

### Clerks Agree To Night Work For Christmas

An agreement between the Harbor Area Employers' Council and Retail Clerks Local 905 whereby stores operating under the Mercantile Contract with the union may remain open every night until Christmas at straight time beginning tomorrow, was announced yesterday.

Split shifts for extra clerks also will be permitted during this period, according to Frank S. Selover, executive secretary of the Employers' Council. The announcement pointed out that extra clerks must be guaranteed and paid for four hours work per day. Exceptions are allowed only in the case of students who are working and attending school.

The council also announced that the Retail Bakery agreement with the clerks local has been completed. The new bakery contract calls for an increase of \$2 a week to \$52 for a 40-hour week. Washington's birthday was eliminated as a holiday in the contract.

Still under negotiation is the Retail Liquor agreement, Selover reported. When negotiated, the contract will be in effect from Nov. 1.



FIRST UP... Quick to volunteer to address March of Dimes envelopes were these three members of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club. Wearing one of the March of Dimes corsages which will be used to promote the annual January appeal is Mrs. Douglass Baldwin, chairman of the project. Assisting her are Mrs. J. A. Barrington (left), and Mrs. Lloyd Jones. The three-some will split the stack of envelopes among six organizations which have volunteered to help with the polio project.

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### Torranceite Hurt in MB

A Torrance resident received a 3-inch gash on the forehead Wednesday night as the result of an accident in Manhattan Beach.

George O. Perez, 30, 2814 Onrado St., was hurt when his car collided with one being backed out of a garage by Louis E. Phanoef, 1640 Marine Ave., Manhattan Beach.

Perez was taken to Harbor General Hospital, treated for the cut, and released.

### Scores Offer Help For March of Dimes

Once again Torrance proved it has a soft heart for children—especially those with polio. Hardy had the ink dried on a story by Herald Editor Jack O. Baldwin, asking for volunteers to address March of Dimes letters when the parade of willing-to-help offers started.

First up was Mrs. Douglass Baldwin (no relation to Herald Editor Baldwin) president of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club, who volunteered to steer the project.

Six organizations said: "We'll help," and took envelopes in batches of 1500. The task probably will go quickly with these organizations helping with the addressing: Torrance JayCettes, Mrs. Edwin Karlow, president; Torrance Junior Woman's Club, Mrs. Lloyd Jones, chairman; YWCA Y-Teens, Mrs. Charlotte Lukes, executive secretary; B'nai B'rith, Helene Yeskin, chairman; Catholic Daughters of America, Mrs. Lyle O'Hara, chairman; and the Torrance Terrace Garden Club, Mrs. Wilfred Stevens, chairman.

Mrs. Baldwin has helping her

### ... Fatal Crash

(Continued From Page 1) lance were injured, none of them seriously. They were Lucretia Trusler, 28, sheriff's deputy, shock and abrasions, who was thrown from the ambulance; Albert Rein, 34, also a deputy, minor shoulder injuries; Homer Hall, 39, driver, lacerations; Frank J. Pelkey, 24, head injuries; Axel Strid, 83, 25616 Woodward St., Lomita, contusions and abrasions, and Betty Maurer, 26, minor injuries.

All the injured were taken to Harbor General Hospital, treated, and moved to General Hospital in Los Angeles.

### New Homes

(Continued From Page 1) and presented at the next Planning Commission meeting. New map will designate Hickman Dr. and Clark Lane extending through to Yukon Ave. and Cranbrook Ave. replaced with a drainage easement. The City has consulted with an expert from the University of California on three occasions about insect infestation of trees in Hollywood Riviera and are following his suggestions. Secretary Lloyd reported. It will be a matter of time before the pests are eliminated, although progress is being made, he said. Secretary Lloyd will discuss Charles T. Rippey's request for a variance to permit construction of two three-bedroom houses on 231st St., west of Arlington Ave., and make a report at the next meeting. Rippey's construction request would give each lot 41.25 feet in width.

### Jaycee Judges Busy Checking Store Windows

Judging in the annual home decoration sponsored by the Torrance Terrace Garden Club will get under way tomorrow, according to an announcement by the club yesterday.

Sponsored jointly by the club and the Chamber of Commerce this year, the contest is open to all homes in the area.

Already under way is judging in the window decoration contest for downtown merchants being sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

A panel of judges including Bob Curry, Dale Stanton, and Phil Lisman are checking store windows throughout downtown Torrance. Plaques will be awarded to the top three stores in each of three separate classifications. A perpetual trophy will also go to the store judged tops in the city.

Joe Helphand, general chairman of the Jaycee event, says the store awards will be made Dec. 16. Winners in the home decorating contest will be announced the following Monday, Dec. 22.

### Former Herald Employee Dies

Final rites for Edward D. Rogers, 40, of 1104 Asencia Ave., were held yesterday at the Stone and Myers Chapel with Rev. Cecil J. England, pastor of the First Christian Church, officiating.

Rodgers, who was a stereotyper for the South Bay Publishing Co. and a former Torrance Herald stereotyper, took his own life Wednesday evening. He was an elder of the First Christian Church.

He leaves his widow, Ila Mae; two daughters, Beverly Ann, 18, and Nancy Lee, 14, and one son, Tommy, 8. He also leaves two brothers, Cecil and Merl, both of Pennsylvania.

Rodgers died of carbon monoxide poisoning in his garage, where his eldest daughter found him when she returned from school Wednesday evening. Interment was in Roosevelt Cemetery.

### Walks Across Street; Injured

A trip to Hermosa Beach proved hurtful to Beverly Harvey, 41, 3131 W. 186th St. She was struck down by a car in a pedestrian crosswalk at the intersection of Hermosa and Pier Aves. Driver of the car, John Waterman, 22, 505-E Hermosa Ave., told police he did not see the woman as he made a turn. She was treated by a private physician for minor injuries. Waterman was not cited.



JAY VENEZIA leads drive

### Coroner's Corner Residents Seek Traffic Signals

Irate citizens living in the vicinity of Coroner's Corner are tired of the toll of life, limb and property taken by automobile accidents there. So they are going to do something about it. They are campaigning for the installation of traffic signals at the death-laden intersection, and are preparing a petition to that effect to be presented to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. Leading the drive is Joseph (Jay) Venezia, 20715 Vermont, who has endured Coroner's Corner since he moved to California from New York in August of this year.

Two Small Boys Venezia is particularly perturbed since Wednesday's fatality, in which Mrs. Betty Barnes Hanner, 28, was killed and her two small children, one 9 and one 5, were injured. He is the father of two boys, Ronald, 8, and Jay, 6.

The leader of the drive is a government inspector at the El Segundo plant of Douglas Aircraft Corp., transferring here from Air Force procurement on the east coast. Statements to the effect that a previous petition requesting signal lights had been returned with the note that "not enough people had been killed," could not be pinned down.

### Trial Postponed On Shoplifting Charged to Nurse

Trial of Virginia Hayes, a nurse accused of shoplifting, has been set over to Thursday, Dec. 11, in the court of Judge Otto B. Willett. The woman, accused of attempting to cart off a coat valued at \$69 from the Gay Shop, is free on \$500 bond pending trial. She was seized Monday in the shop by Torrance police and the proprietor of the woman's clothing store, Paul Diamond.

### Vote Canvass Revealed In Nov. 4 Election

Results of the official canvass of votes at the general election Nov. 4 were released yesterday by Registrar Benjamin S. Hite. Thus it becomes official that Rep. Cecil R. King (D.) was returned to Congress, with 114,650 votes, and that Otto B. Willett has been elected to the office of South Bay Municipal Court No. 2 with \$2,891. The complete returns: 17th DISTRICT King (D.) 114,650 Finch (R) 92,587 Sceliger (IP) 2,735 Scattering 45 Court Judge D. Clifford Higgins 29,130 Otto B. Willett 32,391 Scattering 7

### Rites Set For F. S. Dillman

Funeral services will be held Tuesday morning, 11 o'clock, at Stone and Myers Chapel for Frederick S. Dillman, 64, 1226 Madrid Ave. Following the rites, to be conducted by Rev. C. J. England, the body will be cremated at Inglewood Park Crematory. Dillman, a retired telephone engineer employed by the local Bell Telephone Co. for 30 years, died Thursday at his home. He is survived by a stepson, William A. Bowman, 1226 Madrid Ave.

### Hooky Doesn't Pay

## Students on Loose Nabbed by Sheriff

It doesn't pay to play hooky. Truancy raids to date have netted a total of 55 high school age boys and girls in this area, reported Capt. Fred England, of Lennox sheriff's station.

The youths, six of whom were from Torrance High School were picked up, lectured, and later released to their parents, Capt. England said. No arrests were made.

Twenty-seven of those taken into custody were from Narbonne High School; four from Banning High School in Wilmington; three from Gardena High School, and one from San Pedro High School.

Eight were not enrolled in any school, Capt. England said. Many of these were more than 13 years old.

Many of the Narbonne students were not truants, however. Earl Bennett, principal at Narbonne said, but were off campus during school hours without permission.

Truancy raids can be expected at regular intervals from now on throughout the school year, Barnett said.

### Planners Cool Toward Upping Home Minimums

Planning Commission went on record Wednesday night as opposing City Council's request to raise minimum square footage requirements for all residential dwellings to 1000 square feet. Raise in the requirements would cause a hardship in a great many cases, and the present minimum is fair and adequate, the commission decided. Present minimums are 800 square feet for a one-bedroom dwelling, 850 square feet for a two-bedroom home, and 950 square feet for a three-bedroom house.

The proposal first voiced by the City Council has been labeled as unnecessary by a number of Torrance real estate men and other civic leaders.

### J. H. Rattigan Dies Thursday

John Henry Rattigan, 70, 1028 Beech Ave., was buried yesterday morning at Holy Cross Cemetery following 10 o'clock funeral rites conducted at the Church of Nativity by the Rev. Rattigan died Thursday in his home. Rosary was recited Friday evening at Stone and Myers Chapel.

A native of Vermont, the deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. John H. Rattigan, 1028 Beech Ave.; a daughter, Mrs. J. T. Baily, 1016 Beech Ave.; another daughter, Mrs. J. J. Walsh, Manchester, N. H.; and three sons, Russell S. Rattigan and Erwin F. Rattigan, Manchester, and J. Herbert Rattigan, South Boston, Mass.

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