

Police Ball Ticket Sale Underway

Officer Don Hartell, president of the Torrance Police dept. Police Officers assn., announced that preparations are underway for the annual Torrance Police benefit show and dance. The affair will be held Saturday, Nov. 9, at the Long Beach municipal auditorium.

One of the country's leading dance orchestras will provide the music for dancing and the variety show will feature top flight, professional entertainment.

The association hopes to make this the most successful

affair since its origin. Ticket sales will begin July 8, and solicitation will be made by telephone. The tickets will be delivered to the purchasers home or business.

As the Police Officers association is very active in youth activities in our ever growing community and the demand grows greater each year, the association hopes for the usual warm hearted response by the civic minded people of our community.

great ship, regardless of rank or rating, are invited, and all are urged to immediately contact W. E. "Swede" Larson at 4019 West 176th st., Torrance.

USS Nevada Reunion Set

The fourth annual reunion of former crew members of the USS Nevada will be held at the Pacific Club, 850 East Ocean Blvd., in Long Beach, Saturday, October 26.

All men who served in this

Places 2nd In Science Competition

Jerry Buchholz, El Camino college chemical engineering major, placed second in competition which covered seven western states. Dr. William P. Harless, director of instruction at El Camino announced today.

Representing the local college Buchholz completed a two and one half hour examination administered by the Chemical Rubber Co. in its achievement award program, competing with other students from California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho,

Utah, Arizona and Nevada. The only student to score higher than Buchholz was the first place student, representing Seattle Pacific college. Nationally, over 500 colleges and universities participated in the program this year, according to William T. Mooney, Jr., assistant director of instruction in the fields of science and mathematics.

Topics covered in the examination are those commonly found in the general college

chemistry program during the freshman year, Mooney added. Buchholz was the first El Camino student to participate in the achievement award program.

A graduate of Torrance High school in 1955, the Nebraska native resides with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Buchholz at 18811 Cranbrook, Torrance. His basic work in chemistry was taken under the direction of Instructors John McQuerrey and Jack Hileman.

'Light Up The Sky' To Open Thursday

As light and colorful as a sky full of holiday balloons herself, Miss Julie O'Neil, star of the Torrance Playhouse production of "Light Up The Sky," stated that on Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m., a barrage of balloons will be let loose over the South Bay area.



JULIE O'NEIL, remembered for her delightful performance in "Goodbye My Fancy" is currently starring in the Torrance Accent Theatre production of "Light Up The Sky" opening July 11 at the El Prado streets in Torrance Playhouse, Cabrillo

Some of these balloons will carry tickets to light up the sky and will entitle the holder to attend one performance of the show.

Miss O'Neil, in addition to starring in the Palos Verdes production of "Goodbye My Fancy," and performing with the Geller Workshop in Hollywood, has received several offers from major studios.

A housewife and mother, Miss O'Neil believes in the South Bay area as an area of important theatrical activity and contends that a group which can afford the professional standard such as the Torrance Playhouse demands, can be the most exciting theatre possible.

Thursday night in Torrance will see the gala opening of "Light Up The Sky," and many stage, screen and television notables, as well as dignitaries from our own city and area will be in attendance.

Residents, Officials Clash Over HR 'Hotel'

First of a series of hearings to rezone the Don-Ja-Ran property originally slated for a hotel from R-4 (hotel use) to R-1 (single family residence) was full of sparks and cinders.

The matter had been referred back to the Planning Commission after the City Council expressed dissatisfaction with the proposed development.

To stop what the council considered a motel rather than hotel development, councilmen indicated that they wanted the area rezoned in order to halt present plans.

Present Don-Ja-Ran plans are to place an 80-unit motel on the 20-acre site located at the southern end of Paseo de Playa.

Residents presented petitions bearing 50 signatures opposing construction of the motel.

Don-Ja-Ran representatives claimed that residents had been

shown pictures of the resort hotel and had signed letters stating that they had no objections.

Residents maintain that the original development differed markedly from the present development to which they object.

A Planning Commission committee will study the deed and dates on the letters and the next hearing will be held July 17.

Company representatives also indicated that the property in question has always been zoned for apartment use before it was rezoned for the hotel, objecting to plans to rezone the property for single residences.

'RAINMAKER' PRESENTED ON HORSESHOE STAGE

Presented on Horseshoe Stage N. Richard Nash chose a very simple title for his play, "The Rainmaker," which is Hampton Players current production showing at their new theatre in the Breeze Auditorium, 129 Pacific Avenue, Redondo Beach for one more weekend.

However, that one word, "rainmaker," conjures up in most people's minds a picture of mystery and magic, and that is exactly what Mr. Nash brings out in this poignant story of a down-to-earth Midwestern family whose lives are changed by a man who is made of dreams.

We have probably had rainmakers ever since the day when, by a happy coincidence, the rain came down just as some desperate caveman was shaking his club at the sky and shouting, "Ugh!"

Nowadays they have very fancy titles and the whole thing is terribly scientific, but results still can't be absolutely guaranteed, and clients don't know for sure just what type of down-pour they may get for their money.

But Mr. Nash's Starbuck puts a time limit on results and offers any kind of rain from drizzle, which he usually gives as a free sample, to deluge, which he modestly admits takes a bit of doing, even for him. But it is when he begins to relieve the drought in the souls of the Curry family that he really shines, and that is the true magic of the story.

Thelma Ledwidge has directed a fine and experienced cast, and captured the spirit of the play to the complete enjoyment of all who have seen it. The title role is played by Jack Drake of Torrance, while Lizzie Curry is Anne Sutton of Gardena, with her father played by Jim Black of Manhattan Beach and her brothers by Duane Ryan of Hawthorne and Charles Slater of Manhattan Beach. Denton Wable of Redondo Beach plays the Sheriff, and his Deputy, File, is Jim Lake of Gardena.

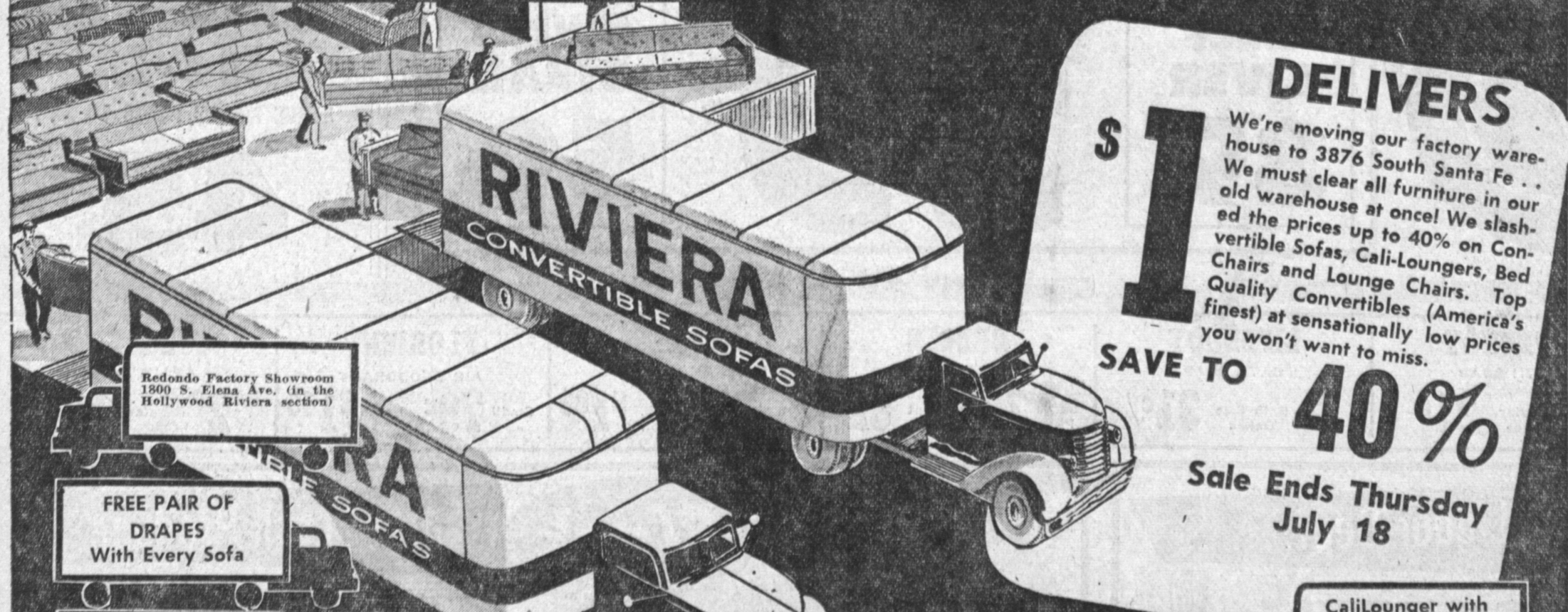
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