

New Year Should Bring Many Major Projects, Chace Says

In a New Year's message issued today, Supervisor Burton W. Chace predicted that "1962 will bring into realization many important projects which were planned in previous years."

The most important, Chace said, will be the opening of the Marina Del Rey Small Craft Harbor, expected to be the largest small craft harbor in the world.

"This Marina has been the hope and dream of many people for more than 50 years. I am very pleased that the County of Los Angeles and our office, in particular, will finally be able to make this dream a reality," he said.

MORE THAN 6,000 boats will be berthed in the Marina when it is fully completed. The first segment, accomo-

dating some 2,000 craft, will probably be in operation either in late spring or early summer, Chace said.

In nearby Santa Monica, he continued, the two-wing addition to the over-crowded Santa Monica Courts building will get under way in 1962.

Preliminary plans approved by the Board of Supervisors earlier this month call for the addition of 94,795 square feet

of space at an estimated cost of \$2,498,850. Among the facilities to be constructed are six new superior courts, suite of offices for the district attorney and the public defender, a juvenile court and employee's lunch room.

THE SITE for the new Malibu Administrative Center should be acquired in 1962, Chace said.

"There has been some delay in this program but we intend to push the acquisition of this site to its fulfillment in 1962," he added.

Turning to the Palos Verdes Peninsula, Chace said bids will be called for next year on the proposed new million-dollar Los Verdes Golf Course overlooking the Pacific Ocean at the tip of the peninsula. Engineering plans have been com-

pleted for the project by the County Engineer's Office and architect Arthur Froehlich. Chace pointed out that all county golf courses are self-supporting and revenue producing.

IN ITS continuing program to bring the courts closer to the people, ground will be broken for the new Superior Court Building in Torrance in the New Year ahead.

The three beach cities of Long Beach, Santa Monica and Los Angeles will receive allocations of \$100,000 each from the County for lifeguard services instead of \$75,000 as in the past. Chace sponsored a resolution, which was approved by the Board of Supervisors on Dec. 5, instructing the chief administrative officer to include the increases in the 1962-63 budget.

The New Year will also usher in partial opening of the 87-acre Coastal Botanic Garden in Rolling Hills Estates. Rest of the project will be completed as soon as possible, Chace said.

ANOTHER PROJECT which will be completed in 1962 and be in operation will be the Hermosa Beach County Library. Parking facilities at Torrance County Beach will be more than doubled, and parking for an additional 50 cars will be provided at the Compton courthouse.

Another important project will be moving of the Regional Probation Office to the Torrance Civic Center. Land for the office has been donated by the city of Torrance.

Importation of Metropolitan water to the Malibu area will become a reality with the completion of the Malibu-Topanga Canyon pipeline now under construction up to Topanga Canyon Boulevard and Pacific Coast Highway. There will be no letup in the construction until the line has reached the Ventura County line, Chace said.

AT THE Manhattan State Beach Pier, rest rooms, concessions and sports fishing facilities will be improved and increased and probably in use before the end of 1962.

"These are only some of the major projects which will be realized in 1962," Chace declared. "There will be many, many more improvements of all kinds, such as roads and minor repairs on buildings, which are too numerous to mention. But it is evident that many things will be accomplished in the 4th Supervisorial District next year."

THE 4th DISTRICT supervisor also noted that a great deal was done in 1961.

Some of the major accomplishments of the year just ending were:

- Opening of the Long Beach Courthouse.
- Opening of Western Avenue from 25th Street to Avenida Aprenidi in the San Pedro area.
- Completion of addition to the Compton Courts Building.
- Completion of plans and purchase of land for Dominguez Park on Santa Fe Avenue.
- Plans completed for new neighborhood park in Willowbrook.
- Completion of much-needed drainage project, the Dominguez Channel.
- Beginning of the first of three major highways linking Los Angeles County with Orange County.
- Completion and opening of Culver City County Library.
- Start of construction of Malibu-Topanga pipeline to bring water to the Malibu area.
- Opening of the new animal shelter at Broadway and Victoria in the Carson area.
- Extension of Hawthorne Boulevard from Silver Spur to Palos Verdes Drive North in Rolling Hills Estates.
- Land purchased for Lomita Civic Center.

Enlistment Changes Told By Recruiter

Chief H. J. Piech, local Navy recruiter, announced this week that length of enlistment options are now extended to broken-service reenlistees.

Broken service reenlistees are men who have been discharged from the service over three months. Personnel in this category are now permitted to reenlist for a period of two, three, four, or six years. In addition men who were previously ineligible for reenlistment due to not having qualified for petty officer status are now eligible for reenlistment.

For further information contact Chief Piech, at 1520 Cravens Ave., or phone FA 0-3141.



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