The Don-Ja-Ran Co. and Peerless Building Corp., Friday, filed their long-threatened suits against the city in consection with a zoning controversy along Torrance Beach. The suit was filed in Superfor Court, Dept. 34, by Attorney-Franklin W. Peck. It claims that the two concerns were denied an opportunity to bresent their case when the council "fraudulently and abstrarily" changed zoning of land along the ocean bluff, from multiple dwelling land use to single family residential use.

Hotel or Motel?

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The controversy began several years ago when Don-Ja-Ran asked for and received zoning for a hotel on the property. When plans were presented earlier this year, the council charged that the development resembled a motel. Proceedings to rezone the land to prevent the "motel" development followed.

Peck's petition charged the city with holding the hearing "without due process of law in in excess of the Council's jurisdiction and powers."

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The suit urges the court to dismiss the action of the City Council and demands that the entire transcript of the Council hearing be given to the court for study.

Not Requested

Attorney Peck contended, "My clients did not request the zone change, but it was instituted locally. The entire action was obviously prearranged and predetermined and the Council even refused to hear my clients although the law requires this in a public hearing."

He said the land has had an R.3 (multiple family construction) classification for 17 years and, that the City Council adopted an ordinance May 8 changing the zoning from R.3 to R.4 to allow the construction of a proposed resort hotel.

Mayer Owned

The owners, who have built 550, homes in the Torrance area, bought the property from the late motion picture, executive, Louis B. Mayer, in 1955.

## **Hahn Continues Drive for Bus Inspection Law**

County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn this week urged the adoption of a uniform state law requiring inspection of all school buses, both public and private, in California by the State Highway Patrol in speaking before a meeting of the Assembly interim sub-committee on Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations, chaired by Assemblyman Edward M. Gaffney, 24lm of San Francisco.

In a statement to the sub-committee, Supervisor Hahn outlined the facts concerning the Sept. 30 school bus accident in Los Angeles in which five children of the All Saints Parochial School and the driver were killed.

Code Cited

He pointed out that the State Education Code specifically exempts private school buses from inspection by the California Highway Patrol but requires all public school buses from inspection by the California Highway Patrol but requires all public school buses to be inspected.

Following the school bus accident, when it was revealed that the bus involved had not been inspected by either the Highway Patrol or the State Public Utilities Commission, Supervisor Hahn authored a county ordinance, now in effect, which requires the inspection of all school buses, whether public or private, as a condition for using county highways, roads and streets.

Not An Answer

Even though Los Angeles County comprises a large percentage of California in population and area, the county school bus safety ordinance is noot a complete answer to the problem, Supervisor Hahn stated.

with 57 other counties in California, the problem can not be solved adequately by a "patch-work of legislation," by different counties and cities, he declared.

"The practical approach demands a uniform state law so that all of our children will receive equal protection under the law," he concluded.

# ...Taxes

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Impeachment
A movement has been started to impeach all five county supervisors and the county assessor because of the high tax rates. In a sense, this is like locking the barn after the cart has been stolen, for there is nothing the taxpayer can do now but pay. He could have potested at the time the budgets were made up, but most of them didn't realize just what effect the budget would have on their tax hills.

Besides, the individual taxpayer isn't organized to argue budget mutters, while a number of organized pressure groups were active, getting their particular project in the budget.

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"I've heard very few citizens calling for a reduction in the services that government offers," one official declared. "It's the services that cost mongy and we're constantly pressured to do more things. With inflation and high costs, taxes keep going up. Anybody who talks about cutting out services is generally talking about cutting somebody else's, not his own."

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Veteran officials reported more protests on taxes this year than at any other time in many years.

Incidentally, your taxes are due Dec. 12, or at least half of the payment is. Payments not made by then are subject to eight per cent interest charges. Anybody who should have received a tax bill, but did not, should write to the county assessor's office, giving the lot number, tract number, and pages in the county recorder's book. In cases where the property has changed hands, the bill may have been sent to the old owner.

When you move the burden

bill may have been sent to the old owner.

When you move, the burden is upon you to notify authorities of the change in ownership. It's your hard luck if you failed to do so.

Taxes—and death—are in evitable. Some people claim that this year's taxes have killed their wallets.

Rest in peace.

# ... Chamber

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pledges were re ceiv ed, Fitzgerald said, including one for
\$100 from Foster and Kleiser
Advertising.
Designer of the Torrance
float will be Isabelha Coleman,
whose creations have won 34
sweepstakes prizes in the 50
years she has been designing
Tournament of Roses floats.
She was on a committee which
designed the winning float in
the first parade.
Torrance citizens may be
come me mers of the Torrance Tournament of Roses
Assn. by sending their contributions to the Chamber of
Commerce office, 1345 EI
Prado, Torrance. They will be
sold in four categories—associate, \$1; sustaining, \$5; sponsor, \$10; patron, \$25, All donations will be publicly recognized and membership cards
is su ed, Chamber officials
promised.

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## ► SIGNS OF CHRISTMAS



CHRISTMAS SEALS

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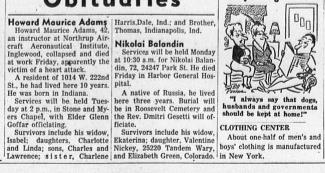
Their advertisement in Thursday's HERALD nearly caused a small riot at Para-mont Center, Torrance Blvd. and Madrona Ave., Tom Ward, co-owner, reported

Ward, co-owner, reported Friday.

"Best response we ever had," was Ward's comment on the crowds that thronged the local nursery to pick upplants and garden supplies. Most of the time, the customers had to wait in lines because of the large number of people.

To HERALD Ad Howard Mourice Adams | Harris, Dale, Ind.; and Brother, Howard Maurice Adams, 42. | Thomas, Indianapolis, Ind.

## My Neighbors



# ... Planners

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hearing will be held on the matter Dec. 4.

TORRANCE MERALD

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Held over for further study was the rezoning of the southeast and southwest corners of Carson and Maple.

Approval was given to R-1 con changes for tract 22660, on 180th St. west of Arlington, tract 22413, on 180th between Grenshaw and Casimir; and tract 22654. on Purche Ave., south of 182nd St.

Apartments Sought
The request of I. Lachman and M. Johes to build apart.

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