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Wives of enlisted service men in the four lowest pay grades are entitled to maternity care under this program. Wives of men in these grades killed or missing in action are also included. Care for an acutely ill infant under 1 year of age is provided.

The mother has free choice of physician and the physician may choose for delivery a hospital convenient to himself and the patient. Medical care during the months before the baby is born, hospital delivery and ward service, care of the mother and infant following delivery and an examination of the mother six weeks after delivery are provided.

Applications for maternity care must be made before the baby is born and in many cases can be made in a physician's office. Applications can always be accomplished at any local health center of the County Health department. Financial need or legal residence are not requirements, the service having been set up by Congress as a benefit offered to the wives of men who are defending the country.

Applicants for the service should bring with them official evidence of their husband's serial number.

## Steelworkers at Columbia Install New Officers

Officers of Local No. 1414, United Steelworkers of America, were installed last Thursday as follows:

Kenneth Beight, president; Paul Findley, vice president; Carl D. Steele, secretary; Walter Smith, financial secretary; Don Hamilton, treasurer; H. H. Cooke, John Ivens and one other to be appointed, trustees; John C. McVicar, guide; A. L. Elder and James H. Ezon, guards. Charles Smith, an international representative from District Office No. 38, Los Angeles, acted as installing officer.

A dance will be held in Civic Auditorium Saturday evening, Aug. 26, with Thomas Wagner as general chairman.

#### BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible school begins in Torrance Aug. 7 and will continue until Aug. 18, with seven churches cooperating. Beginners and primary classes are at the Methodist church and junior and above at the Baptist church. Classes will start at 9 o'clock, with Mrs. Fern Elliott of Long Beach as director.

## EASTERN MAN HERE IN EFFORT TO ACQUIRE LOCAL COUNTRY CLUB

Hopes to acquire management of the Hollywood Riviera Country Club and reopen it to the public were expressed today by Alan Hudson, long a prominent New York area cafe proprietor, here, of Dr. Milford Bauman.

Pointing out that the plan is "still in a nebulous stage," Hudson said he had made an offer to the Community Association that owns the club and has taken into consideration the fact that an Army anti-aircraft unit now occupies it.

"If I could get it, I would make a wonderful spot of it," the cafe man said. "It's a natural, in its setting and is deserving of proper management."

As operator of a cafe at Great Neck, Long Island, and two others in New York, Hudson has been host to thousands of notables and celebrities. Since the war he has been engaged in mass feeding in large industrial plants, meeting the mealtime needs of 15,000 people at Charleston Navy Yard. He was here to study mass feeding when he found the community so ideal, he said, that he began casting about for a permanent business.

## DANGER OF JAP ATTACK STILL LOOMS

The danger of Japanese sneak attempts to destroy California war plants or to terrify whole communities by attacks upon civilians from huge 200-man marines has not been removed by successes of the American forces in the Pacific, in the opinion of military experts who understand Jap mental processes.

With this possibility and the necessity for maintaining state military forces for the protection of community property and facilities, the 2nd Battalion, 39th Regiment, California State Guard, Tuesday night undertook a whirlwind recruiting campaign to double the strength of the battalion.

On urgent orders of Maj. A. Milton Fish, the various company commanders placed teams in the residential sections, going from house to house explaining the need for Guardsmen to men of 18 to 64 who are deprived of the right to serve in federal forces and their womenfolk. The removal of federal forces from this area in large numbers and the responsibility of the guard for providing infantrymen to replace them were explained.

Company H, commanded by Captain Robert L. Lewellen and embracing the Torrance and Lomita area, had teams in the field and met with considerable success. Those interested are asked to call at the Torrance State Armory, Torrance Ball Park, Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.

The guard completely equips its men with three types of uniforms, field equipment, 30 caliber rifles and Thompson sub-machine guns, with plenty of ammunition, for duty in any emergency. Drill of two and one-half hours a week is all that is required, enlistments are until the return of the California National Guard, and the Guardsmen may not serve outside their county without their own consent.

#### CONFERENCE

The City Council will meet in conference Tuesday night at 6:30 o'clock with local industrial tax representatives and union

## Lack of Interest In City Workers Charged Here

Local No. 360 of the State, County and Municipal Employees, states that the city of Torrance is lacking in interest toward the present employees and wants a hearing on granting of first consideration to the employees in city personnel matters.

The letter making such a request was read to the City Council on Tuesday night and brought a decision to meet with the group's representatives on tomorrow evening at 6:30 o'clock.



**PURPLE HEART . . .** Private Johnny Jackson, Lomita boy, nephew of Mrs. Verna Kindig, a paratrooper who was injured in France invasion, has been awarded the Order of the Purple Heart.

Mrs. Verna Kindig, 2432 W. 254th st., received word last week that her nephew, Private John E. (Johnny) Jackson, a paratrooper, has been awarded the Purple Heart. Young Jackson was wounded in action June 6 during the D-Day invasion. He has been hospitalized somewhere in England, from where he wrote his aunt that he had visited Oxford College and other old traditional places.

The family has received word from the War Department that Johnny has recovered from his injuries and has been ordered back to his company.

Private Jackson is the son of Robert A. Jackson, 60 Lime ave., Long Beach, but had made his home with his aunt, Mrs. Kindig, since he was just a few months old, and Mrs. Kindig feels that Johnny is just one of her own sons.

#### SALVATION ARMY

Many calls still are being received at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce about the Salvation Army salvage service, and Torrance residents are asked to call Redondo 2887 for pickups by the Army. The Torrance store of the organization was closed several weeks ago.

officials to discuss their problems, it was decided Tuesday night.

## Franchise for Santa Fe Again Held Over

After hearing various charges from residents along the Santa Fe right-of-way through Torrance that the railway is ignoring the hazard laws, with regard to speed, noise, blocking of crossings and other regulations, the City Council Tuesday night delayed until the next meeting an ordinance to extend the present franchise for the "duration of the war and six months thereafter."

In a letter to the council the Santa Fe agreed to meet all objections. Councilman N. H. Cucci wanted the ordinance adopted for the first reading and iron out difficulties voiced by interested residents later, but on motion of Councilman George Powell, the matter was laid over.

This was the third time the matter has been before the body.

W. J. B. Hughes said that the company has property outside the city over which it can route its trains and asked that the law be upheld in that a definite time for franchise must be stated.

Kern River is still high, but there is good fishing on tributary creeks between Kernville and Kern Flats.

## Council Briefs

The City Council Tuesday night authorized the expenditure of not more than \$150 to repair the grandstand at the Torrance Municipal Park.

Architectural fees of \$103 for alteration of city offices was allowed.

Eugene Held was hired as an engineer in the fire department to succeed Sam Shepard, transferred to the city engineer's office.

The Funmakers, a U.S.O. group, was authorized to use the city auditorium Wednesday nights, from two to three hours, for rehearsals.

Uniforms for the Torrance Girls softball team to cost not more than \$180 were authorized.

The council made it clear that the salary of City Engineer G. M. Jain would not be reduced in the transfer of the duties of city purchasing agent to City Clerk A. H. Bartlett, who will earn \$50 a month more for the work.

#### VACATION PAY

The City Civil Service board is suggesting that the city pay its employees on vacation on the basis of monthly or semi-monthly earnings, and not on average annual earnings. Such a suggestion, made to the City Council Tuesday night, was received and filed. It was stated that the suggested method would be more equitable.

## Fossil Bugs Sought in Mines Of Dicalite Co.

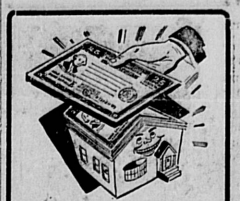
Hopes that diatomaceous earth such as is mined by the Dicalite Company at WALTERIA may contain more specimen fossil bugs was expressed this week by Los Angeles scientists following discovery of some fossils in the same kind of earth near the harbor.

First of their kind in the entire world, the fossilized remains of two previously unknown insects were found by Robert K. Foster of Los Angeles and are now kept in a vault for security. It is estimated by Dr. William Lloyd, curator of the Cabrillo Marine Museum, that the fossils are 20,000,000 years old.

The insects have no contemporary relatives, according to Dr. Lloyd. In fact, only a few specimens of fossilized bugs have ever been found in this country, only five in California. Diatomaceous earth is composed of the skeletons of small sea life of millions of years ago.

Fire chiefs at military installations under the jurisdiction of the Ninth Service Command receive annual salaries ranging from \$2600 to \$3200, depending upon pieces of equipment under their command.

Troops in areas without Army post exchange facilities will receive free issue of approximately 16,000,000 pounds of candy this year.



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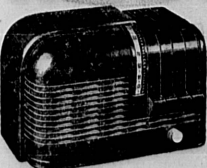
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