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Governor Ronald Reagan has announced the appointment of four persons to his Advisory Committee on Children and Youth. The posts pay necessary expenses. Named were:

--Mrs. Evelyn M. Binswanger of Newport Beach. She has played a leading role in many community activities, including the P.T.A., Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Child Guidance Clinic work, Spastic League assistance, and recreational activities for young people.

She serves as secretary-treasurer of the Max Binswanger Trucking Corporation, the Max-Lyn Corporation and Binswanger Services, Inc.

She is married, has eight children, and lives at 665 Via Lido Soud, Newport Beach.

--Mrs. Robley Berry of Kensington, president of the California Parent-Teacher Association. A graduate of the University of California in psychology, Mrs. Berry has been a leader in P.T.A. affairs at the local, regional and state levels.

She served for six years on the Advisory Committee on Crippled Childrens Services and has also been a member of the Advisory Committee on Health Programs for Families of Farm Workers.

She has also been a director of the Alameda County Mental Health Association and a member of the Coordinating Committee on Mental Health Services of Contra Costa County.

Mrs. Berry served as president of the Richmond Elementary School Board and later became president of the Richmond Unified School District Board of Education.

She is widowed and has two sons. She lives at 373 Coventry Road, Kensington.

--Lois Risling, a sophomore history major at Sacramento State College. Miss Risling, who resides at 4661 Orange Grove Avenue, Sacramento, is a member of the Foreign Student Committee and serves on the Committee on California Indian Education.

She is also a member of the United Native Americans and the California League for American Indians. She was chosen as a member of the Model United Nations and was editor of her school newspaper.

--Mrs. A. Kenneth Spencer of San Gabriel, a former president of the California Parent-Teacher Association.

She was International Relations Chairman of the National P.T.A. from 1961-67 and served as secretary of the National P.T.A. from 1958-61.

Mrs. Spencer was on the San Gabriel School Board from 1938-45 and was president of the Los Angeles County School Boards Association from 1943-44.

She served on the Governor's Advisory Committee on Children and Youth from 1954-56 and on the Governor's Advisory Committee on Mental Health from 1954-59.

She also was a member of the Special Study Commission on Juvenile Justice for the State of California from 1957-60. She currently serves as chairman of the California Delinquency Prevention Commission and has been a member of the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations since 1956.

She lives at 600 West Roses Road, San Gabriel.

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

Representatives of the Governor's Press Office may be reached
in Palm Springs at the Republican Governors' Conference at the
following phone number in the Spa Hotel:

714-325-9138

This number will be manned from this afternoon until the close
of the Governors' Conference.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following statement:

"During the past year or so members of the executive branch of government and State and Federal legislators have heard proposals for additional farm labor legislation. Labor unions and their supporters propose applying the National Labor Relations Act to farmers, pointing out the long-standing coverage for industry and differences between wages and conditions for some industrial workers and for some farm workers.

"Farmers and their supporters have opposed additional farm labor legislation, pointing out the problem of crop perishability and the resulting inability of large and small farmers alike to match government-assisted union bargaining power, and the inability of farmers to secure price increases as readily as industry.

"Both views warrant the closest scrutiny because they are diametrically opposed--although advanced by persons of integrity. I am convinced that while each position has merit, neither position is generally in the public interest.

"I believe that applying the principles in the National Labor Relations Act to farming is unwise. In principle, the NLRA provides for government certification of a union in a particular employment situation and thereafter requires the employer and union representatives to bargain to a conclusion.

"Beyond this, the NLRA does nothing. It provides no bargaining dispute-settling procedure and contains no significant restrictions on the use of economic power in the collective bargaining process. It merely assumes that collective bargaining will settle any question on wages, hours and working conditions.

"However, it is self-evident that crop perishability and weather factors reduce--or perhaps entirely eliminate--any chance of achieving a balance of union and farmer bargaining power so necessary to reach fair decisions and avoid loss of food and fibre in the public interest. It is clear that the farmer has very little bargaining power at harvest time and when other critical operations must be performed because of season and weather factors.

"Further, to say that this basic difference between farming and industry is in some way eliminated or mitigated by applying the NLRA only to "corporate farming" or "large" farmers is an obvious fallacy. Cattle must be fed, perishable crops must be tended, watered and harvested, or they die--whether the farm is incorporated or unincorporated, or whether the farm is large or small.

"Having found unacceptable the view that the NLRA should be applied to farming, I will point out that in California we believe that it is not enough for farmers to say that price increases are hard to come by, thus improvements in wages and conditions for farm workers must lag behind those of industrial workers.

"If some form of NLRA for agriculture is not in the public interest, neither is a different economic status for farm workers in the public interest. Thus, our citizens generally and our legislators particularly must be more diligent, more imaginative and more aggressive in seeking ways to improve the well-being of seasonal farm labor.

"Let us review what has been done so far in California. In 1964, the Federal Department of Labor made a study of the coverage of farm workers under ten major labor laws. These ten laws were:

- Farm Labor Camp Regulation
- Farm Labor Contractor Regulation
- Transportation Regulation
- Minimum Wage Law
- Child Labor Law
- Wage Payment Law
- Wage Collection Law
- Workmen's Compensation Law
- Temporary Disability Insurance Law
- Unemployment Insurance Law

"As you know, Federal law now provides minimum wage coverage to some farm workers in all states. There also are Federal regulations of farm labor contractors, of farm labor camps, and the work children may do on farms. But most regulation of farm employment matters has been largely retained by the states.

"California has attempted to act responsibly, and California farm workers are covered by laws in nine categories in the above list of ten.

The next state, in terms of such coverage, has laws in six categories which benefit farm workers. Next in line are four states with five laws, followed by four states with four laws. The remaining 40 states have given even less attention to farm labor conditions. There are a number of states with significant agricultural interests that have none of these laws or regulations of benefit to farm workers.

"No state is an island. California cotton competes with cotton from other states. Our production of meat, poultry, cheese, wine, citrus and tomatoes must be marketed in competition with the same products from other states. Even those products for which California has a near monopoly have their competition. California apricots, dates, figs, peaches, etc., compete with bananas, pineapple, apples, and with manufactured food products whose principal ingredients are the farm products from outside California.

"I believe that California does, and I believe that California should, lead in the matter of assuring fair treatment for our farm workers. But these benefits increase payroll costs. We cannot serve our California farm workers well by being so far in front as to jeopardize the farms which provide these jobs.

"With these thoughts, I call first upon our new Congress to provide incentives and guidelines whereby all states may move more promptly to establish standards for farm employment.

"In this connection, I call on Congress to establish legislation in the field of unemployment insurance for year-round farm employment in all states and believe this should be accomplished without federalizing the system. I recognize the very difficult problems of financing and administering unemployment insurance for casual farm employment, but let us not let this delay any longer unemployment insurance coverage for full-time farm employees in all states.

"I call next upon all agencies of government to provide more vigorous enforcement of those laws and regulations now in effect. What I would hope is that all states and the Federal Government, where appropriate, would insist on a cleanup once and for all time of the isolated abuses in the construction and maintenance of farm labor housing which give all agriculture a bad name.

"Finally, I particularly call upon each major farm organization, national and local, to establish written codes of conduct for its members which define minimum employment standards including, but not limited to wages, hours, rest and meal periods, housing and sanitary facilities; and to establish committees designed to police such standards and hear complaints.

"I also call upon these farm organizations to revise and upgrade these written codes at appropriate intervals--and suggest that in these times of rapid change, an annual re-evaluation of such voluntary codes is appropriate.

"In summary, I am calling upon agriculture for self-help in this matter of public concern. I believe this to be the most effective method for improvement in agricultural working standards. These problems are rarely solved by posting notices or passing laws.

"Nevertheless, while watching hopefully for signs of progress in these matters, at the same time I shall review and study legislative solutions which are in the public interest.

"I am assigning to Earl Coke, Secretary for Agriculture and Services, the responsibility of keeping me currently informed in these matters.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today named two Superior Court judges and one Municipal Court judge in San Diego County.

Municipal Judge William T. Low and attorney Leland C. Nielsen were named to the Superior Court and attorney Douglas R. Woodworth was appointed to the Municipal Court.

Judge Low, 46, was appointed to a post created by the 1968 legislature. A Republican, he is married, has two children and lives at 1556 Buckingham Drive, La Jolla.

He was graduated from U.C. Berkeley with an A.B. and from Hastings College of the Law with an LLB. From 1950 to 1964 he was engaged in the private practice of law and was an assistant district attorney. He was named a Municipal Judge in March, 1964.

A World War II veteran, Judge Low is a captain in the Naval Reserve. He has been active in numerous civic affairs and in various legal organizations, including the California Council of Judges.

Nielsen, 49, a Republican, succeeds the late Judge Gerald Thomas. He is married and lives at 6950 Fairway Road, La Jolla.

A native of Kansas, he saw World War II service as a pilot in both the Pacific and European theaters and was discharged a major. He was awarded the Purple Heart and the Distinguished Service Cross.

He was graduated from U.S.C.'s law school in 1947 and in July of that year became a deputy city attorney for Los Angeles. In August of 1951 he moved to San Diego and became associated with the law firm of Luce, Forward, Kunzel and Scripps. In 1958 he joined his present law firm of Schall, Nielsen & Boudreau.

Nielsen is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and has been active in the San Diego County Bar Association.

Woodworth, 40, a Republican, fills the vacancy created by the elevation of Judge Low to the Superior Court. He is married, has three children and lives at 4454 Monaco Street, San Diego. A native of Los Angeles, he was graduated from Stanford with an AB in 1948 after U.S. Navy service and received his LLB from the University of San Francisco in 1952. He has been engaged in private law practice since being admitted to the Bar, and since 1959 with the law firm of Stickney, Ortlieb & Woodworth. He is a member of state and county bar groups, the American Judicature Society and a past director of the Barristers Club.

The Superior Court posts pay \$30,572 annually, the municipal court post \$28,126 a year.

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San Pedro attorney Glenn A. Wymore was named today by Governor Ronald Reagan as a Municipal Judge in the Los Angeles Judicial District. The post, which pays \$28,126 yearly, was created by the 1968 Legislature.

Wymore, 62, a Democrat, is married, has one son and lives at 1120 S. Harbor View, San Pedro.

A native of Kansas, he moved to Los Angeles in 1923 and was graduated from Southwestern University Law School with an LLB in 1936. From 1929 to 1939 he served in the Los Angeles Municipal Court clerk's office and from 1939 to 1943 was deputy public defender for Los Angeles and the San Pedro area.

Wymore was an attorney for the California Shipbuilding Corporation from 1943 to 1945 and has been engaged in the private practice of law since. He is a former past president of the Public Utilities and Transportation Commission of Los Angeles and past president of the Harbor Bar Association as well as a member of the Long Beach Bar Association.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Municipal Court Judge Gerald V. Underwood to a newly created seat on the Stanislaus County Superior Court.

Judge Underwood, a Republican, is 43, is married, has two children and lives at 306 Northgate Drive, Modesto.

A 1949 graduate of Stanford University Law School, he served as a special agent for the FBI from 1950-51 and then entered private practice with the law firm of Jensen, Underwood and Pendergrass. He was named to the Municipal Court in June of 1968. He is a Navy veteran of World War II and was chairman of the Modesto City Board of Zoning Adjustment from 1964-67.

The post pays \$30,572.00 annually.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today appointed Robert M. Scofield of Vallejo to the vacancy on the Solano County Board of Supervisors.

Scofield, owner of Scofield Chevron Station, Vallejo, fills the vacancy created by the death of Supervisor. Colon O. Kilby. Scofield had defeated Kilby in the November election and was to have assumed office in January.

Scofield, 56, a Democrat, is a life-long resident of Vallejo. He is a Navy veteran of World War II and served on the Vallejo Unified School District board from 1960-68, with one term as president of the board.

He lives at 2710 Tennessee Street, Vallejo.

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Three persons were named today by Governor Ronald Reagan to the Commission on Housing and Community Development and a fourth member was reappointed.

Elwood A. Teague, 61, president, United Financial Corporation, Los Angeles, was named to a term expiring October 20, 1972. He succeeds William Moseley Jones of Corona Del Mar, whose term expired. Teague, a Republican, lives at 351 South Fuller Street, Los Angeles.

Donald L. Hardison of the San Francisco architectural firm of Hardison and Komatsu was named to a term expiring October 20, 1972, succeeding Eugene B. Jacobs, Jr., Woodland Hills, whose term expired. Hardison, 52, is a Republican and lives at 1415 Vista Road, El Cerrito.

George L. Dealey, retired owner of an Oakland insurance firm, was named to a term expiring October 20, 1971, succeeding Henry Z. Arklin of Pacoima, who was elected to the Assembly last month. Dealey, 67, a Republican, lives at 2000 Rosecrest Drive, Oakland.

Arnold J. Romeyn, vice president and secretary-treasurer of Kit Manufacturing Co., Long Beach, was reappointed to a term expiring October 20, 1972. Romeyn, 53, is a Republican who was first appointed in June, 1968. He resides at 1000 Bryant Road, Long Beach.

Commission members receive per diem and necessary expenses. Appointments are subject to Senate confirmation.

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Governor Ronald Reagan met with a delegation from the Governor's Advisory Committee on Children and Youth and Spencer Williams, Secretary, Human Relations Agency, late Monday to review their report of a series of ten meetings conducted throughout the State on the problems of young people. The Committee had previously submitted a report but the Governor wanted to discuss their report with them first hand.

The Governor said he has consistently made every effort to bring government closer to the people and strides in this direction have been made while he has been Governor. He said he is very much concerned about the problems of young people. He appreciates the time and interest of the 121 people who expressed their views at the ten hearings.

The Committee, which advises the Governor on matters pertaining to youth, held "listen-ins" last July in Santa Rosa, San Diego, San Jose, Los Angeles, Red Bluff, Fresno, Santa Barbara, San Bernardino, San Francisco, and Oakland. They heard from people with a variety of backgrounds representing a wide range of ethnic and economic groups, youth, educators, public officials, housewives, and dissident groups.

Among concerns voiced at the "listen-ins" were: (1) lack of proper counseling in the schools; (2) more minority history needed in American history courses; (3) family problems; (4) youth participation in finding solutions to the drug abuse problem; (5) apparent slowness of response by government to many of the problems of the poor and minority groups.

The meetings were recorded and special study is being made of the tapes to be sure all of the concerns are considered.

The Committee expressed its concern to Governor Reagan that many public and private services are available but the people for whom they are intended frequently are not aware of these resources.

Governor Reagan joined the Committee in urging young people to make their concerns known in a constructive way so that proper action can be taken. He said youth should participate in the public meetings being called by many of the counties in February and March to prepare for the 1970 White House Conference on the problems of youth.

The Governor's Advisory Committee on Children and Youth is a group of private citizens working with State government in studying the problems of youth and recommending solutions. It is chaired by Mrs. Charles P. Gould of San Marino. Its 38 members, appointed by the Governor, include civic leaders with a special interest in youth problems from all parts of California. There are nine youth included.

The delegation from the Governor's Advisory Committee on Children and Youth which met with Governor Reagan included Mrs. Gould, the Reverend John J. O'Connor of San Rafael, Winston S. Carter of Fullerton, Richard C. Dinkelspiel of Kentfield, and Ralph B. Herzog of Beverly Hills.

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The following release was issued to the press in Palm Springs Tuesday evening, December 3, 1968.

Governor Ronald Reagan said late today that he is pleased the educational functions at San Francisco State College are continuing despite attempts by a criminal element to disrupt the campus.

"I am very pleased that the teaching and learning activities have been resumed at San Francisco State College.

"The reports I have received indicate that attendance at classes this morning was above average and the administration, students and faculty, are to be congratulated on this significant progress.

"But it is imperative at this time that all those involved continue to respond to this leadership. I urge all citizens, students, faculty and parents to assist Dr. Hayakawa in returning the campus to normal. At the same time, I want to thank the hundreds of Californians for their overwhelming support of Dr. Hayakawa as reflected by the telegrams, telephone calls, and letters I have received.

"To those who are students or faculty members on the campus, I would like to urge them to proceed, not out of fear of a disruptive few, but out of their real desire to do what they are there to do--teach and learn.

"Those of you among the silent majority of San Francisco State can help tremendously in returning the campus to its normal status, with quality education and the protection of academic freedom.

"True support in this effort against mob tyranny will be shown when all teachers teach, all students attend class, and onlookers remain clear of events and incidents planned by those who wish to either seize power or reduce the campus to ruin.

"Essentially, this is a struggle between the orderly pursuit of education, and anarchy.

"We live in a society which provides the opportunity for free expression, which promotes equality of opportunity and which recognizes differences as well as similarities.

"We must all stand with educational leaders such as Dr. Hayakawa in preserving and protecting these values."

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

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GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE

December 9, 1968
through
December 15, 1968

Monday, December 9

Office Appointments

Overnight - Sacramento

Tuesday, December 10

Office Appointments

Overnight - Sacramento

Wednesday, December 11

P.M.

Depart Sacramento for Los Angeles

Evening

"Up With People" benefit performance,
Los Angeles Music Center

Overnight - Los Angeles

Thursday, December 12

A.M.

Depart Los Angeles for Sacramento

Overnight - Sacramento

Friday, December 13

A.M.

Depart Sacramento for Los Angeles

Overnight - Los Angeles

Saturday, December 14

No Public Appointments Scheduled

Overnight - Los Angeles

Sunday, December 15

P.M.

Depart Los Angeles for Sacramento

Overnight - Sacramento

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EJG

Governor Ronald Reagan today announced the appointment of John F. Maloney as Deputy Director of the State Department of Public Works. He will fill a vacancy created by the recent resignation of Hugh E. Mulholland.

Maloney, a 39-year-old Republican, has served as an assistant director in the Department since July 13, 1967.

In announcing the appointment, Governor Reagan said Maloney has demonstrated administrative and executive skill in developing and revising departmental programs in budgeting, fiscal planning, data processing and management.

James A. Moe, Director of Public Works, said he is pleased with the appointment. He indicated that Maloney will now be assigned greater areas of responsibility within the Department.

Gordon C. Luce, Secretary of the Business and Transportation Agency--of which the Department of Public Works is an integral part--commended Maloney for his leadership in implementing recommendations of the Governor's Survey on Efficiency and Cost Control within the Department.

Maloney was born in San Francisco and graduated from Ballarmin Prep School in Santa Clara. He attended St. Mary's College before transferring to Sacramento State College where he was awarded a bachelor's degree in Economics.

A commander in the U.S. Navy Reserve, Maloney served on active duty for four years during the Korean War.

He first joined the State in 1951 as an administrative trainee in the Department of Finance. In 1959 he transferred to the State Board of Equalization and served as administrative services officer for that organization until he was appointed an assistant director of Public Works in 1967.

Maloney is a former chairman of the State Fiscal Management Association and a past chairman of the State-Federal Community Relations Committee of the City-County Chamber of Commerce.

He and his wife, Marilyn, are the parents of three girls and two boys. They live at 4367 Virgusell Circle, Sacramento.

His new salary will be \$25,692 per year. As Assistant Director he earned \$21,516 annually.

Governor Ronald Reagan announced today he is "reluctantly accepting" the resignation of Mrs. Dorothy B. Chandler of Los Angeles from the University of California Board of Regents.

Mrs. Chandler, vice president-corporate relations of the Times Mirror Company, has served as a regent since 1954.

"I am reluctantly accepting the resignation of Mrs. Chandler at her express request, and out of a deep respect for her own personal wishes," the governor said.

"During her 14 years as a regent, she has rendered a truly outstanding public service to the people of California.

"Her devotion, both to the progress of the university and to the citizens of California who make this greatest-of-all public institutions of higher learning possible, has surely set a high standard of excellence for others to follow in the months and years to come.

"Her contribution to the well-being of the University will not be forgotten. She has served long, and she has served extremely well.

"She deserves the gratitude of all Californians," he said.

Mrs. Chandler was appointed to the Board of Regents by Governor Goodwin J. Knight. She served as vice chairman of the Board of Regents from July 1, 1966 to June 30, 1967.

She is an honorary life trustee of Occidental College and is chairman of the Board of Governors of the Performing Arts Council of the Music Center of Los Angeles, and the Center's Theatre Group.

She is also honorary life chairman of the Southern California Symphony-Hollywood Bowl Association.

In accepting Mrs. Chandler's resignation, Governor Reagan announced that he has named William French Smith, a prominent Los Angeles attorney and civic leader, to succeed her on the Board of Regents.

Smith, 51, has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Claremont Men's College since 1967 and was named this year to the Advisory Board of California State College at Los Angeles.

He graduated summa cum laude from the University of California at Los Angeles in 1939 and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa the same year. Three years later he took his law degree from Harvard University.

He served as a naval officer during World War II.

He is a senior partner in the Los Angeles law firm of Gibson, Dunn and Crutcher.

Governor Reagan described Smith as a "born leader of excellent judgment, integrity and maturity beyond his years, a man I have had the pleasure of knowing for a number of years. He will be a fine regent."

Smith has been a director of the California State Chamber of Commerce since 1963 and a member of the Board of Directors of the Pacific Lighting Corp. for the past two years.

He has also been a director of the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles for the past five years and is a former national vice president and chairman of the Harvard Law School Association of Southern California.

He served on the California Congressional Recognition Council from 1957-60 and from 1964-66.

He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations of the American Bar Foundation and is chairman of the Disciplinary Appeals Board of the State Bar of California.

He is also a former chairman of the Committee on Administrative Agencies of the Los Angeles County Bar Association.

Smith and his wife live at 1256 Oak Grove Avenue, San Marino.

He is a Republican.

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Governor Reagan has been advised on a confidential basis of the appointments President-elect Nixon will announce tonight. Because of numerous requests and to assist the press, the following statement is made available now but on an embargoed basis for release immediately following the President-elect's announcement. Please guard against premature release:

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Governor Ronald Reagan said today he is pleased with the cabinet appointments announced by President-elect Richard M. Nixon.

"The men named by Mr. Nixon to these important posts are men of integrity and ability and I am confident they will be of immeasurable value to the people of the United States through their service to the new administration.

"I do have particular feelings about one of the appointments, and that is the naming of Lt. Gov. Robert Finch as secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. We in California, and myself especially, regret losing a man of Bob Finch's talents. But as a key member of the president's cabinet he will be in a position to be of tremendous service, not only to Californians, but also to all Americans.

"As I have said previously, now that Bob has made his decision, I will begin talking with leaders throughout California to receive their suggestions for his replacement. Bob has told me he intends to preside at the opening session of the California State Senate on January 6, so therefore his resignation will not be forthcoming immediately.

"So there may be an orderly transition within the office of Lieutenant Governor, however, I expect to receive the counsel of numerous Californians and announce the appointment of a new Lieutenant Governor as soon as possible."

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NOTE: Not for release until immediately following Mr. Nixon's announcement tonight of his cabinet appointments. Please guard against premature release.

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Sacramento Attorney Joseph A. DeCristoforo was named today by Governor Ronald Reagan as a judge of the Superior Court, Sacramento County. The post, which pays \$30,572, was created by the 1968 legislature.

DeCristoforo, 47, is a Republican, and has been a senior partner in the law firm of DeCristoforo & DeCristoforo since its inception in January, 1959.

He was graduated from Sacramento Junior College in 1939 with an AA degree, received an AB degree from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1941, and graduated from the University of California School of Law, Berkeley, in 1949 with an LLB degree.

He has served as Research Attorney, Third District Court of Appeal, Sacramento; legal administrative advisor to the director, Sacramento County Welfare Department; legal officer on staff of Judge Advocate, McClellan Air Force Base. In 1953 he was named Deputy District Attorney for Sacramento County, rising to chief deputy before he entered private practice in 1959.

DeCristoforo is a member of the Sacramento County Bar Association and the California State Bar.

He is married, has one daughter, and resides at 5314 Aileen Way, Sacramento.

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

At 4:15 p.m. today Governor Reagan will sign a Proclamation
honoring the birthday of the U.S. Cavalry (now Armor).
The ceremony will be held in the Governor's Office.

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George Foreman, Negro Gold Medalist in Boxing at the 1968 Mexico Olympic Games, will present a plaque to Governor Reagan in a ceremony Friday, December 13, at 8:30 a.m., in the Youth Opportunity Center, 3211 S Street, Sacramento.

The plaque reads, "To Governor Ronald Reagan and the people of California, in appreciation of their efforts in behalf of Job Corps---presented by Job Corps Graduate George Foreman, 1968 Olympic Champion."

Foreman defeated the top Soviet boxer for the Olympic title.

He is a 16-year old junior high school drop-out and street fighter from Houston, Texas. He was given the opportunity to enter the Federal Job Corps program to continue his education and learn a trade at the Pleasanton, California, Job Corps Camp. The camp is operated by Lytton Industries under contract to the Federal Job Corps.

At Camp Parks, Foreman received his general equivalency diploma which is considered comparable to a regular high school diploma. While studying electronics, he also learned to box.

Foreman also presented a similar plaque to President Lyndon B. Johnson.

In contrast to the actions of militant black athletes who exhibited the black power salute at the Mexico games when the U.S. National Anthem was played, Foreman carried an American flag around the ring immediately following his defeat of the Russian champion. While "The Star Spangled Banner" was playing, Foreman stood at attention and sang along with the band. He then said: "Hello, Houston, hello, California, hello Job Corps."

In a followup interview, Foreman said: "We are not interested in black power. The only power we believe in is American power."

Foreman will fly to San Francisco tonight and will arrive in Sacramento early tomorrow morning.

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At 10:45 a.m., Friday, December 13, Governor Reagan will arrive at the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium for a program honoring Astronaut Walter Cunningham.

Astronaut Cunningham will present to the governor a California flag he carried in orbit around the earth.

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At 2:30 p.m., the governor will tape News Conference at KNBC, Burbank, which will be broadcast Sunday, December 15, at 5 p.m.

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Governor Ronald Reagan today named eight persons to the judicial bench in Los Angeles.

Three of the appointments were to the Los Angeles County Superior Court and the remainder to the municipal court.

Named to the superior court were:

--William J. Rea, 48, a Pacific Palisades attorney. Rea, a Republican, is a 1949 graduate of the University of Colorado Law School. He has practiced law in Southern California since 1952.

He replaces Judge Harold Schweitzer who was elevated to the District Court of Appeal.

Rea served as judge pro-tem of the Los Angeles County Superior Court in 1964 and is a charter member of the Southern California Defense Counsel Association.

During the past five years, he has been a little league and junior league coach and was treasurer of the Boys' Baseball Association of Pacific Palisades in 1965.

He served as a naval officer for four years during World War II.

He and his wife Catherine have a son and reside at 1378 Las Canoas Road, Pacific Palisades.

--Municipal Judge Thomas W. LeSage of Pasadena, a 54-year-old Democrat. He succeeds Judge Robert S. Thompson who was elevated to the District Court of Appeal.

LeSage, a 1937 graduate of the Loyola University School of Law in Los Angeles, has been a municipal judge in the Pasadena Judicial District since 1965.

Following admission to the State Bar, he spent several years as a deputy city attorney in Pasadena and as an associate attorney for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. He was city attorney and city prosecutor for Lynwood from 1946-51.

He was an ensign in the U. S. Navy from 1944-46.

He is a former president of the Pasadena Bar Association and the Loyola University School of Law Alumni Association. He is also a past trustee of the Los Angeles County Bar Association and is a former director of the Pasadena YMCA.

LeSage and his wife Donalda have nine children ranging in age from 28 to 12 years. He lives at 230 North Grand Avenue, Pasadena.

Elisabeth E. Zeigler, a municipal judge in Los Angeles. She is the wife of John H. Zeigler, a Los Angeles business executive.

Mrs. Zeigler, a Republican, replaces Judge Gerald C. Dunn who was elevated to the District Court of Appeal.

A 1941 graduate of the University of Southern California Law School, she has been a municipal judge since 1949.

She was temporarily assigned to the Los Angeles County Superior Court for several months in 1953 by the State Judicial Council.

She was engaged in private practice in the Los Angeles area from 1943-49.

Mrs. Zeigler is a former vice president, secretary and director of the U. S. C. Law Alumni and is a past president of the National Business and Professional Women of Los Angeles.

In 1962, she served as chairman of the Los Angeles County Municipal Court Judges' Association. She is also a former director of the Women's Division of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

She lives at 5144 Los Encantos Way, Los Angeles.

The Superior Court posts pay \$30,572 per year.

Named to the municipal court bench were:

--West Covina attorney Sam Cianchetti, a 36-year-old Democrat. He will work in the Citrus Judicial District.

Cianchetti is a 1960 graduate of the University of Southern California Law School. He served in the U.S. Army from 1952-56.

He will fill a post created by the 1968 legislature.

He is married, has two children, and resides at 1027 South Hillward Street, West Covina.

--Los Angeles attorney James M. Coleman, a 45-year-old Republican. He will succeed Judge Harold Ackerman who was elevated to the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

Coleman's appointment becomes effective January 6, 1969.

He is a 1950 graduate of the University of California's Boalt Hall in Berkeley and has been engaged in private practice since then.

He is married, has two sons, and lives at 16684 Huerta Road, Encino.

--Municipal Court Commissioner Daniel P. Rikalo of the East Los Angeles Judicial District. Rikalo, a 50-year-old Republican, will fill a post created by the 1968 legislature.

He has served in his present capacity since 1964. He previously worked as a deputy district attorney in Los Angeles for three years.

He is a 1957 graduate of the Southwestern University Law School, Los Angeles, and was a city police officer from 1942-57.

Rikalo is married, has three children, and lives at 200 South 7th Street, Montebello.

--William A. Drake, a Los Angeles attorney, Drake, a 50-year-old Democrat, will work in the Los Angeles Judicial District. He will occupy a post created by the 1968 legislature.

He is a 1955 graduate of the Southwestern University Law School in Los Angeles and has been engaged in private practice since then. He served in the U. S. Navy from 1936-48.

He is married, has a seven-year-old son, and lives at 16902 Ballinger Street, Sepulveda.

--Mrs. Rosemary M. Dunbar, Compton city attorney. She is the wife of the late Judge Donald Dunbar and has five children.

Mrs. Dunbar, a 1942 graduate of the University of Southern California Law School, is a former director of planning for the U.S.C. Law Center. She is a Republican.

She will serve in the Los Angeles Judicial District and replaces Judge Elisabeth E. Zeigler (who was elevated to the Superior Court, see above).

She lives at 1610 Tartar Lane, Compton.

Appointees to the municipal court receive an annual salary of \$28,126.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#706

Governor Ronald Reagan today named attorney Bert M. Carner, Jr. to the Modesto municipal court.

The judicial post pays \$28,126 per year.

Carner, a 56-year-old Republican, replaces Judge Gerald V. Underwood who was elevated to the Stanislaus County Superior Court bench.

Carner is a 1937 graduate of the University of California's Boalt Hall at Berkeley and served as a deputy district attorney in Stanislaus County from 1946-1957.

Since then, he has been engaged in private law practice in Modesto.

He served in the U.S. Army during both World War II and the Korean conflict.

He is a former president of the Stanislaus County chapter of the California Alumni Association and the Lions "500" Club of Modesto.

He has also served on the Modesto City Schools Advisory Committee since 1960.

Carner is married, has two children, and resides at 1136 Cecil Way, Modesto.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#707

Governor Ronald Reagan today named Oakland attorney Mario H. Barsotti to the municipal court bench of the Berkeley-Albany Judicial District.

The post, created by the 1968 legislature, pays \$28,126 annually.

Barsotti, 44, is a 1955 graduate of the University of California's Hastings College of Law. He served as a deputy district attorney in Alameda County from 1956-63, and has been engaged in private law practice since then.

In 1945, he was decorated with the Air Medal for action in World War II.

He has been married for 22 years and has five sons, ranging in age from 21 to 10 years.

For the past three years he has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Claremont Improvement Club. In 1957, he helped found the Berkeley Baseball Association which sponsors yearly summer baseball programs for youths in the area.

He lives at 2811 Claremont Boulevard, Berkeley.

He is a Republican.

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A one-year study of recreational needs of the urban impacted areas was launched today by Governor Ronald Reagan.

The program will be conducted by the State Department of Parks and Recreation in cooperation with the League of California Cities and the California County Supervisors Association, with aid from the governor's staff assistants for community relations and local government.

Its goal will be to determine how recreation programs can better contribute to human renewal in the impacted areas. It will be part of the Governor's California Commitment program, aimed at developing an overall approach to the problems of the urban core areas.

Present urban recreation programs will be reviewed and inventoried, and area residents will be surveyed to get facts on how they spend their unoccupied time, their feelings on the usefulness of present recreation services and facilities, and what needs they feel still must be met.

Present local assistance programs will be reviewed to see how they might be applied to impacted area problems. Recommendations also will be made on new kinds of funding, new types of facilities, and other new creative efforts which might be made.

A joint committee of city and county recreation officials has been named to review and assist the program.

Members include Jay Ver Lee, director of the Oakland Recreation Department; Reginald Renfree, director of the Sacramento City Department of Parks and Recreation; William Fredrickson, manager of the Los Angeles City Department of Parks and Recreation; Norman Johnson, director of the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation; David Gray, Long Beach State College; and Larry Naaake of the County Supervisors' Association and Donald Benninghoven of the League of California Cities.

William Emrie, special consultant in the California Department of Parks and Recreation, will head the staff for the study.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#709

Governor Ronald Reagan today commended the California Division of Forestry and the California Department of Employment for their combined efforts to protect California's forest and wildlands during the extremely critical fire period just ended throughout California.

The Governor's praise came after a review of the effectiveness of the emergency firefighter program implemented in mid-July and now in the final phasing out stages as the danger of fire diminishes with the onset of winter.

As a direct result of the emergency program, hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of valuable timber and watershed land were saved from the ravages of fire.

In addition, hundreds of young men--many from disadvantaged areas and from the ranks of the hard-core unemployed--were given the opportunity to learn fire fighting skills through gainful employment in a necessary field.

On July 12, 1968, Governor Reagan signed an emergency proclamation which recognized the serious fire potential which existed throughout the state because of below normal precipitation and a minimal mountain snow pack.

Faced with the immense problem were Department of Conservation Director Jim Stearns and State Forester Francis Raymond. Their decision was to increase the overall effectiveness of the striking force on each fire truck by bringing each truck up to planned strength via the addition of emergency firefighters to each mobile unit.

Stearns and Raymond then combined their efforts with those of State Secretary for Resources Norman Livermore, Director of Employment Peter Weinberger, and Human Relations Secretary Spencer Williams in the complicated task of recruiting and moving the several hundred emergency firefighters into the field in record time.

"This was an excellent example of the kind of inter-agency and inter-departmental cooperation which we are constantly emphasizing in this administration," Governor Reagan said.

"I am proud of the efforts undertaken by those who put this emergency firefighting program together and made it work. It has very definitely proven beneficial to the people of California."

Stearns cited the following as a few examples of the effectiveness of the program:

- *Although 1968 registered the greatest number of forest fires on record, the total burned acreage is over 20% LESS than for a normal year.
- *When the north coast of California was hit by over 200 lightning fires during the second week of August alone, the emergency reached a dangerous size.
- *In spite of the fact that this year there were 70 fires over 300 acres in size - compared with an average of 45 - the fire-fighting forces, with only two exceptions, were able to contain each of these to a total of less than 2,000 acres.
- *Without the emergency firefighter program, damage to forest, watershed and property is estimated to have run in excess of \$10 million dollars.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#710

Governor Ronald Reagan today named Bruce J. Held of Livermore, a member of the technical staff of Sandia Corporation. to a two-year term on the State Advisory Council for Atomic Energy Development and Radiation Protection.

The post pays necessary expenses.

Held, a 35-year-old Republican, will become chairman of the council by directive of the Governor. He succeeds Francis W. Boone who resigned on expiration of his term.

Held received a B. S. Degree in Biological Sciences from Cornell University and holds a Master's Degree in Industrial Health from the University of Michigan.

He was an industrial hygiene engineer for the Atomic Energy Commission in Idaho from 1959-63. He worked as an industrial hygienist for Atomics International of Canoga Park from 1964-67 and has been a member of the technical staff of Sandia Laboratories in Livermore since 1967.

He and his wife, Peggy, have five children. They live at 650 Via Del Sol, Livermore.

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MEMO TO THE GOVERNOR

#711

GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE

December 16, 1968
through
January 6, 1969

Monday, December 16

2:00 P.M.	Electoral College meets in Senate Chambers
5:00 p.m.	Lighting of Capitol Christmas tree (north side of Capitol)

Tuesday, December 17

9:30 A.M.	<u>PRESS CONFERENCE</u>
Noon	Proceed to rotunda for annual carols in the Capitol program. (Brief Christmas remarks)

Wednesday, December 18

3:00 p.m.	Presentation of turkey to governor by California Turkey Growers, Governor's Office
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Thursday, December 19

No public appointments scheduled

Friday, December 20

P.M.	Depart for Los Angeles
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(Note: Governor Reagan is scheduled to return to Sacramento on January 5 after the Holidays)

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MEMO TO THE PRESS

Members of the press are welcome to
drop by the governor's office for the
Christmas party beginning at 5 p.m. today.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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RELEASE: Immediate

#712

Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following message on the occasion of the celebration of Hanukkah.

"Hanukkah, the Festival of Lights, is a treasured part of the Jewish heritage, for it commemorates the noble struggle for religious freedom by members of the Jewish faith some twenty one centuries ago.

"Down through the years, the celebration of Hanukkah has brought renewed hope and inspiration to the Jewish community.

"In these times of tension and strife, such inspiration is more important than ever if we are to meet and solve the problems facing us as a free people.

"I extend warmest wishes and sincere greetings to all my fellow citizens of the Jewish faith on the occasion of the celebration of Hanukkah."

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Governor Ronald Reagan today named three persons to the State Television Advisory Committee.

The posts pay necessary expenses. The new appointees will serve at the pleasure of the governor.

Named were:

--Harry Diner, 53, of Corte Madera. Diner, an account executive with KPIX-TV, channel five, in San Francisco, replaces Walter T. Shatford.

Diner also works as a professional musician. He was formerly a theatrical agent for the Music Corporation of America.

He is a member of the Commonwealth Club of California, the San Francisco Press Club and the Television Academy of Arts and Sciences.

He and his wife, Freda, live at 153 Pixley Avenue, Corte Madera. He is a Republican.

--Percy Holliday of Napa, a 44-year-old Republican. Holliday is serving his second four-year term as Napa County superintendent of schools. He succeeds Edwin C. Coffin III on the Committee.

Holliday is a director of the local chapter of the American Cancer Society and the Napa County Mental Health Society. He is a past president of the Crippled Children's Association.

A naval veteran of World War II, Holliday is married and has three children. He is currently working toward a doctorate degree at the University of California.

He lives at 569 Montecito Boulevard, Napa.

--Norman C. Cissna, 45, of Eureka. Cissna, a Republican, is an attorney. He worked for the Federal Bureau of Investigation from 1942-52. He replaces John C. Crabbe of Sacramento.

Cissna is a 1950 graduate of Hastings School of Law in San Francisco. Following admission to the State Bar in 1952 he joined the Eureka legal firm of Huber, Goodwin, Murray, Cissna and Prior, of which he is still a member.

He is married, has four children, and resides at 2632 O Street, Eureka.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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RELEASE: Immediate

#714

Governor Ronald Reagan today issued the following Christmas message:

"Christmas is a very special season of the year because it proclaims a message which first echoed through the hills surrounding Bethlehem two thousand years ago.

"Since then, the message of Christmas has reverberated down through the centuries, bringing renewed hope to a troubled world.

"It is a message of Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men.

"It is a spirit of brotherhood among men which knows no boundaries. This spirit is the very essence of our heritage as a free people.

"It is a heritage which the men and women of our armed forces are safeguarding at lonely outposts scattered throughout the world; a heritage which all Americans must strive to preserve.

"This Christmas, may the glorious message of the Prince of Peace, like the Star of Bethlehem, guide men of good will toward a just and lasting peace with freedom.

"And, may you, the people of California, enjoy the merriest of Christmases and a happy and prosperous New Year."

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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MEMO TO THE PRESS

Governor Reagan is expected to participate
in welcoming ceremonies for the crew of the
Pueblo in San Diego today at the invitation of
the U.S. Navy.

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PRESS RELEASE
Department of Commerce
J. Bryan Sullivan, Jr., Commissioner
445-8010
December 24, 1968

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

J. Bryan Sullivan, Director of the California Department of Commerce, today announced plans for redirecting and restructuring the state's program for world trade development. Basic groundwork for the action was laid during the 1968 legislative session through passage of legislation (AB 1741-Crown) which eliminated the state's three world trade authorities and established a single California World Trade Authority within the newly formed State Department of Commerce. In addition, the legislation rescinded the powers of the World Trade Authority to acquire and manage world trade centers.

"Over the past several months, the Department of Commerce in cooperation with the State Chamber of Commerce, held meetings with numerous organizations which make up California's international trade communities. These meetings were arranged and sponsored between San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego Chambers of Commerce and were undertaken in order to carefully review both current and past activities of the state's overall world trade program," Sullivan said.

"As a result of these meetings," he said, "it became abundantly clear to all that the program was not only failing to meet its objectives, but lacked support both in the legislature and the private sector."

State Chamber of Commerce General Manager John Hay called the meetings a "truly productive step designed to develop a more effective program, more truly responsive to the needs of California business and industry, in expanding overseas markets for California products."

Sullivan noted that last year the California World Trade Coordinating Council contracted with the Stanford Research Institute to survey and study the state's world trade program for the purpose of providing an objective appraisal of the program's effectiveness. One of the study's major conclusions was that the state should not attempt to compete with the private sectors in trade lead development.

A. Alan Post, Legislative Analyst, has repeatedly recommended elimination of the World Trade Authority program, Sullivan noted. Post pointed to the many private and public groups which are already "well established in the foreign trade field."

"From all indications, the attache's offices are not able to demonstrate that they are directly responsible for foreign sales which are sufficient to cover any significant portion of their costs," Post said.

Moreover, Sullivan pointed out, the Governor's Advisory Committee on Agricultural Foreign Trade has concluded that, in essence, the world trade program, as it has functioned in the past, has contributed little to the sales of California agricultural products overseas.

Sullivan said that the Senate, in fact, removed the World Trade Authority program from the budget during the 1968 session of the legislature. However, it was restored by the Joint Conference Committee. "It is quite clear," Sullivan said, "that the state's activities in acting as a quasi-agent for buyer and seller competes with an already highly structured private sector without, in fact, having the capability to do so." This function has been one of the major activities of State World Trade Authority offices in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

A second major activity of these offices has also been the effort to develop new world trade centers. This activity was eliminated by legislation.

In connection with the effort to develop additional world trade centers, he said that the San Francisco world trade center has already been brought under control of the City and County of San Francisco due to action of the voters in November to transfer ownership of the Port of San Francisco from the State to the Bay City.

"As a result, it is no longer really necessary to operate the state's small world trade centers in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

"This does not mean that the World Trade Division will cease to act as a clearing house for trade leads received from both the private and public sector," he emphasized.

"Rather, such leads will now be referred into those channels whose specific business will be to evaluate them and take suitable steps to consummate them in terms of trade opportunities.

"There is no question but that the World Trade Library, now operating in the San Francisco center, is a very excellent one. We intend to continue to operate ^{the library} until we can negotiate its transfer to an appropriate public or private organization.

Sullivan noted that in Los Angeles a committee is currently working on plans to build a world trade center there, and the voters of San Diego, in November, approved a bond issue to construct a World Trade Center there.

"There is a large task ahead in establishing better communications with the many organizations in California whose interests lie in increasing our state's share in international trade, and in broadening the base of participation by industry and agriculture in that trade. The first step in that direction," Sullivan said, "will be the appointment of a new nine-member California World Trade Authority by Governor Reagan." Appointments are expected to be made in the near future.

"The Authority will include strong representation by California agriculture, in line with its great importance to the state's economy," he said.

Sullivan noted that at the meetings conducted by the Department of Commerce, ^{and the local chambers} the State Chamber of Commerce, in Los Angeles, San Francisco, and San Diego, the names of a number of leaders in the fields of business, industry and agriculture were presented as candidates for membership on the new California World Trade Authority.

"I am confident," Sullivan said, "that we will gain the broad and strong support of private organizations throughout the state, as well as ports and trade centers as they are developed, in creating the kind of partnership between government and the private sector that will enable us to fully exploit our opportunities in international trade."

"The new legislation, embodied in AB-1741, certainly provides a good basis for achieving this objective", he said.

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was cancelled.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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RELEASE: Immediate

#716

Governor Ronald Reagan today proclaimed Sunday, December 29,
"Bob Hope Day" and urged Californians "to join me in expressing
gratitude and offering warm congratulations to this outstanding citizen.

Hope is scheduled to return to Los Angeles Sunday from his 18th
annual Christmas entertainment tour for servicemen overseas. The
famed comedian and his troupe of more than 90 entertainers, technicians
and U.S.O. officials are visiting U.S. servicemen in eight Far East
locations, including Vietnam, Thailand, South Korea, Japan and Okinawa.

Governor Reagan plans to greet Hope on his arrival and present
him with the proclamation on the flight ramp at Los Angeles Inter-
national Airport.

The governor's proclamation lauds Hope for having "contributed
in large measure to the morale and enjoyment of the American people.

"He has always displayed a genuine concern for his fellow
Americans wherever they may be," the proclamation says.

Governor Reagan will also present Hope with the first Creative
Citizenship Award to be given for the coming year. The Governor's
Award for Creative Citizenship is presented to Californians who
perform distinctive acts of public service.

"Bob Hope not only is a cherished friend," the governor said,
"He is also an outstanding Californian, whose contributions to society
reflect a strong belief in the dignity of the individual, the spirit of
brotherhood and a genuine commitment to serve mankind."

The governor said he will present the Creative Citizenship Award
to Hope "on behalf of the people of California with a deep sense of
gratitude." Text of the proclamation follows:

"WHEREAS Bob Hope has, over the years, contributed in large measure
to the morale and enjoyment of the American people; and

"WHEREAS He has always displayed a genuine concern for his fellow
Americans wherever they may be; and

"WHEREAS His contributions to society reflect a strong belief in the
dignity of the individual, the spirit of brotherhood and a
commitment to serve mankind; and

"WHEREAS The people of California have proudly presented him with the
first 1969 Award for Creative Citizenship,

"NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA, do hereby
proclaim December 29, 1968 as BOB HOPE DAY, and urge all Californians
to join me in expressing gratitude and offering warm congratulations
to this outstanding citizen."

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Governor Ronald Reagan has named attorney Ernest L. Kelly as a municipal court judge in the Los Angeles Judicial District.

The job pays \$28,126 per year.

Kelly, a 49-year-old Democrat, succeeds Judge Thomas Griffiths, Jr. who was elected to the Superior Court bench. Both Kelly and Griffiths will officially assume their new posts January 6.

Kelly is a 1948 graduate of the Loyola Law School.

During World War II, he flew 59 missions as a fighter pilot in Europe. He earned the Air Medal and Four Clusters, the Purple Heart and a number of other battle ribbons and medals.

Following his admission to the State Bar in 1948, he worked briefly as an attorney for the State Division of Highways, served in the legal department of the Pacific Electric Railway, and was a Los Angeles deputy city attorney.

He entered private law practice in 1952.

Kelly is a former member of the Criminal Law Committee of the Los Angeles County Bar Association, and currently holds memberships in the American Board of Trial Advocates, the Association of Southern California Defense Counsel, and the Loyola Law School Advocates.

He is married, has two children, and lives at 2129 Baleria Drive, San Pedro.

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For Release: 12 noon, January 2.

12-30-68

(Please guard against premature release)

Geographical areas served by Cal-Vet Farm and Home Loan offices will be realigned starting March 1, State Veterans' Affairs Director James E. Johnson announced today.

The action, which will consolidate the present 13 district office areas into eight, generally follows recommendations made by the California Veterans' Board. The recommendations were adopted by the 1968 legislature.

"No curtailment in quantity or quality of service to new Cal-Vet loan applicants or present contract purchasers is anticipated," Johnson said.

"The Department of Veterans' Affairs will provide itinerant service to remote areas and will utilize other available facilities for public contact points as required."

Johnson noted that SB-279, passed during the 1968 legislative session, raised the Cal-Vet home loan maximum from \$15,000-\$20,000 without providing for additional funding. "The increased demands on available funds necessitate economies in administration of the program," he said.

"Based on workload projections," Johnson continued, "the cost of maintaining the present district organization is not justified. Loan activity will be subjected to continual review in order to evaluate the adequacy of the district structure and staffing," he said.

Johnson emphasized that "employees presently assigned to the offices being consolidated will, wherever possible, have the opportunity to transfer to other positions within the department or to similar positions in other state departments. "Every effort will be made to assist each employee to obtain employment," he said.

Services formerly provided by the Santa Rosa office will now be available from central processing points in Redding, Santa Clara and Sacramento; Oakland will receive service from Santa Clara; Modesto from Sacramento or Fresno; Bakersfield from Fresno, Van Nuys or San Bernardino Inglewood from Anaheim, San Bernardino or Van Nuys.

Director James Johnson and Agriculture and Services Secretary Earl Coke will answer press questions regarding the above announcement at a press briefing Tuesday, December 31, in Room 114 of the Agriculture Building.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

MEMO TO THE PRESS - 12-31-68

The press briefing on realignment of Cal-Vet Farm and Home Loan offices (see embargoed release issued by Veterans' Affairs, 12-30-68) has been scheduled for today, ^{December} ~~January~~ 31, at 11 a.m. in Room 114 of the State Agriculture Building

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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RELEASE: Immediate

#718

Governor Ronald Reagan announced today he has accepted the resignation of Samuel B. Mosher from the University of California Board of Regents.

"I wish...to recognize and thank you for your service to the university and to the state these past 12 years. I am sure the other Regents join me in expressing our deepest and sincerest gratitude," the governor said in a letter to Mosher.

Mosher, who submitted his resignation December 27, said:

"I have hoped to be able to renew active participation with you and my other esteemed colleagues on the Board of Regents, but unfortunately my health has not permitted this. So I think the time has come for me to resign and thus make way for another of the new group of Regents who are coming to the Board at this critical time of great need for vigorous and decisive leadership.

"The strength of the University of California is so important to our California society, that those entrusted with its future should be in a position to manifest their devotion to its welfare.

"Accordingly, please accept my resignation from the Board of Regents effective this date (December 27)," Mosher said.

Mosher, a resident of Santa Barbara, was appointed a Regent by Governor Goodwin J. Knight on March 1, 1956. Due to ill health, he has been unable to attend Regents' meetings during the past two years.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#719

Governor Ronald Reagan today named Roseville radio station executive Eugene N. Ragle as a member of the State Board of Education.

The post, which requires advice and consent of two thirds of the State Senate, pays expenses while on official business.

Ragle, 45, succeeds George A. Brown of Bakersfield who resigned. Brown, who was named to the Kern County Superior Court bench by Governor Reagan November 13, became a member of the State Board of Education last January. Ragle will fill Brown's unexpired term which ends January 15, 1972.

Ragle, a Republican, has been general manager of radio station KPOP, Roseville, since it went on the air last April. He previously managed stations KAHJ and KAFI-FM in Auburn. He has worked in the broadcasting field for nearly three decades.

He is a former member of the Curriculum Advisory Committee of Placer High School in Auburn and served as a trustee of the Auburn Union Elementary School District from 1961-67. He was president of the district's Board of Trustees from 1964-65.

He served as chairman of the Placer Area Chapter of the American Red Cross from 1960-62.

Since 1957 he has been a member of the legislative committee of the Auburn Area Chamber of Commerce.

A native of Salina, Kansas, Ragle has lived in California for the past 13 years. He is married, has three children, and resides at 188 Parkside Terrace, Auburn.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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RELEASE: Immediate

#720

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed four persons to the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

The posts, which pay necessary expenses, require Senate confirmation

Named to four-year terms, which expire January 15, 1973, were:

--Herbert T. Stroschein, a 60-year-old Santa Ana dentist. A Republican, Stroschein is a former president of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ana Unified and Junior College Districts. He has been a member of the Orange County Committee on School District Organization since 1958.

--Winifred H. Lancaster of Santa Barbara. Mrs. Lancaster, a Republican, is a member of the board of the American Association of University Women and was selected Santa Barbara's "Woman of the Year" last January.

--Phillip V. Sanchez, a 39-year-old Democrat. Sanchez, Fresno County Administrator, was graduated from Fresno State College in 1953 and received an award as the school's "Outstanding Male Graduate" for the year. He served two terms as a trustee of the Clovis Unified School District.

--William A. Dillard, 49, an Imperial County farmer. A Republican, Dillard is a past president of the Board of Trustees of the Brawley School District and was three times president of the Imperial County School Boards Association. He has resided in Imperial County for more than two decades.

Stroschein, Sanchez, Dillard, and Mrs. Lancaster were first appointed to the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges January 12, 1968.

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RELEASE: Immediate

#721

Governor Ronald Reagan today reappointed John H. Stevens to a four-year term on the State Narcotic Addict Evaluation Authority.

The job pays \$9,500 per year plus expenses.

Stevens, a 45-year old Democrat, was first named to the authority last January 29.

He is a former California Youth Authority parole agent and currently serves as mayor pro tem and city councilman of Lynwood.

Stevens resigned his CYA job to accept appointment to the Narcotic Addict Evaluation Authority.

He joined the CYA in 1954 and became a parole agent four years later. He was selected to be the authority's first narcotic control parole agent in 1960 and specialized in the treatment, training, education, rehabilitation and control of narcotics offenders.

He lives at 3135 Louise Street, Lynwood.

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