

DANGEROUS DRUGS These barbituates were found in one of the boys' lavatories at Torrance high school last week .- Press Photo.

Harmful Pills Found At Torrance High School

Grave concern was expressed this week and a stern warning issued to teenagers against the habit of buying drugs which are available without prescription and taking

them just for kicks. The warning was issued by Sgt. D. C. Cook, of the Torrance Police Department's juvenile bureau, who?

stated that the practice has

Last week a 15-yearold North Torrance youngster had to be hospitalized for a number of days, after fainting from the effects of these drugs and suffering terrifying mallucinations.

The youth had to be put under hard restraint all night long and was placed under constant medical ob-

"We're also having trou- CHARGES ble with girls using these drugs," Cook stated, mentioning one time when two

Cook explained that (Turn to Page 21)

Kids Find Out Lacquer Burns ...

Two juveniles who doubted longer doubtful. It does.

Juveniles were credited with trailer at about 8 p.m. having set drums containing paint and lacquer on fire behind a service station at 229th st. and Arlington late Monday afternoon, according to the Torrance Fire Department.

Total amount of damage was blew a lid and one ruptured. throwing streams of flaming

taken on serious propor-

Two presidential hopefuls - Senator Estes Kefauver and Adlai Stevenson-will come whirling through Torrance within two days of each other next week in an effort to meet and chat with local residents.

the public.

'no."

Kefauver Day."

Stevenson's appearance

has not yet been announced.

been scheduled for Friday, May

11, at 10:30 a.m. He is slated

"I'm not hurting anyone. I girls passed out from the just like to blow a little pot, for about 45 minutes but the and fix now and then," a 33-location or nature of his visit year- old Lomita man told Lennox sheriff's officers Friday upon being arested on violation of state narcotics laws and sus. of the auditorium was made by picion of robbery.

Fred R. Pettyjohn of 1851 W. Leo Benstead. District director Pacific Coast highway was booked on these charges after officers found a large supply of

Evasive

Deputies and representatives whether lacquer burns, are no of the Harbor Division, Los An-

> They said he was cooperative in letting them in but was eva-dent Eisenhower or Adlai Stevsive in answering their questions

The officers found a number of small paper sacks containsidmated at \$200. One drum ing leafy material resembling marijuana. They also found a hypodermic needle, some grains Series Of

lacquer 75 feet and 150 feet. No of a substance that looked like Burglaries (Turn to Page 21) Solved Here 30 TNT Caps Found, A series of recent burglaries

.170 Still Missing in the Torrance area were solved this week with the arrest About 30 of the 200 dynamite caps which were stolen of four men in their early twenties and three juveniles. last week are present or accounted for, according to Len-

nox sheriff's station officials.

ler's Palos Verdes Sand and

parently by juveniles.

garning again to residents of inch in diameter. the area to be on the look-out Sheriff's officers said that





Gravel firm in Lomita, ap cap is powerful enough to blast

Lennox officers issued a shell, 11/2 inches long and 1/4

were traced to a lot at 253rd

One girl at the Lomita elementary school found seven Wilkie where a service gun and caps. Other pupils found seven Land camera were stolen. more. The mother of one girl

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of the rest of the dynamite caps is urged to contact Lennox sheriff's offices instant-

Under arrest are Jay Grigsby, The dynamite caps were stolen last week from Chand- 25, of 1460 W. 182nd st.; Robert Doner, 22, of 15704 Atkinson;

Glen Nance, 20, of 21709 Dolores; Wayne Summers, 23, of Gara whole hand off. The caps look like a copper

dena; and three juveniles. These suspects were gradually linked with the series of burglaries as a result of laborious detective work on the part of dren came to Narbonne Friday Don Hamilton and Mickey Fis-Sgt. Ted Morris and Officers cher of the Torrance Police De-

place and Narbonne where 17 partment's detective bureau. Grigsby, Nance, and the juvenile were held for the recent

found her chewing on a dyna-for burglary in the Lennox He and Doner were also held area last August, when two shotguns and 11 rifles were stolen from a home

Grisby, Nance, and the juv-



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MAN, 80, BURNS

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man who apparently fell asleep while smoking in bed was burned to death Monday when his mattress caught on fire.

Dead is Fred Doane, of 1350 W. 251st st. Firemen theorized that he fell asleep while smok-

Doane's body, clad only in underwear, was found by firemen who broke into the locked house after a neighbor, Howard Harris of 1531 W. 251st st., noticed smoke from the victim's

Neighbors said Doane had (Turn to Page 21)



BILL KING

location or nature of his visit Request for Kefauver's use Elected To the Committee for Kefauver for President, headed locally by

Bill King, jr. was appointed man Willys Blount, who voted City Council last week.

The appointment was made "Any major presidential candiby Mayor Albert Isen, following school buildings, it will be the council must hold a hearing.

Isen also declared May 9 "Estes successor.

Commission

s Pete Sysak.

The council approved the use Planning Commission recently ings will take care of 13,357 of marijuana and heroin in his of the auditorium, waiving the vacated by Beverly Smith who these pupils. Additional buildnormal fee, except for Council-submitted his resignation to the ings to house the remaining

geles Police, went to Pettyjohn's date would be extended the an attempt on the part of Coun-necessary to raise \$18 million. same consideration," Mayor Al-cilmen Nick Drale and Willys Another \$41/2 million will take bert Isen declared, the remark Blount to appoint John Kesson care of the high school needs apparently referring to Presi- of North Torrance to the post. bringing the total to \$221/2 mil-Drale claimed that inasmuch lion.

as he appointed Smith, he Since it has been estimated should be able to appoint his that the district will be able to

steps to get on the state loan program at Tuesday night's board meeting. By the end of this year the ustrict expects the seven schools now under con-

There are several reasons

ble session.

However, by that time, 4000

Steep Rise In Enrollment

ber 1961 the local elementary 19,421 will be needed.

To provide these elementary

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HOSPITAL HOBBIES

Winning the Grand Sweepstakes in the Hobby section of the Hobby, Art, and Flower

Show was the handmade covered wagon created by George Hickey, who is a patient

in the TB ward at Harbor General hospital. Also shown are his prize winning leather

craft entries (I) and costume jewelry (r). See story page 20.-Press photo

LOCAL SCHOOLS Because it is impossible to get any more money from present sources, local school administrators are preparing to recommend to the Board of Education that

Mayor Isen Blasts

Drale's Tract Deals

the local district apply for state aid. Present sources-local taxes, bond issues, and federal aid-are being used to

capacity, leaving the state aid program the only adequate 400 More Parking alternative, school officials ex-

STATE AID SOUGHT

why administrators are looking Spaces Planned Here around anxiously for additional sources of revenue. One of the most significant steps in obtaining more LATE BULLETIN: The off-street parking in downtown Torrance was completed School Board approved taking

this week with the approval of a parking assessment dis-This paves the way for obtaining off-street parking lots which would provide 400 parking spaces—the equivalent of the wished to have a "legal opinion" umber of parking mete

in downtown Torrance. Officials of the Chamber of Commerce submitted petitions ney James Hall. struction to be completed. This to the City Council bearing the signatures of property owners will take 5000 students off dou- owning 56.8% of the assessed land valuation in the district. To Councilman Willys Blount snapble session who are now on dou- form the district, it was necessary to get a minimum 51% ap. ped back.

proval. The off-street parking lots to be acquired will be paid by additional students will be go the property owners in the district and through parking meter

funds The city of Torrance itself owns three off-street parking lots Estimates show that by Octo- at present, containing 230 parking spaces. The assessment district plans to acquire 18 more lots which would provide 400

nore parking spaces. Lots to be acquired will cost an estimated \$230,500. The roposed bond issue totals \$260,000. The assessed land valuation of the district is \$857,700, ac-

cording to figures released by the chamber. The city clerk must now verify the signatures whereupon

Late News

raise \$141/2 million of that sum proposal by the Dominguez vard was ordered Tuesday by Isen called Drale out of order, through bonds in the next five Estates company to establish a County Supervisor Burton W. stating that the city code says years, only about \$81/2 million golf course on a 200-acre parcel that the mayor makes all ap-would have to be borrowed in the so-called Carson district, south of 190th street between

GOLF COURSE: Study of a Main street and Avalon boule-

LOMITA IMPROVEMENTS: in the next three weeks on the Crenshaw and Casimir. repair of streets and driveways between Cypress street and You Name Pennsylvania avenue in Lomita, according to an announcement made by Supervisor Burton W. Chase. 'The Board of Supervisors Tuesday approved an appropriation of \$13,200 for the

CITY EMPLOYES: The City Mrs. A. M. Ginn of 1016 W. ing Council of City Employes the Torrance Press: to discuss benefits and salaries.

TORRANCE PARK: Installation of new night lighting equipment on Torrance park ball diamond was approved by the City Council.

out a name was approved by after dark. They kept coming the City Council.

postoffice substation to be con- items I can no longer use." structed on Torrance boulevard So, give it a try-there's no

DRALE'S INTEREST MAY HALT

Councilman, Nick Drale had to absent himself from voting on three tract maps which came up before the City Council for approval Tuesday night, admitting that, as a realtor, he had commissions involved in the subdivisions totaling approximately 22 acres.

Mayor Albert Isen thereupon gave notice that from now on he would vote 'no' as a matter of principle on all tract maps coming before the City Council in which any councilman was getting a commission.

Councilman Victor Benstead n the matter from City Attor-

"An opinion on what?"

Benstead declared that he wanted to know if it is legal for a man sitting on the City Council to have a financial interest in real estate matters which come before the council for approval.

Councilman Bob Jahn also asked Hall to find out if the council would be within its rights to deny final tract maps after having given approval to the tentative maps.

Hall said he would have the opinion at next Tuesday's 8 p.m. The three tracts involved are:

Tract no. 19835, 43 lots, Property Management corporation (subdivider), west of Arlington ave. and north of 174th st.:

Tract no. 22495, 21 lots, Prop-

erty Management, north of 170th st., south of Dominguez channel, west of Arlington ave., and east of tract no. 18852; Tract no. 22413, 49 lots, Ander-Work is scheduled to start with son-Janssen, 179th st. between

repair work of the streets which For the best results—tell it are adjacent to the newly con- to the marines or, the Torrance structed storm drain on 248th Press! You name it and they'll

Council will meet Tuesday, May 220th st. decided to run the fol-8, at 7 p.m with the Coordinat- lowing unusual classified ad in

6x7x8 BUILDING — SUITABLE for bird aviary or small chick-en coop. Pay for the ad and it's yours.

1016 W. 220th St. "I could have given 25 away if I had had them," she reported PARK NAMES: A park nam- with surprise. "People came all ing contest for five parks with day Thursday, clear up until all day Friday and Saturday. ASSISTANT: City Manager Every knock on the door meant George Stevens was asked to more interested people. I was study a recommendation for an real tickled to get such results, assistant recreation director. but I always have good luck POSTOFFICE BRANCH: Ap- with Torrance Press ads. It's a proval was given for a working real good way to dispose of

(Turn to Page 21) surer thing. Just call FA 8-2345

B Patient Wins Sweepstakes In Hobby Show