



Mayor Defends Procedure for Appointing Commission Members



CAT'S PAWS—Jimmy Freng, 3, whose face was scratched by a cat, is cheered by his mother, Mrs. James Freng. She is trying to find the cat, because if the feline is not located, Jimmy will have to undergo painful Pasteur treatment.—Press Photo.

Mom Seeks Cat Which Scratched Tot

Jimmy Freng, 3, of 21621 Anza Ave., Torrance will not be happy to see a dark cat again, but his mother certainly will be. The feline scratched Jimmy's face while he was playing in the back yard the other day. The doctor at the health department told his mother that the tot will have to undergo painful Pasteur treatment, unless the cat is located and it is proven it does not have rabies.

Residents who know where the cat, possibly part Persian, are asked to contact Mrs. James Freng at FR 4-2168.

Century Club Obtains \$900 in Finance Campaign

Sam Levy and L. N. Gill, co-chairmen of the YMCA Century Club, announced that nine men have pledged at least \$100 each for the 1958 YMCA Finance Campaign. Among those joining recently were Paul Burnam, Doug Cannon, L. N. Gill, Albert Isen, Sam Levy, Frank Renz, Ed Smith, Bill Speck, and Joe Wilcox. Levy and Gill extended an invitation to other Torrance citizens to join the Century Club and make their substantial contribution for the success of the Finance Campaign.

ARROW BRANDS BUILDING FACTORY IN TORRANCE FOR TOP SECRET PROJECTS

Arrow Brands, Inc., manufacturers of aluminum foil and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Reynolds Metals Company, is erecting a modern 45,000 square foot plant on a three acre site at Jefferson and Crenshaw boulevards, Torrance, to be completed by April, according to an announcement by Arrow Brands president, Harry W. Roth.

"It is the only plant of its kind on the West Coast," Roth stated, "and it will be a tremendous asset to Southern California."

First of Several

The new building is the first of several units to be located on this site. It will reportedly house the expanding foil manufacturing operation of the company and is intended for new products under development not connected with the floral industry. All research and development, much of which is classified as top secret by Arrow Brands executives, will be carried on here.

Among the many unique features of the building is the lavish use of aluminum in color for the front elevation facing, the front entrance canopy, all doors and sash, and the fences which will surround the property.

Expansion Here

Roth said, "Of course, the high point of our success was

Deadline For Vote Sign-ups

City Clerk A. H. Bartlett today reminded Torrance residents that registration deadlines for three coming elections have been set.

In order to vote in the city, school and primary elections, residents must be registered in order to be eligible to vote.

Deadline for registering for the April 8 city election is Feb. 13, March 27 is the deadline to register for the May 20 school election, and April 10 for the June 3 State primary election.

Six classes of residents should register in order to be eligible, Bartlett said.

These include those who changed their residence since the last time they registered; those who changed their names, those who desire to change their political affiliation.

Others are those who did not vote in the last primary or general election; those who have come of legal voting age and new residents of the County.

In order to be eligible to register, it is required the candidate have resided in the State for a year; in the County for 90 days. Residents may register in the Torrance City Hall during business hours, or obtain the name of a deputy registrar in their neighborhood from the City Clerk's office.

Library Revision Planned

A new ordinance which will give full legal status to the Library Commission composed entirely of non-Council members, is expected to be submitted to the City Council next Tuesday.

If approved, Councilman Willis Blount, now a member of the Library Board, will not be appointed to the citizens board.

A majority of the Council overruled Councilman Nicholas O. Drale who attempted to table action for a week because Blount was absent from Tuesday's meeting.

Under the new ordinance submitted by City Attorney Stanley Remelmeier, the commission will be composed of five members who will be appointed by the Mayor.

Although it is expected that the incumbent citizen members of the board will be reappointed as commissioners, the new law will bar a councilman from sitting on the commission.

In other actions, Remelmeier was instructed to amend the present city ordinance governing rabies regulations for cats and dogs to conform with State law within two weeks.

Although the city's ordinance providing for the vaccination of dogs over six months of age was passed long before the State statute, the California law will take precedence.

Under its terms, dogs over the age of four months will have to be inoculated.

Remelmeier also promised to investigate information available to cities from the State Public Utilities Commission on which to base opposition to a permanent increase in telephone rates.

C of C Area Appointments

Three new directors were appointed to serve one year terms on the Torrance Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, President O. R. Trueblood said today.

New directors are John Strech, Ozark Barbecue, representing the Welteria Area; Jack Phillips, Paramount Builders Supply and Nursery, representing the Del Amo Section; and Glenn Koger, Rome Cable, Director at Large.

Koger and Strech will be serving their second year and Phillips his third as Director of the organization.



TICKET SALE—Mrs. Leonard Rock, left, sells tickets to the Stardust Ball to Dick Olson. The Ball, which will be held this Saturday evening from 8 p.m. to midnight, is being sponsored by the Nativity Mother's club. Tickets may be purchased at the auditorium box office the night of the Ball, or from any member of the Nativity Mother's club. Mrs. Jack Dabbs is in charge of the tickets, Mrs. James Carlin and Mrs. James Fornelli are serving as co-chairmen, and Mrs. Frederick Cameron and Mrs. Harley Buening are co-chairmen in charge of the refreshments.

Council Pays Bill Despite Misgivings

Although they were quite reluctant about it, Torrance Councilmen agreed to pay \$450 in legal fees to the law firm which gave an opinion on the designation of candidates in the April 8 election.

Astounded by the amount, Councilman Victor E. Benfield exploded, "I could have given that opinion for \$450."

"Yes but you'd go to jail for practicing law without a license," Mayor Albert Isen, himself an attorney, warned.

Council Robert Jahn, also unhappy over the fee made the motion to pay it, anyway.

"I protest the fee, but we'll get sued if we don't pay it," he declared.

Nadeau to Lead City Merchants

Del Nadeau, prominent Torrance businessman, will be president of the Downtown Businessmen's Division of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce this year.

The new president owns Allen's Jewelers, and has been an



DEL NADEAU

active leader in the merchant group. He announced that plans will be made during the coming year to expand the organization's activities even more.

Serving with him are Paul Diamond, owner of the Gay Shop, vice president and Vern Lovelady, owner of Lovelady Hardware, secretary-treasurer.

ALBERT HINZ ENTERS CITY COUNCIL RACE

Albert W. Hinz, 39, industrial relations director for Harvey Aluminum company, today announced his candidacy for the Torrance City Council.

The candidate said he is not allied with any member of the City Council and believes that city employees are not being given sufficient independence to perform their duties.

Hinz, of 4733 Paseo de las Tortugas, is married and has two sons. He was raised in this area and was educated at Compton Junior college, Woodbury college and UCLA.

He has been with Harvey Aluminum for six years, and points out that the firm is not within Torrance city lines and therefore will not benefit from his actions if he is elected to the council.

The office-seeker is a member of the Torrance Lions club, has served as chairman of Red Cross and Cancer fund drives and is a member of the Torrance Home Owners association.

In 1955 he was awarded a medal for his contribution to handicapped persons. He is an Army veteran of World War II.

He is a member of the Personnel and Industrial Relations association, the California Manufacturers association, past member of the governor's labor-management committee, and other professional organizations.



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Reservations Accepted for C of C Fete

Reservations are running at an unprecedented clip for the Annual Banquet for the Torrance Chamber of Commerce scheduled for Tuesday, February 25.

Chairman Jack Phillips said that a sellout is assured for the civic banquet which will be highlighted by an address by J. Roger Deas of the American Can Company. Deas will fly from New York for the meeting.

Other highlights will be installation of new officers and presentation of awards to Torrance's "Citizen of the Year" for 1957, and certificates of appreciation to fourteen service club presidents.

An "Old Mexico" theme is planned in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce "Friendship Tour" to Mexico. However, the food will be definitely American — New York Steaks from Kansas City will highlight the full course meal.

Reservations may be secured by calling the Chamber office, FA 8-2814.

Accidents Minor in Thick Fog

Heavy fog which blanketed the Torrance area Tuesday night and yesterday morning, brought caution rather than danger to motorists.

Torrance police reported three minor accidents, which they described as fender-bending types during the morning hours. Lennox Sheriff's Station had no reports of accidents in the southern part of their territory yesterday morning.

Police pointed out that motorists probably drove at a slower pace than usual during the fog. Visibility was estimated at 75 feet.

DRALE HITS RULE ON SELECTION

Mayor Albert Isen defended procedures for making city commission appointments and denounced charges that he was "dictatorial" as "petty politics."

He made his statement at Tuesday's City Council session when Councilman Nicholas O. Drale asserted that commission appointments should not be made by one man or a majority of the council.

"Before I make a nomination for an original appointment, I always wait a week between the nomination and the actual appointment," Isen said.

The Mayor stated that only when a commissioner is up for a reappointment to a post he has held in the past, does he make the appointment the same day.

"I object to commission members being appointed by the Mayor only," Drale protested. "He has too many dictatorial powers now to suit me."

The hassle broke out after the Park and Recreation Commission submitted a resolution calling for the appointment of member on the basis of merit.

Robert S. Cramer, chairman of the commission, said that councilmen should not oppose nominations because of a matter of procedure.

The commission passed the resolution after the council split recently over the reappointment of Mrs. Naomi McVey and Ralph Morris. Drale opposed the appointments of both, and Councilman Willis Blount of one.

Drale objected that the immediate appointments does not give councilmen the opportunity to investigate the nominees before they are appointed.

Isen answered that he has always delayed for a week before making an original appointment and has acted only immediately when incumbent commissioners were named.

"After all, you should know what these commissioners have been doing," the mayor said.

Despite the disagreement between Drale and other three members of the council present at the meeting, all joined to pass a vote of confidence in all commissions.

Only absentee at the session was Blount.

Brewer in Race for Assembly

Tom Brewer, Torrance insurance man, was unanimously endorsed by the Republican fact-finding committee as the regular Republican assembly candidate from the Sixty-eighth district.

The fact-finding committee met Monday at the Hacienda hotel in San Pedro. He was chosen as the official candidate for the state legislature from among several others who appeared before the committee.

At the last general election Tom Brewer was the regular Republican nominee for the state legislature from this district.

Brewer, of 18423 St. Andrews place, has been active in the

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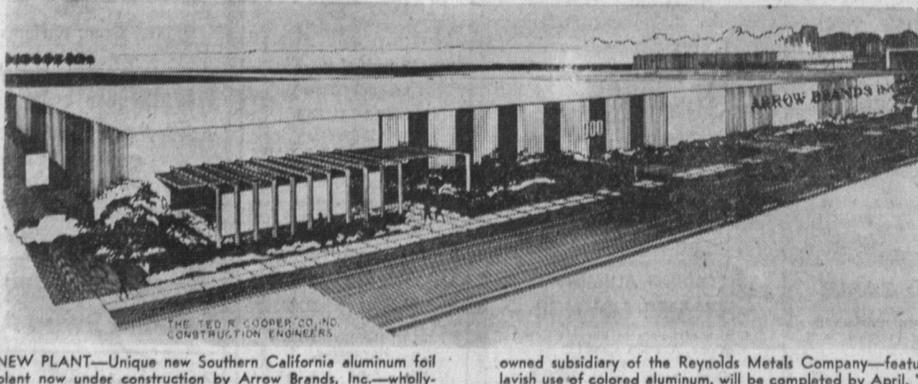
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Civic Association

The Southwest Park Civic Association will meet Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m. at the Carl Steele school. A short movie called "Torrance and Its Growth" will be shown.



TOM BREWER



NEW PLANT—Unique new Southern California aluminum foil plant now under construction by Arrow Brands, Inc.—wholly-owned subsidiary of the Reynolds Metals Company—features lavish use of colored aluminum, will be completed by April, '58.