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### Latest Scouting Information to Be Given Tonight

Boy Scout leaders of this area will be given the latest information on the senior scout programs of explorer scouting, sea scouting and air scouting Thursday evening, Oct. 5, when Ralph H. Mozo, assistant national director of senior scouting of the Boy Scouts of America, speaks at the Metropolitan High school auditorium.

While more than a thousand boys aged 15 to 17 are already participating in senior scouting in the Los Angeles Area Council, there are many thousands more who desire the opportunity. Mozo's visit will initiate an expansion program through which many more sea scout, explorer scout and air scout units will be organized.

Service men's stationery? Call Torrance 444 or 443.

### Guardmen's Wives Hear of Training Need

Wives, mothers and sisters of California State Guardsmen are being told the purpose behind the drill through which guardsmen are obtained, in letters being sent out by Major A. Milton Fish, commanding officer of the 2nd Battalion, 39th Regiment, headquartered in the State Army in Long Beach.

The feminine member of every guardsman's family has been sent the following communication:

"Under normal conditions you would no doubt prefer that your menfolk be free from outside obligations when the day's work is ended, yet now each week these men put on their uniforms and leave home for drill, and once in a while are called out by phone late at night to take part in maneuvers with regular Army units. What is the purpose behind all this? YOU, of all people, are entitled to know.

"Even in times of peace, no one questioned the vital need for a National Guard, and now with these same National Guardsmen fighting on every front, our State Guard is filling their places at home.

"As you all know, war is a serious business and our enemy in this war is particularly unscrupulous, inhuman and tricky. Any day some 'suicide' attack may be attempted on our own shores and underground subversive elements stirred into open violence. No community in California is immune from this danger.

"In the event of such an emergency, the defense of our airplane and rubber plants, gasoline refineries and shipyards, together with the defense of your families and homes, would be the duty of the California State Guard. To do this job effectively, men must be trained and every hour of training is of vital importance.

"All patriotic American women fully realize the need of military defense of their home communities and State Guard commanders from Brigadier General Hays down, are appreciative of the great help you have given in seeing that your menfolk devote one or two evenings a week for the vital military training.

"The California Guard today is an organization to be proud of and, though functioning splendidly, many more volunteers are urgently needed. You may be in a position to help in recruiting the State Guard to full strength.

"It is known that when your menfolk leave home on drill nights you send them away with a smile and your welcome on their return compensates them for the time and effort spent. Keep up this splendid work!"

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### Torrance In Spotlight In State Guard Radio Broadcast On Peace Officers' Program

#### DEATH CLAIMS O. W. THISTLE AT HIS HOME

The community was shocked and saddened to hear of the sudden death of Oscar William Thistle at the family home, 2164 250th st., early Sunday morning, Oct. 1.

Mr. Thistle, who was 66 years old, moved to Lomita with his family 29 years ago, in 1915, from San Pedro. He had worked 31 years as clerk for the railroads, 22 years being spent with the Union Pacific. Due to ill health, he was forced to retire six months ago and recently opened a real estate office on Narbonne ave.

Mr. Thistle was the first master of the Lomita Masonic lodge in 1926 and helped to organize the lodge in Lomita. He also was master of the Torrance Masonic lodge in 1924. For the past 17 years he has served as secretary of the Lomita lodge and had worked hard and faithfully to build it to its present fine standard.

Funeral services were held at the Gamby Mortuary, 25001 Narbonne ave., Wednesday, Oct. 4, at 2 p.m., with the Rev. S. D. Sandall of Calvary church officiating. Burial was at Ingleswood Park, with Masons conducting the graveside services and acting as pall bearers.

Besides his widow, Verna, to mourn his death, Mr. Thistle leaves two children, Arthur Thistle, Torrance and Mrs. Lorna Hammack, Redondo Beach; five grandchildren; two brothers, Claude Thistle, Lomita, and Charles Thistle, Massachusetts; two sisters, Mrs. Oliver Johnson, Auburn, Me., and Mrs. Ernest Branson, Kingsburg, Calif., also several nieces and nephews in Lomita.

Torrance took the spotlight on the joint broadcast of the Second Battalion, 39th Regiment, California State Guard, as guests of the Peace Officers Civil Service Association of California on radio station KPAS on Tuesday from 10 to 11 p.m.

Mayor William H. Tolson, Chief of Police John Stroth and Captain R. L. Lewellen, commander of Company H, were on the program which related to the cooperation between the State Guard and peace officers during emergency.

Other guests included Col. John C. French, U.S.A. (Ret.), commanding the 9th Tactical Command of the Guard, embracing Los Angeles, Orange and Ventura counties; Major A. Milton Fish, commanding the 2nd Battalion, and Major Roland W. Van Deventer, regional instructor on the staff of Brig. Gen. Ray W. Hays, the adjutant general. They gave a full description about the congressional and legislative background of the State Guard and National Guard, the reason for and purpose of the State Guard and its relationship with the U. S. Army and control by the War Department.

Asked by Chief Stroth what the State Guard would do in event of local emergency or disaster, Captain Lewellen replied that Company H, like every other State Guard company in California, "would mobilize instantly and within a few minutes we would report to you offering our cooperation in the protection of life and property in the community. We would report in complete field uniform and equipment ready to perform any task necessary in view of the circumstances. Each man has an assigned job to do and is trained to do that job. That includes bivouacking and feeding the troops," the captain declared.

"It is our obligation to cooperate with your department in the protection of life and property in event of local emergency," Captain Lewellen told Chief Stroth. "The men who join the State Guard know that they are subject to duty at a moment's notice and their employers likewise know this. They and their jobs are protected by state law in this regard."

Mayor Tolson paid tribute to the guard on the broadcast, declaring that "as a civilian, let me say that we believe in the State Guard and realize that it is a very necessary and important agency in California. We feel an added sense of security in the mere knowledge that they (the State Guardsmen) are ready and able to serve in emergency."

Chief Stroth shared this opinion and declared "it is a great comfort to the people of California to know that a body of fully organized and equipped state troopers are standing by to cooperate at an instant's notice with local peace officers and civilian defense agencies to protect life and property within the community."

All able-bodied men, of sound mind, from 18 to 60, should join the State Guard, the mayor said.

Col. French pointed out that whether or not they are in the State Guard, which is the organized militia, all men from 18 to 45 are in the unorganized militia, under law, and subject to duty at the call of the governor. Fortunately, this is not necessary in that they volunteer and become members of the organized militia, which now consists of 12,000 fully equipped and trained State Guardsmen throughout California.

Torrance Townsend Club No. 1 will hold their semi-monthly social evening on Oct. 6 in the Men's Bible Class Hall. These social nights are held regularly on the first and third Fridays of each month, to which the public is invited to attend. There will be games, refreshments and dancing and a surprise is promised us in the refreshments. The social on Sept. 29 was attended by a nice crowd. We were especially glad to welcome the violinist who has been absent for some time because of a serious illness. Also some of the regular members were able to attend, they also being absent with illness. Luncheon was served, then the 6th apple and pumpkin pies and coffee was enjoyed by all. Prizes for high scores, also door prizes, was awarded and dancing filled the remainder of the evening.

#### Townsend Club No. 1

By LOTTIE WADE

Philharmonic Season Tickets Go on Sale

Season tickets for the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra's 1494-45 season will go on sale Monday, Oct. 2, according to an announcement by the Southern California Symphony Association.

Orders for season tickets will be filled in order of receipt with priority being given to subscribers last season. All inquiries and applications should be made at the association's ticket office in Room 411 of the Philharmonic Auditorium Building or by phoning Michigan 8464.

### Local Firm to Build Steel Tuna Clippers

New type, all-steel tuna clippers will be built by the United Concrete Pipe Corporation's steel shipbuilding division, the company has announced.

The keel of the first vessel is scheduled to be laid within a few weeks. The craft will carry 270 tons of fish and will be the fastest tuna clippers afloat, builders asserted.

Three of the clippers will fish for the French Sardine Company, San Pedro, and the High Seas Tuna Packing Company, San Diego, the company, which operates a Torrance plant, said.

#### Hospital Cases

Those admitted to Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week included the following:

Mrs. Hazel Frauhiger, 1809 Manuel ave.  
Mrs. Virginia Gilliam, 2024 Martina ave.  
Mrs. Mary Mantz, 2164 Torrance blvd.  
Mrs. Eltha Menear, 2422 Hawthorne blvd.  
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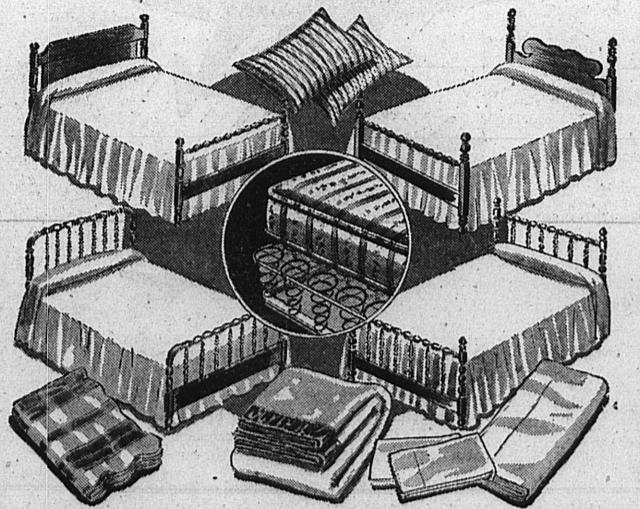
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