# Relocate Plant in Beaumont, Texas

Only a skeleton crew will remain at the International Derrick and Equipment Company by the end of this month, it was reported today.

Formerly staffed by 400 workers, the huge plant is being reduced to minimum operation as IDECO moves the bulk of its manufacturing to its Beaumont, Texas plant.

by M. L. O.

This week, an "Iron Cur-

Mayor Mervin Schwab told re-

porters today that he does not

have to make a statement about

plans for that city agency, which

Schwab maintained that there

was not reason for him "to stick

my neck out," that no action can

be taken until the City Council

True, no action can be taken

the Mayor has done nothing to

tion to avoid a serious setback i

**Football Star** 

ported today.

legally no longer exists.

convenes on Tuesday.

Officials of the firm disclose the the Torrance installation will be used for maintenance and service of IDECO oil well drilling. Mayor Mum and rigging equipment that is currently in use in the field.

The factory, located on Carson

St., is reportedly for sale. Bids on the plant have been received from such firms as National Supply Co., and other Torrance industries, it has been stated.

o official statement has been local plant has been closed, but tain" of secrecy was dropped it has been rumored that the plant on the recreation commission too small to house expanding of this city. equipment and operations.

## -Ed Brown Joins Daily Star Journal

Joseph E. Flaherty, publisher of the Compton Daily until then, but residents are Star Journal, announced this of this city is so reluctant to reweek that Edwin B. Brown, lease information about an agency a partner in the Torrance that is the concern of all the Herald and formerly active in its people.

Operation, has acquired a subLast Friday the recreation comstantial interest in the Compton mission ceased to exist, following newspaper and will take an active the enactment of legislation passprot in its management as co-ed by the Council. Since that time

Brown will continue his present recommend citizens for appointpartnership interest in the Tor- ment to serve on a new commisrance Herald which he has served sion. as business manager for the last Members of the old commission eight years and as director of the indicate that they will still meet Graphic Newspapers in Long next Monday, the date of their Beach. However, his entire time regularly scheduled session, but will be devoted to his new interest that they doubt that any action in Compton, it was revealed. taken at the meeting will get

frown separated from the Tor- legal recognition. race Herald suddenly and sum- This city, therefore, through the marily last June. He subsequent- negligence of elected officials is ly filed suit against his partner, without a vitally necessary agen-Grover Whyte.

A director and past president of the Torrance Kiwanis Club, Brown fathers to stop "fence straddling." is a past president of the state- They must take constructive acwide California Newspaper Adour city's recreation program, and vertising Manager's Association.

## Sure Fire

W. R. Campbell of 2211 Arlington Ave. got when she ran a Torrance Breaks Neck Press Classified Ad for a house-

She started getting calls at 8 In ECC Game o'clock Thursday morning, and the calls didn't stop until late ev-

They were "terrific," she said.

General housework, three days a week, Call Mrs. Campbell. Torrance 162.

Need an employee? Want a in an accident that occurred dur-Whatever your problem, ing his freshman year in high year. you'll find the answer through the school. He and some compan-

### Slate Meet of Homeowners

Recent action by the City Coun- during his high school career. Association convenes next Mon-curred.



The Largest Circulation Newspaper in Torrance and Lomita

Phone Torrance 1185

tract map for 33 homes to be lo-

There are several chicken ranch-

The relative importance of chickens and children to

reasons."

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# CHICKENS or CHI



AIR CORPS BOUND—Shown packing before he left yesterday for Parks Air Force Base near San Francisco, is Jay R. Stroh, son of Police Chief John R. Stroh. Jay, who is a Torrance High graduate, is on leave from his post as deputy sheriff at the Firestone Sheriff's

# our city's recreation program, and show more active interest in such public bodies. Set Goal of \$12,864 In Red Feather Drive

Torrance has set its sights on raising \$12,864 for the Torrance has set its sights on raising \$12,864 for the 1952 Community Chest campaign, it was revealed yesterday KING HERE by City Chairman Don Armstrong.

The campaign, which will be in full swing soon, will seek to raise \$411 more than the \$12,453 raised here last year, Armstrong indicated. The Torrance quota is a part ing on the local quota, Armstrong Schwartz, 2467 Carson St.

chairman.

**Police Show** 

Proceeds from the event, spon

sored by the Police Officers As-

the plans for the program.

old El Camino College boy be raised in the must said. They were "terrific," she said. Here is the small, inexpensive who broke his neck Saturday area and the Harbor area's \$75,000 to both the \$8 million that must be raised in the entire Los Angeles than 200 employees will be handled will have an opportunity to meet Here is the small, inexpensive will be handled by local volunteers under the hoth Democratic and Republican ens of replies for Mrs. Campbell: in good condition at Torrance quota. The overall Los Angeles direction of Ed Karlow. The busi-Memorial Hospital, it was re- quota of \$8 million represents the ness division is being directed by

minimum amount that must be Edward Raphael and Paul Dia-Bill, a June graduate of Tor-raised to keep the Chest's 160 heads the residential workers, and rance High School, lost an arm agencies operating for another George Powell is public employees Torrance's campaign this year

Torrance Press Classifieds. Call ions were playing on a moving freight car when Bill fell and phases. Two of these — advance Plans Made slipped under the moving car, gifts and commerce and industry This did not stop the couragmaining three—public employees, losing his arm, it was reported. eous lad from active participation residential, and business-will be in school affairs and from star- in action soon. ring on the Tartar football team An additional quota of \$13,995

has been set as the quota for ma- Preparations for the 15th Aneil in reference to sewers in the When he enrolled at El Camino jor industrial firms and corpora- nual Torrance Police Vaudeville Hollywood Riviera area will be this year, he went out for football tions in the Torrance area. How- Show began in earnest this week, the topic of discussion when the again, and was making a name for ever, this amount will be solicited as Sgt. Bill Evans returned to the regular monthly meeting of the himself on the Warrior team, from the firms with 200 or more force after a seven-week sick Edywood Riviera Homeowners when last Saturday's accident oc- employees by a central group of leave to take up the reins. volunteers working out of Los The show, slated for November day, Oct. 6, at 8 p.m., according His mother, Mrs. Pearl Bunge, Angeles. The money will be credit- 1, will be held in the Torrance to D. R. Whitney, president of the lives at 25030 Narbonne Ave., Lo- ed to Torrance at the end of the High School Auditorium. campaign, but will have no bear-

chickens seem to have won out. **Mock Raid Test This** 

Morning

The efficiency and completeness vetoeing the maps, that a health of coverage of existing air raid menace existed. warning facilities in this city will James M. Dye, president of the be tested this morning at 9:31 company that submitted the maps, a.m., according to George Powell, told reporters that his representa-

assistant director of civil defense, tive at the meeting was not even The three-fold purpose of the given a chance to address the dry-run test is to determine siren body. Subsequent to the reading coverage and public reaction, and of protests from the chicken to give city agencies, such as pol- ranch owners, the commission reice and fire departments, an op- cessed and then took a vote, Dye portunity to test their method of claimed. operation in a raid. The air raid A representative of the South

test will last only four minutes. Bay Engineering Co., engineers for Powell disclosed that he expects the Dye Co., asked the commission only about 35 per cent coverage if the tentative tract maps for the with the sirens now in operation. 33 houses had been approved when It is anticipated that interest originally submitted. It was reportwill be rekindled in Vic Chatten's ed that the chairman of the commultiple mortar aerial bomb warn- mission said that he was not coming device after today's test is pelled to reveal this information.

apparatus, which has been widely not in the best interests of this hailed, is still available to the city at descount price, and that he will He pointed out that the commisa test run for the City Coun- sion had been told in a letter that sirens to be used in this mornerected between his property and

ing's test are located at the three the only chicken ranch that lies Torrance fire stations, the Naval adjacent to the proposed housing Supply Depot, Columbia Steel, GP, group. He also stated that only and General Electric Products, face on the ranches, and then at

# SLATE TEA FOR CECIL

Congressman Cecil R. King will be honored guest at a tea slated for next Tuesday afternoon at the

King, who seeks re-election to local store for two years. will have an opportunity to meet Blvd., Los Angeles. supporters at the affair, Democratic leaders report.

Mrs. Schwartz is chairman of the Democratic Central Committee for Los Angeles County.

# City Accident

Edward G. Robinson Jr., 19, son Highway and Vermont Ave., Har-

den, 21, of 866 N. Doheny Drive, exchanges, the manager said. Beverly Hills, also was hurt. Young Robinson was given two

sociation, will be used to finance sobriety tests and passed both. the Torrance Auxiliary Police, After treatment at Wilmington according to Officer Gus Rethwich, who is assisting Evans with Receiving Hospital, Robinson and Zurlinden were sent home in a Evans disclosed that the pro- taxi. Robinson listed his address gram will, as in the past, be put at 2104 N. Beverly Drive, Beverly

on by a group of professional Hills. vaudeville actors and actresses, He told police that he and Zurand promises to be a "first-rate" linden were en route to Mexico when the accident occurred.

## Local Businessmen Join Get-Out-the-Vote Drive

Because the right to vote by secret ballot is so important in the fight to preserve the freedom that our American democracy is based upon, and because only 51 per cent of the eligible voters went to the polls in the last national election, the Torrance Press is this year running a full page of advertising urging voters to exercise this right.

Scores of local merchants and business and professional people have pledged themselves to aid in this campaign, and get behind the drive being conducted to make this year's voting turn-out the greatest in the history of Torrance.



TORRANCE HIGH SENIOR-Mary Lou Hutchison gets comic rep-

### rimand from Keystone Cop Bob Haggard in "Syncopated Circus," which has its premiere performance during a three-day run at Torrance High School Auditorium beginning tonight. **Chamber Sets Up Master**

A master calendar to co-ordinate civic and social events Dye stated that he thought this in Torrance is being set up by the Chamber of Commerce,

rolling mills of Torrance's Col- clear meetings and other events However, the commission seems umbia Steel Mill will be spotlight- through the Chamber. A glance to hold that chickens are more im- ed on Richfield Oil Companys' dicate whether another event is

portant to the development of this television production, "Success scheduled at the same time. If city than are children, and, so, on Friday, Oct. 10, at 7 p.m. so, a second glance at the cal-The intricate operations of this conflicting meeting date. Returns to Work plant will be the subject of the The new master calendar will

Los Angeles, has been with the

### week's absence is Charles Creamer. vey Machine Co. and the National said. In the past it was not un-Creamer, who underwent an op- Supply Co. were telecast on the usual to have solicitors for two home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward eration at Midway Hospital in program during recent months, on the door in one day. This re-Ed Roden directs the show, sulted both in irritation to the He resides at 9028 National which is written by Carl Schlic- householder and in failure to meet

# **Deliver New Phone** Directory This Week

Delivery of more than 57,000 copies of the new telephone directory for San Pedro, Wilmington, Harbor City, activities to look forward to all Lomita and Torrance is scheduled for this week, according year long, instead of the peak to A. B. Smith, manager of The Pacific Telephone and and depression of conflicting Telegraph Company. Total number of pages of the in the past.

Increased Phones

a distance of over 100 feet.

voted to kill the tract maps.

Containing 278,000 alphabetical new gray-covered directory, which listings, the new book of numbers will be in service for 12 months, Youth Hurt in reflects the accelerated telephone has jumped to 1,280 for an increase growth here by showing an in- of 128 over last year's issue. of the stage and screen star, re- crease of 40,000 listings over the The manager again reminded

ceived minor injuries early yester- October, 1951 directory. From the subscribers to shake out their old day when his auto slammed into time of distribution of the old books before turning them in to Devore, who was injured when he a parked car at Pacific Coast book until the new edition was the directory deliveryman and to fell from a moving auto last week, published, 1,500 telephones have use the new book when placing was reported good by authorities been added in the Lomita, San calls. In the past, he said, many at Harbor General Hospital today. His companion, Wally Zurlin- Pedro, Wilmington and Torrance valuables have been found among Devore's home is at 21429 Hallthe pages of the old directeries. dale Ave.

Chatten stated that his warning procedure to be undemocratic and Dale Isenberg, executive secretary announced today. Often in the past, Isenberg said, two or more important events have been scheduled for the same day and hour, with the result that neither was accorded the attend-

ance or prominence it rightly deserved.

Now, however, civic clubs, church organizations, welfare Harvey Machine, National Supply, the back end of the houses would The open hearth furnaces and groups, etc., will be asked to at the master calendar will in-

> Back in the shoe dept. of Sam third local showing of a Torrance also be used to co-ordinate charity Levy's Dept. Store after a six third local showing of a Torrance also be used to co-ordinate charity raising drive.

> > The Chamber has mailed out details of the new master calendar to most of the organizations in Torrance, and so far the response has been gratifying, Isenberg said.

> > He added that the plan should

# Fall From Auto

Condition of 15-year-old Lyle R.



SHRINERS—Among the prominent local residents present last Friday night for the El Toga Shrine Club installation dinner-dance were (left to right): City Judge Otto Willett, Grand Potentate Charles T. Reichert, Glenn Pearce, and Al Gianni,

WINNERS-Top place honors in the Torrance Annual Soap Box Derby went to Dennis Silveira (left), first prize winner; William Butcher (second from left), who copped second place, and Tommy Holmes, the came in third in the showing. Derby was held Saturday afternoon, under the sponsorship of the