

# United Way Board Studies Area Need

Twenty-six members of the Harbor area United Way board of directors are involved in the annual study of six social agencies serving local residents.

Health and welfare services of all United Way agencies in Los Angeles County are reviewed each year in conjunction with budget requests for funds derived from the United Crusade appeal.

Five budget sub-committees in the Harbor area were activated in December to evaluate needs of Beacon Light Mission, Seamen's Church Institute, San Pedro Boys' Club, Toberman House and the Harbor and Torrance YWCAs.

REVIEWS OF ALL agencies will be completed by Jan. 30 with allocations announced in March, based on total receipts from the 1966 United Crusade fund drive.

United Way agencies which serve more than one area, such as Children's and Orthopaedic hospitals, McKinley Home for Boys, Family Service, Salvation Army, Catholic Welfare and a large youth organizations such as Scouts and Camp Fire Girls are

budgeted by countywide general budget committees.

Priority for United Way funds for the coming year has been established for agencies involved for the coming year has been established for agencies involved in the prevention of juvenile delinquency through group workers skilled in working with street gangs; and prevention of family breakdown by helping families with child-parent or marital or other family problems by trained caseworkers.

THIS SAME priority was followed last year when an additional Family Service caseworker was budgeted for work with Harbor area families and an additional delinquency control worker was provided to the Wilmington branch of Neighborhood Youth Association.

The Harbor area includes the communities of Torrance, Gardena, San Pedro, Wilmington, Palos Verdes and Harbor City-Lomita. Local residents carrying out the "stewardship" responsibilities of United Way as members of the Harbor

budget committee have been divided into five groups.

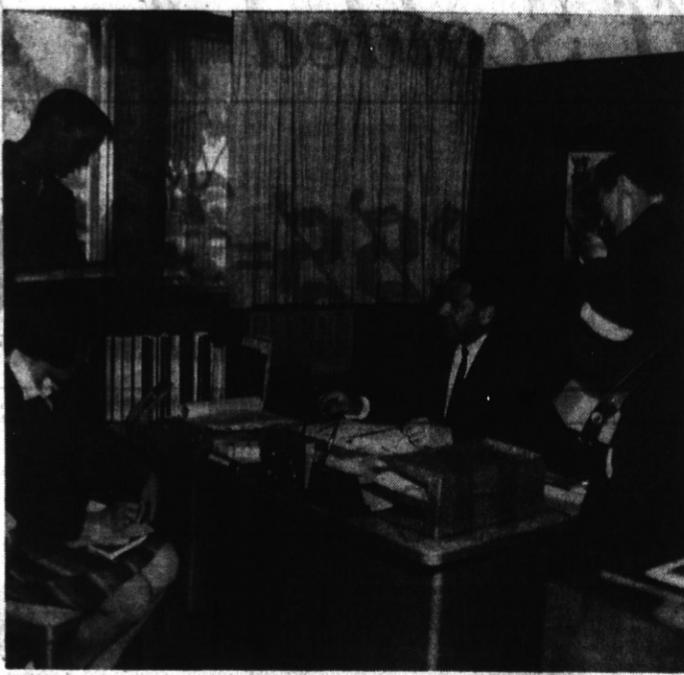
Edmond Rea is chairman of the committee assigned to Beacon Light Mission and Seaman's Church Institute. Members include Mrs. A. C. Akerson, Steve Edney, Leonard Mandig and Jerome Zimmer.

CHAIRMAN of the committee studying the San Pedro Boys' Club is Elmer Wassen with William Cowan, Herman Link, Bert Lynn and Ron Williamson as members.

Serving as chairman for the Harbor area YWCA committee is Robert Filson with the assistance of Michael Balwan, John Hopkins, Mrs. J. Carroll Monfort and Edward Patterson.

The Toberman House budget sub-committee is headed by Dr. Frances Clark with a committee made up of Frank Barich, Joseph Miles, Mrs. T. M. McDaniel and Charles McNeill.

Budget needs of the Torrance YWCA are under consideration of a committee chaired by Mrs. Lloyd Cook including Mrs. Mildred Chubb, Father J. A. O'Gorman, Vincent Metzger, Mrs. James Rush and Morgan Williams.



CHIEF INTERVIEWED... Talking with Chief Walter R. Koenig of the Torrance Police Department for a special school newspaper feature are three Bishop Montgomery High students. From left are Mike Ruggera, Patty Campbell, and photographer Tony Moore.

## ...Housing

(Continued from Page A-1) ing park and beautification projects—where councilmen have rejected federal aid.

I HAVE NO desire to see blight continue," Olson said, "and on the other hand I have no desire to invade the privacy of your home."

But, he said, the inspection program was "part of a package which is designed to prevent another urban renewal program." He said many people want to inspect every home in the city and added, "I have no desire to do this."

IRWIN TOLD Olson "80 to 90 per cent of all homes" in the city would have to be inspected and said the city cannot qualify for federal funds without the inspection program.

Chief spokesman for the North Torrance group was Edward Kessler, who said the group was formed "right after the meeting (of last Wednesday)" and said it is entirely "a grass roots movement."

Kessler told the council the Meadow Park project is not the issue.

"The real issue is can you come to my home with a war-

rant and tell me it's for my own good because we're going to get dollars from the (federal) government," Kessler said. "I'd rather pay the dollars."

KESSLER SAID he would admit the city is saving him tax dollars, but said the price of that savings "is my civil liberties."

The 60-day delay was approved at the suggestion of Mayor Albert Isen after Irwin declared the federal government would not accept a volunteer program.

Meanwhile, the Citizens' Advisory Committee and a group from the north Torrance neighborhood will confer to determine if a compromise can be reached.

Hearings on the urban renewal project, scheduled for 8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, will be held as scheduled.

## Police Hunt Driver After Autos Crash

A driver who may have been injured was the object of a neighborhood search Tuesday night after a three-car, hit and run collision at Western Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard.

Injured was Frances C. Boettcher, San Pedro, driver of one of the three cars involved. She was taken to Kaiser Hospital in Harbor City.

Driver of another vehicle, Frank G. Burton, Harbor City, received cuts and abrasions but said he would seek private treatment.

The driver who fled the scene may have been injured, investigators said.

## ... Election

(Continued from Page A-1) Board of Education. The terms of Mrs. Kenneth E. Watts and Dr. Kurt Shery will expire in May.

TRUSTEES VOTED, on motion of Mrs. Watts, to combine the two elections provided such balloting does not cost the school district more than a normal election would cost. All costs in excess of the normal school cost—about \$6,000—will be paid by the city.

One of the chief difficulties, Dr. Kaplan told board members, is a provision in the law which prohibits the city from establishing consolidated precincts of more than six general election precincts.

The school district is not subject to such requirements, he explained, and in some instances as many as 10

precincts have been combined into one. In such cases, new precincts will have to be established and new lists of voters prepared.

TWO BALLOTS will be used since the boundaries of the city and the school district are not identical, Dr. Kaplan said.

The school board election is scheduled for April 18.

Board members voted unanimously to ask the county authorities to consolidate the two elections and make any adjustments which may be required.

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## Vice Squad Checks Bags For Heroin

Balloons containing what may have been heroin were found behind a Torrance apartment building yesterday during a routine check of a possible stolen auto.

Officer Donald P. Flaherty, checking a car in the 1700 block of Lincoln Avenue, reported finding a plastic bag in the car containing four balloons, one each orange, red, white, and blue.

One of the balloons, punctured with a key, spilled out a white powder, Flaherty reported.

Also found at the scene were cotton balls, one with red stains which may have been blood, the officer said.

The vehicle was impounded and the balloon and other evidence turned over to the Police Department vice squad.

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