

Spire Workers Grow Beards MELBOURNE, Australia (U.P.)—Workers on the lofty spire of St. Patrick's cathedral here have grown beards as a protection against sunburn.

PICKET FENCE STOLEN Thirty feet of "grey picket fence in panels with a gate" was reported stolen Monday night from her place by Mrs. Nina Griffin, 2434 229th street.

Police Have Theories on Burglary Based on Dog

Three theories in regard to the burglary of Albert Bartlett's house at 710 Columbia Court last Friday confront local police: (1) Either the burglars were acquaintances of the owner; or (2) They were friendly with dogs; or (3) The watchdog was forcibly dog-snatched.

Police say these are the only possible explanations for the disappearance of the house-dog and five packages of cigarettes from the home. Bartlett reported the robbery and missing dog occurred before 7 o'clock last Friday. No money or household furnishings were stolen but the place was thoroughly ransacked.

Council Refuses 3 Card Permits

Three more requests for licenses to operate card games in the city were received by the city council Tuesday night, and following the policy established several months ago when the Attorney-General ruled that draw poker was within the law, were promptly refused. The applicants were John D. Trigg, North Hollywood; L. O. Roberts, Huntington Park; and Herbert J. Steel, Los Angeles.

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Walter A. Birchler, 29, of 25608 Narbonne avenue, Lomita, and Carol A. Lewis, 17, also of Lomita. Harold M. Strange, 21, of the Lomita hotel, and Edna B. Kleeman, 18, of Van Nuys. Herman F. Magnus, 26, of 24663 Woodward avenue, Lomita, and Mildred Ruth Hawk, 23, also of Lomita. Frank H. Clark, Jr., 27, of 1731 Andree, and Lois C. Lackey, 25, of Los Angeles.

13 New Road Signs to Direct Travel Here

Torrance is "going on the air" next month with the opening of the new KNX-CBS transmitter station here but it will continue to exploit its attractions from the ground up.

Arrangements are being completed by the Chamber of Commerce to erect 13 by 12-foot roadside signs at all gateways to the city directing traffic to the Civic Center, the new radio plant and other local points of interest. These signs, attractively designed in colors, are to be erected by Aug. 25. Section of the locations being made by President Alden W. Smith and Directors Sam Levy and Sherman McIntyre.

They are using a recent traffic-check report by the State Highway department as the basis of their site-location findings. This report covers the amount of traffic over most of the arterial highways running thru or adjoining Torrance. The check was made between 7 a. m. and 7 p. m. of weekdays and Sundays, winter and summer, to get an accurate picture of the traffic flow.

The findings are exceptionally interesting to anyone interested in traffic control, road maintenance and safety on the highways. It was found that 9,817 cars pass Carson west of Main during the 12-hour period, 16,030 travel Main street north of Carson, 11,888 on Torrance boulevard east of Hawthorne, 21,415 on Highway 101 east of Narbonne, 15,899 on Western avenue two blocks north of Redondo boulevard and 12,446 drive on Western avenue south of Gardena boulevard.

Each of the new road signs will be different. The civic advertising "copy" will feature the community's development, the Civic Center, industries, homes, Torrance Beach and other points of local interest.

Nine Sites for Gardena P. O.

Nine sites for the new \$75,000 Gardena postoffice have been submitted, ranging in price from \$4,500 to \$18,500 in addition to donated property offered by the city of Gardena. Six of the proposed locations are within the Gardena city limits and three are in the Los Angeles Shoshone strip.

Bessie Stricklin, as agent for the Torrance Investment company, submitted the property at Vermont avenue and 165th Place which has 125-foot frontage on Vermont. The sum of \$12,500 is asked for this property.

A full report, together with the bids, will be submitted to postal authorities in Washington on each site by Postmaster Ruth Sell. The postoffice department will make the final decision.

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KNX-CBS TO DEDICATE NEW TRANSMITTER ON SEPT. 10

(Continued from Page 1-A) ing, two showcases on either side of the hall will display the interesting mechanical contrivances.

Straight ahead is the doorway to the polysided room which houses the new Model 60 D, 50,000-watt transmitting apparatus. A 40-foot panel of modern design, almost bisects the room, and in front of the panel stands a control console at which the operation engineer is stationed. Transformers in Vault. A walk bordered by a railing, and by a glass shield to the rear of the panel, leads completely

around the room, so that practically all of the mechanical operations of the transmitter may be seen by a visitor.

To the rear of the panel, there is a well to the foundation floor of the building, which gives full view of the equipment in operation, with the exception of the large transformers, which are housed in a concrete vault for branch off the central section of the building. One provides office space for engineers, and the other includes a laboratory, a storage room, and a complete bachelor apartment.

POULTRY MEN INVITED TO FREE MEET

All poultrymen in Torrance and vicinity are cordially invited to attend the free instructive meeting, followed by refreshments, which is to be held in the Odd Fellows hall in Lomita at 2017 Redondo-Wilmington boulevard (Highway 101), next Monday night, Aug. 15, at 8 o'clock. The principal speaker will be J. L. Shaw, who covers the Arizona, New Mexico and California territory for the California Milling company, makers of Ace-Hi feeds. Shaw will lead a discussion of poultry conditions, treatment of diseases and marketing problems. There will be no charge of any kind, those in charge of the program state.

Valuation Here Now 20 1/2 Million

(Continued from Page 1-A) total assessed valuation was \$18,054,595.

The city's general fund will be raised from an assessment of 26 cents—four cents more than last year altho the total municipal levies for both tax districts will remain the same. This will bring \$176,300 into the city coffers. In preparing the 1938-39 budget, the city council had estimated this income at \$163,004 on the basis of the 1937-38 valuation.

At the same time, Bartlett learned that the assessed valuation of the Torrance Municipal Ward district, created July 1, 1937 had increased \$44,300. The valuation this year for the improvement district which is served by the municipal water system is \$1,834,760 as compared to \$1,790,460 in 1937-38.

City Vote Total Hits New Peak

(Continued from Page 1) and Decline-to-State, 121. Lomita's total four years ago was but 2,738, of whom 1,640 were Democrats and 898 were Republicans.

The 68th assembly district, in which this community is located, has a total registration of 39,068 for the Aug. 30 primary election. Democrats are in the majority here, only two districts, the 47th and 48th, embracing Pasadena and Altadena, having a Republican majority. In the 68th district, there are 28,444 Democrats and only 8,998 Republicans registered.

No Special Vote On Courthouse Bond Issue

The board of supervisors will not spend \$225,000 for a special election, merely to hasten by a few weeks the decision of the voters on a proposed bond issue for a new county courthouse. Chairman Roger W. Jessup said this week. PWA officials in Washington had insisted that the county must vote on the bond issue before the agency will approve the structure as a Federal project.

Jessup said he believed the PWA should be willing to wait until the general election. Nov. 8. The courthouse is scheduled to cost \$9,000,000 with the county financing 55 percent of the cost and the agency 45 percent.

The new KNX transmitter was designed by the architectural firm of Parkinson and Parkinson, under the supervision of Middlebrooks. The William Simpson Construction company were the contractors, and equipped with RCA apparatus throughout.

Is Independent Unit. The building, according to Middlebrooks, is probably the sturdiest of its kind in America. It is practically disaster proof, and in case of emergency insures Los Angeles of communication with the outside world. The structure is built in two sections separated by a six-inch expansion joint and will withstand a far greater lateral shock than has ever been recorded. Middlebrooks believes that the building could be rolled over on its side, and still hold together.

In case of emergency, the transmitter is so designed that it could operate independent of outside sources. It has its own well and water supply, and the water is utilized to both cool and heat the plant. In case of a power interruption in the two lines, each of which carries 16,500 volts, a 185 horsepower gasoline engine is installed to automatically supply 50,000 watts of power. Also a receiving set is provided, so if the telephone lines which carry the programs to the transmitter from the studio were cut off, the programs could be short-waved to the transmitter, and rebroadcast.

Has High Efficiency. Every precaution has been taken for the safety of employees and visitors. Every piece of steel and metal in the building has been grounded. Also, each door leading to live electrical lines has been equipped with both an automatic electrical, and a mechanical switch, which grounds the power. A fence approximately 50 yards in diameter was erected around the base of the tower to keep persons a safe distance from possible shock.

The entire transmitter building is of functional design, and includes the most recent developments in radio science, some of which have never been used before, such as the negative feedback, which reduces harmonic distortion and carrier hum to a minimum. This transmitter, Middlebrooks predicts, will operate at 75 percent efficiency, as compared to 26 percent for the average plant, and will radiate programs with higher fidelity than the modern radio set is designed to receive.

Beacon on Tower. The 490-foot mast is also constructed that it will withstand lateral earth shocks, and also winds of 120 miles per hour velocity. It is a uniform cross-section, guyed, vertical steel tower. It is supported by a porcelain insulated base which rests on a concrete foundation. A copper mat of 130,000 feet of wire at the foot of the mast aids the conductivity of the radio waves.

At the top of the tower is a beacon which flashes 40 times every minute, and which, on a clear day, is visible for a distance of from 20 to 30 miles. Other safety lights are located on the six gys which support the tower, and all beacons are automatically illuminated by a photo-electric coil when visibility becomes dim.

Preliminary tests have been conducted to the satisfaction of engineers in charge, and according to Thornburg, it will be a matter of only a few weeks before the \$50,000 transmitter is operating as a unit of the new CBS facilities in Southern California.

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