

## Bolas Succeeds Crowther on Planning Body

Harold B. Bolas, 848 Calle Arboles, Hollywood Riviera, was appointed to the Torrance City Planning Commission this week by the Torrance City Council on motion of Councilman Bob Haggard.

He succeeds W. J. Crowther, whose resignation was accepted with regret by the council. Crowther's letter made reference to a recent statement that mem-

### EQUAL ATTENTION

With the promise that all sections of California will receive equal attention in fish and game matters during 1949, William J. Silva, Modesto sportsman, has taken over his new duties as president of the Fish and Game Commission.

Members of the commission should live within the city limits, as urged by the Torrance-Lomita Realty Board. Crowther, who has served on the commission for nine years, does not live in the city.

Bolas is a member of the California State Real Estate Department's Los Angeles office staff.

## ... Leader

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tions, including the Masonic Lodge, Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scouts, and kindred others. Wherever there was a job to be done to help his fellowman or his home community, you would always find Earl Conner doing more than his share.

But perhaps the most important and far reaching contribution that Postmaster Conner made to Torrance was in his own position as head of the U. S. Postoffice department in this community.

For years the development of Torrance had been hindered by the fact that only a small portion of this city's incorporated area was served by the Torrance post office. Up until 1946, the Torrance post office served only that area lying between Sepulveda boulevard to 190th street, and west to Madrona avenue. Gardena served northeast Torrance; Redondo Beach served northwest, west and southwest Torrance; Lomita served south and part of west Torrance, as well as Walteria.

Naturally, this led to endless confusion and in many instances the non-delivery of much important mail because it was improperly addressed. Furthermore, Torrance was deprived of the promotional value of many of its business and industrial firms, which although they were paying municipal taxes to Torrance were advertising their mailing addresses as some neighboring city.

So, in 1946 Postmaster Conner launched a campaign to bring all the area within the city limits into the Torrance post office delivery service.

First step was obtaining part of north Torrance from both Gardena and Redondo Beach. "Just get a wedge in and we can do the rest," Earl often said. Then followed the contest with Redondo over Seaside Ranches, which Torrance won; then with Gardena over a large residential tract in North Torrance, a tough one, but Torrance won out. Then came Kettler Knolls, South Torrance, and most of the remaining North Torrance area. Every new territory acquired has acclaimed the improved postal service received through the Torrance post office.

All this required long hours of work, both day and night, limitless tact and diplomacy, and a tenacity of purpose that only an old warrior such as Earl Conner who came up the hard way in life, would understand.

At the time of his death, he had almost accomplished his objective, which he expressed just a few days ago to a friend on the post office steps, with the comment, "If I'm postmaster long enough, we'll have ALL of Torrance served by the Torrance post office."

Postmaster Conner was never one to consider his post a "political plum." He worked hard at it every day and many nights. Holidays meant nothing to Earl Conner, if a service needed to be rendered and he could help. He made efficiency a hobby, and always looked upon post office patrons as "customers," a viewpoint also shared by other staff members of the Torrance post office, and which has often been subject to favorable comment.

Kindly to everyone, generous to every worthy cause, loyal to his friends and his community, Torrance will not be the same without Earl Conner; but he has left many worthwhile accomplishments that long will stand as living monuments to his memory.



BRINGS WELCOME NEWS — Al Ewalt, Lion's Club program chairman, prepares to introduce Supervisor Raymond V. Darby who told the group that long-awaited improvement of Western avenue would start in 30 days. (Herald Photo).

## ... Western Ave.

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"We have machinery all set to let our first contracts within 30 days after we get the resolution from Torrance," Supervisor Darby said.

Darby also explained to the Lions the division of the tax bill on the average home in Torrance, and declared the taxpayers are getting a "big package" of government service and protection, water, schools, flood control, sewers, streets and other needs for the cost of one year's telephone bill.

## Chamber Event to Be Mar. 7

Monday, March 7, has been set for the annual dinner of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce. It was announced this week by Blaine Walker, executive secretary.

"Forty-Four Achieving Years" will be the theme of this year's event, devoted to achievements of the past and plans for the future. Members are being urged to make their reservations early. Details of the program will be announced later.

## Polio Victim Visits Home on Week-end

Virginia Shaner, 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. C. Shaner of 1622 Crenshaw boulevard, was brought home from the Kabet-Kaiser Institute at Santa Monica to spend the week end with her parents.

Virginia was stricken with polio last July 31 and was in General Hospital and Corona hospital before being transferred to the Kabet-Kaiser Institute for treatment. Doctors believe that they will be able to restore full use of her arm, the parents have been informed.

Her father is a veteran employe of Columbia Steel in Torrance.

### STOLEN AUTO PARTS

Theft of hub caps and wheel rims from her 1946 Plymouth car was reported to Redondo Beach police last week by Lucille Guizzetti, 1754 Cabrillo, Torrance, while the car was parked in the beach city. Value of the stolen goods was placed at \$22.66.

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