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City Seeks Collection of Fees From Federal Project Builders

Contractors erecting the two new additions to the National Supply plant, both Defense Plant Corporation projects on land leased by the U. S. government, must take out city building permits, the city council ruled Tuesday night and instructed City Attorney J. H. McCall and City Engineer Glenn Jain to make the collection amounting to \$205.

Jain reported that the contractors refused at first to take out city contractors' licenses as well as refusing to obtain a building permits but that both now have contractors' licenses. He told the council the builders had defied the city on advice from the U. S. engineer's office which contends that the jobs are federal projects and do not come under jurisdiction of the municipality.

However, Jain and McCall deny this to be the case, citing that the government has leased the land only and does not own it outright. One project, extension of the National Supply foundry building is a \$24,600 job for which the building fee would be \$40. The other, a \$200,000 machine shop building north of 213th st., should have returned \$165 to the city treasury for the building permit charge, Jain said.

Gardening and Rabbit Culture Pay Dividends

By HARRY H. STONE

Trying to get meat and eggs at almost any price has stimulated a tremendous interest in poultry and rabbits. It seems now that the production of any eggs or meat will justify the present activity.

Fresh vegetables may also be scarce. Those who planted their winter garden on root crops last fall can now thank their energy. Supplies are available in markets, but at what a price.

Not much is gained by planting seeds during the short, cool days of January. But this is just the time to plant the spring garden and prepare the soil. Here is where the poultry and rabbits can do double duty. All the droppings from a back-yard flock can safely be dug in, or spread on top of the ground between the rows of vegetables and flowers.

First Steps Outlined
 Straight droppings may be spread a half-inch thick before digging, and straw litter from the floor may be more than an inch deep. A good rain or heavy sprinkling after spading will settle the soil and start decomposition of manure. Then early in February hoeing will kill weed sprouts and prepare the seedbed for root crops.

If the gardener wants to gamble a bit, sweet corn may be planted after mid-February. Straw manure makes a good mulch on top of the row after planting, and will prevent formation of a crust if heavy rain beats down before seeds sprout.

Those vegetables now growing want to be watched for insect pests. In one garden I saw recently there was a row of broccoli and cabbage gray with aphids—lime, sprays and water were wasted. Squinting with the hose will kill many aphids, but dusting with nicotine or spraying with black leaf "40" and soapuds is also required. To control caterpillars on leafy vegetables a non-poisonous insecticide, such as rotenone, may be combined with the tobacco spray or dust.

Vegetable gardening isn't all just the fun of digging, planting and harvesting. But this year we may all rejoice in the results.

Penney Store Seeks Servicemen's Photos For Window Display

Hillman Lee, manager of the J. C. Penney company store here is planning an unusual window display in tribute to the local men in the armed services—but he needs the assistance of relatives and friends of those men to make it complete.

For that reason he is appealing for pictures—preferably in uniform but they may be of any size—of local servicemen. Each photo should be identified on the back. Lee says the pictures will be carefully handled and will be returned following the display.

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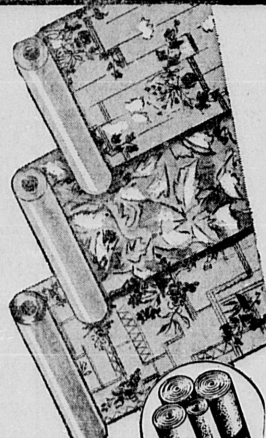
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15 Patients Enter Hospital

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Mrs. Norma Lamb, Redondo, Jan. 10, medical; Mrs. Gaudie Millstead, 2112 Gramercy ave., Jan. 10, surgical; Miss Mary E. Murray, Redondo, Jan. 8, surgical; Mrs. Sara Murray, 1514 Amalpa ave., Jan. 7, medical; James M. Poston, Gardena, Jan. 8, medical; Albert J. Trabant, Jr., Lomita, Jan. 11, medical; Wayne Trout, Hermosa Beach, Jan. 11, surgical; and Mrs. Grace Weaver, 20635 Amie st., Jan. 7, surgical.

REJECT ANIMAL HOSPITAL
 The application by S. A. Robbette for a license to operate a dog and cat hospital at 2187-69 Torrance Blvd. was rejected by the city council Tuesday night.

DEPUTY SERVES
 Because City Clerk A. H. Barrett was confined to his home with a severe cold his deputy, Jack Hallanger, served in his place at city council meeting Tuesday night.

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