

## Mosquito Control Is Badly Needed Now!

The first whining traces of what will be a monumental summer problem is already making itself felt in Torrance.

Ponds of stagnant water, left over from recent rainstorms, the accompanying rapid growth of weeds, and patches of swampy ground have created billions of hiding places in which mosquito larvae can mature.

The early arrival of warm weather has hastened this maturing process and unless an immediate crash program for mosquito control is started, local residents can look forward to a long season of slapping at the elusive critters and scratching itchy bites in hard-to-reach places.

City crews from the parks department are already spraying publicly owned ponds and other obvious breeding places and will, in the immediate future, start oiling down water holes on public property.

Owners of private property presenting a mosquito hazard should contact the County Health Department which, in turn, will arrange for city crews to spray these offending areas.

To be quite honest, most of the breeding places are on private property. Owners of property containing water holes or seepage areas should contact the county immediately before the situation gets out of hand.

The city will be hamstrung in its efforts to control the minute monsters unless you do.

## Cal-Demo Veterans Club Endorses Gibson's Candidacy for Assessor

Full endorsement of Councilman John S. Gibson, Jr. for county assessor by the board of directors of the Cal-Demo Veterans Club, Inc., has been announced this week by the organization's president, Albert F. Mazzei.

At state headquarters of the veterans club, 4716 Crenshaw Blvd., Los Angeles, Mazzei said.

## Arrangements Completed for Tour Of Area, Dinner for Governor

Arrangements have been completed for the appearance of Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown in the South Bay on Saturday morning. The Governor will speak at a breakfast meeting at 9 a.m. in the Upper Satellite Room of the Thunderbird Hotel, El Segundo.

In charge of arrangements are Eric Rafter, Hermosa Beach chairman of the Committee to Re-elect Governor Brown, and Joseph V. Russell, Manhattan Beach businessman.

Mrs. William B. Keene, Manhattan Beach, will be decorations chairman, assisted by Mrs. Russell.

Chairman of the hostess committee is Mrs. George H. Lowerre III. Assisting her from Torrance will be Mmes. James M. Hall and Edmond Armstrong.

Among Torrance residents who will attend the breakfast are Councilman Jay Beasley, Sam Levy, Tor-

## Local CHP Office Receives Color Maps of California

Receipt of a large color reproduction of the California Highway Patrol's purpose and objectives was announced today by Captain E. L. Greer, commander of the Patrol's South Los Angeles area office.

"This attractive reminder of the Department's purpose for existing will soon become a familiar sight in each of our offices throughout the state," Captain Greer said.

"The California Highway Patrol comes in contact, one way or another, with a large portion of the State's motoring public every year. Despite this fact, only a comparatively few people really know and understand our function. We hope the public display of our purpose and objectives will serve to correct this situation.

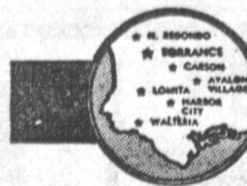
"We invite the public to visit our office to learn more about their patrol, which exists to serve the people of California," the Captain concluded.

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## EDITORIAL PAGE

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**SENATE REAPPORTIONMENT** strategy committee members sign the first petition, launching campaign for 420,768 signatures. Seated, Supervisor Frank G. Bonelli, right, signs first in spite of a fractured wrist, while Los Angeles Mayor Samuel W. Yorty awaits his turn. Standing, from left, are Mildred Younger, Republican women's leader; Lakewood Council-

man Angelo Iacoboni, president, Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities; Harold Wright, general manager, Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce; George R. Roberts, president, Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO; and Elizabeth Snyder, former chairman, Democratic State Central Committee.

## Multiple Ceremonies Launch County Plan For Reapportionment of Calif. Senate

Double ceremonies in Los Angeles county and city offices last week launched the Senate reapportionment initiative petition campaign for 420,768 valid signatures by June 17th.

Supervisor Frank G. Bonelli was the first to sign, in spite of a fractured right wrist which he incurred in a fall in Sacramento April 16 on his way to request title and summary of his reapportionment petition.

Mayor Samuel W. Yorty was the second to place his signature on the petition, in the ceremony held in Bonelli's conference room in the County Hall of Administration at a meeting of the Senate reapportionment strategy committee. Commit-

tee members, representing the broad base of support for the initiative constitutional amendment, enthusiastically placed their names on the petition: Harold Wright, general manager of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce; George R. Roberts, president of the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO; Councilman Angelo Iacoboni of Lakewood, president of the Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities; Mildred Younger, Republican women's leader, and Elizabeth Snyder, former chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee.

Immediately following, in Los Angeles City Council

Chambers, Councilmen John S. Gibson, Jr. and James Harvey Brown circulated the initiative petition for Senate reapportionment among their colleagues, with Harold Henry, council president, as the first signer. All councilmen crowded around President Henry's desk, eager to sign, and requested copies of the petition to circulate among their constituents.

"With such a start, I am confident that we will obtain the 420,768 signatures that we need by June 17."

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## Letters

In studying the resolution of the Torrance City Council covering the voting by precinct in the election of April 10, 1962 for Torrance city officials I discovered an obvious error in the recording of the vote cast for city council in precinct number 46. The figures provided to the city council indicate that 229 voters cast their ballots in this precinct. For the office of Mayor, City Clerk and City Treasurer where each of the 229 voters had one vote the voting went as follows; the sum of 214 votes were cast for City Clerk; the sum of 204 votes were cast for City Treasurer. For the office of councilman in precinct 46 each of the 229 individuals that voted had three votes or a total of 687 possible votes. The resolution of the city council reflects that the 229 voters of precinct 46 cast only 185 votes out of a possible 687 for city council.

### COMPARISON

In comparing precincts the resolution of the city council indicates that in precinct 45 a total of 229 voters cast 639 votes for councilman, that in precinct 46 a total of 229 voters cast 185 votes for councilman and that in precinct 47 a total of 235 voters cast 633 votes for councilman. Precincts 45, 46 and 47 are in close proximity geographically and are fairly close in size.

Precinct 46 casting 185 votes for councilman has a lower number of votes cast for councilman than any other precinct. Precinct 22 is next lowest with 230 votes cast for councilman. However these 230 votes were cast by only 79 people or in a ratio of 2.9 votes cast for every person that voted in that precinct. The ratio in precinct 46 is .807 votes cast for every person that voted or in other words in order for the figures as shown in the resolution to be correct the 229 persons that voted in precinct 46 the sum of 44 people must have abstained from voting for any councilman and the remaining 185 voted for only one person.

### ANALYSIS

In summation it would appear from an analysis of the voting figures as supplied by city council resolution that a minimum of 400 votes for the office of city council are

## Candidate for Calif. State School Post Commended

30 YEARS

Dr. Cecil D. Hardesty, superintendent of San Diego County schools, today was rated as "the best qualified candidate on the ballot" in the June 5 primary race for State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The commendation came from Dr. John C. Whinnery, past president, California Association of School Administrators, as he urged voters to focus attention on the "splendid administrative record" of the 54-year-old San Diego educator.

"The office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction demands experience as a superintendent," Dr. Whinnery, head of the Montebello Unified School District, declared. "Such a man is Dr. Hardesty who carries the endorsement of the administrators' association."

"California's No. 1 educational office must not be transformed into a training grounds for those attempting to show top-calibre superintendency ability," Dr. Whinnery stated. "Rather it calls for proven leadership at all educational levels."

missing from the figures contained in the resolution of the city council for precinct 46.

I have requested the City Clerk's office and the City Council to investigate the discrepancy in regards to the 400 missing votes for councilman in precinct 46. The City Clerk's office informed me I would have to challenge the election and obtain a court order to find out what happened to the missing votes in precinct 46. I have neither the time, the money nor the inclination to involve myself in a court proceeding to correct the matter. However I think the city council in consideration of the people of Torrance and especially the voters in precinct 46 should order an investigation of the matter so that it may be determined what happened in this precinct so steps may be taken to insure that it does not happen again.

David K. Lyman

He was referring to Dr. Hardesty's career in education programming, covering 30-years in California as superintendent of schools.

Dr. Hardesty has been tested in superintendent responsibility—from kindergarten through the junior college grades," Dr. Whinnery said.

For the past 12-years, Dr. Hardesty served as superintendent of schools in San Diego County, a position he was forced to sacrifice under charter regulation in order to file his intentions to seek the State office.

Prior to coming to San Diego, Dr. Hardesty served as superintendent of the Westminster Elementary School District, the Montebello Unified School District, and as head of the San Jose City Schools.

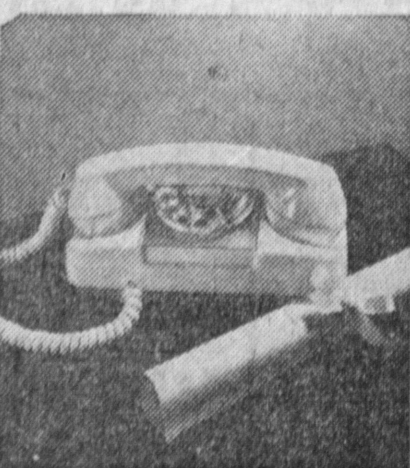
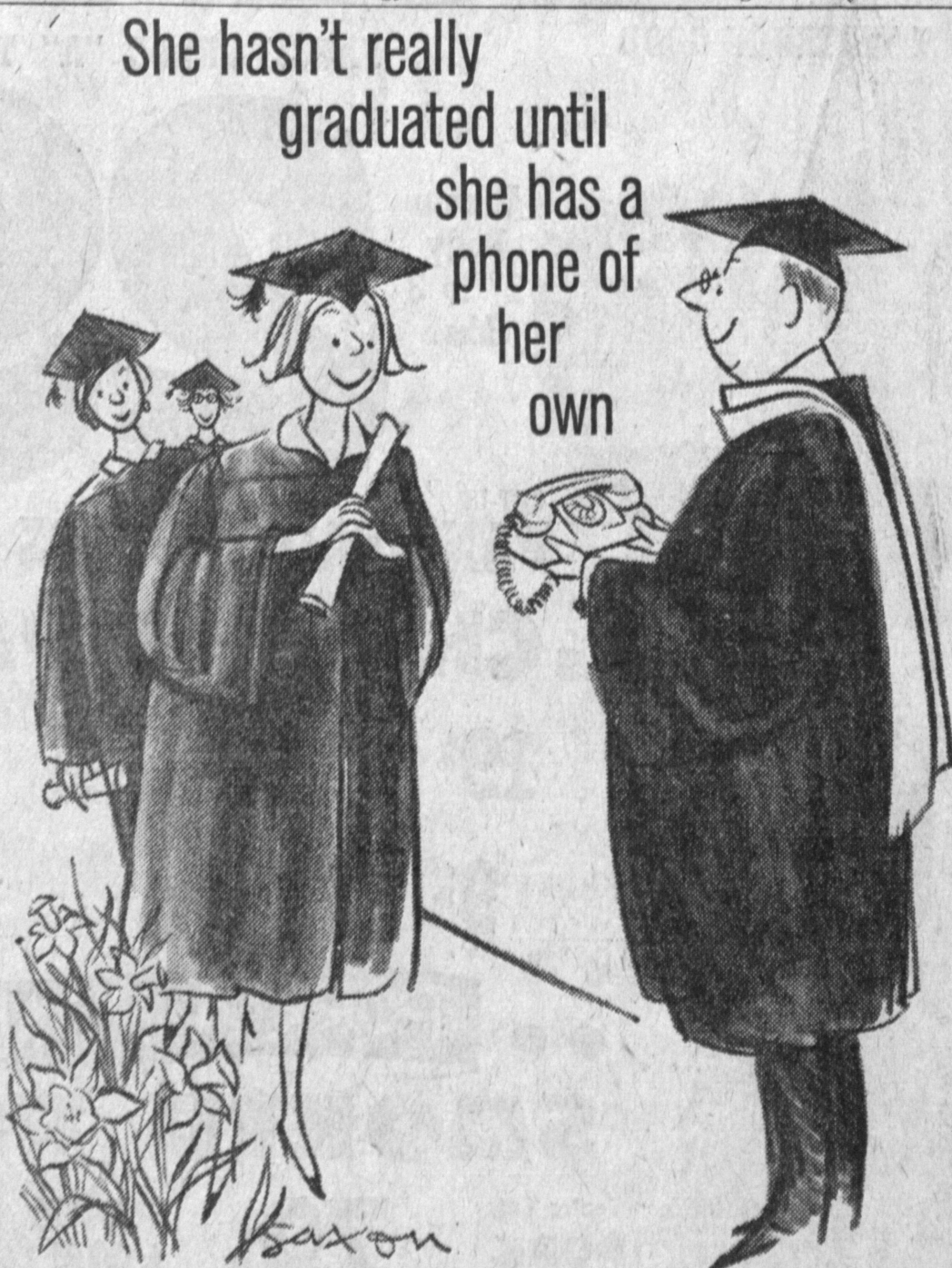
"Just to make his career absolutely complete, Dr. Hardesty served a four-year tenure as business manager of the Beverly Hills Unified School District in his climb to the top," Dr. Whinnery recalled.

"The office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction is a non-partisan office, so Californians must select the candidate best qualified for the job," Dr. Whinnery underlined. "A close look at the records clearly shows that Dr. Hardesty's qualifications cannot be matched by any other candidate."

In addition to the endorsement of the California Association of School Administrators, Dr. Hardesty has the support and backing of the California Association of Public School Business Officials (Southern Section), the San Francisco Civic League Committee, and leaders of business, civic, parent, teacher and veterans' organizations.

### WORKING WOMEN

Statistics indicate that one out of two women in this country will work sometime this year at a job outside the home. Ewan Clague, United States Commissioner of Labor Statistics, reported during a recent conference at Columbia University's Arden House.



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