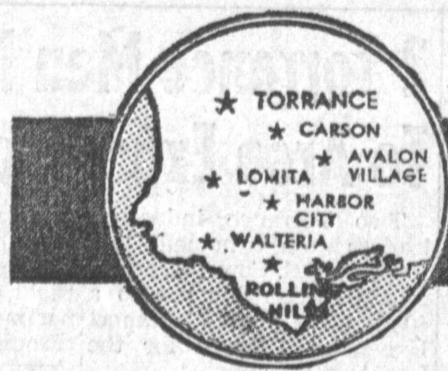


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# RAPID RISE OF SCHOOL ENROLLMENT, GROWTH IN POPULATION IS FORECAST

**See 153,000 Residents  
Here by 1970; Cites  
Zoning, Planning Need**

Predicting an astounding 41,000 population increase in Torrance by 1970, Allan G. Cooley, assistant to the president of General Telephone Co. spoke before the Downtown Torrance Rotary Club luncheon meeting, Wednesday.

In what the guest speaker described as a "conservative" estimate made by General Telephone, he forecasted the population of 153,000 for the city in less than a decade.

Cooley, speaking as a representative of the Southern California Development Team, in making the promise of Torrance progress cited a recent study which pointed out the dynamic "All American" city has experienced in the past 12 years.

**65% DEVELOPED**  
In suggesting a program for development and growth the speaker reminded the congregation of business and civic leaders that although Torrance's industrial areas

comprise over 24 per cent of the city, a figure of more than 3,200 acres only, 65 per cent is presently developed.

Cooley maintained that as Torrance becomes the hub of industry for this region—making up for the scarcity of industrial area in adjoining communities the city will reap the benefits with proper zoning and planning efforts.

"Torrance is fortunate to have a great deal of industrial land and with it goes a great latitude in planning for its development," the guesting presidential assistant from General Telephone stated.

## CITY PLANNING

Cooley noted that the Torrance Chamber of Commerce has already taken the initial steps in successful city planning "... which is a gathering of data on taxes, education, recreation, planning, marketing information and other fundamental factors upon which your planning can be based."



**TORRANCE YOUTH KILLED**—Three life guards and bystander remove body yesterday morning of youth tentatively identified by police as James Emmitt Thomas, 23, of 20927 Halldale St., Torrance, from bottom of cliff at 1600

block, Poseo Del Mar, Palos Verdes. Car in which Thomas was riding went over cliff sometime Friday throwing the fatal victim from the vehicle. No explanation of the accident was available from police at press time.

—Press Photo

**6100 More Students  
Predicted by 1966;  
Speak on Bond Issue**

The estimate of enrollment increase of school children by 1966 in Torrance is 6100 children, without counting any "move-ins" or subdivision not already built or approved. Sixty-one hundred pupils represents 231 stations or classrooms—98 at the elementary and 142 at the high school level. If these teaching stations are not provided, the result will be double sessions for twice as many students because each class that is double session means two classes on double session.

Dr. Albert Posner, Assistant Superintendent, Education, points out that every time we have to put one class on double session it automatically puts another class on double session. Dr. Louis Kaplan, Assistant Superintendent, Special Services Division, points out the result that when we are short of classrooms for 6000 students it means that 12,000 students are affected.

"The bond issue which the board is presenting to the voters for decision is, basically, to keep Torrance children on regular full-day schedule at No Increase in Tax Rate," says Board Vice President Bert Lynn.

It is the feeling of the Board of Education that the

people should have an opportunity to express themselves on this issue, according to Board President Albert Charles, particularly since it will not increase the tax rate.

"Torrance has made a tremendous effort to get her children off double sessions. With the help of the state school building program, we have achieved this objective. We now have to face the issue of whether or not we want to remain on full-day sessions," says Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent. "This is what we will be deciding at the polls on September 18."

Sam Waldrup, assistant superintendent in charge of business, has analyzed the tax result of a "yes" vote. It appears that no increase in the tax rate will result. This is brought about by the tax ceiling of ten per cent of the assessed valuation for bonded indebtedness. Since we cannot sell the bonds beyond ten per cent and we are at the ceiling, our tax rate will remain the same. New bonds can only be sold in the amount of bonds paid off and retired or in the amount of ten per cent of new assessed valuation brought about by new business, industry and new construction.

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If the board finds it necessary to remain bonded to capacity continually, the tax rate could even go down, according to immediate Past President William Hansen.

Board Member William Boswell feels that we must attempt to maintain the advantages for children that regular full-day school sessions provide.

Dr. Kurt Shery states that it is unthinkable that people would want to return their children to a half-day school.

Dr. Robert Morton, assistant superintendent, personnel, points out that one of the first things prospective teachers want to know is whether or not they are going to have to share a room with another teacher and another class. The best teachers are in demand and avoid these double session situations.

Dr. Hall, Superintendent of Schools in Torrance for the past 15 years, has lived with this problem of constant growth long enough that he has no desires to reduce educational opportunities for children at a time when the crying is for more and higher quality education for everyone.



**PAIR CAPTURED**—Through expert work of Detective Joseph Capriotti of Torrance police department, pair captured in St. Louis are identified as suspects wanted here. Gordon Leroy Witten, 25, and Mrs. Joni Vanderpool, 34, will be brought here for questioning for armed robberies in Newport Beach and Los Angeles area. Mrs. Vanderpool is charged with passing checks with insufficient funds in local stores.

## Theater Trips Feature Rec. Program

Torrance Recreation Department this week announces a comprehensive summer workshop program in music, drama and creative arts.

A highlight of the season's activity will be three theatre bus trips. The first is to the Hollywood Bowl for "Rodgers and Hammerstein Night" to be held Saturday, July 14.

Appearing at the concert will be Roger Wagner, conductor; Marilyn Horne, Soprano; Peggy Coburn, Contralto; Carl Olsen, Tenor; James Hurst, Baritone; and Roger Wagner Chorus. Reservations for the trip may be made by calling the

Torrance Recreation Department, FA 8-5310, Ext. 263. The trip fee is \$4.50 for Section C seats or \$3.50 for Section D seats including bus transportation and trip insurance. Deadline for reservations is Friday, July 6. The bus will leave at 7 p.m. from the Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Blvd.

Two other theatre bus trips are scheduled for the summer. The trip to the Laguna Beach Art Festival Pageant of the Masters will be held Saturday, Aug. 4.

The bus will leave at 4:30 p.m. from the Torrance City Hall, early enough to see the art exhibit before the show. Reservations are accepted now for the trip at \$4.25 for center section seats and \$4.25 for side section including bus transportation and trip insurance.

On Aug. 30 a trip to the Greek Theatre to see Maurice Chevalier is planned; the cost for the trip will be \$3.50. For further information on the theatre bus trips contact the Recreation Department FA 8-5310, Ext. 263.

## CREATIVE ARTS

A new creative arts program for boys and girls 9 to 15 years old will begin at El Retiro Park July 5. This program will give the children creative experience in drama, dance and art.

A combination drama presentation, art exhibit and dance concert will be presented by the workshop co-operating with the modern dance classes, drama workshop and the Arts and Crafts Center. The Creative Workshop will write, build, paint and choreograph.

Classes, under the direction of Marilyn Dallara—drama, Joan Maguire—dance, and Erika Muhl—stage craft, will meet on Thursday afternoons from 1 to 4 p.m. Session will continue for seven weeks.

Registration will take place at El Retiro Park, 126 Vista del Parque, July 5. To cover the cost of materials there will be a \$3 fee.

## FUN THRU MUSIC

Under the direction of Jim Davidson, the Recreation Department will again offer their "Fun Thru Music" program this summer. The program is open to elementary age music students and is available at various local parks.

Each session will run for nine weeks, the classes meeting once a week. As a culmination of the program, a combined-parks concert will be given Aug. 26. Applications are available at the Recreation Department. There is no fee to enroll but students will be asked to purchase their own music as needed.

McMaster Park, Monday 1 to 5 p.m., June 25 to Aug. 20; Welteria Park, Tuesday 1 to 5 p.m., June 26 to Aug. 21; El Retiro Park, Wednesday 1 to 5 p.m., June 27 to Aug. 22; Torrance Park, Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m., June 28 to Aug. 23; Sea Aire Park, Friday 1 to 5 p.m., June 29 to Aug. 24.

## DRAMA

Boys and girls 8 to 12 years of age are offered a new and exciting class in drama under the direction of Marilyn Dallara, drama instructor for the department. The Youth Drama Workshop will give children the opportunity to participate in a creative dramatic experience. Classes will be held at Welteria Park on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at 1 to 3 p.m.

The session begins June 25 and terminates Aug. 8 and there is no fee. Registration for the workshop will take place at the first meeting of the group.

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEET

There will be a special meeting of the Torrance City Council 8 a.m. Monday to consider adoption of a resolution condemning the Moneta Water Works. The meeting follows a special meeting held by the council on the water problem 9:30 a.m. yesterday.

## Summer Classes

All summer school students attending Torrance High School should report to the foyer of the auditorium to pick up program cards on Monday, between 7:30 and 7:45 a.m. Classes will start promptly at 9 a.m.

## Chamber of Commerce Elects New Directors

Harold G. Frenz, president of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce announced the results of the recent

election for the Board of Directors of the Chamber for 1962.

Elected to three-year terms expiring in 1965 were George Post, manager United California Bank; Charles A. Woodcock, CPA; Frederick (Ted) Green, general manager, Paul's Chevrolet, and Bruce Jones, manager, Bank of America, downtown Torrance branch. The fifth director, appointed for the same three-year term, was G. S. Williamson, plant manager, Shell Chemical Corporation.

Frenz also announced Area Directors appointed to serve one year beginning July 1, 1962, as follows:

Del Amo Area: Charles T. Cederlof, assistant vice president, Glendale Federal Savings.

Downtown Torrance: William Moss, Jr. president, M & M Transfer Co.

Northwest Torrance: Arthur Reeves, public relations director, Dominguez Water Corp.

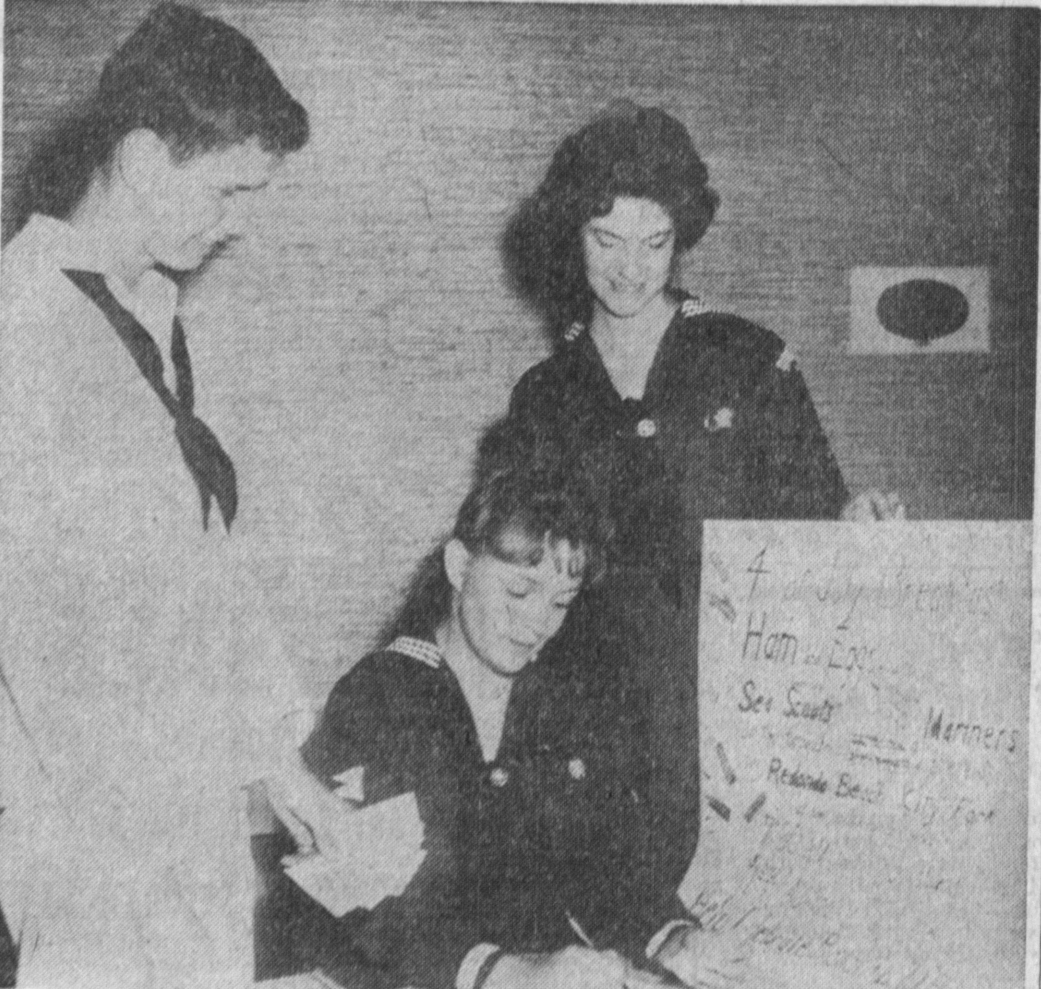
Southwood: George Ebert, vice president, Aerona Mfg. Co.

North Torrance: Robert Richardson, personnel director, AirResearch Manufacturing Co., Div. Garrett Corp.

Welteria: Jack Rogers, owner, Jump 'N Jack Restaurant and Motor Lodge.

"With the addition of these outstanding business and professional men on our board, we have every reason to look forward to what may well be one of the best years of progress in the Chamber's history."

George Brewster, president of the junior Chamber of Commerce, is an additional member of the board, Frenz explained.



—Jeff Farthing of the Sea Explorer Ship Porpoise, left, Robin Hays of Mariner Group Seadrift, seated, and Kim Brienton of the Mariner group Petey, right, are preparing posters and tickets for the mammoth

ham and egg breakfast their groups will cook and serve for an estimated 2000 persons at Redondo Beach City Park, July 4. Proceeds help to finance the three groups.



**DOUBLY MOMENTOUS**—Janice Ann Dabbs was awarded an associate in arts degree at El Camino College last week by her father, Jack N. Dabbs, president of the college board of trustees. The family resides in Torrance.