Assignment TV

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SAN FRANCISCO - "It's a disaster," said "Ironside" produced Cy Chermak, star-ing into a wine glass, dark-

"Look, I've been filming on location for 25 years and it's ALWAYS a disaster," said Raymond Burr with a

"But I'll tell you what's this afternoon," someone MORE disastrous than going said, brightly, "And they on location — and that's going form the studio to the studio to the "Hal" grunted Burn "I've "Hal" grunted Burn "I've

Let's take just one disaster at a time," said Cy. "Right now, it's the weath-

"Sorry, Cy, but that's not the only one," said the pro-duction manager. "The pad-duction manager is transmission is dy wagon's transmission is out and won't be ready for

tomorrow's shots."
"You've GOT to be kidding!" said Cy. "It's rebuilt and supposed to be simple

and supposed to be simple to operate."

"Well, just go get simple people who said it was simple and put THEM in the car," said Burr, "Every day I see hundreds of heavy trucks go Voom! — right up the hills but we haven!" the hills, but we haven't got enough power to get across an intersection."

THE SETTING FOR this disastrous conversation was San Francisco's Blue Fox Restaurant across the street from what was once the old Hall of Justice — now, alas, an empty lot. (The "Iron-side" set still features its handsome, rounded-top win-dows.) Time: 11 p.m. Weath-er: a typical Frisco summer

er: a typical Frisco summer night — foggy.

"If it's socked-in tomorrow, the company stays inside and Ray goes back to Hollywood," said Cy.

"Look — give me just two blocks visibility in the fog and a hand held camera and do you know what I'll get you? I'll get you San Francisco!" said Richard Colla, the spirited young man who is directing seven "Ironsides" episodes this season.

"We don't have time."

snapped Cy.
"Well let's TAKE time. We can use the shots later as backgrounds," said Colla. "This place is full of atmos-

"I don't approve of the company rolling around town looking for picturesque little intersections. I'd rather have one shot of Burr's face than all the scenery in San Francisco, said Cy.

"I TALKED to Universal

rha: grunted Burr. The stood in the pouring rain and talked to the studio weather department with the water running off my nose and had them tell me the stun was shining. Why ask the studio about it? All it takes it an idiot to life. it takes is an idiot to lift the window here tomorrow morning, look up at the god-

damned sky, and pull his head back in the window."
"Then, as I see it," said Cy, "All we've got to do is decide which of us is the idiot who sticks his head out the window." the window.

"AND pulls it back in -don't forget that!" sai Burr.

"Well, fellas, tomorrow 'well, fellas, tomorrow
I'm going to take a plane
back to L.A., with my yife
and my mother-in-law," said
Cy. "And I'm going to sit Cy. "And I'm going to sit down there in my air-conditioned office and second guess all of you!"
"I wouldn't count on that," said Burr.

THE NEXT morning I raised my window, put my head out, and looked up at the sky, It was lovely summer weather-just as it always is this time of year—full of dense mist, circling seagulls and the sound of fog horns. I remembered to pull my head back in.

The time was 7 a.m. Al-ready Colla and his camera crew were out at some pic-turesque little intersection photographing the atmos-phere; the production man-ager was in the garage nursing his transmission; Burr was asleep at the Mark Hopkins; Cy was airborne with his wife and mother-inand I went back to

Obviously, all was well in Hollywood-by-the-Bay

8.5 Million Voters Eligible on Nov. 5

SACRAMENTO - More than 8.5 million California are qualified to vote at the

Diabetes Unit Sets Area Visit

Free diabetes detection tests, sponsored by the Dia-betes Association of South-ern California, will be avail-able in the Torrance area tomorrow and Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The tests will be given in the association's new mobile detection unit located in the parking lot at the White Front Store, 21250 Hawthorne Blvd.

According to the Diabetes Association, the simple, paintest takes only a minutes to perform and no reservations will be necessary. The only preparation of ficial figures from Los needed is to eat a full meal. with dessert or sweet bever-age, not less than one hour and not more than three hours before taking the test.

The association reminds everyone who has not had a recent test that there are 150,000 known diabetics in Southern California and pro-bably another 150,000 who bably another 150,000 who have diabetes without knowing it. With modern drugs and proper medical supervision diabetes can now almost always be kept under good control and the diabetic can lead an active, near normal life. But undetected and uncontrolled diabetes can be a dangerous condicant be a dangerous condican be a dangerous condition, leading to serious, often fatal complications. The only way to be sure is to Drive Defensively!

Nov. 5 general election.

Secretary of State Frank
M. Jordan made this announcement last week when he completed compiling reg-istration figures from all counties of California.

The figure shows and increase from the presidential year of 1964, Jordan said, when the total registration amounted to 8,184,143.

The Democratic party edge decreased slightly over the June primary figure, from 54.9 per cent to 54.5 per cent.

Republicans held steady since June, with 40.3 per-cent of the total.

Registration figures of the entire state by party, and the percentages, follow: Democrats - 4,682,661, 54.5 percent; Republicans-3,462,-131, 40.3 percent; American Independent-94,478, 1.1 per-cent: Peace and Freedom-64,248, 7 per cent: Miscell-aneous 50,566, .6 per cent;

2.7 per cent.
Official figures from Los
Angeles County given the
secretary of state's office by the county clerk are as fol-lows: Democrats, 1,742,928; Republicans, 1,216,994; American Independent, 43, 383; Peace and Freedom. 21,071; Miscellaneous, 46,705 Declined to state, 59,881

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