

### Bingham Quits FHA; Returns to Private Business

Wilson G. Bingham, director of the Southern California district, Federal Housing Administration, has announced his resignation to return to private business in connection with the war activity.

"I have contemplated this change for the past five months, but have delayed action until certain procedure in connection with the private war housing program could be clarified.

"Private war housing in Southern California now has the green light. One-third of the priority for war housing in the entire United States has been allocated to this district during the past few months.

"An AA-1 preference rating for critical materials has been authorized for the Los Angeles and San Diego county war industry areas, under certain conditions, thus placing private war housing in these areas on an equal basis with the Army and Navy in respect to building materials.

"Of further importance to builders and war workers are two new changes now in effect in the processing of applications

### St. Andrew's Church Weekly Activities

Commencing Sunday, Nov. 21, the winter schedule of services for St. Andrew's Episcopal church, according to announcement of Paul Moore Wheeler, rector, will be as follows: Sundays, Holy Communion and prayer for the sick, 8 a.m.; junior church and school, 9:30 a.m.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 a.m., excepting the first Sunday of the month, Holy Communion. The third Sunday of the month at 7:30 p.m. will be held the special service of intercession for the members of the armed forces.

Traffic laws were made for your protection. Learn what they are and obey them like a good citizen, says the State Department of Motor Vehicles.

for preference ratings which will substantially reduce the time formerly required.

"Everything considered," Bingham stated, "I feel that the situation is now better than it has been for some time and that I can terminate my over nine years of service with the F.H.A. with confidence that the program can proceed expeditiously and in good order."

Mr. Bingham has been with the F.H.A. here as associate director, and then director since it started in 1934.

### Engineer Allays Flood Fears on Housing Project

Fears raised recently in the minds of occupants of war housing projects in the Gardena subdivisions near Crenshaw blvd. in connection with the changing of the existing drain channel of "Nigger Slough" by the Flood Control district, were allayed somewhat this week in a communication from N. B. Hodgkinson, assistant engineer, to County Supervisor Oscar Hauge, who explained:

"The County Road department proposes certain major revisions to Western ave. in the vicinity of 174th st. in order to maintain this artery open at all times during the flood season. This work will include a new bridge structure over Dominguez channel, and in connection therewith the Flood Control district proposes to excavate the channel on its proposed permanent location which crosses Western ave. several hundred feet south of the present bridge.

"The work proposed by the district includes the excavation of the channel from Denker ave. upstream to a point above 174th st. with the possibility of continuing same to the lower end of the present enlarged section above Arlington ave. Although the proposed alignment will follow the general route of the present unimproved channel, it will be straightened out considerably especially in the vicinity of Arlington ave. and in the vicinity of Western ave.

"Under existing conditions this reach of the channel does not overflow improved properties and its enlargement will have no appreciable effect on the war housing projects in Gardena. The work is a part of our general plan for the enlargement of Dominguez channel but the principal advantages of enlarging this particular section of channel will be in connection with betterment of highway and transportation facilities.

The Crenshaw st. improvement is of interest to the Torrance and Lomita area as it would open another through highway to Los Angeles, especially to the Hollywood district.

**OUT-OF-TOWN GUESTS**  
Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Beale entertained at dinner Sunday at their home for Mrs. Effie Beale of New York City, Mrs. Warren Beale of Chicago and Miss Mildred Anderson of Pasadena.

**WINTHROP (BUD) HOWE**... an aviation metalsmith 3/c, at U.S. Naval Air Station, Astoria, Ore., flew this week from Portland for a 10-days' leave. He is a son of Mrs. Irene Howe of 1844 260th st., Lomita.

### RATIONING TIME TABLE

**WAR RATION BOOK NO. 1**  
SHOES—Stamp 18 good for one pair. Expiration date indefinite.

**WAR RATION BOOK NO. 2**  
BLUE STAMPS— (for canned, frozen and certain dehydrated foods), Stamps X, Y and Z through Nov. 20.

**WAR RATION BOOK 3**  
BROWN stamps—for meat, canned fish, most edible oils, cheeses and canned milk:  
G, H, J and K, good through Dec. 4. L good Nov. 21.  
Stamp No. 1 on airplane sheet, 1 pair shoes, good Nov. 1.

**WAR RATION BOOK NO. 4**  
Stamp No. 29 (5 lbs. sugar)—Good now and through Jan. 15, 1944.

GREEN stamps—for canned, frozen and certain dehydrated foods: A, B and C good now through Dec. 20.

**GASOLINE**  
COUPON NO. 8 (A-Book) good through Nov. 21 for three gallons of gasoline.

All new style coupons, A, B and C, must be endorsed on face with car license number and state of registration.

**THE INSPECTION**—"B" book cars, next tire inspection deadline, Oct. 31 and every 4 months thereafter; "C" book cars, next tire inspection deadline Nov. 30 and every 3 months thereafter. "A" book cars, next tire inspection deadline March 31, 1944 and every 6 months thereafter.

**RATION BOARD OFFICE HOURS**—At 2300 Carson st., daily from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### Gas Rationing Simplified by OPA Directive

The gasoline rationing program is to be simplified somewhat on Dec. 1, according to Frank Daniels, chief clerk of board No. 5.62 at 2300 Carson st., Torrance. It was announced that all supplementary ration books "B" and "C" issued after the above mentioned date will be good for five gallons each instead of three, but there will be fewer coupons issued than the existing one now contain.

The new supplemental gasoline ration coupons of five gallons value will be issued with the designation, "B-2" and "C-2" on their face. At present "B" and "C" and "B-1" and "C-1" coupons run out, they will be replaced by the new higher-unit-value coupons. Meanwhile, outstanding coupons issued before Dec. 1 will continue to be worth

only three gallons until they run out. It was explained that "B-1" coupons are a reprint of the earlier "B" coupons. They are

### Food Proclamation Issued by McGuire

Mayor Tom F. McGuire today had issued a proclamation proclaiming November as "Food Fights for Freedom Month." The mayor declared that "food is a weapon of war; that we must provide it for our armed forces, for our Allies, for liberated peoples, and on the home front," so he continued, "November has been designated a mobilization month for food during which our citizens may gain a better understanding of their responsibility as food producers, processors and distributors."

used in the same way and have the same value. The same thing is true of "C" and "C-1" coupons.

While the change does not mean more gasoline for holders of supplemental ration books, it does mean that they will receive their rations in more convenient form. It is expected that many car owners, for example, will now buy five-gallon units as they customarily did before rationing began. Consumers will have fewer coupons to endorse. To the trade it will mean a saving of manpower.

Retailers who paste the coupons they collect on gummed sheets which are turned over to their suppliers will find their work out more than half in doing this job. In addition, station attendants will not have to make as many trips to the gasoline pumps for small purchases.

### In-Migrants Seem to Have First Claim on Federal-Built Housing

Pat McDonnell, manager of the Torrance Housing Center, has received a bulletin from the Federal Housing Administration in Washington in which Phillip H. Klutznick, assistant manager, reviews the housing problems which have arisen since beginning of the war during which period industrial production has almost dou-

bled. Klutznick's statement was made at a recent meeting with representatives of national civic and religious organizations. He explained how the national agency has had to decide for whom war housing was to be provided and determine:

Should the families of military men be housed when they follow their husbands or father to camp? Should permanent residents who have become war workers be served?

Obviously, he asserted, every civilian is a war worker in a broad sense of the word during wartime, but the resources of material and manpower do not permit such an interpretation to control the availability of houses. "We have been forced to prescribe limitation which may appear harsh and cruel at times," he asserted.

Klutznick then went on to say... "only indispensable in-migrant civilian war workers are eligible for war housing. By this term we mean civilians employed in a plant which is engaged in manufacturing the products used by the armed forces and the Merchant Marine. They are indispensable if their coming into the areas is necessary to the war effort as determined by the War Manpower Commission. To qualify as an in-migrant, the war worker must be separated from his family live at a distance beyond reasonable commuting range, or be living in crowded spaces where insanitary conditions prevail so as to impair his efficiency. These intolerable conditions render him eligible, provided he has moved into the locality after July, 1941 or some other later date specified by the National Housing Agency."

The Army and Navy are trying in every way to discourage the families of servicemen from following them into areas of great contraction and causing further congestion, Mr. Klutznick said.

While the N.H.A. is providing housing projects as rapidly as possible to overcome the critical conditions, home owners were urged to provide rooms for rental wherever possible.

### Boyd Field Assigned To Local Church as Full-Time Minister

That the Torrance Church of Christ has made definite progress since its establishment, was indicated today when the first full-time minister took up residence in Torrance. Living at 1306 1/2 Anapola, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Field are beginning the work which was only a dream three years ago.

Due to the peculiar organization of the church of Christ which provides for self-government of each congregation, this sign of progress marked a milestone that must have looked huge to the three members of the church who met to hear Mr. Field preach his first sermon in the Men's Bible Class bldg. in the fall of 1940. Today, despite the fact that only part-time ministerial services have been given for three years, an average attendance of 70 are present for worship on Sunday mornings and 30 for other services of the church. The growth has been steady, though slow, Mr. and Mrs. Field, who are graduates of two Tennessee junior colleges and of George Pepperdine college in Los Angeles, advised.

Mr. Field was selected for outstanding honors at both Davis Lipscomb college, Nashville, Tenn. and George Pepperdine college where he was especially active in student government. He has been preaching for six years; Yucaipa and Van Nuys churches in California were served before he came to Torrance and while he was still a student in Los Angeles.

Back in the days when Mr. Field brought students from George Pepperdine college with him to his preaching appointments here partly to be assured of an audience, Miss Freda Cromwell, the present Mrs. Field, was in the group. Mrs. Field is assisting in the educational program of the church.

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**SOUTHBOUND: Additional Bus**  
LEAVES LOS ANGELES 12:45 p.m.  
ARRIVES TORRANCE 1:30 p.m.  
Arrives Lomita (101 Highway) 1:45 p.m.

**NOTE:** Southbound Bus leaving L. A. at 9:30 a.m. and arriving in Torrance at 10:15 a. m. NOW goes through to 101 Highway, arriving at 10:30 a. m.

Northbound Bus leaving Torrance at 2:30 p. m. now originates at 101 Highway, leaving at 2:15 p. m. and arriving in Los Angeles at 3:25 p.m.

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