

Kiwanians Back City Charter, School Movement

The board of directors of the Torrance Kiwanis club, headed by President John H. Stroth, voted Monday evening to endorse officially the new Torrance City Charter and the move to secure the control and operation of its schools.

The official endorsement of this civic body was backed with an offer of financial aid to help with the expenses of the campaign being conducted by local citizens and taxpayers interested in seeing that Torrance's school funds are spent to better local schools rather than in some district in which local people have no direct interest.

Voted for new membership in the Torrance Kiwanis club were Harry R. Moritz, Homer Trueblood, Les Tronsier and William (Dell) Hamilton. These men will be formally inducted into the club at the next regular meeting in the Torrance Bible Class building, Monday evening.

The program for that date, July 29, will be a speaker from the Pasadena Tournament of Roses association. All civic leaders in the city are invited, as the subject will be "Should Torrance Enter a Fight in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses?"

Record Number Of Telephones In Operation

The Southern California Telephone Company added 82,656 telephones in the first six months of this year — more than has been added in any other full year in the history of the company — it was announced today by C. C. Trisler, division manager of the Southern California Telephone Company.

On June 30 there were 1,138,869 telephones in operation in the company's Southern California area as compared with 1,058,233 on Jan. 1, 1946. The best full-year gain was made in 1943, when 75,230 telephones were added.

In every department in the company, proportionate gains have been made, Trisler said. The number of people now employed by the company is 23,316 — an increase of 2,450 since the first of the year. Sixty-seven new buildings or building additions are scheduled either to start or to be completed in 1946. Forty different central office switching equipment installations have been added to telephone offices during the first six months and 32 more have been started. Many more will follow during the remainder of this year and next year.

Outside plant has been materially increased. Forty-five miles of new conduit carrying ducts of various sizes have been placed along with 40,000 miles of wire in aerial cable and 225,000 miles of wire in underground cable during this same six-month period. Over 1,800 miles of open wire have also been placed.

Three hundred trucks and vehicles of every description have been added to the company's motor fleet to make about 2,000 in all.

The company realizes that it has a big job ahead, Trisler declared, in filling the orders on file of over 114,000 applicants for service and the thousands more expected. Despite a growth of 170,000 telephones during the war and 124,000 since, the number of held orders still remains high due to the constant flow of new orders being received.

The company is making every effort to serve all applicants at the earliest possible date. This effort will not abate until all held orders are cleared and service is brought above pre-war standard, Trisler stated.

MORE FOR VETS

Housing Expediter Wyatt has announced that not more than five percent of the college staff may occupy war housing units built at colleges and universities for war veterans.

HIGHWAY IS GOOD

Mount Rose highway connecting Reno with Lake Tahoe is reported to be in good condition throughout, although some patches of snow are to be found near the summit.

INYO FISHING

Fishing is reported good on most streams in vicinity of Big Pine and Fish Springs, Inyo County. Fishing is picking up in the Owens River near Bishop, but mosquitos are prevalent.

HOW CAN THEY HIDE IT?

Definitely not under the score of "petty theft" was the recent purloining of a 29-ton bulldozer from a road project south of Dixon. The owners said thieves, working at night, must have had a specially built low-bed truck and trailer to do the job.

VETERINARIANS ELECT

Dr. E. G. Ledonne of Oakland was elected president of the State Veterinary Medical Association at the recent three-day convention in Santa Barbara. Doctor Ledonne succeeded Dr. E. C. Baxter of Los Angeles.

Industrial Hygiene Discussed By L.A. County Health Department

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Industrial activity will continue to expand in Southern California and is so inevitable that the Los Angeles County Health Department through the Division of Industrial Hygiene has been given the broad function of preventing health impairment resulting from industrial employment.

Maximum good industrial health can be obtained by the volun-

tary cooperation of the two directly interested parties, the working man and his employer. The former has his greatest asset, health, to consider, while humanitarianism and dollars and cents impel the cooperation of the latter.

The division of industrial hygiene endeavors to promote good health practices within industry. This has been and is supported completely by management, labor organizations, chambers of commerce, and of-

ficial agencies outside the health department. In order to accomplish its purpose without the necessity of arbitrary laws which would often defeat their real purpose, the division of industrial hygiene works on a consultative basis. Each problem in industry relating to public health is studied separately.

Occupational diseases and occupational health hazards stem from two general causes, physical conditions and chemical agents. In the former category

fall improper lighting, excessive noise, heat, cold, humidity and pressure.

With chemical hazards the picture is ever changing. Certain industrial poisonings such as lead, benzol, phosphorus, radium and silica have been thoroughly studied and publicized. Each month sees the introduction of new products and materials whose effect on the workers in daily contact with them is little known.

The determination of the possibility of a health hazard both

from well-known agents and from newer less-known causes requires the professional services of physician, engineer, chemist and technician. Concentrations of poisonous material in the air are determined and often the nature of unknown substances is discovered through chemical analysis. The physician is in a position to advise on the effect of industrial poisons on the body.

After the determination of the degree of hazard through technical measurements and chemical analysis has been done by the field crew, the engineer recommends correction where needed.

S. S. GEORGE WASHINGTON
The 5,184-ton S.S. George Washington, originally on the New York-Norfolk coastal run, is said to have been the only American vessel not converted during the war years into a troop transport.

TAKE YOUR TIME

Motorists taking vacation trips are urged to plan their daily driving so as not to stay at the wheel of the car too long. Fatigue is frequently a cause of accidents and planning daily mileage of reasonable range will not only provide a safer vacation but a more enjoyable one.

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