

Vets Reminded of May 1 Deadline For Seeking \$1000 Tax Exemption

Veterans Service Officer Sara R. Bridges reminded veterans in the area today that Monday, May 1 at 5 p.m. is the deadline for filing claims for the annual \$1,000 property tax exemption.

Exemption requests must be renewed annually with local assessors to insure a veteran's continued eligibility for the exemption. Evidence of honorable discharge during wartime must be shown by veterans claiming the exemption for the first time. Veterans who failed to file last year should bring discharge records.

THE PERIOD for claiming exemption was shortened last year, and now runs from the first Monday in March to the first Monday in May.

The \$1,000 tax exemptions are granted by the State to resident veterans of wars or campaigns, including women veterans. Eligibility is limited to vet-

erans who do not own property with an ASSESSED value of \$5,000 or more.

However, under California community property law the veteran and spouse together may own property up to an assessed value of \$10,000 and retain eligibility.

UNDER PRESENT law, veterans are eligible for the exemption even though they entered wartime service from another state. Ownership of the California property must have been a matter of official record no later than noon March 6, 1961 (the opening day of the exemption filing period) in order to qualify the veteran for this year's property tax exemption.

Further information is available from the Assessor's Office, located at Torrance City Hall and at the Torrance Veterans Service Office, 1622 Gramercy Ave.

GM Chairman Refutes Assertions They Enjoy Monopoly on Diesels

Frederick G. Donner, chairman of the board of General Motors Corp., commented as follows on the Department of Justice's announcement today of the filing of criminal indictment against General Motors in connection with its production and sale of Diesel electric locomotives:

"Almost a quarter of a century has passed since General Motors developed its two-cycle Diesel engine and began production of the modern Diesel electric locomotive. During this period the Diesel electric locomotive has revolutionized the railroad industry. It has saved the railroads billions of dollars. It has now entirely displaced the inefficient steam locomotive.

"FOR YEARS General Motors has been the leader in this

field. This was inevitable considering that it was the innovator, and over the years has concentrated on the development and improvement of the Diesel, while competitive manufacturers were still promoting the sale of steam locomotives, for the production of which they had very substantial capital investments.

"The success of General Motors in this venture has not been a secret. In each of the last 25 years, except one, General Motors has sold to railroads in the United States more than 50 per cent of the Diesel electric locomotives sold in each of those years. The percentage was 40.7 per cent in 1943, a war year, when material allocation under government regulations controlled production.

"THAT GENERAL Motors

leadership in the locomotive field has not been the result of any monopolistic practices as evidenced by the acclaim of our customers, the railroads, who certainly know best why they bought our products. Contrary to the charges, the purchasers of locomotives and the public have derived great benefits from General Motors leadership in this field.

"In 1955, the president of one of the leading American railroads, commenting upon the contribution of Diesel power to the railroad industry, in a speech made in Chicago, stated:

"THE GREATEST single contribution to the economic and efficient operation of our railroads during my 40 years of association with the industry has been the development of

the Diesel locomotive. We all know the important part General Motors has played in that development. Today they have 23 million horsepower operating on our railroads in more than 16,000 Diesel units, some of which have made between 2½ and 3½ million miles and are still on the road performing quite satisfactorily.

"I would guess that this development alone is saving the railroads a minimum of \$500 million a year—with initial investments being paid off in three to four years."

"Commencing in 1956, and for a period of months, General Motors made available to the (Department of Justice) documents, statistical data and files relating to its Diesel electric locomotive business. In 1955, representatives of General Motors and others tes-

tified in detail before the Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly of the Committee on the Judiciary, United States Senate, covering the history and business activities of General Motors' locomotive business from 1936 through the first nine months of 1955.

"THE CHARGES of the government cover the entire period of 1936 to date of General Motors' operations in this field. In view of this, it is difficult to understand why after so many years of business operations by General Motors in this field, with so much data and information known to and available to the government, it should now file this proceeding.

Certainly the government has had sufficient data and information on our operations, to have ascertained in the years past when government investi-

gations, including a study by a Senate Subcommittee were conducted, whether any violation of the antitrust laws existed."

"WHILE A proceeding such as this will not turn back the clock to the age of the steam locomotive, it may well cause business to pause before undertaking the many risks of development and manufacture of the Diesel electric locomotive.

"General Motors is not guilty of the monopolistic practices charged in the indictment. This will be clearly established at the trial. General Motors is proud to stand on its record in the development, production and sale of Diesel electric locomotives which demonstrates a major contribution to the railroad industry and to the transportation economy."

Tuberculosis in Children Cited As Serious Problem for Doctors

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County Health Officer Pro Tem

One of the most serious problems currently facing physicians is primary tuberculosis in children, and it is a problem that does not always receive the attention it should get. Local disease records show that within the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles County Health Department during 1960, some 55 cases of tuberculosis were reported in children who had not yet reached their fifth birthday. It is important that such children be found and treated and perhaps even more important that the source of infection, probably an adult, be located and treated as well.

Primary tuberculosis is the result of an infection of tubercle bacilli from the outside environment. This occurs following the inhalation of these infective organisms after they are expelled into the air by the coughs or sneezes of a person suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis, or else by direct contact with objects contaminated by an infected person.

CHILDREN ARE most vulnerable to primary infection with tubercle bacilli up to the age of four and particularly under one, whereas resistance to the disease is greatest from about 4 years to 10. After this age, the risk of developing active tuberculosis — often from a primary infection — rises again, and the preadolescent and the adolescent periods are considered particularly hazardous, although not as much so as early infancy.

While it is true that very young children are most susceptible to primary infection, such a bacterial invasion need not and frequently does not result in illness at the time of infection and this, of course, adds to the difficulty in finding these cases. Under certain unfavorable conditions, however, such as repeated exposure to infection or lowered bodily resistance due to under-nutrition, poor and crowded living quarters or other illnesses, the infection may become progressive. On the other hand, it may remain dormant for months or as long as 30 to 40 years, or may never result in active illness at all.

MANY CHILDREN elude the major complications of primary tuberculosis because their bodies are able to wall off the tubercle bacilli and thus confine them to a small area. In about 95 per cent of cases the primary infection is pulmonary, but the tubercle bacilli may be carried in the blood stream to the bones and joints or the organs of the body, perhaps causing tuberculosis later in life.

In those cases where the body is healthy and the bacterial invasion is neither overwhelming nor recurrent, little harm is done and the primary lesions heal spontaneously. However, the individual converts to a positive tuberculin some time after infection, that is, his skin becomes sensitive to a small injection of tuberculin showing that the body was previously infected with tubercle bacilli. The sealed-off scarred area of primary infection may also be visible on X-ray film.

ROUTINE tuberculin testing of young children is a relatively common practice in this country, and some child specialists and health officials recommend that it be standard procedure in well-baby clinics, nurseries, and schools. The tuberculin test is particularly important if the child has been in contact with a tuberculous adult. Apparently there is no other method that will reveal primary tuberculosis as early or as accurately.

Until the last few years, no treatment was available to lessen the danger that attends primary infection. Now, however, drug therapy is in use which is most effective in treating the infection before the disease develops. As a result, the occurrence of tuberculosis meningitis is greatly decreased, and tuberculosis of the bones and kidneys has become a rarity.

EVEN IF BY some miracle tuberculosis in adults could be wiped out now, the world would not remain free from the disease for very long, according to a specialist in the field.

As infected children grow up, many of them will develop active tuberculosis and infect other individuals. The early finding and treating of primary tuberculosis infection in children will therefore do much to help in the eradication of the disease.

Richard T. Finch, aviation boatswain's mate airman, USN, son of Mrs. Thelma G. Finch of 3236 W. 187th St., is serving aboard the anti-submarine warfare support aircraft carrier USS Kearsarge operating in the Western Pacific.

The Kearsarge, a unit of the Seventh Fleet, is the "hub" of Hunter-Killer Group Alfa, a trained Navy team of submarines, carrier-based planes and helicopters.

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Garden Checklist

1. Rhododendrons are in bloom this month and there's no better time to pick out the one you want.
2. Clumps of Gerbera (Transvaal Daisy) can be bought in bloom. Plant them in raised beds to insure perfect drainage and don't bury the crown.
3. Sow a lawn before the month is out. It's best to get one going before the hot weather sets in.
4. Work soil conditioners and humus into the ground while it's still moist enough from the winter rains to be workable.
5. Mulch around Camellias with a two or three inch layer of peat moss or leaf mold. This is especially helpful in warm areas since it keeps the ground both cool and moist.



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