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**Local Racing Bird Wins First Place**

Averaging better than 41 miles per hour, a blue check pigeon owned by Dr. J. H. Hull won the first race of the season at the Harbor Area Pigeon Club Sunday. The bird flew the 143.73 miles in 3 hours 28 minutes and 56 seconds. Its owner, Dr. Hull, is the superintendent of schools in Torrance. Second place was taken by a blue check hen owned by A. R. Vichovich of San Pedro, and third place diploma went to J. R. Richhart, also owner of a blue check hen. There were 122 birds in the race and 13 lofts competing. The 1953 racing season will climax with a 600-mile race from Klammath Falls, Ore., in June.

**MELONS IMPORTED**  
Muskmelons and cantaloupes were brought to the United States from Tripoli about 1818, and were first grown in Pennsylvania near Germantown.

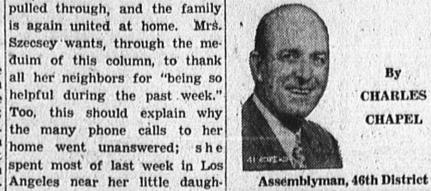
**Round the Riviera Gol Darndest Props Needed by Players**

By MARY and JACK WEBB  
FRONTIER 5-3051  
If an intriguing title can help a play, we've got a hit in the Hampton Players' coming attraction. Its title is "Papa Is All," which tells us very little if anything. However, the Players' president, Helen Ferrel, explains that the play's setting centers around an old-fashioned Pennsylvania Dutch kitchen. Does that help? No? Well, we'll just have to see the play, that's all; then we'll know just why Papa is all in a Pennsylvania Dutch kitchen. But in the meantime, the Players are on a first class scavenger hunt looking for strange objects they need as props in the kitchen setting. Here's what they need: 3", 4", 5", 8" and 12" beer tankards; willowware; pewter plates and cups; large copper plates; quilting frame; coffee grinder; water pump for the kitchen sink; a bull whip; an Almanac; old-fashioned coffee pot; 5-gal. copper water bucket. Some of these things we've seen in our lifetime, which no doubt dates us, but none have we seen in the past 15 years and certainly none in Los Angeles. If you have any of these items, or know who does have them, give a jingle to Mrs. Richard Blakeley, Frontier 5-2369, or Mrs. Ferrel, Frontier 5-2371. They postscript that they must have them by April 22, so don't delay your call. They are getting frantically frantically.

It always seems a shame that we must say goodbye to friends who have lived with us in the Riviera, but come and go they do, and now another family adds its name to the list of ex-Rivierans. It's the Charles Nutts this time, who together with their son, Keith, have moved to Pasadena. March 28 was their last day of local citizenship and the day they moved to the hinterlands way east of here. He is with Farmers Insurance, which moved his offices to Pasadena, and necessitated the transfer of household goods. Mrs. F. D. R. Grant, Mrs. Nutt's mother, moved with them. New residents at the old Nut house at 608 Calle de Arboles are the Bonifaces. He's a pilot at El Segundo, and first news flash on the family lists three children. Down at 246 Paseo de Granada, the Paul Szecseys are feeling very thankful. Their 11-month-old daughter, Tina, has returned from the hospital, well and hearty again. It is only about a week ago that Tina was rushed to the hospital with a bad case of bronchitis. It swiftly turned into bronchial pneumonia with a running temperature of 105. The hospital staff put Tina in an oxygen tent and called for the parents; it was that touch and go. But Tina pulled through, and the family is again united at home. Mrs. Szecsey wants, through the medium of this column, to thank all her neighbors for "being so helpful during the past week." Too, this should explain why the many phone calls to her home went unanswered; she spent most of last week in Los Angeles near her little daughter. During her absence, good neighbor Mrs. Robert Reynolds took care of her little son, Chris, 3 1/2.

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**Sacramento Report**



By CHARLES CHAPEL  
Assemblyman, 46th District

**ADULT EDUCATION**  
Several thousand people have written to me regarding adult education, expressing the fear that adult education will be abolished by the Legislature. I am glad to assure everyone that we shall not abolish adult education. Also, we shall not do anything which will materially cripple adult education, if I can personally stop it. This is also the attitude of the overwhelming majority of the members of the assembly. SENATORS DISLIKE UKELELE However, in the State Senate, several members believe that some courses should not be given at the cost of the State. They believe that courses like ukelele playing should be given only if paid for by the local school district, or if students of the ukelele play a tuition fee sufficient to cover the cost.

**ASSEMBLY ALWAYS FRIENDLY TO SCHOOLS**  
Out of the 80 members of the Assembly, not more than eight ever show any hostility toward the school bills. However, in the State Senate, there are many senators who regard with suspicion child-care centers, adult education and other school legislation. For some curious reason many of the friends of the schools write instantly to assemblymen but neglect senators. This is wrong. They should concentrate on senators. HOW TO WRITE TO YOUR SENATOR In case you do not know the name of your State Senator, simply address your letter thus: The Senator, from [County] Senate Chambers, State Capitol, Sacramento 14, California. WOMEN IN LEGISLATURE DO NOT TALK MUCH There are three ladies in the California Assembly. Contrary to the popular idea that women are gabby, these three hardly ever say anything on the floor or in committee. When there is something to say, they speak briefly and effectively. They are examples to some of their male associates. These three are Pauline L. Davis, Democrat, railroad dispatcher of Portola; Dorothy M. Donahoe, Democrat, high school registrar of Bakersfield; and Kathryn T. Nichouse, Republican, real estate and insurance, of San Diego. MOST WORK DONE IN COMMITTEE Visitors to the California Legislature always express surprise that there is seldom any spirited debate on the floor of either the Assembly or the Senate. The reason is that most arguments take place in the committee hearings. There anyone can get up and argue for or against a bill. The most humble, uneducated and financially poor person in the state gets the same hearing as the most famous lawyer. LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD Even young children have appeared before us and have received our attention. Recently, a committee of which I am a member heard a committee of children argue for a bill. Opposed to them were three lawyers. We passed the bill in committee. I believe it will pass on the floor. INSURANCE LICENSES WITHOUT EXAMINATION ARE PERIL TO BUYERS The Honorable John R. Maloney, Insurance Commissioner, has written me about abuses in the insurance laws of California. Here is what he says: "With respect to certificates of convenience (i.e., temporary insurance agent's and solicitor's licenses issued to first time applicants before they take their qualification examination), I wish to state unequivocally that I am, and for some time have been opposed to their continued existence. STATISTICS PROVE DANGER "This Department has made a

tabulation of qualification results on all applicants who were issued Agent's Certificates of Convenience during the one-year period of May 1, 1951, through April 30, 1952. This tabulation shows that out of 3725 such certificates issued, 455, or 12 per cent, were voluntarily cancelled before examination notification, and the holders of 3270 or 88 per cent were notified to appear for examination. Of these 1299 (35 per cent of the total issued and 40 per cent of those notified to appear for examination) failed to so appear, and 1971 (53 per cent of the total issued and 60 per cent of those notified) appeared for and took the examination. Of these, 726 (19.5 per cent of the total issued and 37 per cent of those taking the examination) passed the examination the first time, 520 passed on subsequent tries, thus raising the total who ultimately qualified for permanent licenses to 1246, or 33 1/2 per cent of the total certificates issued and 63 per cent of those taking the examination.

**ONE CALIFORNIA COMPANY HAS RECORD OF MANY FAILURES**  
"The figures in the foregoing paragraph are total figures for all fire and casualty insurers during the period whose appointments of agents by particular company and its affiliates far outdistance those by any other insurer or group of insurers. In the tabulation mentioned above we have the figures separately for the ten insurers (or groups) which appointed more than 75 agents during the period whose issued certificates of convenience. "Farmers head the list with 965, of which 168, or 17 per cent, were voluntarily cancelled before notification to appear for examination. Of the remainder, 797, or 83 per cent, were notified to appear for examination. Of these 482 (or 50 per cent of the total issued and 60 per cent of those notified to appear for examination) failed to so appear, and 315 (33 per cent of the total issued and 40 per cent of those notified to appear for examination) so appeared and took the examination. Of these latter, 103 (11 per cent of the total issued and 33 per cent of those taking the examination) succeeded in passing the examination on first attempt. "Seventy-nine of those failing the examination on first try succeeded on subsequent attempts, thus raising the total ultimately qualifying for permanent licenses to 162, or 19 per cent of the total certificates of convenience issued and 58 per cent of those taking the examination one or more times. "In my opinion, the foregoing tabulations very definitely demonstrate that the certificate of convenience constitutes a serious abuse of an economic regulation law and an economic waste to this Department. They should be eliminated from the statutes. "Very truly yours, (Signed) John R. Maloney, Insurance Commissioner"

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