

City Attorney Hall Backs Drale's Action on Tracts

WORK TO START TODAY ON NEW SOUTH TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL

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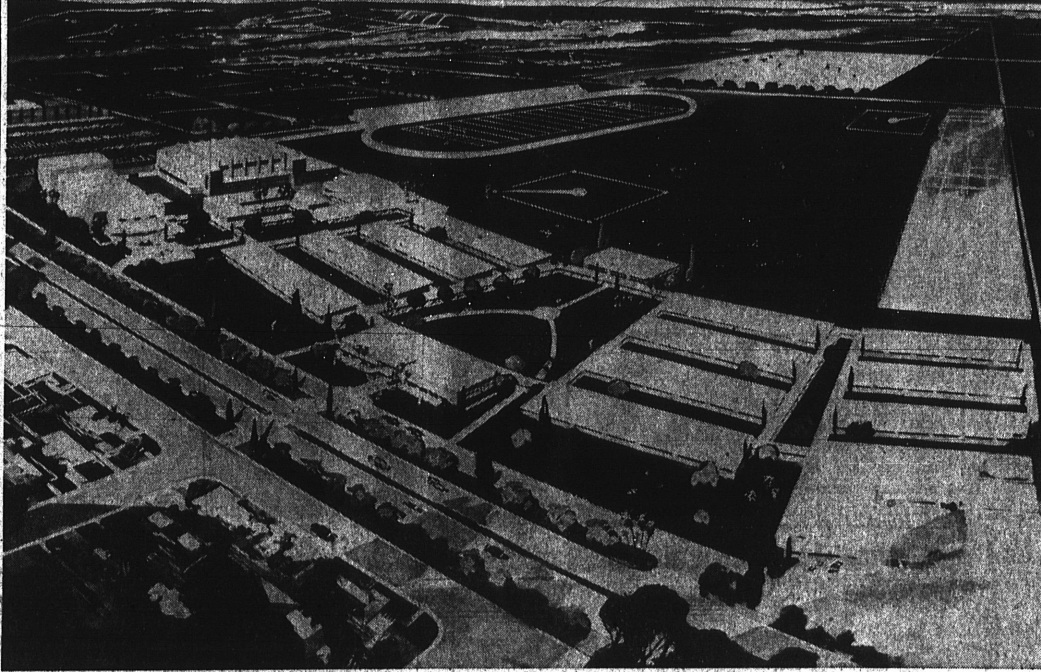
Hall Says Drale Entirely Proper On Tract Matter

Councilman Nicholas O. Drale's actions in abstaining from voting on tract maps where he earlier acted as broker in sale of the land was entirely proper, according to a tentative opinion announced here Saturday by City Attorney James M. Hall.

"The matter before the Council does not involve a contract where the city is expected to expend or receive money," Hall said. The Council is acting in an administrative capacity in reviewing tract maps, he pointed out.

Hall's opinion came on the request of Mayor Albert Isen who has questioned the actions of Drale in refusing to vote on two Property Management tracts in north Torrance as they were presented to the Council.

To press his point that Drale's interest in the tracts conflicted with his Council responsibilities, Isen announced that he would not vote for any matter where another Councilman abstained from voting. He requested the city attorney's opinion at the meeting last week when two Property Management tracts were before the Council and Drale did not enter the discussions or voting. Hall's formal opinion on the matter will be presented tomorrow night.



NEW HIGH SCHOOL PLANS... This architect's rendering shows the proposed layout of the new South High School which will be started today when crews move in to begin the site preparation. On the far left are the auditorium and gymnasium; on the right are the general shops and

Industrial arts buildings. Between are classrooms, the administration building, music building, and library. Athletic fields are behind the school. The site is on the north side of Pacific Coast Hwy. east of Calle Mayor.

School to Open In Fall of '57

Site grading for the new South High School, to be located on Pacific Coast Hwy. just east of Calle Mayor, will begin today, and construction of the first unit should be started late this summer, school officials have announced.

Architect sketches of the new South High School, which is scheduled to open to about 1500 9th and 10th graders in September, 1957, reveal an imaginative planning which should result in South High being one of the most efficient and well designed high schools in the Southland.

Design for the new high school is the work of Architect Roy Donley, AIA, who was guided by a working committee appointed by Dr. J. H. Hull, school superintendent. Working with the architect were S. E. Waldrip, assistant superintendent for business; James E. Crockett, director of school construction; Dr. Craig Thomas, educational consultant; Torrance High Principle W. B. Magner; North High Principle Dale Harter; and Adult School Principal Raymond E. Collins. Also assisting were Dr. Irving Melbo of SC and James E. Byers, former chief of the building branch of the Los Angeles Board of Education.

A New Program South High School will represent a complete new program tailored for particular educational needs of the district at present and in the future, according to Architect Donley.

The school will provide facilities for 1500 students by 1957. Ultimate enrollment provisions at the school are being planned at 3000 students in all four grades.

The first increment of the construction will provide 18 standard classrooms to house 45 students each, plus a foods room, sewing room, typing room, student store (temporary), temporary library (convertible later to three classrooms), music room (choral), music room (orchestra), general shop, drafting room, show-er and locker facilities, and an administration building.

Scheduled for the second increment are the gymnasium, library, and other buildings.

The South High School site contains 38.8 acres with an additional 2.85 acres to be used

for parking now under condemnation.

Detailed planning of the buildings should be completed in the next few weeks and presented to the board for final approval. Waldrip told the HERALD this week end. Bids should be called sometime in August and construction started in September. That will give builders one year to get the first increment ready for students.

Girl, 5, Is Struck By Car Here

Two persons, including a 5-year-old girl, were hurt in traffic accidents here Thursday, officers have reported.

Katherine Stewart, 5, of 1927 Hinsdale Ave., received a possible fractured pelvis and facial lacerations when she was hit by a car in front of the 20000 block on Hinsdale shortly before 5 p.m. Nina Cook, 29, was the car's driver.

Anne D. Arnold, 43, of Redondo, was hurt in a three-car crash at 8:15 p.m. in the 4200 block of 174th St.

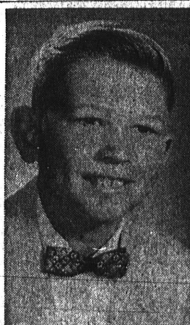
Cars driven by Joe Andrade Jr., 30, of 3520 W. 170th St., Edwin A. Arnold, 51, of Hermosa Beach, and Gilbert R. Caldwell, 31, of Long Beach, were involved in the crash.

According to reports, the Arnold woman was treated for minor injuries by a private physician after the wreck.

Ann Stephens Named To Whittier Honors

Ann Stephens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stephens of Torrance, is one of 78 students in the junior and senior classes at Whittier College who has achieved a cumulative grade point average above B for their college career.

Miss Stephens is a senior majoring in Psychology.



BILLY SCHUCHMAN
... Tops Youthful Artists

10-Year-Old Wins Ribbon For Art Work

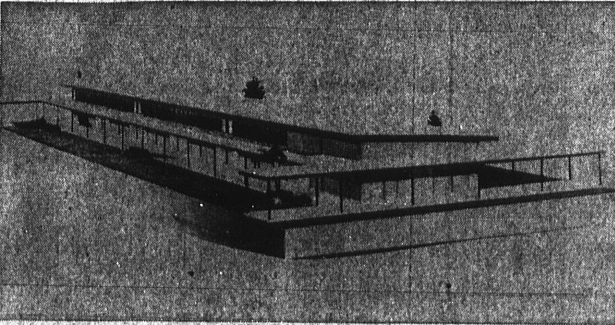
Gaining recognition as one of Torrance's most promising young artists is 10-year-old Billy Schuchman, of 1963 Reynosa Drive, who received top honors in the juvenile art division at the Torrance Flower, Hobby, and Art Show.

Billy, whose father is a teacher at North High School, won the special award ribbon for his pen and ink cartoons and drawings. In the meantime, he is having lots of fun, and considerable success with his art hobby.

Gas Stolen From Plane For Fifth Time Here

Loren Negley, of 110 Paseo De La Concha, reported the theft of some gas from his light plane at Torrance Airport to police here Friday.

Negley said the theft occurred sometime between April 29 and May 4. It was the fifth time gas had been stolen from his plane, he said.



TYPICAL CLASSROOM UNIT... Classroom structures at the new South High School will be built so partition walls inside can be moved or taken out to make rooms more flexible. Four such units will provide classroom space for 1500 students. The first increment of the school will cost about \$1,600,000, of which the Federal government provided about half.

City Employees Ask Salary Boosts, More Vacations

A four-point program of benefits will be discussed at a meeting here tomorrow evening between city employees' representatives and members of the City Council.

Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Council chambers preceding the regular 8 p.m. meeting of the Council will be representatives of the Coordinating Council of City Employees, who represent a large

Continue Hunt For Dynamite

Dynamite caps, stolen recently in the burglary of the Chandler Sand and Gravel Co. of Lomita, continue to turn up in that area, with deputies intensifying their search in hopes of recovering all the caps before someone is injured.

About 200 caps were taken in the burglary. Only about 30 of that total have been recovered.

Authorities said the caps can be exploded by applying pressure or by putting them near heat.

Deputies reported another instance of the caps turning up Friday when an 8-year-old Lomita girl wandered home with one in her mouth. Her father reported finding the cap.

Thieves Get Auto Radio

Rual L. Van Scoy, 22, of 24310 Pennsylvania Ave., Lomita, told sheriff's deputies Wednesday that thieves forced open a window in his car during the night and took a radio.

The victim, who said his car was parked in front of his home, said the thieves also lifted the hood of his car and swiped the battery.

Deputies reported that Van Scoy told them the car was ransacked, but only the radio taken from the inside.

More than \$70 in cash and jewelry were taken when thieves burglarized the George A. Korh home at 25117 Cypress St., Lomita, Wednesday, sheriff's deputies reported.

Salesman Dies In Street Crash

A 36-year-old Torrance tractor salesman, George Golovin, of 1017 S. Lemon St., Anaheim, died in Harbor General Hospital Thursday from injuries suffered in a traffic crash at Figueroa and Carson Sts.

A pick-up truck driven by Golovin and a car with Normal L. Clouch, 46, of 18815

Bailey Dr., at the wheel, were involved in the collision. Highway patrolmen said the two vehicles crashed at the intersection and Golovin's truck continued across the street and hit a gas pump in a service station.

A native of New York, the victim worked for Southwest Tractor Sales, at 190th St. and Normandie Ave. Funeral services will be held today with cremation to follow at Pacific Crest Cemetery.

Employees of the company will act as pallbearers. He is survived by his widow, Vivian, and a son, Gregory.

Halverson-Leavell Mortuary is handling arrangements. Clouch reportedly suffered minor injuries in the wreck.

In another Thursday crash, John J. MacDonald, 56, of 1420 Acacia Ave., was hurt when a Santa Fe train struck his car at 246th St. and Vermont Ave., patrolmen said.

Chadwick Rezoning Bid Under Submission

The County Regional Planning Commission last week held under submission a request by Joseph H. Chadwick, 4040 Palos Verdes Drive North, for change of zone from R-A-20,000 (residential agriculture, 20,000 square foot minimum) to R-4 (unlimited residential) for the Chadwick School property covering approximately 130 acres located south and west of the intersection of Palos Verdes Drive North and Crenshaw Blvd.



THE GOVERNOR'S TROPHY... Leaders in the recent YMCA current support campaign receive the Governor's Trophy for showing the greatest improvement in its community campaign for funds. Shown here after receiving the trophy at a dinner Thursday night are Sam Levy, general chairman of the campaign; Ralph Morris, president of the Board of managers; and O. C. Morgan, chairman of the industrial division of the drive. The campaign raised more than \$17,000 for the YMCA.