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Library Commission Begins Tabulating Questionnaires

More than 1,400 questionnaires have been returned to the Torrance Library Commission by patrons of the public libraries here. The questionnaires are part of a comprehensive survey of library services now under way.

Commissioners will begin tabulating results of the questionnaires to determine the needs and wishes of library patrons, a spokesman for the commission has announced. Results of the study will be used by the commission in making recommendations to the City Council on the future of Torrance library system. The commissioner now is studying a report by the City Manager's office which recommends formation of a municipal library system. The commission meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Blvd.



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City Sets Root Calls for Creation Of Senate Advisory Group Deadlines

San Pedro Attorney Harry L. Root has called for the creation of a Senate Advisory Committee in the 32nd Senatorial District to be composed of "leading citizens residing within each of the communities of the district."

Root called for creation of the new advisory committee after filing his declaration of intent to become a candidate for the 32nd District. He is seeking the Democratic nomination in the June 7 primary election. Creation of the advisory committee would be one of his first objectives if elected, Root declared. He also said he would introduce legislation to obtain educational assistance and facilities for residents of the district, including continued efforts to obtain a college for the entire South Bay Area. Other major points in his campaign, Root said would be:

- An immediate investigation into source of revenue

for a rapid transit system in Los Angeles County without an increase in real property taxes or motor vehicle taxes.

• Efforts to alleviate the burden of "the over-taxed property owners in Los Angeles County."

• Cooperation with law enforcement officials in the state in their ever-increasing battle against crime, including the introduction of legislation aimed at protecting society "as opposed to protecting the individual criminal."

• The use of the office of State Senator to promote cooperation and better understanding between the Port of Los Angeles and the Port of Long Beach.

• Cooperation with state and local smog officials in an attempt to solve the smog problem in Los Angeles County.

• The introduction of legislation that will allow California's commercial fishermen to make a decent living, while allowing sports fishermen an opportunity to enjoy fishing as a leisure activity.

• Introduction of legislation to alleviate the tax burden on senior citizens with small fixed incomes.

• Cooperation with local officials to establish beautification projects throughout the 32nd District.

Root said his program would result in many new jobs for residents of the district.



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'Classroom Research' to Aid Teachers

Planned for elementary and secondary school teachers throughout the Southwest area, a series of 12 lectures on "Classroom Research" started Thursday at Crozier Junior High School, Inglewood.

Dr. Robert W. O'Hare, director of Secondary Education in Culver City, will conduct the University of California Extension Class as from 7 to 9:30 p.m. They are planned specifically to provide teachers with a knowledge of the necessary skills and techniques of research design and methods of accumulating data regarding the improvement of instruction, according to the educator.

Registration will be accepted through tomorrow at the Torrance University Extension Center, 3620 B West 182nd St., DAVIS 3-4773.

A New Idea: Dwarf Fruit Tree in Tub

Want to have your cake—and eat it too? Very easy when you plant dwarf fruit varieties in containers, suggests the California Association of Nurserymen. The plants are ornamental with or without fruit, and the fruits are a delicious dividend.

Right now the dwarf peaches and nectarines are in the spotlight. New varieties make compact small mounds in 14" to 18" tubs, provide sparkling pink flowers in spring and delightful fruits in summer.

YOU CAN also enjoy apples, pears, apricots, and plums grown in tubs from dwarf stock now available from your nearby nursery. Your strategy is to pick out your trees, then match the tub size to the shape of the trees.

Don't "overplant." Too much nonfunctioning soil maintains too much dampness for the small root system. It is better to start with small containers and shift to larger sizes every few years. Do not use garden soil. Plant in your nurseryman's special "planting mix" containing all of the ingredients essential to good growth.

GARDENERS in milder climates like to use citrus and other subtropical fruits. There are more than 30 varieties of citrus available on dwarf rootstocks, including oranges, lemons, grapefruit, mandarins, tangerines, limes, and tangelos.

Then there are the guavas and feijoas. The strawberry guava, with clusters of small red fruits, is a favorite—so is the feijoa popularly known as the "pineapple guava." Plants of the strawberry guava have bronzy new foliage. The pineapple guava features grey-green leaves and red and white flower petals with yellow anthers and red stamens.

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