



Ponce Puerto Rican Rotary Club. I am second from right standing in back row. I later became President of the club.



Rich, dressed as Maverick at our house in Temple City.



Jim and his first rock band in Magdalena, Ba-



Jim with his girl friend Pat Yoder shortly before he went to Vietnam.



Son Jim during his service in Vietnam.



Jim upon his return from the Vietnam War.



Pop and his second wife Dorothy taken in 1982.



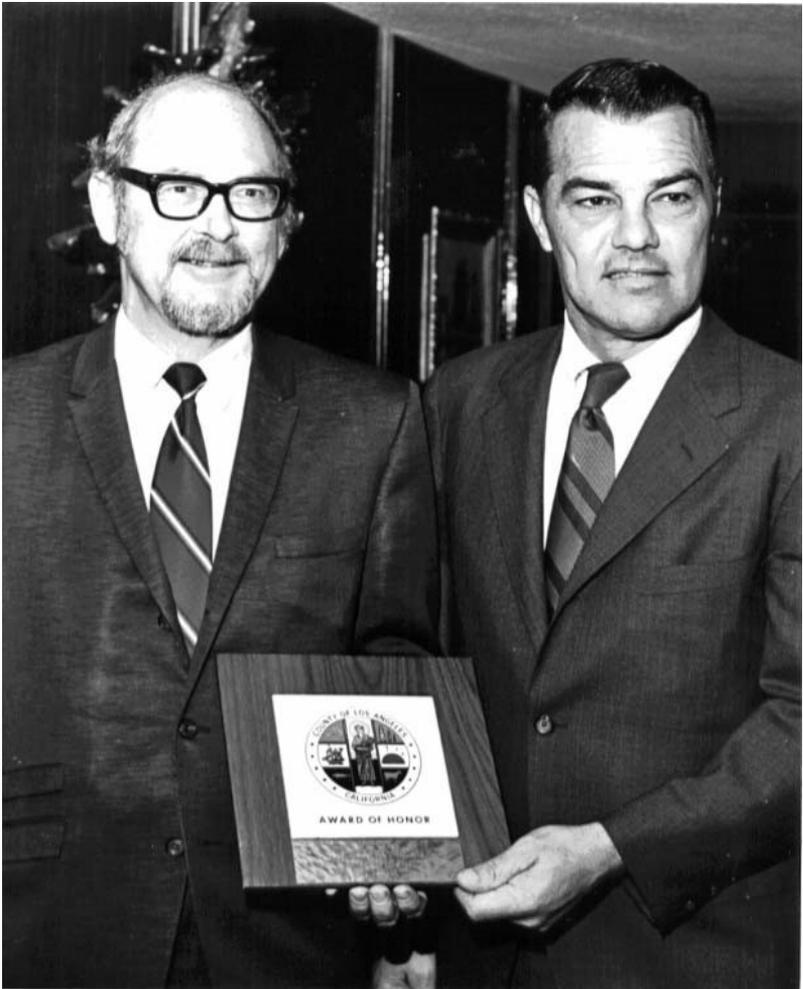
Virginia and me with the Tournament of Roses Royal Court in 1967.
We are in front row center of the group.



That's me, second from left as a member of Temple City's first Planning Commission. I later served as Chairman of the Commission.



Here I am, as Mayor of Temple City presenting Supervisor Frank G. Bonelli with the City's Plaque of Appreciation.



Here I am receiving the L.A. County Award of Merit from Pete Schabaram, First District Supervisor.



Educators visiting Hughes Aircraft Company learn from W.A. Harker, Manager, Videosonic Systems Division how Hughes uses the system to increase productivity and learning.

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Harker to Retire From City Council

12 Years Of Service End in April

More than 12 years of dedicated community service will come to an end in April when Bill Harker steps down from his seat on the Temple City Council.

His term, along with that of Councilman Jack Tyrell, expires this year. Harker says he will not be a candidate for re-election. Tyrell has not yet made a decision.

In a formal statement of intent released to this newspaper, Harker said, "With the next city election coming up in April it has been necessary to reach a decision with respect to my future plans since my present term on the council expires at that time.

"After lengthy thought and consideration I have resolved the matter to my personal satisfaction and now wish to make my intentions known. I will not be a candidate for re-election.

"It has been a privilege to have served Temple City during the past 12 years and to me personally it has been a very rewarding experience.

"During the period between now and April I shall continue to apply myself to matters that come before the City Council so I have no desire to become a victim of the Lame Duck syndrome."

Councilman Harker worked for incorporation prior to

Plans and Reminiscences

No Matter What, Harker Will Manage to Keep Busy

By HELEN O. SCHRADER

Bill Harker may be retiring from the Temple City Council, but that doesn't mean he'll be retiring from life.

In fact he's undertaken another voluntary assignment that will be taking up whatever time he can spare from his position at Hughes Aircraft.

He has served for several years on the board of trustees of Casa Loma College, where, among other things, the first paramedics were trained. Out of that college has grown another, Miller Community College, which specializes in courses not available elsewhere.

He's on the board at Miller and in addition is serving as treasurer, which for most people would be a full-time job. Among the exotic training offered at Miller is polygraphy, or the art of interpreting lie detecting tests; cardiology, questioned documents or handwriting analysis, and legal secretarial training.

The college is chartered by the state and offers both a two and a four year degree. To Bill Harker, working with an expanding college is an exciting challenge.

Eight years as a councilman have supplied him with excitement and challenges, too, of a different type.

One of his favorite stories concerns an incident during



BILL HARKER

An irate citizen called him at home one night during the dinner hour. "All irate citizens call either late at night or when you're having dinner," Harker says. The caller complained at considerable length that his trash hadn't been picked up that day and he expected the city to do something about it immediately.

Rising nobly to the occasion, Bill asked for the man's address and said he would be over immediately to pick up the trash himself. The man was embarrassed and began to back down. "No hurry," he said. "I probably put it out after the trash man went by." And he hung up.

over being surprised at the kinds of matters that bring people out to council meetings. "Dogs probably lead the list," he said. "We had quite a time with entertainment licenses, too, for a while. The oil well controversy had them standing in the aisles.

"They'll hear the case they're interested in and then leave even though other items on the agenda will often have a greater long-range effect on their lives and pocketbooks."

Few Temple City councilmen, Harker thinks, have ever come in to office with any particular ax to grind. However in time they develop their own personal crusades. Among those he mentioned were parking meters, gun laws, reverse laws on service stations, law enforcement, the youth commission and sidewalks. His own personal involvement has been airports. Maybe, that's because he and his wife, Virginia, fly their own plane out of El Monte Airport almost every weekend.

Semantics in ordinances can really cause problems. He recalls one the city attorney drafted when the tapless bars first became popular. Of course Temple City wanted no such establishments within its confines. However the wording of the ordinance got so technical that it was finally shelved. "We were all