

Reduced Bail or Release Studied by Supervisors

A report on the possibility of releasing on their own recognition or reducing bail of certain prisoners accused of misdemeanors pending trial in the Superior Court has been requested by the Board of Supervisors on motion of Supervisor Kenneth Hahn.

Public Defender Erling Hovden was asked to confer with Presiding Judge McIntyre Faries of the Superior Court, Presiding Judge Donald Wright of the Criminal Court, and Sheriff Peter Pitchess and report to the board by January 1, 1964.

Hahn pointed out prisoners in jail for forgery, bad checks, minor crimes, and the common drunk could be released until their trial without danger to the security of the other citizens.

In every case, recommendations for releasing the prisoner while awaiting trial

would be made by the Public Defender and be concurred in by the judge.

There is a delay of approximately 41 days — sometimes 55 to 60 days — for the Public Defender to represent citizens at their trial, and there is always the possibility of continuing the case another 30 days, making a total waiting time of nearly three months.

"Citizens are guaranteed a speedy trial under our United States Constitution," Hahn said. "This violates the law as well as the spirit of the Constitution."

"Many times these citizens are innocent of any crime and have to remain in jail waiting for their case to be heard because of the shortage of staff," he pointed out. "The families of these prisoners suffer financial hardship while the accused awaits trial."

He said the families are often put on County relief rolls, becoming a public charge, because the head of the family cannot work.

"These problems would be alleviated a great deal if the accused was allowed to carry on his personal business until the trial," he pointed out. There are approximately 300 prisoners who could be released on their own recognition.

"A possible savings to the taxpayers of Los Angeles County of approximately \$3,000 a day, or \$270,000 during the 90 day trial period, could be realized if these citizens were released," Hahn said.



OUTSTANDING KITCHEN DESIGN award for all electric living was presented recently to Ray Watt, right, developer of New Horizons-South Bay adult recreation and garden home community, by Robert A. McWhinney, district manager of Hotpoint.

SOUTH BAY BUILDER WINS DESIGN AWARD

An award for outstanding achievement in an all-electric kitchen design has been presented to New Horizons-South Bay, one of the nation's first adult recreation and garden home communities.

The award, a bronze plaque, was presented to Ray A. Watt, New Horizons-South Bay builder-developer by Robert A. McWhinney, district manager of Hotpoint, during recent opening ceremonies at the \$18 million Gold Medallion project on Sepulveda Blvd. in Torrance.

The electric kitchens include range and oven, dishwasher, disposer, hood and Stantony warming oven. In addition, the award cited New Horizons' use of electric radiant ceiling heating and hot water heating.

Also commended by Hotpoint were the employment of underground utilities and utilization of a new concept in land planning and development in which complete residential and recreational living is provided by combining advantages of individual home ownership with maintenance-free benefits of apartment living, according to McWhinney.

New Horizons, when completed, will contain 600 garden homes. Already open for display are the 10,000-square-foot clubhouse and recreation building; a nine-hole 3-par golf course; a putting green surrounded by a lake; swimming pool, shuffleboard, paddle tennis, ping pong, horse-shoe and croquet facilities.

Residency, according to Bob Norton, is limited to families in which one spouse must be 35 years old or to single persons 35 years old or more. No children younger than 18 may be permanent residents.

New Horizons garden homes, designed by Phil Blair, AIBD, include one bedroom and convertible den, two-bath; two bedroom deluxe, two-bath; and two bedroom and convertible den, two-bath plans ranging up to 1215 square feet. Prices range from \$19,995 to \$28,500.

Each home includes carpeting, Hotpoint, all-electric kitchen, ceramic tile, ash cabinets, radiant ceiling heat, Pullman baths, sliding glass patio doors and fireplaces of driftwood, volcanic stone, slumpstone or Palcos Verdes stone.

The clubhouse and recreation building has an assembly hall with catering kitchen and serving bar; billiard room with two regulation tables; women's bridge rooms; men's card room; locker and shower facilities for golfers; a complete golf shop; lounge with ten-foot high driftwood stone fireplace and color television; completely equipped photo laboratory; and equipped hobby rooms for ceramics, painting and sculpture. The recreation area also includes swimming pool, shuffleboard and paddle tennis court.

Publicity agent for the active South Bay group is Henry Weaver.

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Torrance School Administrators Hear Educator

An enthusiastic ovation was given Albert Charles, member of the Torrance Board of Education, last Friday at the International Pancake House for his timely keynote address entitled "How to Improve Your Public Image" to the members of the Torrance Chapter of California Elementary School Administrators Association.

In introducing Charles, Richard K. Welte, president of the newly formed chapter of CESA, announced that speaker, who now holds bachelor's and master's degrees, is to shortly complete his degree of Doctor of Philosophy at University of Southern California, where he is majoring in economics.

Charles, besides serving for the past several years as member of the Board of Education, is also president of Personnel Factors, a firm located in Redondo Beach that does personnel recruiting, testing and assists with compensation programs for firms desiring to make their operations more efficient through time and motion studies, automation, and human efficiency elements.

The CESA membership is comprised of all the elementary school principals in the Torrance Unified School District. The group plans to hold regular monthly meetings. Robert Allen, principal of Riviera Elementary School and program chairman for the group, plans to invite speakers of Charles' high caliber for subsequent meetings. "This," stated Allen, "will be difficult because Charles' address of today will certainly give those to follow a high goal to shoot for."

Other officers of the newly formed organization include: Vice President Robert Allen, principal, Riviera Elementary School; Secretary, Don Credell, principal of Edison Elementary School; Treasurer, John McGee, principal, Hillside Elementary School.

COEDS NAMED TO RED CROSS SCRIBE POSTS

Shelby Peterson, West High, Torrance, and Diane Perry, Venice High senior, are the newly elected corresponding secretaries of the Harbor Bay-West Bay Council of High School Red Cross.

They were elected at a meeting attended by more than 70 youths at a meeting at Red Cross headquarters in Inglewood last week.

The council, made up of delegates from 20 high schools from Pacific Palisades to San Pedro, directs the Red Cross activities of youth in these schools.

Other officers include co-chairman, Bob Holmes, Westchester High, and Clyde Dohoney, San Pedro High, vice chairman, and Jan Newell, Aviation High, recording secretary.

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Christmas Club Set for Spree

A \$470,882 pre-Christmas present from Torrance area residents to themselves will help spur what may be the greatest Yuletide shopping spree in the city's history, it was reported today by Bruce Jones, manager of Bank of America's Torrance Main Office and Vern Hughes, manager of Sepulveda-Hawthorne Branch.

That's the amount Bank of America will distribute from Christmas Club savings accounts to local residents in time for the holiday shopping season. Christmas Club checks will be mailed beginning on November 15, 1963.

The local savings are part of a \$77 million Yule backlog—enough to buy a \$4.50 gift for every man, woman and child in the state—which more than half a million thrifty Californians have accumulated in Bank of America branches throughout the state since last Christmas.

Checks in the statewide distribution will average \$152.38, an increase of \$2.08 over last year. The \$77 million sets a new record for the program begun 40 years ago, surpassing last year's all-time by nearly \$2 million.

In northern California, 246,166 persons tucked away \$36,821,520 in the holiday accounts with the bank; while southern Californians accumulated \$39,353,192 in 253,272 accounts.

Most of the Christmas Club savings will wind up under the Christmas tree on Dec. 25, although some depositors will use the accumulated funds to pay such other year-end expenses as taxes and insurance premiums, or for winter vacations.

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Abel's father
5. Vehicle
8. Girl's name
9. Lion's pride
10. Projecting ends of churches
11. Dispatch boat
13. Spiked war clubs
14. Plates (var.)
15. A combat pilot
16. Lubricant
17. Pronoun
18. Gives heed (var.)
21. Coal size
22. Unwholesome
24. Siberian gulf (poss.)
26. Ship's carrying capacity
29. Pronoun
30. Sea eagle
31. Place
32. Temerity
34. Mrs. Eisenhower
36. Vapor
37. Sign of zodiac
38. Dip out, as water
39. Spar
40. Before
41. Bohemian-like

DOWN

1. Liama of Peru
2. Perceives
3. Toward
4. Bulk
5. Carp
6. Cuckoo
7. Sarc
9. Capital of Wisconsin
10. Oriental nurse
12. Bones (anat.)
14. Pun-gent vegetable
15. Prize the fighter's aim
16. Radical
17. Writer of sacred songs
18. United Nations
24. Has
25. Bug
27. Merry-making
28. Organs of sight
30. Shun
33. Back
34. Mother
35. Sandarac tree

ANSWER

1. A. Abel's father: Adam
5. Vehicle: Car
8. Girl's name: Mary
9. Lion's pride: Mane
10. Projecting ends of churches: Steeple
11. Dispatch boat: Schooner
13. Spiked war clubs: Pikes
14. Plates (var.): Saucers
15. A combat pilot: Ace
16. Lubricant: Grease
17. Pronoun: He
18. Gives heed (var.): Obey
21. Coal size: Lump
22. Unwholesome: Spoiled
24. Siberian gulf (poss.): Bering
26. Ship's carrying capacity: Tonnage
29. Pronoun: She
30. Sea eagle: Osprey
31. Place: Plaza
32. Temerity: Audacity
34. Mrs. Eisenhower: Mamie
36. Vapor: Steam
37. Sign of zodiac: Aries
38. Dip out, as water: Drain
39. Spar: Bird
40. Before: Prior
41. Bohemian-like: Bohemian

"Off-duty Hours Jail" Sentence For Misdemeanants Studied

A report on the possibility of persons convicted of misdemeanors continuing employment with jail confinement during off-duty hours was called for this week by the Board of Supervisors on motion of Supervisor Kenneth Hahn.

Such a program is provided for under the Work Furlough Administration Law, 1208 Penal Code, but has never been put into use. This plan may be implemented by County ordinance to apply under direction of the court to prisoners in County jails.

In a letter to the board, Municipal Court Judge Kenneth D. Holland commended the law and suggested it be studied for use in Los Angeles County.

"Most of these defendants are recidivist drunk drivers and alcoholics whose licenses have been suspended or revoked. Many of them have good jobs and support large families," the Judge

wrote. It was pointed out the burden of support of the families of these citizens is usually put on County taxpayers in some form of relief.

Hahn said Chief Administrative Officer L. S. Hollinger was directed to confer with Sheriff Peter Pitchess, Probation Officer Leland Carter, Presiding Judge McIntyre Faries of the Superior Court and Earl Lippold of the Municipal Court in making the report.

WINTER RESORT

Death Valley National Monument is best known as a winter resort, its season running from about mid-October to mid-May, reports the Automobile Club of Southern California.

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