

## Surplus Hand Tools Available To GI Trainees

To accelerate on-the-job training and vocational training for disabled veterans, the Regional office of the Veterans Administration has completed negotiations with the War Assets Administration for surplus mechanical hand tools costing \$85,000, it was announced today by L. C. Chapman, manager of the Los Angeles Regional Office of the Veterans Administration.

All veterans in training are entitled to a maximum of \$100 worth of training equipment, but critical shortages of essential tools have forced many to delay courses. Confronted with this problem, the Vocational Rehabilitation department of the Veterans Administration, in cooperation with the Supply division, has acquired a large stock of tools from the War Assets Administration through a surplus transfer. Disabled veterans are being given priority in the distribution of the tools.

The tools are from decommissioned war plants in Southern California. Many are not available on the commercial market.

## County May Get Army Hospital In Few Days

Los Angeles County may have possession of the Torrance Army hospital within a few days, it is indicated by reports from both the army and county offices.

The county's "freeze" on the equipment at the hospital expired last Thursday, but the office of Gen. Wayne Allen, county administrator officer, reported last Thursday that possession within a week is anticipated.

The hospital will be used as a branch of the County General Hospital, providing emergency care for cases in the southern part of the county and also allowing for relief from crowded conditions at the General Hospital.

Several hundred patients at the General Hospital will be moved to the Torrance institution immediately after it is taken over by the county.

The army equipment for the hospital is said to be the finest obtainable. The hospital was abandoned by the Army on April 1.

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## Western Avenue Paving Job In Lomita Finished

Widening of Western ave. between Pacific Coast highway and Anaheim st. from 20 to 46 feet has been completed.

Work started Saturday on installing gas and water lines through the Bibby slough fill under Anaheim st. Paving of 2000 feet of the street near the Gaffey st. and N. Potos Verdes drive intersection will be started when the installation is completed.

The section of Anaheim st. closed Oct. 2, 1944, will be reopened in approximately two months.

## State Primary Election Set For June 4

Torrance voters come in for another day at the polls on June 4, when the state primary elections are held. Following the wartime practice, invoked for the convenience of service men and women to allow time for them to vote by absentee ballot, the primary again is being held about two months earlier than formerly. In previous years, the primary elections were held in August.

Registration for voting in the June 4 primary closes today, City Clerk A. H. Bartlett said. Those who have moved since last voting or who failed to vote in the last general election, must register again.

Voters will be asked to nominate candidates for the following offices:

Governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, controller, treasurer, attorney general, member of the Board of Equalization, United States Senate, Representative in Congress, State Senate, Member of the Assembly and Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Candidates for Congress are Democratic ticket, Cecil R. King, Los Angeles, incumbent; Tom B. Clark, San Pedro; Robert Emmet Gilreath, Los Angeles; Willard W. Harper, Los Angeles, and Edwin M. Reinheimer, Los Angeles. On the Republican ticket are King, Reinheimer and James L. (Boy) Rosenberg, managing editor of the Inglewood Daily News.

Candidates for Assembly are: Democratic ticket, Vincent Thomas, incumbent, and Joseph Francis Quinn, Wilmington. They also are the only candidates on the Republican ticket.

In addition to the state offices, the people will be asked to make their selections on various county candidates.

## PLANS FOR SECOND ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM UNDERTAKEN IN TORRANCE

The second annual Torrance Memorial day observance is being planned by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion posts here, it has been announced.

Commander James Brodie, of Bert S. Crossland Post, the American Legion, is representing his post on the committee for arrangements, and John F. Melanie, has been appointed by Commander C. Earl Conner, of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 3251, to represent this organization.

Following the precedent set during the first Torrance Memorial day program of last year, the ceremony will take place in El Prado park, at Cravens ave., following a street parade in which all veterans organization members and allied groups will be invited to participate.

Prior to the program last year, the City of Torrance dedicated the 100 feet of El Prado park at Cravens ave. to the memory of the men and women of Torrance who gave their lives in World War I and II, and it is on this spot that the Memorial program will be conducted.

The program will be featured with the roll call of the departed veterans.

## Kiwanis Club Boys Band Has First Meeting

Thirty seven boys attended the first meeting of the Torrance Kiwanis Boys' Band last Monday evening at the Men's Bible Class building.

This initial group of boys, many of whom already own and play their own band instruments, met at the invitation of the Boys Band Committee headed by Dean Sears, Dr. Howard A. Wood and Ed Brown.

This new band, which is being sponsored as a major project of the Torrance Kiwanis club, will be under the personal direction of Kiwanian Don Carper, owner of the Music Center. A musician himself, he is also a teacher of all band instruments and the piano.

Carper headed his own orchestra, which has played the major networks for the last twelve years. In Hollywood, before entering the army in 1943, he played in Ken Murray's "Blackouts" and NBC national program. At the present time he is doing arranging and solo trumpet for Warner Bros. studio. In the army, he was in charge of the radio and concert work of the Parachute School Band at Ft. Benning and director of the 222nd Radio Band which won first honors for the 4th Corps area.

The next meeting of the Torrance Kiwanis Boys' Band will be Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the Men's Bible Class building. Membership is still open to a few additional boys who may wish to join, whether they now play instruments or not. Parents are cordially invited to attend the next meeting.

## Capt. Zamperini Sails Through Terminal Leave

Captain Louis Zamperini, Torrance's first son of sports, who is among the nation's outstanding heroes of the war, recently began his terminal leave.

Zamperini, who has been touring the United States in behalf of the Army, making speeches and officiating at various sports events, was said to have recently purchased an interest in a 35-foot sail boat. He will devote most of his time during his leave sailing the California coast line and making trips to Catalina Island.

It appears the Zamp did not get enough of the vast blue ocean when he spent 47 days on a life raft, or perhaps it was then when the old salt got under his skin. In either event, Louis will make the most of his sailing before deciding upon one of the many civilian offers that have been made to him.

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## Bus Lines Do \$12,732 In March

Torrance Municipal Bus Lines did a gross business of \$12,732.98 during the month of March, according to figures from Bus Manager C. Z. Ward's office.

Total mileage traveled by the buses to earn this amount was 40,218.

Fare box income was \$5,186.18 for the month.

The Tenth and Hill st. station, Los Angeles, did a business of \$4,701.35, while the Beacon Drug Co. station reported \$2,510.30 in ticket sales.

The Torrance-Lomita-Walteria-Harbor City-Harbor Hills-208rd st.-Pueblo line accounted for \$1615 of the revenue.

## 3341 Southland Men Enlist In Navy In 1946

Enough men to provide full crews for the 45,000 ton super-battleships Wisconsin and Missouri, 3341 Southland men were enlisted or reenlisted at the Los Angeles Navy Recruiting Station during the first three months of 1946.

That statement was made today by Chief Gilson, Recruiter in charge at San Pedro, Navy Recruiting station following receipt of detailed enlistment figures for the first quarter of 1946 from Commander J. M. LaFollette, Officer in Charge of Navy Recruiting in Southern California.

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