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ALUMINUM PLANT PICKETS... Pickets from United Steelworkers of America Local 6700 continued to picket the gates at Harvey Aluminum Co., 19200 S. Western Ave., yesterday after a weekend marked by a huge demonstration and reports of clashes between workers and strikers. The walkout began on April 5.

## Union Claims Overtime Pay Due Harvey Workers

Claims that Harvey Aluminum discriminated against more than a thousand of its employees was charged formally by officials of the United Steelworkers of America Monday in a complaint filed with the National Labor Relations Board in Los Angeles.

By eliminating or reducing overtime hours, the company sought to discourage membership in the union, the union charged.

The union action came on the heels of a massive demonstration at the plant in which the union was joined by other Southland labor groups before the gates of the huge manufacturing plant at 19200 S. Western Ave.

Eighty-year-old Leo M. Harvey was cut slightly Monday when a pellet broke a window of his car as he entered the plant. One man was arrested in connection with the early morning incident.

A company bus carrying workers into the plant was pelted with eggs and rocks and two strikers were pinned

against a fence by a motorist. The steelworkers began picketing the plant on April 5 after charging the company refused to bargain for a contract. Company officials have insisted they are willing to begin bargaining.

Attempts of a national mediator to bring the two sides together have failed.

In its claim filed with NLRB Monday, the United Steelworkers accused Harvey management of discrimination against 1,017 employees by eliminating or reducing the

overtime hours. If upheld, the company could be compelled to pay more than \$500,000 in overtime and other wages union officials said.

The complaint also charged that 17 other employees were laid off and replaced by new employees as part of the same program to discourage union membership in the plant.

The union won an election in the plant last December after a 15-year drive. Harvey has filed suit in federal court seeking to invalidate the election.

## Call Boxes Voted

Something new will be added in the way of fire protection for residents of Torrance shortly.

City councilmen authorized installation of 105 fire alarm boxes at selected locations throughout the city last night. Pacific Telephone Co. will engineer, fabricate, and install the alarm system, which will connect residents to the

fire stations in a matter of seconds.

The maintenance and service for the alarm boxes will cost about \$25,000 per year. The system is expected to be in operation July, 1966.

Fire Chief J. J. Benner, commenting on the action last night, said the program will eventually mean lower fire insurance rates for virtually every property owner in the city.

# Wilson Leads Ticket, Lynn, Hanson Elected

## Dabbs Returned To El Camino In Light Vote

Dr. Donald E. Wilson, a professor of education at the University of Southern California, topped two incumbents to win election to the Board of Education in light balloting yesterday. Incumbents Bert M. Lynn and William J. Hanson were easily re-elected to new four-year terms.

Torrance voters also returned Jack N. Dabbs to the El Camino College Board of Trustees. Dabbs defeated John G. L. Crain to win his fourth term on the El Camino board.

Wilson, who led all 14 candidates named on the short ballot, polled 3,987 votes in unofficial tabulation. Lynn was second, getting 3,622 votes. Hanson ran third, polling 2,909.

### FOURTH MAN on the list



JACK N. DABBS Wins Fourth Term



DR. DONALD WILSON Leads in Race

BERT M. LYNN Incumbent Wins

WILLIAM J. HANSON Also Incumbent

## Torrance High Expansion Plan Set Over By Board

Sale of \$375,000 in Torrance Unified School District bonds was authorized by the Board of Education Monday, but trustees delayed at least until May 3 a decision on expanding music and homemaking facilities at Torrance High School.

A request to send plans and specifications to bid was tabled by the board after Mrs. Kenneth E. Watts said she did not "want to vote for additions to the music building at Torrance High until I am sure

## Pigeon Ban Voted 6-1 By Council

Despite protests by representatives of several racing pigeon associations, the city council last night adopted an ordinance which prohibits one property owner from keeping more than four pigeons.

The ordinance, adopted on a 6-1 vote at its first reading, faces a second reading before the council May 4.

Councilmen heard protests about the proposed law for about half an hour before voting. "The time has come," J. A. Beasley said. "We have to decide what kind of city we want and we cannot be agricultural in the City of Torrance."

Howard Palmquist, vice president of the Southern California Racing Pigeon Combine, told councilmen his group has 16 members in the city. They presented a petition signed by 1,470 persons protesting the ban on more than four pigeons.

ADOPTION of the new ordinance also was protested by Bill Traw, president of the Harbor Area Racing Pigeon Association, and Attorney John Wren, who represents several of the pigeon groups. "I hope the council will see the point of view of these people."

The new ordinance was ordered last week when 175 Riviera residents protested a permit which had been granted under terms of the ordinance adopted about six months ago.

KEN MILLER said, he would vote against the law. (Continued on A-4)

we won't have elementary children on double sessions."

Bert M. Lynn, who left Monday's meeting early because of a candidates' meeting, later told the Press-Herald he is "sick and tired of this political double talk. I want Torrance High School brought up to the standards of the other high schools, and I want it done now."

Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools, had recommended advertising the project April 25 and May 2. Bids would have been opened May 25 and a contract awarded June 7. The schedule was established to permit construction to begin early in the summer.

The State Division of Architecture has approved plans for the project.

Estimated to cost \$237,000, the construction would provide additional facilities for the Torrance High music department. The old science building, which has been replaced with a new science and industrial arts building, will be renovated to provide needed homemaking and art classrooms.

Dr. Hull said expanding student population at the high school—oldest of the four city high schools—"makes it incumbent that the music and homemaking facilities be expanded."

Building fund monies are "tight" in the Torrance schools this year because of the unusually low increase in assessed valuation which the district obtained last and because changes in the tax laws prevent the added value from being used until tax appeal

boards have met and approved county assessment rolls. District officials anticipate an increase of \$10 million in assessed valuation this year and hope to have about \$2.9 million available for new construction. The Torrance High projects and additions at Calle Mayor and Adams elementary schools have received a top priority in the schedule.

Dr. Hull recommended the Torrance High project first, and expressed hopes that the Adams and Calle Mayor additions could be started in August. Plans for those additions are now in the State Division of Architecture office and will be forwarded to the board as soon as they have been returned to the district.

Torrance High has a present enrollment of 1,636 students and projections for next two years predict an increase to more than 2,000 students by September, 1966.

## Fleming Set For Spring Open House

Students at Alexander Fleming Junior High School will welcome their parents to school Thursday night as the school observes its annual "Back to School" week.

The open house has been scheduled from 7 to 9 p.m. Parents are invited to any class and are free to visit any teacher or display during the two hours.

Parking will be available on the blacktop area adjacent to the physical education field.

## Fight Customs Move...

The County Board of Supervisors yesterday unanimously voted to oppose a plan to close down the West Coast Customs Headquarters now in the Port of Los Angeles and shift the headquarters to San Francisco. The Los Angeles City Council earlier had voted to oppose the plan. President Johnson has announced plans to consolidate the nation's custom districts into six districts and move the West Coast headquarters to San Francisco.

## Sister City Trip...

Torrance's delegation to its new sister city, Guatemala City, will leave Los Angeles International at 9 a.m. Saturday and will visit the Central American city until next Wednesday. Mayor and Mrs. Albert Ison will head the group as the city makes its first official visit to the new sister city. Itinerary of the delegation's visit has not been released by the Guatemalan government.

## For Torrance

## New Financial Center Hinted

The first step toward development of a 10-acre financial and business center at Hawthorne Avenue and Carson Street was taken last night when the City Council approved plans for temporary office space for Hawthorne Savings and Loan Association.

The council authorized the location of a trailer for the firm for a period of one year. The temporary quarters will be used until construction of permanent facilities is completed.

To be developed on the northwest corner of the busy intersection by Del Amo Properties Co., the center will eventually include banks, brokerage houses, exclusive shops, title companies, restaurants, and other similar businesses. Eventual construction of two high-rise office buildings has been predicted for the area.

"It is anticipated that the area will be very much like the financial area of Beverly

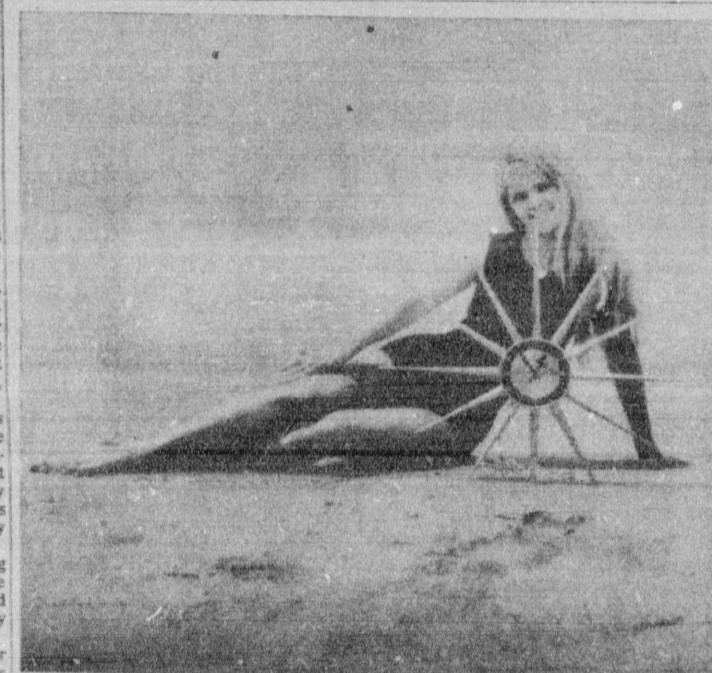
Hills or Spring Street when it's established," J. M. Moore of the Del Amo Properties Co. said in a letter to the council.

Mayor Albert Ison, commenting on plans for the center, said the Del Amo Center would be "the biggest in the world in five years... right here in our own little city, not so little anymore."

Use of temporary facilities was requested for Hawthorne Savings and Loan Association because the firm must open a branch at the site by May 4 this year under terms of the permit granted by State of California.

Moore said ample parking would be provided and the temporary facilities would meet all specifications set by the city.

Construction on the center is expected to begin later this year, and a completion in 1968 is anticipated. Moore said a plaza design would be used for the center, leaving about 25 per cent of the area open for landscaping.



A TIME-LY TIP... Eighteen-year-old Linda Wood, currently playing Daisy Mae in the production of "Lil Abner" at North High School, takes a moment out to remind us that Daylight Savings Time will arrive at 2 a.m. next Sunday, April 25. Recalling the maxim to "Spring ahead..." Miss Wood suggests we turn our clock one hour ahead before retiring Saturday night.

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