

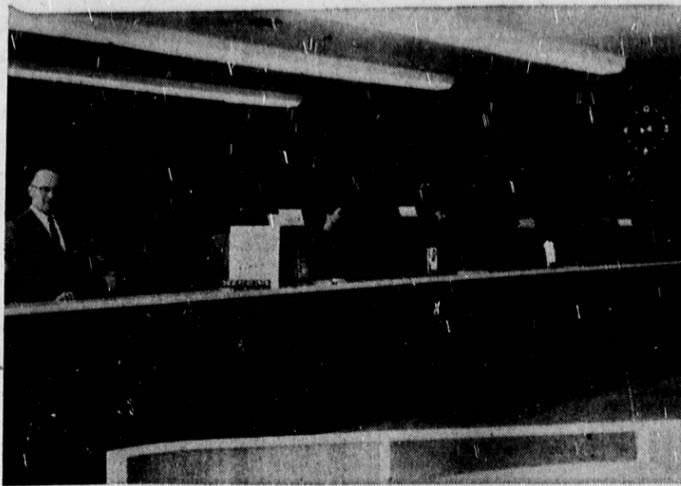
3-Cent Wage Raises Given By Two Firms

Three cent per hour wage increases, based upon the cost-of-living index, are in prospect for 53,468 hourly employes of the Douglas Aircraft Co. and for 12,000 personnel of the Northrop and Nortronics Divisions of Northrop Aircraft, Inc. Both raises will go into effect on May 5.

The raise will mean additional earning of \$1,091,064 per year for 17,485 employes in the El Segundo division of Douglas, which includes plants in El Segundo (11,105 employes) and Torrance (6,295 employes), and a final and flight test facility at Palmdale.

Cost of living hikes by Douglas have raised the wages of hourly workers by 16 cents an hour in the past 21 months.

The Northrop and Nortronics increase will affect personnel in Torrance, Hawthorne, El Segundo, Los Angeles International Airport, Anaheim, Pasadena, and Edwards Air Force Base.



CONVENIENT OFFICES . . . Manager John Tweedy (at left), of the Southwest Savings and Loan Assn. at Marcelina and Cravens, looks over the spacious offices of the firm which offers outstanding conveniences to its customers. The firm recently celebrated its birthday at the new location.

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Southwest Savings Celebrates Fourth Year in Torrance

Four years ago Southwest Savings and Loan was introduced to Torrance just a short block from its present location, 1603 Cravens. The objective set forth by the association was a dedicated plan to make available a savings and loan Torrance could call its own.

Since its first moment of operation, Southwest has consistently maintained a spirit of neighborly warmth to everyone. The friendly interest Southwest displays stems from the fact that all its personnel live in the area and are an integral part of the same community life as the people they serve.

New Office

Last year civic leaders and Torrance residents pointed with pride to the new and ultra-modern Southwest Savings building as a tangible example of Torrance's record-breaking growth. Fred E. Edwards, president, gratefully acknowledged the loyal public support that made the move possible in so short a time.

Because facilities were greatly expanded, Southwest was able to increase its departmental services to include insured savings, home loans, travelers checks, the cashing and selling of government bonds, money orders, complete escrow transactions, a collection department on trust deeds and a safe deposit section.

Southwest's Monthly Amortization Plan renders its customers the most complete and convenient terms available on individual residents either on new construction or refinancing in consolidation of first and second trust deeds.

Homes Financed

From the last report 1434 loans have been issued totaling \$10,616,084.38. Over 2510 people place \$4,009,628.81 in

Southwest savings accounts, and assets have increased to over \$10,000,000. Many multiple-dwelling projects in the area have been financed by the association. Just starting is a two and three-bedroom 28-home tract in North Torrance, plus several other such tracts of various sizes which are in the process of completion.

But all of the activities are not measured in dollars alone, but in developing good citizenship, also. Under the guidance of John A. Tweedy, vice president in charge of Southwest's Torrance office, is the association-sponsored Little League Ball Club called the Braves. As permanent testimony to Mr. Tweedy's qualifications is a trophy presented to him in 1957 from parents of boys forming the Yankee team in the Torrance Little League for his "unlimited patience and understanding in teaching future stars."

Prior to his affiliation with Southwest Savings, Tweedy's banking experience numbered 27 years, five of which as assistant manager in the Torrance branch of Bank of America. Though born in Canada, he was raised in Idaho and Washington state. Mr. and Mrs. Tweedy, with their sons, John Alden Jr., aged 11, and Michael Jay, aged 9, live at 1325 Arlington, in Torrance.

Brownie Troop 1360

Sixteen girls participated in investiture ceremonies of the newly organized Brownie Troop 1360, sponsored by Torrance Elementary PTA.

New members of the troop are Sharon Abrams, Judy Ballard, Carolyn Blower, Donna Bross, Gloria Friberg, Patricia Hardin, Shirley Johnson, Debbie Lifton, Janet Lifton, Linda Moon, Peggy Powell, Rosalie Preston, Patricia Reyes, Lynda Roberts, Cheryl Rogers, and Nora Venable. Debbie Streit, who already is a Brownie, helped with the pins.

Hi-Shear Rivet Tool Co. Keeps Expanding Here

Fourteen years ago, the Hi-Shear Rivet Tool Co. was started in business in Hermosa Beach by its two partners, George S. Wing and Allan J. Kirk.

Since then, Hi-Shear has become a nationally recognized manufacturer of high strength fasteners for aircraft and missiles. Present general offices are at 2600 W. 247th St., at the Torrance Airport with manufacturing facilities at 8924 Bellanca Ave., just north of Los Angeles International Airport.

President George S. Wing invented the Hi-Shear rivet in 1941 while employed at North American Aviation, Inc. This rivet, devised to replace high strength shear bolts, offered design advantages of less fastener and structure weights, less space needed, and faster installation time. The first airplane to use Hi-Shear rivets was North American's famous World War II fighter, the P-51 Mustang.

Share Quarters

Hi-Shear's first home in Hermosa Beach shared quarters with a gas station. By pooling their savings and eating lightly Wing and Kirk obtained a few machines and started to make the tool sets required to drive Hi-Shear Rivets. To satisfy customer demands, the partners started to produce collars and after moving to larger quarters, qualified to produce the complete Hi-Shear Rivet.

In 1946, when aircraft production was curtailed, the company entered cargo trailer and truck body designing and manufacturing. This venture created Transland Co., now Transland Aircraft, a division of Hi-Shear Rivet Tool Co.

Since then, Transland has become a leading manufacturer of aircraft assemblies and crop dusting and spraying equipment for agricultural aviation. Today, Transland is starting full factory production on its new Ag-2 Airplane, designed by George Wing, Transland president. This new agricultural and forestry airplane was first flown at Torrance Municipal Airport on Oct. 11, 1956. Present manufacturing and delivery schedules are being geared to a world wide sales and service program.

Rivets in Demand

With the start of the Korean conflict and the rapid development of high performance jet aircraft and missiles, Hi-Shear rivets were once again in great demand. Early in 1951, the company moved to its present manufacturing plant north of International Airport.

With a more modern and enlarged facility and staff, the firm diversified its products to reach new fastener markets. To answer rivet hole preparation problems, the Anchor Bushing, a low cost drill bushing was invented. It is widely used in the sheet metal industries of the United States, Canada and England.

Experience gained in the study of high strength fasteners resulted in the development of the Hi-Torque bolt. Its head has an unusual slot to grip the blade of a screw driver

er tighter as the turning load is applied.

In 1954, patent papers were prepared for the Blind Bolt, a high strength blind fastener which is installed from one side only of a structure. This fastener is now in active production and field service usage by principal airframe manufacturers and the Armed Forces.

The company's latest product to be accepted by the airframe industry is the Hi-Lok, another high strength fastener that combines the best features of the Hi-Shear Rivet with the advantages of a bolt, and at the same time give a controlled pre-load.

In 1955, the partnership status of the company was reorganized into a corporation to better answer the firm's future needs. Current officers are George S. Wing, president; Allan J. Kirk, executive vice president; A. E. Anderson, vice president, manufacturing; Guy Nash, vice president, sales, and W. J. Carrigan, secretary-treasurer.

Two years ago, Hi-Shear moved its general offices and Transland Aircraft to its present 14 acre site adjacent to the Torrance Municipal Airport to provide the land and building facilities for an orderly expansion of future company activities.

At present, Hi-Shear and Transland have a combined total of 87,000 square feet of manufacturing and office space at its Torrance and two production plants, one in Los Angeles and the other in Inglewood.



SCOUTS LOOK TO FUTURE—Boy Scouts of Los Angeles Area Council are preparing for tomorrow by studying various phases of industry for Scout-O-Rama, May 24 in Los Angeles Coliseum. Mike Malone, Troop 151, left, and Don Gahner, Troop 817, look in awe at hypersonic missile similar to one which will be on display at Scout-O-Rama booth on rockets and guided missiles, one of 400 booths scheduled for show.

Local Industries Assist Scouts in Training Work

Thousands of Boy Scouts in the Harbor District are preparing for tomorrow by training today with local industries. The Boy Scouts and their cooperating partners in industry are working on projects together for the Los Angeles Area Council Scout-O-Rama, 1 to 10 p.m., May 24 in the Coliseum.

Cubs, Scouts and Explorers are learning about aviation, rockets, electricity, conservation, oil production, manufacturing, photography and numerous other subjects. The youths and their industry partners will man more than 460

booths on the floor of the Coliseum.

Merit badge requirements are "brought to life" as the Scouts earn credits by touring plants of their sponsoring partners and assist them in preparing the demonstration booths.

The huge 8:45 p.m. Scout-O-Rama stage show will feature Hollywood stars and Scout talent at the event expected to attract 111,000 people.

Tickets for the Scout-O-Rama sell for one dollar and may be obtained from any Cub, Scout or Explorer in your neighborhood.

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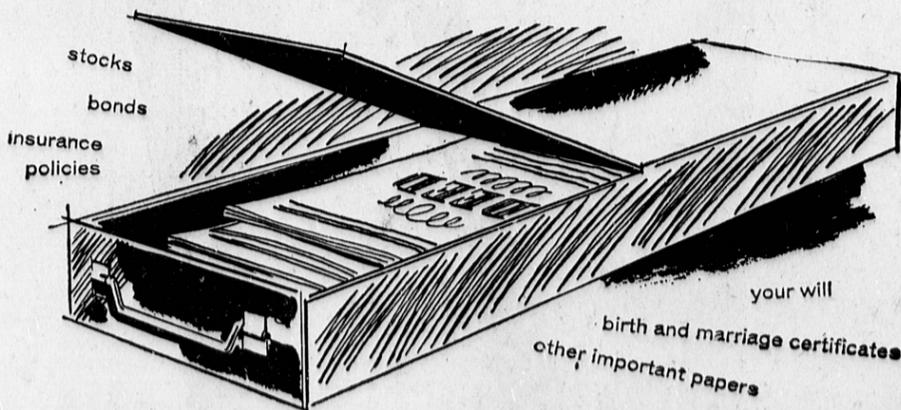
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