

**MISS FIRE PREVENTION**—Posing prettily as a reminder of Fire Prevention Week, scheduled in October, is Terry Taylor, selected this week to reign over the Torrance observance. Gordon Clarke, also shown, will serve on the Fire Prevention Week committee of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce. Educational programs aimed at increasing fire safety will be carried out by the Chamber and the local fire department.

**IN M-1 ZONE . . .**

**Council Okays Variance on Anza Street; Huge 37-Unit Apartment Building Slated**

Torrance city councilmen last night again overturned a recommendation of the planning commission and approved a variance to build an apartment building on Anza Ave. between Del Amo and Spencer. Land is presently zoned M-1 for light manufacturing.

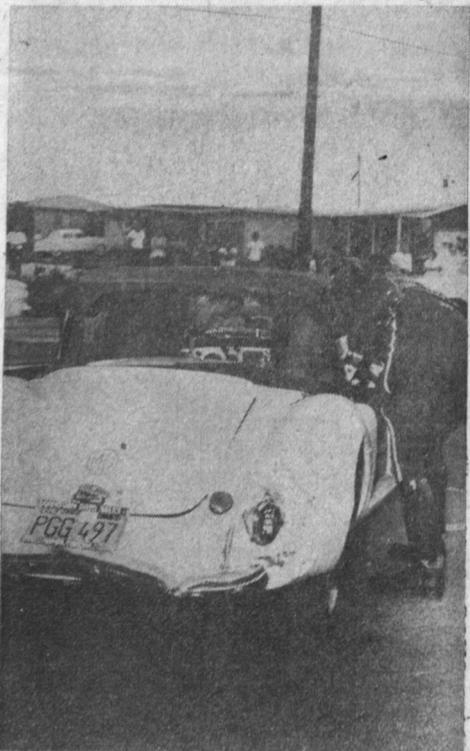
Voting in favor of the request were Councilmen J. A. Beasley, who made the motion, Willys Blount, George Bradford, and George Vico. Opposed were Mayor Albert Isen and Councilman Victor Benstead.

In a second action, the council heard petitioners protest height restrictions and possible safety conditions on the site of a new multi-million-dollar home development on Paseo de la Playa.

Site, known as the Don Ja Ran property, is located on a bluff at Torrance beach, overlooking the ocean. Protestants felt that the site might be subject to landslides with the additional weight of homes on the lots.

Geologist report showed that the area was solidly footed on rock and in no danger of sliding. Owners of the property and the builders agreed that the only damage to the property, which numbers 26 lots, might come from erosion and improper drainage. To combat this problem, the builders have agreed to slope the lots toward the street so that excess rain water will not drain over the rim of the cliff.

Builders also agreed to restrictions which would limit height of the buildings to 20 feet from foundation to the top of the



**FLAG SALUTE**  
A youngster in the audience at last night's council meeting was called upon by Mayor Albert Isen to lead the opening Pledge of Allegiance. Patty Cake, daughter of C. N. Cake, Torrance developer, led the pledge with an aplomb that would have shattered many an adult, even remembering to insert the "under God" phrase.

**CRASH VICTIM** — Ann J. Campo, 23, of Lynwood, died late last night in Little Company of Mary Hospital of severe head injuries received Monday in a collision at the corner of Sepulveda and Madrona. Driver of the second car, Benjamin F. Harris, Jr., 26, of Inglewood, suffered numerous lacerations and bruises but was not hospitalized. Above, traffic officers inspect the sports car which the woman was driving. Below, ambulance attendants lift her into the stretcher before the trip to the hospital.



**Woman Dies After Crash**

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**Drag Racers Crash Car; Woman Injured**

**Three Taken To Hospital After Smashup**

Two drag racers, speeding on the outskirts of Torrance Monday, crashed into a third car and seriously injured an expectant mother.

In fair condition at Bay Harbor Hospital, Harbor City, is Mamie R. Knight, 23, of San Pedro.

California Highway Patrol officers reported that the accident took place at the corner of Normandie Ave. and Sepulveda Blvd.

The injured woman suffered multiple facial cuts, broken right leg and was in shock when she reached the hospital. Physicians at the hospital reported that she was about three months pregnant.

Named as drivers of the racing vehicles were Mickey L. Cooksey, 17, of 1545 W. 216th St., Torrance, and Arthur L. Laski, 16, of 2351 W. 241st St., Lomita.

Laski is under treatment at Queen of Angels Hospital in



**FIRST INJURY**—First traffic injury of a child on her way to school was logged by Torrance police officers yesterday morning when Anita Siffers, 10, of 3407 W. 228th St., Torrance, was struck by an auto while crossing Madrona St. at the intersection of Carson. Driver of the vehicle, Anna J. Goettsch, 30, of 2404

Stanhurst St., Lomita, was not held. Recent appointment of Officer Don Hartel to develop a bicycle and traffic safety program for elementary school youngsters is expected to reduce the number of such accidents in Torrance.

**TORRANCE WINDFALL . . .**

**Quarterly Allocation of Sales, Use Taxes Received**

The city of Torrance received its regular quarterly windfall last week when the State Board of Equalization allocated \$352,723 as its share of sales taxes for the three-month period.

Amount was 3.1 per cent more than that distributed during the same quarter last year.

Nearby cities receiving allocations included:

Gardena, \$121,670; Hermosa Beach, \$76,893; Lawndale, \$34,627; Long Beach, \$1,151,107; Manhattan Beach, \$577,070; Palos Verdes Estates, \$7,028; Redondo Beach, \$180,997; and Rolling Hills Estates, \$10,744.

Smallest allocation listed in

the state went to the city of Rolling Hills, which received \$78 as its share of the sales and use tax fund for the quarter.

A total of \$1,700.00 was allocated to the county of Los Angeles, while the combined total for the county and all of its cities was \$24,088,875.

**Pleads Guilty to False Advertising in Vacuum Sale**

A local proprietor of a discount house concession was fined \$105 last week in Torrance Municipal Court after pleading guilty to a count of false advertising.

It was the first such arrest made by local police officers.

Edward Cochran, who operated a vacuum cleaner and sewing machine sales department at 20225 Western Ave., entered the guilty plea in the courtroom of Judge Donald Armstrong.

Lt. Donald S. Hamilton of the Torrance Police Department said that Cochran was alleged to have sold a rebuilt vacuum cleaner which was advertised as containing no parts more than five years when the cleaner actually contained no parts newer than five years old.

Ted Walker, operator of a franchised vacuum cleaner shop at 1713 Cabrillo Ave., filed the complaint. He reported to investigators that he purchased the advertised machine on Aug. 10.

**Authorize Sale Of School Bonds Worth \$1 Million**

County supervisors will officiate at the Oct. 24 sale of one million dollars worth of Torrance school district bonds, it was learned yesterday.

Sale will be conducted at 9 a.m. in the supervisors' board room.

Voters authorized the sale of \$15 million in the bonds in a 1958 election, school officials reported. Thus far six issues, totaling \$7,980,000, have been sold.

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**Police Department Names Don Hartel to Key Public Education Officer Position**

Chief Percy Bennett announced today that Officer Don Hartel of the Traffic Division, who has for the past three months been acting as public education officer for the Police Dept., is now assigned to this duty on a full time basis along with his present duties as accident follow up officer.

Bennett said that as soon as more officers complete their training at the Sheriff Academy Hartel will work at his new job full time. Hartel has been with the department for eight years, the last six of which have been in the traffic division.

Job of public education officer is a new position in the department. Functions of this job are to coordinate the police activities with safety campaigns, meet and mix with the citizens of Torrance, work with civic groups and service clubs, and assist in



**DON HARTEL**  
... Appointment

the organizing of the many safety programs planned for the community.

Hartel is presently in the midst of a bicycle safety program, being introduced into schools this year for the first time, while more programs are being planned for the coming months.

Bennett reported to the City Council that he feels there is a need for such a position in the department and feels, over a period of time, the results will speak for themselves. Bennett also reported a need for the public to become closely associated with the problems of local law enforcement and feels that, through public education, this will be done.

Three months ago the City Council approved the hiring of one additional man this year as a replacement for the officer to be chosen for the post.

**Torrance Republicans Inaugurate Fall Campaign; Will Include Three Districts**

Inaugurating its 1962 political campaign in the Torrance area, the Torrance Republican Club has held its first fall meeting, according to an announcement by its president, Tom Brewer.

Because of the reapportionment of the city of Torrance into three assembly districts, Torrance Republican Club will implement its organization with the campaign activities of all Republican assembly organizations in the Torrance area.

Featured speaker of the meeting was Ted Springfield, newly appointed precinct chairman of the 68th Assembly District. Springfield announced the appointment of Ralph Brogdon as area chairman in Torrance for the district.

Plans were discussed at the meeting to again open a Re-

publican headquarters in the city of Torrance. A fund-raising campaign will start soon to maintain this new headquarters.

Next general meeting of the club will be held Monday, Oct. 9, at 8 p. m., at the Smith Bros. Fish Shanty, 4020 Pacific Coast Hwy. Featured speaker of this meeting will be Tom Sullivan of Coast Federal Savings, Los Angeles.