



SURFING SANTA . . . Mrs. Benjamin A. Smith of 2504 Cabrillo works on her unusual Christmas display, Santa Claus surfing in a bathing suit. Mrs. Smith makes an unusual display each year. Last year she decorated a 49-year-old baby buggy and the previous year she decorated antlers. This year's Christmas display was prompted by a trip to Hawaii in March. (Herald Photo)

Marine Recruiter Offers Salute For Holidays; Seeks Enlistments

Christmas season of 1962 finds the U.S. Marines scattered around the world. In keeping with their age-old tradition, the Marines of today provide the flexible military fire department necessary to guard against brush fire aggression aimed at the United States. As in any holiday season, the fire departments of the world are on duty.

Since 1775 and the earliest days of our nation, it has taken a special type young man to be a Marine. The men who fill the ranks of the Marines are traditionally well trained, rugged, and well disciplined. There are other requirements in the modern Marine Corps that must be met to do the whole job.

Marine Corps quota for February and March of next year. A young man who meets the high physical, mental, and moral requirements for the Marines can enlist now and serve later, Sergeant Zavodny said.

This is possible through the Marine Corps 120 day delay program. A man enlisting through this plan has up to 120 days before reporting for active duty.

THE TIME a new Marine spends at home waiting to go to boot camp is counted toward his first pay raise and first promotion. Furthermore, there

are no meetings or drills to attend, and the time counts toward the fulfillment of the total military obligation.

Sergeant Zavodny closed by saying that he takes pride in representing the Marine Corps in Torrance, and is thus able to pass along season's greetings from Marines everywhere. Anyone desiring further information about the Marine Corps or any of its programs may make an appointment by calling FA 8-2330 or by visiting the Marine Corps recruiting office at 2165 Torrance Blvd.

MANY MARINES of today are highly trained specialists who perform technical duties in a variety of fields. Those specialized Leathernecks provide the service forces to help keep the corps ready to go anywhere, any time. Some of these technicians are jet engine or helicopter mechanics; some are electricians and plumbers. Others are language specialists or radar repairmen.

Gunnery Sergeant Sam Zavodny, Marine recruiter for the Torrance area, said this week that there are some openings remaining for the

200 Youngsters On Program

Two hundred pre-school children of St. James Catholic Church, Redondo Beach, will help celebrate Christmas when they sing at the 8 a.m. Mass today.

The youngsters, all between the ages of three and six, have been learning the hymns and carols during their Sunday School classes held while their parents attend Mass. They will be dressed in white-collared choir robes made by their mothers.

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