

# No New Oil Wells, Say Councilmen

An ordinance which would have expanded the oil drilling districts was defeated by a 4-2 vote of the City Council last night.

The ordinance had been prepared after Standard Oil Co. requested permission to drill for oil on the Mobil Oil Refinery property near 190th Street and Crenshaw Boulevard.

Mayor Albert Isen, who made the motion to deny the request, said he had been through the oil boom in Torrance and had witnessed the "constant fight" over oil wells. "I don't want any more gusher oil wells in this city," he added.

**THE MAYOR** charged the people "want all oil wells out of this city. My vote is definitely no."

P. L. Lecone, representing the Standard Oil Co., said the well which has been proposed would be located in a heavy industrial zone which is already an oil refinery. Wells would be drilled with portable rigs and no permanent derricks would be erected, he said.

Councilman H. Ted Olson, who voted in favor of the ordinance, said he didn't "see how an oil well on Mobil property would hurt the esthetic value of the city." Olson was joined by J. A. Beasley in voting for the ordinance.

**MAYOR ISEN**, Ross Sciarrotta, and George Vico expressed concern that approval of the Standard Oil request might set a precedent. Isen,

# Lomita Man Given New Court Date

The preliminary hearing of a 23-year-old Lomita man on charges of child molesting was continued until July 24 in Judge Otto B. Willett's courtroom Tuesday.

Bruce Richard Kuhn, 2350 W. 250th St., Lomita, is free on a \$3,300 bond, pending his appearance in court July 24. He was arrested July 3 on a warrant and arraigned before Judge Willett on three counts of child molesting.

Kuhn was employed as a teacher in the Long Beach Unified School District and has worked for the Los Angeles Parks and Recreation Department during the summer.

## AUGUST DRIVE

The 1964 MS Hope Chest campaign of the Multiple Sclerosis Society is scheduled for Aug. 1 to Aug. 31. The MS Hope Chest stimulates community support for the Society's programs of research, patient services, and community and professional education.

in a heated exchange with Lecone, disagreed that the matter involved "constitutional rights."

The council turned down the ordinance, then ordered the planning department to undertake a study of existing drilling districts. Some of the areas, notably the Marble tract, have now been developed as residential areas.

The other drilling districts include a small area at the end of Del Amo Boulevard located between Crenshaw Boulevard and Madrona Avenue north of Sepulveda.

# Bible School Sessions Set

The WALTERIA Assembly of God Church, 244th Street and Hawthorne Blvd., will hold a vacation Bible school from Aug. 17-28, from 9 a.m. to noon.

"Full Speed Ahead—With Christ Our Captain," will be the theme of the instruction. Children of the community, as well as the Church, have been invited to attend. The commencement program will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28.

# Obituaries

## JESSE M. HARRIS

Funeral services for Jesse Monroe Harris, 82, of 1961 Plaza Del Amo, were held Tuesday morning at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel.

Mr. Harris, a native of Missouri, died July 11. He had made Torrance his home for the past five years.

He is survived by his widow, Maude M. Harris; a daughter, Maxine Coffey of Torrance; a son, Kermit Harris of San Diego, and three grandchildren.

Interment was in Green Hills Memorial Park.

# What You Owe, Not Own Counts, Realtors Told

Members of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors were told this week that it isn't what a man "owns" that determines what's his worth in today's set of commercial values, but what he "owes."

Robert Westmyer, a man who has proven his thesis in practice by running a 14-office Long Beach real estate firm as well as numerous other enterprises, outlined to Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors the basic principles that determine successful real estate investment.

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Westmyer outlined the four categories of property ownership as "home ownership," "speculation," "estate building" and "leverage."

By "leverage," Westmyer outlined the concept of borrowing money for real estate investment to make money. With specific examples of successful men's ventures, he illustrated how the concept works.

**A BUYER'S** intention should be directed to what the prop-

# More Study Ordered on Zone Plans

A proposed master plan for the South Torrance Oil Fields was referred to a special committee of city officials and area residents after more than an hour and a half of discussion last night.

Residents of the area, which includes all of Torrance south of Sepulveda Boulevard and east of Crenshaw Boulevard, jammed the council chambers to protest the use of a residential-professional (RP) zone along the east side of Crenshaw Boulevard.

The new zone, established about six months ago, would permit professional offices or apartments. Offices and apartments would not be permitted on the same property.

**QUESTIONED** on the use of the RP zone, Planning Director Charles Shartle said the Planning Commission had used the zone because of a desire to prevent "shoe-string strip commercial" developments along Crenshaw.

Ross Sciarrotta, George Vico, and Mayor Albert Isen said they could not vote for the master plan "as it is now."

Ronald Schwab, one of several homeowners to address the council during the public hearing, said he objected to apartments. Schwab favored single story professional offices or single-family homes

Member of the special study committee include councilmen J. A. Beasley, H. Ted Olson, and George Vico. George Brewster, David B. Halstead, and Kenneth Uyeda will represent the Planning Commission. Area residents named to work with the group were Tom Fitzpatrick, Floyd Wentz, and Schwab.

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# New Corporation Formed To Operate CMA Stores

Conmart, Inc., a newly formed corporation has been formed to operate the nine Consumers Mart of America Discount Department Stores. CMA stores in California are located in Anaheim, Torrance, Sunnyvale, San Leandro and also in Phoenix, Arizona. Four others are located in Chicago.

Richard H. Wolfe was named president and treasurer. Other officers appointed are Alvin Lamm, vice president, and Howard Arvey, secretary.

The board of directors include Walter R. Schaub, board chairman of Scot Lad Foods, Inc.; Harry Karl, president of Karl Shoe Stores, Ltd.; Walter Osborn, Stine-way Drug Co.; L. Pecchenino, Diamond Properties, Inc.; Irving Berlin, Illinois Capital Investment Corp.; and Howard Arvey, Attorney of Arvey, Hodes and Matynband. Wolfe, until May 1963, was vice president of Hartfield

Stores, Inc., and vice president and general merchandise manager of Zody's Discount store division.

Prior to joining Conmart, Wolfe was vice president of Katz Drug Co. Conmart will continue to use the name CMA. Executive and home offices for the chain are located in the Anaheim store at 1440 S. Anaheim Blvd., Anaheim.

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