

Two of Three School Incumbents in Race

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QUEEN HOPEFULS . . . Eight candidates for the current "Miss Torrance" contest gather around chairman Flavio Bisignano to discuss details of the judging. Candidates (from left) are Camille Curtain, 18; Dixie Hayes, 18; Sherry Izzo, 18; Jeannie Mora, 18; Sharon Langerud, 18; Linda Kleinhaus, 18; Jan Bradshaw, 19; and Barbara Griffin, 20. (Press-Herald Photo)

Four Students Nabbed As South High Bombers

2 File, Charles To Quit

Incumbent school board member Bert M. Lynn filed papers for re-election to a new four-year term late Friday afternoon as filing for the April 20 election closed.

Lynn became the second incumbent to seek re-election. Trustee William J. Hanson filed his papers Tuesday.

Albert Charles, the third incumbent, will not seek re-election. Charles told the Press-Herald yesterday his business now keeps him out of town about two weeks of every month. "I couldn't make the meetings and I didn't feel it proper to file," he added.

LYNN WAS the 10th candidate to file papers, and at least three other persons had nomination papers Friday. A complete list of candidates will not be available until tomorrow or Tuesday, a spokesman for the County Superintendent of Schools said.

Michael Moor, 2513 Apple St., Raymond L. Ponce, 21015 Victor St., and John Sala Jr. of 2646 W. 226th St. had picked up nomination papers. Whether they filed the papers was not known yesterday.

IN ADDITION to Lynn and Hanson, the declared candidates include:

Joseph Bishop, 20707 Anza Ave., an accountant.

Andrew S. Foster, 16222 Daphne Ave., a business executive.

William A. Goodman, 201 Via la Soledad, a substitute teacher in the Torrance Schools.

Lester L. Sacks, 23238 La Deane Ave., a physician.

Mrs. Beverly Schwartz, 3131 W. 180th St., a housewife.

Lawrence Townsend, 18407 Manhattan Place, a labor representative and member of the city's Civil Service Commission.

Donald E. Wilson, 17022 Kornblum Ave., a professor of education at the University of Southern California.

Residents Respond To 'Heart'

Torrance-Walteria residents have endorsed the fight against heart and circulatory disorders, stated Mrs. Belva Brase, 2435 1/2 Border Ave., Heart Sunday community chairman.

Mrs. Brase made the statement when the first collection figures of \$5,117.06 were tabulated following Heart Sunday weekend, Feb. 25-28.

All totals are not in because many residents were not at home when Heart neighbors knocked at their doors. More than 1,200 volunteers left "sorry we missed you" envelopes which can be sent in with contributions.

Last year, funds collected on Heart Sunday were \$4,805.76.



TENSE MOMENT . . . Torrance High Coach Will Boeger rises above the capacity crowd which filled the Simi Valley High gymnasium Friday evening as Torrance and Simi clashed in the CIF "AA" basketball quarter-finals. The Tartars won the game, 65-61, and qualified for the semi-finals to be played Tuesday. Two of the Torrance reserves watch the action in the foreground. For details of the game, and other CIF contests, see today's Press-Herald sports page. (Press-Herald Photo)

City Gets First Woman Sheriff's Academy Grad

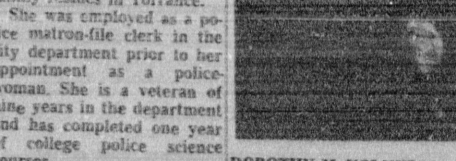
Dorothy Marie Volmerding has graduated from the Sheriff's Training Academy and received her commission as a Torrance Policewoman. She is the first policewoman in the city to have graduated from the academy.

Academy training includes an intensified course of 200 hours of basic police training. Academy evaluations rated her in the top 25 per cent of the class of 70 men and women peace officers.

Mrs. Volmerding and her husband, William, are parents of five children. The family resides in Torrance.

She was employed as a police matron-file clerk in the city department prior to her appointment as a policewoman. She is a veteran of nine years in the department and has completed one year of college police science courses.

Mrs. Volmerding is currently assigned to the services division as a complaint desk officer.



DOROTHY M. VOLMERDING
 Academy Graduate

\$2 Marriage License May Go With Penny Post Card

The five cent candy bar is gone, the penny post card and now it appears the \$2 marriage license may be relegated to the past.

A suggestion has been made by Supervisor Kenneth Hahn that the license fee be raised from \$2 to \$5.

"By raising the fee to \$5, the annual revenue from issuing marriage licenses would be increased approximately \$156,000," Hahn said. It now costs the county clerk \$2.25 to issue a license.

The predicted revenue is based on an estimated issuing of at least 52,000 marriage licenses in 1965 after the increase is in effect. There were 51,443 licenses issued in 1964.

The Board of Supervisors will request the state legislature to pass the necessary legislation to make the "\$2 marriage license" an anachronism.

Bomb in Locker Bay Rocks Area

Four students have been arrested on a charge of planting a bomb in a South High locker bay Wednesday afternoon.

The arrests came Friday following intensive investigation by Torrance police and school officials, and apparently ended threats to the Friday night basketball game at the school. Officials reportedly were considering canceling or seeking to move the game because of rumors of more bombs.

Booked at Torrance jail were:

David R. Cassells, 16, 345 Calle Mayor.

Terry C. Sciarrotta, 16, 2959 W. 226th St.

Thomas A. Lavesque, 16, 420 Paseo de las Estrellas.

John G. George, 17, 22904 Carlow Road.

Police said the boys admitted placing the bomb in a light socket so it would detonate when the light switch was thrown on. The bomb was constructed over the weekend by using a five-inch carbon dioxide cartridge and gun powder.

THE DEVICE exploded just seconds before the students of South High would have been crowding into the locker bay Wednesday afternoon, investigators said.

Torrance officer Philip Josephs and South High vice principal Carl Benson lead investigation of the Wednesday afternoon blast. None of the students was injured, they reported.

Pamphlet Topic

"Heart Disease in Children" is the title of a pamphlet being featured during March at the Southwestern Branch of the Los Angeles County Heart Assn., 16811 Hawthorne Blvd., Lawndale, telephone 371-3591.

February totals brought to \$4,532,366 the value of all permits issued this year. A total of 116 single family homes and 60 apartment units are now being built under permits issued in January and February.

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Suspect Arraigned

Ronald R. Wells, 30, arrested this week on a charge of kidnaping a 6-year-old Manhattan Beach girl on her way to school, was arraigned before Municipal Judge William E. Keene Thursday on one count of kidnaping. Wells, who lives at 125 1/2 N. Catalina Ave., Redondo Beach, will appear in court on March 12 for preliminary hearing. Bail was set at \$2,750.

Council Meets Tuesday

Torrance councilmen will face a routine agenda when they meet Tuesday at 8 p.m. for their regular weekly session. One of the items involves a public hearing on a plan to rezone a large portion of the property south of Carson Street and west of Hawthorne from A-1 to C-3. The rezoning has been recommended for approval by the city's Planning Commission.

Purse Snatchers Busy

Three Torrance area women have reported losses to purse snatchers to Torrance police, it was noted yesterday. Linda Blackmore of 640 Camino de Encanto said two men grabbed her purse in a parking lot at 2808 Carson St. Thursday and fled. Edith Towes of 21721 S. Western Ave. told police a 11-year-old lad grabbed her purse Friday evening near Abalone and Carson Street and fled eastward toward Western Avenue. Wynona Ayres, who had just left a market on the Del Amo Center, said a man asked her for the correct time, grabbed her purse and fled in a vehicle parked nearby.

Robert Jones Named New Director of Youth Band

Robert L. Jones, a music teacher and director of the North High Saxon Band, has been appointed director of the Torrance Area Youth Band's Senior Band.

Jones was named to head the senior band following a meeting of the board of directors last week. He succeeds James Van Dyck as director of the senior band.

Music instructor and band

A GRADUATE of the University of Notre Dame, Jones

holds a bachelor's degree in musical education. While at Notre Dame, he spent three years as director of the Notre Dame Symphony Orchestra.

Jones taught music in elementary schools in Indiana before enrolling at the University of Southern California. He earned a master of science degree in music at USC. As a clarinetist, Jones toured with the Fred Waring Ensemble entertaining service men overseas. He also collaborated with Dr. Charles Blondo in authoring the book, "Starting the Instrumental Program."

Recently awarded an honorary life membership in the North High PTA, Jones also directs the elementary students band in North Torrance.

Jones is married and resides in Artesia. He and his wife, Barbara, are parents of three daughters.

The Torrance Area Youth Band is the official band of the City of Torrance, which helps to provide financial support for the band. Additional support is derived from the \$6 quarterly dues paid by members. The band's purpose is to provide music for city events and to provide an opportunity for the development of young musicians.

Senior Band rehearsals are held each Monday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Walteria Recreation Center. Membership in the senior band is open and information may be obtained by calling 326-9358 or 273-9236.



ROBERT L. JONES
 New Band Director



ARBOR DAY VISIT . . . Cathy Tvedt and Deborah Ferrin compare their own growth with that of one of the 1,000 flame trees which the two Campfire Girls helped to plant at Harbor Regional Park four years ago. The girls donated the trees—believed to be the largest coral tree forest in the world—to the park on Arbor Day, 1961. Members of the Campfire Girls return to help care for the trees each year.