

Thrifty Becomes Vital Part of Community Here

In the 10 weeks since it was opened, the South Bay Center Thrifty Drug Store has become a vital part of the community. Customers depend on the friendly Thrifty pharmacists for their prescriptions and drugs. The state-registered pharmacists are kept aware of changes in their profession and the discovery of new drugs by USC College of Pharmacy professors who teach a special seminar program exclusively for Thrifty pharmacists. Housewives have discovered that Thrifty's vast stock includes such things as clothing

and drygoods, in addition to the traditional drugstore items, like drugs and cosmetics, hosiery and sundries. Fathers and sons enjoy shopping at Thrifty where they can buy nationally famous sporting goods at the lowest prices in town. Tennis rackets, fishing equipment, and football helmets for the coming season are only a few of the hundreds of items in this department. Liquor buys are always better at Thrifty, because Thrifty is able to buy a manufacturer's entire output and pass the

quantity discounts on to their customers. The liquor department has every nationally advertised brand, as well as Thrifty's own private labels. "We know that local residents enjoy shopping in the new store because many of them stop and tell me that they like the air conditioning, the wide aisles, as well as the convenient self-service," said Manager Jack Mertz. "Every one of my managers and clerks will strive to keep the customers happy with our store, our prices, and our selection of merchandise, because we want to remain an important part of this outstanding community for years to come."

Law Regulates Sale Operations Of Auto Dealers

The State Department of Motor Vehicles will begin enforcement Oct. 1 of a new law requiring both new and used car dealers to post a \$5000 surety bond as a condition of obtaining a DMV license to do business.

The October effective date of the law applies to applicants for original dealer licenses. Dealers licensed prior to enactment of the new Vehicle Code provisions are not affected for the remainder of this year. They will, however, come under the statute upon applying for renewal of their licenses for 1958.

The new law, authored by Sacramento Assemblyman Thomas J. MacBride, in the 1957 session of the State Legislature, is hailed by Governor Goodwin J. Knight and Motor Vehicles Director Paul Mason as "another milestone in California's program to extend the fullest legal protection to the motoring public."

The bonding requirement also was strongly supported by the automobile industry, whose established, legitimate dealers were, in the words of Assemblyman MacBride, "more eager than anyone to rid their ranks of curbstone and fly-by-night operators."

The activities of a group of Sacramento car dealers, MacBride said, led directly to his efforts to get the law passed. Members of the group have been charged with swindling auto purchases of thousands of dollars through sales of vehicles for which titles could not be given. The accused dealers fled and are still sought on felony warrants.

Under the act, an original dealer license applicant, after posting bond, will be checked by Department of Motor Vehicles investigators as to moral character, business background and the type of premises in which he plans to operate.

Misleading Ads Hit Another feature of this new law is that it makes it unlawful for a dealer to "intentionally publish or circulate any advertising which is misleading or inaccurate . . . to advertise or offer for sale or exchange any vehicle not actually for sale at the premises, or available to such dealer at the time of such advertisement or offer," and to "fail within 48 hours in writing to withdraw any advertisement of a vehicle that has been sold or withdrawn from sale."

The annual fee for original licenses will be \$55, which entitles the licensee to one set of dealer plates, plus \$8 for each additional set. The old one was \$55 plus \$3 each for subsequent sets of dealer plates.

One Low Bid Okayed for Classrooms

Although there was only one bid for construction of steel portable classrooms at six elementary schools here, it was accepted by the Torrance School Board Tuesday night because it was about \$30,000 less than estimates.

The bid for construction of the classrooms went to the Calcor Corp. for \$547,549. School estimates had placed the bid at about \$575,000. The new classrooms will be built at Arlington, Anza, Flavian, Hillside, Riviera, and Sepulveda Elementary Schools. Officials said the one bid

Exploring Story Discussed for Writers' Group

"Exploring Your Story's Possibilities" was the subject of a talk given by Ramonita S. O'Connor, at the August meeting of the Southwest Manuscripters.

Mrs. O'Connor pointed out how the writer can be his own editor in judging his material. For example, is your theme clear and can you prove it? Does your main character have a problem or desire, and does he work it out himself, or do you just hand it to him on a silver platter? Do your descriptions work for you, or are they just words? Do your characters move with the story? Do you set the right mood for your story?

Excerpts Used Mrs. O'Connor used excerpts from published material to illustrate the above mentioned points. She also advised the group to keep their stories out in the mail, not at home.

Mrs. O'Connor will conduct two classes in Creative Writing under Adult Education this coming semester. One is at Mira Costa High School on Monday evenings 7:30 to 9:30 and the other is a day class at Redondo High School on Wednesday mornings. These classes will start Sept. 16.

Sales Cited Sales for the Manuscripters during the month included the following: "Hoppy Hoppy Camps Out," a juvenile to Sunday School Times and an adult Christmas story, "Santa's Altar Ego," to Sunshine Press, by Ramonita S. O'Connor. "Dreams Do Come True," to Fate Magazine, by Martha Lambert. Also a science-fiction novel, "They'd Rather Be Right," by Mark Clifton and Frank Riley, will be published this fall by Gnome Press.

Southwest Manuscripters, an organization of professional and beginning writers, meets on the third Friday evening of every month at Clark Stadium, Hermosa Beach. Further information may be obtained by calling Mrs. Ivan Gilbert, secretary.

Roth's Chain Purchased by Fox Markets

Fox Markets, Inc., has purchased the Roth's Market chain, including the Torrance store, according to an announcement by Edwin J. Fox, president of Fox Markets, and Ben Roth, president of Roth's. With the addition of the eight Roth's Markets, the Fox chain will include 22 markets in Southern California. It is estimated that the total sales volume of the 22 units will exceed \$60,000,000 annually.

The chain will open large units in Palmdale and Gardena within the next few weeks, although exact dates have not been set due to the uncertainties of the recently ended building strike. Within the next year, markets will be opened in Compton and the San Fernando Valley.

Integration of the Roth's Markets will be gradual, Fox said, with no personnel or operational changes planned now. Fox Markets started about three years ago with two markets in Tarzana and Windsor Hills. Roth Markets have been established for 30 years.

Driver Training Instructors for Teenagers Must Be Over 18

Teenage drivers are affected vitally by a series of new laws which go into effect Sept. 11. Major changes made by the Legislature at its 1957 regular session in statutes involving the driving privilege of young people were listed by State Motor Vehicles Director Paul Mason:

1. A driver accompanying or supervising the driving of the holder of an instruction permit must be 18 years old or over.

"There has long been a problem in traffic enforcement and accident investigation work," Mason said, "in that the driver accompanying the holder of an instruction permit merely had to be licensed. This often resulted in 16-year-olds 'teaching' other 16-year-olds to drive."

"After Sept. 11, an accompanying driver not only must have a valid operator's license, but must be at least 18 years of age."

License Changed 2. The junior license as Californians have known it based on residence will no longer be issued.

"After Sept. 11," Mason explained, "junior permits may be issued for limited periods, and in no event beyond age 16, to qualified boys and girls who require limited driving privilege for school transportation, family illness, or for economic reasons. Eligibility for these reasons must be established by statements filed with the Department of Motor Vehicles."

Driver Trainees Okay 3. Young people 15½ years

old who have successfully completed in California a secondary school course in behind-the-wheel driver training may be issued a regular operator's license.

"But the minimum age for those who have not completed such training is 16 years," the DMV director reminded. "When a holder of a junior permit reaches 16 years of age, he must apply for a regular operator's license."

Formerly, the law permitted the issuance of DMV of "junior operator licenses" to rural area boys and girls between the ages of 14 and 16, but not to urban residents. The theory was, that lack of adequate transportation facilities in farm districts made it advisable to extend driving privileges to some qualified

14 and 15-year-olds residing in those districts.

The new law makes no distinction between rural and urban residents, but sets up a program of issuing "junior permits" to any qualified person between 14 and 16 years of age, and abolishes the "junior operator's license." In no case may a "junior permit" be issued to a person 16 years old or over.

Instruction permits will continue to be issued to persons of any age over 14 years, with the new limitation that instruction permit applicants must be qualified for a license in the first place.

This means that applicants of any qualified age must pass the DMV law and vision tests before being issued an instruction permit.

Strike Ends; Building Work Starts Again

The 47-day-old strike of plumbers and sheet metal workers which halted building throughout Southern California ended Monday.

Biggest effect in Torrance was on the construction of South High School, which was slated to open in September. Now, however, the opening probably will be delayed until some time in December. Other school projects here were not affected much.

Although some homes under construction here were held up by the strike, the strike had little effect on other new buildings under construction.

Roth's LOW PRICES!

<p>ROTH'S MAYONNAISE 39¢ QT.</p>	<p>NIBLET—Whole Kernel CORN 12-OZ. CAN 2 For 27¢</p>	<p>PILLSBURY—17-oz. pkg. CAKE MIX 25¢</p>
<p>fresh Fruits & Vegetables</p> <p>BANANA APPLES 4 lbs. 25¢</p> <p>GRAPEFRUIT 5 For 15¢</p>	<p>WOODS CROSS—303 can DICED BEETS 3 FOR 25¢</p> <p>FLOWERLAND—½ Sliced PINEAPPLE 3 For 25¢ 2½ can</p>	
<p>QUALITY MEATS</p> <p>Eastern SPARE RIBS 39¢ lb For Barbecuing or Braising</p>		
<p>PORK CHOPS 55¢ lb End Cuts</p>		
<p>Tenderized CUBE STEAKS 79¢ lb.</p>	<p>FRYING CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS 59¢ lb</p>	
<h1 style="font-size: 3em; margin: 0;">Roth's</h1> <p>SUPER FOOD MARKETS</p> <p>1321 POST AVENUE, TORRANCE 109 S. HAWTHORNE BLVD., HAWTHORNE 310 E. Manchester, L.A.—12021 W. Washington, Culver city 3024 S. Sepulveda, L.A.—2412 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica—2709 E. Main, Ventura 10040 Rosecrans Avenue, Bellflower MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY -- AUGUST 26-27-28</p>		
<p>Quart Renuzit Cleaner 59¢ 5 & W—28 oz. can</p> <p>Baked Beans 29¢ CUTRITE—125 ft. roll</p> <p>Wax Paper 26¢</p> <p>SWEETHEART SOAP REG. BAR BATH BAR 3 For 29¢ 2 For 29¢</p>	<p>FROZEN FOODS</p> <p>ORE-IDA—16-oz. Pkg. FRENCH FRIED POTATOES 25¢</p> <p>WELCH—12-oz. GRAPE JUICE 35¢</p> <p>TREESWEET 6-oz. Can ORANGE JUICE 2 FOR 27¢</p> <p>STARKIST—½ Chunk Style Tuna 29¢</p> <p>SWIFT BABY—3½ oz. can Food Meats 2 FOR 45¢</p> <p>No. 1 can Vets Dog Food 3 FOR 25¢</p> <p>GREEN GIANT—303 can Cream Style Corn 16¢</p> <p>ALCOA—25 ft. roll Foil Wrap 29¢</p>	

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