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A Penny for your Thoughts

When the HERALD photographer saw a bus load of people park in downtown Torrance he checked on them and found they were members of the Cotuiton Old Timers Club...

J. R. Gettleman, real estate salesman

"I think your center here is wonderful. I am semi-retired and only work a few hours each day. This leaves me time to play cards and games and to visit other centers."

Mrs. John Sargent, housewife

"I don't play shuffleboard, but I do like cards and play every day. I think the center is nice here and like to visit other cities. Of course, we think our own club is pretty fine, too."

Harold Smith, retired mechanic

"You have a fine setup here as any in the country and I have visited most of them. My game is horse shoes and I can give the best in Torrance a run for their money."

Mrs. Earl Sarver, yardage store clerk

"You have a nice center here and the members are also nice. We came over from the Old Timers Club in Compton to have some games, but the bad weather may cause us to call off the outdoor games."

Dr. E. Squire, retired park employee

"Sure, we like your center. We came over for a shuffleboard tournament, but the weather is too cold today and we may postpone our play and may go back to our clubhouse to keep warm."

Mrs. Robert McMahon, housewife

"I think these clubs for we older people are wonderful and it gives us something to do. I like to watch the games, but not when it is cold like today."

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Applicants for Christmas employment will be interviewed between 5 and 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at the main post office in downtown Torrance.



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Isen Shouts 'Foul' Calls Postal Fight Card By Opponents a Low Blow

An anonymous card opposing any move to change the mailing address of Riviera residents from Redondo Beach to Torrance was described as "a dirty, below-the-belt punch" by Mayor Albert Isen...

After 35 Years



SERVICE HONORED... Merle M. Maddy, 1924 Gramercy Ave., was honored at a reception and dinner last night at the Beverly Hilton Hotel...

CITY WORKERS FLAY NEW INSURANCE RATE

Asking Study Of New Firms

City employees raised a storm of protest here Friday on notification that their group insurance rates would be hiked more than 20 per cent as the result of an operating loss by the insuring company.

Dr. Kaplan To Address Teachers

Dr. Joseph Kaplan, chairman of the U. S. National Committee for the International Geophysical Year, will tell Torrance teachers about the increasing importance of science in the school curriculum Tuesday.

The teachers will gather at 4 p.m. in Torrance High Auditorium for a special teachers' institute. These are held periodically to acquaint teachers with new educational developments.

Dean of physics at UCLA, Dr. Kaplan has been a faculty member there for 20 years. He organized the Institute of Geophysics at UCLA and is a former director. He organized a year program in meteorology at UCLA, and from 1943 to 1945, was on leave as chief of the Operations Analysis Section of the Second Air Force...

Students to Get Walkway Near Edison

Dedication of a strip of school property for street purposes, to allow access to Edison Schools, was approved by the Torrance Board of Education Tuesday night after a public hearing.

No protests were received on the proposal to dedicate a 30-foot strip of property at the southwest corner of North High School to the city for extension of 194th St. as far as Felber Ave.

This would allow children who live directly south of Edison School to walk by a shorter route than the roundabout way they now must travel via Prairie Ave.

Council Sets Wednesday Meeting Date

Because members of the city council will be attending sessions of the League of California Cities in Los Angeles, Monday and Tuesday, the regular meeting of the city council will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

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Triangles, Angles Replace Conventional Look of Flag

Youngsters in Mrs. Jane Choppe's fifth and sixth grade classes at Calle Mayor School have gone Betsy Ross one better.

While discussing the admission of Alaska to the union recently, they became interested in problems of redesigning the flag to allow for an extra star and decided to send President Eisenhower their idea of what the new banner should look like.

They decided to have a contest to see who could design the best new flag so that Alaska would be included.

THE FINISHED products showed many varied ideas, including many radical departures from the present Old Glory. In drawing up their plans, some children scattered the stars all over the flag, while others moved the field to the center or right side of the banner. One even eliminated the stars entirely, replacing it with a large outline map of the United States.

JOHN C. "JACK" RUFFER Leaving Job After 44 Years

Man to End 44-Year Plant Career Friday

After 44 years with the American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corp., John C. Ruffer retires from his job as plant controller of the Torrance facility next Friday. He was guest of honor at a dinner party Saturday night at Capri's Restaurant...

RUFFER LIVES with his wife, Helen, at 213 Via La Circula in Hollywood Bisters. The couple have a son, Richard, who lives in Valdosta, Ga., and two grandchildren, Jack and Kenny, who attend college and junior high school in Valdosta, Ga. The youngest is making a name for himself as a left halfback on the local football team.

Starting out with the American Standard as a 21-year-old general clerk, "Jack" Ruffer worked in Springfield, Ohio, and in Buffalo, N. Y. He traveled as an auditor for 16 years covering 42 states. Ruffer had his one other job and worked for the Standard Corp. in South Bend, Ind., before joining American Standard.



HEADS ATTORNEY GROUP... Atty. Mark S. Woolley (left) is congratulated by Municipal Judge Don Armstrong following installation as president of the South Bay Bar Assn. Wednesday night. Woolley, who has practiced law in Torrance since 1937, succeeded Mark Ward in the post.