

Torrance Slates Ceremonies for Turkey City Link



WHERE THERE'S SMOKE—Puffing upon a real Turkish water pipe to give their planning session for Konya Day authentic atmosphere, this quartet moved to Steve's Pipe Shop for their strategy talks. They are from left, H. G. Stephens, Mrs. Jack Erving, Mrs. Kenneth McVey and Bill King.

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Konya Day Launches Sisterhood Bonds

With the raising of the Turkish flag, the cities of Torrance and Konya will be officially linked as sister cities at ceremonies Saturday.

The day has been proclaimed as Konya Day and will herald the international sisterhood between the two cities in a close relationship despite the great physical distance between them.

The flag-raising ceremony, to be accompanied by the Turkish national anthem by the Torrance Area Boys Band, will be part of the civic center celebration, starting at 2:30 p.m.

Mayor Albert Isen will present keys to the city to visiting Turkish officials, headed by Madame Ismet Sanli, one of the founders of the United Nations, and Nejat Sommez, Turkish information officer.

Included in the program at the civic center will be a gift exchange by the officials of the two cities, and a tree planting ceremony.

Students of Torrance schools, who have devoted study to the adopted sister city, will present Turkish dances in costume. One



ISMET SANLI

Guest Speaker Is Expert on Middle East

Ismet Sanli will be the guest speaker at the Executives' Dinner Club of Torrance Saturday at the Plush Horse.

Miss Sanli was born in Turkey but educated in France and the United States. She has been a correspondent for many Turkish papers. Her father was a newspaper publisher in Izmir.

Serving as a delegate to the United Nations she currently attends almost all of the U.N. sessions.

Her analysis of the "Near East—In Uncle Sam's Lap," can be given extra weight through her familiarity with the area and the people.

A social hour from 6:30 to 7:30 will precede the dinner.

Youngster Struck on Way Home

A youngster was critically injured when struck by an auto driven by a girl who lost control of the vehicle she had borrowed.

Patrick J. Farrell, 6, of 354 E. 224th St., was taken to Harbor General Hospital with head injuries, after he was hit by the car while walking on Marbella Ave., south of 224th St.

The girl, identified by police as Judy Lorraine Dufrene, 14, of 371 E. 224th St., allegedly borrowed the car from her parents who were away from home. She apparently lost control after rounding the corner, struck Patrick, and another boy, Angel Hart, 6, of 22413 Marbella, a parked car and wound up hitting a house.

The other boy was not seriously hurt, police said.

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Three Cars Plunge Down Steep Cliffs

Two Women Drivers Plunge Down P.V. Embankments

Two women drivers whose autos shot over the Palos Verdes cliffs over the week-end escaped with minor injuries.

A Torrance woman, Mrs. Gale E. Robinson, 30, of 369 Camino de las Colinas, was hurled from her car when the door opened while she rounded a curve in the 700 block on Via del Monte, police said.

Her husband, a passenger in the machine, rode with the car while it plummeted down a 75-foot gully. He suffered no injuries, officers said, while his wife complained of a sore hip and elbow.

Mrs. Myrtle E. Brown, 60, of 25615 Lucille Ave., Lomita suffered a broken wrist when her car struck an unidentified object on Crenshaw Blvd., north of Rolling Hills Road, and hurtled 100 feet down a creek bed.

Deputy sheriffs said the woman managed to kick out a window of the car and pull herself out.

Three persons, two of them drivers, were injured in a two-car collision at Crenshaw Blvd. and Pacific Coast Highway Monday.

Frank Hall, 45, of Hollywood, was taken to Harbor General Hospital with rib and pelvic injuries, while Samuel Stonis, 37, of 26738 Pastvale Ave., Rolling Hills, and his wife, Ingrid, told police they would see their own doctors.

Man Safe in Drop Over Cliff Files Rain Loss Tab

A Torrance salesman escaped with a minor scratch after his auto plunged 200 feet over a cliff in the 800 block on Paseo del Mar, Palos Verdes Estates Tuesday afternoon.

Pete Georgorises, 34, of 22520 Anza Ave., told police that he was attempting to avoid striking another car, and instead of hitting the brakes, his foot touched the accelerator pedal of his brand new car.

The car, purchased only five days before, hurtled over the embankment, plummeted 200 feet through the air, and landed on all four wheels on a rock shelf.

By the time police and life guards converged on the accident scene, Georgorises got out of the car and walked up a path to meet them.

He was taken to Pacific Medical Center for treatment of a cut over his right eye.

Death Victim Kin Sues

Damages of \$102,000 will be sought by the widow of a man asphyxiated in an apartment house fire last Dec. 26.

In a complaint filed by Boris S. Woolley in behalf of Mrs. Ethel Combs, it is alleged that the furnace in the building at 1557 W. 203rd St., was maintained in a broken defective and dangerous condition.

It is alleged that Homer Combs, 43, was burned to death in the fire that broke out early in the morning as result of the condition of the heating system.

Another plaintiff, Mary Watwood, an occupant of the apartment house, is seeking \$6329 for loss of property.

Named as defendants in the suit are Peter and Bess Boy.

GETS UNION POST

Ben Scott, of Local 905 which includes the Torrance-Harbor City area, was elected vice president of the Retail Clerks Joint Council of Southern California.

HARVEY GETS CONTRACT

Harvey Aluminum of Torrance was awarded a \$378,900 contract for fuses, by the Army Ordnance District.



NAMESAKE TEACHES STUDENTS — Philip Magruder, for whom Magruder Elementary School, Torrance, was named, met some of the students at "his" school Monday as he visited the plant. Here, he reads to a group of first grade youngsters. Formal dedication of the school will be next Wednesday, with Magruder to be honored during the ceremonies.

Industrialist to Appear at Dedication of Elementary School Named in His Honor

Formal dedication of Philip Magruder Elementary School, 4100 W. 185th St., will be held Wednesday, at 8 p.m., according to Superintendent J. H. Hull. Open house will follow.

Philip Magruder, executive vice president of the General Petroleum Corp., the man for whom the school was named,

will be honored during the ceremonies. The board named the school for him because of his "consistent and constructive attitude for the solution of problems of financing public education in the Torrance Unified School District."

Hull will present the school to him during the ceremonies, and an eighth grade student, David Smith, will thank Magruder for his help to youth. Magruder also is a former president of the Los Angeles Council of the Boy Scouts of America, holder of the Silver Beaver, Scouting's highest adult award; and director of the R. M. Pyles Boys Camp.

Other features of the dedication will include welcoming speech and talk on "The Open Door Policy" by Principal Edwin Brown; formal presentation of the school to School Board President Clinton Cooke by Assistant Superintendent S. E. Waldrip; and formal presentation of the school keys to Brown by Mrs. Grace Wright, school board member.

The school, which opened Feb. 2, has about 450 students.

Magruder said he did not consider the fact that the school is named for him as a personal honor but a recognition of the support given to the school, particularly in an advisory capacity, by business in the community.

"As a taxpayer in the community, we naturally have taken an active interest in public education," the General Petroleum official declared. "We have encouraged people to talk over their problems with us in a spirit of common benefit."

Magruder has been with General Petroleum since 1925 when he joined the company as a gas tester at Vernon, where GP's Southern California refinery was located before the 100,000-barrel plant was built at Torrance. He has been executive vice president since 1948.

In addition to his youth activities, Magruder is a member of the F & AM, Shrine, Rotary Club; California State Chamber of Commerce; past president of the Los Angeles Petroleum Club; director, past president, and one of the organizers of the California Natural Gas Assn.; member of the American Petroleum Institute General Committee and Board of Councilors; past chairman of the Western Oil and Gas Assn. Air Pollution Control Committee; and vice president and director of the California Manufacturers Assn.

COMPLETE DRAIN

Completion of the storm drain on Redondo Beach Blvd., and Ainsworth Ave., at a cost of \$3,184, has been completed, according to John V. Russell, director of public works.

NAVY OPEN HOUSE

The Navy Recruiting Station for the Torrance area, at 16422 S. Vermont Ave., Gardena, announced today that the Aircraft Carrier USS Hornet (CVS 12) will hold open house on Saturday and Sunday.

Slayer of Wife Gets Prison

A Torrance longshoreman was sentenced to prison last week for the Halloween shotgun killing of his wife.

Kenneth Raymond Crane, 30, who admitted to police that he shot his wife, Joan, 26, a real estate saleswoman during a family battle over her alleged sloppy housekeeping habits.

The defendant was sentenced to a prison term Friday by Judge John A. Shidler in Southwest Superior Court, who denied the father of three young children probation.

The original murder charge was later reduced to voluntary manslaughter which carries a prison term of from one to 10 years.

Crane was accused of killing his wife with a 16-gauge shotgun in the couple's home, 22910 Cabrillo Ave., while two of their children were in their bedrooms.

The defendant claimed that he meant only to threaten his wife with the gun, and that he was going to leave her. He asserted in his defense that the weapon discharged accidentally during a struggle.

After the shooting, Crane summoned an ambulance and police.

SUPPORT CONVENTION

Duplicate resolutions, requesting the Democratic and Republican parties to hold their national convention next year in Los Angeles, were approved by the City Council this week.

BROKEN WATER MAIN CLOSES SCHOOL AGAIN

North High School students received another unscheduled holiday Tuesday.

The entire student body was dismissed shortly before noon because of a second rupture of an eight-inch water main being installed on the campus.

Because of sanitation factors involved, the students were released from further classes.

But mindful of the regular holiday which closed the schools Monday on Washington's birthday, school officials have decreed that students will make up for the lost time by additional homework.

Silver Dollar Reward for the Lucky Name

Feel lucky? You might well be and pick up an extra buck for shopping money during the three-day Dollar Days event sponsored by the Downtown Torrance Retail Merchants Association today, tomorrow and Saturday.

In addition to offering a wide array of bargains, the participating merchants also will give away 200 silver dollars to shoppers with lucky names.

The names of the lucky winners were selected from the telephone book, and lists of names will be posted in the display windows of various downtown stores.

Each of the stores will have some of the names. So a wise shopper, with a hunch that his or her name has been selected, is invited to make the rounds of various stores to find the one with a silver dollar payoff.

Association spokesmen said that even if residents don't happen to be lucky enough to win the free cash, they'll still be able to take advantage of the huge savings offered by the retailers.



LUCKY NAME—Mrs. Raymond Kelley, of 427 E. 229th St., examines Lucky Dollar list of one of downtown Torrance stores which will feature silver dollar give-away during Dollar Days to be held today, tomorrow and Saturday. Lists of winning names will be posted on windows of participating merchants.

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Downtown Dollar Days Start Today