

Herald's Publishers Attending Convention for State Newspapers

King Williams and Glenn W. Pfeil, co-publishers of The HERALD are attending the four-day annual convention of the California Newspaper Publishers Assn. being held at the Jack Tar Hotel, San Francisco.

In addition to many panel sessions on improvements in news and advertising production and presentation, new printing processes and "cold type" developments will be prime targets of discussion.

A star-studded program of nationally known speakers will address the publishers including Jorge Zayas, former publisher of Cuba's leading newspaper, El Avance. Zayas fled Havana to Florida after having been a critic of Fidel Castro's administration. His plant was confiscated and he was threatened with execution. Zayas is now publishing a Spanish language newspaper in Miami, Florida known as El Avance Criollo.

U.S. Senator Barry Goldwater (Rep. - Arizona), will speak at a luncheon given by the Industrial Relations Bureau of the CNPA today to which all publishers have been invited.

Governor Edmund G. Brown will speak at the traditional "family night" dinner on Friday. All constitutional officers of the state will be guests for this occasion.

Brown will also present awards for excellence in newspaper contests at a Saturday breakfast.

Hahn to Oppose Any Hike In State Gas Tax Levies

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn declared today that he is flatly opposed to proposals to increase the State gas tax by one cent a gallon or a 50 per cent increase in the "in lieu" tax which is included in the price motorists pay for their license tags.

"At the present time, Los Angeles County motorists pay 10 cents in State and Federal Taxes on each gallon of gas they buy. The State gas tax is six cents. Los Angeles County motorists pay more than their share of state gas taxes and do not get a fair share of the money back to be used in improved streets and highways in Los Angeles County," Supervisor Hahn declared.

HE ADDED that he believes that gas taxes have reached a maximum ceiling and should not be increased.

"With all the other taxes that people of California are paying, an increase in the gas tax is unthinkable," Supervisor Hahn stated.

The County Supervisors Association of California has requested the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to support its program calling for a gas tax increase.

Hahn SAID that he would not support an increase in the State gas tax under any circumstance.

Instead of increasing the gas taxes paid to the State and Federal governments, the public should demand that maximum value is received for each gas tax dollar collected and that none of the money paid by the motorists for road improvement is diverted for administration, impressive buildings, or for any purpose other than building and improving streets and highways, Supervisor Hahn declared.

Realtors Hear History of City, Report on Directors' Convention

A review of the history of the Torrance area from the days of the old Rancho San Pedro to the present by Planning Director George Powell highlighted last week's meeting of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors at a luncheon meeting at the Jump 'n Jack.

Powell's topic was "Transition of the city of Torrance from the Old Rancho San Pedro to the Present Time." His talk was of special interest to Realtors who are handling properties in this area," Board President Delbert Vaughn said after the meeting.

THE BOARD'S 1961 program is based on better community relations, Vaughn said.

Another report made by Realtor Gerald Alter outlined discussions of the State Directors' meeting held in San Francisco Jan. 12 and 13.

Alter reported on the Attorney General's charge that the California Real Estate Assn. maintained a minimum commission schedule which amounted to a conspiracy in restraint of trade, and that local boards aided by using standard forms with commission rates printed on them.

THE STATE is seeking an injunction against the standard fee, and has asked that the CREA be ordered to notify its members in writing that there is no set fixed or customary real estate commission.

The CREA attorney assured those at the convention that the relations between the CREA and the Attorney General's office were very good, Alter told local Realtors. He said the attorney felt that an agreement could be reached in the matter without court action.

BOARDS HAVE been advised to leave everything "as is" until an agreement has been reached, Alter said.

The Attorney General has charged that the fixed fee of 6 per cent for all real estate transactions amounts to a conspiracy.

Among guests at last week's board meeting was John A. Bramhall, senior administrative assistant to City Manager George Stevens.

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