

### Medical Science Wonders on View at Exposition

The newest wonders of medical science, including treatment of contagious diseases, prevention of disease and the latest in surgical and medical innovations will be exhibited to the public during the Health Defense Exposition of the Los Angeles County Medical Association at the Shrine Auditorium Feb. 2 to 9.

Blood plasma or blood banks used to store human blood for transfusions to save human life will be a feature of the exhibit as will prevention, treatment and cure of tuberculosis, and detection and cure of social diseases and various contagious diseases, according to Dr. L. A. Aleson, secretary of the medical association.

In addition a feature of the opening night of the Health Defense Exposition will be the public exhibition of the testing of human heart beats through use of the electrocardiograph and other scientific instruments used by doctors of medicine.

Open Day and Evening In testing the human heart beats before the eyes of the audience three young women will become the guinea pigs for this part of the exposition, so the audience will be able to hear their actual heart beats and the lecturer will explain just what differences there are and what it means to the health of the person examined.

The famous Vokloder, which reproduces the sounds of the human vocal cords in action, will also be exhibited twice daily with a comprehensive lecture on its operation and uses. Plastic surgery, heart surgery, brain surgery and other operations important to public health will be shown in colored motion pictures and diet and nutrition vital to the health of school children and adults will be shown for the public.

A new development in medical science—a portable artificial lung—which permits the patient, child or adult, to move around every day while at the same time receiving the benefits of artificial lung stimulation will also be on display.

Dentists, druggists, the Los Angeles school health program and various surgical, medical and pharmaceutical displays will be open day and evening for the entire eight days.

### Thomas On Five Assembly Groups

Assemblyman Vincent Thomas (D) of this district has been named on five assembly committees for 1941. They are: Commerce and Navigation with Thomas A. Maloney (R) San Francisco, chairman; Direct Legislation, headed by Randal F. Dickey (R) Alameda as head; Manufacturers, chairmaned by Fred N. Howser (R) Long Beach; Mileage, Roger Alton Pfaff (R) Los Angeles, chairman, and River Navigation, Reclamation and Flood Control, whose chairman is Franklin J. Potter (R) of Los Angeles.

The selection of assembly committees left the administration holding the small end of the sack, on the basis of how members voted for assembly speaker. The "stacking" of committees by the Olson forces in 1939 was considered quite drastic but the composition followed the same tactics, if not more severe, in 1941.

In 1939, the vital ways and means committee had about 17 administration members and 4 Republicans. When the "economy bloc" turned the tables in 1940, the ratio was about reversed. But at this session, there were no administration men named, although two or three were former Olsonites who had switched. This committee handles the budget.

The municipal corporations and public utilities committees were heavily padded with anti-administration members unfriendly to public power bills and revenue bond measures. The social service committee has only two or three Olsonites out of 15 members.

**AW, GRANNY** Ninety-nine percent of necks are traceable to the mouth, declares Dr. Charles Gordon Heyd. "Neckers will have to cut out kissing," says Grandina.

**80 POUND PUMPKIN** LOVELAND, Colo. (UP)—J. H. Rust today displayed the "daddy of 'em all" pumpkin—weight 82 pounds. The huge "pie material" measured 19 inches in height, 22 inches wide—with a midriff of 63 inches.

### PEACE OFFICERS TO INSTALL NEW PRESIDENT



California Peace Officers Civil Service Association will induct a new president Monday, January 27 at Topsy's, Chief of Police Charles J. Miller, left, retires after two terms; Chief of Police Frank L. Scott of Monterey is the new president to be installed. A. Beldon Gilbert, right, who has served since the inception of the organization returns as Executive Secretary. Other officers are: 1st Vice President, K. H. Blackburn, Maywood Chief of Police; 2nd Vice President, Charles L. Dine, Deputy Sheriff, Santa Monica; 3rd Vice President, Roy Starnard, Sergeant of Huntington Park Police, now deceased; 4th Vice President, O. G. Mitchell, Sergeant of Inglewood Police. Lieutenant A. P. Wilson of Huntington Park serves as Secretary-Treasurer, a post he has held since 1935.

### LYNWOOD POLICE CHIEF'S RETIREMENT FROM PRESIDENCY OF STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION MARKS COMPLETION OF 2 SUCCESSFUL TERMS; SUCCESSOR WILL BE INSTALLED JAN. 27

One of the most successful administrative terms in the history of the Peace Officers Civil Service Association will come to an end on January 27, when, Chief of Police, Charles J. Miller, of Lynwood relinquishes the presidency of the organization to Chief of Police, Frank L. Scott, of Monterey. Miller, who has seen the organization through some trying times, with the able help of A. Beldon Gilbert, executive secretary, retires from the high office after two terms.

Miller's time at the helm of the organization has seen the membership grow from 1400 members in about 40 cities in the southern part of the State, to 4000 members in more than 157 cities and

virtually every county of the entire State. The latest addition to the organization was a mass induction of the city employees of Santa Cruz. The organization is ever striving for the betterment of relations between the public, officials and city employees of the municipal bodies.

Through the cooperation of the "League of California Cities", composed of all elective officers of the State's cities, a bill was passed through the legislature clarifying the status of various civil service ordinances tending to give the people more efficient city employees.

The latest cities to install civil service for their municipal employees are Roseville, Burbank,

Gardena, Bell, Arcadia and Redondo Beach. Close cooperation was given in each instance by the organization.

Thousands of dollars have been saved for many of the cities by the organization thru the method of conducting examinations for Civil Service Employees. The organization has pushed the use of the county Civil Service Board to handle all examinations, thus eliminating all possibility of local politics interfering. In the cities using this method there has been no complaint or appeal of any kind in the past four years.

Latest "pet program" of Chief Miller has been the sponsorship by the organization of a "mounted patrol" first unit was inducted at Hermosa Beach recently.

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**S. C. to Have Its Way** Assemblyman Frederick Houser of Alhambra was named chairman of the reapportionment committee, which will have much to say regarding legislation coming out on the floor.

The committee was based on one member for each of the 20 congressional districts in the state, which gives the south a slight edge if there is a show-down.

It is almost safe to bet that when the smoke clears away, Southern California will get just about as much as it started out for.

The tail of Cunningham's comet is estimated to be 1,600,000 miles long.

### Revamping of County Lines Is Complicated by Reapportionment Fight In California Legislature

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SACRAMENTO, Jan. 23 (U.P.)—Every time the legislature meets, the old suggestion that California's counties be revamped is trotted out for inspection, polished off, and usually forgotten again until the next legislature comes around. This year, the problem is further complicated by the impending fight over reapportionment on the basis of the 1940 census.

Assemblyman Augustus Hawkins of Los Angeles believes that the 58 counties should be revamped into nine general subdivisions, or some such number. He introduced a constitutional amendment giving the legislature power to consolidate two or more counties, on grounds the present machinery for consolidations must be initiated by counties involved. Hawkins conceded that dropping down to nine counties might be too drastic but said the amendment would be the opening wedge toward eliminating "the present overlapping and duplication of 58 counties."

Some legislators feel that five general areas would be even more economical and sensible to administer the state. There will be various proposals in the hopper before adjournment.

**Lacks Fifth Member** The reapportionment fight is getting more involved with each day of the session. The Northern California delegation, particularly those from San Francisco, are quite certain that Los Angeles will be in the driver's seat to nab one of the three new congressmen and two or three new assemblymen. The population increase was much heavier in the south than the north.

It may be that the north will try to stymie progress of the reapportionment bills through the legislature. The constitution provides that if the legislature does not act, a reapportionment commission takes over the job. If this commission does not act, either, then nothing is done until at least 1943.

The commission is set up for five members but there are only four actual officials holding office—Attorney General Earl Warren, superintendent of public instruction Walter F. Dexter, Lieutenant Governor Ellis E. Patterson

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### CITIZENSHIP PROOF MADE EASIER NOW

Help for the many older persons experiencing difficulty in proving citizenship due to inability to locate birth certificates is being offered by the United States Bureau of Census, advises County Health Department Chief Statistician, R. G. Webster.

A complete index of certain counts, particularly in the 1900 records, has been prepared and a report can be secured confirming the age given at the time of enumeration and the residence address at that time by applying to the Census Bureau. Special forms for such application have been prepared by the Census Bureau and may be secured without charge by writing to that bureau in Washington, D. C., according to Webster.

This service has been used with success by many thousands of people after all other acceptable means of proving their ages have been unavailable, Webster reports. At the present time, the large number of requests has caused a delay in replies, so a reasonable amount of time should be allowed.

Anyone wishing additional information relative to this procedure is invited to call at Webster's office, Room No. 164, Hall of Justice, Los Angeles, where a limited supply of brochures giving information, concerning birth certificates is available.

**DRIVES NEW CARS ONLY** DETROIT, (UP)—Dennis Denomy estimates that he has driven more than a quarter of a million new cars in the last 14 years without an accident. Denomy's job is driving cars off the final assembly line at a local automobile plant.

Certain fish are known to have lived as long as 267 years.



**GETS 98-CENT PAY CHECK . . .** A. P. Giannini, founder and chairman of the board of Bank of America, is shown receiving his pay check for the entire year 1940 from A. Fenton, vice president and personnel director of the bank. Giannini's annual salary is one dollar, but two cents was deducted for social security and unemployment insurance. The check was delivered as he announced his retirement as chairman of the general executive committee of Bank of America's board of directors. He remains as chairman of the board, but insists his role in the future will be merely that of a "family watchdog."

**LUMBER OUTPUT** Approximately one-half the lumber output of the Dominion of Canada comes from the province of British Columbia.

Amateur photographers in America use some 26,000,000 cameras and take upwards of 800,000,000 pictures a year.

**AND SQUARE, TOO** Remaining on the level, we are reminded, will make it possible to avoid a lot of the ups-and-downs of life.

American cemeteries are filled with people once willing to swear they were better drivers after the fourth drink.

### Defense First In Federal Road Aid

California and other states receiving Federal aid appropriations this year are being asked to give first priority in their road programs to access roads to camps and defense plants, and second priority to work on the strategic system.

California will receive \$5,478,098 in Federal aid funds for expenditures under the supervision of the Public Roads Administration for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

Letters addressed to Greece must now be carried around the Cape of Good Hope into the Indian ocean and thence overland through Iran and Turkey.

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