

# Encouraging Signs Seen In FBI Report on Crime

Arrests for narcotics and dangerous drug violations — particularly juveniles — is a major factor in the 20 per cent increase in California crime reported last week by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Evelle J. Younger, district attorney for Los Angeles County, said the greater part of the higher California arrest rate is due to arrests for narcotics and dangerous drug violations, a category not included in the FBI report on crime rates.

"California has maintained for many years what I consider to be the best criminal reporting system in the nation," Younger said. "But," he added, "we must realize that as a result of the FBI report has reflected larger crime increases in the past in California than the national average."

Arrest rates for juveniles have tripled this year, according to a report covering the first three months of the year, Younger said.

where the major increases in the crime rate was recorded, Younger said. During 1966, an 11 per cent increase over 1965 was noted.

THE STATEWIDE increase for the first quarter of 1967 is 20 per cent over 1966, he added.

One of the major reasons for the big increases reported in recent years, Younger explained, is the improved reporting system.

But, he added, crime in California is still increasing. Adult felony arrests during the first quarter of 1967 were about 14 per cent greater than in 1966, although much of the increase was due to narcotics and dangerous drug violations, the district attorney reported.

IF ARRESTS for narcotics violations are not included, the adult felony arrest rate is 5.4 per cent greater for 1967 than in 1966.

Other statistics included in the report, Younger said, showed slight increases in the numbers of convictions. He also noted that only 20 per cent of the defendants convicted in the state's Superior Courts did not have prior records of convictions, indicating the state has a high rate of persons who continue to commit crimes after they are released from prison.

YOUNGER also noted what he called "some encouraging signs." Among those he cited were a 3 per cent decrease in the "murder" classification for cities in Los Angeles County under 100,000 population. (The national average was a 29 per cent increase.)

"The problems revealed by these statistics are obvious," Younger commented, "but the answers to them are not. The total crime picture is awesome. There is more crime today, but we are arresting more of the criminals; we are convicting more people, but greater numbers of them are repeaters."

The district attorney called for an intensified fight against crime and cautioned that "we must not relax our efforts just because we can interpret statistics as favorable."



GETS CERTIFICATE... Marie Whitacre, executive secretary of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors, accepts a certificate of completion in Real Estate board administration. The certificate was presented by Marvin Donsker, president of the board. It is the second such award given to Mrs. Whitacre for a series of study in real estate administration.

AT CONFERENCE... Officials of the Southwest Los Angeles chapter of the National Accountants Association are pictured during the NAA national convention in Denver, Colo. Members of the delegation include (from left) John M. Howlett of Palo Verde; John S. Matsuda of Torrance; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sweeney of Hollywood; Mr. and Mrs. William Berger of Windsor Hills; and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lambert. Lambert is president of the Southwest Los Angeles chapter.

## Hit Federal Stall

# \$250 Million Asked In Freeway Funds

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Difficulties encountered by the state of California in shaking loose \$250 million of interstate highway money, which properly belongs to the state points up some of the costly inadequacies in governmental handling of the taxpayers' money.

In theory at least, the late is supposed to recoup the amounts its taxpayers contribute in the form of federal gas taxes, the money to be used for the development of interstate freeways.

Now approximately \$250 million in a continually building fund is being held in trust in Washington, despite the fact it is vitally needed in California for the development of an important freeway in Los Angeles.

THIS 16-MILE stretch is designated as the Century Freeway, which as part of the master plan development for the Los Angeles International Airport, an area which has probably one of the busiest traffic patterns in the state.

The money originally was intended to be used for freeway development in San Francisco, but the mileage planned there was deleted and a request made that it be used on the Century Freeway as a substitute.

Gordon Luce, state secretary for transportation and business, and a group of highway officials visited Alan S. Boyd, federal secretary for transportation, recently, and came away with nothing but another call from the Washington bureaucrats. California has sought since 1964 to have the Century Freeway

included in the interstate system, and since that time, has been told to "wait a year."

"NOW WE ARE being told the same thing—wait a year," said Luce on his return to Sacramento. "This is grossly unfair, and Californians cannot afford to accept further delays in obtaining what its taxpayers already have paid for."

Luce said this state has presented three reports to inform Boyd on the proposed freeway's relation to the master plan development for the international airport, including the plan for redevelopment and relocation of people along the route, and the effect on transportation and employment within the area.

He cited the fact that annual passenger traffic will total more than 17 million this year, and will increase to more than 57 million by 1975.

ANOTHER traffic pattern at the present time, even before the new freeway is begun, is exceedingly crowded. Also, the federal government has no doubt is deriving interest from California's money while it holds the funds pending a decision to go ahead with the project.

"This freeway," Luce said, "is an integral and vital part of the Los Angeles airport plan, airport area access

provides for freeway encirclement, with major service connections to interior facilities. The freeway will also link the airport with many eastern routes, including downtown Los Angeles and the Ontario airport."

Fundamentally, there seems to be little if any advantage in paying a federal gas tax if the people who pay it are deprived of the benefits anticipated from the per gallon tax, which seeps into astronomical sums.

Household goods are needed by the Salvation Army Men's Social Service Department in this area, it was reported this week. The goods will be recoditioned and offered for resale in the Salvation Army Thrift Shops.

## Aids Research

Karin Daley of Torrance is participating in a research program at the University of Southern California designed to determine the feasibility of a computer-equipped mobile medical laboratory.

## Public Notice

PH-481  
CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS, FICTITIOUS NAME... The undersigned does certify he is conducting a business at 4855 Pacific Coast Highway, Torrance, California, under the fictitious firm name of ZAGREY MILLER... On July 28, 1967, before me, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared H. J. Miller, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

PH-482  
CERTIFICATE OF DISCONTINUANCE OF USE AND OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS NAME... THE UNDERSIGNED do hereby certify that, effective July 31, 1967 they ceased to do business under the fictitious firm name of BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATES at 1207 Ocean Avenue, Torrance, California, which business was formerly composed of the following persons, whose names in full and place of residence are as follows: Manfred D. Burks, 15 Coach Road, Rolling Hills, Calif. 90745; Gerald M. Goldsmann, 2717 Oak Road, Miraloma, California.

PH-483  
CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS, FICTITIOUS NAME... The undersigned does certify he is conducting a business at 2811 Barnard Ave., Torrance, California, under the fictitious firm name of CALPO and that said firm is composed of the following person, whose name in full and place of residence is as follows: Charles A. Pettit, 2811 Barnard Ave., Torrance, California. Dated July 25, 1967.

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CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS, FICTITIOUS NAME... The undersigned does certify he is conducting a business at 15 Coach Rd., Rolling Hills, California, under the fictitious firm name of BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATES and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names in full and place of residence is as follows: MANFRED D. BURKS, 15 Coach Rd., Rolling Hills, Calif. Dated July 12, 1967.

# Harry likes to stay right on top of things.



## Like your bumper.

If you don't want to be "it" when some guy in a hurry starts playing bumper tag, just slow down. He'll probably go around you. Even if he doesn't, you'll open up enough interval between you and the car ahead to avoid a possible sudden stop and sock.

Whenever, wherever you drive... drive defensively. Watch out for the other guy. He may be in your rearview mirror.

### Watch out for the Other Guy.



## Computer Firm Moves Offices to San Pedro

Logicon, Inc., a firm specializing in systems engineering and "computer software,"

## Beach Plan Approved By County

County supervisors have approved a contract calling for a \$15,000 state allocation for the lengthening of South Torrance Beach, Supervisor Burton W. Chace has announced.

has moved its corporate headquarters to San Pedro.

Founded in 1961, the company has experienced very rapid growth that has seen sales increase by 50 per cent in the past year. During the next fiscal year, the firm expects to exceed the \$4 million mark in sales.

More than 150 engineering and support personnel are employed by the firm. Some 100 employees will be located at the new corporate headquarters in the Pacific Trade Center in San Pedro. The rest of the staff is located at the firm's San Diego facility.

The move gives the company facilities for continued expansion, while offering staff members the opportunity to live in the South Bay area, Claude F. King, president of the firm, said.