

No Additional Police Protection For Shoestring Strip—Horrall

Another attempt to secure more adequate police protection for residents of the Los Angeles Shoestring strip was unsuccessful last week.

Spearheaded by the Gardena Valley Chamber of Commerce, the move took the form of a complaint to the Los Angeles Board of Police Commissioners regarding "hoodlumism" in the Shoestring strip near Gardena. The action followed a recent attack by hoodlums, at a Job's Daughters dance, at which time a request for a patrol car could only be answered by sending one from Watts.

In reply to the complaint, Captain C. Wisdom of Los Angeles 77th st. police station pointed out the large area for which his station is responsible. The area includes 193,000 persons and extends from Slauson ave. south to 203rd st. Describing the Shoestring strip as a relatively peaceful community, Captain Wisdom said there were not enough policemen to go around and they had to be used where they were needed most. Captain Wisdom spoke before a meeting of the directors of the Gardena Chamber.

After investigating the matter, Chief of Police C. B. Horrall informed the Chamber that while no additional police protection could be given at this time, a plan has been made to send a patrol car through the area hourly at night.



Candidate for the title of "Miss Atomic Energy" for the Southern California Industrial Exposition, scheduled August 16-24 at the Pan-Pacific Auditorium in Los Angeles, is petite Jan Ford of Rossmore. Warning sign she is seated upon refers to possible presence of radio-activity.

Assignments In Sixth Army Area Open To Veterans

Initiation of a recruiting drive to fill all vacancies in Air and Ground Force units and installations in the eight western states of the Sixth Army area was announced last week by General Mark Clark, Commanding General, Sixth Army.

Under a new War Department policy, former members of any of the Armed Forces discharged after May 12, 1945, may enlist in the Regular Army for direct initial assignment to the unit or installation of their choice in the Sixth Army Area where vacancies exist. More than five thousand vacancies, involving every job from rifleman to radar mechanic at grades up to and including technical sergeant, are open to enlistments under this authority, the General revealed.

Complete lists of the vacancies at each Army post, camp and station are being provided to all Regular Army Recruiting Stations for the information of interested veterans.

WISCONSIN SUMMER PICNIC WILL BE HELD AUGUST 23

"Forward," will be the slogan during an all-day reunion for "Badgers" in Sycamore Grove park, Los Angeles, Aug. 23, according to Oscar Redemann, president of Wisconsin association.

The gathering is for the purpose of meeting old friends and making new ones, and will feature a popular Indian program of music and tribal dancing.

Coffee, badges and county registers will be at hand.

Local Plant To Hold Open House

Doors will be wide open Thursday and Friday, Aug. 14 and 15, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the new Anderson-Carlson Manufacturing Co. plant, at 1739 213th st.

The open house primarily is for the purpose of letting stockholders, business acquaintances and friends see the company's machines in operation. Although full production has not yet been reached at the plant, manufacturing of electroweld tubing, commercial tubing, stainless steel tubing and thinwall electric conduits is progressing.

Located in the former Plancor unit of the National Supply Co., Anderson-Carlson Co. purchased the building from the Reconstruction Finance Corp. several months ago. During the war the National Supply Co. operated the plant for the United States Government to manufacture airplane parts.

Officers of the company are: Arthur A. Anderson, president; Ernest M. Carlson, vice president; Fred H. Barker, second vice president; Evert K. Sjogren, treasurer; William Jennings Bryan Jr., attorney and John H. Wahlen, auditor.

Letters Wanted By Girl Confined In Hospital Here

Describing her treatment at the Harbor General Hospital as very good, 13-year-old Norma Jean Chapman, 10500 Harbor st., Los Angeles, in a letter to the Torrance Herald this week, asked for mail from other girls and boys her age, especially those interested in horses.

Norma Jean was injured seriously two months ago when kicked by a horse. Despite a fractured skull, fractured spine and several cracked ribs, she still professes a love for horses. Her letter was full of praise for the living conditions at the hospital which she said was very clean, fresh and comfortable.

Despite her serious injuries, Norma Jean is progressing very nicely and she expects to leave the hospital within a few weeks.

California Will Pick Beauty As Centennial Girl

Hunting season has opened! California is now being scoured for the "Centennial Girl." Some lucky native California Miss will be selected at the State Fair, to be held in Sacramento, starting August 28, to help the state celebrate its centennial.

Torrance girls wishing to enter the contest may obtain application blanks at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce. They will then appear at the Hollywood Bowl, August 20, for a preliminary contest. From among those called back for the final judging, a Centennial Girl from Los Angeles County will be selected to make the trip to Sacramento.

The Centennial Girl's job will last at least three years, during which time, as the State's beauty queen, she must attend functions throughout the nation. This is part of an effort to focus the attention of the entire United States more fully upon California during its three centennial years.

Prospective applicants must be between the ages of 17 and 23, and must never have been married. Candidates must also be in excellent health and physically able to withstand rigorous experiences of extensive travel throughout the United States in '48, '49 and '50. Salary and expenses will be paid her to extend invitations to important people to visit California.

SCREAMER BIRD

The screamer, a bird that inhabits parts of South America and Guiana, has a layer of air cells between the skin and the muscles, so that if its body is pressed a crackling sound is heard, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

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