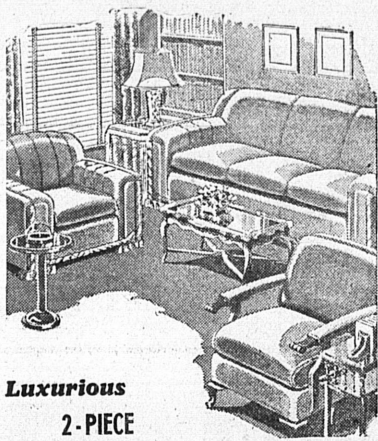


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## Maritime Acad. Alumni Group Is Being Formed

The formation of a California Maritime Academy alumni association was announced today by the Academy at Vallejo. Alumni and families of alumni are urged to communicate with the superintendent, Captain Claude B. Mayo, U.S.N. All graduates of the Academy are presently serving as officers in the U. S. Merchant Marine or the U. S. Navy, and information as to their present duties and station is sought.

Established in 1929 by the state legislature as a state educational institution, the California Maritime Academy trains young men to serve in the Merchant Marine as ship's officers. Because of its importance to the shipping industry in peacetime, the Academy became one of the mainstays in the training of wartime ship's personnel. A two-year officer training course is given aboard the training ship S.S. Golden State, attached to the Academy.

### SAVES TAX MONEY

Army Ordnance annually saves millions of dollars by reclaiming thousands of tons of damaged battle equipment, Ninth Service Command Ordnance officer announced today at Fort Douglas, Utah.

## Even Severely Handicapped Can Get Steel Jobs

Many severely handicapped veterans returning to the steel mills can still qualify for jobs, a survey made by United States Steel discloses. Thousands of jobs were surveyed in preparation for the return of handicapped veterans to United States Steel Corporation subsidiaries.

The job survey, which will determine the types of jobs on which injured veterans may be safely and productively employed, covers every job in the plant. The most common handicaps, such as loss of legs, arms, fingers, toes, eyesight, and hearing, as well as nervous disorders, heart conditions, and back injuries, are all listed on the chart and the allowable disabilities checked. In this way, when a veteran returns with any of these major losses, the survey will show immediately what jobs are open for him provided he is otherwise qualified. A returned veteran can perform, for example, the job of ladle lining even though he has lost an eye, certain fingers, certain toes, has a nervous disorder, or defective hearing. In case the veteran has lost the sight of one eye, certain fingers, a leg, has defective hearing, a nervous condition or a weak heart, he can perform the job of machinist.

The survey was made under the leadership of the director of safety in each plant with the help of specially appointed working committee men from each department who also participate in most of the activities of the veteran program.

## Improvements In Steel-making Are Announced

A few of the many substantial improvements in the steel-making art, which were learned under wartime pressure and will live on in the postwar goods of everyday civilians were described Jan. 5 before members of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences by Dr. J. B. Austin, assistant director of United States Steel Corporation's Research Laboratory in Kearny, N. J.

The steel technologist's address was illustrated by slides which showed how steel processes have been brought by the war to new heights of achievement, both in basic metallurgy and adaptability to many uses. Among the new metallurgical advances which may be translated immediately from the rude uses of war to the arts of peace, he listed as typical: (1) the employment of a minute percentage of boron to enhance the hardenability of steel; (2) new knowledge, experience, and steel compositions for using steel at elevated temperatures, as in oil refineries, chemical processes, steam power plants, and in superchargers for the development of a new turbine prime mover; (3) the use of welding as a means of fabrication on many grades of steel which were considered hardly weldable in prewar times; (4) the continued use of at least some of the so-called national emergency low-alloy constructional steels, which were developed in pressing circumstances, to help conserve the supply of alloying elements and make the most effective use of the alloy content of existing steel scrap.

Dr. Austin explained, offer multipurpose advantages which are easily demonstrable over the unnecessarily large number of "custom made" steels provided before the war.

"Experience gained in war will also lead to improved methods of manufacture of products made from steel," Dr. Austin predicted. "It seems certain, for example, that many parts hitherto machined out of solid stock will be formed by pressing sheet and strip or by welding smaller components. Advantages may also be expected in the design of many articles made from steel."

Among the improvements, Dr. Austin described the so-called "powder metallurgy," of which he predicts much more than at present will certainly be heard. In this practice iron is formed much as plastic materials are shaped; that is, a carefully prepared powder is pressed into a mold and then heated to a high temperature to sinter it, thus producing many products.

The postwar market, Dr. Austin predicted, will offer a golden opportunity for fabricated housing units and whole fabricated houses to come into their own. "The mechanical problem of prefabrication does not offer insurmountable difficulties," he asserted, "since a house is essentially far less intricate than an automobile. The importance of this development to the steel industry will be far-reaching because of the various ways in which steel parts can be economically utilized. One interesting development, by no means new but greatly accelerated by the war, is the increased use of light-gauge structural steels. Developed for civilian use, this type of construction offers increased advantages of fire protection, greater strength and reduced maintenance cost."

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## Dismantling of War Housing Units Is Asked

To avoid any possibility that emergency war housing units in California may become postwar slums, the California State Chamber of Commerce last night forwarded three recommendations for amendments to the Lanham War Housing Act to the California delegation in Congress.

Announcement of this action was made here by James Mussatti, general manager of the state chamber. "If the recommendations are adopted," Mr. Mussatti said, "the way will be cleared for an early postwar resumption of employment in the building industry and the provision of proper private housing for people now living in emergency war housing projects."

The proposed amendments to the Lanham Act are that:

1. General removal of emergency war housing units shall be accomplished not later than two years after "recognized cessation of hostilities."

2. The federal administrator in charge of emergency war housing shall consult with "city councils" and other local governing bodies in determining which, if any, emergency war housing units should be retained more than two years after the end of recognized hostilities to permit an orderly demobilization of the war effort.

3. In disposing of war housing, the administrator shall give consideration to the need for more adequate housing under private ownership, and the administrator shall dispose of emergency war housing in the public interest.

## County Area Building Shows Gain in 1944

Valuation of building permits issued for the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles county by the county department of building and safety during 1944 increased by nearly 12 million dollars over the preceding year, Cassat D. Griffin, acting chief of the department has reported.

Total valuation of permits issued during the year was \$30,386,832 as compared with \$18,421,552 for 1943.

Permits for December, 1944, showed a falling off in value as compared with the same month the previous year. The 1,206 permits issued in December, 1944, were for a total value of \$1,271,750, while the 1,035 permits issued in December, 1943, had a value of \$1,800,220.

## Confiscated Fishing Tackle To Red Cross

All the fishing equipment that has been confiscated from violators of the fish and game laws by judges during the past several months has been turned over to the Red Cross for use of convalescing members of the Armed Forces, according to Ensl J. N. Ott, Jr., executive secretary of the State Division of Fish and Game. The idea to dispose of this equipment in this manner was conceived when the shortage of fishing tackle for use of these veterans was made known to officials of the division.

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## Assessors for County Take Field For 1945-46 Roll

Approximately 500 county deputy assessors are in the field to make the annual assessment on personal property throughout Los Angeles county.

County Assessor John R. Quinn said the house-to-house canvass for property statements beginning today will not be completed before April 15.

J. W. Hartman, deputy assessor, gave final instruction to the group yesterday after the temporary county employees had completed an instruction course under Donald C. Cathcart, chief of the residential financial property appraisers division of the county assessor's department.

## Banning High Evening School Classes Start

With the beginning of the spring semester, Jan. 29, another class is being added to the curricula offered by Banning evening adult school at its Lomita branch in Narbonne high school, 25245 Walnut st., according to Walter E. Holstein, principal. The new group will be women's physical education to convene Monday nights from 7 to 9:30 o'clock. Miss Alice Rose will be instructor. All women of Lomita are extended a cordial invitation to enroll as soon as possible to assure continuance of the class.

Under direction of Wayne Sloss, a physical fitness class for both men and women convenes Thursday nights from 7 to 9:30 o'clock. Other Lomita classes are embroidery and knitting, Monday nights and beginning and intermediate Spanish, Tuesday nights, also from 7 to 9:30 o'clock.

Enrollment may be made in class. There is no charge except a nominal student body fee, Holstein announces.

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