

# Kanine Korner

By Francis X. Lohmann

The spirit of CHRISTmas is in dogs! Can you honestly separate the thought of CHRISTmas from the thought of dogs? Did you ever think that the idea of CHRISTmas which celebrates the birth of the Christ Child in the manger, has to start with the thought of dogs?

Remember the shepherds who left their flocks and found themselves before the cradle of Him who made "giving" rather than "getting" a living thing. Yes, a living thing rather than a theory. Didn't they, the shepherds, have dogs to serve them in caring for their flocks and didn't at least one of their dogs come down to the manger?

The love of dogs and the belief that they are so closely tied to CHRISTmas are synonymous. The spirit of CHRISTmas and the spirit of dogs are just about the same. The true spirit of CHRISTmas means giving and not getting and who will disagree that dogs, more than any other living creature on earth today, personify the giving first, rather than receiving first. Now, take out just a moment and think, isn't this true?

May we, in their example, never forget that the spirit of CHRISTmas, which is that of service to others, runs the year around; 365 days, not just Dec. 25. May I, in behalf of all the noble, faithful and loving dogs, wish each and everyone of my treasured readers a truly Merry CHRISTmas!

At this festive time of the year, the glorious CHRISTmas Season, I do hope my readers will be able to find it, within themselves, to spare a few thoughts for the poor, unfortunate doggies and the wonderful folks at Mercy Crusade who continually dispense aid and comfort to God's dumb but none the less loving creatures. Your dog & mine, as always, will be well cared for during the Yule Tide but not so with the countless little four-legged wails who look to us for help. Mercy Crusade needs your help, both morally and financially. Send them a donation today - P.O. Box 3265, Van Nuys, California.

**TALES FROM DOGDOM:** My first disk, "The Beloved Dog" for Accent Records due for release as the column goes to press. Record spot - Two Torrance servicemen participated in Operation Seaward, an exercise which provided protection to Vietnamese farmers near Tuy Hoa, Viet Nam, while they harvested their rice crops. Pfc. Roy E. Muse, 20, and Spec. 4.C. Jan A. Osnes, 22, were serving with other members of the 10th Aviation Battalion in the exercise. Muse is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin R. Muse of 17303 Delia Ave. His wife, Nancy, lives at 2718 W. 178th St. A 1963 graduate of North High, he entered the Army in January, 1966.

Osnes, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Osnes of 5349 Sharynne Lane, is a 1962 graduate of North High. He entered the Army in August, 1965, and arrived in Viet Nam in December, 1965.

**BREED OF THE WEEK:** Weimarner... Not far from Apolda, a town in central Germany, the birthplace of the Doberman Pinscher, is the small city of Weimar, sometimes called the German Athens, because of its fame as a cultural center. Weimar knew great days during the 18th and 19th centuries when the Grand Duke Charles Augustus held his court there and made it a stopping off place for important and famous people.

It was during this period that the nobles attached to the court succeeded in producing a new breed, a hunting dog of unusual intelligence and ability. They named him the Weimarner. Most dog authorities agree the breeds having the greatest influence included a German type Bloodhound and the Blue-Gray Great Dane. The Weimarner was carefully protected in his native land by the Weimarner Club of Germany, an organization that painstakingly made every effort to keep the bloodlines of the breed pure and to prevent its exploitation by those whose interests were only commercial.

Weimarner were unknown in America until 1929. By 1944 the breed was sufficiently well established to be granted AKC recognition. The Weimarner tips the scales at about 75 pounds and in height 25 inches. The Merriest of Merry CHRISTmas to my treasured readers everywhere. (Listen to Francis X. Lohmann's radio version of Kanine Korner, Monday through Friday at 4:15 p.m. over station KTYM 1460 kcs.)

# Consolidation of State Revenue Agency Urged

By VINCENT THOMAS  
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Efficiency and economy in government is a goal toward which every administration and every Legislature professes itself to be dedicated—it's somewhat like declaring one's self in favor of patriotism and motherhood. But the nub of the problem in achieving efficiency and economy is that it's most difficult to get wide agreement on what's essential and what isn't.

## Hair Care Costs Less At Camino

For the past several years many women living near El Camino College have been going to the college's cosmetology department to have their hair done.

They still do, and more women are coming all the time. "One of the advantages of having their beauty treatments done at El Camino is the cost—considerably less than that charged at professional salons," G. Theodore Elmgren Jr., coordinator of industry and technology, said.

Another advantage is the close proximity to many of the homes in the area. All of the services provided at regular beauty salons are offered at El Camino. Students learn to do beauty work while learning how to operate their own shop when their education is completed.

The girls learn how to keep books, order materials and handle their bills. All of this is book work and no money is handled by the girls. The cosmetology department is self-supporting as patrons' dollars pay for the materials.

All one has to do in order to have a beauty treatment is to make an appointment two weeks in advance and secure a green parking permit upon arrival at the department, located in the Industry and Technology building on Manhattan Beach Boulevard. The parking permit is required as patrons must park in staff or student zones and tickets are given to cars without college permits.

The cosmetology lab is open for appointments beginning at 10:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday and 9:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday.

In 1961, the Legislature established what has become known as the "Little Hoover Commission," more formally titled the Commission on California Government Organization and Economy and patterned after a similar board set up on the federal level many years ago. Its purpose has been to study objectively the workings of our state government and to recommend ways of streamlining it so that overlapping or outdated agencies, functions and programs could be eliminated, lines of responsibility and control be more clearly defined and thus money saved.

THE COMMISSION'S most recent report suggests several such possibilities, many of them quite controversial but nonetheless worthy of serious consideration. These include:

1. Consolidation of all tax and revenue agencies under one Department of Revenue. Affected would be the Franchise Tax Board, which collects and administers the state income tax, the State Board of Equalization, which directs most of the other revenue-producing programs, and possibly the State Controller's Office, which administers the inheritance tax program through appointed appraisers.

2. Within the general area of water resources, combining the state water quality control and water rights boards, whose functions sometimes seem to be at cross-purposes, and merging all present flood control activities within the Department of Water Resources.

3. Do away with the Wildlife Conservation Board as a separate body and assign its duties to the Fish and Game Commission. It should be noted that the WCB is financed now through annual appropriation of \$750,000 from pari-mutual horse racing revenue received by the state and that the WCB has operated as an independent adjunct of the Fish and Game Department for the principal purpose of financing capital outlay projects too costly for the department itself to undertake, since the latter's income is derived almost entirely from sportsmen's license fees.

4. Assignment of the Forest Practices Committee's functions to the State Board of Forestry. The committee's main role has been to administer rules and regulations concerning the loggers' timber cutting methods, which

come under periodic attack from some conservation groups and are as vigorously defended by the industry.

OTHER BOARDS and commissions also would be abolished, if the "Little Hoover Commission's" recommendations are followed, on the ground that they have outlived their usefulness. To meet changing conditions and needs, it often is necessary to create special government bodies, but continuing their existence long beyond necessity cannot be defended.

Suggestions concerning an overhaul of the Transportation Agency are expected to be forthcoming from the "Little Hoover Commission" before long. Hearings were held on this subject several months ago and yielded con-

## Teen Actors Will Appear In 'Scream'

Plans for future performances at the Redondo Beach Youth Theatre include "A Midsummer Night's Scream" by John Henderson and "Time Out for Ginger." The productions are open to all young people aged 12 through 19.

Readings for "A Midsummer Night's Scream" will be held Jan. 3 and 5 at Adams School, 2600 Ripley, from 4 to 7 p.m. Plays will be double cast when possible.

Drama program information is available by telephoning the Redondo Beach Recreation and Parks Department. The theater is under the direction of Darrel Firth and John Barberio.

siderable differences of opinion on how the agency should be administered and what functions it should have.

Regardless of political party affiliation, we in the Legislature are going to be faced with the task of evaluating these and other recommendations and doing something about them. California's need for money to pay for education, health and welfare programs, highways and many other basics requires that every effort be made to economize wherever possible. The "Little Hoover Commission's" proposals will serve at least as a good starting point.

### Public Notice

PH-4452  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing before the Torrance City Council will be held at 8:00 o'clock P.M., Tuesday, January 10, 1967, in the Council Chamber of the Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, on the requests of the YELLOW CAR COMPANY OF TORRANCE and the TRI-CITY TAXI COMPANY OF HERMOSA BEACH on:

- 1) A proposed rate increase in taxicab rates; and
  - 2) An increase in the number of taxicabs permitted in their operations.
- All persons interested in the above matter are requested to be present at the hearing, or to submit their written approval or disapproval to the City Clerk, City Hall, Torrance.
- Dated: December 19, 1966.  
VERNON W. COLL,  
City Clerk  
S-Dec. 25, 1966.

### PH-4462

CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR POLICE PERMIT  
Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Board of Police Commissioners for a permit to conduct a CAFE DANCING. NAME OF APPLICANT: Ward P. Tinney. DOING BUSINESS AS: Peyton's Place. LOCATED AT: 1613 W. Carson St., Torrance.

Any person desiring to protest the issuance of this permit shall make a written protest before January 4, 1967, in the LOS ANGELES POLICE COMMISSION, 150 North Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, Calif. 90012. Upon receipt of written protests, protesting persons will be notified of date, time and place for hearing. BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
S-Dec. 25, 1966; Jan. 1, 8, 1967.

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CHRISTMAS is traditionally one of our busiest days of the year. We've been readying every available circuit to help handle your holiday messages. And by the way, your calls are likely to go through faster if you dial them direct. We'll have almost every Long Distance Operator on duty over the Christmas holiday weekend. Despite all this, there may be some delays. It's simply a case of everyone wanting to call at the same time... Operators and circuits just get outnumbered. If you experience such a delay, we'll appreciate your patience. We'll be doing our best to speed every Merry Christmas call through.

Speaking of your telephone book, it can be a more popular helper than ever at Christmas time. It's a handy place to check and make sure your Christmas card list is right. And, when you are looking for a particular, hard-to-find gift, look first in the Yellow Pages. Saves lots of time and trouble and traveling around town.

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