



**Veteran** Pilot **Gives Report To Lions Club** 

## **Former City** Councilman **Gets** Award

Willys G. Blount, a former Torrance City Councilman, will receive a "Courage of Con-viction" citation from the Cen-

viction" citation from the Cen-tinela Bay Human Relations Committee in ceremonies to-morrow night at Redondo Union High School. Blount will be cited for his "understanding of the meaning of the Bill of Rights, displayed in opposing the barring from Torrance of a newspaper with whose policies he disagreed." The public has been invited to the cveremonies, which will commemorate the Bill of Rights and the U.N. Declara-tion of Human Rights. Cere-monies will begin at 8 pm.

## Christmas **Crime Wave** Predicted

Sheriff Peter J. Pitchess pre-dicted a record high Christmas crime rate in Los Angeles County this week, based on statistics which he said indi-cated nationwide crime is con-timuing its upward enical

tinuing its upward spiral. Pitchess, who noted that De-cember is traditionally the worst crime month of the year, worst crime month of the year, has urged all citizens to take steps to prevent possible crimes. "In particular." said Pitchess, "with longer hours of darkness, we are asking every person to burn a light at night, all night, every night, in their home."

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THE POSITIVE deterrent ef-fect of light on crime cannot be over-emphasized," added the sheriff. Pitchess also said businesses should insure adequate light. He noted that more than 90 per cent of all non-resident burglaries take place at night. He also urged shoppers to lock packages in the trunk of their cars or place them on the floor and lock the car itself. "The chances of buying a christmas gift for a thief are thus materially reduced," thus materially reduced,

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