

## CARE CENTER

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ter was shut down. They claimed that the only thing the School Board has to provide was the space, since the State allocates funds for the center and the mothers pay the rest.

**Needed Desperately**  
The mothers claimed that on the salaries they make they could not afford hiring anyone to look after their children or sending their children to private child care centers.

Mrs. Joy Prime, director of the extended day camp, stated that the city was willing to provide the mothers with a place for their center.

A similar statement was made by Beverly Smith. He stated that two places might possibly be considered for such a center and that City Manager George Stevens was willing to meet with a School Board committee.

Smith, who is connected with one of the local industries, looks with grave concern on the Board's recent action to discontinue the care center. He said that many of these mothers are skilled technicians and industry does not want to lose them as would most surely be the case if the extended day center would be abandoned.

It was established that the final authority whether or not the care centers are to continue rests squarely with the local School Board and not the State.

The Board's major contention was that the space is needed for educational purposes and that the school's primary purpose is to educate the children of the community. The center is considered a hang-over from war-time conditions when mothers had to work in the war plants.

The Board also brought up the matter of liability in case they would have to transport children to other than school sites.

**Board Luke-Warm**  
The Board extended a lukewarm invitation to the mothers to present a "workable plan" for the Board's consideration.

September 9 has been stated as the deadline by which any action to change the Board's recent ruling can be taken.

## ACCIDENT

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Schmidt, who said later he was asleep in the seat besides Stevenson, received a broken jaw, fractured ankle, and a severe cut over his right eye. The cut required 10 stitches to close.

Both were transferred to Torrance Memorial Hospital.

In another crash last weekend, 21-year-old Margaret Altig, of 1720 Cabrillo avenue was injured when the auto in which she was riding swerved out of control and overturned on Western avenue near Anaheim street. The driver, Navy enlisted man Harold J. Jayes, 21, told police his car swung wildly out of control when it hit a wet spot on the pavement. He was unhurt.

Marie Hackett Cronn has been assigned as teacher in the Torrance Unified School District for the coming school year.

## DOUBLE SESSION

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permanent units. The total cost amounts to \$186,000.

**High School**  
Bids for the construction of the North Torrance high school were let this week. The bid was awarded to J. C. Boespflug in the amount of \$940,000.

Torrance high school students will be on double sessions this coming year since the North Torrance high school will not be complete till next September.

**Delay**  
Numerous complaints have been voiced about the slowness with which the Board has acted on the North Torrance school. Money for the school was voted in a special bond election three years ago.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. J. H. Hull recently declared that except for a six months' "unfortunate" delay plans were made for the school, as fast as possible. Hull stated, however, that a mistake in calculation was made and that the school could have been finished six months earlier.

Four other school sites are now in the process of construction or on the planning boards. They are the Crenshaw addition, Hillside school, Pacific School, the Steel School. The latter two are still on the planning boards. Crenshaw is expected to be completed sometime in October of this year and Hillside at the beginning of 1955.

The Board hopes to have eliminated double sessions once all these facilities are constructed.

## FAMILY

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continued efforts of Congressman King, brought about its early passage.

The veteran 17th District Representative reports that he has consulted with friends in the Senate and is hopeful of equal success in that body "even at this late date in the session."

"I am exceedingly happy to have been of service in assisting in the bringing together again of one of Torrance's well-respected families," Congressman King advised the Torrance Press today.

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## REZONING

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informal, will be held in the districts affected, to be followed by formal hearings before the Commission.

About four districts will be involved and each will be considered separately. Recommendations to the City Council will be made individually for each district. The first recommendation to the Council is expected around the first of October.

## LATE NEWS

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have been scheduled for the week of September 13 through 17.

**DROPPED SOMETHING:**  
Burglars made off with \$515 in cash this week after breaking into a drive-in at 21176 South Western. Bills totaling \$180 were dropped on the floor and apparently not noticed by the thieves as they made their getaway.

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