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## SMITH'S MARKETS

Two Up-to-Date Markets in Torrance  
MEATS Exclusively  
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1639 Cabrillo Ave. and 2223 Torrance Blvd.

We are Announcing the Opening of Our Torrance Blvd. Market with Special Prices which are good at both markets.

Bacon Sliced No Rind No Waste, lb. **17 1/2c**

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<b>POT ROASTS</b>	<b>STEAKS</b>
Choice Steer Beef Per lb. <b>12 1/2c</b>	Baby Beef Per lb. <b>17 1/2c</b>

## IMPORTANT POINTS of the CITY CHARTER

By JUDGE C. T. RIPPY  
Chairman of Board of Freeholders

### POWERS OF THE MAYOR

It has been contended repeatedly by the opponents of the charter that the mayor is vested with too extensive powers. All of the powers that will be exercised by the mayor are now exercised by the city council, in addition to the council's regular legislative powers. The charter vests the mayor with exclusive executive and administrative powers. But the powers of an executive and an administrator are not those of a dictator as has been charged. A dictator as understood in connection with governmental affairs is one who not only makes the laws, but enforces them as well, a man who not only dictates the policies of the government, but is charged with their enforcement. This is not true of the powers of the mayor under the charter. The powers of the mayor begin where the powers of the city council end. The city council determines the policy, passes the necessary ordinance, subject to the veto power of the mayor, and once the ordinance is adopted and the necessary money appropriated by the city council to put this particular policy into effect, the mayor then supervises and enforces this ordinance, and sees that the money is properly spent and accounted for and necessary vouchers filed. Even in this connection, the mayor can only approve the payment of the money due, and the bills or claims are then presented to the city controller who must also approve the same. If he disapproves the claim the same must then be presented to the city council for approval. The powers of the mayor are the same as the powers of the executive of any private corporation.

### Checks and Balances

Not only is the power of the mayor checked by the city council, the city controller and the city treasurer, but the charter is a series of checks and balances so that no one branch of the government can operate without the proper functioning of the other. The city council at present makes and enforces the laws and pays out and approves all money spent. This system would not work at all in a larger community. It is a concentration of too much power in one body without supervision or restriction.

### Taxation System

Under the charter, the city council can exercise all legislative powers, including the appropriation of money, but the approval of the expenditures is subject to approval of the mayor and city controller.

### Amendments

The statement also has been made that the city charter cannot be amended except by ordinance. It was not necessary to include a provision in the charter authorizing its amendment as this is prescribed by the state constitution. This provision is in effect practically the same as the provision of the charter except that the amendment to the constitution adopted on November 4, 1930, provides that amendments to a charter may be proposed by the city council or by petition of the electors, and that such amendments if approved by a majority vote shall be thereupon submitted to the state legislature for ratification or rejection.

## Penney Stores Round Out 30 Years of Growth

### Nation-wide Organization Celebrates Anniversary With Special Trade Offerings

April 14th marks the 30th anniversary of the founding of the J. C. Penney Company and the entire month will be devoted to the celebrating of this landmark in the growth of the organization, according to Frank Buffington, manager of the store in this city.

The local store is number 1344 in the 1460 units which now make up the company and was opened on September 19, 1929, 27 years after the mother store was opened by Mr. Penney in the mining town of Kemmerer, Wyoming.

Mr. Buffington came to this city in August, 1929, after having served his apprenticeship in the company at Huntington Park. This is in line with the policy of the organization that all store managers must come up through the organization, learning every detail of the business before they are admitted to managerial opportunities.

Following the established policy of the company that managers should identify themselves with local organizations and take an active part in community affairs, Mr. Buffington is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club, and also a member of the Christ Episcopal church.

Mr. Buffington states that, not only do the individual stores maintain memberships in civic organizations, but the executives of the J. C. Penney Company are active in community endeavors.

A significant feature of the organization of the Penney corporation is the fact that most managers are stockholders in the company and the ownership of the company is largely in the hands of the active workers.

This is a result of the original policy which made partners of the associates as they became managers.

Commenting on plans for the celebration of the 30th anniversary, Mr. Buffington said, "In the past it has been the custom for the company to celebrate an anniversary by having some special items which offered what we called 'anniversary values,' but this year we will have not only an anniversary special for each week in April, but we will also have a wide list of special items covering every department in the store.

"Many of these values will feature prices which have not been obtainable since 1912. They come as the result of many months devoted to planning for this anniversary.

"It is doubtful whether many people will be able to recall retail prices as low as those which will mark some of the items generally used items of merchandise which we will have on our counters.

"Trade stimulation must come from a recognition on the part of the retail merchant, that people know what values can be obtained and are insisting on obtaining them.

"Half of the so-called hoarding of the past has not been hoarding, it has been the exercise of the defense of one's own pocketbook.

"Women are buying carefully and with a great deal of thought, but our own experience has shown that they do buy when the real bed-rock values show up over the counters.

"The anniversary work will start at the opening of the store on April 14th and continue until April 30th."

## Experts Arrive to Begin Study of Construction

### Metropolitan Water District Board Issues Instructions On Aqueduct Problems

With the five distinguished engineers who compose the Consulting Board on the Colorado River Aqueduct project scheduled to arrive in Los Angeles Monday, April 4, to begin their detailed studies into the complex construction phases of the huge water system, the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Water District yesterday formally approved and forwarded to the engineers a letter of instructions covering their work on the aqueduct's engineering problems.

The Board of Consultants is composed of Thaddeus Merriam, Chief Engineer of the New York City Board of Water Supply; Arthur P. Davis, formerly Director of the United States Reclamation Service and builder of the East Bay Water District aqueduct system; Dr. Richard R. Lyman, consulting engineer of Salt Lake City; Harvey S. Mudd, consulting engineer and capitalist of Los Angeles and Beverly Hills; Royal W. Sorenson, professor of electrical engineering at the California Institute of Technology.

In its letter of instructions to the consulting engineers, the District's Board drew attention to the fact that on January 16, 1931, the District's directors adopted a resolution officially designating the Parker Route as the general line to be followed by the aqueduct, and had also fixed the size of the aqueduct at 1500 second feet. This formal action was taken by the District's Board, the letter pointed out, on the recommendation of Chief Engineer Frank E. Weymouth and the Engineering Board of Review, and after some seven years of detailed engineering surveys and studies.

On September 29, 1931, the letter stated, the citizens of the Metropolitan Water District, by the decisive majority of five to one, authorized the issuance of \$29,000,000 in bonds to build the aqueduct along the Parker line.

In presenting its specific instructions to the engineering consultants, the District's Board asked that the engineers review their study of the data collected by the aqueduct's engineering forces, particularly the "new detailed studies as to aqueduct and reservoir locations, new economic studies, designs and estimates, and all other

information collected since the last meeting of the Board of Review." Acting on the recommendation of Director William L. Honnold, the District's Board yesterday authorized Chairman W. P. Whitsett to appoint a committee of two directors to report at the next meeting of the board upon the amount of the first block of aqueduct bonds to be sold to start work on the project. The two directors are to be assisted by Controller D. W. Pontius and Treasurer Charles H. Toll.

At the same time, the District's Board, acting on the motion of John R. Richards, instructed its Organization Committee to recommend a list of competent authorities from which to select a board of consultants on land appraisals.

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## Quality Market

TORRANCE BLVD. AT PORTOLA. PHONE 93.  
Prices Effective Friday and Saturday, April 1 and 2

### MEAT DEPARTMENT

L. G. Barkdull, Prop.

Fresh Pork Legs, whole or half, lb. ....	14c
Fresh Pork Shanks, lb. ....	10c
Center Cut Pork Shoulders, lb. ....	14c
Fresh Spare Ribs, lb. ....	12 1/2c
Fresh Pork Loin Butts, lb. ....	13c
Best Pure Lard, lb. ....	6c
Best Compound, lb. ....	6c
Fresh Ground Beef, lb. ....	12 1/2c
Ground Round Steak, lb. ....	20c
Sliced Eastern Bacon, lb. ....	18c
Eastern Bacon, by piece, lb. ....	16c

We have the Best No. 1 Steer Beef, Milk Lamb, Milk Veal and Eastern Corn Fed Pork at the Lowest Possible Prices.

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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY ONLY, APRIL 1st and 2nd

<b>WHITE KING</b> Granulated Soap <b>29c</b>	<b>OLEOMARGARINE</b> 3 lbs. <b>25c</b>
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FOLLOWING SPECIALS EFFECTIVE MARCH 31st to APRIL 6th, INC.:

<b>Peaches</b> AN OUTSTANDING BARGAIN California Yellow Clings in Good Quality Syrup <b>10c</b>	<b>DEL MONTE COFFEE</b> POUND CAN <b>30c</b>	<b>S and W COFFEE</b> POUND CAN <b>30c</b>
<b>Vegetables</b> PEAS, CORN, No. 2 STRING BEANS, Cans TOMATOES, KRAUT, HOMINY No. 2 1/2 Cans <b>3 cans 25c</b>	<b>Cloe's Bleach</b> <b>10c</b>	<b>Sunsweet Prunes</b> Tree 2-lb. Ripened Pkg. <b>12c</b>
<b>COCOMALT</b> 1/2-lb. can <b>25c</b> 1-lb. can <b>45c</b>	<b>DELICIA</b> SANDWICH SPREAD <b>10c</b>	<b>Dromedary Dates</b> Pasteurized for health Sun-baked for purity Pitted or Plain <b>17c</b> Per Pkg.
<b>Flapjacks</b> AND DELICIOUS <b>Vermont Maid Syrup</b> Albers Flapjack Flour Pkg. <b>30c</b> Vermont Maid Syrup 12-oz. Jug <b>30c</b>	<b>SOAP</b> NEW BIG BAR <b>5c</b>	<b>OATS</b> PACKAGE <b>12c</b>
<b>SCHLITZ MALT</b> , - - <b>3 lb. can 55c</b>	<b>Old Gold Cigarettes</b> Cellophane Wrapped Not a Cough In a Carload <b>2 pkgs. 25c</b>	

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# Re-Elect John Dennis

## Councilman For The LONG TERM

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Mayor of Torrance for the Past 6 Years

MAYOR Dennis has given six years of devoted, sincere public service to the people of the City of Torrance. His honesty has been tested and proven. His ability has been amply demonstrated by the many wise decisions he has made on important civic problems. His unselfish efforts have won him the confidence and admiration of all. He is known and respected throughout the county.

In the coming four years, many important issues which are vital to the future of Torrance must be solved. You can trust JOHN DENNIS to do the right thing for the good of all. Vote for him, April 11.

KEEP AN HONEST MAN IN OFFICE  
Dennis for Council Committee