## Voters to Decide Fate of School Bond Issue Tuesday

#### School Bond Needs

Next Tuesday, Torrance residents will go to the polls to decide the fate of the \$15,000,000 bond issue proposed by the Torrance Unified School District

The Torrance Press is convinced, after thorough study, that approval of the measure is vital to provide the building needs of the school district.

School officials have pointed out that the tax rate will not be increased, and that passage of the bond issue is a must in order to assure continued eligibility for state aid.

The district now has an enrollment of 23,300 students. This number will swell to 32,600 by 1963, and additional school buildings must be provided to accomodate the increasing student population.

The bond money, if approved, will be used to finance the construction of West High School, four new elementary schools, additions at 21 elementary and high schools, and rehabilitation of the Fern School.

The bond issue has been endorsed by numerous groups, representing industry, business labor, churches and citizens.

There appears to be no organized opposition, but apathy of voters could defeat the measure since a two-thirds majority is required for passage.

We urge an emphatic "Yes" vote.

The alternative is a rapid increase in double sessions with resulting deterioration of our education system.

### **Returned Councilmen Name** New Water Commissioners

Four additional members were appointed to the Water Com- schools would be more crowded mission Tuesday when three members of the City Council re- than at present. turned from a walk-out triggered last week by a hassle over selection procedure. Members of the commission will include Pat Hogue, appointed last week, John Melville, Waldo E. Ford, Jack Brooks and Mervyn Schwab. \* -

Councilman Willys Blount an-ounced that he had walked out because he had believed that the Councilman Willys Blount anfirst five of seven nominations For 'Y' would be automatically appointed; and was ired when the second nomination was rejected. "It though at long last we would have a chance to submit names." he declared.

Surrendered Rights

Councilman J. A. Beasley said at Mayor Albert Isen had sur- in an attempt to hold the largest lington, and Parkway Schools, dered his rights to nominate Annual YMCA Good Neighbor members, when he agreed to Breakfast in the history of Tor- Fern School, to make it earthlet each councilman submit one rance. name.

The big meal, scheduled for "As long as I sit on the City Saturday, Oct. 18, will last from would cover additions to Adams Council, I reserve the right to 6 until 11:30 a.m. vote as I see fit," he snapped.

'I don't care to go into political deals, whether a man is quali-. Area. Youth Band will provide which are now under construcfiel or not," said Isen. "The ma- almost continuous music, PTA tion, but not yet completed. jority still rules," Mothersingers will also share

Selection Dispute

ast week, Drale, Blount and ever-popular Bill Evans. George Bradford left the meet- prizes are being donated by io- the Science Education Council) a dispute over selection cal merchants to encourage the Walteria Businessmen's of candidates.

As, it turned out, the council this neighborly affair. majority appointed three memssion, and the



polls Tuesday to decide whether to authorize \$15,000,000 bond funds for a giant construction VOL X

program, including at least five new school and additions at 21 other schools. If additional funds are not

North High late, this month, more building funds are needed -for additional construction and to keep the district eligible for, help under the state, loan program.

Student Bulge

The district's bulging classrooms now contain 23.300 chil dren, and this number is expected to increase to at least 32,600 by 1963. Some 3950 students now are on double sessions. Officials estimate that if the building program can be

continued at its present rate, louble sesions can be virtually liminated. Expansion of a program for academically talented, students would be stymied if the bond issue did not pass, because

Passage of the bond issue would not mean any increase in taxes. because the amount of bond funds which can be sold during any year is limited by law.

#### New Schools Present plans call for con-

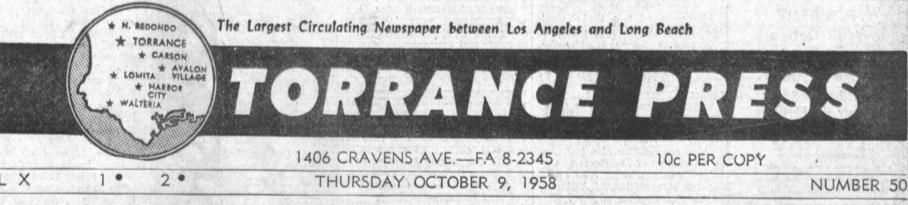
struction of West High with the additional money, as well as west Torrance elementary chool and Adams, Towers, and Madison Elementary Schools. Money would be allotted for additions to Riviera, Newton, Walteria, Steele, Torrance Ele-

The Torrance YMCA has sold mentary, Edison, Madrona, Carr, more than 2,000 tickets to date Perry; Sepulveda, Crenshaw, Arquake-proof.

In addition, the bond funds School, still on the drawing In order to entertain the hun- boards, and for Magruder, Lindreds of guests, the Torrance coln, and Hamilton Schools

The bond proposal won enin the entertainment MC'd by dorsements from the Torrance Ministerial Assn., the Commit A number of attractive door tee for Better Schoolst formerly every citizen to participate in Assn., The Torrance Chamber of

Commerce, Downtown Torrance



# If additional funds are not voted, the building program would stop, officials said. Since present bond funds will be used up when the contract is let for the final units of work at North High late this month, **Emergency Landing**

## **Rescue Party on** Way to Aid Pilots

Two Torrance pilots who crash-landed in the Mexican wilderess Friday while on a mercy mission, are expected to return ome later this week.

A rescue plane, carrying spare parts for the twin-Cessna used by Robert Johnson, 30, of 5305 Jacques St., and his co-pilot, Roland Swan, also of Torrance, departed®

for the isolated river bed 75 niles north of Hermosillo from. forrance Municipal Airport

In the meantime, Dr. Harry Reynolds, 59, of Riverside, passenger on the ill-fated flight. was found after a greulling, twoday hitchhiking trip to Hermo sillo, where he sought aid for the stranded party.

Johnson, co-owner of Western-Aero, Inc., an aviation firm at Torrance Airport, and Swan left here Friday, bound for Mazatlan to carry food to flood victims.

While crossing the mountain range from Yuma, they encoun tered engine trouble, and John ion landed the plane in a river bed, damaging the tail assembly

Two other pilots, Zola Siegel a partner of Johnson's, and Bill Hetrick, aerial photographer for North American Aviation, left Torrance Tuesday morning to carry spare parts for the plane. Mrs. Johnson said her hus-

RESCUE FLIGHT-Bill Hetrick hands supplies on mercy mission. At right is Mrs. Robert Johnfrom which the plane can take son, wife of the pilot stranded in Mexico.



**City Dads** band and Swan will have to fin-ish digging a makeshift runway Irked by off after the repairs have been

Councilmen let off some steam



Dr. Rollin Smith invited all Retail Merchants. Unions and citizens to submit letters to the Torrance Industries Tax Comninority, two. YMCA naming their choice for mittees.

An informal poll indicated that the 1958 YMCA Al Turner Troleon named Melville, Councilphy, to be presented to the per-son selected as the outstanding 50, composed of leading residents man Victor Benstead named Hogue, Beasley named Ford, Bradford named Brooks, and "Good Neighbor" in the past of Torrance. There has been no year. All letters should be mailed organized opposition. rale named Schwab, former in care of the YMCA at 2080 Torrance mayor. Washington Ave.

The new commission will be activated on Oct. 16.

#### **Torrance Bids** Konya, Turkey, To Be 'Sister'

A formal invitation to Konya, 21 at 5 p.m. Turkey, to become . Torrance's international "sister city," was \$504 per month, while salary for extended by the City Council bus operators ranges from \$2.20 in a resolution on Tuesday.

Choice of the Anatolian city with a population of 93,000; was made by a special citizens committee, which made its recommendation to the council after investigating several nomina-

The council enacted the resolution as part of President Eisenhower's "People to People" program for better international relations.

If the mayor of Konya, to whom the resolution\* was sent. approves of the plan, a program of interchange of ideas, communication and possible visits will be launched.

#### **Prickery Used** in Car Theft by Youngsters

Two 13-year-old boys, who pretended to have obtained the owner's permission, stole a car from a service station Monday. The boys acted as if they had

ptained permission to use the from its owner, Irving Berren, owner of Holly Park National Paint Store, 1641 Cabrillo Ave., and drove off with the machine.

The car had been left at the gas station for servicing.

After the attendant told them they would have to obtain Berren's approval to use the car, the boys went into the store where they looked at some mants. Then they went to the station and announced they had permission to use the car and sped off.

CAR AGENCY BURGLARIZED A pickup truck and a number of tools were stolen from Paul's Chevrolet, 1640 Cabrillo Ave., by I thief who broke off a padlock ind gained entry into the fenced area. Total loot was estimated at more than \$2500.

Police, Bus Jobs Civil service examinations for tary schools now are under conpolicemen and bus drivers will struction and will open within be given by Torrance Nov. 1 in the next year. the Civic Auditorium.

**Exams Given for** 

**Breakfast** 

Final date for filing applications for both tests will be Oct. Police jobs pay from \$461 to

asters, to \$2.38 per hour.

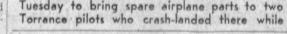
SAFE JOB-Det. Miles Hamilton, left, and Sgt. Don Hamilton

examine small roof hole at Torrance Hardware, 1513-15 Cabrillo

Ave., which burglars entered to punch open safe inside office.

They got \$303 from safe and approximately \$60 in merchandise.

After they completed job, they crawled out the way they came in, thrugh a 9 by 14 inch hole. Press Photo



to Zola Siegel as they took off for Mexico.

The bonds have been actively Council

The last school bond issue was passed by Torrance voters in 1955. Since that time, seven new elementary schools and two high **Pay Hike** schools have been opened to house the growing number of

children. Another six elemen-

C.D. COMMISSION LAW An ordinance creating a pay for veteran city workers. civil defense commission of five members to take charge of city planning against disthis fiscal year. will be submitted to

At least one city employe, the City Council Tuesday. expressed himself as unhappy over failure to obtain longevity Jerry Hollomon, president of Local 1138 of the International Fire Fighters Union. "I wish I

in turning back the 3%."

in four years.

widow's pension clause ,and addition of eight more policemen.

Police and South Bay Humane Society officers participated in a cattle round-up early Friday, when approximately 50 animals were found wandering in the street at 190th St. and Burl Ave.

#### **Ticket Hounds** Memory of Policeman

through Sunday night. That's when the officer

and 190th St. Everything went smoothly

to sign the ticket. As he handed her the pad

bit Halbert's right hand.

The policeman was treated for a bite wound at Torrance Emergency Hospital. The woman had her ticket, and the pooch presumably got a bone.



grand opening sale.

City employes received a 3% during the grand opening celebration by the firm which is leading plane, and some parts for the "This may come as a surprise pay hike retroactive to Sept. 1, a general modernization pro-

the city an estimated - \$70,000 departments have been expanded to keep pace with the growth

> growing in Southern California, according to Abe Robinson, vice president.

The Torrance store has been "The whole thing stinks," said headquartered in a completely could speak for all our members El Prado and Sartori.

City Manager George Stevens estimated that longevity pay for veteran employes, would cost the city \$57,873 this year, but that it would go up to \$222,000

He was instructed to study costs for uniform allowances, a

CATTLE ROUNDUP

Policeman Kenneth Halbert will be more careful next time he hands out a ticket, after the experience he went

handed out a citation to a woman driver for running a boulevard stop at Anza Ave.

until Halbert asked the lady

through the window, the woman's best friend, a small dog,



Four drivers were injured in two separate collisions Monday.

modern store at the corner of Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, graduates of the College of Medi-

Shopping Comforts Both the exterior of the building, and the well appointed inpolice said. terior have been tastefully de-

signed to assure the utmost shopping comforts. One of the inter- and 186th St., drivers Amos to take off. ior features is that seating has Franklin Thompson, 37, of 12308 Johnson and Swan had only been provided for greater shop-Burl Ave., Hawthorne, and Paul about a quart of water when stead grumbled. A. Kennedy, 21, of 817 S. Juanita they started on foot for Caborca. Robinson extended an invita- Ave., Redondo Beach, were They finally managed to boc-

I tal, officer reported. (Continued on Page Two)

made. She said she expects them to return Friday or Sat ress rnoto

Sought Help

Volunteered Flight

pleted their trip.

After the plane crash-landed, Tuesday night, blasting stop Dr. Reynolds hitched a ride to signs, airport recommendations, When he did not return after and littered streets.

a reasonable interval, Johnson Councilman J. A. Beasley walked 30 miles, and then rode charged that Torrance has behorseback for another 25 miles come "a city of boulevard stops." to Caborca, Sonora, looking for "Everytime a housewife Dr. Reynolds. From Caborca, he wants to take her children called home and said he needed across the street, she wants a More than a score of valuable prizes will be given away a new magneto and rotor for his boulevard stop," he claimed, nashed tail assembly.

to you, but I agree," chimed in Dr. Arthur Gray of Inglewood, Councilman Willys Blount. aid that seven planes left here But their colleague, Robert Friday to carry a ton of food as Jahn, assured them that stop part of a mercy mission spon- signs have been installed only sored by LIGA made up mostly after thorough investigation by of flying doctors and dentists the Traffic Commision, and all for emergency work. are warranted.

Councilman Victor Benstead He said that Johson and Swan charged there is too much convolunteered to participate in the fusion between recommendations from Airport Manager located at 1317 El Prado for the 25122 Walnut Ave., Lomita, and the work being done by EIGA. Jack Egan, the Airport Commis-Robert B. Steiner, 20, of 6514 E. which is composed mostly of sion, and the airport committee of the City Council.

"Twice we received letters Dr. Gray said that Johnson from the commission when we Hospital following a collision at and Swan had repaired a bull- already had the same recom-Crenshaw and Sepulveda Blvds., dozer, belonging to a Mexican mendations from the manager, rancher, and started preparing he said. "I don't like it."

He also charged that lease terms at the airport are too low. "We're giving it away," Ben-

Mayor Albert Ison claimed that a better enforcement be made to eliminate littered sidewalks in the downtown area.

"Torrance is the dirtiest . . with waste on the sidewalks," he claimed.

#### **Burglars Loot Revival Tent**

A revival tent at 164th St. rnd Crenshaw Blvd. was looted of electronics equipment, as burglars hit seven places over the weekend.

Missing from the tent used by the Seventh Day Adventists, were two portable speakers, an electric cord and a staple gun, police reported.

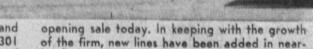
Several razors and a radio were taken from a barber shop at 815 Border Ave., while the cigarette machine and juke box in a cafe at 3870 Pacific Coast Hwy, were pried open for \$2 in oot, officers said.

Cash amounting to \$30 was taken from the home of Calvin . Jett, 4029 W. 183rd St., while ight cans of beer were stolen rom the home of Joseph F. ittle, 2714 W. 177th St.

The home of Jerome Lemberger, 4103 W, 174th St, was entered, but nothing taken, offi-Press Photo Leers said.



MODERN NEW STORE-Modern inside and outside is the new Lawson Jewelers store, 1301 Sartori Ave., which starts a three-day grand



ly all departments,

#### urday. Lawson Jewelers Launches

but City Councilmen took no gram in downtown Torrance. action on requests for bonus All lines of jeweny, appliances, diamonds, radios, appliances, The salary increase will cost camera equipment and luggage

of the 20-store chain, fastest

evening.

John Edward Hardy, 28, of

were taken to Harbor General cal Evangelists.

In a crash at Hawthorne Blvd, a temporary runway, on which

tion to the firm's many custo- taken to Harbor General Hospi- row a couple of horses and com-

ping pleasure.