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Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the following

bills have been signed:

AB 9 - Dent (Chapter 11) Allows the Ballico-Cressey School District to hold an election for the lease purchase of school buildings in conjunction with the trustee election

in that school district.

AB 79 - Duffy (Chapter 17)

Revises provisions of the Business and Professions Code relating to the sale of hypodermic needles and syringes to livestock owners and persons suffering from diabetes and asthma.

AB 307 - Mc Alister (Chapter 15)

Provides that where an interdistrict attendance agreement for adult classes requires one district to provide the instruction for all districts parties to the agreement, average daily attendance shall be credited to the district in which each adult student resides. The bill applies only to the Metropolitan Adult Program maintained by the San Jose Unified School District.

AB 413 - Belotti (Chapter 16) Authorizes the governing board of any school district to provide for a field trip to Canada, for pupils enrolled in grades 6 to 8, inclusive, and employees essential to the activities of such pupils. The bill prohibits the use of school district funds to finance such trips. The bill remains in effect until June 30, 1971.

AB 565 - Fong (Chapter 10)

Allows the governing board of a school district or a county superintendent of schools, to participate in programs authorized by the "Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act of 1966."

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Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following statement:

"Let me begin with some good news, good news for the communities that suffered highway damage during the February 9 earthquake in Los Angeles, and good news for the taxpayers.

"On the basis of the latest damage reports I have received by the State Department of Public Works, the Federal Highway Administration and Los Angeles City and County representatives, it will not be necessary to increase the state gasoline tax.

"Those who have assessed the damage to roads and highways tell us that \$15 million will be required to repair state highway damage and \$2.7 million will be needed to repair county roads and city streets.

"More than half of the damage sustained on state highways is eligible for 90 percent federal funding, because it is part of the inter-state system. The remaining state highway reconstruction is eligible for 70 percent federal financing.

"In addition some federal assistance is also available to repairs for local streets.

"What this means is that repairs can be made through existing federal and state funds without out-of-pocket costs to local communities:

"There is, as a result of these facts, no reason to levy a temporary one cent a gallon increase in the state gasoline tax to repair earthquake damage to the roads and highways.

"I do, however, want to take this opportunity to express my thanks to Senator Larry Walsh of Los Angeles who prepared legislation that would have made this money available if it were needed."

Sacramento, California

Contact: Paul Be 445-4571 4-1-74

#181

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed <u>Donald W. Williams</u> of Twentynine Palms and <u>Robert W. Angel</u> of Victorville to four-year-terms on the board of the <u>28th District Agricultural Association</u> (San Bernardino County Fair).

Williams, an insurance broker of 69182 Sullivan Road, Twentynine Palms, has served on the board since 1968.

Angel, a staff assistant to San Bernardino County Supervisor William A. Betterley lives at 14221 Indian Creek Place, Victorville. He has served on the board since 1959.

Both men are Republicans.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of Rodney K. Potter, a Los Angeles attorney, to a newly-created Los Angeles County Superior Court.

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Potter, 54, a Republican, will receive an annual salary of \$33,396.

A partner in the firm of O'Melveny and Myers, Potter has practiced law in Los Angeles since 1941.

He is a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles, and earned his law degree from UC at Berkeley.

He is a member of the State Bar of California, the Los Angeles County Bar Association and the Order of the Coif.

Potter and his wife Peggy have two daughters. The family home is in Los Angeles.

The new superior court was created by 1970 legislation.

OLLICE OF THE GOADUMON Sacramento, California Paul Bo Contact: 445-4571 4-1-71

#183

Governor Ronald Reagan today named Cornelius M. (Dutch) Maaskant and Jesse S. Anderson, Jr., and reappointed Richard M. Brown, all of Hanford, to four year terms on the board of the 24-A District Agricultural Association (Kings District Fair).

Maaskant, a rancher and former Kings County supervisor and mayor and city councilman of Hanford, succeeds Foster R. Vierra Sr., of Hanford, whose term has expired.

Maaskant, a Democrat, lives at 1601 North Kaweah.

Anderson, a rancher, succeeds Lloyd E. Roe of Hanford who has resigned. Anderson lives at 12700 Grangeville Boulevard. He is a Republican.

Brown, a dairy farmer, has served on the board since 1967. lives at 14803 Grangeville Boulevard. He is a Republican.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today vetced the so-called "Southern

Crossing" bill (AB-151, Crown) and sent the following veto message to
the members of the legislature:

"I am returning without my signature Assembly Bill No. 151 entitled, 'An act to add Section 30661 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to the southern crossing.'

"This bill prohibits construction of the southern crossing of San Francisco Bay prior to statutory authorization for such construction.

"During recent weeks, I have had the opportunity to discuss virtually every aspect of this important issue with individual citizens and civic leaders representing every major segment of the life of the communities which would be most directly affected by this legislation.

"What has impressed me most during the course of these discussions is the extremely wide disparity of view which has been expressed.

"By now, the arguments advocated on both sides of the issue are well known. They have been explored and discussed at length in the public press on numerous occasions and over a considerable period of time.

"The intensity of the arguments and the emotional atmosphere in which they have been debated point to how highly controversial the issue has become and, therefore, how critical and far-reaching any final decision will be. Because the divergence of opinion is so great and the matter so important, I am convinced that the citizens who live in the area must be given the opportunity to make the decision themselves---at the ballot box.

"The judgment of the people was sought directly at the polls in the creation of the Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) system. Surely, their judgment can be no less vital in making a decision of this magnitude.

"Therefore, I feel I must veto this bill. However, to encourage the direct involvement of the people in any final decision on a Southern crossing I am today issuing an executive order prohibiting any further work on the development of the project, to be effective during the next six months, which will give the legislature sufficient time to work out a plan to bring the issue to a vote of the people in those counties which would be most directly affected.

"Therefore, I am returning the bill unsigned."

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Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed James F. Perley, Jr., a Newark attorney, to the Fremont-Newark-Union City Judicial District Municipal Court.

Perley, 40, a Republican, will receive an annual salary of \$30,724. He succeeds Judge M. O. Sabraw who has been elevated to the Alameda County Superior Court.

He has practiced law in Fremont since 1961 and since 1969 has been a partner in the firm of Jay and Perley which has offices in Oakland and Fremont.

Active in civic affairs, Perley is a trustee of the Newark Unified School District, a past president of the Fremont Chamber of Commerce, and is active in the Boy Scouts of America, the American Legion, the YMCA and other civic and service organizations.

He is a member of the American Bar Association, the State
Bar of California, the Alameda County Bar Association, the Southern
Alameda County Bar Association, the Washington Township Bar Association,
the American Trial Lawyers Association, Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity
and the American Judicature Society.

He is a graduate of The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina and earned his law degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Perley and his wife Fatricia have four children. They live in Newark.

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Copies of a letter from Robert B. Carleson, State Director of Social Welfare, to Mr. John Twiname, HEW Social and Rehabilitation Service Administrator, in response to a request from HEW regarding the so-called welfare conformity issue, are now available to members of the press in the governor's office, front desk.

April 1, 1971

Mr. John D. Twiname, Administrator Social and Rehabilitation Service Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Twiname:

In response to your letter of March 26, 1971, we are continuing to analyze the legal, fiscal, and administrative aspects of the California Suprema Court's decision of March 25, 1971, in California Welfare Rights Organization v. Carleson. Under California law, the decision will become final on April 26, 1971, unless the court grants a rehearing.

The legal history of this matter is lengthy and complex. In addition to cases in the State courts, the subject matter is before the Federal courts in the case of Bryant v. Martin, which is at present on appeal. On November 19, 1970, pursuant to the order of the Federal District Court in the Bryant case, we promulgated emergency regulations, the effectiveness of which were enjoined by various court orders. Because of the pendency of the various actions and appeals, the time has passed within which regulations adopted under emergency conditions may remain in effect. As a result, it will be necessary to adopt a new regulation in order to raise the AFDC maximums to comply with Section 402(a)(23) of the Social Security Act.

As you know, Governor Reagan has submitted his welfare reform proposals to the California Legislature. If adopted, these measures will solve both the pending conformity matter and will also avoid any potential fiscal crisis in the AFDC program. The Governor's welfare reform will, in fact, entirely eliminate the statutory maximums, replacing them with an equitable apportionment system that should enable us to raise the grants of those who are completely dependent upon public assistance.

Because of the numerous legal, fiscal, and administrative uncertainties with which we are presently faced, it is not possible at this time to provide you with a definite answer regarding how and when we can proceed to comply with Section 402(a)(23). Therefore, we would appreciate it if you would permit us some additional time to develop a more definite response for your consideration.

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Sincerely, Original Signed By Robert B. Carleson

ROBERT B. CARLESON Director of Social Welfare

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Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Palo Alto Municipal Judge William A. Ingram to the Santa Clara County Superior Court.

Judge Ingram, 46, a Republican, will receive an annual salary of \$33,396. He succeeds Judge Raymond Callaghan who has retired.

Appointed to the Palo Alto-Mountain View Judicial District Municipal Court in 1969, Judge Ingram previously practiced law in San Jose for 12 years and served from 1955 to 1957 as a Santa Clara County Deputy District Attorney.

He is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a member of the American Bar Association, the American Board of Trial Advocates, the American Arbitration Association, the Santa Clara County Bar Association and the State Bar of California.

Judge Ingram attended Stanford University, the University of California at Berkeley and earned his law degree from the University of Louisville School of Law in Kentucky.

He and his wife Barbara have three daughters. The family lives in Palo Alto.

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RELEASE: Immediate

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Robert C. Walker, 45, as a special assistant.

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Walker, who has served as director of the Department of Navigation and Ocean Development since 1968, will assist the governor's executive assistant, Edwin Meese III, with special projects and public affairs.

The governor announced also the appointment of James E. Bennett,
Walker's deputy director, as acting head of the Department of Navigation
and Ocean Development.

Bennett, 52, a retired Navy captain and a former manager of Lockheed's Ocean Laboratory in San Diego, has served as department deputy director since 1970.

Prior to joining the administration, Walker was a public relations consultant in San Diego.

He and his wife have three children. They live at 6730 Lakeview Drive, Carmichael.

Bennett lives at 891 Woodside Lane, Sacramento.
Both men are Republicans.

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, Californ Contact: Paul Bec. 445-4571 4-2-71

CORRECTION

Press Release No. 187, paragraph three, line one should be corrected to read <u>John</u> E. Bennett.

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Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the appointment of Gerald E. Ragan, a San Mateo attorney, to the San Mateo County Superior Court.

Ragan, 43, a Republican, will receive an annual salary of \$33,396. He succeeds Judge Robert Kane who has been elevated to the District Court of Appeal.

A member of the San Mateo firm of Ragan and McGuire, Ragan has practiced law in the Bay Area since 1961 and served for three years as a San Mateo County deputy district attorney.

He holds a degree in civil engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago and earned his law degree from Loyola University School of Law in Chicago in 1959.

An immediate past president of the San Mateo County Trial Lawyers Association, Ragan is a member of the State Bar of California, the San Mateo County Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the American Trial Lawyers Association and the California Trial Lawyers Association.

He and his wife Kathleen have a daughter and a son. The family home is in Woodside.

RELEASE: Immediate

#189

Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the appointment of Gordon P. Del Faro, a North Hollywood manufacturer, to the State Athletic Commission, subject to Senate confirmation.

Del Faro, 51, a Republican, will succeed William K. Houston, Sr., of Orinda, whose term has expired.

Active in civic affairs, Del Faro is a director of the San Fernando Valley Business and Professional Association, the National Association of Manufacturers and Build Rehabilitation.

He is president of a tool and dye corporation.

Del Faro and his wife Shirley have two children. The family home is at 23529 Dolorosa, Woodland Hills.

Members of the commission serve for four years and receive \$25 per diem while on official duty.

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Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the appointment of <u>Dr. Richard W. Gable</u>, political science professor at UC-Davis, and the reappointment of three members to four-year-terms on the <u>Council of Intergovernmental Relations</u>.

Reappointed to four year terms were Riverside County Supervisor

Paul J. Anderson, San Bruno City Councilman Maurice K. Hamilton and

Long Beach School Superintendent W. Odie Wright, Jr.

Gable, 50, a Democrat, of 1210 Colby Drive, Davis, succeeds William Wheaton of Berkeley as a public member of the council. Wheaton's term has expired.

Anderson, a Republican, has served on the council as a representative of county officers, since 1963. He lives at 4946 Brockton Street, Riverside.

Hamilton, a Republican, has been a council member since 1969, representing city officers. He lives at 2260 Kingston Avenue, San Bruno.

Wright, a Democrat, has serve on the council as a representative of education since 1966. He lives at 3922 Gaviota Avenue, Long Beach.

Other members of the council are Lieutenant Governor Ed Reinecke and Human Relations Agency Secretary James M. Hall.

Council members receive necessary expenses.

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#191

Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the appointment of H. Bradley Jones, Los Angeles attorney and civic leader, as a member of the Health Review and Program Council.

Jones, 51, a Republican, will succeed James B. Poyer of Castro Valley, who has resigned, as a public member of the council.

An author of numerous legal works and a lecturer at the University of Southern California Law Center, Jones is president of a Los Angeles law firm.

He is active in civic and professional organizations including the Practising Law Institute, the American College of Probate Counsel and the National Association of Professional Corporations.

Jones and his wife Mary have three children. The family home is at 260 Hillside Road, South Pasadena.

Council members serve at the pleasure of the governor and receive necessary expenses.

Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-5-71 RELEASE: Immediate

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Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the reappointment of <u>James P. Abeloe</u>, a Salinas grower, and <u>Mrs. Rose Marie Holt</u>, a Carmel civic leader, to four year terms on the board of the <u>Seventh District</u> Agricultural Association (Monterey County Fair).

Abeloe, 22490 Ferdinand Drive, Salinas, and Mrs. Holt, Monte Verde and 13th Street, Carmel, have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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of Willits and William G. Crawford of Potter Valley to four year terms on the board of the 12th District Agricultural Association (Redwood Empire Fair).

Mrs. Chase, a partner in a real estate and insurance firm, and Crawford, a lumberman and rancher, have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Mrs. Chase's address is P. O. Box 606, Willits, and Crawford's address is P. O. Box 38, Potter Valley.

Board members are paid expenses.

Governor Ronald Reagan has named Salinas accountant Wilbur H.

Stevens to the State Board of Accountancy in the Department of Consumer

Affairs.

Stevens, 50, managing partner of a CPA firm, will fill the unexpired term of Harry T. Magill of Novato, who has resigned. The term ends November 26, 1973.

Stevens lives at 1013 Junipero Way, Salinas. He is a Republican.

Members of the board are paid \$25 per diem while on official duty.

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RELEASE: Immediate

Governor Ronald Reagan has appointed two new members and reappointed three other members to the Board of Behavioral Science Examiners in the Department of Consumer Affairs.

The new members, named to positions created by 1970 legislation, are Werner H.Epp, a Bakersfield psychologist and Dr. Patilu Farquharson, an Elk Grove psychologist.

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Reappointed to four year terms were Reverend Lloyd S. Saatjian of Palm Springs, Assistant Director Albert L. Seltzer of the Department of Health Care Services, and Dr. Clinton E. Phillips, a Los Angeles marriage counselor.

Epp, a consulting psychologist to the Bakersfield Association for Retarded Children, will serve an 18 month term as a representative of education psychologists. He lives at 3700 Redlands Drive, Bakersfield. He is a Republican.

Dr. Farquharson, psychologist for the Elk Grove Unified School District, will also represent education psychologists. She will serve a two year term. She lives at 6917 Briggs Drive, Sacramento. She is a Republican.

The Reverend Mr. Saatjian, pastor of the Methodist Church of Palm Springs, has served on the board since 1969 as a public representative. He lives at 2143 Park Drive, Palm Springs. He is a Republican.

Seltzer, who represents clinical social workers, has served on the board since 1969. He lives at 3818 Wingate Drive, Carmichael. He is a Republican.

Dr. Phillips, who is also a co-director of the marriage counselor training program in the University of Southern California's Department of Sociology, has served on the board since 1969, representing marriage counselors. He lives at 3221 Shasta Circle North, Los Angeles. He has no political affiliation.

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Governor Ronald Reagan has issued the following Easter message:

"The message of Easter is not a message for a single faith, it is a message for all mankind. It is the promise of life itself--the rebirth of spirit and faith that is as certain as the spring that follows the winter. At a time when we often seem surrounded by darkness, Easter is a time for all of us to look beyond the night to the brightness of a new dawn."

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Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the appointment of
Mrs. Frances C. Belongy of Somis and Warren B. Hoxie of Costa Mesa to
the Board of Vocational Nurse and Psychiatric Technician Examiners in
the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Mrs. Belongy, assistant superintendent of nursing services at Camarillo State Hospital, will fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Mildred A. White, R. N., of Pomona, who has resigned. The term ends in 1975.

A Democrat, Mrs. Belongy will represent certified psychiatric technicians on the board. She lives at 5037 Dodson Street, Somis.

Hoxie, assistant superintendent of nursing services at Metropolitan State Hospital in Norwalk, also will represent certified psychiatric technicians, succeeding Gerald P. Mayo of Napa.

Hoxie lives at 2436 Vassar Place, Costa Mesa. He is a Democrat.

Members of the board are paid \$25 per diem while on official duty.

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Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the appointments of Thomas W. Mathew of Laguna Beach and David H. Rosenthal of Scotts Valley and the reappointment of Alfred A. Figone of Daly City, to four-year-terms on the Correctional Industries Commission.

Mathew, executive secretary of the Building and Construction Trades Council of Orange County with headquarters in Santa Ana, will serve as a labor representative on the commission. He succeeds Juel D. Drake of La Mesa, who has resigned.

Rosenthal, who operates a laundry and dry cleaning company in San Jose, will represent industry on the council. He succeeds Joseph Regan of Pasadena who has resigned.

Figone, assistant secretary and president of the Bay Counties
District Council of Carpenters with headquarters in San Francisco, has
served on the commission since 1965, representing labor.

Mathew lives at 735 Browncraft Road, Laguna Beach; Rosenthal lives at 552 Bean Creek Road, Scotts Valley, and Figone lives at 44 Werner Avenue, Daly City.

All three men are Republicans.

Commissioners are paid \$25 per diem while on official duty.

MEMO TO THE PRESS

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GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE April 12, 1971 through April 18, 1971

Monday, April 12

No public appointments scheduled.

Overnight - Sacramento

Tuesday, April 13

11:30 a.m. Presentation of awards for Governor's Program to Reduce Occupational Injuries, Governor's Office.

1:30 p.m. PRESS CONFERENCE

3:00 p.m Presentation of Young Californians Medal for Bravery and Service, Governor's Office.

Overnight - Sacramento

Wednesday, April 14

CSEA Institute on Government Luncheon, Cal Expo. Noon

Thursday, April 15

Dinner with State Bar Board of Governors, Los Evening

Angeles Country Club. Speech.

Overnight - Los Angeles

Friday, April 16

Regents Meeting - Los Angeles

Overnight - Los Angeles

Saturday, April 17

No public appointments scheduled.

Overnight - Los Angeles

Sunday, April 18

Depart for Williamsburg for Republican Governors'

Conference.

Overnight - Williamsburg Inn

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Acting Governor Ed Reinecke today announced the following bills have been signed:

AB 19 - Chappie (Chapter 22)

Requires the Board of Supervisors of El Dorado County upon request of the El Dorado Hills County Water District, to levy a bond tax with respect to land only in the district or improvement district benefited by the purposes of the bonded debt.

AB 803 - Waxman (Chapter 23)

Permits an alternative method of computing the minimum school day for a high school when the student bodies of more than one high school are required to attend one high school. Due to earthquake damage, Los Angeles High School had to close its facilities and transfer all of its students to Fairfax High School on a half-day session basis, necessitating that the Fairfax High School student body meet only on a half-day session basis.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck

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RELEASE: Immediate

#201

Governor Ronald Reagan will award the Young Californian's Medal for Bravery and Service to five young people during ceremonies at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 13, in his office.

The five, all of whom have been nominated by the governor for the Young American's Medal for Bravery and Service to be awarded by the U. S. Attorney General, were selected from 62 qualifying youngsters from throughout the state.

The medal for bravery will be presented to Terri Ammon, 7, of Hoopa, David Borghello, 19, of San Francisco, and Diane Bryant, 18, of Palmdale while Susan Cutler, 19, of Beaumont and Nancy George, 19, of Hornbrook will receive the service medal.

All of the acts of heroism or service took place in 1969.

Terri, who was five at the time, was cited for saving the life of her two year old cousin, Kevin Lane, who fell into a water-filled ditch. Despite the fact that she could not swim, Terri leaped into the ditch, held on to a rock, caught the boy's clothing with a stick, pulled him to the bank and held him until help arrived.

Borghello, who lives at 546 Melrose Avenue, San Francisco, will receive the medal for assisting two San Francisco police officers who were struggling with a pair of burglars on a bus. He helped the policemen subdue the pair after scooping up a revolver that one of the suspects had dropped in the fight.

Miss Bryant of 1215 East Avenue R-4, Palmdale, will receive the commendation for caring for and assisting in the rescue of her sister and stepbrother after their plane had crashed in a remote area of Texas. Her step-brother, Ben, suffered a broken leg and arm and a serious back injury and her sister, Peggy, was unconscious for two days and nights with a head injury while Diane, who was also injured, tended to their needs.

Miss Cutler of 38550 Florence Avenue, Beaumont, will receive the service medal for her work in organizing a community drive that raised \$8,000 to pay the medical expenses of a seriously injured football player on her high school's team.

Miss George will be cited for her work in organizing a "Packages for Vietnam" campaign in Yreka to provide gifts, food and mail for Siskiyou County servicemen in Southeast Asia.

Press coverage of the awards ceremony is invited.

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#202

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the reappointment of two directors to four-year-terms on the Board of Directors, 35th District Agricultural Association (Merced County Fair).

They are R. Richard Rodoni of Los Banos and Herbert N. Clements of Dos Palos.

Rodoni, 38, a Los Banos dairyman, is active in various farm and dairy organizations and the Rotary Club. His addres is P. O. Box 942, Los Banos.

Clements, 49, vice president of the Board, is a Dos Palos City Councilman and president of the Dos Palos Chamber of Commerce. His address is 1301 Norton, Dos Palos.

Both men have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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#203

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the reappointment of William Flournoy and Rose Marie Coops, R. N. (Mrs. Donald Coops) to four-year-terms on the Board of Directors, 34th District Agricultural Association (Modoc County Fair).

Flournoy, 30, is a rancher and is active in community affairs. He is married and has two daughters. His address is P. O. Box 59, Likely.

Mrs. Coops, 48, is a registered nurse, married and the mother of two children. Her address is Lake City, California.

Both are Republicans and have served on the board since 1967.
Board members receive necessary expenses.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed Floyd N. Bidwell and Robert S. Bryant to four-year-terms on the Board of Directors, 27th District Agricultural Association (Shasta District Fair).

Bidwell, 46, is a cattle rancher and has served on the board since 1967. His address is Star Route, Box 547, Cassel.

Bryant, 54, a building contractor, lives at 2005 Canal Drive, Redding. He also has served on the board since 1967.

Both men are Republicans

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the reappointment of George C. Warner and John M. Hanna, to four-year-terms on the Board of Directors, 25th District Agricultural Association (Napa Town and Country Fair).

Warner, 73, a Napa automobile dealer, has served on the board since 1967. He lives at 3153 Mt. Veeder Road, Napa.

Hanna, 62, is a supply agent for a smelting and refining concern. He lives at 3174 Dry Creek Road, Napa.

Both men are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the reappointment of

Wilbur W. Hartzell, Jr., of Templeton and William R. Gibford of San

Luis Obispo, to four-year-terms on the Board of Directors, 16th District

Agricultural Association (San Luis Obispo County Fair).

Hartzell, 45, has served on the board since 1967, and is active in several agricultural and conservation groups. His address is Route 1, Box 201, Templeton.

Gibford, an instructor in Horse Husbandry at Cal-Poly, also has served on the board since 1967. His address is Route 2, Box 790, San Luis Obispo.

Both men are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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#207

Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the reappointment of Eugene J.

Senestraro and Angelo J. Franceschi to four-year-terms on the Board of

Directors, 9th District Agricultural Association, (Redwood Acres).

Senestraro, 42, a dairy rancher, has served on the board since 1967. He lives at 761 Showers Road, Eureka.

Franceschi, 68, a retired banker, lives at 1500 Bayside Road, Arcata. Both are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

Copies of a letter from Robert B. Carleson, director of the State Department of Social Welfare, to Mr. John D. Twiname, HEW Social and Rehabilitation Service administrator, outlining a detailed timetable of actions to be taken by the State of California relating to the so-called welfare conformity issue, are now available to members of the press in the governor's office, front desk.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET SACRAMENTO 95814



April 9, 1971

Mr. John D. Twiname, Administrator Department of Health, Education and Welfare Social and Rehabilitation Service Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Mr. Twiname:

In response to your communication of April 5, 1971 and as a further response to your letter of March 26, 1971, the following is a detailed timetable of actions that will be taken by the State of California concerning Section 402(a)(23) of the Social Security Act:

- The California Supreme Court's March 25, 1971 ruling will become final on April 26, 1971, unless the court grants a rehearing pursuant to a request of a party or upon the court's own motion. The State of California does not presently plan to take any action such as would affect the April 26, 1971 date. In its ruling, the California Supreme Court expressly held that the Director of Social Welfare has the power under California law to pass regulations in order to bring California into conformity. The court also identified the major fiscal problem that would arise if the specific appropriation for AFDC made in California's Budget Item 279 (paragraph one) were to be exhausted due to the raising of the MPB. The court expressly states that the "solution of any resulting AFDC crisis should be sought from the Legislature which may either provide supplemental specific appropriations for the program of if need be may authorize conversion to a percent reduction plan in order to accommodate fiscal realities."
- 2. Both houses of the California Legislature have calendared conformity legislation hearings for April 14, 1971. Legislation is presently pending before both houses of the California Legislature which, if adopted, would solve the conformity issue. As you know, Governor Reagan's legislation proposal would entirely eliminate the MPB and instead would equitably apportion funds between recipients so as to redirect more funds to those who are the most needy. This would solve both the conformity issue as well as avoiding any potential fiscal crisis in the AFDC program.

Mr. John D. Twiname Page 2 April 9, 1971

3. Pending the finality of the California Supreme Court decision, our Department is now drafting regulations which would bring the State into conformity. Inasmuch as there are numerous court orders directing our Department to issue various regulations which would relate to the subject matter of the conformity regulations, it will be necessary to promulgate comprehensive provisions such as will require considerable legal and fiscal input in the drafting process. However, it is anticipated that these regulations will be ready for adoption on an emergency basis by May 1, 1971.

In view of the court's clear ruling on the conformity issue, we are confident that steps can be taken to clearly place California into conformity during the current fiscal year. Our major concern at this point, however, is to assure that a fiscal crisis is not thereby created such as would adversely affect the AFDC program. We are hopeful that the California Legislature will give clear directives to our Department. In any event, we will be ready to implement regulations such as will meet the conformity issue. We will keep in close contact with you concerning this entire subject.

Sincerely,

ROBERT B. CARLESON

Director of Social Welfare

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RELEASE: Immediate

#208

Governor Ronald Reagan today named Anthony Beltran of El Centro
to fill an unexpired term on the 45th District Agricultural Association
(California Mid-Winter Fair) and reappointed directors Arthur H. Caston
of Calipatria and Herman M. Sperber of Holtville, to four-year terms.

Beltran, 42, an El Centro civic leader and vice president of a music company, will fill the unexpired term of Richard F. Montejano of Calexico, who has resigned. The term ends January 15, 1974.

Caston, a farmer, who lives at 333 West Fern Street, Calipatria, and Sperber, a farmer, whose address is P.O. Box 847, Holtville, have served on the board since 1967.

Beltran lives at 1195 19th Street, El Centro.

All three directors are Republicans.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#209

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed E. Ray Crabtree,

Route 1, Box 31B, Suisun, and Vern E. Schmeiser, 370 East Mayes Street,

Dixon, to four-year terms on the 36th District Agricultural Association

(Dixon May Fair).

Crabtree, a mobile homes salesman, and Schmeiser, a farmer, have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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#210

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed Howard K. Dickson, a farmer of 100 South Real Road, Bakersfield, and Raymond A. Mettler, a cattle rancher of P.O. Box 1298, Shafter, to four-year terms on the 15th District Agricultural Association (Kern County Fair).

Dickson has served on the board since 1943 and Mettler has been a director since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#211

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed Mervin W. Amerine of Oakdale and Thomas H. Hughes of San Jose to four-year terms on the California Aeronautics Board, subject to Senate confirmation.

Amerine, owner of a turkey breeding farm and a flying service, lives at 13242 Highway 108, Oakdale, and Hughes, a San Jose attorney and private pilot, lives at 2116 Bel Air Avenue, San Jose.

Both men have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members are paid \$25 per diem while attending official meetings.

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#212

invitation of the Japanese Government to be their guests
in Japan late in October of this year. The Reagan's children,
Patti, 18, and Skipper, 12, will accompany their parents. Details
of the trip will be announced at a later date.

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#213

Governor Ronald Reagan today regretfully accepted the resignation of Dr. James V. Lowry, director of the California Department of Mental Hygiene, effective June 30.

Lowry has headed the department since 1964, longer than any other director.

The governor praised Lowry's "long and dedicated service to the people of California" and noted "the tremendous strides which have been made in upgrading the care of the mentally ill in California over the past few years" under Lowry's leadership.

Lowry said his future plans call for working as a consultant to public and private organizations on mental health services. He will continue to reside in El Macero, near Sacramento.

During the years he has headed the department, community mental health services have expanded rapidly, with 56 of the 58 counties now providing such services, compared to 20 in 1964. Governor Reagan's 1971-72 budget for community mental health services in California is \$96 million. It was \$12 million in 1964-65.

Dr. Lowry has played a key role in the development of the legislation which has modernized and improved methods of care for the mentally ill---now being used as a guide by other states.

California also is one of only two states* which has had all of its state hospitals and institutions (15) accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals. Because of more effective hospital treatment services, the length of stay of mentally ill patients has been shortened. As a result, the number of patients in the state hospitals on a given day has decreased from about 32,500 to 11,500, even though admissions have increased from 30,000 to 40,000 per year since 1964. Overcrowding, which was a problem for decades, no longer exists in the hospitals for the mentally ill. Nursing staffing is at 100 percent of the standards adopted in 1968.

Also under Dr. Lowry's leadership of the department, programs for the mentally retarded have been added in three state hospitals since 1964, while the number of patients has decreased from 13,500 to 11,000. The standard of 70 square feet of bed space per patient (adopted in 1968, up from 55 square feet) will be achieved by July 1, 1971. State programs for the retarded have more staff than at any time in their history and the hospitals are within 18 to 24 months of reaching 100 percent of the staffing standards. The two-year waiting period for admission in 1964 has been reduced to about two and a half months.

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^{*} The other is the State of Nevada with one hospital.

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#214

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of James E. Stratten, 58, of San Francisco, as Chief of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards in the Department of Industrial Relations.

Stratten, a Republican, has served for the past two years as a member of the California Youth Authority Board.

In his new post, he will receive an annual salary of \$24,312.

Stratten succeeds Charles Hanna, who has resigned as chief of the division. Hanna, who has held the post since 1955, will continue to serve in the division.

In announcing Stratten's appointment, the governor paid tribute to Hanna, for his "long and dedicated service to the people of California."

Named by the governor to the Education Commission of the States in 1967, Stratten twice represented California at White House conferences on education.

A former president of the San Francisco Board of Education, Stratten was the first Negro to be appointed to the San Francisco Grand Jury.

He has also served as a director-at-large of the California School Boards Association, and as a director of the Fillmore Merchants and Improvement Association and a member of the San Francisco Slum Clearance and Redevelopment Agency.

Stratten holds an A.B. degree from Talladega College in Alabama, and an M.A. degree from Columbia University in New York. His home is at 662 15th Avenue, San Francisco.

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#215

Governor Ronald Reagan revealed today that a 17-year upward trend of occupational injuries and deaths among state employees has been reversed as a result of a safety program initiated in 1970.

He made the disclosure during ceremonies honoring state departments with the highest achievements of reducing injuries through the Governor's Program to Reduce Occupational Injuries.

"When we started the program, accident reduction goals of 10 percent each year for three years were established to curtail this alarming increase in occupational injuries," the governor said.

"Although we missed our first year objective in terms of frequency rate, the trend has been reversed. The statewide rate has been reduced from 18.0 disabling injuries per million man hours worked in 1969 to 17.3 in 1970."

First year results of the program show a decrease of 9 deaths, 126 accidental injuries and 12,133 work days lost in 1970 than were reported in 1969.

"If the trend of the last 17 years had continued, many more families would have suffered the loss of a loved one last year. A much greater number of state employees would have been disabled due to injuries resulting from on-the-job accidents. The resulting economic hardship to our employee families would have been immeasurable," the governor said.

"The cost to California taxpayers---and this includes every one of us---was projected to increase over a million dollars in 1970.

"Instead, these costs in 1970 were actually reduced by \$555,000. This is a direct saving of over one and a half million dollars in one year."

The U.S. Department of Labor indicates that every dollar spent in direct costs is accompanied by four times that amount in indirect costs. This means a total of 8.2 million dollars was saved during the first year of the program, he pointed out.

The governor praised Earl Coke, secretary of Agriculture and Services
Agency, the cabinet coordinator for the program; and Paul B. Cossaboon,
the program manager, for their "leadership and direction."

"The real effects of this program will be measured next year,"

Cossaboon said. "The new accident prevention training programs; the valuable new ideas we received from the 'Hot Line' employee suggestion phone; our new Management Information System, and our important resource groups could not be utilized until mid-year, so the program will be more effective next year."

Cossaboon thanked the California State Employees Association, the National Safety Council, American Red Cross, American Society of Safety Engineers, the National Safety Management Society and private industry for their assistance to the program.

Awards were presented to the department directors in four categories divided according to the number of employee hours worked.

Highest achievement winners were the Department of Equalization, the Department of Consumer Affairs, Water Resources Control Board, and Banking.

Second highest achievement awards were presented to the California Highway Patrol, the Controller's Office, the Department of Health Care Services, and the Secretary of State's Office.

Six departments received Zero Accident Frequency Awards for 1970: Finance, Horse Racing Board, Legislative Counsel, Treasurer's Office, Aeronautics, and Commerce.

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Governor Reagan will accept a petition containing 6,750 signatures of persons supporting the administration's welfare reform program in his office at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday.

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#216

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Gene M. Benedetti, Cotati businessman and president of the Board of Friends of Sonoma State College, as a trustee of the California State Colleges, subject to Senate confirmation.

Benedetti, 51, a Democrat, will succeed Philip V. Sanchez of Fresno, who has resigned to accept a federal appointment.

A native of Sonoma, Benedetti is manager of the Petaluma

Cooperative Creamery and a former assistant football coach at Santa

Rosa Junior College.

He is a director of the Fourth District Agricultural Association, a member of the Sonoma County Economic Development Board, the California Dairy Institute Board, the Northern California Milk Dealers Association and has served on the board of the Friends of Sonoma State College since its inception.

Benedetti attended Santa Rosa Junior College and served as captain of its football team in 1939 and attended the University of San Francisco where he was a member of the varsity football squad.

He and his wife Evelyn have four daughters and two sons. The family home is at 8990 Poplar Avenue, Cotati.

Trustees receive necessary expenses.

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#217

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed William L. Marlin of Panorama City and Dr. Robert H. Hughes, Jr. of Highland to four-year-terms on the Podiatry Examining Committee in the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Marlin, vice president of a Woodland Hills investment company has served as a public member of the committee since 1967. He lives at 8900 Kester Avenue, Panorama City.

Dr. Hughes, who practices in San Bernardino, has been a committee member since 1967. He lives at 5695 Belvedere, Highland.

Both men are Republicans.

Committee members are paid \$25 for each day on official duty.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-14-71 RELEASE: Immediate

#218

Governor Ronald Reagan today proposed "the most significant
liberalization of fringe benefits for career state employees in almost
a generation."

In remarks prepared for a noon address to the California State Employees' Association Institute on Government in Sacramento, the governor called for a change in the current retirement formula which will amount to a 20 percent increase in retirement benefits for virtually all career state civil servants.

"We are asking the legislature to adopt amendments that will implement the so-called '1/50th at age 60' retirement formula for state, local and (non-teaching) school members of the public employees retirement system——those who come under the general (miscellaneous) categories of the retirement program, "he said.

The governor noted that "the basic retirement allowance formula for these categories of state employees---almost 90 percent of our career state work force---has not been changed in more than 20 years.

"The effect of this change will benefit both the individual employee and the civil service system as well. For the individual, it will mean that a career state employee may retire with maximum retirement benefits at age 63 rather than age 65.

"There would be a 5-year vesting period to establish an employee's permanent stake in the retirement program and the overall retirement program will also provide better protection of benefits for employees who transfer from agency to agency. The mandatory retirement age also will be lowered from the present maximum of 70 to age 67," the governor said.

"This plan---which we believe is the most significant liberalization of frings benefits for career state employees in almost a generation---will enable many of our long-term career employees to claim their retirement benefits far earlier than under the present program. And this, in turn, will open up new promotional opportunities for the younger career employees waiting to move into middle and top management positions.

Governor Reagan said the improvement in the retirement program #111 be accomplished at "minimal cost to the state" largely because of the improving earnings condition of the public employees retirement system fund.

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Present retirement benefits are based on an anticipated 5% percent earnings from the retirement fund's investment program. "Because of recent increases in interest rates, along with good performance by common stock investments," the governor said the fund's earnings potential has been "strengthened sufficiently to anticipate an interest return of 5-3/4 percent.

"As a result, we have a one-time opportunity to accomplish a deserved improvement of retirement benefits at relatively minimal cost to the state in what otherwise is a rather bleak period of fiscal austerity.

"We shall propose these changes in the retirement program as amendments to Senate Bill 249 (Sen. Donald Grunsky, R-Watsonville)," the governor said. "If they are enacted, these improvements in the retirement plan can be enacted into law this year," he added.

The proposed liberalization of retirement benefits would cover about

The proposed liberalization of retirement benefits would cover about 90 percent of the membership of the public employees retirement system. In addition to state employees, the system provides retirement benefits on a contract basis to employees of 35 counties, 270 cities, all classified (non-teaching) employees of school districts and employees of 300 other public agencies, and special districts, etc.

Employees and the agencies which employ them finance the fund by regular contributions. The retirement program also benefits from interest earned from its investment program.

The proposed improvement has been endorsed by the Committee on Municipal Government and Administration of the League of California Cities. It has been a prime goal of the California State Employees Association for a number of years.

Governor Reagan's 1971-72 budget also includes an \$11 million fringe benefit package for state employees, including \$7.7 million for time-and-a-half benefits, \$3.3 million to finance night differential pay for employees required to work regularly in the evening hours, and \$234,000 to extend unemployment compensation to state employees for the first time in the state's history.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed Hal A. Campbell of 25389 Avenue 120, Porterville and Don Kurihara of 14623 Avenue 412, Orosi, to four-year terms on the 24th District Agricultural Association (Tulare County Fair).

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Both men are citrus farmers and both have served on the board since 1967. They are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#220

Governor Ronald Reagan today named William E. Hawkins and reappointed Claude O. Sharp, both of Hollister, to four-year terms on the 33rd District Agricultural Association (San Benito County Fair).

Hawkins, a cattle rancher and civic leader, succeeds his father Thomas B. Hawkins, a veteran of 30 years service on the board, who has resigned.

Active in the San Benito County and California State Cattlemen's Association, Hawkins is also chairman of the North County School District Board of Trustees.

He lives at 1308 Comstock Road, Hollister. He is a Republican.

Sharp, also a rancher, has served on the board since 1947. He
lives at 5191 Southside Road, Hollister. He is a Democrat.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-14-71

RELEASE: Immediate

#221

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed <u>Dr. Mun Fa Lee of</u>

Kelseyville to fill an unexpired term on the <u>Mendocino State Hospital</u>

Advisory Board.

Dr. Lee, 38, an internist, will fill the term of Dr. Donald G. Joyce of Lakeport, which ends in December of 1973. Dr. Joyce said he will be unable to complete his term.

A graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles,

Dr. Lee earned his medical degree at Loma Linda University. He is a

member of the American, California and Lake County Medical Associations
and president of the Heart Association of the Redwood Empire.

Dr. Lee and his wife, Vivian, who is also a practizing physician, have one daughter. Their home address is P.O. Box 597, Kelseyville.

Dr. Lee is not affiliated with a political party.

Advisory board members receive necessary expenses.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-14-71

RELEASE: Immediate

#222

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed Richard K. Humphries of Walnut Creek to a four-year term on the Industrial Safety Board of the Department of Industrial Relations.

Humphries, a Democrat, is a construction consultant. He has served on the board since 1959.

He lives at 1429 Via Loma, Walnut Creek.

Board members are paid \$25 per day for actual attendance at meetings.

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#223

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of Robert J.

Kerstiens of Red Bluff and reappointment of Robert P. Martin, Jr., of

Corning, to the 30th District Agricultural Association (Tehama Totem Fair

Kerstiens, 45, a State Forest Ranger and cattle rancher, succeeds

Frank H. Spanfelner, Jr., of Red Bluff, who did not seek reappointment.

Kerstiens' address is Route 1, Box 195, Red Bluff.

Martin, a Corning florist, has served on the board since 1967.

Both men are Republicans.

Board members serve four-year-terms and receive necessary expenses.

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Contact: Paul Beck
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RELEASE: Immediate

#224

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Harold J. Sinclair, a Los Angeles attorney, to the Los Angeles Judicial District Municipal Court.

Sinclair, 52, a Republican, will succeed Judge Ernest Kelly who has been elevated to the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

A native of Sacramento, Sinclair has practiced law in the Los Angeles area since 1948. He is a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles and earned his law degree from the University of Southern California.

Sinclair will be receiving an annual salary of \$30,724. He and his wife Marguerite live in Malibu.

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RELEASE: Immediate

State of California
James M. Hall, Secretary
Sacramento 4-15-71

After learning that Sacramento County Superior Court Judge William

Gallagher had issued a temporary restraining order against the state

to require a 21.4 percent increase in AFDC grants, State Euman Relations

Secretary James Hall said:

"If preliminary news reports are accurate, it appears that the judge was misled by the untrue statements of a welfare rights attorney into believing that without such an order California would lose federal welfare monies. This is simply not true. We have already informed the Department of Health, Education and Welfare that state regulations are being drawn up and will be ready for adoption May 1 to meet federal conformity standards.

"The fact is, California is not in imminent danger of losing federal funds as the judge was apparently led falsely to believe. Furthermore, it is incredible to us that an order of such magnitude as this could be issued without a full and adequate hearing into the arguments of all parties.

"Because the ruling was made at the request of a single party, without the State of California having been heard, we have instructed our attorneys to immediately appeal the decision.

"In the meantime, we intend to continue our efforts to reform welfare so that the truly needy are not deprived of the additional assistance they require."

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RELEASE: Immediate

#225

Governor Ronald Reagan today named Colonel Robert L. Vickers, U. S.

Air Force (ret.), as deputy director of the Office of Emergency Services.

Colonel Vickers, 52, a Republican, will receive an annual salary of \$20,496, in the new post created by the 1970 legislature.

A veteran Air Force legal officer, his last military assignment was as director of Military and Civil Law in the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate at the Headquarters of the Air Force Logistics Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio.

He also has served in the Air Force's legal department throughout the United States and in England and Japan.

Colonel Vickers attended East Texas Baptist College and Meadows-Draughon Business College in Shreveport, Louisiana and earned his law degree in 1949 at Tulane University.

He and his wife Dorothy live at 5745 Lewis Way, Concord. They have one daughter.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Mrs. Neta D. Rephun of
Lancaster and reappointed Lee. S. Jaqua of Lancaster and Jack S. Bones
of Littlerock to the 50th District Agricultural Association (Antelope
Valley Fair).

Mrs. Rephun, a realtor and civic leader, lives at 1454 West Kettering, Lancaster. She will fill the unexpired term of Chris Sherri of Lancaster, who has resigned. The term ends in January, 1974.

Jaqua, a manufacturer and rancher, and Bones, a farmer and chairman of the fair board, have been directors of the association since 1967.

Jaqua lives at 1666 West Lancaster Boulevard, Lancaster, and Bones lives at 35906 North 85th Street East, Littlerock. Both were named to four-year-terms.

All three directors are Republicans. They will receive necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

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Governor Ronald Reagan announced the following bills

have been signed:

AB 82 - Dunlap (Chapter 19)

Allows assignment or subletting by the Upper Solano Association for Retarded Children of its lease of certain state lands within the Medical Facility at Vacaville to any public agency upon approval by the Director of General Services and the Department of Corrections.

AB 107 - MacDonald (Chapter 21)

Requires the board of supervisors of each county to designate a county officer or employee to have the responsibility for developing a coordinated countywide community drug abuse control plan, with various institutions and agencies contributing, and to submit the plan to the board of supervisors. Present law applies only to counties of over 40,000 population.

AB 242 - Gonsalves (Chapter 25)

Authorizes a health planning agency, if it declares that good cause has been shown, to extend until July 1, 1972, the date upon which applicants, who filed applications relating to voluntary area planning programs involving health facilities prior to January 1, 1970, and who received approval of such application prior to such date from the health planning association of the county wherein the applicant is located, are required to commence construction of their facilities.

AB 477 - LaCoste (Chapter 20)

Provides for uniform mileage payments to justice, municipal and superior court jurors in Stanislaus County.

SB 8 - Collier (Chapter 24)

Permits any election officer, rather than only the inspector and judge of election, to be paid for his services as such in a school district election.

SB 430 - Burgener (Chapter 18)

Extends the time for filing a map or plat of a newly created tax zone in a county service area, in order for local jurisdictions to impose taxes in accordance with such change for the 1971-72 fiscal year.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#228

Governor Ronald Reagan reported today that the number of traffic fatalities on California's streets and highways reached a new all-time low in 1970.

He said that the mileage death rate, continuing a downward trend which began in 1964, declined to 4.2 deaths per 100 million miles of travel.

At the same time there were decreases in the total number of traffic deaths and a decline of 3.4 percent in fatal accidents from 1969.

The governor credited the safety record to vigorous law enforcement and the construction of 275 miles of new freeway.

On the 3,000 miles of full, access-controlled freeways, which accounted for nearly one third of all state-wide travel, the fatality rate reached a new all-time low of 2.23 per 100 million miles.

While traffic accidents claimed 4,901 in 1970, a decrease of 179 from the previous year, only 880 lives were lost on freeways, he said.

And at the same time the 14,500 mile state highway system upon which 60 billion miles were driven last year, the death rate was reduced by 6.3 percent to 3.79 per 100 million miles of travel.

The governor cited figures compiled by the California Highway Patrol, the Business and Transportation Agency and the Department of Public Works, which also revealed that:

- --Accidents involving more than one vehicle decreased 5 percent.
- -- Fatal accidents in cities decreased 7 percent.
- -- The number of pedestrians killed at city intersections declined by 29 percent and the total number of pedestrian fatalities was down 6 percent.

"While we can take pride in our safety record, we cannot relax our efforts in the field of highway safety or in law enforcement," the governor said.

"The California Highway Patrol increased its arrests of drunken drivers by more than 20 percent in 1970 and we believe that this is responsible for a 2.4 percent decline in fatal accidents that involved a single vehicle," he said.

Figures released by the CHP show that 69,546 arrests were made for drunken driving as compared with 57,839 arrests in 1969. City and county law enforcement officers made 128,455 arrests for drunken driving.

The governor expressed concern over other figures from the report that showed a 26 percent increase of fatal accidents on city streets that involved left turns; an increase of 4 percent in the number of fatal accidents on country roads; a 21 percent increase in the number of fatal motorcycle accidents and a 34 percent increase in the number of bicyclists who died in traffic accidents.

He pointed out that motorcycle registration has almost matched the rate of increase of motorcycle accidents. At the end of 1970, 561,621 motorcycles were registered in California, an increase of 19.6 percent.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-16-71 RELEASE: Immediate

#229

Governor Ronald Reagan today received word from Secretary of
Health, Education and Welfare Elliot Richardson reaffirming earlier
assurances that California has until June 30 to take steps to bring
California's welfare program into conformity with federal requirements.

Secretary Richardson made the commitment in a telephone call to the governor this morning following receipt of a letter from State Social Welfare Director Robert Carleson outlining the state's plans to have ready for adoption by May 1 new emergency regulations designed to accomplish conformity.

Governor Reagan described Richardson's personal assurance to him as "an excellent example of the kind of federal-state cooperation which is necessary if we are to resolve this difficult problem."

In addition, the governor said the June 30 deadline will give the California legislature more than enough time to enact his comprehensive welfare reform program which puts the state's conformity on a statutory basis, eliminating the need for emergency regulations.

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

#230

GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE
April 19, 1971
through
April 25, 1971

Monday, April 19-Tuesday, April 20

Republican Governors' Conference, Williamsburg.

(Overnight - Virginia)

Wednesday, April 21

p.m. Return to Sacramento

(Overnight - Sacramento)

Thursday, April 22

No public appointments scheduled.

(Overnight - Sacramento)

Friday; April 23

Noon "Tempo" TV show, KHJ-TV, 5515 Melrose, Los Angeles.

6:45 p.m. YAF Dinner at Disneyland Hotel,"A Salute to George

Murphy." Speech.

(Overnight - Los Angeles)

Saturday, April 24

No public appointments scheduled.

(Overnight - Los Angeles)

Sunday, April 25

No public appointments scheduled.

(Overnight - Sacramento)

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RELEASE: Immediate

#231

Governor Ronald Reagan today named James L. Flournoy, Los

Angeles attorney and civil rights leader, to the Workmen's Compensation

Appeals Board.

Flournoy, 55, the Republican candidate for Secretary of State in 1970, will succeed George A. Jackson of Los Angeles, whose term has expired. The post pays an annual salary of \$33,396.

Active in civic and civil rights affairs, Flournoy holds awards from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the YMCA for his "outstanding contributions" to civil rights and community activities.

He is a member of the Urban League, the NAACP, the U. S. Civil Rights Commission, the Advisory Board of Christians and Jews for Law and Morality, the Board of Managers of the South Central YMCA in Watts, Men of Tomorrow, and president of the Southwest Chamber of Commerce.

He also is active in the American Red Cross, the Los Angeles
Community Chest and a number of other civic, service and professional
organizations including the Southwest Bar Association, the Los Angeles
County Bar Association, the State Bar of California and the American
Judicature Society.

A graduate of Bishop College in Dallas Texas, where he earned a degree in science, Flournoy served as a science and math instructor and basketball coach until he joined the U.S. Army in 1945.

After his military service, he completed graduate work in science at the University of Southern California at Los Angeles, and entered Southwestern University where he earned his law degree.

His home is at 4155 Mt. Vernon Drive, Los Angeles. The appointment is subject to Senate confirmation.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-16-71

RELEASE: Immediate

#232

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Frank M. Alden,
Watsonville rancher and feed company owner, and reappointed Louis J.
Resetar, Jr., a Watsonville farmer, to four-year-terms on the 14th
District Agricultural Association (Santa Cruz County Fair).

Alden, who lives at 62 Holm Road, Watsonville, succeeds C. William Nielson of Watsonville, whose term has expired.

Resetar, who lives at 801 Virginia Street, Watsonville, has served on the board since 1963.

Both men are Republicans.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-20-71

RELEASE: Immediate

#233

Governor Ronald Reagan has reappointed Therrold K. Marshall, a Meridian rancher and Colusa County Supervisor C. Martin Wilmarth to four-year-terms on the 44th District Agricultural Association (Colusa County Fair).

Marshall, whose address is P. O. Box 175, Princeton, and Wilmarth, who lives at 400 Roberts Road, Colusa, have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-12-71

RELEASE: Immediate

#208

Governor Ronald Reagan today named Anthony Beltran of El Centro
to fill an unexpired term on the 45th District Agricultural Association
(California Mid-Winter Fair) and reappointed directors Arthur H. Caston
of Calipatria and Herman M. Sperber of Holtville, to four-year terms.

Beltran, 42, an El Centro civic leader and vice president of a music company, will fill the unexpired term of Richard F. Montejano of Calexico, who has resigned. The term ends January 15, 1974.

Caston, a farmer, who lives at 333 West Fern Street, Calipatria, and Sperber, a farmer, whose address is P.O. Box 847, Holtville, have served on the board since 1967.

Beltran lives at 1195 19th Street, El Centro.

All three directors are Republicans.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#209

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed E. Ray Crabtree,

Route 1, Box 31B, Suisun, and Vern E. Schmeiser, 370 East Mayes Street,

Dixon, to four-year terms on the 36th District Agricultural Association

(Dixon May Fair).

Crabtree, a mobile homes salesman, and Schmeiser, a farmer, have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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#210

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed Howard K. Dickson, a farmer of 100 South Real Road, Bakersfield, and Raymond A. Mettler, a cattle rancher of P.O. Box 1298, Shafter, to four-year terms on the 15th District Agricultural Association (Kern County Fair).

Dickson has served on the board since 1943 and Mettler has been a director since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-12-71

RELEASE: Immediate

#211

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed Mervin W. Amerine of Oakdale and Thomas H. Hughes of San Jose to four-year terms on the California Aeronautics Board, subject to Senate confirmation.

Amerine, owner of a turkey breeding farm and a flying service, lives at 13242 Highway 108, Oakdale, and Hughes, a San Jose attorney and private pilot, lives at 2116 Bel Air Avenue, San Jose.

Both men have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members are paid \$25 per diem while attending official meetings.

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#212

Governor and Mrs. Ronald Reagan have accepted the gracious invitation of the Japanese Government to be their guests in Japan late in October of this year. The Reagan's children, Patti, 18, and Skipper, 12, will accompany their parents. Details of the trip will be announced at a later date.

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#213

Governor Ronald Reagan today regretfully accepted the resignation of Dr. James V. Lowry, director of the California Department of Mental Hygiene, effective June 30.

Lowry has headed the department since 1964, longer than any other director.

The governor praised Lowry's "long and dedicated service to the people of California" and noted "the tremendous strides which have been made in upgrading the care of the mentally ill in California over the past few years" under Lowry's leadership.

Lowry said his future plans call for working as a consultant to public and private organizations on mental health services. He will continue to reside in El Macero, near Sacramento.

During the years he has headed the department, community mental health services have expanded rapidly, with 56 of the 58 counties now providing such services, compared to 20 in 1964. Governor Reagan's 1971-72 budget for community mental health services in California is \$96 million. It was \$12 million in 1964-65.

Dr. Lowry has played a key role in the development of the legislation which has modernized and improved methods of care for the mentally ill---now being used as a guide by other states.

California also is one of only two states* which has had all of its state hospitals and institutions (15) accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals. Because of more effective hospital treatment services, the length of stay of mentally ill patients has been shortened. As a result, the number of patients in the state hospitals on a given day has decreased from about 32,500 to 11,500, even though admissions have increased from 30,000 to 40,000 per year since 1964. Overcrowding, which was a problem for decades, no longer exists in the hospitals for the mentally ill. Nursing staffing is at 100 percent of the standards adopted in 1968.

Also under Dr. Lowry's leadership of the department, programs for the mentally retarded have been added in three state hospitals since 1964, while the number of patients has decreased from 13,500 to 11,000. The standard of 70 square feet of bed space per patient (adopted in 1968, up from 55 square feet) will be achieved by July 1, 1971. State programs for the retarded have more staff than at any time in their history and the hospitals are within 18 to 24 months of reaching 100 percent of the staffing standards. The two-year waiting period for admission in 1964 has been reduced to about two and a half months.

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^{*} The other is the State of Nevada with one hospital.

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#214

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of James E. Stratten, 58, of San Francisco, as Chief of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards in the Department of Industrial Relations.

Stratten, a Republican, has served for the past two years as a member of the California Youth Authority Board.

In his new post, he will receive an annual salary of \$24,312.

Stratten succeeds Charles Hanna, who has resigned as chief of the division. Hanna, who has held the post since 1955, will continue to serve in the division.

In announcing Stratten's appointment, the governor paid tribute to Hanna, for his "long and dedicated service to the people of California."

Named by the governor to the Education Commission of the States in 1967, Stratten twice represented California at White House conferences on education.

A former president of the San Francisco Board of Education, Stratten was the first Negro to be appointed to the San Francisco Grand Jury.

He has also served as a director-at-large of the California School Boards Association, and as a director of the Fillmore Merchants and Improvement Association and a member of the San Francisco Slum Clearance and Redevelopment Agency.

Stratten holds an A.B. degree from Talladega College in Alabama, and an M.A. degree from Columbia University in New York. His home is at 662 15th Avenue, San Francisco.

Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-13-71 RELEASE: 1 dediate

#215

Governor Ronald Reagan revealed today that a 17-year upward trend of occupational injuries and deaths among state employees has been reversed as a result of a safety program initiated in 1970.

He made the disclosure during ceremonies honoring state departments with the highest achievements of reducing injuries through the Governor's Program to Reduce Occupational Injuries.

"When we started the program, accident reduction goals of 10 percent each year for three years were established to curtail this alarming increase in occupational injuries," the governor said.

"Although we missed our first year objective in terms of frequency rate, the trend has been reversed. The statewide rate has been reduced from 18.0 disabling injuries per million man hours worked in 1969 to 17.3 in 1970."

First year results of the program show a decrease of 9 deaths, 126 accidental injuries and 12,133 work days lost in 1970 than were reported in 1969.

"If the trend of the last 17 years had continued, many more families would have suffered the loss of a loved one last year. A much greater number of state employees would have been disabled due to injuries resulting from on-the-job accidents. The resulting economic hardship to our employee families would have been immeasurable," the governor said.

"The cost to California taxpayers---and this includes every one of us---was projected to increase over a million dollars in 1970.

"Instead, these costs in 1970 were actually reduced by \$555,000. This is a direct saving of over one and a half million dollars in one year."

The U.S. Department of Labor indicates that every dollar spent in direct costs is accompanied by four times that amount in indirect costs. This means a total of 8.2 million dollars was saved during the first year of the program, he pointed out.

The governor praised Earl Coke, secretary of Agriculture and Services
Agency, the cabinet coordinator for the program; and Paul B. Cossaboon,
the program manager, for their "leadership and direction."

"The real effects of this program will be measured next year,"

Cossaboon said. "The new accident prevention training programs; the valuable new ideas we received from the 'Hot Line' employee suggestion phone; our new Management Information System, and our important resource groups could not be utilized until mid-year, so the program will be more effective next year."

Cossaboon thanked the California State Employees Association, the National Safety Council, American Red Cross, American Society of Safety Engineers, the National Safety Management Society and private industry for their assistance to the program.

Awards were presented to the department directors in four categories divided according to the number of employee hours worked.

Highest achievement winners were the Department of Equalization, the Department of Consumer Affairs, Water Resources Control Board, and Banking.

Second highest achievement awards were presented to the California Highway Patrol, the Controller's Office, the Department of Health Care Services, and the Secretary of State's Office.

Six departments received Zero Accident Frequency Awards for 1970: Finance, Horse Racing Board, Legislative Counsel, Treasurer's Office, Aeronautics, and Commerce.

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Governor Reagan will accept a petition containing 6,750 signatures of persons supporting the administration's welfare reform program in his office at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday.

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#216

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Gene M. Benedetti, Cotati businessman and president of the Board of Friends of Sonoma State College, as a trustee of the California State Colleges, subject to Senate confirmation.

Benedetti, 51, a Democrat, will succeed Philip V. Sanchez of Fresno, who has resigned to accept a federal appointment.

A native of Sonoma, Benedetti is manager of the Petaluma

Cooperative Creamery and a former assistant football coach at Santa

Rosa Junior College.

He is a director of the Fourth District Agricultural Association, a member of the Sonoma County Economic Development Board, the California Dairy Institute Board, the Northern California Milk Dealers Association and has served on the board of the Friends of Sonoma State College since its inception.

Benedetti attended Santa Rosa Junior College and served as captain of its football team in 1939 and attended the University of San Francisco where he was a member of the varsity football squad.

He and his wife Evelyn have four daughters and two sons. The family home is at 8990 Poplar Avenue, Cotati.

Trustees receive necessary expenses.

Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Bt 1 445-4571 4-13-71

#217

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed William L. Marlin of Panorama City and Dr. Robert H. Hughes, Jr. of Highland to four-year-terms on the Podiatry Examining Committee in the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Marlin, vice president of a Woodland Hills investment company has served as a public member of the committee since 1967. He lives at 8900 Kester Avenue, Panorama City.

Dr. Hughes, who practices in San Bernardino, has been a committee member since 1967. He lives at 5695 Belvedere, Highland.

Both men are Republicans.

Committee members are paid \$25 for each day on official duty.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#218

Governor Ronald Reagan today proposed "the most significant
liberalization of fringe benefits for career state employees in almost
a generation."

In remarks prepared for a noon address to the California State Employees' Association Institute on Government in Sacramento, the governor called for a change in the current retirement formula which will amount to a 20 percent increase in retirement benefits for virtually all career state civil servants.

"We are asking the legislature to adopt amendments that will implement the so-called '1/50th at age 60' retirement formula for state, local and (non-teaching) school members of the public employees retirement system——those who come under the general (miscellaneous) categories of the retirement program, "he said.

The governor noted that "the basic retirement allowance formula for these categories of state employees---almost 90 percent of our career state work force---has not been changed in more than 20 years.

"The effect of this change will benefit both the individual employee and the civil service system as well. For the individual, it will mean that a career state employee may retire with maximum retirement benefits at age 63 rather than age 65.

"There would be a 5-year vesting period to establish an employee's permanent stake in the retirement program and the overall retirement program will also provide better protection of benefits for employees who transfer from agency to agency. The mandatory retirement age also will be lowered from the present maximum of 70 to age 67," the governor said.

"This plan---which we believe is the most significant liberalization of frings benefits for career state employees in almost a generation---will enable many of our long-term career employees to claim their retirement benefits far earlier than under the present program. And this, in turn, will open up new promotional opportunities for the younger career employees waiting to move into middle and top management positions.

Governor Reagan said the improvement in the retirement program #111 be accomplished at "minimal cost to the state" largely because of the improving earnings condition of the public employees retirement system fund.

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Present retirement benefits are based on an anticipated 5% percent earnings from the retirement fund's investment program. "Because of recent increases in interest rates, along with good performance by common stock investments," the governor said the fund's earnings potential has been "strengthened sufficiently to anticipate an interest return of 5-3/4 percent.

"As a result, we have a one-time opportunity to accomplish a deserved improvement of retirement benefits at relatively minimal cost to the state in what otherwise is a rather bleak period of fiscal austerity.

"We shall propose these changes in the retirement program as amendments to Senate Bill 249 (Sen. Donald Grunsky, R-Watsonville)," the governor said. "If they are enacted, these improvements in the retirement plan can be enacted into law this year," he added.

The proposed liberalization of retirement benefits would cover about

The proposed liberalization of retirement benefits would cover about 90 percent of the membership of the public employees retirement system. In addition to state employees, the system provides retirement benefits on a contract basis to employees of 35 counties, 270 cities, all classified (non-teaching) employees of school districts and employees of 300 other public agencies, and special districts, etc.

Employees and the agencies which employ them finance the fund by regular contributions. The retirement program also benefits from interest earned from its investment program.

The proposed improvement has been endorsed by the Committee on Municipal Government and Administration of the League of California Cities. It has been a prime goal of the California State Employees Association for a number of years.

Governor Reagan's 1971-72 budget also includes an \$11 million fringe benefit package for state employees, including \$7.7 million for time-and-a-half benefits, \$3.3 million to finance night differential pay for employees required to work regularly in the evening hours, and \$234,000 to extend unemployment compensation to state employees for the first time in the state's history.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed Hal A. Campbell of 25389 Avenue 120, Porterville and Don Kurihara of 14623 Avenue 412, Orosi, to four-year terms on the 24th District Agricultural Association (Tulare County Fair).

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Both men are citrus farmers and both have served on the board since 1967. They are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#220

Governor Ronald Reagan today named William E. Hawkins and reappointed Claude O. Sharp, both of Hollister, to four-year terms on the 33rd District Agricultural Association (San Benito County Fair).

Hawkins, a cattle rancher and civic leader, succeeds his father Thomas B. Hawkins, a veteran of 30 years service on the board, who has resigned.

Active in the San Benito County and California State Cattlemen's Association, Hawkins is also chairman of the North County School District Board of Trustees.

He lives at 1308 Comstock Road, Hollister. He is a Republican.

Sharp, also a rancher, has served on the board since 1947. He
lives at 5191 Southside Road, Hollister. He is a Democrat.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#221

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed <u>Dr. Mun Fa Lee of</u>
Kelseyville to fill an unexpired term on the <u>Mendocino State Hospital</u>
Advisory Board.

Dr. Lee, 38, an internist, will fill the term of Dr. Donald G. Joyce of Lakeport, which ends in December of 1973. Dr. Joyce said he will be unable to complete his term.

A graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles,

Dr. Lee earned his medical degree at Loma Linda University. He is a

member of the American, California and Lake County Medical Associations
and president of the Heart Association of the Redwood Empire.

Dr. Lee and his wife, Vivian, who is also a practizing physician, have one daughter. Their home address is P.O. Box 597, Kelseyville.

Dr. Lee is not affiliated with a political party.

Advisory board members receive necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#222

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed Richard K. Humphries of Walnut Creek to a four-year term on the Industrial Safety Board of the Department of Industrial Relations.

Humphries, a Democrat, is a construction consultant. He has served on the board since 1959.

He lives at 1429 Via Loma, Walnut Creek.

Board members are paid \$25 per day for actual attendance at meetings.

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Contact: Paul Bec.
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#223

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of Robert J.

Kerstiens of Red Bluff and reappointment of Robert P. Martin, Jr., of

Corning, to the 30th District Agricultural Association (Tehama Totem Fair

Kerstiens, 45, a State Forest Ranger and cattle rancher, succeeds

Frank H. Spanfelner, Jr., of Red Bluff, who did not seek reappointment.

Kerstiens' address is Route 1, Box 195, Red Bluff.

Martin, a Corning florist, has served on the board since 1967.

Both men are Republicans.

Board members serve four-year-terms and receive necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#224

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Harold J. Sinclair, a Los Angeles attorney, to the Los Angeles Judicial District Municipal Court.

Sinclair, 52, a Republican, will succeed Judge Ernest Kelly who has been elevated to the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

A native of Sacramento, Sinclair has practiced law in the Los Angeles area since 1948. He is a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles and earned his law degree from the University of Southern California.

Sinclair will be receiving an annual salary of \$30,724. He and his wife Marguerite live in Malibu.

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RELEASE: Immediate

State of California
James M. Hall, Secretary
Sacramento 4-15-71

After learning that Sacramento County Superior Court Judge William

Gallagher had issued a temporary restraining order against the state

to require a 21.4 percent increase in AFDC grants, State Euman Relations

Secretary James Hall said:

"If preliminary news reports are accurate, it appears that the judge was misled by the untrue statements of a welfare rights attorney into believing that without such an order California would lose federal welfare monies. This is simply not true. We have already informed the Department of Health, Education and Welfare that state regulations are being drawn up and will be ready for adoption May 1 to meet federal conformity standards.

"The fact is, California is not in imminent danger of losing federal funds as the judge was apparently led falsely to believe. Furthermore, it is incredible to us that an order of such magnitude as this could be issued without a full and adequate hearing into the arguments of all parties.

"Because the ruling was made at the request of a single party, without the State of California having been heard, we have instructed our attorneys to immediately appeal the decision.

"In the meantime, we intend to continue our efforts to reform welfare so that the truly needy are not deprived of the additional assistance they require."

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RELEASE: Immediate

#225

Governor Ronald Reagan today named Colonel Robert L. Vickers, U. S.

Air Force (ret.), as deputy director of the Office of Emergency Services.

Colonel Vickers, 52, a Republican, will receive an annual salary of \$20,496, in the new post created by the 1970 legislature.

A veteran Air Force legal officer, his last military assignment was as director of Military and Civil Law in the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate at the Headquarters of the Air Force Logistics Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio.

He also has served in the Air Force's legal department throughout the United States and in England and Japan.

Colonel Vickers attended East Texas Baptist College and Meadows-Draughon Business College in Shreveport, Louisiana and earned his law degree in 1949 at Tulane University.

He and his wife Dorothy live at 5745 Lewis Way, Concord. They have one daughter.

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RELEASE: Immediate

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Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Mrs. Neta D. Rephun of
Lancaster and reappointed Lee. S. Jaqua of Lancaster and Jack S. Bones
of Littlerock to the 50th District Agricultural Association (Antelope
Valley Fair).

Mrs. Rephun, a realtor and civic leader, lives at 1454 West Kettering, Lancaster. She will fill the unexpired term of Chris Sherri of Lancaster, who has resigned. The term ends in January, 1974.

Jaqua, a manufacturer and rancher, and Bones, a farmer and chairman of the fair board, have been directors of the association since 1967.

Jaqua lives at 1666 West Lancaster Boulevard, Lancaster, and Bones lives at 35906 North 85th Street East, Littlerock. Both were named to four-year-terms.

All three directors are Republicans. They will receive necessary expenses.

RELEASE: Immediate

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Governor Ronald Reagan announced the following bills

have been signed:

AB 82 - Dunlap (Chapter 19)

Allows assignment or subletting by the Upper Solano Association for Retarded Children of its lease of certain state lands within the Medical Facility at Vacaville to any public agency upon approval by the Director of General Services and the Department of Corrections.

AB 107 - MacDonald (Chapter 21)

Requires the board of supervisors of each county to designate a county officer or employee to have the responsibility for developing a coordinated countywide community drug abuse control plan, with various institutions and agencies contributing, and to submit the plan to the board of supervisors. Present law applies only to counties of over 40,000 population.

AB 242 - Gonsalves (Chapter 25)

Authorizes a health planning agency, if it declares that good cause has been shown, to extend until July 1, 1972, the date upon which applicants, who filed applications relating to voluntary area planning programs involving health facilities prior to January 1, 1970, and who received approval of such application prior to such date from the health planning association of the county wherein the applicant is located, are required to commence construction of their facilities.

AB 477 - LaCoste (Chapter 20)

Provides for uniform mileage payments to justice, municipal and superior court jurors in Stanislaus County.

SB 8 - Collier (Chapter 24)

Permits any election officer, rather than only the inspector and judge of election, to be paid for his services as such in a school district election.

SB 430 - Burgener (Chapter 18)

Extends the time for filing a map or plat of a newly created tax zone in a county service area, in order for local jurisdictions to impose taxes in accordance with such change for the 1971-72 fiscal year.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#228

Governor Ronald Reagan reported today that the number of traffic fatalities on California's streets and highways reached a new all-time low in 1970.

He said that the mileage death rate, continuing a downward trend which began in 1964, declined to 4.2 deaths per 100 million miles of travel.

At the same time there were decreases in the total number of traffic deaths and a decline of 3.4 percent in fatal accidents from 1969.

The governor credited the safety record to vigorous law enforcement and the construction of 275 miles of new freeway.

On the 3,000 miles of full, access-controlled freeways, which accounted for nearly one third of all state-wide travel, the fatality rate reached a new all-time low of 2.23 per 100 million miles.

While traffic accidents claimed 4,901 in 1970, a decrease of 179 from the previous year, only 880 lives were lost on freeways, he said.

And at the same time the 14,500 mile state highway system upon which 60 billion miles were driven last year, the death rate was reduced by 6.3 percent to 3.79 per 100 million miles of travel.

The governor cited figures compiled by the California Highway Patrol, the Business and Transportation Agency and the Department of Public Works, which also revealed that:

- --Accidents involving more than one vehicle decreased 5 percent.
- -- Fatal accidents in cities decreased 7 percent.
- -- The number of pedestrians killed at city intersections declined by 29 percent and the total number of pedestrian fatalities was down 6 percent.

"While we can take pride in our safety record, we cannot relax our efforts in the field of highway safety or in law enforcement," the governor said.

"The California Highway Patrol increased its arrests of drunken drivers by more than 20 percent in 1970 and we believe that this is responsible for a 2.4 percent decline in fatal accidents that involved a single vehicle," he said.

Figures released by the CHP show that 69,546 arrests were made for drunken driving as compared with 57,839 arrests in 1969. City and county law enforcement officers made 128,455 arrests for drunken driving.

The governor expressed concern over other figures from the report that showed a 26 percent increase of fatal accidents on city streets that involved left turns; an increase of 4 percent in the number of fatal accidents on country roads; a 21 percent increase in the number of fatal motorcycle accidents and a 34 percent increase in the number of bicyclists who died in traffic accidents.

He pointed out that motorcycle registration has almost matched the rate of increase of motorcycle accidents. At the end of 1970, 561,621 motorcycles were registered in California, an increase of 19.6 percent.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#229

Governor Ronald Reagan today received word from Secretary of
Health, Education and Welfare Elliot Richardson reaffirming earlier
assurances that California has until June 30 to take steps to bring
California's welfare program into conformity with federal requirements.

Secretary Richardson made the commitment in a telephone call to the governor this morning following receipt of a letter from State Social Welfare Director Robert Carleson outlining the state's plans to have ready for adoption by May 1 new emergency regulations designed to accomplish conformity.

Governor Reagan described Richardson's personal assurance to him as "an excellent example of the kind of federal-state cooperation which is necessary if we are to resolve this difficult problem."

In addition, the governor said the June 30 deadline will give the California legislature more than enough time to enact his comprehensive welfare reform program which puts the state's conformity on a statutory basis, eliminating the need for emergency regulations.

MEMO TO THE PRESS

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GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE
April 19, 1971
through
April 25, 1971

Monday, April 19-Tuesday, April 20

Republican Governors' Conference, Williamsburg.

(Overnight - Virginia)

Wednesday, April 21

p.m. Return to Sacramento

(Overnight - Sacramento)

Thursday, April 22

No public appointments scheduled.

(Overnight - Sacramento)

Friday; April 23

Noon "Tempo" TV show, KHJ-TV, 5515 Melrose, Los Angeles.

6:45 p.m. YAF Dinner at Disneyland Hotel,"A Salute to George

Murphy." Speech.

(Overnight - Los Angeles)

Saturday, April 24

No public appointments scheduled.

(Overnight - Los Angeles)

Sunday, April 25

No public appointments scheduled.

(Overnight - Sacramento)

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RELEASE: Immediate

#231

Governor Ronald Reagan today named James L. Flournoy, Los

Angeles attorney and civil rights leader, to the Workmen's Compensation

Appeals Board.

Flournoy, 55, the Republican candidate for Secretary of State in 1970, will succeed George A. Jackson of Los Angeles, whose term has expired. The post pays an annual salary of \$33,396.

Active in civic and civil rights affairs, Flournoy holds awards from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the YMCA for his "outstanding contributions" to civil rights and community activities.

He is a member of the Urban League, the NAACP, the U. S. Civil Rights Commission, the Advisory Board of Christians and Jews for Law and Morality, the Board of Managers of the South Central YMCA in Watts, Men of Tomorrow, and president of the Southwest Chamber of Commerce.

He also is active in the American Red Cross, the Los Angeles
Community Chest and a number of other civic, service and professional
organizations including the Southwest Bar Association, the Los Angeles
County Bar Association, the State Bar of California and the American
Judicature Society.

A graduate of Bishop College in Dallas Texas, where he earned a degree in science, Flournoy served as a science and math instructor and basketball coach until he joined the U.S. Army in 1945.

After his military service, he completed graduate work in science at the University of Southern California at Los Angeles, and entered Southwestern University where he earned his law degree.

His home is at 4155 Mt. Vernon Drive, Los Angeles. The appointment is subject to Senate confirmation.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#232

Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Frank M. Alden,
Watsonville rancher and feed company owner, and reappointed Louis J.
Resetar, Jr., a Watsonville farmer, to four-year-terms on the 14th
District Agricultural Association (Santa Cruz County Fair).

Alden, who lives at 62 Holm Road, Watsonville, succeeds C. William Nielson of Watsonville, whose term has expired.

Resetar, who lives at 801 Virginia Street, Watsonville, has served on the board since 1963.

Both men are Republicans.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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#233

Governor Ronald Reagan has reappointed Therrold K. Marshall, a Meridian rancher and Colusa County Supervisor C. Martin Wilmarth to four-year-terms on the 44th District Agricultural Association (Colusa County Fair).

Marshall, whose address is P. O. Box 175, Princeton, and Wilmarth, who lives at 400 Roberts Road, Colusa, have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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The following statement, attributable to an administration spokesman, was read to United Press International and the Los Angeles Times, April 16.

We have today informed federal OEO officials in Washington that an article appearing in the Los Angeles Times this morning misrepresents the position of the State of California with respect to the proceedings of a commission appointed by the federal government to investigate the California Rural Legal Assistance Program (CRLA).

The article mistakenly alleges that the director of the State
Office of Economic Opportunity will not attend the proceedings or
participate in the commission's investigation of CRLA's activities.

The Times story apparently was based on a misunderstanding and misinterprets the state's position.

The State of California has stated repeatedly that it will provide all possible assistance to the commission in its investigation of CRLA. Allegations to the contrary are unfounded.

In addition, the State of California intends now, as it has in the past, to be present during all the proceedings which may bear on the purpose of this investigation of CRLA.

RELEASE: Immediate

#234

Governor Ronald Reagan has reappointed Richard A. Childs and Harry T. Trehearne both of Crescent City to four-year-terms on the 41st District Agricultural Association (Del Norte County Fair).

Childs, a line superintendent for Pacific Power and Light Company, lives at 416 Wendell Street, Crescent City and Trehearne, a businessman, lives at 1750 Macken Street, Crescent City.

Both men have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

RELEASE: Immediate

#235

Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the appointment of Donald

F. Joost of Walnut Creek and the reappointment of Rowland H. Barrett

of Walnut Creek to four-year-terms on the 23rd District Agricultural

Association (Contra Costa County Fair).

Joost, process manager of utilities at Shell Oil Company in Martinez, succeeds the late Donald E. Little of Oakley,

Joost lives at 340 Muller Road, Walnut Creek.

Barrett, owner and operator of a dental laboratory, has served on the board since 1963. He lives at 2600 Jones Street, Walnut Creek.

Both men are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

Governor Reagan will videotape "News Conference" at KNBC (television channe: 4), Los Angeles, at 3 p.m. Friday, April 23. The program will be played back on the station Saturday, April 24, at 6:30 p.m.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#236

Governor Ronald Reagan has reappointed Robert A. Bryant, a farmer, of 3492 Colusa Highway, Yuba City and John K. T. Forsman, a rancher, of 2700 Plumas-Arboga Road, Marysville, to four-year-terms on the 13th District Agricultural Association (Yuba-Sutter Fair).

Both have served on the board since 1967. Both are Republicans. Board members receive necessary expenses.

RELEASE: Immediate

#237

Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the reappointments of

Joseph G. Moore of Hillsborough and John R. Metcalf of San Francisco to

four-year-terms on the 1-a District Agricultural Association (Grand

National Livestock Exposition, Horse Show and Rodeo in San Francisco).

Moore, a cattle rancher and horse breeder, and Metcalf, vice president of an insurance company, have served on the board since 1967.

Moore lives at 124 West Santa Inez, Hillsborough, and Metcalf lives at 2864 Broadway, San Francisco. Both are Republicans.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

RELEASE: Immediate

#238

Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the reappointment of

Fidelio (Phil) Saenz of Bonita and Frank MacBride, Jr., of Sacramento
to four-year-terms on the Real Estate Commission.

Saenz, a special assistant to the District Attorney of San Diego County, has served on the board since 1970 as a public member. He is a Republican. His home is at 3703 Bonita View Drive, Bonita.

MacBride, a realtor, has served on the board since 1967. He is a Republican. He lives at 2021 Rockwood Drive, Sacramento,

Commissioners are paid expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#239

__Acting Governor Ed Reinecke today announced the appointment of Clifford R. Anderson, Jr., of San Marino as Chairman of the Council on Intergovernmental Relations (CIR).

Anderson, a partner in the law firm of Darby, Fleming, Anderson, and Hager, and a former city councilman, will assume the chairmanship created by the resignation of Ross Barrett of Los Angeles.

Reinecke, who is a member of CIR and has been designated Chief Executive Officer for Intergovernmental Relations by Governor Reagan, praised the excellent contribution made by Ross Barrett.

Anderson, a Republican, will head CIR which is responsible for linking the state and local governments and encouraging intergovernmental problem-solving.

"With his experience as a councilman and planning commissioner,

Cliff Anderson understands the multitude of complexities which are faced

by every level of government. His experience should prove to be of

untold benefit to this council," acting Governor Reinecke said.

A graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, where he obtained an AB degree in 1950, and a graduate of the University of Southern California Law School, Anderson was admitted to the California Bar in 1953. He is a member of four bar associations and is a former councilman and planning commission member in the City of Monterey Park. He is married and the father of four children.

Council members receive no compensation, except expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

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Acting Governor Ed Reinecke has signed the following bills:

AB 683 - Bee (Chapter 26)

Extends the deadline for filing the required statement, map or plat regarding detachment of territory from a community service district where proceedings are completed by April 9, 1971 for such detachment to be effective for taxation and assessment purposes in the 1971-72 fiscal year.

SB 82 - Nejedly (Chapter 27)

Includes a county counsel and city attorney within the group of officials before whom proof or acknowledgement of an instrument may be made.

SB 237 - Teale (Chapter 28)

Extends the deadline for filing the required statement, map or plat regarding the boundaries of a reorganized school district where proceedings are completed by February 10, 1971, for such reorganization to be effective for taxation and assessment purposes in the 1971-72 fiscal years.

RELEASE: Immediate

井241

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of Clayton A. Record, Jr., of San Jacinto and the reappointments of Mrs. Lula M. Schlack of Hemet and John R. Harrison of Perris to the 46th District Agricultural Association (Farmers Fair of Riverside County).

Record, a dairy operator active in civic and agricultural affairs, will fill the unexpired term of John F. McManus of Riverside who has resigned. The term ends in January, 1972.

Record lives at 39179 Idlewild Drive, San Jacinto.

Mrs. Schlack, who also is active in civic affairs and is an advisor director to the Western Fairs Association, has served on the board since 1967. She lives at 40787 Crest Drive, Hemet.

Harrison, operator of a feed and seed and farm supply business, is chairman of the fair board. He has served on the association since 1963. He lives at Highway 395, Romoland.

Mrs. Schlack and Harrison were reappointed to four-year-terms. All three directors are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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RELEASE: Immediate

井242

Governor Ronald Reagan has reappointed Don S. Avery and Harry

C. Hanna, both of Etna, to four-year-terms on the 10th District

Agricultural Association (Siskiyou County Fair).

Avery, a retired newspaper publisher and civic leader, and Hanna, a rancher and cartoonist, have served on the board since 1967.

Avery's address is Box 617, Etna, and Hanna's address is Star Route, Etna. Both men are Republicans.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

#243

GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE
April 26, 1971
through
May 2, 1971

Monday, April 26

11:30 a.m. Governor Reagan will introduce a major policy

decision concerning transportation. Room 1190.

Overnight - Sacramento

Tuesday, April 27

10:30 a.m. PRESS CONFERENCE

Overnight - Sacramento

Wednesday, April 28

No appointments scheduled.

Overnight - Sacramento

Thursday, April 29

No appointments scheduled.

Overnight - Sacramento

Friday, April 30

No appointments scheduled.

Overnight - Sacramento

Saturday, May 1

United Republicans of California Convention,

Hacienda Hotel, Fresno. Speech.

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Sunday, May 2

No appointments scheduled.

Overnight - Sacramento

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-23-71 RELEASE: Immediate

#244

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the reappointments of Fred D. Corfee, Sacramento stockbroker and George W. G. Smith,

Courtland farmer, to four-year terms on the 52nd District Agricultural Association (California State Fair Horse Show).

Corfee, who lives at 441 Bret Harte Road, Sacramento, and Smith, whose address is Box 205, Courtland, have served on the board since 1967.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-23-71

RELEASE: Immediate

#245

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the reappointment of

Mrs. Eleanor Hiller, prominent Southern California civic leader, to a

four-year term as a member of the California Women's Board of Terms and

Parole.

Mrs. Hiller, a Republican, has served on the board since 1967. She will receive an annual salary of \$11,340.

She lives at 922 North Bel Aire Drive, Burbank.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#246

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed Mrs. Martha C. Salter a housewife of Kelseyville, and Michael R. Salter, manager of a Clearlake Highlands insurance company, to four-year-terms on the 49th District Agricultural Association (Lake County Fair).

Mrs. Salter, who lives at Buckingham Park in Kelseyville has served on the board since 1967, and Salter (no relation) who lives on Memory Lane in Clearlake Highlands, has been a board member since 1970.

Both are Republicans.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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Governor Reagan will make a major policy statement this morning at 11:30 a.m. in Room 1190.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERN RELEASE: I ediate Sacramento, California Paul Beck Contact: 445-4571 4-26-71 #247 Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following statement: "California's freeway system, as you all know, is considered one of the finest in the world. You are also aware that in a recent nation-wide competition for the most beautiful highways, our state took five of the top nine awards. "I am certain too that it is no secret that there are those who are opposed to all highway construction. They tell us that all of our pollution problems --- or at least most of them --- would vanish if we closed our highways and outlawed the automobile. "The solution, of course, is not to close our highways or to banish the automobile, but to eliminate the problems it causes. "We are working at every level, as you are also aware, to solve the problems caused by the automobile. And we are constantly improving our highways to protect not only the ecology but the people who must travel. "Our efforts have and are attracting national and international attention. As usual, California is blazing paths for others to follow. "Today, I am happy to announce that California is literally taking another new direction in planning its entire transportation system. "The Department of Public Works is initiating a policy which will bring local government and local citizens even further into the decision making process, enabling us to not only consider future freeway routes but whether freeways are needed at all. Or whether an alternate transportation system may be more desirable. "The department's technical staff will identify, within logical transportation corridors, what specific modes of transportation are best suited to provide maximum service to the public. "In addition, each local government involved will also become a full partner in the transportation corridor study and will assign its own members to the study teams, with state highway engineers and planners. "Under this new policy, the planning process will begin by asking whether a freeway is actually needed. If the cooperative study concludes that it is not, it will be recommended that it be deleted from the California Freeway and Expressway System. "Secondly, the full partnership role for local government will encourage the participation of more citizens in the freeway planning process. "Third, this policy will ensure a continuing responsiveness by individuals, communities and governments to environmental concerns. Freeways have a major impact on the environment of neighborhoods and communities. This policy further augments a series of directives issued by Director of Public Works Jim Moe during the past several years to include full consideration of local environmental goals in the planning of freeways.

"Fourth, this new direction meets a need in total transportation planning by providing for the inclusion of existing transportation districts in the state's freeway planning process.

"Now, I would like to introduce Brian Van Camp, Secretary of Business and Transportation, and Jim Moe, who will answer your questions." OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-26-71

RELEASE: Immediate

#248

Robert W. Karpe, Bakersfield realtor and a past president of the California Real Estate Association, as Real Estate Commissioner.

Karpe, 40, whose appointment is subject to Senate confirmation, will fill the unexpired term of Burton E. Smith of Bellflower, who has resigned to accept a position in the private sector. The term ends January 15, 1975.

The Real Estate Commissioner is paid an annual salary of \$30,000.

Karpe, a Republican, president of his own firm of realtors, is active in Bakersfield civic affairs including the Chamber of Commerce, YMCA, Boy Scouts, Better Business Bureau and several University of California Alumni organizations.

He served as president of the California Real Estate Association in 1968 and is a past president of the Bakersfield Board of Realtors and a past director of the National Association of Real Estate Boards.

Karpe and his wife Phyllis have three children.

Their address is Star Route, Tehachapi.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-27-71

RELEASE: Immediate

#249

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointments of

E. Lamar Johnston of New Cuyama and Franklin L. Barnes, Jr., of Julian

and reappointed Harold R. Crane, Jr., of Corning to the State Board

of Forestry, subject to Senate confirmation.

Johnston, a cattle rancher and conservationist, will fill the unexpired term of the late Paul Aurignac of San Ardo. The term ends in January, 1972.

Johnston, 52, a Republican, is president of the New Cuyama Soil Conservation District, is a past president of the Santa Barbara Cattlemen's Association and is active in the California Cattlemen's Association, the Cuyama Valley Improvement Association, the Farm Bureau and groups concerned with land conservation and fish and game. He will represent livestock on the board.

He is married and has three children. His address is Box 263, New Cuyama.

Barnes, 36, a farmer and former instructor in biology and geology at the University of San Diego, has completed extensive research in ecology problems at the University of Michigan, in Alaska and as a member of the University of Utah Ecology and Epidemiology Group. He will serve in a newly-crated public membership post on the board.

A graduate of Pomona College with a degree in Botany, he completed post-graduate work at the University of Michigan, majoring in ecology and natural resources.

Barnes, a Republican, is married and has two children. His address is Manzanita Ranch, P. O. Box 684, Julian.

Crane, 48, president and general manager of a lumber products firm, has served on the hourd since 1967, representing forest lands. He is a Republican. He and his wife June have five children. The family lives at 1218 West Street, Corning.

Board members serve four year terms and are paid necessary expenses.

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#250

Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the reappointments of
William D. Evans of La Jolla and Franklin L. Barnes of Julian to
four year terms on the 22nd District Agricultural Association (Southern
California Exposition, Del Mar).

Evans, a motel and hotel owner, lives at 7819 La Jolla Scenic Drive, La Jolla, and Barnes, a farmer and orchardist, lives in Julian. His address is P. O. Box 684. Both men are Republicans. Both have served on the board since 1967.

Board members are paid necessary expenses.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-27-71

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#251

Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following statement:

"I would like to announce this morning the establishment of a new program aimed at continuing California's commitment to preserving and enhancing the natural beauty of our state, the first program of this kind in the United States.

"By executive order, I have created the California Ecology Corps which will have two main objectives: the first allows us to increase our efforts in protecting California's environment. The second enables us to draw on selected young men who have volunteered to become a trained work force involved in numerous conservation projects.

"The California Ecology Corps will become a new and vital arm of our state's environmental protection program and also will be on standby duty in the event of disasters, including forest fires and floods.

"The selective service system will immediately begin soliciting volunteers for the CEC---including those young men classified as conscientious objectors to military service---to man state facilities currently scheduled to be closed.

"On July 1 we intend to open two or more "ecology centers" in northern California utilizing these volunteers. While this program envisages the use of all physically-able young men as volunteers, preliminary planning calls for the 'ecology centers' to be manned primarily by those who are classified as conscientious objectors.

"As you may know, those who have been certified by the selective service system as conscientious objectors to military service are required to complete 24 months of 'appropriate civilian work' as an alternative. We are hopeful that those young men so classified by their draft boards will volunteer for the California Ecology Corps.

"Volunteers will be paid \$15 a month and will be provided uniforms and housing in the 'ecology center' dormitories, as well as food.

"At these centers, members of the CEC will become a trained work force clearing streams, improving beaches and parks, working on reforestation projects, building fuel breaks and serving as a ready reserve for combating forest fires, floods and other natural disasters.

"The CEC will come under the jurisdiction of Jim Stearns, Director of the Department of Conservation.

"This program can be accommodated within existing budgeted funds. But more important, it will provide an organized group of young men who can lend their efforts for a common purpose---that of preserving California's great assets and beauty,"

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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

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CALIFORNIA ECOLOGY CORPS

PRESS BACKGROUND REPORT

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CALIFORNIA ECOLOGY CORPS

An all-volunteer California Ecology Corps, with a primary goal of preserving and protecting California's natural resource environment, has been established by Governor Ronald Reagan.

The Corps has been designated as "appropriate civilian work" for young men having conscientious objector status to volunteer under the Selective Service Act.

Under the direction of the Department of Conservation, and supervised by the Division of Forestry, the Corps will engage in a wide array of conservation projects.

Improving Recreational Opportunities: Working in park areas, the Corps will engage in such activities as building trails, improving access to remote areas, improving and developing camp sites, erosion control and clean-up efforts.

<u>Wildlife Assistance</u>: Deer and game habitat will be improved; streams cleared to aid natural propagation of fish life and for flood control; access to remote areas of public game areas will be improved.

<u>Forests</u>: The Corps will participate in reforestation projects, build fuelbreaks, clear streams, work on revegetation projects, seed burned-over areas, and assist in other programs to improve California's forests and watersheds.

Although environment protection will be the principal objective of the Corps, it serves as another valuable asset for the citizens of California: A ready reserve of trained manpower to combat the menace of forest fires, floods and other natural disasters. In addition, the Corps will be available to local authorities for assistance in search and rescue missions.

California already maintains the world's outstanding forest firefighting force -- the Division of Forestry -- but the California Ecology Corps will provide instant backup service and will be thoroughly trained in fire control by the Division of Forestry.

In its pilot stages, the Corps will encompass three Ecology Centers accommodating approximately 80 men each.

Conscientious objectors are those young men who have been so designated by the Selective Service System as a result of having declared their conscientious objections to serving in the armed military service.

Those so classified, and having met the physical standards of military service, must complete 24 months of "appropriate civilian work." The work must be with a non-profit organization and must be "in the national interest."

The Selective Service System defines "appropriate civilian work" as service to a government agency or a non-profit corporation whose activities benefit the general public and do not principally benefit the organization or governmental entity itself.

The regulations of the Selective Service System also state the following, in part:

Civilian work which is appropriate to be performed in lieu of induction into the Armed Forces by registrants classified in Class I-O should meet the criteria prescribed in Section 1660.1 of the Selective Service Regulations.

Whenever possible, the work should be performed outside of the community in which the registrant resides. The position should be one that cannot readily be filled from the available competitive labor force, or from civil service or merit registers of the federal, state or local governments, and should constitute a disruption of the registrant's normal way of life somewhat comparable to the disruption of a registrant who is inducted into the Armed Forces.

(Source: Paragraph 1, Local Board Memorandum No. 64, as amended September 12, 1968; issued by National Headquarters, Selective Service System.

When a registrant (for the draft) has been classified in Class I-O volunteers for civilian work in lieu of induction (into the military service) and has been found qualified for service in the Armed Forces, (he) shall be processed in the same manner as a volunteer for induction except that, in lieu of induction, he shall be ordered by the local (draft) board to perform civilian work.

(Same source as above; Paragraph 2.)

Any registrant who is between the ages of 18 and 26 and who has been classified in Class I-O, or who claims eligibility for classification in Class I-O, may volunteer at his local board for civilian work contributing to the maintenance of the national health, safety or interest in lieu of induction.

(Source: Section 1660.10, Selective Service System Regulations.)

Volunteers will apply to their Selective Service Boards for enlistment in the Corps.

Volunteers will be provided room and board at the Center. Clothing will also be supplied. Safety standards required of regular firefighters of the Division of Forestry will apply, including reasonably short hair and an allowance for properly trimmed mustaches.

ECOLOGY CENTERS

The California Ecology Corps will operate out of Ecology Centers.

At this time, the exact locations of the Centers have not been selected. This is primarily because a determination must first be

made as to where the bulk of the work programs involving the Corps will be, and then determining which state-owned facilities are closer to that work. In any event, the Centers will be former conservation camps, five of which are being phased out by the State.

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#252

The governor's office today issued the following statement:

Because of the numerous inquiries regarding Governor Reagan's

out-of-state speaking schedule for the Republican Party, we would like

to clearly and finally state his position.

Last December at the Republican Governors Conference, he was asked by several Republican governors to come to their states this year to help with serious party financial problems.

Last month he spoke in Minnesota and Wisconsin at the request of former Governors LeVander and Knowles.

Because of the speculation in the press following those speeches, the governor stipulated that any further engagements outside California for the GOP would be accepted at the request of the White House and that all arrangements would be made by the Republican National Committee.

In every case, the governor specifically noted that he would limit his speaking engagements to those that assist the reelection of the National Administration in 1972.

The governor receives nothing personally for his speaking engagements. However, a share of the proceeds from fund-raisers where he appears will come to California and be placed in a fund administered by the Republican State Central Committee for those political expenses incurred because of his position as head of the Party in California and which are not properly charged to the taxpayers.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-28-71 RELEASE: Immediate

#253

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced he will support urgency legislation which will fully reimburse California counties for the business inventory tax exemption.

In telegrams to all county boards of supervisors, the governor said he is hopeful an "early agreement" can be reached so that the bill (AB 559-Gonsalves) can be enacted into law prior to the time the counties must formulate their budgets.

Because of the state's cash flow problem, the governor said the director of finance has set October 31 as the date the cash payment can be made.

"This is part of our continuing effort to avoid any cost shift to the county taxpayer," the governor said in announcing support of the bill. If the counties agree to the October 31 date, the governor said he would sign a letter authorizing the legislation to be enacted prior to passage of the budget.

The counties would be reimbursed about \$15.6 million out of funds set aside for business inventory tax relief. The augmentation will fully reimburse the counties for their last tax revenues as a result of the business inventory tax relief granted by the state.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-28-71

RELEASE: Immediate

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Governor Ronald Reagan said today that he will ask the

Department of Agriculture to work with the California fair industry
and its public representatives to improve the quality of district
and county expositions and make them self-sufficient.

His announcement followed a report from the Commission on California State Government Organization and Economy (The Little Hoover Commission) and its subcommittee study of fairs receiving state financial support.

Testimony at public hearings conducted by the commission demonstrated that industry and the public are overwhelmingly opposed to the consolidation of fairs and support the continuance of both district and county fairs, the governor said.

Terming the study "significant," the governor said it offers the opportunity to improve budgetary review, develop criteria for determining allocations of state funds, provides incentives for more efficient or effective operations, shift additional premium money to junior exhibitors and develop and maintain active programs.

All of these steps are directed toward improving the quality of California fairs, the governor said, adding that primary attention should be focused on achieving self-sufficiency in funding.

Department of Agriculture Director Jerry W. Fielder will have the responsibility for the cooperative effort, the governor said. OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-28-71

RELEASE: Immediate

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Governor Ronald Reagan today sent the following letter
to members of the Office of Economic Opportunity Commission on California
Rural Legal Assistance, Inc., San Francisco.

The members of the commission are: Robert B. Williamson, retired chief justice of the Maine Supreme Court; Robert B. Lee, justice of the Colorado Supreme Court and George R. Currie, retired chief justice of the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

"I am concerned that newspaper accounts of my remarks at a press conference in Sacramento yesterday (April 27) may have led you to believe I was being critical of you as members of the commission.

"I want to assure you such an inference would not be correct, and I believe that the full context of my remarks (transcript attached) will show clearly that this was not my intent.

"In answering reporters' questions with respect to the role of the commission, I said that it was never our understanding that the purpose of the commission would be to somehow put the State of California on trial in an adversary, courtroom-type proceeding as a result of my having exercised the responsibilities of a governor in making a decision pertaining to the funding of an OEO grantee. As you know, the pederal Economic Opportunity Act requires that a governor either approve or disapprove such grants.

"I was assured by high-level representatives of the U. S. Department of Justice and Federal OEO, in late January, 1971, that the role of the commission would be to conduct a thorough and complete investigation into the activities of CRLA and review alternative proposals aimed at improving the delivery of legal services to the rural poor.

"It was on the basis of this understanding---worked but during a number of lengthy meetings and telephone conversations in Washington and Sacramento---that I agreed to the formation of such a commission and the issuance of a six-month interim grant to CRLA through June 30, 1971. It also was for this reason, as I pointed out several times in yesterday's press conference, that you apparently were misinformed by OEO in Washington as to the proper role and objectives of the commission.

"Our discussions involved representatives of the justice Department as well as the Federal Office of Economic Opportunity, since we had advised them that the Federal OEO Director's actions could result in a federal court lawsuit by the State of California.

"We were ultimately given the firm understanding that:

- "1. There would not be an adversary prodeeding and the State of California was not to be considered a 'party' in any litigation sense.
- "2. The investigation was to be of CRLA, <u>not</u> of the validity of my veto, which the Federal Director of OEO has already determined not to override.
- "3. When appropriate, the proceedings should be closed in order to receive privileged information.
- "4. The Commission, in fairness to CRLA and the rural poor, should conduct an extensive, in-depth field investigation of CRLA to include, but certainly not to be limited to, our own study and evaluation of CRLA.

"When we learned that these instructions had not been given to you, we again contacted the federal officials to protest. We were again reassured that the procedures which had been agreed to during our original discussions would be followed.

"Unfortunate as it is that these procedures apparently are not going to be followed, we were nonetheless pleased that the April 16 letter from the Commission---recognizing that the State of California is not a party to the proceedings---relieved us of the duties and responsibilities normally borne by a party to such a hearing.

"It is apparent that you were not made aware of the agreements which were reached between the State of California and federal officials. Therefore, I can only sympathize with you in your obvious frustration at being ill-equipped to conduct a full-fledged investigation and at the manner in which you have apparently been misled.

"Certainly the enormous problems you now face could be easily and precisely resolved if your mandate were restated along the lines of Mr. Carlucci's letter of March 29, 1971, which said in part:
'...to assist the director of OEO in discharging his statutory duty by finding the facts relevant to thelegal services program conducted by CRLA.'

"This mandate would require that the commission undertake a thorough and exhaustive investigation of CRLA's activities in all nine service areas in which CRLA presently operates. This could be accomplished by employing independent investigators, whose fees would be paid by OEO, and who would thoroughly evaluate and investigate all credible information coming to the attention of CRLA---privileged or otherwise.

"Finally, I sincerely hope this explanation of our position, and how we arrived at it, is helpful to you.

"I want to reaffirm to you a pledge which we have made consistently over the past three months——that the State of California stands ready to assist the commission in every possible way in its fact—finding mission into the activities of CRLA. We are convinced that a full and thorough investigation will lead you to the same conclusions which formed the basis for our action in disapproving the refunding of CRLA.

"Should any of you wish further information, please do not hesitate to let me know."

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Governor Reagan's Saturday schedule

also includes an appearance at the American

Association of University Women Convention, 2:30 p.m.,

Fresno Convention Center. Remarks.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Sacramento, California Contact: Paul Beck 445-4571 4-29-71

RELEASE: Immediate

#256

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the reappointment of William P. Burgess and Leonard I. Will, both of Tulelake, to the Board of Directors, 10a District Agricultural Association (Tulelake-Butte Valley Fair).

Burgess, 53, has served on the board since 1969. His address is Route 2, Box 137, Tulelake.

Will, 49, is a cattle, sheep and grain rancher and has served on the board since 1967. His address is Route 1, Box 234, Tulelake.

Both men are Republicans.

Commission members receive necessary expenses and serve four year terms.

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Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the appointment of Edward D. Ehlers as Deputy Director of the Department of Navigation and Ocean Development.

Ehlers, 38, who has served as program development officer of the department since March, 1970, succeeds John E. Bennett, who was recently elevated to director of the department by Governor Reagan.

A veteran planner, who has specialized in water and ocean oriented developments, Ehlers was formerly employed by the State Office of Planning and has served as a planning consultant to Oregon governmental agencies and worked with the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Merced.

He is also the author of several redevelopment programs for water-associated projects in Oregon.

Ehlers is a native of Merced and a graduate of Fresno State College.

He and his wife, Nancy, have two children. They live at 2710 Montgomery Way, Sacramento.

He is a Republican.

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RELEASE: Immediate

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Governor Ronald Reagan today named three new members to the State Mining and Geology Board and reappointed a fourth member to a four year term.

The new members are Eugene F. Reid, executive vice president of Oil and Gas Exploration and Production, Occidental Petroleum Corporation, Bakersfield; J. Wilmar Jensen, Modesto attorney, and Dr. Joseph E. Haring, chairman of the Department of Economics of Occidental College, Los Angeles.

Reappointed to a four-year-term was Edmund F. Brovelli, president of the Basalt Rock Company, Inc., Napa.

Brovelli, a Republican, has served on the board since 1967. He lives at 681 Montecito Boulevard, Napa.

Reid, who lives at 1750 Locust Ravine, Bakersfield, succeeds
Thomas H. Rodgers of Ventura, who has resigned. Reid is a Republican.

Dr. Haring, who lives at 607 Laguna Road, Pasadena, and Jensen, who lives at 1138 Purdue Avenue, Modesto, will represent the public on the board. Both are Republicans.

All four appointments are subject to Senate confirmation.

Board members receive necessary expenses.

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GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE May 3, 1971

through
May 9, 1971

Monday, May 3

Office Appointments

Overnight - Sacramento

Tuesday, May 4

1:30 p.m. PRESS CONFERENCE

Overnight - Sacramento

Wednesday, May 5

8:00 p.m. Del Oro High School Cum Laude Banquet, Loomis.

Remarks.

Overnight - Sacramento

Thursday, May 6

Office Appointments

Overnight - Sacramento

Friday, May 7

2:30 p.m. State Convention of California PTA, Anaheim

Convention Center. Remarks.

Saturday, May 8

No public appointments scheduled.

Sunday, May 9

No public appointments scheduled.

Overnight - Sacramento

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