

City-County Book Contract Renewed

Renewal of contract for the fiscal year 1949-50 under which Los Angeles County will furnish library service to the city of Torrance, was recommended Monday by John D. Henderson, county librarian.

Cost to the city will be \$10,994.54 if the agreement is approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Forget-Me-Not Drive Slated Nov. 10-12

As the South Bay Chapter No. 92, Disabled American Veterans, prepared to conduct its annual Forget-Me-Not Drive on November 10, 11, 12, Commander James G. Caldwell, Chapter Commander, this week reported that the past year has been a most active one.

He reported that the welfare, service and rehabilitation work of the Chapter reached a new peak during the last year. The DAV service office assisted without charge disabled veterans in presenting claims for benefits to the Veterans Administration, part of whom were granted awards.

James G. Caldwell said many of the disabled veterans applied for help in re-opening their claims and requests for compensation increases.

All of the activities of the DAV are supported largely by the collection on Forget-Me-Not Day, J. G. Caldwell said.

Soldier Prepares For Trip to Famed Mt. Fuji

Private Jesse Ray, son of Mrs. G. A. Ray of 23047 Narbonne Avenue is now preparing for the big move to the base of the famous Mt. Fuji where he will undergo advanced training in combat formations both offensive and defensive.

Private Ray participated in the review of troops in honor of Chief of Staff United States Army recently held at the Emperor's Plaza in Tokyo, Japan.

Overseas since April, 1949. Private Ray is assigned to Company F, 8th Cavalry Regiment.



IT GOES LIKE THIS . . . Cpl. Dick Muhleck, of 1645 Juniper avenue, explains to his Marine Corps Reserve buddies the detailed functioning of the service rifle. Taking it all in are S/Sgt. Ben Harvey, Lakewood; and Cpl. Ysabl Jimenez, San Pedro.



ALWAYS WITH A SMILE . . . Marine Reserve officers last week pointed up one of the corps' quatermaster wonders—a quatermaster sergeant with a smile. The happy one is Staff Sgt. John F. Watt, who lives at 24260 Neece avenue in WALTERIA.

Youths Nabbed for Giving Girls Drinks

Three youths from San Pedro, charged with drinking in public, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, and furnishing a minor with alcoholic beverages, were arrested by Torrance Police Officers Friday night on the bluffs overlooking Torrance Beach.

Booked were: Ray Nondal Finley, 23; Tony Dominic Marinkovic, 19; and Jesus Anthony Arellanes, 19, all of San Pedro.

The three juvenile girls involved were released to the custody of a relative.

Pay-Off for GI Insurance Refunds Told

Average pay-off figures on National Service Life Insurance refunds have been released by Uncle Sam.

The maximum amount that may be received on a \$10,000 policy is \$528 for 96 months in the service. Dividends are based on age groups and will be paid only for the period the policies were in force prior to the policy anniversary date in 1948—with periods of lapse discontinued.

Carl Gray Jr., Administrator of Veterans Affairs in Washington, has pointed out that the estimated rate of dividends arrived at after long actuary studies, will be the same for both term and converted policies since it is based on mortality savings as there were no excess interest earnings.

The \$528 "high" figure represents a dividend of 55 cents a month for each \$1000 worth of insurance. It is also based on the fact that the veteran was 40 or under at the time the policy was issued.

OTHER RATES
Other rates of payment are shown in a special table. Ages 41 to 45 years scale down from 52 to 40 cents per \$1000; those 46 to 50, 37 to 25 cents; those 51 to 54, 24 to 21 cents; and those over 55, 20 cents per \$1,000.

The entire scale, noting the age at left, at right the dividend per \$1,000 of insurance—which multiplied by the number of months the policy was in force prior to the 1948 anniversary date—determines the total payment. The table:

40 and under	\$ 52
41	49
42	46
43	43
44	40
45	37
46	34
47	31
48	28
49	25
50	22
51	20
52	19
53	18
54	17
55 and over	16

PAYMENTS DUE
Over 24,000 veterans who registered for the fall term in education or training under the GI Bill in the Los Angeles Regional Office area of the Veterans Administration will receive subsistence payments during the first week of November. L. C. Chapman, manager of the Regional office, said this week.

Concession Permit Given

The State Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation will be permitted to establish a concession at the Harbor General Hospital, according to the action taken by the Board of Supervisors.

On motion of Supervisor Raymond V. Darby, the Supervisors instructed County Counsel to prepare an agreement with the State.

The Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation concerns itself with the welfare of the blind. The State has agreed to construct a suitable structure leading off of one of the corridors of the hospital to be agreed upon by the hospital authorities, Darby said. Such items as newspapers, magazines, tobacco and sundries to be approved by the hospital administration will be sold.

Gas Co. Seeks Emergency Rate Increases

Southern California Gas Company this week presented an application for filing with the California Public Utilities Commission asking for an emergency and interim gas rate increase, pending a final decision by the commission on the gas company's application for an increase in rates, according to an announcement made by F. S. Wade, president of the utility company.

Immediate need for increased earnings so that the gas company can take care of essential financing was given by Wade as the reason for the request.

"In order to make extensions to our system to supply the rapidly growing territory we serve, it is necessary for us to obtain new capital by the issuance of stocks and bonds," Wade explained. "Gas company earnings must be raised to a reasonable level in order that our securities can find a market on a proper basis."

Kickback Set On Liquor Fund

Liquor license fees totaling \$5385.94, will be turned over to the city of Torrance by the state board of equalization, William G. Bonelli, member of the board, revealed Monday.

This amount is included in \$7,037,951 in fee earnings by the state during the first eight months of 1949. One-fifth of the total will be paid to 57 counties of the state and the remaining four-fifths to the 304 cities, including the city and county of San Francisco.

Bonelli said Los Angeles city will receive 18.53 per cent of the total funds and San Francisco city and county 15.83 per cent.

Salvation Army Used Furniture Needs Unwanted

Emergency need for discarded furniture of all kinds is being told this week by Brigadier Fred Ohm in an appeal to the public for donations of no-longer-wanted articles to the Salvation Army social service center serving this area.

Brig. Ohm, manager of the service center, revealed that increased calls for assistance due to rising unemployment rolls coupled with chill fall weather has depleted the furniture supply on hand at the center for refurbishing. In order to maintain the program of providing employment for the needy and handicapped, ever increasing amounts of castoff materials must be brought into the center's workshops, he said. He stressed also the acute need for wafu clothing and shoes during this season.

Red Shield trucks from the Salvation Army center will stop at homes and offices to pick up unwanted articles, the manager emphasized. Residents and businessmen may request a truck to stop for pick-ups by telephoning 1356.

Instructor of the course will be Esther Anne Crippen who has had wide experience in teaching textile painting to local residents. The course will include painting on napkins, towels, table cloths, linens, handkerchiefs, ties, and a wide variety of household articles and articles of wearing apparel. "Most of our students will be planning to make expensive Christmas gifts inexpensively," says Mrs. Crippen, "and in so doing, they will make other people happy and at the same time learn a useful hobby and trade."

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Service Club To Observe Optimist Week

The 1949 observance of Optimist Week has been set for November 6 to 13. It was announced this week by R. P. Nall, District Governor of Optimists International.

Delbert Vaughn, president of the Torrance Optimists Club, said the local organization will participate in a series of activities designed to direct attention to the service club's work as a "Friend to the Boy" and broaden the activities in the field of lessening juvenile delinquency. "Optimist Week gives us a real opportunity to show the work that our 6000 members are doing to help build today's boys into tomorrow's leaders," said Vaughn. "The problem of juvenile delinquency is one that we should recognize as being of prime importance to every community. Proper recognition of the boy—his needs—and the necessity of providing ample recreational facilities and good guidance, is a part of the work of all Optimist Clubs."

Black Widow Gets Tabbed

Following many requests for information on the black widow spider, the Los Angeles Health Department has revised its pamphlet dealing with methods of control of the spider and treatment of its victims.

Coming at the close of a hot dry season when these shiny black insects have multiplied in unusual numbers the offer of the booklet is timely. Free copies may be obtained by writing the Torrance Health Center, 2300 Carson street.

Heart Attack Takes Woman Planning Home

A life-long anticipation of building their dream home ended for Mrs. Jessie A. Fritz last week when, hours before purchase of a home at Calistoga was completed she was stricken with a heart attack.

She accompanied her husband, Arthur D. Fritz, on a northern business trip and the couple stopped enroute at the Guadalupe home of their son, Rev. Russell Fritz. At 2 a.m. she awakened her husband with a call for assistance and relief from sudden illness. Twenty minutes later, before remedial action could be taken, she had passed away.

Founder and past president of Torrance Terrace Garden Club and active in civic work, Mrs. Fritz enriched the cultural and social life of the community. Her family gained prominence recently when Dr. Fritz a builder, perfected an agricultural machine.

Surviving Mrs. Fritz, a Torrance resident at 1563 W. 214th street, for more than six years, are her husband, her sons, Rev. Russell, Donald and Kenneth and several grandchildren.

Textile Painting Class Started at Evening School
A new class in textile painting to be held on Monday nights from 7 to 10 p. m. at the Torrance School of Adult Education, room 301, it was announced by Donald Manshaw, director of Adult Education.

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Lutheran Men Meet Wednesday

The Men's Brotherhood of First Lutheran Church will meet Wednesday evening, November 9, at 7:30 o'clock and the meeting will be opened with the Devotion by Pastor Wenske. A business meeting will be in charge of Floyd Lane, chairman.

A film on Denmark, Norway, and Sweden will be shown, after which there will be games of dart ball. Refreshments will be served by Pastor Wenske and Hank Carlson.

First Lutheran Brotherhood invites all men to come to this meeting and enjoy with them Christian fellowship.

Halloween Parties Popular

Halloween—in the safe and sane manner—was enjoyed by hundreds of youngsters at parties held over the week-end throughout the city.

More than 200 attended a loud shirt and Levi dance staged by the Torrance Teenagers at the VFW, Hall Thursday night. Prizes were awarded for such qualities as the loudest shirt and/or socks, the best mask; most unique couple, and the like.

In the Hollywood Riviera district, about 350 children and their parents frolicked at a party Monday night.

An open air street dance proved popular in North Torrance. The corner of 14th street and Casimir avenue was employed for the occasion.

Deadline-Set for GI Yule Parcels

Overseas Christmas packages and cards for military personnel and others, addressed through APO or fleet post offices, should be sent not later than Nov. 15th. Acting Postmaster Louis H. Deininger warned today.

Deininger announced that domestic rates are applicable and must be fully prepaid. Airmail packages of not more than eight ounces may be mailed for six cents an ounce but heavier items will be chargeable at 80 cents a pound or a fraction thereof.

Packages, which must be securely wrapped and legibly addressed, may not exceed 70 pounds or 100 inches in combined size and girth.

POWER ON STEEL SHOW

Tyrone Power stars in the radio premiere of "The Traitor," with William Eythe and Nina Foch, on United States Steel's November 6 presentation, via stations of the National Broadcasting Company network at 5:30 p.m. (PST).