

The Highroad

By FRANK RHOADES

The happiest lottery ticket peddler in Tijuana is the little old woman who sold an \$80 chance to Paco Matteos, the Scotch whisky supplier from Mexico City (a close friend of jai alai's Mariano Escobedo.) After it won \$300,000 in the May 5 National, Matteos looked up the woman to give her a \$2,000 gratuity . . . W. E. Moss, the lumber wholesaler, is gravely ill at Mercy Hospital . . . Beverly Hills is flipping over a Hungarian card game called Postra (which means it will hit here any moment). It's similar to casino, with jacks wild and 16 points instead of 11 . . . George Stillings has returned to Apple Valley Inn as general manager. His successor as controller of El Cortez is Don Jones who was auditor there in '45-'46. He's been in Los Angeles . . . At a company conference in San Francisco, San Diego's Mary Elizabeth Rasco found out she's the only woman credit union manager in the entire Safeway system. (Masculine managers who asked how she got the job were let down a bit when she said, simply: "I asked for it.") . . . Tijuana society is rejoicing. The Hector Garcias, generally regarded as one of the city's handsomest couples, are expecting their 10th child in September. Garcia, the T-town Cadillac agent, is 37 and she's 34! . . . Ed Lawrence, the original "Old Prospector" for the radio nets, now has a puppet show. He was in town from a long TV run in Honolulu, discussing a filmed version with Johna Pepper.



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2nd Cartier Trial Will Begin Today

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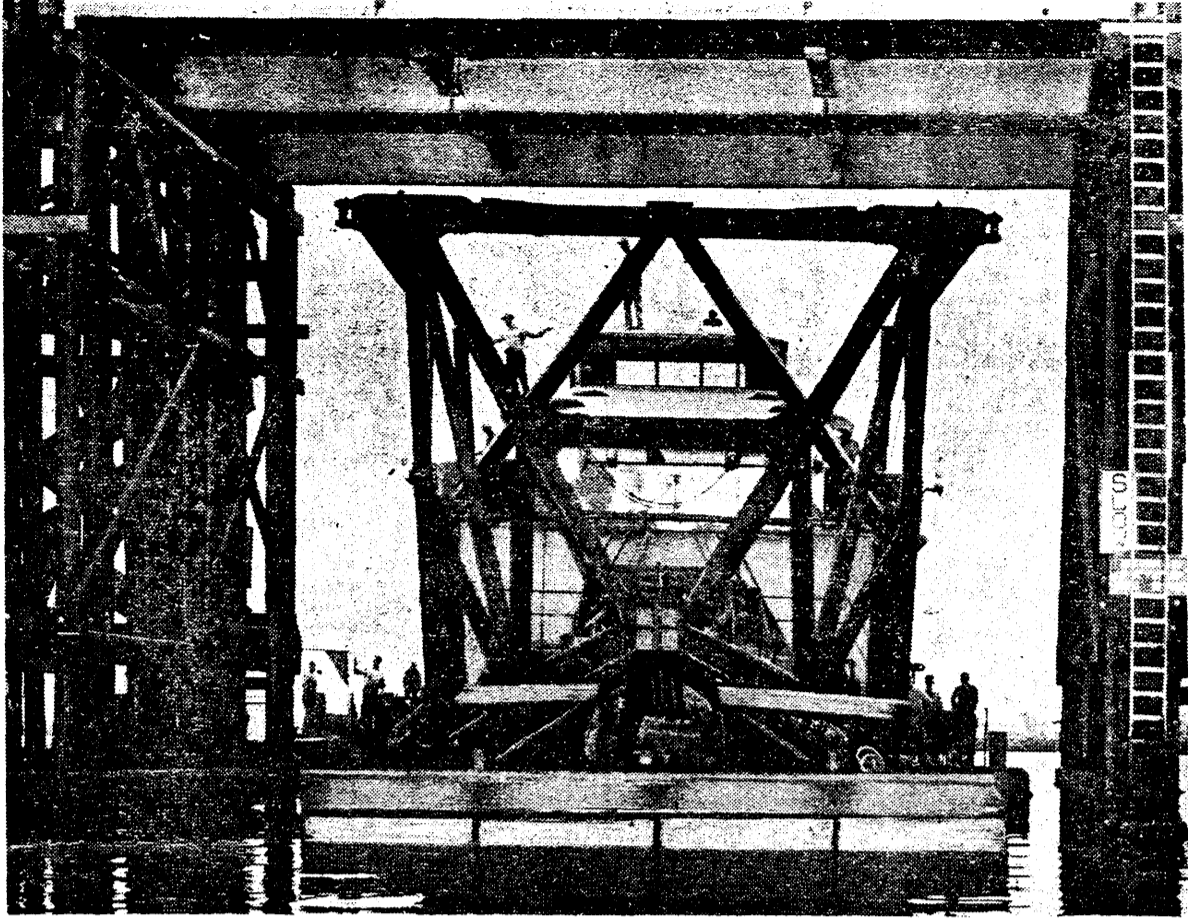


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The jury in Cartier's first trial convicted him of first degree murder, found that he was sane and then ordered the death penalty. In carrying out the jury's dictates, Superior Court Judge John A. Mahedy will hear the trial without a jury. Cartier's attorney, Alden Fulkerson, yesterday said Cartier wants to waive the jury. The prosecutor, Deputy Dist. Atty. James Biggins, did not object. Cartier is accused of virtually dissecting his wife, Geneva Ellen, 32, on Nov. 11, 1957, in their duplex at 2804 46th St. Police said he put to use his commissioner's skill with butcher knives and a cleaver to kill Mrs. Cartier. He is accused of then setting fire to the duplex in an effort to conceal the crime.



"A born doctor . . . the boy can't write anything anybody can read."



TIGHT SQUEEZE FOR DREDGE, BUT SHE MAKES IT

The dredge Western Eagle inched slowly under Ventura Bridge yesterday with only eight inches leeway on either side. Dredge was towed 100 yards east of bridge to begin a 3 1/2-million-cubic-yard digging job. The Western Eagle will move a total of 17 million cubic yards to help transform Mission Bay into a huge aquatic park. The dredge was built in Kansas City, especially for the project.

Dropping Of 6 Holidays Urged By Taxpayers

The Taxpayers Association yesterday told the Board of Supervisors it opposes recommended health insurance for county employees unless half of the employees' 12 annual holidays are eliminated. In a letter to the board, the association referred to a request by the County Employees Association that \$280,000 be included in the 1959-60 budget to finance the health insurance. Under the County Employees Association proposal, entire cost of the plan would be borne by the taxpayers. D. R. Grable, Taxpayers Association president, said his group opposes county financing of such insurance "unless other existing county fringe benefits are revised and reduced and brought into balance with the practice of private employers."

Results of a survey of fringe benefits offered by private industry in this area accompanied Grable's letter. It concluded that, except for hospitalization or medical coverage, the county ranks ahead of private industry in fringe benefits to employees. Grable said the county observes 12 paid holidays each year, six of which are not offered employees in industry. The taxpayers group last week called on the City Council to eliminate four employees' holidays in a similar letter.

Mannen Cleared In Damage Suit

County Fair Manager Wins Decision; Judge Denies Plea For \$30,000 By 3

Paul T. Mannen, manager of the San Diego County Fair, yesterday was cleared of liability in a \$30,000 damage suit brought against him by three persons. C. A. Paulsen, a visiting Superior Court judge from Trinity County, found in Mannen's favor in a suit filed by Iris Henderson, Roderick O'Connor and Muriel Wade, all of Los Angeles. Miss Henderson and O'Connor, who operate a women's apparel business known as Iris Roderick of Hollywood, were concession holders at the last county fair. M. Wade was their employee. The three brought suit against Mannen after they were ejected from the fair July 3, 1958, in a dispute over the pricing of women's apparel. Paulsen said in a written opinion that the evidence overwhelmingly supported Mannen's contention that there was no arrest, no battery and no false imprisonment. "In my opinion the defendant (Mannen) clearly had the right to close the booth," Paulsen wrote. Paulsen said it was clear that "from beginning to end the plaintiffs were determined to ruin" a competitor at the fair. He found that Miss Henderson and O'Connor were operating under a revocable license and not a lease. The opinion said that Miss Henderson and O'Connor, after once getting the idea they could not be ejected legally, "did everything in their power to build up a case that would net them a big judgment in damages." Paulsen noted Mannen did not fall into the trap. "He rightfully excluded them from the booth," the opinion stated. "He rightfully took with him security officers and deputy sheriffs to prevent any breach of the peace and at no time did he or any of the officers present take any unwarranted action in connection with an arrest, a battery or a false imprisonment. 'The only facts which support such charges arose out of plaintiffs' insistence that they be thrown off the fairgrounds.'"

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Patron Slain Trying To Halt Bar Quarrel

A truck driver was shot to death and another man suffered a bullet wound in one shoulder early yesterday when they tried to disarm a sailor after a disturbance at the Log Hut beer bar at 1246 First Ave. The sailor, Bayani Fernando Tobias, 25, who was on 15-day leave from the submarine tender Nerusus, was booked in the city jail on suspicion of murder. Clarence Ralph Mansker, 36, a bakery truck driver who lived at the Reiss Hotel at 1332 First Ave., was wounded fatally when he was shot three times. He was dead on arrival at County Hospital at 1:10 a.m. Charles Darrell Swiney, 25, a driver's helper, of 1905 Moore St., was treated for a superficial bullet wound in the shoulder. He told police he tried to wrest a German automatic pistol from Tobias on the sidewalk outside the bar. Police investigators said Tobias and a woman companion, Aileen N. Kahumoku, 28, who had been living together at 1556 Union St., had been drinking for some time in the bar. A quarrel started and Tobias struck Miss Kahumoku several times, witnesses told officers. Investigators said Tobias then was evicted from the bar by the owner, Violet Hager, and other patrons. Tobias said he was going to get a gun and return. Mansker and Swiney, who were in the bar during the disturbance, met Tobias at the front door when he returned about 10 minutes later. During a scuffle on the sidewalk outside the bar Mansker was shot in the left side of his chest, in the neck and right arm. Swiney was shot in the shoulder but eventually took the gun away from Tobias, beat him on the head with a (Continued on a-16, Col. 3)

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Meridian School Principal Resigns

School investigation delayed—Page a-19
By CHARLES ROSS
EL CAJON — C. David Wood, controversial principal of Meridian Elementary School, yesterday submitted his resignation to trustees of the Cajon Valley School District. It was accepted without comment. Wood was one of three elementary school principals recently kept in suspense about reemployment for several weeks. He was employed later but demoted—as of next fall—to a smaller school in which he would be required to teach daily classes and administrative. The demotion did not involve a salary decrease but a new principals' salary schedule now under discussion is expected to reduce the annual salary by several hundred dollars for teaching principals who supervise fewer than 12 teachers. Wood would have been in this category. In his letter of resignation Wood said: "Recent events, including my surprise assignment . . . to a teaching principalship, have made it clear that it would be difficult for me to continue to serve the district in the coming year."

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Dope Smuggler Gets Prison Term

Oscar Rios Aguilera, 21, a Los Angeles auto painter, was sentenced to five years in prison yesterday in federal court for smuggling narcotics. Aguilera had pleaded guilty before U.S. District Court Judge Jacob Weinberger of bringing almost 14 pounds of marijuana across the border at San Ysidro April 5. He was arrested by U.S. Customs officers.

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Star-Filled Shows In Fiesta Plan

Fiesta del Pacifico directors yesterday disclosed plans to turn Westgate Park into a midsummer mecca of big name entertainers. The 12 nights of comedy, music and drama would be the focal point of the most varied Fiesta ever staged, according to Asher Shaw, executive director. It would replace "The California Story," central pageant of the first three Fiestas. Shaw said he has mailed invitations to two dozen entertainers to appear. The program is designed to appeal to everyone from crew cuts to long hairs. Those invited are Jack Benny, Benny Goodman, Red Skelton, David Rose, Arthur Fiedler, Betty Hutton, Peggy Lee, Sammy Davis Jr., Burl Ives, Danny Kaye, Dean Martin, Pat Boone, Maurice Chevalier, Victor Borge, Ernie Ford, George Gobel, Mort Sahl, Fred Waring, Jerry Lewis, Marge and Gower Champion, Lawrence Welk, Danny Thomas and Fred Astaire. Shaw said Astaire, Benny and Chevalier turned down the offer because of previous commitments. He said several of the others have shown interest. Shaw said the 12 nights would be broken into performances of six, three, two and one nights. He predicted six top and six secondary entertainers would be needed. The program would be Sept. 7 through 19. It is being underwritten by the Westgate California Tuna Packing Co., operators of the ball park. Shaw said Westgate's participation means that the Fiesta would have the most events in its history, despite a belt-tightening program. He said 16 events will be held this year compared with six last year. Some of these activities include: Space age paseo, dedication ceremony, arts and science ball, Fiesta queen coronation ball, community street dancing, Mission Bay aquatic events, mayors' days, inter-American day, square dancing and barbecue, folk dancing, Navy and Convair open houses, auto sports and fashion show and the Fiesta parade. Total Budget Of \$75,000 Proposed A total budget of \$75,000 is proposed. Business firms would contribute \$55,000 and the city would give the remainder. James Haugh, vice president for financial contributions, said \$31,280 has been pledged by private firms already. He said the city's contribution is based on business meeting its obligations. The county has agreed to contribute \$18,750 for television promotion. Shaw said Arthur Godfrey, his TV replacement Sam Levenson, and Dinah Shore are being considered. He listed other possibilities as Pat Boone, Steve Allen, Jack Paar, Garry Moore and Jack Linkletter. Long-range plans for holding the Fiesta at Mission Bay (Continued on a-16, Col. 1)

3 Speeders Given 5-Day Jail Terms

Three speeders were sentenced to jail and their drivers licenses were suspended yesterday as a countywide crackdown aimed at decreasing traffic deaths entered its sixth week. Sentenced to five days each in city jail by Municipal Court Judge Huntington P. Bledsoe were: Edward Williams, 28, a sailor from the picket submarine Rasher; Richard Earl Westbrook, 19, a plasterer firm employee of 4043 Wil-liamette Ave., and Walter Jerome Entekin Jr., 25, a mechanic of 4329 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. Williams pleaded guilty to driving 95 miles an hour in a 55-mile-an-hour zone at 5 a.m. April 30 on U.S. Highway 101 between Sycamore street and Coronado avenue in the South Bay area. His license was suspended for 60 days. Westbrook pleaded guilty to driving 95 miles an hour in a 55-mile-an-hour zone at 7:10 p.m. April 20 on U.S. Highway 395 between Aero drive and Friars road. His license was suspended for 30 days. Entekin pleaded guilty to driving 85 miles an hour in a 55-mile-an-hour zone at 2:45 p.m. April 19 on Clairemont Mesa boulevard between U.S. Highway 395 and Frink street. His license was suspended for 30 days. A Superior Court jury yesterday convicted a motorist of felonious drunken driving in connection with critical injuries suffered by a sailor in a traffic accident. The convicted man, Cornelius Scates, 34, a sailor with 15 years service, was remanded to county jail by Judge William P. Mahedy to await a June 2 probation hearing. Scates was found guilty of driving his car into a stalled car being pushed on National avenue near 20th street Feb. 17 by Robert St. Clair, 22, of the attack transport Semino-le. St. Clair suffered a broken leg. Deputy Dist. Atty. Earl H. Maas said Scates, who formerly was attached to the landingship, tank, Tom Green County, is under sentence of six months at hard labor in the Camp Elliott Retraining Command after a Navy court-martial. Scates also faces trial on a misdemeanor drunken driving charge growing out of an earlier arrest. Maas said.

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\$53 Fine Ordered In Reckless Driving

Charges of drunken driving against Robert Lackey, 33, a mail carrier of 1367 B Ave., were dismissed yesterday in Municipal Court at the request of the city prosecutor. Lackey pleaded guilty of reckless driving and was fined \$53 by Judge Eugene Daney Jr. Two persons were arrested Sunday night and yesterday on suspicion of drunken driving by San Diego police. They were Ada Ellen Griffith, 66, a housewife of 4690 Fargo Ave., and Edward Vincent Brown, 54, an upholsterer from Anaheim.

Navy Radar Rescues Lost, Fuel-Low Plane

A private plane with five persons aboard, lost above the clouds and running out of fuel, was directed to a safe landing at Miramar Naval Air Station by radar, the Navy reported yesterday. Lt. Cmdr. Richard Briggs said the pilot, Herbert T. Long, called San Diego radio late Sunday to report he was at 6,200 feet altitude and getting low on gas with a heavy cloud bank between him and the ground. Long said he thought he was over the Mission Gorge area. Briggs said the call was re-