Forty-Two Applicants For Parade Of Tournament Of Roses New Year's

Forty-two signed applications for participation in the coming New Year's Tournament of Roses Parade, have ben received to date, by the Tournament's Parade Committee, President Charles A. Strutt announced today.

Among these entries is the Republic of Mexico who will transport their flowers by air to California and construct their float here. Alex Buelna, chief of the Mexican Government Tourist Department, has announced that their float will be presided over by Margaret O'Brien, child film star.

The City of San Diego who will be remembered for their beautiful float depicting the Cruiser San Diego in flowers, will be in the parade New Year's Day and their theme will be "Winged Victory."

South Gate is well under way with plans for their float. They have selected as their float theme "Queen of the Dawn of Peace." The South Gate High School in conjunction with their Chamber of Commerce is in the process of selecting a queen and attendants from the student body to ride on their float.

This year's Tournament Theme will be "Victory, Unity and Peace" and in keeping with this theme, the different entrants are planning and building around the subject. In addition to the forty-two entries received so far there is a large number of communities who have decided to enter but are holding their entry blanks pending completion of plans for their floats.

Some of the latest entries to arrive are, Aeronautical District 727, Lockheed Lodge; County of Los Angeles; Monterey Park; County and City of San Francisco and the City of San Pedro.

Special Turkey Dinner Today At Hospital

Torrance Army hospital will dine on turkey with all the trimmings today, as the 86 officers and 93 enlisted personnel and many patients sit down to the third Thanksgiving day mess at the hospital.

Lt. Bertha Ashley, hospital dietitian, and Lt. William Jones, director of dietetics, have prepared the following menu for the day: Orange fruit cup, pickles, olives, celery curls, roast stuffed turkey, cranberry sauce, giblet gravy, whipped potatoes, frozen peas, lettuce hearts, French dressing, assorted ice cream, cookies, coffee, fruit and mixed nuts.

Col. Guy A. Owsley, MC, is commanding officer of the hospital, and he this week announced that his executive officer, Orne D. Smith, had been promoted from captain to major.

Aluminum Plants And Plancor Bldg. Listed

Two aluminum plants and the Plancor building of National Supply Co. are the only Torrance properties which are listed by the Reconstruction Finance Corp. surplus property division as for sale, according to a catalog just released by the Los Angeles RFC office.

The aluminum plants are the aluminum reduction unit which was operated by Aluminum Co. of America and the extruded shapes unit which was operated by Bohn Aluminum & Brass Co.

Brochures of every Southern California industrial plant now offered for sale are included in the catalog which is on file at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce office, 1345 El Prado.

The catalog has been prepared in order to expedite the conversion of these plants to peacetime production and thus maintain high levels of employment, according to H. C. Haight, manager of the RFC office.

Complete descriptions of the plants are available as well as engineering reports, architectural drawings and other pertinent data.

The National Supply Plancor building was constructed by the government as an addition to the main plant, which is not for sale, to handle airplane parts made by National. It covers 57,000 square feet of floor area, and it is the only "surplus property" actually in Torrance which is for sale. The aluminum plants are outside the city limits.

Scabies Is Topic Of County Health Officer

H. O. Swartout, M. D., Dr. P. H. Los Angeles County Health Officer

Scabies, commonly called the itch, is caused by a tiny parasite, or mite, yellowish-white in color and barely large enough to be seen without a magnifier. The female burrows into the skin to lay its eggs.

An itch mite's burrow looks like a tiny ridge with a fine grayish line running along its center. It may be from an eighth of an inch to a full inch in length. There are cases of scabies, however, especially those in which the skin has been severely scratched, in which it is difficult to find a single burrow without the aid of a reading glass.

The presence of the parasites in the skin causes intense itching. The mites seem to prefer the tenderest areas of skin—the webs between the fingers being one example of such an area.

Severe inflammation and the development of pimples, pustules, and crusts may come as the result of scratching. The disease may be fully developed within two weeks, as the eggs hatch in six days and the parasites grow very rapidly. Scabies is caught by close body contact with somebody who has it, or by occupying an infested bed or wearing infested clothing.

D. C. BELSHE IN COLORADO

Dale C. Belshe, son of Mrs. George Walker, 21523 Denker ave. is enrolled this fall in the largest freshman class in the 82 years history of the University of Denver. New students this fall numbered 1161, according to reports.

A lighthouse sounds no drum, it beats no gong; yet far over the waters, its friendly light is seen by the mariner.
—T. L. Cuyler

AT LEGION MEETING HERE . . . More than 300 members of the American Legion from the 19th District met in Civic Auditorium last Nov. 14, for the commanders and adjutants dinner. Among those present were the above, left to right, Past Commander Lester Fix, of Bert S. Crossland Post No. 170; District Commander Richard Y. O'Shaughnessy; Tom B. Clark, World War II veteran who is candidate for Congress from the 17th District, and Commander James Brodie, of the Torrance post. (Torrance Herald photo).

Increased Need For Gray Ladies Results In Call

Increasing need for Red Cross Gray Ladies to serve at the Army hospital in Torrance today prompted a recruitment drive for volunteers here and in adjacent harbor communities.

The campaign for "at least" 25 recruits will be launched in Torrance, Compton, Lomita, Hawthorne, Gardena, Hermosa, Redondo, Manhattan Beach and El Segundo, it was announced by Mrs. Catherine Laughren, chairman, Los Angeles Red Cross chapter's Gray Lady Corps.

Tuesday, Nov. 20, has been set as final date for interview appointments. Headquarters for recruitment have been established at the Torrance Red Cross offices, 1345 El Prado, phone Torrance 1524.

A short training course will be conducted at the Port of Embarkation hospital for those women qualifying. Volunteers are asked to give one day per week to this assignment, with a special need prevailing for those who can accept Saturday duties.

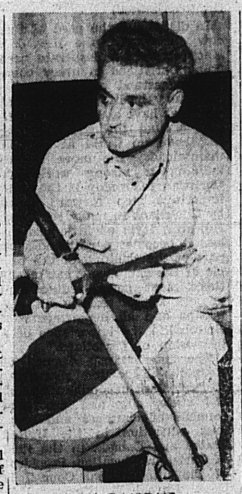
Jury Acquits Couple Of Charge

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Weilep were acquitted by a jury in City Judge John Shidler's court on disturbing the peace and battery charges brought by Mr. and Mrs. A. Schatz last Oct. 26.

Mrs. Schatz had charged that Mrs. Weilep had inflicted injuries upon her during a two-family argument and that Walter Weilep had encouraged his wife to attack her further. Both families occupy homes upon the same property located in the 2300 block on W. 235th st.

BETTER FED CHINA

"If along with chemical fertilizers, Chinese farmers use improved strains and institute better pest control, disease control, and crop rotation, then China can expect a total increase in yield of 50 percent! That would mean that it could feed half again as many peoples as it now supports—or 250 million. Add that to its present 500 million and you see how I arrive at the figure of 750 million—the number I venture to say China can some day feed."—H. L. Richardson, recently agricultural advisor to the Chinese Government.



DOMINGUEZ HOME . . . With trophies of the war, Ralph Dominguez, Torrance grocer, is back home with a discharge and ready to re-engage in business. He is shown above with Nazi rifle, bayonet and flag. (Torrance Herald photo)

New Modern Store For Women Opens

Femininity of Torrance and Lomita are in for a real thrill Friday when Benson's open at 10:00 a.m. with a complete line of women's ready to wear and costume jewelry.

The store, one of the 15 owned by Louis Benson, will be the most up-to-date dress shop of all his stores located in Los Angeles, West Los Angeles, Wilshire blvd., Burbank, Long Beach and San Diego, it was announced.

The building, located at 1273 Sartori ave. was remodeled at heavy cost and will stock only the best in merchandise, Benson said.

Upward to 10 employees will be used during the Chrsitmas season and a union shop will be maintained, it was reported.

Miss Esther Strick has been announced as the manager of the Torrance store.

HOW FAST? HOW HIGH?

"Though we may never want to go 100,000 miles an hour or fly 100 miles above the earth, I soberly believe that we shall some day do both if we need or desire to."—Hall L. Hibbard, chief engineer of Lockheed Aircraft Corporation.

Ralph Dominguez Home; Will Take Over Old Business

Ralph Dominguez, well known in Torrance where he operated the D & D grocery 1639 Carson st., has been discharged from the Army Medical Corps and now plans to reenter the grocery business about Dec. 17 at the same address.

Dominguez spent 12 months overseas where he served as a Medical Corpsman in both France and Germany. Ralph was persuaded to reveal many interesting pictures and souvenirs taken in Germany. He also told of some near misses to his person during the heat of battle.

Among his awards are, Combat Medical Badge, 2 combat stars and the E. T. O. ribbon.

Ralph reported that he was in the thick of things 10 days after arriving in England and from there on to Germany it was a rough deal. The day armistice was declared he was in Shorndorf, Germany and to quote him: "That, and returning home, was the two most happy days of my life."

Unemployment Insurance Not Relief Measure

"Unemployment insurance is not a relief program, and when it does become one, the first step you men should take is to throw it out."

Thus advised Ralph J. Wade, field representative of the California Department of Employment, in speaking before the Torrance Lions club Tuesday noon in the Civic Auditorium.

Wade said that the workers of California have $730,000,000 invested in the unemployment insurance fund just to protect that one thing. When unemployment relief ceases to be an "insurance" matter and becomes one of relief, then the purpose of the plan has failed, Wade said.

He was introduced by Kenneth Bradley, manager of the Torrance office of the United States Employment Service, program chairman for the day.

Also guests for the day were members of the Torrance varsity football squad, 31 of them.

Also present were Coach Winfield and Principal Harold Perry.

This was the first annual "football banquet" of the Torrance Lions club, it was announced, and next year it will be done in a bigger way, according to R. I. Plomert Jr., Lions "tail-twister" who arranged the affair as chairman of the boys and girls work committee.

Charles R. Mays, automobile lubrication man at 1328 Cabrillo ave., was installed as a member of the club by President Harry B. Lewis.

WHAT IS A SUCKER?

Definition of a Sucker—A man who thinks he still can do 60 miles an hour safely on seven-year old tires.

CITY WILL INVESTIGATE PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH MILITARY ACADEMY HERE

Possibility of Torrance being considered as a site for either a United States military or naval academy, or as a branch Navy "refresher" school, depends largely on the amount of momentum which is placed behind the movement at this time.

This was revealed yesterday by Mayor W. H. Tolson as he asked City Attorney J. E. McCall to check into the status of the Torrance brief filed almost a year ago with Congressman Cecil King suggesting Hollywood Riviera section of Torrance as a site for an academy.

"Little or nothing has been done to follow up the filing of this brief," Mayor Tolson said. "Few people here realize the value of such an institution to a community. Every other city is clamoring for an academy. We will see that Torrance's effort does not go unrecognized."

The Torrance brief was prepared by Harry B. Lewis, when he was secretary of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, and it was filed with Congressman King who commended the brief when he acknowledged receiving the instrument.

McCall is going to Washington to attend the National Institute of Municipal Law, Dec. 5 to 9. He will investigate the city's rights with regard to acquiring the Torrance army air field as a municipal airport.

The Navy is reported preparing a program for establishment of several schools at which line officers will receive "refresher" training. One of these may be at Monterey, Calif.

"Entirely separate from the question of what training program the Navy shall maintain and what schools are needed for the future, it is important that it shall recognize that the problems of defense on the Pacific are different from those in some other parts of the world," Senator Morse (R.-Ore.) said.

Rep. Jackson (D.-Wash.) called establishment of a school on the west coast a "step in the right direction," but said he felt that Annapolis should be made a post-graduate school and the basic training be given in selected standard colleges.

Rep. Outland (D.-Calif.) said he would be "more than happy" to see the new school established at Monterey but added regretfully he had been told by the Navy today that the Monterey selection and even the establishment of any additional naval school was not yet definite.

Rep. Anderson (R.-Calif.) said he was "delighted" to hear that Monterey was under consideration.

"Establishment of an academy on the Pacific coast," he said, "indicates recognition by the Navy of the importance of the Pacific defense."

RADAR TESTED IN 1938

Three years before Pearl Harbor, electronics engineers drew "beads" on airplanes soaring over the New Jersey coast in "proving ground" tests of radar. The radar set was calibrated by directing the invisible beam at the Empire State Building and other fixed targets in the New York City area.

Senior Play, 'Rear Car' Set for Nov. 30

SH! There's mystery in the air and in the "Rear Car," the latter being Charles E. Rose's stage hit which the Torrance high school senior class is producing under the direction of Miss Harriette Golden. The play is such a mystery that Miss Golden is pretty quiet on the whole thing—but she promises plenty of laughs and chills. Miss Golden was also heard saying that she had never directed a play with so many characters. Found among the characters are Dan Moon, Ramona Johnson, George Poh, Barbara Tossas, Frank Dominguez, Bill Rogers, Gerald Godard, Lucy De Gouch, George Border, Bill Dietlin, Ralph Prime and Bob Everts.

Think of the crowd in the rear car on Friday night, Nov. 30 when all these "actors" emote. We hope you'll be found in the audience. You can buy your tickets at the high school or at the Beacon Drug Co. 40c for general admission and 60c for reserved seats.

State Guard Troops Plan Maneuvers

Troops of the 2nd Battalion, 39th Regiment, California State Guard, will engage in overnight maneuvers this weekend, according to Capt. R. L. Lewellen, commander of Company H.

The men will move into the Army "village" on Rocky Point, bivouacking nearby and engaging in special operations during the night and the following day.

Major H. F. Thienhaus, battalion commander, will be in charge of maneuvers which will provide members of the various units of the battalion with training in the field identical with that given regular Army troops. They will sleep in pup tents and mess in the open.

With the exception of a ceremony to be given for Gen. Walter P. Story in Los Angeles Armory on Monday night, Dec. 3, this will be the last special maneuver for the State Guard troops this year.

However, considerable range work will be ordered, the adjutant general having directed that all men be given extra training in firing the 30 calibre pieces issued to the State Guard.

L. A. AIR FORCE

Los Angeles County which already has an air force (one plane), now hopes to acquire a motorized division (11 late model jeeps).