

Supervisors Give Approval To Juvenile Home Licensing

By Norm Indahl

Bypassing a recommendation of the county probation committee, the board of supervisors yesterday gave final approval to an ordinance licensing boarding homes for juveniles, 16-18 years old.

The probation committee requested that the measure be changed so it applies only to homes with four or more juveniles. Only establishments with more than one juvenile are affected by the ordinance.

A home with four youths constitutes a business institution and warrants control by regulations, Al Mansfield, committee head, said in a letter to the board. The unchanged ordinance will "seriously hamper" the work of the probation department in placing youths in foster homes, he said.

Mrs. Alice Earl Wilder pointed out that the board of public welfare, of which she is a member, feels the new measure should apply to all homes with more than one juvenile and not just to places with more than three youths.

Supervisor Walter G. Merrill, who initiated the motion that carried unanimously to pass the ordinance, explained he took action on the basis of the board of public welfare stand. Amendments could be made later, if necessary, he stated.

Mansfield told The Sentinel yesterday afternoon he feels some of the provisions for the homes are "unrealistic." There are places with juveniles that could not meet these standards, he said.

Not many foster homes are available in the county now, and the measure will cut down on the number with these requirements, he related. Mansfield contends the county probation officer should make the decision of whether homes are qualified to take youngsters.

Board of Supervisors Chairman

Lewis Nelson declared at the meeting yesterday that the standards spelled out in the ordinance are what would be desired in any good home.

The measure, giving the county control of foster homes in the 16-18-year-old age bracket, requires a place to have a health permit.

The board passed a resolution adopted at a meeting of the County Clerks Association of California calling for the consolidation of the county board of education trustees election, set for the June 7 primary, with the school trustees election next year.

County Clerk Tom Kelley submitted a copy of the association resolution to the board. The measure requests Governor Edmund G. Brown to call a special session of the legislature to consolidate the county school board election with the trustees election. The uniting of elections will result in less confusion at the polls, according to the recommendation.

On other matters the board took the following action:

Authorized payment of \$138 to six members of the sheriff's auxiliary in Aptos for working 69½ hours protecting homes in the Rio del Mar-Aptos sector after a storm last Tuesday morning battered the coastline. Nelson recommended that the auxiliary receive the compensation. Members being paid are Ted Stenden, Charles Spencer, Melvin Hussey, Charles Plate, Marvin Cope and Auburn Jellison.

Referred to County Counsel Bill Card for checking and processing a request from the Lockheed missile test base near Boulder Creek to the state water rights board. The test center wants to appropriate water from Boyer Creek tributary, to Big Creek, then to Scotts Creek and then to the Pacific ocean for industrial and fire prevention purposes.

Following the recommendation of Nelson, passed a resolution reappointing Allen Bennett to the civil service commission. He will represent the Soquel supervisorial district and serve until December, 1963.

Passed the third and final reading of an amendment to the salary ordinance establishing the position of associate planner-administrator in the planning department, George Moyer Jr., former temporary planning director and planning technician, will take the test for the new post. The position was created since Moyer's duties conform more to the new classification than his present category. Supervisor Vincent Locatelli abstained from voting.

Frank U. Little, Retired Grocer, Died Yesterday

Frank U. Little, 73, retired Santa Cruz and Soquel grocery store operator, died yesterday in a San Jose hospital after a long illness.

Little is survived by his wife, Mrs. Barbara Little; a daughter, Mrs. Cuba C. Clark; a grandson, Hillyard B. Clark and three great-grandchildren, all of Santa Cruz.

A native of Grand Forks, N.D., Little came to San Jose as a child. He entered the grocery business

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