

BOMB SCARE SHAKES UP BOWLERS

Voice on Phone Warns of Threat At Local Alley

Customers and staff of the Gable House Bowling Alley of Torrance were warned by a mysterious voice Monday at 9:43 p.m. that a time bomb was at the location and set to go off at 11 p.m.

A search by the fire department, however, revealed nothing. At 10:45 p.m. the building area was closed off and the alley evacuated.

At 11:22 p.m. the Gable House resumed normal business.

Jesse Saxton, who notified the police of the threat, said an adult woman's voice called to give the warning.

Saxton said this is the first time to his knowledge that a threat of this sort has ever been made there.

The alley is located at 22501 Hawthorne Blvd.

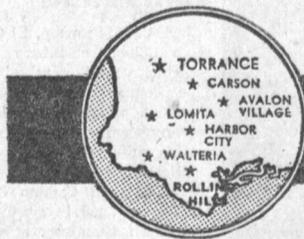
Prepare for Worst

Lt. Swayne Johnson of the Torrance Police Department, who handled the case, said, "There is nothing in the world to do but clean the area out and try to find the bomb after a bomb threat is made."

Threats are usually made as pranks or as a means to "get even" with someone at the location, he added. "They are very costly to the management, which must cease business, and to the police and fire departments," Johnson continued.

The officer mentioned another bomb threat was made two weeks ago during a Little League Dance at the American Legion Hall. Participants had to discontinue the event

until after the time the bomb was to go off.



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CRUMPLED CAR — At 6 p.m. Sunday, the auto driven by Dale E. Henley, 23, collided with Reava E. Markley, 37, of 23330 W. 27th St., Torrance, at Hawthorne Blvd. and Gar-

Schools Approve \$1 Million Plan

Members of the Torrance Board of Education gave tentative approval to an expansion and modernization program costing at least \$1 million at the Torrance High School Monday and will present the idea for the approval of the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

The approval of the department is necessary because the proposed expansion is slated to include the 22-acre site of the former Navy depot which was acquired last spring by the city school district through the General Services Administration.

At the time of the approval by the GSA, the school district intended using the property.

Double Capacity

The expansion approved by the board would double the present capacity of 1,200 students of Torrance High School.

would become part of the high school plant.

Board members revealed a new elementary school with about the same capacity as the present school is proposed for construction on about eight acres of the property formerly owned by the federal government and approved for recreational facilities only.

Under this proposed plan, the district would modernize the adjoining Torrance Elementary School plant, which

Who Moved the Street?

Driver Collides With Pole Located in Street Center

A Torrance man traveling east on 233rd St. came to a sudden stop Sunday at 10:26 p.m. when his automobile collided with a telephone pole located in the middle of the street.

Leander Llewellyn Fowler, 2257 W. 235th St., 24, was turning right onto Walnut St. when he hit the pole, which is located on the street 11 feet from the curb.

Fowler was thrown from the car and landed on the pavement. He was taken to the Little Company of Mary Hospital, where he was treated for head injuries.

"I was going east on 233rd St., turning right onto Walnut; and that's all I know," he told officers. "I don't even

know what I hit," Fowler said.

The police officer who handled the case reported that the cause of the accident was "no lighting or proper illumination of the pole."

Since the time of the accident, illuminated sawhorses have been put up around the pole and the area blocked off.

Torrance Man Tries Suicide

The suicide attempt of a local man who took poison and locked himself in his apartment was stopped Monday when a neighbor reported the incident to the police. Ray Phillips, manager of an apartment building at 23520 Arlington, drank a small bottle of amonia at 8:26 p.m.

Police rushed Phillips, 26, to the Harbor General Hospital, where his stomach was pumped. Officers said a suicide note was left at his residence.

Imagination Runs Wild with Youths

With summer activity about to come to an end, some youngsters, bored with the "same old thing," are finding new ways to play unusual games.

Near the intersection of 170th and Crenshaw, juveniles were spotted playing Rob-in Hood. Their target? Automobiles.

Another group, playing Cowboys and Indians, were seen riding oil wells in the rear at 23101 Arlington Monday.

US Navy Extends Leave For Father of Karen

William Thompkins, father of young Karen, who has been missing for 12 days, received notice from the Navy yesterday that his leave is being extended until Sept. 13 because of failure to find any trace of the youngster.

When Navy officials were informed by the Red Cross that Thompkins' 11-year-old daughter disappeared Aug. 18, he was returned home from the Far East. His leave was due to expire Sunday.

The child, 21110 Dalton Ave., was reported missing after not returning home from a summer school craft class at Halldale School, which is five blocks from her home. She was carrying a toy wagon when she left for home.

Prior to Tragedy

Before the tragedy, Thompkins was assigned aboard the USS Ticonderoga, an aircraft carrier operating in the Far East. Relatives said recently Thompkins has been assigned temporarily to the Long Beach Navy Receiving Station in Long Beach pending further orders.

Candle-Carrying Burglars Break into Local Churches

The Lutheran Church of the Resurrection and the Assembly of God, both in Torrance, were broken into Monday by burglars who used candles to light their way, police said.

A stamp machine and two typewriters, totaling in value of \$235, were taken from the Lutheran Church located at 330 Palos Verdes Drive. A radio valued at \$27 was taken from the Assembly of God, 24404 Hawthorne Blvd.

Burglars gained entry at the Lutheran Church by breaking a window frame. They ransacked the church office, opened files, storage cabinets, and desks and threw contents on the floor.

At the Assembly of God, the kitchen door had been pried open and desks had been ransacked in the church office. A filing cabinet lock was broken also.

Wax from candles was found dripped over the furnishings in both churches, officers said. Two boxes of empty matches were discovered.

School Opening Triggers New Bus Line Stops

Torrance Municipal Bus Lines announced recently they will have a Bishop Montgomery High School bus leaving Torrance Bus Station, Cabrillo and El Prado, at 7:45 a.m., via Torrance Blvd., starting Thursday, September 7.

Connections will be made with other Torrance Buses due to arrive at the Torrance Bus Station from Los Angeles via Gardena, Long Beach, Kettler Knolls and El Camino College.

Also, a bus will leave Bishop Montgomery at approximately 3:10 p.m. for downtown Torrance for a return trip.

Business Men's Club to Present Round-up Days

Walteria Round-up Days, an annual event presented by the Walteria Business Men's Club, will be begun Thursday, September 7, at 8 p.m. at the Polynesian Restaurant, spokesman for the organization said.

The event, held through September 10, will feature a beauty contest and dinner-dance.

Tickets for the event may be obtained from any Walteria business man or at Clark's Cafe.

City Councilmen Attend Congress

Because of vacant council chambers, all but two members of the Torrance City Council attending the American Municipal Association Congress in Seattle, Wash., this week's session of the council was canceled.

Councilmen J. A. Beasley, Victor Benstead, George Bradford and George Vico and Mayor Albert Isen are attending the annual meeting.

The council will meet again Tuesday.



ROUNDING UP A CUSTOMER for tickets to Walteria Round-up Days, beginning September 10, is Little Leaguer John Yates. Young saleswomen are queen contestants (left to right) Sharon Martin, Linda Reyes, and Karen Cowger. Tickets are available Friday and Saturday in front of Von's Market, Calle Mayor and Pacific Coast Highway.

Local Dairies Divide \$300,000 Milk Contract

The milk contract of the Torrance Schools, amounting to a sum of \$300,000, was split between two local dairies at Monday night's School Board meeting.

The contract, previously given to Mayfair Creamery exclusively, will be split with Inglewood Farms, the board decided.

Representative from Inglewood Farms Stanley Voges, president, mentioned his firm, although admitting an identical bid, never before had received the contract. He stated that he would be glad to accept one half of the contract if it were divided.

Subject of Tension

C. W. Lackey, sales director of the Mayfair Creamery, however, claimed his company was losing \$150,000 of the contract because it refused to contribute to a campaign fund of a school board member elected in the spring. Members of the board decided the contract would be divided by letting Inglewood Farms supply milk to schools west of Hawthorne and Mayfair the schools east of Hawthorne.

In opposing the decision, Lackey claimed his firm offered an improved milk processing operation. He added that the dairy's cartons carry questions and answers about the community which would be of interest and have an educational value for students here.

Riderless Cycle Hits Block Wall

When the throttle of his motorcycle became jammed, rider Richard S. Smith, driving west on 180th St., Sunday at 6:24 p.m., was forced to "bail out" and hope for the best.

The riderless cycle drove up the driveway of Clarence Boman, 17923 Atkinson, and struck a wall. There were no injuries.

Bowman claimed \$40 property damage to his wall; Smith estimated damage to the cycle to be about \$5.

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KEY TO THE CITY is being awarded by City Councilman George A. Bradford (left to right) to Jim Bower and Al Leavill, co-developers of the Rolling Hills Plaza. The key was presented during a Chamber of Commerce meeting yesterday morning at which the opening of the plaza was celebrated.