



**FREEWAY BOOSTERS**—Harry B. Bowker of Torrance-Lomita Realty Board; J. H. Paget, president of Torrance Chamber of Commerce; Mayor Adams Bolton of Gardena; Supervisor Kenneth Hahn; and Councilman Nick Drele of Torrance inspect freeway.

## Torrance Officials See Result of Efforts on Harbor Freeway

Southwest and South Bay civic leaders, public officials, and members of the Interstates Highway Committee Wednesday morning accompanied Supervisor Kenneth Hahn on an inspection tour of construction work on the Harbor freeway to get a first-hand view of the results of their efforts to get the freeway extended from 124th to 190th.

The same group accompanied Hahn to Sacramento in August, 1957, to urge the state Highway Commission to budget money to extend the freeway.

The mission was a success. The contract for a five-mile section to 190th was awarded in September, 1958.

Guest of honor was Hugo H. Winter, assistant design engineer for the Los Angeles City Department of Public Works, who is retiring Friday after 42 years.

Winter was responsible for the route and many of the design features of the Harbor freeway.

Also present was Councilman Gordon R. Hahn, whose vote, when he was 66th District Assemblyman, broke a deadlock and resulted in passage of the freeway bill, making possible the freeway system.

Costing \$8,000,000 the five-mile segment between 124th and 190th is ahead of schedule and is expected to be opened for traffic in August. Present indications are that it will be opened as far south as Alondra Blvd. (161st Street) by April.

## CRITICS' CHOICE

### 'Advise and Consent' Fine Probe into U. S. Capitol

Allen Drury: "Advise and Consent," Doubleday and Company, Inc. Garden City, New York, 1959, 616 pp.

When a philosophy or institution is vast and cumbersome, filled with prejudice and diverse opinions, bound by traditions and legalism, only a deft hand, adroit mind, and facile pen can simplify it and make it plain to the untrained. The craft of analyzing, well the diverse philosophies and opinions separates the able analyst from the pedestrian, even as the ability to wrest victory from military rout is the mark of the tactician and strategist.

So, the genius of "Advise and Consent" is that the author has created for us an understandable and highly readable story of Washington's political, social, and diplomatic worlds — both public and private, but slicing away the many confusing names and facts and issues so that we can see into the way the Senate of the United States operates.

Basically this is the story of politics when the President of the United States nominates the controversial Robert A. Leffingwell to be Secretary of State in an unnamed year. Because the Constitution requires that the Senate "advise and consent" to such nominations, the story basically is involved with the machinery of the Senate and the minds and motives of the men who run it.

He shows us, through a clever sequence of flashbacks, the top men in the Capitol: how they got to be the way they are, the motives for their behavior, the reasons for their political views, and the nature of their character. This book is important because first of all it is a book of insight.

We see now how issues can become clouded and how votes can be predicted. We see "their strange, fantastic, fascinating land in which there are few absolute wrongs or absolute rights, few dead-certain positives that won't be changed tomorrow; their wonderful, mixed-up, blundering, stumbling, hopeful land in which evil men do good things and good men do evil in a way of life and government so complex and delicately balanced that only Americans can understand it, and often they are baffled."

We see too that basically the men of our government can be trusted to serve the best ideals of the nation — "an ever-shifting, ever-changing, ever-new and ever-the-same bargaining between men's ideals and their ambitions," a very down-to-earth bargaining, in most cases, and yet a bargaining in which the ambitions, in ways that often seemed surprising and frequently were quite inadvertent, more often than not wound up serving the purpose of the ideals. Second, this book heads the "best-seller" lists because it is a story filled with intrigue.

We read of Communist cells, congressional investigation, of demagoguery finally countered by democracy, of personal passions and basic hatreds, of patriotism, of black accusations and of blackmail — all in all, politics in its dirtiest connotations.

And finally it is a book of importance in this year of Presidential election because of its message of integrity. While all men have aspects of both right and wrong we see in this book that men who subvert their personal ambitions for the good of the country become the heroes despite obvious black marks against their character. Conversely those who use the national scene as a stepping stone for personal gain or for unsavory personal profits in the end become known as villains.

While many critics and readers will enjoy trying to puzzle out who in our present Senate make up the guides to the characters in the book, it seems to be irrelevant to the main goal of this volume, which is to point out that in times of great national crisis such as we see today, only men of great stature and integrity must be elected.

—HENRI FRONT

## Nov. Jobs Fall Off

Although steel production was resumed early in the month, separations continued to exceed hiring in manufacturing industries during November. Labor turnover for manufacturing declined in all measures during the past month.

## Charles C. Morgan General Manager of Operations for Columbia-Geneva

Appointment of Charles C. Morgan as general manager of operations for Columbia-Geneva Steel division of United States Steel, with headquarters in San Francisco, was announced today. Morgan has been general superintendent of the division's largest steelmaking operation in the West, Geneva works, near Provo, Utah, since early last year.

He started his steel career as an industrial engineer at the Pittsburgh, Calif., plant of the former Columbia Steel Company. He rejoined U.S. Steel at Pittsburgh works as an industrial engineer after the war, worked on special assignments at the plant's new sheet and tin mill, and in 1947 became superintendent of cold reduction there. He is a member of the American Iron and Steel Institute and the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers.

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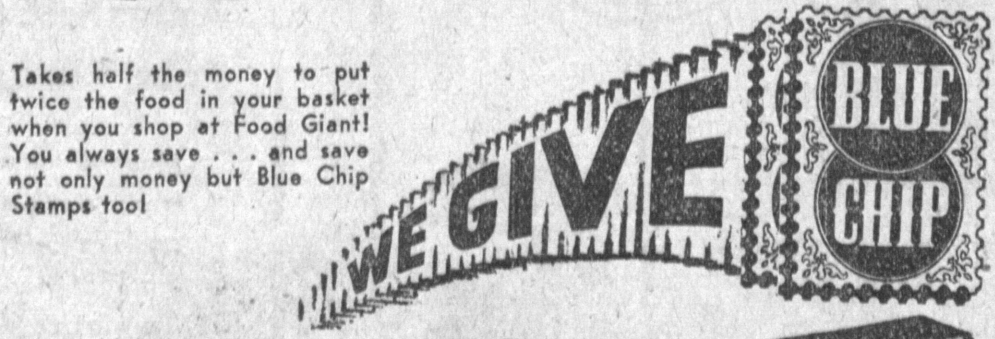
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## Nearsightedness Halted by Contact Lenses?

According to reports recently presented at the National Contact Lens Congress, progressive myopia (nearsightedness) may be halted with contact lenses. Fourteen hundred patients with steadily worsening cases of myopia were fitted with contact lenses, and at the end of a two-year period, none of these patients showed further increase in nearsightedness. Some even showed signs of improvement. A London physician stated that English specialists for eight years discovered a containing effect of contact lenses on progressive nearsightedness. These finds may be another factor in stimulating the already remarkable increase in adoption of contact lenses. Get ALL the facts from Dr. Soss, the optometrist who has served the people of the Harbor area for 32 years. Come in or write for fascinating booklet. Easy terms. DR. J. M. SOSS, Optometrist, 1268 Sartori Ave. FA 8-6602. Open Friday evenings and all day Saturdays. Offices also in Wilmington.

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