

The reservoir at Zaghouan, Tunisia, is now supplying drinking water for more than 18 centuries.

Oil Wells, Refinery Bar Home Erection

Removal of two oil derricks and an old oil refinery plant near the city park to permit home development in that area is not possible by condemnation at the present time, City Attorney John McCall informed the city council Tuesday night.

In a written opinion he pointed out that the wells are still producing and the refinery is the subject of litigation in the Superior court.

IN CITY POSITION

Mrs. Maude S. Deiningher has been employed at a clerk-typist in the office of the city clerk.

County Civil Service to Direct Tests Here

A new contract, retaining the services of the County Civil Service Commission to give examinations only, was authorized by the city council Tuesday night. Instead of the complete supervisory service heretofore rendered by the county agency in behalf of the city's Civil Service plan, only the tests are to be directed by the county commission. The cost will be \$6 per year for each of the city's first 25 employees and \$3 per year for each of the remainder up to 100.

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Fence Around War Plant Permitted

Permission was granted by the city council Tuesday night for installation of a wire fence around the Pelker Manufacturing plant at 1128 Border ave. The council authorized installation of the protective barrier "for the duration or at the convenience of the council, with all liability to be assumed by the plant."

DOG LAW ADOPTED

An ordinance prohibiting dogs from running at large was adopted by the city council Tuesday night. It is published in full elsewhere in this issue.

Manpower Lack in Fire Force Draws Charges

Charges that the Torrance fire department is inadequately manned to provide proper protection to local residents and that the present personnel of the department is being "unjustly exploited" in regard to time off duty for each man were ordered filed by the city council Tuesday night.

The charges were made by J. E. Jeffery, regional director of the State, County and Municipal Workers, Local 360, in a letter sent to the council. The only comment on Jeffery's letter was made by Councilman George V. Powell who said he hoped that existing fire hazards, such as weeds and sumo holes, could be cleaned up by the street department "just as soon as we can get enough men."

Pertains to Cover-Up

The fire hazards were not mentioned in Jeffery's letter to the council, which follows: "The executive board of our union has had several discussions with your council on the subject of cover-up in the city fire department. So far you have not agreed with the union's request that the city firemen be worked in accordance with the provision of City Ordinance No. 249, namely 24 hours on duty and 24 hours off, the off-duty period to be interrupted only in case of need. The practice now is that whenever there is an alarm at least one off-duty fireman must report to the station, whether or not there is real need of his services.

"We charge that (1) the Torrance city fire department is inadequately manned to provide proper protection to the citizens and property owners of Torrance. (2) The present personnel of the fire department is being unjustly exploited in violation of City Ordinance No. 249. To refresh your memory with regard to the facts, the following is a brief resume:

Lack of Men Cited

"Torrance has three pieces of fire fighting equipment: (1) 100 gallon pumper with 200 gallon water tank. (2) 1000 gallon Mack pumper. (3) One hook and ladder and 600 gallon pumper. "The fire department consists of 10 regularly employed men and eight call men. Of the latter three usually report. Of the 10 regular men, five are on duty 24 hours followed by the other five for the next 24 hours. When one of the regularly employed men is on his off shift, which is twice a month, then only four men are on each shift. This means that at these times four men must operate all three pieces of equipment with the aid of the call men, or that the men who are on off shift must then respond. It usually takes three men to operate each piece of equipment, thus making it impossible for the men on any one shift to operate all the equipment in the fire department.

Quote Former City Counsel

"Section 24 of Ordinance No. 249 provides that each shift or platoon of men shall be on leave from their station every alternate 24 hours subject to orders in case of need. The definition of the word 'need' according to the Civil Service Board of the city of Torrance is an emergency. We believe it was not intended that off-shift men should be called to cover ordinary fires.

King Introduces Age Aid Bill

People receiving old-age assistance payments could augment their \$50 a month by up to \$25 a month earnings, under a bill introduced by Congressman C. E. King to amend the social security act, he reported today.

Other amendments would permit the government to contribute more money to states with low per capita income so they could equalize old-age payments.

At present there are three large centers for Polish refugees in India.

Five-Minute Limit Asked on Distant Telephone Conversations

The Southern California Telephone Co. is now asking cooperation of long distance telephone users to limit their conversations over heavily loaded lines to five minutes.

The goal is to speed up telephone traffic over congested routes during hours when demand is heaviest and calls are subject to delay. At such times of peak demand the operator will say at the start of conversation, "Please limit your call to five minutes—others are waiting."

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Townsend Club No 1

At our business session last Friday reports were heard and plans were made for a 17th district Townsend rally in Torrance city park.

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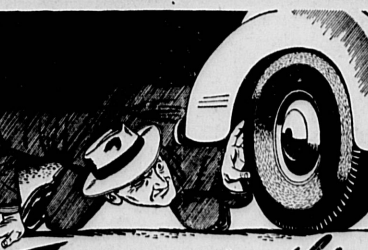
STATE MOTOR TAXES FROZEN TWO YEARS

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