

Leonards 'Grand Opens' Service Station-Tire Center

Leonards Department Stores announce the grand opening of their new, modern Service Station and Tire Center located at their Torrance Store, 25405 S. Crenshaw Blvd., at Pacific Coast Highway. A gala four-day celebration will be kicked off tomorrow, Thursday, May 2.

Many outstanding and unusual buys in gas, oil, tires and other automotive supplies will be offered to the motorists during this gala event. There will also be "FREE GIFTS for the kids."

According to Bill Mann, Service Station Manager, who has had 20 years experience in the business, "Leonards new 16-pump service station will sell major brand gasoline at discount prices. Furthermore, while our prices will be far below present market prices this will not be a self-service station. We will offer the motorists courteous service by well-trained attendants."

The huge canopy covering the pump and service area will protect the customers in bad weather in addition to being an attractive structure of latest modern design. Wheel alignment, complete brake service and a muffler shop will also be included in this complete automotive center.

"Leonards Tire Center will be staffed with experienced tire people only" stated Roger Branscome, Tire Center Manager. Mr. Branscome has been in the tire business 10 years. They will handle many top name-brand tires at discount prices and offer the finest re-capping service thru the facilities of their own re-capping plant.

Robert Merryman, Store Manager of Leonards Torrance Department Store said, "At our new Service Station and Tire Center our slogan is IT'S SERVICE... WITH A SMILE... AND DISCOUNTS TOO!"



TORRANCE OFFICER, Major Paul C. Arndt, of 21702 Evalyn Ave., Torrance, is shown at right as he receives the U.S. Air Force Certificate of Retirement from Brig. Gen. H. W. Powell, after being awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal. Major Arndt, a veteran of more than 20 years active military service, was cited for his meritorious service as project officer for Space Systems Division, Los Angeles. The award took place in Lackland (Texas) Air Force Base.

Dawson, Forbes Hail 'Birthday'

The Carson Plaza Appliance Center, at 1532 W. Carson St., is observing its first anniversary in business. It is owned by Don Dawson, and Ken Forbes is general manager.

Dawson and Forbes report that in the year of business, Carson Plaza has delivered refrigerators as far away as San Bernardino, Colton, Paramount, Buena Park and, in one case, delivered a washer and refrigerator in Mexico City.

The two attribute their

Grade Crossing To Be Built on Torrance Blvd.

Establishing of a grade railroad crossing to improve traffic movement and safety at a Torrance street intersection has been announced by the Los Angeles Board of Public Works.

The project involves the opening at grade of the 208th St. and Wenker Ave. crossings of the Pacific Electric Railway Company's line

success to "offering the challenge that dares others to meet our prices." In one year's time, the size of the business has tripled, Dawson and Forbes report.

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The railway company has agreed to prepare the tracks for the crossings and install crossing protection signals.

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61 Adult Softball Teams Open '63 Season in May

Sixty-one adult softball teams are scheduled to start league play in May, on four lighted diamonds under the supervision of the Torrance Recreation Department, according to Elmer "Red" Moon, Adult Athletics Supervisor for the city department and league organizer.

Six, six-team and three eight-team Slo-Pitch Leagues are included in the program. On Thursday, May 2, two Slo-Pitch leagues toss out the first ball, one at McMaster Park and the second at El Nido Park. Friday Slo-Pitch gets underway May 3 at Walteria Park. Monday's League starts May 6 at Walteria, and the Tuesday League on May 7 at McMaster Park.

In regular softball, the eight-team Open League will play two games per night, at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., at Torrance Park, on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning May 6. The eight-team In-

dustrial League will follow the same game hour pattern and play in Torrance Park on Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting on May 7.

An eight-team Church

League may start play under the lights on Friday nights, at both the McMaster Park and El Nido Park fields. Additional Slo-Pitch action will be held in Torrance Park on Friday nights, as scheduled, when the Torrance Tappa Keggas, the reigning champions of the West Coast Slo-Pitch Softball Association will play host to member teams in the seven city circuit.

350 Boys Open Tordondo '63 Little League

Three hundred and fifty youthful baseball players enjoyed a motor cavalcade and opening day ceremonies graced by many of our local dignitaries who were led by Mayor William F. Czuleger, of Redondo Beach.

The Rev. Benjamin Pippin, Pastor of the Meyer Lane Baptist Church gave the invocation. The benediction was given by the Rev. Father Thompson of the Saint James Church who turned to the assembled ball players on the field and told them all to pray in their own fashion while he led a prayer asking God to help them be good sportsmen as well as good players.

Henry Burke, the 26th District Little League Representative, invited parents to take an active part in the big job of running a large league like Tordondo, and told them when they are critical of any part of the program to join in the leadership to make the program a better one.

Other guests were Don Campeau, Commissioner of Baseball, Redondo Baseball Council, Gail Jackson, the Redondo Baseball Council Queen, and Laurie Thomas and Nancy Bowling, her Princesses.

Heading up the parent leadership of Tordondo are Fred Jackman, president, Mrs. Leo Fischer, president of the ladies auxiliary, and Pete Peterson, vice-president who was largely instrumental for getting each of the twenty teams sponsored.

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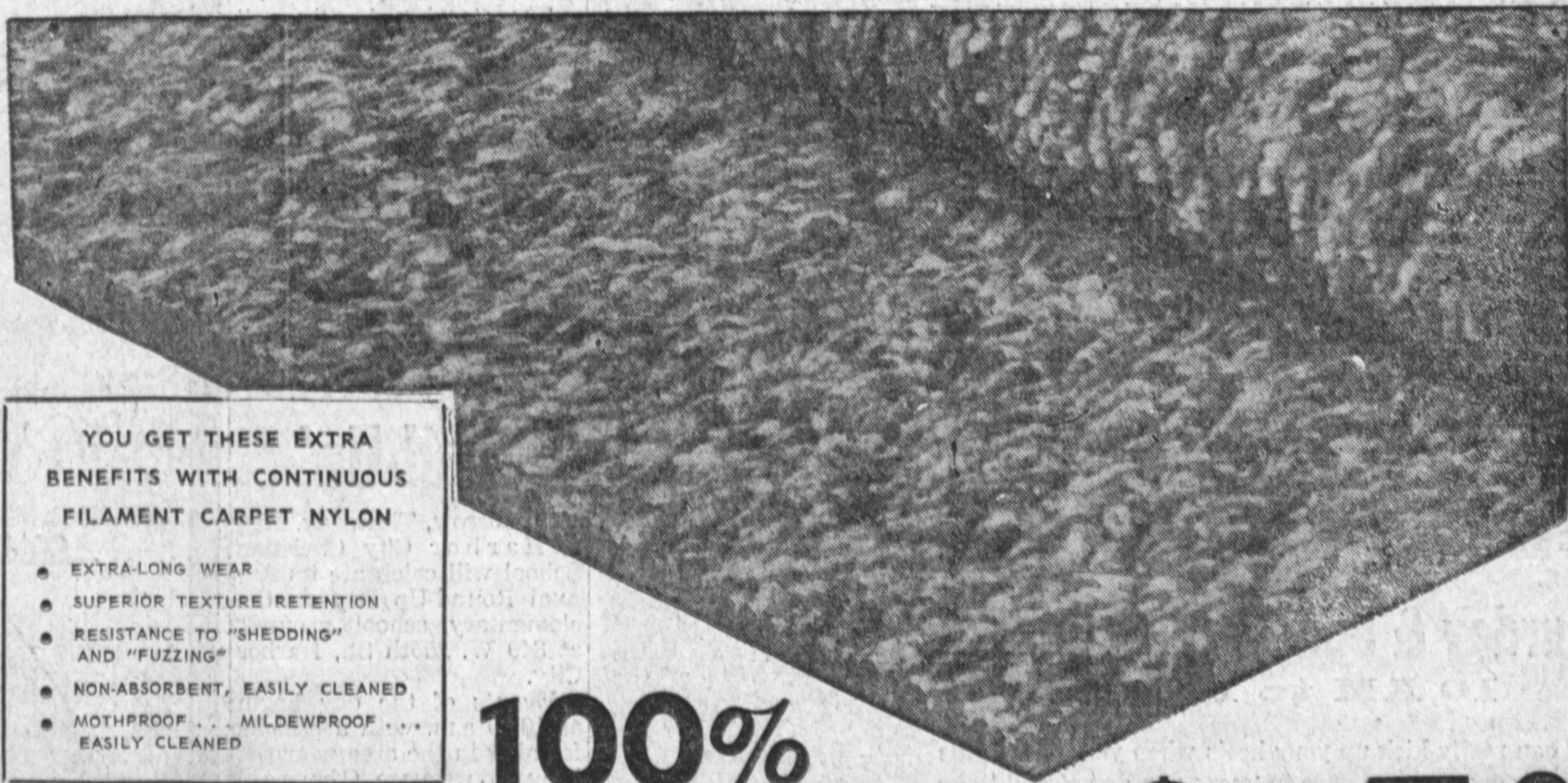
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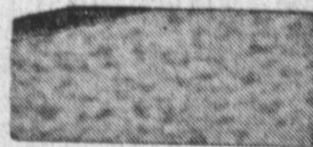
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