

OAK STREET WIDENING Approval by the Regional Planning Commission for the proposed acquisition of a portion of Oak Street in the Harbor City area was announced today by Supervisor Burton W. Chace. The project provides for acquisition of 60 feet for widening of Oak Street south of 262nd Street. Use Press classified FA 8-2345.

Chamber Fele Today Honors New Teachers

A get-acquainted picnic for new Torrance school teachers and their families will be held this afternoon in Torrance Municipal Park.

Some 300 people are expected at this third annual "Welcome New Teachers" steak fry sponsored by the chamber of commerce and its downtown retail merchants.

Board of Education members also will be guests of the merchants.

Welcoming remarks will be delivered by city councilmen, Mayor Albert Isen, Chamber President J. H. Paget, Superintendent of Schools J. H. Hull, the Reverend William Schatz, and Retail President George Naylor.

According to Ralph Morris, chairman of the chamber's education committee, about 240 of the guests will be new teachers from both city and local parochial schools.

The chamber will give the newcomers civic information and will answer questions about Torrance they might have.

Menu features steak, barbecued beans and punch. The food will be prepared by a six-man committee of Douglas Aircraft (Torrance plant) employees sponsored by J. V. Thompson.

The picnic begins at 4 p.m. at the park, which is located at Arlington and Santa Fe Aves., and will last into the evening.

Deadline Noted for College Entrance Tests
Entrance tests for the fall semester at Harbor College will be given only one more time, warns William H. McMasters, dean of admissions and guidance. The entrance-guidance tests schedule for regular day students will terminate Saturday at 9 a.m.

Those who wish to take the 3½ hour examination including vocational nursing students, should call the college immediately and make a specific appointment for this last date.

"Our accelerated test schedule has been made necessary by increasing enrollments and the impossibility of processing late examinations by Sept. 12, the last regular registration date for fall students," McMasters said.

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Hahn Urges Tightening Laws Against "Bootleg" Subdivisions

Existing laws need to be tightened up to eliminate "bootleg" subdivisions, without adequate roads, sewers and drainage, declared Supervisor Kenneth Hahn today.

Even though substantial progress has been made the law must be tightened to protect property owners Hahn explained, following a review of a report submitted at his request to the Board of Supervisors by County Engineer John A. Lambie and Planning Director Milton Breivogel.

As a result of Supervisor Hahn's leadership one major loophole in the County's subdivision ordinance was closed last year. An ordinance forcing subdivisions with homes for lease or rent to meet the same standards as for homes sold was adopted June 1968.

"It is possible for a subdivision to be created legally, without the subdivision complying with the standards for subdivisions," Supervisor Hahn stated.

When a subdivider divides his property into less than five parcels the only control that the County exercises is to require him to file a plot plan, showing the location of the homes. This procedure required that the subdivider provide paved access to the home, but does not impose other requirements for streets, drainage and sewers.

"Bootleg" subdivisions are now possible, but on a smaller scale because of the legal definition of a subdivision, Supervisor Hahn explained.

He declared that homes built under the "plot plan" procedure should be required to meet the same standards as subdivisions, or the State law and County ordinances should be amended to define a subdivision as two or more homes. This would completely eliminate the loopholes which now make "bootleg" subdivisions legally possible.

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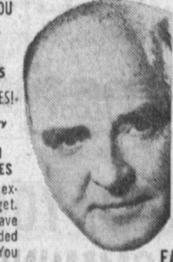
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