

# Recreation Program for Youths to Be Expanded

By **BURTON W. CHACE**

**A realistic recreation program for teenagers will pay dividends to Los Angeles County.**

It is better to expand our programs for youngsters at the recreation level than to be forced to spend dollar after dollar for law enforcement, court, and detention costs later in life.

For this reason, I made a successful motion to expand and improve a pilot program, which was in effect for the past year, that is aimed at making wholesome recreation activities attractive to our young people.

One of the reasons many teenagers are on the streets and not using facilities which cities and counties provide is because the recreation programs have not been realistic.

**TO REMEDY** this, supervisors last year approved a \$55,862 pilot project which expanded teen-age recreation programs to include roller skating, dances, movies, and other attractions tailored to the interests of young people. This experiment was tried at several county parks and recreation centers.

It has been so successful that supervisors unanimously supported my motion to expand the pilot program this year. Not only will this realistic approach be included at other county parks, new concepts and interest areas will be initiated.

The number of "drop-in" centers for teenagers will be increased from 25 to 40 areas. Short-subject films will be exhibited to teens county wide, and six-week classes in charm and grooming, baby sitting, weight training, and gymnastics will be offered.

These are interest areas which have proven attractive to teenagers and which should lure our young people to get off the streets and partake in such wholesome activities.

**THE COST** of the expanded program will be \$116,887, but it will be money well invested if it prevents another Sunbelt Strip incident or anything similar.

The days when recreation centers appealed only to the pre-teen youngsters hopefully are numbered. If the teen

# Hoffman Serves on Hahn Group

Carl J. Hoffman, long time president of the Harbor District Chamber of Commerce, has volunteered to serve on the Committee for Supervisor Kenneth Hahn's re-election on June 4.

"There is not another supervisor in the world as sincere and honest as Kenneth Hahn, nor one who does more for the people in his district," Hoffman said. "I'm boosting him in the entire district all the time."

Hoffman, who has been a resident of the district since 1910, is active in many civic affairs. Among them, he is a member of the Los Angeles Smog Control Board.

## Site for Library Sought

Steps to acquire an 89,550 square-foot site for a new regional library in Carson are now being taken, according to Supervisor Kenneth Hahn.

The parcel of land being sought is located on the north side of Carson Street and approximately midway between Main Street and Orrick Avenue. The Board of Supervisors this week initiated condemnation proceedings to acquire the land.

Hahn said the facilities planned there will serve as headquarters for the South Bay Region of the county Public Library system.

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oriented project continues to attain successful results, I'm hopeful it can be expanded even more.

Good money is being spent to provide adequate recreation facilities for the pre-teens, teen-agers, adults, and

senior citizens. This money must be spent wisely if the purposes of such recreation centers are to be fulfilled.

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**THERE HAS** been a 350 per cent increase in the number of neglected children

cared for by the County Department of Public Social Services in the past 10 years. For this reason there is a

dire need for more volunteer foster parents to open their homes to these innocent victims of society. The trend

shows every sign of continuing, unfortunately.

These dependent children come from homes broken by poverty, divorce, illness, or jail sentences or are products of parental neglect or abandonment.

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