

CUBA CRISIS!

Castor Bean Crackdown Ordered

Near Deaths Cited

TORRANCE — A strict campaign to rid the city of potentially lethal castor beans was ordered this week in the wake of five nearly-fatal incidents here.

City officials announced the crackdown after one infant swallowed a bean from a tree in a neighboring yard. Quick hospitalization was credited with saving the child from death.

The beans generally are fatal if not removed immediately, doctors say.

FOUR INVOLVED

Four children at Adams School were reported to have gulped the bean in separate incidents, but each was hospitalized in time to avert serious illness.

City Manager Wade Peebles said the city has urged residents owning castor bean plants to destroy them if they present potential danger to neighborhood children.

Persons who will not remove the plants are liable for criminal prosecution under laws which prohibit endangering public health, officials say.

Parents who discover their children have eaten castor beans have been instructed by Dr. Earl W. Kendrick, district county health officer, to hospitalize the victims immediately. Failure to do so may cause death within 12 days, Kendrick said.

NEWS BRIEFS

Brown Here ...

TORRANCE — Gov. Brown will be honored by civic leaders at a buffet breakfast Monday in the Banbury Room of the Plush Horse Inn.

Councilman Nicholas O. Draie and Miss Rene Dear are co-chairmen for the event.

Trip Out ...

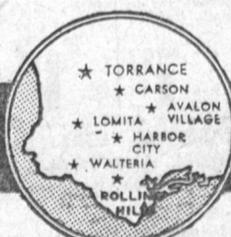
President Kennedy, originally scheduled to arrive Thursday at Los Angeles International Airport, cancelled his tour in light of the Cuban situation.

He was due for a round of campaign appearances in the Los Angeles area.

Hot Debate ...

TORRANCE — Dr. Ralph Richardson and Dr. Max Rafferty, candidates for the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction, will appear in a debate Thursday at South High School.

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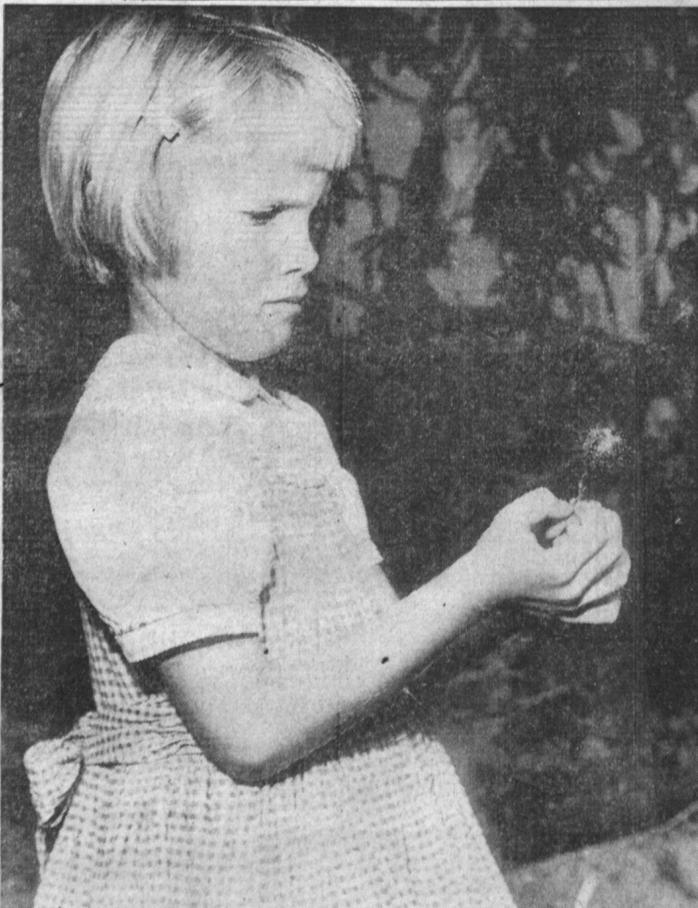
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Cuban Crisis Brings Fast Reaction Here



AWFULLY PRETTY, but oh, so deadly. That's the description of potentially lethal castor bean, held cautiously by 5-year-old Amie Hughes of Torrance. Bean has caused near-death in

past weeks here, prompting strong warnings from County Health Department and city officials. All-out drive to publicize perennial danger of castor bean is under way. —PRESS Photo

Armed Services Signups Triple

Special to the TORRANCE PRESS

TORRANCE — Disclosure of an international crisis centering on Cuba has brought a flurry of reaction here coupled with an unprecedented wave of armed forces enlistments.

Staff Sergeant William C. Edwards of the Air Force recruiting office said the number of enlistees jumped from 3 to 15 in a single day. Recruiters for other branches of the service said their signups have tripled.

PLOT STRATEGY

Simultaneous with the announcement, city and school officials huddled quietly to plan defense strategy in the event of nuclear attack. Civic officials were quick

BULLETIN

The Los Angeles County sheriff's Department has been alerted for a possible mass reaction Friday when civil defense sirens sound in a scheduled practice alert.

The drill is held regularly at 10 a.m. on the last Friday of each month.

Sirens will sound steadily for two minutes with the tone broken by 15 seconds of silence. A one-minute warbling tone will climax the test.

to back President Kennedy's get-tough stand, and many urged full public cooperation in what they termed "a time of the severest danger."

Recruiting offices were ordered open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. "until further notice." High schools were reported to be a "beehive" of comment, and school officials said they received numerous phone calls asking if children would be sent home in case of attack. They would

be, spokesmen said. There were American flags seen flying in many

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History of Crisis Traced From Start

By TED BRUINSMA (EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr. Bruinsma, candidate for the 17th Congressional District seat, has a wide knowledge of the Cuban crisis and its history. As a service to its readers, The Torrance Press offers Mr. Bruinsma's factual and timely report in a two-part series today and Sunday.)

How did it happen?

How could such a militant Communist stronghold spring up right in our own back yard? These are the questions which people on the street have been asking me day after day for the past several months.

Actually, in retrospect, the Cuba picture is a typical Communist pattern.

Strangely enough, the American people seem to be far ahead of the country's leaders, Republicans and Democrats alike, in recognizing Castro's Cuba for what it is and for being prepared to take strong and decisive action to protect the security of the Western Hemisphere.

Actually, Fidel Castro started his rise to power on Jan. 1, 1959, slightly less

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"JERRY DOE" gets motherly reception from Attendant Betty Henry at Harbor General Hospital. Found abandoned in a vacant field Sunday, baby was kept at hospital until being transferred to McLaren Hall, a county-operated home for underprivileged children. Nurses, attached to infant after only a day, named him "Jerry Doe" and said they'd gladly keep him. County said no. —PRESS Photo

OPEN LETTER TO A MOTHER

By CAROLYN PERKIO Staff Writer

Dear Mom:

They came to get me yesterday. They took me to McLaren Hall in El Monte to join other infants like me — deserted. I am unique though, for I am the only infant here who was deserted in a vacant field.

According to the nurses, I am healthy and quite cute for an eight-day-old. I must admit though, I'm a little tired from the day-long ordeal Sunday. I didn't like being wrapped in newspapers. My milk was sour. I was terribly lonely until a nice 13-year-old boy

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SIGN OF SAFETY will greet motorists on Torrance Blvd. after installation in front of police headquarters Tuesday. Getting a preview glimpse of sign is motorcycle officer Tom Woolridge. Installation was recommended by Torrance Safety Council, paid for as a reminder to drivers by City Council. When in operation, board will show total number of death and injury traffic accidents this year and last. —PRESS Photo

EXCLUSIVE BONUS PACKAGE

Color, imagination and a "product" that virtually sells itself.

That's the triple combina-

tion making up a quietly beautiful full-page advertisement in today's edition of The Torrance Press.

Brian Hardwick, Peninsula advertising executive, prepared the ad for clients at Monte Verde, luxury homesites in Palos Verdes.

Don't skip page B-1.

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Aluminum Firm Attacks Decision

TORRANCE — A ruling announced Saturday against Harvey Aluminum Corp. by the National Labor Relations Board has been attacked by company officials as "flagrant denial" of the due process of law.

In a prepared statement this week, spokesman for the firm said charges they hired detectives to spy on employees were untrue.

NRLB officials said the

company hired an Oregon detective agency to determine which employees are stealing tools and other company items.

An appeal already has been filed by the firm with the Federal Court of Appeals.

The NRLB investigation followed complaints by the United Steelworkers union. Harvey is the only U.S. Aluminum company which has remained non-union.

55,000 Get Sabin Inoculation; Second Sunday Clinic Slated

By ANN BOYER Special to the TORRANCE PRESS
TORRANCE — An estimated 55,000 persons received Sabin oral vaccine Sunday during the first of two SOS clinics to help wipe out polio. And good news for persons who missed: The same clinics which were open last week will again be manned this Sunday by family physicians, nurses, pharmacists and clerks. Hours are the same —

11 a.m. to 6 p.m. As a public service to its readers, The Torrance Press will answer telephone inquiries regarding location of Torrance-area clinics. Number to call is DAvenport 5-1515.

Dr. Reginold H. Smart, chairman of the public health committee of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, said Type I Sabin vaccine will be given again. "We need better than an 80 per cent response among Los Angeles County resi-

dents to smash polio to the point where few, if any cases, ever will occur here again," he said.

"Thousands of people are giving of their time to man the nearly 600 clinics in Los Angeles County. The United States Public Health Service, the California Medical Society, the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the Los Angeles County Health Department, the City of Los Angeles Health Department and those of Pasadena and Long Beach ap-

prove of the mass administration of Type I Sabin vaccine.

"But, with all of this support and assistance, the only way the program can be declared an unqualified success is for the public to take the vaccine.

"That is the only way the threat of polio can be banished.

"If you didn't take Sabin last Sunday, take it this Sunday. Take it even if you have had Salk. It will stop you from being a carrier."