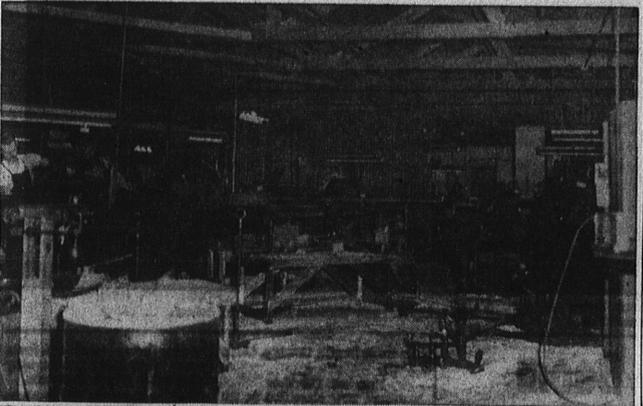




RARE PHOTO . . . One of the rare photos which pictures Jared Sidney Torrance is this photograph from the collection of City Clerk A. H. Bartlett. Mr. Torrance, founder of this city 40 years ago, is the gentleman with the straw hat standing with cane (second from right). Other early timers in the picture include Harry L. Page, George W. Nell, Fay L. Parks, Charles Long, George A. Procter, Hurum Reeve, Jacob Isen, C. A. Faxman, Burr E. Peck, Albert Knudson, Vern L. Zaver, A. H. Bartlett, J. S. Torrance and Charles Walker.



OLD AND NEW . . . New quarters of the Precision Equipment Co. (top) are contrasted with the old (left). In the bottom photo, Richard Gilman, president, surveys the cramped quarters in which the company started in February, 1948. They are located in the back end of the warehouse of Torrance Van and Storage. After a year of struggling along with little space, the firm had grown so large that newer, more expansive buildings to house the company were needed. It was then that the move to the modern building at 1641 Border Ave. was made. The top photo shows the shop, taken from the back and looking toward the front. Workmen operate turning lathes at the left of the picture, while fittings are coming off the machine at right. From a lot of about half a dozen employees, the firm now is hiring \$6 to 40 men in the back shop.



HILLTOP HOMES . . . Gentle, curving streets mark this section of new homes in the Hollywood Riviera area. The homes overlook the ocean to the west and the "valley" to the north and east. These homes, built during the

Torrance "boom years," of the late forties and early fifties, helped put Torrance among the 10 top most active building communities of 71 Southland cities.



ULTRA-MODERN . . . The new vacuum processing unit at Mayfair Creamery, 20801 Western Ave., is part of the firm's ultra-modern equipment. A few of the 25 split-and-span delivery trucks are shown lined up and ready for their morning runs. A new plant was occupied in May, 1951. The company was founded in 1929 by E. R. Brunner, who purchased the Kern creamery. All milk is produced within a five-mile radius.



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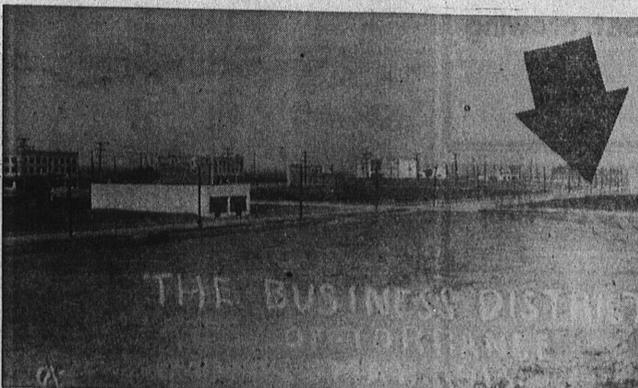


BUSINESS LEADER . . . M. R. Pike, vice-president of the Long Beach and Harbor area termite control association, is at war daily with termites. From his headquarters at 401 E. Carson St., Pike kills the troublesome pests by the billions.

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NO PARKING PROBLEMS THEN . . . Back in March of 1913 when this photograph was made Torrance had no parking problem. The city didn't have a lot of other things including the National Supply Co. which is now located on the corner indicated by black arrow. Intersection in center of picture is Carson street and Border avenue. Three story building at extreme left of picture is located at the five point intersection of Carson street, Cabrillo avenue, and Cravens avenue.

New Car Showing Hailed in Torrance

The Torrance Garage was the center of interest Wednesday and Thursday when the noted Doble steam car was brought from Los Angeles and exhibited to Torrance residents. (Dec. 15, 1922).

You Don't Need a Job, You Need a Husband

Working girls who demand fiery compensation over present wages need husbands, not jobs. This is the attitude of Kansas employers expressed before Industrial Court in Topeka, Kansas. (June 9, 1922).

Best wishes to all in Torrance on observance of your 40th Anniversary

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