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Food for Thought

Californians may not realize it, but the Federal govrnment has taken over a huge part of the state where they live.

The Federal government owns about 46 per cent of California's land area. It owns 60,442 buildings. Military installations number 208, more than in any of the other

The Central Valley Project is the largest Federallycontrolled water system in the country. Then there are such "minor" details as hundreds of millions of dollars worth of Federally-built reclamation and irrigation projects and harbor installations.

Some Federal activities with a state are obviously ecessary-but are so many necessary? Time and again it has been proven that private industry, and state and local governments, can handle many, many present Federal ac-tivities cheaper, and with more freedom for the people of a state because of fewer restrictions.

A Major Victory

The plea of Torrance area cities for an acceleration of the freeway building program in this part of the county has gained a major objective: representatives of the Inter-City Highway Committee have been granted one-half hour before the State Highway Commission on March 27 to tell their story.

The story they have to tell is a real one-it is a story of millions of dollars paid by motorists in this area in gaso-line taxes through the years and the return of nothing in freeway construction.

That story, with the documents to make it authentic, will be taken to Sacramento by representatives of Torrance, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes, Hermosa Beach, and El Segundo.

Councilman Nick Drale will head the official delegation, and he is being joined by other representatives fro the six cities and at least one representative of County Supervisor Burton W. Chace.

The Torrance Chamber of Commerce has backed the Inter-City Highway Committee in its efforts to bring about an acceleration in the freeway construction program as it. affects the great southwest section of the County. Two major freeways, the San Diego and the Harbor, are projected into the area, but no definite plans on construction have been announced.

Now is the time for other Torrance area groups to indicate their support of the program.

Opinions of Others THE LESSON OF BAYONNE

The reckless habit of piling taxes on corporate industries doesn't always work.

It didn't two years ago, when the Tidewater Oil Co, noved out of Bayonne, N. J., because of an increasing tax load that it considered unjustified.

Now Bayonne, a town of 81,500, has experienced another lesson. The Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey has a large refinery there. Within recent weeks, the municipality has been threatening to raise the company's already heavy has been threatening to raise the company's already neavy taxes by another \$400,000 a year, Whereupon, the com-pany's newly-hamed manager, Dr. David F. Edwards, de-scribed as being "mild-mannered," showed that he could also be otherwise,

Also be otherwise. On New Year's Day, he sent the city an ultimatum. If must give up any idea of a tax increase, and instead cut its operating budget by 10 per cent within two weeks. If the municipality did not respond, then said Edwards, the company would cancel its \$2 million modernization pro-gram at its plant—and likely move out altogether. The Standard plant pays one-fourth of Bayonne's tax bill, and also contributes a \$1 million monthly payroll for its 1800 workers. Said Edwards: "If we pull out and shift the tax load to other industries, a number of these will also pull out. The city would go bankrupt."

A session of frantic hand-wringing by city officials and agitated citizens thereupon ensued. Time magazine re-ports. The upshot of it all was that the city toed a new expense mark. Its commissioners agreed to a new budget of \$7.2 million, a drop of \$12 million below the proposed 1937 figures. To accomplish this result, the municipality effected such savings as dropping plans to raise the pay of its 1084 city employes, ordered policemen and firemen to buy their own uniforms, decided not to full vacancies in many jobs, and fired 44 municipal employes. Among these was the mayor's brother, who served as "bus supervisor."

was the mayor's brother, who served as "hus supervisor." While the Standard company presumably will stay at Bayonne under these new conditions, the municipality will not eat so high on the hog hereafter. Moreover, a valuable moral has been established. We have been hearing during these days of sky-high taxes and unbridled inflationary practices that the result eventually would be to kill the goose that lays the golden egg. In this recent Bayonne case, the goose has refused to stay around and be killed. The Bayonne example is bound to exert a powerful timulus elsewhere. But it may have to be repeated in numerous instances before the hog-wild spenders fully learn their hard lesson.—El Dorado (Kans.) Times.

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By ANN LANDERS

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this door-to-door selling busi-ness. Next year I should av-erage \$180 a week. I'm in my early 20's and unmarried. If I could do this I'm sure many other young fellows can, too. —A Happy Salesman.

Dear Ann: I am a girl 14 and my problem is as im-portant as some the adults bring to you. My mother is very strict and she caught me sneaking out to see the opposite sex. This certain boy that I've for me. He vern quit his night job so we could be together met him because I know they would say he's too old and scare him away for good. Ast night I was ca ug ht mething in the back door and both my parents we re withing with fire in their eyes. The boy beat it and I mother grarets led uut and my parent beore he lie eve we helong to my girl friend. You can see they don't trust we helong to my girl friend.

me. What am I to do? I'd leave home but I wouldn't get very far. Now I can't have a date or tak on the phone. Everyone is against me and I feel like a prisoner. Please help me.—L.S.G.

How can you expect your parents to trust you whe an you've been ducking out the back door, carrying cigarets for your girl friend (a likely story) and sneaking around with a boy they've never met? This kind of behavior doesn't inspire much confi-dence.

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(Ann Landers will be happy to help you with your problems. Send them to her in are of the HERALD and enclose a stamped, self-ad-dressid arryrops. (C) 1957, Field Enterprises, Inc.

<text><text><text> * home. One year later, two by two they come home again. Remember Freddy Martin's Remember Freddy Martin's tiny saxophone? Well, Freddy is mourning quietly at the Cocoanut Grove because some wretch stole his miniature brass instrument. Now, the orchestra is under-saxed. Question and Answer De-partment: "Dear Mr. Glazer. I very often find myself in hot water. What should I do?" Answer: You might just as well make the best of the situation and take a bath.

* * * Did you know that money actually changes your appear-ance? For example, get rich quickly and then notice how many of your friends, who forgot what you look like, uddenly start to recognize you again. This KNX radio show: "Women claim their initiation is remarkable. They you store: * * * ☆ ☆ ☆
Following World War I and the defeat of Turkey, Egypt in 1922 won her indepen-dence from Turkish rule with the support of Britain. When Mussolini invaded Ethiopia in 1936, Egypt cooperated with Britain in permitting troops and airfields on her soll. Egypt remained neutral in World War II, but allowed Britain to use Egyptian bases for communications and torop movements.
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By the end of World War II Egypt was well on her way as a sovereign nation and after several negotiations with Britain, it was agreed

The Old Timer

ate: Duh spring has sprung, duh grass has ris, I wonder where de flowers is. De little boid is on duh wing. Ain't dat absoid? I t'ought duh wing Was on duh boid. Love, just love Gene Sher-man's classified ad of the week: "For sale. Beautiful view lot in hills overlooking nudist colony. Must sacrifice due to failing eyesight."

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stop the noise in to let her drive!"

AFTER HOURS

By JOHN MORLEY

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My Neighbors

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One day back in 1854, a French engineer by the name of Ferdinand de Lesseps con-vinced the Sultan of Turkey, Suzerain, and his puppet who ruled Egypt, that he could build a canal joining the Red Sea to the Mediterranean. He then sold the idea to the French government to fi-nance the project.

nance the project. Work on the Suez Canal began in 1859 and was com-pleted some ten years late. Ferdinand de Lesseps was given the original concession by Turkey in behalf of Egypt in 1854 to run until 1968, after which the Suez Canal yould rever to the Egyptian government. The canal opened for business in 1869. * * *

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★ ★ ★ . Distribution of the original stock changed hands several times since 1888 because of the fall of Turkey after World War I. As of Naiser's seizure last fall, the canal stock was divided as follows: France controlled 52 per cent, Brit-ain 44 per cent, and the bal-private interests in the U. S. and Holland. So for all practical pur-

and Holland. So for all practical pur-poses the Suez Canal com-pany was and is controlled by France, with the operating control having been located in Paris. Ownership of the eanal provided no preferen-tial treatment for its use. Transit dues were established in accordance with tonnage in accordance with tonnage of about \$1 a ton, equally assessed to ships of all reg-istry.

Ships up to 45,000 tons can pass through the canal to a maximum depth of 42 feet. that by 1954 Britain would turn over the former British bases in Suez to the Egyptian government. Egypt also maximum deput of 42 rec. Until Naser selzed it last fall, Egypt received 7 per cent of the gross operating profits of over \$125,000,000 a year, plus 10 per cent as income tax on dividends paid to stockholders. government. Egypt and agreed to recognize the Treaty of 1868 until its expi-ration in 1968. This agree-ment was violated when Egypt seized the canal in the fail of 1956, which act prompted the British and French attack later. the * * *

It was perhaps the failure of Britain and France in 1950 to prevent Egyptian discrimi-nation against israeli ships from using the canal that gave opportunist Nasser the idea that Egypt was not bound under existing treaties. A A A In several interviews we have you be addressed of the several the type second of the several the type of the several several the type of the several the type o

bound under existing treaties. Failure at that time to force Egypt to honor her agreements, even though it involved the small nation of Israel, was an indication to Nasser that treaties need only be honored at the conveni-ence of the signators.

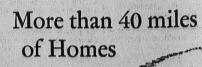
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TORRANCE HERALD Along the 105-mile canal stretching for some 20 miles are the deep waters of Lake Timseh and the Great Bitter Lake, in some places as much as six miles in width, as against the normal width of 500 feet along the canal. 1619 Gramercy Ave. FA 8-4000 Established Jan. 1, 1914



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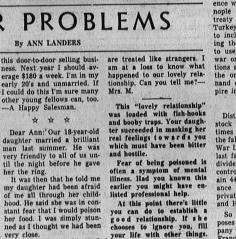


There have been many scandalous stories about folks who claimed they were lucky at Las Vegas but I had the best luck of all when I stopped at the Flamingo re-cently. I got a ride home. Have you noticed the changing trend of archite-ture for our new homes? Now they make the entire house out of glass with the excep-tion of the windows. They're made of brick. doesn't inspire much confi-dence. Your mother needs outside help with you—and you need outside help with yourself. The Family Service Bureau is your city has trained coun-selors who know how to deal with such problems. I recom-appointment and both of you should avail yourselves of these services. Cacking you up is not the answer and you're too con-fused and irresponsible to be allowed to use your own judg-ment. Kitty Kat Krax: "Yes, she's Anty Kat Krax: "Yes, she's my best friend and Td say she was around 35. Of course it's her second time around." I just retirrned from a Gay Nineti-s party. The men were all gay and the women were all 90.

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 Dear Ann Landers: The letter signed 'Miss Beebe'' was of great interest to me. This first father didn't approve the field of house-to-house selling. He said it was 'dam ging to a person's diguity to go pounding on doors pedduced in the same distribution of the same distresame disthe same distribution of the same distresame \star \star \star Tark about inflation, I just can be seen to afford the price of a new suit any more. So hast week I decided to buy hooked, pretty good at the use made of lint and it picks up but new I find out it was made of lint and it picks up but new I find out it the serve serve. To those who scoff at Elvis protection with the serve serve serve that only three years ago Mir, preserve the owns it.

Today's Health Horrendus: Doctors tell us that drinking is bad for us. So how come we see more old drunks than old doctors? Saga of our daughters: They fight us all through their teen-age years. They must get away from us, or they must get away from us, or they maintain. One by one they are married and leave



ned as I thought we had been very close. We gave them a big wed-ding and went into debt for it. They never expressed grat-itude. Now when they come to town to visit they stay with HIS folks. They rarely call us on the phone and we

By BARNEY GLAZER

GLAZED BITS

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Mrs. M. This "lovely relationship" was loaded with fish-hooks and booby traps. Your daugh-ter succeeded in masking her value house the search of the masking her which must have been bitter and hostile. Tear of being poisoned is often a symptom of mental liness. Had you known this carlier you might have en-listed professional help. At this point there's little you can do to establish a go of relationship. If she chooses to ignore you, fill your life with other things. The canyon between you is great.

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The Suez Canal shortens the trip for all cargo and pas sengers between Europe, the United States, and Asia by some 3000 miles, or 15 addi-tional days on the high seas. It is the lifeline of world commerce and all the princi-pals involved in the canal's construction and operation have recognized it and reiter-ated its international respon-sibility.

