



PRETTY DEBBIE BARDINI, 15 month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dario Bardina, 1515 W. 214th St., smiles as she fondly handles a Christmas ornament while helping

her parents decorate the tree for Santa's anticipated arrival at midnight. Debbie's father is employed by Torrance Men's Shop.

Police, Fire Integration Answered By De Armitt

Drunk Drivers Get 'No Leniency' from Willett

Outlines Plans for Civic Center

Van Bellehem

Municipal Court Judge Otto B. Willett today announced that drunk drivers will be "treated the same as ever" regardless of the yule season.

Noted for his strong aversion cussed by the Civic Center Comto drinking while driving Willett mittee, Dec. 28 at its regularly made it plain that the law will scheduled meeting. Van Bellehem stated that "Tor-

strictly be enforced to the limit with first offenders receiving a rance has multiplied its popula-\$263 fine.

"Those who made the mistake time since 1950. Our recreation of being drunk while driving facility growth has not kept pace. twice face a possible jail sent- We are short on public recreaence," said the judge. tion facilities."

"Because its Christmas the| The Director went on to say public deserves no leniency when that "in the interest of future they break the law," Willett ob- economical operation budgets, served. the activities of the recreation

DRIVE SAFELY

department needs a central point for distribution of program ac-Drive safely during the holiday tivities to all local areas."

season and save a life, Torrance Van Bellehem also stressed a Religious Groups urged today. need for a large central location.

Fire Union Chief Not for Merger

In an exclusive interview In a special report to the park with the PRESS, Richard and Recreation commission con- L. DeArmitt, president of cerning the Civic Center, Harry Torrance Fire Fighters Lo-B. Van Bellehem, Recreation Di- cal 1138, today made known rector, made the following rec- his organization's views reommendations which will be dis- garding integration of Fire and Police Departments.

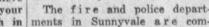
Inspired by a story appearing in the Dec. 17 issue of the Press headlined "Jahn Asks For Retion ten times since 1940, five port . . ." DeArmitt pointed out that his group is opposed to integration. "In the story printed by your newspaper Councilman Jahn outlined the following rea-

son why he was for integration-'34 cities are testing integration of fire and police with favorable results and the plan would release far more men for active duty with firemen going on eight hour shifts along with police officers-each trained in the others job,'" DeArmitt explained.

The following is the complete text of DeArmitt's reply to Councilman Robert Jahn:

"Councilman Jahn does not state which cities he has in mind, however in various publications in recent years, eight California

with which childhood fills the partments. The only department in California known to us that



A recommendation by the Tor-



WILLY EDWARD SIVLEY

WANTED by the California Highway Patrol for hit and run felony is Willy Edward Sivley, 25, of 21716 South Figueroa St. According to authorities, suspect was involved in an accident inuring and hospitalizing Patrolman Esteo Adkins, 28, Friday, Dec. 18, at the intersection of Figueroa and Carson Sts. Sivley is a painter by trade and was wearing white clothes spattered with paint when last seen leaving the scene of the accident. If you have any information leading to his arrest, please contact the California Highway Patrol, NE 1-6101, or Torrance police

at FA 8-3456.

There a Santa Claus? Sixty two years ago this out the country and the "Dear Editor - I am 8 years prehensible by their little minds. how dreary would be the world cities have been identified as

week New York Sun editor, world picked it up and to- old. Francis P. Church received day it stands famous as a there is no Santa Claus. a letter from an eight year classic answer to all the dis- "Papa says 'If you see it in man is a mere insect, and ant, be no childlike faith then, no of these cities either categoricalold "subscriber" that asked believers, young and old, of The Sun it's so.

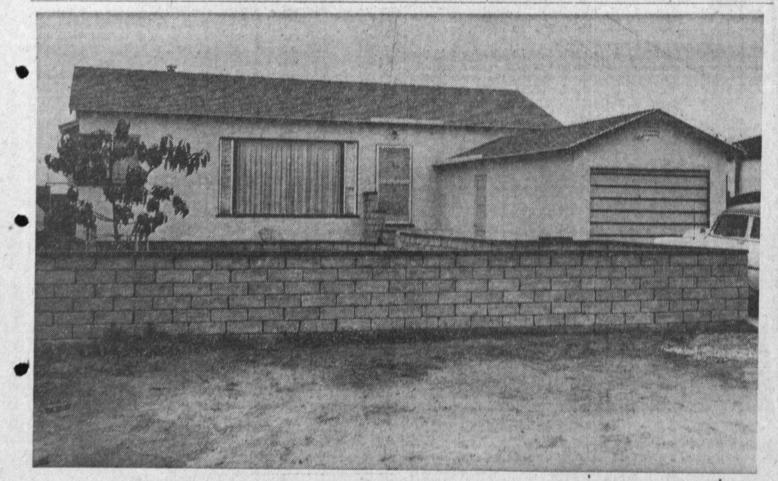
if there was a Santa Claus. St. Nick. "Please tell me the truth, is The letter, written by The PRESS, a firm ad- there a Santa Claus?" Virginia O'Hanlon in 1897, vocate of Mister Santa VIRGINIA O'HANLON

and its answer by the Claus, publishes the letter 115 W. 95th St. learned editor, was publish- and its answer today for all ed in the Sun just before the Christmas of that year. Other newspapers through-Other newspapers through- Christmas.

All minds, Virginia, whether they if there were no Santa Claus! having had integrated fire and "Some of my little friends say be men's or children's, are little. It would be as dreary as if there police departments. In a survey In this great universe of ours were no Virginias. There would completed Sept. 15, 1958 seven in his intellect, as compared with poetry, no romance to make tol- ly denied ever having integration the boundless world about him, erable this existence. We should or have abandoned the plan and as measured by the intelligence have no enjoyment, except in are now operating separate and capable of grasping the whole sense and sight. The eternal light independent fire and police deof truth and knowledge. Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa world would be extinguished.

VIRGINIA, your little friends Claus. He exists as certainly as Not believe in Santa Claus? is now in any way integrated

nothing can be which is not com- highest beauty and joy. Alas! all the chimneys on Christmas bined under one department head



PEACEFUL LOOKING home at 21115 Bolsa St. was scene of \$90,000 worth of compressed marijuana confiscated by State Narcotics officers last Saturday. The 385 pounds of dope was

hidden in the garage. News agencies and TV reported location as Torrance, however, home is located in L.A. County Press Photo by Art Willey strip area.

thought anything of it.

Neighbors Suspicious of "Torrance" Dope Den

The \$90,000 marijuana haul nett home however. "I've only but I didn't know it was narco- | time," Mr. Smith said. uncovered by state narcotics lived here a month, and the tics," Mr. Koetsier said. agents in conjunction with Los Barnett children sometimes Another neighbor, Freeman Bolsa St. said she has lived there said the raid was on a Tor- payment of a \$4 monthly fee. agents in conjunction with Los played with my children," she smith, 70, who formerly worked for two years and has never suspected anything. "There's an ly occurred in the County offset city parking meter losses and will so into effect Jan 21. made in Torrance as reported by house the day the police came, agency, said he knew something awful lot of traffic on this TV and news agencies earlier in and they were crying and was going on from the minute street," she said, "but I never strip. scared," she added. the week. they moved in.

21115 Bolsa St. in the Los An- "When I read it in the papers, keep my nose out of it or I go out visiting the neighbors," Most of Barnett's neighbors I told my wife that it must be might get killed," he said.

she stated. were not surprised to hear of the Barnett family. They spent "There was always traffic and State Narcotics Supervisor A. referring to the "strip" area parking lots for an unlimited Hall Tuesday. his arrest. Mrs. Eleanor Norte an awful lot of money fixing women at that place, and you V. Beckner said. Barnett is the as Torrance in their news time over the one month period. of 21105 Bolsa St. said her land- that place and building walls couldn't help but be suspicious. leader of a narcotics ring with stories - especially when Persons found guilty of violalady told her marijuana was be-ing harbored in a garage down work regular hours and would street at all hours of the day arrested on charges of selling unfavorable light as this the street. Mrs. Norte said she come and go at the oddest times. and night. I counted nine cars the dope along with Eugene unfavorable light as this or imprisonment in the County not realize it was the Bar- I knew something was unusual, in front of that place at one Valencia of Los Angeles.

Eve to catch Santa Claus, but under which they operate as sepeven if they did not see Santa arate entity. The factual integra-Claus coming down, what would tion exists only in that some that prove? Nobody sees Santa personnel are subject to rotation Claus, but that is no sign that assignments to either fire or pothere is no Santa Claus. The lice duty.

most real things in the world The so-called "classic example" are those that neither children that most supporters of integranor men can see. Did you ever tion like to use is that of Oak see fairies dancing on the lawn? Park, Michigan, a suburb of De-Of course not, but that's no proof troit. There have been many rethat they are not there. Nobody ports made on Oak Park, colored can conceive or imagine all the of course by the views of the wonders there unseen and unsee- person or committee making the able in the world. report. The facts are these: Oak

You tear apart the baby's rat- Park is unique in that it is a new tle and see what makes the noise residential community with strict inside, but there is a veil cover- building laws which limit indusing the unseen world which not trial and merchantile buildings the strongest men that ever to one story, and all other buildlived, could tear apart. Only ings to a maximum of two storfaith, fancy, poetry, love, ro- ies of not more than 36 feet in mance, can push aside that cur- height. The basic principal of tain and view and picture the fire protection in Oak Park is supernal beauty and glory be- the prompt arrival of one or two yond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, police cars manned by one or in all this world there is noth-(Continued on page A-2) ing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. Test Removal ginia, nay 10 times 10,000 years of Meters Held from now, he will continue to

make glad the heart of childhood.

No 'Dope' Up by Council in Torrance, rance Chamber of Commerce to remove parking meters on a test **Says Mayor** basis in Downtown Torrance for a four-month period from Jan. 1, to April 30 has been tempor-

arily held up by the Torrance

Before closing an abbre- City Council. viated Christmas session of The request by the Chamber the Torrance City Council, of Commerce will be discussed Mayor Albert Isen blasted at the next council meeting. If adopted, heads will be removed the Metropolitan newspa- from the meters for a four in the recent dope raid. Mayor Isen made it clear downtown parking.

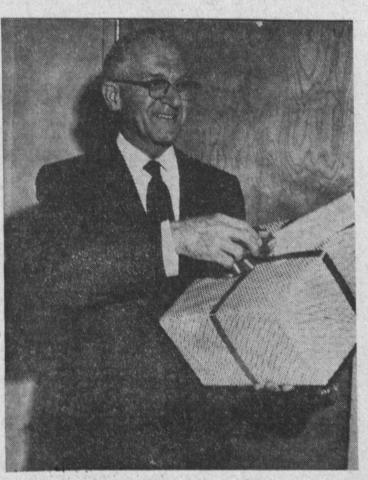
The Council, however, passed that he was unhappy with the various press organiza- limited parking on city - owned M. Jain. Mrs. Harlin Engle of 21136 tions whose news stories or controlled parking lots upon

The action was taken to help and will go into effect Jan. 21, 1960.

"That area is no more a Decals will be issued by the burns me to see the Metro-able purchasers to use any of politan papers constantly the city-owned or controlled ers and city officials at a party held in his honor at City

one," he said. Jail.

Bradford, 17 Year Veteran With City Retires from Post



WALTER C. BRADFORD

Walter C. Bradford, 66, City Personnel Clerk and Secretary for the Civil Service Board, retired today after 17 years' of service to the city.

A native of New Haven, Conn., Bradford came to pers for involving Torrance month period, and the two hour Torrance in January of 1922 and began work with the time limit will be returned for Dominguez Land Corp. In 1942 he went to work for the City of Torrance as building and engineering department the ordinance to provide for un- clerk under city engineering and building inspector Glenn

> It was then that he took the position of Civil Serv-Board Secretary, a position he still holds today.

"There were only three other people in the two departments when I began," recalled Bradford. "It has been fascinating watching the city grow from a population of 3000 to its present size," he added.

He received well-wishes and gifts from fellow work-

Bradford was the recipient of a wallet and money through Europe and the eastern United States.