# \*Open House Set At Nike Site

Captain Sandoe, commander of the Army's Torrance NIKE Battery site today announced this unit would hold a public open house from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on May 18, Armed Forces

'We want to show the public how the Army's NIKE-Ajax missile is used in the defense of the Los Angeles area, Capt. Sandoe said. "To best do this, we will have regularly scheduled demonstrations and guided tours through the site."

In touring the area, the public will see the missiles closeup, see the underground storage areas, see how the missiles are fueled and see NIKE raised to firing position, as well as have the NIKE system explained.

The site is located near the Torrance Municipal Airport on Crenshaw blvd.

The Torrance unit, Battery D, -865, Anti-aircraft Missile battalion is one of 20 NIKE guided missile and gun sites which surround the Los Angeles area. Fourteen NIKE sites and four gun units will hold open houses on Armed Forces day.

### Abrams Will ·Head Airport Commission

Jack White of the Torrance Airport Commission submitted his resignation as president in a surprise move last Thursday. appointing Thomas Abrams to be his successor.

"After 17 or 18 months of service as president of this commission," he said, "I would like to give up this chair and let someone else serve as presi

White said he first-asked Commissioner John G. L. Crain if he would like to have the post. Crain, according to White, declined for personal reasons. June 13, 1957 is the effective

date of White's resignation. Abrams, 52, has served on the commission for one year. He comes from Buffalo, New York and has been a resident of Southern California since 1929. He is head surveyor at General Petroleum corp. in Torrance and has lived here eight years.

He lives with his wife Lydia at 2657 Lofty View drive. They have four sons.

Following the appointment, a motion was made and approved that henceforth, the commission president would be elected rather than appointed for a period of one year.

## E. C. Shong Suffers Heart Attack, Dies

Edward Charles Shong, 41, of 3807-A West 174th st., died of a sudden heart attack at Mojave on May 5. He was a tool sharpener for the Los Angeles City schools.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday in the Colonial Chapel of the Hardin and Flanagan Mortuary, Inglewood. Rev. Paul Waldschmidt, pastor of the Holy Trinity Lutheran church of Morningside Park, officiated with burial following in

Inglewood Park cemetery.
An Army veteran of World War II, Shong was born in North Dakota and came to California 15 years ago. He lived in Hawthorne for seven years and in Inglewood for two years before moving to Torrance four months ago.

Surviving are his widow, Marianne; mother, Mrs. Louise Seltz of North Dakota; three brothers, and four sisters.

### EL NIDO TO REGISTER FOR KINDERGARTEN

The annual spring roundup of kindergarten children for next year, for El Nido school, will be held at the school on May 23.

Parents of children who will be entering kindergarten next year are urged to register their children on that day. A school doctor will be on hand to give brief physical examinations.

Children must be five years of age on or before December 2.
Proof of birth must be furnish-

### Insurance Man Awarded Honors

Paul G. White and Gerald E. F. Stoke, of Torrance, and Don McEune, of Redondo Beach, have qualified as mem-bers of the 1956 Star Club of the New York Life Insurance Company, according to Charles F. Edwards, CLU, field vicepresident in Los Angeles.

Membership in the Star club is based on 1956 sales record and is composed of the most successful agents of New York Life. White is associated with the Long Beach office, while Stokoe and McEune are with the Crenshaw-Los Angeles of-



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