



WILLIAM J. UERKWITZ Seeks Council Seat

Telephone Executive Seeks Post

William J. Uerkwitz, 44-year-old executive with Pacific Telephone Co., has announced he will seek one of three seats open in the April 9 election for Torrance City Councilmen.

Uerkwitz, of 23136 S. Anza Ave., said he would campaign on a platform to give the homeowner a voice in civic government.

"Torrance has been controlled by land speculators and apartment builders for too many years," he said. "I am seeking election to the City Council as the homeowners' candidate in order to give the individual property owners voice in our city government."

UERKWITZ said he would oppose forced housing inspections, federally financed urban renewal programs, and the use of Torrance Municipal Airport by jets. He also said he would oppose the rezoning of any land now zoned for commercial and industrial uses.

Development of the commercial and industrial areas would bring Torrance additional scientific and space oriented industries and broaden the tax base, Uerkwitz said.

UERKWITZ, a native of Little Rock, Ark., is a graduate of Santa Monica City College, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, N.Y., and the University of North Carolina. He is a former president of the Southwood Riviera Homeowners' Association and the city's Citizens Advisory Committee.

He also is active in the Torrance Police Advisory Committee.

Uerkwitz and his wife, Patricia, have lived in Torrance for the past five years.

Raise Dividend

Directors of City National Bank have voted to increase the annual dividend rate to 80 cents per share from 68 cents per share. They also voted the first quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share.

Funds Earmarked for Sepulveda Improvement

Funds for the widening of the last major segment of Sepulveda Boulevard in the city were appropriated by the City Council last night and plans for the extension of Anza Avenue south to Newton Street were approved.

Councilmen voted unanimously to appropriate \$60,000 from gas tax funds for the purchase of additional strips of land on either side of Sepulveda between Crenshaw and Arlington Avenue. Councilmen eventually hope

to widen the street to four lanes of traffic.

However, the lawmakers failed to appropriate an additional \$5,000 to cover appraisal costs, resurrecting an old tangle over the selection of appraisers.

Crash

(Continued from Page 1) of Cotter's five children were herded to safety by a 14-year-old babysitter. The fifth child was visiting friends when the crash occurred.

THE DEAD were identified Monday as Glenn A. McHenry, 36, a flight instructor; his wife, Elsie McHenry, 35; and their 14-year-old daughter, Sylvia McHenry.

The McHenry family, of 11919 S. Oxford Ave., Hawthorne, was returning from a vacation trip to Northern California. The plane had left Petaluma, Calif., for the flight to Torrance earlier Sunday.

The plane apparently hit a power pole in the 600 block of Faye Lane, then crashed into a brick wall. Burning gasoline was sprayed on the Cotter home.

CHERYL Gallenbeck, left in charge of the Cotter children, rounded up four of the youngsters, ranging in age from 5 to 7, and got them out a back door. She then went down the street to find a 9-year-old daughter, Tami, who had been with friends. All five children were unhurt.

McHenry was pulled from the airplane and rushed to South Bay Hospital. He was dead on arrival. Both Mrs. McHenry and the girl died in the burning plane.

The Cotter home, a two-story structure about two years old, was extensively damaged by the resulting fire.

AFTER DEBATING various systems for choosing an appraiser for the project, councilmen finally voted 4-3 to let city management officials select three candidates. Councilmen will make final selection from these three.

Dissenting votes were cast by Mayor Albert Isen, and Councilmen Ross Sciarrotta Sr. and Jay Beasley. Beasley believes the City Council should be entirely responsible for making policy on the question. He told management officials, "We want to keep your out of it." He suggested the council's finance committee should review the matter and come up with an acceptable plan for choosing appraisers.

SEPUVEDA must be widened not only to alleviate traffic congestion, but allow operating space for the construction of a storm drain in the near future.

ANZA AVENUE will be extended between 238th and Newton streets, following approval of a new plan for developing the area.

All property owners in the vicinity, except one, wish to develop their property and are willing to dedicate portions of their land for the proposed extension of Anza.

Those landholders who wish to develop their property have promised to pay \$15,000 to the one property owner holding out in order to purchase the portion of his land needed for the street. The city has agreed to provide the engineering, curbs and gutters, and paving for the project.

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Signal

(Continued from Page 1) do not violate any laws while using the crosswalk," said Mrs. Yvonne Clare, principal organizer and spokesman for the latest effort.

Following Arnsdorf's death, parents met at the home of Mrs. Gary Ferguson, 1447 W. 220th St., to hear a report from Joe Goss, field deputy for Los Angeles City Councilman John S. Gibson Jr.

A second meeting, held last week at Normandale Recreation Center, drew 135 parents to hear city, school district, county, and police officials outline what could be done.

PARENTS are demanding a signal for the intersection—now. A year from now, when 223rd Street is widened to four lanes, a signal is to be installed.

Secondly, parents are demanding that the speed limit on Normandie Avenue be lowered from 40 mph to 25 mph in the immediate vicinity and that adequate police protection be given the area.

A pedestrian overcrossing has also been suggested. The city has said such an overpass would be too expensive.

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Obituaries

Miles Headley

Miles Jenning Headley of Merced, Calif., died Sunday in Merced. Mr. Headley was a former Torrance resident.

He was born April 19, 1906, in Minnesota.

Mr. Headley is survived by three sons, Raymond of Merced, Donald of Torrance, and Jene, now stationed in Vietnam with the U.S. Navy; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements will be made by the Stone and Myers Mortuary with burial in Roosevelt Memorial Park.

Heath Dalby

Funeral services for Heath C. Dalby, of 1735 Andrea Ave., will be conducted at 1:30 tomorrow afternoon at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel. The Rev. Robert Dehn and the Rev. Dr. Harold Fickett will officiate.

Mr. Dalby, a native of Tennessee, died Monday. A resident of the area for 29 years, he was 76.

Surviving Mr. Dalby are his widow, Freda C. Dalby of Torrance; a daughter, Mildred Daniel of Long Beach; and two grandchildren.

Burial will be in Rose Hills Memorial Park, Whittier.

Angeline Hayman

Requiem mass for Angeline Hayman, who died last Sunday, was celebrated this morning at the Church of the Nativity. Rosary was said last evening at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel.

Mrs. Hayman, of 25625 Normandie Ave., Lomita, was born March 18, 1884, in Austria. She had lived in the Lomita area for 12 years.

Surviving Mrs. Hayman are three daughters, Virginia McGlothlin of Lomita, Dorothy Spohn of Inglewood, and Miss Helen Spanton of Detroit, Mich.; a son, Stanley Lach of Detroit; and six grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Burial was in All Souls Cemetery.

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