

# Gun-Waving Pair Held for Robbery Check

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**HIT FROM REAR . . .** A late-model station wagon was demolished in a traffic accident Thursday afternoon at Western Avenue and 203rd Street. Driver of the station wagon, Robert C. Crowley, 20, of 1519 W. 203rd St., suffered a bump on the head. He was treated at Harbor General Hospital and released, a spokesman said.

# Hit-Run Victim Dies; Eight Hurt In Traffic



**DEMOLISHED . . .** A car driven by Earl Richard Spicer, 27, of 15825 S. Denker Ave., was demolished Thursday afternoon when a high-speed chase ended in a spectacular crash at 203rd Street and Western Avenue. Spicer was taken to Harbor General Hospital by ambulance. He was fleeing a sheriff's car following an accident in Gardena when the crash occurred, police reported. (Press-Herald Photo)

## Police Arrest Death Suspect

By JERRY REYNOLDS  
Press-Herald Staff Writer

Eight persons were injured in traffic accidents here as the Labor Day weekend traffic count was begun and a ninth victim, injured in an accident earlier this month, became the first fatality of the weekend.

Dead is Leslie Herbert Boughn, 74, of 2068 W. 220th St., who died at Harbor General Hospital at 3:30 a.m. Friday as a result of injuries sustained Aug. 22.

Police later booked Louis Alvarez Moreno, 18, of 2221 Del Amo Blvd., on suspicion of felony hit and run in connection with Boughn's death. Moreno was believed to be the driver of a car which struck Boughn Aug. 22 about 7 a.m.

ANOTHER hit and run suspect was taken to Harbor General Hospital shortly before 5 p.m. Thursday when he was involved in a spectacular crash on Western Avenue at 203rd Street. A second driver was treated at Harbor General Hospital and released.

Torrance police said the suspect, Earl Richard Spicer, 27, of 15825 S. Denker Ave., rear-ended a car driven by Robert Christopher Crowley, 20, of 1519 W. 203rd St., while fleeing sheriff's deputies following a hit and run accident in Gardena.

The Spicer vehicle hit speeds of 75 and 80 miles per hour and ran at least one traffic signal before it came to a halt in the collision, police said. Both cars were demolished in the crash.

Spicer was admitted to Harbor General Hospital. Crowley was treated for a bump on the head and released.

A third car, driven by Angelina A. Badalich, 37, of Lawndale, suffered moderate damage. Mrs. Badalich was not injured.

FIVE PERSONS suffered minor injuries about 10 a.m. Friday when two cars collided on Crenshaw Boulevard at Rolling Hills Road.

Police said Marjorie Mortland Hanelline, 36, of Palos Verdes Estates, was attempting a left turn onto Rolling Hills Road. (Continued on Page A3)

## Check Arson In Car Fire

Police and Fire department personnel were investigating the possibility of arson Saturday following a car fire at 223rd Street and Abalone Avenue shortly after midnight.

The Fire Department responded to the alarm at 12:12 a.m. yesterday, following a telephone call.

Firemen said the possibility of arson was being investigated. Police theorized the fire was set after the car was stripped of its transmission, seats, and battery.

## Whale Boat To Deliver Mayor Yorty

Assemblyman Vincent

Thomas, Supervisor Burton W. Chace and Councilman John S. Gibson will be the official greeters of Mayor Samuel Yorty as the mayor arrives, somewhat spectacularly, at the Port of Los Angeles for observance of the 184th birthday of the city today.

The elected officials will meet Mayor Yorty as he steps ashore from a whale boat manned by costumed Sea Scouts at the construction site of the new Catalina Terminal, Berth 96, San Pedro.

Attendance of the ceremonies will be free, and the public will also be offered free boat tours of the harbor, listen to band music and other entertainment and observe as the mayor plants a flag on historically significant Goleta Point.

NOW IN the shadow of the Vincent Thomas Bridge, Goleta Point was the location of early shipbuilding activities by the padres of San Gabriel Mission, who engaged in coastal trade. Soon it will be the jumping-off place for Catalina excursions.

Activities will get under way today at 4:30 p.m. The mayor's landing is scheduled for 6:45. Entertainment and the serving of a fish dinner will continue through 9.

In charge of the civic program is Ernest Ehrke.

## New Douglas Pact Okayed

A contract offer by the Douglas Aircraft Company calling for a yearly wage increase of eight cents an hour for three years and substantial improvements in major benefits has been ratified by members of the Southern California Professional Engineering Association's Technical Engineers Affiliate.

The three-year contract will affect 1,100 hourly-paid technical employes in SCPEA bargaining units in the Douglas Missile & Space Systems Group and Aircraft Group in Southern California.

Total value of the contract is estimated at 43.3 cents an hour per employe.

Additional benefits include two extra paid holidays, bringing the total to nine; bereavement pay and improved pension, hospital-medical and savings plans.

## Camp Counselor

Takeo Yamamoto of 21237 Water St., is serving as a counselor at Camp Troy, a camp staffed and managed by students of the University of Southern California. The camp, located at Idyllwild, Calif., is in operation this week for about 150 youngsters.

## Airport Names Selected . . .

Streets on the Torrance Municipal Airport may get names Tuesday when the City Council meets at 5:30 p.m. Councilmen will consider a recommendation of the city's Airport Commission to name the two holding aprons Fairchild Apron and Earhardt Apron. North-south streets would be named Aero, Bellanca, Curtis, and Douglas Way. The east-west road at the airport would be known as Airport Drive if the recommendation is approved.

## Councilman Resigns . . .

City Councilman Dale O. Page has resigned as a Redondo Beach City Council member, citing ill health in his letter of resignation forwarded to City Manager Francis Hopkins. The 39-year-old councilman, elected to a four-year term in April, 1963, has been hospitalized twice since his election, once for the removal of his right eye and again recently for 10 days. Page and his wife, Virginia, and their daughters Janice and Melodie, left this week for Oklahoma City where he will seek medical treatment at the University of Oklahoma Medical Center. A successor may be named by the City Council Tuesday night.

## Vandals Damage School . . .

More than 25 overhead lights and some 20 windows were broken with BB guns at the Seaside School Thursday evening, Torrance Police have been told. William Zecher, principal at Seaside, discovered the damage early Friday morning.

## Police Reports Show

# Thieves Get Mower, Surfing Equipment

Thieves got away with such diverse items as a surfboard, a power mower, and a motor scooter in a series of burglaries reported to Torrance Police Friday.

The surf board was taken from a garage at 3714 W. 181st St., according to a report filed by Merle Cameron. The thief also got a transistor

radio and a rubber wet suit. The mower and other lawn tools were taken from Gerald Greitzer, 37, of 4802 Newton Se. Greitzer told police the mower and a power lawnmower were in his garage. He valued the tools at \$104.

**THEFT OF** the motor scooter, a crash helmet, jacket and

gloves was reported to police by William A. Davis and Leland S. Campbell of 1720 Cabello Ave. Also taken were a tool box and several hand tools. Campbell and Davis said the items were worth about \$1,000.

Robert Zaleski, service manager of Scott-Robinson Pontiac, reported the theft of a camera from the body shop area of the new car agency Friday. Zaleski told police someone apparently entered the office area during the day and took the camera.

A TABLE radio was taken from his home at 3431 W. 171st St., according to a report filed by Nicholas Drale. The thief apparently entered the Drale home through an unlocked door, police said.

Hand tools valued at more than \$300 were reported stolen from a garage at 20336 Anza Ave. by Raleigh Harris, 21. Harris said the garage was locked at the time of the theft, but police found no evidence of a forced entry.

## Officers Detain Gardena Youths

Two Gardena youths were arrested on suspicion of armed robbery Friday evening after a police officer observed them driving about waving a gun at pedestrians and passing vehicles in the North Torrance area.

Booked on suspicion of robbing a Torrance liquor store last month were Ronald Wilton Hamner, 18, of 1556 W. 162nd St., and Wayne Allan Cook, 18, of 1040 W. 187th St. Officer Ramon Schneider

first spotted the youths driving near Van Ness Avenue and 182nd Street. He called for additional police unit when he observed one of the youths waving a hand gun at passing cars and pedestrians.

The car was stopped at 190th Street and Crenshaw Boulevard. Police discovered a .22-calibre rifle on the front seat. Also discovered were nine rounds of .22-calibre ammunition.

## REPORT FROM EUROPE

# Advice From a Tourist: Stay at Home

(Editor's Note: This is the sixth in a series of articles being written for the Press-Herald by Torrance Councilman Ross A. Sclarrotta Sr. Sclarrotta, now in Europe on vacation, writes today from Barcelona, Spain.)

By Ross A. Sclarrotta Sr.

BARCELONA, SPAIN — The trip which I undertook is about to end. I find that the people of Spain do not expose their feelings as readily as people in other countries of Western Europe. They do not like to talk or become involved in world politics. Even the guides who conduct tours are reluctant to express their opinions. Spain is still a police state. At every crossroad there are soldiers with guns and bayonets.

In every country of Europe tickets for lotteries are sold publicly on the streets. In most countries, able-bodied

men and women sell the tickets for the state. In Spain, this chore is given to handicapped people. The state feels that handicapped people are happier if they can hold a job and make their own living.

I find that in most countries of Western Europe there are three sets of prices: Those for the natives of the country, those for the Europeans of other countries, and those for the Americans.

The Americans shell out the most. For example in Trieste, Italy, a soft drink and a bottle of beer which cost 300 lire to the Italians will cost 359 to a German and 520 lire to an American. I was advised to say that I was German and not an American if I wanted to pay less.

Those who render services such as porters are well organized. For example, one set of porters will take your bags

down to the lobby of a hotel. Another porter will take them to the taxi. When you arrive at the station, a porter will take the bags out of the taxi and hand them over to another porter who will wheel them to the train. Whatever you give them is never enough. If the going rate is 90 centimes to the bag and you pay 90 centimes for each bag, then they ask you for a tip. They do not ask the natives for an extra tip. In many cases when a taxi takes you to the airport and you pay the fare as shown on the meter, they ask double the amount because they must get back to town.

Meals in restaurants are much higher than what we pay for meals in America. It's unbelievable — a bottle of wine costs twice as much in Europe and Europe is supposed to be the center for wines. If you go to a restaurant and feel that you want to eat just a salad, you will not be served. You must eat their four- or five-course lunches or dinners. If you want part of a meal you must go to a snack bar.

There is a service charge of 50 to 20 per cent in every hotel. In spite of the fact that the service charge already is included in your bill, it is customary that you pay at least another 10 per cent in tips.

The advice of President Johnson should not go unheeded. I believe there is much to see in America and our dollars should be spent at home. We can do two things by doing so: Eliminate the drain on our gold reserve and get the Europeans to realize that Americans are not suckers to be gouged by them, for as long as we pay the tariff, they'll keep on gouging us.