



NEW BLACKTOP paving was put in place Thursday at the corner of frontage road and San Luis Rey in Palm Desert. The work was completed for the Union Oil

company station by the Bancroft Excavation company of Palm Desert. At the shovel is Don Bancroft while John Hernandez is working the roller.

Thunderbird Area Being Previewed During Week

Thunderbird Park, a new development of luxury three-bedroom, two bath air conditioned homes in the \$25,000 class surrounding private pitching and putting greens one block from Thunderbird Country Club are being previewed this week, it was announced by Arnold Koblenz, principal of Koblenz-DeLancy, sales agents for Thunderbird Park.

A swimming pool is optional and may be included in your 25-year loan, Koblenz pointed out.

Outstanding features, including built-in vanities, sliding glass walls, decorator stone fireplaces,

wall to wall wool carpeting, separate dining room, exposed wood ceilings, built-in ranges, ovens, garbage disposals, dishwashers, are described in an unusual souvenir EP album by Michael Rye and the Capitol Recording musical staff. Souvenir album: "The New Sound in Palm Springs" will be given free to all visitors to furnished model homes open this week in Thunderbird Park.

Thunderbird Park is located on Country Club Drive between Del Sol and Highway 111, across from Thunderbird Country Club.

New Parking Area in PD

PALM DESERT—A key section of this community's downtown business district was blacktopped yesterday with the completion of a 25,000 square-foot section at the corner of the frontage road and San Luis Rey.

The work, at an estimated cost of \$4,000, was completed by the Bancroft Excavation company. It was done for the Union Oil company as part of the enlargement of the corner station to include a new mechanical department.

Paving for parking is now completed in the entire block between San Luis Rey and Larkspur Lane.

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'Far West' Plans Desert Estates

Far West Development Corp., which Donald Alan Baker is president, has purchased land adjacent to the Tamarisk Country Club in Palm Springs for a projected \$2,500,000 home development with ground to be broken March 15 for five prototypes, it is announced by attorney Fred Goldberg, secretary of the corporation.

Initial program of construction is 40 homes, each of distinctive design by Hugh Kaptur conforming to the architectural freedom that the desert offers. Price range will be \$50,000 and \$60,000 and among features will be steam baths, swimming pools, built-ins, carpeting and refrigeration. Complete financing is available from the company.

The development in Tamarisk Village is within sight of homes of such notables as Frank Sinatra, Groucho Marx, Danny Thomas, Zeppo Marx, Ray Anthony, Hoagy Carmichael and Ellsworth Vines. Two of the prototypes will be "millionaire bachelor" homes with a South seas motif in exotic setting.

Far West Development Corp. marks a four-year growth of the group which has been active in

home construction in the Beverly Hills-Brentwood area under the names of Baker-Kornreich, Inc., Karen-One Corp., and Robakor Properties, all headed by Baker. Homes in the \$70,000 to \$150,000 range have been built for buyers including actress Pat Carroll and writer Edmund Morris.

Another group includes custom homes in Coldwater Canyon designed by Robert Denzil Lee. An unusual Spanish type home in Benedict Canyon for interior decorator Antone Dalu features large carved front doors imported from Mexico, Spanish floor tile from Acapulco and a floating steel stairway. Palm Springs Management Co. negotiated sale of the ground to Far West, which has main offices at 2555 E. Tahquitz, Palm Springs.

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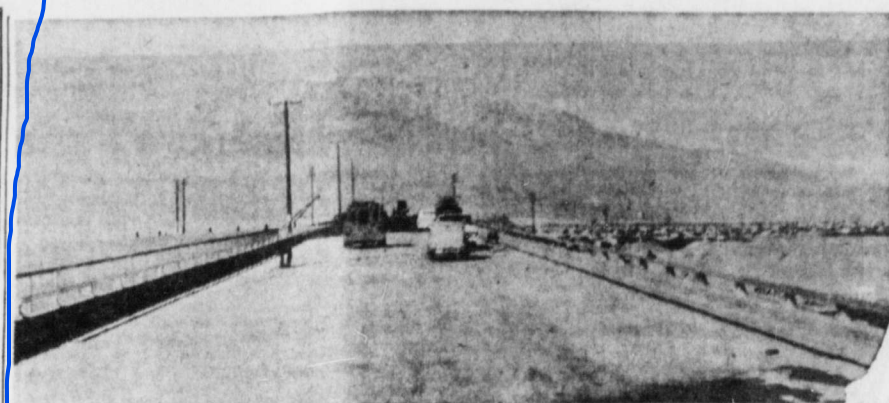
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FINISHING TOUCHES go to the Ramon overpass which crosses Highway 60-70-99 at Thousand Palms. Riverside contractors E. L. Yeager expect the job to be completed within a month with formal dedication scheduled for early in April.

The entire project cost nearly \$750,000 and included overpasses over both the highway and the parallel Southern Pacific railroad tracks as well as the various approaches to the vehicular bridge. (Desert Sun Photo)

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