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TWO DIE IN HIGHWAY CRASH

Impact With Tree Splits Light Auto

A spectacular crash which split a light sedan through the middle left a 20-year-old Wilmington man and a 22-year-old Los Angeles girl dead here early yesterday.

Pronounced dead a short time after the early morning crash on Pacific Coast Highway near South High School were James Larry Brown of 24406 Bay Point Ave., Wilmington, and Linda Kay Marinovich, 102 N. Oxford, Los Angeles.

Police said the light auto jumped over a curb and slammed into a parkway tree near Janet Lane, killing both occupants of the car. Force of the impact threw the driver, believed to be Brown, through the seat belt, breaking the belt and pulling the anchors from the auto. Both were thrown from the car.

INVESTIGATING traffic officers reported that one door of the vehicle was found 90 feet away and the windshield was 38 feet in another direction. The front and back halves of the auto were separated by several feet.

Both victims were pronounced dead upon arrival at Little Company of Mary Hospital and then taken to Stone and Myers Mortuary. Identity of the man was not made until mid-morning yesterday, several hours after the 1:30 a.m. crash.

NO FUNERAL arrangements had been announced for the Marinovich woman, in whose car the pair died.

Funeral services for Brown will be held at the Stone and Myers Chapel at 2 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Robert Dehn of the First Baptist Church of Torrance officiating. Brown, a cabinet maker, is survived by his father, James Brown, of the Wilmington address. Interment will be in Roosevelt Memorial Park.

A ROLLING HILLS man and a U.S. Navyman were killed and two others seriously injured in a head-on crash in Wilmington earlier Friday evening.

Killed in the crash were Robert B. Kelly, 42, who lived at 26737 Silver Springs Road, Rolling Hills, and Joseph Charles Triplett, 26, assigned to the USS Oklahoma City in Long Beach. They were pronounced dead at Harbor General Hospital after the crash on Anaheim Street near Gaffey Street.

Injured in the crash were Gary Webber, 21, and Jerry Lee, 24, both stationed aboard the Oklahoma City.

THREE PERSONS were taken to Little Company of Mary Hospital for treatment of injuries Friday evening after a collision just before 7 p.m. at Crenshaw and Lomita boulevards.

Taken from the scene by ambulance were Wilkes Charles Rowe, 46, AirResearch engineer of 1934 Turrell Ave., Lomita; Willard Douglas Olsen, 39, Aero Space Industries administrator of 2630 W. 230th St., and Randall Lewis Olsen, 6.

Southwood Picketing Continues

Spokesmen for the Congress of Racial Equality have said demonstrations at the Southwood Riviera tract will continue during the weekend in the absence of a restraining order to limit the picketing.

At the same time, some CORE members have begun small-scale demonstrations at the Beverly Hills and downtown Los Angeles offices of Home Savings and Loan Assn., which finances the Southwood tract homes.

THE EVENTS followed an announcement by Superior Court Judge Alfred Gitelson Friday that he had taken under submission a request for a restraining order to limit picketing at the tract. Judge Gitelson has three identical suits pending before him involving the tract. The city, Don Wilson, and the Southwood Homeowners Assn. filed the suits Aug. 1.

CORE members began to move into the tract yesterday afternoon, and they have promised to return at noon today.

Friday afternoon South Bay Municipal Court Judge Donald Armstrong denied a change of venue motion made by attorneys for the demonstrators on charges of trespass.

The first group of demonstrators, who pled not guilty to the charges, are scheduled to begin trial in Redondo Beach at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

Councilmen in Texas for Meet

City Council members will not meet Tuesday evening as normally scheduled. A majority of the councilmen are attending a national conference in Texas.

Next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

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Public Works Board Plans Tour of Site

An "unofficial" hearing before the State Board of Public Works on the Palos Verdes site recommended for South Bay State College will be held at the California Museum of Science and Industry at 2 p.m. next Friday.

State officials have announced members of the Public Works Board will inspect the Peninsula site prior to the meeting. The board cannot choose another site, but can only accept or reject the recommendation of the State College Board of Trustees.

A PART OF the hearing will be given to representatives of Torrance and Rolling Hills Estates, and to others who oppose the location of the college on the Peninsula.

Rolling Hills Estates, which had conditioned its support of the Peninsula site on the availability of land outside the area zoned for industrial use, re-

cently adopted a resolution opposing the college on the Palos Verdes site. The council cited the need for the land to remain on the tax rolls. The school district would face "a grave financial crisis," according to Mayor Teena Clifton, if the industrial land is taken by the college.

MEMBERS OF THE Palos Verdes School Board have also opposed the location of the college on the Peninsula. Their resolution was directed to the Public Works Board last week.

The Peninsula site is located at Hawthorne Boulevard and Crest Road and includes about 200 acres of prime industrial land. The Board of Trustees asked that 175 acres be acquired at the July meeting in Los Angeles.

TORRANCE officials remain optimistic about this city's chances. Both Mrs. Kenneth E. Watts and Councilman Nicholas Drale have insisted all along that the Trustees would have to take the SR&D land on the Peninsula if adequate land is acquired.

The Board of Public Works is the group which must determine if the adequate land can be purchased with the funds available. They also make the final legal selection, but must act on a recommendation of the Board of Trustees of the state college system.



THREE COIN, ETC. . . The world famous Trevi Fountain in Rome is the center of attraction as three Southlanders toss the traditional three coins in the fountain. From left are Martha Cobb of Hermosa Beach, Jerrilyn Crandall of Westchester, and Joyce Fagenstrom, Santa Ana. (See Let's Go on Page 5)

Small Alligator Finds A Home With Youngsters

By JERRY REYNOLDS
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Every home should have one! An alligator, I mean. If we were to conduct a search for the most unusual

pet in Torrance, we would probably come up with the names of Philip and Paul Friedman, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Friedman of 1645 Fern Ave. Philip and Paul are the proud owners of an 8-inch alligator which arrived recently from Florida.

IT WAS no mistake, either, for Mrs. Friedman had called a friend in Florida and asked that the alligator be mailed to Torrance. Philip announced some six weeks ago he wanted an alligator, and Mrs. Friedman couldn't find one in Torrance.

Philip, who is five years old, is a student at the Escuela de Montessori, a private school in Redondo Beach which specializes in accelerated programs. Where he got the idea he wanted an alligator no one knows, but nevertheless he has his pet.

ACTUALLY, the pet (whose name is Harry) is a South American Caiman, and he is more closely related to the crocodile family than the alligator family. He's about eight inches long now, but will grow at the rate of about a foot a year until he reaches full size. Full size in this case is 25 feet.

"I'll keep him until he's about three feet long," says Mrs. Friedman, "and then he goes to the zoo."

Harry eats raw fish and meat, and he has razor-sharp teeth at the tender age of six months. Neither of the boys is afraid of Harry, and both handle him quite freely, but with care.

PAUL, the three-year-old in the family, has taken a fond

liking for Harry, and has given him a place somewhat above the land turtle, cat, and dog which also inhabit the Friedman household.

The boys' father is a security officer at Harbor General Hospital, and he, too, likes Harry. In fact, almost no one dislikes Harry—yet.

But the story doesn't end there, for there's a bit of a curious twist to the whole thing. Mrs. Friedman is now looking for a boa-constrictor to add to the household menagerie. Seriously.

Man Denies Assaulting 14-Year-Old

A 36-year-old Torrance truck driver pleaded innocent to charges of kidnapping and raping a 14-year-old girl when he appeared before Superior Court Judge Maurice C. Sparling in Long Beach Friday.

William Joseph Brunner, 2217 W. Sepulveda Blvd., was arrested by police last month after police had traced him through a license number provided by the girl.

The 250-pound Brunner was accused by the girl of being the man that had pulled her into a car in Long Beach and taken her to a Signal Hill oil field where she said she was beaten and raped.

She defied his warning and looked back to note the license number of the vehicle as he drove away, she told police.

Trial on the charges was scheduled for Sept. 17.

Court Holds Officers to Stand Trial

Two Torrance police officers charged with the theft of \$1,700 from two women on a South Los Angeles street have been held to answer the charges in Superior Court. The officers were ordered to stand trial for grand theft following a preliminary hearing in Inglewood Thursday.

The officers, Roger Jacobson, 25, and Robert Keith, 26, are to appear in Superior Court Aug. 22. They are free on bail until then.

Both officers, who have been suspended pending the outcome of the case, are charged with grand theft.

A motion by defense attorney Carl J. Mooslin that the pair's guns not be admitted as evidence was granted. Mooslin argued the guns are part of a police officer's equipment, even while off duty, and the admission of the weapons as evidence would "prejudice the seriousness of the offense."

Victim of Shooting Improving

A 32-year-old Torrance man who was shot through the chest at the climax of a party here a week ago has been reported out of danger at Little Company of Mary Hospital.

Paul D. Hodgkinson, 3505 Artesia Blvd., had been on the critical list at the hospital since the shooting until doctors reported Friday that his improvement permitted them to remove his name from the list.

A 24-year-old medical corpsman, Anton D. Ley, was booked on suspicion of assault with intent to commit murder by police who rushed to the home of Teresa Lynch, 29, at 18535 Ashley Ave. in response to reports of a shooting.

A Penny for your Thoughts

The partial nuclear test ban treaty has been sent to the Senate for ratification, so we asked several people: Do you think the United States Senate should ratify the treaty? Why?

Mrs. Ronald Schack, 27116 Fond Du Lac, Palos Verdes: "I believe it should be signed because not to sign it would be throwing away a chance. The treaty is only a chance, but it is also one that we cannot afford to throw away. Yes, it should be ratified."

Mrs. Seymour Zimmerman, 23533 Susana Ave.: "My opinion is based on emotion and limited knowledge from public sources, but I think it should be ratified. We can only hope that it will do what it is supposed to do and that the Russians will honor this obligation."

Mrs. Norman R. Caisse, 3431 226th St.: "I feel basically that the idea of the treaty is a good one, but I am skeptical about some of the loopholes. It is a step in the right direction as far as world peace is concerned."

Mrs. Clarke Kates, 22019 Grant Ave.: "Yes. It is a step towards world peace. Russia has lied in the past, but we can only hope that their desire for peace is greater than their desire for a headlong dash toward world domination."

Louis A. Zelenko, 23527 Susana Ave.: "I feel it should be ratified. Any step we can take to keep further contamination out of the air is a step in the right direction. I don't know if Russia intends to keep the treaty, but if we accept the treaty with this in mind, I can see no harm in it."

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WITH NEW PET . . . Philip and Paul Friedman, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Friedman of 1645 Fern Ave., admire their recently acquired pet, Harry, as he's called, is a South American Caiman—that's really an alligator! Harry arrived three weeks ago by air mail from friends in Florida, and Philip and Paul have been a couple of happy boys since. (Herald Photo)