

# Hahn Asks Crackdown On Drunks

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn asked for a state crack down on drunk driving — including mandatory jail sentences and suspension of driver's licenses.

"The No. 1 killer on the highways and roads in California is the driver who is under the influence of alcohol," Hahn said.

"Medical authorities and automotive safety experts have stated that 50 per cent of all fatalities on the highways and freeways of California are due directly to the influence of excessive alcohol use."

Hahn asked that a mandatory jail sentence of at least seven days be given to drunk drivers on the first conviction and a mandatory jail sentence and revocation of driver's license for six months be given for a second conviction.

"The Legislature and the governor are responsible for enacting strong and effective safety laws," Hahn said.

"Yet California has never passed strong enough laws to keep the drunk driver off the highways."

# Law in Action

Joe Jones, a bachelor, had lived with Pete Smith and his family for 15 years before he died. In his will he left all his estate to the Smiths. He often showed the Smiths his will.

But when Jones died, no one could find his will, or even a copy.

Jones' sister and brother, whom he hadn't seen for years, claimed the estate, since if he died without a will (intestate) his nearest relatives (his parents, brother, and sister) would legally come into the estate.

BUT IF HIS will could be proved, Smith would get the estate. The law says that a person may destroy or lose his will accidentally. If so, the court can accept a copy or some other proof of it. But Pete Smith could not prove the will. If a person destroys his will meaning to revoke it, then the will can never be probated.

A person may want to die without a will (intestate) and let California law say who gets his estate.

As a rule, a lawyer who drafts a will keeps a copy or sometimes the original. Thus the will can only be changed or destroyed in line with the testator's own desires.

THE LAW presumes a person who destroyed or "lost" a will did so to revoke it. Lacking proof to the contrary, the court will hold there is no longer any such will. In this event, the testator dies intestate. His estate goes to his nearest relative under the general law.

But someone may have served the decedent, taken care of him, looked after his home. The court may allow such a person to be paid from the estate for the services like other creditors.

THUS, SMITH took care of Jones for years, and gave him room and board. He may be able to claim payment from Jones' estate. This depends on whether Jones expected to pay for his care, and whether Smith expected pay for his services. Should Smith give this care purely as a friend without expecting payment, he then would have no claim.

Such a creditor must prove his claim like others. If there is not enough to pay the claim in full, he and other creditors must take less than full payment.



**FOR SCHOOL . . .** Robin Thompson (right), a 13-year-old student at Chadwick School, sells a ticket to a benefit concert by Jose Greco to Mrs. Gilbert Venable, a member of Chadwick's Mothers' Committee. Setting the mood for the concert of Spanish dances is Brett Boocock, headmaster at Chadwick School. The concert will be held on the Marymount High School campus Tuesday, March 4. (Press-Herald Photo)

# Jose Greco Sets Concert To Aid Chadwick School

Jose Greco, internationally known performer of Flamenco and Spanish regional dances, will appear Tuesday, March 4, in a special concert sponsored by Chadwick School.

The concert will begin at 8:15 p.m. and will include lectures and demonstrations by Greco on "Spain in the 20th Century," "Spanish Performing Arts in American Culture," "Spanish Dance," and "Spanish Arts." He will be accompanied by his prima ballerina and lead guitarist.

Chadwick School Mothers' Committee, under the chairmanship of Mrs. William Disston of Palos Verdes Estates, made the arrangements for Greco's appearance. Mrs. Milton Kodish of San Pedro and Mrs. William Foltz of Rolling Hills Estates,

committee members, are handling ticket distribution. Tickets may be obtained by contacting the Chadwick School office, 4040 Palos Verdes Drive North.

MRS. DISSTON said that since seating space was at a premium the mothers' club has accepted the offer of Sister Bernard Marie at Marymount High School, to use their larger school auditorium, Lourdes Hall, at 30800 Palos Verdes Drive East for this special event.

Proceeds from the concert will be donated by the mothers' committee to Chadwick School's development fund.

Greco's earliest professional appearances were as the partner of the immortal Argentinina. He later appeared throughout

Europe as co-star with the famous Pilar Lopez.

FOLLOWING this association, Greco organized his own company for extended tours of Europe, Great Britain and America. He makes annual concert tours of America and abroad.

He has appeared in movies, such as "Around the World in 80 Days" and "Ship of Fools." Greco has guested on numerous television programs including Bob Hope, Ed Sullivan, Firestone, Revlon, and Dean Martin shows.

In 1962, the Spanish government bestowed upon Greco the "Cross of the Knight of Civil Merit" in recognition of his worldwide contribution to the culture and performing arts of Spain.

# Gas Company Budgets \$1.4 Million for Area

Southern California Gas Co.'s \$27.6 million plant and equipment budget for 1969 includes \$1,440,500 to meet the gas service needs of customers in its Southwest Division, according to John Brady, division manager.

The investor-owned utility's current budget is about \$2.4 million more than the actual capital expenditures for 1968 and \$5.8 million more than the expenditures for 1967. The increase is due primarily to continuing growth and the need for additional facilities to handle larger volumes of out-of-state natural gas.

Brady noted that the budget will directly and indirectly benefit Inglewood, Torrance, Gardena, Manhattan Beach, Long Beach, Westchester, Redondo Beach, Palos Verdes, Lawndale, Hermosa Beach, El Segundo and other areas in the utility's Southwest Division.

NEW GAS mains and service lines as well as distribution system betterment and replacement projects account for \$1,418,200 of the division's plant and equipment budget. The remaining amount will be used for purchase and replacement of equipment, tools, and furniture.

Companywide distribution and transmission betterments and replacements amounting to \$11,448,000 represent the largest item in the utility's budget.

The allocation for mains, meters, and services to distribute gas to new customers is \$9,076,000. This is about \$1.4 million more than last year's allocation, and provides for an estimated 24,000 new customers in 1969.

AN ADDITIONAL \$5,000,000 has been approved for construction of new pipeline facilities to handle increased out-of-state gas deliveries.

Southern California and Southern Counties Gas Cos. are the gas distribution subsidiaries of Los Angeles-based Pacific Lighting Corp. The Pacific Lighting system is the largest natural gas distributor in the nation on the basis of number of customers served.

# Film Scheduled

The film "In the Cause of Freedom" will be shown at a public meeting sponsored by the Liberty Amendment Committee Friday. The program, scheduled to begin at 8 p.m., will be held at the American Opinion Library 1532 W. Carson St.

# Redondo Chamber Manager Wins Home Builder Award

Dick Fitzgerald, manager of the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce, has received the first "Home Town Builder" award presented by the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Redondo Beach.

The citation was presented at the meeting of Aerie 935 last week, by President Leo A. Longaker and Secretary Ed E. Conrad.

In presenting the award, Longaker stated, "We recognize Mr. Fitzgerald as a good neighbor who has strengthened the qualities of goodwill and cooperation in our community and as a good citizen who has helped to make our community a better place in which to live and work and play."

"Eagles know what it takes to make a good home town. It takes good churches, good schools, good local public services, good law enforcement, good firefighting protection, good fraternal and service organizations."

"Eagles also know that it takes good home folks to make a good home town. Who are the home folks? They are the builders. They're the folks in all walks of life who work, and work hard, to make a living — to provide for their families — to establish homes — to raise their children to be good law respecting citizens."

"By this series of service awards, the Eagles seek to honor the good neighbors and good citizens who bring strength and stability to community living."

Fitzgerald has been manager of the Redondo Beach and Torrance Chambers of Commerce since 1955 and is a past president of the California Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives and California State Junior Chamber of Commerce. He was named California's "young Man of the year" in 1959.

Fitzgerald and his wife, Betty, reside at 730 N. Paulina Ave., Redondo Beach.

# Alondra Park Holds Square Dance Classes

A brush-up square dance workshop currently is being offered at Alondra Park under the direction of Mrs. Belle Foy.

Classes meet on the second and fourth Mondays each month from 7:45 p.m. The activities building, where classes meet, is located at 3850 W. Manhattan Beach Blvd., on the north side of the park.

Bruce Bollinger is the caller for the classes, sponsored by the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION - DECEMBER 31, 1968			
<b>ASSETS</b>		<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Cash, Government Securities and Bonds	\$ 64,143,958	Savings Accounts	\$81,987,239
Ample funds to meet withdrawal requests are maintained in cash and in securities and bonds that can be converted to cash.		This represents amount of savings in the association's more than 179,900 accounts.	
Real Estate Loans	727,665,877	Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank	75,114,382
More than 49,700 monthly amortized first trust deeds are held on carefully selected real estate.		This represents amount of credit obtained from the association's reserve institution.	
Loans on Real Estate Sold	20,122,883	Undisbursed Loan Funds	3,364,048
Includes loans of \$18,201,994 made to facilitate sale of real estate acquired in settlement of loans and \$1,920,889 made upon the sale of real estate acquired for development under Section 6705.		This is amount not yet disbursed on construction loans, the major portion of it for new homes that have not been completed.	
Loans on Savings Accounts	1,791,714	Other Liabilities and Deferred Income	11,184,790
Temporary loans are made to account holders on the security of savings balances.			776,670,469
Federal Home Loan Bank Stock	11,625,600		
Membership and investment in this reserve system make additional credit available to the association.		<b>STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	
Properties Held for Sale or Investment	10,674,738	Guarantee Stock	400,000
Includes real estate of \$8,001,851 acquired in settlement of loans and \$2,672,887 purchased for investment.		This is capital stock of 600,000 shares with stated value \$1 per share.	
Office Buildings, Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	6,924,922	General Reserve	60,635,067
This is net investment in the association's 11 offices.		These reserves are in excess of minimum requirements and provide an extra margin of safety for savings account holders.	
Other Assets	13,559,949	Undivided Profits	18,604,102
			79,839,169
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$856,509,636</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$856,509,636</b>

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