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# PETITIONS DUE IN ZONE SPAT

### A Penny for your Thoughts

"Do you think city employees should be permitted to work at jobs outside of their municipal employment? If so, under what restrictions?"

That was the question the HERALD'S inquiring photographer asked several persons in Torrance this week. Their answers and pictures appear below.

George J. Scott, 26007 Cypress St., Lomita, mechanic:  
 "In order to make ends meet these days, it is often a necessity to hold down two jobs. As long as it doesn't interfere with a city employee's regular duties, he should be allowed this privilege."

Mrs. Mary Ann McKinney, 1116 Cranbrook Ave., housewife:  
 "I definitely do—providing, of course, that it doesn't conflict with his present job. There should be no restrictions."

William Webb, 1508 W. 203 St., retired:  
 "Yes I do—because it's a free country. It's up to the individual—city employee or a housewife—to make his own decision. Our country stands for freedom. Let's practice what we preach."

Eldon Windhorn, 1415 Greenwood, interim pastor:  
 "There shouldn't be any blanket law. If it definitely appears that a city employee's job is suffering as a result of outside work, he should be restricted. His municipal job should come first. However there should be a group that decides on the merits of each individual case as to whether or not the city job is suffering."

Victor Martinez, 25400 Doble Ave., Harbor City, welder:  
 "I feel that they should not be permitted to hold down two jobs. By so doing, they are keeping somebody else from holding a job. The city employee is fortunate in already having a secure job."



"Doing nothing is the most tiresome job in the world—because you can't quit and rest."

### Needs Study

## Chapel Hits Pay TV Bid

Maneuvers designed to win legislative sanctions for establishment of a pay-TV system in California were the target of attack yesterday by Assemblyman Charles E. Chapel (Rep.) Inglewood.

Chapel declared: "Any move which would force viewers to pay to watch any video show is completely without merit, and I shall do everything within my power to block such legislation."

## North to Get 180 Exhibits

More than 180 exhibits, lectures, and films from leading industries and educational institutions in this area will be featured in North High School's third annual Science Days on Monday and Tuesday, April 20 and 21.

In addition to student experiments and projects, all the students at North High, as well as eighth grade students at nearby elementary schools, will get to see top-flight displays and hear talks by leading experts.

Stated for display are a Vanguard satellite, a number of missiles, a robot, the X-15, a drone plane, plastics and steel displays, and many other of the latest scientific achievements. Throughout the day, students will be able to hear such experts as Jim Moon, Moody Institute of Science; Dr. Harold Ticho, UCLA physicist; Dr. Thomas Clements, USC geologist; Dr. Edward Brady, USC; Dr. B. Hibbs, Jet Propulsion Laboratories, and many others.

SOME 40 films have been furnished by leading foundations and industries. The lectures, films, and exhibits will be open to the public during the day and to the general public at night.

Exhibits for the science display have been promised by Athearn's; American Latex Corp.; American Red Cross; American Standard; Broadview Engineering; Budd Co.; George A. Bradford Co.; Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel; Coca Cola; Douglas Aircraft;

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Chapel is a member of a four man interim sub-committee which took a dim view of pay TV proposals and recommended continuing studies by a legislative sub-committee following the current session. The formal report followed a two year study of the controversial pay TV issue.

The Inglewood lawmaker pointed to the "danger" of many currently popular sponsored TV shows being switched to Pay TV, declaring: "There will be far more money available for top talent on pay TV than now available on free video, and the threat is not an empty one."

"THERE IS also the danger of a toll charge being made for a special show in one area with the same show being sponsored in a different section of the nation."

Chapel said the committee studies indicated that charges levied against set owners "would likely be whatever the traffic would bear, subject only to the restraint of competition in what would certainly be a highly competitive field should it ever gain a foothold in California."

Sponsors of pay video are rather vague and indefinite about the possible charge to set owners, although they vaguely talk in terms of a flat rate of \$8 to \$10 monthly, he said, and theoretically at least, on the basis of costs.

IN ADDITION, the Inglewood Republican pointed to the possibility of advertising or sponsored programs creeping into pay TV programs "declaring that the pressure to use advertising would become terrific, and where there is strong demand, there is a strong chance that

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READY FOR FIRE . . . Torrance and Redondo Beach fire officials check off preparations for setting torch to abandoned El Nido Elementary school buildings. Left to right are Asst. Chief N. Isgar of Redondo; Torrance Chief J. J. Benner, Torrance Battalion Chief Gordon Northington, and Redondo Captain Bob Pinnell. See Story on Page 6. (Herald Photo)

## County Workers Say Suggestions Save \$30,000

Charles Deck of 20513 Toluca Ave., employee representative on the County Suggestion Award Board and public relations chairman for the County Employees Assn., recently reported to several service clubs the success attained in the first nine month operation of the award board.

Money-saving ideas by county employees have already saved the county over \$30,000, Deck stated. "The employee with a money-saving idea nets a ten per cent profit of the first year's saving brought about by his sugges-

tion, the employees representative explained.

In addition to the cash awards, Deck pointed out that

### In Seattle

Lyle C. Dearden, 3217 W. 177th St., assistant professor of anatomy at the University of Southern California, is currently attending the three-day annual meeting of the American Assn. of Anatomists in Seattle, Wash., which ends tomorrow.

### Smokers Join Hands to Kick Off the Habit

With one-time drinkers popularizing Alcoholics Anonymous, female fatties flocking to meetings of Fatties Anonymous, and grass widows and widowers winding up as members of Divorce Anonymous, it didn't surprise us too much that those who've been tainted by tobacco have finally formed a group to be known as Smokers Anonymous. And they announced their plans before the 3-cent cigarette tax was voted Tuesday.

If you long to lose lurking thoughts of lung cancer and feel that nicotine-stained fingers aren't nice, toss your cigarettes into the can and set aside your Saturday mornings. The local chapter—we're not sure that it isn't the only chapter—of Smokers Anonymous meets each Saturday at 10 a.m. at Calvary Baptist Church, 2818 Manhattan Beach Blvd. Members names are top secret.

one of the greatest benefits to the county is the morale value among employees "who appreciate the fact that management is interested in their money-saving, safety, and morale boosting ideas."

Certificates are issued for ideas other than money-savers.

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## Homeowners Set Protest

Residents of Monterey Ave. and adjoining streets, indicating a continued dissatisfaction with plans for a steel fabricating plant to be built south of their homes, plan petitions bearing signatures of nearly 200 persons at the city council meeting Tuesday evening, a spokesman for the group said yesterday.

Circulating the petition in the hopes of solving what they call the city's latest "space problem," the residents are pressing their request for a 100-foot buffer zone between the residential property along the north side of Monterey Ave. and the proposed steel plant on the south side. At present, the buffer strip is scheduled to be only 50 feet in depth.

"WE ARE NOT protesting the move of the industry into the city, instead we welcome it," one resident told the HERALD.

"But we want the 100-foot buffer strip south of Monterey as shown by the firm's plans originally filed with the planning commission," the resident added.

Announcement that the R. C. Mahon Co. of Detroit would erect a \$3½ million dollar plant on a 30-acre site south of Monterey and west of Crenshaw touched off the controversy. Residents claim a spokesman for the Santa Fe Land Co. offered to provide the 100-foot buffer. The council ordered the planning commission to end hearings which would lead to rezoning of the extra 50-feet when it was pointed out that the company that was getting ready to build the plant would have to buy the property for the buffer, and that it could not do so.

The land has been zoned for heavy manufacturing for many years, Planning Director George Powell reports.

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## PERMIT VALUES RISING

Building throughout the city has taken a sudden turn upward, accounting for nearly \$3 million in permits during the month of March and more than \$1 million already in April, Building Superintendent Lee Schless revealed this week.

And, for those who like to spot a trend, permits were issued for 115 multiple dwelling units (apartment units) and only 103 single family dwellings during March, indicating that the predicted move toward apartment construction in the city may have arrived.

The city building department issued a total of 257 permits during March with a total value of \$2,738,421. In addition to the homes and apartments, permits were issued for eight commercial buildings, three industrial buildings, 74 additions or alterations to homes, 11 other additions or alterations, and 94 miscellaneous permits, including fences, patios, swimming pools, barbecue pits, and at least one lath house.

One of the largest permits was for a new school building and addition to two others for Bishop Montgomery High School. Value of the additions was placed at \$275,000.

E. S. Gimenez received a permit for a 26 unit apartment at the 4300 block of West 180th St. valued at \$160,000.

Irving Willens received permits for 68 apartment units in the 4200 block on 182nd St. with a total valuation of \$351,300.

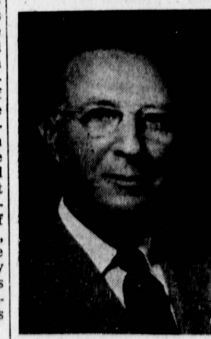
## Officials Plan Tribute For Retiring Bank Veep

A testimonial luncheon honoring Dean L. Sears, assistant vice president of Bank of America and manager of the Torrance Branch since 1935, has been scheduled for May 5, it was announced here this week by Fred W. Mill, president of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

Sears, who will retire May 31 after more than 30 years with the Bank of America, has long been active in Torrance civic affairs and was named "Citizen of the Year" here in 1955. He has served two different terms as president of the Chamber of Commerce during his 24 years of membership in that group, has been a member of the Torrance Kiwanis Club since 1936 and was president in 1939, is a past president of the Torrance Dental Health Assn., treasurer of the Executive Dinner Club, past finance chairman of the Harbor Area District Boy Scouts of America, and has been active in a large number of fund-raising campaigns for charitable groups.

ager of the local branch in 1957 by Harold French when he was promoted to the post of assistant vice president.

Prior to his assignment as manager here in 1935, Sears opened the Lone Pine branch for the firm after serving with the bank in Bishop. He started his banking career in Delano with an independent bank.



DEAN SEARS . . . Retiring May 31

Sears and his wife, Ethelyn, live at 1635 Post Ave., and are the parents of three daughters, Mrs. Jeanne Clayton of Torrance, Mrs. Phyllis Bucklund of San Pedro, and Mrs. Marion Trezise of Mesa, Ariz.

## Lomitans Get Cash For Hurts

A Lomita couple has been awarded \$10,442 for injuries they suffered in a three-car crash east of Long Beach in 1957.

A jury in Los Angeles Superior Court awarded the sum to Roy Rieben, 46, of 1938 W. 248th St. and his wife, Laneva. Rieben was given \$7129, his wife \$3313. Rieben reportedly suffered a back injury and his wife a broken kneecap.

Defendants were the other drivers, Rodney Otero of Compton, and Leonard Perrone Jr. of Long Beach.



SEEK POOL FUND . . . Local leaders in a dive to collect funds to install a therapy pool in the Harlan Shoemaker School in San Pedro, a school serving local area handicapped children. Left to right are George Vico, Jim Becker, and Sam Levy. The Harbor Area drive seeks \$65,000. (Herald Photo)