

Collision . . .

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head injuries and was taken to Harbor General hospital where she is in a coma and in very critical condition, according to authorities.

The bandits, who left on foot, accosted Mrs. Mazola Lewis,

1308 W. 218th st., who was just backing her late model car out of the garage.

"We've just had an accident, and it's very urgent that we use your telephone," one suspect told her.

Before she could reply, they seized her car. She grabbed one suspect by the tie and was struck in the face. The bandits fled east on 218th st. in the car.

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as the city might need the services of such a company for a fee, the firm would help promote local bond issues.

OLD CITY HALL: An option by the Calshire Investors, Inc. to purchase the old City Hall property for \$77,500 was rejected by the council. A minimum sale price of \$100,000 has been set by George Stevens, city manager.

Firemen . . .

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ager George Stevens thought differently.

Original Intent

The purpose of the original ordinance was to permit three shifts of per month, he said. He indicated that the 66 hour provision be stricken from the ordinance.

"I don't think the city should pay \$10,000 extra," Stevens said,

referring to over-time pay which would be involved.

Councilman Bob Jahn moved to concur with the city manager's recommendation and Councilman Nick Dralle, seconded this, stating that he did not think it was necessary to amend the ordinance but simply to abide by the spirit of the law. The council concurred.

Fire Chief J. J. Benner said he felt "wholeheartedly like the city manager" on the matter.

Firemen Dissatisfied
"If the council continues to

amend ordinances piece-meal," Holloman said afterwards.

"We're going to ask for a complete investigation of the Fire Department."
Among other things, he said, the department is operating 30 men short now and that only one man instead of seven called for as a minimum by the National Board of Underwriters is manning the \$56,000 aerial truck.

Firemen again spoke up during oral communications protesting the methods used in pro-

motional policies.

Capt. W. R. West indicated that there is a "continuous by-passing of the number one man."

This, he said, results in lowered morale and crushes incentive.

Mayor Isen indicated that according to an ordinance passed recently at the firemen's request, the chief may pass over the number one man only twice, after which he must be appointed.

Firemen indicated that they

preferred to have the number one man taken every time.

"You can't tell the head of the department that he must take the number one man according to the ordinance and Civil Service," Stevens said. "This destroys the choice of three."

Jurisdiction Questioned

Councilmen indicated at this point that the whole matter of grievances is not within their province but should be taken up with the Civil Service board and the City Manager.

"It is up to the City Council to consider the morale and efficiency of the department," Holloman argued. "The morale is at an all-time low and will continue at an all-time low because the (promotional) rule is being abused."

Chief Benner, when asked to comment, declared,
"If the firemen wish to make a public football of this thing (promotions), I will divulge my reasons publicly and I don't think the individual involved will like it."

National Guard . . .

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ditional three years of part-time training will completely wipe out their training obligation, Capt. Horlander went on. They will be transferred to the "stand by reserve" status where they are not required to participate in any training.

In the past men of this bracket who joined the local Guard unit were deferred from the draft but were required to serve until their 28th birthday.

New Advantages
New advantages in Guard membership for men who join after they reach the 18½-year mark also were outlined by Capt. Horlander. Men between 18½ and 26 who join the Torrance unit also may gain deferment, unavailable in the past, if they take the six months' training.

For men in this group, the six-month active duty training period is followed by six years ready reserve training in their local National Guard unit. During this time they will be "administratively delayed" from induction as long as they participate satisfactorily in Guard training.

The 11-week program, Capt. Horlander explained, will be available only until October 1. After that date, all men with no prior service enlisting in the National Guard must take six months training.

Reserve Obligation
Another measure affects the enlistee who completes his normal two-year training with the Army voluntarily or under the Selective Service Act (draft). If the man has a remaining Reserve obligation, he can volunteer for a unit in the National Guard. Normally, at the completion of his active service, the Army would have assigned him to an Army Reserve unit, since the men for the Army National Guard units must be volunteers.

Under the new instruction, the Army will not assign the man to an Army Reserve unit for a period of 60 days.

Highways . . .

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State-Federal construction funds.

The Southland has again been by-passed for the coming five years, according to the division's report, Thomas said.

He is making a complete report on Southland road needs.

The luncheon meeting was held almost at the same time that a delegation of officials from Torrance and other Southwest coastal cities appeared before the State Highway Commission demanding allocations for the San Diego Freeway. Councilmen Willy Blount and Nick Dralle represented Torrance in Sacramento.

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