

FRIGHT POOL

Military freight movements are handled through the Car Service Division of the Association of American Railroads by pooled management and equipment.

VETERANS POPULATION

After the war, a two million population of war veterans is expected in Southern California, according to Mrs. Edythe Kennedy, state handicraft specialist for returning veterans.

War Contracts Of South Reach 13 Billions

War contracts awarded by the Federal government in the Southern District since 1940 have reached a total of \$13,892,531,000, according to a research report released. The report includes the ten Southern Counties.

Supply contracts for the Southern District totaled \$12,776,252,000. The total Southern District facility contracts through December, 1944, are listed at \$11,116,279,000.

Supply contracts are divided between aircraft \$9,873,673,000; ships \$1,598,820,000; ordnance \$303,364,000; and "all other" \$1,000,395,000.

Total facility contracts are divided between \$551,080,000 for military installations and \$565,199,000 for industrial facilities. War contracts awards for the State are totaled by the report at \$18,772,780,000, of which \$16,439,826,000 are supply contracts and \$2,332,954,000 are facility contracts.

The state total of supply contracts includes \$9,887,251,000 for aircraft, \$4,440,684,000 for ships, \$481,191,000 for ordnance, and \$1,630,700,000 for all other contracts. The state total of facility contracts includes \$1,321,008,000 for military installations and \$1,011,946,000 for industrial facilities.

MAIL ON TRAIN Letters and packages bearing the proper postage may be posted in mail drops on standard railway mail cars.

Civil Employees Of Navy Invent Many Devices

In an announcement that complimented American labor on "using their heads while working with their hands," the Navy's Board of Awards to Civil Employees stated that recently suggested labor-saving devices will save the Navy approximately \$1,300,000 during the first year of use.

Announcing payments up to \$1,500, Rear Adm. F. G. Crisp, USN, Director of Shore Establishments and Civilian Personnel, chairman of the board, said: "These men have made very valuable contributions to the war effort. It is just further proof of the innate intelligence and alertness of American workers. They use their heads while working with their hands."

The awards announced are in addition to others made by local beneficial suggestion boards, and were among those submitted to Washington among hundreds for higher payment. At local boards each year numerous suggestions merit awards up to \$250.

ENSIGN FRANK WHITING Ensign Frank Whiting who has completed his training at the submarine base, New London, Connecticut, will arrive home May 18 via TWA for a 14-day leave prior to reporting to a South Pacific base.

No man can possibly improve in any company for which he has not respect enough to be under some degree of restraint. —Lord Chesterfield



SYMBOLIC—This living symbol of the coming Seventh War Loan drive was formed by Southern California parochial schools to emphasize their pledge of all-out cooperation in the campaign. Public, private and parochial schools have set self-imposed War Bond quotas in the U. S. Treasury Schools-at-War program, their goal being the purchase of thousands of mobile units for the armed forces during the drive. In the recent "Name Your Weapon" campaign, 837 Southland schools accounted for sale of \$11,143,945 in Bonds, which financed 1399 mobile units.

Don't Play With Initials 'P.W.' Army Warns Kids

Youths living in the Ninth Service Command were warned today by the Army that the thoughtless prank of stenciling the prisoner of war symbol "PW" on their clothing might result in serious injury.

Major General William E. Shedd, commanding general of the command, at Fort Douglas, Utah, urged all persons to refrain from use of such markings on costumes or other clothing as a jest.

He pointed out that the practice is extremely dangerous as military personnel sighting the identifying letters may believe the individual to be an escaped prisoner of war and act accordingly.

In addition to the personal danger the fed hampers military personnel in the apprehension of escaped prisoners. False rumors and reports by those unaware of the hoax complicate investigations.

All enemy prisoners are easily identified by prominent "PW" symbols on their clothing.

Dry Period in Area After 1950 Is Predicted

Studies of rainfall and water supply in Southern California have developed the fact that alternating wet and dry periods occur in this area, and that length and intensity of the wet periods indicate that the present wet period will end some time around 1950, following by a dry period.

This was revealed by Donald M. Baker, consulting hydraulic engineer of the California Water Service Co., which provides water for the Clifton Riviera section of Torrance, Redondo Beach and other communities, at a recent meeting of the ways and means committee of the West Basin Ground-Water Conservation Group.

Baker first discussed the geology of the area involved with particular attention to sources of replenishment of the ground-water supply. Withdrawals from the basin which includes Torrance are at a rate of 80,000 feet annually with replenishments at a rate of only 32,000 acre feet a year.

Industry, now located here and prospective future industry to be located in the basin will continue in its demands for large supply of water. Baker mentioned some possible sources of augmenting the ground-water supply.

He stated that aesthetic, physical, legal, and financial problems as well as permanency of any supply should be carefully analyzed and that some if not all of these latter factors attach themselves to each of the sources which he mentioned.

Baker further stated, as indicative of complexity of the problem, that a recent canvass of the West Basin indicates the existence of some 2300 wells and approximately 1100 owners therein.

ing boards, or by consulting the table of used car ceilings available at OPA offices or used car sales establishments, the OPA official stated.

GO EASY Your tires these days are tired. Keep them and yourself out of the hospital by driving slowly.

MANY MAN HOURS It takes the equivalent of 50 men working for one year to build a modern steam locomotive.

Den Mothers of Cub Pack 228 Are Honored

Cub Pack 228, composed of Dens 1 to 6, will join with Boy Scouts in their Court of Honor in Torrance Civic Auditorium on May 25 at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced this week.

The Cubs of Pack 228 recently honored the various Den Mothers, and paid tribute to their faithful work which has meant much to the success and enjoyment of the Cub program.

The Den Mothers are: Den 1, Mrs. J. M. Anderson; Den 2, Mrs. William Scholl; Den 3, Mrs. W. E. Bowen; Den 4, Mrs. Anthony Ulm; Den 5, Mrs. J. B. Spiller, and Den 6, Mrs. Clayton York.

Den 3, is now closed, and no further applications are being taken at present.

For the Court of Honor members are asked to meet at the Methodist Church at 7 p.m. and from there to go in a group to the auditorium. All those who cannot get there by 7, are asked to go directly to the auditorium.

SHORT CUTS

Short cuts to the corner are often short cuts to the corner for the pedestrian.

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Becker Third in School Board Election Race

Correction of tabulations of the recent school vote dropped Roy Becker of San Pedro to third place among board of education candidates but made no difference in his election to another four-year term on the board.

Corrected figures gave Becker 187,094 votes. Two other incumbent members led him, Maynard J. Toll with 150,940 votes and J. Paul Elliott with 142,589 votes. Mrs. Eleanor B. Allen won the fourth position with 130,578 votes but will have only a two-year term, the top three candidates getting the longer terms.

GRAND THEATRE. NOW—Ends Saturday CLAUDETTE COLBERT and FRED MACMURRAY in "Practically Yours" Co-Hit "A GUY, A GAL, A PAL" Show Starts 6 P.M. Friday Sun. - Mon. - Tues. "ROUGHLY SPEAKING" With ROSALIND RUSSELL and JACK CARSON Co-Hit "WHEN THE LIGHTS GO ON AGAIN" Next Week—Starts Wed. "NAUGHTY MARIETTA" and "BETRAYAL FROM THE EAST"

TORRANCE THEATRE. NOW—Ends Saturday TOM CONWAY in "THE FALCON IN HOLLYWOOD" Also "HOLLYWOOD CAVALCADE" Sun. - Mon. - Tues. "RINGS ON HER FINGERS" Also "HOTEL FOR WOMEN"

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WONDERFUL NEWS!

... but there's still a war to win!

Yes, victory in Europe is wonderful news, but we still have a war to win in the Pacific. This is no time to let down and take things easy.

Greyhound realizes that it must continue to provide vital war transportation. All Greyhound employees are sticking to this important job.

Let's all carry on to COMPLETE victory. Let's buy more War Bonds. Let's continue to support the Red Cross. Let's give more blood to save lives.

Let's stick to the job and finish the job!

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