



LOOKING AHEAD . . . Delbert J. Thomsen, accountant for Columbia Steel, looks ahead to pleasurable evenings of rocking after completing this honey maple rocking chair at the adult classes in woodworking at Torrance High School. Thomsen, who lives at 1447 El Prado, said the total cost of materials was \$14. The chair was his first project in the class, and is a copy of an original antique.



CUSTOM BUILDING . . . Chemical Engineer Galen A. Truesdell Jr., of 1005 Felbar Ave., built this bleached solid mahogany television-radio-phonograph cabinet as his first project in the adult woodworking class here. He put in a custom-built Technasizer chassis with 21-inch picture tube and a high-fidelity speaker which he constructed. Total cost of the cabinet built by Truesdell was \$40, he said.

King Raps Cutback In Heavy Press Job

Charging as irresponsible economy the cutback of the Air Force heavy press program, Rep. Cecil R. King has called upon all members of the California delegation to join forces in protesting the exclusion of the west coast from participating in the most modern aircraft production methods.

King pointed out that according to present plans of the Air Force—the reduction of presses from 17 to 10 would eliminate the west coast and concentrate the huge stamping machines capable of turning out complete aircraft sections in the east.

To deprive Southern California of the three heavy presses previously awarded to the Harvey Machine Co., will not only work a hardship on the local aircraft industry but be an economic blow to the Los Angeles area, King stated.

"The necessity of shipping forgings and extrusions from either Massachusetts or Ohio to the west coast does not seem to show a sensible form of economy," he said.

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"If Air Force reductions must be made," King reasoned, "the least costly for the heavy press program would be a stretch-out, whereby only one, two or some part of the total number of presses designated for each of the seven companies would be delivered to an installation this year, with additional units to be installed as funds are authorized."

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Marine Heads Home From Duty

Pfc. William Lasley, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Lasley of Avalon Trailer Court, is Stateside-bound after a six months' air-ground training period in the Hawaiian Islands, the Fleet Marine Force public information officer reported this week.

The California Leatherneck entered the Marine Corps in July, 1952, and is now serving as an ammunition carrier with Weapons Company, Third Battalion Landing Team.

Once home, the Marine's outfit will once more become a part of the Third Marine Regiment, Third Marine Division, at Camp Pendleton. He has been serving with the First Provisional Marine Air-Ground Task Force's Third Battalion Landing team at the Marine Air Station in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

Pfc. Lasley will enjoy a 30-day leave prior to rejoining his parent organization at Camp Pendleton.

Planners Take City Bus Tour

Prior to the Planning Commission hearing on the proposed rezoning of land to be used as a projected civic center site, held last week, a bus tour of the city was taken by Planning Commissioners, accompanied by Mayor Mervin Schwab, George Powell, land use investigator, and Earle Lloyd, planning consultant.

Purpose of the trip was to facilitate discussion on certain tracts of land that are coming up for approval, according to the Planning department.

The chartered city bus skirted the boundaries of the city on the tour. All of the Commissioners with the exception of W. A. Felker, who was out of town, H. R. Black and R. F. Whitcomb, working, attended the tour.

Lomita Boy Arrives In Korea With 7th Division

Army Pvt. Herbert B. Pearce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Pearce, 1851 Lomita Blvd., Lomita, recently arrived in Korea for duty with the 7th Infantry Division.

Private Pearce is assigned to Company I of the 81st Regiment. He entered the Army last September and received basic training at Fort Ord, Calif.

He formerly attended Banning High School and was a body and fender repairman for the Van Linger Body Shop in civilian life.

Torrance Pay Hike Gets Same For Bay Area

If San Francisco bus drivers find more in their pay envelopes these days, they can thank the Torrance City Council, believe it or not.

San Francisco's municipal pay rate is based on an average of the two highest city rates in California, and the recent pay boost granted Torrance drivers hiking their rate to \$1.978 hourly made the city pay scale the highest.

The Los Angeles Transit Co. rates of \$1.81 an hour make it second in the state so the San Francisco drivers were given an average of the two, or \$1.89.

Torrance has paid the highest rates for several years and is responsible for a number of pay raises to San Francisco car men.



According to City Ordinance No. 28, it is unlawful for anyone to expectorate upon any public sidewalk within the City of Torrance, nor upon the floor, wall, ceiling, stairway or furnishings or fixtures of any public building, or of any building or room where persons are wont to assemble for any purpose, or at any store or other room or building commonly frequented by the public, for business or pleasure.

The violation of this ordinance is punishable by a fine of not more than \$50, or 30 days in jail, or both.



WOMEN, TOO . . . Just as the men can while away their time making furniture for the home, so can women, as is proved here by Mrs. Josephine W. Kelly, of 2144 Middlebrook St. Mrs. Kelly is seated at the solid ash sewing cabinet and chair which she constructed in the woodworking class at the Torrance High School Adult Education evening class for 60. She also made the blond maple what-not shown on the wall above her.

2 LOCAL USN MEN RETURN Ministry Student, Wife, Arrive For Church Internship of Year

Two local men were aboard the USS Whisman and Hanna, which returned here recently after completing a tour of combat duty in the Far East.

Serving aboard the escort vessel USS Hanna is Eddie R. Tyler, USN, husband of Mrs. Glenda K. Tyler, of Walnut St. Serving aboard the escort vessel USS Whisman is W. C. Barger, chief commissaryman USN, husband of the former Miss Christina Mota of 26101 Cypress St., Lomita.

While in Korean waters the ship operated as part of the US Blockade and Escort Force, and last carrier Task Force 77. They bombarded the Communist-held port of Wonsan and conducted inshore patrol assignments.

Budget Hearings The City Council will conduct two hearings on the proposed 1953-54 budget at successive meetings on July 14 and 28, and not on July 7 and 21 as previously stated in the Herald.

Need 3 Million Pints of Blood During '53-54

The Torrance branch of American National Red Cross this week was alerted by the Los Angeles chapter Regional Blood Service that the Department of Defense has prepared a request for 2,800,000 pints of blood during the 1953-54 fiscal year.

In a wire received from Red Cross headquarters by William T. Seson Jr., chairman of the blood service in Los Angeles, it was disclosed that large quantities of whole blood and the derivative, serum albumin, will be required for the military.

The communique said further that the military had discontinued using blood plasma in favor of serum albumin, which is a better shock fighter, and dextran, a substance made from sugar.

In response to this latest appeal, Mrs. Gordon Jones, blood recruitment chairman of Torrance branch, has issued the following list of bloodmobile units:

Monday, July 13, Palos Verdes Tuesday, July 14, Long Beach Chapter, 319 W. Broadway, Long Beach, 3 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 22, Harbor District, 390 W. 7th St., San Pedro, 2 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, July 24, Inglewood Branch, Elks Club, 317 S. La Brea, Inglewood, 3 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 30, Hawthorne-Lawndale Branch, Masonic Lodge, Grevillea and W. Broadway, Hawthorne, 3 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 30, South Bay Branch, Clark Stadium, Valley Dr. between 8th and Pier Aves., Hermosa Beach, 3 to 7:30 p.m.

Those who wish to donate before these units visit nearby cities may donate at the Los Angeles Blood Center, 1130 S. Vermont Ave.



CHECKING THE FUTURE . . . Looking over an architect's sketch of the proposed new Lutheran Church are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Herman, who came to Torrance last week to work in the church. Herman, a third-year student at Capital University Seminary in Columbus, Ohio, will be here one year on an internship.

While in Torrance, they are living at 2808 Maricopa Pl.