

LOCAL RESIDENTS FAVORED ON SALE OF FIREWORKS

Permits for the sale of fireworks within the city of Torrance will be restricted to residents or businessmen of the city, under action of the City Council.

The permit granted to V.F.W. to sell safe and sane fireworks for one day in July, was corrected to permit selling from June 15 to July 4, 1948, inclusive.

CATS CATCH NO RATS

Exploded fairly tale: Cats kill mice, but seldom tackle vigorous, adult rats.

DEVELOPMENT OF \$4,000,000 DWELLING PROJECT HIT BY HOLLYWOOD RIVIERA PROTEST

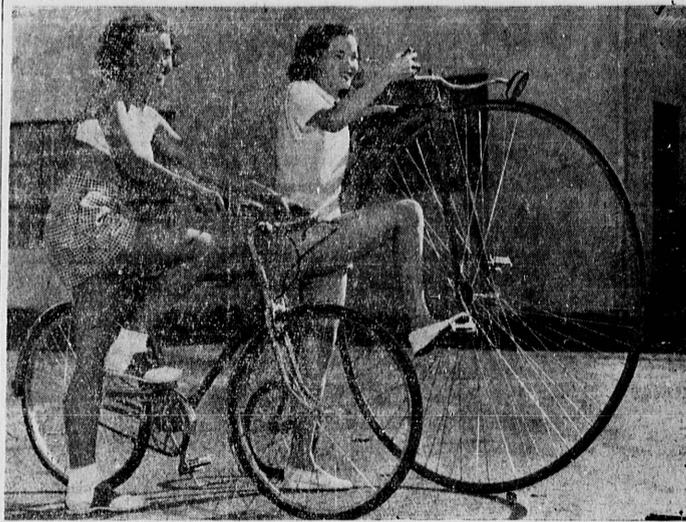
The efforts of Seahaven Properties to construct a 349-unit multiple dwelling project in the Riviera area of Torrance met a stumbling block Thursday night in the City Council hearing on the proposal to vacate 105 feet of the 225-foot Hollywood-Palos Verdes Parkway in order to provide proper development of the \$4,000,000 project.

At the hearing William Edwards, former president of the Hollywood Riviera Home Owners Association, and an instructor in Los Angeles City College, said that he had not received notice of hearing on intention to vacate the area, and wanted more time to study the proposal and to possibly circulate petitions in opposition thereto.

The resolution of notice of intention to vacate that portion of the parkway was published in the Torrance Herald on March 18, 1948, and the hearing set for April 15, 1948. Original proceedings, which followed considerable publicity, started on Jan. 16, 1948.

In his opposition, Edwards told the Council that the project might make the highway (of 120 feet after the vacation) too narrow, and that it might interfere with the rights of ingress and egress. He further said that the deal might create a parking problem, since the parkway is a part of the beach development program. William Keys also mentioned the possibility of violation of rights of ingress and egress if the portion of the parkway is abandoned.

They were assured, however, that rights of the abutting property owners will be fully protected, and the Council instructed City Attorney C. Douglass Smith to prepare necessary proceedings to vacate the portion of the parkway which the city claims is not needed for future



IF YOU LOOK CLOSELY . . . you will find two bicycles in the above photo! The old "high-wheeler" on the right recently was rebuilt by Paul and Ben Smith, brothers-in-law. The lovely young ladies who are demonstrating that during these spring days bicycling can be interesting, are Peggy Crook, 16, on the left and her sister, Beverly Crook, 18, both Torrance High School students are the velocipedists. (Staff photo).

development of the area for which Seahaven Properties are willing to "trade" equally valuable land elsewhere in the district, among its vast holdings.

Comdr. William Mason, president of the Hollywood Riviera Home Owners Association, said during the hearing that Edwards was speaking for himself, not the organization, and while the Council ordered the final papers drawn on the vacation, Edwards said that he would seek to circulate a petition of protest on the matter.

The Seahaven project is a rental unit which will increase the population of Torrance some 1200 persons, and it is contended the wide, 225-foot Hollywood-Palos Verdes Parkway never will be fully utilized for traffic use.

Proponents of the abandonment contend that use of the area which Seahaven Properties have agreed to trade for the abandoned portions of the highway will far greater serve the entire City of Torrance, as well as the immediate locality, than that sought to be abandoned.

County May Ban Sumps

Action for the cleaning up of all sump holes throughout Los Angeles County was stepped up at the Tuesday meeting when the Board of Supervisors ordered a survey made of all such danger zones.

Chairman Raymond V. Darby pointed out there were spots throughout the county that would bear looking into. Darby said he was for immediate action to eliminate these spots.

NURSERY SCHOOL TO BE MAINTAINED DURING NEXT YEAR

The nursery school located at Torrance Elementary School will be continued for an indefinite period, according to J. Henrich Hult, superintendent of schools, who announced to members of the Board of Education Tuesday night that the school district's offer to purchase the building from the Federal government for \$780 had been accepted.

NEW MEMBERS OF CHAMBER ARE ANNOUNCED

New members of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce have been announced by Blaine Walker, secretary. They are: Charles A. Miller and John H. Bridgman, of Trend O' Fashion; Max Felker and Monte D. Healey, of Felker Manufacturing Co.; G. E. Bat-chelor, Arrow Airways, Torrance Municipal Airport.

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