

Board Votes to Sell \$4 Million in Bonds

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DR. LLOYD JONES Gets New Post



DR. R. D. GUENGERICH Promoted

Two School Aides Named

Two new assistant superintendents of the Torrance Unified School District were named today by Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools. The announcement followed screening of 30 candidates by the Board of Education and a special screening committee.

Named to the new posts were Dr. Lloyd G. Jones, assistant superintendent of elementary instruction, and Dr. Richard D. Guengerich, assistant superintendent of secondary instruction. Effective date is Oct. 7.

Dr. Jones moves up from the position of curriculum consultant and Dr. Guengerich leaves the post of principal of North High School.

THE TWO NEW positions replace the former post of assistant superintendent of instruction which was vacated last May by Dr. Albert N. Posner, who was named at that time to fill the newly created position of assistant superintendent of educational media.

Employed by the Torrance schools for the past 20 years, Dr. Jones served as curriculum consultant for the past nine years. Prior to that he taught at Fern Avenue and El Nido Schools, served as vice principal at Seaside and Casimir School, and was principal of Seaside School for six years.

Born in Riverside in 1917, Dr. Jones is a graduate of Carbonne High School and

Laverne College. He received his doctorate from the University of Southern California.

DURING World War II, he served as a sergeant in the Army special services section. He formerly sang professionally and was employed as a boatsman at the Todd Shipyards.

A resident of San Pedro, Dr. Jones is married to a Redondo Beach teacher, Maxine Jones, and has two children. He is a member of Phi Alpha music fraternity, the Torrance Education Association, and the National Education Association.

PRINCIPAL of North High School for the past nine (See AIDES, Page A-3)

Press-Herald to Publish Friday Edition Oct. 4

Publication of a Friday edition of the Press-Herald, to replace the current Sunday edition, will begin here Friday, Oct. 4, Reid L. Bundy, co-publisher and editor, has announced.

The new Friday edition will offer Press-Herald readers and advertisers complete coverage of Torrance. Circulation will be increased to match the Press-Herald current Wednesday coverage of the city.

Proposed Sign Law Wins Approval of City Council

If Approved

Trustees Fear Proposition 9 May Cut Bonds

The remaining \$4 million of a \$9 million bond issue authorized during a 1966 election will be sold to the Torrance Unified School District.

The measure was approved by the Board of Education Monday night when it was learned the funds might be in jeopardy if the Proposition 9 property tax issue is approved by the voters during the Nov. 5 general election.

Dr. Frank Mattox, assistant superintendent of schools for business, said the decision was timely because of legal requirements.

Dr. Mattox said this is the last board meeting in September and the district could not comply with legal advertising requirements for the bond sale prior to the election if the matter was held over.

Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools, said approximately \$1 million was needed immediately for capitol improvements.

THE SCHOOL district will absorb the cost of 31 elementary reading specialists originally programmed through a state funding program.

The district was recently notified that new programs this year are not eligible for state funding in Torrance.

The additional \$250,000 item will be reduced by gradual attrition, the board was advised by Dr. Hull.

CONSULTANTS in closed circuit television made an oral presentation before the board members to familiarize them with a multi-million dollar instructional program.

The board was told that allotted frequencies in southern California were becoming exhausted.

ON THE MOTION of board member Bert Lynn, the school district will hire a professional in the field of salary negotiations to assist the administration and the board of education.

Burglars Take Office Machines

Business machines and 500 sheets of duplicating paper, valued at \$1,125, were stolen sometime over the weekend from Cramer Real Estate, 2780 Sepulveda Blvd., Suite 108.

Burglars forced the rear door of the office, escaping with a duplicating machine, a calculating machine, and an electric typewriter.



QUIET CUB . . . Bones, a 6-month-old lion cub, is comforted by his owner, Tom Leonard, following a "disturbance" yesterday. Police were called to the Leonard apartment at 2312 Dominguez Ave. after neighbors complained the Leonards were keeping the lion cub. Bones was taken to Riverside, where he will be boarded until the Leonards find a suitable home. (Press-Herald Photo)

85-Pound Lion Gets the Boot

A 6-month-old lion cub was booted out of town Tuesday after authorities here deemed him a menace to the community.

The 85-pound kitty, named Bones, has been removed to "a proper boarding institution in Riverside" until its owners, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Leonard, can find suitable quarters for their pet locally.

Police said they received calls from distraught neighbors about 11:10 a.m., complaining that the Leonards were boarding Bones at their

apartment, 2312 Dominguez Ave. Investigating officers described themselves and the lion cub as "nervous."

The Leonards, who were exercising Bones on a leash, told police that they had purchased their pet Monday in Hollywood for \$450. They are considering renting Bones to a movie studio for leading roles in jungle movies.

Suspects To Face Hearing

Four area men accused of operating a statewide car theft ring have been arraigned and face preliminary hearings Thursday, Sept. 26.

Released on \$10,000 bail were Henry B. Malicki, 27, of 18511 Mariposa Ave., Gardena, and Lynn Purcell, 33, of 1033 W. 184th St., Gardena.

The other two suspects, John Brady, 38, of 24 Silver Saddle Lane, Rolling Hills Estates, and Richard Faren, 31, of 2323 W. 230th St., were each released on \$3,500 bail.

FAREN IS A member of the Torrance Fire Department and Brady served as a Torrance policeman for four years. Purcell is a sergeant with the Gardena Police Department, having served for the past 12 years.

The four allegedly special (See SUSPECTS, Page A-3)

25-Foot Limit To Be Imposed On Pole Signs

By NATALIE HALL Press-Herald Staff Writer

City Councilmen slapped a 25-foot height limitation on pole signs Monday night at a special meeting to formulate provisions of a city sign ordinance.

Sitting as a committee of the whole council, the lawmakers also took steps to cut down on the number of pole signs lollypopping the horizon. Councilmen ruled that any business establishments sharing a common parking lot could have no more than one pole sign for each 200 feet of frontage.

However, councilmen considered the possibility of liberalizing the size requirements of pole signs. At present, the ordinance calls for a maximum size of one square foot of sign for each one foot of frontage. Councilmen considered enlarging this to two or three square feet of sign for each foot of frontage.

FINAL DECISION will be made several weeks from now when new provisions are presented to the council in the form of an ordinance.

Leo Salisbury, president of the Torrance Merchants' Sign Committee, expressed his objection to the one-to-one size requirement, stating that the council would be "inundated" with requests for waivers from new businesses. Three-to-one would be more reasonable, Salisbury said.

Councilman Ken Miller also questioned the one-to-one ratio, commenting that the city had granted "innumerable variances." He also said that it is not the size of signs but the number of signs that is objectionable in Torrance.

JERRY JACKSON of the California Electrical Sign Association commented that many communities with the one-to-one size ratio were "dying."

"That's a bunch of baloney!" exclaimed Planning Director Charles Shurtle. "You're a liar."

Sole councilman voting against the 25-foot sign height limitation was Orin P. Johnson, who favored a plan which would allow a pole sign to be as high as the distance from the center of the street to the base of the pole. The council also voted that a pole sign may be increased to a maximum height of 50 feet if the ratio of sign area to sign height does not exceed one foot of height for each four square feet of sign area.

AT AN EARLIER meeting, councilmen set a 10-year abatement period for all existing signs which do not conform to the new standards.

The legislators also voted at a previous meeting to limit wall signs to 30 percent of wall space for all commercial or manufacturing establishments.

Proposition 9 Debate Set - - -

A debate on Proposition 9, the so-called Watson Initiative which would limit property taxes to 1 per cent of the market value of the property being taxed, will highlight the September membership luncheon of the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce tomorrow. Debating the issue will be Fred Kimball, director of volunteer headquarters for the "Yes on Proposition 9 Committee," and Urban J. Schreiner, a member of the law firm of O'Melveny and Meyers. The meeting is scheduled for noon at the Jump 'n Jack Restaurant, 2900 Pacific Coast Hwy. It is open to the public.

School Enrollment Down - - -

Less than 33,000 youngsters turned up for classes last week as Torrance schools began the fall term. Total enrollment last Friday was pegged at 32,980 — or 225 below the first-day enrollment of 33,205 for last year. School officials expect enrollment will climb by about 1,000 by Oct. 1, but total enrollment will still be below the 34,199 predicted for the year. Of the total, 22,803 are elementary school students, it was noted.

Freeway Hearings Slated - - -

Public hearings on the route of the proposed Torrance Freeway have been scheduled by the cities of Redondo Beach and Lomita. Redondo Beach councilmen, who previously endorsed a "red-brown-yellow" route have scheduled a hearing before the Planning Commission Thursday, Sept. 26, and a hearing before the council Wednesday, Oct. 9. Both hearings are set for 7:30 p.m. at Aviation High School. Lomita councilmen will hold a hearing at 7 p.m. Oct. 1 at the Lomita Recreation Center. A special session to discuss the route is set from 7 to 10 p.m. tomorrow at Fleming Junior High School. The State Division of Highways will hold its public hearing Oct. 10 at Torrance High School.

ALAN DROBKA NAMED CARRIER OF MONTH

Twelve-year-old Alan Drobka today was named Press-Herald Carrier-of-the-Month for August.

Alan, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Drobka of 3306 Antonio St., attends Madrona Elementary School, where he is in the seventh grade.

He enjoys golf, football, Little League baseball, and basketball. Alan is a member of the Torrance Family YMCA.

"An excellent newspaper delivery record, combined with a growing list of subscribers has put Alan at the top of the list of Press-Herald junior dealers," Clint D'Vey Press Herald circulation manager, said in announcing the selection. "Alan has a very pleasant appearance, lots of ambition, and is a fine young businessman."

Alan has two sisters, Carol, 8, and Sharon, 19 months. His father is employed as a supervisor at North American Aviation.



ALAN DROBKA Top Carrier

Year-to-Year Term

City, Firm Agree on Lease for Pueblo Park

City Councilmen gave final approval last night to a lease acquiring land for the long-awaited Pueblo Park.

The city will lease approximately two acres near Del Amo Boulevard from American Standard, Inc., on a year-to-year basis. Either party may cancel the lease upon written notice delivered at least 30 days prior to the end of any year term.

The city has agreed to pay taxes on the property and assume liability for damages and personal injuries.

THE CITY'S cost for developing the playfield has been estimated at \$18,795. This cost includes the \$11,500 needed to purchase

access lots from Southwest Savings and Loan Association.

The Pueblo, a primarily Mexican-American community located on Del Amo Boulevard, has sought play facilities from the city for three years.

IN FURTHER action, the council voted 4-3 against appropriating \$100 to pay the expenses of City Attorney Stanley Remelmeyer at the California State Bar Association meeting. Remelmeyer will attend the meeting Oct. 9 through 11 in San Diego.

The city attorney had not requested the money, but City Manager Edward J. Ferraro had asked the council to provide the \$100 since the

city will benefit from Remelmeyer's attendance.

THE TORRANCE Transit System will have three new buses soon. Councilmen Tuesday night voted to purchase the buses at \$29,406.57 each — plus \$4,500.68 for each bus to install an air conditioning system.

The buses will be ordered from General Motors and prices are considered competitive by the city's Finance Department. The price includes the cost of sending three local bus drivers to Detroit to drive the vehicles to Torrance.

Each bus will also be wired for a background music system.