

Walteria News Notes

Source of Missiles Defies Detection

BY BETTY MITCHELL Davenport 6-4438 Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No, it's not! And not Superman either although we could have used his famous X-ray vision to locate the projector for the missiles which have been flying through the air at the homes of several of our Walteria residents on Madison St. Here's hoping that whoever thought such a past time was enjoyable has realized that serious

injury could result from the catapulted objects and has ceased the questionable "sport."

Congratulations are once more in order for the proud parents of a new arrival, Little Connie Sue Cramer has come to make her home with brother Kenny and mother and dad, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cramer of Las Cadona Ave. She put in her arrival on Tuesday, September 29, at the San Pedro Community Hospital, and tipped the scales at a little over seven pounds. Welcoming grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ray M. Bovard of Lakewood, maternal, and Mrs. Minnie Cramer of Santa Monica, and Mr. Sam Cramer of Los Angeles, paternal.

Mrs. Evelyn Kettering of Long Beach is spending a few days visiting at the home of her son Ivan Kettering on Neece Ave.

More talent has come to the attention of this reporter in regards to one of our Walteria residents, Mrs. Ethel Mosley of Ward St. recently entered a contest for writing short plays of a religious nature, for use

as church drama. Her play "The Church Mice" won first place and Ethel was consequently guest of honor at the preview of the play given last Thursday evening at the Bethany Christian Church in Pasadena. Her mark of distinction for the evening was a cleverly contrived in the shape of a tiny church with a tree lined path, and even a tiny gold cross in the steeple. Enjoying the evening with her were Walteria residents, Mrs. Evelyn Spaulding, and Mrs. Mollie Dowd.

Best get well wishes this week go to Mrs. Luella Howey of Winlock Dr. who is confined for while in bed, and to Mrs. Gerrie Bowen of Danaha St., who underwent surgery last Monday at a hospital in Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Christian of Neece Ave. spent last Sunday visiting at Mr. Christian's mother's home in San Fernando. Off on a vacation while most of the rest of us are settled down to the old routine, are Mr.

Moose Governor, Three Others to Attend Meet

Governor Daniel Desmond and delegates Ralph Fritz, James Baudin and Joseph Piatt will represent the Torrance Lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose at a California Moose Association district breakfast meeting, Sunday, Oct. 11th, at 11 p.m., in Santa Ana.

and Mrs. Jack Gail and children, Johnny and Hilary, of Danaha St. The Gails are spending a few days in San Francisco seeing the sights. They plan to be back next week.

The heat wave was taken advantage of by Al and Lola Heintz who went west-endening at Doheny beach last Saturday and Sunday.

Gratifying results were seen last Friday afternoon at the silver tea held at the home of Mrs. William Mitchell, Danaha St., when many ladies came to enjoy the spiced tea and cookies at the silver tea held as a choir benefit. One of the interesting events of the afternoon was a brief visit by Dr. Vernon Sheblak of the Walteria School who was introduced to the ladies present, many of whom had not yet had the opportunity of meeting the new local principal.

Mrs. Betty Walker and her children have returned to their home in the north of the state following a visit here with Mrs. Walker's mother, Mrs. Lorine Harline of Las Cadona Ave.



GRADUATION . . . Keith C. Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund L. Roberts, 2157 W. 245th St., receives a diploma as graduate of the U. S. Naval Second Class Diving School from Lt. Cdr. W. H. Chapman, training officer. Ceremonies were held in Pearl Harbor recently. (U. S. Navy Photo).

Oil Refinery Officials Fight Smog Charges

(Continued from Page 1) matter of good common sense," Thompson stated.

"We hear a lot these days about gasoline vapors being the primary cause of smog. Every one of our processes at Torrance is air-tight. All of our crude oil and all of our gasoline and gasoline blending materials are stored in floating roof tanks which cut out evaporation. This has been true since the refinery was built in 1928.

"When the new rules about storage of gasolines were issued recently we took a survey and found only five small process tanks which had to be connected vapor recovery systems.

"We found that 99.73 percent of our volatile materials were being stored in suitable tanks." General Petroleum has spent better than \$1,500,000 on air pollution control in the last seven years, Thompson said.

"We don't begrudge these expenditures, even though we know that they probably wouldn't have much of an effect on the whole smog problem. We spent better than \$750,000 on the removal of sulfur dioxide, for example. The popular impression was at that time that this one thing would correct the whole smog problem. We know now that such is not the case."

Thompson said that he has odor detection specialists on his staff who religiously prow through the refinery hunting down the sources of refinery odors.

"Every operating supervisor is alert to air pollution control twenty-four hours a day," the plant executive stated.

"We are in constant contact with the air pollution control officials of the county and we are cooperating with them in every way. We are going far beyond what they require in their regulations."

Thompson cited a water purification facility recently built at a cost of over \$300,000, which is completely enclosed to keep any volatile materials which might be present in the water from evaporating to the air.

Several groups of interested Torrance citizens who had heard allegations about the responsibility of oil refineries where smog is concerned had contacted him, Thompson said, and asked about General Petroleum's position.

"I have personally taken these people on tours through our plant and shown them the methods we use and the equipment we have installed to control air pollution. Once they see with their own eyes how we operate, they are in a position to contradict the statements of those who would make oil refineries whipping boys for the entire smog problem.

"I think those in Torrance who know us and who know the General Petroleum Corporation

Realty Co. Opens Torrance Branch

Frank A. Young has been appointed for the new Branch office of the Strout Realty Inc., which is located at 21228 S. Figueroa St., it was announced this week.

Strout Realty is a multiple sales organization with offices from coast to coast which deal in ranches, farms, homes and businesses, both town and country. Its operations cover most of the Western States and it has 74 branch offices in California alone.

Young stated that the area of operations for the new office will extend not only to Torrance, but also to the surrounding vicinity.

W. A. Flankey Rites Slated

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in Stone and Myers Chapel for Wayne Adolph Flankey, 63, of 307 W. Carson St., who died Tuesday at his home.

Interment will follow at Rosevelt Cemetery. Flankey, a native of Minnesota, was retired. He is survived by his widow, Doris, of the same address; three sisters, Lula Sater of Minneapolis, Minn., Mrs. Esther Fandell of Virginia, Minn., and May Ahistus of Superior, Wis., and a brother, Arthur Flankey of St. Vincent, Minn.

will tell you that we sincerely try to be good neighbors.

"We think smog is a community problem and everybody—not just oil companies—will have to work hard and spend money before it is corrected," Thompson said.

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Fire in TV Set Prompts Tips On What to Do

A fire in a television set Tuesday, (this is National Fire Prevention Week) brought a suggestion from Battalion Chief Eugene Walker on what householders should do in the event of a television set fire.

A call to the home of Mrs. D. W. Tiptie, 22917 Walnut St., whose TV set caught fire, or at least appeared to be on fire when a large billow of smoke poured out of the cabinet Tuesday morning, prompted the suggestion by Chief Walker.

"First, disconnect the wall plug," warns Chief Walker, "secondly, if at all possible take the set outside."

Pouring water onto the set probably will do more damage than the fire and could cause serious injury, the Chief points out.

"A picture tube is a vacuum tube and when hit with cold water, especially if the tube is hot, may cause it to explode sending a shower of glass in all directions," claims the local battalion chief.

"Most radio and TV fires are extinguished more than burning insulation, and when the set is unplugged from the wall the short circuit, which causes the heat and ignites insulation material, is eliminated. Except for an unpleasant odor there is little cause for excitement."

In the event the set is too hot to be moved out of doors and it appears the set is actually on fire, Chief Walker suggests that the entire cabinet be covered with a heavy blanket to smother the flames.

This same technique is recommended to extinguish flaming clothing. "Although carbon tetrachloride, a liquid used to spray on electrical fires, could be used on the set, the danger of breaking the massive and expensive picture tube is still likely," Walker adds.

Damage to Mrs. Tiptie's set may run as high as \$100, it was estimated.

TEAC to Meet Oct. 12

The regular monthly meeting of the Torrance Education Advisory Committee will be held on Monday, Oct. 12 at 1952-53 will also be read at appointment of the nominating committee will be on the agenda.

Reservations for the luncheon, at \$1.30, can be made by phoning FAI/fax 8-0540. Today is the deadline. The annual report for 1952-53 will also be read at the meeting.

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