

BANDITS MASQUERADE AS SCOUTS

Armed Youths Hold Up Pair At Restaurant

Two teenagers, dressed as Boy Scouts, brandished a gun at a local couple in a restaurant parking lot, robbed them, and then fired a shot at their pursuer.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anthony Emma, 1309 Maple Ave., were accosted by the two "Scouts" in a parking lot of the Polynesian Restaurant, 3901 Pacific Coast Hwy., Friday night as they alighted from the car.

Hahn to Speak At Breakfast

Flourishing a short barreled revolver one of the youths told the Emma.

"Don't move or I'll shoot you . . . Give me your wallet."

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, who has tossed his hat in the ring for the Democratic nomination as a U.S. senatorial candidate, will be the principal speaker at the November breakfast meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday morning at the YWCA.

Slated to begin at 7:30 a.m., the hour-long meeting will be devoted to matters involving this area, part of which is included in Hahn's district, according to Arthur Olsea and Darwin Parrish, cochairmen for the event.

Reservations for Tuesday's meeting may be made at the Chamber office, 1345 El Prado.

Emma shouted that the teenagers had just robbed him and Baker gave chase in his auto. Jumping from the car, he chased the two across a muddy field until he was about 10 feet away.

Fired at Pursuer
At this point, the youth with the gun fired at Baker, who promptly gave up the chase.

All Torrance units responded to the scene but no trace of the two "would-be Scouts" could be found.

The teenage gun flourisher was described as 15-16 years, 5'-7-8", 140-150 lbs. The other youth was 13-14 years, 5'-3-4", 150 lbs.

Both wore Boy Scout uniforms, with the second youth also wearing a Scout-type campaign hat. Both wore red bandanas over their faces.

Police reported the two probably had mud on their clothes after running across the muddy field.

Man's Pocket Rifled
Somebody removed \$104 from his pants pockets while he slept, Zidon Wallace Donaldson, 26029 Appian Way, Lomita, told sheriff's deputies Friday. How the thief entered the bedroom is unknown.

Wreckers Break Gas Lines at Apartment
Police and firemen had some anxious moments Thursday as workers wrecking the Winters apartments, 1210 El Prado, accidentally broke gas lines in two places.

Firemen stood by while gasmen repaired the breaks.

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FIRST OVER THE TOP . . . Paul Mandel, Community Chest residential unit chairman for Torrance (left), presents a gold "oscar" to Mrs. James E. McNeil, who headed the first residential section in Torrance to exceed its quota, and Glenn Koger (right), Torrance city chairman, presents a gold oscar to Mrs. Lloyd Baxley, who headed the first residential division in Torrance to top its quota.

Torrance Tops Harbor Area In Community Chest

Three hundred and seventy Community Chest campaign volunteers who jammed the Plush Horse Restaurant Thursday for the campaign report luncheon, learned that the Harbor Area has attained 67.17 per cent of its quota of \$86,858 and leads the four other Associated Cities by 6 per cent.

Jay A. Robinson, Harbor Area campaign chairman, was master of ceremonies for the luncheon and called on the city chairmen to report the progress of their cities.

Torrance, under the leadership of Glenn Koger, was leading with 79.06 per cent of its quota of \$19,887; Gardena, second, 77.19, quota \$15,945; Harbor City-Lomita, third, 71.56, quota \$2876; San Pedro, fourth, 67.13, quota \$19,222;

Palos Verdes, fifth, 56.56, quota \$7724; Rolling Hills, sixth, 53.21, quota \$5630; and Wilmington, seventh, 51.51, quota \$15,773.

The entire Los Angeles Area has raised 41.52 per cent of their quota of \$4,276,383.

Munson Honored
For being chairman of the first city to have 100 per cent enrollment of workers, James Munson, Harbor City-Lomita city chairman received the Ira Kaye trophy, Gardena Advance Gifts Chairman, Robert Longare, received the Frode B. Kilstofte trophy for having the highest percentage of quota at

this time. He will keep the trophy if he maintains his lead until the Associated Cities Report meeting at the Coconut Grove, Thursday, Nov. 21.

Gold Oscars were awarded to the chairman of the first residential division and first residential section in each city to go "over the top" of their quotas. Awarded were Mrs. Jack Ham, San Pedro, first section; Mrs. Joe Penn, Wilmington, first section, and Mrs. F. A. Vincent, first division; Mrs. Don Root, Rolling Hills, first section; Mrs. Joseph Cipolla, Palos Verdes, first section; Mrs. Anthony Greco, Gardena, first division, and Mrs. John Gray, first section; Mrs. Lloyd Baxley, Torrance, first division, and Mrs. James E. McNeil, first section.

Mrs. Anthony Greco in Gardena headed the first division in the entire Los Angeles Area to go over the top, and Gardena under the leadership of Mrs. John Guss, residential unit chairman, was the first residential area to be 100 per cent.

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City Hopeful About Float

Hope that a method of financing Torrance float in the Tournament of Roses parade next Jan. 1 was expressed here yesterday by Chamber of Commerce Manager Dick Fitzgerald, who said a Chamber board meeting was being called for Tuesday on the subject.

Fitzgerald said he had requested Pasadena parade officials to delay the city's deadline past next Tuesday so Torrance could give serious thought to the problem.

The city was invited earlier this week after an eastern concern canceled out. The city had made application nearly a year ago, but had given up as the parade quota was filled.

Public sentiment seems to be toward having a float, Fitzgerald said.

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Double Slaying Motive Sought By Detectives

Relatives arrived to take charge of a six-year-old girl and her three-year-old brother whose parents were victims of an apparent murder-suicide here Thursday.

The bodies of Arthur E. England, 37, and his wife, Mary, 31, were found in the couple's home at 3634 W. 177th St. by Mrs. England's brother, Leonard Jackola, 43, of Chicago.

Police found more than \$3500 in cash and U.S. savings bonds in the house of the Northrop Aircraft engineer.

Motive in Doubt
Motive for the murder-suicide was in doubt but officers theorized that the brilliant mathematician was despondent about his work. Throughout the house highly complicated mathematical equations were found jotted down. Even some of Einstein's theories about the universe were found, according to Det. Lt. Ted Morris.

Last hours of the couple, whose bodies were undiscovered for about 12 hours, were described by Jackola, who had only arrived the day before.

Jackola said he awoke Thursday morning about 8 a.m. and, thinking his hosts planned to sleep late, fixed breakfast for the England children, Melissa and Timothy. The girl went out to school while the boy went out to play.

Borrowed Ladder
When no sound had been heard from the England's locked bedroom by 2 p.m. Jackola went next door and borrowed a stepladder and looked in the window.

He spotted the two bodies and called police.

England apparently shot his wife while she slept, then turned the high-powered World War II Mauser rifle on himself. He first attempted to cut his throat with a butcher knife.

Employers of England told police the man was in no danger of losing his well-paid job but they had recommended he take a two-week vacation to rest up.

The night before the crime England had brought home a house trailer to use on the planned trip.

Two Booked On Charges Of Attack
Two 20-year-old Torrance men were jailed by Lennox sheriff's deputies late Friday in connection with an alleged attack on a 14-year-old Los Angeles girl.

Arrested and booked on suspicion of forcible rape and possession of alcohol by minors were James Edward Buckley, 18119 Regina Ave., and Darrell Fraser, 22714 Anza Ave.

The two youths were arrested at their car in oil fields near Slauson and Stocker, together with the girl. Deputies said Fraser was in the car with the girl.

Deputies were called to the scene by Robert Olvey, a watchman, who noted the car and heard screams coming from it. Deputies found several beer cans on the floor.

The girl claimed the pair had picked her up and promised to take her home but, instead, took her to the oil fields and made advances.

Rivets Reports
It should be partly cloudy today and it might be a good idea to keep your raincoat handy just in case. Rivets, HERALD weather dog, warned. There is about a 35 per cent probability of rain. The city had a trace Friday.

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A Penny for your Thoughts

With city leaders pondering whether the city should have a float in the 1958 Rose Parade, and how to pay for it, the HERALD's inquiring photographer asked:

"Do you believe it would be worthwhile for Torrance to enter a float in the 1958 Rose Parade at a cost of some \$5000? Would you be willing to contribute to such a fund, if necessary?"

Bill Clemenger, 1211 Felbar school official:

"Yes, I think Torrance should have a float since it was an All-America city. Having lived in Pasadena, I have a great fondness for the parade — one of the world's greatest spectacles. I would be willing to contribute."

Mrs. Chencie Vouliritsa, 5518 Halison St., housewife:

"I think a float would be a good thing. Everyone would like to have his city represented in the parade. I think nearly everybody would contribute if they could."

Bill Reynolds, 203 Via Pasqual, El Camino student:

"I think it would be a real good idea since Torrance was named an All-America city. They ought to let everybody know about it. I'd be willing to give a dollar. I think everybody would."

Mrs. L. J. Square, 1820 Torrancia Blvd., housewife:

"I think it would be fine for Torrance to have a float — it's good publicity for the city. Like Indio, can walk off with the prizes. Torrancia should have an and \$5000 isn't too

Mary Schletewitz, 23203 Lon Ave., aircraft worker:

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SPEECH WINNER . . . Bob Brooks (left), South High student, was named the city winner in the annual Jaycee "Voice of Democracy" contest here Thursday night. Roberta Terhagen of North High was runner-up, while Jim Hawkins of South High was third. Brooks will be entered in district judging to vie for the state finals. (Herald Photo)