NARBONNE, ARLINGTON NAME CHANGE SUGGES

At a reported suggestion of the City of Inglewood and sure to draw protest here, the feasibility of changing the name of Narbonne avenue in Lomita and Arlington avenue in Torrance is under consideration by the County Surveyor's Office.

Hugo F. Schmidt, earliest Narbonne avenue businessman and proprietor of the Lomita Market, said: "There'll be plenty of protests here."

It has been suggested by the Street Naming Committee of the County Planning Congress that the streets henceforth bear the name of "Van Ness" for the sake of uniformity.

In a round-about fashion the streets are continuous from here to Van Ness avenue, which starts north of Manchester boulevard.

The Board of Supervisors referred the matter of name change to the County Surveyor's office for recommendation. If the recommendation is favorable and the Board approves, there will be a public hearing on the matter, the office of Chairman of the Board of Supervisors Raymond V. Darby said.

The historic Lomita thoroughfare, which was laid out at the same time as the original tract and named after Nathaniel A. Narbonne, an area pioneer rancher, bears great significance to this locality, and Lomitans asked by the Lomita News said they would be reluctant to give it up.

President Jerry Ward of the Lomita Business Association said he wished to give the matter consideration but that his first reaction was to oppose it.

"However," he said, "if they want to make the whole thoroughfare Narbonne avenue to the center of Los Angeles, I'm sure I could back that."

Torrance sources predicted that that city would back any action to maintain the name of Narbonne avenue, which extends into Torrance to Sepulveda avenue.

Nathaniel A. Narbonne High School in Lomita was named after the early Lomita rancher who came here from Salem Mass., about 1880 and later perished in a fire.

He is buried in Wilmington cemetery and once a year Narbonne High students make a pilgrimage to decorate his grave, which has been ensured perpetual care through voluntary student donations.

The proposed change was expected to be taken somewhat more lightly in Torrance, due to the lack of historical significance of Arlington avenue.

Chairman Darby's office said that the change was in its preliminary stages and expected it to be a matter of months before the action, if any, is taken.

County Surveyor's office said that when a public hearing date is set signs will be posted along the streets affected.

Subversive Units Lose Income Tax Exemption Rights

Four organizations active in Southern California are among eight which have been denied tax exemptions by the Internal Revenue Bureau because they are listed as "subversive groups" by Attorney General Tom Clark, it was said last week.

Those active in the metropolitan area include the International Workers Order, the Joint Anti-Facist Refugee Committee, the National Council of American Soviet Friendship, and the Hollywood Writers Mobilization. Each has been listed as a Communist "front" organization, according to releases from Washington, D.C.

In the future, it was indicated, no organization which gets a subversive listing will be given the tax exemption privileges allowed non-profit religious, charitable, educational and scientific groups.

These exemption privileges allow persons who help finance the organizations to claim deductions from their own income taxes.

Council Okays Miscellaneous City Items

The City Council Tuesday night approved recommendations of City Administrator George W. Stevens as follows:

That Robert Wright be employed to serve the probationary term as a patrolman, effective Feb. 1, 1948, and that his compensation be at the rate of $210 per month.

That the City enter into a contract with Maynard Boyce, Inc. for the exclusive right to handle the advertising space and display on the municipal buses, said contract to extend for a period of one year commencing Feb. 15, 1948, and may be terminated on ninety days notice thereafter. Terms of the contract will provide that the City receive 50 percent of the net collections from advertising.

That the Chamber of Commerce be granted permission to erect cluster service club signs on the island at Cravens avenue and Torrance boulevard intersection and at Western avenue and Torrance boulevard.

That funds for the following expenditures be granted:

For the repair of police car No. 16, the sum of $375.45, including tax, by Schultz and Peckham.

For the repair and reconditioning of two power-driven lawn mowers, the sum of $150, including tax.

For the purchase of 1,000 gallons of bitumels and 80 tons of crushed rock for street repairs, the sum of $300.

For the purchase of beads for traffic line striping, the sum of $175.

For the purchase of materials to construct an adequate entrance to the Municipal Airport from Highway 101, the sum of $590, plus tax, from airport funds.

For the repair of a tractor by Shaw Sales and Service Co., the sum of $227.15, including tax, from airport funds.

To be what we are, and to become what we are capable of becoming, is the only end of life.
—**Robert Louis Stevenson**

Duo-Pianists Are Acclaimed By Torrance

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they had the honor of appearing under the baton of Toscanini. In this country, they have played repeatedly with the New York Philharmonic-Symphony, the Cincinnati Symphony, the Washington National Symphony, the Chicago Symphony and the Rochester Philharmonic, as well as with other major orchestras.

The unique Bartlett and Robertson repertoire ranges from original music for two keyboards through the best transcribed works to new scores by leading composers written especially for them.

The following delightfully diversified program, brilliantly played in complete accord, marked the beginning of a new cultural movement for this community area and by its success forecasts many more programs of the finer type:

"Fugue in G minor," (Bach); "Aria: Sheep May Safely Graze" (Bach); "Scherzo" (Felix Mendelssohn); "Perpetuum Mobile" (Carl Maria von Weber); "Variations on a Theme of Beethoven" (Camille Saint-Saens); "The Lover and the Nightingale" (Enrique Granados), arranged by Rae Robertson; "Brazilian Dance" (Darius Milhaud); "Nocturne" (Edvard Grieg), arranged by Bartlett and Robertson; "Scherzo" (Anton S. Arensky); "Hungarian Rhapsodie No. 2" (Franz Liszt); "Malaguena" (Lecuona).

Encores which were enthusiastically received by the audience included:

"Gavotte" (Gluck); "Liebestraum" (Liszt); "Clair de Lune" (Debussy; "Jamaica Rumba" (Arthur); Rachmaninoff's arrangement for two pianos, "Prelude in C sharp minor"; Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," Bach chorale.

Directors of Torrance Community Concerts Association, Inc., which will present the Columbia Opera quartet on Feb. 25, at 8:15 p.m., in the High School auditorium, and who attended the reception with their wives or husbands, are James L. Lynch, James R. Wilkes, R. J. Deininger, Grover C. Whyte, Dean L. Sears, Mrs. Gilbert Derouin, Mrs. Robert S. Sleeth, Mrs. John A. Shidler, Mrs. O. A. Kresse, Mrs. John Oursler, Mrs. Howard A. Wood, Mrs. Leandrus Stamps, Mrs. Kathryne Buffington, Mrs. Nadine Nichol, Frank S. Selover, James Van Dyke, Abe Milstein, John Schwartz, the Rev. H. Wesley Roloff and the Rev. Clyde Ruckman.

Students assisting at the high school were Richard Schumert, electrician; and the following ushers, Lynn Smyth, Pat Cecil, Cecelia Bidwell, Joan Brimer, Elinor Reeves, Nola Farner, Keith Pearson, Jack Koshak, Ed Fortin, Ralph Standridge, Richard Preston and Bill Carstens.

The concert association was organized last December and admission is by membership card only. More than 800 memberships were sold for the series of three concerts.

ANTELOPE ARE SMALL

The fawns of the antelope are rarely spotted and scarcely exceed a jack rabbit in size.

In all ranks of life the human heart yearns for the beautiful; and the beautiful things that God makes are His gift to all alike.—**H. B. Stowe**

CALIFORNIA LACKS PLAY AREAS; DIRECTOR LEARNS

Attending the National Recreation Association, Pacific Southwest District Conference held in Fresno Feb. 5-7, Elmer S. Moon, Torrance sports director, learned that for an "outdoor" state, California is far behind in providing areas and facilities to meet the present demand.

More than 100 delegates attended the conference from six southwestern states.

Trustee Escapes From Harbor Hospital Grounds

John Henry Silva, 40, a trustee dressed in jail clothing, escaped Friday morning from where he was working at Harbor General hospital, sheriff's reports indicated.

Serving time for a burglary conviction, Silva was working on the road at the northeast corner of the property at 1124 W. Carson street when he escaped.

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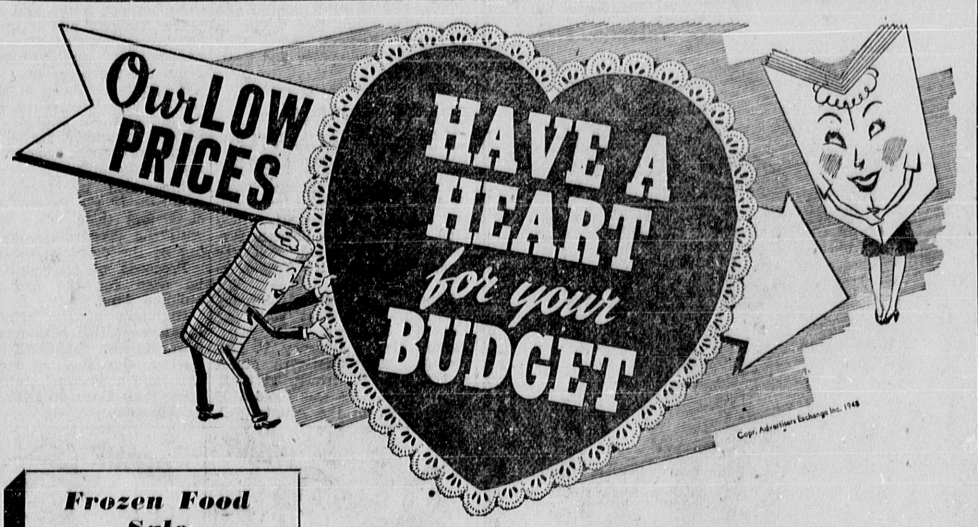

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