

Veterans' Bonds To Help Relieve Unemployment

The \$20,000,000 Veteran's bonds voted at the last election will be sold by the State Treasurer, March 5, according to advices received by James K. Flisk, state adjutant of the American Legion, from George M. Stout, secretary of the Veterans' Welfare Board.

This means, according to Stout, that beginning with the month of March, there will be invested in California over twenty millions of dollars in veterans' farms and homes, furnishing employment to hundreds of our citizens, and to an appreciable extent, alleviating the unemployment situation amongst building tradesmen. Furthermore, this program will add generally to the building and material sales, as well as to sales of real estate.

Summarizing, it will mean adding to California prosperity by the building and creation of new homes to the extent of \$20,000,000 for over four thousand veterans. It will mean the sale of over four thousand lots, costing not less than five million dollars, and the building of over four thousand homes, costing in excess of \$15,000,000. This fifteen million dollars represents the cost of labor and building material, which will be distributed over the State without restriction as to any district or section. The \$20,000,000 investment program of the Veterans' Welfare Board will require approximately two years to consummate.

Chevrolet Tops All Other Cars in Registrations

Chevrolet's new car registrations in the United States for December led all other makes, according to figures just made public. With 31,609 new Chevrolet sixes titled in the domestic market during the last month of 1930, the company exceeded by 2,000 units the second leading make. Figures so far reported for January indicate that the relative position of Chevrolet in the lead should be maintained for the month just ended, particularly since Chevrolet's January production was 70,000 units.

December was the first month in the history of the automobile that six-cylinder cars led the field in sales to customers. While Chevrolet in 1927 and again in 1928 was first in manufacturing and sales in the industry, the company's performance in those years was based on the old four-cylinder car. Since the change-over from a four to a six in 1929, Chevrolet has forged ahead to this leading position.

This passing of leadership to the six-cylinder automobile is interpreted in automotive circles as indicating a growing public preference for the larger, multiple-cylindered car, when it combines operating economy with an initial price range in the lowest priced field. The current Chevrolet models are two inches longer than last year despite prices ranging from \$20 to \$40 lower than the 1930 models.

Scribes Welcomed at Rolph's Office

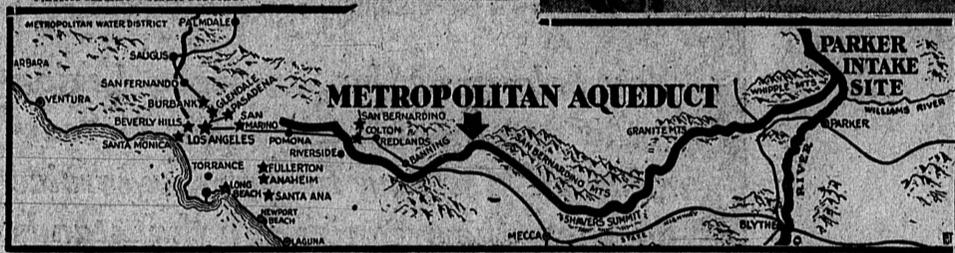
By the United Press

Newspapermen have the "right-of-way" in Governor Rolph's office. No matter if scores of job seekers and others are "warming their heels" in the executive's office, the executive's door is always wide open to the press. Rolph has frequently declared his best appointments are made by the newspapers, and often calls in the reporters for advice on whom to name to office.

Metropolitan Aqueduct Preliminary Work Rapidly Progressing Along Parker Route



Chief Engineer Frank E. Weymouth, METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT



Aqueduct route up to point where feeder lines to cities in District may connect with main system. (Above) One of the field engineers at work on Aqueduct route. (Inset, right) View of Colorado River at Parker intake site. Stars on map indicate cities in District.

Out along a far-flung line of operations extending across mountains and desert country a distance of 250 miles—or more—field engineers with the Metropolitan Water District are pushing forward the exacting task of establishing the precise location of the gigantic aqueduct that will bring water from the Colorado River to the cities in the Metropolitan District.

Under the direction of Chief Engineer Frank E. Weymouth, the engineering forces of the District now are concentrating their efforts on the Parker route—the line officially selected by the Metropolitan District board of directors as the most practicable and economical of all routes suggested.

With field headquarters located at Besumont on the San Geronimo Pass, Chief Engineer Weymouth is covering every section of the line from the intake at Upper Parker Canyon on the river to the several possible reservoir sites in the vicinity of the cities to be served.

Chief Field Engineer J. B. Bond, one of Weymouth's chief assistants, is in charge of field work.

The work now going forward, it was explained, is that of establishing the exact grades and lines to be followed by the aqueduct throughout the 252 miles of its length. These locations are being established along the general Parker route, selected by the District Board upon the recommendation of Chief Engineer Weymouth and an Engineering Board of Review composed of three other internationally famous engineers.

Many Opportunities Await Adult Students at Evening High School

Pointing out the opportunities to learn many interesting subjects, Principal Guy L. Mowry, of the Torrance Evening High School, declared this week that people not working regularly should enroll in one or more of the evening classes and prepare themselves for something better.

"The best prepared man will win out," he said. "We are offering some fine courses in the commercial department that should be of interest to a large number of local people. There is no tuition charge and where text books or material is required the cost is always nominal."

Commercial Subjects

In the Commercial department there is typewriting, shorthand, bookkeeping and comptometer work offered. There are classes in Spanish, both for the beginner and the advanced student. Sewing and millinery are two subjects of special interest to women. Full and complete information on any of the courses may be obtained any evening at the Torrance High school.

Mowry reports that the art classes are doing especially fine work under the direction of Miss Ada M. P. Chase. The classes now consist of basketry, handicraft and pottery. A class in interior decorating is being planned to start in the near future, in which Miss Chase will present a series of lectures by Douglas Donaldson, noted decorator.

Citizenship Course

A class in "How to Care for and Drive an Automobile" for women only is being organized. Leroy Shearer, the instructor, will attempt to show how and why an auto runs without doing any dirty work. Women of Torrance, and vicinity are invited to come and learn how to drive their cars intelligently.

A government class in Citizenship began this week. All people interested in citizenship should come and bring their papers and learn how to apply for them.

PERMIT TREE WORK

A resolution was passed by the Los Angeles city council last week permitting the city of Torrance to top all eucalyptus trees which are within the corporate limits of Los Angeles along Western avenue at the westerly limits of the Shearwater strip north of Carson street.

Gardena Corps Wins Orange Show Tribute

The Gardena Valley Drum, Bugle and Pipe corps, 24 strong, headed the San Bernardino Orange Show Sunday afternoon and so impressed the huge throng attending the exposition that they were invited to stage a program inside the main auditorium after they had performed their drills on the parade ground.

The Gardena contingent was the only drum corps in this section represented at the Orange Show Sunday, the day appointed as American Legion Day. The file part of the corps is composed of women members of the Legion Auxiliary, it is reported.

LOCAL FIRM THREATENED IN LAW BILL

Chamber Goes Into Action to Defeat Change in Game Laws

Another attempt, similar to that of two years ago, is being made by Bay city interests apparently to again amend the fish and game laws of the state, particularly the section relating to abalone fishery which would permit exportation of abalone shells out of California without being in a manufactured state.

The present law prohibits the exportation of abalone shells except as a finished manufactured product, such as is being turned out here by the Salm Manufacturing Company on Artesano street. Under this law, the manufacturing industry in California using abalone shells has been fostered and developed.

Payroll at Stake

At the Monday afternoon meeting of the board of directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, the secretary and proper committees were authorized to vigorously endeavor to secure the defeat of amended legislation which would work a serious handicap, if not cripple, such a distinctive industry as the Salm Manufacturing company here.

The value of the manufactured products of the company, organized and directed by John Salm, is between \$375,000 and \$400,000 per year. The company has a payroll of approximately \$100,000 per year, it is reported.

State Picnics

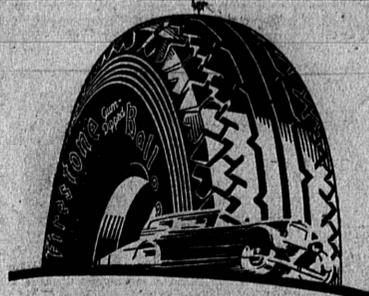
IDAHOANS TO PICNIC AT PARK, MARCH 14

The Idaho Association is calling all Idahoans to rally for a big picnic reunion all Saturday, March 14, Sycamore Grove Park. A program will open at two o'clock with music and addresses by well known Idaho speakers.

Any town or county may have special tables and can rally around county register and meet old friends.

OREGON REUNION IS PLANNED FOR MAR. 14

All former residents of Oregon are invited to attend a reunion of Oregonians and friends at the I. O. O. F. Temple hall, corner Washington and Oak streets, Los Angeles, Saturday evening, March 14. Doors open at 6 o'clock, program at 8:00 and dancing 9 to 12 p. m.



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