

# 1 DEAD, 6 HURT IN HOLIDAY TRAFFIC

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**CYCLIST DIES . . .** Officer J. E. Thompson interviews witnesses at the scene of a fatal crash here Friday evening. Killed as his cycle rammed head-on into an oncoming car was Milton H. Smith, of 4175 W. 168th St.

### Death, Injuries Add To Grim Traffic Toll

One dead and six painfully injured in Torrance's grim contribution to the nation's mounting toll of dead and injured from traffic accidents as the long holiday week-end passed the half-way mark last night.

Killed as his motorcycle rammed head-on into a car on Hawthorne Ave. near Sepulveda.

Friday night, was Milton H. Smith, a sailor of 4175 W. 168th St. He was riding with three other motorcyclists, one of them his brother, when the fatal accident occurred.

**Crashes Into Car**

Police officers D. S. Hamilton and J. E. Thompson reported that Smith failed to swing back into the right lane of traffic after rounding a curve in the road and slammed into an oncoming car.

A passenger in the car, Jesus Reyes, 55, of 3634 Garnet St. was taken to Harbor General Hospital suffering a possible skull fracture. Driver of the auto, Manuel Delgado Sanchez, 30, of 20617 Lawrence Ave. was uninjured.

Another passenger, Tomasa Reyes, 58, of the Garnet St. address, had a tooth broken in the accident, police stated.

Smith was pronounced dead on arrival at Harbor General Hospital. His body was removed to a Lakewood funeral parlor.

**Couple Injured**

Seriously injured in a crash on Redondo Beach Blvd. near 164th St. late Thursday night when their car rammed into a flood control bridge were Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Comer, of Inglewood. Two daughters, Cathleen, 5 and Charleen, 8, suffered minor injuries, according to

### Youth Bands To Play at County Fair

Torrance Area Youth Band, under the direction of James Van Dyck, has accepted the invitation of Los Angeles County Fair to participate in its Silver Jubilee celebration in Pomona, Sept. 12 to 28, it was revealed yesterday.

The concert band has been invited to participate Sunday, Sept. 14, and the Cadet band on Sept. 21. Both bands have been invited to participate in the grand parade and massed band show on Sept. 21, Van Dyck said.

Arrangements for appearance of bands on the radio-television stage are being made, fair officials say. Three hours of television will originate at the grounds each day.

### Model Airplane Classes to Open

Starting tomorrow, free model airplane building instruction will be given at all playground areas by John Hansford, City Recreation Department instructor.

"Dope" will be furnished by the Recreation Department. Children may buy plane models from 10 cents up.

Schedule of instruction is as follows:

**Monday**  
Walteria Park, -10:00-12:00 noon  
Fern Ave. School, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

**Tuesday**  
El Retiro Park, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon  
Seaside School, 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Torrance Park, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon  
Crenshaw School, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

**Thursday**  
McMaster Park, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon  
North Torrance Elementary School, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

### Lone Fourth of July Baby Makes Entrance Here

While everybody else was celebrating a noisy July 4, things were quiet around the maternity ward at Torrance Memorial Hospital.

Only one Independence Day baby greeted the world, a boy, Mother Nellie Weatherford, of 25344 Pennsylvania Ave., Lomita, is reported doing well. The baby was delivered by Caesarean section at 7:55 p.m.

### Pee Wees Asked To Join Teams

Formation of Pee Wee softball leagues for boys 11 years and under will start tomorrow, according to the City Recreation Department. Boys desirous of joining one of the clubs should contact the recreation director at one of the following leagues:

North League—McMaster Park, Crenshaw School playground, North Torrance School playground; Bill Moore, league director.

Central League—Fern-Greenwood playgrounds, Torrance Park; Dick Leech, league director.

South League—Seaside School playground, El Retiro Park, Walteria Park; Bob Kingston, league director.

League champions will play off for city championship during the week of AUG. 25.

### Building Permits

Year to date—\$10,473,643.  
Total this year—\$70,130.

**TUESDAY**

Mr. S. Snyder, six-unit apartment building, 355 Paseo de la Playa, \$27,000. Private garages, \$2700.

C. J. Aulick, stables and garages, 3518-20 W. 171st St., \$2000.

Moraga Muramoto, bath house, 3860 W. 152nd St., \$500.

**WEDNESDAY**

F. J. Rooke, dwelling and attached garage, 423 Calle de Aragon, \$2900.

Paul A. Whitacre, addition to dwelling, 3415 W. 157th Pl., \$300.

Fred Salasino, dwelling and attached garage, 210 Camino del Campo, \$12,800.

**THURSDAY**

Jack Kirkham, private garage, 15545 Ashley Ave., \$600.

Donald Boyd, wire and barbed wire fence, 3970 Pacific Coast Hwy., \$50.

W. L. Capos, concrete block wall, 4204 W. 178th St., \$450.

Frank Morris, residence with attached garage, 341 Camino de las Colinas, \$13,000.

Ellis and Mary Cook, garage, 1405 Crenshaw Blvd., \$400.

### Fireworks Swiped from Highway Stand Here

Fireworks valued at \$30 were stolen from a fireworks stand at Pacific Coast Hwy. and Vista Del Mar, Thursday, according to Torrance police. Proprietor Ronald Coll said several Big Bang Carbide Guns and some tanks were taken.



**NEW LANDMARK . . .** Raised over the Bert S. Crossland American Legion Post on Border Ave. this week was this huge sign pointing out the Legion's headquarters. Shown with the sign on the Legion hall roof are (left to right) Jimmy Parks, Gordon Arnold, Howard Webber, Commander Harry Green, and Bob Faren. Up on the sign is Ross Hood.

### Judge Willett To Install 1952 Jaycee Officers

Judge Otto B. Willett, city judge of Torrance, will install the 1952 Junior Chamber of Commerce officers at a dinner dance to be held Friday night, July 11 at the Western Avenue Golf Course clubhouse.

Outgoing president Bert Lamb is chairman of the affair and is assisted by Mrs. Lamb who is a member of the Mrs. Jaycees. The auxiliary to the Jaycees was voted \$10 Thursday night at a board meeting of the Junior Chamber to help finance the cost of decorations.

Tickets will be \$3 per person. Among other business conducted at the Thursday board meeting was the appointment of Dr. Arvol P. Smith as publicity chairman and the appointment of Jack O. Baldwin as liaison officer to the Senior Chamber of Commerce.

The board appropriated \$50 to purchase jerseys for the junior baseball team sponsored by the Jaycees. The request was originated by John De Arnellis, who is coaching the team.

Dick Beecher, chairman of the Summer Camp Committee, reported that two boys, both fatherless and who otherwise would not be able to attend, had been chosen to spend a week each at the YMCA summer camp. The Jaycees approved an expenditure of \$80 to finance the boys' trips.

### Florence Slated For Visit Here

Florence Chadwick, who held the attention of the nation during her valiant try at swimming from Catalina Island to San Pedro on Independence Day, will make a personal appearance at the McCown Drug Store, 1327 El Prado, next Wednesday afternoon at 3:30.

Her appearance is being sponsored by Dr. Sparling's RX-30 Multiple Vitamins, according to Harry Petro of the drug chain.

### 'Our Town' Cast Picked for Summer Theater Production

"Our Town," the first of several three-act plays to be presented by the Torrance Community Players, sponsored by the Adult Education Department of the Torrance School District, has been cast with the exception of a few minor parts, Dan Desmond, summer class drama instructor, announced yesterday.

Actors and actresses from Torrance, Lomita, Hawthorne, Gardena, Los Angeles, Inglewood and surrounding cities have come to take part in the summer drama workshop with local people. Most of the Bay area high schools are represented.

### Joe Lukes Named Chairman Of Christian Church Board

Joe Lukes was elected chairman of the First Christian Church Board at the last meeting of the church year Friday night.

Serving with him will be Al Posner, vice chairman; Miss Dorothy Goad, clerk; Howard Foster, treasurer; and John Conrad, financial secretary.

Board of Elders for the coming year is composed of Earl Eckert, Posner, Howard Hulzinger, Lukes, Ed Rogers, Art Bennett, C. W. Stock, C. E. King, Ray Peer, and Conrad. At the Sunday, July 13 meeting, the board will elect a new chairman.

Newly-elected Board of Trustees consists of Mrs. John Conrad, Mrs. Luther Mumford, Walt Levy, Posner, Eckert, Ray Peer, Dick Crist, Perry Connatt, and Ed Pletschke.

New members of the Board of Deacons are Gordon Walker, William Bartholomew, John Donnee, Perry Connatt, Dick Crist, Howard Foster, Levy, Fred Lincoln, Burke Mosley, Elmer Moon, Dean Lougee, Pletschke, Charles Robison, William Kuchs, Arthur Woodcock, Freddie Smith, Lee Phair, Charles Bartholomew,

### Planning Commission Okays 191 Lot Tract

Tract maps for 191 lots on Sepulveda Blvd. near the western city limits were approved by the Planning Commission Wednesday and will go to the City Council for approval Tuesday. The Builders Mortgage Co. submitted the plans.



**DRAMA WORKSHOP SESSION . . .** Drama instructor Dan Desmond shows Barbara Burkeman and Charles Rich the finer points of making a fond embrace as they rehearse scenes from "Our Town," to be presented at the Torrance High School auditorium in two weeks. Other members of the Adult Education sponsored class are Betty Henley, left, and Virginia Jaeger, both seated, and Bob Clegg and Duane Ryan. Ryan is stage manager.

### Shoppers Guide Slated For Issuance July 10

Torrance Shopper's Guide and Business Directory, 1952-53, has gone to press and should be available for distribution about July 10, according to the Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the publication.

The new edition has several new features, including a snapshot cover. Bob Jacobs was in charge of the publication.

### TEAC to Discuss School Transportation Problem

Transportation problems facing the Torrance Unified School District will receive the attention of the Torrance Education Advisory Committee on Monday, July 14, when the group meets at the YWCA building, 2320 Carson St., at 12 noon.