



COUNCIL HONORED . . . His Eminence, James Francis Cardinal McIntyre presents St. Anthony Award to Charles Butterfield, Grand Knight of the St. Gerard Council, Knights of Columbus, after the local group was declared winner of the annual campaign to raise funds for Rancho San Antonio among councils of 150 men or less. St. Gerard Council has been organized less than a year.

St. Gerard Council Wins St. Anthony Drive Award

St. Gerard Council Knights of Columbus, organized here less than a year ago, received the St. Anthony award from His Eminence, James Francis Cardinal McIntyre, recently for its drive for Rancho San Antonio Boys Town of the West, which the Southern California Knights of Columbus sponsor. The local council, headed by Grand Knight Charles Butterfield, won first place among councils of 150 men or less on a per capita basis. Dick Joosten, captain in the local council's campaign, was presented

a similar award for his work in putting the council at the top. Cardinal McIntyre was presented with a check for \$25,000 at the recent banquet and ball at the Statler Hilton. The check represented the funds raised by Southland Knights of Columbus to support the Rancho San Antonio. Work has already begun in the St. Gerard Council for the 1961 drive, Grand Knight Butterfield announced. Captain of the 1961 drive will be named in the near future, he said.

Some Important Changes Seen In Legislative Committee Posts

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Now that Hurricane "Election" has whirled off into history, leaving bruised candidates and battered propositions strewn over the beach, it is time to redirect our energies to legislative matters. Time is very short between now and our 1961 session, and most of our interim groups still have much to occupy their attention. One of the expected results of any election is change, either in representation or laws. The recent one, however, produced less turnover of membership in either of our Houses than was anticipated. Less than 15 per cent of the Assembly, and about the same proportion of the Senate, will be new to our halls when we reconvene in January. Its effect, however, will be far greater when measured in terms of committee leadership and membership for the coming Legislature.

FOUR SENATORS who will not be with us again held chairmanships of important committees. Their successors will be selected by the Senate Rules Committee. The four groups are Fish and Game, Institutions, Labor, and Revenue and Taxation. As their titles indicate, these committees are responsible for passing on legislation in several significant fields. Consequently, their presiding officers have considerable prestige and authority.

Even greater shifts will take place in Assembly committees. Seven chairmanships will be up to the Assembly Speaker. Such powerful groups as the committees on Agriculture, Education, Judiciary-Civil, Military and Veterans Affairs, Revenue and

Taxation, and Transportation and Commerce, have vacant chairs. Governmental Efficiency and Economy has had an acting chairman for some months so it, too, is included in the list.

OUR CALIFORNIA Legislature has never adopted the tradition of Congress with respect to making committee appointments on the basis of seniority of service. As a general rule, chairmanships of the more important groups go to those members with considerable legislative experience, but it is not a matter of hard and fast rule. Other things being equal, however, it can be anticipated that these 11 vacancies in the two houses will be filled from members with considerable length of service, and previous experience in presiding.

With this many committees involved, a whole series of changes will probably result, with the membership and leadership of practically all groups shifting considerably. All of our members will be called on to serve on several committees, thus spreading our work as far as possible.

FIRST, THEY are an efficient means of communication with the general public, through which we can learn all the divergent views on particular problems with relatively small use of time and effort.

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A great part of our legislative work arises from our service on various committees.

32 More Seek Annexation to County Water

Dec. 15 was set today by the County Board of Supervisors for hearing a petition by 32 Lomita property owners for annexation to the recently created County Waterworks District No. 13. According to Supervisor Bur-

ton W. Chace, the land proposed for annexation is located northerly of 240th St. between Arlington and Walnut Aves.

Chace said the land proposed to be annexed comprises approximately 15 acres which is now supplied by the portion of Narbonne Ranch Water Company No. 3 which was not annexed to the City of Torrance.

The electorate of the area will be asked, following the public hearing, to vote on the question of annexation as well as the incurring of an indebtedness of \$20,000 as their proportionate share of the cost of

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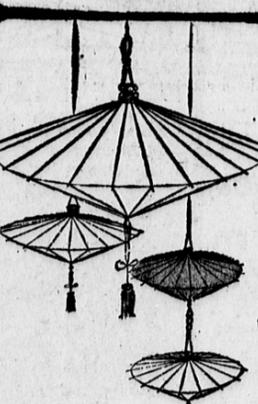
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