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**Speed Limit On Crenshaw Area Now 25-Miles**

The speed limit on Crenshaw blvd. from Sierra st. to a point 1500 feet north, approximately 203rd st., will be 25 miles an hour in the future, according to action of the City Council Tuesday night.

A check of traffic showed 374 cars traveled north on Crenshaw, in a two hour period on one morning, while 361 traveled south. In the afternoon, during a two-hour period, 323 traveled north and 427 traveled south.

Density, with a heavy trucking on Crenshaw, was declared heavy enough to warrant the 25-mile zone, Chief of Police John Stroh said.

**Cal. Vets Dept. Hunts Veterans For Refunds**

The California State Department of Veterans Affairs last week issued a list of 1300 World War I veterans who are entitled to refunds averaging \$287 per veteran in connection with California farm and home purchase contracts, if they—or the survivors of those who are deceased—will make their whereabouts known to the Department.

Two listed whose last known addresses were in Torrance were: Albert W. Greiner and Karl L. Semenzet.

Two listed as from Lomita were: Frank T. Atkinson and Frederick Hofacker.

Applications for refunds may be made by contacting the Department of Veterans Affairs, 1020 N St., P. O. Box 1559, Sacramento 7, California.

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**FAMOUS SPEAKER** . . . Pictured here is John Kenfield Morley, who will be the principal speaker at the Torrance Town Hall meeting staged by the Torrance Kiwanis club at the Torrance high school auditorium Friday night. His subject will be: "Can We Prevent A Third World War?"

**Grass Fires In Torrance, Palos Verdes Reported**

Torrance firemen were called Sunday to put out two grass fires, one at 212th st. and El Prado, and the other on Cabrillo ave., near the City park.

No damage was caused by either blaze, and no one was injured according to firemen. In both cases, cause of the fire was listed as unknown.

In Palos Verdes, fire early Monday morning burned over approximately 10 acres of grassland atop San Pedro hill. One fire truck from the Rolling Hills volunteer station sped to the 1482-foot elevation and brought the blaze under control after about an hour.

Kelvin C. Vanderlip, president of Palos Verdes Corp., said damage was negligible, though the fire endangered crops and nearby residences.

The mishap was attributed to unauthorized campers in the area, and Vanderlip declared that more patrolmen are being hired to arrest trespassers. Violators of the company's no trespassing signs, he said, will be taken to court and prosecuted.

No reproof is so potent as the silent lesson of a good example. —Mary Baker Eddy

**Suit Filed Over Unpaid Bills of Big 'Veterans Welcome Home' Affair**

Who is going to pay for the mammoth five-day Fourth of July Veterans Welcome Home celebration staged last year at the suggestion of members of the City Council?

This question now is up to the courts, one action already having been filed.

The veterans were welcomed home, in a big way. They had five going for five days. But the bill was not paid in full.

Suggested by Councilman G. V. Powell and then Mayor W. H. Tolson, to give the veterans a "real welcome home," the affair was sponsored by city funds to the extent of \$2900. Articles of incorporation were prepared, for a non-profit corporation to protect proceeds of the affair to be used in staging a similar celebration this year.

The articles were not filed, the concessions and an show by City Council and civic leaders expected to pay the way of the "free ride" for veterans failed to reap necessary profits, the affair went into the "red" some \$6000, and the City Council refused to take up the balance. Membership of the unformed corporation included three members of the City Council and a committee of citizens named by Tolson, who was general chairman, to act in a volunteer capacity, without profit, consisting of Harry B. Lewis, who was manager and

Del George, San Bernardino decorator who furnished bleachers for the air show and decorations, is a plaintiff, asking \$3,963. Of this amount he is asking \$1,200 for Lewis, who claims he was hired to do the job of managing the affair.

A score of local patriotic groups and veterans organizations participated in the big celebration, maintaining concessions. They were represented on an advisory committee for the affair.

It was when the city was asked for \$500 to welcome home Capt. Louis Zamperini and other veterans that Councilman Powell said he would rather wait until "all the veterans" are home and stage a "real celebration." This stage was followed up with the announcement at the Zamperini party, which included a "welcome" for other veterans, of the Fourth of July celebration by then Mayor Tolson. Later the group was asked to run the affair and the city initiated the celebration by the \$2500 appropriation. It was understood then that out of the proceeds, the \$2500 would be paid back and the net profit held for a similar celebration in 1947.

**OBITUARY**

**WALTER TAPPIN JR.**  
Services for Walter Tappin Jr., 53, of 22931 Narbonne ave., who died Friday at Seaside Memorial hospital in Long Beach, were conducted at Gamby's chapel Wednesday at 2 p.m. Mr. Tappin, who had lived in Torrance since 1918, was a member of the Teamsters' union. Besides his widow, Marsha, he is survived by two sons, Marshall and William Arthur; two brothers, Arthur and Edward; a daughter, Mary; his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Tappin and two grandchildren, Marsha and Barbara.

**THOMAS FRANKLIN TIDWELL**  
Funeral services for Thomas Franklin Tidwell, who died at his home at 1600 W. 216th st. Tuesday, will be conducted at the Cleveland funeral home in San Pedro at 2 p.m. today. Rev. Fred Ross and Point Fermin Lodge of F. & A. M. will officiate. A resident of Torrance for the past seven years and of California for 24 years, Mr. Tidwell was born in Fort Worth, Texas in 1884. He is survived by his widow, Mattie of Torrance, a son Haskell, of San Pedro, a grandson William Curtis Tidwell, of San Pedro, three brothers and four sisters of Texas, and a nephew, Paul W. Nelms, of San Pedro. Entombment will be at Angeles Abbey in Compton.

**Building Permits**

The following building permits were issued in Torrance during the past week, according to Building department records:

W. G. White, 3850 Denison st., garage and temporary residence, \$4,500.

Walter King, 2223 Border ave., manufacturing building, \$3,750.

Bert M. Lynn, 1208 Greenwood ave., residence, \$11,000.

Everett Lindley, two residences at 24467 and 24471 Ward st., \$3,500 each.

Kenneth L. Roberts, 1635 Crenshaw blvd., close in patio, \$150.

Oscar Etterfield, 23816 Hawthorne ave., addition to residence, \$1,400.

Edwin Morang, two residences at 604 and 612 Amanola ave., \$5,500 each.

Jesus Grande, 2276 El Amo blvd., residence, \$3,000.

G. H. Paltridge, 1341 El Prado, remodel store front, \$900.

**STORKATORIALS**

Children born to Torrance parents at Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week include the following:

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Joyce, 25 Bayview dr., Manhattan Beach, boy, Gregory Allan, May 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald E. Kealey, 722 Acacia ave., boy, May 13, 3:18 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. William Preddy, 21736 S. Figueroa st., boy, May 11, 9 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rojo, 2103 1/2 Gramercy ave., boy, May 9, 2:25 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith, 1443 Carson st., boy, May 12, 10:30 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Volz, 1903 Arlington ave., girl, May 12, 3 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollin C. Williams, 21737 Halldale ave., boy, May 13, 2:38 a.m.

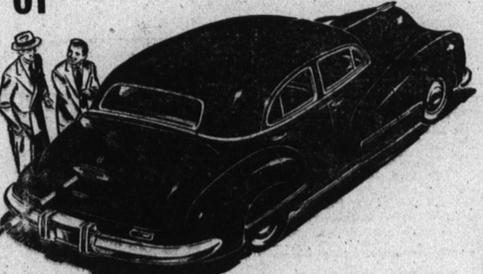
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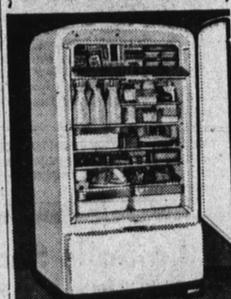
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**Repairs on Fire Station Cost Only \$602.07 To Date**

Torrance central fire station repair and rehabilitation is progressing rapidly, according to Sam Levy, dollar-a-month technical engineer retained by the city to do the job.

According to Levy, the cost of the work to Monday night was \$602.07, of which \$322.85 was labor and \$279.22 was material.

This is well within the \$3000 maximum set by Levy as necessary to do the work, it was pointed out.

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