

Real Estate

Gas Company Program Cuts Time Spent in House Hunting

House-hunting time can be cut to a fraction through use of guides and aids being offered through the Great Builder Series program, it was announced in a report today by Carl W. Shupp, Southwest division manager for the Southern California Gas Company.

A recent study, Shupp said, shows house hunting is one of the major activities in Southern California and that the typical Southland home seeker is spending an average of a month, full time, looking for the home of his choice.

Home-information centers that have been established in all major offices of the gas company throughout Southern California, and other devices provided by the Great Builder Series program, have been an aid for home buyers and have reduced home-

hunting time to a minimum. In explaining the effectiveness of this assistance to builders and buyers, Shupp said, "These guides provide detailed, accurate information as to the style, price, location and features of the outstanding new homes on the market today. In this way home buyers are able to organize their shopping according to their individual tastes and needs."

It is estimated home buyers drive an average 100-mile tour looking at new houses. Through use of the Great Builder Series guides, driving can be cut to a Sunday afternoon, Shupp said.

Personnel of Torrance police department comprises 87 members.

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NEW REALTY OFFICE—Paul Hill's Dependable Realty Inc. has opened at 23252 Robert Rd., just south of Highway 101

near the Plush Horse. Harold A. Stone, salesman, puts up sign. Office offers complete service, backed by realty board.

TORRANCE UNLIMITED

How Multiple Listing Helps Buyer, Seller of Property

By LEE R. DAWSON.

The fastest, most efficient way to sell your property is through multiple-listing service of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors.

Here is how your property is sold through multiple listing.

A. Your property is analyzed by the realtor who, with his knowledge of market conditions, provides factual information affecting sales price and arranges available financing.

B. Your realtor prepares a listing form requiring all important data.

C. A printed description of your property is made and a picture is made and is distributed to each realty-board member.

D. Many buyers learn of the availability of your property through the realtors and their salesmen.

E. Selling your property through this plan you are represented by one realtor—yet you enjoy the services of many—for the cost of one.

Here are reasons for using the service:

Proven results at no extra cost.

This service offers an organized market.

Property is exposed to more buyers.

The nature of this cooperative marketing provides greater results.

For many years realtors from coast to coast have demonstrated a successful service with practical results for buyers and owners of real estate through MLS.

Greater distribution of listing and saving of time, tires, and tempers.

Financing, Sale of Homes Eased

An FHA program for easier trade-in financing and sale of existing housing, as provided for in the Housing Act of 1959, is in effect.

The new provisions will allow persons or firms—including real-estate brokers—to receive maximum mortgage insurance commitments from FHA for existing houses. Once qualified and approved, the temporary non-occupant owner is in a position to offer for sale the existing home with a maximum mortgage and minimum down payment. In addition, when a new owner-occupant is found there will be a substantial savings in settlement costs.

Security Names Banker Assistant

The Security-First National Bank has announced appointment of John Dyck as assistant manager at the 69th and Western branch.

Dyck, originally from Oklahoma, joined Security in 1950. He and his wife, Betty Mae, have one son Bryan, 3. They live at 5615 Michelle Drive.

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Artificial Eye Realism Captured in Plastic

TORRANCE — Artificial eyes scarcely distinguishable from wearers' eyes are a tremendous morale building, according to Dr. J. M. Soss, optometrist in the Harbor area for 32 years. Dr. Soss explains that use of new plastics makes it possible to almost exactly duplicate the appearance of an eye, even to the small blood vessels in the white of the eyeball. This realism, plus remarkable motility in the artificial eye, relieves the wearer of any embarrassment that might be caused by an obvious prosthetic. These natural looking, comfortable plastic eyes are moderately priced and convenient terms may be arranged. Interested persons should call at Dr. Soss' 1268 Sartori Ave. offices to see the astonishing realism of the new artificial eyes. Phone is FA 8-6602. Offices are open Friday evenings and all day Saturday. Offices also in Wilmington and Long Beach.

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Colt Road Estates in Rolling Hills will be open for inspection today from 1 to 5 p.m.

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The homes, built by Van De-vander Construction Co., Harbor City, may be bought with a trade of present residence or other property.

Colt Road Estates are characterized by luxury, comfort and convenience.

Hardwood Floor Demand Greatest

Hardwood flooring demand in 1959 was the greatest in three years, according to an announcement today by the Hardwood Flooring Council of Southern California.

Output of 981,874,000 board feet topped the 1958 mark by nearly 100,000,000 feet or 11%. It was almost 78,000,000 feet more than the volume in 1957.

Since reduction of labor costs is a major objective of home builders, these projects include investigations of wood flooring systems designed especially for rapid installation.

Hayden, Stone Expert Will Speak at College

Raymond J. Redares of Studio City, a registered representative in the Miracle Mile office of Hayden, Stone & Co., will address the senior class of The Immaculate Heart College, Vermont and Franklin, Los Angeles, at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

"First Steps Toward Wealth" will be the subject. A booklet entitled "The Richest Man in Babylon" will be presented each Senior by the speaker.

Ceramic-tile robe hooks, tooth brush and tumbler holders and towel bars are standard items with ceramic-tile manufacturers and can be installed with little trouble and expense.



RESURRECTION—An artist is born again in Torrance with discovery of Paul David Moreau, who had dropped from sight after the war. His first new painting hangs in bank.

Artist, Obscured 10 Years After War, Born Again Here

Paul David Moreau, an artist who dropped out of sight after World War II, has been resurrected by a Torrance real-estate man after a long search.

Hank Mahler (whose name coincidentally means Painter), sales manager of Alter Realty Co., who knew of the artist's work, undertook the search, which culminated recently with Moreau's establishing residence in Torrance.

He inquired of friends, relatives, and acquaintances who remembered exhibits of the artist's work in San Pedro, although the Moreau canvases have hung throughout the United States, in Europe, and in the Orient.

When he struck a brick wall in his hunt, it occurred to Mahler that Moreau was a veteran of World War II. He had instructed army personnel in art during that unpleasantness. Perhaps he had resumed that work in the Korean war.

Inquiring of a veteran of the latest conflict, Mahler obtained the help of one of Moreau's army buddies. Thus it was that he traced the artist to an obscure hotel room in Wilmington.

Broken by the hardships of war, a decade gone from the world he knew and loved, Moreau had retired to the life of a laborer as a means of survival.

After much suasion, the painter agreed to try again, out of the seedy city of Wilmington and in the more pleasant and verdant atmosphere of Torrance.

He brings here a talent first recognized when he was 16 and includes training in the New England School of Fine Arts under Prof. Angelo Lombardi, a student of the old Italian schools.

With renewed interest, Moreau is hoping to find some of the works he left behind when he entered the military. These vary from religious creations to reproductions of the mas-

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Victoria Knolls

Drive by 2514 Grand Summit Rd. and then call us to see the inside of this exceptionally clean 2-1/2-room home. Has fireplace, wall-to-wall carpets and drapes. This is priced right at \$17,500. Ask for Alter 1067.

Income Property

We have a three-bedroom house and a furnished duplex with 1 bedroom each. Recently remodeled and repainted inside and out. Call for appointment to see this. Full price, \$21,750. Ask for Alter 1068.

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Lovely View Home

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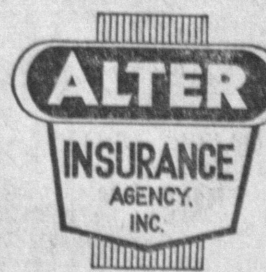
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