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Labor at The Legislature

From the Capitol Office
Of the Executive Secretary

A meeting of the full membership of the Assembly Industrial Relations Committee on Monday began hearing an amended version of Assembly Bill 1555. Still further amendment was offered during the hearing but AB 1555 still faces the strongest united opposition of Labor. This is a bill aimed at unnecessarily delaying the payment of wages to seasonal workers. It is completely unacceptable to California working men and women. Virtually no conceivable amendment could overcome the basic objection to the bill and the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, will continue to oppose this measure until it is buried in the legislative process, just as was its companion, AB 1163.

Committee consideration of AB 1555 will be resumed on Monday, June 17, at the 1:30 p.m. meeting.

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Similarly, AB 1142, also opposed by the Federation, was amended in the meeting of Industrial Relations on Monday and put over for further hearing to June 17. This measure deals with "fair employment practices."

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The Federation's General Counsel appeared before Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions Committee on Monday to oppose Senate Bill 589. During the course of the meeting, amendments were offered and the bill was put over two weeks to Monday, June 24, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4040. This is a bad bill dealing with unemployment insurance, a threat to the security of working people throughout California.

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Bills Periling Apprentice Setup Face Hearing June 26

The Senate Governmental Efficiency Committee has set Wednesday, June 26, to hear testimony on AB 1463 and AB 1464, along with several other economic and employment bills.

These two—under the personal guidance of Assembly Speaker Jesse M. Unruh—would violently upset and change the apprenticeship training program in Cali-

fornia, long regarded as the nation's finest. Their passage would compound rather than solve the problems the backers seek to alleviate.

AB 1463 and AB 1464 frankly seek to bring the apprenticeship program under the most rigid government control. The Division of Apprenticeship Standards

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Pitts Raps Reagan Action Against Grape Boycott

Governor Reagan's "one-sided action in behalf of grape growers against the California farm workers' boycott of Giumarra grape products" was roundly denounced this week by state AFL-CIO leader Thos. L. Pitts who wired Reagan on the issue. "As usual," Pitts said, Gov-

ernor Reagan has responded like a jack-in-the-box to a wire from the California Grape and Tree Fruit League, a monied, special interest group that's clearly backing the Giumarra Company's adamant refusal to recognize the farm workers' right to have a voice in determining the wages and working conditions under which they will work.

"This one-sided action against the California farm workers' boycott of Giumarra grape products is an affront to all

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Kuchel's Ouster By GOP Hit As Disservice to US

"California's Republicans have done the country a disservice by voting to end the career of one of their party's most courageous and constructive representatives in the Senate, Thomas H. Kuchel.

"That disservice was made immeasurably worse by their

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Two Anti-Labor Measures To Be Heard Monday

Hearings on two vicious anti-labor bills, AB 542 and AB 1555 have been scheduled before the Assembly Industrial Relations Committee at 1:30 p.m., June 17 in Room 2133 of the State Capitol.

AB 542 the so-called "secret ballot" bill, would put crippling bureaucratic control over daily union operations. It would also

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Exec. Council To Meet In Sacramento June 21-22

The Executive Council of the California Labor Federation will hold a two-day meeting at the El Dorado Hotel in Sacramento on June 21-22. It will not be just a one-day meeting on June 21 as reported in the California

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Meet Fed's 21 Scholarship Winners

"Active" and "involved" are the words that most quickly epitomize the 21 winners of \$500 awards in the California Labor Federation's 18th annual scholarship competition.

Active in student government, social service clubs, athletic, the arts and academic

societies; and involved in the politics and economic and social concerns of their communities.

That's what's reflected in the biographical notes just received from the 21 winners who triumphed over more than 950 other high school seniors in

the competitive examination held this spring.

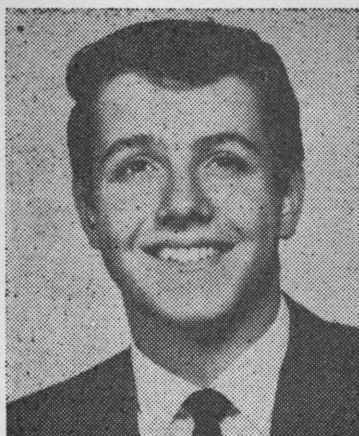
Although parental union membership was not a qualification for entering the competition — in fact wasn't even known until the winners were announced—two of this year's winners come from all-union families and 11 are from families in which a parent or relative are union members.

Virtually all of the winners maintained better than average

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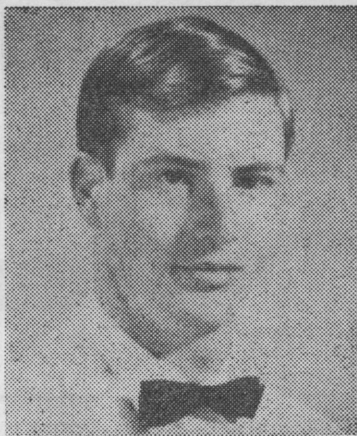
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grades throughout high school and also either edited school papers, competed in intramural athletics or actively participated in scores of other activities.

The \$500 scholarship awards may be applied at any accredited college or university they choose, Thos. L. Pitts, the Federation's secretary-treasurer, explained.

Eighteen of the 21 scholarships awarded this year were made available through the direct cooperation of the following Federation affiliates:

Butchers Local No. 120, Oakland; Butchers Local No. 498, Sacramento; Carpenters Ladies Auxiliary, California State Council; California Legislative Board of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; California State Council of Carpenters; California State Council of Culinary Workers, Bartenders and Hotel and Motel Service Employees;

California State Council of Lathers — Lloyd A. Mashburn Memorial Scholarship; Califor-



BRIAN SCOTT BENTLEY

nia State Council of Retail Clerks — Warren G. "Pop" DeSepte Award; Cannery Workers Union of the Pacific — James Waugh Memorial Scholarship; Communications Workers of America, Bay Area Council — William G. Gruwell Scholarship; Communications Workers of America, Southern California Council — George W. Gorman Memorial Scholarship; Federated Fire Fighters of California;

Los Angeles Building and Construction Trades Council; Los Angeles County District Council of Carpenters; Los Angeles District Council of Painters No. 36 — Roderick MacKenzie Scholarship Award; Studio Utility Employees, Local 724, Hollywood — Henry C. Rohrbach Memorial Scholarship; U.A.W. Local 148, Lakeview — Alex Groulx Scholarship Award; and the Western Federation of Butchers.

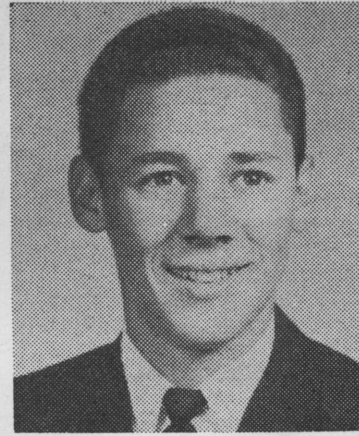
But now meet the winners.

Mitchell E. Abbott, 17, P.O. Box 97, Kings Beach, of Tahoe-



CAROLYN D. CARRASCO

Truckee High, plans to attend the University of California at Davis next fall to major in political science. Active in the Junior Statesmen of America, he enjoys political speaking and debating and won first place in extemporaneous speaking at the University of Nevada Forensics Tournament this year. A life member and former president of his school's chapter of the California Scholarship Federation, he is the only member of his class to have served four years as a voting member of the student council and was its vice president in his junior year. His family, he says, has "a long history of union affiliations." His father, Aaron E. Abbott, was a member of Sheetmetal Workers Local 252 in Fresno for many years and served on the union's executive board. His uncle, Frank S. Preusser, is a member of the Carpenters Union in Bakersfield. Moreover, both his maternal and paternal grandparents — Frank M. Preusser and Asa E. Abbott, are also



KEVIN B. COLLINS

union members of long standing.

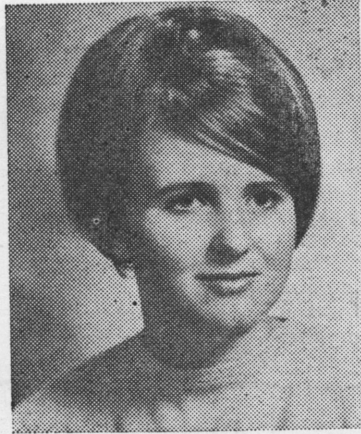
Brian Scott Bentley, 17, 117 South Meadows, Manhattan Beach, of Mira Costa High is headed for the University of California at Los Angeles next fall and eventually plans to become a dentist. He is already a member of Retail Clerks Local 1442 in Santa Monica. Like many other winners, he was a member of the California Scholarship Federation (CSF), the Ski Club, the Latin Club, and was also involved in wrestling and tennis matches at the school. His mother was also a member of the Retail Clerks Union for six years.

Carolyn Darlene Carrasco, 17, 564 Harris Drive, Shafter, of Shafter High in Kern County, will enroll at Bakersfield Junior College next fall and plans to transfer to UCLA to major in English or social science. She is "seriously considering" a career in secondary teaching. Also a life member and

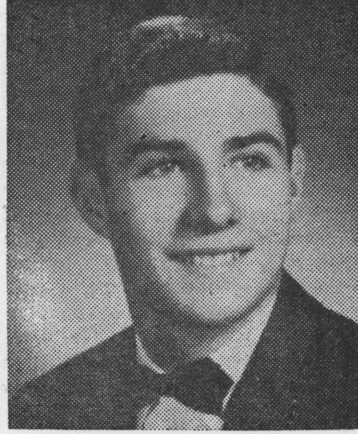
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ELLEN DELANY



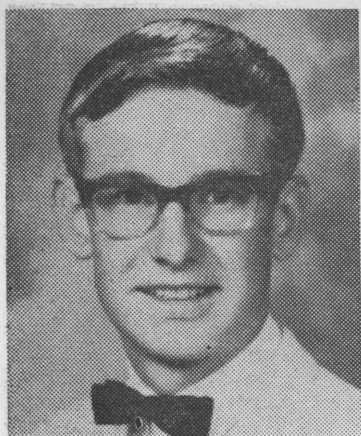
JUDITH ANN FITZGERALD



ROBERT J. GONELLA



PHILIP HAGOPIAN

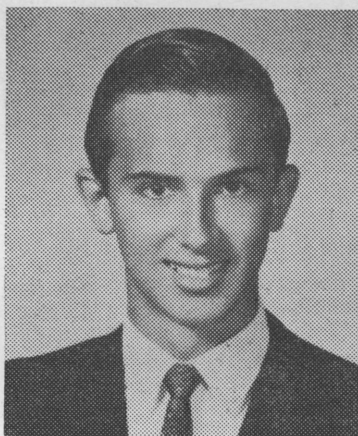


STEPHEN L. HARTSELL

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former president of her school's chapter of the California Scholarship Federation, she was assistant editor of the school paper and a delegate to the Little White House Conference in Hawaii last April. She was also president of the International Relations Club this year and a member of the Future Teachers of America. Miss Carrasco's father, Mr. Felix B. Carrasco, has been a member of Retail Clerks Local 137 in Bakersfield for the past 17 years.

Kevin Collins, 18, 3231 Withers Avenue, Lafayette, of Pleasant Hill High has a deep interest in politics and served as a Democratic party precinct worker in both the 1964 and 1966 elections. An active member of the Junior Statesmen of America Club, he headed his club's delegation to the Model U.N. in Berkeley this year. He enjoys tennis and fencing, is a member of the California Scholarship Federation and was vice president of the student body this year. Kevin has already been accepted to attend the University of California at Davis in September.

Ellen Delany, 18, 2043 Carroll Avenue, San Francisco, of Presentation High has already been accepted to enter San Francisco State College next September to study nursing. An avid reader and movie fan, Miss Delany also has a yen to tour the U.S. and Europe after graduation from college. She has been an active member of St. Elizabeth's Parish High School Sodality for the past four years and served one summer as a Red Cross swimming aide and



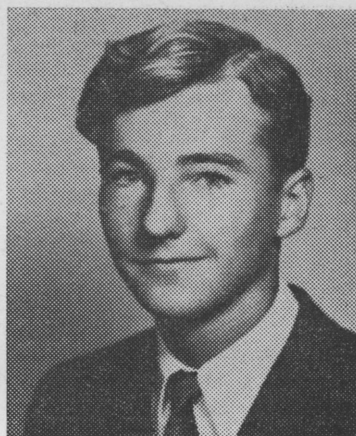
KARL M. KEATING

another as an aide to the Camp Fire Girls' Day Camp.

Judith Ann Fitzgerald, 17, of 1165 East 35th Street, San Bernardino, who was a resident student at the Academy of Our Lady of Peace in San Diego, is also a CSF life member as well as a member of the National Honor Society and the National Spanish Honor Society. She enjoys writing and song writing, was a staff member of the school's literary magazine, plays guitar and is particularly interested in literature, psychology and foreign languages (Russian and Spanish). She is also a National Merit and California State Scholarship finalist. She plans to attend Georgetown University next fall.

Robert John Gonella, 17, 1 Harvard Street, San Francisco, who, as a member of Retail Clerks Local 648, is already "a union brother," has his sights set on a medical degree. He plans to undertake pre-med studies at U.C. Berkeley next September. At Sacred Heart High he was page one editor of the school paper and also delivered the valedictory address at his graduation. His father, Mr. John Gonella, is a member of Web Pressmen's Union Local 4 and both his grandfathers were also union men—one a member of Building Service Employees Union Local 87 and the other a member of Laundry Workers Union Local 26. Moreover, he adds, three of his five uncles "also held union jobs."

Philip Hagopian, 17, 725 Willis Avenue, Madera, of Madera High, served as a representative to the California Boys

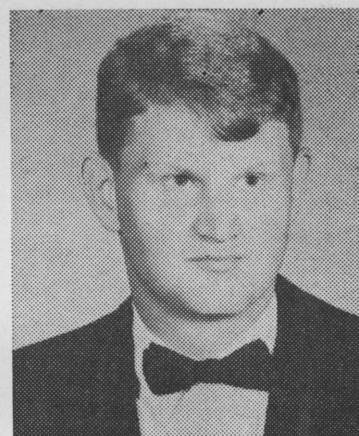


MICHAEL J. KING

State and has a deep interest in politics, reading and sports of all kinds. He was also active in student government and a member of American Field Service and Teens Against Polio. Next September he plans to attend the University of California at Davis to major in political science and economics.

Stephen Lee Hartsell, 18, 10450 Mahoney Drive, San Jose, already has a running start on his aim of "a possible career in law." During his senior year he was not only editor-in-chief of the James Lick High student paper, "The Observer," but also served as a justice on the school's supreme court and as chief delegate of his school's delegation to the Model U.N. at the University of California at Berkeley. He has also won a four-year Army ROTC scholarship and is a finalist in the National Merit competition. He plans to major in history at Claremont Men's College in Claremont next fall.

Karl Michael Keating, 18, 6940 Mezzanine Way, Long Beach, enjoys tumbling, collecting stamps, rocks and facsimile of documents and glassblowing — diverse interests enough for a young man who is already looking toward winning a doctorate in mathematics "possibly allied with computer science." As a student at Robert A. Millikan High, Karl served as president and vice president of the school's chapter of the National Honor Society, president of the German Club and was also a member of the Math and The Quill and Scroll Clubs. He also won a National Merit Scholarship,



TIMOTHY W. LUTZWEIT

a Chancellor scholarship, a National Honor Society Honorary Scholarship and a Yale Book Award, among others. He plans to attend the University of California at San Diego next fall.

Michael John King, 17, 19030 Superior Street, Northridge, has been practically immersed in music nearly half his life, having studied it for the past eight years. This year he was assistant musical director of the spring musical at Alemany High in Mission Hills in Los Angeles County and was also chosen valedictorian of his class. He also says he is "a sporadic student of literature and philosophy." Michael's father, John Dean King, is currently a member of two unions, Council 57 of the Air Line Pilot's Association in Los Angeles and Musicians Local 47 in Hollywood. Michael plans to attend UCLA where he will major in English.

Timothy W. Lutzweit, 18, 13-38 Point Claire Drive, Sunnyvale, is an ardent conservationist and enjoys assisting others. During his sophomore year at Fremont High, he became involved with the International Youth Service and corresponded with youths of other nations. Last year he was one of four chosen to represent his school in the National Council of Teachers of English awards contest. As a senior, he was a member of the CSF and the Creative Writing and Latin Clubs. While deeply interested in the biological sciences, he plans to study law and seek to develop his writing ability. He has not yet designated where he plans to enroll next fall.

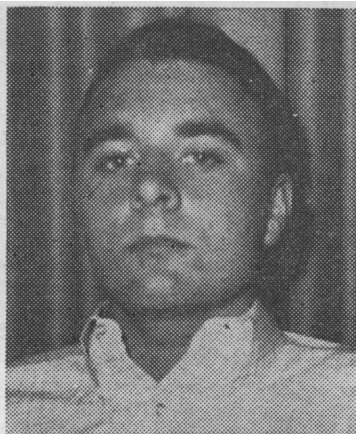
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DELORES MCKINNON

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His uncle, Harold J. Lutzweit, is a retired AFL-CIO union member in Dayton, Ohio.

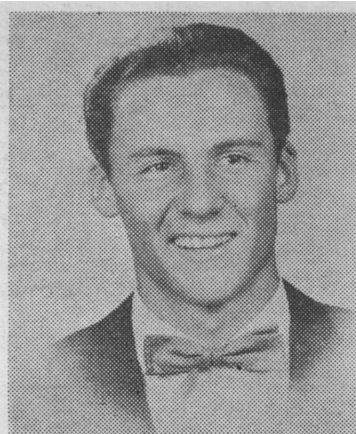
Delores Ann McKinnon, 18, 1067 Annapolis Drive, San Mateo, is an avid "out-of-doors" enthusiast and especially enjoys swimming (she teaches it), water skiing and scuba diving. She also likes hiking and camping. She plays both the piano and guitar but enjoys "just listening" as well. As a Candy-striper at San Mateo General Hospital for two years, she racked up 150 hours in aid to others. At Hillsdale High, she was a life member of CSF and took part in the Science and Medical Careers Club. She also attended the National Science Foundation Secondary Science Institute in Humboldt State College last summer. She plans to attend the University of California at San Diego in September. Her father, George T. McKinnon, has been a member of Plumbers Local 38 for the past 13 years.



KEITH MOBBS

Keith Mobbs, 17, 221 Joost Street, San Francisco, comes from an all-union family. His father, W. E. Mobbs, belongs to Carpenters Local 162 in San Mateo and his mother, Mrs. Wilma Mobbs, is a member of Hotel, Restaurant and Culinary Employees Local 48 in San Francisco. Moreover, his younger brother, Gary 16, is planning to follow his father's footsteps and become a carpenter. Keith, however, who had a deep interest in history at Balboa High, intends to enroll at the City College of San Francisco next fall and transfer later to San Jose State where he plans to major in criminology.

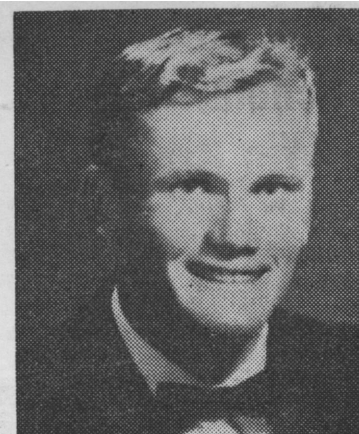
Mason J. Sacks, 17, 1509 Eden Avenue, San Jose, graduated first in his class of 370 at Campbell High School where he was also student body president and editor-in-chief of the school paper. He is an eagle scout, served as a Red Cross life guard and was also teen chairman of the Campbell Easter Seal campaign to aid crippled children, a job that attests to



MASON J. SACKS

his concern for others. He plans to major in political science at Stanford University next fall and later go to law school.

Howard Sagaser, 18, 749 East San Joaquin, Avenal in Kings County, is both an all-around athlete and a top student. He was captain of Avenal High's track team this year and Secretary-treasurer of the school's Letterman's Club having participated in football, basketball and track since his freshman year. In addition, he was president of his school's chapter of the California Scholarship Federation, president of Boys' Federation, and served on the yearbook staff, among many varied activities. He is the winner of an American Chemical Society Award, a Bank of America Award for Mathematics and awards from the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He has already been accepted to attend California Polytechnic College at San Luis Obispo next fall where he will major in farm management.



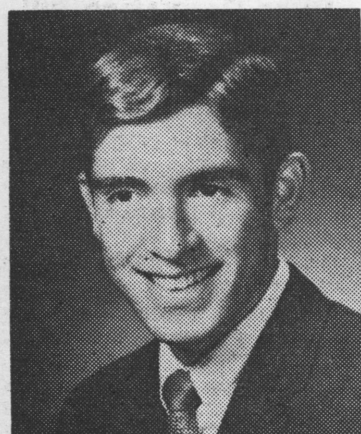
HOWARD A. SAGASER

Fred J. Santana, Jr., 17, 1578 Peacock Avenue, Sunnyvale, was captain of the cross-country track team at Bellarmine College Preparatory School this year and also served on the student activities committee. He also is a member of the National Honor Society. He plans to attend the University of Santa Clara next September where he will study engineering. His father, Fred J. Santana, is a member of Carpenters Local 1280 in Mountain View.

Janet Scheuerman, 17, 1920 Queensberry Road, Pasadena, credited her government teacher, Mrs. Helen Hacker, with giving her class "a thorough grounding in unionism and labor"—a subject skipped over in many California schools—for her success in the scholarship competition but it is pretty obvious that her own 3.97 grade point average at Alverno Heights Academy helped a little bit too. Miss Scheuerman enjoys a good game of tennis or badminton and also likes to sew and play the organ. A member of the National Honor Society, she was president of the Math Club and a member of both the Science and Service Clubs. She is also the winner of a partial scholarship from the State of California. She plans to enroll at the University of San Francisco next fall where she will probably major in history.

Alan Conway Sonne, 18, 3349 St. Michael Drive, Palo Alto, a straight A (4.0) student at Cubberley Senior High, was also a triple-threat in athletics, starring in football, basketball and baseball. He is currently a top contender for the "Athlete

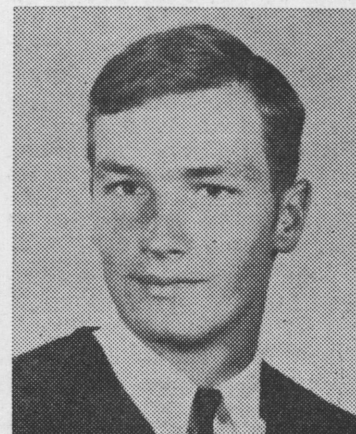
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FRED J. SANTANA, JR.



JANET SCHEUERMAN



ALAN C. SONNE

29 Others In Fed Scholarship Tilt Win Citations

To be among the top fifty in a scholarship competition in which more than 950 high school seniors participated, is an accomplishment in itself.

Accordingly, the California Labor Federation is awarding "Honorable Mention" certificates of Merit to the 29 other top-ranking California seniors who participated in the Federation's 18th annual awards competition. Listed alphabetically by counties: they are:

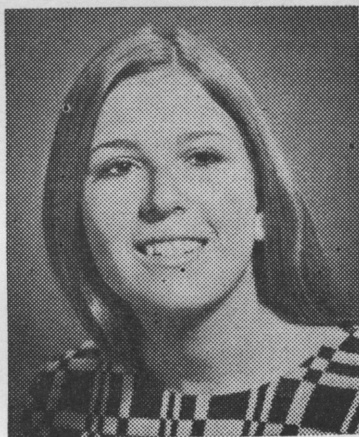
ALAMEDA — Diane Sandra Arroyo, 1447 - 5th St., Berkeley, of Presentation High; Gary Steven Dettmer, 122 Paru, Alameda, of Alameda High; Ronald J. Mucovich, 3534 Rhoda Ave., Oakland, of Oakland High, and Richard Smyth, 7365 Hansen Dr., Dublin, of Amador Valley High in Pleasanton.

CONTRA COSTA — Thomas E. Riley, 4266 Brentwood Circle, Concord, of Mt. Diablo High.

HUMBOLDT — Carleen Niesing, Star Route 1, Box 57, Redcrest P.O., of Fortuna High in Fortuna.

LOS ANGELES — Joe Daniel Applegate, 1460 - 6th St., Manhattan Beach, of Mira Costa High; Sidney Lee Beaty, 3304 Lees Ave., Long Beach, of Robert A. Millikan High; James M. Behnke, 4606 Hume Ave., La Crescenta, of Crescenta Valley High; Robert M. Heiligman, 3730 Goodland Ave., Studio City, of U. S. Grant High in Van Nuys; Margaret M. Johnson, 11668 Curry Ave., Granada Hills, of Alemany High; Elizabeth E. Ryals, 17546 Cantara St., Northridge, of Cleveland High in Reseda; Dale H. Silvira, 1110 N. Lima St., Burbank, of Burroughs High; Brian Stanley, 4111 W. 239 St., #32, Torrance, of Palos Verdes High in Palos Verdes Estates; Harry Wachtel, 12813 Delano, North Hollywood, of U. S. Grant in Van Nuys; Lee Ann Whites, 3602 Faust, Long Beach, of Robert A. Millikan High; and Melinda Wyatt, 2712 W. 111th St., Inglewood, of Morningside High.

ORANGE — Kevin John Burke, 1236 Eastwood Drive,



MARSHA F. WECHSLER

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of the Year" Award in his area. In addition, he is an Eagle Scout, plays guitar, sings with a school group known as the "Gentlemen Songsters," and served as secretary of the Key Club, a school service organization. He has already been accepted to attend Pomona College at Claremont next fall but did not state what career he plans to pursue. Several of his relatives, including Robert H. Sonne of Whittier (Local 47) are members of the Musicians Union.

Marsha F. Wechsler, 17, 59 Kenyon Ave., of Contra Costa County, is interested in writing, modern dance, the arts, hiking, bicycling but is particularly concerned "with the problems facing America today . . . problems of minority groups, farm labor . . . and . . . especially world peace." At El Cerrito High, she served as president of the Writers Club, was on the staff of the school paper and earned membership in the California Scholarship Federation. She plans to attend the University of California at San

Anaheim, of Anaheim High.

SAN BERNARDINO — Betty Lynn Gleason, 26789 Baseline, Highland, of San Geronio High in San Bernardino; and Glenn P. McKinley, 26335 Pacific Ave., #9, San Bernardino, of San Geronio High.

SAN JOAQUIN — Stephen Lew, 2867 Del Rio Drive, Stockton, of Amos A. Stagg High.

SAN MATEO — Lloyd W. Aubry, 20 Arcadia Pl., Hillsborough, of Aragon High in San Mateo; David Schraa, 59 Callie Lane, Menlo Park, of



ALICE L. WILLIAMS

ta Cruz next Fall to pursue studies in the social sciences and social service. She is also the daughter of an all-union family. Her father, Sanford Wechsler, is president of the Internal Revenue Lodge No. 634 of the American Federation of Government Employees and also president of the AFGE's Northern California Council. Her mother is a former vice president of the American Federation of Teachers local in Gary, Indiana.

Alice Leone Williams, 18, 136 Marina Blvd., San Rafael, is already an accomplished pianist who has given a number of public and private concerts including one radio broadcast. At San Domenico School in San Anselmo, she was Day Student Body President, school chairman of the Marin Youth Congress and a cheerleader. Like many winners she is also a member of the National Honor Society and the recipient of a Bank of America award. Next Fall she plans to enroll at the University of Washington in Seattle where she expects to major in philosophy.

Menlo-Atherton High in Atherton; and Karen L. Speier, 1617 Coronado Way, Burlingame, of Mercy High.

SAN FRANCISCO — Mary C. Cunningham, 2227 - 19th Ave., San Francisco, of Mercy High; John Lafferty, 1355 - 16th Ave., San Francisco, of Riordan High; and Cathy O'Donnell, 57 Dorchester, Daly City, of St. Rose Academy in San Francisco.

SANTA CLARA — Mark Caughey, 2133 Hicks Ave., San Jose, of Willow Glen High; and

Kuchel's Ouster By GOP Hit As Disservice to US

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decision to give the G.O.P. Senate nomination to Dr. Max Rafferty, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, whose views on practically everything are so reactionary that they make those of Gov. Ronald Reagan and Senator George Murphy seem progressive.

"In the perfervid atmosphere of California's polarized politics, Mr. Kuchel is paying the price for his hostility to the John Birch Society and to other expressions of extremism. Many right-wingers hate him with the same fury they vent against Chief Justice Earl Warren, who as the state's liberal Governor in 1952 first appointed Mr. Kuchel to a Senate vacancy—a post he later won three times in his own right.

"The primitivism of Dr. Rafferty's political views and the extravagant language he employs to denounce all forms of liberalism have now enabled him to round up enough G.O.P. primary votes to force Senator Kuchel into retirement. His Democratic opponent, former State Controller Alan Cranston, has a record of responsible concern with domestic and international affairs, in striking contrast to the intemperate and untenable positions long held by Dr. Rafferty." — *New York Times* editorial, June 6, 1968.

Senate Unit OKs U.C. Dues Deduction Bill

AB 127 - Elliott, a Federation-sponsored bill to require the regents of the University of California to permit employees to authorize payroll deductions for union dues, won a "do pass" from the Senate Committee on Governmental Efficiency this week and has been referred to the Senate Finance Committee.

The bill requires the employee's written authorization.

Margaret E. Crockett, 2533 Fairbrook Drive, Mountain View, of Chester F. Awalt High.

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would be transferred from the Department of Industrial Relations to a new Department of Human Resources Development. Its administrative procedures and decisions would be subject to absolute "judge and jury" review by the Fair Employment Practices Commission.

There is adequate machinery now in the law to obtain the progress sought without imposing another vast, expensive and repressive bureaucratic structure in state government.

The Senate GE Committee

meets at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4203 of the State Capitol.

Labor and others concerned with maintaining the integrity of the apprenticeship training program should quickly, directly contact their state senators. Particularly, they should get in touch with the members of the committee which will have the bill before it. These are:

Senators Richard Dolwig, San Mateo, Chairman; Hugh M. Burns, Fresno; Randolph Collier, Santa Rosa; Joseph M. Kennick, Long Beach; Fred W. Marler, Jr., Redding; John

F. McCarthy, San Rafael; Jack Schrade, San Diego; Alan Short, Stockton; Walter Stiern, Bakersfield; Stephen Teale, West Point; James Wedworth, Inglewood.

In contacting members of the Senate on these bills, make your own position in opposition very clear. In addition, ask them to let you know where they stand with relation to this legislation. Any response you receive should be promptly relayed to the Sacramento office of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO. This will be very helpful and very important.

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Twice-amended ACA 34 by Moretti is again set for hearing in the Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions Committee on Monday, June 17 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4040. This is a bad bill dealing with taxation of insurance carriers, opposed by the California Labor Federation.

Also on June 17, the Senate Insurance Committee will consider Negri's AB 576, a good bill dealing with credit sales, which has Federation support.

A week later, June 24, in the Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions Committee a good bill, AB 1265, Biddle, relating to retail installment sales, is scheduled to be heard.

Exec. Council To Meet In Sacramento June 21-22

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AFL-CIO News last week.

President Albin J. Gruhn has advised members of the Executive Council that a vacancy exists in geographical Vice President District No. 9(B) due to the recent death of Arthur F. Dougherty and that a vacancy exists in Vice President at-large office (F) due to the suspension of the U.A.W. from the AFL-CIO. This position was held by Henry L. Lacayo. These vacancies will be announced at the meeting of the Executive Council on June 21-22.

A meeting of the Executive Council of the California Labor Council on Political Education will be held following adjournment of the Federation's Executive Council meeting on Saturday, June 22 at the same location.

Firms Put on Notice

Five major U. S. firms have been notified of plans to bar them from government contract work because of discriminating employment policies and practices. The five firms are: Bethlehem Steel, Timken Roller Bearing, Allen-Bradley, B and P Motor Express and Pullman, Inc.

Minority Apprentices

Apprentices representing minorities exceeded the 15,000 mark at the beginning of 1968, the Labor Department reports.

Pitts Hits Reagan's Action Against Grape Boycott

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thinking workers and consumers," Pitts, secretary-treasurer of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, said.

"Instead of deploring the workers' use of the consumer boycott, why doesn't Reagan deplore the struck growers' refusal to negotiate a meaningful contract that affords the workers' wage levels and working conditions comparable to those enjoyed by union workers elsewhere in the state?

"Why must the inadequately recompensed labor of farm workers continue to subsidize the profits of the Grape and Tree Fruit League?" he asked.

In his wire, Pitts urged Reagan to "investigate immediately charges that Giumarra table grapes have been found packed and shipped under competitors' labels in an insidious attempt to thwart the grape workers' boycott."

He also urged Reagan to enforce state laws requiring state agencies referring workers to struck vineyards to inform such workers of the existence of the strike and to require them to "comply fully with state laws requiring adequate toilet, housing, drinking water, and other facilities vital to the

health and safety of California's thousands of impoverished farm workers.

"If as you claim, you find it 'difficult to understand the motives' behind the grape workers' boycott, suggest you also investigate what causes farm workers' hourly wages to be more than 40 percent below average hourly wages of union factory workers in California," the state AFL-CIO spokesman said in his wire to Governor Reagan.

Pitts expressed confidence that the Governor would find that "it is the struck growers' arrogant and irresponsible refusal to bargain collectively with their workers to be the root cause of the boycott."

In conclusion, Pitts urged the Governor to "utilize the powers of your office to help, rather than hamper, the legitimate aspirations of California farm workers for decent wages and working conditions."

"After all," Pitts asked, "are grapes or tree fruits so vital to the nation that consumers can't forego them for a while to help California's grossly underpaid farm workers win decent wages and working conditions from some of the most backward employers in our state, the struck California grape growers?"

Two Anti-Labor Measures To Be Heard Monday

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allow employers to bring direct pressure on members.

AB 1555 would delay the pay of thousands of California workers and is clearly aimed at accommodating employers at the expense of workers.

Both of these bills must be defeated.

The Assembly Industrial Relations Committee is chaired by Assemblyman Walter Powers of Sacramento. Other members are Peter F. Schabarum, Covina; John V. Briggs, Fullerton; Earl P. Crandall, San Jose; Bill Greene, Los Angeles; David A. Roberti, Los Angeles; and Alan Sieroty, Los Angeles.

Be sure to contact your Assemblyman and Members of the Industrial Relations Committee immediately to urge opposition to these bills.

Retired Couples Budget

A moderate standard of living for a self-supporting retired couple in U. S. urban areas in the autumn of 1966 required an average annual expenditure of \$3,869.