

Columbia Denies Lack Of Aid On Smog Accusation

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basis of a suggestion by Deutch that a diesel locomotive be obtained as a replacement. This suggestion was followed and a new diesel locomotive is now being used for switching purposes.

The blue annealing furnace was inspected and Control representatives were impressed with new improvements, such as installation of a steam atomizing oil burner and a curtain of alloy plates over the discharge opening. New burners and a new method of firing likewise improved operation of this furnace.

The galvanizing stack was cited as a smoke nuisance and Deckert, recommended electric-eye-type warning signals for stacks that smoke frequently. Immediate steps were taken and an electronic eye was installed in the galvanizing stack for control of excess smoke.

As a result of that inspection trip, the aforementioned representatives commended the plant on progress that has been made in smog control. Beyond that, it was pointed out that Columbia has instituted an employee-training program in smoke control.

In view of the foregoing facts, Columbia Steel Company has been cooperating with the authorities interested in smog control, and will continue to cooperate.

It might be pointed out that the Torrance plant of Columbia has been operating as an industrial installation in the Los Angeles area for more than 30 years, and considers itself an important part of that section, and is interested in the community's welfare and desires to cooperate with public officials in the interest of health and safety.

TRAILER PULLING

The car's wheel base is more than doubled when a trailer is attached. This makes a great deal of difference in allowing proper clearance when driving. The added weight, too, makes a very considerable change in the braking effect. To drive safely requires keeping these two points constantly in mind.

LOCAL SCHOOLS TO GET 16 ACRES OF LAND HERE

Torrance Board of Education, considering school sites for the rapidly expanding residential sections of Torrance, realized Tuesday night that they had fallen heir to the 16-acre school farm site on Redondo Beach boulevard just west of Western avenue.

The farm belonged to Los Angeles schools and had been used by Gardena High School.

Los Angeles was attempting to sell the farm at the time local citizens raised a fund and hired Sam Pritchard to sue Los Angeles and stop the sale of the land as well as the removal of some 14 bungalows from Torrance schools.

The court upheld the contentions of Torrance that the property belongs to the people here, and the farm then became the property of Redondo Union High School District. Redondo leased the land back to Los Angeles.

However, with the formation of Torrance City High School District, and unification of the schools, at the election of Jan. 24, the land becomes the property of Torrance schools as of July 1. Redondo cannot dispose of it.

Superintendent of Schools J. H. Hull, when the matter was discussed Tuesday night, said that the land valued at more than \$3000 an acre, with frontage on Redondo Beach boulevard, is unsuitable for school use, but could be sold or traded for other sites.

One will be needed in the vicinity of 174th street and Crenshaw boulevard, he said, as well as in other sections of North Torrance.

WHERE'S THE FIRE

Feb. 3, 4:37 p.m., 4316 174th street, boys shooting matches in an air rifle set fire to a palm tree belonging to W. C. Pendleton.

Feb. 2, 8:15 a.m., Santa Fe and Cabrillo, drill.

Feb. 1, 12:55 p.m., oil sump fire on the property of the Del Amo Company, 3500 block on Torrance boulevard.

Feb. 1, 5:35 a.m., overheated refrigerator belonging to Mr. Mothersill, 2408 Cabrillo.

HALLDALE ELEMENTARY PTA BOARD MEETING SET

Mrs. Robert Lenton will open her home at 1447 W. 220th st. tomorrow for a meeting of Halldale Elementary PTA executive board.

Political Pot Boils As City Election Near

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George W. Downing and Franklin Krekow.

One who smiles when it is mentioned, but will not admit he will or will not accept nomination, is Bob Haggard.

Of incumbent members of the City Council, C. Merton Gilbert has admitted that in all probability, he will seek reelection.

William H. Tolson simply replies "don't know yet" to inquiry about his possible candidacy.

The other incumbent, Bronson C. Buxton, also declares that he has not yet made up his mind as to seeking reelection to the Council. Buxton filed the post vacated by George V. Powell when he moved from Torrance following withdrawal of Torrance schools from Los Angeles. Powell had been head custodian at Torrance High School for years, under Los Angeles.

Among city matters to go on the ballot, as promised by the City Council, is one providing for the permanent City Manager setup, which calls for a Charter amendment which can be ratified during the budget session of the Legislature opening March 1.

The Chamber of Commerce directors and Citizens Committee are insisting that poker parlors, such as operate in Gardena, and other organized gambling, be outlawed permanently here by Charter amendment and that the people also have a chance to vote on a third amendment, to remove the salaries of \$50 a month paid to members of the Council.

Members of the Council previously had agreed to put both measures on the ballot in the form of proposed Charter amendments. However, following the failure of the Council to act on Jan. 27, delaying their decision until the meeting of Feb. 11, the Chamber directors immediately voted to protect the rights of the people to circulate initiative petitions in time to call for a vote on the matters on April 13, by filing necessary legal notices.

A spirited campaign is anticipated on the Council post vacancies, due to early interest being shown.

On the Board of Education election, three present members of the Board are intending to seek reelection, it was said, and in view of the popular acceptance of Torrance control of the schools, no contest is anticipated at this time. Members who must face reelection are Mrs. Grace W. Wright, vice president of the Board, Carl D. Steele and George P. Thatcher. Other members are Dr. Howard A. Wood, president, and Mrs. Evelyn L. Carr.

Incumbent members of the City Council who will hold over this year are J. Hugh Sherfey, Jr., mayor, and A. L. Jackson.

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RECKLESS DRIVING

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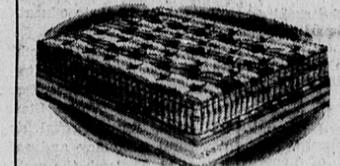
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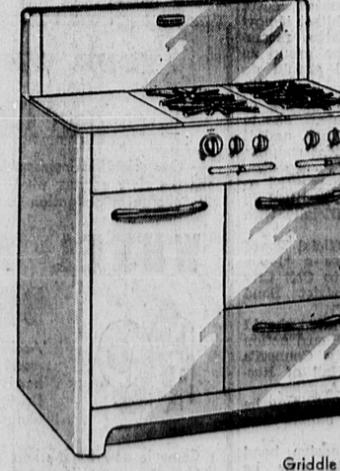


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Plans For 1657 New Homes On File With City

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from 235th street to Sepulveda boulevard.

7. Sunhaven Properties, 349 units, Hollywood Parkway, or Catalina avenue from Redondo Beach line to Palos Verdes line.

8. Southwest Properties, Inc., 186 units, north of 174th street and west of Crenshaw boulevard.

9. Sande Senness, 341 units, 101 Highway east of Walteria.

10. Riviera Housing Corp., 137 units, south of California-Nevada development in the Hollywood Riviera section.

11. Ben Haggott, 93 units, Seaside Ranchos tract No. 2, 101 Highway at Redondo Beach line.

Each project is contemplated for an early start, but some of them are still dependent somewhat on F.H.A. approval for mutual mortgage insurance.

Marriage Licenses

James M. Faust, 33, 1148 W. 157th st., Gardena, and Lauretta L. Spellman, 26, 429 E. 213th st., Torrance.

Bernard C. Quinn, 23, 4016 Del Amo, Torrance and Marjorie M. Crabb, 20, 1358 Bay View, Wilmington.

Thomas Blich, 22, 2281 Moneta ave., Torrance and Charlyn J. Buffalo, 19, 1019 Amapola ave., Torrance.

John E. Kennedy, 37, 5128 Emerald st., Torrance and Mildred M. Sakuly, 38, 5205 Emerald st., Torrance.

Samuel Hensen, Jr., 19, 140 E. Dominguez, Torrance and Opal D. Boatright, 16, 20917 Shearer ave., Torrance.

Howard W. Davenport, 37, 1612 W. Carson st., Torrance, and Barbara R. Kent, 31, 1610 W. Carson st., Torrance.

Max Parbois, 33, 2131 240th st., Lomita, and Cleone Boruff, 37, 3220 W. 82nd st., Inglewood.

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