Lomita P. O. Lease Bid Time Is Extended

An indefinite extension of time for accepting bids on larger quarters for the Lomita postoffice was announced this week by W. H. Switzer, Los Angeles postal inspector. Original closing date was last Saturday but Switzer said other work had prevented him from giving attention to details for proposed larger quarters for the Lomita office.

He will continue negotiations with persons interested in obtaining five-year leases. The postoffice department has called for bids on lease of 1,800 square feet of space, 300 square feet more than used at the present postal headquarters in the Hugo Schmidt building on Lomita boulevard near Narbonne.

Equipment, heating and lighting also is required in the lease, Switzer said. The inspector announced that his report on bids is to be transmitted to Washington where actual award will be made. Lease on the present building, where the office has been located for 10 years, expires Nov. 30.

700 County Jobs Being Vacated; Saves $500,000

Gradual elimination of some 700 county employes began this week and is to be completed by July 1 when the new budget, with a five percent cut in virtually every department, goes into effect.

Those who left the county service this week numbered approximately 200, with 50 of them being cut off the staff of the county charities department, according to Superintendent Rex Thomson. However in this department, there were 29 dictograph operators employed to replace those whose jobs will end July 1, Thomson said.

Employes whose jobs have been eliminated as of July 1 and who have vacation or overtime coming will leave the county service that much earlier, although continuing on the payroll until July 1.

Age Pensions Increase

Elimination of the 700 jobs will not mean dismissal of exactly that number, county officials pointed out today. Some of the jobs are vacant at present, workers having been laid off prior to this time because of a shortage of funds, while in some departments there are workers who are retiring voluntarily.

The wiping out of the 700 jobs will mean a saving to county taxpayers of some $500,000 during the next fiscal year, according to Roger Jessup, chairman of the board of supervisors.

Jessup declared that the reduction was necessitated by the mandatory increase in the cost of old age pensions to the county. There are some 53,000 aged pensioners on the county rolls now and about 6,000 are expected to be added next year, officials said.

Mechanic Fails In Suicide Try

"Girl trouble" was the laconic but expressive reason given by local police officers who investigated the attempted suicide of Clifford Gideon, 36-year-old mechanic at his rooms in the El Prado apartments late Monday afternoon.

Gideon was reported to have eaten rat poison from a tube after calling his girl-friend in Long Beach. Sergeant Frank Schumacher and Officer Cassulo reported he was intoxicated at the time. He was found by a relative, Mrs. Louise Gideon, who summoned a local physician.

Removed to Torrance Memorial hospital, Gideon was relieved of his poison-paste by a stomach pump and today apparently suffers no ill effects from his act. He has lived in Torrance for the past six months and, according to police reports, has a wife in Desney, Okla.

The Herald—3 months, 50 cents.

—Torrance Herald Photo.

LOOK WHAT STORK BROUGHT! . . . As result of repeated visits by Ol' Doc Stork last week, Torrance Memorial hospital's nursery was filled almost to capacity and Nurses Millicent Grant and Agnes Thompson, pictured left to right, had their hands —and arms full. Shown above with their smiling custodians are the 15 new arrivals. The picture would be a lot more impressive if it were accompanied by sound because it was taken just before the 15 were wheeled to their mothers for lunch. Last weekend there were a total of 19 new babies starting life at the hospital.

Governor Creates Another School Holiday Feb. 15

A personal dream of Governor Culbert L. Olson's became a reality this week when he made into law with his signature a bill requiring schools to observe the birthday (on Feb. 15) of Susan B. Anthony, woman's suffrage advocate.

For the Governor's mother, Delilah King Olson, was the West's pioneer in the cause of woman's suffrage in which she was closely associated with Mrs. Anthony, Carrie Chapman Catt and other notable women of her time.

INTEND TO WED

Hubert E. Edwards, 22, of 2127¼ Wilmington - Redondo boulevard, Lomita, and Avis D. Cavner, 18, of South Gate.

Mel P. Smith, Jr., 27, of Bakersfield, and Helen T. Banks, 24, of 1620 Manuel avenue.

Frank W. Fancher, 27, of Wilmington, and Willie M. Perry, 26, of 24683 Woodward street, Lomita.

Rollin W. Nothern, 25, of Lomita, and Carol E. Gooch, 21, of Minneapolis, Kans.

Leo McDonald Howard, 18, of 619 Cota avenue, and Evelyn C. Tripp, 18, of Long Beach.

William M. Bennett, 23, of the U. S. S. Indianapolis, and Helen L. Hall, 22, of 1015½ Cota Ave.

Charles K. Sneary, 20, of Redondo, and Lorraine E. Word, 18, of 2438 230th street.

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SECOND PAIR OF TWINS IN YEAR AT HOSPITAL HERE

The first pair of twins at Torrance Memorial hospital since Feb. 1 have won the esteem of the staff after causing considerable excitement with their unexpected arrival last Friday evening.

Sharon Ann and John Robert, daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith of Hermosa Beach, made their debut at the Smith home about the time their young mother was preparing to leave for the hospital. An ambulance crew ushered the babies into the hospital with Mrs. Smith. The father is a machinist at the National Supply plant here.

Other new babies arriving at the hospital during the past week were:

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Courter, Redondo Beach, last Thursday.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fuller, North Redondo Beach, Sunday.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred L. Maris, Inglewood, Tuesday.

A daughter to Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Rhind, Hermosa Beach, Sunday.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Seaberry, Gardena, Saturday.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Striff, Redondo Beach, last Friday. Striff is coach at Redondo Union high school.

Rotary Prexy Leaving for Cleveland Meet

President-elect Harold E. Appenzellar of the Torrance Rotary club and Mrs. Appenzellar leave tomorrow on the Santa Fe's streamline El Capitan to attend the convention of Rotary International to be held in Cleveland, June 19 to 23.

Already reservations from delegates coming from 29 different countries throughout the world have been received and the convention bids fair to be one of the largest and most significant in Rotary history. Practically all South American countries will be represented as well as South Africa, New Zealand, Malay States, India, Philippines, China, Egypt, and many European countries. Noticeable for their absence at the convention will be delegates from the totalitarian nations—Germany, Italy, and Japan, where service clubs have been forced to suspend. In prior years, all three of these nations were represented.

Upon his return, President-elect Appenzellar will be installed at a dinner-dance July 13 at Lakewood Country club. A number of club members are inviting guests for this occasion which will highlight the "demotion" of retiring president, Harry M. Abramson.

Moose Team in Title Playoff

Johnny Parker's Torrance Moose lodge softball team defeated the Gardena Rovers 21 to 3 Tuesday night to gain a tie with the Gardenans for the South Bay League championship. Date for the playoff has not been set. The Moose team will play the Long Beach Lipperts Market squad tomorrow night at the Lakewood Stadium, Parker said.

Rescind Demand That Cities Must Buy Thru County

Street surfacing materials to be purchased by cities out of gasoline tax funds need not be purchased through the county purchasing agent, but the county will place his services at the cities' disposal, under a resolution adopted by the board of supervisors this week.

The supervisors, on motion of Supervisor Oscar Hauge of Long Beach, chairman of the board's roads committee, rescinded a previous resolution that would have required all cities receving allocations of gasoline tax funds from the county to buy their materials through Wayne Allen, county purchasing agent who also is chief administrative officer.

CAR ROBBED

A new blanket, flashlight and gas were stolen from R. E. Beard's car Monday night while it was parked in the rear of the Cravens apartments where he resides, according to police reports.

Property Deals Now Must Be Published

Hereafter every sale, mortgage, transfer or assignment of property must be published in a local newspaper as well as recorded, according to a bill signed this week by Governor Olson. The law requires at least one publication which shall be completed not less than two days before the date of such intended sale, transfer, assignment or mortgage.

The bill also requires publication of notice of sales at public auction.

At the present time creditors of firms selling out get no notice beyond the seven-day recordation in the Hall of Records, but the amended bill requiring local publication will provide much better protection in strengthening credit procedures.

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