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New Trial in \$187,292 Suit 'Ok'd

Water Expert Wins Appeal in Battle Over 3 Well Sites

SAN BERNARDINO—Water expert Stephen Rines, exponent of a novel hydrological theory, was a new trial for his \$187,292 suit against the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District in the 2nd District Court of Appeal in Los Angeles Monday.

The amount represents costs incurred by Rines and his 1953 agreement.

Rines has long contended that water is produced by chemical action deep within the earth, and that the supply does not depend on a hydrological cycle of precipitation, evaporation and re-precipitation.

Wells Don't Pay

The Rines-drilled wells did produce water, but the district subsequently refused payment on the ground that the water did not come from a source other than the San Joaquin River Basin.

Monday's appellate court decision reversed a finding which had favored the water district in the court of Superior Judge Jesse J. Frampton, Oct. 11, 1952.

The opinion by Justice Allen W. Ashburn held that the trial court erred in refusing to accept certain offers of proof advanced by Rines and the water development company.

Rites Set for Joseph Sklar

OCEANSIDE—The father of Mayor Edwin Sklar died Monday in Oceanside Hospital after a long illness.

Joseph Sklar, 81, a Hollywood costume designer, had been living with his son in Oceanside since April of this year. He was a pioneer of motion picture costume design.

In addition to his son, he has two daughters, Mrs. Cecilia Lacey of North Hollywood.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at the Mt. Sinai Cemetery in North Hollywood.

Films Sought for Library

COMMERCE—The City Council Monday night voted to have its librarian, Miss Phyllis A. Gray, join the newly formed Public Library Film Credit Commission, which will enable members to obtain more films by combining funds.

In other action, the council renewed the franchise of the Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad Co. to maintain and operate its system in the city for 30 years.

Buffums' Opens New Store in Lakewood Area

LAKEWOOD—Buffums Lakewood, at Del Amo and Greenwood, opened Monday with ceremonies in which Harry Buffum, board chairman and Valley National president, received the All-Employee Building Award of the California Retailers' Union Co.

Buffum, former manager of Buffums' Santa Ana store, took over management of the new Lakewood facility, which is the fourth new store opened since 1951.



TRADITIONAL CEREMONY—The new May Co. store in Whittier was opened Monday with the traditional release of white pigeons. David May's twin sons, Tom and David, partly shown in center foreground, pulled strings to free the flock from their cages.

May Co. Opens New Store in Whittier Quad

WHITTIER—A flock of white pigeons signifying good luck were released to herald the opening of the Whittier May Co. store Monday morning—the 12th in the California group and the fourth to open within the past 24 months.

At more than 500 age-shoppers looked on, David and Tom May, 15-year-old twin sons of David May Inc. executive vice president and president of Tom May chairman of the board, pulled the strings to burst the pinata that held the good-luck charm.

Also attending the official opening of the three-level store, bounded by Central, Chum and Palmer Sts. in the Whittier Quad, were Don Vaisel, Whittier mayor, and other city officials.

Vaisel extended a key to the store to Mayor Edwin Sklar and his wife, Mrs. Cecilia Lacey.

HUMANE SOCIETY EYES BURRO RACE

Special Detail Assigned to Watch Derby After Animal Lovers Protest 'Cruelty'

PIONEERTOWN—When will be carried by truck part of the 12th annual National Burro Derby gets under way Thursday, a special detail of Humane Society officers will go along to insure that the animals are not mistreated.

Controversy developed over the three-day race this year after some animal lovers protested the derby on the grounds it was a form of cruelty to the wild burros.

Brutality Bred Derby officials replied that their rules forbid any brutality or abuse of the animals such as lashing them with a rope or using any mechanical or electrical "gimmick" to spur them on.

Any wrangler violating the rules will be disqualified and fined, they say.

However, the wranglers are allowed to use foot pressure to force the burros they use to lead the grounds it was a form of cruelty to the wild burros. The animals and wranglers



BATTLING—Mrs. Lucille Hunter wages a daily fight against flies at her home in Cherry Valley. She blames Riverside County Health Department's inaction against the neighboring chicken ranches.

Cherry Valley Woman Wages Battle on Flies

CHERRY VALLEY—Mrs. Lucille Hunter has raised so many health notices to this community connection about the fly situation here that the aim housewife has become a controversial figure in the eyes of state and Riverside County officials.

More than one she has clashed with Dr. Everett M. Stone, the county director of public health.

But Mrs. Hunter continues to charge that robbing has been done to eliminate the flies.

Council Studies Tax Plan for King Harbor

REDONDO BEACH—A proposal to use tax revenues for increased public works tied assessed valuation for the financially troubled King Harbor was taken under study Monday night by the City Council.

The plan, which would require a charter amendment approved in a municipal election, is one of a series being submitted to the council by City Mgr. Francis E. Hopkins.

The city is expecting increased tax revenue with the construction of an \$8 million Edison Co. plant here during the next four years.

Part of the tax funds could be used to pay bond interest payments on the harbor, from which income has fallen short.

The council also approved reduction of planning commission meetings from twice to once a month and named Mayor William P. Cramer as ex-officio member of the Redondo Junior Chamber of Commerce board to study a proposed city festival to be sponsored by the junior chamber.

Pilot Unharned as Jet Crashes

BRAWLEY—A Marine Corps crusader jet crashed five miles north of here in a plowed field Monday while the pilot parachuted to safety.

Maj. S. J. Dolan, temporarily based at the Yuma Marine Base, landed several miles northwest of Brawley. He was unharned.

An Alhambra is on a vehicle fire column which is resumed on his return.



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