

PALOS VERDES PLANT—This \$4,000,000 research and development complex will be built on the peninsula by the

Nortronics division of Northrop Aircraft. Designers were Charles Luckman Associates. Center is to be finished in 1960.

### Architect Praises Unions Requiring Work Excellence

Trade unions that require their members to do good work were praised today by a nationally recognized consulting architect and building cost engineer for helping remove worry from prospective home buyers.

Herbert J. Mann, national vice president of the Association of American Registered Architects, said "this attitude toward good workmanship on the part of some unions has been a factor in quality house construction in this area and a source of assurance to prospective buyers."

Mann praised the plasterers' union "one that has a attitude toward good workmanship on the part of its members that leaves no doubt or question in the mind of the average citizen."

Mann is widely known by U.S. home builders as a writer and speaker on ways and means to

### Nortronics Bares Plans for Palos Verdes Plant

Details on Nortronics' new research and development campus were revealed this week by Dr. William F. Ballhaus, vice president and general manager of the Nortronics division of Northrop Corp. Site of the facility is the Research Park area of the Palos Verdes peninsula, overlooking the Pacific.

Planned as the initial module of a master plan complex which will ultimately encompass more than 350,000 square feet, the first unit of 120,000 square feet, scheduled for late 1960 occupancy, will cost in excess of \$4,000,000.

The new center initially will house a research staff of more than 600. Research will be conducted in astronomical and inertial guidance systems, navigation and guidance computers, infrared and optical systems, and equipment. The firm of Charles Luckman Associates is responsible for

planning and design. Selection of the Palos Verdes area reflects the desire of Nortronics management to provide the company's scientific personnel with a working environment which is stimulating to creative thought. The architectural concept will implement this desire by taking advantage of the natural campus-like setting and view of the countryside.

Each of two buildings will be 30,000 square feet, expandable to 40,000, while two smaller units will be 10,000 and 15,000 square feet, expandable to 20,000.

Housing executive offices as well as normal administrative functions, the administration building will be 35,000 square feet.

The four office-lab buildings will be of light steel construction with a double-folded plate-concrete shell raised above the level of the flat steel roof to provide access to outside air wherever desired and eliminating unsightly roof projections.

A utility core, termed an aerial tunnel, will be located through the center of the raised portion at its highest point to provide water, compressed air, vacuum system, various gases, and electrical services. Major corridors for each building are outside the building walls under a solar control overhang, providing a spacious outdoor atmosphere and savings on interior floor space.

The two-story administration building will be of steel construction and enclosed with glass walls. All buildings in the facility are being designed for maximum flexibility of areas and building systems to allow adaptability to program needs in rapidly expanding fields.

Plans specify construction of a cafeteria, an executive office building, and another group of office-lab buildings.

Concourse parking areas will be provided round each building so employees may park close to working spaces. The parking areas will be terraced to eliminate the sea of automobiles normally associated with an industrial complex of this size.

On the most commanding and highest knoll of the property at the southeast corner of the site, is a celestial observatory which promises to become a landmark.

### CALLE MAYOR NAMES NEW OFFICERS

Sandra Wall has been elected president of the student body at Calle Mayor School.

Other new officers are Kay Fuller, vice president, and Susan Aldred, secretary. Student senators are David Smith, Roger Unger, Sam Bailey, Jerry Filigiano, and Jeanie Mathis, while new representatives are Robin Messina, Jack Allen, Steve Keyes, Lynn Poser, and Gary Anthony.

### City's Exchange Students Guests on Navy's Hornet

Seventeen exchange students attending high schools in this area were given a tour of an aircraft carrier Saturday.

They went aboard the USS Hornet, a front-line ship during World War II, now converted for anti-submarine warfare.

The tour was arranged by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Martois. Mrs. Martois is president of the local chapter of American Field Services, an organization that arranges for homes for foreign students in this country.

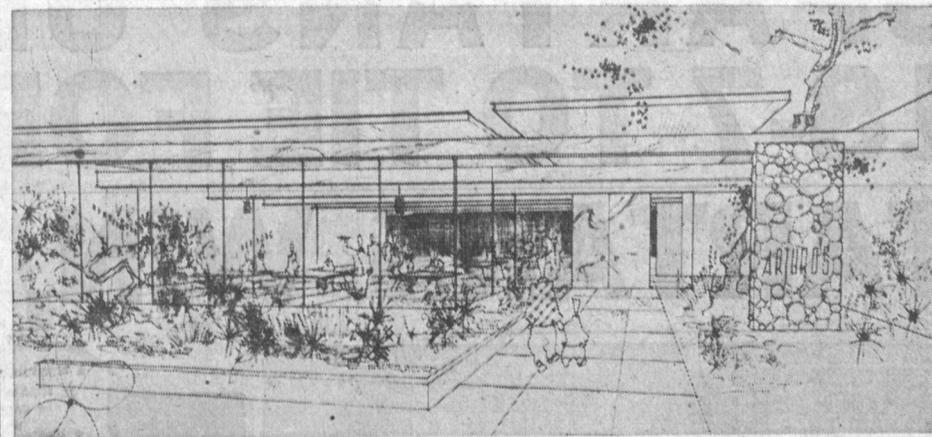
Their guides were Chief Gunner's Mate M. D. Bradley and Thomas A. Coleman, boatswain's mate first-class, of the navy recruiting office at 16422 S. Vermont Ave.

Students making the tour were Maria Del Corti, Argentina, and Celin Veak, Turkey, (Gardena); Guillermo Alonza Berrios, Chile, and Ayse ZafarCetinkaya, Turkey, (Hawthorne); Engin Atac, Turkey, and Valerie Elizabeth Ward, England (San Pedro); Carlos Roberto S. Feitosa, Brazil, and Ragnheidur Olafsdottir, Iceland (Luzinger); Ernest Karner, Austria, and Majia Sankkonen, Finland, (El Segundo); Hugo De Matos-Gomes, Portugal, Françoise Gerard, France, and Farida Auzam, Pakistan, (Westchester); Adam Sujadi, Indonesia, (North); Walter Stocker, Switzerland, (Torrance); Giampaolo Bedeschi, Italy, (South); and Tor Audun Ramstad, Norway, (Inglewood).

### Ryan Executive Shows Optimists Film on Firebee

William Holmes, Ryan Aircraft Co. Torrance division executive, spoke to the Torrance Optimist Club Monday on "Project William Tell."

A film on a Florida meet of supersonic aircraft fighter pilots accompanied the talk. The pilots' enemy was the Ryan Firebee, a radio-controlled target most closely simulating hostile aircraft and missiles.



ARTURO'S—New Mexican restaurant soon will be completed at 257 and Western. Joncich and Lusby, San Pedro, are architects.



MENU PLANNERS—Nurse Muriel Cassidy shows Larry Waddle, Patricia Astley, Janet Hanson and Deidre Shearer ingredients of nourishing meal. They compose Hamilton School health council.

### Therapists Will Discuss Speech Improvement

Speech therapists from six school districts will discuss ways of improving speech techniques and materials at a meeting in the Torrance Schools' educational-material building at 2:30 Tuesday, Dec. 1.

Nadine Coates, county consultant in speech education, said representatives of Torrance, Hawthorne, Lawndale, Inglewood, Manhattan Beach, and Palos Verdes will attend.

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Early in life, when he stepped into boiling oil, Luke was taken to a hospital and eventually placed under constant care of a doctor. He was impressed by his doctor and others with whom he established contact.

His first hit was written for his six-year-old sister, Suzie. He and his song were discovered in Hawaii, where he spent his high-school days.

He has been an active part of packages of entertainment across seven seas. Australia, Canada, and South American ring bells in the ears of this performer. "Venus" is Frankie Avalon, "Dream Lover" is Bobbie Darrin, "Blueberry Hill" is Fats Domino, and numerous other big names of modern sounds have worked with Robin.

### Students Study Own Diets to Find How Body Grows

Students at two Torrance schools are learning what makes the body go, by studying their diets.

As part of science work, members of Hamilton School's Health Council have planned menus which, once a week, are served in the cafeteria.

At Arlington School, sixth and seventh graders are conducting chemical experiments to see what makes food.

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Pather Panchali, a film about a Brahman family in India, will be screened here Friday under auspices of the Torrance Recreation Department and the L. A. County Museum.

The movie will be shown at the old city hall, 1511 Cravens Ave., at 7 and 8:30 p.m. Admission is free. Coffee will be served after each performance.

### New Restaurant for South Torrance Now Being Built

Construction will get under way this week on a \$75,000 restaurant for the Lomita-Harbor City area, restaurateur Arturo Fuentes announced today.

The restaurant "Arturo's," designed by the architectural firm of Joncich and Lusby, San Pedro, is an expansion of the harbor area's La Paloma restaurant and will feature Mexican food in a family atmosphere, Fuentes said.

The structure, to be constructed at 257th St. and Western Ave., will feature a patio-dining atmosphere with seating for more than 100.

The Fuentes family, harbor-area residents 33 years, have been in the restaurant business more than 20 years, operating the La Paloma, 112 S. Pacific Ave., San Pedro.

Contractor is Charles Swain of Redondo Beach.

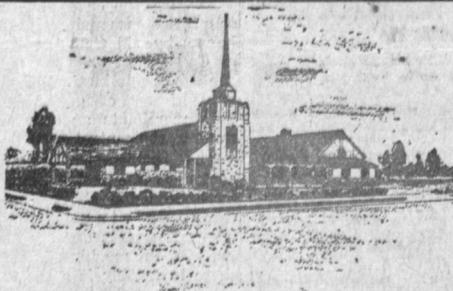
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