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TEENAGER JAILED FOR HIT-RUN

Makes Arrest Other Driver

A 16-year-old Torrance High School student was jailed by police here Friday on a charge of car theft and felony hit-run driving following an accident at Torrance Blvd. and Western Ave.

The youth and a companion, Norman Hampton, 18, of 119 Columbia Place, were in an auto which collided with one driven by Jimmy Dyer, 36, of Anaheim.

Police said Dyer received an assist from a motorist in following the 16-year-old after he fled from the scene of the accident.

HAMPTON, WHO said he knew nothing about the car being stolen, complained of an injured knee after the crash.

Investigators said the two teenagers had visited a Gardena auto wrecking yard to look for a car to be used in the destruction derbies held at a Gardena racetrack each Sunday evening.

The 16-year-old was told that he could try out a certain model car there, but switched to another car without permission of the yard operator, police were told. While driving

on Western Ave., the teenager collided with the Dyer auto.

THE YOUTHS, who had fled south on Western Ave., and turned right on 213th St. near the Rome Cable plant, insisted they were returning to the scene of the accident when Dyer placed them under citizen's arrest.

The driver, whose name was not revealed by police because of his age, is being held by juvenile officers for the charge.

In another accident—the 15th at Hawthorne Ave. and Carson St. since the intersection was opened this spring—a light foreign car was rolled over when it collided with another auto Thursday night. Police said no one was injured in the collision.

Thomas Rumors Denied

Assemblyman Spikes Tale Of Quitting

Rumors that he would quit the Assembly post he has held for 19 years at the end of the current term to seek election either to the board of supervisors or Congress were denied emphatically Friday by Vincent Thomas, San Pedro Democrat.

"I plan to seek re-election to my seat in the Assembly in 1960," Thomas told the HERALD Friday.

Rumors that he would give up his post to seek one of the other two have been circulated throughout the district during recent weeks.

THOMAS pointed out that he had gained valuable seniority in the State Assembly, now ranking third.

He is a member of many important committees, including the Revenue and Tax, Fish and Game, and Constitutional Amendments committees.

He is also a member of the Interstate Cooperation and the Pacific Marine Fisheries Commissions. He has served on the Interstate commission for 12 years and on the Pacific commission for eight.

"I'VE ALSO worked for a long time, as you know, for the Harbor Freeway and for the construction of a bridge from San Pedro to Terminal Island," he said. "I hope I'm returned to office so I can continue my efforts on behalf of these two important local projects," he added.

Auction Set for Club Lot

An era is passing. At 11 a.m. on Sept. 8, 1959, the Hollywood Riviera Clubhouse property is to be sold at auction by the Title Insurance & Trust Co., Los Angeles, to pay off the \$125,000 building loan plus interest that has accrued at 7 per cent since February 28, 1930. No interest has been paid on this loan. At simple interest this would now amount to more than \$250,000 and at compounded interest it amounts to over \$800,000.

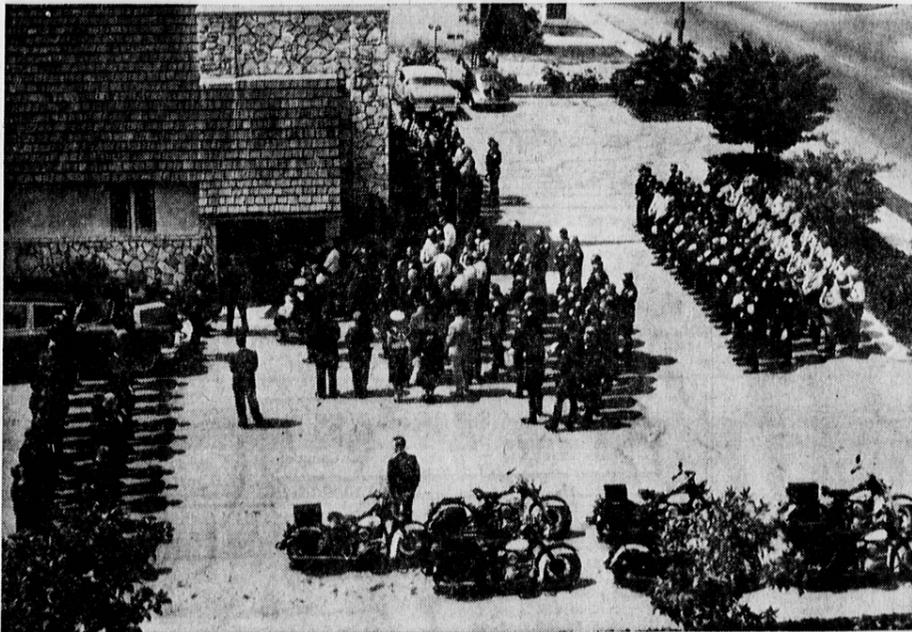
According to the property deeds each homeowner in Hollywood Riviera has a part interest in this property. By this foreclosure procedure the homeowners will lose any interest they may have.

Torrance Lions Win Area Title

Collecting 10 hits off loser Bud Thomas, the Torrance Lions posted a narrow 3-2 victory over the North Torrance Lions at the annual picnic and softball game at Torrance Park.

Winner Pete Radisch scattered eight hits in posting the victory. Big man for the Torrance nine was Dale Harter, who hit a home run in the third frame. Both Mott Farrell and Milt Isball went two-for-four while Pete Radisch the pitcher, went two-for-three.

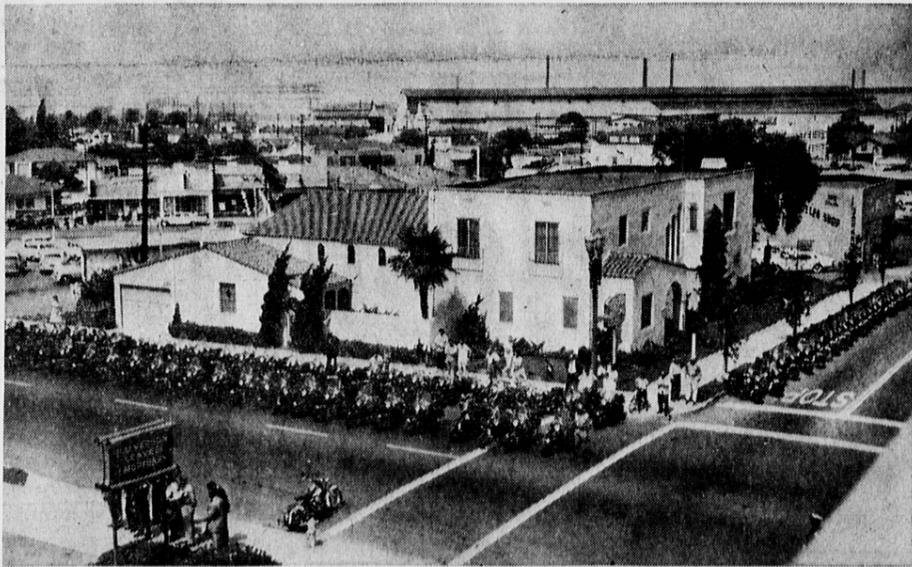
Thomas was charged with the loss, while both teams committed three miscues.



AT FINAL RITES . . . Fellow police officers and hundreds of police from the Southland were among the more than 500 persons attending rites here Thursday afternoon for Sgt. William R. "Bob" Lewis, veteran Torrance police

officer who died as the result of an accident Sunday night at Hawthorne Ave. and Carson St.

(Herald Photo by Ray Deurloo)



PARADE OF MOTORS . . . More than 100 motorcycle officers were among the mourners at funeral services for Sergeant Lewis, who met his death while riding a police

motorcycle on duty Sunday night. The officer's death was the first for the Torrance Department since it was established nearly 40 years ago. (Herald Photo by Ray Deurloo)

After 23 Years

Final Concert Slated For Civic Auditorium

Torrance will bid adieu to its 23-year-old Civic Auditorium with a concert and vesper service Sunday evening.

The Civic Symphony Orchestra, led by Miss Elyse Aehele, will present a program of light music starting at 7:30 p.m.

This will follow a half-hour vesper service by members of the Torrance Ministerial Assn.

Eugene Minor of Torrance, an 18-year-old recent graduate of Narbonne High School and protege of Miss Aehele, will serve as guest conductor and lead the instrumental group in Britten's "Matinee Musicale."

SOLOISTS WILL include Ronnie Romm, 12-year-old trumpeter, who'll play "La Virgen de la Macerine," and Michael Malosek, cellist, formerly with the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra in New York, who'll be featured in Popper's "Hungarian Rhapsody."

Selections by the orchestra will include Cherubini's "Anakreon Overture," Von Suppe's "Pique Dame," Grofe's "Mardi Gras" and Khachatourian's "Masquerade Suite."

Young Minor has been with the orchestra for the past three years and plays second clarinet. Last year he organized a symphony orchestra composed of young friends who are interested in music.

THE AUDITORIUM at El Prado and Cravens Ave., built by the Public Works Administration in 1936, has been sold by the city to the Security-First National Bank of Los Angeles. The bank, which reportedly plans to raze the concrete structure, will take it over Tuesday.

Admission to the program is free. It is sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Dept.

Agreement on Signal Ready

An offer to proceed with the design and installation of traffic control signals at Hawthorne Ave. and Carson St. has been forwarded to the State Division of Highways by Wade Peebles, the city's director of public works, and high State officials old he HERALD Friday that the offer would be accepted.

Death of Police Sgt. William R. "Bob" Lewis in a traffic accident at the corner last Sunday night touched off a demand for action on the delayed project.

PEEBLES, WHO came to the city as director of public works after the original request for the signal had been authorized by the city council and sent to the state, whipped off another request this week, offering to have the city design and install the signals.

Edward V. Telford, chief engineer for District VII of the State Division of Highways,

Mayor, CC Exec Visit Guardsmen

Mayor Albert Isen and Chamber of Commerce Manager Dick Fitzgerald arrived at Camp Roberts Friday to inspect and visit with Company E (Bridge), 132nd Engineer Battalion from Torrance.

The National Guardsmen were ready for the official visit, having posted a "Torrance City Limits" sign in the company area. Both Isen and Fitzgerald enjoyed dinner with the men in the mess hall and spent the night in a barracks room.

Saturday they were in the reviewing stand with Major General Homer O. Eaton Jr., Commander of the 40th Armored Division, as Torrance's Own Company E passed in review. Isen said that he was more than pleased with the hometown unit's progress during the first week of the annual 15-day training period.

told the HERALD Friday that the state would accept the city's offer as a means of expediting the work.

Just the afternoon before, several hundred police officers and friends of Sergeant Lewis had gathered at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary to pay their final tribute to a fellow officer and friend.

Following services conducted by Chaplain John Penner of Harbor General Hospital, one of the longest funeral processions in the city's history made its way past the police station, where it paused briefly, and then proceeded to Green Hills Memorial Park for final rites.



NEW OUTPOST . . . Torrance's city limits were stretched out slightly by Mayor Albert Isen (second from left) last week as he visited the city's National Guard troops at Camp Roberts and planted the new sign. Giving him a hand here are (from left) Sp/2 Ted O. Hatch, Lt. John J. McKinnon, Chamber Manager Dick Fitzgerald, Capt. Douglas Horlander, and SFC James M. DeCuir. (24th Sig. Bn. Photo)

A Penny for your Thoughts

Your pennies photographer queried five young business men who regularly deliver the HERALD to its customers on the subject of what do you think is the most valuable part of your training and experience as a HERALD carrier?

John Schafer, 1573 W. 214th St., Torrance.

"I learn how to handle money and it trains me in getting up every morning because I have to get up earlier than usual. It also trains me to fulfill my duty to my customers and to the HERALD about getting my bill paid on time and not to owe the company money."



Robert Brissinger, 1649 W. 209th St., Torrance.

"It will give me more experience in the business world and I meet a lot of nice people. My route also teaches me to make and save my own money and shows me how to handle the money that I earn."

Joe Cenore, 1642 W. 214th St., Torrance.

"My route teaches me how to get people and keep my customers. If I lose a customer I am losing some of my earnings. It also helps me to get out and get more customers because I can earn extra prizes."



Tom Reamer, 22608 Madison St., Torrance.

"I learn how to be a good salesman and good job in servicing my customers once I get them. Most of all, it shows me how to work independently for a living, and how to get along with other people."

Richard Fuscardo, 4807 Scott St., Torrance.

"I learn the right way to service my customers. If someone asked me to porch a paper then I do it. I also meet people and to be courteous to my customers. I learn how to handle by money and to pay my bill on time every month."



Korman Principal Of Meadow Park

Philip Korman, Steele School teacher, will become vice principal of Meadow Park Elementary School in September. His promotion was approved Tuesday by the Torrance Board of Education.

An Air Force veteran, he is married and has two children. He lives at 804 Patronella, Torrance.