

About 116 million acres of public land in continental United States have never been surveyed, says the Bureau of Land management.

All the dust in the earth's atmosphere, if it were possible to gather it together, would make a cube 887 feet square, it has been estimated.

Big Sprint Cars in Year's First Contest Here Sunday

The big sprint cars, the speed jobs which hold most of the records at Carroll Speedway, zoom into the spotlight Sunday afternoon, Feb. 8, with the first sprint car race of 1953.

Sanctioned by URA, Promoter Don Basile predicts a record entry list of 35 cars. This as based on the news that URA has concluded an agreement with the Northern California Sprint car organization, the West Coast Racing Assn. (WCRA), whereby points scored either in the Southland or in the north will count toward a true west coast sprint car champion.

Basile says that 10 or more Northern California sprint jobs will be on hand for Sunday's 1953 season opener on the local half-mile.

Local Pilots

Southland pilots due to compete in the 30-lap main event include Wild Bill Norton and Dempsey Wilson, both of whom recently quit 3-A to join URA. Then there will be Bob Chaplin, Colby Scroggins, George Seeger, George Amick, Hal Minyard, Lou Figaro, Marvin Faw, Ken Standberry, Johnny Garrett, Johnny Mohouse, Rosey Russell, Ski Redican, Hal Logan, and Danny Letner.

Time trials will start at noon, with the Trophy Dash opening the Sprint car program at 2:30.



JOHN WATSON SMITH ... Long Time Resident Dies

Father of Local Chiropractor Passes at 74

John Watson Smith, 74, for 14 years an employee of the City of Torrance and a resident here for the past 35 years, passed away at his home early Feb. 2.

The deceased, a retired teacher for the city, died of a heart condition. His health had been faltering for several years, his family said. He died at his home at 28019 Narbonne Ave. Services will be conducted tomorrow at 1 p.m. by Rev. Cecil J. England of the First Christian Church. Following the last rites, to be conducted in the Stone and Myers Chapel, interment will follow in the family plot in the Pomona Cemetery.

Mr. Smith will be interred beside two sons, Jessie Lee and Robert Wayne, and a brother, Jessie.

Surviving are his widow, Minnie, of the Narbonne address, and two sons, Dr. Arvol Smith, a practicing Torrance chiropractor, and Earl, of Seattle.

Mr. Smith was a native of Palmer, Tex., where he was born on July 7, 1878. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge at Ferris, a member of the IOOF, and the Moose Lodge, both in Texas.

Edgar Rhoads Rites Observed

Funeral services for Edgar Rhoads, 52, former operator of a music store and television repair service here, were held in Glendale Friday following his death Jan. 29.

A resident of 2016 Plaza del Amo until a year and one-half ago, Mr. Rhoads had been living in Glendale prior to his death.

He leaves his widow, Dillie Rhoads, a daughter, Jeanette, two sisters, and a brother.

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Navy Man to Return to School After 23-year Hitch with Fleet

After 23 years in the Navy, Jack N. Dailey, chief machinist's mate, will return to school. Upon release to the Fleet Reserve Jan. 30, Dailey said he will attend the Electronics Technical Institute in Inglewood, Calif., to learn television repair. He lives with his wife, Evelyn, and their two children, Neil Jack and Ariene, at 3308 Winlock Rd.

Released to the Fleet Reserve in 1948, Dailey worked as a refrigeration mechanic at the Terminal Island shipyard in Long Beach, until his recall in 1951. He became an instructor in the Engineering School at the Fleet Training Center, San Diego.

Dailey assisted in three evacuations during his Navy career. Aboard the transport USS Chamante in 1938 he helped evacuate American civilians at Shanghai early in World War II from Japanese invaders.

Dailey evacuated his family from American Samoa in 1941 after the Pearl Harbor attack. His son, then three years old, was awarded an honorary Purple Heart for a broken collarbone received when the Japanese shelled the island.

Again in 1946 Dailey assisted in an evacuation aboard the transport USS Renville which took U. S. Marines from the Peiping-Tientsin harbor because of Chinese Communist harassing. Another wartime highlight came aboard the attack transport USS Wellington, which trained Marines in landing operations in New Zealand. It carried them to the World War II invasions of Tarawa, Kwajalein, and Guam.

Dailey was promoted to rank of warrant machinist in 1944 and became an instructor at the Attack Transport School in Seattle, Wash.

Assigned to the cruiser USS Concord, he had the honor of being aboard the ship that fired the last salvos of World War

Vance E. Ratzlaff On Famous Carrier

Vance E. Ratzlaff, aviation structural mechanic third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ratzlaff of 24235 Los Codona, Welteria; and husband of the former Miss Frances King of Lomita, is serving with Fighter Squadron 51 operating from the attack aircraft carrier USS Valley Forge with Task Force 77 off the east coast of Korea.

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