

Lomita Readers—Please telephone your news items to Mrs. Naomi McKinney, 1657 Eshelman Ave., Phone 246.



THE TROUBLE ISN'T WITH YOUR RADIO



You didn't buy it at the right place. WHAT YOU NEED is SERVICE from a place like.

DEBRA RADIO CO. POST & CRAVENS AT WATER KENT - KOLSTER. CROSLY-ZENITH - PHONE 370-W

13 Including Meals and Berths on YALE and HARVARD To SAN FRANCISCO \$20 round trip—7-day return limit

LASSCO LOS ANGELES STEAMSHIP CO. 730 So. Broadway—Tel. Y And U 2423 LOS ANGELES TORRANCE PHARMACY TELEPHONE 3-J Torrance

Compton Charter Change Carries

Amendment Wins By Narrow Margin of Four Votes

COMPTON.—The charter amendment to the city of Compton, allowing a levy of nine cents on each \$100 valuation of taxable property and which was voted upon at the general election November 6, carried by a majority of four.

The official count as announced by the Board of Supervisors which made the final tally gave a majority of four for the amendment, which needed but a majority and not a two thirds vote to carry.

Vote is Close

The official and final count was 1169 votes in favor of the proposed change and 1165 against it.

The News Tribune made a careful check up of the total in the 16 precincts of the city the day after election and found it stood 1165 against and 1168 in favor of the proposition.

However, the clerk of the Board of Supervisors announced Wednesday that of the four absentee votes from Compton but one voted on the charter change and that individual voted "yes" increasing the lead to four.—Compton News Tribune.

Ramage Recall Trial Date Set

Superior Court Will Hear Hawthorne Council Case on Jan. 17

HAWTHORNE.—The case of Lloyd E. Jones against the Hawthorne city council, in which the petitioner seeks an order from the superior court to require the city council to call a special election in the city of Hawthorne to vote upon the recall of Councilman Robert C. Ramage has at last been set for trial.

When the case came up on Monday before Judge Walter S. Gates for consideration, no demurrer was interposed by the city attorney, and the court set the case for hearing on January 17, at 9:30 a. m. in Department 31 of the superior court.

It was apparent that an earlier date could not be agreed upon by the attorneys.

City Attorney Greenbaum has indicated that an order from the lower court to call the election will be followed by an appeal of the case on the part of the city council. Mr. Greenbaum maintains that the act that the city clerk himself did not certify to the recall petition gives ground for an appeal, since the certificate of the deputy, Helen Lehne in his judgment is not a proper or a legal one.

Auto Kills Boy and His Pet Dog

COMPTON.—An automobile killed a little 7-year-old boy and his dog below Compton on Alameda boulevard Wednesday. The little dog hearing his master's cry as the auto bore down on him leaped in apparently to help him and went to its death under the wheels of the machine.

Two in One Compton Family Die of Flu

COMPTON.—Two deaths resulting from influenza have struck one family in Compton within the past week. Samuel Smith, who passed away Monday at the home of his parents, 1009 San Marcos street, is the uncle of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Keyers, who died this morning at Las Campanas hospital from the same illness. The boy was one year old.—Compton News Tribune.

Edison Company to Spend Over 29 Million in 1929 Extending and Improving Distribution

R. H. Ballard, president of the Southern California Edison company, today announced that the board of directors of the company had approved a budget of \$29,240,214 for the year 1929. These expenditures next year will be largely for re-enforcement and extension of the distributing system and will be a part of the \$125,000,000 expansion program outlined by the company for the next five years.

"We are, on the eve of a tremendous expansion in the commercial application of electricity," said Mr. Ballard, "our company has reached the point where major activities for the next few years will be the extension of our distribution system for the service of our customers."

"During the present year, the first under our program which we term the 'commercial era,' we have sold 200,000 horse power of electricity in new business, an increase of forty per cent over the previous year. The plans for 1929 call for \$75,000 horse power in new business."

"For the past twenty-five years our energies have been concentrated on problems of plant construction and general finance. These departments now rest on very strong foundations, enabling us to take advantage of the expansive character of the times."

"When an increased generating capacity is demanded to keep abreast with this expansion we can meet the demand by additions to our present hydro and steam plants. The aim of the company will be to keep safely ahead of the demand for electric energy."

The 1929 appropriations will be spent in the ten counties of Southern and Central California served by the Southern California Edison company system. A new general office building in Los Angeles will be constructed at a cost of \$2,800,000.

Funds of the 1929 budget will be allotted to the thirty-two districts through which the company operates and the Big Creek-San Joaquin and Long Beach generating plants for expansion of service facilities and continuation of generating development.

With the completion during the past year of the fifth of a series of hydro-electric power plants as a part of the Big Creek project in the High Sierra, the company now has a capacity of 460,000 horse power of electric energy from this source.

Other water power plants and the steam generating plants at Long Beach furnish an interconnecting generating capacity of 1,061,000 horse power.

System improvements for the various districts scheduled in accordance with the new budget include the construction during the year of twelve new sub-stations, new sub-offices and three new stores and garages, in addition to the general re-enforcement of the distribution lines.

The Southern California Edison company now is serving an area of 55,000 square miles including 300 cities and towns with a population of approximately 5,000,000.

Oil shipments comprised 9,391,899 barrels during the month, entered this port, of which 182 ships carried passengers and freight; 227 general cargo, 138 case oil, 75 lumber exclusively, and 11 classed as miscellaneous. American flag flow from 500, followed by British, 43; Norwegian, 19; Japanese, 20; French, 8; German, 7; Dutch, 7; Danish, 7; Mexican, 6; Swedish, 4 Italian 3; and Panaman, 1.

Cargoes Valued at 84 Millions

Nearly 2 Million Tons In and Out of Port in 30 Days

WILMINGTON.—Commerce of 3,995,444 tons, valued at \$84,052,488 moved in or out of Los Angeles during November last closed, according to estimates compiled by the Marine Exchange.

The value surpasses that of November, last year by \$15,000,000 and approaches that of October, this year, \$92,943,572 the port's all-time record. That record was occasioned by the rush of canned foods and seasonal offerings East and heavy pipe receipts for the oil drilling boom.

The figures it obtained in future months, will put this harbor in the \$1,000,000,000 class.

November's shipments, foreign, hit a new high with a value of \$13,327,327,727. Other trades were normal except that the in-and-out coastwise trade rose to more than \$35,000,000, leaving intercoastal trade materially behind. They usually are close together.

Oil shipments comprised 9,391,899 barrels during the month, a drop of 600,000 barrels under October and the same amount under November last year.

Lumber receipts from ninety ships were 96,208,278 board feet, bringing the year's total to date to 1,095,640,398 feet. It dropped 15 per cent under October with 105,711,688.

During the month 630 commercial vessels of 1,731,342 tons, net, entered this port, of which 182 ships carried passengers and freight; 227 general cargo, 138 case oil, 75 lumber exclusively, and 11 classed as miscellaneous. American flag flow from 500, followed by British, 43; Norwegian, 19; Japanese, 20; French, 8; German, 7; Dutch, 7; Danish, 7; Mexican, 6; Swedish, 4 Italian 3; and Panaman, 1.



Santa Claus brought it!

To many a home Santa Claus will bring a General Electric Refrigerator this Christmas.

Why don't you sort of hint to him that you'd like one too? You'll want a General Electric because it not only guarantees perfect refrigeration in keeping food fresh and wholesome but also because it is truly "years ahead" in design.

The mechanism is all on top and sealed in an air-tight steel casing, forever safe from dust and difficulties. You don't even oil it.

It is up-on-legs with plenty of broom-room underneath. The gentle, upward current of air which radiates from the coils prevents dust from settling on the top.

And you will find this most modern General Electric Refrigerator entirely automatic, extraordinarily quiet, economical to operate. Delivery can be made in time for Christmas, either on deferred payment or for cash, as you prefer. Telephone now for an interesting descriptive booklet or stop in and see the various models.

GENERAL ELECTRIC Refrigerator

Makes it Safe to be Hungry

W. G. McWHINNIE, Dealer

59 Pier Ave., Hermosa Beach, Calif. Phone Redondo 83

"Torrents of Gifts in Torrance" at EBY'S Dollar and Specialties Store

- Electric Toasters Complete Nuff Sed
Aluminum Covered Kettles Colored Handles
Aluminum Percolators Bright Colored Handles
Electric Irons With Attachments
Clothes Hampers With Hinged Covers
Stop Ladder and Stool Handiest article in the home

Yes, There Is A SANTA CLAUS!

Lack of Space Prohibits Us from Mentioning All of the MATCHLESS VALUES

"QUALITY BRAND" Kitchen Ware and Gift Merchandise

Values to \$3.00 \$1.00 Your Choice—While They Last. Includes items like Kitchen Clocks, Utility Pails, Tea Sets, Bread Box, Vacuum Food Jars, etc.

"Torrents of Gifts in the BARGAIN CENTER of Torrance at EBY'S

- Waste Baskets Colored Enamel Lasts a Lifetime
Aluminum Tea Kettles "Color in the Kitchen"
Tea Pots 8 Cup Size with colored handles
Water Sets 7 piece Set of Amber Hue
Bread Box Tilt-top and hinged "Color in the home"
Aluminum Double Boiler How Can We Do It.
Vacuum Bottles Best Made
Suit Cases Black imitation leather, rounded corners

No S. & H. Stamps None to Dealers No Phone Orders

EBY'S DOLLAR AND SPECIALTIES STORE CONSOLIDATED NO. 8 Plenty of Parking Space Cabrillo and Cravens at Carson Street

We Reserve the Right to Limit Quantities