



STARTING PARK POOL . . . Turning the first shovels full of earth to provide a swimming pool and bathhouse at Carson County Park, 21411 South Orrick Ave., are (from left) Mrs. Ruth Larson, vice president of the Carnegie Junior High PTA; Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, under whose leadership the pool is being provided; Mrs. Mary Gentry of the Carson Homeowners Association, and Duncan J. Powers, principal of Carnegie Junior High School. The pool, Hahn said, will provide a place where youngsters may learn to swim under the watchful eyes of lifeguards.

Post Office Will Hike Special Service Rates

Postal patrons were reminded today by Acting Postmaster Carl L. Backlund of increases in money orders, insurance, registry, certified mail, and C.O.D. rates which became effective Saturday.

The new rates were announced earlier this year by Postmaster General Lawrence F. O'Brien, who said the cost of operating the five special postal services now exceeds revenues by more than \$60 million annually. The new fee increases should narrow the cost-revenue gap by about \$36 million, based on business handled in the 1965 fiscal year.

Backlund said the new fee rates are the first changes authorized by the Post Office Department since 1961.

The increases include:

- Money order fees: Domestic and international money order fees will be increased by five cents.
- Insurance fees: The minimum fee bracket will be increased from \$10 to \$15 and the minimum fee will go to 20 cents from 10 cents. Most other fees are to be boosted 10 cents. The maximum fee, now 40 cents, will be boosted to 60 cents for values from \$150 to \$200.
- Registry fees: The present 60 cents and 75 cent fees are to be combined into a single fee at 75 cents for values up to \$100. Registry fees for articles valued in excess of \$100 remain unchanged.
- C.O.D. fees: The present 40-cent and 50-cent brackets are to be combined into one bracket with a 60-cent fee for amounts up to \$10. No change is to be made in fees covering items valued above \$10.
- Certified mail: The fee will be increased 10 cents to 30 cents per item.

Airman 3.C. Haydon S. Leedy, son of Mrs. Norma R. Leedy of 391 Paseo de Garcia, Redondo Beach, has been graduated at Gunter AFB, Ala., from the training course for U. S. Air Force medical specialists.

Airman Leedy, a graduate of South High School, is being assigned to Clark AB, Philippines, for duty with the Pacific Air Force.

The airman, whose father, Montgomery R. Leedy, lives at 1045½ Bayview Drive, Hermosa Beach, attended El Camino College.

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Area Seniors Selected Edison Semi-Finalists

High school seniors John Lemke of 18321 Van Ness Ave., and Steven J. Sorenson of 16424 Taylor Court, Gardena, have been named semi-finalists in the southern division competition for Southern California Edison Co.'s college scholarships, according to G. E. Wilcox, division manager. They will compete with 11 other students selected as semi-finalists from the division.

Edison will award six four-year scholarships to outstanding students either living in or attending school in its service territory.

One scholarship valued at \$4,000 is awarded in each of the electric company's six geographic divisions.

THIS MEANS that one of the students in this division will receive \$1,000 per year for four regular academic years at his choice of participating Southland private colleges and universities. In addition, the college attended by each winner receives a direct grant of \$750 per year for the four academic years.

Scholars named semi-finalists for this division will be

interviewed by a panel of leading educators and citizens of this area in April.

Three will be named winners of "Edison Gold Awards for Scholarship Achievement" and awarded suitably engraved wall plaques. They will continue into the finals of the Edison competition, and the scholarship winner will be named by another panel of civic and educational leaders following personal interviews in Los Angeles on April 21.

Three Torrance men have returned to Long Beach aboard the anti-submarine warfare support aircraft carrier USS Hornet, after completing more than seven months in the South China Sea off the Coast of Viet Nam with the Seventh Fleet. Local crewmembers are:

Fire Control Technician Seaman Appren. **Creighton E. Wilkins**, son of Richard Wilkins of 2314 W. 180th St.,

Airman Rec. **Larry R. Disenza**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin A. Reeves of 22503 Marbella, and

Shipfitter **I.C. Vincent D. Davis**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent M. Davis of 20938 Jamison St.

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