

Bill for Dominguez College Site Shelved

Efforts to get an additional \$5.7 million appropriation from the State Legislature for the purchase of a proposed Dominguez college site have been delayed until February, 1966.

Assemblyman Vincent Thomas (D-68th District) succeeded over the weekend in his efforts to have the bill withdrawn as residents of this area were making preparations for a protest visit to Sacramento.

The appropriations bill had been scheduled for hearing before the State Senate Finance Committee yesterday. Governor Edmund G. Brown

had placed the bill on special call for the current session of the Legislature in an effort to secure funds for the immediate purchase of 346 acres of land near 190th Street and Avalon Boulevard.

Selection of the Dominguez site and the Governor's quick action in seeking additional funds to purchase the \$10.7 million future campus brought protests from virtually every corner of the South Bay area.

Three Torrance councilmen blamed State Finance Director Hale Champion for dispossessing the South Bay

of the college, and Champion came under attack again this week from Assemblyman Thomas.

Noting Champion, as state finance chief, is responsible for approving the annual State College Board of Trustees budget, Thomas said he "may be exerting undue influence" on the trustees.

"I am still seeking an answer to the question of Champion's interest in Dominguez even while Rolling Hills was under consideration last March," Thomas said.

The assemblyman said his efforts to delay consideration

of the appropriations bill were prompted by a concern that prolonged debate might risk complete loss of the college in this area.

"The Legislature will not have time to study this matter in greater depth and all those citizens with valid questions will have an opportunity to be heard," Thomas declared.

Protests against the Dominguez site have largely taken two forms, City Manager Edward J. Ferraro told the Press-Herald. He said many persons feel the site is not central to the area which the college is supposed to

serve, and others insist the location violates the intent of the legislature expressed in the original appropriations bill.

While Ferraro welcomed the delay, he said the city of Torrance had no plans to take further action except the possible presentation of a summary of the city's position in February.

"This thing has gotten way beyond the city of Torrance at this stage," Ferraro said.

Ferraro questioned the reasoning of trustees in selecting the Dominguez site, which, he noted, is surround-

ed by oil wells. He said the rejection of the Crenshaw-Sepulveda boulevard site in Torrance because of oil wells was "the reason for presenting the alternate (Torrance-Rolling Hills) site."

Assemblyman Thomas said the use of funds for a Dominguez site "will syphon off funds appropriated for one college in an attempt to meet the needs of an entirely different college."

"Governor Brown himself has stated that the Dominguez location has been selected to service the minority group area of Los Angeles,"

Thomas added, "I think we should consider the establishment of a state college to meet that purpose, but this still leaves us with the need for our college."

Ferraro said a second fight might be brewing over the college because of efforts to fix attendance boundaries for all state colleges.

"This would mean all our kids would have to go to this college," Ferraro said. "It's not a matter of prestige if you have to go to it."

Thomas said delaying the appropriations bill until February "should in no way jeopardize the college."

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NEW POST OFFICE . . . Torrance's new main post office, located at the corner of Crenshaw Boulevard and Monterey Street, rapidly is nearing completion, according to Postmaster Clara Conner. Final inspection of the building by Post Office Department

inspectors from San Francisco is due today, Mrs. Conner said. She expects to move into the new facility within a week and formal dedication ceremonies will be scheduled later this year or early next year. (Press-Herald Photo)

Good Neighbor Breakfast Date Set by YMCA

More than 4,000 people are expected at the 18th annual YMCA Good Neighbor Breakfast on the site of the new Torrance Family YMCA at 2900 W. Sepulveda Blvd., on Saturday morning, Nov. 6.

They will be present to celebrate the 1965 Good Neighbor award which will be given to one of the many nominees from local cities.

Nominations for the huge trophy are invited from all citizens. Letters should be written to Dr. Rollin S. Smith, Breakfast chairman, Torrance Family YMCA, P. O. Box 3398, Torrance. Nomination letters should include the name, address and phone number of your choice, along with reasons you feel your selection should be chosen by the YMCA Committee.

In past years, nominees for this award have been selected from all phases of life in Torrance and Lomita. The YMCA Committee is looking for persons who, through their quiet service to others; their love of mankind; their quiet giving without expectations of return, have brightened their neighborhood with their presence.

Last year, the award was presented to Stanley Garland, 72, who for many years has aided his neighborhood with handiwork, gardening, babysitting, and sage advice to folks with problems. Fourteen neighbors who received his daily concern and labor banded together to nominate Mr. Garland.

Do you have a Mr. Garland in your neighborhood?



CRUZADA UNIDA . . . Posters for the United Crusade bearing the Spanish "Cruzada Unida" are examined by Dr. Glenn G. Gooder of Harbor College and David Chavez, a Harbor College student, Chavez and Olga Cisneros have volunteered to help the United Crusade this year by speaking to Spanish speaking groups. Dr. Gooder is chairman of the Harbor Area United Crusade Speakers' Bureau.

EXCHANGE STUDENT WRITES

Education in Germany Is Traditional

(Editor's Note: The following article was written by Herbert Moorkamp, an exchange student from Germany now attending classes at Bishop Montgomery High School. In it, Moorkamp discusses the German educational system and compares it to the educational system in the United States.)

By HERBERT MOORKAMP
 During my first weeks at Bishop Montgomery High School, I realized that the American school system was quite different from the German one and I thought it would probably be interest-

ing for you to hear a little about the German system.

Usually, the education of a German child begins in kindergarten. But it is not necessary because here he does not learn to read and to write.

True education begins in the elementary school, which the child usually enters at the age of six. Here he learns in the first four years the basis of religion, reading, writing, and calculating.

After four years in the elementary school, the parents of the child have to decide what further education their child shall have. They may

choose between three possibilities.

Those children who are not very gifted stay for another five years in the elementary school. Here they learn no languages; rather, they concentrate on the basic subjects: religion, German, math, history, a little natural science, and some manual skills. These classes fulfill the laws of state government.

After nine years in elementary school, these children have to attend a vocational school for at least two years. They are trained to become artisans, clerks at

post offices, or business offices, traders, or salesmen. There are many students, especially in the rural areas, who pursue this type of education.

Those students who, however, have better chances to rise in the world enter the "Mittelschule" (middle school) after four years in the elementary school. Here they learn two languages, mostly English and French, as well as religion, math, German, history, civics, geography, physics, chemistry, music, art, and athletics.

After six years in these schools, they receive a certi-

cate, the "Mittlere Reife" (middle certificate). With this they can enter economics schools and have very good opportunities on all spheres of the business world.

All students who want to take up academic professions have to enter a "Gymnasium" (high school) because only with the high school diploma (Abitur) can they enter a university. This education, with the four years in elementary school, requires 13 years and it is very broad.

Classes include: religion (9 years), geography (7 years), history (6 years), civics (4 (Continued on B-11)

For 60 Days

Decision on Golf Course Delayed

Manager To Study New Data

Studies now under way to determine the feasibility of developing a municipally owned golf course in Torrance have delayed for at least 60 days a decision on a proposed cemetery.

City Councilmen voted 6-1 to continue a hearing on a conditional use permit being sought by Financial Savings and Loan Association and Dan E. Butcher. The conditional use permit would enable the petitioners to develop a 54-acre memorial park south of 235th Street and north of Lomita Boulevard in Tract 2200.

City Manager Edward J. Ferraro had recommended a 60-day continuance of the hearing to allow the city to complete its golf course study. Ferraro also warned he might request an additional extension should the study not be completed.

COUNCILMEN voted to delay a decision 60 days after more than 90 minutes of discussion, but served notice they will not continue the matter beyond the 60 days.

Butcher and Financial Savings and Loan Association had pressed for a decision last night, arguing they were being penalized by further delays. They were represented by Joe Doss of 22740 Date Ave.

Doss told councilmen the cemetery development would be "highly compatible" with the airport and "a very fine (Continued on B-11)

Finance Center Moving Nearer Starting Date

Construction of the first phase of a major financial center on the northwest corner of Carson Street and Hawthorne Avenue will begin within four to five months, Torrance councilmen were told last night.

John R. Spahn, representing Del Amo Properties, Inc., made the announcement just after the council approved a change of zone from A-1 to C-3 for a portion of the property. The council's action leaves the entire block bounded by Hawthorne Avenue, Torrance Boulevard, Ocean Avenue, and Carson Street zoned C-3.

The first unit of the financial center will include a 13-story high rise tower, a five-story office building, four free-standing bank pavilions, and a parking structure, Spahn said.

TWO MORE 13-story buildings and two more five-story structures are planned for the complex, he said.

Completion of the first unit is expected in about two years—some 16 to 18 months after the start of construction.

The financial center is part of a projected \$200 million development in the area bounded by Ocean Avenue, Sepulveda Boulevard, Madrona Street, and Torrance

Boulevard. The first phase of the financial center will contain about 800,000 square feet of office space.

PLANS FOR the entire center are subject to a precise plan under terms of last night's zoning change. Streets in the development will be built to specifications for future dedication to the city, Spahn said.

City Treasurer Thomas C. Rupert said the new center will generate about \$1 million annually in sales tax revenue for the city, based on Spahn's estimate that about 80 per cent of the center will be occupied by retail establishments.

Spahn also said the city would realize about \$72,000 a year in real estate taxes, with another \$266,000 going to the Torrance Unified School District.

Victor Gruen and Associates are architects for the project.

Stricter Rules for City Aids

Members of the several advisory commissions established by city council will have to attend more meetings if they are to keep their jobs. City Councilmen decided last night.

Councilmen adopted a new city ordinance which will require more rigorous attendance at regular and special commission meetings.

Under provisions of the new law, a commissioner automatically will lose his job if he misses two consecutive meetings and is not excused by the commission or if he misses 25 per cent of the meetings in any 12-month period.

And a commissioner won't be marked present unless he is at the meeting for two-thirds of the total time of the session.

Commissioners previously have been allowed to miss two meetings or less than 40 per cent of the sessions without penalty. There has been no time limit in effect.

Salary Hearing Slated . . .

Torrance Councilmen have scheduled a special public hearing at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, to discuss the possibility of getting themselves a pay raise. Councilmen acted last night on motion of Mayor Albert Isen to set the hearing for discussion of a possible charter amendment which, if approved by voters, would provide for a fatter paycheck for the city fathers. Councilmen now receive \$100 per month under terms of the city charter.

Special Follies Showing . . .

Students will be admitted to a dress rehearsal for "Hello Follies" Thursday evening at 8:30, sponsors of the community variety show reported this morning. The show, being sponsored by the Torrance Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, will be presented to the public the next two evenings at Torrance High School auditorium. Student admission Thursday evening will be 50 cents, according to Mrs. Don Moyer, Auxiliary publicity chairman.

Judge Keene Elevated . . .

Appointment of Judge William B. Keene, presiding judge of the South Bay Municipal Court District, to the Los Angeles County Superior Court has been announced by Governor Brown. Judge Keene's appointment was made to succeed Judge Jesse J. Frampton, who has retired, the Governor said. Keene, 40, was deputy district attorney from 1954 to 1957. He was named to the Municipal Court bench in 1963.