

# TORRANCE HERALD

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Section B

## NEW TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION TO PROVIDE IMPROVED TORRANCE SERVICE

Final testing is being done this week following the completion of a new section of switchboards in the Torrance telephone office at 1200 Sartori street and the Southern California Telephone Company is working as rapidly as possible so that new telephones will be made available soon to a number of those

## Two Fires Are Started By Careless Smokers

Careless cigarette smoking was said by Fire Chief J. E. McMaster to have caused two fires in the city during the past week. The first fire occurred at the Roberts Liquor Store when someone threw a lighted cigarette onto the store awning. Damage was held to a minimum by the fire department, McMaster said.

The second fire started in the room of Don Harding at the Brighton Hotel, 1639 1/2 Cabrillo ave., when Harding is said to have fallen asleep with a cigarette in his hand while lying in bed. Damage to the bed and bedding was estimated at \$30. Harding awoke to find the room filled with smoke and made his escape without injury. Firemen were called to the scene of the fire, which threatened the hotel building, and quickly extinguished the blaze.

## Assault With Deadly Weapon Is Reduced

Charges of assault with a deadly weapon were reduced to disturbing the peace at the preliminary hearing of Thomas Meenan Monday in city court. Meenan, a 63-year-old carpenter employed by a construction company at the General Petroleum Corp., was arrested following a complaint signed by Cecil R. Ingram, carpenter superintendent, who charged Meenan had struck him with a pair of large pliers. City Judge John Shidler fined Meenan \$200 and suspended \$175.

## SHERFEY TO ATTEND SAFETY PARLEY IN STATE CAPITAL

Mayor J. Hugh Sherfey Jr. will attend the traffic safety conference to be held in the Assembly chambers in Sacramento tomorrow at 10 a. m., as a result of action of the City Council Monday night. Mayor Sherfey was authorized to represent Torrance at the conference, which will consider the findings of the President's safety conference held recently at the White House.

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ing the completion of the local project, F. T. Snyder, district manager of the company, said that this new equipment will give material relief of held orders for telephone service here. Many now waiting for telephones will get their service during several months following completion of the present project, according to Snyder. Those who have been waiting longest will, if at all possible, be served first. The orders are processed in such a manner as to make this automatic and the company will initiate contact with applicants. Snyder cautions, however, that there may be exceptions because more cables and wires will still be needed in some sections of the community.

Two additional installation projects, scheduled for later this year, are expected to bring service to all those who have already made application for service.

Related to the installation of additional central office equipment in the Torrance telephone building is the laying of considerable new cable to carry the additional load which will be placed upon local telephone facilities after the connection of more telephones to the Torrance exchange.

Connecting new switching equipment inside the Torrance office has involved hundreds of man-hours because thousands of individual soldering operations must be made to connect wires to the equipment. Testing operations which are now under way are necessary before connecting subscriber lines and great care is exercised in each phase of the work because these installations must be accomplished with a minimum of disturbance to "live" equipment serving the local exchange.

Snyder points out that the installation of this new central office equipment will cost approximately \$19,000. Another large expenditure is also being made in order that attendant work of putting in more cable and straining wire outside the office and into the residences can be completed.

There are 120,000 held orders for telephones in the company's Southern California area, Snyder said, and in Torrance, 685 persons have been waiting for service because of lack of central office switching equipment, wires, cables and instruments. The telephone system was limited in the expansion of its basic capacity during the war, Snyder added, because manufacturing plants, material suppliers and construction forces were devoted almost exclusively to war work. With the resumption of manufacture of telephone equipment for civilian needs, Torrance received a major shipment.

"We appreciate the helpful cooperation and generous understanding of those in Torrance who have been waiting for telephone service," concluded Snyder.

## YOUTHFUL VIOLIN TEACHER OPENS STUDIO HERE

Miss Dolores Thomas, B-12 student at Torrance high school who has studied violin under the concert violinist Karl Molderm for the past several years, announced yesterday the opening of her own studio in her home at 1506 W. 218th st.

Miss Thomas, who is a remarkable violinist for her age, says that only beginner students will be accepted for the present.



**HARRY A. MITCHELL, San Francisco railway executive, has been elected first vice president of the California State Chamber of Commerce.**

## Safe Vacation Urged By State Department

This admonition to Californians contemplating vacation trips came today from the Department of Motor Vehicles as prospects loomed for the highest vacation travel in history during the next three months.

Surveys made by Director Edgar E. Lampton indicate that hundreds of thousands of families are planning the first vacation trip in five years. Many will travel in cars equipped with retreat tires or worn parts that present traffic hazards.

Most resort owners report they are booked to capacity for the remainder of the season.

Here are a few safety tips offered by Lampton for planning the vacation:

Don't try to go too far away from home.

Plan each day so the trip will not be too long and tiring.

Do not overload your car to the danger point.

Be sure your car is in good repair and carry tools for emergency repairs and extra light globes.

When driving on mountain roads keep well to the right and observe the 15-mile-an-hour rule on curves.

Load baggage so it does not protrude beyond the line of your hub caps.

Don't drink and drive or allow any member of your party to take the wheel who has been drinking intoxicants.

Take it easy all the time and keep on the alert.

## F. F. Ackerman With Force At A-Bomb Site

Forrest F. Ackerman, 18, seaman, second class USN, 110 East 223rd st., Torrance, is serving with the Navy Air Groups of Joint Army-Navy Task Force One under command of Rear Admiral C. A. F. Sprague, USN.

The mission of the task force is primarily to determine the effects of the Nagasaki type atomic bomb upon naval and military equipment in order to gain information of value to national defense.

The large aircraft carrier USS Shangri-La, flagship of Admiral Sprague, will carry pilotless "drone" aircraft which will fly through the bomb blast to collect scientific data.

## M. ALVAREZ WANTS EQUIPMENT FOR TORRANCE BEARS

Manuel Alvarez, resident of El Pueblo who recently was urged as a part-time recreation director for the Mexican community, told the City Council Monday night that he does not want the pay of a recreation director, but rather would like to have funds advanced to equip his Mexican baseball team, the Torrance Bears, and a place for them to play in the vicinity of El Pueblo.

Alvarez said that if given proper support, he would start traveling with his team and produce the finest semi-professional baseball nine ever to play in this area.

## ANOTHER 24 HOUR CAFE

Charles Gotts, operator of Yurp's and Daniels Cafe here, last week announced the Daniels cafe now is open 24 hours a day. Gotts declared the keys to this cafe have been "thrown away."

## Ask Tidelands Quitclaim Resolution

The California State Chamber of Commerce urged California and Nevada senators to demand immediate passage of the Tidelands Quitclaim Resolution, which would cancel all federal government claims to ownership of tidelands off the coastal states—including oil deposits.

The resolution was adopted by the House, and although approved by the Senate judiciary committee, it has been held back on the Senate calendar, due, it is charged, to administration opposition to this cancellation. Meantime, the U. S. Supreme Court has accepted the Department of Justice's suit to establish federal ownership of California's tidelands.

The telegram sent by James Mussatti, general manager of the State Chamber, follows:

"As you well know, California has great interest in final favorable Senate action on the Tidelands Quitclaim Resolution, as passed by the House and approved by the Senate judiciary committee. The California State Chamber of Commerce strongly supports the Quitclaim Resolution, and urges the earliest possible favorable action on the resolution in the Senate.

"We do not subscribe to the principle that Congress should withhold action on this matter until the U. S. Supreme Court has decided the tidelands title case now before it."

## Science Ends Worry About Poison Ivy

Science has happy tidings this summer for American vacationists allergic to that "Dracula" of summer vegetation known as poison ivy. The good news comes in the form of a new war-born chemical called 2,4-D (Dichlorophenoxyacetic acid), now available to operators of vacation playgrounds and owners of summer homes and camps.

When sprayed on poison ivy plants, this new summer mate of the other new chemical wonder, DDT, will render the obnoxious weed totally harmless. The nasty stuff collapses soon after spraying, as the chemical penetrates to the very roots of the plant and actually strangles it to death. Experiments conducted by Sherman Williams, scientists show that 4,600 square feet of a weed-infested area can be covered with approximately \$1.00 worth of the chemical 2,4-D, or Weed-No-More.

Each year additional thousands who have never contracted the malady before, find themselves no longer immune; therefore cutting or pulling the plants and roots out by hand is a chance not worth taking. It has also been proved that ivy poisoning may be contracted merely by getting smoke on the body from fires in which the plants are being burned; therefore the method of killing them by spraying not only is simple and effective today, but eliminates any danger of a person becoming sensitized.

Once the ivy poisoning enters the blood stream the victim is usually faced with six more years of summer misery before it "burns" itself out. Merely being near the plant growth, even without actual contact, often causes a recurrence, according to past surveys of the malady.

In summers to come, vacationing nomads will wander through sprayed woodland areas in most sections of the country without fear of this vacation-spoiler, thus proving that science has marched on ahead.

## BENARD QUINN

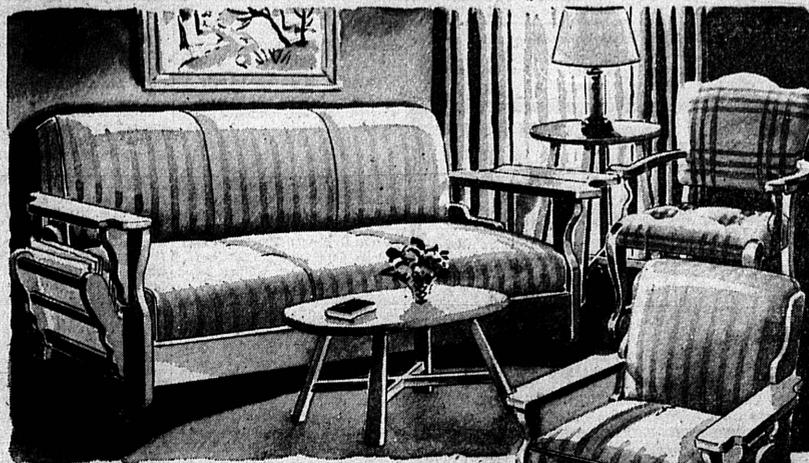
Benard C. Quinn, S 1/c, son of ester R. Quinn, 4016 Del Amo, was discharged last week at the San Pedro Naval separation center following 11 months of overseas duty. Quinn, who served aboard the USS Matrona during two major sea battles, enlisted in the Navy early in 1944. He is a former student of Torrance high school.

## NOTICE!

All union barber shops in San Pedro, Wilmington, Lomita, Harbor City and Torrance.

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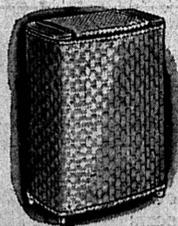
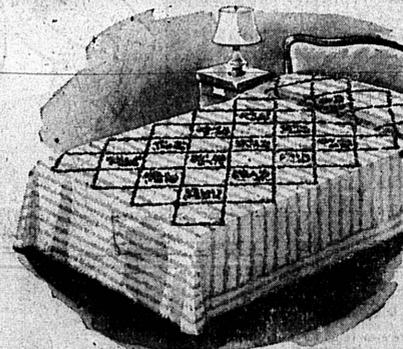
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