

# Hit, Run Motorist Sought

Police hunted for a felony hit and run driver following a collision in which a young woman driver was hurled 62 feet out of her car early Thursday morning.

Marian L. Abner, 20, a waitress of 709 Flower st., Inglewood, was taken to Harbor General Hospital with cuts and bruises, after she was flung from her car on Crenshaw Blvd., near 185th st.

Her car wound up on the lawn of a house at 18427 Crenshaw Blvd.

Officers said they were informed that Miss Abner's car was struck by another auto.

# Employees Ask Pay Increases

Requests for pay boosts and a number of fringe benefits will be made to the city council Monday by organizations representing police, fire and miscellaneous employees.

The police and firemen seek a 6 per cent pay hike to compensate for an estimated 5 per cent cost of living increase and to set off expected further boosts.

General employees are asking for two extra pay periods per year, or an alternative \$50 a month pay boost.

Both groups are also asking a number of fringe benefits covering vacations, while police and firemen seek longevity pay, uniform allowances and motorcycle "hazard pay."

# Disabled Vets to Get Free Licenses

Disabled veterans in this area were advised today by Veterans Service Officer Sara R. Evans that the State Legislature's revision of the California Fish and Game Code has lowered the disability requirement for free sport fishing licenses.

The new provision, signed into law by Governor Goodwin J. Knight early this month under an urgency clause, grants free fishing as well as hunting licenses to wartime veterans who have a service-connected disability of 70 per cent or more. Formerly, total disability was required for the fishing license grants.

Mrs. Evans pointed out 70 per cent disabled veterans qualify for deer tags, pheasant tags, and fishing license stamps free of charge, as well as the hunting and fishing permits themselves. (Bear tags or duck stamps are not included).

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RECEIVES HONOR—Douglas (Dutch) Horlander receives State Assembly resolution honoring him for his work as commander of the Torrance National Guard company during the 1955 flood from Assemblyman Vincent Thomas, right. The Guardsmen kept the drainage channel open and evacuated many North Torrance families. —Press Photo

# Good Planning Keeps Torrance from Selection as Typical U. S. City

While good planning may be a matter of pride to Torrance residents, this efficiency cost the city its selection as a "typical" community to be used in connection with Voice of America broadcasts.

Dick Fitzgerald, manager of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, said that while the sponsoring Junior Chamber of Commerce was impressed with Torrance's solution of its growth problem, there was one thing lacking.

That was that Torrance had solved its major problems before they even arose. What the U. S. Information Service wanted was a city of 100,000 population which had solved problems after they had occurred.

The contest was based on a city that had no racial problems and showed evidence of constructive citizens participation.

# Benstead Seeks Asst. Engineer

Councilman Victor E. Benstead will renew his request to create the position of assistant city engineer Monday, after the original motion was tabled.

Benstead said that all other department heads in the city have assistants, and that Engineer Ronald W. Bishop is entitled to one.

"I think they're getting a little bit too top-heavy in the engineering department," Councilman Nicholas O. Draie argued. Mayor Albert Isen commented that the assistant should have a state license, and also voiced the opinion that the public works department might be eliminated.

# Building Nudges Up in May

Construction during May nudged up slightly from April with permits with a valuation of \$892,769 issued.

The total was considerably under the \$3,023,718 issued during May, 1957, but above the \$777,332 issued during April this year.

The May, 1958, permits included 14 Kissel Home residences on Bluff st., with a valuation of \$251,430.

Another project, \$95,000 for a 12-unit apartment building at 17230 Atkinson ave., made up a major item.

In total, permits for 23 single family residences were issued during the month. There were two apartment buildings, 10 commercial buildings and three industrial structures.

The May permits also included 10 swimming pools, 98 block walls, 21 patios, 20 garages and 14 signs.

Building Superintendent Lee Schless said that his inspectors have checked plans for two super markets, a bowling alley and other commercial and industrial buildings for which permits are expected to be issued this month.

# Powers to Lead Ranchero Parade

Lt. Gov. Harold "Butch" Powers will lead the largest parade in Torrance's history as a highlight of "Ranchero Days" July 23-27. Parade Coordinator D. C. Cook said today.

The gigantic Chamber of Commerce sponsored parade, featuring the popular official on horseback as grand marshal, is scheduled to start at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 26, and will proceed from Carson and Cabrillo north to Sartori, northwest on Sartori to Torrance Blvd. and west on Torrance Blvd. to the civic center.

Lieutenant Cook said Powers was selected as grand marshal because of his great popularity and his horsemanship. Powers has long been a famous figure among horsemen and parade people.

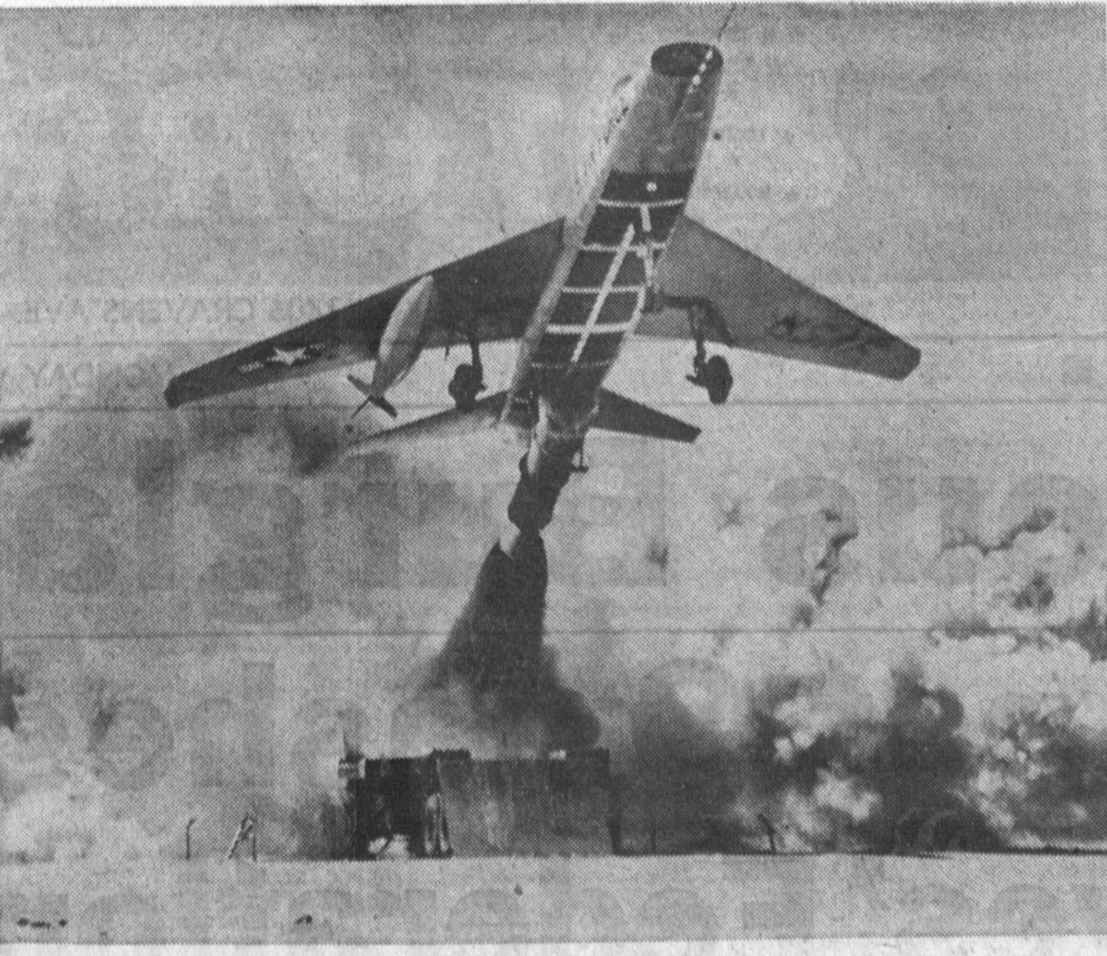
# Youth Band to Present Concert on 12th Birthday

The Torrance Area Youth Concert band will give its annual spring concert on Monday night, June 2, in the Torrance Civic Auditorium. This is the band's 21st such event since its beginning shortly after the war. It is also the first formal concert the band has prepared since they appeared at the Midwest National Band Clinic in Chicago last December and played for 5000 band directors and music educators.

Numbers to be performed by the band include the American Overture for Band, American Salute, based on "When Johnny Comes Marching Home" by Morton Gould, Carl Friedmann's Slavonic Rhapsody, No. 1, Second Suite for Band by Gustav Helst, Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral from the Opera, "Lehengrin" by Richard Wagner, and the Overture Solenne (1812) by Tschalkowsky. Jim Thompson, student director, will conduct the Beguine Festival by Glen Osser.

A trumpet trio composed of Gary Tiernan, Robert Taylor, and Kats Sunada, will play the "Three Modernaires" by Lowell Little and a brass quintet composed of Robert Cairns, Jim Thompson, Robert Calkins, Ricky Bernardin and Clive Acker, will play the "Prelude and Gigue in C Sharp Minor" by Bach. This number was especially arranged for this program by Cairns, instrumental instructor at North High School.

A small donation will be accepted at the door for the purpose of buying new instruments.



KICK IN THE TAIL—A U. S. Air Force F-100D completes the first successful Zero Length Launch of a supersonic jet. North American Aviation Test Pilot Al Blackburn demonstrates how fighter bombers can be launched from remote sites without using a runway.

# Edison School to Graduate Seniors

Graduation exercises for eighth grade students at Edison School will be held June 11 at 7 p.m., with Dr. Howard Wood presenting diplomas to 66 students.

A highlight of the program will be announcement of the Olympics Champions, students who scored the highest points in athletic contests held at the school, according to Principal Lester Foster.

The school choirs under direction of Mrs. Paula Di Fiore, and the orchestra under direction of Mrs. Doris Crozier, will participate in the commencement program.

# Brownies Tour Dairy Farms

Brownies of Troop 1378 met May 24 at the home of Mrs. Millie Johnson for roll call, then went on a tour of Inglewood Farms. After a lunch and instructive talk by the owner, the girls were taken home tired but happy.

The trip was enjoyed by the following mothers and Brownies: Mmes. Millie Johnson, Marie Martin, Jo Coleman, Margaret Poirier, Margaret Wilson, Hazel Wilson and Marsha Curtis, Kathryn Ball, Lindo Jo Coleman, Penny Johnson, Catherine Wilson, Deborah Guhrke, Ann Harner, Blanche Hebestreit, Cheryl Kelly, Carol Martin, Katherine Poirier, Gloria Rose, Dieder Schrauber, Cynthia Wilson and Kris Turner.

Starting time for the concert is 8:15 p.m.

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# Margie Thompson First Entrant in Beauty Pageant

Margie Thompson, 19-year-old blonde beauty, was the first entry in the "Miss Universe" elimination contest to be held at the Stadium Theater on Saturday, June 7, starting at 8:30 p.m.

Miss Thompson was a runner-up in last year's "Miss Torrance" contest during Rancho Days and has won many prizes in recent months throughout Southern California.

The sponsoring Torrance Chamber of Commerce announces that due to the nature of the contest, girls do not have to be residents of Torrance to participate. The winner will represent the community in the "Miss California" contest on June 14 at Anaheim. The Anaheim winner will qualify for the Miss U. S. A. title and the "Miss Universe" title.

Girls must be between 18 and 28 and will be judged in bathing suits. Entry blanks are available at the chamber office, 1345 El Prado. Those wishing information are urged to call FA 8-2514.

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