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 Freeway have been completed and it now extends from its northerly terminus up to Washington Blvd. in Los Angeles. Another 2.3 miles are under construction and 2.8 miles have been financed and advertised.

22.8 Miles Long
 The total length of the project is 22.8 miles. Bids have been received for construction work on the south end of the road between Battery St. and 2 of a mile north of Pacific Coast Hwy. Construction was to start within 30 days of the last day of filing bids—June 10. This section is 2.8 miles long and is to be financed from an item of \$4,650,000 in the 1954-55 fiscal year budget, according to the report.

Depend On Finance
 "With substantially all of the major design problems solved and the more complex and expensive right-of-way acquisition negotiations settled, future progress on the development of the Harbor Freeway depends upon financing," Fahey reported. The State Highway Commission is constrained by law to budget funds for projects for only one fiscal year at a time and, with the pressure for other construction so pressing right now, it is impossible to set up a definite construction schedule, the engineer commented. But it is expected that sufficient funds will be budgeted to allow completion of the freeway within five years.

Coming Events

- Saturday, July 3—American Legion Fourth of July Dance, American Legion Hall, 9 p.m.
- Friday, July 9—South Bay Civic Light Opera Association, "Kniekerbocker Holiday," Rondo High School auditorium, 8:15 p.m. Also to be presented July 10, 11, 16 and 17.
- Saturday, July 10—American Legion, Installation, Legion Hall, 8 p.m.
- Saturday, July 10—Junior Chamber of Commerce Installation Dinner, Palms Verdes Country Club.
- Friday, July 16—Pacific Hills Homeowners Association Queen contest, Civic Auditorium.
- Saturday, July 17—Lions-Lioness Club Installation dinner dance, Western Club.
- Friday, July 23—Pacific Hills Homeowners Association queen's coronation ball.
- Sunday, Aug. 1—Allied Garden Picnic, El Retiro Park.
- Wednesday, August 11—First day of Torrance community fair, sponsored by Torrance Chambers of Commerce, Civic center area. Also to run August 12, 13, 14 and 15.
- Friday, August 27—Women's Society of Christian Service rummage sale.

\$100,000 For Forceps
 Baltimore, Md. — Mrs. Annie Mae Allgood James recently entered a suit for \$100,000 damages against Johns Hopkins Hospital because a pair of forceps were sewed up inside her abdomen during an operation performed in 1952. A second operation was necessary later to remove the instrument left inside the patient. Hospital officials said the "regrettable incident" stemmed from a "break in teamwork" of operating room personnel.

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"LOVELY HULA HANDS?" . . . Pretty Ella Mae McLeod, 17, left, is trying to copy the exact hula motions of beautiful Mickey Van Dwyer, 17. Both girls are trying out for parts in the Torrance Teen Age Talent Troupe. The Troupe, which is sponsored by the Recreation Department, will perform for the first time this Sunday at the park.

Rescuer Unappreciated

Minneapolis, Minn. — Carleton J. West, Jr., 24-year-old University of Minnesota law student, stopped his car on a Mississippi River bridge and went to the rescue of a woman who had leaped from the span. West pulled the woman from the water and helped to keep her alive with artificial respiration until help could arrive. When the rescuer returned to his car, he found it tagged for illegal parking on the bridge.

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Ike Still Plagued By Hot Farm Bill Battle On Hill

By HARRY S. DENT
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WASHINGTON, June 30. — The current hassle over the present mandatory 90 per cent farm support program versus the administration's proposed system of flexible supports is rapidly festering into one of Washington's biggest sores.

Now that the McCarthy-Army hearings are closed, the farm fight is making its bid for a national limelight. In one corner is President Eisenhower with his plan to switch all farm commodities next year to a sliding scale between 90 and 75 per cent of parity. Seconding him are Agriculture Secy. Benson and Dr. Milton Eisenhower, the President's brother and so-called brains behind the flexible plan.

In the other corner is the solid farm bloc in Congress, led by Senators Richard Russell (D-Ga.) and Allen Ellender (D-La.) and Representatives Harold Cooley (D-N.C.) and John McMillan (D-S.C.). With the South-comers are Republican Senators from North Dakota (Young and Langer) and Wisconsin (Wiley and McCarthy). Liberal Democrat Hubert Humphrey, of Minnesota, is also numbered among the 90 per cent advocates.

Mr. Eisenhower has declared he will not compromise on his proposed farm legislation, and rigid support backers have vowed to send him a bill extending the present program one year. And, they are daring him to veto it.

Strong pressure both ways is being exerted on detecting Republicans by the administration and by back-home farmers, most of whom want a continuation of their 90 per cent government insurance. Members of Congress are being told a presidential veto will kill an extension measure. The President, however, has refused three times to predict whether he will veto a 90 per cent farm bill.

As the congressional test votes loom nearer, the farm fireworks become more explosive. Earlier this month a Mid-Western Democratic conference in Des Moines, Iowa, accused the President of falling to back up his pro-election promises to give farmers price props at 90 to 100 per cent of parity. Senator Olin D. Johnson (D-S.C.) followed this up by charging the farmers are as afraid of Ike and his flexible plan as they are a rattlesnake. He too accused him of winking on his 1952 campaign speeches.

At a press conference following these accusations, this newspaper's Washington reporter threw the question in the President's lap, asking exactly what he said in 1952.

The President denied he ever insinuated or implied he favored rigid government price supports up to 100 per cent of parity. He said he advocated full parity for the farmers in the market place, noting there is a big difference between market prices and government warehouse prices.

Meanwhile, the farm fight continues, with boasts from both sides of even more fireworks yet to come in showdown debates in both houses of Congress.

WEED RESEARCH
 Research has indicated that the so-called useless weeds in southwestern U.S. may become important future sources for the production of rubber insulators.

Be Careful On July 4 Says Chief

Police Chief W. H. Haslam warned Torrance drivers to watch out for two people over the Fourth of July week-end — themselves and the fellow who isn't looking.

His warning followed an estimate by the National Safety Council that 480 persons would lose their lives in traffic accidents over the week-end.

A maximum number of traffic officers will be kept on duty, Haslam said. He pointed out that Torrance had enjoyed a

8 Days in Railroad Car

Casa Grande, Ariz. — Milford Alvin Fitzgerald, of Seattle, Wash., survived being locked for eight days, without food and water, in a railroad car loaded with lumber. A hobo in the railroad yard here reported hearing a noise in one of the cars and Fitzgerald, dehydrated and almost starved to death, was freed and taken to a hospital where he is recuperating.

death-free Memorial Day and July Fourth last year. On July 4, 1952, one person was killed and six seriously injured.

"We are keeping our fingers crossed," he said.

He urged drivers to use caution and to stay home as much as possible.

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