; Gay Shop, 1319 Sartori avenue; Kales Children Shop, 1321 El Prado; Lawson's Jewelers, 1317 El Prado.

Sam Levy Department Store, 1311 Sartori avenue; National Home Appliance, 1267 Sartori (Continued on Page Two)

The Board of Directors of the Torrance-Lomita Realty Board has gone on record as favoring Proposition 10. This proposition takes away the "Blank check" which the housing bureaucrats now have to spend millions and gives that check back to the people—where the control belongs. No matter how adroitly opponents of Proposition 10 dodge the facts, the facts are these: If a public housing project is NOT needed and not WANTED, the (Continued on Page Two)

Shown below are the plans for the Kettler and Wisley Incorporated shopping center development at 234th and Western avenues in Torrance. As seen on the extreme right is the planned super market for L. M. LeLacheur and John Johnson of the Bixby Knolls Market. Five other stores, as seen in the diagram, are planned in this full block of business section.



Action Asked on Jackson School Board Post



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MEMBER NOT AN ELECTOR, SAYS CHARGE

Demands that the Board of Education either fill the vacancy caused by the absence from the city of A. L. Jackson, board member, or cause an election to be called to pick a member, will be placed before the Board at its next meeting, the Press learned this week.

Charges were voiced that the Board had no right to delay action on the resignation of Jackson for 90 days. Such action took place on October 14.

Jackson's letter of resignation was dated September 27, 1950. It is contended that Jackson's office became vacant immediately after he left Torrance and California to take employment in another state.

Having sold his residence, it is claimed that upon his departure, or not later than 30 days thereafter, he ceased to be an elector of Torrance Unified School District.

The City Charter provides that when a member of the Board of Education ceases to be an elector of the School District, his office shall become vacant, "and shall be so declared by the Board of Education."

NO LONGER ELECTOR
It is pointed out that the Board can delay action on a resignation of a Board member for 60 days, provided he continues to be an elector of the district, but within the next 30 days must appoint (Continued on Page Three)

COUNCIL PROMISES TO PASS NEW MARBLE GAME BAN LAW

Churches, Parents Ask Quick Action

The City Council is studying three ordinances found valid in other communities by which marble games may be effectively banned in Torrance, and action on one of them will be taken at the next meeting of the Council, Mayor Bob Haggard announced Tuesday night.

The pinball game ban ordinance adopted several weeks ago in Torrance, and the request of church and Parent-Teacher groups backed by the Press, was found invalid by City Judge Otto Willett during the prosecution of a case which resulted from an arrest under the ordinance. Willett said the ordinance is "too broad."

Eight letters from ministers and Parent-Teacher groups were on file with the City Council Tuesday night asking for immediate action banning the games. Among the ordinances being considered, according to City Attorney C. Douglass Smith, is the Long Beach law which bans the marble game from that city and which have withstood the attacks of the gambling interests.

Meanwhile, the out-of-town marble game operators who place the games in bars, liquor stores and restaurants, have withheld from moving their games back into the city, apparently awaiting the attitude of the City Council.

Councilman Willys Blount, interviewed by the Press, said "I will take the same stand as I did before," recalling that he (Continued on Page Two)

Out-of-Town Ambulances to Be Used Here

Despite the request by Councilman George Powell that City Manager George Stevens investigate the installation of a needed emergency ambulance service in Torrance to be run by the Fire Department, the City Council approved at the meeting last Tuesday night, Stevens' recommendation that Torrance depend on the South Bay Ambulance Service in Redondo Beach and Jacobs Ambulance Service in Gardena for its emergency ambulance service.

Stevens said that the territory north of Torrance boulevard would be handled by the Jacobs Ambulance Service in Gardena, and that, south of Torrance boulevard, by the South Bay Ambulance Service in Redondo Beach. Long Beach Service Successful.

At the present time, however, an emergency ambulance service, under the supervision of Fire Chief Frank S. Sandeman, is being run very satisfactorily in the city of Long Beach.

Operated by twelve specially detailed firemen, the service there, according to Jean Head, secretary to Fire Chief Sandeman, is continually receiving letters of commendation for its fine emergency service. Three ambulances, strategically located, are in service there.

Come to the Good Neighbor Breakfast Sat.

Torrance invites you to meet your neighbor Saturday morning, November 4, at the 2nd Annual Good Neighbor Breakfast, sponsored by the Y.M.C.A. in the Civic auditorium.

Breakfast, served by boys and girls from the Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Clubs of Torrance High School, will be from 6:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

Elaine Rehwold, elected Good Neighbor Queen by Torrance High School Hi-Y clubs, Betty Klem, and Marian McDonald will act as official hostesses to the 1500 to 2000 people expected at (Continued on Page Two)

New Shopping Center On Western Avenue

Construction began this week on the shopping center development by Kettler and Wisley, Incorporated at 234th and Western avenues, facing Western, in Torrance.

Going into a 7,000 square foot super food market is L. M. LeLacheur and John Johnson, owners of the Bixby Knolls Market in another area. The market will have a 90 foot frontage and a modern redwood and plate glass front.

In the same building, accord-



LOOKS MIGHTY NICE! They're saying that about the plans for the new Kettler and Wisley Incorp. shopping center development ground breaking at 234th and Western in Torrance last Monday. Owners of the Bixby Knolls Market, L. M. LeLacheur and John Johnson, are looking at the market planned for them. Standing, left to right, are: F. I. Wisley, J. E. Kettler, City Manager George Stevens, John Harvey, engineer, John Patrick, Asst. to City Engineer, Jerry LeLacheur, John Johnson, and L. M. LeLacheur. Press photo.

Steel Mill Workers on Job Again

The shutdown of Columbia Steel Company's Torrance mills was ended last Saturday afternoon at 4:00 p.m., when the 350 idle workers returned to their job.

The walkout, which began October 24, was due to the four-day suspension of one man, which a company spokesman said was suspended for "persisting in a slowdown which has continued since Sept. 5."

The shutdown began late afternoon October 24, when 26 workers in the primary breakdown mill walked out with the suspension of the employee, and were followed by approximately 326 sheet mill workers in following shifts, thus causing the work stoppage.

All, including the suspended employees are now back at work.

Xmas Children's Party Planned By Lions Club

Torrance Lions Club again this year will sponsor the annual Christmas Children's Party in the Civic auditorium, President Al Evalt announced this week. The affair, the fifth staged by (Continued on Page Three)

10,145 Torrance Voters Qualified

Torrance has 10,015 registered voters qualified to vote in the State General election on next Tuesday, according to City Clerk A. H. Bartlett.

It is anticipated that the vote in Torrance may run from 50 per cent to 60 per cent, and both major parties this week were making every effort to "get out the vote."

Bartlett said that the registration in Torrance is: Democratic, 5504. Republican, 2939. I.P.P., 34. Prohibition, 8. Although those declining to state their party affiliation, were thus denied ballots in the June (Continued on Page Two)

Polling Places Of Torrance Area Listed

POLLING PLACES

Polling places of the City of Torrance, Lomita, Keystone and other nearby areas will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. for voters.

Those in doubt as to where to vote should call the City Clerk's office, Torrance 627, or the Registrar of Voters, MUTUAL 9211.

Information as to the outcome of the election will be available at the Press office, TORRANCE 1185, from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

Following is the list of polling places in the Greater Torrance Area:

TORRANCE CITY

Precincts

1—2250 W. 182nd St., residence.

2—1313 Fern Ave., residence.

3—736 Border Ave., residence.

4—1743 Andreo Ave., residence.

5—1811 Cravens Ave., City (Continued on Page Four)

"Get Out And Vote," Says Brown

In his informal talk to Torrance workers last Thursday afternoon at the CIO Union hall on Border avenue, Edmund G. (Pat) Brown, district attorney of San Francisco and Democratic candidate for attorney general of California, urged every one "to get out and vote and to get your wives, associates, and every one you know to vote."

Brown was welcomed by Nick (Continued on Page Three)

Candidates, Propositions On Big Ballot

Voters Tuesday, Nov. 7, will decide upon the following governmental officers and propositions:

STATE
Governor—Earl Warren, Republican. Governor of California. James Roosevelt, Democratic. Lieutenant Governor—Goodwin J. Knight, Republican, Democratic.

Secretary of State—Frank M. Jordan, Republican, Democrat. (Continued on Page Five)



Nick Drale (left), chairman of the Torrance Democrats, and Jess Dean (right), treasurer, is shown welcoming Pat Brown (center), Democratic candidate for attorney general of California. Brown, now district attorney of San Francisco, spoke last Thursday afternoon in Torrance at the CIO Union hall on Border avenue. —Press Photo

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