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### Kiwanis Club Observes 18th Anniversary

The Torrance Kiwanis club observed its 18th anniversary this week with fitting ceremony. Under sponsorship of the Compton club, the local organization was formed Sept. 17, 1925, and received its charter Dec. 18 of that year with a membership of 37. The principal speaker on the occasion was Logan Cotton. The Torrance Kiwanis club was the 76th organized in the California-Nevada district. Plans are going forward for the annual installation party and Jan. 10 has been set as the tentative date at the Palos Verdes Country club. Gaston Arcq is manager of the arrangement committee.

Meatless and fishless Wednesdays in Washington's 52 government cafeterias are expected to save six tons of the two products weekly.

### Curfew Permit Renewal Date Set by Police

Chief of Police John Stroh, Torrance police department, has advised that since curfew permits issued to minors expire on Jan. 1 these may be renewed on Monday, Jan. 3 when numbered tags will be issued in lieu of the existing printed certificate bearing the signature of the chief.

Youths seeking permits for the first time should obtain an application blank at the police station and carry it home for parents' signatures. The application must then be returned to the police station for registration, at which time applicants will receive their tags, it was announced.

### Post-War Views Expressed in Recent Survey

Seventy-five percent of Los Angeles area workers hope to stay on their present jobs after the war and only twenty-five percent of women workers plan to go back to housekeeping. Only one and a half percent plan to leave California, while ten percent plan to start their own business.

These are some of the results of a questionnaire recently circulated among a representative group of Los Angeles employees by the Personnel Conference of Los Angeles. Ninety percent of Los Angeles employees believe free enterprise will survive. None of those completing the questionnaire wants government aid in the post-war era.

The survey indicated, however, that more are worried about post-war conditions than any other difficulty. Money matters, health and family affairs were other employee worries noted. Asked, "if you were boss, what changes would you make?" 28 percent declared supervision should be improved; 23 percent would adjust wages and 38 percent would make changes in working conditions or methods. One-third of all employees participating accounted for two-thirds the total grievances expressed. Ninety-five percent indicated they are buying war bonds on a regular basis.

The Personnel Conference group consists of some 400 industrial relations and personnel managers from all classifications of Los Angeles industry. It is divided into seven area groups which hold regular meetings to discuss policy matters with respect to the relationships between management and men, and to exchange information and ideas.

The survey of employee opinion is the first of a number of such projects, the aim of which is to familiarize management with employee reactions and to lay a foundation for better employment relations through better understanding.



**NARROW ESCAPE . . .** The Marine standing over the pack howitzer wears a helmet with two holes in it. A bullet entered the side and left in front, while the Marine was wearing the head-piece. The smoke is caused by the powder from the howitzer and by sand and coral kicked up by projectiles from Jap guns in the Tarawa Island engagement.

### Post-War Steel Consumers to Get Better, Cheaper Alloy Products

Recent developments in the manufacture of steel insure better and cheaper alloy steels for industrial consumers in the post-war period, was revealed by D. D. Barbor, assistant chief metallurgist of the Kaiser Co., Inc., at a recent meeting of the manufacturing and industries committee of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

**New Processes**  
Notable among new steel trends, Barbor said, is general acceptance of the idea that a mixture of small quantities of different alloying elements is relatively more effective than larger quantities of one alloying element. This discovery means that users of steel may perhaps be obliged to change their buying habits, and place orders on the basis of specified qualities of steel instead of demanding a specified alloy. Such a development, in turn, makes possible cheaper production processes, since cheaper alloying elements can be used and higher quality steel alloy will result. Inexpensive alloying elements which have considerable effect on the properties of treated steel are replacing some of more expensive alloying elements used in the past.

Barbor also revealed the accidental discovery of a new alloying element. It is boron, which must be used in very minute quantities yet insures an astonishingly hard steel. He said boron's high qualities were uncovered after steel that was being rolled developed cracks that could not be explained. It was found that some boron had been accidentally added to alloying elements, and research brought out the fact that the boron actually was an amazing alloying element when used in very small quantities. In the case of the steel that cracked while being rolled, too much boron had been used. It has been found that a unit of boron, in developing hardness, has the same effect as 600 comparable units of nickel alloy and 150 units of chromium alloy.

**Recent Discoveries**  
The new trend toward mixtures of alloying elements, Barbor said, follows discoveries that have been made under pressures of the national emergency. Because of the scarcity of certain alloying elements, and the necessity to import some of the most important, experiments were conducted in the mixture of elements. Steels thus produced were found to be even better than alloys formerly manufactured.

New efficiencies in the manufacture of high speed tool steel also were revealed by Barbor. He said that by increasing the number of times that such steel is tempered, the life of the steel can be increased by as much as 500 per cent. The Kaiser company executive talked at some length on the production of electric furnace steel and pointed out that future possibilities in this direction will be limited by the availability of cheap power and the extent to which postwar products are highly "engineered," that is, the development of products demanding extremely high quality steel beyond the normal peacetime needs. The great qualities in electric furnace steel, Barbor pointed out, lie in the elimination of refractory substances, or "dirt," often associated with open hearth steel production.

### Western States Show Feed Cattle Decline

A drop of 16 per cent in the number of cattle on feed in the western states during the past year was reported here today by the bureau of agricultural economics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

On Dec. 1 there were about 420,000 cattle on feed in the west, according to the report. The two states of California and Arizona have approximately 70 per cent of the total.

Reduced feeding this year is common to all states of this region, it was announced.

### War Bond Stamps For City Employees

Last Saturday morning Jack Hallanger, Torrance deputy city clerk, deposited \$250 salary deductions from municipal employees, at the postoffice and received the equivalent in War Stamps to be distributed among respective purchasers.

Hallanger stated that approximately \$600 is being invested by city employees monthly. This salary deduction plan, it was said, is not entirely 100 per cent.

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### Theft and Forgery Warning Issued to Enlisted Personnel

Enlisted men at the Los Angeles Port of Embarkation have been advised to bring a number of simple rules to the attention of their dependents in a move to prevent the theft and forgery of Army dependency checks. These rules, suggested by the U.S. Service, follow:

1. Be at home, or have a member of the family at home, when your Army check is due to arrive. If you remove it from the mail box immediately, it cannot be stolen by a check thief.
2. Have a deep, strong mail box with your name clearly printed on it. Keep it locked.
3. If possible, arrange with your mail carrier to signal when he arrives.
4. Notify your postmaster immediately of any change of address.
5. Cash your check at the same place each month. This will make identification easier. The Secret Service cautions merchants to insist upon proper identification.
6. Do not fold, pin or mutilate your allowance or allotment checks.



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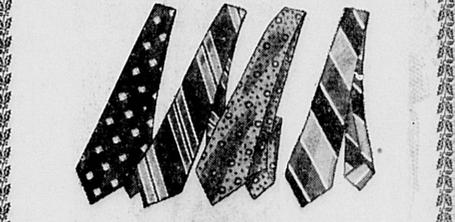
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**CHRISTMAS PLAY**  
A Christmas play, "The Holy Nativity," will be given at 8:45 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 21 at the Assembly of God church on Park st., Waverly to which the public is invited. Miss Frieda Rinehart is director of the play.



### Christmas Is Only Four Days Away

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### There was no room at the Inn

There was no room at the inn that night, and to the most glorious life in all history had a most humble beginning. Today, let there be room in all our hearts for the friendship and love of all mankind. Let our happiness be tinged with humbleness . . . the humility of people who would try to do as He would want us to do.

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### STORKatorials

Long Beach hospital: Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Price, Torrance, a daughter, Dec. 13.  
Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Taylor, 1325 219th st., Torrance, a daughter, Dec. 13.

**CALIFORNIA COTTON**  
The U.S. Department of Agriculture's bureau of agricultural economics today reported an estimated yield of 607 pounds per acre for California's 285,000 acres of cotton, a total crop of 360,000 bales for 1943.

### B. of A. Dividend Payable December 31

Directors of the Bank of America N. T. & S. A. have declared regular dividends for the current semi-annual period on both the common and the \$2 cumulative preferred stock. Payment is to be made on Dec. 31 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 15.

The dividend declared on the common stock was \$1.20 for the current semi-annual period, at the regular annual rate of \$2.40 per share.

**FISH AT HATCHERY**  
About 250,000 fish per year are to be raised at the California institution for men at Chino under a plan being arranged between the department of penology and the state fish and game commission, Charles Stone, director of penology, announces.

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