100 MOTHERS START LETTER WAR HIGHWAY SCHOOL SIG Unable to get satisfaction from the State Division a flashing signal but that the State would not sanction

of Highways, mothers of children going to Meadow park school at 230th st. and Hawthorne this week decided that they would continue their efforts to get a traffic control signal at the dangerous intersection and that they would bombard public officials with letters until they had their way.

Since the opening of school last month, a mothers' brigade has been patroling the intersection to assure safe crossing to their children until some action for their safety would be taken by the State.

Not Satisfied

Mothers waited for a State Division of Highways traffic survey and a consequent recommendation from Sacramento. Last week they were informed that the State would permit the city or school district to erect

a traffic control signal.

Dissatisfied with that recommendation, the mothers have decided to wage a letter war to obtain their signal.

"About 200 mothers are involved and at least 100 of them will start writing letters to the governor, our State senator, our assemblyman and other public officials to obtain such a signal," Mrs. Alfred Knoop, Meadow park P-TA safety chairman, exclaimed this week.

Support for their cause also was forthcoming from the City Council.

Aid Pledged City Manager George Stevens told members of

the council Tuesday night that State Senator Richard Richards and Assemblyman Vincent Thomas informed him that they would do whatever they can to aid in obtaining a signal, in answer to the city's request for help in the matter.

Stevens also told the council that the State had not replied in writing to his letter but that State officials had told him that the corner of 230th st. and Hawthorne ave. did not qualify for a traffic control signal.

He was told that such a signal would cause more traffic accidents than it would prevent and that the situation would be solved once a signal is installed at Lomita blvd., as planned.

He was also told that the State was making a traffic study of Hawthorne ave. from Pacific Coast highway to Redondo Beach blvd. to determine where traffic signals are to be placed.

Hold Out For Signal

Councilman Nick Drale, along with other members of the council, said that the city should demand a traffic control signal at the corner and nothing less.

He indicated that the Lomita blvd. signal referred to by the State wouldn't be completed for another six years and thus would not help the present situation.

The council also agreed to ask the State Highway Patrol for help in patroling the area until a permanent solution is found.



Arriving last week for a visit with Father Patrick McGuinness of Nativity Catholic church was his sister, Miss Maureen McGuinness of Longford, Ireland.

Miss McGuinness, who is here VOL. VII I on vacation, spent about 12 days in Chicago visiting a twin sister before coming to Torrance. She is the first of nine other brothers and sisters still living in Ireland to visit America.

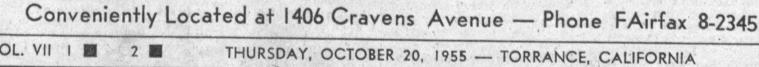
Miss McGuinness will remain in Torrance for a few more weeks before returning to Ireland where she and other members of the family operate a department store.

Father McGuinness last saw his brothers and sisters three years ago when he took a trip to Ireland.

"The hospitality in this country is just overpowering," Miss McGuinness said of her impressions. "I've never been so impressed in all my life. America is a wonderful country-no wonder people come here and never want to go back. Everything is even more plentiful here than I thought."



An uneasy peace between South Torrance residents and Torrance Sand and Gravel firm, 2701 Crenshaw broke into open warfare again when a number



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NO. 28 ld 80 m.p.h. Chase Ends Crash, Police Nab Sailor Teenage

YOUNG HOUSEWIFE KILLED IN CRASH A collision involving a | William Garret Kelch, 24, by the | which was sheared off and

Torrance resident resulted force of the collision, according spouted water high into the air. in the death Monday of a to police.

young Redondo Beach housewife and injury to three other persons. In the death Monday of a The accident occurred at Marshallfield and Slauson lanes. Mrs. Kelch was thrown through Inte car continued to travel, and red lights at speeds up hearby house, according to po-to 80 miles an hour, a car driven by an 18-year-old Declared dead on arrival at the car door and into the side Kelch told police he was drive sailor came to a crashing

Harbor General Hospital was of Pollard's car, according to ing between 25-30 miles an hour, halt when it smashed into Mrs. Joyce Kelch, 23, of 1911 police reports. Marshallfield Lane, Redondo. Marshallfield Lane, Redondo. Admitted to the hospital for when he saw the other vehicle and Walnut in Lomita near

Marshallfield Lane, Redondo. Admitted to the hospital for when it and the hospital for coming. Pollard stated that he midnight last Friday. Two LAPD motorcycle offi-Vernon Leroy Pollard, 37, of 27, of 4719 Nairet st., Terrance. traveling, according to police. Two LAPD motorcycle offi-cers joined a Lennox sheriff's The Kelch vehicle was spun Mrs. Kelch's body was re- patrol car in the hectic chase 4819 Narrot st., Torrance.

Mrs. Kelch was hurled from around by the force of the moved to Niland's Chapel of which resulted in the arrest of

Passengers

Horrified Following a harrowing The car continued to travel, race through intersections

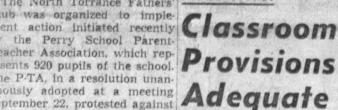
driven by an 18-year-old



Fathers Organize to **Fight Double Sessions**

Failure of school authorities to raise and spend sufficient funds for new schools and adequate additions to others was blamed by the Fathers' Club of North Torrance, at a meeting Friday night, for half-day sessions, Homeowners overcrowded classrooms and a shortage of teachers.

The North Torrance Fathers' HULL SAYS: ib was organized to impleby the Perry School Parent-Teacher Association, which represents 920 pupils of the school. **Provisions** The P-TA, in a resolution unanimously adopted at a meeting Adequate September 22, protested against the return of the fourth grades





wearing a grey and white trousers.

Comments

ments nominating her for the "In my opinion, she brings out son st., described as a model Two witnesses observed the award were the following: "She the best in people and inspires crossing guard; and Dr. Kurt suspect climb over a 6-foot always can find the time to her friends and neighbors to be Shery for his work on behalf fence, assault Huddleston, and help when you need it most"; 'more like Mrs. Ambach'; "The of a rabies law in Torrance. knock him partially uncon "... always available if needed children love her dearly." More than 700 individuals at scious. The man then left by for unexpected trip to town;" The Ambachs have two sons, tended the breakfast. the same route he came, driv- "Yes, I believe 'Grandma Am- Paul D. Dutton and Henry C. Dr. Rollin R. Smith was gening off in a '53 or '54 cream bach' is a good neighbor, but Dutton of Santa Ana; a eral chairman for the break. RECEIVING the "Good Neighbor" eward for colored convertible with a black not just a neighbor, but a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Jones fast. Bill Evans acted as mas-'motherly angel' that was sent of Bellflower; 10 grandchildren' (Turn to Page 14)

the year is Mrs. Ila Mae Ambach of 2517 Sierra st. Making the award was Ralph Mor-

agers. Bill Evans served as master of cere- further information, turn to monies at the Saturday breakfast .- Press Photo page 12.

the phrase that best describes ris (r), chairman of the YMCA board of man- the weekly TV Studio ad. For the baby picture appearing in

next three weeks, according to James Nicola of TV Studio. Grand prize will be a Marmot stove. A set of Richelieu pearls, necklace, and earrings will be given away as a weekly

Contest rules are to supply

prize.

2223 Torrance blvd., will start this week and continue for the

eral Electric and TV Studio.

quickly made me understand and kindness to a family which

tall, 200 pounds, dark hair, me- lived here 35 years and works life and had lost my faith G'ma 1453 W. 219th st. for her aid

flannel sport shirt and dark Among the neighbor's com- cause she is a living model"; Mrs. Verda Hansen, 2063 Car-

sheriffs.

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there is a 'Golden Rule' . . . be- had just moved to Torrance;