

CITY PLANNERS GIVE GO-AHEAD TO DEL AMO ESTATE SHOPPING AREA

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Council Action Due Tomorrow

Application by the Del Amo Estates Co. for a variance to permit construction of a commercial center at Sepulveda Blvd. and Hawthorne Blvd. was approved under four conditions by the city planning commission Wednesday night.

The proposed retail shopping center got the go-ahead under the following conditions: that a chain link fence be erected on the eastern boundary of the property to separate it from railroad tracks; that adequate sump area be provided; that curbs and gutters be installed; and that the streets be paved from curb to existing pavement.

Motion Unanimous
The motion to grant the approval for the shopping center was unanimous. The matter will be forwarded to the city council for further consideration tomorrow, planning chief George Powell said.

Del Amo Estate's application had previously been postponed. At the June 6 meeting of the commission, Powell reported that failure to post legal notices in time would force a postponement.

The HERALD initially revealed plans to construct a commercial center at the busy corner in May.

Car Wash
A zone change to permit construction of an automatic car wash near Redondo Beach Blvd. and Roslin Ave. was approved. Application for the variance was submitted by Ed De Mirjion, of 4318 W. 173rd St.

Application of Henry M. Guenser, 17620 So. Western Ave., for a variance and con-

ditional permit to remove clay in that area for brick manufacturing was okayed by the planners.

Music Teachers Install Officers

Mrs. Gertrude Lumden, of 5238 Bindeval Road, has been installed as president of the recently organized South Bay branch of the Music Teachers Assn. of California.

Mrs. Lumden was installed in ceremonies in Redondo Beach recently, officiated by Director Reuben Martin of the association. State President Helen Adele Daun was honored guest at the meeting.

Other officers to serve during the coming year include: Lila Stefan, vice president; Alfred Hadley, secretary; Maryestelle Ford, treasurer; and Shirley Everhart, MacDonald Scott, and Roger Bustell, directors.

The organization will meet on a monthly basis. Mrs. Lumden reported. Next meeting will be July 3 at the home of Lila Stefan, 419 Via Mesa Grande.

Drivers Escape Injury in Four Car Collision at Airport Road

Traffic officers were kept hopping within a 15-minute period here Thursday when two auto crashes were reported in widespread parts of the city.

No one was hurt in a four-car collision on Pacific Coast Hwy., at the entrance to the Torrance Municipal Airport, at 4:05 p.m. Cars driven by Gary Alan Lee, 16, of 1526 W. 247th St., Harbor City; James M. Melton, 37, of 1057 Frigate Ave., Wilmington; Wardell McKinney, 42, of 523 W. 1st St., San Pedro; and Geneva M. Worthen, 34, of 22715 Eastwood, were involved in the scrape.

Officers said the Worthen car was going south on the highway and slowed to turn left into the airport. The McKinney car, Melton's auto and Lee's car were following in that order. Reports indicate each car bumped into the rear of the other.

Minutes earlier, at about 3:55 p.m., cars driven by Billie Gene Ferguson, 24, of 3727 W. 18th St., and Eddie L. Muldow, 25, of Culver City, tangled at 174th St. and Crenshaw Blvd. in North Torrance.

Ferguson reportedly suffered minor injuries and was taken to a physician's office for treatment.

It was the third car crash in as many days at the busy corner.

Girl, 13, Saves Four From Fire

Burglars Take Machines From Local Churches

Detectives are seeking burglars who entered four churches here Wednesday night and hauled off business machines worth more than \$800. In some cases, the veggs left money boxes untouched in order to get at the machines, authorities said.

Officials of the First Methodist Church, 807 Amapala Ave.; St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1432 Engracia Ave.; First Baptist Church, 2118 Carson St.; and the Church of Christ, 1217 Cravens Ave. reported the entries early Thursday morning in a quick succession of phone calls to Torrance police.

The thugs got their biggest haul at the Methodist Church. They pried open a window and took a mimeograph machine worth \$250 and a typewriter of undetermined value. The Rev. Donald McFadden, pastor, reported the burglary.

Another mimeograph machine was taken at St. Andrew's Church, detectives said. A door was forced to gain entry into the church, authorities stated. Value of the machine was tentatively placed at \$250.

A window was pried open in the church office of the Baptist Church and the burglars climbed through and took a \$120 typewriter.

Two typewriters, one a portable model, were stolen at the Church of Christ. Total value here of the stolen articles was about \$70, authorities said.

Trio Faces Sentencing

Three men were convicted Thursday of looting a service station here on March 25 and will be sentenced July 9, detectives have reported.

Francis P. Logan, Clifford Barnett and John Krupp were found guilty in Dept. 41, Los Angeles Superior Court, of burglarizing a station at 190th St. and Hawthorne Blvd. They were caught by Redondo police and local authorities soon after the attack, officials said.

Boy Faces Shots If Biting Dog Evades Capture

Jack Falen, 527 E. 219th St., is due for the Pasteur treatment if a prolonged search for a small brown and white dog is unsuccessful.

The 12-year-old boy was bitten by the Pekinese-type dog at the corner of Dolores and Carson Tuesday afternoon. An elderly, grey-haired woman, believed to be the owner of the canine, pulled the animal off the boy.

If the dog can not be found and tested for rabies, Jack will be subjected to the series of shots required by the Pasteur treatment.

His parents have requested that anyone having information concerning whereabouts of the dog, or the dog's owner, contact them at TE 5-3001.

Republicans Gather In Channel City

The 17th Congressional District was represented at the quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors of the California Republican Assembly in Santa Barbara last week end by Frank S. Selover, of Torrance, regional director for the 17th District, and editor of the California Republican Assembly News, and Mrs. Jean W. Haley, of San Pedro, deputy regional director, and president of the 68th District Republican Assembly. Both were re-elected to the Republican Central Committee on June 5.

A feature of the meeting was a series of Saturday breakfasts addressed by Mayor George Christopher, of San Francisco; the Legislators Luncheon addressed by Assemblyman Donald D. Doyle, of Lafayette; and the quarterly banquet Saturday evening in Montecito Country Club, addressed by Mayor Norris Poulson, of Los Angeles. The breakfast and luncheon will be followed by a dinner at the Miramar Hotel, scene of the quarterly meeting.



OUTSTANDING INTERN... William Fowkes, M.D. (right) is congratulated by Leonard A. West, Harbor General Hospital medical director, on being named top intern in class of 34 receiving honors Thursday at hospital exercises.

Large Class In Hospital Rites

In the first such ceremony held at Harbor General Hospital, 34 interns and 34 resident physicians were presented certificate diplomas by Leonard A. West, medical director of the hospital, Thursday afternoon in the hospital auditorium. Alfred Thomas, hospital administrator, gave the farewell address.

Included in the largest class of interns to leave the hospital is Claire M. McCann, M.D., who resides with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Neal McCann in Palos Verdes. The only local resident of the class, she will be a resident physician in gynecology and obstetrics at the Queen of Angels Hospital.

Many of the interns received their certificates in their white uniforms and several were unable to be present due to urgent duties with patients at the hospital. Outstanding interns of the class to receive awards were William A. Fowkes Jr., M.D.; Francis I. Tanaka, M.D.; and Richard F. McLaughlin Jr., M.D. The first award was an engraved, black leather medicine case donated by the Upjohn Co. The other

two by an anonymous donor were books to start a medical library.

Interns receiving certificates were Robert A. Astone, Lorraine T. Biswanger, James George and Evelyn Callas, Arthur F. Dunn, William C. Fowkes Jr., Joshua S. Golden, president of the class; William R. Hanna, Robert A. Hansen, Eleanor L. Henry, Robert E. Hollis, Robert F. Iverson, Albert A. Kihm, Benjamin J. Layton, Clarence E. Levine, Elliot Liff, Cayo A. Martin, Claire M. McCann, Richard F. McLaughlin Jr., William A. Miles, Daniel R. Mitchell Jr., Robert A. Moffitt, Ronald T. Piccirillo, Dorothea Swirako Schapero, Ralph T. Scott, Melvin Silverman, Saul H. Slutsky, Leon I. Sones, Mina L. Steg, Robert E. Sues, Francis I. Tanaka, John Whalley, Donald G. Willardson and Alton S. Wong.

Resident physicians in internal medicine: Harold G. Adams, Doris Araujo, Knowles G. Curwen, Allen C. deOllazarra, Thomas R. Eliason, Oren C. Irion, DeLores E. Johnson, Hiroshi Kuwata, Nancy L. Landon, Robert A. Moore, Richard E. Osgood, Ronald H. Selvester, R. Paul St. Amand, Tetsuro Tanabe.

Physicians in pediatrics: Edward K. Ackley, James G. Easton, George W. Selby and Carlo A. Tabellario.

In general surgery: Chauncey H. Dobson, Jack A. Fisher, Russell C. Hadley, Joyce E. Kilmer, Orin J. Riddell III, and James F. Robinson; in thoracic surgery: William W. Yang; in urology: John S. Arconti; in otolaryngology: Harold Sanders; in ophthalmology: Robert C. Carter; in obstetrics and gynecology: Elliott C. Leonard, Alonzo Monk, Keith C. White; in pathology: Burton E. Ketcham Jr., in radiology: James T. Foster, John H. Sigmonton.

Brushes Aside Heroic Action

Thirteen-year-old Sandra McAbee, of 1016 Fiat St., shrugged off what authorities called "heroic action" as just duty of a babysitter, in connection with her rescue of four children Wednesday from a fire that eventually gutted a house here. Sandra was babysitting with the four children

of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hamilton, at 1130 Fiat, while the Hamiltons were out for the evening. While watching television, the young girl smelled smoke. She threw open the door to the children's bedroom and found smoke pouring from a closet door.

She quickly whisked the four young Hamiltons, Charles, 6, Carol Ann, 5, Sharon, 4, and Debbie, 3, out of the room and outside to safety. Then she went next door and had neighbors call county firemen.

Sweeps Home
The blaze swept the Hamilton home, causing maximum damage estimated at about \$4000, firemen said. Firemen from two county companies fought the blaze.

The Hamiltons, who reportedly were out celebrating Mrs. Hamilton's birthday, were quick to join in praising young Sandra when they returned.

On TV Show
Chamber of Commerce officials here pushed forward the wheels of action Thursday in getting Sandra on "Eye Witness," a television show based on first hand reports of current news in the Southland. Sandra appeared on the KTLA Channel 5 show at 7:15 p.m. Thursday. Chamber Manager Tom Watson worked in conjunction with KTLA programming officials in arranging for Sandra's appearance.

Cause of the fire was not immediately determined by county firemen.

Shop Owner Robbed Here

Two men walked into The Bottle Shop, 2087 Torrance Blvd., about 10 p.m. Friday and got about \$80 from the owner at gunpoint in a bold stick-up, detectives said Saturday.

Lloyd Dennenwill, owner of the shop, told authorities that the two appeared to be in their late teens or early twenties. They took about \$75 from the till, he said, then took his wallet, which contained another \$5, authorities reported.



GRADUATE... Dale Wendt, son of the Donald C. Everetts, of 4806 Green Meadows Ave., was a recent graduate of Brown Military Academy in San Diego. He was valedictorian of his prep school class. Wendt was active in sports, was a band member and won several academic awards at the school.

Esther Cook, Wife Of Police Officer, Dies

Esther Julia Cook, 33, mother of four and wife of Sgt. D. C. Cook, head of the Torrance Police Department juvenile bureau, died suddenly Friday morning from childbirth complications at a local hospital.

Mrs. Cook succumbed shortly after the couple's fifth child, a boy, was born dead at Torrance Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2 p.m. for Mrs. Cook and the infant at Stone & Myers Mortuary Chapel. Interment will follow at the Inglewood Park Cemetery, with the Rev. Leonard Babcock of the First Christian Church officiating.

A police escort will accompany the funeral procession to the Inglewood cemetery, a family spokesman said.

Mrs. Cook lived with her family and her father-in-law, Frank Cook, at 2063 W. 233rd Street.

In addition to her husband and father-in-law, Mrs. Cook is survived by four children, Diane, Douglas, Jerry, Sandra Sue and Debra Denise, and her mother, Mrs. Gussie Fleishner, of 2423 W. 253rd St., Harbor City.

Other survivors are three sisters-in-law, Billie Serrano and Jackie Hodges of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Frank Johnson of Torrance, and two brothers-in-law, Merlin R. Cook, and Don Cook, of Torrance.

Recreation Time Listed At Areas

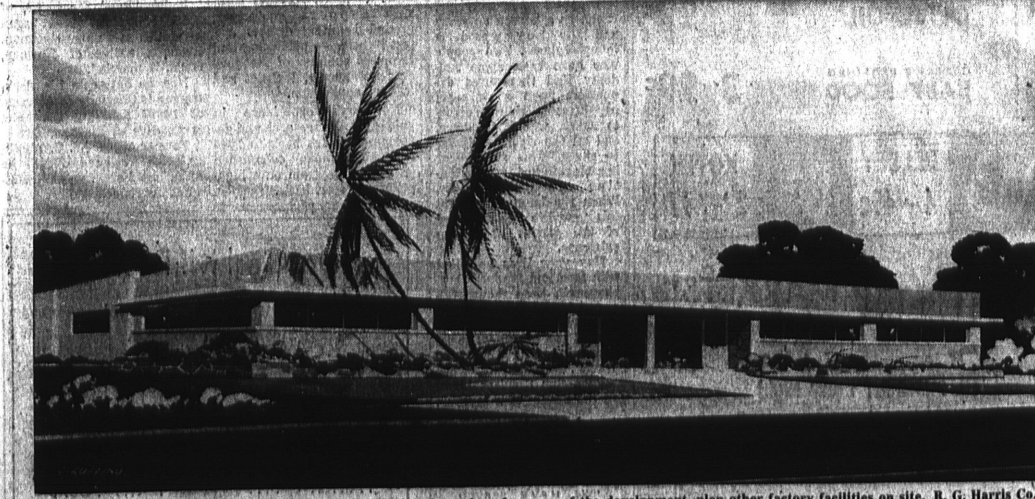
Torrance's summer recreation program will be in full swing this week at Waleria Park, El Retiro, Torrance, and McMaster Parks, the recreation department said Friday. Hours of operation will be 1 to 5 p.m.

Beginning today and continuing through Aug. 31, the parks will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The following school playgrounds will open July 2 for supervised programs: Carr School, Carl Steele School, Crenshaw, Hillside, Greenwood, Madrona, North Torrance Elementary, Riviera, Seaside and Waleria. From July 2 to Aug. 3 these areas will be open from 1 to 5 p.m. Beginning Aug. 6 and continuing through Aug. 31, they will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., recreation officials announced.

Measles On Rise Here

Five cases of measles were recorded in Torrance for the week ending June 16, the County Health Department has revealed.



FIRST FACTORY COMPLETED... This drawing of first in series of factory structures to be completed at Carson St. and Crenshaw Blvd. shows modern design of new buildings. McDonald Brothers, builders of the development, plan other factory facilities on site. R. G. Harris Co., real estate developers of Culver City, reported first tenant of the industrial tract is expected to be signed in the near future.