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### Former Torrance Youth Held On Murder Charge

A former Torrance youth was being held on a murder charge in Juvenile hall yesterday following fatal shooting of a teenage girl.

He is Thomas Marsh, 15, former Torrance Elementary School student.

Marsh was taken into custody at the scene after Dolores (Pat) Cona, 16, succumbed before she could be taken from her mother's apartment on 28th street to the hospital.

The shooting allegedly occurred during a scuffle after he had walked the girl home from school.

Police said that Marsh at first denied any implication in the tragedy but later admitted that when the gun went off it was half in his hands and half in hers.

The youth confessed taking the death weapon from his father's home.

Look upon each day as the whole of life, not merely a section; and enjoy and improve the present without wishing through haste to rush on to another.—Ruskin.

No man can be provident of his-time who is not prudent in the choice of his company.—Jeremy Taylor.



**RECEIVES DEGREE . . .** James A. Daniel, who was graduated from UCLA with the class of February 1948 with a Bachelor of Science degree in physical education. Daniel lives with his wife, the former Mildred Dalby, and their infant daughter, at 1735 Andreo ave. A son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Daniel, of 1527 W. 218th st., during World War II he served as an Army pilot with the ATC in North Africa. He is now working for his Masters' degree while acting as assistant baseball coach at the university.

### Housing Plight Of Nearby Area Hit By Darby

Supervisor Raymond V. Darby Tuesday suggested that County Counsel be instructed to prepare an ordinance prohibiting the sale, construction or altering of any house for human habitation in the Laguna-Dominguez district where the original ground surface has an elevation of less than 15½ feet above sea level, and further prohibiting the use or occupancy of any house or other structure for human habitation on such land on or after Dec. 1, 1948, unless such dwelling house is properly connected with a sanitary sewer and all existing cesspools thereon are filled with earth or other non-combustible matter.

He further recommended that the County Engineer be instructed to prepare plans and specifications for sewers under a County Improvement District to serve the said Laguna-Dominguez district lying between East Road, Main street, Carson street and the Dominguez slough, and to give this work such priority as will permit the completion of the work prior to Dec. 1, 1948.

During the discussion Darby brought out the fact that present property owners should not be limited in their reselling, or in altering their own homes, in order to make them more livable. The matter was referred to County Surveyor and Engineer, the County Flood Control District Engineer and County Counsel to formulate a more comprehensive ordinance covering the entire subject matter.

### Rotary To Hear Scout

In observance of National Boy Scout Week, the guest speaker at Rotary Club this evening will be Albert Carl Kuhl, 17, member of Sea Scout Ship 10, of the Wilshire District.

Kuhl, an Eagle Scout, brings an interesting report of his experiences as a delegate to the World Jamboree of Scouting, held last August at Mosson, France.

Disembarking at Antwerp from the Army transport which carried his group to their destination, Kuhl toured Holland and Belgium before attending the jamboree.

### WHERE'S THE FIRE

Sonoma avenue, block east of Madrona avenue, Feb. 10, grass and oil sump caused by a fallen power line.

600 block on Acacia, Feb. 9, 3:42 p.m., grass fire caused by children playing with matches.

1523 Cravens, Feb. 9, 9:15 a.m., drill.

Great Lakes Carbon Company, Madrona near Carson, Feb. 7, 10:06 a.m., overheating of asphalt in the experimental plant.

### Hospital Cases

Patients registered at the Torrance Memorial hospital last week included:

Mrs. Rosalie Ellison, Pacific Trailer Court, 25832 Narbonne avenue, Lomita.

Mr. Albert Hartley, 1355 W. 218th street.

Arthur Mullin, 1323 Cota.

Musso Triplets, 2212 Andreo avenue.

Mrs. Helen Weaver, 18205 Prairie avenue.

Mr. Ernest Williams, 2414 Torrance boulevard.

Mrs. Eva Yarbrough, 1951-A Carson street.

The despotism of custom is on the wane. We are not content to know that things are; we ask whether they ought to be.—John Stuart Mill.

Missionary Society To Meet Thursday

The Women's Missionary Society of First Baptist church will meet in the church auditorium at 10:15 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 19. Mrs. Kenneth Ruffell will preside at the business meeting.

Mrs. Ray Muncy, of Wilmington, as guest speaker will discuss, "Christian Citizenship."

Devotions will be led by Mrs. Daniel Pierson.

Following the program lunch, con will be served by members of Victory Circle.

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### CANTEEN SPONSORS SPECIAL EVENT SATURDAY NIGHT

The Student Council of Torrance High School will sponsor a special event at the Tartan Canteen this Saturday night, Feb. 14. The event will be kept a surprise until that night.

The last special event was a basketball game between Palm Springs and Torrance High Schools. Approximately 200 students turned out for the game and regular canteen afterward. It is the hope of the council that a large group of students will support the special Valentine day event.

### INSPECTOR OF CUSTOMS TALKS TO KIWANIANS

Inspector William D. Russell of the United States customs office, Los Angeles harbor, was speaker at the Kiwanis Club meeting held Monday evening, Feb. 9. He was presented by George Miller, program chairman. He gave the history of customs from Bible times to the present.

Guests included George Williams, guest of Cal Newell, Frank E. Billings, a Kiwanian from Worcester, Massachusetts and Dr. Kurt Sherry.

### Storkatorials

Men commonly think according to their inclinations, speak according to their learning and imbibed opinions, but generally act according to custom.—Bacon.

Births to parents at the Torrance Memorial hospital during the last week included:

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Allen, 2418 Arlington, girl, 4:58 a.m., Feb. 8.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Johnson, 20448 Margaret street, girl 5:30 p.m., Feb. 8.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Patten, 4857 West 247th street, Lomita, boy, 3:00 p.m., Feb. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Saylor, 21600 Denker avenue, girl, 1:01 a.m., Feb. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Sysum, 1819 261st street, Lomita, girl, 10:17 a.m., Feb. 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sorenson, 2111 Arlington avenue, boy, 5:18 p.m., Feb. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson, 1751 Gramercy, boy, 4:47 a.m., Feb. 7.

Births to parents at the Harbor General hospital included:

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin A. Chapman, 1541 Plaza Del Amo, girl, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, 10 a.m., Feb. 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Armendarez, 21210 S. Western avenue, boy, 6 pounds, 4 ounces, 9:46 p.m., Feb. 6.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. George, 21926 S. Vermont, boy, 8 pounds, 6½ ounces, 4:17 a.m., Feb. 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Teelle R. Copas, 1815 Crenshaw, boy, 6 pounds, 6½ ounces, 12:28 p.m., Feb. 9.

At San Pedro hospital:

A daughter, Kathryn Ann, 6 pounds 3 ounces, Feb. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Griffin, 1506 W. Lomita Blvd., Harbor City.

A daughter, Gail Lorraine, 7 pounds 8 ounces, Feb. 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Van A. Crider, 26314 Belle Porte ave., Harbor City.

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