



**FLIGHT INSPECTION . . .** Roger Keeney, head of Acme Aircraft Co. based on Torrance Municipal Airport, inspects Sierra Sue, an experimental "pusher" type plane which completed its first flight successfully this week.

### 'Pusher' Plane May Make Test Flights Here

Torrance Municipal Airport may be the base for further flight tests of Sierra Sue, an experimental "pusher" type plane which completed its first flight successfully at Los Angeles International Airport this week.

Roger Keeney, head of Acme Aircraft Co. in Long Beach, where the plane was built, said permission to use the local field for additional test flights will be sought. The low-wing monoplane performed well in the initial half-hour hop with Test Pilot Paul Franklin at the controls, he said.

The craft was designed by Walter Fellers and Ronald Beattie, aeronautical engineers, who have been conducting ground tests at the Long Beach Co. during the past six months. The plane is designed for possible conversion to jet power.

### Crash Hurts Young Driver

Gerald Richard Jones, 16, of 1917 Cabrillo Ave., was treated at Harbor General Hospital Saturday evening for injuries suffered when his auto collided with one driven by Fred Cook, of 2207 Carson St., at 238th St. and Narbonne Ave.

Investigating officers reported that Jones apparently failed to see a stop sign at the intersection. His auto skidded through the intersection, into the Cook auto, and back across the street before coming to a halt, police reports indicated.

### Courtesy Best Christmas Gift-- Highway Patrol

"We can save lives by giving Courtesy for Christmas."

As Christmas gift suggestions come from every conceivable source—the California Highway Patrol today offered the above suggestion, as one of the least expensive, yet most profitable, gifts of all. The suggestion for giving courtesy is directed to all Californians and most especially to the drivers of the state's nearly 6 million vehicles.

Last December there were 320 traffic fatalities. Ten of these deaths occurred during the 30-hour Christmas holiday, and 358 people were injured during the same period.

"In nine out of ten of these fatal collisions, states Patrol Commissioner B. R. Caldwell, "the tragedy was due to a law violation of some impatient, thoughtless, or heartless driver."

"This year the holiday weekend will be more than three days long. That means more travel and more exposure to danger. Since we all share the responsibility for traffic safety over the holidays we must help one another."

"Give courtesy this Christmas; it costs no more than a few seconds of your time, and the savings in life can be tremendous. In fact, the life you save may be your own," Caldwell said.

### Vandals Ransack School Over Holiday Vacation

Vandals broke into the Seaside Elementary School during the Thanksgiving vacation and tore up a couple of classrooms, Principal Walter Rehwoidt told police Monday morning.

Police were told that two classrooms had been entered, equipment and books scattered about the room, desks turned over, and one window was broken. The school had been closed since Wednesday, Rehwoidt said.

### Walteria WSGS Plans Annual Bazaar Tomorrow

The Women's Society for Christian Service of the Walteria Community Methodist Church will hold its second annual bazaar tomorrow at the Recreation Hall in Walteria Park from 12 noon until midnight, Mrs. Wilber E. McFarland, chairman, announced this week.

The proceeds from this sale will help to pay church obligations, Mrs. McFarland said. There will be several booths, and the linen closet will sell aprons, pillow cases, napkins, and bibs. The pantry will serve food. The parcel post booth features packages wrapped and mailed from other towns and cities and states, sold unopened. The paper box booth will sell Christmas accessories such as cards, paper, and stationery.

Cartoons will be shown for the children and surprise packages will be sold at the auction booth. The Mad Hatters booth will sell old clothing and fancy duds for all ages, and there will be novelties, ceramics and other assorted attractions, Mrs. McFarland said.

Friends are invited to come and buy for necessity, for Christmas gifts, for fun, but mainly to help finance and promote Community Methodist Church, Mrs. McFarland added.

Ladies in charge of the booths are: linens, Joyce Beers; food, Eva Bowen; parcel post, Dorothy Gunn; paper box, Luella Howey; candy, Bonnie Beck; movies, Carol McFarland; fish pond, Frances Conger; auction, Jean Cramer; MYF game, Peggy Gehres; novelties, Bea Monaghan.

### Driver Injured In Track Crash

Ed Lockhart suffered a skull fracture and numerous bruises during one of the several spectacular crack-ups at Carrell Speedway here Sunday afternoon during the 50-lap feature.

Lockhart was the only driver injured as 2216 fans watched a number of spills during the afternoon of racing.

Howard Gardner grabbed off the main event trophy ahead of Van Johnson, Bob Chaplin, Billy Cantrell, and Norm Lee.

### \$100 Worth of Paint Stolen from New School

Someone broke into a storage shed at the Wood Elementary School now under construction at 238th and Narbonne over the holiday week-end and stole \$100 worth of paint, Torrance police were told Monday morning.

**PERMIT ISSUED**  
The California Fish and Game Commission has issued a 60-day seismic permit to the City of Long Beach Beach to explore the geologic structure under the city's harbor and immediate offshore area.

**HUNTERS NEED WAIVERS**  
Hunters between the ages of 12 and 18 who want to hunt pheasants on the Los Banos and Grizzly Island State waterfowl management areas must present a waiver signed by themselves and a parent or legal guardian when applying for a permit.

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