

False Police Alarms Not So Funny

All local jesters who find it great fun to turn in false reports to the police department will soon find that "jokes" can boomerang.

The city council April 10 adopted an ordinance declaring the making of false reports to the police department a misdemeanor and providing a penalty therefor.

Councilman Nick Draie moved for the adoption of the ordinance at its first reading and was supported by the other four members of the council in adopting the ordinance.

Four Personnel Appointments At Steel Co.

Four appointments in personnel of the Torrance Plant of Columbia Steel Company, a U. S. Steel subsidiary, were announced today by Otto Kresse, general plant superintendent.

Carl S. Warner was appointed superintendent of maintenance and utilities, with William Montgomery as his assistant. Jackson S. Moore was appointed assistant superintendent, and Gar Johnson, general foreman of the Rolling Mill department.

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El Camino Tennis Team to Play East LA College

Friday, April 20, the El Camino College tennis Warriors travel to East Los Angeles JC to see if they can beat the Huskies by force and not by forfeit. Five months ago the Elans walked the Warriors 9 to 0, but their sixth singles man was ineligible, forcing them to forfeit the match.

Long Beach CC and Santa Monica CC handed the blue and grey ball and string brigade their sixth and seventh losses, last Friday and Saturday by identical scores of 9 to 0.

The netters managed to get only one set in each encounter. Friday, Jay Sandberg of Inglewood took his third singles match to three sets before losing.

Stone Markings Here Identified As Prehistoric

Markings on a stone found along the Palos Verdes shoreline by a Torrance woman were definitely left by some prehistoric beast, she was told this week by experts at the Los Angeles County Museum.

Mrs. Margie Craig of 1923 Reynosa drive said that authorities identified the impressions as those left by the ribs of some ancient animal some two or three million years ago.

Apparently the monster's remains became buried at or just after the time of his death. For thousands of years the bones were embedded in a shale formation of the Miocene age. They were dislodged comparatively recently by erosion, the museum experts believe.

Mrs. Craig found the relic, a flat stone, while walking along the rocky beach just east of the Point Vicente lighthouse on Easter.

The museum decision vindicated the belief of Mrs. Craig and her daughter, Mrs. E. K. Cunningham, of the Reynosa drive address. They had defended their views of the marks' significance against the scoffings of Mr. Cunningham.

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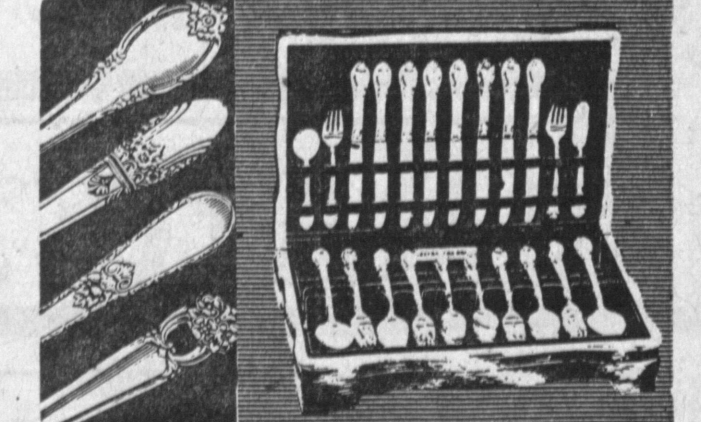
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Warrior Nine Takes Third In Conference

Orange St. P.-T.A. board members met Thursday morning at the school for their regular monthly meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. W. V. Kepley, second vice president elect. Mrs. R. P. Kellog, president, was in charge of the meeting.

Plans were made for a pot luck luncheon to be held before the May 17th association meeting with Mrs. D. T. Melton chairman of the affair. Also planned was the annual teachers luncheon for June 1.

Final plans for the apron drive April 23rd to 27th to be held at the school were made. Paper and rag drive will be held Friday, May 25th.

New Two-Way Stop Signs Will Be Installed

Two new two-way stop signs will be placed on Torrance city streets, according to action taken by the city council April 10.

One of the signs will be located on Anapola avenue at Sonoma street and the other will be at the railroad across 228th street.

The council also voted to establish a one-way stop sign on Martha street to stop south-bound traffic at 228th street, and to establish a two-hour parking limit on the east side of Torrance boulevard between Sartori avenue and the first alley west therefrom.

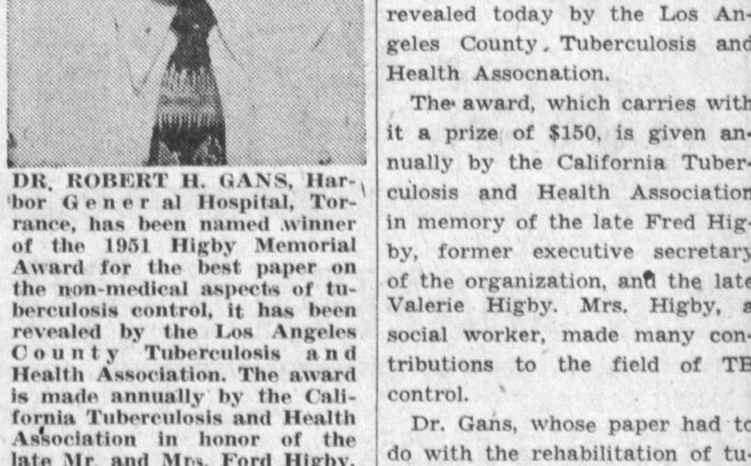
Weight of vehicles using 235th street between Eshelman avenue and Western avenue was limited to 8000 gross weight by council action.

Harbor Hospital Doctor Winner Of Higby Award

Dr. Robert H. Gans, Harbor General Hospital, Torrance, has been named winner of the 1951 Highway Memorial Award for the best paper on the non-medical aspects of tuberculosis, it was revealed today by the Los Angeles County Tuberculosis and Health Association.

The award, which carries with it a prize of \$150, is given annually by the California Tuberculosis and Health Association in memory of the late Fred Higby, former executive secretary of the organization, and the late Valerie Higby. Mrs. Higby, a social worker, made many contributions to the field of TB control.

Dr. Gans, whose paper had to do with the rehabilitation of tuberculosis patients, is a graduate of Northwestern Medical School, Chicago. A captain in the U. S. Air Force Reserve, he expects to return to active duty in June.



Obituaries

Mrs. Wilda McKenna, age 67, of 1305 Post avenue, died at her home on April 17th. Funeral service will be held Friday, April 20th, at the Stone and Myers Funeral Chapel with Rev. U. S. Shaver in charge. Cremation will follow at the Inglewood cemetery. Mrs. McKenna was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, but had made Torrance her home for the past 15 years. She was a member of the United Evangelical Church of Torrance. Survivors are: sisters, Mrs. Matilda Winters and Mrs. Rose Rothledge of Torrance and Mrs. Ella Murdock of New York; nephews, Roy Winters of 1204 El Prado, Torrance and Kermit Murdock of New York.

Joseph Castagnola, age 79, of San Pedro, died in San Bernardino, April 13th.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Robert Coburn of Lomita Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, April 18th at the Stone and Myers Mortuary. Interment was made at the Wilmington Cemetery. Castagnola was born in Genoa, Italy, but had made his home in San Pedro for the past several years, and was an employee of the E. K. Wood Lumber Company. Survivors are: son, Andrew B. Castagnola of San Pedro; daughters, Juanita Goerke or Walteria, Mary Belcher of San Pedro, Josephine Jarman of Los Angeles, Maedline Fisher of Los Angeles, and seven grandchildren. As a young man, Castagnola served in the Italian Navy.

Jarsolav Marek, age 43, of 1622 West 204th street, Torrance, died at his home, April 10th. Funeral services were held at the Stone and Myers Chapel April 13th with Rev. Arthur Bello in charge. Private cremation at the Inglewood cemetery followed. Marek was born in New York City but had been a resident of Torrance for the past four years and was an accountant at the Harbor General Hospital. Survivors are: widow, Mrs. Ercilla Marek of the above address, mother and two sisters in New York; brothers-in-law, Rev. Arthur Bello and Nicholas Bello of Torrance.

Gregoria Valdez, age 50, of 1221 West 252nd street, Harbor City, died at the Norwalk State Hospital on April 13th. Funeral services were held on April 16th at the St. Joseph Hall in Pueblo, Torrance, with Rev. Anthony Cambra officiating. Interment was in the Holy Cross cemetery. Rosary service was conducted at the St. Joseph Hall at 8:00 p.m., April 15th. Survivors are: husband of the above address; brothers, Isabell Rojas of Downey and Jose Rojas of Pueblo, Torrance. Valdez has been an employee of the Columbia Steel Company for the past eight years.

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