

## Group Denies Endorsement

Republican Assemblyman Charles E. Chapel was charged this week with "falsely claiming endorsement of the California Teachers' association" by James Armstrong, chairman of the Forty-sixth Assembly District Democratic council.

Armstrong, a Torrance school teacher and member of the CTA, said: "The association

does not endorse any candidate and that includes Chapel." Chapel made the claim in announcing his candidacy for re-election. The Inglewood Republican represents the Forty-sixth district which includes Palos Verdes, the South Bay cities, Westchester, Inglewood Lennox and portions of Hawthorne and Torrance.

## Playing Politics...

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motion also included an alternate site.

**Counter-Move**

Drale then made a counter motion calling for neighborhood recreation areas through Torrance rather than just a park in central Torrance.

The Recreation Commission recommendation actually call both for a centralized community park as well as neighborhood centers.

Drale was finally given a watershed approval to have three individuals recommended by him meet with the Planning Commission, and Recreation Commission to study the whole issue further.

He appointed Robert Waegner, Hamilton Black, and George Bradford.

C. W. Olsen, of the Recreation Commission, exasperated by the political bickering, asked to be heard.

"For heavens sake, leave politics out of this," he implored the councilmen. "This recreation park is for the people of Torrance. Look for that point and not for the petty sum the city will get from industry. Why stick industry right in the center of a residential area?"

Later on Olsen asked Drale if he would go for the park if the commissions came back with a recommendation for approval.

Drale, calling the chair unfair for permitting such a question to be asked, finally exclaimed touchingly that he could not say at this time what he would do.

### Tit For Tat

Councilman Drale's pet project, the improvement of Torrance's streets and highways, as well as the entrances and exits to the city, was picked apart, kicked around, and stalled along until finally receiving the council's general consent.

Isen and Benstead wanted to know where the money would come from; whether some of Drale's proposals were not already being taken care of (as they were); and what the status was on some of the jobs.

Isen made a motion to "table" the matter until a thorough report was available from the city manager and city engineer. Benstead sided with him. Blount, Schwab and Drale defeated the motion.

Benstead then moved to hold the matter up until after April 10 (the day of the election). Isen sided with him. Blount, Schwab and Drale defeated the motion.

Drale then made his motion. Isen and Benstead then indicated that of course they were "in favor of improving the streets" and joined in unanimous approval of Drale's original motion.

### Sub-Divisions

That same evening Mayor Isen informed the council that he was adopting a new policy in voting on sub-divisions.

"I shall vote 'no' on any tract that a councilman abstains from voting on without giving his reason."

Councilman Drale abstained from voting on two tracts because he said he had "a financial interest in them (No. 22654, located southerly of 182nd st. and northerly of the proposed Freeway, westerly of Moneta

## Strike...

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to the contract. This freedom is always been an accepted management officials' duty.

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ater co. property; and No. 3650, at Arlington and 178th l.).

Isen voted 'no' on each. The vote passed by a 3-1 vote, Drale abstaining.

## Chest...

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and welfare agencies supported by chest raised funds.

Advance Gifts Chairman Dr. Joseph P. Bay, with other local and harbor leaders, received a special merit award for "contributing outstanding leadership in making this community a better place to live."

Presenting the awards, Harbor Area Campaign Chairman James Visceglia commended local leaders and others of the more than 2000 chest volunteers who gleaned close to \$85,000 or 97.72 per cent of the goal for

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the harbor area's eight chest cities.

"This ain't hay, it's money," Visceglia quipped, describing the volunteers as the "solid base of the pyramid" on which success was achieved.

Lomita-Harbor City Chairman E. R. Meyers also received an Oscar and a special certificate for rolling up 100 per cent of the goal in the area.

Other local agencies benefiting from chest raised funds include Torrance and Lomita Harbor City Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, the Catholic Welfare Bureau,

## 5 Years of Safety Set

A record five years without a lost-time accident has been achieved by Southern California Gas company crewmen serving the southwest area from the Yukon Base, officials reported.

Salvation Army, the Visiting Nurse Association, Veterans Service Centers, Family Service and the Harbor Area Welfare Planning Council.

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