

# Service Stations Are Depots for Scrap Rubber

Days before the nation-wide scrap rubber campaign got under way, residents of this community began dumping tires that had rolled their last mile, old galoshes, sink plugs, perforated garden hose and preserve jar rings at local gasoline stations.

People are aware that a couple of pencil erasers, a soap dish, an ice cube tray or a headless doll can end up in the recollect mechanism of the ack-ack gun that will knock the Rising Sun out of the skies.

The big rush on rubber got under way Monday as hundreds began cleaning out garages, closets and more than a few attics, carting their rubber stuff to the nearest service station and turning it in for one cent

## 20-30 Creates Rubber Dump for Ambulance Fund

"Every ounce—every pound of rubber is needed and we'll come and get it," George Figueredo of the Torrance 20-30 Club said today in announcing a "general scrap rubber dump" has been located on the vacant lot next to the fire station at Marcellina and Cravens aces. Proceeds from the sale of rubber from this dump, at one cent per pound will be given by the 20-30 Club to the city ambulance fund being raised by the Torrance Kiwanis Club.

Figueredo said members of the 20-30 Club will be glad to call for any amount of scrap rubber if residents will phone either the police (400) or fire departments (491) and leave their addresses. All rubber collected in this manner and that left at the Marcellina-Cravens dump will be sold by the 20-30 and the money turned over to the ambulance fund.

In many cases, the sale price was immediately turned into war stamps.

Inaugurated by President Roosevelt, the far-flung drive is designed to reach into every home and every industrial plant.

Main points in the campaign were listed as follows by Irving J. Rosenwald, chief of the Bureau of Industrial Conservation:

- 1.—The drive ends at midnight, June 30.
- 2.—The Bureau of Industrial Conservation will supervise the drive, working in close co-operation with the Office of Petroleum Conservation for War and the Petroleum Industry War Council.
- 3.—Local salvage committees will play a major role in the Southland effort, working with representatives of the petroleum industry.

**Pay for Rubber**

- 4.—All companies will be turned in at filling stations.
- 5.—Filling stations will pay for reclaimable rubber at the rate of a cent a pound.
- 6.—Oil companies which serve the filling stations will collect the rubber and take it to central concentration points.

- 7.—Oil companies taking title to the rubber will sell mixed scrap to the Rubber Reserve Company (R.F.C.) at the rate of 25¢ a short ton (2000 lbs.) in carload lots.
- 8.—Excess resulting from the difference between \$20 a short ton paid to citizens and the price paid by the government will be turned over to designated charities.

**Stored in Warehouses**

- 9.—The government will store the scrap rubber in warehouses and it will then be allocated to reclaimers' plants at W. P. B.'s direction.

- 10.—In the case of industrial scrap as differentiated from scrap uncovered by private citizens, this may be sold either to oil companies at bulk distributing stations or sold thru the usual channels of trade.

- 11.—Oil companies, in addition to making filling stations available as collective points, will use much of their personnel to stimulate the flow of rubber.

- 12.—These concerns will report their collections and their payments to the Petroleum Industry War Council so that every pound of rubber taken in thru the filling stations will be accounted for.
- 13.—A report of the total amount of rubber collected in the campaign will be made available to the government within a short time after the close of the effort.

**Swell Stockpile**

"Every bit of unneeded or unwanted rubber lying about the home can be used to swell the huge stockpile the government hopes to build up," officials point out. "No bit of rubber is too small, too old or too worn to serve as a contribution."

"Remember," they added, "that Japan now controls 90 per cent of the world's rubber plantations."

## Anything With Any Rubber In It Is Needed

What can be contributed to the current scrap rubber drive that ends in 10 days? Here's a sample list:

Rubber gloves, aprons, shower caps, tiny rubber bulbs from medicine droppers, baby pants, crib pads, bibs, toys, teething rings, rubber hair curlers, girdles, combs, dress shields, garters, suspenders, worn-down rubber heels, elastic tape, bath mats and sponges, drain board mats, gum rubbers, rubber bands, paste spreaders, tennis balls, golf balls and sink stoppers.

## VOTE TOTAL INCREASING IN TORRANCE

With the number increasing daily, Torrance had a total of 4,651 registered voters as of June 1, according to a tabulation prepared by Acting County Registrar of Voters M. J. Donoghue.

The total is divided as follows: Democratic, 3,143; Republican, 1,279; Socialist, 3; Prohibition, 4; Progressive, 16; Townsends, 12; decline to state, 184.

With July 16 as the closing date for registration for the Aug. 25 primary election, this leaves approximately one month for new residents to register. The registrar's books must close 40 days before each election. Persons who have changed addresses since the last election also must re-register.

Throughout the county, the strength of the principal parties is divided as follows as of June 1: Democratic, 3,143; Republicans, 512,430.

## Casualty Station Workers Called To Meet Friday

A special meeting for all Casualty Station workers, including medical personnel, first aiders, clerks and motor corps drivers, will be held in the Civic Auditorium tomorrow (Friday) evening at 7 o'clock, according to Caspar Clemmer, adjutant.

The medical staff will explain further what is expected of the first aid group and casualty station equipment will be demonstrated. All are urged to come prepared to work.

Training sessions for Civilian Defense workers, including instruction in stretcher bearing and emergency first aid will continue hereafter each Friday evening in the Civic Auditorium. A new class in Advanced First Aid will start tonight at 7 o'clock in the city hall court-room with Homer Wood as instructor. Registrations are now being accepted at Red Cross headquarters, 1226 Cravens ave., phone 1524, for a class in Standard First Aid to be started soon.

## Survivor of Destroyer Sinking Won't Talk Yet

When a sailor like Leroy Earl Stecker gets an order he obeys it—so an interview with that Torrance high school graduate home on leave Monday went something like this:

"What was it, Lee, that sank your destroyer, the Sturtevant, off the coast of Florida last April—torpedo, mine or bomb?"

Lee Stecker smiled and says: "Well, I don't know."

"You must have heard a lot of comment about it—what do your shipmates believe caused the explosion that sent that old-type four-stacker to the bottom?"

Lee grins again.

"Oh, we don't know—could have been anything."

"Well, how close were you to shore?"

**On 30-Day Rest Leave**

Another grin—and this time we begin to get the idea.

"Oh, so you won't talk, huh?"

"I'd like to tell you all about it, sir," the former Torrance National Bank worker who became a 21 May 2 said, apologetically. "But after we got fixed up and cleaned off—that fuel oil is pretty messy to swim in—we were told by our officers that it would not be good for na-

## Tone Poem Takes Place of Talks At Graduation

Credit the war for one relief—there will be no speeches at the commencement exercises for the 67 members of the Torrance high school summer class of 1942 next Thursday night, June 25, at 6:30 o'clock. In addition to advancing the time of the program one or two hours, the commencement itself will be featured by the presentation of "Stars Through the Perilous Night," a tone poem with a musical setting by Mrs. Marjorie Cooke, school music director.

This highlight of the graduation ceremonies was written by Carolyn Kizer, member of the 1941 graduating class at Spokane (Wash.) high school and is being presented here by special permission of the author. Mrs. Cooke's musical background for the poem, which will be recited by members of the graduating class, includes familiar American tunes and musical compositions of or about America.

The spoken, sung, charmed and hummed libretto traces the growth and progress of the United States. It closes with the inspiring words:

"We see the kind of world we want to live in,  
The kind of world we can build,  
The kind of a dream we can make.

The kind of a song we can utter,  
The kind of a dawn that will break  
In the land of the free  
And the home of the brave."

**Traditional Procession**

The commencement program will open with the traditional Bach prelude, "Then, O My God, With Joy," entrance of the summer class of 1942 to Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance" and the processional of the cap-and-gown young men and women to the stage accompanied by DeKoven's "Recessional," played by the school orchestra and sung by the choir and Harriet Pegors, soloist.

Rev. Paul M. Wheeler, vicar of St. Andrew's Episcopal church, will offer the invocation. Following the presentation of "Stars Through the Perilous Night," read by the class with Jean Wood at the piano, graduates and audience will sing the national anthem.

Marshall Loftus is to present the class gift and Harriet Pegors will introduce the class.

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## Sugar Stamp Value Doubled—But So Is Period It Covers

The Office of Price Administration announced yesterday that the value of sugar ration stamps 5 and 6 had been increased to two pounds each but that each stamp would cover a period of four weeks instead of two, continuing the weekly ration to each consumer at half a pound.

O.P.A. explained that stamp No. 4, now valid for the purchase of a pound of sugar, would expire at midnight, June 27. The next stamp, good for two pounds, may be used at any time thereafter until midnight, July 25, whereupon stamp No. 6 will become valid until Aug. 22. O.P.A. will announce the period of time to be covered by other stamps in the ration books.

## Junior High Will Advance 96 Next Wednesday Here

Commencement exercises for 96 A-9 (junior high school graduates) will be held next Wednesday afternoon, June 24, at 2 o'clock in the high school assembly hall. Baccalaureate service for 47 senior high school graduates, who will receive diplomas next Thursday, June 25, at 8:30 o'clock, is scheduled for Wednesday evening, June 24, at 8:30 o'clock.

Promotional exercises for the junior high school class next Wednesday, June 24, at 2 o'clock, will include numbers by the high school band, junior choir, middle choir, and short talks on student activities by Marvin L. Kent, Warner Sommer, Richard Honrath, Shirley Thompson, Lloyd Warthan, Barbara Lock and Philip Lisman. The American Legion award is to be presented and Marvin Kent will introduce the class to Miss Elizabeth Parks who will present the diplomas.

The junior high school students who will enter senior high next fall when the 1942-43 term begins Sept. 10 are:

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Carol DeBra, Leonard DeLay, Joe Dewitt, Doris Denise Dillard, Joe Escohar, Betty Jean Fiesel, Paul E. Fleming, Robert Fowler, Phyllis Jean Lane, Bill R. Lansing, Harold E. Larson, Hazel Betty Lee, Philip A. Leman, Barbara Jane Lock, Thomas Arthur McWald, James Harry Mackey, Virginia Moore, Barbara Jean Meyer, Clifford Murr, Robert Lee Newkirk and Rose Marie Newkirk.

Ramiro Ordaz, Robert Earl O'Toole, Nadine Paour, Ralph Pecora, Dora Jean Pitman, Elizabeth Crawford Taylor, George M. Colleen Frances Reese, Jacqueline Ann Reimer, Jane Ritchie, Pat Roy, Roy Rowe, Leroy Sana, Ruth Seaborn, William Shamer, Lucille Smith, Beverly Sohn, Warner Sommer, Harriet Joan Sparwick and Donald Edward Specht.

Elsa Ann Stanley, Dorothy Stewart, Kathryn Sweetland, Margaret Crawford Taylor, George M. Thayer, Shirley E. Thompson, William C. Thrift, Betty Jo Tucker, Julia Marie Villanueva, Lloyd Warthan, Pauline Weber, Helen Wells, Peter Bruce White, Dorothy May Whitings, Doris Jean Wilkey, Nancy Jane Wilkes, Jack Walter Bays and Clarence Dea Finch.

# Evolution of Our Flag



From the Colony of Connecticut in the year 1775 came one of the earliest forebears of our honored "Old Glory." The design of this historic flag included a pine tree, symbolic of rugged strength, worked in a pale green color on a field of white, together with the motto "An Appeal to Heaven" as evidence of the steadfast devotion with which these hardy settlers dedicated themselves to the building of a new empire. This Pine Tree Flag later flew from the six cruisers of Washington's navy.

## SPECIAL OFFER OF "EVOLUTION OF OUR FLAG" SERIES IN COLOR!

Any person bringing a clipping of the above feature plus 10 cents to The Herald, 1336 El Prado, or The Lomita News, 24702 Narbonne ave., will receive the COMPLETE series of flag pictures and stories in SIX COLORS. These are printed on heavy paper, 24 1/2 by 15 inches in size and are suitable for framing. This instructive series is approved by the Los Angeles City Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools. Every home or office should have one.

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## Extra Water Free for Victory Gardeners Here

Victory gardeners in the area served by the Torrance Municipal Water department got a break this week.

But they must be raising vegetables on a plot at least 500 square feet in size. Water Superintendent William H. Stanger announced Monday that victory gardeners in the Municipal Water District may now obtain an extra 200 cubic feet of city water over the minimum without charge.

Gardeners should call at the water department office on Cravens ave. to make application for this concession.

## Gardena Honors 60 Selectees at Breakfast Rally

A combined breakfast and patriotic program at Gardena high school honored the group of 60 selectees who left this district early this morning for Los Angeles as the 24th contingent inducted by Selective Service Board No. 280. City officials, veterans' leaders and Selective Service leaders participated in the program.

The complete list of men sent to the induction station in Los Angeles this morning from Selective Service Board No. 280 follows:

- FROM TORRANCE**
- Pedro Abuan Divina, P. O. Box, Wateria.
- Ernest Stanley McConahay, 705 Sartori ave.
- William August Butch, 1314 Greenwood ave.
- Gordon Sanford Jones, 2118 Martindale ave.
- Paul Edward McConahay, 705 Sartori place.
- Zollie James Muranye, 1205 Border ave.
- Cornelius John Peet, 1008 Portola ave.
- Julian Ison, 1606 Gramercy ave.
- Iris Stephen Ball, 2308 Gramercy ave.
- John Francis Gannon, 2077 237th St.
- Milburn Ellis Ingram, 1902 Plaza del Amo.
- Larry David Finlayson, 2313 El Dorado.
- Frederick J. Huntington St.
- Gerald Robert Clark, 2117 Torrance blvd.
- Frederick S. Macintosh, 1614 Cedar ave.
- Vernon Wilkie Coll, 1015 1/2 Cota ave.
- Frederick H. Baker, Jr., 1518 Anapola ave.
- Frank Junior Savage, General Delivery.
- Alberto C. Caljgal, P.O. Box 623.
- Alfred Lee Pennington, 2376 Marcellina place.
- Walter Eugene Inde, 24227 Los Codona, Wateria.

**FROM LOMITA**

Harry B. Mack, 2549 248th st.

Alvin L. Richardson, 24320 Lucille ave.

Leonard Victor Hedstrom, P. O. Box 523.

George LeRoy Schmidt, Rt. 1, Box 396 A.

George Venema, 1926 Lomita blvd.

Charles Weldon Dodds, P.O. Box 100.

Noel Temple, 3214 1/2 Lomita blvd.

Jimmy Sanford Steger, 26801 So.

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## Stanger Offers 20-Cent Cut in Water Levy

If the other municipal departments slash their costs like the Torrance Municipal Water District, John Q. Taxpayer should be able to bear his war cost burden a little more easily.

Water Superintendent William H. Stanger has recommended to the city council that the present 55-cent tax on real property in the city water district be reduced to 35 cents—a 20-cent cut.

The financial condition of the water department, he said, "is such that it can carry on without the revenue derived from the 20 cents. If this meets with the approval of the city council, I will set up the water department budget accordingly for the next fiscal year."

## All CD Workers' Helmets Here

All authorized Civilian Defense members in Torrance will be equipped with steel helmets just as fast as they make their \$2 deposits with Police Chief John Stroth for the loan of the city-purchased headgear.

Stroth received 256 heavy-type helmets this week, which were ordered several months ago and later "frozen" by the Office of Civilian Defense.

**SEEKS COMMITTEE POST**

Gordon E. Arnold of 1632 Elm ave. has filed for re-election to Democratic County Central Committee.

## Elementary Schools to Graduate 86 to Junior High Next Week

Fern avenue school opened the term-end ceremonies for elementary school pupils today when the B-6 class honored the graduating 28 members of the A-6 class at a luncheon in the kindergarten room. Teachers and other members of the school staff were special guests and Neva room mothers assisted the B-6's in serving the meal. Fern avenue is planning a short graduation program next Friday morning, June 26, for its students who will enter junior high school next fall.

Fifty-three boys and girls will leave Torrance elementary school next week. Principal Bernhard J. Strand has announced the graduation exercises will be held Wednesday afternoon, June 24, at 1 o'clock. The program will include Mexican songs and dances, a one-act play, musical numbers, a class procession, songs by the A-6 class and a puppet show, "Hansel and Gretel." Parents and friends of the graduating class are invited to the open house immediately following the program.

Members of the cast to pre-

## Fingerprinting At High School Being Revived

Only 170 students out of the 750 enrolled at Torrance high school appeared last week when the police department, assisted by the Women's Ambulance and Defense Corps, registered fingerprints there.

Police Chief John Stroth said that most of the high school students who were printed for identification in case of emergency—and not for police records—were the younger junior high school boys and girls. After contacting Mrs. Elizabeth Parks, vice-principal, he announced that another effort will be made to fingerprint more of the high school students today and tomorrow.

Miss Parks had the slips, requiring parents' signatures, distributed among the students yesterday. It is believed that most of the students who failed to return the first slips either mislaid them or just did not bring them home to get their parents' consent to the fingerprinting.

In the elementary schools, most of the pupils appeared to have their prints recorded for identification.

## USO Campaign Lagging Badly In Torrance

When your U.S.O. quota is \$5.125 and all you've got to date is \$398 after 39 days of door-to-door plugging, you would be inclined to be just a bit downcast.

Well, Postmaster Earl Conner, general chairman, and L. E. Stanley, campaign chairman for the U.S.O. in Torrance, are not downcast yet—but they are beginning to wonder what's happened to the vaunted patriotism of local residents and workers.

That \$398 collected to date includes a \$125 donation from the Columbia Steel Co. and something less than \$200 raised by the Torrance Retail Merchants' Association among the business men.

**Needs More Attention**

Of course, the returns from the "Buck-a-Month" campaign among C.I.O. members at the steel plant have not been received by the local U.S.O. committee as yet but neither has there been any report from National Supply workers or from other industrial plants here.

The national U.S.O. campaign for \$32,000,000 is making fine progress elsewhere throughout the country and Southern California in general is reported well on its way to a goal of \$1,725,000 by July 4. But Torrance, unless its people give the U.S.O. more attention and contributions may have to report its campaign was a "dismal flop."

Meanwhile, donations are being accepted—with sincere thanks and proper receipted acknowledgment—by Postmaster Conner, L. E. Stanley and Dean Sears, manager of the Torrance branch Bank of America, who is treasurer of the drive.

**END VACATION**

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hauck of 2358 Sonoma ave. have returned from a two weeks' vacation visiting friends and relatives in Oregon.

## Another Unit Added to Alcoa Reduction Plant

Authorization of a third carbon baking plant for the Alcoa Aluminum Company of America's huge aluminum reduction project at Torrance was given this week by the Defense Plant Corporation in Washington, it was learned today exclusively by The Torrance Herald and Lomita News.

This indicates that still further expansion of the aluminum ingot production capacity of the local plant is contemplated, because each carbon baking plant will supply approximately three and one-third aluminum ingot "pop-lines," it was explained. The original reduction plant included two carbon baking plants and four "pop-lines," but before these could be constructed, a fifth "pop-line" was ordered.

However, now that a third carbon baking plant has been authorized, sufficient output will be provided to supply ten aluminum ingot "pop-lines." Space is available on the present Defense Plant Corporation's 253-acre site at Normande ave. and 190th st. to erect seven production "pop-lines." When, and if, the Hughes-Mitchell plant is dismantled as anticipated and the property taken over by the aluminum plants, room for three additional "pop-lines" will be provided.

**Silver Replaces Copper**

With ten "pop-lines" in operation, the aluminum ingot production of the Torrance plant will equal the total output of the entire United States prior to the war-time emergency.

An interesting phase of the fifth "pop-line" now under construction here is that silver is being substituted for copper, thus relieving more than 15,000,000 pounds of critically scarce copper. Silver is practically as good a conductor of electricity as copper, it was explained by engineers. Cost of the unit is estimated at \$4,500,000.

First "pop-line" of Alcoa's reduction plant is scheduled to begin production about July 1 this year. An appropriate opening salute with flag raising ceremonies is planned for noon, July 4.

**Approve Power Contract**

The aluminum project has been viewed by important government officials during its construction, among whom were General William Knudsen of the War Production Board. This week Hector C. Haight, manager of the Los Angeles agency of R.F.C., visited the plant and expressed much satisfaction with the progress made.

Delivery of the vast quantity of electric energy (estimated at equal to one-third the capacity of Boulder Dam) required to operate the aluminum plants here was assured this week when the Los Angeles Board of Water & Power commissioners approved a five-year contract with the Defense Plant Corporation.

Negotiations for power to produce the vital war metal began one year ago with the government.

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## Next Sunday is Father's Day



If with pleasure you are viewing  
Any weak man is doing,  
If you like him, if you love him,  
Tell him now.

Don't withhold your approbation  
'Till the parson makes oration  
As he lies with snowy lilies  
'O'er his brow.

For no matter how you shout it,  
He won't really care about it.  
He won't know how many tears  
drops  
You have shed.

If you think some praise is due him  
Now's the time to hand it to him.  
For he cannot read his tombstone  
When he's dead.