

# Natural 'Speed Trap' Kills Two



**DEATH CURVE . . .** Here, a few hundred yards on the local side of the Torrance-Redondo city line on 190th street, is where two men met death early Monday morning. A car being driven by Pete DeYoung, Redondo Beach, failed to negotiate the curve and in the darkness rammed into the



group of trees bordering the road. The driver and one of his five sailor passengers were killed. Two others are in critical condition. Terrific impact of the collision is indicated by condition of the car. —Herald Photo



**MARTHA LEE SLEPPY**  
... Her Fractured Skull and Leg Hurts Not Near So Much As The Loss of Her Missing Puppy

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### HOPE REKINDLED FOR SETTLEMENT

# End of Steel Strike Here Forecast Within 48 Hours



**DONE TO A TURN(ER) . . .** "Chef Supreme" A. C. Turner practices for this Saturday morning's Good Neighbor Breakfast in the Civic Auditorium, by whipping up a stack of hotcakes for "Bunky" Quaggin—chosen as "Miss Good Neighbor" for the affair. —Herald Photo.

## 1500 Here Await Murray's Nod To Resume Work

"I expect to see smoke coming out of the stacks at U. S. Steel mills throughout the country by Friday or Saturday this week."

This was the confident forecast made at Pittsburgh, Pa. yesterday afternoon by a prominent official of the CIO Steelworkers' Union. The encourag-

ing news came following a full day of significant developments which are expected to culminate in the return to work of the 1500 employees of the Torrance Works of Columbia Steel Company along with employees of other U. S. Steel subsidiaries throughout the nation.

Top strategists of U. S. Steel were in session all day yesterday.

## Lives in Balance After Tragic Auto Smashup

Two men remained on the critically injured list last night, after a farewell party believed to have been staged for five sailors who were to leave on a Pacific cruise, ended in a pile of rubble and quick death on a Torrance highway early Monday morning.

Two men were killed and four others injured when an auto driving east from Redondo Beach rammed head-on into a tree off 190th street, one-quarter mile within the Torrance city limits.

Dead on arrival at Harbor General Hospital were Pete DeYoung, 31, 802 Strand, Redondo Beach, driver; Delbert Buffinger, 19, sailor of the U. S. S. Agerholm, San Diego.

Injured critically are Bobby J. Harwood, 19, William E. Moore, 19, both of the Agerholm. They are in the Harbor General Hospital.

Also injured were Charles L. Michaels, 19, and Billy Ray Gipson, 19, also of the Agerholm.

According to police reports, the car in which the group was riding failed to negotiate a curve and plowed into a clump of eucalyptus trees bordering 190th street.

**REMEMBER? . . .** James B. Hines, first president of the Torrance Rotary Club, points out an original Rotary photograph in which he appears. At his right is Mrs. Hines. Seated is Huron E. Reeve, a charter member, and Mrs. Reeve, the former Nell Brinkley—creator of the famous Brinkley Girls cartoon. Rotarians observed the club's 25th anniversary.

## Old Timers of Rotary Club Mark 25 Years

Old friendships were renewed and memories jogged of by-gone days last evening as 130 present and former members and friends of the Torrance Rotary Club gathered to celebrate the 25th birthday of the founding of the club. The dinner-dance affair was held at Lakewood Country Club, with President W. T. "Hap" Tillotson, presiding.

In a brief talk, Master of Ceremonies Reed H. Parkin reviewed the highlights of the club's contributions to the community life of Torrance during the past 25 years. Individual Torrance Rotarians have followed the concepts of Rotary International by giving liberally of their time and talents to such community activities as the City Council, Chamber of Commerce, YMCA, Community Chest, Torrance Memorial Hospital, and many other worthwhile organizations, Parkin pointed out.

Torrance Rotary has furnished an attractive room at the hospital, and during the past year has assisted in financing the Tartar Town student malt shop for high school boys and girls, and the erection of the electrical score board on the high school field. The club is also sponsoring the education of a college student from Holland and another from China, both of whom have attended Pepperdine College and will return to their native lands, upon graduation, to engage in better understandings

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## Tot, Fighting for Life, Grieves Loss of 'Dusky'

Mrs. Paul Sleppy doesn't sleep very well.

Every day, when she visits her four-year-old daughter, Martha Lee, at Harbor General Hospital, she tries to tell a great, big whopper. But Mrs. Sleppy knows she isn't kidding anyone—least of all Martha. And that knowledge hurts.

You see, Martha's seven-month-old pup, Dusky, was stolen last week. Martha barely had time to start her own search for her

## Red-faced Cop Asks Aid in Car Theft Here

A sheriff's deputy wearily shuffled into Torrance Police headquarters early Wednesday morning seeking cooperation in the recovery of a stolen car.

The auto, taken from the Harbor General Hospital parking lot, was his own.

According to the local desk sergeant on duty at the time, the deputy claimed his car was stolen during the brief interval he had left it to enter the hospital.

"But didn't you lock the car?"

"No, I didn't."  
"You didn't leave the key in the ignition—"  
"Yes, I did."  
"What is the car's license number?"

"I don't know. You see, I just got the car and . . ."

pet when, Sunday while crossing the street near her home at 1926 Plaza Del Amo, she was hit by a car.

The youngster is now in critical condition at the local hospital with a fractured skull, leg and internal injuries. Despite her own condition, she keeps asking about her dog Dusky.

Mrs. Sleppy hasn't the heart to tell Martha that someone, somewhere in Torrance, is keeping Dusky, a Pomeranian. Instead, she tells her daughter that she expects the tiny pet to be showing up—"any time now."

But by the look in Martha's eyes, Mrs. Sleppy knows her story isn't a good one. She would "ask no questions" of anyone who could tell her where the little dog is.

For little Martha needs some encouragement; and Mrs. Sleppy doesn't lie very well.

## Torrance Voters Down Prop. No. 2 by Scant Margin

Local voters veered away slightly from the path the rest of the state took in Tuesday's election.

Voters here indicated they favored the retention of the state administration of the old age and blind pension plan. A margin of 231 votes was cast for "No" on proposition No. 2. Actual vote on the highly controversial issue was: Yes, 2218; No, 2449.

In the other three major issues on the ballot Torrance voters followed pretty much in the footsteps of the rest of the state.

The school bonds, pay for legislators, and daylight saving time all received a "Yes" vote.

A much lighter Torrance electorate than expected turned out to cast their votes on the 13 issue ballot. Total number of persons voting was 219, according to the official reports from the city hall. Last published figures indicated 8078 persons registered to vote in the election.

Lomita favored state control of pensions by a substantial margin. Lomitanos voted 1022 for "Yes" on Proposition No. 2 as against 1599 for "No" on the old age-blind issue.

The Keystone and Los Angeles City precincts adjacent to Torrance also followed the "No" pattern by almost two to one. For that area it was 515 for "Yes" and 995 for "No."

**Gets Notary Nod**  
Secretary of State Frank M. Jordan today announced issuance of a notary public commission to Robert L. Jerauld, 1407 Marcelina avenue

**Today's Weather**  
Light intermittent showers throughout the day and continuing tomorrow morning.

## Most Stores Close Tomorrow; Some Markets Open

City offices, banks, meat markets, and stores with mercantile contracts will close tomorrow, November 11 in observance of Armistice Day.

Some food sections in markets with recently signed clerk's union contracts will remain open. Others will mark the holiday by closing, the operators said.

## Hundreds Due at Breakfast Fete

The biggest coffee klatch seen in these parts since Cabrillo discovered the beach is being prepared today as final plans for Torrance's first attempt at a Good Neighbor Breakfast were being completed.

Time and place for the meet-your-neighbor affair is between 7 and 10 o'clock Saturday morning at Civic Auditorium. Mr. and Mrs. Torrance and their 20,000 neighbors are invited.

The king-sized civic smorgasbord is being set up for the sole purpose of "good neighborliness" and in the spirit of friendship, where neighbors from all parts

of the city will share greetings and flapjacks. Actually, a 75-cent breakfast will be sold for 50 cents, planners contend. The affair has been backed by the YMCA and has been given the

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