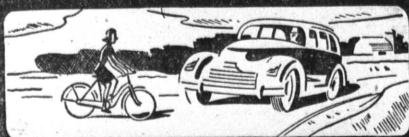


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August 21, 1947 TORRANCE HERALD

## Building Of Homes Still No. 1 Need Of Metropolitan Dist., Says Survey

The Metropolitan District still is trapped in a housing vacuum more serious than any other section of the country despite the fact that the number of dwelling units has increased about 281,000 since 1940, the U. S. Census Bureau reports.

As the result of a sample survey taken in the district during April and May, the Bureau estimated that the total number of dwelling units has swelled to 1,830,000 in 1947.

This represents a 28 percent increase since 1940, but the increase in dwellings has made no apparent headway in the battle against the housing shortage. Rents are up and the degree of overcrowding has not abated.

The area's housing shoe is pinching more than ever as the Bureau estimated that of the total number of dwelling units only about one-tenth of 1 percent were habitable vacant units offered for rent and seven-tenths of 1 percent were habitable vacant units offered for sale only.

The total habitable vacancy rate was estimated at approximately 2.3 percent. In addition to these vacant units, three-tenths of 1 percent were vacant as seasonal units.

The median monthly rent of tenant-occupied dwellings in the

district increased from \$27 in 1940 to about \$35 in 1947, with approximately 36,000 of the units renting for less than \$20 as compared with 135,000 units which rented for less than \$20 in 1940.

In 1947 about 194,000 units rented for less than \$30, as compared with 325,000 such units in 1940. About 95,000 units rented for \$50 or more a month in 1947 as compared with 42,000 in 1940.

The Bureau defined the Los Angeles Metropolitan district as Los Angeles city proper, the San Fernando Valley, then east to Ontario, south from Ontario to Newport Beach in Orange County and northwest along the Pacific Ocean from Newport to a point above Santa Monica.

Included in the sample canvass were Glendale, Alhambra, Burbank, Beverly Hills, Culver City, Gardena, Hermosa, Manhattan and Redondo beaches, Torrance, Lomita, Pasadena, Long Beach, San Pedro, the San Gabriel Valley, Venice and Wilmington.

In 1947 homes occupied by their owners represented about 53 percent of all ordinary occupied dwelling units, as compared with 40 percent in 1940, while tenant-occupied dwelling units decreased from 60 percent in 1940 to 47 percent in 1947.

## Harold S. Orner Assistant To S.P. Traffic Manager

Appointment of Harold S. Orner as assistant to Passenger Traffic Manager George B. Hanson of the Southern Pacific Co. at Los Angeles was announced here today.

James G. Shea, traveling passenger agent at Palm Springs, succeeds Orner as assistant district passenger agent at San Diego.

Charles R. Lewis advances from secretary to special assistant, passenger traffic department at Los Angeles.

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## "Public Notices"

ORDINANCE NO. 393  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, FIXING THE TAX RATES AND LEVYING TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1947.

SECTION 1. That for the purpose of raising the sum of money necessary to be raised by taxation upon the taxable property of said City of Torrance as a revenue to carry on the various departments of said City for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1947, the rates of taxes for the different portions of the City of Torrance are hereby fixed and taxes are hereby levied on all taxable property in the different portions of the City for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1947, in the number of cents upon each One Hundred Dollars of the assessed value of said property as assessed by the County Assessor and equalized by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles.

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