

Man Held On Drug Charges

A Los Angeles man was arrested on a charge of possession of dangerous drugs following a brief scuffle with a South Bay Municipal Court bailiff Thursday morning.

Thomas Ray Anderson, 33, of 9311 Belford St., Los Angeles, was booked on the charge at the Torrance City Jail.

Police gave this account: Bailiff Fred Arenz spotted a yellow balloon on the floor of the court room and asked Anderson if it belonged to him. Anderson picked up the balloon and tried to swallow it and Arenz tried to restrain the man.

Following a brief struggle, Anderson started to run out of the court room, but was stopped by Torrance Police Officers Forrest L. Snodgrass and Richard C. Augenstein, who were entering the court room.

The two officers found several "small white pills" on Anderson.

Three Guns Taken From Area Home

Theft of three guns and 15 rounds of ammunition was reported to Torrance Police Thursday by Marvin Wilson, 60, of 18044 Regina Ave.

Police said a 20 gauge shotgun, a 22-calibre rifle, and an .8mm military rifle were taken by burglars who pried open a window.

A camera and a pair of binoculars also were taken. The loss was estimated at \$161.

Bookmaking Hearing Set

A preliminary hearing has been scheduled next Friday for a Torrance man arrested Jan. 27 on suspicion of bookmaking.

Stanley Walton Watts, 55, of 4069 Bluff St., has been ordered to answer the charge in Division 3 of the South Bay Municipal Court Friday at 9 a.m.

'Mouse' To Roar At North

"The Mouse That Roared," Leonard Wibberley's comedy about a small nation which goes to war with the United States, will be staged Feb. 23 through 25 by the North

High School Drama Club. Tim Doty, Drama Club president, said performances will be at 7:30 p.m. each of the three days. A special matinee performance is scheduled at 1:30 p.m. Feb. 25.

The play is about a small European nation whose treasury is empty. The government decided to invade the United States in order to be defeated and qualify for financial assistance.

Officer

(Continued from Page 1) away and is being sought by police. Two other persons were arrested in connection with the stolen vehicle, officers said.

Officer Graber is in Gardena Memorial Hospital where he was reported to have a possible skull fracture, pavement burns, and an injured hand. Whether he received internal injuries probably will not be determined until Monday, it was indicated.

Insurance Men Attend Meeting

Donald J. Bathgate and Raymond L. Winston, local representatives of Mutual of New York, attended a special business and education conference of the insurance firm's leading field underwriters in New York City last week.

Dead Man Found in Apartment

A 46-year-old laborer was found dead in his apartment early Wednesday.

George Franklin Langtry was found slumped over a table in his apartment at 1860 Torrance Blvd., about 7:30 a.m. by a roommate, Max Vigil, police reported.

Vigil told officers he thought Langtry had passed out and put him to bed, but later realized the man was dead and called Torrance police.



NEIGHBORLY HELP... Members of the 23 Kiwanis Clubs which comprise Division 19 of the Kiwanis International have donated an ambulance to the city of Colima, Mexico. Colima, site of one of the two active volcanoes in Mexico, is a city of 45,000 which has a hospital but no ambulance. This ambulance was donated by Henry Halverson of Halverson-Leavell Mortuary, Kiwanis clubs in the area raised about \$1,500 to refurbish the ambulance and ready it for service. H. P. Osborne (left), president of the Lomita Kiwanis Club, Charles Goodale of the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary, and Ross Haigh, president of the Southwest Torrance Kiwanis Club, inspect the ambulance prior to delivery. H. Ted Olson, Torrance Councilman and Kiwanis lieutenant governor, is in charge of the project. (Press-Herald Photo)

OBITUARIES

Guillermo Puente

Graveside services for Guillermo Puente, 10-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Guadalupe Puente of 20725 S. Vermont Ave., were conducted yesterday morning at Holy Cross Cemetery.

He was born in Torrance, March 29, 1966, and died here last Wednesday.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by three brothers, Antonio, Jesus, and Ralf Puente, and by three sisters, Albertina, Maria de Los Angeles, and Guadalupe Puente.

Halverson-Leavell Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Florence Benson

Funeral services for Florence Hazel Benson, 64, of 23802 Ocean Ave., were conducted yesterday at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel. Burial was in Green Hills Memorial Park.

North Youth Plans Trip To Capital

Rick Lailer, a junior at North High, has been selected to participate in a "Youth and Government" program sponsored by the YMCA.

Lailer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Lailer of 2811 W. 170th St., will go to Sacramento next Friday for a three-day session of the YMCA Model Legislature.

He was elected an assemblyman at a nomination conference held at the University of California at Irvine. Lailer was selected for the trip to Sacramento on the basis of a legislative bill which he drafted and presented to a YMCA board.

Burglars Take Coins, Liquor

A coin collection, several bottles of liquor, and a ring were taken from the home of Walter E. Arnold, 53, of 17044 Spinning Ave., Friday, police reported yesterday.

Burglars pried open a window to gain entry to the home, officers reported. Four books of trading stamps, and a camera also were taken. Value of the items was set at \$335.

Mrs. Benson, who was born in Minnesota, had lived in Torrance for about six weeks. She was a retired teacher and had taught in the Nye County School District at Tonopah, Nev.

Surviving Mrs. Benson are a daughter, Gwenn Camp; a grandson, Jimmy Camp; four sisters, and three brothers.

George Langtry

Funeral services for George Franklin Langtry, 46, of 1860 Torrance Blvd., were conducted yesterday at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel. Private burial services followed.

Mr. Langtry, who was born in Washington, had lived in the Torrance area for nine years. He died Wednesday evening.

He is survived by two daughters, Loretta and Dolores, both of Hawthorne.

D. F. Schwartz

Private funeral services for Donnell Freeman Schwartz, 61, of Bullhead City, Ariz., will be conducted tomorrow at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel. Inurnment will follow in Inglewood Park Cemetery.

Mr. Schwartz was born in Ohio and had lived in Torrance for about 12 years. He moved to Arizona some six months ago.

Mr. Schwartz is survived by two sisters, Goldie Schwartz and Helen Schemenauer, both of Torrance.

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Woman Held Following Auto Crash

A Palos Verdes nurse was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol Friday evening after a three-car accident in the 5300 block of Carole Drive.

Eise Margarethe Coster, 32, of the Palos Verdes Peninsula, was taken to Little Company of Mary Hospital for treatment of a wound, then booked on the charge at the Torrance City Jail.

Police said the woman was arrested after her car struck two cars parked in front of a house at 5321 Carole Drive.

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