

## 'Gas Row' Eye-Catcher At Restaurant Convention

Highlighting the recent Pacific Coast Regional Convention and Exposition of the Southern California Restaurant Association was a long line of new gas-fired commercial equipment, displayed at the Sports Arena in a series of eye-catching booths that became popularly known as "Gas Row."

More than 35,000 restaurateurs from the 14 Western states were on hand for the three-day affair.

In all, 500 exhibits covered the floor of the massive arena, displaying equipment valued at millions of dollars.

## B of A Sends Christmas Club Checks Monday

A brisk holiday shopping season in Torrance was indicated today by Bank of America's announcement that it is distributing 1961 Christmas Club checks totaling \$356,800 to local residents.

Harold G. Frentz, manager of the Torrance branch, and Vern Hughes, manager of the Sepulveda-Hawthorne branch, said 2900 Christmas Club checks will be mailed to local depositors this week.

Distribution of savings in this area is part of \$71.5 million being sent out by the bank this month to almost 500,000 Californians.

The average amount of each check is estimated at \$146.87, as compared to \$141.71 a year ago.

The total amount distributed and the number of participants equals 1960's record figures.

Christmas Club checks are mailed in November to help customers do their shopping early.

Not all of the checks go for yuletide gifts; some are used for end of the year expenses such as insurance and taxes, or to finance winter vacations.

### LEGAL NOTICES

#### CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS FICTITIOUS NAME

The undersigned does certify that he is conducting a business at 2109 Border Avenue, Torrance, California, under the fictitious firm name of SPACE-CRAFT MACHINERY PRODUCTS and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names in full and places of residence are as follows: David R. Pierson, 3530 W. 187th Street, Torrance, California; Francis J. Schilling, 2358 S. Lodi Street, Torrance, California.

Dated October 19, 1961.

DAVID R. PIERSON, Notary Public

My Commission Expires March 6, 1962

Torrance Press Sunday, October 22, 23, Nov. 5, 12, 1961.

#### CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS FICTITIOUS NAME

The undersigned does certify that he is conducting a business at 2759 W. 240th Street, Torrance, California, under the fictitious firm name of RED CARPET REALTY and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names in full and places of residence are as follows: GALE P. LOWDER, 5505 Michelle Drive, Torrance, California.

Dated October 19, 1961.

GALE P. LOWDER, Notary Public

My Commission Expires March 6, 1962

Torrance Press Sunday, Oct. 15, 22, 29, Nov. 5, 1961.

#### CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS FICTITIOUS NAME

The undersigned does certify that he is conducting a business at 26326 Delos Drive, Torrance, California, under the fictitious firm name of SPACE CORPORATION and that said corporation is composed of the following persons, whose names in full and places of residence are as follows: Werner Spilger, 26326 Delos Drive, Torrance, California.

Dated November 8, 1961.

WERNER SPILGER, Notary Public

My Commission Expires June 15, 1964

Torrance Press, Sunday, Nov. 5, 12, 19, 26, 1961.

#### CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS FICTITIOUS NAME

The undersigned does certify that he is conducting a business at 22242 Palms Verdes Boulevard Torrance California, under the fictitious firm name of SOUTHWOOD CAMERA and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names in full and places of residence are as follows: DONALD S. MESHER, 13028 National Blvd., Los Angeles 64, Calif.; JEANINE MESHER, 12023 National Blvd., Los Angeles 64, Calif.

Dated November 9, 1961.

DONALD S. MESHER, Notary Public

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Torrance Press, Sunday, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3, 1961.

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Restaurant owners and operators from throughout the Southland were invited by commercial sales representatives of the Southern California and Southern Counties Gas Companies.

G. M. Babbe, manager for the utility's Southwest division, commented on the enthusiasm of the show-goers.

"We were overwhelmed with the interest shown by food service industry people visiting our booths," Babbe said.

"The attention given to each and every piece of new equipment on Gas Row," Babbe added, "was an indication of new trends in all types of equipment used in the food service industry."

Governor Edmund G. "Pat" Brown officially welcomed industry representatives to the gathering.

The food service industry is the nation's third largest retail business, and the exposition held this year was the most extensive of its kind ever staged by the Southern California Restaurant Association.

The natural gas industry was represented by some 27 major manufacturers of gas equipment, displaying their products under the central theme, "Where Food is Finest, It's Cooked With Gas."

## Steel Shares Earn 98 Cents This Quarter

Armco Steel Corporation earned \$14,513,437, or 98 cents a share, in the third quarter of 1961, Logan T. Johnston, Armco president, has announced.

This compares with earnings of \$11,693,836, or 79 cents a share, in the third quarter of 1960.

Each quarter of the current year has shown an improvement in earnings from the preceding quarter, Johnston pointed out.

Earnings in the first quarter amounted to \$9,260,646, or 63 cents a share. Second quarter earnings totaled \$13,915,522, or 94 cents a share.

Earnings for the nine months period of the year amounted to \$37,689,605, or \$2.56 per share, compared with \$53,427,055, or \$3.61 per share, in the same period of 1960.

THIRD QUARTER Sales in the third quarter were 237,512,721, compared with \$213,474,758 in the same quarter of 1960.

The company earned a profit of 6.1 cents on each dollar of sales in the quarter just ended, against 5.5 cents in the corresponding period last year.

On sales of \$651,457,140, Armco earned a profit of 5.8 cents on each dollar of sales for the nine months just ended.

In the comparable period of 1960, sales totaled \$734,656,139, returning 7.3 cents profit on each sales dollar.

For the nine-month period, amortization and depreciation charges amounted to

\$31,336,550, compared with \$30,850,582 in the like 1960 period.

STEEL PRODUCTS Armco's shipments of steel mill products totaled 1,034,371 tons in the third quarter, compared with 884,528 tons in the comparable period of 1960. Shipments in the second quarter of this year totaled 1,017,739 tons.

"The rising trend of shipments in the third quarter was affected by the inter-

ruption in automotive production caused by strikes in that industry," Johnston said.

"Shipments at Armco's Houston and Kansas City plants were also affected by the hurricane, Carla, and the high waters that followed. Based on estimates of demand from markets served by Armco, we expect fourth quarter shipments to be the best of the year," he concluded.

Torrance residents are asked to join the fight against MD by volunteering for the march.

Those wishing to volunteer as marchers, area or district leaders, are asked to call Mrs. Carson at FR 1-5565.

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PLAN DYSTROPHY DRIVE — Mrs. Lloyd Carson (left) and Mrs. Sam Railing get together to plan the 1961 fund-raising drive to be held by Muscular Dystrophy Association of America, Inc., to aid muscular dystrophy victims. Mrs. Carson will head the Torrance March for Muscular Dystrophy to be held Dec. 1 through 4.

## Name Local Woman Head Of Campaign

Mrs. Lloyd Carson has been named 1961 campaign chairman for Muscular Dystrophy Association of America, Inc., in Torrance.

Announcement of the appointment was made this week by Vin Scully, MDAA County Campaign chairman.

Mrs. Carson will head the 1961 March for Muscular Dystrophy to be held Dec. 1, 2 and 3 in Torrance to aid muscular dystrophy victims.

Mrs. Carson is a member of the Eastern Star and Pilgrim Shrine groups.

She was MDAA city chairman for El Segundo in 1960.

In accepting as Torrance city chairman for MDAA, Mrs. Carson said:

"Muscular dystrophy is one of the most tragic diseases known to mankind because the majority of its sufferers are small children who rarely live beyond their teens."

"If we are going to help these children and thousands of adults who are afflicted, research must be stepped up, new clinics established and patient services increased... and this costs money."

"Volunteers are needed to help raise the money for these vital services that will bring help and hope to nearly a quarter million stricken Americans."

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## SALUTE

MARINE Pfc. Donald M. Johnsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin H. Johnsen of 2433 W. 238th St., Torrance, is taking part in Exercise "Warm-Up," joint naval-marine amphibious operation in the Okinawa area, while serving with the Third Battalion of the Ninth Marine Regiment.

The battalion, a unit of the Okinawa-based Third Marine Division, is one of the division's components participating in the exercise with units of the powerful Seventh Fleet.

Airman Basic Susumu Ito, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Ito of 1322 W. Sepulveda Bend, Torrance, is being assigned to the United States Air Force technical training course for fire protection specialists at Greenville AFB, Miss.

Airman Ito, who has completed the first part of his basic military training at Lackland AFB, Tex., was selected for the advanced training on the basis of his interests and aptitude.

The airman is a graduate of Narbonne High School.

Donald L. Clayton, machinist's mate third class, USN, son of Lewis R. Clayton, Sr. of 18418 Doty Ave., Torrance, is scheduled to be promoted, Nov. 16, while serving in the Pacific aboard the aircraft carrier USS Oriskany.

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## Inside Your Home

Your Decorating Problems Answered By BEN L. WALLACE, N.S.I.D.

Mr. Wallace: I have a blue sofa in my living room and I feel that this shade of blue is very vivid, much more vivid than I originally intended. Is there any way short of recovering the sofa that I can tone down this color?

Jeff, Riviera Mrs. G. G. Mrs. Jeff.

Your situation is very unfortunate, but not hopeless.

I suggest that you use a sharper shade of blue in varied shades on decorative throw pillows. This brighter shade will make the color behind it much more grayed or softer. Finish the room by using a few select accessories in the same shade of throw pillows. If you need further help telephone me at FA 8-2778. I can explain better on the phone to you.

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Mr. Wallace: I have been reading your column for sometime and I was wondering if you work for the newspaper or are you a practicing decorator. Please comment on this?

Mrs. Jan Johnson, Torrance Mrs. Johnson:

I am very gratified that you read my column. Thank you. To answer your question, I am a practicing decorator, working for a leading furniture concern in the South Bay area. I am a professional member of the National Society of Interior Designers N.S.I.D. This is what you call blowing one's own horn.

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As I have been writing in the past, please call me

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## Controller Report Shows Funding of Special Districts

Financial transactions of 3,123 special districts rendering service in 66 different categories are contained in the annual special districts report recently published by the State Controller's Office.

State Controller Alan Cranston said the report shows the districts had a total general fund income of \$335,740,295 for the 1959-60 fiscal year, and general fund expenditures of \$330,162,486.

Of the revenue collected, \$176,739,000 was from charges for services, \$121,160,000 from taxes and assessments, \$16,202,000 from subventions and grants, and the balance from other sources.

Fire protection districts—455 of them—represent the largest category, followed by: 426 for street lighting, 253 cemetery districts, 168 community water districts, 167 for lighting maintenance and 166 for soil conservation.

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