

CHRISTMAS SEAL SALES

To date the 1943 Christmas Seal sale is showing splendid returns according to Charles C. Reed, treasurer of the combined Christmas Seal fund. At the close of the first week of December \$105,915.12 has been received.

A Shipment Just Arrived of Enamelware

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Hurry . . . If You Want Some of the Cold Rolled Steel Kitchen Utensils!



New Cory Rubberless Glass Coffee Brewer

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TORRANCE HARDWARE CO.

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Narbonne Hi Faculty Member In Hospital

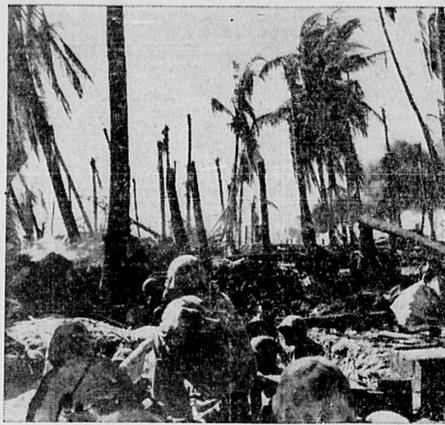
Taking advantage of the Christmas holidays, Levi Stump, science teacher at Narbonne high school, went to the Torrance hospital for an operation he has needed for some time. Mrs. Stump advises that he was on the table for an hour and a half last Saturday, but that he has recovered as well as could be expected and hopes to be home within a few days.

The Stumps have lived in Lomita for many years. Mr. Stump being number two on the list of the Narbonne faculty in point of service.

His legion of friends will be glad to hear that he will soon be in circulation.



- Military Toys
- Wooden Toys
- Archery Sets
- Scooters
- Dolls and Doll Houses
- Games
- Puzzles
- Crayon and Paint Sets
- Story Books
- Checkers and Oodles of Other Gifts for Children



THOROUGH JOB . . . of destruction done by shells from U.S. destroyers is shown here as Marines move up close to buildings leveled by fire on Tarawa Island. Black smoke in background is from oil dump set afire by direct hit.

PENSION BILL HIKED

Old-age pension payments in October were nearly \$1,700,000 more than those of June, with some 4700 more persons collecting pensions, Charles Wollenberg, director of social welfare, reported.

WOE FOR BUNCO ARTISTS

Edwin M. Daugherty, commissioner of corporations, reported that a newly organized fraud prevention bureau in the corporations division has begun operations to halt bunco artists in California.

LaMode Furniture Store
1513 Cabrillo Ave.

Wishes Each and Everyone
A Very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

I WISH TO PERSONALLY THANK OUR CUSTOMERS FOR THEIR PATRONAGE DURING THE PAST YEAR.
GASTON J. ARCO.

Chief McMaster Cautions About Christmas Fires

"I attend more Christmas parties than Santa Claus," J. E. McMaster, Torrance fire chief, said today. "But as long as people ignore fire hazards during the Christmas season, the department is bound to be kept on the run trying to cope with all the fires that break out."

"Take the matter of Christmas trees. People used to decorate them with lighted candles, forunately that dangerous practice has been almost discontinued in favor of electric lights. But electric lights themselves have certain dangers. Before installing lights on your tree, check the wiring to see that it is in good condition, and make sure that lamps fit securely in sockets so that no metallic parts are exposed."

"Keep the tree fresh by cutting off the stump at an angle and setting it in a pan of water. Fasten the tree securely, and place it a safe distance from the fireplace, and away from radiators to prevent its drying out. Don't let it block a doorway. Remove the tree before it becomes dry, and place it where the trash collector can pick it up."

Among other things that the chief warned householders to guard against are accumulations of wrapping paper, cartons and other combustible materials under the tree. Non-inflammable decorations — glass, asbestos or fire-proof materials — should be used where possible instead of paper, cotton and pyroxylin. Santa Claus whiskers and elaborate children's costumes have caused many a Christmas fire tragedy.

"Use common sense about smoking and disposing of matches near the tree, and about allowing children to play with flame- or heat-producing toys. Then go one step further and see that extinguishers have been inspected, and are ready for an emergency," the chief advised. "After that, relax and have a good time!"

Former Howser Staff Members In U.S. Service

Fred N. Howser, district attorney, revealed today that the holiday season finds 21 former members of his staff now serving with the armed forces abroad and in different parts of the United States.

These include Deputy District Attorneys Donald D. Avery, Marcus R. Brandier, Joseph L. Carr, Orville R. Emerson, Fred N. Henderson, Moses E. Howard, Clarence S. Hunt, Evan Weldon Lewis, Thomas Benton McNary, Joseph T. Powers, S. Ernest Roll, William M. Smith. Investigators in the armed services are: Clarence D. White, former assistant chief investigator, Herbert W. Grossman, Harry Dean and Gaylord W. Jones. From the records division are Gordon W. Gardner, William E. Mooney and Jack Weitz, now a marine private.

Howser reveals that five of the men also served in the last world war. They are: Avery, Dean, Emerson, Howard and Smith. Each man was remembered by a personal letter sent by Howser and members of the district attorney's staff. Howser states: "Those of us who are permitted to be at home for Christmas feel a more intense gratitude to these men who are really making this Christmas season possible. Too much cannot be said when we realize what they and millions of others like them are doing to preserve the very principles the holiday season signifies."

REPORTS SIMPLIFIED

The Sacramento district office of defense transportation announces adoption of a new truck operation report form requiring the answering of only "six simple questions." The questions on the single form, the OT said, replace previously required quarterly operating reports and monthly idle vehicle reports.

To My Many Friends and Patients . . .

A Joyous Holiday Season and Every Blessing for the New Year
DR. K. F. SIEKMANN
CHIROPRACTOR
1343 El Prado
Torrance Phone 1090

Average Car In Use Today Is 6.4 Years Old, Survey Reveals

The average car rolling along home-front highways today is 6.4 years old!

Over 50 percent of all cars operating in the United States have passed their fifth birthday! That the problem of American war worker and other essential civilian transportation threatens to be more greatly aggravated by maintenance needs of private cars in the future was clearly reflected in a recent nationwide survey, tabulations of which this week were forwarded to the Automobile Club of Southern California.

Counting 1942 models as one year old, the survey conducted by the public roads administration showed not only that the average age of cars in use today is 6.4 years old, but also that 54 1/2 percent of all cars are over five years of age.

Only 3.2 percent of passenger cars are 1942 models, the survey revealed. Other percentage computations follow: 14.8 percent are 1941 models; 11.6 percent are 1940; 9.2 percent are 1939; 6.6 percent are 1938; 12 percent are 1937 and 10.9 percent are 1936.

Los Angeles Man Bares Program for Realty Development

William C. Warfield, 1037 South Sierra Bonita ave., Los Angeles, has advised the Torrance city engineer's office that he has plans to develop and erect homes on Tract 10216 at Hawthorne blvd. and 182nd st., and in his letter requested that the proper city officials write to the War Production Board stating that no water is available on the tract at this time and that the city would have no objection to Warfield developing his own water supply.

The city engineer stated that Warfield proposes to sell lots in the tract and permit purchasers to erect garages in the rear to be used for temporary shelter until such times as better homes can be built.

The matter will be considered by the council as a whole and conclusions will be reported at the regular meeting scheduled for Dec. 28.

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

If California's requirements for entry in the presidential primary next May 2 meet with his approval, Carl C. Countryman, a merchant seaman of New York City, may toss his hat into the ring for the republican nomination.

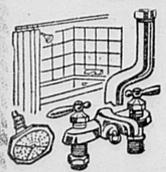
A Merry Christmas to All My Friends
W. F. ESLINGER
Your Torrance Gilmore Dealer
Torrance Blvd. at Portola

Let's Get Sentimental

Let the cynic scoff at expression of good, old-fashioned holiday sentiment. We think it's a wonderful thing to be able to exchange sincere Christmas greetings with you . . . for your friendship has meant much to us and we hope will continue to be a bright spot in our lives.

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Opposite Post Office



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Merry Christmas!

T. S. LOVELADY, (Owner)

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To Women and Men on the Home War Front

FOR keeping the home fires burning, for filling your waking hours with war jobs, for keeping your health star-bright no matter how busy you are, for seeing your men off with a smile, for your courage in filling the role of the "woman behind the man behind the gun"—we salute you and wish you Christmas joy!

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1639 Carson St.

Personal

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Christmas Greetings to All Our Friends and Patrons

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