

1947 Automobile Registration Is Undertaken

Registration for 1947 motor vehicle licenses has opened and will continue until Feb. 4, when the usual 100 percent penalty will apply to all those who have not applied for new registration.

Car owners can obtain plates between Jan. 2 and Feb. 4 by mailing or appearing with the fee and certificate of registration at the Long Beach office at 700 E. Broadway, or the mail office in Los Angeles, 3500 S. Hope st.

The steel shortage will delay actual delivery of the two plates but certificates of receipt will be given car owners.

New licenses may be requested at any of 75 branch offices or by mail. Applicants have been asked to take or send the 1946 registration card in placing requests.

Mail applications may be made to offices in Sacramento, San Francisco, Oakland, Fresno, Los Angeles, Long Beach or San Diego.

Personal checks will not be accepted, only cashiers' or certified checks, postal money orders being accepted with mail orders.

DOORS OF SCHOOL TO RE-OPEN JAN. 2 AFTER VACATION

Schools of Torrance and Lomita will reopen their doors Jan. 2 after a two weeks' vacation period for the Christmas holidays.

Perry district school also will resume classes Thursday.

El Camino college and Redondo Union high school will open on Monday, Jan. 6.

Ralph B. Lloyd Again Chosen WOGA Leader

Ralph B. Lloyd was reelected president of Western Oil and Gas association, according to an announcement by the board of directors, following the annual meeting of the association Dec. 23 at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. With his reelection Mr. Lloyd, president of Lloyd Corporation, Ltd., begins his sixth consecutive term.

Other officers elected by the association were William Reinhardt, first vice president (Union Pacific), H. D. Collier, second vice president (Standard), L. K. Whittier, treasurer (Belridge Oil Co.), Don E. Gilman, executive vice president, D. S. Kilgour, secretary, John M. Peirce, economist and George F. Prussing, technical secretary.

Twenty-seven members were reelected to the board of directors as C. R. Allen, (Continental) replaced retiring R. E. Colton, (Continental).

Board members reelected were Leigh M. Beckwith, (General Petroleum), S. Beltner, (Shell), James B. Black, (Pacific Gas and Electric), Harold L. Briggs, (Chancellor-Canfield Midway), H. D. Collier, (Standard), J. A. Crawford, (Youngtown Steel Products), J. J. Dickey, (General Petroleum), E. S. Dulin, (Byron Jackson), LeRoy M. Edwards, (Electric Lighting Corp.), R. P. Huggins, (Western Gulf), Wm. F. Humphrey, (Tide Water Association), C. A. Johnson, (Holly Development Co.), C. S. Jones, (Richfield), W. M. Keck, (Superior Oil), Ralph B. Lloyd, (Lloyd Corporation), A. C. Mattel, (Holonu Oil Corp.), S. B. Mosher, (Signal), Wm. Reinhardt, (Union Pacific), L. P. St. Clair, (Independent Oil Producers' Agency), J. B. Sutherland, (The Ohio Oil Company), Reese H. Taylor, (Union), C. P. Watson, (Seaboard Oil Company), Torrey H. Webb, (The Texas Company), A. L. Weil, Higgins building, W. C. Whaley, (Barnsdall Oil Company).

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CHRISTMAS PARTY... Inaugurating the new rumpus room in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Lovell, 1307 Madrid ave., was the beautifully appointed party enjoyed last week when Mrs. Lovell entertained. Shown are (seated left to right) Mesdames Melville Garton, Dean L. Sears, W. I. Laughon, D. A. Murphy, J. B. Scott and the hostess. Flanking the Christmas tree are Mesdames Currier and Robert S. Smith.

Veterans Urged To Aid In Big Housing Canvass

"It is the responsibility of every organized veteran in Los Angeles County to work with his local post in the 'Operation Housing' campaign which swings into action January 4, 5 and 6," Cecil H. Hill, president of the Veterans Organizations Coordinating Council of Los Angeles County, declared today.

"Veterans in this area," Hill said, "were largely responsible for passage of ordinances restricting commercial construction. Now, we have been called upon for an even more difficult job. The success of 'Operation Housing' is in our hands."

Hill explained the purpose of the campaign is to survey every unfinished dwelling in the county to determine reasons why construction is not proceeding. Results of the survey will be used by Mayor Fletcher Bowron's Emergency Housing Committee in an effort to break existing bottlenecks in the home building program.

The information will also be available to anyone interested in construction.

More than 100,000 veterans, representing every major veteran organization in the county, will make the block by block check. Hill requested builders to cooperate by prominently posting on their projects reasons for construction delay.

Parents Held Responsible For Youth Under 18 On Streets After 10 P.M.

It will be the responsibility of parents to keep their youngsters under 18 years of age from loitering on the Torrance streets from 10 p. m. until sunrise under the terms of ordinance No. 382 which goes into effect in Torrance on January 20.

Failure of parents to prevent such loitering between those hours will subject them to conviction of a misdemeanor carrying a fine of as high as \$500 and jail sentence of as long as six months.

Chief of Police John Stroth said that it is not the intent of the ordinance to keep youngsters from going to a show at night, but if they loiter on the streets after the show, dance, party or other such affair instead of going right home, they will be picked up and the parents held responsible.

All of Los Angeles County, the 45 municipalities and unincorporated territory, will soon be completely blanketed with the same curfew law.

This was evidenced Thursday in a report presented to the Los Angeles County Youth Committee at its session at the Hall of Records by William J. Sims, a member of the committee's executive staff.

Stroth reported that to date 20 of the 45 municipalities in the county have adopted the uniform ordinance patterned after the one adopted by the Board of Supervisors for the county last October.

Twelve more of the cities are in the process of adopting the ordinance, with the remaining 13 still making a study of the measure.

Exact legal phraseology of the Torrance ordinance in part, is:

SECTION 1. Every person under the age of eighteen years who loiters about the public streets, avenues, alleys, parks or public places between the hour of 10:00 o'clock P. M. and the time of sunrise of the following day when not accompanied by his parent or legal guardian having legal custody and control of such person, or spouse of such person over twenty-one years of age, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

"SECTION 2. Every parent, guardian, or other person having the legal care, custody, or control of any person under the age of eighteen years who allows or permits such person to violate any provision of this ordinance is guilty of a misdemeanor.

"SECTION 3. A violation of this ordinance or of any provision thereof is punishable by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding six months or by both such fine and imprisonment."

Airport Barracks Use By Veterans Turned Down

The City of Torrance will not request the use of the barracks buildings at Lomita flight strip for temporary veterans housing, J. G. Caldwell, local veterans service director, said he had been informed yesterday.

Caldwell had asked the city to go into the rental business, renovate the barracks buildings into living quarters with the assistance of 90 percent financing by the state, and to rent them to veterans and their families.

The Council has decided against the venture, it was said, and is considering other means of caring for the veterans of this community needing housing.

Richard Webber Named Employee Of Street Department

Richard M. Weber has been named an employee of the Torrance Street department.

He enters the service at the minimum wage of the City of Torrance, \$205 a month.

Kindergarten Enrollment Opens Feb. 3

Children eligible for kindergarten enrollment in the second semester of school may register after 8:00 a.m. on Feb. 3, when the second semester begins, according to Raymond E. Pollich, assistant superintendent in charge of Los Angeles elementary schools.

Children who will be five on or before Aug. 1, 1947, are eligible for kindergarten in February.

Registration will continue throughout the semester, and a waiting list will be established when the maximum enrollment has been reached. All waiting lists will expire when school closes in June.

Before entering kindergarten for the first time a child's age must be legally proven. To facilitate enrollment, this proof should be brought to the school when the child is registered. The following documents will be accepted as proof of age, provided they contain the day, month and year of the child's birth:

1. Birth certificate.
2. Health office or vital statistics record of birth date.
3. Affidavit of physician at birth or hospital record of birth.
4. U. S. Census Bureau (Washington, D.C.) record.
5. Court decree establishing date and place of birth.
6. Entry in family Bible of record of birth, baptismal or other church record.
7. Adoption papers.
8. Passport.
9. Insurance policy over two years old.

TORRANCE TO KEEP MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS

The City of Torrance will retain its membership in two inter-city organizations, at the expense of \$250 a year to taxpayers.

The renewal of membership in the California League of Cities, at \$225 and the Civil Service Association of the United States and Canada, at \$25, has been voted by the City Council.

PROVERBS

Proverbs are almost a "second language" to the Chinese and are used by rich and poor alike.

Freight Rate Increase Due To Aid Manufacturing In Los Angeles Area

General freight rate increases granted rail and other carriers throughout the country, effective Jan. 1, by the Interstate Commerce Commission, will result in a competitive advantage to Southern California firms over eastern producers selling in western markets.

This was the finding reported in an analysis of the ICC decision released by the transportation department of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

The advantage will be offset in part because the increases will also limit sale of local manufactured goods in the east.

However, it is probable more plants will be built here and existing plants will find increasing outlets in western markets, where they will be able to sell their products profitably at prices below those of eastern firms forced to ship goods long distances, the report explained.

The net effect of the rate increases will be to localize markets, particularly for finished products. Some raw materials and other commodities were made subject only to part of the general percentage increase, while the ICC has set the entire increase for most finished products.

The Chamber's report asserted one overall effect will be to widen the spread between the costs of shipping unfabricated materials and shipping manufactured articles.

The order is permissive rather than mandatory and the railroads are not required to increase the rates to the full amount authorized.

Several months ago the Chamber submitted a brief in the ICC hearings on the subject and asked that any percentage rate increases be made subject to a maximum limit in cents per 100 pounds to avoid discrimination against long haul shippers.

The ICC followed that policy in instances where shippers presented specific plans showing that otherwise undue hardship would be worked on their industries or firms.

Basic raw materials, products of agriculture, animals and animal products, mine products, petroleum products, and basic foods for human and animal consumption are subject to smaller increases than is the case for other goods, according to the Chamber report.

TOLOSON LEAVE FOR EAST

Curt Tolson, Navy veteran and former Torrance police officer, with his wife left Sunday afternoon for Topeka, Kan., where the couple will engage in a general store business. A son, Jack, will be here for mid-winter graduation at Torrance high school, will join his parents shortly thereafter.

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Smog Charges Against G.P. Are Dismissed

Smog charges against the General Petroleum Corporation's refinery at Torrance have been dropped. The organization's engineers proved that devices costing \$70,000 have eliminated the smoke fumes.

The corporation was one of 22 industrial concerns named by the district attorney last October as chief offenders.

At the invitation of the plant engineers, county officials inspected the plant and decided the source of the smog was eliminated.

DISPLAY MULLIKEN LUNG TO STIMULATE MOOSE CAMPAIGN

The Mulliken lung, an improvement over the stainless steel type, was on display here last week to aid in the Torrance Moose lodge's campaign to acquire the new 90-pound unit for this community.

The Mulliken lung, according to a spokesman, costs \$1,400, a figure considerably less than the cost of the old type, which weighs nearly one ton. Donations during the exhibition totaled approximately \$200, the spokesman said.

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