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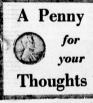
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That was the question the HERALD inquiring photogra-pher asked several persons in Torrance this week. Their pic-tures and answers appear be-

Lynda Pike, 712 Apt. D, Sar ori, bank tel-

tori, ban... ler: "Yes. I think good ryes, I think
it's a good
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AID at Southwest Savings.
They deduct a
certain amount

certain amount from each pay-check and it covers all the charities. We get a sticker for our windows to we've already given."

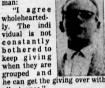
Gladys Pollard, 2165 W. 236th St., church secveratary:

"I certainly do. In my work I see a lot of that. If They were grouped together, then a greater portion of the wital work of the actual charities themselves instead of into administrative expense.

oe salesman Community Chest does

Jee Roy, 2814 Orando, purchasing clerk:
"By all means.
Too much of the money gets diverted when charities conduct individual drives.
The aim of charities is to needy — and this can be achieved only by eliminating unnecessary extra salaries and grouping charity collecting."

Jerry Roplequet, 2456 W. 237 St., sales-





TOP LEGIONNAIRE . . . American Legion Department Commander John J. Flynn (in white cap) is greeted as he visits the Bert S. Crossland Post of the American Legion here Wednesday night during past commanders' night. From the left are James Burchett, chairman of the evening; Fred W. Mill, president of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce; Flynn; Post Commander J. Rome Gateley and Mayor Albert Isen. (Herald photo)



EDITOR CITED . . . Reid Bundy (left), managing editor of the HERALD, receives a citation for meritorious service from J. Rome Gateley, commander of the local American Legion post, during a past commanders' night meeting. Also honored at the meeting was Jack E. Jerrils, managing editor of the Harbor Mail. The two newsmen were cited for their contributions to the local post.

(Herald photo)

Paper Sack Bandit

Officer Spots Robber's Auto

A Torrance man described two occasions this week, police as an unemployed laborer has reported Thursday.

confessed to the robbery of a Torrance service station on 21909 Linda Drive, allegedly

Overpass Ready

two occasions this week, police reported Thursday. Noel B. Petrakian, 20, of 21909 Linda Drive, allegedly admitted holding up a service station at 182nd and Haw-thorne on Monday and Wednes-

6 HURT,

JAILED Six persons, including a mother and her four children, were injured here in a two-car crash at Cabrillo Ave. and float persons. Special census tallies which followed and the populations: Plaza Del Amo Friday evening

DRIVER

and the driver of one of the vehicles was jailed on a charge of felonious drunk driving. Jailed was George William Souder Jr., 21, of 1940 W. Souder Jr., 21, of 1940 W.
145th St., Gardena, who al-legedly hit the second car broadside at the intersection as he was traveling south on Cabrillo. Souder was released on \$2000 bail and is scheduled to appear in South Bay Munic-

to appear in South Bay Municipal Court Monday.

Taken to Harbor General Hospital were Evelyn Louise Laugherty, 27, of 627 Harbor Hills, Lomita, and four of her children, Margaret, 12; Tony, 9; Steven, 7, and Brian, 6 months. A passenger in the Laugherty auto, Mary Grisson, 58, of 625 Harbor Hills, also was taken to Harbor General Hospital.

TWELVE-year-old Margaret and 9-year-old Tony were be-ing held for observation yes-terday, but the others had been released following treat-

Investigating officers said the Souder vehicle apparently sped through the boulevard stop at Plaza Del Amo at a

stop at Plaza Del Amo at a speed estimated by witnesses as high as 45 miles per hour. The injured were forced to wait several minutes for an ambulance when the local company had no equipment available. The police had to call an ambulance from Re-dondo Beach to the scene.

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The overpass over Pacific
Coast Hwy, in front of South
High School should be comp
pleted by next September.
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all at once."

TUSD Observes Easter
Torrance students and
teachers will get their annual
pre-Easter respite this week,
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as the district observes its an
tal Easter vacation.
The schools will be closed
during the five-day period,
with classes resuming again
on March 30.

Wait several minutes for an
ambulance when the local
Thursday by Officer Clifford
Smith who spotted the vehicles he was driving from a description given by a witness to one
of the crimes. Petrakian was
carrying a .22-caliber snubnosed pistol but offered no resistance to arrest.
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Hope to Find 100,000 Here

A special census of the city—which officials feel cer-nin will boost Torrance into the 100,000 population class will begin here April 1, City Manager George Stevens reported yesterday.

Due to arrive here on that date is Vernon L. Miller, familiar to Torrance officials as the supervisor assigned to previous special census counts of the city.

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Isley, regional supervisor of
the Bureau of the Census.

Miller will select the personnel to aid him when he arrives April 1.

The State Public Utilities
Commission has bowed out—at
least for the time being—of a
water service dispute between

1952	31,834
1953	44,914
1955	67,459
1956	82,241
195%	93,372

APPLICATIONS for posi-tions as enumerators may be made on special forms which will be available in the city manager's office at the city hall.

Cost of the special census has been estimated at \$9725, which will be paid by the city. The funds were set aside last year in the 1958-59 budget for the project, Stevens reported.

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of the city. Miller will need about 110 enumerators and expects the census to take about one month, Stevens said. A pool of about 200 applicants has been requested by Leonard C.

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"there is nothing to disap-prove" since the PUC had not been asked to approve the pact when it was reached.

when it was reached.
"Such contract has no lawful operative effect until authorized by this commission, so
far as the Dominguez Water
Corp. may be concerned," the
ruling declared.

The commission ordered its
investigation closed until such
a time as its offices unish the

a time as its offices might be needed as the result of a court decision on the matter.

THE WATER company had asked the commission to abrogate the agreement with the basic contention that it had been coerced by the city into the arrangement.

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He said the city planned to make office space available in the old city hall at 1511 Cravens Ave. for Miller and his staff.



SPRING IS HERE . . . Yesterday being the official First Day of Spring and the beginning of Easter vacation, it was only natural that everyone who could got out of doors. Parks got a heavy play and Torrance Beach a good crowd. Peggy McMonigle and Elise Goodman, both South High students, were among those who attended the beach. (Herald photo)

Gets \$3500 From Victim

Bandit Kidnaps, Robs Attendant

An armed bandit who elud-tion, after forcing his way into ed police during an hour-long street and alley search in the downtown area Thursday af-Torrance police units were downtown area Thursday af-ternoon afternoon was the sub-ject of a continuing search yesterday. He is wanted on a charge of taking more than \$3500 in small denomination bills from William A. Love, an employe of a local service sta-

America.
Torrance police units were rushed into the Torrance Blvd. and Crenshaw area Thursday and Crenshaw area Thursday afternoon after Love called in from a flower shop at the cor-ner reporting the robbery. He told officers that the suspect walked up to his pick-

suspect walked up to his pickup truck near the bank at
Sartori and Post Ave. and
climbed in. The bandit, described as short, about 45, and
wearing a gray felt hat and
gray sportcoat, pulled what
appeared to be a revolver, and
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The victim drove west on Carson St., then north on Crenshaw at the bandit's direction. Near Crenshaw and Sonoma, Love was forced out of the truck. The bandit slid over and drove north to Torrance Blvd., then turned east toward downtown Torrance, parked the truck, and disappeared.

Police searched nearby

Police searched nearby streets, alleys, and the railroad cut, but were unable to pick up his trail.

Do You Know Your New Neighbors? Maybe They Are Listed in the 'Newcomers' Column See Page 2



LIBRARY DEDICATED . . . On hand to open the new Carson Library on Main St. just south of Carson St. Friday afternoon were (from the left) County Librarian John D. Henderson, Branch Librarian Ruth Binz, and Supervisor Burton W. Chace. The library will be open to the Carson-Keystone area residents beginning tomorrow. (Herald photo)