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**Hospital Cases**

Residents of Torrance, Lomita, Harbor City and other nearby areas, who were listed as patients at the Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week include:

- James Balcom, 26001 Esheiman avenue, Lomita.
- Barbara Curren, 1517 W. 254th street, Harbor City.
- Mrs. Neese Dorris, 1654 W. 214th street.
- Mrs. Gloria Deering, 21345 S. Figueroa.
- Frank Fernandez, 2475 Lomita boulevard, Lomita.
- Calvin B. Gray, 1627 Post avenue.
- Mrs. Lola Harris, 1211 El Prado No. 3.
- Mrs. Hazel Hutton, 703 Cota avenue.
- Mrs. Opal Kendig, 20713 S. Vermont.
- Mrs. Edythe Kerr, 1446 W. 214th street.
- Mrs. Marianne Luciani, 1512 W. 204th street.
- Mrs. Joyce Martin, 1270 101 Highway, Harbor City.
- Mrs. Anna Swanson, 1961 Plaza Del Amo.
- John Tolson, 2104 Andree avenue.
- Mrs. Mary VonGerichten, 1642 W. 215th street.

**JEFFERSON GOVERNOR**

Thomas Jefferson was governor of Virginia from 1777 to 1781.

**Tidwell Walks Away From Mass Meeting Queries**

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his union, unwilling to agree not to strike or use economic force during the period of the contract and settle disputes and grievances through impartial and binding arbitration?

3. How does Mr. Tidwell, and his union, justify the use of force—the strike—picketing—to force employers to sign closed shop contracts which are prohibited by the Labor Management Relations Act?

4. Can Mr. Tidwell justify co-opting employers to agree to violate the law—that is, to hire only members of his union? Isn't this anarchy rather than lawful American conduct?

5. Can Mr. Tidwell prove that his membership have ordered him to take the action he has taken—and if they have, can Mr. Tidwell justify following such a dictated course of action which is unlawful?

6. Mr. Tidwell has told me the program for settlement of grievance by impartial and binding arbitration without strike or threats of strikes and the constructive integration of unions into the business life of San Pedro so that both employers and unions can join in mutual efforts to make San Pedro a prosperous community for employers and employees, which I presented to him, was one which he has tried to put into effect for some years. Why doesn't Mr. Tidwell want to do this now, or at least attempt it?

H. W. Smith, vice president of the San Pedro Businessmen Associated, Inc. opened the meeting. He presented Father Thomas Kiefer as chairman. Father Kiefer, Associate Pastor of Mary Star of the Sea Parish, is a member of the Catholic Labor Institute and has spent years in industrial relations work. Father Kiefer, as personal representative of Monsignor George Scott, urged a willingness to discuss employer-employee relations to the end that a solution to the present problem could be quickly reached.

**Mrs. Howard Lander, Committee Complete Card Party Plans**

Mrs. Howard E. Lander will serve as chairman for this evening's Catholic ladies weekly card party featuring contract and auction bridge, pinocle and 500.

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Announcement of these price reductions was made on April 22, 1948, concurrently with the denial by U.S. Steel of the request of the United Steelworkers of America (CIO) for a "substantial wage increase."

United States Steel believes that costs and prices in general are too high for the good of the nation. It shares the firm conviction that American industry and labor should cooperatively do everything in their power to avoid further increases in costs, which, if permitted to occur, must result in higher prices for almost everything we buy. Certainly the best interests of all of our people will not be served by a further lowering in the purchasing power of the dollar.

We are hopeful that our action in reducing the prices of a number of steel products associated with the cost of living may have a beneficial effect throughout the nation and may be helpful in bringing about an early stabilization or reduction in the cost of living. If this should prove to be the outcome, everyone in this country will benefit. If, on the contrary,

costs should continue to advance, then in fairness to our employees and to our stockholders we will have to consider at some later date the adequacy of both wages and steel prices under then-existing conditions.

Our answer to the Union was that the granting of its request for a "substantial wage increase" will not in the long run bring benefit to anyone, as it will lead to similar substantial wage increases in other industries and to higher prices generally. Such a wage increase would make necessary a general advance in our steel prices. We are unwilling so to increase steel prices at this time, as we believe this would be contrary to the best interests of the nation.

The Union's demand for a "substantial wage increase" was based on increases in the cost of living. The index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, records an increase of 67.2% in the cost of living between 1940 and February, 1948. During that same period, average straight-time hourly earnings of our steel workers rose 73.3%; their average actual earnings advanced 81.3% and their average actual weekly earnings advanced 91.7%. These advances are substantially in excess of the increase in the cost of living during that period.

If there is to be a halt in the surge of rising costs, there must be full and effective cooperation to this end on the part of every segment of our economy.

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