

# COMMITTEE NAMED TO GIVE COMPREHENSIVE STUDY TO WATER PROBLEMS IN AREA

O. A. Gierlich, city engineer of Manhattan Beach, has been chosen first chairman of the ways and means committee of the West Basin Ground-Water Conservation Group, made up of qualified representatives of groups interested in a comprehensive study of the water supply problems of the west basin.

F. W. Curtis, chief engineer, Shell Oil Co., Wilmington refinery, is the vice chairman of the group and Ben Haggott, president, Palos Verdes Water Co., Palos Verdes Estates, is the secretary.

Forming the new group at a meeting held recently in Torrance City Hall were several representatives of various interests, as follows:

**MUNICIPAL OWNED WATER SYSTEMS**—Gierlich and Clyde Woodworth, city attorney for the cities of Inglewood, Manhattan Beach and El Segundo.

**PRIVATE UTILITIES**—Louis J. Alexander, engineer, Southern California Water Co., and Haggott.

**INDUSTRIAL**—Allan Harris, plant engineer, Johns-Manville Corp.

**MUNICIPALITIES NOT OWNING WATER SYSTEMS**—William R. Barclay, city engineer, Redondo Beach.

**PETROLEUM INDUSTRIES**—Curtis, and W. C. Farquhar, refinery engineer, Richfield Oil Co., Wilmington refinery.

Private water producers have been invited to have representatives on this committee but thus far have not appointed any one to so act.

Also informally in attendance was Kenneth K. Wright, attorney-at-law of Los Angeles, who had been retained by the California Water Service Co. and whose services had been offered to this committee.

Suggested scope and duties of the committee were outlined as follows:

(1) Investigate problem confronting water users.  
(2) Assemble quantitative data on ground-water production within the area and on present importations and exportations of water to and from the area.

(3) Consider and evaluate possible solutions both looking toward the preservation of water supply in the basin, and to study various means of meeting deficiency in supply of the basin.

### Area Given

The area to be studied was recommended tentatively as that area southwest of the Inglewood-Newport fault, so called, southerly of the Ballona Escarpment; westerly of the Los Angeles County Flood Control Channel and northeasterly of the Pacific Ocean. A further study of this phase will be necessary.

It was agreed that the problems confronting this committee and which affect the water supply of some 150,000 people and approximately \$100,000,000 in

property assessed valuation are very complex and that consequently the more facts upon which all parties can agree the more readily will a program of solution proceed.

In this connection it was stated that the United States Geological Survey and the Division of Water Resources of the State of California had compiled much authoritative data which is available to and should be studied by this committee.

It was decided that regular meetings of the committee are to be held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

### History Told

Secretary Haggott, in explaining the new group, said: "Water supply has been the subject of considerable discussion and many meetings held in the affected area since 1943 when suddenly increased war industry and population demands resulted in large increased pumping of underground fresh water supply and lowering of water tables. In 1943 was formed the West Basin Water Survey Committee comprised of representatives of the cities of Inglewood, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, El Segundo, Hawthorne, Culver City, Gardena, Hermosa Beach and Palos Verdes Estates. Largely through efforts of the foregoing, was brought about investigation by the United States Geological Survey and its Progress Report of September, 1944, which confirmed existence of the problem and set forth the two principal phases of solution as being: First, determination of amount of safe yield of the basin, and second, obtaining supply outside the basin, sufficient to make up deficiency between safe yield of the basin and consumption requirements of the area."

"Since United States Geological Survey reported that a problem did exist, city officials, representatives of private utilities, and representatives of industry and private water producers have been engaged in establishing a form of organization to study the problem and evaluate possible solutions. The result has been formation of a large committee comprised of representatives of municipalities, private water utilities, industrial, agricultural, and private producers. From this large committee having the suggested name of 'West Basin Ground-Water Conservation Group' has been formed a smaller working committee to be known as its 'Ways

# The Forgotten Factor, Play To Be Presented

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led on the basis of "what's right, and not who's right."

### A National Force

"The Forgotten Factor" has played in major industrial areas, including Philadelphia, Detroit, Boston, Atlanta, Richmond, Montreal, Toronto, Newark, and was recently held over in New York for a series of performances. After seeing it there, Arthur Hopkins, dean of the American stage, characterized it as "more than a play—a national force."

The national premiere was given last May in the National Theatre, in Washington, D.C., at the invitation of Vice President Harry S. Truman, Congressman James W. Wadsworth of New York, Admiral William Leahy, General John J. Pershing, Howard Conoley, Frederick Crawford, William Green, Philip Murray and others. Among the two thousand who saw it that night were 200 members of congress and 70 admirals and generals.

Of it, Howard Conoley, past president of the National Association of Manufacturers, said: "Lasting teamwork in industry and among peoples can only come through the qualities so vividly, humorously and forcefully dramatized in this play. I hope every company executive and labor leader in America can see it, and that the challenge of this spirit will be felt throughout the United Nations and in every liberated country of the world."

### Builds Teamwork

Rising from his box at the end of the performance, Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd said: "From my personal knowledge I know that, through the length and breadth of this country, this group has been working to bring management and labor together. They have done a great job. It is this spirit of teamwork we must have to win this war, and the same spirit of teamwork to win the peace and preserve our way of life, and the same spirit whereby nations must settle their disputes. It will be a tough job, but here in this group is the nucleus around which we can work to get this kind of teamwork we need."

The cast are citizen volunteers who give their time and talents without salary as a national service. They are convinced that a pattern of teamwork can be built in America and that it will sustain war production and be the answer to postwar stress and strain.

### Solves Disputes

The play is based on the philosophy of sound homes, teamwork in industry, and a united nation. It has already directly inspired a framework in which many industrial disputes have been solved and family strife ended, both costly to the war effort.

Members of the cast have addressed service clubs in Torrance in the past few days.

Other Torrance citizens serving on the committee of invitation include: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Brown, Postmaster, and Mrs. Charles E. Conner, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Gartrell, Mr. and Mrs. M. Theodore Meier, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Post, Mr. and Mrs. Dean L. Sears, Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Whyte, Judge and Mrs. Otto Willett.

### AID HANDICAPPED

The Crippled Children's Society of Los Angeles has announced an educational center for handicapped children and their parents as soon as government regulations permit its building.

and Means Committee" upon which evolves the tasks as previously mentioned and at whose first meeting the above outlined steps were taken.



LOMITA MARINE COOKS ON HOT SULPHUR PIT . . . A hot sulphur pit on two Jims doubles as a cooking range for Marine Sergeant Dewaine J. Fisk, right, 1753 West 259th St., Lomita, and Marine Corporal Roy F. Webster, left, of Omak, Wash., as they heat their morning coffee. The pipe protruding from the mound was inserted by the Japs, who used the hot vapor for steam baths. —Official Marine Corps Photo.

# Redondo Opens Play Group

On Friday, April 6, at 9:30, the Redondo Evening High school will open a new type of parent education class. This is called the pre-school play group or observation group.

It is open to parents of children between the ages of 2 and 5. The parents are to bring their small children to the class. The children play together and their reactions are studied by the parent under the direction of a trained child psychologist. This type of parent education has been popular in Los Angeles for several years and has been found to be very practical for the parents as well as beneficial to the children.

The class will meet on Friday mornings at the Manhattan Community Church, 902 Highland ave., Manhattan Beach from 9:30 to 11:30. Mrs. Elizabeth Stephens Israel, child psychologist, will be in charge of the group. Parents desiring to register for this class should report directly to Mrs. Israel at the first meeting.

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  - Allbreeds Dog Food 5-lb. 51¢
  - Sierra Pine Toilet Soap 2 bars 13¢
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- KITCHEN CRAFT Enriched, home-type flour. 5-pound bag, 27c. 10-LB. BAG 51¢
- GLOBE 'A' FLOUR Enriched with vitamins and iron. 5-lb. bag, 29c. 10-LB. BAG 56¢

- CEREALS**
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  - Carnation Wheat Quick cooking. 16-oz. 11¢
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  - Shredded Wheat Kellogg Brand 12-oz. 10¢
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- Karo Syrup Blue Label Dark 1 1/2-lb. bot. 14¢
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- NOTE: Figure in parentheses indicates number of red points per pound.

**J. Stanley King Quiz**

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