

Navy Personnel May Now Wear Civilian Clothes

Navy personnel in this country now may wear civilian clothes after working hours. Throughout the war uniforms have been mandatory except while exercising or at home. And even at home they were required if four or more persons were present.

The Army has not yet followed the Navy's example, announced recently.

The force of an ideal is greater than the ideal of force. —Josephus Daniels

Los Angeles Schools Break Down and Decide to Enlarge Fern Ave. Plant

According to word from Los Angeles, the Los Angeles city school district is planning to erect a four-unit classroom building at Fern Avenue school to cost \$25,000.

The building is the second planned here, one at the high school, of temporary nature, to cost \$7500, now being in the hands of the contractor.

The two buildings total \$32,500 in value, and amount to about one-tenth of the overpayment which Torrance makes annually to the Los Angeles schools.

This year, Los Angeles will get in excess of \$600,000 and will spend only about half that amount here.

Torrance could have a \$300,000 school plant built here, bond and cost free, annually if the money it pays to Los Angeles over and above costs of operating the schools were to be spent here.

Of course, the cost of operation would go up with the addition of, say a new and separate high school, or a new junior high school, or needed vocational and industrial education facilities, new and modern gymnasiums and improved athletic facilities, or new elementary schools, but Torrance would be glad to pay if she was getting \$1.00 worth of value for each \$1.00 spent. But when Torrance gets only 50 cents on the \$1.00 spent, she has reason to complain.

This is the cause of action of Torrance Parents' Association in its attempt to withdraw Torrance schools from Los Angeles control and operation.



HE BROUGHT THEM DOWN . . . Claude Epperheimer, seaman, 1/c, USNR, 1344 W. 219th st., is shown at the controls of an anti-aircraft gun aboard an LSM, medium. He has seen 10 months of action aboard this landing craft, and took part in the invasion of Luzon. Before entering the Navy, Epperheimer worked for the National Supply Co. here. A brother, Carl, is in the Army Air Force.

Attempt to "Spring" City Prisoner by Phone Almost Nets Another "Guest"

During a routine visit to the Torrance Police department, your Herald reporter picked up the following bits of a telephone conversation between Captain Ashton and an unidentified party on the other end:

"Torrance police," the Captain answered. A loud voice audibly clear, was heard to say: "Have you (name deleted) in jail there?" "Yes, sir," answered the Captain.

"Well by — you turn him loose this instant or I'll sue the city for violation of the original charter!" Ashton was still unshaken by these demands, and stated: "Can't do that without a court order, mister. You'll . . ."

Ashton answered it. The "voice" again: "You let me tell you something about charter law, young man." It was evident that the voice was now excited for he was too incoherent for either the Captain or the reporter to follow his blast. Before Ashton rendered the receiver shut-off, he once again reformed the "voice!"

"Well he's in jail, old timer, and that's where he remains — until his fine is paid!" Click!

The phone rang again. The Captain answered again. The "voice" again. Click!

The voice broke in, with: "Don't give me no excuses! I demand that he be released now! The city sold him the liquor so's it could lock him up, and by . . . that's against the charter in the old original land grant."

"You tell me . . ." Here, Ashton, losing a little poise, broke in: "I'll tell you one thing before I hang up, mister, you come down here and let's talk this thing over in person, peaceful like." The Captain was true to his word, and hung up.

The phone rang again.

Lubrication At Midnight



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Hospital Cases

The following patients were admitted among others this week at Torrance Memorial hospital:

Mrs. Evelyn Moore, 1558 216th st.
James Potat, 111 Harbor Hills.
Ceell Raynor, 1618 W. 204th st.
Willis Ulmer, 1327 Fern ave.
Miss Verimae Wilson, 2460 Chapman dr.
Mrs. Mabel Weiland, 25422 Walnut ave.

Service men's stationery? Call Torrance 444 or 443.

RETURN HELMETS

J. E. McMaster has requested all those who have yet to turn in OCD helmets which were issued them to do so now. The Army has made several requests for both the helmets and gas masks and it is urged that these items be brought to the fire station at once.

MAIDEN NAMES RESTORED

A wife seeking a divorce can at the same time ask to have her maiden name restored, at once. Julian Beek announced recently.

DRUNK DRIVING

Minnie Cobb, a Wilmington resident, pleaded guilty to drunk driving in Judge Otto B. Willett's court Aug. 31, and paid \$100 fine.

Building Permits

The following Torrance building permits were issued the past week, according to building department records:

K. G. Scott, 2148 237th st., addition to residence, \$400.
Lebow and McNee, 4435 and 4051 Del Amo, two steel derricks for the Dominguez Wells, Numbers 22 and 6, \$10,000.
Samuel Skoss, 1327 Cabrillo ave., remodeling cafe interior, \$1,000.
E. Whitney, 1804 Arlington ave., addition to residence, \$500.

Columbia Golf Tournament September 23

Columbia Steel employees' annual golf tournament will be held at Inglewood Country Club (formerly Potrero Country Club) Sunday, Sept. 23.

Gil Derouin, as chairman of the prize committee, is soliciting prizes which will be presented through the courtesy of Torrance merchants.

GOOD NEWS for Torrance

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Multiply it as many times as you have blouses, in as many moods as there are styles. Long sleeves, short sleeves, plain colors, gay colors, checks and prints, dressy or tailored—they're all here, and they're all for you. They can dress a suit up or down, or top a skirt in the tailored or elegant manner. 32 to 38.

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SOFTLY TAILORED WOOLS
Softly tailored suits with decorative one-button cardigan jackets! Gracefully gored skirts. Spicy autumn colors. 9-15. **29.75**

BRIGHT AS FALL FLOWERS
Petal-soft wool suits with pretty cardigan jackets and easy-to-wear gored skirts with zipper closures. 9-15. **24.75**

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Pretty buttons touch up the smooth fitting cardigan jackets! The slim skirts have kick pleats front and back. Sizes 9-15. **19.75**