

# SOCIETY

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Editor

## Guest Speaker Hi-Lites Girl Scout Luncheon

Mrs. Margaret Hegwood will be the principal speaker at the forthcoming annual Girl Scout Harbor Section Luncheon to be held in the civic auditorium, next Wednesday.

Mrs. Hegwood, delegate from South Section of the Los Angeles Council to the National Girl Scout Convention held in Boston last October 15-19, will give a report on convention highlights and the new slogan, "Girl Scouts: A Growing Force For Freedom," which was chosen as the theme for the coming year.

Senior High Troop 1161 with Mrs. W. Herbert Wood as leader, will conduct the flag ceremony. The invocation will be given by Rev. Cecil England, Pastor of the Christian Church.

Doreen Pyle, President of the Harbor Section Junior-Senior Council, will direct "A Tribute to Leaders" with a Brownie, Intermediate, Junior High and Senior High Girl Scout participating.

Members of Junior High Troop 184, under the leadership of Mrs. G. B. Crist, were responsible for making the luncheon tickets, which will be \$1.35 each. Reservations may be made by phoning Mrs. Philip Humphreys at 557. The

## Halldale to Hold Parental Meetings

SHOESTRING — An executive board meeting of the Halldale P-TA is scheduled for tomorrow morning at 9:30 at the Halldale elementary school, it was disclosed today by Mrs. John Andrade, publicity chairman.

She also announced a P-TA Council meeting for next Tuesday at 9:45 in the morning at the St. Andrews Guild Hall, 1432 Encarnacion Ave. in Torrance. P-TA members from Halldale will act as hostesses at the council meeting, it was disclosed.



KENNY WAKEFIELD

meeting is scheduled for 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. The luncheon featuring turkey is to be prepared and served at the Methodist Church. Civic and educational leaders will be guests at this annual meeting.

## Torrance Hospital Given Surgical Unit

A surgical diathermy unit is to be installed at Torrance Memorial Hospital in memory of the late Dr. W. I. Laughon, MD., it was announced today.

The unit, due to arrive next month, is to be paid for with funds raised by friends and associates of the medic who died suddenly last year.

## Evening of One-Acts To Be Seen Next Tues.

Torrance will be treated to an evening of theater next Tuesday night, when the Drama section of the Torrance Adult Education Center will present "An Evening of One Act Plays."

The Hampden Plays, who use the Adult Education Center, here as a Drama Workshop, will combine with the Footlighters of San Pedro in presenting five one-act plays ranging in subject from symbolic fantasy to tragedy.

The curtain will go up at 8:00 on Tuesday, January 8th, at the Torrance Elementary School, 2005 Martins Ave. Danny Desmond, director of the Workshop, extended an invitation to all the people of Torrance to attend the presentation. There will be no charge, he said.

"This is a community project,

## Letter Tells Wife of Husbands Rank

Mrs. Yvonne Wakefield received a special letter from her husband, Quennon (Kenny) Wakefield informing her of his promotion from Corporal to Sergeant, it was revealed today.

The same day, she reported, she heard that her husband also qualified as a rifle expert.

Wakefield has been serving with the Torrance's 578th Engineers in the 40th Division in Japan for the last nine months.

The Wakefields who live at 1546 W. 204th Street have two daughters, Vivian, aged two and Janice, aged one.

Both of the Wakefields are graduates of Torrance High School.

## Rev. Paul Lomax Dies In Riverside

LOMITA — Rev. Paul Lomax, for many years pastor of the Methodist Wayside Chapel died recently in Riverside after a short illness. Rev. Lomax was serving as pastor to the Methodist Church in Highgrove, a community near Riverside, at the time of his death. Funeral arrangements are pending.

## Kiwanis Hold Brief Session Monday

The Torrance Kiwanis Club cancelled its regular weekly meeting Dec. 31, J. Parke Montague, president, reported, but a short roundtable session was held to accommodate members who must maintain attendance records. The session was held in the American Legion Hall at 6:30 p.m.

## NO JANUARY MEETINGS

LOMITA — No regular P-TA meetings will be held during January at Lomita Elementary School, Mrs. C. Northern, Press Chairman, disclosed today.

## Supervisors Cut Golf Course Rent

Lease agreement with Alondra Park Golf Course operators, Cecil Hollingsworth and Gomer J. Sims, was amended, when the Board of Supervisors approved lower rental payments for the next 10 years, to enable the recreational area from operating at a loss.

In announcing the change in the lease, Supervisor Raymond V. Darby pointed out that the lessors of the ground had already expended \$200,000 in developing the course and clubhouse, and that in such development most of the profits had been used up. "It takes years to build up a business such as a golf course into a profitable enterprise," Darby declared.

Because of an existing clause in the original contract which allows for an equitable adjustment in the case of emergency conditions the County Counsel advised the Supervisors that such lease amendment would be advisable.

## Stork Section

Mr. and Mrs. William Kenner proudly announce the birth of a baby daughter, Kathleen Ann, on December 24, Kathleen is the Kenner's only child.

Mrs. George Schreck and Mrs. Fred Kemmer, the child's grandmothers, reside in Carthage, Missouri.

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cogburn of 1315 Foothill ave. on Dec. 24. The infant, Linda Jeanne, has one sister, Jo Evelyn, age 9.

The maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Coughran, reside in Pumpkin Center, California.

A son, Paul Cameron, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William C. Shook of 21819 Grace st. on December 22. The infant, the first for the Shooks, was born at the Torrance Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Jordan of 1590 Oak st., Lomita, announce the birth of a baby girl, Sherese Kathleen, on December 22. Sherese is the Jordan's first child. The infant's grandparents, H. H. Scheffer and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Jordan, reside in Torrance.

## Lewis to Address 186th Street P-TA

"Good Health Equals Good Living" will be the topic featured when the 186th Street P-TA meets on Thursday, Jan. 20 at 2 p.m. The guest speaker of the day will be Mrs. Nellie I. Lewis of the Board of Education. There will also be a health film shown.

Tea and social hour will follow the meeting in the teachers' room. Hostesses for the day will be appointed by the hostess chairman, Mrs. Edith Mathews.

An executive board meeting will precede the general meeting.

## Obituaries

William Carl Mattern, 54, of 1726 West 234th st. died last Saturday in his home. A native of Omaha, Nebraska, Mattern had resided in Torrance for seven years. He was employed at Standard Oil Co.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2:00 at Stone & Myers Mortuary, Rev. C. M. Northrup of the First Baptist Church will officiate. Interment in Green Hills Cemetery will follow the services.

Survivors are: wife, Aice, 1726 W. 234th st.; 2 sons, Walter D., of the same address, and Robert Wm., U. S. N.; and a sister, Mrs. D. S. Tobias of Los Angeles.

JOHN BRIGHT SWARTZ, 78, of 2247 West 230th st., died last Friday at his home. A retired carpenter, Swartz lived in Torrance for the last five years. He was born in Republic, Kansas.

Rev. C. E. Miller of the First Methodist Church conducted services at Stone & Myers Chapel last Monday. Interment at Inglewood Park Cemetery followed the services.

Survivors are: his wife, Ida M. Swartz; 3 daughters: Mrs. Eva W. Dieckrichs of Lomita; Mrs. Vera E. O'Kelly of Whittier; Mrs. Beva G. Tapley of 2249 West 230th st.; 2 sons: Guy J. and Gra E. of Byron, Nebraska; and 3 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

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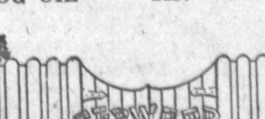
The employers termed demands of the Union "fantastic." Principal differences in the negotiations are the union proposal for a five-day eight-hours-a-day week; the union's proposal for eliminating the "arbitration-no strike" cause; and the union's demand for \$5.00 a week, across the board, for clerks.

**ARBITRATION CLAUSE**  
"We will put up a fight for the arbitration clause," said Binkley. "In fact, we want it strengthened, because we do not consider it adequate." The employers also will demand that the present practice of permitting clerks to work six days of six and two-thirds hours be continued.

The clerks were granted \$5.00 a week, across the board, Jan. 15, 1951, it was pointed out, and there it little likelihood that, even with the cost-of-living increases permitted, any substantial pay increase will be allowable under government regulations.

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