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Area Cities to Send Delegation North in Bid for Freeway Money

Group to Visit Highway Board

The city will be asked to send representatives to Sacramento to seek acceleration of the San Diego Freeway before a meeting of the California Highway Commission later this month, it was revealed here yesterday by Wilburn E. Baker, chairman of the Inter-City Highway Committee.

Baker said the Inter-City committee had been actively engaged in work to speed up the important, inter-regional freeway for a number of years, and that the need for appearing before the state commission was imperative.

"We believe it necessary that each and every city in the South Bay area have a minimum of one elected official and other persons at the Commission meeting in Sacramento to later this month," Baker said.

Decision to appear before the state group was voted by the executive board of the Inter-City Committee Thursday.

Seeking Federal Funds
Purpose of the appearance in Sacramento is to assure an adequate allocation of the \$402 million in federal grants to permit early completion of the San Diego Freeway between Manchester Blvd. in Inglewood and 190th St. in Torrance, where it will meet the Harbor Freeway.

Councilman Nick Drake has been named chairman of the Sacramento delegation. Drake has been chairman of the San Diego Freeway committee for the Inter-City group since its organization.

Drake Due Soon
In the meantime, it was revealed yesterday that the State Highway Department would probably call for construction bids this week on the Harbor Freeway section between 124th St. and 190th St.

The Harbor Freeway is now opened to Century Blvd. and is scheduled to be opened to 124th St. in the near future. Early completion of the Harbor Freeway to 190th St. was assured last year following an appearance before the State Highway Commission in Sacramento by Torrance officials.

Supervisor Kenneth Bain, and officials and civic leaders from other Southwest County areas. Work Accelerated
Allocation of federal money to California last week for highway construction will

Two women suffered minor injuries in a Redondo Beach auto collision Thursday afternoon.

Treated at South Bay Emergency Center were Zona Lee Engler, 23, of 17822 Kornblum Ave., and her passenger, Georgia Loretta Eagle, 23, 17822 Kornblum Ave.

Keith Laverie Schmidt, 19, of Hawthorne, was the other driver in the accident on Redondo Beach Blvd., west of Mission Lane, police said.

CRITIC ANSWERED

Mayor Claims Changes Needed

Criticism of the council's newly adopted regulations governing civil service board appointments by a member of the current board was answered by Mayor Albert Isen this week.

The criticism voiced here Thursday by Commissioner George Downing, who is slated to have his term chopped off as of last January under the new ordinance, pictured the ordinance as vicious and dictatorial.

Downing announced that he planned to circulate petitions taking the ordinance to the people for a decision.

In answering the Downing statement, Isen said the changes were being made to streamline the city's "antiquated and cumbersome ordinance."

Election Cost Cited
He said the cost alone of holding a special election on Downing's referendum would cost the city \$50,000. Downing had said that he did not plan to ask for a special election in the petitions.

The change in making appointments and dismissals was made necessary when the council was enlarged from five to seven members, making impossible the original requirement of a four-fifths vote.

Isen said Downing "appears to be emotionally disturbed by these changes. Vicious name calling was followed by threats of physical violence," Isen said in a prepared statement.

Appointments Changed
He charged that the Commissioner was permitting "personal spite to overshadow any civic responsibility he may ever have had."

Under the provisions of the new ordinance, members of the civil service commission would be appointed by the mayor for terms of four years, and they could be removed without cause by a majority vote of the council.

Under the previous regulation, the commissioners were appointed by the council and could not be removed except by a four-fifths vote of the council. Terms were for a six-year period.

Downing's term will be declared fulfilled when the ordinance takes effect and the term of Ross Sciarrotta will be completed next January.

Other members include Steve Schmidt, George Moreheart, and Benjamin A. Russell.

Spanish Program Will Be Held at El Nido
Grab your sombrero and take a swing. El Nido Park will conduct a Spanish "Pinita" Party Wednesday at 1 p.m. The entire week will be devoted to a Spanish theme.

The schedule for the week will consist of Spanish crafts, Spanish game day, Spanish tournament day, and the "Pinita" party.

MOTORCYCLIST HURT
Cyclist William J. Dwyer, 22, received cuts on his hands, lip, and face here Friday evening when he was thrown from his motorcycle as he pulled into the driveway of a home at 5234 Binswold Road. He was treated at an emergency medical clinic.

Volunteers
Those who know best the needs of the 167 Community Chest agencies are volunteer board members, Board members for Harbor Area Chest agencies discuss the importance of the forthcoming campaign with campaign leaders.

From left are Mrs. W. H. LaPorte, Palms Verde city chairman and president of Harbor Tabernacle settlement House board; J. A. Robinson, president Harbor Welfare Federation board; Glenn Heger, Harbor area chairman; and Mrs. Virginia Rugg, Board chairman, Torrance YWCA.



STUDY BLUEPRINTS . . . With third floor concrete poured in the construction of the Little Company of Mary hospital, Torrance Blvd. west of Hawthorne Blvd., a progress check was made last week by, left to right, George Leverenz, construction supervisor; Mother Lucy and Mother Virginia, both of the Little Company of Sisters of Mary; and Robert I. Plocoert Jr., president of the board. (Herald Photo)

Officials Check Hospital Building

Third floor concrete work of the Little Company of Mary Hospital has been completed according to George A. Leverenz, construction supervisor.

He added that form work for the fourth floor is in progress, and concrete work will be completed by Sept. 1st.

Leverenz said that all the hospital construction work is progressing according to schedule. It is expected that the hospital will be completed by next summer.

The five-story 145 bed hospital is being built on a ten-acre site on Torrance Boulevard just west of Hawthorne Boulevard.

The entire building is being constructed of reinforced concrete and is fire proof. The service unit is practically finished. It will contain the laundry, boilers, and maintenance department.

Sisters of the Little Company of Mary, often called the "blue nuns," will operate the hospital. They are strictly a nursing order and these sisters wear a white gown and blue veil while attending the sick. They conduct 45 hospitals throughout the world. Their largest hospital is 509 beds and is located in Chicago.

A luncheon meeting of the hospital Advisory Board has been called for Aug. 4th at the Jump 'n' Jack Restaurant by Robert I. Plocoert Jr., board president, to outline future group plans.

A Penny for your Thoughts

What is your pet peeve?

This is the question the HERALD photographer asked six people on the streets of Torrance. Some were real peeved, but one had none. Their answers and pictures appear below.

Charley—Jest, Charley, 1720

Cabrillo, gardener.

"My pet peeve is this uncalled for recession and I think easy credit and overselling is what brought it on, along with too much unemployment. I don't think a war is the answer, but the good old days when \$100 a month did what \$100 a week does now, is the solution to my peeve."

Gabriel Grisol, 911 Portola,

unemployed.

"My peeve? I think there should be more benches in the parks and places where people could rest and watch what goes on downtown. I like to sit and watch people walk or drive by. Also I like to sit and visit with others who have time on their hands."

A. Jervig, 1420 1/2 Marcellina, retired.

"I have no peeves, pet, or otherwise. I think everything is all right here in Torrance. We help the dog, so we ignore it and get used to it. I will use my penny to buy a one-cent stamp to go with a three-cent stamp I have—now that the rates have gone up."

Arthur Donahoe, 1633 1/2 Colter.

"I hardly do anything."

"Speaking of mail rates going up, my pet peeve is why can't we now have two deliveries a day? I am all for the rate increase, but think the two daily deliveries would make more jobs for people. I am going to use my penny to get weighed with."

Fred Anderson, 4911 E. Slattery, Maywood, sales-woman.

"My pet peeve is people who wait at the signal lights green before they use their right-of-way. I am going to use my penny to indicate a red turn, leaving me sewed-up behind them."



Heater Claims Terrific Pull From Want Ads

What kind of results may you expect from HEATER Want Ads?

"Terrific results," says Earl C. Whitehead, Gardens real estate broker, who claims he speaks from actual experience.

Whitehead placed a "House for Sale" ad in THE HERALD, and the house directly from the ad, receiving his full asking price.

"I got many more replies to the advertisement," Whitehead said, "and I am confident I could have sold the house to several of them."

Whitehead's "success story" is typical of what buyers and private owners are experiencing throughout the Torrance area.

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RECEIVE AWARDS . . . Harbor College student technician Frank N. Mark, Jr. (left) and area carpenter Nellie Binsfield (right) demonstrate one of their inventions to Marie Yalow, a student from Hawaii, at 425 E. 21st St., and Margarita Garcia, education major, of San Pedro. The new device makes it possible for several students to use carpenter and linen simultaneously to record lessons and lectures without disturbing one another. Both men have received cash awards from the Los Angeles Board of Education Suggestion Plan Committee for these inventions, which result in improved instruction and reduced operating costs in the city schools.