

## New Motor Laws Effective On Sept. 15

Several changes in the California Motor Vehicle Code enacted at the last session of the State Legislature, mainly refinements of existing regulations, become effective September 15.

Chief among these is a new law prohibiting motorists from turning right against a stop signal except when such is authorized by appropriate signs.

The Code now forbids the locking of any person inside a standing automobile unless such person can readily escape therefrom, and increases penalties severely for violating pedestrians' right-of-way in crosswalks when such violations result in death or injury to pedestrians.

Motorists in the future, however, may make their own change of address on registration certificates and operators' licenses, but the Department of Motor Vehicles in Sacramento must be promptly notified of such changes.

## Evicted Tenants Get Six-Months

Renters in Southern California's over-crowded areas who have too frequently been evicted as the owner sold his property and who have been allowed only 90-days notice are promised immediate relief by OPA, according to Ben Koepke, district rent executive for the agency.

Koepke said that effective September 15 a tenant must be given a six-months notice before being evicted, providing no adequate housing is available in that area.

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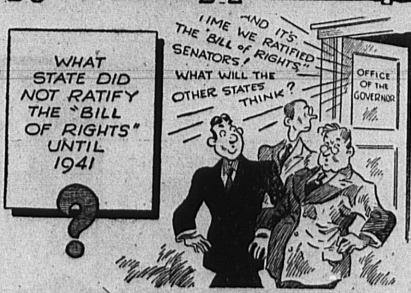
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## Kaiser Charges Government Reconversion 'Dilly-Dallying'



Henry J. Kaiser (left), West Coast industrialist, testifying before a Senate subcommittee on reconversion problems, accused Government agencies of "dilly-dallying" on his proposals to lease war plants. "The world is ours and we can have the greatest amount of business but not if we dilly-dally," Kaiser told the subcommittee meeting in San Francisco. Left to right are Kaiser, Committee Secretary J. R. Flanagan, Senator Harley Kilgore of West Virginia, Senator Hugh B. Mitchell of Washington and Senator Homer Ferguson of Michigan.

## Sontag Head Office Moved To Los Angeles

The United-Rexall Drug Company, Boston, is removing its entire executive headquarters to Los Angeles, it was announced here today.

The company owns and operates the Owl and Sontag drug stores on the Pacific coast.

It has announced that its 1945 sales volume will approximate 160 million dollars.

The company is moving here because this area houses the largest concentrated retail drug activity in the United States, the company stated.

Louis K. Liggett founded the company in Boston in 1903.

Removal of headquarters to Los Angeles is the culmination of the policy of financing and expansion inaugurated by Justin W. Dart, who was elected president of the company by its board of directors three years ago, it was stated.

Rationing of industrial rubber footwear has ended.

Rubber boots and rubber work shoes will go off the ration list at midnight tonight (Tuesday). Other commodities previously released have been gasoline, fuel oil, oil stoves and processed foods.

Items remaining on the ration list were named by the ration

## Expanding Home Building Will Offer Employment to Millions in Nation

Expanding home construction in the next twelve months will offer large opportunities for employment in the building and allied industries, John E. McGovern, director, So. California District, Federal Housing Administration, announced today.

During the war, only a portion of the nation's builders were able to continue operations.

However, in the peacetime period just ahead undoubtedly there will be a revival of the prewar building organizations, but a large number of newcomers will enter the construction field. These will range all the way from individuals and small scale companies in small towns to large companies carrying on large-scale operations in metropolitan areas.

More than 500 private financial institutions in Southern California are ready to start on the financing of America's post-war home building and modernizing program with the aid of Federal Housing Administration insurance as materials and labor become available, continued McGovern.

Back of these home financing institutions, ready to help them and the home builders of the country in meeting the large backlog of housing needs, is the local field office of the FHA.

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housing insurance practically exhausted, McGovern said the FHA is returning to its program of home mortgage insurance under Title II and looks for an early expansion in all normal peacetime operations, including home modernization and repair loans insured under Title I.

Approximately 500 institutions in Southern California have originated Title II loans to finance the purchase or reconstruction of private homes, and the latest report shows that all these institutions hold Title II mortgages in their portfolios.

All types of financial institutions are participating in the FHA program—commercial banks, savings and loan associations, mortgage companies, insurance companies, savings banks, and others.

These institutions have advanced more than \$700,000,000 under the FHA program to aid more than 150,000 Southern California families to buy, build or improve their homes. At present the FHA has authority to insure approximately \$2,000,000,000 of home financing, and the President has been empowered by Congress to increase this another billion dollars as soon as the need becomes apparent.

Mr. McGovern pointed out that the FHA does not itself lend any money, but insures loans made by private financial institutions. In insuring mortgage loans, it aids the lending institutions and the home buying public through its sound appraisals, minimum property and location standards, property inspection and uniform maximum interest rate.

The prospective home owner or builder who wants to apply for an FHA insured loan does not go to the FHA office, but goes to a bank, savings and loan association, mortgage company or other home financing institution. When he goes to the lender, McGovern said, he should be prepared to work out specific details of the loan with the mortgage loan officer. If the officer agrees to make the loan under Title II insurance, he will provide the necessary forms and forward them to the local FHA office.

To obtain a property improvement loan, the owner applies directly to a qualified financial institution, or through a dealer or contractor. These are personal credit loans based on the character and credit of the borrower, and the funds are immediately advanced if the loan is for an eligible purpose under Title I.

## State Guard Unit Command Changes Made

Several changes in command in units of the Second Battalion, 39th Regiment, California State Guard, have been announced by Major Harold F. Thienhaus, battalion commander.

Captain Leon S. Camaunt, Sr., has been relieved from further duty with and assignment to Company G, San Pedro, and has been assigned to Group 3, Southern California Area, as intelligence officer. Group 3 is commanded by Lt. Col. A. Milton Fish.

Captain Clarence L. Johnson was relieved as commander of the service detachment of the 2nd battalion, and assigned to Group 3 as service officer.

Captain Charles L. Johnson was relieved as commander of Company F, Hermosa Beach, and assigned to command the service detachment of the 2nd Battalion.

1st Lt. George L. Maitrejean was relieved as adjutant of the 2nd battalion and commander of the headquarters detachment and assigned to Group 3 as adjutant and personnel officer.

1st Lt. Marvin L. Klepper was relieved of duty as executive officer of service detachment and assigned as executive officer of the 2nd battalion.

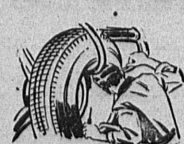
1st Lt. Harley R. Slater was assigned to command of Company F, 2nd Lt. Guy R. Martin, formerly of Company A, Long Beach, was assigned as 2nd battalion adjutant and commanding officer of the headquarters detachment. 2nd Lt. Maurice E. Oldaker was assigned as commander of Company G, San Pedro.

## Preparation for Delivery Is Baby Class Topic

As a special feature for the expectant mothers' class Wednesday afternoon, Miss Clara Barrows, public health nurse in charge of the class gave a demonstration of bathing a baby. The class was held at the Torrance health center, 2300 Carson st.

On the next Wednesday afternoon, the subject will be the preparation for delivery of the baby. At the final session on Wednesday, Sept. 26, the new film, "Care of the Newborn Baby" will be shown by the division of Health Education of the Los Angeles County Health Department. All women of the community, whether expectant mothers or women having the care of babies, are invited to attend.

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