



CHECKING WORKBOOKS—Mary Fritzel and David Smith check their workbooks with Mrs. Margaret Wolff, fourth grade teacher at Crenshaw School, Torrance. Mrs. Wolff has devised a new system of teaching arithmetic

individually, so that it can be "more interesting and fun." Each child has his own workbooks and moves on as quickly as possible. Progress is recorded by stars placed on a large chart.

Torrance-Lomita Realty Board Attend State Association Sessions

Delbert Vaughn, newly elected president of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors will attend the annual officers' indoctrination program conducted by the 33,500-member California Real Estate Association at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel in San Francisco on Friday, January 13, it was announced by H. Jackson Pontius, executive vice president of the association. Training sessions will also be conducted for local real estate board secretaries and Forrest G. Beyrer, secretary of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors will attend this session. The regional vice president of CREA for this area, Hugo Becker, of Inglewood will attend a special session of the training program devoted to preparing the 30 regional vice presidents of the state association for the many activities and duties involved in that office.



DELBERT VAUGHN

TRAINING SESSION

"This training program is conducted each year as a refresher course," said Pontius, "and enables the local real estate board officers to provide better professional service to the Realtors in their area and also to assure dependable, ethical service to

the public in its real estate transactions."

On Saturday, January 14, Kenneth H. Smitten of San Francisco will be installed as president of the California Real Estate Association at an inaugural luncheon meeting to be held at the Garden Court of the Sheraton-Palace. Smitten has served two terms as president of the San Francisco Real Estate Board (1953 and 1958) and will be the 54th president of CREA, now representing 166 local real estate boards in California.

The inaugural ceremony will include the installation of Carl W. Newport of Sherman Oaks, treasurer, H. Jackson Pontius of Arcadia, executive vice president, and other newly elected officers of the association, including the 30 regional vice presidents, two honorary directors for life, directors at large and state directors representing the 166 member local real estate boards.

LOCALITES DINE

Many localites have been noted enjoying dinner during the past few evenings at the Polynesian Restaurant.

Recent guests from Torrance included Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Weaver, Grace C. Hinshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald G. Mahkorn, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde E. Bohner, Wayne Harvey, Howard Terrill, Lynda King and Mr. and Mrs. Don Morgan.

TODAY'S HOME DIFFERS

The average new home built today differs considerably from those built even a few years ago. Anaconda home specialists point out. Today's home, they report, has 20% more floor area, 10% more rooms, and additional bathroom, more insulation and is much more likely to contain all-copper plumbing, including water lines and drainage systems.

Unusual Teaching Method Created By Torrance District Instructor

A method of teaching arithmetic "individually," designed to be "interesting and fun," has been devised by a former insurance company statistician now teaching at Crenshaw Elementary School.

A fourth grade teacher, Mrs. Margaret Wolff, felt that the arithmetic program in her room needed an "extra push." Drawing on her extensive math background she designed a program designed to help pupils move ahead as fast as possible, learning as much as they can.

LIKE METHOD "Youngsters seem to like this method because they can see how they are doing and where they are going," Mrs. Wolff said. "Now it's hard to get them to stop doing arithmetic and to start another subject."

Mrs. Wolff's system is similar in many ways to the S.R.A. reading kits, which

place emphasis on providing work for each ability level in the class. The S.R.A. program is copyrighted for reading, but no similar program yet is available for arithmetic.

Several other teachers have tried Mrs. Wolff's method and have found that it works well.

STATISTICIAN

A graduate of the University of Manitoba, Mrs. Wolff was a statistician with the Occidental Life Insurance Co. for several years before her marriage.

About two years ago, her contacts with schools through her children made her decide to become a teacher. She went to U.S.C. to get her teaching credential and started teaching at Crenshaw this fall.

A resident of Torrance for about 10 years, she lives with her family at 16418 Arlington Ave.

C. O. Kuykendall First Carson Kiwanis Prexy

Members of the newly formed Carson Kiwanis Club this week reported that Clyde O. Kuykendall, of the local branch of the Bank of America has been named president of the group.

New club, organized recently by the Kiwanis clubs of Torrance and Wilmington has 26 charter members.

Other officers named to serve during the first year are Hubert J. Saladin, first vice president; Fay E. Gregory, second vice president; and Richard K. Weaver, secretary-treasurer.

New directors are Harold E. Johnston, Alden L. Peak, Theodore Vandervent, John Kellam, Dr. Samuel S. Johnson, Tony Grana and Harold Sproule.

Exercise Class Offered for Expectant Moms

"Exercise for Pregnancy and Preparation for Childbirth" will be offered by the Torrance YWCA. The class will begin January 19, at 8 p.m.

This course is open to women who have completed their twelfth week of pregnancy, and have a doctor's written permission.

The instructor for the class is Mrs. Doris Alles, registered physical therapist. She will offer posture, relaxation, training for labor and delivery and post partum exercises for muscle restoration.

This course is limited to fourteen women and the first registered will be accepted. For those unable to join the class another class will begin in eight weeks.

LETTERS

I am writing this letter in response to the editorial printed on the front page of the "Torrance Press" on Sunday anuary 1, 1961.

It states that an owner of a furniture store said, and I quote: "I wonder where our police are? I can see them at any time drinking coffee in some shop but when our police blotters are full of unsolved burglaries of homes and business establishments I began to wonder."

I take sharp issue regarding the above statement. Granted, policemen drink coffee, just as most people do. Men in uniform look alike when sitting in a coffee shop. They also eat lunch in these establishments. I'm sure the policemen you see in the coffee shops are not the same ones, all day or night long.

Being one of the men you have chosen to criticize generally, I along with the others, take offense at your generalization. Your statement discredits a group of dedicated men, who I can assure you, do a great deal more than drink coffee all night.

In reference to the "Smash & Grab" bandits who struck two jewelry stores within a block and within a week. If we had the men we should have, this may not have occurred.

Quoting from the "Peace Officers Research Association of California" annual report 1959-1960. It states the following: The City of Pasadena has a population of 123,000 with 166 sworn personnel, one for every 740 population. Glendale has a population of 118,000 with 155 sworn personnel, one for every 761 population. San Bernardino has 100,000 population with 160 sworn personnel, one for every 625 population. Burbank has 92,000 population with 140 sworn personnel, one for every 657 population. Torrance has 100,000 population with 99 sworn personnel, one for every 1010 population.

These are the facts, gentlemen. I encourage you to check them. I sincerely hope you will publish this letter. A Policeman's View, R. E. Daly, Torrance Police

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