

## Impounds Gats

### Chief Calder Amassing Another Collection of Lethal Weapons

Police Chief G. M. Calder is well on his way to the collection of another arsenal of confiscated weapons of all manner of makes and uses. Looked in his office safe are about a dozen different types of pistols and revolvers, ranging from a pearl-handled six-shooter to a German luger. These, to-

gether with a couple of formidable-looking knives and a pair of "brass knuckles," compose the collection which has been accumulating for several months.

**Deserve to Rust**  
All of the lethal articles were confiscated from persons who came in contact with local police

officers for one thing or another—the "knuckles," which are not brass but iron, being taken from a 17-year-old Mexican youth. Every so often Chief Calder cleans out his collection—some he gives to responsible persons but most of it is dumped in the sea—and then begins the accumulation of another batch. He says all of the weapons were potential trouble-makers and deserve no better fate than to rust at the bottom of the ocean.

### Harbor District Relief Activity Centers Here

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was to be consolidated with the Vermont avenue office in Los Angeles. The other consolidations were in various parts of the county.

An ultimate saving of \$4,600 monthly will be made by the six consolidations, including rentals and salaries of visitors and clerks, it was stated by Thomson, who worked out the consolidation with the county grand jury audit committee a week ago.

An additional saving of \$12,000 a month will be made this week by moving the three area offices, all in Los Angeles, to the main accounting division at 424 South San Pedro street, Los Angeles. Total savings will amount to nearly \$300,000 annually, it was estimated.

### FLOWER SHOP ONE YEAR OLD ON SATURDAY

The first anniversary of the opening of Harriett Leech's attractive flower shop at 1413 Marcelina avenue, will be celebrated Saturday with an "open house," serving of refreshments from 2 to 6 o'clock and presentation of souvenirs.

Mrs. Leech will be assisted by members of the St. Cecilia Guild of the Episcopal church in serving refreshments, with Mrs. Emma Quaggin in charge. The flower shop will exhibit a large stock of new potted plants, and a colorful display of all kinds of flowers.

A cordial invitation to all residents of Torrance and vicinity to attend this anniversary event is extended by the owner, who has gained an enviable reputation as a florist during her first year in that line of work.

### New Branch Library At Davidson City Before Board

Negotiation for a lease for a new branch library at Davidson City was recommended to the board of supervisors this week by the bureau of budget and efficiency, and scheduled for immediate consideration.

A five-year lease is proposed with Mrs. Flora W. Mitchell, of 1123 East Ocean avenue, owner of the premises at 2745 Jackson street, Davidson City. Rental of \$35 a month is provided. Present quarters are held inadequate.

## Rolling Hills Gateways Retain Heritage of Beauty, Security



Man, inherently curious creature that he is, has always found fascination in that which lies behind a gate. What is worth guarding must be worth investigating, and the gate guarded enclosure inevitably takes on an added charm akin to the proverbial flavor of forbidden fruit. Romance, too, clings to gateways with their background of half-remembered bits of verse and song.

New gateways have recently appeared on the horizon, three of them, one at each point where the private roads that lead to Rolling Hills intersect the main highways that encircle this unique community of miniature ranches. Flanked by giant palms, guarded by hospitable gate houses that look like ranch houses of old California, these gates serve more than an ornamental purpose. Today, even as gates have always done in ages past, they bring to the dwellers within those much desired blessings, seclusion and security.

## 200 On Chamber Roll; Reduction In Rates Sought

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Directors citing the increased fire-fighting equipment, improved water system and exceptionally low per capita fire loss in 1935-36—0.04 cents per person. This civic benefit will be stressed in subsequent investigations and every effort made to obtain the reduced rates.

**May Combine Meetings**  
The directors present passed a recommendation to the city council that money (amount un-stated) be appropriated for the Torrance fire department's annual Christmas party for local youngsters. A quarter page advertisement in the Long Beach Press-Telegram was authorized at a cost of \$115. This will appear in that publication's annual New Year edition to publicize Torrance attractions as a residential and industrial city.

Re-conditioning of the Torrance sign at the southwest corner of 190th street and Western avenue was approved and \$15 was appropriated for lettering the present blank side of the Torrance neon sign on Narbonne avenue. The program for the Harbor District Chamber of Commerce meeting here Jan. 15 was discussed and Supervisor Ford suggested for principal speaker, E. C. Thomas, public relations representative for the Pacific Electric, will be installing officer for the new leaders of the combined civic groups in the district.

While considering plans for this meeting, the subject of the quarterly membership session, scheduled for Jan. 19, was brought up and Sam Levy suggested that this gathering be combined with the Harbor District assembly and one gain dinner-program be held. This will be acted upon later.

In concluding the meeting, the directors authorized Secretary L. J. Gilmeister to contact Federal Housing Administration authorities relative to establishing a branch F. H. A. office in the Chamber of Commerce to serve as an information bureau for those interested in building new homes with loans guaranteed by the federal government.

**Train Snags Auto**  
LAYTON, Utah, (U.P.)—A new streamlined train hit a passenger automobile near here, sliced off the bumper and left the rest of the car undamaged.

**MONTREAL (U.P.)**—The world's smallest police badge was presented to Detective Joseph Mathieu by colleagues.

**BATTERY CHARGED**  
late yesterday afternoon in an alleged intoxicated condition. He is scheduled to appear before City Judge Robert Lessing late today.

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## Bail Jumper Nabbed

### Angeleon Jailed; Awaits Hearing After 'Skipping' First Court Test

Apprehended Monday at Seventh and Spring streets in Los Angeles by his bail bond broker after he had "skipped" his scheduled preliminary hearing Nov. 2, Elza P. Maggart, 32, Los Angeles, is now in the city jail awaiting that court session leading to trial on charges of attack and drunk driving.

Maggart was given his liberty on \$1,100 bond after his arrest Oct. 24 on the morals and intoxicated driving counts. On the day of his preliminary hearing he was in the city until shortly

before time to enter court. Then he could not be found.

City Judge Robert Lessing allowed his bondsman 90 days in which to locate the defendant. Since then Maggart is said to have held several telephone conversations with his bondsman but always "missed" keeping his appointments until he was captured this week.

When re-booked at the police station, Maggart gave a Compton address and declared he would be represented by counsel when the case is opened Friday morning.

## Thousands File Claims

### Continued Litigation Still Beclouds Chance for Rebates On '33-'34 Taxes

While hundreds of taxpayers were standing in line yesterday to file claim for rebates on their 1933-34 tax bills with the county auditor, county attorneys already were preparing to carry the case to the California Supreme Court as soon as possible, shortly after Jan. 1.

Decision of Superior Judge Fletcher W. Bowron late last week, holding that he believed taxpayers were entitled to rebates amounting to nearly 18 cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation, spurred additional thousands of taxpayers to file claims. They must be filed within three years from the exact date upon which the 1933-34 taxes were paid.

Commenting on the trial court decision today, county attorneys said they felt confident they could "knock out" most of the claim, and if and when anything is allowed by the Supreme Court, it will be a year or more hence, they estimated.

For the small taxpayer, who has a \$2000 home, for instance, his assessed valuation would be some \$1000, and his rebate, if allowed in full, would be about \$180. This is not worth standing in line several hours for, besides losing a day's time in many instances, it was stated.

The wealthy, however, will gain considerably, the publisher of a Los Angeles newspaper having a claim on file for some \$35,000, upon his various properties. Many taxpayers are found to be standing in line for several hours only to learn that they had paid their 1933-34 taxes more than three years ago, and hence were unable to collect. It was estimated by Super-

visor Roger W. Jessop that an increase of about 10 cents on the general tax levy would be necessary to pay the claims, if they are allowed on the 18-cent basis. Principal beneficiaries, however, will be several so-called "tax experts" who started the litigation. It will be almost identical to the school districts' interest suit, which required the supervisors to levy seven cents more on the general tax rate this year, it was explained.

### Smashes Window, Held for Burglary

Exceedingly drunk but able to heave a large piece of concrete thru one of the front windows of the Sartori Liquor Store, Harvey Sowell, 38, 556 Rhea street, Long Beach, managed to get "just one more bottle" by reaching thru the shattered window Tuesday night.

Then he found himself in the city jail awaiting trial on a charge of burglary. The complaining witness was Jean Reddow. His trial was set for Monday morning.

### PREMATURE BABY SUCCEUMS FRIDAY

Despite all efforts of medical science and the use of the Torrance fire department's inhalator, a premature baby born to Mrs. Florence Huppke, 1819 261st street, Lomita, on Nov. 27, succumbed a few hours after its arrival at Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital. Mrs. Huppke is making good progress toward recovery.

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