

Gibson Drops Out of Race For Mayor

Los Angeles Councilman John Gibson withdrew as candidate for mayor this week with the announcement that present Mayor Norris Poulson has reconsidered his previous decision and now seek reelection.

Gibson said his action was prompted by a promise made to Poulson last spring that he would not be a candidate for mayor against him.

Gibson said that he would again become a candidate for

CITY AIRPORT COMMISSIONER RESIGNS POST

George W. Schneider, 636 Calle Miramar, resigned from the City Airport commission as of Thursday, December 27.

He was appointed to the board nine months ago and said business pressures prevented any further service to the commission.

Schneider was one of four commissioners who disagreed sharply with the City Council in the current "touch-and-go" strip controversy.

the Los Angeles City Council if Poulson files for reelection.

Creeger Retires After 46 Years With Company

Henry W. Creeger, manager of American-Standard's Torrance plant, was the guest of honor at a banquet Wednesday evening at the Portuguese Bend club. He retired as of January 1, 1957, after more than 46 years with the company. On behalf of the salaried staff, L. N. Gill, superintendent, presented him with a wrist watch.



H. W. Creeger, retiring Torrance plant manager, American-Standard, admires watch which staff members gave him at a banquet in his honor.

Creeger is a native of Ohio born December 6, 1890, on a farm near Tiffin. His early education was in a "little schoolhouse" at Hopeville Center township. He later attended the Heidelberg Commercial college in Tiffin.

He was associated with the Tiffin Art Metal company, and the Michigan Central railroad, Detroit, before returning to Tiffin, October 10, 1910, as a stenographer and bookkeeper with the Great Western potteries. He progressed through the positions of cost accountant and chief clerk to assistant manager of the Tiffin plant.

In 1927 he was appointed manager of American-Standard's San Pablo plant, near Richmond, California. He became manager of the new Torrance plant January 1, 1948.

Creeger's community activities have been many and varied. In Tiffin, Ohio, he was a charter member of the Tiffin Rotary club. In Richmond he became president of the Rotary club in 1938, and was a trustee of the Richmond Union high school district for nine years, two years of which he served as president. He was also president of the Richmond Community Chest for five years, a member of the executive committee of the Richmond Red Cross, and a member of the board of directors of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce for 15 years.

In Torrance he has been a member of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce for eight years, and was president of the board in 1951. He sparked the Torrance Memorial hospital fund-raising

campaign as general chairman in 1955, was appointed to the board of directors of the hospital, and is now serving as president.

Creeger is looking forward to an active retirement, taking care of his two acres in Rolling Hills, traveling, hunting, fishing, and continuing his work with the Torrance Memorial hospital.

Recreation Dept. Sets Basketball League Dates

Torrance Recreation department is sponsoring two basketball leagues, one at North High and the other at Torrance High, for boys attending those schools who are not members of any of the regular teams.

The North high league will be conducted on Tuesday nights in the school's boys' gym, under the direct supervision of Coach Clifford Graybehl. Play begins Tuesday, January 8.

Torrance high's league will be coached by Fanny Markham. Play in this league will be held each Wednesday night, in the boys' gym, starting January 9.

Welch Made Administrator Vice-Pres.

The board of directors of American Savings & Loan association has appointed Orville W. Welch administrative vice-president of the association, according to an announcement by Reece H. Dorr, executive vice-president.

Welch's most recent position was supervisor of branches for American Savings, with which he has been associated since 1946. Prior to that position, he was manager of the association's Redondo Beach office.

In addition to his administrative duties, Welch will be in charge of all personnel for the association.

Welch is a graduate of the Savings and Loan Institute school, and has served as a member of the board of governors of that group's Los Angeles chapter. Welch has an active background in civic and welfare organizations, including; chairman of the 1955 Redondo Beach Red Cross fund campaign, member of the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce; past president of the 20-30 Club, and past secretary of the Redondo Junior Chamber of Commerce. He is a graduate of Eldorado, Kansas Junior college, and served for two years in the South Pacific with the United States Navy.

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Burke Home On Leave

Bernard Burke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burke, 1629 Crenshaw blvd., was home for the holidays, on leave from the Naval Officers' Training base, Newport, R. I.

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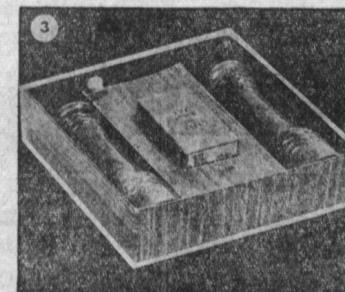
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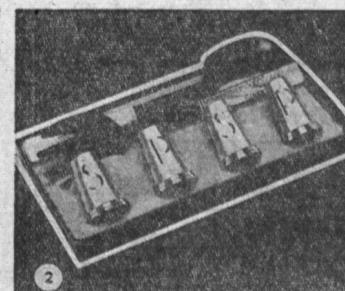
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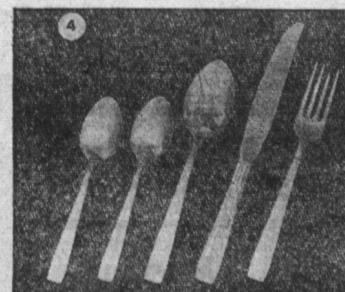
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