

# Viet Nam Veterans Will Get Full Benefits Here

California's Director of Veterans Affairs, Joseph M. Farber, has announced that effective Jan. 3 he will begin a full program of special assistance to wounded veterans of Viet Nam fighting.

## Carson Street Work to Begin

An \$8,737 contract for improvement of a portion of Vermont Avenue in the Carson area was awarded by the county to Miller-Bonsall Co. The work, due to begin immediately, will include curbs, gutters and new paving on the east side of the street, according to Supervisor Chairman Burton W. Chace.

and counseling for Viet Nam wounded veterans in all the Army, Navy and Air Force hospitals in California," Farber said. "Our veterans representatives will go to the bedside at each hospital and counsel these men as to the benefits and help available to them, through both the state and federal governments. We will even help them try to secure employment once they are out of the hospital if that's what is needed."

The announcement comes on the heels of a November visit to the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland by Governor Edmund G. Brown and Farber where both men talked to Marines who had been wounded in Viet Nam. Since that time, some counseling has been made available on a limited scale.

"We must show these men, and the world, that when they return from this vicious conflict they will not be forgotten," Farber said. "I think the public should know that they are fighting the toughest kind of war, a vicious kind of war—possibly the most vicious conflict of this century. We should not overlook or forget the kind of service these men are giving. And when they come back from the fighting they should know their state and nation are ready to give them every service and assistance a grateful people can bestow."

Farber said Governor Brown also is considering a special educational assistance program for the returning Viet Nam veterans, to go along with the counseling and representation service,

and the Cal-Vet farm and home purchase benefit made available to them by the last session of the Legislature.

## Local Plant To Market Helium Gas

Plans for construction of a helium refining plant in Eastern Arizona has been announced by Apache Drilling Co., and the La Fleur Corp., which will market the helium through its Industrial Gas Division in Torrance.

The project is intended to provide an additional one million cubic feet per month of helium to the western United States. Plans call for the new plant to be operating by January, 1967.

## At Music Center

# Christmas Eve Program Slated

More than 20 community church choral and instrumental groups will participate in the Sixth Annual Christmas Eve Music Program on Dec. 24 at the Los Angeles Music Center, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, program coordinator, has announced.

Hahn, who originated the annual presentation, has extended an invitation to all citizens to visit the Music Center on Christmas Eve to hear part—or all—of the live program.

It is the only day of the year the Music Center—the finest and most beautiful cultural center of its kind in the world today—is open all day with no entrance charge or fee, Hahn said.

Last year, more than 13,000 persons visited the center on Dec. 24 to hear the Christmas carols and music.

PARTICIPATING will be groups from throughout Los Angeles County. The first half-hour segment will be presented by the famed St. Timothy's Catholic Church Children's Choir.

Also slated to appear are singers from St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Faith Lutheran Church of Whittier, Crenshaw Leimert Youth Chorus, Inglewood Seventh Day Adventist Church, Beverly Hills Madrigal Singers, Figueroa Church of Christ, Japanese Centenary Methodist Church, Im-

perial Heights Community Church of the Brethren, the entire day's program, with San Fernando Valley Male Chorus, and others.

TELEVISION Channel 28 (KCET) will cover the program live from 2 to 9 p.m., street and Grand avenue in downtown Los Angeles.

## Toy Drive At School

Students at Riviera Elementary school conducted a "Toys for Indians" drive at the school to collect new toys and games for Navajo Indian youngsters. The drive was sponsored by the Student Council at the school. Each student was asked to bring a toy or game which requires no reading of English. All toys and games collected at the school will be wrapped for Christmas gifts and delivered to the Torrance Family YMCA. The YMCA will deliver the toys, along with other goods, during a caravan to the Indian Reservation in Northern Arizona.

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