

A Name Worth Considering

The name of Albert Isen, our city's mayor, has been linked increasingly lately with rumors of an impending vacancy on the Municipal Court bench.

Word has it that a present judge will be elevated to Superior Court, leaving his job open. Gov. Brown is known to have high regard for Mayor Isen, regard that recently led him into serious conversation with the mayor. Only stumbling block, then, seems to be the Superior Court vacancy, an opening which may come soon through retirement.

There is high hope on the home front that Albert Isen will be Gov. Brown's choice to fill the vacated Municipal Court spot.

It would be a commendable choice. Albert Isen has a political career which has outlasted his severest critics. His professional career has been exemplary, and his general demeanor leaves no question as to his character.

He is a spirited, vital, accomplished man, well able to shoulder the responsibilities of judgeship.

We know Gov. Brown's critical eye has brought him a record of unexcelled appointments. We are confident that this appointment of Albert Isen to the Municipal Court bench would match that record.

Lights On... And Live

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn has urged the motoring public to participate in a "Lights On for Life" campaign over the Labor Day weekend.

He says the drive will help prevent a repeat performance of other tragic holiday weekends, when hundreds have died on our nation's highways.

Hahn's urgent message should be carefully considered by every driver. It is one more vitally-needed step in the direction of saving lives.

The lighted headlamps during daytime hours become a symbol of safety, reminding motorists of their obligation to drive carefully, to help lead the way to a "no deaths" Labor Day weekend in Los Angeles County.

Last year, according to Supervisor Hahn, Los Angeles County residents cooperated in the first campaign of this type, and only three persons died in traffic accidents.

In 1960, the death toll reached 14. A constantly alert motoring public can eliminate tragic Labor Day statistics. Seeing cars with lighter headlamps during the day can keep other drivers constantly aware of the need for safe driving.

Thousands of Los Angeles County motorists will have their headlights on this weekend. Will you be one of them?



EDITORIAL PAGE

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Child Needs Vision Check As School Prerequisite

Is your child's vision ready for school this fall? Results of surveys of children's vision throughout the United States indicate one out of four children entering the first grade may have a visual defect which could seriously handicap him in his ability to learn.

This number increases in the higher grades. While it is possible to learn by use of the other senses, vision is by far the predominate source of information and should and can perform at peak efficiency in this modern day.

There is a difference between visual efficiency and visual acuity. This difference should be recognized by all, but particularly by parents of young children in their formative years. Visual efficiency is the ability, not only to see clearly, but to see accurately with good coordination between the two eyes with rapid un-

derstanding of what is seen. Visual acuity, the ability to see objects or print clearly, is but a small part of the total requirements for good vision. A test which measures a person's ability to see small letters at a distance should not be considered an examination of vision nor is it adequate for screening purposes.

This test by itself, while it is a part of the examination procedure, tells nothing about the person's ability to see clearly at near, to use the two eyes together at distance or near, with accuracy or comfort, nor does it give any indication of the amount of effort that may be involved. All of these factors are important to our visual welfare and consequently help determine how rapidly we read, understand and learn.

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Auto Theft Arrests Climb, Reflect CHP Training Plan

TORRANCE — The California Highway Patrol's statewide arrests for auto theft jumped 76 per cent compared to the same month last year, a reflection of the patrol's recent training emphasis upon identification of stolen vehicles and auto thieves, according to Capt. Errett M. Greer, commander of the CHP's Southwest Los Angeles area headquarters.

"Recoveries of stolen vehicles also were up 22 per cent," he said. Both figures were far higher than the increase in auto thefts, which climbed 11 per cent on the same month to month comparison.

"The upward trend in arrests is also apparent in August figures," Greer said. "Nearly as many arrests were made by Patrol officers in the first half of Au-

Water Carnival Plans Finished

Peck Park Pool, 560 N. Western Ave., will host the sixth and final 1962 water carnival next Sunday, Sept. 2, at 2 p.m. it was reported recently by the Los Angeles City Recreation and Park Department.

According to Dick Fletcher, senior aquatics director in the department, entertaining aquatic events designed to please an audience of spectators of all ages has been planned for the final water carnival.

The performance will include fancy diving, comedy diving, water ballet, paddleboard routines, canoe and swimming lesson demonstrations, water polo and relay races, Fletcher said. He added that there will be no charge for viewing the water spectacle.

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Board Declares Cash Dividends

The board of directors of the Garrett Corporation declared the usual cash dividend of 50 cents per share payable Sept. 24, to stockholders of record Sept. 4, it was announced by J. C. Garrett, president.

The Garrett Corporation is the leader in its field of environmental control systems for aeronautical and space flight and the only company with such systems actually proven in sustaining a man in orbit.

City's School District Sets Registration for Students

Registration for students new to the Torrance Unified School District and to North High School will begin today. The counseling office will be open each day from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 3 p.m. to counsel students into classes.

All new students are urged to register early to facilitate programing and scheduling into the desired classes.

Students have been asked to bring a birth certificate and evidence of compliance with California state regulations regarding the new law on polio immunization.

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