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SECTION C

Man Jailed For Alleged Rape Of Baby Sitter

Lewis N. Myers, 28, 1761 Date ave., Monday in Torrance City Court was held to answer charges of raping a 13-year-old girl here last December 28. Myers will enter his plea in Los Angeles Superior Court on January 22.

The alleged offense, according to testimony given by the girl, took place at the Date avenue address where she was "tending children of parents who were away for the evening."

Records reveal the act was voluntary on the girl's part after being prompted by the defendant.

In custody of local police since the complaint was signed, Myers was freed Monday on \$1,500 bail pending trial in Los Angeles.

Truck Driver Robbed Of \$160 On 101 Highway

Something new in broad daylight armed robbery was executed here Thursday noon when Edward C. Cole, Los Angeles, driver of a cleaning delivery truck, was stopped on Pacific Coast highway near Crenshaw blvd. and relieved of \$160 in currency.

Cole explained to Torrance police that two Mexican youths drove alongside of his vehicle and motioned to the front wheel. Thinking something was wrong with the truck, the driver pulled over and stopped. The robbers, in an old V-8 Ford according to Cole, drove to the side and front of his truck as he halted.

"It took me completely by surprise," the victim told officers "one of the pair got out of the car and shoved a .45 automatic right under my nose—and demanded, 'pull out your wallet, which I did.'"

Cole said the gunman then demanded that he open his trunk, according to the truck driver, no time was lost in complying with the order. The robber then reached into the wallet and withdrew its contents, \$160 in cash.

Telling Cole to remain where he was for five minutes, the bandits quickly drove away, Cole reported to police.

New Agency Rules On Non-Housing Farm Buildings

All Torrance and Lomita non-housing farm construction applications now are processed by the Office of Temporary Controls, Civilian Production Administration construction division, Louis M. Dreves, C.P.A. regional director here, reported.

C.P.A.'s Los Angeles district office at 117 W. 9th st. will accept applications from the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Inyo, Mono, Kern, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura.

Applications for farm buildings, however, are handled by Dreves said.

Requests for non-housing construction now should be filed on Form C.P.A.-4423.

Previously, farm work buildings were approved or denied by Department of Agriculture conservation committees. The switch to CPA was made by an amendment to Supplement 5 to Veterans Housing Program Order 3.

From the beginning of the housing program in March through November, 6198 non-housing farm applications were approved in the nation, and 417 denied. The dollar value of approvals—\$23,680,000—represented 93 percent of the value of all applications.

WAIVE SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS ON SEWER PROJECT

Another sewer project will soon be instituted as the County Board of Supervisors approved County Surveyor and Engineer Alfred Jones' request that signature requirements be waived for sewers along Figueroa st. between Carson st. and 220th st., near Torrance.

The project will bring property assessment for the section up to \$11,000, it was disclosed.

Motor Vehicle License Renewal Time Here; Heavy Penalties After Feb. 4

The 1947 license renewal season opened at all branch offices of the Department of Motor Vehicles on Thursday, Jan. 2.

Motor vehicle owners of Torrance and Lomita may secure registration renewal by going to the local office at 700 E. Broadway, Long Beach, 3500 S. Hope st., Los Angeles or by mail to either address, or to the Department of Motor Vehicles, 13th and N streets, Sacramento.

Because of the shortage of steel, local vehicle owners will not receive their plates at the time they apply for renewal. Plates and certificates will be mailed later to the address shown upon the 1946 registration card. It will be necessary, however, for them to pay their fees to avoid penalties which accrue on delinquent fees after midnight of February 4. The total amount due in registration and motor vehicle license fees is shown on the lower left-hand corner of the registration card.

The following instructions have been issued by Director Edgar Lampton for 1947 registration renewal:

Come to the nearest branch office of the Department and present your 1946 registration card with the amount of your fee. Personal checks will not be accepted.

When you have paid your fee you will be given a serially numbered receipt. Your 1947 registration card and plates will be mailed to you later. Your receipt will show the license number of the plates that will be mailed to you later.

If you have changed your address within the last year, mark out the old address on your registration card.

Gunman Assaults Girl As Escort Bound, Robbed

A 16-year-old high school girl Sunday in the Palmdale area was criminally assaulted by a man in Army clothing who, according to police, surprised the victim and her male friend while they sat in an automobile on Miralote drive.

Officers withheld the girl's identity, also that of her male companion, 21 years old.

Statements given by the pair indicated that the girl's attacker carried a .38 caliber revolver and a three-foot crowbar. Taking \$3 from the girl's purse and \$155 from her escort, the gunman forced his youthful victim to tie up her friend with his own pocket handkerchief and necktie, investigators reported.

He then ordered the girl at gun point into a nearby field, where she was forced to submit to the criminal assault, police said.

Illegal Insurance Collection Costs Man Heavy Fine

Attempting to collect unemployment insurance while employed in a gainful position is not profitable, according to James D. Colomy, unemployment insurance examiner for the Torrance office of the California State Employment Service.

Agreeing with Colomy is Theodore A. Turcotte, 52, 828 11th st., Manhattan Beach, who pleaded guilty Monday in Torrance City court to collecting \$80 in unemployment insurance from the State of California last July, during the period he was employed.

City Judge John Shidler fined Turcotte \$250 or 50 days in the county jail but suspended \$200 of that amount on condition that Turcotte make restitution to the Department of Employment within the ensuing 30 days.

Court observers figured the interest on the amount illegally taken by Turcotte, on a six months basis, had cost the defendant 186 and two-thirds percent. A worthy suggestion, the observers opined, would have been a loan at one of the local banking establishments.

VOTE TO RELIEVE GOVERNORS OF RESPONSIBILITIES

On motion of Supervisor Roger W. Jessup, the Board of Supervisors has voted to relieve the board of governors of the County Art Museum from responsibilities of the Otis Art Institute. The Institute was placed directly under the authority of the Board of Supervisors.

1946 registration card and print the new address in carefully.

If the ownership of your vehicle has been transferred within the last year and the transfer fee has not been paid, you will be required to pay an extra \$1.00 as the transfer fee.

If you desire, you may secure registration renewal by mail, although you will find it advantageous to apply at a branch office personally.

Mail applications may be sent to the office of the Department of Motor Vehicles nearest your place of residence as shown above.

In applying by mail, simply forward the 1946 registration card showing your present address and the amount of your fee. Do not use currency or personal checks. Send cashiers or certified checks, postal bank or express money orders.

It is advisable to apply for renewal as early as possible to avoid the last-minute rush prior to the deadline of midnight, Feb. 4.

Atom Scientist's Talk To Feature Cal. Alumni Meet

Southern California alumni of the University of California will gather Saturday at the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, to hear President Robert Gordon Sproul address the 26th annual Alumni Institute.

Following a theme of "The World, the University and You," the institute will also present experts on foreign affairs, atomic research and the domestic economic situation.

President Sproul will discuss the post-war role of the university, while Judge Stanley N. Barnes, of Los Angeles, president of the California Alumni Association, will report on his organization. Student activities on the crowded Berkeley campus will be described by Ed Welch, president of the Associated Students.

Faculty speakers will be Robert J. Kerner, Sather professor of history; Ira B. Cross, professor of economics on the Flood foundation; Luis B. Alvarez, professor of physics and Melvin Calvin, associate professor of chemistry.

Drunk Drivers In Torrance Pay Heavy Fines

Drunk drivers in Torrance over the holidays paid \$775 in fines, according to city court records, which revealed two of the six arrested forfeited balls totaling \$300. Forfeiting fines were Wilmer Gillette, Wilmington, \$150, and Vera Volk, Redondo Beach, \$150. Suspension of both drivers' licenses was ordered by the court.

Others pleading guilty to driving an automobile while drunk were Paul Watson, Long Beach, \$125, with \$25 suspended; Harry Flynn, 25907 Oak st., \$125; Jose J. Vasquez, Wilmington, \$150, and George B. Simpson, Los Angeles, \$200, with \$100 of that amount suspended.

Simpson, who ran his auto into a parked police patrol car recently, was ordered to make good the damage done to the vehicle within the next 30 days or pay the additional \$100 levied.

TORRANCE ARMY RECRUITER GIVES REVISED PROGRAM

The U. S. Army is continuing its program of re-instating combat wounded veterans, according to local Recruiting Sgt. E. M. Bryant. Under this program, 108 military occupational specialties now open, only 23 require previous qualified experience. Although experience is desirable he said, it is not essential since the applicant who meets the revised physical requirement is given necessary training to make him proficient in the job to which he is assigned.

Applicants who meet the revised physical requirements will also receive training in the other specialties. Sgt. Bryant may be contacted for additional information at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

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BLUE VELOUR LIVING ROOM SUITE	219.50	199.50
GREEN VELOUR LIVING ROOM SUITE	279.50	249.50
WINE FRIEZE LIVING ROOM SUITE	198.50	179.50
WINE FRIEZE LIVING ROOM SUITE	194.50	179.50
TAN TAPESTRY LIVING ROOM SUITE	169.50	149.50
ROSE VELOUR LIVING ROOM SUITE	159.50	119.50
BLUE VELOUR LIVING ROOM SUITE	149.50	109.50
GREY TAPESTRY LIVING ROOM SUITE	139.50	99.50
3-PC. SECTIONAL LIVING ROOM SUITE—Tomato Red Covering	233.24	194.50
3-PC. SECTIONAL LIVING ROOM SUITE—Blue Mohair Covering	99.50	79.50
2-PC. SECTIONAL LIVING ROOM SUITE—Wine Tapestry Covering	89.50	69.50
BED DIVAN & CHAIR—Wine Velour Cover (2)	237.09	209.00
BED DIVAN & CHAIR—Blue Velour Cover	224.40	199.50
BED DIVAN & CHAIR—Wine Tapestry Cover	224.50	199.50
BED DIVAN & CHAIR—Blue Velour Cover	159.50	109.50

Bed Room Suites Cut

	Reg. Price	Sale Price
MODERN 5-PC. WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE	\$289.50	\$249.50
MODERN 6-PC. WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE	179.50	164.50
MODERN 5-PC. WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE	149.50	132.50
MODERN 5-PC. BLEACHED WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE	169.50	149.50
MODERN 5-PC. TWIN BED SET—Blond	134.50	119.50
RUSTIC MODERN BED SETS—Assorted Colors	79.50	59.50
FULL SIZE AND TWIN METAL BEDS	12.95	10.95
FULL SIZE AND TWIN METAL BEDS—Full Panel	18.50	16.95

ROCKERS

	Reg. Price	SALE PRICE
PLATFORM ROCKERS—		
Blue Tapestry Cover	\$69.50	\$59.50
Blue Cover	69.50	54.50
Rose Tapestry Cover	59.50	39.50
Gray Tapestry Cover	44.50	39.50
CLUB CHAIR & OTTOMAN—		
Blue Tapestry Cover	74.50	64.50
Wine Frieze Cover	79.50	69.50
ROCKERS—		
Blue or Wine Tapestry Cover	16.95	14.95

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	Reg. Price	SALE PRICE
DINING ROOM CHAIRS	\$10.95	\$7.95
DINING ROOM CHAIRS	8.95	6.95
COFFEE TABLE	29.50	26.50
OCCASIONAL TABLE	24.50	21.50
COFFEE TABLE	19.04	17.50
OCCASIONAL TABLE	16.00	14.50
COFFEE TABLE	10.95	9.95
COFFEE TABLE	6.95	5.95
BABY CRIBS	19.95	16.95
BABY CRIBS	24.95	19.95
BABY HIGH CHAIRS	15.52	12.95
DINETTE SET—5-Pc., Walnut Finish	54.50	44.50
DINETTE SET, Metal Base, Red or Black Top	69.50	49.50
TABLE LAMPS	14.95	9.95
TABLE LAMPS	19.95	16.95
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