

Solon Promises to Work For New Home Rule Bill

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All my life I have believed that the federal government should not do anything which the states can do themselves. Also, I believe that the State of California should not do anything which Los Angeles County or any other California county can do for itself. Likewise, the federal, state, or county governments should not do anything which a city can do for itself. There is one exception and only one exception. That exception is when any level of government violates the rights of a lower level of government.

The Supreme Court of the United States of America for many years has been violating the rights of the citizens of the 50 states; the rights of those who live in unincorporated territory (counties); and the rights of those who live in every incorporated city in each of the thousands of cities of the United States.

The Supreme Court of the State of California for many years has copied the example set by the Supreme Court of the United States. The Supreme Court of the United States has arbitrarily taken over many of the duties of the Congress of the United States and the Legislatures of all the States. The California State Supreme Court has consistently, for many years, taken over not only the duties of our State Legislature, but also the duties of all the counties of California, and the duties of all the cities of California. Home rule has almost vanished!

ONE OF many examples is the decision of the State Supreme Court of California which, in the Carol Lane case (a case involving a woman convicted in Los Angeles for prostitution), said that the State of California has "pre-empted" the field of prosecuting certain criminals. The Supreme Court of the State of California, with one Justice dissenting violently, turned Carol Lane loose.

The California State Supreme Court also said, in effect, that only the State of California could prosecute a prostitute. This is only one example, selected out of hundreds of worse cases. Both the Supreme Court of the United States and the Su-

preme Court of California have repeatedly expressed more sympathy for criminals than for the victims of the criminals. Both Supreme Courts have tied the hands of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the sheriffs, and the police officers, thus declaring an open season for racketeers, hoodlums, murderers, rapists, thieves, burglars, extortionists, narcotic peddlers, Communists, Socialists, fellow travelers, and those bums who have not yet been detected, apprehended and brought to trial. This frustrates all law-enforcement officers who try to do their duty.

ANOTHER EXAMPLE of the need for State legislation restoring home rule is the gambling game called "panguingue." In listing the various forms of gambling prohibited by the State of California, "panguingue" was not included. This happened long before I was elected in 1950. Adding "Panguingue," which actually is spelled "panguingui" in the Tagalog dialect of the Philippine Islands, will not solve the problem because the racketeers can change the name faster than they can be arrested.

There is a way to give cities and counties more power to eliminate "panguingue" which I shall reveal in January, 1965, when I introduce my own bill on this subject. Explaining it now would be like giving advance notice to the enemy before United States airplanes strike enemy forces.

THERE WILL BE NO freeway designed, routed, or constructed on or near Pacific Coast Highway, also called 101 - Alternate, Sepulveda Boulevard, etc., and now designated as Route 1. Edward T. Telford, Assistant State Highway Engineer, who is District Engineer for District VII, the Los Angeles area, has given me his official, personally signed promise on this subject. Also, his promise avoids evasion by stating that there will be no freeway constructed between the San Diego Freeway and Santa Monica Bay, which means the same thing.

The written promise of Edward T. Telford has been orally confirmed by John Er-

Chamber Urges Passage Of Flood Control Bonds

The board of directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce has voted to recommend the passage of County Proposition "C" — the \$275 million storm drain bond issue—to its membership.

Acting upon the recommendation of the Chamber's community planning committee, members of the board agreed that voter approval of the bond issue would have much effect on Torrance.

It was pointed out that Torrance's share would be about \$2.8 million in direct projects, with major storm drain area projects affecting the city totaling about \$9 million.

PURPOSE of the vital flood control program is to provide protection for nearly seven million residents and their property against damage caused by storms.

If the proposition passes, bonds would not be sold until individual projects are ready for programming in

order to save taxpayer interest charges over a long period.

A Flood Control District report has cited a total of 1,055 drains needed to assure flood protection throughout the county. Such a program would require \$1.2 billion and take 20 years to achieve.

AS AN alternative, the district has prepared a list of 267 storm drains which are most urgently needed—at a cost of \$275 million — and which the Board of Supervisors feels are both feasible and economical.

The projects are to be spread over an eight-year period and bonds would be sold only as the need for funds arises, assuring that no interest premium would be paid for use of money not immediately put to work.

Many public and private agencies have endorsed County Proposition "C," including the Board of Supervisors, Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities, California Property Owners Tax Assn., and the Torrance City Council.

Blind Scouts Need Weekly Ride From LA

Six cub scouts need transportation from the Braille Institute of America at 741 N. Vermont Ave. on Wednesday afternoon between 4:30 and 5 p.m.

The boys live in Lomita, Venice, East Los Angeles, West Hollywood, the Hollywood-Wilshire area and the Olympic and Crenshaw area.

Volunteers who could provide a ride are requested to contact Mrs. Kitty Morris, director of Volunteer Services at the Braille Institute, NO 3-1111.

Leaders at El Camino Announced

Robert Lindon, 25, will serve as the president of the freshman class at El Camino College for the fall semester. It was announced by Tim Irvin, president of the Associated Students.

The new class president was elected in run-offs conducted on campus. Lindon, a graduate of St. Ignatius High School in Ohio, served for more than four years in the intelligence branch of the US Air Force.

Serving as vice president will be Lee Clukey, who came to El Camino from New York. He is a member of the Chi

Gamma Iota fraternity, a club for former servicemen.

CHOSEN TO fill the position of commissioner of publications was Frank Lander-ville, who has served on the staff of the college news-

paper, the Warhoop, for three semesters.

Serving as commissioner of rallies will be Miss Dianne Foote. Miss Foote gained experience in this office by serving as temporary commissioner prior to the fall election.

Employee Named As Candidate

Members of the Los Angeles County Employees Assn. nominated Eileen O'Brien as a rival candidate to oppose Norman R. Shaffer, incumbent president and nominee for a second term, at a plen-

ary session of the LACEA council.

Miss O'Brien is director of the Bureau of Medical Social Service at Harbor General Hospital and a former first vice president of the 28,000 member association.

Calvary Church to Screen Billy Graham Crusade Film

"Fire on the Heather," the story of Scotland's heroic struggle against tyranny from within and without, will be shown at Calvary Community Church, Milton and Raymond streets, tonight at 7 o'clock.

The Rev. Fred McQuade, pastor of the church, extended an invitation to the public to attend the showing.

The film was produced by the Billy Graham organization and shows the sequence of events which brought

Scotland to its present place in history.

Closing scenes in the film include the Billy Graham Crusade in Glasgow.

Henry E. Ford, machinist's mate fireman, son of Mrs. Lucy T. Bryan of 339 West 223rd St., is serving aboard the destroyer USS Richard B. Anderson, now patrolling the Western Pacific as one of the Seventh Fleet units put on alert following the recent North Vietnamese PT Boat attacks in the Gulf of Tonkin.

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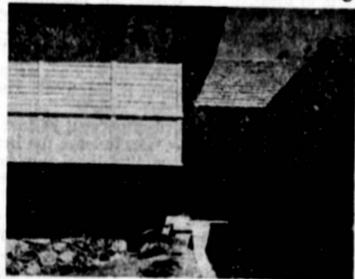
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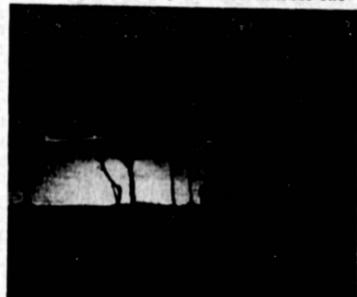
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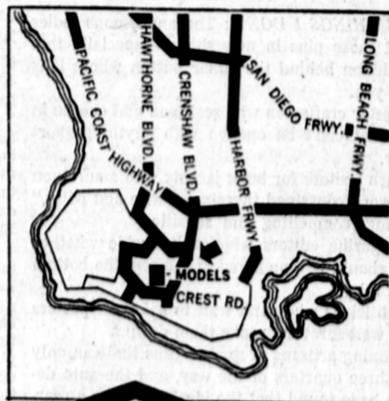
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