

JOHN W. McDONALD... an aviation machinist's mate, 1/c, has been shipped to San Francisco to await further orders, according to his mother, Mrs. Kathryn McDonald of this city.

BENNIE SMITH... a private, stationed at Little Rock, Ark., was joined recently by his wife, Helen and their children Claudia and Timmie who will remain with him indefinitely.

Traffic Signal For Walteria Near Reality

Walteria is to have its long sought-after traffic signal, at the intersection of Pacific Coast Highway and Hawthorne Blvd. according to word from the State Department of Public Works, Division of Highways.

Request for bids is being published in this edition of the Torrance Herald, on the new signal, and they will be opened at 2 p. m., on Jan. 15, in Los Angeles.

Red Wings Trim Shell Chem in Fast Game

In a game filled with thrills and excitement, the Lomita Red Wings came from behind to defeat and stop the winning streak of the Shell Chemical ball team.

The Red Wings laced the Shell pitcher, Brown, for 12 hits and in the eighth inning drove five runs across the plate to beat the rubbermen seven to six. After touching E. Palica for six runs the Shell Chem boys were stopped cold by the left handed slants of Williams who replaced Palica in the sixth inning.

Next Sunday, Jan. 7th, the Eastside Beer team will meet the Shell Chem team hoping to avenge their former defeat, but the Shell boys will be trying to take out the Red Wing defeat on the Beer team.

Shell Chem vs. Lomita Red Wings
Sunday, Dec. 31

Lomita—	AB R H O A E
Hobbs, 2b	6 1 1 5 0
Beck, rf	3 0 1 2 0
Austus, rf	2 0 2 0 0
Roberts, cf	5 2 1 0 0
Olson, ss	4 0 2 2 3
Palica, a 3b	5 1 2 0 0
Anthony, 1b	4 0 1 9 0
Muehler, c	4 1 0 10 1
Williams, lf	1 0 0 0 0
Hore, lf	1 1 1 0 1
Palica, E. p-lf	4 1 0 1 2
Totals	39 7 12 27 11

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The Navy's educational and experience qualifications apply to civil engineers seeking officer status are based on one of two broad foundations: A degree in civil engineering from an accredited college plus experience depending on age, or, in lieu of a degree, ten to 15 years experience in the field.

A warrant officer's appointment is available to qualified men, regardless of educational backgrounds, if the man is skilled and trained and experienced in various phases of building and construction. Foremen and superintendents in the various phases of construction are needed as warrant officers.

Favorable consideration is being given to applicants having eyesight of 8/20 correctible to 20/20, who are 65 1/2 inches in height, who wear "false" teeth both upper and lower, and whose hearing is slightly defective.

In a nutshell, any man who is delivering the goods in the construction domestic industry and can hit the ball as hard and effectively in Navy blue or the Navy's dungarees, has a good chance to qualify now as a Seabee officer.

Indoctrination courses follow commissioning, and precede Seabee action essential to the winning of America's most crucial war.

Application in the 11th Naval District, or enquiry into the full facts and details, should be made to the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, 411 W. Fifth St., Los Angeles.

Specs and China Choppers No Bar To Seabees If Man Knows His Job

Uncle Sam's fighting Seabees, the Navy's construction battalions, are calling for men of proven ability and leadership in the field of construction engineering.

Officers' and warrant officers' billets are open for qualified men 19 to 50. It's know-how that is now needed, and the fact that a man wears specs or chews his chow with china chop-pers won't necessarily disqualify him as a Seabee warrant officer or gold striper. Real opportunities are open for men who know the ropes.

The Seabees are building the road to Tokyo with guts, experience, imagination and inventive Can-Do. They bridge the streams that American tanks and men must cross—they build the airbases from which American bombers blast the Jap home islands to clear the way for a world cleared out of men who turn their backs on reason.

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Christmas Seal Sales Fall Short

A total of \$223,862.01 has been contributed to the fight against tuberculosis and heart disease through the purchase of Christmas Seals, it was announced Thursday following counting of receipts over the Christmas holidays.

Stressing that the amount received from the sale of seals last year was \$288,667.46 and that the official sale of seals for this Christmas season is now over, the Los Angeles County Tuberculosis and Health Association urged Angelenos to send in their contributions.

"We are approximately \$65,000 behind the total receipts for last year," Eugene F. Clark, chairman of the Combined Christmas Seal fund, declared, "but there are many thousands of contributors who will send in their donations to the tuberculosis drive after the holidays are over, and we are hoping that these late returns will put the total receipts well ahead of last year's sale."

Anticipating an increase in contributions in this year's campaign, the Tuberculosis Association has planned enlarged tuberculosis and heart disease case finding programs for 1945.

Next-of-kin of American prisoners of war, now interned in Germany, may write them through the International Red Cross directory service, Geneva, Switzerland, without notification of permanent address of the prisoner.

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Townsend Club No. 1

By LOTTIE WADE

Torrance Townsend Club No. 1 will hold a social evening on Jan. 5. All members are asked to be present as slips of the names for new officers for 1945 are to be given out and marked and returned. There will be games, refreshments and dancing. Also on Jan. 12, in honor of Dr. Townsend's birthday which occurs on Jan. 13 there will be a cooked supper. Details will be advertised next week. The New Year party on Dec. 29, 1944 was attended by a large crowd. Visitors from both Redondo Beach and Los Angeles. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed the hot rolls, butter, home made jam and coffee. As always prizes were given for high scores at bunco and door prize. Dancing filled the remainder of the evening to the usual good music by Mr. Buckley, violinist and Mrs. Sellers at the piano.

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RESOURCES

Cash in Vault and in Federal Reserve Bank	\$ 568,179,478.83
Due from Banks	\$ 909,451,553.50
TOTAL CASH	\$ 1,477,631,032.33
Securities of the United States Government and Federal Agencies	2,422,250,219.16
State, County, and Municipal Bonds	253,777,778.18
Other Bonds and Securities	59,225,386.54
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	4,110,000.00
Loans and Discounts	894,428,950.32
Accrued Interest and Accounts Receivable	11,472,717.33
Bank Premises, Furniture, Fixtures, and Sale	24,994,255.55
Deposit Vaults	559,337.89
Other Real Estate Owned	17,816,420.29
Customers' Liability on Account of Letters of Credit, Acceptances, and Endorsed Bills	328,353.72
Other Resources	328,353.72
TOTAL RESOURCES	\$4,899,124,132.68

LIABILITIES

Capital: Common (4,900,000 Shares)	\$ 68,000,000.00
Preferred (4,042,778 Shares)	5,085,560.00
Surplus	107,000,000.00
Undivided Profits	35,779,500.67
Reserve for Increase of Common	3,914,440.00
Capital	6,381,177.62
Preferred Stock Retirement Fund	182,655.53
TOTAL CAPITAL FUNDS	\$ 219,222,422.14
Reserve for Bad Debts	8,068,878.99
Demand	\$2,732,589,015.89
Deposits	4,340,539,809.88
Savings and Time	1,807,950,874.25
Liability for Letters of Credit and as Acceptor, Endorser, or Maker on Acceptances and Foreign Bills	18,536,262.82
Reserve for Interest Received in Advance	3,426,919.56
Reserve for Interest Taxes, etc.	8,229,552.73
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$4,899,124,132.68

On December 30, 1944, Bank of America had 430,000 loans out to the people, the business establishments and the war industries of the state. Through the purchase of securities more than two billion dollars was on loan to the United States Government.

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