

MILK SUBSIDY
Consumers generally fail to note that government cost-of-living surveys do not correctly reflect the results of the ending of the milk subsidy. When the subsidy was dropped, retail prices of milk went up around 2 cents a quart. This is actually a transfer of part of the price of a quart of milk from consumer's taxes to the consumer's purse.

SERIOUS MUSIC
American composers of serious music face an uphill battle, says a University of California professor, because the United States lacks a system of fostering new musical works.

FUTURE RELIGIONS
To understand the religions of the future we should study the religions of the past, according to a University of California professor.

Clinton Critical At Loss Of Local Aluminum Plant

In a letter this week to the Los Angeles City Council protesting loss of the \$25,000,000 Federal aluminum plant at Torrance, Clifford E. Clinton, restaurateur and former candidate for mayor criticized as "short-sighted" the policy of the Los Angeles Water and Power Bureau.

The government has announced plans to place the plant on the auction block Jan. 25 because of reported inability of the water and power bureau to allocate sufficient electric power for its operation by private concerns.

Clinton urged steps by the council to force reconsideration of the decision by the department and Mayor Fletcher Bowron not to allocate power to industrialists who want to operate the plant permanently.

"We are confronted now," Clinton said, "with the alternative of taking a quick profit by selling our power at high rates to secondary industry or planning wisely for the incalculable profit of establishing here a great basic industry."

This would, he contended, develop an industry for the manufacture of 400 major aluminum products such as freight and passenger cars, trucks, trailers, houses, transmission cables, airplanes, boats and fencing.

1946 Reviewed By Manager Of Local CSES

In a review of the accomplishments of the Torrance office of the California State Employment Service for the year of 1946, K. E. Bradley, manager, revealed that the year 1946 was a long and uphill struggle for his staff, although definite accomplishments have been noted.

"It is a never ending battle, this business of finding jobs for the unemployed," Bradley said. "Every economic trend shows an immediate reaction in the employment structure of a community. The employment service is charged with the responsibility of assisting both labor and management in the matching of jobs and workers. Cutbacks of production, shortages of materials, lockouts, strikes and bad weather have a very definite influence upon the employment picture as a whole.

"The year of 1946 has seen the impact of unemployment as a result of conversion from war to peacetime production.

"The peak of unemployment was reached in February of 1946 with approximately 5,000 persons seeking employment through the local office of the California Department of Employment." Bradley further pointed out that, "at this time industry began to show a definite progress in getting back into peacetime production. As a result, unemployment began a steady decline. This decline continued until October of 1946, when there were less than 1,700 persons on the unemployment insurance rolls in the Torrance office area.

"During the year 1946 over 10,000 persons were referred to jobs. With the cooperation of local employers, whose interest it was to see that returned veterans obtain jobs, 4,000 of the total referred were World War II veterans."

Preston Osborn, manager, employment insurance division, reported the yearly average of checks paid to claimants for unemployment insurance per week during 1946 was approximately \$54,000. The highest week was in February with \$78,000 paid. The lowest week was in October with \$15,000 paid. This money, he said, helped maintain a stabilized purchasing power in the community, Osborn said.

During the year 1946, 146,718 persons contacted the local California Department of Employment office and received one of the many services offered, according to Bradley.

"In November of 1946," he said, "U.S.E.S. was returned to State administration. This entailed the transfer of all personnel, equipment, and the adoption of new procedures. With very little confusion this has been accomplished and the combined divisions of the California State Department of Employment are ready to offer a real service to the local community."

With a good representation of stable industry and prospects in the industry coming in, and with the increase of needed materials, improved transportation and housing, the area shows real indications of enjoying an active and prosperous era in the very near future, Bradley concluded.

G. A. Mothersell Conducts Masonic Installation Rite

Before an audience of about 250 members and friends, largest in its history, Torrance Lodge No. 447, F. & A. M. installed new officers headed by Worshipful Master Frederick Cook, Saturday evening at the Masonic Temple.

Gordon A. Mothersell, retiring master, had charge of the rites, while Past Master John Ramsay was master of ceremonies, all of which were handled without a hitch. For the first time rites were conducted without aid of an outside man.

Officers installed included I. Bowden, Park, senior warden; Vincent C. Viellenave, junior warden; Oscar E. Fossum, treasurer; L. Vernon Babcock, secretary and Chris A. Bartsch, chaplain.

Others were Fred O. Bacon, senior deacon; Leonard D. Baker, junior deacon; Frank Schmidt, marshal; John J. Galaretto, senior steward; Mark A. Wright, junior steward and Eugene S. Held, tiler.

Naomi Edwards was soloist of the evening, accompanied by Juliette Johnson, who also served as installing organist.

Elderly Farmer Attacked And Robbed Of \$60

Toyoko Aoki, 70, Japanese farmer living near Del Amo Blvd. and 190th st., Thursday afternoon was the victim of two armed robbers on Hawthorne Blvd. near his home, Torrance police reported.

The elderly Aoki told police that he was walking along Hawthorne Blvd. when the two men drove alongside of him in a dark sedan. One of the pair jumped from the auto and seized Aoki by the throat. During the struggle, he explained, the driver of the auto struck him on the head with a piece of lead pipe. This was accomplished, Aoki said, when he was hurled against the auto by the first attacker.

The robber then took the victim's home-made purse from his pocket and escaped with the contents, \$60 in currency.

Aoki was treated for a deep scalp wound by his personal physician in Gardena. The attackers were described as being of light complexion and between 25 and 35 years of age.

DAIRY FARMERS
Payment to dairy farmers for milk represents the largest part of the milk dollar—as much as 68 percent. Wages with 26 percent come next. Combined, they account for about 75 percent of a milk company's dollar.

GP'S TOUR EUROPE
With travel restrictions still prohibitive, almost the only Americans seeing the world today are members of the peacetime regular Army. And they are seeing plenty—at the lowest cost. In Europe, more than 250,000 American troops went on organized tours of Switzerland, Holland, Denmark, the United Kingdom and other areas at a special 8-day rate of \$85 covering all hotel, food and travel expenses.

VETERANS HEALTHY
Veterans studying at the University of California are, as a group, in better health than other students, University Health Service records show.

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Area Rakes in \$\$ Playing Host To 1946 Conventions

Retail, entertainment, hotel, restaurant and other trade channels in the Los Angeles area last year received \$8,005,200 from 80,052 delegates to 112 conventions, according to a statement made by A. J. Gock, chairman of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce convention committee.

"It is worth noting that every convention delegate leaves in his trail in the host city the sum of \$25 per day. And his stay in the host city averages four days.

"It goes without saying that conventions, as a source of business dollars, are not to be overlooked. Nor are we overlooking them. Thus far we have booked 62 conventions for Los Angeles in 1947, which we estimate will bring 125,638 delegates, who will leave \$12,653,500 with us.

"Already for the years 1948, 1949 and 1950 we have booked 16 conventions, delegates of which will number 64,000 and who will spend \$6,400,000 with us.

"Naturally it behooves us to be good and hospitable hosts," Gock said.

KFI TO BROADCAST WEEKLY SERIES ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The Christian Science transmitted program series entitled "Proof That Christian Science Heals," will be released over station KFI each Saturday morning at 10:45, beginning Jan. 11.

This broadcast is in addition to the programs now being released over the Mutual Don Lee Broadcasting System on Saturdays at 5:15 p.m.

Featured on these programs are the soloist and organist of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, and Harry C. Browne, speaker.

CALIFORNIA DAIRYMEN
August 1946 was the thirty-first consecutive month of record deliveries of milk and cream by California dairymen. Total deliveries for the month of milk and farm-separated cream were contained in 489 million pounds of whole milk, an increase of nearly 14 million pounds as compared with August 1945.

CAFE FIRE SUNDAY CAUSES DAMAGE OF \$400 TO BUILDING

A cafe fire at Marcelina and Cabrillo avenue Sunday evening caused an estimated damage of \$400 to the structure, according to Fire Chief J. E. McMaster. McMaster said probable origin of the fire, which threatened the adjoining theater, may lead to faulty wiring.

The cafe, closed at the time, is operated by Charles Miller. Torrance police, it was reported, calmly cleared the balcony of the theater without alarming the patrons. Only slight damage was done to the under-stairing of the balcony, firemen said.

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Building Permits

The following building permits, totaling \$38,000, were issued in Torrance during the past week, according to building department records:

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tedesco, 3852 W. 224th st., residence and garage, \$3,900.

State of California, 18101 Baley dr., 1000-gallon gasoline storage tank, \$100, and four temporary storage sheds, \$1,800.

Walsh and Opeskovich, 3745 W. 190th st., dairy barn, \$2,467.

Mrs. Atterbury, 4181-54 Sepulveda Blvd., recreation barn, \$4,560.

Charles Curtiss, 1321 Engracia ave., enclosed porch, \$150.

W. O. Sugden, 1627 Hickory ave., private garage, \$600.

A. H. Brown and B. D. Stewart, 2322-26 Torrance Blvd., service station, \$7,000.

David Jacobs, 1908 W. 222nd st., rumpus room over garage, \$500.

Great Lakes Carbon Co., 28502 Madrona ave., gasoline storage tank, \$160.

E. E. Neil, 1903 Abalone ave., shed, \$50.

R. E. Wright, 2062 W. 236th st., quonset dwelling, \$1,000.

Hubert L. Brier, 122 Camino de las Colinas, residence and garage, \$10,100.

George Bryant, 8866 Newton st., private garage, \$600.

Plastic Materials Co., 1822 W. 213th st., cut doorway, \$25.

TEACHER TRAINING
Teacher-training for those who will educate cerebral palsy cases is now part of the curriculum at the University of California's School of Education on the Berkeley campus.

AMONG LAST OF 1946 BABIES BORN TO LOCAL PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Fulton, 1511 Beech ave., ushered out the old year when Mrs. Fulton gave birth to an eight pound boy, Ronnie Dean, in the Griffith Park Maternity Home Dec. 31, at 7:30 p.m.

This is the second child for the Fultons, whose elder son, Danny, is four years old. Grandparents of the youngsters are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fulton, 2066 Lincoln ave.

Townsend Club No. 1

A regular pot luck dinner will be conducted by members of the Torrance Townsend club tomorrow night in Torrance Men's Bible class building, according to Club Secretary Ethelyn Vorhis.

The dinner, to begin at 6:30 p.m., will consist of Irish stew, provided for by members of the club, she said. Those attending are urged to bring trimmings for the main course.



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