

Errors In Forms Cause Return Of SS Blanks

Majority Torrance Workers Apply for Their Federal Account Numbers

Altho Torrance workers responded almost 100 percent to the request of the Social Security board for applications for federal old age pension application account numbers, many of the forms (SS-5) are being returned for more complete data, according to Postmaster Earl Conner.

"Our percentage of applications runs very high," the postmaster said, "because employers generally took an interest in the work and saw to it that their workers filled out the applications."

The most common faults found with local Social Security application blanks by the regional board office in San Francisco were: Failure of applicant to supply full name; failure to supply father's and mother's (maiden) names and failure to designate place of birth. It was pointed out that merely naming the county of birth was insufficient and the nearest town's name should be used.

Pulmotor Revives Aged Walterian

Heater In Small Closed Room Exhausts Air

Seventy-three-year-old F. W. Davee, of Walteria, narrowly escaped death Saturday because he wanted to keep warm. Living alone at 2447 Ward street, he went to bed Friday night and left a gas heater on.

The flames exhausted all the oxygen in his small closed room and when he was found at 8 o'clock Saturday morning by a neighbor he was unconscious. The Torrance fire department inhalator squad was summoned from the central station and worked over him until 1:30 Saturday afternoon.

The pulmotor revived his breathing but Davee was taken to Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital to recover from shock that partially paralyzed him.

MAY BUILD TO RENT
Federal Insured Mortgage borrowers do not have to live in the homes they build. This makes possible the building of homes to rent to others.

THE BIGGEST JOB EVER TACKLED BY MAN!

GRAND COULEE DAM WILL HAVE 2500 MILES OF WATER PIPE BUILT IN TO COOL CEMENT—WILL CREATE ARTIFICIAL LAKE 50 MILES LONG



Rufus Woods, and Coolee Dam from Grand Stand; Cement Buckets; A Frontier Town; The Forge. (Northwest Airlines Photos.)

A FEW miles out of Wenatchee, Washington, nearly six thousand men are working on the biggest job that man ever tackled. They are building Grand Coulee Dam. It is a vast irrigation project which will take fifty years to complete; but once completed, it will irrigate thousands of square miles of land. It will turn thousands of acres of dust into the most fertile farms in America; it will change a sea of sagebrush and rattlesnakes into vast fields of grain, of pasture land and apple trees. The whole complexion of the Northwest will be changed. Its color will go from grey to green, and there will be a lake fifty miles long where now are barren hills and valleys and dust!

It was dust, blowing through an open window into a law office, that started Grand Coulee Dam.

Rufus Woods, who publishes the Wenatchee Daily World, called on an attorney in nearby Ephrata, in search of material for his column. He found the attorney in a rage because dust was ruining

his law library. "Rufus," he said, "throwing down his feather duster, 'why doesn't someone build a dam?'"

So they both went to the window and looked out in the direction of the roaring, raging Columbia River, one of the two most powerful in the world, and an idea was born.

Rufus, that day, wrote a long, visionary article about a dam that would sit between the granite coulees, and would back up the Columbia for miles. "It will generate power, and the power will pay the bill," said Rufus.

And at that point, the neighborhood broke into two camps; one camp that thought Rufus had been working too hard, and was a little out of his head; the other camp collected pennies and dimes to get the reclamation bureau down to see if the dam were possible. And in the meantime every one bought or borrowed books on hydraulic power generation, on irrigation, on construction engineering. "Any eight-year-old boy

around here," Woods says, "could tell you exactly how far a cubic foot of water has to fall to generate a given unit of power."

All that happened in 1918. The eight-year-old boys have grown up now, and many hundreds of them are working on the dam. They are helping realize the vision that Rufus Woods has been holding up to them, day after day, month after month, for nearly twenty years.

It is a tremendous task—and an impressive sight. Engineers from all over the world have made pilgrimages to it. New York business men who want to thrill at the sight of so colossal an undertaking, who can find relaxation in trudging through the sandy streets of the little frontier towns which have sprung up almost overnight, are flying out to Wenatchee or Spokane weekends, and going from there to the Grand Coulee Dam. And Rufus Woods still carries the torch: "The Dam must go on; it must not get mixed up in politics—it must go on!" says his front page.

Suspended Drivers' List Received Here

A bulky file of all data pertaining to California motorists whose drivers' licenses have been suspended for traffic violations was received at police headquarters here this week.

Names of 16 motorists who lost their right to drive cars as result of appearances in the city court were included in the file.

Clerk Returns to Duty After Illness

City Clerk A. H. Bartlett who suffered a severe attack of lung congestion last week returned to his duties Monday but is still far from being completely recovered. His deputy, LeRoy Stevens, is still confined at home with the same ailment.

Your rent money will buy a home.

Decision On Highway Name Planners' Topic

Adoption of the name of "Pacific Coast Highway" for the coast artery that now is known as "Roosevelt Highway" and by several other names is to be urged shortly by the street naming committee of the Association of City Planners. It was learned today.

Real name of the artery that extends thru Santa Monica city under the adopted name of Roosevelt highway is Malibu Road, according to J. A. Mellen, secretary of the committee. It also is known in Santa Monica by the name of Lincoln boulevard, and has various names along its route southerly thru the beach cities and across the southern part of the city of Torrance.

Agreed Years Ago
In Torrance and Lomita, for example, it is known as Wilmington and Redondo Road, according to maps, while in Long Beach it is known as State street. East of Long Beach it is Hathaway street. Action to adopt a definite name for the project along its entire route has been revived by the Lomita Chamber of Commerce, according to Mellen.

The name "Pacific Coast Highway" was agreed upon at a conference of representatives from Ventura, Los Angeles and Orange counties several years ago, Mellen explained in referring to his files. The name never was recommended to the various counties for official designation, however, because of construction work still under way on several links of the project.

1,172 Clerks and 515 Stenos Make Civil Service List

Names of 1,172 typist clerks and 515 stenographers from Torrance and all over the county were on a new county civil service list this week, ready for appointment to various branches of the county service.

Names of clerks and stenographers who passed the examination given several months ago by the county civil service commission were promulgated at the last meeting of the civil service body.

Examinations for typist clerks and stenographers are given every two years, and an eligible list thus established and kept up to date, from which department heads may make their appointments as vacancies occur.

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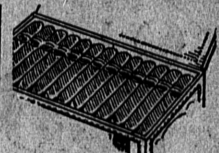
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