

Three Steel Executives Named to New Positions

Three top-level management changes at U. S. Steel Corp.'s Torrance Works have been announced here by William G. Davis, general superintendent of the plant. Davis said Robert J. Prout of Rolling Hills will become superintendent — open hearth; Herbert W. Kossoff

of 14718 Parron Ave., Gardena, will serve as assistant to the general superintendent; and, C. Leon Perry, 22318 Anza Ave., is to become assistant superintendent — engineering and maintenance. Prout was graduated from Michigan Technology University in 1938 where he received a bachelor's degree in metallurgical engineering. He joined U. S. Steel's Gary, Ind., Works that same year and served in various capacities there until 1946 when he was named supervisor of the metallurgical laboratory at the Geneva Works, Utah.

Prout and his wife, Selma, have two daughters, Susan and Barbara. Kossoff holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from University of California and master's degree in engineering from UCLA. He began employment at Torrance Works in 1950 as an engineering trainee and has held various supervisory positions in the engineering and maintenance department.

Perry was graduated from Stanford University in 1955 with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He joined U. S. Steel at the Pittsburg, Calif., Works in June 1955 as a management trainee and subsequently held foreman posts in the maintenance and tin finishing departments.

Teacher Wins Science Grant

James E. Wehan, a teacher advanced degrees. The recipient at Hawthorne High Schools receive stipends to cover travel and living expenses. 215th St., has been awarded a scholarship in the National Science Foundation summer institute at Seattle University.

The N.S.F. finances the special studies in math and science for approximately 80 high school teachers throughout the country. The institute provides an intensive eight-week course in chemistry, physics or math, aimed at deepening the scientific and mathematical knowledge of high school teachers, and which earns credits towards

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New Superintendent



HERBERT W. KOSSOFF
Gets Second Post

Law in Action

"I'd rather die than go back to the hospital," said Mary McNutt. No body thought much of it until Mary's ulcer ruptured, internal bleeding increased, and she needed a transfusion at once.

Then Mary refused to go to the hospital because her religion prohibited a blood transfusion. Her husband would do nothing, and the hospital and her doctor went into court. The judge ordered her to submit to a transfusion. Mary recovered.

Courts rarely order an adult to take medical treatment. But a child cannot decide for himself. Though his parents' judgment is given great weight, the State has an overriding interest to see that a child receives treatment.

ADULTS CAN make up their own minds. As a rule, they can refuse medical treatment. The doctor who forces a patient to medical care may be guilty of battery. The success of the treatment does not relieve the doctor of liability. However, an unconscious patient's consent may be assumed in an emergency.

There are reasons to make an adult submit to medical treatment. If his disease is contagious, the public has an obvious interest besides the person's own interest in his life. No adult can legally consent to a "mercy killing." For much of the same reasons, it is a crime to commit suicide or encourage one to commit suicide.

An adult who claims that a court ordered treatment would violate his freedom of religion must still limit his religious practice so as not to hurt others.

AS A RULE, only a court order can force a person to submit to medical treatment. Although going into court for an order may mean a harmful or fatal delay, it gives an impartial review of the doctor's decision.

When treatment is not needed to save a life or it is needed to improve one's looks, no court is likely to interfere with the adult's personal decision.

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Also Promoted

Cal Regents Scholarship Award Listed

Richard J. Liebig, El Camino College alumnus, has been granted a four-year Regents Scholarship by the University of California.

Announcement of the grant was made this week by Dr. Stuart E. Marsee, ECC president. Dr. Marsee was notified by William F. Shepard, associate university dean, he said.

Regents scholars are selected on a basis of academic excellence and exceptional promise without regard to financial need, the announcement stated.

Liebig, the son of Herbert H. Lieberg, is a resident of Gardena. While at El Camino, he majored in pre-dentistry.

Warning System Test Scheduled

Throughout Los Angeles County civil defense sirens will be sounded Friday, June 24, at 10 a.m., in the monthly test of the warning systems, Sheriff Peter J. Pitchess announced.

The test, always on the last Friday of the month, will consist of a steady wail for two minutes, followed by 30 seconds of silence and will conclude with an undulating tone for one minute, added Pitchess.

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AFTER SERVING as supervisor of specifications and chief inspector at the Geneva steel mill, he came to the Torrance Works in 1953 as general supervisor of metallurgy. He subsequently served

in major capacities in the metallurgy and open hearth departments and in February, 1962, was named assistant to general superintendent, the position he held at the time of this most recent appointment.

Perry was graduated from Stanford University in 1955 with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He

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