

Keeping Up of Homes Urged by Uncle Sam

Does your home need a new roof? Uncle Sam says get one. Get a new floor if it's needed. Make any other required repairs and maintain the house in good condition. Do any or all of these things without regard to cost if your pocketbook agrees and without the necessity of obtaining either Federal Housing Administration approval or a War Production Board certificate.

While architectural style cannot be changed that does not mean replacements must be identical with the original item. For instance, a worn-out roof need not be replaced with exactly the same kind, and so on down the line.

There is a ready supply of materials for the general run of repairs and maintenance apart from items on the critical list which require priority order.

Rule Clarified
New clarification by the War Production Board of its building regulation, known as L-11, regarding the mentioned and other privileges helps keep the gate open for a considerable amount of building activity. And it fits in with the well-considered theory that keeping a dwelling in first-class condition safeguards occupants, protects realty valuation, strengthens economic stability generally and makes home owning all the more pleasant even in these days of war stress.

Repairs and maintenance of existing structures into multiple war-housing rental use come under a different governmental setup.

Repairs and maintenance should not be confused with other new construction on which cost limitation and priority rule have been placed. New construction for improvement of a single-family dwelling, if it does not involve repair or maintenance, can be done up to cost limitation of \$200 without F.H.A. approval or W.P.B. priority certificate.

For structures containing six or more units the limit is \$1000. The amount of labor must be included unless you do the work yourself. Use of critical material calls for priority order.

Replacement Allowed
If the expenditure runs over the stated cost limitations, a W.P.B. priority certificate must be obtained.

The wear and tear of time are not the only reasons for repairs. If replacements are to be made because of fire, earthquake or storm, authorization must be obtained from the F.H.A. because, it is explained, such restoration may involve new construction that calls for official permit.

Repairs and brand-new construction can be coupled without priority certificate if in accord with the stated limitations.

You can go right ahead and build a poultry house if you want to if the building code permits and the cost does not exceed \$200 but otherwise you need a priority order. Materials for such building are readily available.

Priority permit for a new dwelling does not include a garage unless its floor area is included in the amount of floor space allowed for the house. Earlier this year the W.P.B. issued a ruling that one-bedroom units could be built under F. H. A. authority and W.P.B. priority to a maximum of 650 square feet, two-bedroom units to maximum of 800 square feet and three-bedroom units to maximum of 1000 square feet, these amounts representing an increase of approximately 10 per cent over the space previously permitted in each instance.

Legion Post Gets Temporary 'Home'
Homeless since the 1941 quake badly damaged their attractive clubhouse on Carson st., Torrance, American Legionnaires have met in private homes, offices, stores and almost everywhere else but on street curbs until now.

Commander Charles Dunham announced—with some relief—that this week the post has rented quarters at the corner of Harvard and Carson st., in the Shoestring strip for the regular first and third Tuesday at 8 o'clock. The building is also used as headquarters for air raid wardens in the adjoining "strip."

DINNER HOSTS
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rhone entertained at dinner Saturday evening for Mr. and Mrs. W. Hinshaw. Bridge was the evening diversion. Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Felker were their dinner guests Thursday evening.

Crossing Guard Asks Pay Raise

Reviving the phrase "high cost of living" that was popularly briefed to "H.C.L." during World War I, Mrs. Cecilia H. Young, a crossing guard, appealed to the city council Tuesday night for an increase in pay.

"The present high cost of living makes it difficult for me to carry on on my salary," she wrote and explained that she had been a crossing guard (at Torrance and Crenshaw blvds.) for the last 17 months with only one pay raise. Crossing guards, originally employed at 50 cents an hour, now receive 60 cents. Police Chief John Stroh reported. The chief was instructed to find out what the county is paying its crossing guards and report at the next council meeting.

California Leads in CD Training

California leads all other states in the training of Civilian Defense workers at War Department Civilian Protection schools, according to information received Monday by Police Chief John Stroh. The percentage of trained workers in this state is 13.9 as compared to Nevada, 13.6; Washington, 11.8; Rhode Island, 10.1, and Massachusetts, 4.8, according to the State Civilian Defense Council's report.

Four Torrance men have taken the Army training course—Chief Stroh, Sergt Tom Perkin, Major Fred A. Tiffany and Engineer Roy Winters of the fire department.

DINNER GUESTS
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Moyer and their daughter, Mrs. Robert Mowry, were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hopley at Glendale.

WEEKEND GUESTS
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McQuaid and son, Jack, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gent Sturgeon at Rancho Sespe in Ventura county.

TO SHOW MOVIES
Miss Doris Worrell will screen travel motion pictures and other entertaining films at 7:30 p. m. Sunday service at the First Christian church here.

Sh! Don't Tell Anyone, but There's More Meat Available

Improved supplies of meat in shortage areas accompanied invocation of the new standard ceiling prices on beef this week.

Samuel Leask, Jr., regional O.P.A. administrator, was authorized to permit increased slaughtering quotas for sections where the shortage has been most seriously felt.

The new ceiling price schedules apply within Los Angeles county, south of the Santa Clara river and the San Gabriel mountains. It required meat retailers to post price cards on each cut, or on the platter holding such cuts of meat.

These cards, said Leask, must state the type of cut, the grade and price per pound. No platter may contain more than one grade or type of cut.

Maximum prices are in two schedules, one for stores whose annual gross business volume is less than \$250,000 and the other for chain stores and outlets whose volume exceeds that figure. Twenty-eight uniform cuts are priced in each schedule, and these range from a peak of 74 cents per pound for grade AA port-hushe steak to 32 cents per pound for hamburger, in the smaller stores.

Five cents a pound may be added on all cuts for kosher meat. The uniform ceiling prices, says the O.P.A., were ordered as a test, preparatory to meat rationing next Monday.

Vegetables For Victory

You Can't Beat Beans

Beans are one of the three highest food producing vegetables. They pay dividends throughout the whole summer in fresh vegetables. Because they are not particular about their soil requirements and produce generously in unfavorable soil conditions, the beans are a foremost crop for the home gardener. They can be eaten fresh or dried. You will find that the soil planted to beans will be richer after harvesting because of the nitrogen-fixing nodules on the bean roots.

Since beans are warm weather plants, remember that the soil and air must be warm before planting. Do not be in too much of a hurry to plant. Most areas of Southern California, except near the coast, should be planted from April to August. For the average family, do not plant more than 20-foot rows, otherwise you will have more beans than you can eat.

Drivers' Tests Renewed Here

Resuming a service that was withdrawn from Torrance four years ago, the State Motor Vehicle Department announced this week that it has arranged to have deputies at the Torrance police headquarters two days a month to give drivers' examinations and issue licenses both new and renewals starting Monday, April 12.

The drivers' license service will be available every second and fourth Monday from 10 a. m. to 12 noon and from 2 to 4 p. m., according to information received by Police Chief John Stroh today.

Last Zoning Hearing Set by City Council

The last of three public hearings on the proposed change of zoning for a large portion of the Vista Highlands tract from the A-1 and R-1 classification to the R-3 bracket to permit multiple housing development will be conducted by the city council at 8 p. m., April 5.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Finlayson were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Anderson of Los Angeles.



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How to Start 'Em
Beans are divided into two groups, pole and bush. The most common pole bean is the Kentucky Wonder will-resistant brown or white seeded. The most common bush varieties are improved Butter Wax and Stringless Canadian Wonder.

After all danger of frost is past, soak the soil to a depth of 8 inches, spade, grade, and level. Mark rows 24 inches apart for bush varieties and 36 inches apart for pole varieties. Open a shallow furrow or trench and drop dry seed into the trench four or seven inches apart. Cover to a depth of 1/2 inch. Seed leaves should appear in five or ten days.

Do not irrigate or sprinkle after the initial soaking until the plants are three to four inches high, then irrigate lightly. Follow this with a dusting of sulphur (in the early morning) and cultivate lightly. As plants mature, draw soil against them from both sides. This will give support to the plant and form a trench for irrigation. Dust every two weeks to control appearance of mildew or rust.

Pole Lima Popular
Plants should be thinned from six to ten inches apart in the row. Use stakes on the pole varieties and be sure that they are placed in the rows when the signs of the first tendrils appear.

Pole lima beans are very popular with the home gardeners. Fordhook Pole is about the best variety to plant for moderate success. Follow the same cultural conditions as for the pole beans. Remember in planting the furrows for the rows, that they should be about three feet apart.

Place the seed on edge with the eye up, four inches apart in the row, to insure good germination. Fertilize heavily with a side dressing of complete commercial fertilizer. Dusting, as in the pole beans, is necessary. Lima beans will continue to produce until November frosts.

Can Be Dried
To get better results from your planting, inoculate your bean seeds by dusting them with some inexpensive inoculant sold by local seedsmen. These dried and stored for the winter inoculants enable the bean root nodules to store up more nitrogen than otherwise would be in the nodules of their roots. Remember quality vegetables are worth of that all surplus beans can be your effort and time.

Do your part in this food production program by producing quality vegetables worthy of your effort and time.

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