



TEN-YEAR AWARD — Merle Shoemaker, manager of the local Newberry's store, and Dorothy Foster, merchandise girl, here look over this list of 10-year pin winners at the

store. Shoemaker had just finished pinning the award on Miss Foster for a full decade of service to the firm. Her name will be the next added to the distinguished roster.

ROSE PRUNING TIPS

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State Senator Reports on New Plans for Reapportionment Study

Early action creating a blue-ribbon commission to study the problem of re-districting the State Senate has been promised in the 1961 regular session, reports Senator Richard Richards.

Senator Hugh M. Burns of Fresno, president pro tempore of the Senate, has announced that he will back legislation to this effect to be introduced at the beginning of the 1961 regular session, Richards added.

This is in keeping with the promise made to Southern California groups by Senator Burns and Governor Brown in opposing the re-districting plan offered by Proposition 13, which was decisively defeated on November 8.

TENTATIVE PLAN

"Tentative plans appear to favor an adequately financed commission composed of two senators, two assemblymen, four citizens at large and a member of the judiciary, probably a justice of the Supreme Court," the State Senator said.

"The Governor has promised that he will appoint top-flight men to such a commission, with recognized specialists in political science and population trends among the citizens at large.

The commission would be directed to report back to the Legislature in the 1962 budget session, so that an equitable re-districting plan can be submitted to the voters in the 1962 general election.

"It is conceivable," the Senator said, "that the commission might, among other things, recommend an increase in the present limit of 40 members of the Senate, since there is nothing sacred or magic in that number. In that case the extra representation would go to the heavily populated areas of the state. Although I opposed the formula offered in Proposition 13 as being inequitable and short-sighted, I do believe it served a useful purpose in calling attention to the inequities of the present system."

GENERAL AGREEMENT "There is now pretty general agreement among legislative and administrative leaders that some revision is needed, particularly in the case of Los Angeles County, and I am hopeful that the proposal now taking shape may lead to a really sound solution."

"In the meantime, the Assembly Interim Committee on Elections and Reapportionment has scheduled its final hearings on the reapportionment of assembly and congressional districts here in Los Angeles on December 15 and 16."

This will complete the two-year interim study on the basis of which the final reapportionment bill will be drafted, he concluded.

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Congressman Plans Fight Against Local Ballistic Missile Move

"More than 1000 people from 27 units of the Inglewood Ballistic Missiles complex will be transferred to San Bernardino if the Air Force carries out its plan to operate the organization from two locations," Congressman R. King disclosed this.

Air Force last week assured the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce that recent transfers of about 100 men from Inglewood to Norton Air Force Base was not the beginning of a larger exodus from the Los Angeles region.

Congressman King, chairman of the National Defense Facilities Sub-Committee of the California delegation, has been conducting an inquiry of the dispersal action for several weeks, and takes critical issue with the Air Force over the move.

The veteran legislator has charged that break-up of the Inglewood Complex would be "foolhardy, delay the programs, and waste millions of taxpayers' dollars."

NO DENIAL Air Force has not denied Congressman King's claim that the planned dispersal "will cost from \$6-to-\$10 million dollars."

King said that a detailed

report of his investigation is now being studied by members of his congressional committee, pending further action.

Continuing his attack, King stated:

"Our ballistic missiles program is the largest single military program ever undertaken by the United States. Its continued success may be in jeopardy."

"The public has a right to know what it's government is doing with a program so vital to the welfare of the nation."

"So far the Air Force has not revealed the fact that their planned break-up of the Inglewood Complex includes relocation to San Bernardino of the entire Air Material Command Ballistic Missiles Center, portions of the Ballistic Missile Division, Space Technology Laboratories, and other supporting elements."

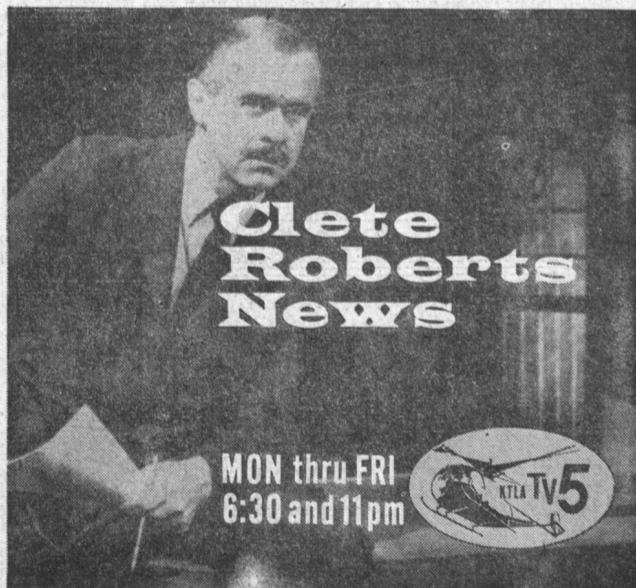
"The plan to split the Missile Complex into two locations will involve the transfer of more than 1000 workers—not 100—from 27 units in Inglewood to Norton Air Force Base."

"Air Force plans then call for the Missile Complex to continue operational func-

tions as an integrated organization from two locations—divided by 70-miles distance. "No one in the Air Force, including the Secretary, has so far explained how break-up of the Inglewood Ballis-

tic Missiles Complex, at a cost of some \$10 million dollars, will help speed up or make more efficient the workings of this most crucial program. "The Air Force has been assigned the grave responsi-

bility of directing and managing the Nation's ballistic missiles program, and I believe that a project of this importance needs checking into when it appears to be heading in a wrong direction."



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