



RESTING . . . Park benches invite you to "take it easy." **POSING . . .** After a hard game 'just like reg'lar guys!' **SUNNING . . .** Girls and boys bask in sun. **BRIDGING . . .** Shady park spots invite talk. **PICNICKING . . .** Is a favorite sport for local folk. **LOLLING . . .** Around in peace and quiet is restful.

SAFETY Plan Works

Police and Fire Units Serving Under Director

CREATED last June, the city's department of public safety, a combination of police force and fire departments, has been functioning here with increased efficiency, more coordination and less expense under the direction of John H. Stroh. City councilmen who eliminated the offices of police and fire chiefs declare that the unification move has proven most successful.

The new department is still in the experimental stage, however, and at the end of this year the council intends to make a thorough study of its operation. If the present harmony and efficiency prevails then the consolidated police and fire units will be placed on a permanent basis.

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Director Stroh, who has been captain of the police force since 1934 and a member of that department for 14 years, has shown that he has distinct administrative talent. His appointment is to be made permanent in December if the council ordains that the public safety department has been a vital factor for community protection. Stroh has been a city worker here since 1924 when he was employed on the street department.

He is president of the California Peace Officers Civil Service association, a director of the California Academy of Criminal Science, and is a past master of the local A. O. U. W. lodge.

Masons Have Own Temple

Fifteen years after the re-organization of a building association charged with the construction of a Masonic temple here, Torrance lodge No. 447, F. & A. M., "burned the mortgage" on the \$38,000 Norman-Gothic structure on Sartori avenue. The ceremony, held last November is still fresh in the minds of Torrance Masons who are now building again.

This time their efforts are directed toward constructing a chapter of the De Molay order for young men of the community. A Masonic club has been formed here within the past few months to take charge of this activity. The lodge is one of the greatest organizations in the city and it has contributed a great deal toward the development of Torrance.

Dr. C. L. Ingold, local optometrist, is worshipful master. Other officers are Jess M. Reddington, senior warden; Lee George Nelson, junior warden; John H. Fess, treasurer; Jesse H. Sprout, secretary; William E. Ruppel, chaplain; Clifford E. Ruppel, senior deacon; Edmund A. Day, junior deacon; Willis M. Brooks, marshal; Bennett J. Dean, senior steward; John B. Shaw, junior steward; and Harry Ainsworth, Sr., tyler.

The trustees, all past masters of the lodge, are Herbert G. Babcock, E. E. McMasters and Wallace W. West.

Stroh's Diamonds Confined to Badge

Director John H. Stroh of the city's public safety department, wears no diamond rings . . . but he does possess a diamond-studded gold police shield as his badge as president of the California Peace Officers Civil Service association.

Local Lumberman Heads Trade Group

The South Bay Lumberman's association came to Torrance to get its president this year. He is A. H. Silligo, co-owner with Charles V. Jones, of the Torrance Lumber company. Owners of 16 yards in this district are members of the trade association. Silligo completed a new home at 1412 Engracia this summer.



DIRECTOR . . . John Stroh heads both the police and fire units of the city as director of the recently-created Public Service Department for Torrance.

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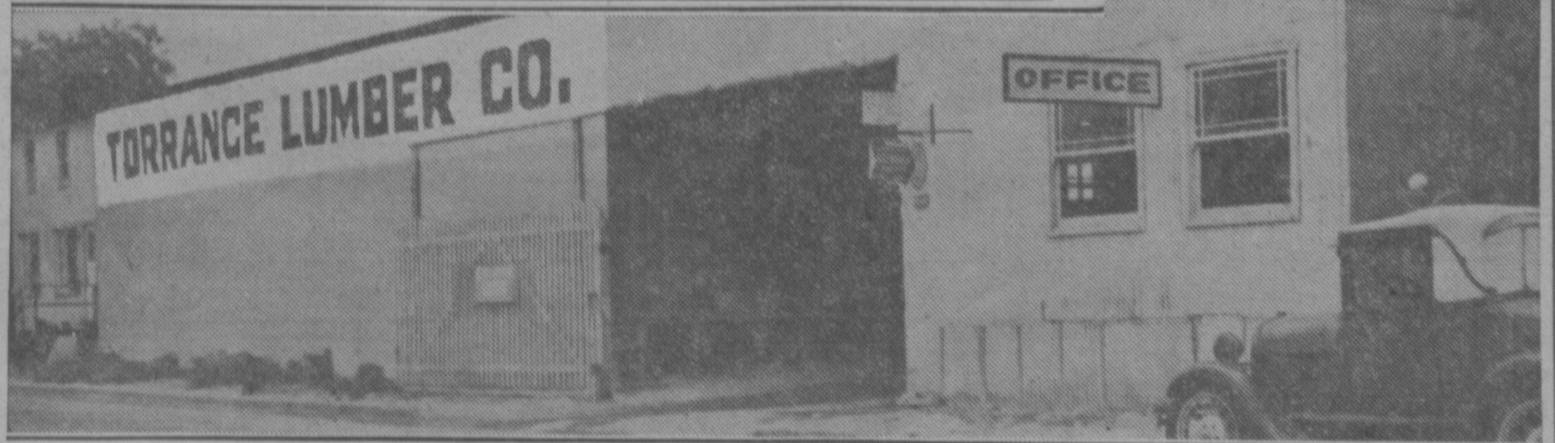
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