



DRAWING ATTENTION to the local observance of National Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 4-10, are (left to right) Fred Hansen, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce Fire Prevention Committee; Koan Phipps Luop, president of Harbor City Insurance Women's Association; and City Councilman Victor E. Benstead Jr., chairman of the Torrance Police and Fire Commission. Fire prevention was emphasized annually as "Fire Prevention Day" for some 30 years before 1920. In that year, the President of the United States proclaimed "Fire Prevention Week" to include the date of Oct. 9, the anniversary of the historic Chicago fire.

Small Fires Can Become Dangerous

Fire Chief J. J. Benner today announced the Fire Department's cooperation with the Torrance Chamber of Commerce and the Harbor Cities Insurance Women's Association in urging simple precautionary methods to prevent many damaging fires. The Fire Chief, discussing replacement costs, said that, "Even in small fires, where the firemen are able to confine the flames to one room, it costs property owners two to three times as much to refurnish the burned-out areas as it did ten years ago." Benner particularly emphasized the following points:

1. Great damage to our city is caused by rubbish fires. If we remove the rubbish from our garages, attics and closets, fires will come down and many alarms will be eliminated.
 2. Buildings classified as conflagration hazards should be protected by automatic sprinklers. Such installations will pay for themselves out of savings in insurance premiums and as a result our conflagration areas will be eliminated.
- Chief Benner further stated that a larger number of fires are caused from carelessness in handling matches and smoking. "Matches should be kept where small children cannot reach them and a liberal supply of ash trays throughout the house would reduce fires." He particularly emphasized that, "If you value your life, do not smoke in bed!"

'Witnesses' Plan Attendance at Circuit Assembly

Jehovah's Witnesses of the Torrance congregation are making final plans to attend the Circuit Assembly at the Long Beach Municipal Auditorium, Oct. 2-4. Leonard Olliff, presiding minister of the Torrance congregation, who explained the work to the congregation yesterday pointed out the highlights of the program that are of special benefit to all who desire to increase their knowledge of the Bible. He emphasized the theme, "Announcing the Rulership of God's Kingdom" as being timely in view of critical world conditions. "The Friday Evening session," he said, "are devoted to scriptural training and analytical Bible study beginning with a ministry school conducted by District Supervisor Bruce E. Giffin, followed by a ministry development class directed by Vernon L. Pearson, Circuit Minister." Saturday Evening's program will feature a free showing of the 1 1/4 hour color film "Divine Will International Assembly of Jehovah's Witnesses." Sunday morning will be devoted to basic door to door ministry, and at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon Bruce E. Giffin will speak to an audience numbering upwards of 3,000 persons on the subject "When Is God's Will to Be Done on Earth?"

Guide Issued by Gas Company Will Aid Home Buyers

Prospective homebuyers planning the chore of searching for their "dream cottage" will have their tasks made easy for them in the future with the establishment of "Tour-Tested Home Guide Information Centers" throughout the Southland, according to an announcement today by Southern California Gas Co. Division Manager, Carl W. Shupp.

The new step, which will further simplify the process of looking for a new home will take the form of a personalized home-buying guide and offer prospective homebuyers a way to organize their "shopping."

The guide is available at the "Tour-Tested Home Guide Information Centers" now set up in offices of both the Southern California and Southern Counties Gas Co.

Shupp explained that a personal call at any of the gas companies' more than 100 offices during regular Monday-through-Friday office hours will put in the hands of homebuyers a full kit of informational material, tailored to the buyer's personal needs, on the "Tour-Tested Homes" of the Great Builders Series.

The program will cover the entire area served by the two gas companies, or, roughly most of the territory south of Bakersfield to the Mexican border. Here in the southwest and beach cities, request for "Guide" information can be made at the gas company headquarters, 158 South La Brea, Inglewood.

The kit will include such information as locations, stylings, prices, and terms of Great Builders Series homes in any part of the area included in the program. The sole function of these new "Information Centers" will be to assist the homebuyer in finding the Great Builders Series home to match his wants and needs.

\$83,386,083 in Savings Bond Sales Reported

Treasury Consultant Howard D. Mills today revealed that Los Angeles County sales of United States Savings Bonds for the January through August period of this year totaled \$83,386,083; and for August they were \$9,336,703.

In releasing the figures, the Savings Bonds volunteer said: "The new increase in interest rates to 3 3/4 per cent should inspire people to buy and keep

Torrance Couple Will Be Awarded Gold Brick Pins

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levy of Torrance will be among the six members of the Anna Grancell Heart and Cancer Chapter of Mount Sinai Hospital, who will be presented with "Gold Brick" pins according to Mrs. William Sloan, president. The meeting will be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. Ellison Sommer, 4013

United States Savings Bonds. "While they are primarily a means to thrift for the individual, he now will find them even more attractive in comparison to other safe investments when he considers their full advantages. "Savings Bonds are indestructible in the sense the Treasury will replace them if they are lost, stolen or damaged. They can be acquired easily, gradually, and systematically through payroll savings plans at places of employment, by very small steps in first buying savings stamps at schools and post offices, or through bond-a-month deductions from checking accounts at banks. "Such savings will provide for the big things of life. "Savings Bonds are also an important method for the Government to finance the research and weapons of the Space Age to create Peace Power."

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Via Larga Vista, Palos Verdes Estates at 8:00 p.m., according to Mrs. William Sloan, president. Mrs. Leah Mornell, new director of Mount Sinai Hospital's Department of Auxiliaries and Affiliates, will also be an honor guest. The group was formed to help support Mount Sinai's free medical care programs.

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Captain Baker Scheduled for 6 TV Appearances

DeVere Baker, Captain of the Raft Lehi IV, reports he will make six appearances before national television cameras during the next five months. According to authorities, these television appearances will place Baker before 86 million viewers across the country. The programs will range from personal appearances to half-hour color telecasts, and will be aired over all three networks, as well as syndicated by means of film.

Captain Baker's first appearance will be Colonel Craig's "Danger Is My Business," Channel 13 KCOP, Thursday, Oct. 8th at 6:30 p.m. Colonel Craig will feature a half hour film showing of Baker's successful trip from Redondo to Hawaii last year. Captain Baker will narrate the

experiences of this crossing. Another half hour program will feature "Tangorora" on "Wanderlust" will portray a dog's eye view of life aboard the raft Lehi IV. Wanderlust is syndicated by film and will be seen on KCOP Channel 13 about mid-December.

Other programs include "On The Go" CBS; "Ernie Kovacs Show," ABC; Art Linkletter—"House Party," CBS; and "Groucho Marx," NBC.

Captain Baker is currently building his new raft, the Lehi V in Redondo. Plans call for two years of construction and training off the shores of Redondo and two years sailing 18,000 miles around the world.

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