



December Sales Set New Record

Southern California's business activity, led by a strong increase in holiday-season department store sales, ended the year with a record-breaking performance during December, Myron H. Eidsmoe, manager of Security First National Bank's downtown Torrance branch, reported today.

In closing 1965 on a record note, the area's economy measured an estimated 146.4 on the bank's business index for December. This compares with the previous high of 146.1 (preliminary) set in November.

Security Bank's estimate of economic activity in the 14-county area for December places its business index at more than 4 per cent above a year ago.

BESIDES THE increase in

Red Cross Blood Unit Due Here

The 220 pints of blood being sought for the Jan. 17 visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile to the Torrance Recreation Building is a small amount in relation to the number of pints supplied by Red Cross for the use of the ill and injured hospitalized in local hospitals.

During the past year, Red Cross made 7,501 pints of blood available to Torrance hospitals.

HARBOR GENERAL Hospital received 4,988 pints, Little Company of Mary, 1,152, Torrance Memorial, 729, and Riviera, 632.

In addition to the whole blood, each hospital was able to order a variety of blood components and derivatives through Red Cross.

This is all possible because people voluntarily give their blood, according to Red Cross officials.

By giving blood through Red Cross, donors are enabling the ill and injured to have this vital substance available when needed. Donors are given personal and group credit for the blood they give through Red Cross.

Cellist To Play Saturday

Sellist Gabor Rejto will be featured in the Inglewood Musical Arts third 1965-66 season concert Saturday evening.

Rejto will perform concerti by Bach and Barber in Crozier Auditorium, 151 S. Greville Ave., and will be accompanied by his pianist-wife, Alice.

The program, which begins at 8:30, also will feature a group of Rumanian folk dances arranged by Bartok. Rejto performed in 1963 with the Alma Trio on a cultural exchange trip to Czechoslovakia and the Soviet Union. Last season, he toured the United States, playing for the national convention of the Music Teachers Association in Dallas, Texas.

He will leave later this year for a tour of Europe.

Tickets for Saturday's concert may be obtained at the door or by calling Mrs. Fred Rosenthal, IMA president, at 291-7438.

department store sales, which have continued to rise in each of the past four months, two other business components, bank debits and real estate transfers, showed gains during December, Eidsmoe reported.

Construction activity, based on the number of permits issued, was slightly lowered for the period.

Employment in the Southern California metropolitan areas continued at a seasonal high, the bank reported. For November, the latest month for which figures are available, civilian job holders approximated 4,265,000.

THIS REPRESENTS a record increase of more than 186,000, or a year-to-year gain of 4.1 per cent over the like period a year earlier. The comparable nation-wide gain was 2.9 per cent.

While employment rose, November's unemployment in Southern California metropolitan areas declined to 5.7 per cent of the total labor force, after adjustment for seasonal influences.

According to Security Bank, this is below the 6.3 per cent recorded in November of 1964. However, the latest figure is still above the national average of 4.2 per cent.

R. A. Watt Appointed To Board

Ray A. Watt, president of R. A. Watt, Inc., has been appointed to the National Housing Center, Washington, D.C., Board of Trustees.

He joins 15 representatives of the home building and housing products manufacturing industry on the board, which directs policy for the 46,000-member National Association of Home Builders.

Watt was appointed to the board by newly elected president Larry Blackmon.

Watt's firm has become one of the nation's largest homebuilding and land development companies in less than 20 years of existence. His projects range from planned adult-recreation communities such as New Horizons to developments for low-income families.

Currently a member of the National Association of Home Builders Board of Directors, Watt is a past president of the Home Builders Association of Los Angeles, Orange, and Ventura Counties.

San Pedro Group Delays Concert

The second program in the San Pedro Community Concerts series has been postponed to Feb. 18. The concert originally was scheduled Friday evening.

Pianist Ludwig Olschansky will present the program Feb. 18. Mrs. Gerald Fagan, Community Concerts president, said the concerts will begin at 8 p.m. in the San Pedro High School auditorium.

Major Adam B. O'Guin Jr., is flying vital U.S. Air Force photo-reconnaissance missions in Viet Nam. His wife, Louise is the daughter of Mrs. G. H. Bouma of 3434 W. 180th St.

The major is a pilot in Detachment 1, 6250th Combat Support Group at Tan Son Nhut Airfield. He has flown more than 184 missions in day and night all-weather operations.

New Wilmington Tract Approved By Commission

Plans for a major Wilmington subdivision have been approved by the Los Angeles County Regional Planning Commission.

Macco Realty Corp. of Corona Del Mar has received approval to subdivide 455 acres located west of Wilmington Avenue at Del Amo Boulevard.

Plans call for 2,353 single family and commercial lots.

New Carson Area Signal Operational

New traffic signals and highway safety lighting at the intersection of Main and 213th Streets is now in operation, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn said today.

Main Street carries an average of 10,000 vehicles through the intersection each day, Hahn said.

The new signals were installed to provide improved continuity of traffic flow on Main Street and to assign specific right-of-way to 213th Street.

Courts Act Quickly in Riot Cases, Hahn Notes

Efficient handling of trials resulting from the Los Angeles riots has resulted in dispositions in 93 per cent of the cases by Christmas, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn disclosed today.

Hahn, chairman of Courts for the County, pointed out the Los Angeles Superior and Municipal Courts handled the nearly 4,000 riot cases in a period of less than four months in addition to the regular workload of civil and criminal cases.

"This was done through a tremendous cooperative effort by judicial and law enforcement officers," Hahn said.

APPROXIMATELY 300 of the total 3,945 riot cases has made it possible for main to be completed. "Justice delayed is justice quickly and the innocent to be punished and the innocent to be cleared," Hahn said.

Bonds Topic Of Meeting

Members of the Education Council of Torrance will meet Monday at the Torrance Recreation Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd., for their monthly luncheon.

Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools, will discuss the school bond election scheduled Feb. 8, during the meeting. Other members of the school administrative staff will present a program on "Personnel Reports." Music will be provided by the West High music department. Reservations, at \$4.50 per person, may be made by calling FA 8-8080, extension 381, before 5 p.m. tomorrow.

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T BONE STEAK 75¢ lb

Boneless Top Round Steak 65¢ lb

TOP SIRLOIN STEAK 89¢ lb	CUBED BRK'FST STEAK 87¢ lb	PORTERHOUSE STEAK 85¢ lb	LEAN MEATY SHORT RIBS 29¢ lb	CENTER CUT 7-BONE ROAST 39¢ lb
LEAN FRESH GROUND GROUND BEEF 3^L 1^B 1^S 00	ROUND BONE ROAST 49¢ lb	FRESH GROUND CHUCK 2^L 1^B 09	SLICED BACON 79¢ lb	FRESH GROUND ROUND 69¢ lb
TENDER YOUNG FRYING CHICKENS . . . 28¢		BEEF LIVER 39¢		

BLUE BIRD — Reg. 69¢
POTATO CHIPS 47¢

BIG TREAT — 1/2 Gal.
ICE MILK 27¢

BANQUET — 9"
CREAM PIES 25¢

10 Oz. Pkg. — FROZEN
SPRINGFIELD PEAS . . 2 for 25¢

SPRINGFIELD — 9 Oz. Frozen
FRENCH FRIES 2 for 15¢

200 FT. ROLL
PLASTIC HANDI-WRAP . 25¢

RINSO BLUE—Giant Pkg.
DETERGENT 59¢

HALVES — No. 2 1/2 Can
DEL MONTE PEACHES . 29¢

RINDLESS
LONGHORN CHEESE . . 59¢

ALL BEEF
OSCAR MAYER WIENERS 49¢

DEL MONTE—6 1/2-OZ. TIN
TUNA
4 for 99¢

REG. 29¢ — 13 OZ.
BREAD
3 for 79¢

FOLGER'S — LB. CAN
COFFEE
69¢

PILLSBURY'S
BISCUITS
12 for 1 00

LARGE GRADE A CHEX
EGGS
3 doz. 1 00

—FRESH PRODUCE—

U.S. NO. 1 WHITE ROSE
Potatoes **5 19¢**

FIRM MILD
Brown Onions **3 14¢**

FANCY
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FRESH LARGE HEADS
Lettuce **2 25¢**

1-LB. CELLO BAGS
Carrots **9¢**

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