

# Westmoreland Homestead Buzzes With Eastern Arrivals

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received a most interesting letter from Wayne Le Franks, 1002 Firmona St., who reads as follows: Would please put this in your column in The Torrance Herald. If you need a boy for your party, you make the price, call FR 9-8242 — there is nothing like a boy to do the job. Lewis Wayne Le Franks, age 11½, FR 9-8242. Thank you and God bless you. Yours truly, Wayne. I am doing this to help out my mother. Thank you. P.S.—My only wish is to get success. Thanks a million and God bless you, Vera Wright.

I don't know what this letter makes you think about, but it has me wondering how my 11½-year-old boys, not today but also in years gone by, take time out to say "God bless you!"

Thank you so very much for many phone calls and letters concerning my sister, Mrs. R. Hooker. She is now recovering from pneumonia and will be returning home Monday.

The J. Westmoreland homestead, 18305 Roslin, was buzzing with excitement for Mrs. Westmoreland's mother and sister, the Shooks from Cleburne, Tex., vacationed in the highland and spent a week with Mildred and Jerry. Happily at the prospect of visiting their great-grandparents were Mrs. Michael and Terry Torrance who were brought in from Gardena by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Torrance.

Father Wright's company had their family picnic at Tibbitt this year and our itinerary consisted of horseshoes, ping-pong, swimming, volleyball, baseball, frog hunting, fishing and dancing, with free soft drinks and ice cream galore. We didn't realize how talented our family was till our son Wayne not only won a contest for making a dog with balloons but also was the waltz contest winner with Mrs. Howard Mangan as a partner!

Many lovely things are being made by Cub Scouts this summer as I noted the beautiful cork belt being made by David Taylor, who is only one of the Cubs being kept happy by their Mother Mrs. Paul Herring. The Herring's are one of the most active family groups in our communities and it is indeed a joy seeing them work together with their Scout projects.

One of the luckiest fathers in our community is Cecil Davis of 18337 Roslin Ave., who received not only the largest but the prettiest red leather chair you ever saw. Paul Herring of 18312 Roslin was also in for a treat as he got three new shirts and slacks for his Father's Day gift.

Two of the most excited and happy young ladies in our midst were Mrs. Robert Hernandez's two daughters, Terry and Susie, in preparing to pack for a vacation trip to Lancaster with their grandmother. This leaves mother Hernandez alone with son Frankie who celebrated his 10th birthday last Friday.

Honoring their nephew, Arthur Thompson of Lakewood, prior to his departure for Guam, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Webster had a cocktail hour at their home before attending the dinner party they gave at the Moulin Rouge.

To celebrate their return from an early vacation in Honolulu, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dodson entertained eight couples with a barbecued chicken dinner.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Clements who have just moved to our community from Temple City and have just become the proud parents of their first child, Clifford, Jr., who weighed in at 7 lbs. 11 ozs., much to the satisfaction of grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Clements of Inglewood and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Benard of View Park.

Honoring Deborah Lee Mullins who will wed Marvin Butler in July, Mrs. Paul Schwartz and Mrs. Arthur Brand entertained with a bridal shower and luncheon at the Beverly-Hilton Hotel. Over 30 guests were in attendance.

While on a vacation trip to Mexico City, Mr. and Mrs. E. Ames and daughter Phyllis

met neighbors Mr. and Mrs. John Evans and son Johnny in the lobby of the Hotel Guadalupe! Seems that everyone who ventures to Mexico lately meet their neighbors!

Claudine R. Blake of 16825 Thornburgh Ave. is well on her way to recovery although she will have to rest for many a day but husband Glenn is having quite a mad struggle trying to work while he is also trying to shrug off that flu

bug. By all rumor indications the graduation party for Perry School students was a complete success and Mrs. A. McKenzie, who dreamed up the party and headed the committee, can take a bow for the successful venture.

Sojourns to Carmel and San Francisco and a trip up the Redwood Hwy. included in the honeymoon plans of Mr. and

Mrs. Gerald Milton who were married in Hollywood last week. The couple will reside in Santa Monica while Milton continues his studies at USC but in three years hope to make Torrance their permanent home. Aside from the many lovely gifts this young couple received they were also given a receipt for a year's rent at their Santa Monica home.

To fetter their many out-of-

town guests the Joseph Browne family of Elko, Nev.; the James Ingram family of Chicago, Ill., and the E. W. Foster family of Lincoln, Neb., totaling 14 guests, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Noble had an open house for it started with breakfast coffee at 1 a.m., brunch at 11 a.m., luncheon at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and a buffet supper at 7 p.m. with dancing following and a midnight snack! This will be an affair the out-of-towners will never forget for pictures galore were taken and over 100 guests made an appearance throughout the day.

A special plea is being made for magazines with beautiful scenes such as those contained in Sunset, Beautiful Homes and Garden, National Geographic, Arizona Highways. I can assure you they will be used in a manner so as to help our young people. After this project has gotten its start I will be able to give you full particulars. So please, if you have some available, will you share them with our young people. Many copies of the same magazines are needed, so won't you please call me if you have any that you would like to give this fine group?

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# A Raise Every Year for Five Years is Offered Steelworkers

## Five Year Package will increase companies' employment costs 65 cents per hour worked ... 17 2/3 cents in the First Year

The undersigned steel companies have offered the United Steelworkers of America the largest single pay package in the history of the industry.

The companies' offer covers wage increases and additional fringe benefits for workers over the next five years, amounting, by the end of that period, to a total increase of employment costs of 65 cents per hour worked. Of this sum, 17 2/3 cents will be incurred in the first year.

Some important features of the companies' offer follow:

- A Raise Every Year for Five years**  
The offer provides for an increase in hourly wage rates averaging 7.3 cents on July 1 of each year for five years; ranging from 6 cents an hour to 12 cents an hour in each year, and totaling from 30 cents to 60 cents by the end of five years.
- Protection Against Increased Living Costs**  
The offer provides, additionally, compensation for cost of living increases that may occur during the life of the contract.
- 52-Week Unemployment Pay**  
The offer provides for a 52-week Supplemental Unemployment Benefit plan for the protection of eligible employees and their families in case of layoff.
- Premium Pay for Sunday Work**  
The offer provides a premium for Sunday work for the first time in the necessarily continuous-process steel plants of the companies. It also would increase premium pay for work on the afternoon and night shifts.
- Improved Insurance Plan**  
The offer provides substantial increases in life, sickness, accident insurance, and in hospitalization benefits. Sickness and accident disability benefits would be increased from a flat \$40 to a range of \$42 to \$57 a week. Life insurance would provide maximum basic coverage of \$6,000 per employee. Hospitalization benefits would be improved and maximum allowances for surgical fees would be increased by 50 per cent. The cost of this program would continue to be shared equally by the companies and the employees.

- Improved Pension Plan**  
The offer provides for higher minimum pension payments for employees retiring after October 31, 1957.
- An Additional Paid Holiday and Liberalized Vacations**  
The offer provides for a seventh paid holiday and makes provision for liberalized vacation pay.

Effective Dates for Proposed Improvements	
<b>1956</b>	employees with 3 to 5 years of service to 1½ weeks and increase vacation pay of employees with 10 to 15 years of service to 2½ weeks.
July 1—A direct wage increase averaging 7.3 cents an hour.	July 1—A direct wage increase averaging 7.3 cents an hour.
July 1—Advance all job class 1 employees to job class 2 with a consequent additional increase of 6 cents an hour for these employees.	July 1—Increase shift premiums to 7 cents for afternoon shift and 10 cents for night shift.
July 1—Establish Supplemental Unemployment Benefit fund with company contributions of 5 cents an hour per employee per hour worked, to provide up to 52 weeks of layoff benefits for workers with 3 or more years of service.	<b>1959</b>
November 1 — Establish improved insurance program.	July 1—A direct wage increase averaging 7.3 cents an hour.
<b>1957</b>	July 1—Establish new premium for Sunday work equal to night shift premium.
July 1—A direct wage increase averaging 7.3 cents an hour.	July 1—Make up pay lost due to jury service.
July 1—Add a seventh paid holiday.	<b>1960</b>
November 1 — Increase minimum pensions for employees retiring on or after this date.	July 1—A direct wage increase averaging 7.3 cents an hour.
<b>1958</b>	July 1—Increase shift premiums to 8 cents for afternoon shift and 12 cents for night shift.
January 1—Increase vacation pay of	July 1—Increase premium for Sunday work accordingly.

In addition, the proposal would provide compensation for cost of living increases which may occur during the life of the contract.

These proposals reflect our desire to assure steelworkers a continuous, progressive program toward ever-higher standards of living. . . . We believe these proposals are as fair to the workers as they could possibly be without being unfair to all other Americans, who also have a stake in the outcome of the negotiations.

These proposals were rejected by the United Steelworkers of America. We hope that in the national interest, and in the interest of the steelworkers themselves, the union will reconsider its decision.

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