

Stabbing Victims Show Improvement

A 58-year-old Torrance man was charged with assault with intent to commit murder Thursday morning after his wife and a 10-year-old son were hospitalized with knife wounds.

James Bailey Smith, of 24434 Ward St., was himself recovering from a knife wound in the abdomen at the Los Angeles County General Hospital prison ward. Smith was taken to the prison ward after being treated at Harbor General Hospital.

His wife, Anna Maye Smith, 48, and a son, Joseph B. Smith, 10, were taken to Little Company of Mary Hospital. Mrs. Smith was reported in serious condition, but "improving." The youth was in good condition, hospital officials said.

went inside the house and found Smith standing in a "pool of blood" in the kitchen. They told him to "put down the knife," but Smith told the officers to leave the house.

AT THAT point, other officers arrived at the Smith home, police reported.

During the confrontation in the kitchen, Smith lunged at the officers with the knife, but collapsed on the floor. Officer George L. Farrell stepped on Smith's hand and took the knife away from him, it was reported.

Officers said they then found the youth, Joseph, lying in the living room. The boy told officers he and a brother, Dale, 9, had heard their mother scream and saw their father stabbing her when they went into the couple's bedroom.

Joseph apparently was cut while trying to help his mother, police reported.

cut in her abdomen. Smith also sustained a cut in the abdomen which apparently was self-inflicted. He was reported in satisfactory condition.



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POLICE GAVE the following details:

Carlton Konowitz, a neighbor of the Smiths, called police about 6:30 a.m. Thursday. Officers James Griffith and Bruce Bott responded to the call and were told Smith had stabbed his wife and son. Smith, Konowitz reportedly told officers, was still in the house with a knife.

The two officers said they

...Dump (Continued from Page A-1) be operated as a separate city department and with no subsidy from city funds. It also should be made available for use by all taxpayers in the city during its entire period of operation, the committee report said.

Bank Names New Senior Executive

Samuel B. Stewart has been named senior administrative officer for the Bank of America and will be responsible for administering the day to day operations of the bank.

Stewart is thus third in the chain of command for the bank, which is the largest in the world.

R. A. Peterson is president and chief executive officer and L. B. Lundborg is chairman of the board and executive officer for the bank's southern division.

...Census (Continued from Page A-1) same report showed Glendale had 136,620, or enough to put it above the 131,267 shown in Torrance's new census.

If the official census tally is substantially in agreement with the low preliminary count, the city probably would not certify it, but would continue to let the 139,000 stand as its official population for state purposes, it was indicated.

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EDUCATOR TOURS EUROPE Local, European Schools Face the Same Problems

Are European schools better than American schools? This question was discussed Monday at a meeting of the Educational Council of Torrance by a Torrance educator who recently spent six months in Europe studying schools.

Dr. William Forrest, former principal of Madrona School, who will head the new Sam Levy School when it opens later this year, compared the schools of Spain, Italy, Portugal, the Scandinavian countries, England, France, and Germany with the educational system of California.

THE RESULTS he came up with, in all cases, indicated that California can compare favorably with the best of those in Europe.

In Spain, he related, parents pay tuition for all children who attend school. As a result, he stated, the poor do not get much education. By 14, the Spanish youngster's education has ended.

Italy was not much different, he said. Boys attend school until 14 and girls until 12.

COMPULSORY schooling for Portuguese children, Dr. Forrest said, is required only of boys between the ages of 7 and 11 and girls between the ages of 7 and 10. Inasmuch as teachers are only required to have a three- or four-year education, they frequently begin teaching at the age of 11 or 12, Dr. Forrest said. In California, by contrast, a teacher must have 17 years of formal schooling.

Little local control over the schools exists in Denmark, where the schools, as

Reading Program To Begin

Adults interested in reading and discussing classic works of literature have been invited to join the Great Books program sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department.

Discussion groups will meet each Thursday at the Torrance Recreation Center beginning Thursday. No registration fee is required.

The program will continue through June 1. More information may be secured at the Joslyn Recreation Center.

Supervisor To Address Rotarians

Supervisor Burton W. Chace will address the Torrance Rotary Club Wednesday during the club's regular luncheon meeting.

Chace, who represents the fourth district on the Board of Supervisors, will discuss the role of county government. His district extends from the Ventura to the Orange County lines and includes much of Torrance.

The supervisor will outline major problems facing the county, discuss the program of specific projects in the Torrance area, and answer questions from the club.

The meeting will be held at the Palms Restaurant, 1925 W. Carson St.

Chace has served on the city's Citizen's Advisory Committee for Community Improvement.

and only 11 per cent take a pre-university course.

As for the German schools, Dr. Forrest agreed that they "are the best in Europe today." Although the German children go to school 210 days a year, compared to our 180 days, he said, they only hold class from 8 or 8:30 a.m. to 12 or 1 p.m. "It works out that with our longer day, our students actually attend school for more hours during a year's time than do German schools," he added.

Basic education is required for all German children between the ages of 6 and 14. After the weeding-out process takes place, only 6 per cent qualify for pre-university training, he said.

ON AN AVERAGE, Dr. Forrest pointed out, over 90 per cent of our qualified students attend secondary or high schools. In Europe, he claimed, "the average would be about six per cent."

"There is no European system of education as such," he concluded, "any more than there is an American system of education. There are as many differences of schools in Europe as there are in schools in America—and they have exactly the same problems as we do."

With only 7 per cent of English students completing pre-university training, 93 per cent of English youth are through with their formal education by age 15. While 23 per cent of California's young adults attend college, only 3 per cent of English students do so, Dr. Forrest said.

"Teacher training in Britain is about what ours was 45 years ago," Dr. Forrest added. "Fewer than half of England's teachers have had as much as two years of college training."

FRANCE, Dr. Forrest said, has a longer school program than any of the other European countries. Children go to school from the time they are 6 until they reach the age of 16. Only 14 per cent of the students continue their education beyond that, he stated.

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