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Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following proclamation:

"WHEREAS, California is celebrating the bicentennial of wine growing in the Golden State in 1969 and enjoys preeminence in this, the 200th anniversary of the planting of the first grapes; and

"WHEREAS, It is appropriate that we officially recognize the growth and acceptance of an industry which first began in the most rudimentary fashion in the old Mission at San Diego in 1769; and

"WHEREAS, Today, two centuries later, the California wine industry has won increasing recognition throughout the world for the quality and general excellence of its wine; and

"WHEREAS, Today, three-fourths of the wine enjoyed in the United States comes from the sunny vineyards of California; and

"WHEREAS, The grape and wine industry of this state leads all other cultivated fruit crops in acreage, capital investment, and value of product; and

"WHEREAS, The National Wine Festival, October 1 through 31, will honor the wines of California and the bicentennial observance,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA, do hereby proclaim October, 1969, as NATIONAL WINE FESTIVAL MONTH in California, and urge California citizens to toast the new vintage and the entering upon of the third century of wine growing in this state."

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Governor Ronald Reagan today nominated Thomas G. Daugherty,
Sacramento attorney, to a four-year term on the State Social Welfare
Board.

The position, which requires senate confirmation, pays \$25 per
day and necessary expenses.

Daugherty, a former Los Angeles school teacher, received his
law degree from Southwestern University in Los Angeles.

Active in numerous Sacramento area service, civic and legal
groups, he is a member of the California State Bar, the Sacramento
County Bar Association, the American Trial Lawyers Association, Sacramento
Businessmen's Advisory Council and the Legal Aid Society.

A Republican, he has also been active in the National Association
for the Advancement of Colored People, the Sacramento Area Economic
Opportunity Council and the Oak Park Neighborhood Council.

Daugherty and his wife, Mildred, have two children. The family
home is at 5321 Pleasant Drive, Sacramento.

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RELEASE: 8 P.M. (PDT) THURSDAY
October 2, 1969

PLEASE GUARD AGAINST PREMATURE
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#560

Governor Ronald Reagan issued the following statement upon announcement that Caspar W. Weinberger will be appointed by the President as Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission.

"I would like to publicly take this opportunity to express my gratitude on behalf of the citizens of California to Cap Weinberger for the tremendous job he has done for them. To that I also would like to add my personal thanks and admiration.

"Cap has served this administration and the citizens of our state exceedingly well. His judgment and keen insight into the intricacies of government have been of immeasurable value to me as we have sought to make state government more efficient and more economical. He has been a most trusted advisor.

"I am very pleased that the President has recognized his talents and will appoint him Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission. As such, he will continue to be of service, not only to his fellow Californians, but also to all Americans.

"I am also very pleased that Cap has agreed to remain as Director of Finance during the next few critical months as this administration prepares next year's budget. As you know, we have instituted a new method of preparing the state's spending program and Cap's invaluable assistance in helping make this process work will eventually benefit every taxpayer as all of us work together to make state government more responsive and less costly."

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RELEASE: Immediate

561

Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following statement:

"California joins the nation for observances during "National
Employ the Physically Handicapped Week," October 5-11, 1969.

"As we move forward with plans to develop and upgrade the latent talents of the disadvantaged, it is appropriate that we should stop and remind ourselves of the skills of the handicapped and pledge to utilize them to the fullest possible extent in the economic growth of California's future.

"Toward this objective, I urge all citizens of this state, and employers in particular, to cooperate with the California Governor's Committee for Employment of the Handicapped in programs and activities designed to rehabilitate, train and hire all qualified handicapped workers who need a job--the physically handicapped and the mentally handicapped."

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WAS

Governor Ronald Reagan has signed a proclamation declaring the week of October 5-11, 1969, as NEWSPAPER WEEK.

Text of the proclamation is as follows:

- "WHEREAS, Walter Colton issued the first California newspaper at Monterey on August 15, 1846, printed on an ancient Ramage press which had originally been brought to California in 1829 by Spanish Governor Echeandia to print proclamations; and
- "WHEREAS, California newspapers have been increasing in number, scope and size ever since, until the Golden State is served with hundreds of daily, weekly and monthly newspapers; and
- "WHEREAS, Newspapers throughout the world have recorded this year's historical events, including America's extraordinary Apollo 11 moon landing; and
- "WHEREAS, The free press has played a significant part in the course of this State's history, remaining our freedom's sentinel from the first issue in 1846 with their importance increasing during the 200 years of California's existence; and
- "WHEREAS, In the finest tradition of the free press, California's newspapers continue the dissemination of news, education and entertainment, always mindful that Freedom of the Press is one of America's most precious freedoms,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA, in recognition of the unique role that newspapers play in our Golden State, do hereby proclaim October 5-11, 1969, as NEWSPAPER WEEK, and urge all Californians to join in paying tribute to the outstanding newspapers serving them."

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RELEASE: Immediate

#563

Campbell City Councilman Homer H. Hyde today was reappointed to a four-year term on the Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, by Governor Ronald Reagan.

A Republican, Hyde is secretary and general manager of the Campbell Water Company and a veteran of 23 years in the domestic water service business.

He has served on the Santa Clara County Water Advisory Committee and the water subcommittee of the Santa Clara Valley Flood Control and Water District.

His home is at 1279 East Campbell Avenue, Campbell.

The position pays necessary expenses.

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WAS

Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following proclamation:

"WHEREAS, Since the founding of the first Spanish settlement on California soil in 1769, the exploration of this state was led by the teaching padres, whose task it was to build colonies and bring education and agriculture to California; and

"WHEREAS, California's early mission buildings and vast ranches were the start of our present day agricultural and ranching industries; and

"WHEREAS, California's excellence in education is an outgrowth of early mission schools, and California's map abounds with Spanish place names; and

"WHEREAS, There has been a steady migration of Mexican bloodlines from south of the border so that Mexican-Americans now comprise more than 10 percent of California's population as an integral part of our rich heritage; and

"WHEREAS, Mexican-Americans do not participate to the extent their numbers and abilities warrant and Californians have a special obligation to involve them in the social, economic, political and cultural life of this state; and

"WHEREAS, Cultural awareness includes informing all Californians of the contributions of Mexican-Americans to our heritage and of California's role in improving and enhancing the betterment of this group from early childhood through higher education; and

"WHEREAS, Unlimited possibilities in California's future, through broadened and expanded educational opportunities, are being opened to Californians of Mexican descent, who should be encouraged to take advantage of these opportunities,

"NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA, do hereby proclaim the week of October 12-18, 1969, as MEXICAN-AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK, and urge all Californians to participate in this significant occasion."

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RELEASE: Immediate

#565

GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE
October 6, 1969
through
October 12, 1969

Monday, October 6

a.m. Depart Los Angeles for Sacramento.

Overnight - Sacramento

Tuesday, October 7

3:45 p.m. Signing of Aerospace Education Week proclamation.
Governor's Office.

p.m. Depart Sacramento for Los Angeles.

Overnight - Los Angeles

Wednesday, October 8

Noon National Association of Certified Public Accountants
Luncheon, Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles. Speech.

p.m. Depart Los Angeles for Sacramento.

Overnight - Sacramento

Thursday, October 9

Office appointments.

Overnight - Sacramento

Friday, October 10

p.m. Depart Sacramento for Los Angeles.

Overnight - Los Angeles

Saturday, October 11

No appointments scheduled.

Overnight - Los Angeles

Sunday, October 12

No appointments scheduled.

p.m. Depart Los Angeles for Sacramento.

Overnight - Sacramento

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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MEMO TO THE PRESS

Mrs. Dorothy Andrews Elston, Treasurer of the United States, will pay a brief courtesy call on Governor Reagan and Lt. Governor Reinecke this afternoon at 4:30 in the governor's office. She will be presented an engraved gold miner's pan.

Photo coverage is invited.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#566

Riverside County Sheriff Bernard J. Clark and South San Francisco Police Chief John P. Fabbri were reappointed to three-year terms on the Commission On Peace Officer Standards and Training today by Governor Ronald Reagan.

Both men are Republicans. Their reappointments are subject to confirmation by the Senate. The positions pay necessary expenses.

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WAS

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed 14 new members to the District Review Committee of the Board of Medical Examiners and reappointed six other members.

The new members are:

Dr. Bertrand A. Vipond, physician, 418 9th Street, Crescent City; county medical association representative, first district committee. He is a Republican and succeeds Dr. Joseph G. F. Gulyash of Ukiah, whose term expired.

Dr. Edwin E. Boldrey, 924 Haynes Road, Hillsborough, professor of neurosurgery, University of California Hospital, San Francisco; medical schools representative, first district. A Republican, he succeeds Dr. Edward B. Shaw of San Francisco, whose term has expired.

Dr. Frederick P. Shidler, 1840 White Oak Drive, Menlo Park, Menlo Medical Clinic; board of medical examiners representative, first district. A Republican, he succeeds Dr. David J. Dugan of Piedmont, whose term has expired.

Dr. James W. Moore, 318 Glen Ellen Drive, Ventura, Ventura Medical Group; county medical association representative second district. A Republican, he will fill the unexpired term of Dr. Richard W. Eells of San Luis Obispo, who has resigned.

Dr. Paul D. Yates, physician, 1180 Duncan Drive, Manhattan Beach; medical board representative, second district. A Republican, he succeeds Dr. A. Allan Witlin of Downey, whose term has expired.

Dr. William Nilssen, Jr., physician and surgeon, 105 Court Street Weaverville; county medical association representative, second district. He is a Republican and succeeds Dr. Lee D. Fulton of Redding, whose term has expired.

Dr. Julian R. Youmans, 913 Plum Lane, Davis, chairman of the Department of Neurosurgery, University of California at Davis; medical schools representative, third district. A Republican, he succeeds Dr. Stanley R. Beard of Stanford, whose term has expired.

Dr. Jay O. Gibson, physician, Route 2, Box 374 A, Chico; county medical association representative, third district. A Republican, he succeeds Dr. David L. Green Jr. of Stockton, whose term has expired.

Dr. Arthur F. Thompson, physician, 2320 East 22nd Street, Newport Beach; county medical association representative, fourth district. A Democrat, he succeeds Dr. Frederick P. Heald of El Centro, whose term has expired.

Dr. Frederick Turnbull, Jr., 1997 Korn Drive, Costa Mesa, acting chief of otolaryngology, University of California at Irvine; medical schools representative, fourth district. A Republican, he succeeds Dr. W. Phillip Corr of Riverside, whose term has expired.

Dr. Edward A. Jackson, physician, 291 East 21st Street, Merced; board of medical examiners representative, fifth district. A Republican, he fills the unexpired term of Dr. Norman Nichols of Mariposa, who has resigned.

Dr. James F. Donovan, general practice, 23 Panorama Gardens, Bakersfield; county medical association, fifth district. A Republican, he succeeds Dr. John W. Cawley of Bakersfield, whose term has expired.

Dr. Robert J. Rife, physician, 5209 North Sequoia Drive, Fresno; county medical association representative, fifth district. A Republican, he succeeds Dr. Ralph N. Miller of Porterville, whose term has expired.

Dr. Lester T. Hibbard, physician, 142 South Windsor Boulevard, Los Angeles; medical schools representative, fifth district. He is registered non-partisan, and succeeds Dr. James F. Regan of Glendale, whose term has expired.

Reappointed were:

Dr. Henry A. Brown, physician, 121 Pepper Avenue, Burlingame; county medical association representative, first district. He is a Republican.

Dr. Alfred J. Murrieta, Jr., physician, 223 South Irving Boulevard, Los Angeles; county medical association representative, second district. He is a Republican.

Dr. John B. Dillon, 1071 Somera Road, Los Angeles, University of California at Los Angeles Medical Center; medical schools representative, second district. He is a Republican.

Dr. Robert H. Quillinan, physician, 471 Crocker Road, Sacramento; board of medical examiners representative, third district. He is a Republican.

Dr. Clarence T. Halburg, Jr., physician, 1804 Valle Vista Drive, Redlands; county medical association representative, fourth district. He is a Republican.

Dr. Ralph M. King, physician, 862 Sharon Way, El Cajon; county medical association representative, fourth district. He is a Republican.

Members of the board serve four year terms and receive necessary expenses.

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

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On Press Release #567, the last sentence in paragraph 5 should read:

A Republican, he will fill the unexpired term of Dr. Richard W. Eells of San Luis Obispo, who has resigned.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#568

Governor Ronald Reagan today named George R. Steffes, an aide since early 1967, to a newly-created post in his office---that of legislative secretary to the Senate and Assembly.

Steffes, 34, has served as the governor's legislative secretary to the Assembly for the past two years. Liaison between the governor and the Senate was headed by former Senator Vernon L. Sturgeon until his recent appointment to the California Public Utilities Commission.

In his new assignment, Steffes will be responsible for the coordination of all legislative liaison activities between the Reagan administration and the legislature. He also will serve as the governor's personal representative with legislators.

A 1959 graduate of the University of Southern California, Steffes was manager of news and information for Tidewater Oil Company prior to joining the Reagan administration.

During the Korean War, he served in the security-intelligence branch of the U.S. Air Force.

He is a director of the Sacramento Catholic Youth Organization, is a former director of the Breakfast Optimist Club of Los Angeles, and is a past chairman of the Metropolitan Agencies Committee of the Los Angeles Junior Chamber of Commerce.

He and his wife, Carol, have three children and live at 2683 Coleman Way, Sacramento.

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RELEASE: Immediate

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Governor Ronald Reagan announced today he has urged California's
representatives in Congress to support an amended version of the Nixon
administration program for federal assistance to urban public mass
transportation.

The amendment, proposed by Senator Harrison Williams of New Jersey,
"would permit mounting a long-range program to improve public
transportation and thus upgrade the mobility of our urban populations,"
the governor said in a letter of endorsement to members of the California
congressional delegation.

While there is general agreement over the urgent need for
encouraging the development of mass transportation systems, there has
been considerable discussion over the form this aid should take. Some
have urged use of a transit trust fund, pointing to the success of the
Federal Highway Trust Fund.

President Nixon's proposal, now pending in Congress, provides \$10
billion over a 12-year period and would give the secretary of
transportation "contract authority" to approve local proposals.
Interpretations of the scope of this "contract authority" have varied.
Most interpretations have indicated it could only provide a firm
commitment for one year and Congress would have to appropriate funds
annually.

As a result, urban areas such as Los Angeles, San Diego and
San Francisco would have no assurance of receiving funds for long-term
capital outlay projects. The Harrison amendment would cure this
deficiency.

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In endorsing the Harrison amendment, the governor said:

"California needs a program on which our urban area transit operators can base their longer range plans. My Business and Transportation Agency has been working to develop more choices in transportation for the people who live in urban areas.

"We have assisted in enabling local government to levy sales taxes for transit purposes, removing the diesel fuel tax from bus transit operators, and establishing a State Transportation Board.

"I think the state government must play a part in encouraging adequate public transportation plans at the local level and President Nixon's program recognizes this."

State Business and Transportation Secretary Gordon Luce stated there are many needs in California right now that could be eligible for Federal participation if this bill were passed. He specifically pointed to a special rapid bus lane using existing rail right-of-way on the San Bernardino Freeway in Los Angeles; an airport to downtown rapid transit proposal in San Francisco; an air cushion vehicle proposal from Las Vegas to Palmdale to Los Angeles; and a recreation-commuter oriented aerial transport system for San Diego.

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This page was inadvertently omitted in the original distribution of Press Release #569 dated October 9, 1969. Please attach to page 1 of this release on receipt.

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

Lieutenant Governor Reinecke will make a major announcement at
10 a.m. in the Press Conference room regarding "Operation Intercept."

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RELEASE: Immediate
#570

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Brea attorney John H. Smith, Jr., to the Central Orange County Judicial District Municipal Court bench.

Smith, a Republican, succeeds Judge Leonard McBride who has resigned. He will receive an annual salary of \$28,126.

A decorated Marine Corps veteran of the Korean conflict, Smith received his law degree from Southwestern University in Los Angeles. He also holds a degree in business administration from San Diego State College and attended St. Mary's College at Moraga and Los Angeles State College prior to his enlistment in the Marine Corps.

Active in civic affairs, he is a past chairman of the Brea Civil Service Commission, has served as chairman of the city's water bond committee, is a director of the Brea Chamber of Commerce and has served as judge pro tempore of the North Orange County Municipal Court.

Smith is also a member of the California State Bar Association the Orange County Bar Association and the North Orange County Bar Association.

He and his wife Adrienne have seven children, The family home is in Brea.

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RELEASE: NDAY A.Ms. October 13

PLEASE GUARD AGAINST PREMATURE
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#571

Astronaut William Anders and Secretary of Interior Walter J. Hickel will be among the featured speakers in Los Angeles at a November 17-18 Conference at the Ambassador Hotel called by Governor Ronald Reagan to examine "California's Changing Environment."

More than 1,000 concerned citizens, scientists, industrialists, educators, and conservationists are expected to attend the event.

Colonel Anders, lunar module pilot for the historic Apollo 8 mission and newly appointed space advisor to Vice President Spiro Agnew, will address the conferees.

Governor Reagan, in setting the tone for the conference, observed that "We as citizens can no longer ignore our own impact on the overall environment in which we live. Men must begin to weigh this impact in every area that affects the purity of the air we breathe, the quality and clarity of the water we drink and the living space we inhabit." The governor emphasized the urgent need to reconcile and coordinate the paths of progress and conservation in California.

Approximately 75 speakers with expertise on selected topics will discuss many environmental problems including air, water, land and noise pollution, as well as California's population squeeze and mass transportation. The major environmental topics will be broken down into four "people oriented" categories---air, water, land and society.

Participants at the conference will take part in four panels simultaneously to look for workable solutions to be submitted later to the entire conference.

The conference is designed as an exemplary venture in finding answers to civilization's most crucial needs---the conservation and enhancement of our environment while meeting the needs of modern man.

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#572

Calling attention to the fact that California is leading the nation in efforts to control air pollution, Governor Ronald Reagan today proclaimed the week of October 19 through 25 as "Cleaner Air Week," throughout California.

"One of the primary aims of this Administration is to preserve the quality of life in California for this generation and future generations, and I'm proud that many of our programs to control pollution have become models for other states in the union to follow," the Governor said in signing the proclamation.

"But despite the fact that we have the toughest air pollution control law in the nation, the preservation of our environment is--and must continue to be--the concern of every citizen," Governor Reagan said.

The text of the proclamation follows:

"WHEREAS, Air pollution is a serious problem in California cities, brought about by industrial expansion, increasing population and automobile travel, which has become hazardous to the health and welfare of all Californians, as well as a source of economic waste; and

WHEREAS, Air pollution abatement assumes increasing importance in its prevention of waste of materials, energy and human health; and

"WHEREAS, The hazard of air pollution can be greatly diminished through intelligent action involving engineering, equipment, research and education; and

"WHEREAS, With some of the mechanical means already available and others in the planning stage, combined with the enlightened attitude of industry, air pollution control is moving ahead; and

"WHEREAS, the abatement of air pollution in all its forms is of utmost concern to California cities and citizens,

"NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA, do hereby proclaim the week of October 19 through 25, 1969, as CLEANER AIR WEEK, and urge all Californians to cooperate in a year-round campaign to lessen and eventually eliminate air pollution."

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Governor Ronald Reagan today commended U. S. Interior Secretary Walter J. Hickel and the Interior Department's Fish and Wildlife Service for their cooperation in helping California contain a potentially disastrous outbreak of waterfowl botulism in the San Joaquin Valley.

The Governor said he considered the joint operation deserving of special commendation "as an outstanding example of the ability of state and federal agencies to apply their combined efforts in a coordinated and efficient manner to solve a special problem.

"My compliments and appreciation are extended to you and the personnel of your Fish and Wildlife Service for the exemplary manner in which the program has been carried out and for the fine coordination of your efforts with ours," Governor Reagan said in a letter to Secretary Hickel.

The Governor noted that the Tulare Lake Basin long has been associated with serious waterfowl losses from avian botulism, particularly in heavy water years. Record-breaking flood waters of the past winter expanded the usually dry Tulare Lake to more than 100,000 acres, and predictions were for one of the most severe botulism years in history, exceeding even the 250,000 bird loss of 1941.

"Our state game officials met with your Fish and Wildlife Service people and developed a joint coordinated program aimed at minimizing these losses," the governor wrote.

"The results to date have been most gratifying, with only 28,000 birds lost to date this year.

"Of course, the danger period is not yet over, but our people are optimistic that it will result in keeping the losses at current rates."

The state Fish and Game Department and U. S. Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, with assistance from the Department of Defense, are using helicopters, aircraft and shallow-draft airboats in a program of surveillance and cleanup of infected areas to hold losses to a minimum. Carcasses of dead birds, an important medium for transmitting the disease, are picked up and burned. Sick birds are taken to a "duck hospital" at the Kern National Wildlife Refuge for inoculation and recovery.

Fish and Game officials emphasize that there is no way to prevent botulism, which is caused by a common bacteria that lives in the soil. But outbreaks can be controlled by concentrated programs like the one now in operation in the Tulare Lake Basin.

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

Since the inauguration in January of 1966, Governor and Mrs. Reagan have spent many weekends and holidays visiting military hospitals and talking at length with wounded Vietnam veterans.

These visits include several trips to each of the following; Travis Air Force Base Hospital, Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland, Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco, San Diego Naval Hospital, and the Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland.

Many times during the week, Mrs. Reagan makes these trips without the Governor and when time permits during out of state trips, she always tries to visit military hospitals where she can spend some time with California veterans.

No press has ever been present during these visits at the request of the Reagans.

However, on October 15, Mrs. Reagan is inviting the press to accompany her when she visits Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco. She will arrive there about 11:00 a.m., visit several of the wards, eat lunch with patients, and then will continue to make other ward rounds from 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. As you know, October 15 has been scheduled as a day of protest by those opposing the Vietnam War and those who support the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong. Mrs. Reagan therefore feels it is particularly appropriate for her to visit the wounded on October 15 and to express her and the Governor's support and appreciation for what members of the U.S. Armed Forces are doing for their country.

If you have any further questions, please contact Nancy Reynolds at 445-5430.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#574

GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE

October 13, 1969
through
October 19, 1969

Monday, October 13

No public appointments scheduled.
Overnight - Sacramento

Tuesday, October 14

a.m.

Depart for Washington, D.C.

7:45 p.m.

Eisenhower College fundraiser dinner,
Washington Hilton Hotel

Overnight - Washington

Wednesday, October 15

a.m.

Depart Washington for Los Angeles

8 p.m.

Senator Murphy Testimonial Dinner,
Century Plaza Hotel, Los Angeles

Overnight - Los Angeles

Thursday, October 16

No public appointments scheduled

Overnight - Los Angeles

Friday, October 17

Regents Meeting, UC
Extension Center, Los Angeles

p.m.

Return to Sacramento

Overnight - Sacramento

Saturday, October 18

No appointments scheduled

Overnight - Sacramento

Sunday, October 19

No appointments scheduled

Overnight - Sacramento

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

Dr. Frank B. Gigliotti of the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay, will present the council's Medal of Appreciation to Governor Reagan today at 1:30 p.m. in the Governor's office.

The medal is presented to that citizen who has done the most to advance the ideals and the principles of God and country.

Also attending the ceremony will be Homer Rathbun, executive officer of DeMolay for Southern California and Henry Clausen, deputy sovereign grand commander for the Scottish Rite.

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RELEASE: Immediate

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Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following statement:

"I was very disappointed to learn of today's action by CSEA delegates to eliminate the no-strike pledge from their constitution.

"Over the years, the no-strike pledge has represented a determination on the part of state employees to put the people's business first and foremost---ahead of all other considerations. The pledge was a continuing affirmation of the high degree of dedication and sense of responsibility that state employees have so faithfully brought to their daily tasks as servants of the people of this state.

"While I deeply regret the decision, I am nevertheless confident that the vast and overwhelming majority of CSEA's members will continue to uphold their commitment to the smooth functioning of state government and the vital public trust vested in them. I am sure that most state employees agree with the long-established legal and moral principle that public employees cannot and will not engage in a strike against the people.

"The action of the delegates notwithstanding, I am confident that the best interests of our citizens will continue to be the first interest of the vast majority of state employees.

"At the same time, I want to reiterate my pledge that this administration will continue its efforts to work with state employee organizations on matters relating to wages and working conditions."

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RELEASE: Immediate

#576

Thomas Carr Howe, director emeritus of the California Palace of the Legion of Honor, was appointed today to the California Arts Commission by Governor Ronald Reagan.

Howe, whose appointment is subject to Senate confirmation, will fill the unexpired term of Mortimer Fleishhacker Jr., who has resigned. The term ends July 1, 1971.

Internationally known for his work in the arts, Howe holds decorations from France and the Netherlands for his work during World War II in recovering looted art treasures.

He holds several degrees from Harvard University and has served as Cultural Affairs Adviser to the High Commissioner of Germany and was a member of the United States Committee for the Brussels International Exposition in 1956.

In addition he is a member of the White House Fine Arts Advisory Committee, a trustee of the American Federation of Arts, an honorary member of the Advisory Council of the Art Museum at Princeton University, is an art adviser to the San Simeon Hearst Castle and is a former member of the Smithsonian Art Commission.

His home is at 2709 Larkin Street, San Francisco.

Howe is a Republican. The position pays necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#577

Governor Ronald Reagan today nominated Ventura County Superior Court Judge Roy A. Gustafson as an Associate Justice of the Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, Division One. His nomination must be confirmed by the Commission on Judicial Appointments.

Judge Gustafson, a Republican, will succeed Justice Walter Fourt who has retired. The position pays \$39,132.

A graduate of the University of Minnesota Law School, Judge Gustafson is a former District Attorney of Ventura County.

He is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a former Governor of the State Bar of California, and a member of the Oxnard Bar Association, Ventura County Association, the American Bar Association and the American Judicature Society.

Judge Gustafson and his wife Edna live in in Oxnard.

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#578

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed William R. Johnston of Fresno to a four-year-term on the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region.

Johnston, irrigation drainage specialist of the Westland Water District, is a recognized authority on water and irrigation problems and the author of numerous technical works on the subjects.

A Republican, he succeeds Marion S. Walker of Red Bluff whose term has expired. The position pays necessary expenses.

Johnston holds degrees from Oregon State College and the University of California at Davis.

He is a member of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the U. S. Committee on Irrigation, Drainage and Flood Control, the Western Society of Soil Science, the California Irrigation Institute and the California Irrigation Districts Association Underground Water Committee.

He is married and has two children. The family home is at 3620 North Angus Street, Fresno.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Mrs. Ruth A. Green of San Diego to the Council on Intergovernmental Relations.

Mrs. Green, Deputy Probation Officer of San Diego County, will fill the unexpired term of Thomas W. Sefton of San Diego, who has resigned. She will serve as the public representative on the council.

A Republican, Mrs. Green is a past president and executive board member of the San Diego Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. She is also a past member of the board of the San Diego YMCA, the Homemakers Service and the San Diego Park and Recreation Committee.

At present she is a member of the Southeast YMCA board and the San Diego Urban League.

She is also an organizer of the San Diego Chapter of Links, Inc., a national group of professional women involved in volunteer community service and the Southeast San Diego Women, Inc..

In addition to her professional and civic duties, Mrs. Green is a part-time columnist for the San Diego Independent and the San Diego Voice.

She holds a degree from Howard University and has attended the University of California, the LaSalle University Law School, San Diego State College and the Chicago University School of Social Administration.

Her home is at 5415 Bonita Avenue, San Diego, California.

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#580

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Carney J. Campion, general manager of the Redwood Empire Association, to the Tourism and Visitor Services Commission.

Campion, a Republican, will succeed Paul Hanson, Jr., of San Francisco. The appointment, which requires Senate confirmation, pays necessary expenses.

A native of California, Campion was graduated from the University of California.

Active in numerous civic, service and travel organizations, he is chairman of the board of the Western America Convention and Travel Institute and is a member of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives, the American Society of Association Executives, the American Society of Travel Agents, the California Chamber of Commerce Executives, the Western Council for Travel Research, the San Francisco Press Club and the San Francisco Advertising Club.

Campion and his wife, Kathryn, have six children. The family home is at 810 Butternut Drive, San Rafael.

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#581

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed William P. Burgess,
Tulelake businessman, to the board of directors of the 10a District
Agricultural Association.

Burgess, a Republican, will fill the unexpired term of C. J.
Main of Tulelake, who has resigned.

The post pays necessary expenses.

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#582

Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following statement
on the death of James C. Anderson, Editor of the Sacramento Union:

"The death of Jim Anderson is a loss not only to his profession,
and to those who knew him, but to the people of California as well.
Jim fought the disease that claimed his life with the same courage
that was a hallmark of his career as a journalist. He was one of the
best."

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#583

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Edward J. Rathjen of Santa Clara and Donald N. Christensen of Camarillo to four-year terms on the Physical Therapy Examining Committee.

The positions pay \$25 per day of official duty and necessary expenses.

Rathjen, a registered physical therapist with offices in San Jose, succeeds John G. Piper of Richmond, whose term has expired.

Rathjen, who lives at 2385 Glendenning Avenue, Santa Clara, will represent licensed physical therapists on the committee.

Christensen, president of a moving and storage firm and a Ventura civic leader, will succeed Anthony J. Guida of Redwood City.

He will represent the public on the committee. His home is at 1577 Calle Aurora, Camarillo.

Both appointees are Republicans.

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GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE
October 20, 1969
through
October 26, 1969

Monday, October 20

a.m. Depart Los Angeles for Knoxville, Tennessee

7:45 p.m. Republican Fundraising Dinner for Congressman John J. Duncan and local GOP candidates at Knoxville Civic Auditorium-Coliseum. Speech.

Depart for Detroit, Michigan

Overnight Detroit, Michigan

Tuesday, October 21

noon American Chamber of Commerce Annual Management Conference luncheon. Speech.

Depart for Flint, Michigan.

8 p.m. Michigan Republican State Central Committee Fundraising dinner, I.M.A. Auditorium, Flint. Speech.

Depart for Chicago

Overnight Chicago

Wednesday, October 22

noon "All-Illinois Salute to Reagan" Fundraising luncheon for Eureka College at Sheraton Hotel, Chicago. Speech.
(event is sponsored by friends and alumni of Eureka College where Governor Reagan graduated in 1932.)

Depart for Newark, New Jersey.

7:30 p.m. Fundraising reception and dinner for GOP gubernatorial candidate Wm. Cahill, Chanticler Restaurant, Milburn, New Jersey. Speech.

Overnight Washington, D.C.

Thursday, October 23

Official office appointments in Washington, D.C. during day.

p.m. Depart for Norfolk, Virginia

7:30 p.m. Holton-for-Governor Fundraising dinner, Lakewright Motel, Norfolk, Virginia. Speech.

Depart for Washington, D.C.

Overnight Washington, D.C.

Friday, October 24

a.m. Depart for Denver, Colorado

7:30 p.m. Colorado Republican State Central Committee Fundraising dinner, Denver Hilton Hotel. Speech.

Depart for Los Angeles

Overnight Los Angeles

Saturday, October 25

No appointments scheduled

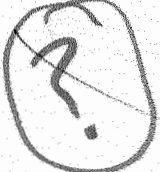
Overnight Los Angeles

Sunday, October 26

12:30 p.m. Jewish National Fund luncheon

p.m. Depart Los Angeles for Sacramento

Overnight Sacramento



Governor Ronald Reagan today vetoed a \$234,800 OEO demonstration grant to the Oakland Economic Development Council Inc. because of "major weaknesses" and "violation of OEO guidelines" in the administration of programs under its authority.

The governor also announced he will soon name a task force to look into all OEO funded programs in the Oakland area to determine whether federal tax monies are, in fact, helping those persons they are intended to benefit. The task force will work closely with local civic leaders and federal OEO officials.

In a telegram to Frank C. Carlucci, director of operations of the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, D.C., the governor's executive secretary, Edwin Meese III, said Governor Reagan was disapproving the grant because of "major weaknesses in the existing program" under the OEDCI.

"There is ample evidence," the telegram said, "that the program sponsors are in violation of OEO guidelines which require that all economic opportunity funds are expended in a manner consistent with such guidelines; that they have departed from sound administrative procedures; that they are unable to function as a governing body because of threats and intimidation of board members; and that their implementation of plans would not benefit the disadvantaged citizens by removing them from the cycle of poverty."

The grant, to fund OEDCI programs from September 1, 1969 - August 31, 1970, would be administered by the East Oakland-Fruitvale Planning Council.

Meese said that "persons associated with OEDCI programs are, and have been, using their position and certain federal funds to set up a kind of shadow government designed to thwart the efforts of public officials and OEO groups in the Oakland area in meeting legitimate community needs."

One component of the OEDCI grant would establish a parallel board of education to control and administer the public education system in the East Oakland area. Another would seek to set up a separate police system to operate in certain areas of the community.

Meese said an independent investigation conducted by representatives of the State Office of Economic Opportunity showed that the OEDCI is split by serious internal dissention caused by threats of intimidation and coercion against a majority of OEDCI board members.

Twenty three members of the board recently signed a resolution expressing "grave concern about threats to community welfare resulting from improper or illegal activities of persons unlawfully exercising control over the OEO program and its funds in Oakland."

The resolution also said: "It is not possible to hold a lawful meeting of the OEDCI board in accordance with democratic processes because of coercion, intimidation, threats of force and inducements by persons, including employees of OEDCI staff members whose unlawful activities in violation of OEO regulations are well known to the Regional Office of Economic Opportunity."

The resolution demanded a thorough investigation into the charges.

Meese said that he will confer with federal OEO officials in Washington this week on the Oakland situation.

He concluded his telegram to Carlucci by saying: "Our office is willing and interested in providing whatever assistance is needed and desired to modify and upgrade this (the OEDCI) project in such a way that our approval would be warranted."

October 21, 1969

"Mr. Jesse M. Unruh's latest press release about alleged errors in school bills is a familiar field for him," State Director of Finance Caspar W. Weinberger said today.

"Two years ago, Mr. Unruh's school bill had an undoubted error requiring over \$154 million additional cost to the state over a two-year period in addition to \$50 million which had to be corrected in a special session by the legislature.

"Apparently smarting ever since under the disclosure of this error, he has now issued a press release claiming an error in another school bill passed by the legislature, of which he was a member, but about which he did not bother to advise the legislature during its consideration of the bill. In trying to support his allegation, Mr. Unruh relied on an opinion of the legislative counsel.

"What Mr. Unruh apparently forgot to tell the press and the public is that the legislative counsel's opinion actually said that one highly technical section of the 1969 school aid bill, dealing with supplemental aid for low wealth districts might possibly be construed in two ways. One would provide state aid on the traditional pattern---that is, the less the assessed valuation in the district, the more state funds will be provided.

"Under the interpretation Mr. Unruh apparently wishes to have placed on this section, more state aid than is now the case would be given to the wealthier of the poorer districts.

"The legislative counsel, in that part of his letter to Mr. Unruh which Mr. Unruh did not bother to give to the press says: 'We do not believe that this circumstance is one which would constrain a court to interpret the section' so as to produce the error Mr. Unruh so ardently desires to find.

"The legislative counsel says it is 'possible' the courts might interpret the section this way, but that courts would naturally give great weight to the way in which the section is actually administered, and we are advised by the state department of education that the section will be administered exactly as it has been in the past.

"It seems to me," Weinberger continued, "that Assemblyman Unruh might much better serve the public if he would pay sufficient attention to his legislative duties by raising points of this kind at the time the legislation is being considered rather than attempting to frighten school districts all over the state with such a far-fetched interpretation. It might also be more helpful if Mr. Unruh would give the press the text of the entire legislative counsel opinion which he received, a copy of which is attached to this press release.

"Mr. Unruh's suggestion of a special session is totally unwarranted and would result in another unnecessary expense to the taxpayer. While Mr. Unruh may not be concerned with such an expense, the governor certainly is."

Weinberger pointed out that the provisions of the legislation do not become operative until February, 1970.

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School Finance - #17495

Dear Mr. Unruh:

QUESTION

You have asked whether, in computing the amount of supplemental support to be allowed a school district, the tax rates utilized for purposes of the computation prescribed by Section 17926 of the Education Code should correspond to the rates utilized for purposes of Sections 17924 and 17925 when the latter rates have been modified with respect to districts levying taxes at specified higher levels.

OPINION AND ANALYSIS

Article 7.1 (commencing with Section 17920) of Chapter 3 of Division 14 of the Education Code* provides for the determination and apportionment of the State School Fund allowance to school districts maintaining elementary schools and high schools known as "supplemental support."

The allowance is afforded to districts having a comparatively low level of assessed valuation of taxable property per pupil, namely \$12,500 or less at the elementary level and \$24,000 or less at the high school level. The amount of the allowance for an eligible district is determined by a three step computation: (1) an

* All references to code sections are to sections of the Education Code.

overall gross amount is computed by multiplying a specified money amount (\$1.25 for the elementary level and \$2.40 for the high school level) by a factor which may be denoted the "tax rate" factor; (2) a second amount is computed by multiplying the "tax rate" factor by the district's assessed valuation; and (3) the amount computed under (2) is subtracted from the amount computed under (1).**

Amendments to the statutory provisions dealing with these allowances made by Chapter 784 (A.B. 606) of the Statutes of 1969 give rise to the question posed. Amendments to Sections 17924 and 17925 dealing with computation (1), described above, require the "tax rate" factor to be modified in certain instances for purposes of computation (1). The question presented is whether, in those instances where the factor is modified for purposes of computation (1), a comparable modification should be made for purposes of computation (2) to maintain the particular relationship between the elements in the overall formula. Section 17926, dealing with computation (2), was not amended to require such a comparable modification of the factor for that purpose. Thus, such a comparable modification in the "tax rate" factor for purposes of computation (2) is, in our opinion, legally permissible only if Section 17926, dealing with computation (2), is to be deemed amended by necessary implication.

The "tax rate" factor for the elementary level is determined pursuant to Section 17921 and for the high school level pursuant to Section 17922. In each instance the factor is based upon the rate at which property taxes are actually being levied and collected in the districts.

Computation (1), described above, is dealt with by Section 17924 for the elementary level and by Section 17925 for the high school level. The particular changes made by the 1969 amendments which give rise to the present question involve provisions specifying, in effect, that if the "tax rate" factor for a district at the elementary level equals or exceeds 60 cents it will be deemed to be 100 cents for purposes of computation (1), and that if the "tax rate" factor for a district at the high school level equals or exceeds 20 cents it shall be deemed to be 30 cents for purposes

** The formula is structured so that for districts with an assessed valuation per pupil of less than \$12,500 at the elementary level and less than \$24,000 at the high school level, computation (2) will always be less than computation (1), to yield a positive difference in the subtraction.

of computation (1). The factor amounts of 100 cents and 30 cents are the maximums to be utilized for the respective computations. The new innovation is accomplished by the following language of Sections 17924 and 17925:

"17924. * * *

"If the applicable tax rate of the district pursuant to Section 17921 equals or exceeds sixty cents (\$0.60), he shall determine, for each unit of average daily attendance under this section, an amount equal to one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) for each cent of such applicable rate. For such purposes, the applicable rate determined pursuant to Section 17921 shall be deemed to be no less than one dollar (\$1)

"If the applicable tax rate of the district pursuant to Section 17921 is less than sixty cents (\$0.60), he shall determine, for each unit of average daily attendance under this section, an amount equal to one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) for each cent of such applicable tax rate.

* * * " (Emphasis added.)

"17925. * * *

"If the applicable tax rate of the district pursuant to Section 17922 equals or exceeds twenty cents (\$0.20), he shall determine, for each unit of average daily attendance under this section, an amount equal to two dollars and forty cents (\$2.40) for each cent of such applicable rate. For such purposes, the applicable rate determined pursuant to Section 17922 shall be deemed to be no less than thirty cents (\$0.30)

"If the applicable tax rate of the district pursuant to Section 17922 is less than twenty cents (\$0.20), he shall determine, for each unit of average daily attendance under this section, an amount equal to two dollars and forty cents (\$2.40) for each cent of such applicable tax rate.

* * * (Emphasis added.)

Turning to Section 17926, which was not amended by the 1969 legislation, and which deals with computation (2) and provides that it shall be subtracted from computation (1), we find no provisions expressly incorporating or otherwise requiring modification of "tax rate" factors as provided in Sections 17924 and 17925. The section reads as follows:

"17926. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall apportion to each elementary school district and to each high school district the difference between the amount computed under Section 17924 or Section 17925, as the case may be, and the revenue which would be produced (1) for elementary school districts, determined by multiplying the tax rate under Section 17921, and (2) for high school districts, determined by multiplying the tax rate under Section 17922, by the assessed valuation of such district. This amount shall be known as supplemental support to school districts."
(Emphasis added.)

The only tax rate factors referred to in this section are those determined pursuant to Sections 17921 and 17922. We can find no related statutory provision or other evidence of legislative intent to indicate that Section 17926 should be interpreted and applied as requiring tax rate factors for purposes of that section to be modified in accordance with modifications which may be required by Sections 17924 and 17925.

It has been held that a court is not justified in ignoring the plain words of a statute unless it clearly appears that the language used is contrary to what, beyond question, was the intent of the Legislature (Breshears v. Indiana Lumbermens Mutual Ins. Co., 256 Cal. App. 2d 245, 250; People ex rel Public Utilities Commission v. City of Fresno, 254 Cal. App. 2d 70, 82).

We are unaware of any extrinsic factors connected with the operation of the formula, with Section 17926 being strictly construed, which would clearly constrain a court to interpret the section as requiring modification of tax rate factors to accord with the modifications required by Sections 17924 and 17925. The formula, with Section 17926 strictly construed, is workable. It provides allowances systematically varying inversely in amount with the level of assessed valuation per pupil, which is in accord with the established scheme under which the supplemental support program is conducted.

As we see it, the intent and purpose of the Legislature, under the language of Sections 17924 and 17925 set out above, in affording across-the-board increases in "tax rate" factors for computation (1) purposes to school districts taxing at or above the 60-cent amount at the elementary level and at or above the 20-cent amount at the high school level, is to give such districts what might be denoted as "bonus" increases in allowances. If the provisions of Section 17926 dealing with computation (2) are strictly construed as not requiring comparable adjustment of tax rate factors for purposes of that computation, the result is merely that greater differences and larger allowance amounts are produced by the subtraction of computation (2) from computation (1).

Constructing Section 17926 strictly and as not requiring modification of tax rate factors for purposes of the computations therein prescribed, will produce a schedule of allowance amounts which varies somewhat in overall form from that established by prior law. We have formulated and appended hereto a chart comparing allowance amounts at the elementary level which would be computed at selected levels of assessed valuation per pupil for districts taxing at a rate of \$1.60 under the alternative interpretations of Section 17926. Also set out for comparison are the allowance amounts which were computed

under the provisions in question as they read prior to the 1969 amendments. While only the elementary level computations are shown, it should be noted that the high school level computations involve a comparable problem.

It will be observed that for a district having an assessed valuation per pupil of the maximum for which a computation is to be made (now \$12,500), an allowance of \$50 per pupil is produced by a literal interpretation and application of Section 17926. From this \$50 minimum the allowance amounts increase progressively, varying inversely with levels of assessed valuation per pupil, to the maximum amount of \$125. If Section 17926 were construed as requiring tax rate factor modifications corresponding to those required by Section 17924, the allowances computed would range from zero to the maximum amount. Such a system would be comparable to that in effect under prior law.

While a strict or literal interpretation of Section 17926 will, thus, produce allowance computations varying in overall form from those produced under prior law, we do not believe that this circumstance is one which would constrain a court to interpret Section 17926 to require modification of tax factors. The system resulting from a literal application of Section 17926 is workable and produces allowance computations following a logical pattern. No complete departure from the established system is involved.

It is apparent from a comparison of the allowances which would be produced under the alternative interpretations of Section 17926, that those resulting from a literal interpretation of the section will be higher for the comparatively wealthier of the eligible districts and will entail a greater expense to the state.

We are informed that the allowances for supplemental support will be provided from the amount allocated pursuant to subdivision (f) of Section 17303.5 for foundation program support and related purposes. As amended by Chapter 784 (A.B. 606) of the Statutes of 1969, the total there allocated is \$249.82 for each unit of average daily attendance in the state. It seems likely that the total of

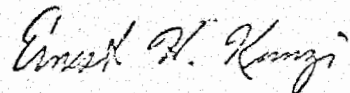
the higher allowance amounts computed under a literal interpretation of Section 17926 for the low wealth school districts eligible for supplemental support will comprise a comparatively minor portion of this amount.

On this basis we conclude that the courts would in all probability hold that Section 17926 should be interpreted as not requiring modification of tax rate factors to correspond with modifications required by Sections 17924 and 17925.

However, it must be recognized that it is possible to argue, reasonably, that the provisions in question should be construed as requiring the modifications in applying Section 17926 on the theory that the law must be read as a whole and that such a construction would provide a harmonious construction of the law. In this regard, if the provisions were so construed administratively, the courts would give great weight to such a construction (Misasi v. Jacobsen (1961), 55 Cal. 2d 303, 308). The fiscal impact of the application of the provisions might well tend to support or defeat such an interpretation.

Very truly yours,

George H. Murphy
Legislative Counsel



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Ernest H. Kunzi
Principal Deputy

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APPENDIX

Comparison c Elementary School District Supplement
Support Allowances at \$1.60 Tax Rate at Selected
Levels of Assessed Valuation Per Pupil (Ed.C., Secs.
17921, 17924, 17926)

Req. #17495

Under Present Law (Stats. 1969, Ch. 734): Under Law in Effect in 1968-1969 Fiscal Year:

Maximum assessed valuation per a.d.a.-- \$12,500.	Maximum assessed valuation per a.d.a.-- \$10,000.
Maximum tax rate factor-- 100 cents (with any factor of 60 cents or more to be deemed 100 cents).	Maximum tax rate factor--60 cents.
Monetary factor to be applied to each cent of tax rate factor--\$1.25.	Monetary factor to be applied to each cent of tax rate factor--\$1.00.
Maximum allowance per a.d.a.--\$125.	Maximum allowance per a.d.a.--\$60.

Section 17926

Assessed Valuation Per A.P.A.	Section 17926 Strictly Constrained	As Requiring Modification Of Rates	No computation No computation No computation
\$12,500	\$50	\$0	No computation
12,000	53	5	No computation
11,000	59	15	No computation
10,000	65	25	No computation
9,000	71	35	No computation
8,000	77	45	No computation
7,000	83	55	No computation
6,000	89	65	No computation
5,000	95	75	No computation
4,000	101	85	No computation
3,000	107	95	No computation
2,000	113	105	No computation
1,000	119	115	No computation
0	125	125	No computation

Governor Ronald Reagan today named Daniel P. Lopez of Hacienda Heights as deputy director of the manpower division of California's new Department of Human Resources Development.

Lopez, 51, a Republican, will assume directorship of HRD's Job Training Development and Placement Division.

The newly-created position calls for an annual salary range of \$21,500 to \$26,100, and requires senate confirmation.

For the past three years, Lopez has headed the East Los Angeles Service Center, one of eight centers in California established to provide a variety of government services to residents of disadvantaged areas.

The announcement of his appointment completes the staffing of directors for the new key California manpower division.

In August, Governor Reagan appointed Benjamin Hargrave, an Oakland Democrat, to head the division's Northern California region. Hargrave, 51, had been serving as Education and Training Officer for the Economic Opportunity Council of San Francisco. He is a member of the Northern California Industry-Education Council, the Oakland NAACP and the Alameda County Negro Leadership Conference.

In September, Governor Reagan appointed Louis Johnson, 43, a Los Angeles Democrat, to head the Southern California region.

A teacher and administrator with the Los Angeles City Schools since 1954, Johnson was principal of Jefferson High School in Los Angeles. He assumed the post in March, 1968, after several weeks of disturbances at the predominantly Negro school.

The Department of HRD, headed by Gilbert L. Sheffield, was established by the 1968 Human Resources Development Act. It will be activated formally on October 31.

The Department was created to form a total, single system of manpower services for the hardcore unemployed. Its components include the State Department of Employment, the Service Center Program, the State Office of Economic Opportunity and the California Commission on Aging.

Lopez, a native of Oxnard, has been in state service since 1948. A veteran of 18 years with the Department of Corrections, he began his career as a correctional officer at the California Institution for Men at Chino.

Prior to joining the Service Center Program in 1966, he was a special agent coordinating departmental activities and programs with state and federal judicial and law enforcement agencies.

While directing the East Los Angeles Service Center, he pioneered and developed a model volunteer tutoring and career guidance program in cooperation with private industry.

Lopez also hosts the biweekly "Nuevos Conceptos" television program on KMEX-TV in Los Angeles and is a frequent guest on the "Ahora" program on KCET-TV, the Los Angeles educational station.

Lopez attended Vallejo Junior College, the University of California at Berkeley and the University of Southern California.

He and his wife Lorraine have three daughters. The family home is at 2432 Kiska Avenue, Hacienda Heights.

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GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE
October 27, 1969
through
November 1, 1969

Monday, October 27

Office appointments

Tuesday, October 28

Overnight Sacramento

11:00 a.m.

Ceremony to officially activate new Department
of Human Resources Development. Room 1190,
State Capitol.
Overnight - Sacramento

Wednesday, October 29

a.m.

Depart Sacramento for Los Angeles

Trustees' meeting at State Colleges headquarters,
Los Angeles.

Overnight Los Angeles

Thursday, October 30

Noon

Town Hall West, Beverly Hilton Hotel,
Los Angeles. Speech

Overnight Los Angeles

Friday, October 31

Evening

Orange County 1969 Celebrity Ball sponsored by
the Orange County and Republican State Central
Committees, Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim.

Overnight Los Angeles

Saturday, November 1

10:00 a.m.

Republican State Central Committee, Orange
County Convention Center. Speech

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Governor Ronald Reagan today announced his support for a
proposed National Forest Timber Supply Act of 1969 (HR 12025 and
S 1832) which would protect recreation and wilderness uses and
encourage increased timber yield on the National Forests.

In a letter to Senator James O. Eastland, Chairman of the
Subcommittee on Soil Conservation and Forestry of the Senate
Agriculture Committee, the governor said:

"Increasing the level of timber management on the National
Forests will assist in meeting the steadily growing national demand
for wood products.

"This increase can be accomplished in conjunction with fulfilling
the need for improved public recreation opportunities, including the
consideration of additions to the wilderness system. The proposed
legislation will attain these objectives."

Governor Reagan noted that the Western Governor's Conference
has endorsed the general policies contained in the legislation.
Nearly 60 percent of the nation's softwood timber inventory is in
the National Forests and concentrated in the western states.

"Increasing timber yield without sacrificing other values will
be possible through the balanced multiple-use concepts contained
in the National Forest Timber Supply Act," he concluded.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Bill D. Horne of Walnut Creek and reappointed George J. Gmelch of San Mateo to four year terms on the Pilotage Rate Committee for San Francisco, San Pablo and Suisun Bays.

Horne, executive vice president of the Contra Costa Taxpayers Association, will serve as public representative on the committee which qualifies, appoints, licenses and regulates bar pilots who guide vessels to and from the high seas and the inland bays.

As a public member of the committee, he will receive a per diem of \$50 per day.

A Republican, Horne will succeed Francis J. Carr of Sausalito, whose term has expired.

Horne lives with his wife and three children at 1083 Springfield Drive, Walnut Creek.

Gmelch, vice president-operations of Pacific Far East Lines Inc. of San Francisco, is the dry cargo representative on the committee. He receives no salary.

A Republican, he lives at 707 Linda Court, San Mateo.

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This is a reminder that at 11 a.m. today in Room 1190 Governor Reagan will participate in a ceremony officially activating the new Department of Human Resources Development.

At this ceremony the governor, Human Relations Secretary Spencer Williams, and HRD Director Gilbert Sheffield will make formal statements and sign the activation papers.

Following the signing of the papers Williams and Sheffield will answer press questions.

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At 4:15 p.m. today, in the governor's office, Governor Reagan will formally announce the establishment of the California State Park Foundation, a non-profit organization, incorporated under the laws of the state, to solicit and accept gifts, legacies, and real and personal property for the betterment of the state parks system.

The foundation was organized by Parks and Recreation Director William Penn Mott, Jr.

During the ceremony the governor will accept receipt of the first gift to the foundation by Hollywood personality Ken Murray, who is also one of the foundation's directors. The gift, a short sound film put together by Murray from his "home movies" and showing the late William Randolph Hearst and many of the Hollywood stars who congregated at his estate during the 1920s and 1930s will be shown during the ceremony. Sixty-second excerpts of the film will be available to television stations covering the ceremony, on request.

Incidentally, the film will be shown to visitors at the theater at Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument on a regular basis beginning in 1970.

Following the showing of the film Mr. Mott will answer press questions.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following statement:

"Today, I would like to talk briefly about history, red tape, a talent search and a helping hand.

"Let us begin with the history.

"Before we came to Sacramento we promised the people of California that we intended to do our best to make jobs--not welfare--an accepted way of life for the less fortunate citizens of this state.

"We were convinced that the majority of the hardcore unemployed and the disadvantaged wanted a helping hand---not a handout.

"When we arrived in Sacramento we took a close look at the programs that were supposed to be helping the unemployed and disadvantaged get back on their feet.

"We found a maze of overlapping, expensive and often competing manpower programs that simply were not doing this job.

By executive order, we created the Job Training and Placement Council and asked it to clear a path through the maze of red tape.

"The Council did its work well. It reviewed and evaluated the public-funded training programs in existence, chopped away the red tape and came up with specific recommendations on how to get the disadvantaged off their knees and on to their feet.

"One of the first facts that became obvious was the need to gather the proliferation of manpower programs together into a single agency.

"In our reorganization plan, we proposed the creation of a department of Human Resources Development to accomplish this.

"The result was the Human Resources Development Act which passed both houses with bi-partisan support and was signed into law last fall.

"That is the history. Now to the talent search. To direct this new department, it was obvious that we needed a man with the executive ability and the creativity to administer a department that would be responsive to our state's needs.

"But we needed another talent--a feeling for people and a sensitive understanding of their needs. We found those qualities in Gil Sheffield and those who will be working with him.

"I am very proud of Gil's accomplishments in bringing HRD to life well in advance of the legislative deadline for its activation.

"Now I would like our Human Relations Agency Secretary, Spencer Williams, who has been working closely with Gil Sheffield and the HRD staff to bring the new department to life, to introduce Gil."

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Governor Ronald Reagan today formally activated California's new manpower arm, the Department of Human Resources Development, as a major step towards getting "the disadvantaged off their knees and on to their feet."

Created by the 1968 Human Resources Development Act, the department will formally join the state's Human Relations Agency on Friday, October 31.

Headed by Gilbert L. Sheffield, it unites the state's Department of Employment, Service Center Program, Commission on Aging and Office of Economic Opportunity.

While continuing the services presently provided by its components, HRD will focus greater attention on the special employment needs of the state's disadvantaged areas.

Within the next few months, it will introduce HRD Centers to 18 communities throughout the state. A "new breed" of civil servant--the job agent--will be working out of these centers and California's eight established Service Centers to give individual attention to specified caseloads of clients with long histories of unemployment.

A major goal of the new department, according to Governor Reagan, is to "make jobs, not welfare, the accepted way of life for the less fortunate citizens of this state."

Signing the official HRD effectuation document with the Governor were Sheffield and Spencer Williams, Human Relations Agency secretary.

Sheffield, was named by Governor Reagan to direct HRD last February.

Targeting on a January 1, 1970, activation deadline set by the legislature, Sheffield brought the department into existence two months ahead of schedule.

Sheffield described HRD as a department which "will aim to get maximum use out of our manpower dollars, without losing sight of our real objective: To provide every Californian with an opportunity to share in the affluence of our state"

He said that HRD is operating with the same funding sources which its components had, and that the department's total staffing has not been increased by new programs or new positions such as the job agent.

A total of 140 job agents will be at work by the first of the year, Sheffield said. These were selected from a list of more than 4,000 candidates recruited in a campaign which centered in disadvantaged areas.

"The job agent will be the focal point of our new thrust," Sheffield added.

"Our success will be measured by his ability to communicate effectively with his clients and to work in harmony with the employer community," continued Sheffield, and added, "Only with the full participation of the business community will our department be able to reach its goals."

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Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following statement
on the formation of the California State Park Foundation:

"I am certain it is no secret to you that this administration actively encourages citizen participation in government.

"We believe that citizens who volunteer their creative talents as working partners of government can find the answers to many questions that often baffle bureaucrats. And they can find these answers without sending another bill to the taxpayer.

"The California State Park Foundation which is opening for business today is a prime example of how citizens can become working partners with government in a creative society.

"Until now, there have been many times when generous citizens have wanted to contribute property to the Department of Parks and Recreation--to expand our park system, to protect a wilderness area or to preserve a historical place. But under the law these gifts were lost because there was no machinery to handle them.

"Today, thanks to this foundation, we are taking a major step toward preserving the things that God and man have given to this state.

"The foundation will be able to receive gifts of land, stocks and bonds, real and personal property--and even movie film--and use them to acquire and develop state parks.

"The foundation will have the flexibility to act in a matter of days or weeks when previously, because of normal governmental procedures, it might have taken years.

"Through the foundation these gifts will provide funds for interpretation, publications, research, planning and experimentation.

"It is a pleasure to welcome you--the directors of the California State Parks Foundation here today. And it is also a pleasure to announce that the foundation has received its first gift.

"Appropriately the gift is film--some priceless footage from the old days at Hearst Castle in San Simeon, which will be shown to visitors at the Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument.

"This film was taken by my old friend, Ken Murray, who has probably taken more movies of Hollywood personalities than any major studio.

"Ken also has written a book on the early days at Hearst Castle. A portion of the money from the sale of his book will go to the foundation

"On behalf of the people of California, I thank you Ken."

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Governor Ronald Reagan today formally announced the formation of the California State Park Foundation as "a major step toward protecting the things that God and man have given this state."

The Foundation, incorporated as a non-profit organization, is empowered to solicit and receive gifts for further development of the State Park System.

Addressing the Board of Directors which held an organization meeting in the Governor's office today to elect officers and adopt by-laws, Governor Reagan said, "The Foundation is a prime example of how citizens can become working partners with government in a creative society."

The Governor explained that in the past, there have been a number of occasions where people wished to contribute property to the Department of Parks and Recreation, but because of present laws, the Department was unable to accept these gifts.

"Now, through the Foundation, it will be possible to receive gifts of land, stocks and bonds, real and personal property--and even movie film--and use them to acquire and develop state parks."

Governor Reagan also acknowledged receipt of the first gift to the Foundation, some priceless movie footage taken in the early days of the Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument. The film was put together from home movies and shows the late William Randolph Hearst and many of the early day Hollywood stars. The film will be used in the movie theatre at Hearst so that people touring the Monument can see it.

Ken Murray, actor, Hollywood producer and a Director of the Foundation, contributed the movie. Murray also will be publishing a book soon on the early days at Hearst Monument with many never-before-published pictures. He has provided for a portion of the money from the sale of the book to go into the Foundation.

Serving on the Board of Directors are John P. Elsbach, Beverly Hills; Arthur J. Kates, Pacific Palisades; Joseph Long, Orinda; Carl McConnell, Redding; Ken Murray, Beverly Hills; Robert Nahas, Piedmont; W. Allen Perry, San Diego; Robert H. Power, Nut Tree; and Mrs. Marlin H. Shirley, Pomona.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of Frank R. Coit of Fresno to a four year term on the State Reclamation Board.

Coit, owner of Coit Ranch, Inc., of Mendota, will receive a salary of \$20 per meeting and necessary expenses.

He succeeds Kenneth Groefsema of El Nido, who has resigned.

Coit lives at 1095 West Roberts Avenue, Fresno. He is a Republican.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of Ronzo D. (Bud) Hawley of Adelanto to a four year term on the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region.

Hawley, a Republican, is coordinator of production and safety for a Riverside cement company.

He will serve as industrial waste representative on the board. The post pays no salary.

Hawley succeeds Emmett D. Lemon of Boron whose term has expired.

Active in civic affairs, Hawley has served as a member of Adelanto Elementary School Board, the Advisory Board of the San Bernardino County Water Works and as a coordinator for the Junior Achievement program in the Victor Valley area.

He attended Whittier College, the University of Southern California, the University of California at Los Angeles and U.C. at Riverside.

Hawley and his wife live at 11280 Crippen Street, Adelanto. They have two daughters.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointments of Norman H. Caldwell of Santa Barbara and Willard T. Branson of Carmel Valley to four year terms on the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coastal Region.

Caldwell, director of Public Works for Santa Barbara County and Santa Barbara County Water Agency Engineer, will serve as municipalities representative on the board. He succeeds William B. Cater of Santa Barbara, whose term has expired.

A graduate of the University of California, Caldwell holds a Master of Science degree from the California Institute of Technology.

He and his wife Ruth have two daughters. The family home is at 1750 Hillcrest Road, Santa Barbara.

Branson, manager of a Monterey insurance firm, has served as chairman of the Monterey County Probation Department and is a member of the Monterey County Planning Commission. He will represent counties on the board, succeeding Anthony J. Grcich of Saratoga, who has resigned.

Branson received his education at Hartnell College in Salinas and the University of Nevada at Reno.

Both men are Republicans. They will receive necessary expenses.

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Governor Ronald Reagan announced today that his administration will reach its goal of putting fully into effect an ambitious program of staffing standards at California institutions for the mentally ill by next June 30---four years ahead of schedule.

The program, begun early last year, uses a set of staffing standards drawn up by a blue-ribbon committee headed by Dr. Stuart Knox, chairman of the Mental Health Committee of the California Medical Association. The committee, representing medical, nursing, psychological, and other professional citizens' organizations, presented their recommendations to the State Senate in 1967.

In remarks prepared for delivery before a luncheon meeting of Town Hall West in Los Angeles, Governor Reagan noted that the new standards were "praised highly by the health professions and by members of both political parties. Even so," he said, "some, letting bias be their guide, predicted we would never adopt those standards, let alone even try to meet them.

"But, in February of last year," he continued, "after a careful study of the new standards, California Director of Mental Hygiene, Dr. James Lowry, began the development of a new program which would achieve the standards within five years---100 percent of standard by 1974.

"Today, I can announce to you that we will reach the 100 percent mark in our hospitals for the mentally ill by June 30, 1970---four years ahead of schedule."

Governor Reagan said, "When we took office, the same staffing standards which had been adopted back in 1952 for the mentally ill were in effect. Yet even those had never been achieved, despite the fact they had been criticized consistently by professional and lay advisory groups in the field of mental hygiene."

He recalled that for 100 years, floor space per patient in the state system had been allocated on a basis of 55 square feet or less. "This isn't much when you realize that the bed itself takes up 30 square feet, and a one-foot aisle around the bed takes up another 15 square feet. In 1967 we asked Dr. Lowry to establish a 70-square feet per bed patient allocation, as recommended by organizations such as the American Hospital Association and American Medical Association. The 70-square feet allocation is now in effect in all of our state mental hospitals."

The Governor said that California is now "a recognized leader in the field of mental hygiene...number one in all the 50 states."

He noted that "experts from all over the world and from other states come here to see what we are doing. For example, just recently, a delegation of mental hygiene experts from Japan visited our facility, including the world-famous Neuro-Psychiatric Institute at U.C.L.A. They came because they regard California's program as a model."

Governor Reagan pointed out that during the last year of the previous state administration, California was spending an average of \$14.64 a day on each mentally ill patient.

"That level has been raised and, during the current fiscal year, it is \$18.73 for each patient. This is more than any other major state spends per patient in hospitals for the mentally ill."

The following are additional excerpts of the governor's address:

"It is not easy to be dispassionate about mental health. It deals with human misery and personal anguish...unhappy people and unfortunate circumstances."

"One thing is sure: those who would use it for whatever partisan advantage they can hope to gain hit more than their political target. They do a disservice to the afflicted and the helpless, to their families and friends, and to the public.

"The 18 thousand state employees who daily go far beyond the call of duty to give the best possible care to those who are mentally ill or retarded deserve much better than the discouragement of hearing their efforts belittled by those who either don't know or don't care.

"For our administration, mental hygiene is a high priority area. Since we took office in 1967---during the same period that we have been cutting costs in most of the operations under the control of the executive branch---we have increased the state's spending on mental health programs in both mental illness and mental retardation. The total budget for the department of mental hygiene has increased from \$213 million the year our administration arrived to \$275 million for the present year.

"Some years ago the Short-Doyle Act marked a great forward step in the treatment of the mentally ill. Though we called our institutions hospitals, they served more as warehouses where we stored the victims of mental illness, usually for life. The Short-Doyle Act was designed to make them truly hospitals with a healing mission.

"Very simply, they were to accept and diagnose patients, give treatment and where possible return them to their homes. To facilitate this, local or regional health care centers were to be established where these returnees from the hospitals would be treated as outpatients while living a reasonably normal and useful life. Several state supported local centers were established but they were only to serve until the counties could take over with the state providing 75 percent of the costs.

"In January of 1967 when this administration assumed office, we found that the hospital population had gone down from 37,500 in 1959 to 22,000. No effort had been made to readjust the hospital personnel and the state still was maintaining its outpatient clinics while supporting the county centers in many instances on a 50-50 basis instead of the promised 75-25. There was no question but that the Short-Doyle program was a success but could be even more so with full implementation. For one thing the cost of treating the outpatients was only a fraction of the hospital costs.

"We ordered a freeze on the ratio of patients to staff and the elimination of the state centers. In Los Angeles, for example, the state center was treating 1200 patients; the county 18,000. It was time to carry out the original intent of the program.

"From the first moment we started to speed up the implementation of Short-Doyle Act, the hysterical charge that we were simple carrying on an economy program at the expense of the mentally ill was raised and continues to this day.

Even incidents occurring at the hospitals for the mentally retarded are hailed as examples of the cruelty of our misguided economies. This, in spite of the fact that the treatment staff for the mentally retarded was never reduced and, in fact, has been substantially increased.

"Let's set the record straight about the supposed economies in mental health.

"In January, 1967, there were 41 local mental health care centers treating 128,000 patients with the state paying \$15 million of the cost. Today, there are 53 treating 158,000 patients and the state is providing \$53 million. Last year the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act was added to Short-Doyle and the state is now paying 90 percent of the cost of the county clinics. The figure of 22,000 hospitalized patients we had two years ago is now down to 14,000---the lowest since 1928. And, by June of 1970, it will be 12,300.

"By contrast, New York has 66,000 hospitalized patients in this category.

"Indeed, the Short-Doyle and the Lanterman-Petris-Short acts are being copied throughout the nation.

"The decline in the patient population has had a beneficial impact on those patients who have remained in the hospitals and those who are being admitted. It has meant that the staff-patient ratio has been increased and thus the staff time for patient care has also been increased. For example, in July of 1966 there were 3.3 patients for each employee on the ward nursing staff at the state hospitals for the mentally ill. Today, this has improved so that now there are only 2.7 patients for each treatment employee.

"There has been some speculation that the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act will eventually mean the end of a state hospital system for the mentally ill. The state hospitals will not cease to exist. But, there will be fewer of them and those which continue will provide for those patients who do require institutionalized treatment on a more or less permanent basis. They will be an integral part of a single, and effective statewide mental health care system.

"We inherited a budget which provided \$50.9 million for care of the retarded; our current budget provides \$62.5 million. We have increased by 933 the number of authorized treatment positions (doctors, nurses, therapists).

"Five years ago, the waiting list for admissions to the hospitals for the retarded totalled 815. By October 1, of this year, the waiting list had dropped to 261.

"There are two basic reasons for this progress:

"First, the emphasis on community, non-institutional programs of treatment and rehabilitation.

"And second, the outstanding new programs for more than 1,000 mentally retarded patients at Agnew, Camarillo and Napa State hospitals which once were facilities only for the mentally ill. These advanced programs will enable us to relieve some overcrowded situations at other mental retardation facilities.

"But, perhaps the most exciting development in the field of mental retardation is one which will not help those who are presently in our hospitals but which will eventually develop the way to diminish the incidence of mental retardation, if not eliminate it entirely. This is the establishment of the state department of mental hygiene's research center on the U.C.L.A. campus. It was just dedicated on October 15. It is under the direction of Dr. George Tarjan, world renowned leader in this field.

"There are still gaps in our knowledge about retardation and without research we will lose in the long run. We are committed to a strong, continuing research program which will, we hope, within not too many years help us reach the goal of eliminating retardation.

"Back in 1968, while some were making loud noises about what was and was not being done, we issued a 14-point master program for mental hygiene in California. We didn't really intend to keep it a secret but it turned out that way. We called for two new mental retardation regional centers (four were actually authorized, three are now in full operation and six more are being organized). We also created a Board of Medical Visitors for each state mental hospital to insure on-going surveys and streamlined the administrative functions of the department of mental hygiene.

"Now let me touch briefly on the 12,000 patients in our state hospitals for the mentally retarded. For, irresponsible attacks have been disturbing to the parents and family---particularly of retarded youngsters.

" When we took office, the hospitals for the mentally retarded were still on the obsolete 1952 standards which, as I mentioned, we replaced with the professionally acceptable 1967 standards. In August of this year we reached 81 percent of those higher staffing standards and we expect to reach our target of 100 percent of those new standards by 1973. Standards of care for the mentally retarded in state hospitals are at an all-time high in California.

"Our goal has always been---and continues to be---to reduce the incidence of mental retardation through research; to increase the quality of care for the severely handicapped who must remain in state facilities, and to greatly expand regional diagnostic, counselling and service centers for mentally retarded patients. The record of progress during the past three years reflects that commitment.

"It is not easy to find and keep employees to fill the budgeted positions. Our hospitals are far from the cities usually and it takes a special kind of person with a great love of humanity. Yes, we get people who don't fill that requirement and as a result there are sometimes unfortunate incidents but in the main those who have chosen this work are dedicated people and they have been doing a truly wonderful work here in our state. That is why my impatience becomes downright anger when someone tries to belittle or ignore the progress being made by them, as well as the volunteer groups, and the taxpayers who foot the bill.

"Why do they do it? Why do they give of themselves and their time and their love---far beyond the call of duty? Perhaps it is their deep desire to alleviate suffering and to care for those who would not otherwise be cared for. Perhaps it is their way of returning the love that others have given them. And perhaps it is the thrill of seeing someone pull himself back from the brink of destruction and climb back to a normal happy life.

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"In all of our programs---at both the hospitals for the mentally ill and the retarded, there are thousands of volunteers. Last year, at Pacific State hospital, volunteers gave more than 25,000 hours to the patients; at Sonoma, more than 50,000. Men and women of all ages---grandparents, housewives, college and high school students---are giving tender loving care which is, perhaps, the most important gift of all---especially to those who live in darkness and feel uncertain and unwanted.

"We have come a long way since 1851 when the California state legislature appropriated the funds for the establishment of Stockton State hospital---the first institution for the mentally ill west of the Rocky Mountains. We have come a long way from the warehouses and the snake pits, and the public attitudes which shunned the mentally ill and retarded as something evil, possessed and diseased. We are making progress---never as much as we'd like, but we can see the light at the end of the tunnel.

And much of this has been because we did save money on typewriter ribbons so we could use it to help human beings."

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EJG

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of San Diego attorney Ross G. Tharp to the San Diego Judicial District Municipal Court bench.

Tharp, a Republican, will receive an annual salary of \$28,126. He succeeds Judge Luther Hussey, who has retired.

A former San Diego City Councilman, Tharp is active in numerous civic, service and legal organizations.

He is a graduate of the Loyola University Law School in Los Angeles.

Tharp and his wife Charlotte have five children. The family home is in San Diego.

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

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For your information, Governor Reagan will leave Los Angeles Saturday afternoon, November 1, for New York where he will stay overnight before departing for London.

A tentative press conference is scheduled for November 3 in London.

On November 6, he will speak before the Institute of Directors at Albert Hall in London.

He also will speak on November 10 to the British National Export Council for the purpose of expanding trade between California and England.

The governor will spend November 7, 8 and 9 in Paris. Mrs. Reagan will accompany him on the trip.

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Governor Ronald Reagan, ticking off a long list of accomplishments by his administration through "good management and common sense," said today that California taxpayers have received direct and indirect tax relief totaling \$1.28 billion since 1967.

In remarks prepared for delivery before the Republican State Central Committee's annual convention at Anaheim, the governor said California was "the only state in the nation to reduce state income taxes this year...and the only state of major size that did not increase taxes in 1968 or 1969.

"And, there will be no tax increase in 1970," he promised. "The taxpayers have had it up to here. They've been forgotten too long. It's time somebody started thinking about their interests too."

He said that since he has been in office, "I've vetoed more than \$330 million in bills which would have required an increase in taxes to pay for them."

Referring to "all the political noise the opposition is making as it tries to crank up its machine for next year," he said:

"It's not just that the Democrats are troublemakers. It's just that for so long they've been used to having their own way that they can't understand it when somebody comes along and says we've got to stop spending so much of the taxpayers' money.

"When something comes along which has savings on it, instead of a tax tag, they get all confused."

The governor said that as a result of efforts by his administration and Republican legislators in Sacramento during the past two and one half years, the California taxpayer has received:

--A \$70 cash refund on his property taxes

--A permanent \$750 per dwelling property tax exemption.

--Double standard state income tax deductions to provide tax relief for renters.

--A special program of property tax relief for low income older citizens, and reduced rates in the lowest state income tax bracket.

--Abolition of the personal property tax on household effects.

--A 30 percent reduction in the business inventory tax.

--A 10 percent one-time rebate on individual income taxes next April.

"All this," he said, "adds up to \$633 million in direct tax relief, plus another \$651 million in indirect tax relief, including increased school aid which otherwise would have had to be raised at the local level.

"That comes to a total direct and indirect tax relief of \$1.28 billion!"

He noted that even though the Republican majority in the legislature is very slim, "We've been able to get things done this year with our majority which were killed in committee or on the floor in 1967 and 1968 when the Democrats were at the reins.

"While we haven't done everything we want to do, and we haven't done everything we're going to do, we have made real progress in getting the state pointed in the right direction, despite the two-year opposition control of the legislature I've already mentioned."

The governor said, "If we had continued the growth of state employees which we found when we arrived, there would---today---be 15,000 more employees than in 1967.

"Yet, at the start of this fiscal year, there were only 657 more state employees than three years ago.

"And, by next year at this time, we believe that the number of employees will be less than when we started---without any reduction in the quality of state services---and during a period when California's population will have grown by well over a million."

He cited as an example, a 30 percent workload increase in the Department of Motor Vehicles, "and, yet the department still has the same number of employees as when we started. It used to take 39 days to process a driver's license, after you applied for it. Now, you get it in 10 days." he said.

He told his audience that by applying private sector standards for office space, "we have reduced the amount of floor space occupied by state government by 22 percent.

"Using competitive bidding in the purchasing of state supplies, California is now buying some of the same supplies as the federal government at 30 to 42 percent less than the federal government is paying.

"Modernization of the state's filing system has saved \$275,000. Consolidating most of the state's telephone switchboards has saved another \$121,000," he said.

"While such items may not sound like much, when you put them all together they mean that we have been able to shave the annual cost of government by \$187 million---and made one-time savings of \$24 million," he added.

Governor Reagan disputed "charges by some who charge that all we're interested in is economy...that we've neglected the human side of government...that we lack compassion.

"Last year," he said, "California moved up from eleventh to second among the states in the rehabilitation of the physically handicapped. Those who have been rehabilitated during the course of this administration are now earning \$66 million a year. In seven years their income taxes alone will pay back the entire cost of their rehabilitation.

"In the field of mental hygiene, the state's budget was \$213 million three years ago. Today it's \$275 million. We have increased the state's share of the community mental health program by 300 percent during the same period---from \$15 to \$53 million.

"Just two days ago, I was proud to announce that our administration will reach the goal of putting fully into effect an ambitious program of staffing standards at California institutions for the mentally ill by next June 30---four years ahead of schedule.

"As you may know, last year we junked the obsolete staffing standards we inherited from the previous state administration in our hospitals for the mentally ill and mentally retarded. During the 16 years of their existence, even these obsolete standards had never been achieved. Our opponents said we would never adopt the new standards, let alone implement them. Well, they were wrong. Incidentally, the new standards have brought high praise from both the nursing and medical professions.

"We have opened or authorized nine regional diagnostic and counselling centers for the mentally retarded, doubled to \$5 million the state appropriation for community clinics, and increased the medical staffs at the state hospitals for the retarded by 933 positions."

In the area of consumer protection, Governor Reagan said that more than a dozen Republican-sponsored laws were enacted this year to help the buying public---ranging from protecting the citizen whose credit cards were stolen to attacking the problem of unsolicited junk-mail advertising.

He also called the "quality of our environment...one of our most important challenges. Talk is fine, but we have been doing something about it."

He cited the establishment of the State Air Resources Board as an example. "We gave the board new powers to enforce the air pollution regulations we passed. Those regulations are the toughest in the nation--so tough we had to fight the federal government to get them. Senator George Murphy led that fight for the waiver that let us go ahead with our tougher laws, and now Detroit is manufacturing their cars to California standards," he said.

The governor also pointed to:

--Administration experiments with motor vehicles powered by steam and propane gas "to see if we can find a satisfactory substitute for the internal combustion engine."

--Adoption of "the nation's first program to control air pollution from jet aircraft."

--"The first complete revision of California's water quality control laws in 20 years."

--Formation of a Joint Transportation-Resources Agency committee "to protect esthetic and ecological values in planning all types of public works---from highways to reservoirs."

--Creation of an Environmental Quality Study Council "to find ways to protect the natural environment."

--Establishment of a bi-state agency to protect Lake Tahoe.

He said, "We were one of the first to call for passage of the bill to extend the protection and preservation of San Francisco Bay (BCDC)."

The governor also noted his administration's 20-year plan to make sure that every Californian will be in easy driving distance of a state park. "Between 1967 and 1969, we added 24,693 acres of new park land to the system," he said.

Referring to traffic safety, he said, "We now have one of the best highway safety programs in the country. Between 1967 and 1968, California's total traffic fatalities declined while the national rate was going up five percent.

"This year, with Republican majorities in the legislature, we passed a 'presumptive limits' law which sets the level of blood alcohol to help apprehend drunk drivers," he said.

"And, in two years, we have increased the freeways and expressways by almost 500 miles while, at the same time, constantly increasing the number of highway patrolmen to man them," he added.

In the area of crime, Governor Reagan said, "This year, we Republicans passed the most significant anti-crime legislation in more than a decade.

"We passed two anti-pornography laws---the first anti-smut laws to be enacted in California in eight years...just about the length of time that Jesse Unruh was Speaker of the Assembly.

"We sought and supported tougher laws to crack down on the dope peddler and narcotics pusher. Working with the Republican leadership, we passed laws increasing penalties for possession and sale of dangerous drugs, laws that permit a school principal to expel or suspend students caught selling narcotics on school grounds, and laws which prohibit juveniles under 18 from going to Mexico without the written consent of their parents or guardian."

He noted the establishment of the Interagency Council on Drug Abuse and the organization of a major Creative Society program on drug abuse "which would have cost us \$2 million---except that the private sector is contributing the talent and the money to prepare the advertisements and publish the pamphlets.

"We also passed laws giving local authorities the power to control topless and bottomless entertainment, laws to protect witnesses willing to testify on the activities of organized crime such as the Mafia, laws to add from five to 25 years to the prison sentences of persons convicted of specific crimes in which a deadly weapon was used, laws to increase the penalties for rape, robbery and burglary if the victim suffers bodily harm, and laws making it illegal for unauthorized persons to carry loaded firearms into schools or other public places," he said.

"In less than three years, we have passed more effective anti-crime legislation than our predecessor did in all of his eight," he added.

Turning to yet another subject, the governor said, "Despite what you may have heard, under this Republican administration, we are spending more money for education in California than ever before.

"This year, in state subventions and other programs, we are spending almost \$1.6 million for local schools (Kindergarten through grade 14) including an increase of \$120 million which we voluntarily included in the budgets we presented to the legislature...the first time a governor had ever done such a thing.

"Ours is an all-time record increase in state support of elementary and high schools, and junior colleges, in a single year," he said.

On public higher education, the governor pointed out that general fund support for the University of California and the state colleges has increased from \$414 million in 1967 to \$638 million in the current fiscal year.

"Higher education has received an overall 54 percent increase over the past three years, while all other state agencies have gone up only 18 percent.

"While some may ask why we have increased state support for higher education in the face of problems on certain campuses, I must answer that we just don't believe it would be fair to penalize the thousands upon thousands of industrious, sincere students because of the anarchy and vandalism of those few teachers, students, and non-students, who seem intent on wrecking a system which has taken the taxpayers of the state years of sacrifice and billions of dollars to build.

"Our record is clear: we will not put up with violence, or destruction, or anarchy on our campuses. We will protect the rights and provide the support for those who go to college to learn, and those who are there to teach.

"At the same time, we expect the administrators on those campuses--- the chancellors and the presidents and their staffs---to see that the maximum education is provided for the dollars spent, just as we expect from every other agency of government. The students should be their first priority, not their last," he said.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of Santa Monica attorney Edward Rafeedie to the Santa Monica Judicial District Municipal Court bench.

Rafeedie, a Republican, will receive an annual salary of \$28,126. He succeeds Judge Hector P. Baida, who retired in August.

Active in numerous civic, service and legal organizations, Rafeedie is a member of the State Bar of California, the Santa Monica Bay District Bar Association, the Los Angeles County Bar Association, Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity, the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce, the Ocean Park Association of Commerce, the Malibu Chamber of Commerce, the Santa Monica Veterans' Service League, the Salvation Army and the Community Chest.

He attended Los Angeles City College and Santa Monica City College and received his law degree from the University of Southern California.

Rafeedie and his wife Ruth have two children. The family home is in Santa Monica.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today commended the California Association of Highway Patrolmen for their no strike pledge and promised, "as long as I am governor of this state, I will not permit any citizen of California at any time to be denied the vital police protection he deserves."

The commendation by the governor was contained in a letter to the California Association of Highway Patrolmen following their pledge of support in a resolution adopted at the 48th Annual Traffic Safety Conference.

In their resolution, the CAHP said:

"We the members of the CAHP do hereby affirm our position of support to the Governor of the State of California recognizing as professional police officers the needs of the citizens of California, and the position of Governor Reagan as Chief Administrative Officer.

"Therefore we pledge our support that no citizen will be without police protection and we will continue to respond to the directions of the Governor."

The text of the governor's letter follows:

"I want to express my gratitude and commend the California Association of Highway Patrolmen for the responsibility and high sense of duty reflected in its recent Resolution which rejects a strike as contrary to the oath of a highway patrolman and promises continued police protection to our citizens.

"The residents of Montreal unfortunately found out three weeks ago what it means to be without police protection. Mobs of vandals, bank robbers, and hoodlums took advantage of a police strike to create virtual chaos in the city. Even more disturbing, "good citizens" participated in the looting and ignored traffic regulations.

"As long as I am Governor of this State, I will not permit any citizen of California at any time to be denied the vital police protection he deserves. No one has the right to strike against the public safety.

"The California Highway Patrol has long been recognized as one of the most professional law enforcement agencies in this country, and it enjoys the trust of all in California. Your Resolution affirms this reputation and justifies that trust."

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