

## Hiram's Markets Become Division Of Lucky Markets, Officials Say

Hiram's, a chain of six Los Angeles area markets with an annual sales volume of \$25,000,000, has become a division of Lucky Stores, Inc., it was announced Tuesday by J. C. Ernst, Lucky board chairman. The Hiram's consolidation will increase Lucky Stores' annual rate of sales to approximately \$180,000,000, Ernst said.

The six additional locations bring Lucky Stores up to a total of 110 supermarkets, located along the Pacific Coast from San Diego to Seattle. Philip Harris, formerly president of Hiram's, Inc., will

manage the new division. The stores will continue to operate under the Hiram's name for some time.

**NEGOTIATIONS** for the acquisition of Hiram's began last year. Progress on the deal was delayed because a fire at the Hiram's store at 306 East Florence Ave., Los Angeles, on Oct. 14 destroyed business records.

This store is now being rebuilt and enlarged. It will be ready for operation in approximately six months.

Other Hiram's supermarkets are located at 10721 Atlantic Ave., Lynwood; 4601 Silva St., Lakewood; 6235 E. Spring St., Long Beach; 2630 Workman Ave., West Covina; and 15200 E. Rosecrans, LaMirada.

**HIRAM'S IS THE** sixth of a series of smaller chains to be come consolidated with Lucky Stores. The San Leandro-based food chain entered the Los Angeles area in 1956 with the acquisition of the Jim Dandy Markets — now operated as a division of Lucky.

Since then, through consolidations, Lucky has acquired supermarkets in San Diego, Sacramento and Seattle-Tacoma trade areas.

The firm, incorporated in 1931 to operate six stores in the San Francisco Bay area, has consistently reported increasing sales and earnings. Net profit was \$2,148,000 from the sales of \$128,000,000 in 1957.

For the first six months of 1958, profit was \$1,139,925 from sales amounting to \$66,618,000, compared with \$62,224,000 for the first half of 1957.

### DEATH CAUSES

Heart ailments are the leading cause of death in the U. S., but cancer is in second place, according to mortality statistics. Deaths from accidents are ranked in third place.

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## Gibson Lists 1958 Projects During Report to Advisors

Public improvement expenditures in the 15th Council District exceeded \$2 million for the fourth consecutive year, it was disclosed yesterday in year-end roundup figures released by Council President John S. Gibson.

Included were some 56 jobs consisting of storm drains, street, alley and sewer construction, tree trimming and removal.

**TORRANCE STRIP** areas drew six of the projects costing a total of \$36,900, Gibson told members of his local advisory committee at the meeting Tuesday at Normandale playground.

Local expenditures included cash contributions to assist jobs on Plaza Del Amo

and W. Normandie Roadway and for the removal of trees along Western Ave. Paving of another block on Plaza Del Amo from Harvard to Denker and improvement of the East half of Denker from Torrance Blvd. to 209th St., were other jobs for which contracts were awarded.

**INCLUSION** OF A storm drain along 228th St. with laterals to reach as far north as Plaza Del Amo is chief project for which funds have been provided. The drain will serve a large area in the strip section and provide some relief for the now overloaded drain at 228rd St.

Portions of some 23 streets, 14 alleys and two major sewer

lines were constructed during the year by assessment act proceedings, while three storm drains and an equal number of major streets also were included in the year's total of \$2,387,594.

Four more assessment jobs including the 206th and Harvard Improvement District, which will encompass all unimproved portions of street from 203rd to Torrance Blvd. be-

### AIRPORT TRAFFIC

Average landings and take-offs at Torrance Municipal Airport during November were 320 per day, according to Manager Jack Egan. Peak day was 720.

### GROUP TO MEET

The general meeting of the North Torrance Civic Improvement Assn. will be held at 8 p.m. tonight at McMasters Hall, 174th and Yukon Ave. Mrs. Phillip Clark is president.

Between Denker and Western, are being processed and due for construction in 1959, Gibson said.

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## Visit to a Small Planet Opens at Chapel Theatre

Comedy and love will share the spotlight when Chapel Theatre's new offering, "Visit to a Small Planet," opens at 613 Gould Ave., Manhattan Beach next Thursday for a five-week run.

In the comedy spotlight will be Ron Wright of 5102 Cathann St., who portrays General Powers, a suffering soldier from the Pentagon who becomes involved with a superman from outer space.

Maneuvering the love interest will be Ellen Spelding of 126 Sartori Ave., whose love life is interspersed with the pace doings in her parents' household.

Veteran director Don Gish's fast pacing and imaginative stage business add to the humor of the play.

Persons desiring tickets are asked to phone FR 4-9458.

## Harbor Savings Notes First Anniversary

On the eve of its first anniversary (Jan. 8), the directors of Harbor Savings and Loan Assn. of Redondo Beach this week declared dividends at 4 per cent per annum to be paid quarterly during the first half of 1959.

"This dividend action by the directors," declared Joseph A. Wall, association president, "is consistent with the general favorable business outlook for 1959 and with the rapid growth of Harbor Savings."

The only locally owned and operated savings and loan association in the area, Harbor Savings now has more than 2,000,000 in total resources, Wall said.

"During the association's first year in business," Wall continued, "Harbor Savings paid out earnings at 4 per cent each quarter on insured savings accounts, moved into its own 1800 square foot building at 1613 South Pacific Coast Highway, and added to its staff."



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