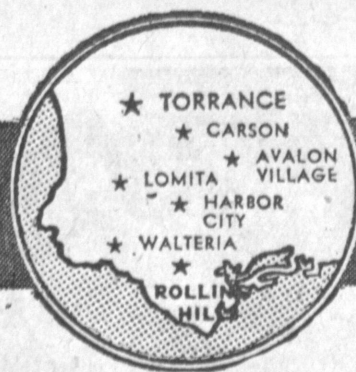


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RESIDENTS RESPOND TO STRICKEN TEENAGER



POUNDMASTER — Many cities can claim lady executives, but Torrance is one of the few with a "lady dog-catcher." Mrs. Bernice Blom, South Bay Humane Society, 20336 Earl St., a 29-year resident here, reminds citizens that Sept. 30 is the last day to buy

dog licenses for \$2. Oct. 1 licenses jump to \$4.50. Every dog 4 months old and up must have license. Owners must present rabies certificate for pet. Licenses are available at city hall.

High School Students Set to Run City

Tuesday, Oct. 11 is a "red-letter" day for teen-agers here, as civic officials move over to make room for Torrance's annual "Junior Citizens' Day."

An invitation from the city of Torrance to observe the annual Junior Citizens' Day on this date has been accepted by the Board of Education.

In the annual event, students from Torrance's three high schools taken over posts at the Torrance City Hall for a day. Accompanied by their real counterparts, the youngsters learn about duties carried on by various city officials.

Last year, 79 students from the three high schools took part, with Jim Hawkins, South High, serving as mayor.

Civic Officials to Honor Champion Boys' Team

Torrance's Southern California Champion Boys Baseball Team will be honored at a Steak Fry at Higgins Brickyard Wednesday, Sept. 28, 7:15 p.m. it was announced today by Chairman Willys Blount.

Blount, chairman of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce Youth and Sports Committee and a City Councilman, said the fathers of the 15 team members will also be guests of the Chamber, along with city officials and members of the press.

The team, sponsored by the chamber, won the Southern California Municipal Tournament last month. Special awards will be presented to Ambrose "Bo" Palica, manager, and coach Clarence Rivallo who guided the team to the championship.

Boys who were team members include: Richard Hubert, 3309 W.

Time Turns Back

Daylight saving time ended at 2:00 a.m. last night. We hope you changed your clocks before you retired.

Young Amputee's Plight Is Aided by Local Press

Torrance took a boy mimos a leg to its heart this week.

Young Rollin "Hook" Reser, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Reser of 1630 254 St. is lying in bed at the Riviera Hospital. He can no longer play baseball, which has been his whole life, up to age 15.

However, young Reser is beginning to learn he has many friends, of all ages, and all walks of life.

Suffering from a disease which is sometimes benignly called a tumor, young Hook had his leg amputated last Thursday.

In fairly good spirits, he managed to force a brief smile as former Dodger outfielder, Carl Furillo, showed up this week with an autographed baseball.

A letter from a Dodger's spokesman buoyed his spirits, for it promised a number of players are coming to pay a visit.

Meanwhile, young Hook's father, 47, with 3 other children at home, at work on the assembly line at Mayflower Trailer factory in Torrance, was spending sleepless nights, worrying about his boy, and harassed how to raise the

money for mounting medical bills.

"When we took Hook to the hospital, the doctors said he had—well, you know," Reser declared.

"The first few days we did not think of finances," says Reser. "But after awhile, we were staggered at the cost of sickness. But, we are certainly thankful to the help and friendliness everyone has shown, and we are grateful

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ROLLIN "HOOK" RESER

Civic Leaders to Attend State Conclave on Aging

Thirteen residents of Torrance have been invited by Governor Edmund G. Brown to be among the 3,000 Californians expected to attend the Conference on Aging which he has called in Sacramento Oct. 3 and 4.

Invited are the following: Mrs. Mary Anagnostis, 3829 W. 185th St.; Mrs. Sara R. Bridges, 1622 Gramercy Ave.; Mrs. Eva Hoffman, 1215 Fern Ave.; Mayor Albert Iser; Marilyn Jensen, 1511 Cravens Ave.; Lucille Lewellyn, 1307 Madrid; Dr. A. N. Posner, 2335 Plaza Del Amo; H. D. Pyron, 2317 Eldorado; Mrs. Kay Reese, 20939 La Salle St.; Dean L. Sears, 1635 Post; Elizabeth E. Starr, 1124 W. Carson Blvd.; Harry Van Bellehem, 3031 Torrance Blvd.; and Millicent Fernald, 5506 Glenn Place.

"Not only do the elder citizens of California comprise a sizeable portion of our state's present total population," Governor Brown said, "but each year this group is increased by 40,000 persons. Problems and needs grow."

"In view of the extreme interest in this vital matter, I am most eager that a representative group of our citizens come together to study ways to help California achieve a needed blueprint for action," Gov. Brown declared.

The conference will explore, highlight and implement the ways and means of maintaining California's senior citizens as useful and happy members of our communities," the Governor stated.

Education Board Approves Adding New Classrooms

Preliminary plans for 27 classroom additions at eight Torrance elementary schools were approved by the Torrance Board of Education this week. The facilities are expected to be ready next year.

Permanent additions are slated at Adams, Parkway, and Columbia Schools. Additions will include three classrooms and music room at Parkway, four classrooms and music rooms at Adams, and two classrooms at Columbia.

"Portable" units, which can be moved later if populations shift, are scheduled at five schools, two each at Magruder and Lincoln, three at Riviera, four at Hamilton, and four and a music room at Jefferson.

Cost of the projects is expected to be approximately \$750,000.



YIPPEE—Look Ma, we won a bike! Winners of bicycles in a Kiwanis-sponsored contest underscoring why it is important to vote, line up in El Prado Park as they receive their

awards. Lucky youngsters (left to right) include Donna Robbins, Rusty Mallory, Rosemary Grierson, Brian Grady, Barbara Christie and Michael White.

Torrance Kids Pedal Off with Kiwanis Vote Contest Prizes

Sixteen youngsters in Torrance were extra proud owners of new bicycles and radios today, thanks to their smart replies to a Kiwanis-sponsored "why it is important to vote" contest.

Awarded yesterday in El Prado Park, prizes were rounded up by Kiwanis leaders in Torrance, and presented to the following young winners:

Bicycles: Rusty Mallory, 4213 Paseo del la Tortugas; Donna Robbins, 3761 W. 177 St.; Rosemary Grierson, 23721 Vine Ave.; Mike White, 1441 W. 216 St.; Brian Grady, 241 Linda Vista; and Barbara Christie, 1314 Rolling Knolls Walk.

Youngsters awarded radios included: Deborah Sue Young, 5110 Patrick St.; Nancy Heath, 923 Kornblum; Loretta Focha, 917 Fonthill Ave.;

Larry Stanford, 2839 Danaha St.

Curt Stetten, 20930 La-Salle; David Johnson, 3925 W. 184 St.; Gene Adams, 2827 Gramercy Ave.; Robin Allen, 19413 Puritt Dr.; Cathryn Peck, 4538 Newton St.; and Laurie Boschma, 4544 Newton St.

Dr. Kurt Shery, Kiwanis spokesman, expressed thanks to all youngsters who entered the vote contest and commended the "good citizenship" displayed by the entrants.

Planning Grants 7-Acre Division

The Regional Planning Commission this week granted approval for subdivision of the Warren Southwest, Co., Inc., 20934 S. Normandie Ave., Torrance.

Dennis Morgan Slated to Sing at Lodge Rally

Dennis Morgan, motion picture star, will take part in the giant 17th Congressional District Republican open meeting at the Hacienda Hotel in San Pedro, Sept. 30, honoring vice president-elect candidate Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge.

The rally, on the grounds of the hotel, will begin at 10 a.m.

Morgan will sing the national anthem and address the large audience expected. Republican officials announced, Morgan has been actively associated with the Hollywood Chapter of the Republican Party for more than 20 years.

Highlighting the two-hour rally will be an address by Ambassador Lodge to the voters of the 17th Congressional District.

Lady 'Uncribbed' Within One Day

How to get rid of two extra cribs, after the youngsters have outgrown them, and make some money besides, was learned this week by Mrs. E. G. Cope, 3430 W. 228th St., Torrance.

"I placed an advertisement in the Torrance Press to sell two cribs and a gas range. The gas range sold within an hour on the first day, and the cribs went before evening. The Torrance Press certainly produces results," says Mrs. Cope.

Board Withholds Local Sump Bids

A two-week delay in awarding bids for filling and grading the Calle Mayor School sump was voted by the Torrance Board of Education this week. Further study will be given to the bids, which school officials felt were too high.

Shell Plant Here Plans to Expand Rubber Program

New developments in Torrance's Shell Chemical Company's plans to triple their plant capacity for the production of polyisoprene, the man-made equivalent of natural rubber, were announced today by J. P. Cunningham, general manager.

In addition to the completion of the expansion program this year at Torrance, raising the plant's capacity to 40 million pounds per year, Shell Chemical is acquiring a site 15 miles west of Marietta, Ohio, on the north bank of the Ohio River.

The new multimillion dollar plant to be constructed on this site will have an annual capacity of 80 million pounds per year of polyisoprene, and will employ 250 persons.

'America Is Wonderful.' Says Korean Student Here

The United States is a wonderful country, but it is sure hard to find Korean food, says young Kim Whitney.

Korean student, now making his home here with Mr. and Mrs. George W. Downing, at 1511 Crenshaw Blvd.

A first year student at El Camino College, Kim, 21, has lived around the United States since he was first adopted by master sergeant Earl Whitney four years ago.

The army man and his wife moved from post to post, and teen-age Kim transferred from high schools in Monterrey, to Augusta, Georgia, Upland, Long Branch, New Jersey, and the San Fernando Valley.

He finally wound up at Brown Military Academy in San Diego, where he became fast friends with the Downing's younger son, George.

Young Downing brought Kim home for Christmas and Kim made himself at home, helping out in the kitchen. Now, there is a life-long friendship. "He makes the house come alive," says Downing.

Kim's father died when the boy was 2. His mother has been missing for more than 16 years. Kim has an older brother in Pusan.

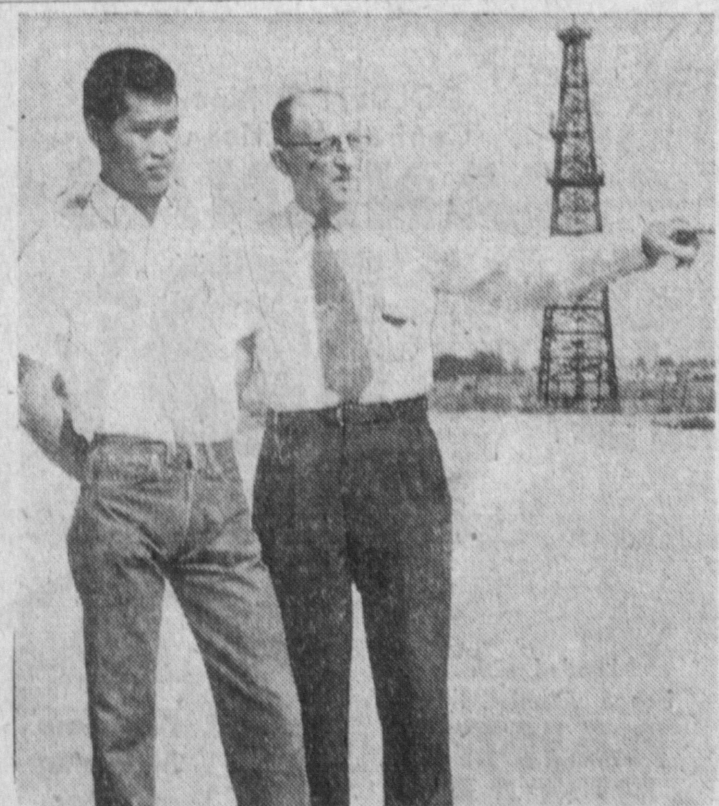
"English is a difficult language," says Kim in an understatement of the month. However, the 21 year old speaks it fluently, as well as Korean. "However, I sometimes think in Korean and translate."

Languages are one of the boy's ambitions, as he hopes to enter foreign service, when he finishes college.

"Many American customs are certainly different," says Kim. "In Korea, for example, boys and girls certainly do not go to high school together, and marriages are arranged by the parents, unlike here."

Introduced before the city council in Torrance recently, and welcomed by civic officials to browse around and learn government on the local level, Kim is the essence of Oriental courtesy in his appreciation.

"Torrance is a wonderful city, and the people are most friendly," he says.



THIS IS TORRANCE—George Downing, active in civic affairs, reminisces to Korean student Kim Whitney on the city's early days. Young Kim, studying at El Camino college, is living here with Mr. and Mrs. Downing, at 1511 Crenshaw.

South Rolls, North Wins, Tartars Lose

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