



Thursday, December 1, 1960

No Change Indicated in Current **Business Trend, Reports Bank**

Business activity in South-stood at 6.3 per cent in the ern California continued in a horizontal trend during Octo- in the San Diego area, 7.5 per her, showing little change cent in the San Bernardino- Los Angeles county cities in from the previous month, Riverside area, and 6.4 per the vital catagory of building James Weigel, manager of Se- cent nationally.

ed unchanged between Septhis week.

compared with 214.6 in Sep- ersfield a rea, offset by de-Six of the 14 components

of the business index, accordber levels.

Weak signs were detected in manufacturing production employment. However, they were offset by a high con-sumption of electric power by industrial users and a strongindustrial users and a stronger showing in department store sales and engineering Gets Award for construction contract awards. **Safety Program**

Unemployment, which usually declines at this time of year, showed little over-all change between mid-Septem-ber and mid-October. On a has been given to the Southall areas of Southern California

ployed, as compared with the similar period a year ago, was up nearly 50 per cent.

tors, unemployment in the Los Angeles-Long Beach Metropolitan area rose for the tenth consecutive month and reached the highest level since 'April, 1958, Weigel noted.

University Notes Find Work Easier

and college seniors are finding it easier to get jobs than many older alumni with onthe-job experience.

Placement Center at Berkegrams.

TORRANCE PRESS

Torrance Strong Third Contender In Permit Race

a strong third position among

curity Frist National Bank's Torrance branch reported ern half of California remain- lease announced Thursday. Research and the set a

The bank's index of busi- tember and October, with the Torrance at close to \$31,000,- the number of votes cast for ness activity stood at 215.1 slight gains scored in the Los 000, an increase of \$4,000,000 any of the 436 other Con-(preliminary) for the month, Angeles, San Diego and Bak- over the 1959 figures. tember, and 3.7 per cent clines in San Bernardino- rance permits raising to \$1,- States-according to comtember, and 3.7 per cent clines in our presence areas. 470,192, an increase of \$240, plete semi-official tabulations above October of last year. Riverside and Fresno areas. 470,192, an increase of \$240, plete semi-official tabulations october's Southland em- 000 over the October 1959 fi- just released. ployment totaled more than gure.

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ing to Weigel, registered 2,600,000; about 55,000 or 1.5 Los Angeles continues to

werk signs were detected minor increase, remained place, with Beverly Hills winning re-election to his

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the plant.

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The 205,176 voters of the 17th District who cast their permit valuations, a Torrance ballots for re-election of Con-Ten month figures place new national record-topping Month of October saw Tor- gressmen in the United

Congressman King, for ing to Weigel, registered 2,000,000, about 0,000 of the Los Angeles continues to years the most popularly pace the field with \$520 mil-ion, a drop of \$45 million again this year ran well

Santa Monica, Pomona, Ingle- of the powerful House Ways wood, Pasadena, and Monte- and Means Committee and dean of the Los Angeles County congressional delaga-



seasonally adjusted basis, un- ern California Gas Company,