

Family Service Aids Explained

Community provisions for families in trouble, financial and otherwise, were explained in detail at last week's meeting of First District Welfare Council, when it was emphasized that private and public agencies do not duplicate each other's work, and that no family can receive help from more than one organization.

Because of the division of responsibility for families, Warren W. Hamilton, council president, urged the public to refer cases or to consult with the local Community Chest Service Center, 1339 Post avenue, Torrance 1356, for information as to the agency best qualified to help. Summarized, the agencies' work was explained as follows: American Red Cross, said

Miss Cathine O'Connor, field director, serves only persons connected with the military service or their dependents, and for this reason is guided from Washington. Its work falls largely into two categories: For dependents of men and women in active service, and for the disabled veteran. It also conducts a reporting type of service—by investigating upon military request, home problems, requests for compassionate leave and the like.

Family Service and other similar agencies in the Community Chest group, according to Miss Rachel Steward, Harbor District supervisor, serves in problems which could happen to any family in any economic level, its object being to keep the home unbroken. It acts in cases of unmarried parents, with counsel on provision for the child; where there is marital discord; parent-child conflict; in cases of physical or mental illness; in budgeting help to make income stretch and in providing a homemaker or substitute mother, in cases of long illness or death when children might be separated and placed in different homes. Financial assistance is very limited, Miss Steward said, and given only when it is evident a family can speedily become entirely self-supporting.

The tax-supported Bureau of Public Assistance, explained Miss Harriet MacLaurin, gives direct maintenance relief to needy families which qualify for the legal provisions of three years' residence in the state and one in the county. It extends assistance in the form of food, clothing, shelter and other essentials for existence to those unable to provide for themselves.

This relief is in the nature of a loan and clients are expected to repay when their financial status improves. It provides work programs for employables to permit their paying their way as far as possible, and work camps for single men and at-coholics.

Exception is in the case of needy half-orphans, where Federal funds make it possible for a mother to keep a home for minor children. This aid need not be repaid.

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Flat paint is made in much the same way as high class gloss enamel, except that it contains less varnish and more turpentine than ordinary enamel.

Reflections

By J. Hugh Shertey, Jr.

Anniversaries

Anniversaries have a way of tying the past and the present with knots of remembrance.



Dates when valor were displayed should never be forgotten, birthdays are nice, but the date that I hold closest is our Wedding Anniversary.

I had nothing to do with dates in history, nor my birthdate, but my wife and I are solely responsible for the date we set to become one in name, ideals, ambitions and future failure or success.

It is on this date that we can count our blessings, the years of deep affection and laugh at our failures and glory in our success, however large or small they may be.

Our Wedding Anniversary is a beacon light that shines forever bright, calling, beckoning us on to the harbor where all worthwhile thoughts are stored.

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Red Horse Pays Million Dollars in Green Chips

Red Horse Wins '49-50 Tax Derby

General Petroleum's Flying Red Horse came romping home this week with a million dollar payoff—for the tax collector. Stepping up to the payoff window to receive a \$1,011,325.88 check was H. L. Byram, Los Angeles County Tax Collector.

The payoff, which included \$271,328 in green chips for Torrance, came at the end of the 1949-50 Property Tax Derby.

The six-figure sum again gave General Petroleum the dubious honor of being the largest taxpayer in the city of Torrance.

Last December the winged horse paid \$1,431,690 as the first installment on the last year's tax assessment. Torrance holding several winning tickets collected approximately \$400,000.

Though the City of Torrance will benefit from the \$271,328 as the city's share of the company's tax payment, all of the money will not go directly into the city's treasury.

Here's where it will go: The Los Angeles County General Fund nipped \$70,368 leaving \$200,260 for Torrance to be divided up as follows: El Camino Junior College, \$39,388; Torrance Unified School District, \$38,260; Torrance City Tax District No. 1, \$17,795; Torrance City Tax District No. 2, \$31,462; County Flood Control District, \$8,409; Metropolitan Water District, \$14,953; County Sanitation District No. 5, \$12,604; Municipal Improvement District No. 1, \$20; Municipal Water District No. 2, \$1,065.

Pre-School Age Children Focal Point of New Class

To help mothers and fathers better understand their children, a new free adult class will be held each Monday from 12 to 3 p.m. at the Seaside School starting Monday, April 24.

The course is open to parents of children ages two to five. The class is designed to prepare youngsters for kindergarten and school, to help parents better understand their children and to help cooperate with the child's future school.

During the first hour of the class, the children will join in free play under the supervision of a competent child-care person while the parents engage in a discussion on such topics as: How to install correct discipline habits in the child, how to help children get along with other children, how to develop courteous and healthful habits of your child.

In addition to participating in the open discussion group, parents will be given assistance and counsel by the adult education teacher, Mrs. Evelyn Warren—and from time to time with clay, paints, and music.

Each mother will observe closely her own child and study his habits, and will record on a sheet given her, the good habits that she wants to encourage and the bad habits that she wants to change. The teacher will help each mother work out her problems during this session and will consider them in detail during the first hour of the next meeting of the class.

During the next two hours the child will be taken into a kindergarten room and will work on creative experiences

Merchant Plans Demonstrations Of Home Laundry

Harry Oster and associates of the Universal Furniture Store, 1317 Sartori avenue, returned recently from a meeting at which they witnessed the unveiling of the 2,000,000th Bendix Automatic Washer.

A special celebration will be held to mark the occasion and in which the Universal Furniture Store will take part. Oster pointed out that during the celebration live demonstrations of the Bendix washers and dryers will be made at the store beginning Thursday, April 28, to continue through to May 4.

"I sincerely feel," he said, "that the Bendix Automatic Washers in this area have made a genuine contribution to the advancement of modern living. This machine has broken the shackles that chained women to the work and drudgery of a normal washday and has given them new-found freedom, making washday as pleasant as any other day of the week."

Fifty-Three Persons Attend Kinsey Farewell

Fifty-three persons met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Johnson Saturday evening for a farewell service for Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kinsey of the Foursquare Church.

Many gifts were received by the Kinseys, who are leaving for Fallbrook, California, where they plan to make their home.

School, the Director of Instruction and the Psychologist of the Torrance Unified School District. To register, parents are instructed to go directly to class, with the child on Monday, 12 noon, April 24—room 8, at the Seaside School. Telephone Torrance 645 for further information.

Formal Opening of New Home Tract Planned

The \$850,000 Crenshaw Park residential development, situated on 174th street, a block west of Crenshaw boulevard, will be formally opened next weekend. It was announced yesterday by Todd Horn, of the Todd Construction Co., firm which is developing the property.

Meanwhile, to accommodate those who have followed construction progress from the time the first foundations were laid, a preview showing is being held this weekend, April 29-30.

Crenshaw Park consists of 102 two-bedroom homes, designed in 21 different elevations, and each with two-car garage, either attached or detached. The homes are priced as low as \$8130. Veterans are eligible to buy with no down payment. Escrow and impond costs amount to \$99 total. Monthly payments start at \$16 after veteran's tax exemption. Interest rates are four percent under 25-year G.I. loans for veterans earning from \$225 a month.

Standard features, all without added cost, include Waste King garbage pulverator, painted and papered walls, Thermador electric bathroom heater, tile bathroom including tile floors, eating space in kitchen in addition to dinette; brushed exterior, service porch, selected oak floors, lawn and shrubbery and many other advantages.

The property is completely improved with sewers, paved streets, parkway trees, sidewalks and curbs.

BELL HAS 2 NOTES

A good bell should have two notes, one when it is struck and a hum note a major sixth below the strike note.

Rarest U. S. Stamps

Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. stars with Geraldine Fitzgerald and Florence Reed in the psychological melodrama, "Double Door," on United States Steel's Sunday, April 30, presentation, via stations of the National Broadcasting Company network at 5:30 p.m. (PST).

Rarest U. S. Stamps

Rarest of all U. S. postage stamps are provisional issues of Baltimore, Md., and Boscawen, N. H. They were issued locally in 1854-46 under authority of the federal government.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS for the CITY OF TORRANCE

Open competitive examinations will be given in the near future for the following classifications:

- LABORER**
(Salary \$184.00 to \$221.00 per month)
- TYPIST CLERK**
(Salary \$176.00 to \$211.00 per month)
- BUS GARAGE ATTENDANT**
(Salary \$193.00 to \$231.00 per month)

All candidates must be citizens of the United States and bona fide residents of the City of Torrance for at least one year immediately preceding the date of filing applications.

Applications may be secured at the office of the Personnel Clerk, Room 2, City Hall, Torrance, Calif.

Last Day for Filing Applications

Wednesday, May 3rd, 1950, at 5:00 p.m.

The County Property Tax

TO THE VOTERS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY!



As candidate for LOS ANGELES COUNTY ASSESSOR in 1946, I received 129,000 votes. I am again a candidate for Assessor.

The home owners of Los Angeles County who own less than 50% of the taxable valuation of the County pay more than 75% of the County tax burden. Owners of industrial, investment and utility properties, own more than 50% of the taxable valuation, but pay less than 25% of the tax. A considerable portion of this is passed along to the user, buyer and consumer. Tax discrimination against the home owner and small business can be eliminated only by a uniform plan of equalized tax valuations for all classes of business property. The Assessor has never formulated such a plan.

Veterans entitled to a \$1000 exemption in tax valuation, by a California law, passed for their relief, have lost the benefit the people desired them to have. The Assessor has accomplished this by the simple expedient of increasing the valuation of their homes by \$1000.

Voters should understand no elective office is more IMPORTANT to the Los Angeles County home owner than that of the Assessor. Voters should understand the close relationship existing between heavy tax valuations on residential property as compared to the unfair low tax valuations of the industrial, investment and utilities properties of the financially strong. In Los Angeles County it means a \$21 million penalty per annum or about 25% more tax for each home owner more than he should pay.

Conditions have not changed since 1946 when I told the voters if ever a Los Angeles County office needed a shake-up and a cleaning it is the office of the Assessor. The incumbent has been incapacitated for work and duty for over five years. Except at election time he rarely visits his office. At times he is absent for days and weeks and at one time for almost a year. Remember you pay this incumbent a salary of \$15,000 a year and allow him to spend over \$2 million per year of your tax money for salaries alone. In 1949 the California legislature after finding a similar condition at Sacramento in office of the State Franchise Tax Commissioner, passed an Act signed by the Governor putting him out of office. We cannot do this in Los Angeles County, as office of Assessor is an elective office. He can only be removed by your vote.

STEER STRAIGHT with STEWART for ASSESSOR JUNE 6th

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Native of Missouri — Resident of Los Angeles County since 1904.
President California Income Taxpayers' Ass'n. for 22 years.
Formerly: President, Merchants Traffic Ass'n., Los Angeles; Chairman, Los Angeles County Judiciary Committee; Examiner, Interstate Commerce Commission, Washington, D. C.; Auditor, U. S. Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.; Auditor, Reconstruction Finance Corporation, Washington, D. C.

(Listen to Judge Adams' tax and civic talks 9:00 A.M. every Tuesday and at 7:45 P.M. every day May 17th through June 5th. Radio Station KGFJ, Dial 1230)

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