

Study Changes to Improve Area Auto Wrecking Yards

Ordinance changes to require beautification and better landscaping around auto wrecking yards are nearing completion at the direction of Supervisor Kenneth Hahn. The Regional Planning Commission staff is working closely with the Automobile Dismantlers Association of California in formulating the new requirements.

At a meeting May 4, 1967, the association indicated "a strong desire to cooperate with the county in eliminating unsightly conditions at salvage yards and scrap yards, Hahn said."

Hahn called for the stronger laws as part of his over-all program to make area neighborhoods as attractive and safe as possible.

Proposed changes will require fencing to screen yards from view, the planting of evergreen vines, shrubs, and trees, and off-street paved parking to accommodate wrecking yard customers.

Spartan Carnival Approved

The Torrance Board of Education has sanctioned a carnival at South High School for March 15, 16 and 17 to raise funds for a high school in Nepal.

Original plans for the event were scaled down to the satisfaction of the board of trustees. All contract arrangements will be subject to the approval of the board.

Student groups and community service organizations will operate concession booths and non-commercial displays will be presented.

Amusement rides, a modest fireworks display, and a jazz concert on one or two nights will be held.

Workers Earn More Than Bosses in Legislature

By EDWIN S. CAPPS
Capital News Service
SACRAMENTO—The California Legislature—especially the state Assembly—is one place where many of the employees make more money than their bosses.

The legislators, since approval of Proposition 13 in 1966, have a salary of \$16,000 a year. The top salary among legislative employees is \$26,400, with another at \$26,000, and two at \$24,000.

Eight employees in the Senate and 13 in the Assembly have salaries of more than \$16,000 a year.

The high salary schedule in the Assembly shows the influence of Assembly Speaker Jesse M. Unruh (D-Inglewood). Unruh, who has gained national prominence in trying to upgrade the role of the state legislator, also has exerted his influence in California on the staff.

Senate staffing pattern and pay scale will be near that of the Assembly.

The top man in the way of salary among employees of the legislature is Jack C. Crose, chief assistant to Unruh, who receives \$26,400 a year. Tony Beard, Assembly sergeant at arms, and James D. Driscoll, chief clerk, are paid \$24,000 a year. Phillip H. Scott, chief administrative officer of the Assembly Rules Committee, has a salary of \$22,800.

The state Senate has not kept pace with the Assembly either in number of staff or in the salary range. However, 15 members of the Senate just came over from the Assembly and no doubt brought with them the Assembly philosophy on bigger staffs at higher pay. It probably only is a matter of time until the

Senate is organized differently than the Assembly and the power of appointing committee chairmen, committee members, assigning space, and assigning bills to committees rests with the Rules Committee, rather than with any one individual, such as the speaker. Thus there is no counterpart in the Senate to Unruh's staff, which also includes another assistant, Mike Manley, at \$15,600, Matthew C. Golbach, at \$14,400, and Donald Weddie, at \$13,200.

IN THE SENATE, the fiscal officer is Clarence Alexander, who serves as administrative officer to the Rules Committee. Alexander is paid \$20,400 a year.

The highest paid employee of the Senate is Ron Cox, former chief of the division of administration in the Department of Education, now working with the Senate Education Committee. Cox's salary is \$28,000. Next highest in the Senate are Andrew John Cooper, until recently secretary to the Highway Commission and now consultant to the Senate Transportation Committee, and Harold Winkler, consultant to the Finance Committee. They both are paid \$17,700.

Only three other Senate employees are paid more than the \$16,000 the legislators receive. They are Bruce Kahl, Duggald Gillies and Paul Huff, who are consultants to the committees on judiciary, governmental efficiency and agriculture, respectively.

Joseph A. Beek, who has been secretary of the Senate since 1919 and an employee of the upper house since 1913, has a salary of \$1,000 a month while the Senate is in session and \$333 per month between sessions. In addition, Beek is paid \$25 per day for expenses on a full-time basis.

Percy H. (Pete) Kenealy, sergeant at arms of the Senate, has an annual salary of \$9,360, plus a per diem of \$20 per day while the Senate is in session.

In all, the legislature has 1,153 employees, including 522 men and 511 women. Secretaries in the Assembly have a scale of \$462-\$700 a month, while the assistant sergeants at arms are paid \$9,420. In the Senate, the scale for secretaries is \$435-\$690 per month.

The total payroll for legislative employees, not including the 120 members of the legislature, is about \$720,000 per month. Salaries of the legislature, at \$1,333 per month, amount to about \$160,000 if there are no vacancies.

FRANK MESPLE, former legislative secretary to Governor Edmund G. Brown, is chief of consultants in the Senate, at a salary of \$15,000.

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Investment Class Set Next Week

Investment fundamentals will be the subject of two free four-week courses to be offered at Beverly Hills Savings and Loan Association, 25416 Crenshaw Blvd., beginning next week.

Classes will meet on consecutive Mondays, beginning Nov. 20, and on consecutive Tuesdays, beginning Nov. 21. All lectures will begin at 7:30 p.m.

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