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The Rifleman

San Lorenzan Draws A Bead

Things might have been different if Phillip E. Offenbacher hadn't been watching television. But it was while Offenbacher, 17258 Via LaJolla, San Lorenzo, was viewing a TV program that he saw a gun fail to fire because it was dirty.

This prompted him to take a look at his .22 caliber rifle, and a few minutes later he was busily unloading and cleaning it. Then he tried to line up the sights by aiming at a stove, but because of the latter's dark color it didn't show up very satisfactorily. So he pointed the gun at a white sock squeezed the trigger. It, being clean, fired swift and sure.

Eden Hospital medics patched up the foot. Don't know who patched up the sock.

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Refined calculations will make an honest man of the weatherman in the next decade, Dr. Edward Teller predicted during his Cal State lecture Wednesday, that rainmaking will eventually become a branch of engineering.

"When this happens we will have lost our last safe topic of conversation," he said.

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BOOMERANG: Gleaned from the Alameda County Probation Department's newsletter is the following excerpt from a probation officer's report:

"Mrs. J. was upset about this theft and also about the fact that her 12-year-old daughter, Pattie, had been smoking for two years. Pattie's father gave her cigarettes and cigars to smoke two years ago to satisfy the child's curiosity and to make her sick so she would not want to smoke. She has been smoking ever since. She steals cigarettes from her mother and at one time taught her sister to smoke. The sister, now 9, has quit smoking. As the father has been overseas since May, 1964, with the armed forces, there are no cigars available."

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Carolyn Helwig, seeking publicity for Eden Gardens Homeowners Association annual spring dance, says the event could use a plug because the ladies in the group are having a rough time selling tickets. She's beginning to suspect that the lag in sales might have something to do with the fact that the event is booked for May 1, the same day that trout season opens and the guys would rather fish than twist . . .

Side Views

Solution Near In Apartment House Hassle

John Weiss, a Castro Valley realtor and major stockholder in a controversial Ashland apartment development, said today he and his partners are on the verge of reaching agreement with the Alameda County Flood Control Dist. over relocation of a faulty storm drain system.

Earlier this month the Alameda County Planning Commission denied the partners, C & K Construction Co. and Fairmont Developers, a revised site review plan and a series of adjustments to correct alleged nonconformities with plans originally approved by the commission.

PROTEST

The developers, protesting over being forced to vacate a prior legal claim they had filed against the county in the case, had appealed the decision to the Board of Supervisors.

Today, however, Weiss indicated they might be able to resolve the stalemate without following through on the appeal. "I'm doing everything possible to reach an amicable, expedient agreement that's fair to everyone," said Weiss.

"I would like to avoid going to the supervisors on this if possible. Time is important and if we can work out the details there is no reason for a lengthy delay."

The $350,000, 49-apartment development, Fairmont Palms, on Tanager Avenue has been under fire from flood control experts and the planning commission for several supposed variations from county standards.

COSTS

The flood control agreement calls for the developers to post nearly $6,000 with the district to pay for the cost of putting in a new storm drain system around the property. It also demands the partnership drop its $20,000 suit against the county, claiming unfair condemnation of the flood control easement.

The current storm drain, labelled "hazardous," "improperly installed" and "substandard" by the flood control district, will be sealed off to avoid undermining the three buildings under which it passes.

The supervisors have not yet scheduled a hearing date for the appeal, which may now be bypassed if the applicant takes a revised site review plan and revised adjustments before the planning commission.

Partners in the development besides Weiss, are Judge Gerald Connitt of the San Leandro Municipal Court, Jack Knopfer of the California Highway Patrol and Friedland Bros. Costruction Co. of San Francisco.

JOURNALIST ON DUTY . . . Caught by the camera in a rare moment when he didn't have his eyes fixed dutifully on the job at hand, Daily Review reporter Dave Weber tries to unwind his self-invented point system in which everybody comes out a winner as he judges queen candidates. The trio of contenders includes, from left, Livie Garcia, San Francisco State College; Lupita Avila, Laney College and Melody Burch, Chabot College. Miss Garcia was ultimately selected to reign over the California Spring Home and Garden Show. —Review Photo by Steve Rubiolo

'Ogle System' Judging

SF Coed Crowned Garden Show Queen

By DAVE WEBER

Editor: Please excuse liberal spattering of juniper berry juice on copy paper. Spent afternoon yesterday in fitting tribute to new floral queen of California Spring Garden Show, due to bloom May 1-9 at Oakland Exposition Building.

As you may recall, had modest hand in selection and investiture of above-named royalty yesterday. What are all these notes on desk saying, "If-when you return, call city desk about lunch hours?"

Assuming we can ignore above, details of assignment follow:

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Reported dewy-eyed and rosy cheeked to Claremont Hotel shortly before noon yesterday, breathlessly clutching invitation to serve as judge in annual selection of garden show queen.

Bounced around awhile shouting, "where are they, where are they?" Finally calmed down by elderly, bespectacled gentleman who introduced self as Al Martinez, noted humorist for rival publication who explained he was fellow judge.

Soon joined by chubby chap who looked as though he made own clothes. Turned out to be Carter B. Smith, famed radio "greenthumber." He was third judge. Smith explained dry cleaner had lost his pants and substituted somewhat smaller pair. Smith arises in wee morning hours and admits to difficulty discerning small details prior to mid-day.

Panel now complete, garden show publicist Norval Gillespie appeared and conducted briefing on judges' duties. Suggested we use rating system of 33⅓ points each for poise, beauty and personality. Exited to summon first candidate.

While Gillespie gone, checked pulse rate. Astronomical. Interrupted by entry of 19-year-old Diablo Valley coed Georgia Swain, who is also Miss Contra Costa County.

SYSTEM

Quickly tallied points, came up with 107 8-9, and a remainder of 2. Shifted to own system known as "ogle system." Less scientific, but worked fine.

In quick order, Miss Swain followed by eight fellow (er, Gal?) contestants for queenship, each representing a Bay Area college, all lovely, poised, talented, regal.

Examples: Chabot College representative Melody Burch dances and holds title "Miss Oakland." Mills College representative Lyn Flanigan is on honors list and heads student government. Similar attainments listed by others.

In spite of efforts to prolong bliss, interviews soon ended. Hard part then began: selection of ultimate winner. Martinez and Smith launched into complicated analyses. Spent most of own time in corner, sighing wistfully.

Finally forced to make decision, though. Concurred happily in crowning of 21-year-old San Francisco State College senior Livie Garcia. Fact that both Smith and Martinez are S.F. State graduates had nothing whatever to do with choice.

Miss Garcia, willowy social welfare major who appeared before panel in Mexican Vaquera costume, is college's homecoming queen and head song leader. Dark eyes, black hair. . . lovely, lovely . . .

Oh yes, next came coronation ceremonies, celebratory libations and crab salad luncheon. Also photos of judges with queen and eight princesses (two other princesses, including California State College at Hayward candidate Eileen McDonald, were ill and not in attendance for judging).

Theme of show this year is "Garden of the World," according to Miss Kimiko Fujii of Hayward, president of show's directors this year. Inspired, offered coast to Australian Azaleas. Continued happily through alphabet to Zambian Zinnias. World, however, looked increasingly rosy.

Queen and princesses finally excused selves and made off for afternoon classes. Wished them well.

Gillespie thanked judges for participation in event. Passed out sweat shirts emblazoned with words "California spring garden show" — one word to a shirt — as souvenirs.

Donned sweatshirt. Single word "spring" garnishing chest caused some comment from passersby on way out of hotel. Kept typical Daily Review staffer's poise throughout, however. It was easy. Found self too busy trying not to fail.

Pretzer Heads Hayward Elks

Arthur Pretzer, new exalted ruler of Hayward Elks, will be honored tomorrow at the lodge's inaugural ball.

The public is invited to attend the 9 p.m. event in the Elk club-house, 1061 B St., Hayward.

Other new officers are Wilson Bent, leading knight; Lou Shandre, loyal knight; Chuck Heath, lecturing knight; W. Van Blaircom, esquire; Tom Dixon, secretary; Darwan Karinke, treasurer; Robert Summrell, inner guard; John Anderson, tiler; Floyd Farrar, chaplain.

Tangney Plan Is Re-Affirmed

CASTRO VALLEY — Alameda County Supervisors have once again re-affirmed their stand favoring a zone change to allow construction of luxury apartments on a west Castro Valley hillside.

By a 3 to 1 vote with Supervisor Emanuel P. Razelo dissenting, the board yesterday reaffirmed its stand taken on April 1 to allow builder John J. Tangney to erect a $1.5 million cluster-type development on a 66-acre parcel.

The action constitutes rejection of a planning commission recommendation which favors the present zoning of single-family residences.

COMPLAINTS

Residents of the area between Stanton, Crest and South Crest Avenues, opposed the rezoning since it was first proposed.

They argued that the cluster apartment complex, if approved would open the door to a rash of apartment developments that will spring up on every undeveloped piece of property in the area.

In yesterday's action, supervisors upheld a segment of the planning commission recommendation to keep approximately 28 acres surrounding the Tangney parcel as single family zoning.

Razelo who cast the only dissenting vote against rezoning the Tangney land, said the board was dumping a multiple residence zone in the heart of a residential single residential area.

CHALLENGED

Supervisor Robert Hannon challenged Razelo's vote saying that since he (Razelo) wasn't present at the last discussion on the matter he was in no position to cast a valid vote.

Razelo argued, however, that the last discussion was a continuance of other sessions at which he was present and therefore, informed on the issues involved.

Carnival At Irvington High

FREMONT — A carnival of booths, games and prizes topped by a spaghetti dinner will be offered to the public tomorrow by Irvington High's student body.

The carnival will continue in the school's central patio from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m.

A spaghetti dinner will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the cafetorium. Price is 75 cents.

HEALTH CAPSULES
by Michael A. Petti, M.D.

IF YOU HAVE ARTHRITIS OR STIFF JOINTS, DO ISOMETRIC EXERCISES HELP ?

ISOMETRIC EXERCISES MAY IMPROVE MUSCLE STRENGTH, BUT THEY DON'T REMEDY JOINT STIFFNESS. TOMORROW: TUBERCULOSIS.

Health Capsules gives helpful information. It is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.

Youth Held In Fremont Auto Death

FREMONT — A 16-year-old Fremont youth—Dale Eddie Stuart of 4710 Deadwood Drive—has been charged with involuntary manslaughter in connection with an accident Saturday on Mission Boulevard in Fremont.

The two-car accident in which one person died and eight were injured resulted from an argument over bright headlights that developed into a high-speed chase down Mission Boulevard, according to police.

Dead was Gary Wayne Sears, 15, of 38382 Nebo Drive, Fremont.

Stuart was arrested and transferred to juvenile hall facilities last night.

Chamber Committee

HARD Urged To Maintain 'Tax Line'

The Hayward Area Recreation Dist. should explore both long-term financing for its share of the Chabot College auditorium and the possibility of keeping its present tax rate, the tax committee of the Hayward Chamber of Commerce recommended yesterday.

The committee also recommended that trustees of the Hayward Unified School Dist. "weigh carefully" whether it should use the 14 cents which remains before the district hits its tax rate ceiling.

The committee reasoned that the recreation district could retain its tax rate of 43 cents per $100 of assessed valuation if the auditorium is financed over a period of years. The proposed HARD budget, which contemplates a 50-cent tax rate, includes $190,000 for the auditorium.

LONG-TERM

W. Van Blaricom maintained that the auditorium is a long-term benefit and that a hardship would be imposed on taxpayers if an effort is made to pay for it in just a year or two.

Chamber Manager Roger Anderson said a tax increase for the auditorium might be all right if HARD directors would promise that the rate would drop after the auditorium is paid for.

"They'll never do that," said Chairman W. E. Winterbourne.

The committee voted unanimously for the recommendation on long - term financing and holding the tax rate.

Noell Marble, president of the Hayward Unified Teachers Association, cast the only "no" vote on the recommendation. HUSD Trustee Raymond Baker was among those who approved the recommendation.

In fact, Baker commented, "I don't think that says much," when the recommendation was proposed that trustees be urged simply to carefully consider a tax increase.

Winterbourne suggested that the committee urge trustees to "hold the line."

"I think that would be good," Baker said.

SAVINGS

Winterbourne said he favors saving the 14 cents available in the tax rate because the district may need it the following year.

"If they spend it now they'll have to go to the people for sure for extra taxes the next year," he maintained.

Marble interrupted Winterbourne at one point to ask, "Are you saying that the tax rate is more important than overcrowded classrooms?"

Winterbourne retorted that he'll ask Marble for information when the committee wants it, but that Marble should save his "detailed presentations" for the HUSD board of trustees.

Newark Cops Nab Burglary Suspect

NEWARK — Four healthy-sized Newark police officers yesterday afternoon braved some bold and menacing threats when they were forced to break into a Walnut Street apartment to arrest a 19-year-old Hayward youth.

Arrested on a warrant for investigation of burglary and turned over to Santa Clara County authorities was Alvin Hieb, 19, of 340 Sunset Ave., Hayward.

Newark police had been informed Hieb was staying in an apartment at 37196 Walnut St., Newark.

When four officers arrived, they were denied admittance.

Finally, Hieb identified himself and allegedly threatened to administer a sound beating to the four officers if they tried to take him.

Ignoring the ominous threats, police officers broke into the apartment and arrested the 5-feet 6, 130-pound youth.

Hayward Improvements

$2.3 Million Works Budget Is Proposed

A public works budget which includes $2.3 million in capital improvement projects for the 1965-66 fiscal year was submitted to the Hayward Public Services Commission last night by Public Works Director Edward Phillips.

The largest project is the first stage of a three-year program to widen Harder Road. The proposed budget shows an estimated cost of $320,400 for widening the section from Santa Clara Street to Gading Road. Money for part of the Harder Road job had been in this year's budget but the funds were switched to the Harder Road extension.

PROJECTS

Other major street projects in the budget are: Widening A Street from Mission Boulevard to Watkins Street, $75,600; reconstruction of Soto Road from Harder Road to Jackson Street, $114,000; and construction of the Industrial Parkway interchange at the Nimitz Freeway, a joint city-state project, $275,000 rebudgeted from this year.

Acquisition of right-of-way for the widening of Mission Boulevard from Jackson Street to Sycamore Avenue has been moved from this year's budget into 1965-66. The estimated cost, including $30,000 for relocation of tennis courts at Memorial Park, is $130,000.

The budget includes $20,000 for railroad crossing gates at both A Street and Winton Avenue on the Southern Pacific tracks, but the item would be held, the budget states, if the city council authorizes bond issues for overcrossings.

SIGNALS

Other street projects are: design and right-of-way for Industrial Parkway West from Hesperian Boulevard to Runs Road, $55,000; intersection realignment and signals at Hathaway Avenue and W. A. Street, $37,000; construction of Enterprise Avenue west from Clawiter Road, $57,700; and construction of Fifth Street from D Street to E Street, $26,000.

In addition, the budget provides $17,000 for traffic signals at Jackson Street and Amador Street and $15,000 for signals at Mission Boulevard and Fletcher Lane.

The budget includes $20,000 to align the Memorial Park entrance with Pinedale Court and $20,000 to revise the Memorial Park parking lot. Both projects are in connection with the Mission Boulevard widening.

Projects relating to the city water system include $72,000 for a second fluoridation station, rebudgeted from this year; $125,000 for a reservoir at the 1,000-foot level in the Hayward Highlands, most of which is being rebudgeted from this year; and $134,000 for a Russell City water main from W. Winton Avenue to Depot Road in connection with the Russell City redevelopment project.

ENGINEERING

Other water projects are right-of-way and preliminary engineering for a reservoir on the hillside at the end of Tennyson Road, $25,000 and right-of-way and preliminary engineering for the relocation of the reservoir near Foothill High School, $8,000.

A sewer interceptor from W. Winton Avenue through the Russell City project to the city treatment plant is estimated at $170,000. An interceptor from Curtis Street through Russell City will cost an estimated $75,000.

Other sewer projects are: revisions at the Valle Vista pump station, $170,000; replacement of the Marie Drive sewer main, which is now held together with rubber tubing, $10,000; and abandonment of the Tiegen Drive pump station and tying the area into the Ward Creek sewer interceptor, $31,000.

TERMINAL

Improvements listed at the Hayward Air Terminal are a maintenance building, $30,000; a fire station, $55,000; and construction of an access road from W. Winton Avenue to the Skywest Industrial Park, $101,000.

The proposed budget also provides $100,000 for a shops building at the city corporation yard and $5,000 for a radiological defense center. Both projects would be dropped from the budget if the council includes them in a bond issue.

The public services commission reviewed the list last night but withheld making a recommendation to the city council. A recommendation probably will be made at next month's meeting.

Transit Station Approved

SAN LORENZO — A rapid transit station and split parking lot near Hesperian Boulevard, around which a controversy has raged for several weeks, was approved yesterday by Bay Area Rapid Transit Dist. directors.

As finally okayed, the project will eliminate 43 Hesperian Gardens tract homes on the west side of the tracks (the figure originally was 56), and another 20 will be taken out on the east side between the station and Ashland Avenue, to make room for the transit line itself.

Directors voted approval after again hearing protests from Owen Corr, 550 Cornell St., and Sam Schoenfeld, 546 Cornell St.

As they had argued previously in appearances before the BARTD board and the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Corr and Schoenfeld said the parking lot should be limited to the east side of the tracks to avoid changing the residential character of the neighborhood of 460 homes.

Schoenfeld argued that the station will create a traffic tie-up on Hesperian Boulevard at 5 p.m.

Pay Boost Unlikely For Supervisors

A pay hike for Alameda County Supervisors?

Not likely.

Today is the deadline by which the board could have triggered legislation to boost their salaries from $11,088 annually to $25,000 a year.

The 1964 grand jury recommended that supervisors make their jobs full-time and hike the present salary.

However, at a board meeting yesterday, the four members present, John Murphy, Robert Hannon, Leland Sweeney, and Emanuel Razelo, made no mention of pay hikes.

Supervisors were alerted of the approaching deadline earlier this week in a telegram from Assemblyman W. Byron Rumford, chairman of the Alameda County delegation in Sacramento.

The telegram was interpreted by courthouse officials, as a notice from the delegation that it would not initiate legislation unless the supervisors themselves took a stand.

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