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Display Tells Smog Battle

A display booth depicting the Air Pollution Control District's battle against smog has been installed at the Tenth Annual Construction Industries Exposition and Home Show in Pan Pacific Auditorium, June 9-19.

Featured is an exhibit emphasizing the need for the July 1 ban against single chamber incinerators. Photographs, charts, panels and other visual material tell the story of smog—causes, effects, and methods of control. Working models of control devices illustrated engineering aspects of the district's efforts to combat air pollution, according to Air Pollution Control Officer Smith Griswold.

Soldiers Taught Use Of Brain Mechanism

A course in operation of the electroencephalograph (machine for detecting and locating impaired brain tissue) is being offered by the Army, according to an announcement by Sgt. Howard T. Sanborn, Army recruiter.

The eight weeks course is one of the various courses now being offered enlistees, the sergeant said. It is part of the electronic training offered soldiers. The machine is used in neuropsychiatric procedures.



STRAIGHT FROM HOLLAND ... Looking at a cheese which Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vander Nagel brought with them from Holland are Mrs. B. T. Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. Vander Nagel, and Whitney. The newly-arrived couple came to America with the aid of the Whitneys and will live in Torrance for the present.

It CAN Happen Here! Woman Cites Injustice

The last 11 months made a sadder and wiser woman of Mrs. Chester Koontz, 5215 Doris Way.

It was last July 21, that she was first called in by Los Angeles police on a hit-and-run charge involving a German Shepherd dog at Seventh and Rampart Streets.

Since then a series of court actions, with appeals, have culminated in her paying a \$150 fine, plus \$150 in miscellaneous expenses, with accompanying mental anguish, hurt pride and frustrations.

The thing that galls the spirit of Mrs. Koontz is that she has never been behind the wheel of an automobile, is afraid of the thing, and never expects to be a driver.

"My husband does all the driving in our family," she said, "and he had the car at the Torrance Douglas plant on July 20, 1954, the day of this accident."

It seems that a witness scribbled note gave the Koontz car as that of the responsible party, in error.

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New Residents, Just Arrived from Holland, Think America is 'Great'

"It's great!" was the reaction of two of Torrance's newest citizens to America last Friday.

The arrival from Holland of the pair—Frank and Ida Vander Nagel—climaxed a two-year struggle on their part to come to America, where, they said, there is not such a struggle for existence as there is in Europe. It was through a Torrance couple—Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Whitney, of 1004 Acacia Ave.—that they were able to make the trip. When the Whitneys were in Holland on a vacation last summer, Vander Nagel, then a student at the University of Amsterdam, acted as their guide. Soon Mrs. Vander Nagel joined the sightseeing.

Whitneys Help

When Vander Nagel mentioned that he had been trying to come to America, but had been unable to find a sponsor, the Whitneys offered their help. Under immigration laws, an immigrant needs an American sponsor for two years to guarantee that he will not become a burden on the government.

"After considerable 'red tape,'" the Vander Nagels arrived in New York last week aboard the Rijn Dam, Holland-American passenger ship. They stayed there for 36 hours to inspect the various sights, and then journeyed to California by bus so that they could see the country.

This week, Vander Nagel began work for Whitney in his construction business.

Born in Indonesia

Both of the newcomers were born in Indonesia, which was then a Dutch possession. Mrs. Vander Nagel lived in Indonesia most of her life, although her husband has lived both in that country and in Holland, where his father is presently head of the Amsterdam health department.

They met in Indonesia, where he worked for four years for an import-export firm there. They returned to Holland, where he began studying psychology and she worked as a model. During World War II, he served with the Dutch army in England.

America Impresses

Both were greatly impressed by life in America, where they said life is much freer and opportunities are much greater. Europe is greatly overcrowded, they said. They were especially impressed with the amount of goods available in local stores.

Their plans for the future are still indefinite. Vander Nagel will work for Whitney, while his wife hopes to get work as a model. He is currently writing an article on his impressions of America for a Dutch newspaper. They have taken an apartment at 1008 Sartori Ave.

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