

### Joe Miles Hurt In Fog Crash

A head-on collision shortly after midnight last Friday on Western avenue near the golf course resulted in serious injuries to Joe Miles, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Miles of 2905 Andros avenue, and two other boys residing in Los Angeles.

Young Miles is confined at Torrance Memorial hospital, where he was taken following emergency treatment with the other victims at the Hawthorne emergency hospital. His left hip was dislocated, two front teeth knocked out and he suffered severe face and body cuts and bruises. The other boys' injuries consisted of serious cuts and bruises. The driver of the other car was John Conley, 716 West 101st street, Los Angeles.

The local youth, who is employed at the North American Aviation plant, was enroute home from Los Angeles alone in his car. The road was obscured by a dense fog and he says he did not see the other machine until it loomed up directly in front of his car. Both machines were practically demolished.

Miss Lorraine Miles, sister of Joe Miles, drove by the scene of the collision shortly after it occurred. She fainted when she saw her brother in the wreckage.

### January Building Totals \$23,975

New construction here last month started the year slightly better than the first month's building of 1940, according to a report at the city engineer's office. The January building permits totaled \$23,975 as compared with \$23,010 for the same initial month of 1940.

The all-time January record in construction here belongs to the first month in 1938 when, because of the boom in the South Torrance oil field, building permits totaled \$1,811,950.

During January 1941 eight new homes, costing \$20,000 were started. Other building included 11 non-residential structures, \$2,925; one alteration and repair job, \$490, and two demolitions, \$800.

### E. Torrance C. C. Meeting is Feb. 11

The regular meeting of the East Torrance Chamber of Commerce will be held at Gene Hamilton's office, 1612 Carson street, Tuesday evening, Feb. 11. All those interested in improving the district are invited to attend, according to Rev. B. H. Lingenfelter, secretary.

London's great fire in 1666 destroyed four-fifths of the city.

### 12,348 Plates Out of Torrance

A total of 12,348 sets of 1941 motor license plates were distributed from the Torrance branch office of the State Motor Vehicle Department from Jan. 2 to Feb. 4 inclusive, Manager Leonard E. Tristram reported yesterday as he finished packing up supplies used here and left for the Los Angeles office.

Collections amounted \$93,499.15, he said. While the total number of plates and collections were less than last year (14,809 license plate sets issued, \$102,232 collected in 1940), the local office proved highly satisfactory to motor vehicle department officials, Tristram said.

The reason why fewer plates were issued is because a San Pedro branch was operated this year and thus accommodated motorists in that area.

A break-down of the plate total shows that 11,107 sets were issued here for automobiles, 553 for pneumatic commercial trucks, 554 for pneumatic trailers and 34 for motorcycles.

The largest number of plates issued in any one day were handed out Monday when 1,179 sets were distributed and \$8,067 received in fees, Manager Tristram reported. The number of plates issued was about 300 more than the record day's business last year, he said.

RED-WHITE MAY BE 1942 COLORS

The familiar black and orange California license plates may be replaced in 1942 by maroon and white tags, it was indicated this week by department of motor vehicle officials. Tests made in a national survey show that the red and white combination is the most easily spotted for both day and night driving.

### SCHOOL ENROLLMENT HERE 2,290 AS NEW TERM BEGINS

An increase of 165 pupils in Torrance schools — and 90 in Lomita's institutions — over the enrollment at the beginning of the 1940-41 term last fall was noted this week when school children began the second semester. The present enrollment is 40 more than were registered for the opening day of the second semester last year in Torrance and three more in Lomita. Here are the comparative registration figures:

School	Monday	Feb. 1940	School Year
Torrance High	855	850	827
Torrance Elementary	551	844	778
Fern Avenue	315	285	290
Walteria	116	120	105
Perry School	143	151	125
<b>TORRANCE TOTAL</b>	<b>2,090</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>2,125</b>
<b>SCHOOLS IN LOMITA DISTRICT</b>			
Narbonne High	1,102	1,104	1,050
Lomita Elementary	410	400	480
Orange Street	339	354	340
Harbor City	207	297	270
<b>LOMITA TOTAL</b>	<b>2,158</b>	<b>2,155</b>	<b>2,068</b>

### Model Home In Harbor Hills Low Rent Unit Ready

Preparations for the opening of a demonstration home at the Harbor Hills low-rent housing development toward the end of this month are well under way, officials of the County Housing Authority reported today. The two-bedroom home will be located in a building at the southwest corner of Palos Verdes Drive and Western avenue.

Except for a few minor installations, this building has been completed. The exterior has been painted a light apricot color, with a terra cotta band at the base. Doors are green.

The demonstration home will be furnished largely with articles produced by the home planning class of Narbonne high school. Principal John E. Abbott approved this activity of the class because of its value in teaching students the nature and purpose of low-rent housing.

### Expect Many Visitors

Officials of the housing authority expect that the demonstration home will attract a large number of visitors. They pointed out that more than 20,000 persons have inspected the demonstration home at the Carmelitos low-rent housing development in North Long Beach.

A rental office will be opened shortly before the demonstration home at Harbor Hills is opened, or possibly at the same time. This will be located in the same building as the model unit.

One other building in the 300-unit development has been painted. This is the community building, on the northwest corner of Palos Verdes Drive and Western avenue. It will contain offices of the superintendent and a large social hall. Exterior of the building is eggshell color.

Much Work Remains

Besides light apricot and eggshell, the other colors chosen for the exteriors of the 52 buildings in the \$1,300,000 development are buff and light green. Interiors will be cream, buff and green.

Work remaining to be done on the development includes grading and paving of parking areas and walks, landscaping, painting of exteriors on 50 buildings, installation of fixtures and equipment, and minor construction.

No date has been announced for the opening of the project. Officials said that the project would not be completed before late spring or early summer. The Harbor Hills development will be for families with limited income who have been living in over-crowded or run-down homes because of inability to find suitable accommodations at rents they can afford to pay.

### HOW TO PLAY SAFE WHEN FLYING KITES

Play safe when flying kites—that is the advice of the Southern California Edison Company to children, according to C. C. Bartlett, manager for the company in this territory.

"Observance of the following safety rules will not prevent from this fun and may prevent accidents," Bartlett said.

1. Fly kites only in open fields away from electric lines. Choose the spot carefully and remember that the kite string travels at an angle and may pass over lines some distance away.
2. Make a kite string of fabric cord. Never use wire, tinseel or cord with metal strands. Do not use a cord that has become damp from rain or fog.
3. If your kite catches in an electric line—let go! Do not pull it, or climb the pole to bring it down. Telephone, electric, telephone or street railway company to which the line belongs, and a lineman with proper equipment will come to take the kite down safely.
4. Parents, teachers and leaders of juvenile organizations are urged to emphasize these rules to children, so that the happy kite-flying season may be free of hazards.

### Second Series of Sex Education Lectures Booked in Redondo

Many parents who last fall booked the second series of Mrs. Hasbrook's Sex Education Lectures will be glad to know that this series will start Thursday evening, Feb. 13, at 7:30 p. m. This splendid lecturer spoke last fall to audiences of 300 parents and teachers whose enthusiastic response prompted the Redondo Beach Evening High School to schedule Mrs. Hasbrook in her second series of lectures dealing with the problems of adolescence. The subject of the first lecture will be "Sex Awareness in Adolescence."

Mrs. Hasbrook, staff lecturer with the Institute of Family Relations, for many years spoke throughout the East and has attracted large audiences in Southern California. Her lectures will continue for six consecutive weeks and are open to the public free of charge. They are held in the auditorium of the high school in Redondo Beach.

### BARTLETT ILL

Ill for more than a week from influenza, City Clerk A. H. Bartlett left Friday for the desert. He is expected to return to his duties Monday if his health permits.

### Cory Coffee Maker to Be Demonstrated at Nat'l Appliance

Ever attend a real old-fashioned "Koffee Klatch"? If you haven't you've missed a lot of good things so eat topped off by delicious coffee. But you can enjoy a modern version of that old-time social at the National Home Appliance store, 1238 Sartori avenue, Monday, Feb. 10, from 10 a. m. until 5 p. m.

At that time a demonstrator will serve as host (or maybe it will be a hostess) and show how the "best coffee in the world" is brewed by a Cory Coffee Maker. Everyone is invited to come and find out how to make a good cup of coffee every time—the Cory way.

Crushed peanuts are used for cattle feed in Brazil.

### Radio 'Studio' Accommodates Club Here

An excellent replica of a small radio studio is being finished today at the Arlington avenue Recreation center for use of the recently formed Radio Club which will hold its third class there tonight from 7 to 9 o'clock. The dozen or so members of the group are studying radio technique and tonight will enact roles from a dramatic script.

The actors will appear before microphones in a glass-enclosed booth while the director of the club, Howard Chase, and his assistants, Miss Maxine Tucker and Frank Gerstle, all of Los Angeles, will direct the production from outside.

Director Chase will have a microphone before him, whose loud-speaker will be in the "radio studio" so the actors, sound effects operators and announcers can hear his instructions. Loud-speakers connected with the "studio" microphones will carry the production sounds out into the main portion of the recreation building.

The Radio Club is open to any one interested in radio acting, production, sound effects, commenting, announcing or directing. The group meets every Thursday night at 7 o'clock and the entire project is under supervision of Dale Riley, city recreation director.

### Dazzling Drama of Exotic East In Korda Film

With Sabu, Conrad Veidt, June Duprez and John Justin heading a cast of thousands, Alexander Korda's mighty Technicolor spectacle, "The Thief of Bagdad," will open at the Plaza theatre in Hawthorne Saturday for a four-day run. This picture, which was nearly two years in the making, was photographed entirely in natural color and represents an outlay of more than \$2,000,000. Started before the war and completed in America's Grand Canyon, "The Thief of Bagdad" is said to be marked for a place among the film achievements of all time.

In addition to its romantic love story, its vast canvas of pictorial sweep and color, its Arabian Nights magnificence, this new Korda production is highlighted by a new kind of photography which brings to the screen for the first time an impressive array of magic devices.

As the story unfolds in the Eastern cities of Bagdad and Basra and focuses on the exciting romance of the Prince of Bagdad and the Princess of Basra, the amazing thief of Bagdad and the wily magician Jaffar engage in a thrilling battle of wits and magic.

### Sons of Legion Plan Big Meet Here on June 7

At a meeting of all committee chairmen connected with the Fourth Area Assembly of the Sons of the Legion, scheduled to be held in Torrance June 7, further plans for the convolve were perfected Tuesday night at Robert Lewellen's home. Lewellen is general chairman of the Assembly. More than 1,500 Sons and Legionnaires are expected to participate in the all-day gathering here which will begin at 8 a. m. Wayland Harrison has been named secretary of the assembly. He is a member of the Torrance squadron.

First on the program will be caucuses and commission meetings, followed by the general assembly and election of officers. In the afternoon there will be competitions for color guards, marching units, bands, drum and bugle corps. A parade will follow. Twenty-seven bands, drum and bugle corps, including the famed San Gabriel Post drum and bugle organization, have been invited to participate. A dance will conclude the day-long program.

### Townsend Club Activities By Beth Paige

The chicken dinner last Friday evening was a successful venture, 125 persons were served, many being members of other clubs. Three reels of motion pictures and speeches constituted the entertainment. Dancing filled the balance of the evening.

Mrs. Moran is still confined to her room, although now is at home from the hospital.

Thus far no membership drive is being contemplated, the meeting tomorrow night will follow routine lines.



### Army Recruit Has Hearing On Theft Charge Here Friday

On a furlough from the Army, Manuel Alvarez, 29, of 2219 1/2 208th street, is scheduled to have a preliminary hearing tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock before Judge Robert Lessing on charges of theft and misdemeanor.

He has been at liberty on \$150 bail since his arrest at Fort MacArthur Jan. 27, four days after he joined the Army as a volunteer and left here with a contingent of 10 other volunteers and 11 draftees on Jan. 20.

Alvarez is accused of cashing a friend's pay check. His furlough is scheduled to expire Feb. 10.

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### Western Ballroom Opens Saturday

The Western Ballroom, formerly known as the California Ballroom, at 148th and Western avenue is holding its grand opening Saturday night with music by Eddie Berger and his Rhythm orchestra. Old-time and modern dancing may be enjoyed there for a small admission charge every Saturday night. The floor is said to be one of the best in the Harbor district.

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