

HONORED . . . Mrs. G. T. Derouin, Central Torrance residential Community Chest chairman last year, accepts bracelet award from Harbor Area Community Chest chair-man Jim Becker at annual Community Chest awards

Kennedy Wage Proposal Causing Stir in Congress, Retail Areas

By REYNOLDS KNIGHT
The President's proposal of a 25-cent increase in the minimum wage and extension of the law to cover an additional 4.3 million workers is causing considerable consternation not only in Congress but in economic circles.

than the cards themselves. Easter cards, for instance, in the childrens' clothing department, remind parents that it's time to shop for junior's spring suit.

SMOKE SIGNALS—A major tobacco company reports it has

nomic circles.

"EXTENSION of the Federal wage hor law to the community level is considered a serious aspect of the proposal," ARF spokesmen state.

"It appears now that many marginal workers and part-time and student workers would lose their jobs because of the increase, and that firms would be forced to get along with fewer employes or increase selling prices."

THE 4.3 MILLION additional workers are nearly all in retail and service fields that are basically local enterprises, the survey shows. "Thus the imposition of a 40-hour week on such services as retail outlets would in all probability prove a hardship both on the business and the employe," the Federation points out, "since such businesses cannot control employe production on the same such services as retail outlets would in all probability prove a hardship both on the business and the employe," the Federation points out, "since such businesses cannot control employe production on the same basis as a manufacturing plant or other type industry."

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The retailer, the Federation feels, must adapt his hours to suit his location and local constitutions, and in a manner which will give his customers—the public—the best possible reservice. This group feels that he obviously cannot accomplish this under the restrictions recommended under Mr. Kennedy's proposal.

THINGS TO COME — It's spring again and young love is blooming, even among dolls. A new boy doll has been developed as a boy friend for a teenager it toothbrush, designed to dislodge food particles by means of a small electrical charge passing through the bristles. dy's proposal.

sales volume."

Outposts, or double displays, are defined as card racks in areas other than the stationery department. Retailers, happily, have noted that these outposts also serve as shopping reminders for products other the Department of Agriculture.

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The American Retail Federadiscovered a reliable new prog-The American Retail Federation reports that surveys it has conducted indicate that the pending legislation would result in higher prices, an inflationary uptrend, greater competition from foreign imports and a competitive handicap for U. S. exports, and at an inopportune time.

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SPIRIT IMPORTS—The na-tion's grape growers and vint-ers have found an ally in Sen. SHOW YOUR WARES — An old adage to the effect that you have to show your products to sell them still holds true, according to a retailing survey to conducted by Hallmark Cards, Inc.

Sales of this company's well-known products at retail were in direct proportion to the use of displays, posters, streamers, and window pieces, a study by the greeting card firm revealed last spring. It's also important to get there "furstest with the mostest."

ers have found an ally in Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel (R., Calif.) who promises to do everything he can to persuade the executive branch to omit wine and brandy imports from further tariff reductions now being considered in current General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) negotiations. The issue affects grape growers and wine producers in California. New York and other states.

Senator Kuchel (R., Calif.)

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"The earlier the cards were up in the racks and the more frequent the use of outposts," D. M. Gray, vice president of sales for the Kansas City, Mo. firm, said, "the greater the sales yolume."

Senator Kuchel has pointed out that all grape wines of 20 per cent alchohol by volume have been added to the trade agreements bargaining list, a move strongly opposed by the California congressional delegation.





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