

# Red Cross and Volunteers Bring Joyful Christmas To Servicemen

Servicemen and women "on the long road" back to civilian life—those convalescing in military hospitals across the nation—enjoy a Merry Christmas, too, thanks to American Red Cross chapters with hard-working Camp and Hospital Service volunteers.

In and around Los Angeles, more than 60,000 individual Christmas gifts—many collected in this community—were gathered together for distribution Christmas Day in military and veterans' hospitals, as well as to debarking troops unloading at the Port of Embarkation.

Weeks ago, Red Cross directed gifts aboard outgoing ships so that Santa Claus could call on men "somewhere on the high seas" on Christmas Eve.

Under the direction of Mrs. Lemeul E. Bancroft, chairman, Yule gift project for the Los Angeles chapter's Camp and Hospital Service, several organizations, clubs and groups channeled their Christmas gifts through Red Cross to avoid duplication and to save time and effort.

An 11th hour request from the Port of Embarkation was filled this week whereby every man and woman coming down the gangplanks of incoming boats Dec. 23 through Dec. 26 would receive a gift. This was made possible by an oversubscription of the minimum of 57,000 gifts sought when the drive opened in October.

Special Christmas parties—23 of them in a five-day span—arranged by Red Cross were staged in wards and hospital auditoriums this week. These parties also were planned by the Camp and Hospital Services of the Los Angeles Red Cross chapter.

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Lt. and Mrs. James W. Dowell and their three-months-old daughter, Diana, (left, recently for Charleston, S.C., where he will be stationed for several months.

**DWELLINGS**

Permits for the construction of one-story dwellings continued as by far the largest element in building permits issued in this county during November, \$3, 425,677.

**JURY AWARDS \$5350**

Four property owners who brought a \$100,000 damage suit against Lockheed Air Terminal at Burbank were awarded \$5350 today by a jury in the court of Superior Judge Harry R. Archbald.

In a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.

—St. Paul (II Timothy 2:20)

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## USDA Notes Upturn In Fat Collections

The collection of household fats in Southern California for November showed a slight improvement, over figures for the immediately preceding two months. This announcement was made by Marvin A. Sloan, district representative of the Production and Marketing Administration of the U. S. Department of Agriculture; however, the need for increasing amounts of these fats is critically important at this time. Sloan states that "many manufacturing industries had to depend on salvaged household fats during wartime while imports from the Pacific Area were cut off. It will take time to revive these imports. In the meantime, the need for saving fats and oils for the manufacture of soap and countless other industrial uses, which include synthetic tires, nylon and pharmaceuticals, is as great as ever."

California collections have followed the national pattern of decline for several months and the incentive of four ration points per pound is missing. Housewives still will receive four cents for each pound saved and turned in.

Torrance housewives turned in 1235 pounds, or 96 per cent of quota, the U. S. Department of Agriculture report showed.

Lomita turned in 1095, or 65 per cent of the quota, and Harbor City 156 pounds, or 48 per cent of its quota.

**Lower Prices For Men's, Boys' Shorts, Pajamas.**

The buying public will pay on the average about 5 per cent less for men's and boys' shirts, shorts and pajamas as a result of a new regulation reducing manufacturers' margins for these goods, Paul Barksdale, O'RR, Southland OPA district director, said today.

The new regulation, effective Jan. 1, 1946, is designed to halt the inflation in manufacturers' prices, to restore as nearly as possible the 1942 level of prices, and to place prices in their proper relationships as regards type of garment and class of purchaser. It does this, Director O'RR explained, by setting up a more precise method of figuring ceiling prices.

A child of God should be a visible beatitude for joy and happiness, and a living doxology for gratitude and adoration.

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Dr. Charles Celier of France (right), professor at Ecole Libre des Sciences Politiques and International Scout Commissioner is greeted by John Henry Russell, chairman of organization and extension of the Los Angeles Area Council. Dr. Celier is making a tour of the United States to study the program of the Boy Scouts of America which will help rebuild Scouting in France. Dr. Celier extended an invitation to all Scouts of this area to attend the World Jamboree to be held in France in 1947.

## Southern Pacific Haul Hits Peak As Getting GIs Home No. 1 Problem

Getting the boys back home has developed the biggest railroad passenger job in history and as 1945 draws to a close Southern Pacific's passenger traffic is running about six times the pre-war passenger miles, President A. T. Merceier said today in his year-end comment on the company's activities.

"Until the homecoming movement of veterans is completed," he declared, "it will continue to have first attention."

While the freight traffic eased off with the decline in military shipments, Southern Pacific has been carrying more Army and Navy personnel since V-J Day than at any time during the actual conflict. Exceeding official estimates furnished the carriers, the return of service men here in volume through October and November and built up to a peak in December. Without having been able to build any new passenger cars since before the war due to lack of priorities, and having received only about 1200 troop sleepers from government, the railroad has been called upon to handle about 35 per cent of all organized troop movements.

Southern Pacific's manpower shortage continues, it was stated. More than 5000 men are now needed on the company's Pacific lines alone.

With its physical plant ever greater capacity than before, as a result of wartime expansions, Southern Pacific has an aggressive postwar program to serve the needs of business and agriculture for further development of the West, the railroad president said. Orders for nearly \$24,000,000 worth of new freight cars and rail were placed by the company in the closing months of 1945.

In the passenger traffic field, the company has plans for new streamlined coaches and sleeping cars to enlarge upon and improve the de luxe services now provided by its famous "Day-lights," "Sunbeams," "Larks" and "City of San Francisco" trains. These additions to equipment will represent the latest advances in car design and styling. They will be announced only as they are actually ordered from manufacturers, it was stated, this in turn depending on con-

**MAJ. BOYLE TALKS TO CUBS**

Cub Pack 228 C, sponsored by the Methodist Church, will hear Major Pat Boyle, who recently returned from the European battlefield. The meeting will be held this Friday night, Dec. 28, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., at the Methodist Church.

Remember, whatever warrant you have for praying, you have the same warrant to believe your prayers will be answered.

**CAMERA CLUB**

The Torrance Camera Club reports a meeting scheduled for Jan. 1, has been changed to Jan. 8, 7:30 p.m. The club announced their subject for club members will be glassware photography.

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**OFFICIAL BULLETIN**

### CIVIL SERVICE

OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS CITY OF TORRANCE

The Civil Service Commission of the County of Los Angeles will hold examinations for the City of Torrance, for the following positions:

- \*Mechanic
- \*Bus Driver
- \*Bus Garage Foreman
- \*Bus Attendant
- \*Laborer
- \*Park Maintenance Man
- \*Fireman (Fire Dept.)
- \*Patrolman (Police Dept.)
- \*Accountant

\*The one-year residence and City citizenship requirements are waived in the case of Mechanic and Bus Driver in this examination. However, candidates must reside in the County of Los Angeles at the time of filing applications. Residence in the City of Torrance will be required at the end of the present emergency. All other candidates must, at the date of filing applications, be bona fide residents of the City of Torrance, for at least one year immediately preceding the date of filing applications and must be qualified electors of the City of Torrance.

All candidates must be citizens of the United States.

APPLICATIONS MAY BE SECURED, ACKNOWLEDGED AND FILED at the Office of the PERSONNEL CLERK, Room 2, City Hall, Torrance, Calif.

**Last Day for Filing Applications, Wednesday, January 9, 1946, at 5 P.M.**

Date and Place of Examination Will Be Announced Later.

**NEW ASSIGNMENT**

Edward A. Dietlin, seaman, 1/c, left Tuesday following 30 days leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Dietlin, here. Serving aboard a minesweeper for the past seven months, he will be re-assigned. He has two years' overseas service to his credit.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Planning Commission of the City of Torrance, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, Torrance, California, at 8:00 o'clock p.m. Tuesday, January 15, 1946, to consider the following proposed changes and amendments to Land Use Ordinance No. 316:

1. Amend Section 4, sub-section "A," paragraph 5, to read as follows:

"Airports and emergency landing fields, but not including commercial establishments not absolutely essential to such operations; riding academies; way-stations for passenger transport facilities."

2. Amend Section 4, sub-section "D," paragraph 2, to read as follows:

"Buildings and structures, other than dwellings and accessory buildings incidental to such dwellings, shall be not less than fifty (50) feet from a property line of any street or highway, public park or school property, or any area in the R-1, R-2 or R-3 districts, upon which the property adjoins in any direction."

3. Amend Section 5, sub-section "A," paragraph 2, to read as follows:

"Accessory buildings and uses incidental to each single-family dwelling, when placed upon the same lot or parcel of land and not used or operated commercially, including: private garage for the accommodation of not more than three (3) automobiles; not to exceed thirty-six (36) chickens, or twelve (12) rabbits, or a combined total of thirty-six (36) rabbits and chickens on any single premises, twenty (20) feet or more from any door, window, or other opening of any dwelling; not to exceed two (2) grown domesticated cats, and/or two (2) grown domesticated dogs, on any single premises; provided that no person shall keep or feed any roosters, game cocks, geese, ducks or any other fowl capable of disturbing noises; children's playhouse, lath-house or greenhouse; tool shed; work shop; servants' quarters or guest rooms, provided no kitchen or kitchen facilities are included therein."

4. Amend Section 5, sub-section "E," to read as follows:

"E. SIDE YARD REQUIREMENT:

(1) There shall be side yards, the width of each to be ten (10) per cent of the minimum width of the lot, but in no case shall each such side yard be less than three (3) feet in width or be required to be more than five (5) feet in width; except that on corner lots the required side yard adjoining the side street shall be not less than ten (10) feet in width."

(2) Accessory buildings located in an R-1 zone only, and not adjacent to an R-2 or R-3 zone, and located more than seventy-five (75) feet from the front property line, may have an interior side yard of less than that required in sub-section "E," paragraph 1, above.

5. Amend Section 5, sub-section "G," to read as follows:

"G. DISTANCE BETWEEN BUILDINGS:

No dwelling shall be less than twenty-five (25) feet from the rear of and ten (10) feet from the side of any other dwelling on the same building site."

6. Amend Section 6, sub-section "E," to read as follows:

"E. SIDE YARD REQUIREMENT:

There shall be side yards, the width of each to be ten (10) per cent of the minimum width of the lot, but in no case shall each such side yard be less than three (3) feet in width or be required to be more than five (5) feet in width; except that on corner lots the required side yard adjoining the side street shall be not less than ten (10) feet in width."

7. Amend Section 6, sub-section "G," to read as follows:

"G. DISTANCE BETWEEN BUILDINGS:

No detached dwelling, or other main building, shall be less than twenty (20) feet from the rear of and ten (10) feet from the side of any other detached dwelling or main building on the same building site."

8. Amend Section 7, sub-section "E," to read as follows:

"E. SIDE YARD REQUIREMENT:

There shall be side yards, the width of each to be ten (10) per cent of the minimum width of the lot, but in no case shall each such side yard be less than three (3) feet in width or be required to be more than five (5) feet in width; except that on corner lots, the required side yard adjoining the side street shall be not less than ten (10) feet in width."

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10. Amend Section 8, sub-section "A," paragraph 5, to read as follows:

"Trade service establishments, including: cleaning and dyeing; hand laundries; shops for minor repairs of batteries, bicycles, guns, shoes, tires, typewriters, watches and jewelry, and other mechanisms; shops for interior decorators, painters, paperhangers, tanners and electricians; plumbers, addressing and mailing; advertising and distributing; multi-graphing, printing and photography; labelling and photographing; filling and parking stations; but not including automobile washing, painting or repairing, except that one single wash rack operated incidental to an automobile filling station may be permitted."

11. Amend Section 8, sub-section "A," paragraph 8, to read as follows:

"Retail stores, including department stores, restaurants and cafes, but not including second-hand establishments, lumber yards, junk dealers, auto-wrecking, or any business where the materials sold are not housed within a building; except that automobile sales and parking lots may be permitted, if the entire space is improved and maintained with an approved, permanent surfacing material, so as to prevent dust."

12. Amend Section 8, sub-section "D," to read as follows:

"D. FRONT YARD REQUIREMENT:

None, except that any residence, other than an apartment house, shall have a front yard of not less than twenty (20) feet in depth."

13. Amend Section 8, sub-section "F," to read as follows:

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15. Amend Section 9, sub-section "A," paragraph 2, to read as follows:

"Any business or establishment of a general retail, wholesale or service type, if housed within a building, or if the entire space is improved and maintained with an approved, permanent surfacing material so as to prevent dust, but not including the following: auto-wrecking establishments; boxing and wrestling arenas; hospitals for the treatment of mental or communicable disease or veterinary hospitals; junk dealers; salvage yards; shooting galleries; trailer coach camps."

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20. Amend Section 11, sub-section "A," paragraph 1, sub-paragraph (6), to read as follows:

"Refuse dumps, livestock feed yards, rock crushers, brick-yards, quarries, clay or gravel pits, junk dealers, salvage yards, auto-wrecking establishments, and trailer camps."

21. Amend Section 12, sub-section "D," paragraph 1, sub-paragraph "a," to read as follows:

"Outside stairways, porches, balconies, or landing places, if enclosed on three (3) sides, may extend into the required side yard for a distance not to exceed three (3) feet and/or into the required rear yard or front yard for a distance not to exceed four (4) feet."

22. Amend Section 12, sub-section "D," paragraph 1, sub-paragraph "c," to read as follows:

"A detached accessory building, not exceeding twelve (12) feet in height, may be permitted to occupy a required rear yard, provided that it shall not be less than five (5) feet from the rear line of the lot and that not more than one-third (1/3) of the total area of such required rear yard shall be so occupied; except that walls of accessory buildings, if of not less than plastered construction, may be built to the alley line, but not including walls containing main garage entrances."

23. Amend Section 12, sub-section "E," to read as follows:

"E. ACCESSORY BUILDINGS:

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24. Amend Section 12, sub-section "F," to read as follows:

"F. PROVISION FOR STORAGE OF AUTOMOBILES:

In connection with each lot or parcel of land classified in the R-2, R-3, C-1 and C-2 Districts, and used for a duplex dwelling, apartment house, bungalow court or any other multiple family use of a lot or parcel of land, there shall be provided a private garage, located on the same lot or parcel of land, with a storage capacity for not less than one car for each single-family unit, nor more than three cars for each two single-family units. A net space eight (8) feet in width, eighteen (18) feet in depth, and seven (7) feet in height, shall be considered the minimum space necessary for each required garage, and all such required spaces shall be easily accessible to automobiles."

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along the exterior side line of a corner lot, but not beyond a point forty (40) feet from the front lot line, and shall not exceed thirty (30) inches in height beyond the front building setback line."

26. Amend Section 12, by adding sub-section "H," to read as follows:

"H. EXPOSED EXTERIOR WALLS:

All walls of all commercial and industrial building facing or abutting on residential property shall be plastered, or otherwise covered with an approved exterior finish material, and shall be maintained thereafter in a condition throughout the life of the building."

27. Amend Section 15, sub-section "C," to read as follows:

"The City Council after receipt of report and recommendation from the Planning Commission, shall hold a final hearing thereon, duly advertised as required by law. A uniform fee of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars shall be paid to the City upon the filing of each such petition or request for change, to cover the cost of making maps, sending out notices and other incidental administrative expenses involved."

The purpose of the above recommended changes is to more clearly interpret certain regulations in the present Land Use Ordinance No. 316, and to remove unnecessary hardships which are being caused by enforcement of present restrictions. Additional suggestions or recommended changes may be presented and considered at this hearing by any interested party.

All interested persons are requested to be present at this hearing or to submit their written approval or disapproval to the City Engineer, City Hall, Torrance.

**TORRANCE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION**

Tom F. McGuire, Chairman

Dec. 27.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Planning Commission of the City of Torrance, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, at 8:00 o'clock p.m., on Tuesday, January 15, 1946, for the following purpose:

(1) To consider the Petition of K. P. Clausen for a variance from Land Use Ordinance No. 316, to permit the use of the present building located on Lot 2, Tract No. 8198, situated at 18181 Western Avenue, as a tractor and implement repair shop. This property is now zoned in a C-1 (Retail Commercial) Zone, which prohibits such use.

(2) To consider the Petition of the Pueblo Land Company, Inc. for a variance from Land Use Ordinance No. 316, to permit the use of the existing building, located on Lot 1, Tract No. 4956, situated at 316 Arlington Avenue, as an aluminum and metal foundry, and to construct an addition thereto, extending onto Lot 2, Tract No. 4956. This property is now zoned in an R-3 (Multiple-family Residential) Zone.

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Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Planning Commission of the City of Torrance, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, at 8:00 o'clock p.m., on Tuesday, January 15, 1946, for the following purpose:

(1) To consider the Petition of K. P. Clausen for a variance from Land Use Ordinance No. 316, to permit the use of the present building located on Lot 2, Tract No. 8198, situated at 18181 Western Avenue, as a tractor and implement repair shop. This property is now zoned in a C-1 (Retail Commercial) Zone, which prohibits such use.

(2) To consider the Petition of the Pueblo Land Company, Inc. for a variance from Land Use Ordinance No. 316, to permit the use of the existing building, located on Lot 1, Tract No. 4956, situated at 316 Arlington Avenue, as an aluminum and metal foundry, and to construct an addition thereto, extending onto Lot 2, Tract No. 4956. This property is now zoned in an R-3 (Multiple-family Residential) Zone.

All interested persons are requested to be present at this hearing, or to submit their written approval or disapproval to the City Engineer's office, City Hall.

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