

## Northrop In Shift Of Top Personnel

Northrop Aircraft's rapidly progressing program to develop the SM-62 Snark pilotless bomber has been given new emphasis by reassignment of certain top engineering personnel, Edgar Schmued, Northrop's vice president in charge of engineering, disclosed today.

The SM-62 weapon system project office has been elevated to a top-priority position, reporting directly to the office of Dr. William Balhaus, Northrop's chief engineer, Mr. Schmued announced. At the same time, Ray Gayner, formerly assistant chief engineer, has been shifted to the office of Kenneth P. Bowen, vice president in charge of manufacturing.

Mr. Gayner's new title will be assistant to the vice president in charge of manufacturing. His principal responsibility will be to direct the actual production of missile "hardware," it was announced.

George Douglas, who joined Northrop in September, 1953, has been elevated to the post of assistant chief engineer, and will assist Dr. Balhaus in advanced engineering aspects of the Snark.

**Strategic Weapon**  
Recent Air Force statements have officially disclosed that the

Snark is an intercontinental pilotless bomber with an atomic capability. It is one of the principal strategic missiles under development in the U.S.

At the same time, Mr. Schmued announced the formation of a new directorate of development planning, designed to coordinate the company's future engineering programs with national military requirements.

The new office, with broad responsibilities for guidance of future company engineering programs, will be headed by T. V. Jones, formerly deputy chief engineer at Northrop, it was announced. Mr. Jones formerly was an executive at the Rand Corporation and supervised the preparation of the so-called "Jones Report" produced by Rand as a comprehensive study of future transport aircraft.

Prime purpose of the new office will be to mesh the exacting science of modern aircraft and weapons development with the rapidly changing military defense requirements, Mr. Schmued said.

**4 Hub Caps Copped**  
Four hub caps were taken from his car, R. A. Gordon, of 18008 Faysmith Ave., told Torrance Police. The car was by his house.

**POPULATION RATIO**  
Asia's population ratio averages 77 persons per square mile.

## Chamber Adopts Plan for Action

A plan to develop a definite program for the Torrance Chamber of Commerce was authorized this week by the board of directors and will be known as a "Blueprint for Action."

On the recommendation of the new Chamber manager, Tom V. Watson, a series of "circular discussions" will be held in the near future to put into the hands of Chamber officials the best ideas of community leaders on what the Chamber should have as its program.

In the discussions, those participating will be divided into groups of six and each group will select a chairman and secretary, according to the plan presented by Watson. The ideas presented by individuals of each group will be screened by the group itself and the best of the lot submitted to the floor by the chairman following a period of discussion.

**Has Proved Effective**  
This has proved very effective in getting everyone to submit his thoughts on a subject without letting personal feeling influence the consideration, the Chamber manager said.

Following the selection of the top programs for the Chamber by the board of directors, committees will be named to carry out the various projects. Meetings will be held several times a day for two or three



**HERO RETURNS . . .** Davy Crockett, famous frontiersman and the central figure in one of America's most popular songs, returned to Washington, D. C., this week in the person of actor Fess Parker who portrays the famous pioneer in TV and motion picture productions. Shown here on Capitol Hill with Davy are his host, Congressman Cecil R. King (left) and House Speaker Sam Rayburn. They are inspecting a replica of Davy Crockett's famous Kentucky long rifle. Parker was a guest of the annual meeting of the National Rifle Association of America, of which Congressman King is a director.

## Kindergarten Roundup for Fall Slated

The Torrance PTA will sponsor a Spring Roundup at Torrance Elementary School today and Friday, from 8:30 a. m. through 3:30 p. m.

At the roundup children who will reach their fifth birthday by Dec. 1955, may be preregistered and receive a physical examination, said D. Boone Kirk, principal of Torrance Elementary School. A proof of age will be necessary, parents must bring the child's birth certificate.

The preregistration period will also give the parents and teachers an opportunity to talk over any problems the children may have, stated Kirk.

The final day for registration in the Spring Roundup will be May 17. After this date kindergarten age children must wait until the regular registration period in Sept.

## Burglars Get Suitcase

A suitcase was stolen from his home by burglars who cut the bedroom screen, Ronald Holt, of 5126 Mndora Dr., told Torrance Police Thursday. In their haste to leave, the burglars dropped a camera which they had taken, Holt said.

## PLAID ORIGIN

Plaid cloth is believed to have originated in Egypt.

## Kiwanis Membership Sees Model Oil Well in Action

Members of the Torrance Kiwanis Club saw in action Monday oil production methods which could more than double the recovery of "black gold" in California.

At a meeting presided over by President Gerald M. Eastham at the American Legion Hall, club members saw a demonstration of an ingenious working model of an oil field complete with producing oil and gas wells.

By operating control systems similar to those actually used in California's fields, Petroleum Engineer J. B. Hundley Jr. of the Richfield Oil Corp. showed how oil and gas are most effectively recovered from the earth.

Key to the most effective possible production, as demonstrated by the model, is the use of the "pushing" power of gas and water usually found under pressure with oil.

The engineer further demonstrated how it is possible to achieve "extra" production by injecting gas or water or both into the strata of oil-bearing sandstone.

Failure to conserve the underground pressures and use them wisely can mean loss of "perhaps 70 per cent or more of the total oil," Hundley said, and such loss affects every resident of the state.

It is Richfield's conviction, he added, that the best engineering methods and the fullest possible

## Lomita Woman Asks \$50,000 in Damages

A Lomita woman has filed a \$50,000 suit in Compton Superior Court against Thomas A. Henderson, of Gardena, in connection with a Nov. 7, 1954, accident in Gardena.

Ellen A. Hanna, of 25200 Esnelman Ave., asked for \$50,000, plus past and future medical expenses, as a result of the accident, which occurred near Roscomars and Sepulveda. Named in the suit were Henderson, the driver, and the Long Beach Engine Rebuilders, owners of the car.

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| Guaranteed Tender RIB STEAKS        | 49¢ lb | 7 LBS. FOR \$1   |        | 7 BONE Chuck Roasts                 | 35¢ lb |
| Choice Grade CLUB or T-BONE STEAKS  | 59¢ lb | OLD-FASHIONED MEAT LOAF  |        | LOTS OF MEAT Boiling Beef           | 9¢ lb  |
| SIRLOIN TIP ROASTS                  | 69¢ lb | Yield: 8 to 10 Servings  |        | THICK CUT and JUICY Swiss Steaks    | 59¢ lb |
| WILSON'S SLICED BACON               | 45¢ lb | 2 pounds Hamburger   |        | GRAIN FED PORK BLADE CUT Pork Chops | 49¢ lb |
|                                     |        | 1/4 pound chopped salt pork  |        | ALL MEAT Minced Ham                 | 39¢ lb |
|                                     |        | 1 medium onion, chopped  |        |                                     |        |
|                                     |        | 1 cup milk   |        |                                     |        |
|                                     |        | 2 eggs, slightly beaten  |        |                                     |        |
|                                     |        | 1/2 cup catsup   |        |                                     |        |
|                                     |        | 1/2 teaspoon pepper  |        |                                     |        |
|                                     |        | 1 tablespoon salt  |        |                                     |        |
|                                     |        | 1 cup soft bread crumbs  |        |                                     |        |
|                                     |        | 2 slices salt pork   |        |                                     |        |
|                                     |        | Pan-fry the chopped salt pork and onion until lightly browned. Combine all ingredients except salt pork slices. Pack into loaf pan (8x4 inches). Cut salt pork into 2-inch pieces and place on top. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 1 hour. |        |                                     |        |
|                                     |        | FRESH PORK PICNIC ROASTS   | 35¢ lb |                                     |        |
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