

A few canvasback ducks are showing up on Pillsbury and Clear Lakes.

GRAND THEATRE

PHONE TORRANCE 269

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GENE TIERNEY and
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"LAURA"

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"THE NATIONAL BARN DANCE"

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NEW YEAR'S EVE LATE SHOW

NO ADVANCE IN PRICES

"The Climax"

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"SAN DIEGO, I LOVE YOU"

NEXT WEEK—STARTING WED.

"AND NOW TOMORROW"

—also—

"BLACK MAGIC"

PHONE TORRANCE 132

TORRANCE THEATRE

NOW—ENDS SAT.
PALM BEACH STORY

—also—

"RIDING WEST"

SUN. - MON. - TUES.
NEW YEAR'S DAY CONT. SHOW STARTING AT 2 P.M.

"5 GRAVES TO CAIRO"

—also—

"SALUDOS AMIGOS"

—also—

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NOW—ENDS SAT.

"HEAVENLY DAYS"

—also—

"MARK OF THE WHISTLER"

SUN. - MON. - TUES.

"MAISIE GOES TO RENO"

—also—

"ALDRICH'S LITTLE SECRET"

Less Business, More Rationing, Says R. Babson

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show a decline during 1945. Prices of ladies' apparel and general luxuries will suffer, while grocery sales should be higher.

22. The total dollar retail sales should be about equal to 1944 with an increased demand for woolen and cotton textiles for civilian use.

23. The best cities for 1945 business should be:

Altoona, Pa.
New York, N. Y.
Cleveland, Ohio,
Davenport, Iowa,
San Jose, Calif.,
Wichita, Kansas.

24. There will be a great stampede in 1945 to get rid of the make-shift ersatz goods which have been made to take the place of good merchandise. Thus, 1945 will witness many "mark-down sales" of unrationed merchandise.

25. Wise will be those manufacturers, merchants and consumers who realize that post-war competition will be terrific and, therefore, withhold purchases until 1946.

26. The United States will own over 50% of the world's ships in 1945.

27. There will be an increase in free exports with the "Freed Countries," but Lend-Lease exports will decline.

28. We will make England and Russia large postwar loans provided they spend the money in the United States.

29. Both the British Empire

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and Russia will go into the competitive foreign trade market during 1945; many cartels and government monopolies will be in operation. I, therefore, forecast higher prices for coffee, cocoa, sugar and many other articles for which we are absolutely dependent upon foreign countries.

30. No central bank will be organized nor will the stabilization of foreign currencies be attempted in 1945.

Labor

31. The Little Steel Formula will be amended during 1945.

32. Industrial employment during 1945 will be off 7% in hours and off 10% in pay rolls.

33. The building of a few new autos and new houses will be resumed during 1945.

34. Many industries, now operating on a forty-eight-hour week, will return to a forty-hour week during 1945.

35. Wage rates will not decline, but "take-home" income will be less.

War Outlook

36. The greater part of Germany's army will collapse before the German planting season opens in the spring of 1945. Before surrendering, Germany will try poison gas.

37. Japan will not hold out as long as most people think. Japan will collapse within six or twelve months after Germany collapses.

38. If Stalin's health continues, he will be the world's most powerful man in 1945 and may dictate the peace terms, especially for the Pacific.

39. Sometime after April, 1945, Russia will join (or threaten to) the allies against Japan but only after the promise of territory privileges and a huge loan.

40. The markets may witness a "communist scare" during 1945; but they should soon recover thereafter.

Stock Market

41. The rails will show the greatest decline during 1945, because the airplane and ship-building stocks are already pretty much deflated.

42. The heavy chemicals, steels and motors may hold their own during 1945; but consumer goods will do much better.

43. The safest stocks to buy—considering value, income and safety—will be the merchandizing stocks, especially the chain store stocks.

44. 1944 saw a large increase in the demand for peace stocks; but 1945 will witness them both moving more or less together. Switching has been over-done in most cases.

45. 1945 will continue to witness creeping inflation, although the big movement toward inflation will not take place until the next business depression which will follow the postwar prosperity.

Bonds

46. Though bond loan rates should continue to have an upward tendency, interest rates in general will remain low through 1945, since the money supply is now 20% above normal and government controls will continue.

47. Anticipating the expected decline in federal taxes, 1945 should surely see a falling off in the price of most municipal and probably other tax-exempt bonds.

48. The highest grade corporation bonds will decline during 1945.

49. Investors will give much more attention to diversification and staggered bond maturities during 1945.

50. More public utilities will be taken over by municipalities and "Authorities" during 1945.

Real Estate

51. Suburban real estate will be in much greater demand with higher prices during 1945.

52. City real estate should hold its own, excepting in the congested war areas where declines may set in.

53. Small productive farms will continue to increase in price; but large farms may sell for less in 1945 than in 1944.

54. Building will show a considerable increase. Contracts will be up 25%, but prices may be a little lower due to increases in lumber and cement production.

55. There will be no changes in residential rents during 1945.

TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED KIDS ENTERTAINED AS MOOSE OBSERVES YULE PERIOD

More than 2500 children of Torrance and the Torrance trade area were entertained and feted at the Torrance Moose Christmas party and entertainment in the Municipal Auditorium, Christmas eve. Beginning at 2:30 p. m., ten top-notch vaudeville acts were roundly applauded by children and parents alike.

The joyous laughter and Christmas spirit pervading the occasion gave proof of the success of the party. The distribution of candy, fruit and nuts and special Christmas stockings, following the entertainment, was ably handled by the Torrance Fire

Sgt. J. P. Dunlop Gets Fourth Oak Leaf Cluster

Sgt. John P. Dunlop of Torrance, B-17 Flying Fortress turret gunner in the 351st Bom



bardment group, has been decorated with a fourth Oak Leaf Cluster to his Air Medal for "meritorious achievement" on more than a score of combat missions over Europe.

Sgt. Dunlop, 28, has taken part in bombing attacks on Berlin, Saarbrücken, Anklam, Nienburg, Weimar, Ludwigshafen, Kassel, Rheine, Frankfurt, Madgeburg, Cologne, Nurnburg, Ploetz, Mannheim and other important enemy installations.

The citation accompanying the award read in part: "For courage, coolness and skill displayed by this enlisted man upon these occasions reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States."

Before entering the army April 6, 1942, Sgt. Dunlop worked for the California Shipyard at Terminal Island. His sister, Daisy Watson, lives at 1940 225th st. His brother, Cpl. Eugene Dunlop, is in the signal corps in India.

56. Real estate will be helped by Congress ceasing to induce any more men into the armed services after June 30, 1945.

Politics and Postwar Peace

57. The uncertain political factor of 1945 will be Mr. Roosevelt. People will soon fear that he may resign before the next congressional elections either on account of ill health or to become head of a Peace Commission or new World Organization.

58. Our foreign headaches will become worse and more frequent during 1945. What we are going through to reorganize Italy, will be repeated in many other countries.

59. The Latin American honeymoon has passed its peak. The attitude of Argentina will extend to other countries and our South American troubles will increase during 1945.

60. 1945 will see more religious interest, including more church-going, than did 1944. People gradually are realizing that without a Spiritual Awakening no peace or other plans will be much good. Nations cannot be depended upon to cooperate and stick to their agreements unless they recognize God as their real Ruler and Guide.

Department and the cooperation of the Torrance Police Department and special committee of Lodge No. 785, Loyal Order of Moose insured the smooth running of the entire program.

Secretary James W. Barker of the local Moose lodge said that "if we have gladdened the heart of just one child and helped to take the place of one parent absent in the armed forces, we have been more than repaid for our efforts and expense. Look around and see the eyes bright with the spirit of this season of giving, and doubt if you can see that we have performed a civic duty for which we are responsible."

The children of all men and women in the armed forces embraced by the Torrance Selective Service Board were guests of the Moose. This area involved six surrounding towns. All of the Torrance children up to the ages of 15 were guests, and it was this faction that the City of Torrance donated took care of; all other guests being "charged off" to the general subscriptions.

The special gift of receiving headsets and installation costs of the three-way broadcasting system at Torrance Army hospital will be underwritten by the local Moose lodge. More funds are needed to liquidate the indebtedness incurred and subscriptions should be sent to the secretary of the Moose Club, 1951 Carson, marked "Moose Christmas Fund." Final tabulations of donations and expenses will be published in the Torrance Herald the first week in January.

About \$4,000,000 still is needed to take care of the outstanding commitments, it was said.

Tabulation of Donations to

Date	
Torrance City Council.....	\$1,000.00
Moose Lodge No. 785.....	600.00
Moose Club.....	121.82
Felker Mfg. Co.....	100.00
J. W. Barker.....	50.00
Women of the Moose.....	50.00
No. 44.....	50.00
Bohn Aluminum.....	50.00
U. S. of A. No. 2470.....	50.00
Wm. and Ida Ambach.....	25.00
U. S. W. of A. No. 1414.....	25.00
O. W. U. No. 128.....	25.00
Women's Auxiliary Veterans Foreign Wars.....	25.00
Ed Schwartz.....	20.00
J. C. Penney.....	15.00
Nat. Home Appliance.....	15.00
Sam Levy.....	15.00
Torrance Aluminum Co.....	15.00
Torrance Brass Co.....	15.00
J. A. Evans.....	10.00
Mrs. Irene Lewis.....	10.00
Beesley's Market.....	10.00
Rogers Service Station.....	10.00
Mrs. Ethel Johnston.....	10.00
Mrs. Gertrude Locatelli.....	10.00
Mrs. M. E. Scanlon.....	10.00
Timothy Tyke Shop.....	10.00
Allen's Lunch.....	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Art Sullivan.....	10.00
Home Liquor Shop.....	10.00
De Vore Electric Shop.....	10.00
Ira Cunningham.....	10.00
D & D Market.....	10.00
Hobby Shop.....	10.00
Palmer & Spangler.....	10.00
Schillings Cleaners.....	10.00
A. H. Bartlett.....	5.00
Wm. Kempen.....	5.00
L. W. Mfg. Co.....	5.00
Gerald Packard.....	5.00
C. Merton Gilbert.....	5.00
Torrance Pharmacy.....	5.00
E. W. Quimby.....	5.00
Ike's Service Station.....	5.00
El Prado Furn. Store.....	5.00
C. T. Rippey.....	5.00
C. B. Mitchell.....	5.00
Earl Wells.....	5.00
Gay Shop.....	5.00
Charlie's Shop.....	5.00
Allice Beauty Shop.....	5.00
McCown Drug Store.....	5.00
Alexander Radio.....	5.00
Page Service Station.....	5.00
Grand Sweet Shop.....	5.00
Men's Shop.....	5.00
Jacob Lepkin.....	5.00
O. A. Kresse.....	5.00
Rees Shoe Store.....	5.00
L. MacArthur.....	4.00
Wm. Ambach.....	3.00
Earl Laws.....	3.00
Star Furn. Store.....	3.00
Sgt. Mackey, L. A.....	2.50
P. E. Hospital.....	2.00
Robert Miller, Jr.....	2.00
Torrance Hardware.....	2.00
Baker Smith.....	2.00
Bernard Lee.....	2.00
Lovelady family.....	2.00
T. J. Wilkes.....	2.00
Frank Smith.....	1.25
F. Hodges.....	1.00
Spotless Dry Cleaners.....	1.00
Bill Wade.....	1.00
H. H. Cooke.....	1.00
H. Colburn.....	1.00
J. Webb.....	1.00
Dr. Don Moskos.....	1.00
Geo. Peally.....	1.00
Total.....	\$2,537.57



CHRISTMAS CARDS... Private First Class Ali Wilson (center), Lomita woman Marine, and Corporal Lillian Harding (right), Philadelphia, Pa., receive instruction in the art of making Christmas cards from Corporal Mickey Perkins (left), of Tucson, Ariz. The women are taking advantage of a workshop, arranged for by the morale office at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, in making their own Yuletide greetings. Private First Class Wilson resides at 1842 257th st. She is on duty in the tailor shop.

AUTOMOBILES—WHEN? When will new automobiles be on the market? Estimates say that from V-day to V-plus-90 days, plants will be rearranged, tools installed, and parts production started. On V-plus-90 days assembly of the first few motor cars will begin. On V-plus-150 days, distribution of new vehicles will be in full swing.

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