



ASSIGNMENTS CHANGE . . . Changes in executive assignments for top Thriftmart personnel has been announced by Vice President Robert E. Laverty. From left here are Don Conroy, who has been named sales manager; Richard Lundeen, assistant to Laverty; and Earl MacNeill, general superintendent of the grocery division.

Changes in Executive Assignment Announced for Thriftmart Trio

Robert E. Laverty, vice president of Thriftmart, Inc., has announced executive personnel promotions effective immediately.

Richard Lundeen, an employee of Thriftmart for 31 years and general superintendent of the grocery division for the past 22 years, has been promoted to an advisory capacity and assistant to Laverty.

Earl MacNeill, a Thriftmart employee for the past 13 years,

has been appointed to replace Lundeen as general superintendent of the grocery division. MacNeill, in his tenure with Thriftmart stores, has had experience in all phases of the produce and grocery divisions in the chain. For the past three years, MacNeill has been assistant sales manager.

DON CONROY will succeed MacNeill with the title of sales manager for Thriftmart stores. Conroy has been with Thriftmart for 27 years and has spent the major portion of his service in the advertising and buying department.

Laverty, in charge of all divisions of sales at Thriftmart stores, said he was confident that the promotion of these employees, with their many years of experience and knowledge in the supermarket business, will bring added emphasis to the Thriftmart efforts to better serve the people of Southern California, Nevada, San Diego, and Bakersfield in the present existing 62 Thriftmart supermarkets and of the many stores presently under construction or on the drawing boards to be opened in the near future.

Vehicle Fuel Tax Refund Total Listed

Motor vehicle fuel tax refunds amounting to \$17,164,315 were paid by the State during the 1960-61 fiscal year, State Controller Alan Cranston reported yesterday.

The State tax of 6 cents a gallon is refundable if the fuel is used for purposes other than highway travel.

Cranston said gallonage thus qualifying for the refund totaled 286,071,930. All of it was gasoline except for 588,488 gallons of butane.

The total number of claims filed was 69,980.

MAJOR REFUND categories were:

- Farm use of gasoline—38,674 claims for a total of 88,854,295 gallons.
- Out-of-state shipment of gasoline—456 claims, 35,456,389 gallons.
- Aviation use of gasoline—6,922 claims, 57,060,379 gallons.

CRANSTON pointed out that gasoline used by most major airlines is not included in the latter category because airlines are permitted to purchase their gasoline on a tax exempt basis by acquiring a distributor's license and posting a bond with the State Board of Equalization.

Writer, Philosopher To Address Area Forum

Albert S. Otto, lecturer, writer, and philosopher, will speak Friday evening at 8 at the South Bay Lecture Forum in the auditorium of the Redondo-Torrance Church of Religious Science.

Otto's announced lecture subject is "Centering Your Bubble." The auditorium is located at 907 Knob Hill Ave.

During the past 15 years, the lecturer has made more than 2000 appearances in the United States and has just completed a nationwide tour, sponsors of his appearance report.

Tickets may be obtained at the door or may be arranged by calling the church office. Donations of \$1 are being suggested.

Just after World War II, the family grocery bill was about a fourth of our take-home pay. Today, it's less than a fifth, despite some rises in the food prices.

Cheese consumption in 1960, in the U.S., rose to an all-time high of 8.4 pounds per person.

Ray Bradbury To Address Manuscripters

Ray Bradbury, well-loved American novelist, short story and science fiction writer, will be guest speaker of the Southwest Manuscripters, Friday, at 8 p.m., Clark Stadium, 861 Valley Drive, Hermosa Beach.

Acclaimed for such books as "Dark Carnival," "The Illustrated Man," "The Golden Apples of the Sun," "Fahrenheit 451," "The October Country," and "Medicine for Melancholy," Bradbury has recently been working on the screen version of "The Martian Chronicles." He will be remembered for his co-authorship with Director

John Huston of the motion picture script, "Moby Dick."

OF HIS book, "Dandelion Wine," the Saturday Review said, "No other writer since Mark Twain has caught the vitality and innocence of small-town American youth with as fine and mature perception."

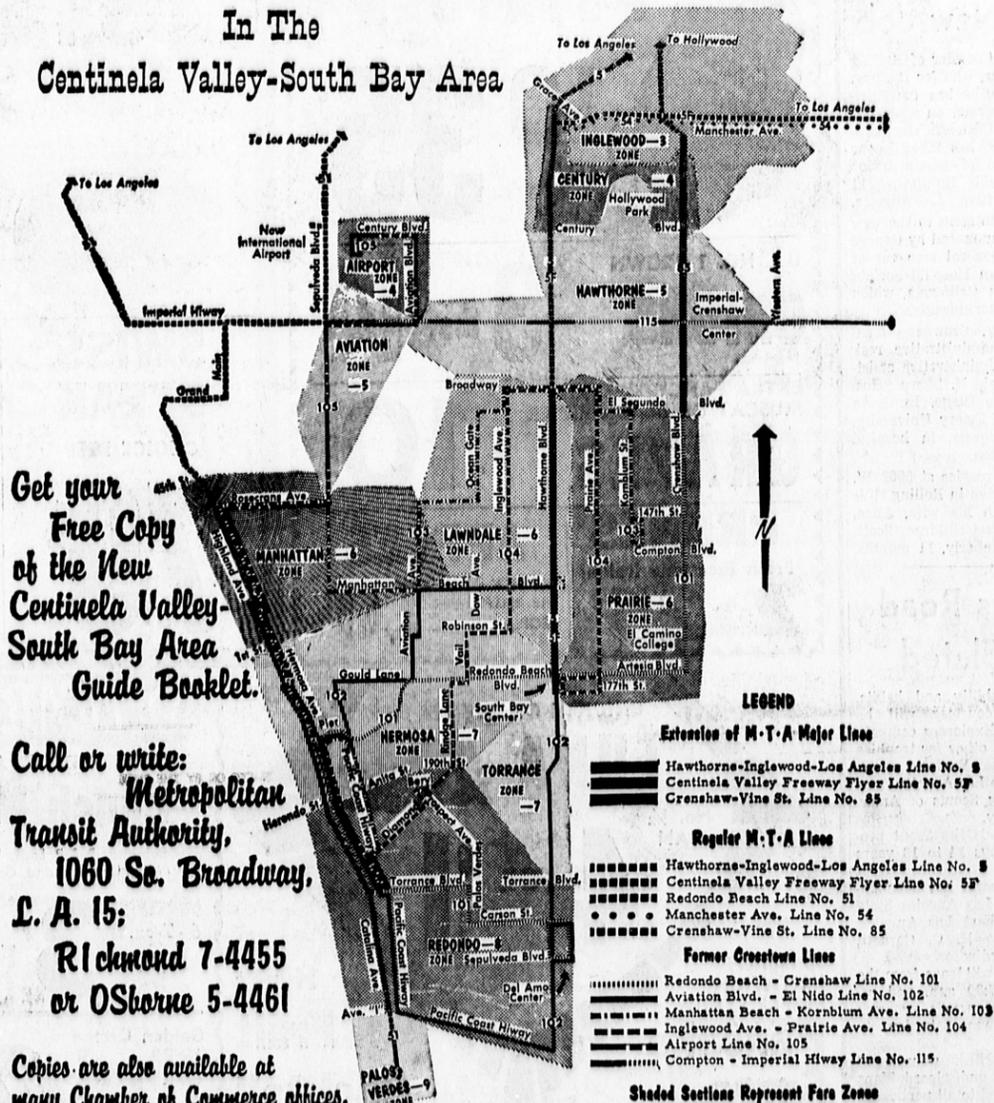
Of his moving story, "The Drummer Boy of Shiloh," featured in the Saturday Evening Post last fall, it might also be said, no other writer has better caught the fleeting and fragile moment between youth and manhood.

Loren Roberts, president of Southwest Manuscripters, invites all persons interested in writing, professional or beginner, to meet Bradbury at the meeting and coffee hour to follow.

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LOOK

LOOK Magazine honors BRENTWOOD GARDENS for the proved-quality brand materials used in these homes. The Larwin Company, builder, also holds awards from the Brand Name Foundation, the National Association of Home Builders, HOUSE & HOME Magazine, and Station KTTV. BRENTWOOD GARDENS offers 3- and 4-bedroom homes equipped with Holly forced air gas heating with summer cooling switch, decorative grille walls, ceramic tile, disposers, O'Keefe & Merritt ranges available. \$15,700-\$17,150, vet. plans \$95 down. Artesia turnoff from Santa Ana Freeway, s/on Knott to Lincoln Ave. Sales Office phone: TA 9-3770.

POST

THE SATURDAY EVENING POST for the past 3 years (1959, 1960, and 1961) has given its Blue Ribbon Home Award to Merritt Butler, Jr., and L. B. Harbour, Jr., the only Southern California builders to receive that distinction. Butler-Harbour's new development—DANA POINT KNOLLS—stars center patio planning in spacious homes with 3 and 4 bedrooms, family room, 2 and 3 baths; up to 2,184 sq. ft. living area. Kitchens equipped with O'Keefe & Merritt built-in gas ranges. Near beaches and site of proposed Dana Point Marina. From \$20,250 to \$29,500; FHA, VA, Cal-Vet, and conventional financing. Just s/o Laguna, near Santa Ana Freeway. Sales Agents: Walker & Lee. Phone: QY 3-1882.

McCALL'S

McCALL'S Magazine's Congress of Better Living Award has been won twice by BRIGHTON BILT HOMES—developers of PARK WEST homes in Oxnard. The new PARK WEST units feature convenient center-hall planning in home with 2 and 3 bedrooms plus den or extra bedroom, 2 baths, oversized 2-car garages with service area and storage space, thermostatically controlled forced air gas heating. Pioneer glass-lined water heaters, built-in Roper gas ranges, disposers. On large lots, parkway trees, near schools, churches, transportation. From \$14,600, vet. \$95 down; FHA and VA terms available. Located at Howe and Ventura Rds., Oxnard. Sales Office phone: HU 3-9951.

Good Housekeeping

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING Magazine selected Builder Harlan Lee's model home in his new ENCINO HILLS development for a feature story in its September issue. ENCINO HILLS offers spacious 1- and 2-story homes with 2,150-2,600 sq. ft. living area, 3, 4, and 5 bedrooms, 3 baths, sunken living rooms, large family rooms, dining areas, inner courtyards, sliding glass doors, kitchens completely built-in with such features as dishwashers, disposers, built-in Gaffers & Sattler gas ranges. All utilities are underground in this outstanding new development, south of Ventura Boulevard on Hayvenhurst. Priced from \$39,950. Phone: ST 8-8400.

Five leading national magazines award recognition to these Southern California builders of balanced power homes . . . featuring the best of modern gas and electricity

The builders represented here have each won honors from a leading national magazine. Some for the choice of quality materials—some for distinguished planning—all for the kind of building "know-how" that pays off for you in greater home value in new homes now open. One very important part of that value: Each home shown here is a BALANCED POWER home, giving you the best of both modern gas and electricity for easiest living at lower cost.

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