

THE BUMBLEBEE--



Presented by Your Friendly Merchants Brush Fire Spread by Rabbits

Flaming rabbits that raced out of blazing brush, carrying fire across holding lines to ignite new areas, caused unusual fire-fighting difficulties on the Palos Verdes Peninsula Tuesday. Twice County firemen and Palos Verdes volunteers had the brush blaze, which burned about 20 acres, hemmed in by roads and other natural firebreaks only to have burning bucks and dashing does race across the barriers and carry flames into isolated areas. Firemen reported that the rabbits were a ball of fiery fur as they fled from the brush. The fire, near the crest of the Palos Verdes hills, started in midday from the exhaust backfire of a barley threshing machine. Thanks to the fire-spreading rabbits, it was not extinguished completely until 7 P. M. There was no serious damage since the flames were confined to a hillside brush and grass area.

State Faces Greatest Migration Says Watson

D. D. Watson, commissioner of the California Real Estate Commission, was the honored guest Wednesday night when 125 realtors met at a joint meeting of harbor area (18th District) realty boards. The meeting was held in the American Legion Hall in Torrance.

Watson was introduced by Mrs. Isabel Mitchell, 18th district regional vice-president of the California real estate association.

Al Atchison, president of the San Pedro realty board, served as master of ceremonies. Hanes Schmit, president of the Torrance-Lomita realty board, and Howard Towle, president of the South Bay realty board, also shared speaking honors.

Watson reported to the group on the activities of the commission in the face of an unprecedented building boom throughout the state.

"A total of 90,729 real estate licenses of all kinds have been issued during the past 11 months, as compared to 89,450 issued during the same period last year," he said.

"In addition, there has been a 750 per cent increase in the building of subdivisions since 1943. Last month alone 223 subdivisions were started, setting a new all-time record for the state. During the first 5 months of 1950 there have been nearly 1000 subdivisions started in Los Angeles County.

"The one million or more out-of-state cars here in California show that the western states are

in the middle of the greatest migration ever known. New people create new demand and new demand creates new value," said Watson.

"The commission realizes that real estate is California's greatest commodity."

Other state representatives introduced with Watson were Ray Wesscott, chief deputy commissioner of the California real estate commission, and Ralph Bell, department commissioner.

Zoning

(Continued from Page One)ponents say, that factories can be built near businesses, residences and churches.

Zoning opponents point out, however, that protective zoning at this time would hurt many small property owners who plan to add improvements to their land.

Cy Hopkins, a motel operator, is circulating the petitions for protective zoning of Pacific Coast highway from Western to Pennsylvania avenues. Working with him are John Woodward, stationery store owner, and Harry Bowker, realtor.

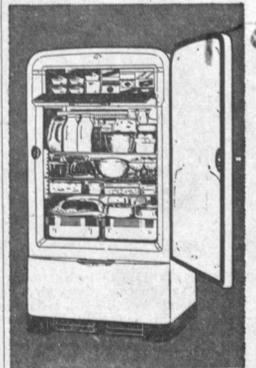
If a sufficient number of property owners sign these petitions, the county planning commission will draw up a zone plan for the area. Final action on adopting the zoning regulations will be taken by the board of supervisors after a public hearing.

Mrs. Phillips said her organization plans to meet a week from Tuesday.

Border Ave.

(Continued from Page One) to "clean up" the district of several hundred new homes, supported vigorously by Councilman Nick Drale, including the closing of the city dump in the area and utilization of the land involved for recreation and new home development.

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Large advertisement for Food King Torrance, featuring a man in a crown and the slogan 'WE GIVE AND REDEEM GOLD BOND STAMPS'. It also lists 'OPEN SUNDAYS 9 TO 6' and 'WEEK DAYS 9 TO 6:30'.

Large advertisement for Food King Torrance featuring a picnic menu. Items include Paper Napkins (2 for 25c), Milk (3 cans 29c), Fresh Fruits & Vegetables (Santa Rosa Plums 2 lbs. 15c, Carrots 2 bunches 9c), Round Steak (79c/lb), Picnic Hams (43c/lb), Sliced Pork Liver (29c/lb), Little Pig Link Sausage (28c/ea), and various frozen food specials like Lemonade (19c) and Orange Juice (23c).

Advertisement for Rental Tuxedos \$500, complete formal wear for men and women, with contact information for Compton Tux Rental Shop.

Advertisement titled 'AFTER 65 - Will you be tired? or retired?' featuring illustrations of a man looking stressed and a man smoking a pipe, with text about Social Security benefits.

Advertisement for Social Security Act, featuring a Social Security card and text explaining how to obtain a Social Security File for benefits, with contact information for R. A. Owens.

Advertisement for liquor stores: Ralph's LIQUORS (1601 CABRILLO AVE.), TORRANCE'S POPULAR LIQUOR STORES (ICE CUBES AT ALL TIMES!), and The Bottle Shop (2087 TORRANCE BLVD.).