

STEEL WORKERS HOLD MASS MEET SATURDAY

New Dump Ready for Use in July: Stevens

Two final obstacles toward the opening of the new city dump at Madrona Ave. and Del Amo Blvd. will be removed today when City Manager George Stevens appears before the State Water Pollution Board for an almost certain OK on the use of the new site. A second formality that Stevens will negotiate today is the signing of escrow papers. The new dump site is being purchased from the Del Amo Estates Corp. for almost \$45,000.

Nine Injured In Three Car Crash Here

Eight persons were injured, seven of them seriously, last Saturday night when a car bearing seven young men sideswiped one car and ran head-on into another.

Francisco Hernandez Franco, 23, of Tijuana, Mexico, apparently lost control of his car, bearing six passengers, as he rounded a curve near 190th and Hawthorne Blvd.

He sideswiped a car driven by Ross Harold Harbough, Gardena student, and then collided with a vehicle driven by Marvin Lee Andrews of Culver City. Andrews sustained minor injuries. His companion, Charles Scitz of Lawndale, was also injured. Harbough was uninjured.

Franco and his companions all sustained major injuries, and were rushed to Harbor General Hospital by ambulance, according to Torrance Police Officer Wm. Mitchell.

The passengers were Henry Lujan of El Monte; Pasqual Vargas of 2601 Lomita Blvd., Lomita; Tony Luera and Lopez Marquez, both of Compton; Rufina Rubalcaba of San Diego; and Francisco Murillo of Tijuana, Mexico.

Police report that Franco had no driver's license.

All major construction has been completed, and finishing details are being handled now, he said.

The new building will provide accommodations for card games, chess, checkers, shuffleboards, horse-shoes, and possibly ping-pong, the recreation official disclosed.

The facility will be available to two age groups, junior members between the ages of 21 and 35, and senior members, 35 years of age and older.

The steering committee, including C. T. Rippy, Otto Kresse, and City Clerk Albert Bartlett, met with Carpenter on Monday to complete the by-laws for the new recreation service.

League Managers Meet Tonight

A meeting of the Slow Pitch Soft Ball League Managers of the Torrance Recreation Dept. will be held this evening at 5:00 in the recreation office at 1347 El Prado, according to Elmer "Red" Moon, dept. official.

The purpose of the meeting is to clarify player eligibility according to the playing rules, Moon said.

Reservations for YMCA Boys' Camp Still Open

"When school is out and the classroom forgotten, a boy's thoughts just naturally turn to adventure, and camping is one of the best adventures a boy can have."

That statement, made this week by A. C. Turner, Camp Committee Chairman of the Torrance Y.M.C.A., preceded a plea to parents to sign up their boys early for the Round Meadow camping trip, leaving here July 12.

Describing the camp as a "wonderful site located in the Barton Flats area of the San Bernardino mountains," he said the "Y" staff has planned a complete, interesting program for boys, 9-14.

"We have space for 130 boys at this modern camp, and for eight days there will be all kinds of adventure that youngsters like," he said.

The program will include horse-back riding, hiking, and exploring, swimming, interesting campfire programs, regular church services and handicraft projects, the youth worker said.

He added that the youngsters will be housed in Adirondack cabins and there are excellent mess-hall and handicraft facilities.

According to Turner, the program, which stresses group experience, is one of the best ways to teach youngsters the principles of fair play and how to get along with their fellow men.

Adult leadership for the campers will be furnished by local young men who give spare time to Y.M.C.A. work and by permanent personnel at the camp.

A few reservations for the trip are still available at the Y.M.C.A., 2080 Washington Ave., Tor. 1563.



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10 PERCENT BUDGET HIKE SEEN THIS YEAR: STEVENS

Previous Surplus Of Revenue Noted

Torrance taxpayers can look for an increase in the City Budget of 10 per cent or more next year, City Manager George Stevens told the Torrance Press last night.

The City Council was giving preliminary examination to the proposed 1952-53 budget as he made the statement.

Whether this will be reflected in a tax rate increase, or will be absorbed in the increase in assessed valuation estimated to be from \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000 could not immediately be determined.

Last year, the City of Torrance operated on a budget of \$872,402, financed by a \$1.12 tax rate, per \$100.00 assessed valuation. This did not include \$90,000 public improvement and capital outlay fund financed by surplus from the previous year.

The City Council refused to cut the tax rate, despite the pleas of Councilman Nick Dralle for a reduction of at least 10 cents per \$100.00 assessed valuation.

Like in last year's case, the city (Continued on Page 6)

Goettsch Named President of Local Jaycee

Marvin Goettsch was last week elected to serve as the fourth president of the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce.

He introduced the "colored flashing light" now used so extensively in advertising.

G. M. Bartlett, at 91, is alert and in perfect health. He also conducts his business. He attributes his longevity to hard work and his Kevo products.

Elected to serve with him were Jim Wood, first vice president; Dr. Arvid Smith, second vice president; Jack Baldwin, secretary; George Post, treasurer; Warren Perry, state director; Dave Figueroa, sergeant-at-arms; and Dutch Horlander and Ed Karlow to the board of directors.

Goettsch has served the organization previously as sergeant-at-arms and as secretary.

A member of the Torrance Recreation Commission, he has been active in civic affairs and service groups since his return from the Navy in 1945.

Gala Dance Review Set For June 24th and 25th

Three Arts eighth Annual Revue features a completely different show each night on the evenings of Tuesday and Wednesday, June 24th and 25th, 7:30 P.M., at the Civic Auditorium in Torrance.

Tuesday, June 24th, features a "Feline fantasy," a ballet with the story starting at a Cat Show in which the night watchman goes to sleep and dreams that the cats break out of their cages and do many dances.

Some of the dances he and the audience will see are "Kittens With Their Yarn," "Cat and the Fiddle" Alley Cats (with a fight of course), Highfalutin' Kat - Krazy Kat and the Ignatz Mouse - The Mysterious Black Cats and many other numbers that conclude with the watchman awaking from his dream.

Wednesday, June 25, at 7:30 p.m. the curtain comes up on a colorful river dock scene when the theme will be "Showboat." With songs and dances of the deep South, some of the numbers are "O' Man River, Hot Time in the Old Town," "Saint Louis Blues, Can't Help Loving Dat Man, Tap Your Blues Away and Minstrel Days and many other numbers.

Both shows on Eighth Annual Dance Revue include a cast of adults and children singers and dancers in beautiful costumes and scenery. Tickets may be obtained at the Three Arts Dance Studio or the box office on nights of the show.

It's easy to place a Press classified. Come to the office at 1406 Cravens Ave. (between Post and El Prado) or call Torrance 1185 or 1186, and a courteous classified girl will help you write an ad that will bring results. It's easy, it's inexpensive.

Murder Mile Crash Injures Five

FIVE INJURED—Two Navy seamen and three women were painfully injured in a head-on smash-up at Pacific Coast Hwy. and Newton St. last Sunday night.

Here one of the victims is tended by a spectator pending the arrival of ambulance. Both autos were severely damaged in the accident which slowed traffic along the busy highway for almost an hour.

Hurt in the crash-up were Venus Boest, 35, of Lawthorne; Billy C. Johnson, 18, U. S. Navy; Beverly Sietloff, 32, of Venice; William Lyons, 19, U. S. Navy; and Grace Thomas, 67, of Hawthorne. Drivers were listed as Mrs. Boest and Johnson.



Driving the car from which the child fell to her death was the tot's father, Robert L. Wright, 23, who said that the child apparently opened the back door of the auto while the car was in motion.

Officer Nash said that four other children were in the back seat of the car with their grandmother, but the accident happened so quickly that the actual cause of the tragedy was not known.

The child was taken to Harbor General Hospital where she was pronounced dead on arrival at 12:35 p.m. Physicians said she suffered internal injuries and possibly a broken neck.

Lomita Gets County Office

A branch of the County Department of Building and Safety will be in full operation in Lomita by July 1, according to B. Y. Stevens, supervisor of the Lennox office of the department.

The local office will serve Lomita, Rolling Hills, Keystone and Dominguez, Stevens said. The county is completing negotiations for a lease on an office on Narbonne Ave., it was reported.

Stevens said the volume of business in the area to be served by the office here necessitated the opening of a branch to ease the load at Lennox, second largest office in the county.

'I'm Sold!'

And so are the household items I advertised for sale in the Torrance Press Classified Ad section, said Rev. Russ Killman of 1023 Cota Ave.

Other papers carrying the same ad brought no results, said Rev. Killman, but I sold every item advertised in the Press. "I'm completely sold on Torrance Press classified ads. They really get results," Rev. Killman reported.

Here is the small, inexpensive ad that sold \$120.00 worth of used furniture for this advertiser:

MODERN sofa bed and chair, \$65. Coil spring constr. roll-away bed, \$20. Hedstrom collapsible buggy stroller, \$20. Portable elec. ironer, \$15. 1023 Cota, Torrance.

Members of the Board of Education of the Torrance Unified School District Tuesday night heard a breakdown of the various classifications of the proposed budget of \$2,106,778 for the 1952-53 fiscal year, by Emmett Ingram, district business manager.

The budget as submitted recently calls for a \$200,000 increase over last year. Much of this increase is reflected in the \$278,430 over-all pay hike granted to teachers here. The new total of \$1,150,300 includes also the expense of hiring 35 additional teachers at an average yearly salary of \$3,700.

The schools include health service, nurses, a doctor, and psychological counseling service. This year they will cost \$55,420. Last year's total for this classification was \$41,160. \$249,310 have been asked for the operation of existing school plants.

Bob Finch to Hold Local Meet July 1

Robert H. (Bob) Finch, the Republican candidate for Congress from the 17th Congressional District, who startled political observers by keeping the G.O.P. nomination away from Rep. Cecil King, will make his first appearance in Torrance July 1.

According to Frank S. Selover, secretary of the 68th District Republican Assembly, Finch will be a speaker at the meeting of the Republican group to be held Tuesday night, July 1.

Just released from the Marine Corps, the Inglewood attorney has held several meetings leading to his campaign for election in November.

Finch, former executive secretary to Congressman Poulson, held his lead over King on June 3 throughout the Torrance area, with Torrance precincts giving him 1694 votes on the Republican ticket to 1237 for King.

For the entire Congressional district, Finch won the nomination with 23,531 votes on the Republican ticket to 21,138 for King.

Finch also got a total of 14,672 Democratic votes, making his total 38,203 for the district. Finch supporters point out that of King's total vote of 74,646 (Continued on Page 6)

Huck Finn Day Set For Saturday, June 21, in Lawndale

Patched jeans and freckled noses will be very much in evidence at the fifth annual "Huck Finn Day" event slated for this Saturday, June 21, at Alondra Park.

This is a major event sponsored by the Los Angeles County Dept. of Parks each spring when thousands of boys and girls don their Huck Finn and Becky Thatcher costumes to vie in the various contests.

This year there will be two main divisions: children under ten years of age and children ages 11 to 15. In each of these divisions there will be awards given for the best Huck Finn and Becky Thatcher costumes. There will also be fishing contests for the youngsters, with awards for the largest and smallest fish caught.

All children under the age of 16 are welcome to participate, event officials said. The program will get under way at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 23, at Alondra Lake, 3535 W. Redondo Beach Blvd., Lawndale.

2000 Slated to Attend Picnic in Lomita Saturday

A turn-out of over two thousand residents is expected to attend the first annual Community Picnic at Lomita Park next Sunday, Mrs. Lucille Bader, secretary of the sponsoring Chamber of Commerce, reported this week.

Scheduled to begin at 1:00 p.m., the event is co-sponsored by 11 other organizations in the community, Mrs. Bader said.

A variety of games, contests, and other recreation are planned for the outing.

Mrs. Bader said a general invitation is extended to all residents of Lomita.

Top Rank Official To Speak

A mass meeting of steel workers on strike at Columbia-Geneva steel mill has been called for Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the Torrance Civic Auditorium, according to Victor Teer, president of Torrance Local 1414, CIO United Steelworkers of America.

International vice-president of the steel workers Jim Phimmes will address the assembled workers, who have joined their union brothers across the country in striking for pay boosts and working benefits.

Phimmes will explain in detail the union stand in the strike, with particular emphasis on provisions for emergency defense production.

At the time that the Press closed its forms, negotiations in Washington were at a standstill after union and management officials locked horns over the union shop issue and about 22 other fringe benefits that the union is asking.

Union president Phillip Murray called the current walk-out after the Supreme Court nullified President Truman's plant-seizure order two weeks ago. Operation of the mills reverted to private hands immediately, and the union walked off the job shortly thereafter.

Track to Cross Back Yards Here

One hundred Lomita Square residents attended a hearing before the board of supervisors today to protest extending a franchise to the Santa Fe Railroad to construct a spur track through the heavily populated area, including Keystone, Avalon Village, and Lomita Square.

County officials have already granted the franchise, but officials of the Lomita Square Association, the group spearheading the protests, say they hope to prevent similar action by the city of Los Angeles.

Leading the delegation are Mrs. Don Llewellyn, president of the Lomita Square Civic Association, and Mrs. Evelyn Poindexter, secretary of the association.

A hearing is planned for June 24 by the Los Angeles City Public Utilities Commission on the franchise extension, it was reported, with a large delegation expected to protest at that session.

The association will attend a review hearing of the state public utilities commission on the matter, which is not scheduled as yet, according to Mrs. Poindexter.

A report on the decision of the county on the matter is due tomorrow.

Hospital Expansion Bids In

Plans for additional structures to the X-ray and Clinic Buildings at Harbor General Hospital resulted in submission of five bids for the contract at Tuesday's meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles county.

The low bid by Henry Auerbach of Los Angeles amounted to \$58,750, while the high bid was presented by Carter Mack Builders of Harbor City in the sum of \$74,900.

Bids were referred to the Mechanical Department for checking and recommendation to the Supervisors, it was disclosed.

Proposed Budget Outlined

Various School Department Budget Needs Disclosed

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personnel, is \$1,298,970 for the coming year.

Administrative expenses this year are expected to be \$83,936, a \$9,058 increase since last year. This jump includes an \$800 yearly pay hike for Dr. J. H. Hull, Superintendent of Schools, and a \$600 annual pay boost for Ingram.

An additional \$10,175 over last year has been allocated for the operation of school cafeterias. Salaries of \$14,920 and food costs of \$35,000, are included in the new \$65,286 cafeteria budget.

Auxiliary services provided by the schools include health service, nurses, a doctor, and psychological counseling service. This year they will cost \$55,420. Last year's total for this classification was \$41,160. \$249,310 have been asked for the

operation of existing school plants. The new figure, \$69,687 above last year, provides for the employment of 13 additional custodians and three additional groundsmen.

Maintenance of the plants will absorb \$56,152 of the tentative budget. This is \$13,802 more than last year.

Fixed charges, including retirement and insurance fees, climb from \$33,830 last year, to the new figure of \$52,100.

Transportation of pupils is expected to cost taxpayers \$48,790 this year.

Community services, such as playground and recreation facilities, will cost approximately \$5,200, and the Child Care Center is expected to require \$53,535, the report showed.



A NIGHT IN HAWAII—Dance numbers representing four Hawaiian Islands, Maui, Hawaii, Oahu and Kauai, will be performed Tuesday evening at the Civic Auditorium when the Three Arts Studio presents a dance revue. Dancers in the Hawaiian number are (standing left to right) Jacqueline Pagan, Minette Frederick, Geraldine Daniels, Yvonne Ava Graham, Diana Dean, and Diana Cato; (seated left to right) Brian Masterson, Nancy Almond, Virginia Gots, Lorita Shellman, Susan Wright, Sharron Daine Goode, and Sandra May Long.