

## Violations Cause Most Accidents

"Traffic law violators are potential killers," says the California Highway Patrol. "This statement is based on the fact that 86 per cent of all traffic accidents in California last year were the result of traffic law violations," declared Patrol Commissioner B. R. Caldwell. "This year we are experiencing what is expected to be the greatest traffic death record in the history of the state."

Frequently the difference between a minor traffic accident and an injury or death dealing crash is the element of luck. "Every enforcement effort of this department is geared to stop all traffic violations and accidents through the professional patrol and control of traffic. Our success depends, to a great extent, on the cooperation of the drivers who use our highways," he said. "Self policing by every motorist will aid in reducing the traffic accident toll in that each driver who follows the rules will be most apt to stay out of accident trouble and avoid becoming a killer."

## Examination Set October 13 For CHP Positions

Prior police or traffic training is not a requirement for the state traffic officer examination set for October 13, according to word released today by the California Highway Patrol. "Successful applicants for state traffic officer positions in the Patrol will be given full training at the Patrol Academy near Sacramento," declared Patrol Commissioner B. R. Caldwell. "Graduation from high school or equivalent, top physical condition, good character and age 21-31 are the chief requirements."

"Other requirements necessary: a height between 5' 9" and 6' 6", proportionate build, a valid California driver's license and no criminal record," Caldwell continued. "Ability to ride a motorcycle is not a requirement; however, all successful candidates will receive training in motorcycle riding at the Patrol Academy."

"The benefits of a retirement program and the civil service status of state traffic officers offers strong inducements to qualified men to apply for this examination. It is anticipated at least 8,000 or 7,000 young men will file for the written examination before the deadline 14 September 1956."

Further information concerning the position and examination may be secured from any Patrol office in the state.

## Finishes Course At SC

Larry Fritzen, 2726 Loftview Dr., a loan broker, attended a course in real estate appraisal at the University of Southern California Aug. 6-18. It was offered by the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers through the cooperation of the SC School of Commerce.



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## SOUTHWOOD HOMES

### Stork Sticks Close To Homes In New Southwood Section Here

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If you all are not too exhausted from that rigorous diet I suggested last week, you may have at least an ounce of energy left to call and give me a "spot of news." A big bird, named "The Stork," has been buzzing our neighborhood!

July 31 was the big day for Mr. and Mrs. Jim Babcock of 5016 Lillian St., because it was that day at 2:33 p.m. little Da-

vid Earl, weighed in at 7 lbs., 10½ ozs., and took his place in the ring along with his 1½ year old sister. From here on out, the fight is on! Of course, there is a chance that your two may be different.

The Stork must have been featuring a 1c sale on August 11 as Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Scroggins of 21729 Palos Verdes Blvd., bought two for the price of one, namely a boy who weighed 5 lbs., 10 oz., and

a girl who weighed 5 lbs., 8 ozs. Their daddy is also a twin! They now have a little better than a "full house" as there are three boys and one girl waiting for the twins to come home.

Fred and Virginia Stanley of 4609 Carson Blvd. were delighted and honored to have the noted comedienne and prima donna of the Concert Opera Association of Southern California, Vega Gibson, as

their week end guest. Vega, who is a veteran of TV, and the night club circuits was recently on the Spade Cooley Show and at the Wilshire Ebell Theater. About 10 guests enjoyed every minute of her singing and acting, and are looking forward with pleasure to another visit from Vega very soon.

Our first bit of sad news has reached this column. Mrs. W. E. Langer, of 21805 Paul Ave., recently returned from Beach,

North Dakota, where a double tragedy struck her family. She was called home to attend the funeral of her father, Henry C. Thoenke, and while she was there, her brother Edward had taken two of his five children up in his plane and crashed. He was killed immediately, but the children were thrown clear and were not injured seriously. Mr. Thoenke homesteaded in 1902 and was one of the first printers for the Golden Valley News. He lived a very full life, always loved the newspaper and enjoyed his seven children. It was the first time since his wife's death eight years ago that all the children had been together. I

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## Gardena Summer Class Of 1950 Plans Picnic

Members of the Gardena High School summer class of 1950 will gather at Centinela Park Aug. 26 for a family picnic from 10:30 a.m. on through the afternoon. Any Torrance area class of '50 members interested in attending may contact Norman Morton, DA 9-2536, for additional information.

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