

### High School and Practical English Classes Announced

A new class for adults in high school and practical English and English for foreigners will be held each Monday night from 6:30 to 9:30 at the Torrance Evening High School in room 103, starting Monday night, January 8.

This combination course will be based on the individual needs of the student—each student's background and deficiencies in English will be analyzed, and he will be taught those things that will help him most in his everyday living.

The practical English part of the course will teach the student to read, speak, and write English better. The increasing of reading speed and comprehension will be studied at great length. The writing of effective personal and business letters will be treated and will be consolidated with the shorthand classes at the adult school. Those who need either the ABC's or a brush-up on spelling and grammar will have these needs taken care of.

"The ability to write and speak correctly and effectively is extremely important in business advancement and social success," according to Helen Lockwood, instructor of the course.

"By saying the right word at the right time, we become more acceptable people in our own social group and in our community and we become more successful in the highly competitive field of business. Many of us, because of careless enunciation and incorrect pronunciation, or ungrammatical speech, lose out on friends, social contacts and business acquaintances each day."

The English for foreigners part of this course will show the alien born what to do step by step to become citizens of the United States. Readers who know of neighbors or friends or factory workers who need training for citizenship are encouraged to join this free helpful class.

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### Inactive Naval Reserve Personnel

Volunteer Naval Reserve enlisted personnel who are not members of drilling units at the time of receipt of a Selective Service pre-induction physical examination notice will not be transferred to any drilling unit of the Naval Reserve, it was announced by Captain T. O. Cullins, USN, officer-in-charge of the Naval Reserve Training Center, Los Angeles.

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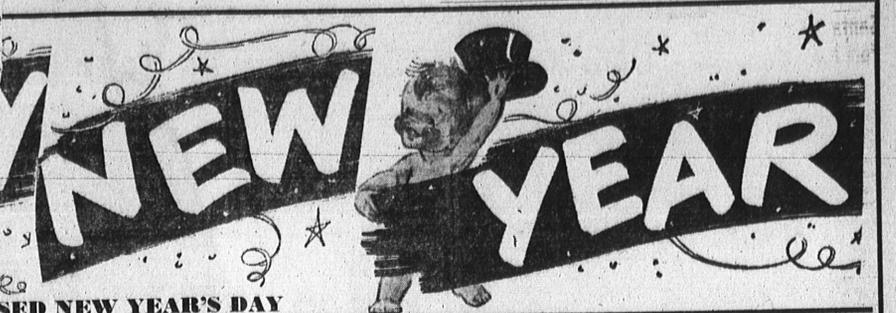
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### CONSTRUCTION

This week by is a request in Commission allotted for the parks and of the city.

Improvements at El Retiro would include the conversion of the open pagoda to the park into a picnic area. This and a sidewalk, retaining wall, and some steps would cost an estimated \$1150.

A lighted softball diamond, two drinking fountains, and a seeded turf to cost approximately \$3900 was requested for McMaster Park.

If granted, the funds would come from the 1950-51 budget, according to Stevens.

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