

# Safe Lifted From Auto Store Monday

Torrance police detectives are seeking two suspects in the Monday night burglary of Glen's Auto Parts, at 1324 Cabrillo Ave., after an employee of the store reported Tuesday morning that the firm had been entered and a 200-pound safe whisked away.

M. T. Blanchard, a clerk, reported the burglary shortly after arriving for work Tuesday morning.

Reports indicate that one of the intruders scaled a fence in the rear of the store, smashed a window and completed entry by lifting a set of keys near the window and unlocking the rear door.

The burglar then opened the door for his accomplice and the two used a hand truck they found in the store to wheel off the safe.

A spokesman for the burglarized concern said the safe contained \$60 in currency and various papers, according to police reports.

The intruders completed the safe-lifting job by loading the safe onto a vehicle, which was parked at the rear of the store.

A number of padlocks and keys were taken also, police said.

## Faupel Participates In Army Test in Japan

PFC Richard S. Faupel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Parker J. Faupel, 25107 Narbonne Ave., Lomita, recently took part in a regimental combat test held by the 1st Cavalry Division in Japan.

Faupel, a rifleman in Company C of the division's 8th Regiment, entered the Army in November, 1953, and completed basic training at Fort Ord, Calif. He attended Narbonne High School.



**CORNERSTONE LAYING PLANNED . . .** The new Masonic Temple of Torrance Lodge 447 F & AM, now under construction at Cabrillo Ave. and Plaza Del Amo, will be the scene Saturday morning of the official cornerstone laying rites. When completed, the new temple (shown above in an architect's rendering) will replace the one in use for many years on Sartori Avenue.

# Masons to Set New Temple Cornerstone on Saturday

An important event in the history of Torrance Lodge No. 447, Free and Accepted Masons of Torrance, is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 19, when the ceremony of setting the cornerstone of a new temple will be enacted.

The new temple is located on the northeast corner of Cabrillo Ave. and Plaza del Amo. J. Edgar Stewart Jr., Grand Master of Masons in California, assisted by the Grand suite, will officiate in the ceremony, commencing at 11 a. m., following a breakfast for the Grand Officers and Master Masons of the area, to be served in the currently occupied Temple, at 1314 1/2 Sartori Ave.

Dignitaries to Attend Masonic dignitaries and city officials have been invited and Worshipful Master Frank Schmidt extends a cordial invitation to the public to be present on this occasion.

This is the second temple Torrance Masons have constructed in the 41 years since the constitution of the Lodge in October, 1914. Twenty-five Torrance Masters Masons petitioned Grand Lodge, which was in session during October, 1914, in San Francisco, and received a charter granting permission to form a Masonic Lodge to function in the City of Torrance and to be known as Torrance Lodge No. 447, F & AM.

Sole Charter Member Master Mason Roy Oliver Denison served as Worshipful Master while the Lodge was under dispensation and during the succeeding year. Richard R. Smith, pioneer resident of Torrance, who worked diligently in the formation of the new Lodge, is the only surviving charter member.

The first meetings of the Lodge were held in the Campbell building on El Prado, whose quarters were adequate while the Lodge was in its infancy. The City of Torrance, also, was young but growing and as it increased in population, so Torrance gained members until it became evident that a larger, more suitable building was needed for proper operation of the Lodge. Therefore, the members of the Craft made plans and worked to ward the building of a Lodge owned Temple. The plans became

a reality with the completion of the currently occupied Temple, the cornerstone of which was set in the fall of 1922 in the presence of Worshipful Master Paul John Beall, his officers, members of the Lodge, and a large number of Torrance residents.

Worth \$100,000 The new temple and site is valued in excess of \$100,000. It is anticipated that the temple will be ready for occupancy in January, 1956. It is being constructed by the members of the Fraternity, who have for a time become Operative Masons. Their handwork will provide a place of meeting adequate for the needs and enjoyment of the members of the Masonic Fraternity and affiliates for many years.

Completion of the Temple will add another beautiful building to the growing list of large, modern buildings in our city and will be one that all residents can point to with pride, Schmidt said.

"May it long stand as a monument to the harmony and cooperation of the members of the Fraternity, who made it a reality," he stated.

LECTURE SET SUNDAY ON 'THANKSGIVING' "Thanksgiving" will be the subject of a Christian Science program to be given on Columbia's "Church of the Air" over KNX, Sunday, at 7:30 a. m.

Donald R. Lane, of the Christian Science committee on publication for Florida, will be the speaker, and the music will be furnished by a quartet. The program will originate from Miami, Fla.

Before entrance into the Air Force, Airman Dougherty worked for Northrop Aircraft, Hawthorne, Calif. He is a graduate of Torrance High School, class of 1951, where he was active in track.

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