

REPAIR SHOWS NEED FOR WINTER-PROOFING

Motorists Offered Checkup to Avoid Costly Repairs

Any motorist unfortunate enough to experience the failure of some vital part of his car this fall may consider himself fortunate if he is again able to use the machine within six or eight weeks—or longer. The reasons: Extreme shortage of certain bearings, gears, pistons, valve stems and guides, rear axles, gaskets and other essentials; acute shortage of skilled mechanics; rapidly increasing breakdowns of many cars, especially models five years old or older.

Such is the summary of today's transportation situation—the most critical in motoring history—as gleaned from statements of leading auto parts houses and repair establishments of the Pacific Coast area. Thus, mindful of the fact that older cars need better care, the operators of Mobilgas stations are again launching their winter-proof car-protection program to help drivers guard every possible mile of their cars' lives.

"The winter-proof plan announced today," declares W. C. Campbell, wholesale agent for General Petroleum Corporation, "offers opportunity for many to help make sure their cars will 'see them through' for the duration.

"Mobilization, by the celebrated X-Ray method, necessary crank case and gear oil changes, radiator service, inspection of tires, batteries, air and oil filters, spark plugs, ignition systems, wheel bearings and other important parts—are offered and performed by Mobil Men as the need is indicated for each car.

"No motorist can afford to neglect winter-proofing. And winter-proof service appointments should be made early, because of heavy demands for car service work. This will help prevent possible breakdowns. As we've often said: 'It's better to be a week early



BACKING UP THE CLAIM . . . that "Older Cars Need Better Care," a national survey reveals the startling information that 20,000 car graveyards, like the above, are filling up with scrapped machines at the rate of 4,000 to 5,000 per day. Of the autos still in use, more than one-third are over seven years old.

OBITUARY

FINLEY S. SMITHEY

Finley Scott Smithey of 1828 Pacific Coast highway, Lomita, died of a heart attack following an operation, the death occurring on Wednesday, Oct. 18, at 4 a.m.

The husband of M. E. Smithey, real estate broker in Lomita for 22 years, Finley Scott Smithey was an air brake mechanic at the Pacific Electric shops in Torrance, having been with the P.E. continuously since Aug. 8, 1923. He had expected to retire on a pension in early 1945. Born in Elco, Ill., on Jan. 9, 1878, he came west about 35 years ago and the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Smithey took place at Kearney, Neb., March 2, 1907.

He was a railroad man for years in Nebraska, working up to locomotive engineer. He also railroaded in Oregon before coming to Lomita and taking employment with the Pacific Electric at Torrance.

Services were conducted at the Gamby chapel, Lomita, on Friday at 2 p.m.; the Rev. Mr. Hall officiating, and interment was in Inglewood cemetery.

MISS TROYA VISITS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Briganti entertained as their house guest last weekend Miss Louise Troya of Bakersfield.

"It's better to be a week early than a day too late."



ARRIVES HOME . . . Lieut. (j.g.) Robert H. Tolson, son of Mayor and Mrs. W. H. Tolson, arrived unexpectedly Tuesday from Corpus Christi. At the conclusion of his 22 days' leave, he will report at Jacksonville, Fla., for a new assignment. For the past two years he has been an instructor.

FROM PITTSBURGH
Ruben Smith returned recently from Pittsburgh, Pa., to resume his duties at Columbia Steel Company.

DAUGHTER VISITS
Mrs. Oleva Davis entertained Thursday for her daughter, Mrs. Mabel Mott of Hollywood.

Fire Destroys Dwelling and Furnishings

The dwelling at 2268 Hawthorne blvd. occupied by Allie Dodson and C. H. Wright was completely destroyed by fire last Sunday. Damage was about \$1500, to both the structure and clothing.

Two Torrance fire department companies turned out, from Torrance headquarters and Walteria, according to Chief J. E. McMaster.

RETURN TO LAGUNA

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mackey of 2271 Torrance blvd., parents of Mrs. M. A. Bauman, have returned to their home at Laguna Beach, following two years spent in Torrance.

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