



# BUILDERS' PAGE



## Doheny Stone "Hydril" Press

By "WE"

The editorial entitled "Foreign Oil" appearing in last week's Torrance Herald aroused a good deal of favorable comment and settled a hot argument concerning the import of oils which has been raging between two of our esteemed employees. We are particularly interested in the article since the situation affects all men employed in the manufacture of oil tool equipment and this article states the situation very clearly.

Mick Hightower of the tool design is the lucky gentleman who passed cigars to his friends on Monday morning. The reason being that Miss Virginia Hill and Mr. Hightower were married at seven o'clock last Saturday evening at the Methodist Episcopal church at Huntington Park. They have taken residence at 313 1/2 West 83th Place, Los Angeles and we offer congratulations and wish much happiness for the future. We also hope that they decide to move to Torrance because we have become Torrance boosters during our year and a half residence in that splendid community.

Harry Mack tells us that he is a fatalist and that when his time is coming why he will then meet his Maker and not before. Harry was at work at the base of the 336 foot derrick which has been erected at the plant when a fifty pound weight attached to the lead line dropped from a height of about 100 feet and missed his head by inches, striking a heavy piece of angle iron and bending it into a "V" shape. One would think that your nerve would be a bit shaken by the nearness of death but it didn't bother Harry a bit and he kept working as though nothing had happened.

Johnny Sanderson, who is a native of Massachusetts, has evidently been reading articles telling about the number of sunshiny days in Southern California. Anyhow, Knight Knight rodester just in time to catch the rainy season and we passed him going to work the other morning with the rain dripping from his hat just the way that it runs off a green cucumber. Johnny has implicit faith in whatever he reads so he still thinks that it "ain't gonna rain no more."

Keep this date in mind because on March 8th another staff affair will be held at Earl's Cafe and all employees are welcome to attend. It will be free to all and we understand that a number of interesting subjects will be discussed and a good time is assured.

Mick Byrd, who has been ill for some time due to a stroke of paralysis, passed away at her 1204 Angeles home at 8:00 Sunday morning. She had been ailing for some time and little hope was held for a safe recovery. Services were held at 2:00 p. m. on Wednesday at the Angeles Mausoleum where she now lies. Mr. Byrd wishes to thank the boys for the flowers sent and for their sympathy in his recent bereavement.

Joe Beck's daughter suffered a severe injury when the car in which she was riding was struck by a motorist driving at a high rate of speed who failed to pay attention to the boulevard stop. She was on her way to Ingewood with a girl friend and was driving down Hawthorne boulevard when the accident occurred. We hope that she has a good recovery.

The report reaches us that Frank Perkins and Viola Severson are taking their daily dozen at the Tom

Thumb miniature golf course at Long Beach. There is one nice thing about golfing and that is that it offers a splendid opportunity to wear sport clothes and we intend to take it up as soon as we have saved enough to purchase the trousers and Sox.

Some time ago the boys played a mean trick on Ray Burdick by tying up his car with various bits of rope, wire and chains. Ray, who always returns as good as he receives, purchased some German nettle which is very irritating if applied to the surface of the skin. So, he then applied said nettle to the neck of Clarence Sleppy and his co-partner expecting to see a lot of fun. Those boys must have elephant hide because it didn't bother them in the least. Ray, thinking that the nettle must have lost its power, applied some on his arm and intense irritation immediately set in so that the tables were again turned on him. We suggest that he find a few cactus plants or Canadian thistle and we guarantee that if properly applied he will obtain the satisfaction desired on the culprits.

Harry Basch has been working a small J. & L. machine for the past year so his foreman thought he would give him a change of pasture and put him at work on a large Warner and Swasey. Harry made the chips fly so fast that he was buried in shavings and the foreman had to send a crew to dig

### NEW HUSBANDS' ALIBI

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 22—(UP)—Husbands apparently are finding a modern version for that famous one about "having to attend a conference tonight." Now they call up and say, "I'm flying tonight, dear."

That much, at least, may be inferred from a report of Swan island airport officials here. An attractive young woman entered the airport office recently, looking for her husband.

"He flies nights," she explained. The officials looked embarrassed, hesitating to tell her they knew of no one doing night flying around Swan island. Then she showed them "hubby's" picture. They didn't recognize him. The woman departed, vowing she would find her man.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Seavey and party drove to the Los Angeles playground last weekend in a new Desoto. He states that it is a very fine trip covering about two hundred and forty miles. We would like to make the trip but we love our sleep in the mornings, especially on Sunday, so we have put off the trip indefinitely.

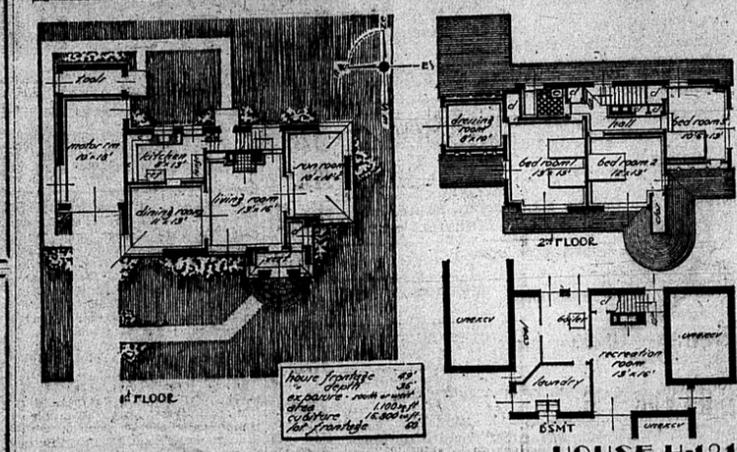
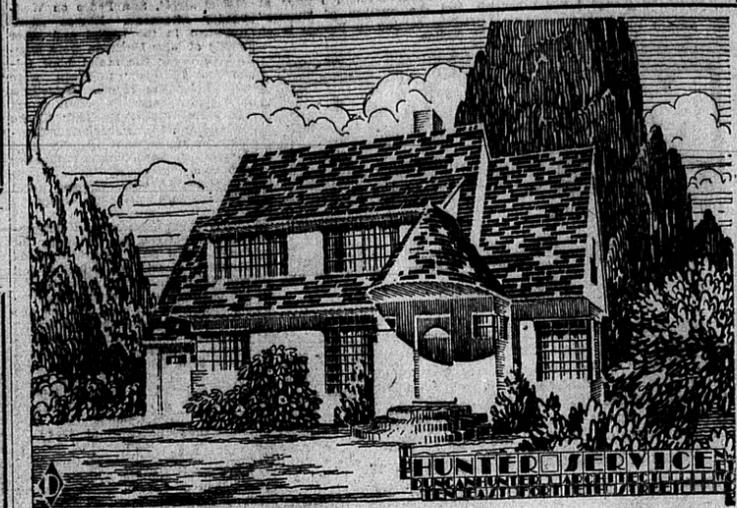
Melvin Robinette spent the week end at the mountains but on returning home his car was wrecked while going through a wash in the road. Bob can hardly call that the end of a perfect day.

It is well to remember when diagnosing engine trouble that two things are essential; namely, fuel and spark. Always make sure that the trouble has not originated at either source mentioned before making any other adjustments.

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Second floor: Three bed rooms, bath, dressing room and closets.  
Ceiling heights: Basement, seven feet; first floor, eight feet; second floor, eight feet.

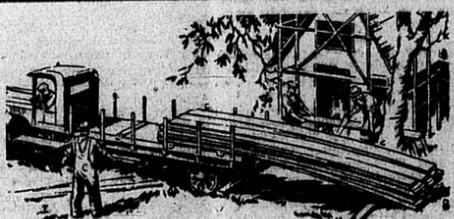
Exposure: The plans as shown are for a lot facing south or west. For a lot facing north or east the plans should be reversed.

Lot size: House frontage, 49 feet; side clearance, left 3 feet, right 8 feet. Lot frontage, minimum 60 feet.

Construction: Exterior walls, brick; roof, slate; foundation, concrete; windows, steel casements; doors, wood, to special details.

Interiors: Floors, wood for linoleum finish; walls, plaster; ceiling, plaster; kitchen, composition tile; bath room, tile; steam heat, gas and electric wiring.

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