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Safety Council Lists Tips For Labor Day Motor Trip

A plan for a pleasant and safe Labor Day weekend motor trip has been drafted for the motoring public by the Greater Los Angeles Chapter of the National Safety Council and includes five rules.

- Don't push too hard, drive too far or too long. Fatigue is a major factor in many traffic accidents.
- Allow sufficient time for your trip, both going and coming. Because of the heavy holiday traffic there may be congestion in some areas.

- Drive at speeds consistent with existing conditions. "Speed too fast" for existing conditions is found to be a factor in many accidents.
- Make good use of your seat belts and good use means wearing them at all times. Seat belts are part of your insurance.
- Study your route map in advance if you are driving into unfamiliar areas on unfamiliar highways. This is doubly important if you are driving the freeways.

Mobile Science Unit Ready for Fall Term

A \$100,000 traveling classroom filled with the latest in technical exhibits and equipment, designed to arouse interest in science, is to be used by the new Hawthorne Christian School, the Rev. Carl Pike, funder-president of the schools, has announced.

The scientific exhibits have been provided by some of the nation's leading manufacturing, electronics and research development organizations, according to the Rev. Pike.

"Two major companies, General Dynamics Corp. and the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., are providing exhibits for the mobile classroom as aids to arouse the interest in science that is known to exist among elementary students," stated the Rev. Pike.

"AT THE Hawthorne school we have added another 'R' to the three 'R's'—Readiness!" comments the founder. "We believe this mobile classroom will help our students prepare for the required ad-

vanced studies in high school and college."

The new school, fifth and latest in the 23-year old group of Hawthorne Christian Schools, is located on a three and a half acre site in the center of the new Palo del Amo Woods development. The school consists of three buildings, a playground, and parking lot.

AN EXTENDED day care center is operated by the school for children four through 13 years.

Enrollment in the new school for children four to 11-year olds is provided from cities throughout the South Bay.

Enrollment for the fall term may be made at the school's headquarters, 13600 S. Prairie Avenue, Hawthorne. The telephone is OS 9-2591.

The gin was invented in 1793.

El Retiro Park Table Tennis Tourney Begins Tomorrow

Stringed rackets and a rubber ball were the weapons of battle at the turn of the century, but El Retiro Park will use modern equipment when it hosts a South Torrance Table Tennis Tournament tomorrow.

Sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department, the tournament is open to Torrance residents 7 to 70 living south of Torrance Boulevard. Registration begins for the 7- to 11-year old division at 9 a.m., 12- to 14-year-olds registration is at 12 noon, 15- to

17-year-olds will register at 2 p.m., and those 18 years or older sign up at 6 p.m.

With separate competition for boys and girls and men and women, eight champions will be crowned based on a best two of three games between each contestant. A consolation bracket will decide third and fourth place in each division.

Further information on the tournament may be obtained by visiting El Retiro Park, 128 Vista del Parque, or by calling the park at FR 5-9084.

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New Law To Extend Home Loans

"Cold War" veterans now qualify for low down payment, government-insured mortgages up to \$30,000, announced Albert Z. England, president of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors.

A new federal housing law, just signed by President Johnson, extends home loan benefits to millions of post-Korean War veterans, said England on the basis of information supplied by the National Association of Real Estate Boards of which the local board is a member.

In addition to Cold War veterans, the law assists older veterans who have not used up their eligibility under any Veterans Administration program, he added. "This includes World War I and Spanish-American War veterans," said England.

Under the new program, the Federal Housing Administration would insure 100 per cent of the first \$15,000 of a home mortgage, 90 per cent of the value in excess of \$15,000 to \$20,000, and 85 per cent of the value in excess of \$20,000 to \$30,000.

"IN OTHER WORDS," explained England, "a veteran would need no down payment for a home worth \$15,000 or less. For a home worth \$20,000, he needs a \$500 down payment, and for a \$30,000 home he needs \$2,000."

The veteran must have served at least 90 days on active military service and have received an honorable discharge, he said.

On his mortgage, he would pay the standard FHA interest rate of 5½ per cent, the same rate as the previous VA programs, plus an additional one-half of 1 per cent to cover the government insurance.

The impact of the new law will be enormous, England pointed out.

"NAREB estimates that there are 3.5 million post-Korea ex-servicemen alone. There are now 2.6 million servicemen in uniform who are the veterans of tomorrow."

"There are also 12.7 million veterans of World War II and Korea who have never exercised their eligibility under the VA program. And there are 2.6 million pre-World War II veterans. So we have a potential of over 21 million veterans eligible for this mortgage insurance program," said England.

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