

### Torrance Bank Tells Promotion

The promotion of Thomas H. Matthews to the rank of assistant cashier and real estate lending officer at Bank of America's Torrance branch was announced by Manager Harold G. Frentz.

Matthews has prepared for his new assignment through his work as a member of the real estate department at the bank's Los Angeles Headquarters during the past year.

A native of Long Beach, he was graduated from St. Anthony's High School and Long Beach State College. He has also completed numerous courses at the American Institute of Banking, educational wing of the American Bankers Association.

Matthews is a life member of the Alpha Kappa Psi business fraternity.

He and his wife, Shirlee, have two sons, Mark, 2, and Steven, one month.

**ESTABLISH CREDIT UNION**  
Establishment of the Ryan Employees Federal Credit Union to serve employees of Ryan Aeronautical Company at its plant in Torrance was announced today.

**HAWAIIAN DANCER**—Pammie Tai, 7, shows her classmates in Mrs. Shirley Cullum's class at WALTERIA School how to do the "huki-lau," a Hawaiian dance. Pammie, who moved here

from Honolulu last year, gave her fellow students lots of information about Hawaii as part of the class study. Admission of the 50th state brought lots of student interest on the subject.

### Hawaiian Girl Tells Classmates of Islands

When Hawaii became the nation's 50th state recently, members of Mrs. Shirley Cullum's class at WALTERIA School didn't have to call in any outside expert to get more information. They simply turned to one of their own class members—Pammie Tai, 7.

With her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Tai, 23855 Ward St., Pam-

mie moved to Torrance last fall from Honolulu, Hawaii, where she was born. Pammie was able to answer most of the questions her first, second, and third grade classmates could throw at her, and her mother came to school to fill in on the rest.

Mrs. Cullum's class eagerly learned about Hawaii's weather, homes, people, schools, and general characteristics from Pammie. The children were interested in the Hawaiian things which Pammie brought—muu mus, colorful clothes, leis, music, hula dolls, and toys. They learned the "huki-lau" from Pammie.

Pammie helped to clear up some strange ideas that the children had about Hawaii and its schools. People there don't spend all their time on the beach, but

instead, spend their time much as Torrance people do.

Schools also are similar to those in Torrance, she said, and in fact, use many of the same books. English is the only language in which schools are conducted.

As part of their study of the newest state, Mrs. Cullum's class daily read their papers to compare Hawaiian temperatures with those here, located Hawaii on the globe and figured how far away it is.

### Talking Parrot, Owner Reunited With Press Ad

A talking parrot didn't have nearly as much to say as its happy owner who was reunited with the pet bird through a Torrance Press classified ad.

Mrs. Roy Rieben, 1938 W. 248th St., Lomita, advertised a \$10 reward for the finder of "Loreto," her parrot. As soon as the ad appeared in Thursday's Press, calls started coming in. Mrs. Rieben said some persons who had seen the bird called in as late as Sunday evening.

If you have something to sell buy or rent, call a courteous Torrance Press ad-taker, and let us help you with your advertising problem.

### COURT TOURS SLATED

Conducted tours of the Torrance court house will be part of an observance of Law Day in Torrance tomorrow. Tours of the new building will be held every 30 minutes, according to Municipal Judge Otto B. Willett.

Dr. Yang, sister is married to the Korean ambassador to the United States, Dr. Yang.

DR. ROBERT C. WEISS

### Pediatrician Joins Medical Group

Dr. Robert C. Weiss has recently joined the staff of the Torrance Medical Group, 1104 Sartori Ave. He is practicing Pediatrics and Allergy.

Dr. Weiss received his M. D. degree from the University of Illinois, School of Medicine in 1947. He interned at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital in Los Angeles. This was followed by a residency in pediatrics at Harbor General Hospital until January 1951.

He served as Medical Officer in the U. S. Air Force from 1951 to 1953, and was stationed in the Philippine Islands for some time.

Dr. Weiss practiced pediatrics and then went to the University of Wisconsin Hospital for a residency in Allergy; returning in 1959 to join the Torrance Medical Group.

He is a Diplomat of the American Board of Pediatrics, a member of the American Medical Association, the California and the Los Angeles County Medical Societies, and a member of the American Academy of Allergy.

Mrs. Weiss attended the University of Wisconsin and the University of California, Los Angeles, where she received her degree in Home Economics. The Weiss' have one son.

### Optometrist Tells Real Reason Why His Cards Valued

A Torrance optometrist was \$30 richer this week after telling an anecdote about himself to a magazine.

Dr. Al Kline earned the money by telling this story to the Reader's Digest:

"I am an optometrist, and for the past two years two little boys have come to my office in the spring and asked me for some of my cards. This year they turned up again. 'Would you mind telling me,' I asked, 'what you do with my cards?'"

"Well, sir," one of them replied, "we play ball with the Little League and these are for the umpire."

### Children's Art Lessons to Start

Art lessons for youngsters will begin here May 2 under the direction of Miss Moni Gillett, noted area artist and instructor.

She will give lessons in use of various media, watercolor, pastels, charcoal, crayon—for six Saturdays under auspices of the Torrance Recreation Dept.

The sessions will be conducted at the Arts and Crafts Center, 1511 Cravens Ave. A meeting at 9 a.m. is for youngsters from six to nine years of age. A 10:30 a.m. gathering is for children nine to 15 years of age.

There is a fee of \$5 for the series and the number of registrants is limited. Registrations is possible by phoning the center, FA 8-9624, or the Recreation Dept., FA 8-4108.

### Patio-Potluck Held by PTA

A patio-potluck dinner was held by the Torrance Elementary PTA on April 16 at the school.

Following the dinner, a business meeting was held featuring a program entitled "It's Your Child's Life." Kindergarten students opened the program with a fashion parade, narrated by Miss Beverly Harrington, kindergarten teacher. Mrs. Claire Overholt demonstrated the gear used by the Scuba diver and the Torrance Recreation Department presented a film on swimming strokes and safety rules.

### Slim and Trim Class

A slim and trim class for North Torrance area housewives will begin April 29 at McMaster Park, 174th St. and Yukon Ave., according to park director Les Brienfeldt.

The pound-purging sessions will be conducted each Wednesday at 10:30 a. m. under the direction of Mrs. Z. E. Englert. Reservations may be obtained by calling DA 4-5940.

Members of the play area's Mothers' Club will be in charge of child care during the sessions. No fee is charged.

Other coming activities at the park include a boys' track meet May 2 and a nature study and cook-out session May 9.



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