

Torrance Driver Injured In Two Car Crash Mon.

Two drivers, John Katzenmeyer, 33, San Pedro, and George Wilhelm, 30, 1631 W. 204th st., were injured early Monday morning when their autos collided at the intersection of Vermont ave. and East road. Riding with Wilhelm were Lawrence Garner, San Pedro, who incurred a basal skull fracture; Jesse Davenport, Wilmington, multiple contusions, and M. R. Santos, also of Wilmington, who received a fractured wrist. The victims were taken to Park hospital, Gardena.

Torrance Chest Donations Far From '46 Goal

With the general average of cities joined in the annual Community Chest appeal now better than 78 per cent of their various goals, Torrance remains in the low register according to the latest official reports from headquarters made to Chairman Russell Lund.

The score now stands: Torrance 1,611 donations, amounting to 58 percent of the \$18,364 asked as a share of the \$6,493,200 needed for the annual support of 152 veterans, health, welfare and youth agencies. Included in these agencies are the local Veterans Service Center, the District Welfare Center, the youth center in the Pueblo. Also made possible by Chest donations raised in the metropolitan area are the local groups of Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Woodcraft Ranger, Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations, which have annual enrollments of more than 300 Torrance young people.

Other services given to Torrance men, women and children during the year included 200 families helped in time of trouble; 18 children in protective and pre-delinquent homes; 17 other children under the care of Chest agencies; 30 children receiving care in children's and orthopedic hospitals; more than 500 clinic visits from children and adults; more than 500 visits made by the Visiting-Nurse Association here.

"These figures, showing what we receive through the Chest have been given to Torrance residents before this through the courtesy of the 'Herald' and in distributed pamphlets," Lund said. "Will those citizens who feel that they should be continued, please help in their support by immediately taking his or her contribution to the District Welfare Center, 1339 Post avenue. We do not ask for large individual donations, and remember when you are doing that Christmas shopping that a couple of dollars, through a Chest clinic, will do a lot to help an ailing child."

In division ratings, the team headed by George L. Johnson covering the business district, has reached 60 percent, totals show. Frederick Cook's industrial district team has passed the 50 percent mark. W. E. Bowen, in the residential area, is past 45 percent of the quota. Bowen is being aided this week by a team from the Junior Woman's club, headed by Mrs. Jerry Wagner and the Rev. Ronald J. Menmuir, pastor of First Christian church, offering extra assistance.

RETIREMENT PLEA MEETS NEW DELAY

Another request that the City Council start proceedings to get the city employees retirement system into effect was delayed by the City Council Tuesday night on motion of Councilman G. V. Powell.

Positive action was asked by Chief of Police John Stroh, but a meeting to discuss the matter with a city employees' committee was agreed upon, to be held prior to Jan. 1.

JANUARY 14 WATER ELECTION OFFICERS, VOTING PLACES SET

The Board of Supervisors, at its Tuesday meeting, adopted a resolution fixing the voting precincts, the election officers, the polling places for the election to be held Jan. 14, on the matter of formation of the West Basin Municipal Water District according to Supervisor Raymond V. Darby.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS ASKED FOR BUSY NORTH CROSSING

A request for traffic signals at the intersection of Redondo Beach Blvd. and Crenshaw Blvd. was handed to the City Council Tuesday night by Harry H. Stone, who said that many accidents had occurred there in recent months.

GENERAL POSTS \$500 BOND TO GUARANTEE REPAIR OF STREETS

Torrance City Council Tuesday night agreed to accept a \$500 bond from the General Petroleum Corp. to guarantee installation of pavement and other improvements removed for excavation in connection with work in Torrance.

WALTERIA LIBRARY RENTAL INCREASED BY CITY COUNCIL

Torrance is paying 20 percent more for the rental of the Walteria branch of the Public Library as a result of action of the City Council Tuesday night. The Council agreed to pay L. S. Bossick \$50 for the building in place of the \$40 paid in the past, the new rental being on a month-to-month basis.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

Gifford Gordon, radio program conductor over station KGER, each Sunday evening at 7:05, was speaker at a special High school assembly Tuesday morning. He entertained the students with information about his native country, Australia. He appealed to the students to serve their country by preserving the strength of their physical bodies.

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