

NEW ASSIGNMENT
Robert G. Maxfield, S 2/c, USN, has been assigned to duty aboard the destroyer escort USS O'Flaherty, in the Guam area.

FROM SHANGHAI
George R. Tompkins, Jr. CM, 1/c, arrived this week from Shanghai for terminal leave. He

WEEKEND VISIT
Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Phillips, of 2023 Andro ave., spent the weekend at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Phillips, of Crenshaw Park.

is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Raymond Tompkins, Sr.

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SELLS BUSINESS . . . J. P. Hammetman, Lomita, who sold the Southern Cabinet Co. recently will vacation with his family, in the east through the holidays.

STORKatorial's

The stork visited the following parents, among others, at the Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week:
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Huch, 410 Harbor Hills, boy, Oct. 27, 5:03 p.m.
Mr. and Mrs. Candido Rivera, 1648 W. 213th st., boy, Oct. 29, 5:27 a.m.
Mr. and Mrs. Victor Stalcup, 2127 W. 248th st., girl, Oct. 26, 10:25 p.m.
Mr. and Mrs. Van H. Smiley, 2121 Border ave., boy, Oct. 30, 1:42 a.m.
Other births:
James W. Rounds, boy, R.F.D. No. 1, Rolling Hills, Lomita.

Servicemen's stationery? Call Torrance 444 or 443.

Hundreds Attend Big Dinner. Here

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major objectives listed by the Chamber of Commerce. He spoke of wanting to see the merchants of Torrance getting most of the local business but disappointed any maneuver to "isolate" Torrance. He commended the operation of the schools as presently constituted. He said his views had the full support of the CIO council.

P. S. Magruder, manager of manufacturing, General Petroleum Corp. of California, told of the gains made by General Petroleum, of the small number of employees brought here in 1928 from Vernon, and commented that more than 1000 were now employed at the plant. He said plans were now being made for increased production to employ from 300 to 400 more men. He said that "Torrance Plans Ahead" has the full cooperation of industry.

Mayor W. H. Tolson outlined the city's plans for the improvement of its streets, alleys and highways. He also revealed that the tremendous increase in the city's growth that is creating a severe strain on public utilities and that means would be provided within the very near future to cope with the city's expansion. The mayor said that an estimated 15,000 persons now live here in Torrance and that housing must be provided.

Raymond V. Darby, supervisor, Fourth District, Los Angeles County, began his address to the guests that were around the banquet tables, with: "It is my firm conviction that a speaker should speak to be heard, stand up and be seen, shut up and be seated." The supervisor was true to his word, he spoke quickly and to the point.

He said that he had recently become a property owner of Torrance and after hearing the many fine speakers of the evening was convinced that he had made a good purchase. Darby pointed out that this type of meeting, where labor and industry meet around the table, was a good start for "Torrance Plans Ahead." He informed the group that industry would find 350 days out of the year for outdoor work in Southern California. "Industry will settle in Torrance, and this because of your acceptable tax structure," he said. "Torrance can not miss with the cooperation seen and heard here tonight."

Dr. Don Meschos presented Mrs. Bettie Thomas, a pianist, who played many beautiful melodies during the dinner, and the Ainsworth Sisters, Nell, Kay and Laura, Torrance vocal trio, which was well received by the guests. The dinner was served through the courtesy of the women of the VFW Auxiliary No. 3251, of the city of Torrance, under the direction of Mrs. Clara Corner, commander, with Mrs. Irene Wilkes, chairman of the dining room committee, and Mrs. Annie Perovich, chairman of the kitchen committee.

Keynoting the evening's session, President Reed H. Parkin, of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, said:
"Several months ago the director of your Chamber of Commerce developed a program of major objectives, which were considered to be of vital importance to welfare of the City of Torrance."

"The first objective was 'Full Employment of Our Citizens.' We were fully aware of the fact that upon the successful termination of the war, there would be a certain amount of displacement of employees in factories engaged wholly in war production. To minimize the ill effects of this situation your Chamber Officers and Directors have exerted every possible effort to bring new payrolls to Torrance. In our opinion the major undertaking has been our

work in joining forces with the Mayor and City Council in our mutual efforts to secure from the Federal Government the Lomita Flight Strip for our projected Torrance Municipal Airport.

"Those of us who have been and are working on this project visualize the finest airport in Southern California for private flying, non-scheduled flying, air freight, student instruction, aircraft maintenance, etc. All of these activities spell jobs for Torrance residents, not merely a few jobs, but hundreds. We have this airport within our grasp and we certainly must exert every effort until we can actually point with pride to a complete Torrance Municipal Airport."

"Our second objective is 'Adequate Housing.' During the past four years we have experienced a most acute shortage of homes for both rental and sales purposes. We have been and are meeting with our realtors, contractors and property owners that we might render every possible assistance in working out a program of home construction that would alleviate this serious shortage."

"Number three on our 'objective' list is 'Improved Public Transportation.' Torrance business district is the largest and best between Inglewood and the Harbor District. With adequate public transportation Torrance stores can draw customers from the entire Beach area, Gardena, Waveria and their adjacent communities. It is only natural that with the influx of shoppers, our stores will expand to meet the increased demands."

"Adequate Public Transportation would also be of material assistance to industry in these times of housing shortages. If we had a transportation system that contacted the Beach and Harbor Areas as well as the Los Angeles street cars, the employee transportation would be greatly improved."

"Finally, our fourth objective is 'Development of Highways Serving Torrance.' If we were to draw a circle around the Beach Area, Harbor District, the Beach Area, Gardena and Inglewood, we would find Torrance as the center or hub of that circle. Also, if we were to analyze the industrial center of that circle, Torrance would again be the center attraction. We have basic and major industries here, we have railroads, but our highways are not adequate. We are therefore ready and willing to work with our City Engineer and our County Councilman to obtain necessary improvements to our highways."

Whittier Firm Is Acquired By Dresser Company

Acquisition of Security Engineering Co. Inc. of Whittier, Calif., by Dresser Industries, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio, is being officially completed today, Nov. 1, 1945, with the issuance of Dresser common stock to the holders of Security common stock. H. N. Mallon, Dresser president, announced today. The exchange was on the basis of one share of Dresser for 1 1/2 shares of Security.

Dresser's role as an organization serving all branches of the oil and gas industry from producing wells to final consumer is further strengthened by the addition of the company, which is widely known as a manufacturer of rock roller bits for sub-strata drilling operations. It also manufactures oil field tools, specialties, and a patented metal for oilwell liners.



COMMISSIONED . . . Kiyoto K. Nakaka, of Lomita, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army of the United States on completion of the Officer Candidate course at the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga. Lt. Nakaka attended Narbonne high school, U.C.L.A. and University of Connecticut prior to induction into the Army. (U. S. Army photo.)

Air Photos Approval Obtainable

Since the end of the war restrictions governing the taking and use of aerial photographs have been relaxed considerably, it was announced today by Major General William E. Shedd, commanding general, Ninth Service Command, at Fort Douglas, Utah.

Requests from civilian agencies to make new aerial photographs or obtain the release of existing aerial photographs should be referred to headquarters, Ninth Service Command, Fort Douglas, Utah, attention public relations office.

During the war requests for aerial photographs were cleared by the Western Defense Command, San Francisco, for western United States, and by Eastern Defense Command in the east. Review authority has now been delegated to the service command headquarters in which the photograph is taken, General Shedd said.

Under the new relaxation aerial photographs of virtually all military establishments and areas are now releasable. Photographs of any Army installation, area or equipment not vital to the national defense may now be released for publication upon application to the appropriate service command headquarters. Requests for release of aerial photographs of Naval installations or material should be referred to the commandant of the appropriate Naval district.

TRIPLE T'S RESUME DANCING PARTIES

Resuming the custom suspended during the war, members of the Triple Dancing Club will hold their annual dinner-dance next Tuesday, Nov. 6. The party will be held at the Deauville Club, Santa Monica, and was arranged by Messrs. and Mesdames Robert Burns, H. C. Barrington, Frank Paour and Gaston Area, who are members of the retiring committee.

"Public Notice"

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENGAGE IN THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
October 31, 1945
To Whom It May Concern:
Notice is hereby given that fifteen days after the above date, the undersigned proposes to sell alcoholic beverages at these premises, described as follows:
1434 Marcelina Ave., Torrance.
Pursuant to such intention, the undersigned is applying to the State Board of Equalization for issuance of an alcoholic beverage license (or licenses) for these premises as follows:
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Kirby's Shoe Store Opening Saturday

Kirby's Shoe Store in Torrance will open on Saturday at 9 a.m., at 1276 Sartori ave., featuring several outstanding values in honor of the firm's first day in this growing commercial center.

The store will be one of nearly 100 in California, others in this locality being in Compton, Wilmington, San Pedro and Long Beach.

The opening of the store is in line with the postwar expansion program of Kirby's and fits into that of Torrance as well. Ray Bolls, local manager, who resides at 1808 Hickory ave., Torrance, said:

In addition to outstanding lines of footwear, at popular prices, the store will feature hosiery and handbags of exceptional prices and styles. Experienced sales people will serve the public at the new Kirby's store.

Manager Bolls has had more than 18 years of experience in retail shoe business, among his past connections being with Wohl Shoe Co., St. Louis, and United Shoe Stores, Shreveport, La.

Enlistments are now open for men 17 years of age as apprentice seaman in the regular establishment of the peacetime forces of the Coast Guard. With the planned postwar expansion of the Coast Guard many new opportunities will be open for men enlisting at this time. All applicants must be in good physical condition and have completed two years of high school.

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Hollywood Talent For Union Show On Saturday

Hollywood talent has been drawn on for the program of the reconstruction rally in which the Shipbuilding Workers union (CIO) is presenting its economic program to the public at Wilmington Bowl next Saturday, Nov. 3, at 10 a.m.

The rally is open to the public and is to be completed by noon. Speakers will include George H. Moore, President of the Los Angeles city council; George B. Roberts, regional director of the CIO Political Action Committee; Herb Sorrell, leader of the AFL film unions strike; and William Smith, West Coast regional director of the Shipbuilding Workers union.

Averil Berman, radio commentator sponsored by CIO and AFL unions, is also on the program.

HONORABLE DISCHARGE

S/Sgt. Frank E. Perkin, Army Photographer, is expected here this week for discharge following three years service and 18 months overseas duty.



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