

Geodesic Dome Shines At Alaska Exposition

Manufactured and erected by Temcor, Torrance engineering and manufacturing firm, the geodesic dome atop Seward Hall is the focal point for visitors to the Alaska '87 Exposition in Fairbanks.

Spanning 122 feet, the gold anodized aluminum dome rises 32.7 feet and covers a floor area of 11,600 square feet and a surface of 14,500 square feet.

The geodesic geometry principle used in manufacturing and erecting the dome was invented by R. Buckminster Fuller, internationally known engineer and mathematician, who also serves on

Temcor's board of directors. DON L. RICHTER, Temcor vice president who supervises the design and production of the domes at the Torrance firm, worked with Fuller on early dome designs and developed the basic ideas and techniques that led to mass-produced geodesic structures.

The Fairbanks structure is being used as an exhibit hall for the 49th state's centennial exposition.

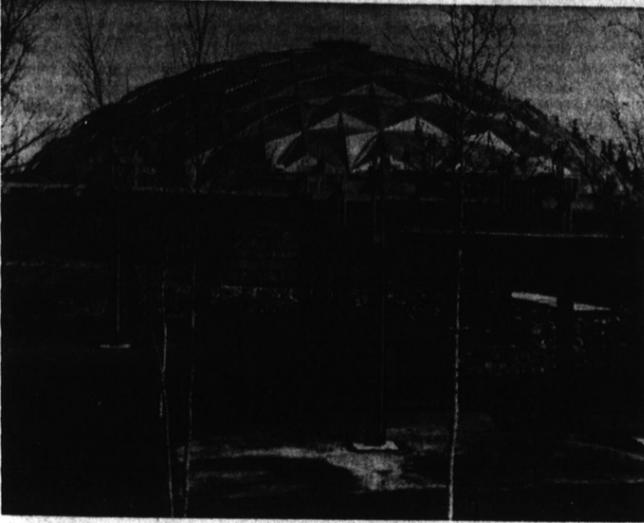
Among many other inquiries fielded by Walter G. Mitchell, Temcor president, during and after construction

was one of the most unique yet.

Can the dome support an airplane suspended from its peak?

THE ANSWER was affirmative. The plane is being displayed to show one of the state's most dependable methods of transportation—the reliable bush pilot's small, but highly maneuverable craft.

Temcor manufactured components for the Alaskan dome at Torrance, then shipped them to Fairbanks where an engineer, who specializes in supervising erection of geodesic domes, took charge.



EXPOSITION HIGHLIGHTS... A gold anodized aluminum dome which spans 122 feet atop Seward Hall at the Fairbanks, Alaska, centennial exposition, was constructed by Temcor, Inc., of Torrance and assembled in the far north state. The dome covers a floor area of 11,600 square feet and rises 32.7 feet at the center.

County Begins Study for Master Plan of Peninsula

Research which will serve as the foundation for a general plan for the unincorporated sections of Palos Verdes Peninsula is under way, Supervisor Burton W. Chace has announced.

The studies are being conducted by the Regional Planning Commission staff and should be completed in about four months, Chace said.

"When enough information is gathered, a series of public meetings will be held on the Peninsula so that the

opinions of residents and property owner organizations can be put into the record," Chace said.

FOLLOWING the public meetings, a preliminary plan will be formulated and taken under study by the Regional Planning Commission. The commission will conduct final public hearings before the general plan is adopted.

"It is my intention make certain every resident who wishes to speak on Penin-

sula zoning is heard," Chace said. "We want all the facts first, then we want a general plan which best serves the Peninsula."

The general plan is being prepared on instructions from Supervisor Chace.

IT HAS been 11 years since a precise study was made," Chace said. "The unprecedented growth of the Peninsula has changed the planning needs of the area, and a new plan is needed."

County planners are working with cities on the Peninsula to coordinate the zoning in unincorporated areas so that it is compatible with incorporated areas.

"To do this, the researchers will get as much information as possible from the staffs of Rolling Hills, Palos Verdes Estates and Rolling Hills Estates," Chace said.

AT THE SAME time, the county planners will gather as much physical information as possible, such as the present zoning, the present uses and recent growth factors which might necessitate new zoning.

"Our timetable calls for staff-conducted public meetings in October, November and December," Chace said. "The meetings will be held on the Peninsula, and they will be widely advertised."

The Palos Verdes Peninsula is one of the fastest growing areas in the county. In the unincorporated areas, the population is up from 17,225 in 1956 to 52,955 in 1966. This total will climb to 85,000 persons by 1980, experts say.

Los Angeles Man Named to Board

SACRAMENTO—Gov. Ronald Reagan has announced the appointment of H. R. Haldeman, Los Angeles advertising executive, as a member of the Coordinating Council for Higher Education.

Haldeman, a Republican, is immediate past president of the California Alumni Association and, as president, was an ex-officio member of the Board of Regents for the University of California.

Block Wall Surrounds Carousel Development

The concept of walled communities is certainly not new. The Chinese built a pretty good one and so did the Babylonians.

But for home developments the idea is new—and very practical.

Carousel Homes, located on Lomita Boulevard east of Figueroa Street, is entirely enclosed by a decorative block wall, according to the developers.

Chief advantages of the block wall, the developers pointed out, is the restricted traffic flow—there are only two entrances and no through streets. Children may play in complete safety throughout the development.

Other pluses in the commu-

nity are quiet and privacy, a spokesman for the developers said. They also feel the block wall will reduce vandalism and other types of unpleasantness.

In addition to the block wall which surrounds the community, each Carousel home includes a block wall enclosed rear yard.

Increase In Profits Reported

Net earnings of nearly \$60 million were reported by the Bank of America today for the first six months of 1967. Earnings amounted to \$2.09 per share on the 28,480,000 shares outstanding.

Actual earnings were \$59,437,000 compared to \$53.9 million during the same period a year ago. An increase of 10.1 per cent in earnings was reported.

Total deposits stood at \$18,201,670,000, compared to \$16,756,449,000 at the end of June, 1966. Loans were up from \$11.1 to \$11.5 billion.

Luau Planned

The Square Links Square Dance Club will hold its annual luau at the Torrance YWCA, 2320 W. Carson St., from 8 until 11 p.m. Saturday, July 29.

San Pedro Building Gets Name

The municipal court facility now under construction in the Harbor area will be named the San Pedro County Building, Supervisor Burton W. Chace said today.

The official name for the facility was adopted by the Board of Supervisors last Tuesday.

"The new name is consistent with other county buildings which provide services other than courts," Chace said. "It more aptly describes the role of the building."

In addition to housing three municipal courts, the San Pedro County Building will include offices for sheriff, marshal's office, district attorney, probation office, municipal court clerk, and public defender.



NEW LOOK AT THE WOODS... The Continental, a Los Angeles Home Show Balanced Power showcase, has been re-decorated in a Napoleon Directoire motif at Ray Watt's "The Woods" new Decorator's Row. The Continental is one of several model homes which

have been completely redecorated and refurbished for this weekend's opening of "The Woods" Decorator's Row. Models will be open from 10 a.m. until dark.

Decorator's Row Open at 'The Woods'

The most complete and extensive home and decorating show ever assembled in the South Bay area has opened at The Woods, Ray Watt's tri-level, Balanced Power community on Sepulveda Boulevard.

Decorator's Row presents thousands of fresh and original ideas in home decorating ranging from a traditional

English country home to Pop Art and art nouveau decor. "If you've been to The Woods, come back again," states sales director Wes Lorey. "It has a brand new look!"

THE WOODS' new look has been created for the enjoyment of many people, the sales director notes. "The new homebuyer, the interior

decorator, and the family who perhaps has decided to remodel their present home all can benefit from the ideas presented by our decorator, John K. Barraclough, and his staff, Lorey explained.

Barraclough, a member of the National Society of Interior Decorators, is a South Bay area decorator who has received numerous design awards and acclaim from na-

tional organizations and publications for his trend-setting ideas in interior decor.

"BE SURE to see this Southern California showcase of interior design," Lorey states. "And as a service to our viewers, Mr. Barraclough and his staff will be available for decorating consultation and advice every Sunday af-

ternoon at our main sales office. However, we would advise calling ahead to make an appointment."

The Woods is located on Sepulveda Boulevard between Vernon and Normandie avenues, one quarter mile west of the Harbor Freeway. The sales office and Decorator's Row is open daily from 10 a.m. until dark.

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