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37,600 persons were killed and 3,057,000 were injured in motor vehicle accidents in 1961.

Know Your Traffic Laws

Three violations are the leading causes of accidents in the signs and obey them, but being so far this year, according to Police Department statis-

tics.

Failure to yield the right of way, speed, and the drinking driver lead as causes of accidents, and the latter, the drinking driver, appears to be on the increase. These wiolations. These may vary from hour to hour throughout any given day.

Again this year, as it has the past two years, Torrance is showing a decrease in accidents.

"Let's all do our part by dents, and the latter, the drinking driver, appears to be on the increase. These violations are responsible for more than 70 per cent of the accidents on Torrance streets.

Failure to yield the right of asked this week. way is credited many times to a lack of judgment. Some-times it comes from not allowing enough space between autos on the roadway, and at

other times the emotions of the driver are involved.

WHEN A driver's emotions enter the picture, judgment is impaired. Oftentimes emotions play a role in traffic at the intersection where a driver is tersection where a driver is seeking to make a left turn. Because oncoming traffic is heavy and the driver is forced to wait, he sometimes decides to make his path through the traffic, venting his wrath on fellow drivers.

To Be Elected

New officers and board mem bers will be a second to the second

fellow drivers.

This problem can be beaten
If the motorist will keep a cool

head and refuse to allow emo-tions to control his driving, traffic officers report.

After all, there are more than four million other vehi-cles registered in Los Angeles County and the roadways must County and the roadways must be shared.

THE DRINKING driver has been a problem for many years. After a few drinks, years. After a few drinks, drivers are certain they are not intoxicated, and may not be; but they fail to realize that reaction times have been slowed and that the driver can not respond to emergency situations as quickly as normal ations as quickly as normal.

ations as quickly as normal.

"Don't mix gasoline with alcohol" is a time-worn but still sound warning. There is no such thing as the driver who can drink and not lose some of his alertness. This is why alcohol is so deadly—it gives the driver a sense of well being and lulls him into thinking he has not been affected by what he has been drinking. The only solution is "don't drink and

WHEN POLICE speak of speed as being a major cause of accidents, they are not necessarily referring to speed in excess of the posted limit, but an unsafe speed for the conditions present — such as conditions present — such as wet streets, heavy traffic, fog, road construction, and other factors which must be considered.

sidered.
Speed must be adjusted for the conditions under which the vehicle is being operated. Drivers are warned to reduce speed until they have full control of the vehicle. If an emergency then arises, the operator will be better able to control the vehicle and avoid an accident.

doing all we can to reduce the accident rate even further,"
Police Chief Percy Bennett

HE SAID we could do this by paying particular attention to the three major causes of accidents: failure to yield the

New Officers

bers will be elected at a meet-ing of the Torrance-Lomita American Red Cross branch tonight at 1925 W. Carson St.

The meeting will start at 7 p.m. In addition to the election, reports on Red Cross services will be given, according to George Post, Red Cross board chairman.

South High Pair Awarded Scholarships

Two South High students have been awarded scholarships to study at the University of Southern California.

Sharon Lee Bergstrom, 5044 Newton St., plans to prepare for a career as a mathematics teacher and Carolyn May Mohr 308 Via Linda Vista, will major in biochemistry.



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Cowboys and Engines by Irwin Caplan | Segurify Bank to Buy Torrance School Bonds

Security First National Bank purchased \$1,750,000 worth of Torrance Unified School District bonds at a sale of the securities before the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Tuesday.

According to Supervisor Burton W. Chace, the Security First National Bank offered an interest rate of 3.25 per cent with payment of a \$27,321 premium. The premium payment, according to the Supervisor will reduce the interest rate to a net of 3.103 per cent.

"Funds derived from the sale of the Bonds," Chace said, "will be used to expand Torrance High School which now accommodates 1,200 students." Plans call for the eventual of A Common Stock at the lose of business on June 12.

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