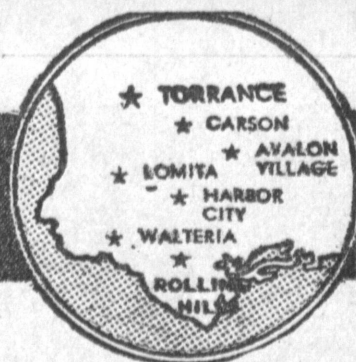


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MOTHER-TO-BE ADMITS NEAR-FATAL SHOT AT HUSBAND

Torrance Area Girl Says 'Urge' Caused Shooting

Child Neglect Trial Delayed

Trial of Mr. and Mrs. Claude W. Bishop, 1608 Cabrillo Ave., has been continued until Feb. 8, it was reported Friday.

Couple is charged with misdemeanor manslaughter, child neglect and failure to provide in the death of their 4-year old son Michael William, on Christmas Day.

Youngster weighed less than 17 pounds when he was found dead in his crib. He had previously been treated by local hospital physicians for malnutrition.

An expected baby and a teenage bride's "urge" led to the near fatal shooting of an estranged husband Thursday night.

Theresa Garcia, 17, of 23648 Main St., Carson surrendered to sheriff's deputies after admitting that she had held a .22 caliber rifle on her husband, Arthur, 18, for nearly an hour before firing while the two argued about the baby she was expecting. According to the arresting officers, Mrs. Garcia had wanted to place the baby up for

adoption and her husband protested against it.

The husband, in serious condition after being shot in the stomach, was taken from his apartment at 420 W. "G" St., Wilmington and was admitted to Long Beach Memorial Hospital.

DETAILS

After relating details of the argument, the girl said she asked her husband where he wanted to be shot to which he replied, "In the leg."

"Finally I felt the urge come over me, and I

closed my eyes and fired the gun," the girl reported.

Garcia was found—after the shooting, lying on the bed in his apartment—by a friend, Ramon LaRiza, who said he had seen the girl run from the apartment shortly before.

Mrs. Garcia has been living with her parents in Carson since her separation last September, after approximately one month of marriage. She was driven to the sheriff's office by her mother.

"END OVER END..."

City Gets Grant

Allocation of \$10,200 to the city of Torrance for the improvement of Palos Verdes Blvd. within the city was announced this week by county officials.

Funds will be used to construct pavement, base and drainage facilities on Palos Verdes Blvd. from Pacific Coast Highway to Catalina Ave.

Teen-age Sailor Killed In Spectacular Crash Friday; Injured Driver Treated

A teen-aged sailor was killed Friday morning in a spectacular crash on the outskirts of Torrance.

Pronounced dead on arrival at Harbor General Hospital was Herbert

Reed, 18, stationed aboard the USS Mistillon. Driver of the car in which Reed was a passenger was identified as James Donald Addison, 22, of 742 E. 136th St., Los Angeles. He was treated for minor injuries and released.

Witnesses queried by officers from the Torrance office of the California Highway Patrol stated that the vehicle driven by Addison swerved from one lane to another near the intersection of Del Amo and Wilmington.

OUT-OF-CONTROL

Car went out of control and flipped end-over-end several times before coming to rest. No citations were issued to the driver of the car.

In spite of rain slicked streets in yesterday morning's rain accidents were kept at a minimum. By 10 a.m. yesterday morning only one accident was

clocked by local police departments, when a skidding car crashed into a barricade in Gardena.

Not one accident was logged in the same period by Torrance police as drivers slowed down to allow for hazardous conditions.

King Will Seek 17th District Post in June

Re-election in the June primary election will be sought by Congressman Cecil R. King (D-17th) according to local constituents.

The veteran legislator, who in August will have completed 20 years of service in the U.S. House of Representatives, will be seeking the new 17th Congressional district post.

Seven Torrance Area Men Named To Hospital's Advisory Board

Election of seven new members of the advisory board of the Little Company of Mary Hospital was announced this week by George W. Schneider, president of the board.

Named to the board were: William R. Burke, public relations counsel, Palos Verdes Estates; Edward P. Greene, president of Greene's Ready Mixed Concrete, Redondo Beach; Fred I. Tourtelot, executive vice president of Travel Center, and councilman of Rolling

Hills; Robert W. Sabel, nuclear physicist and consulting engineer, Hollywood Riviera; Harold G. Frentz, manager of the downtown branch of the Bank of America, Torrance; James L. Barrett, attorney, Palos Verdes Estates; Gene Alfred, director of public relations and advertising of Harvey Aluminum, Torrance.

New members of the advisory board will be officially introduced at the Founders' Day Banquet to be held at the Plush Horse, Jan. 31.

Rob Ice Cream Vendor of \$33

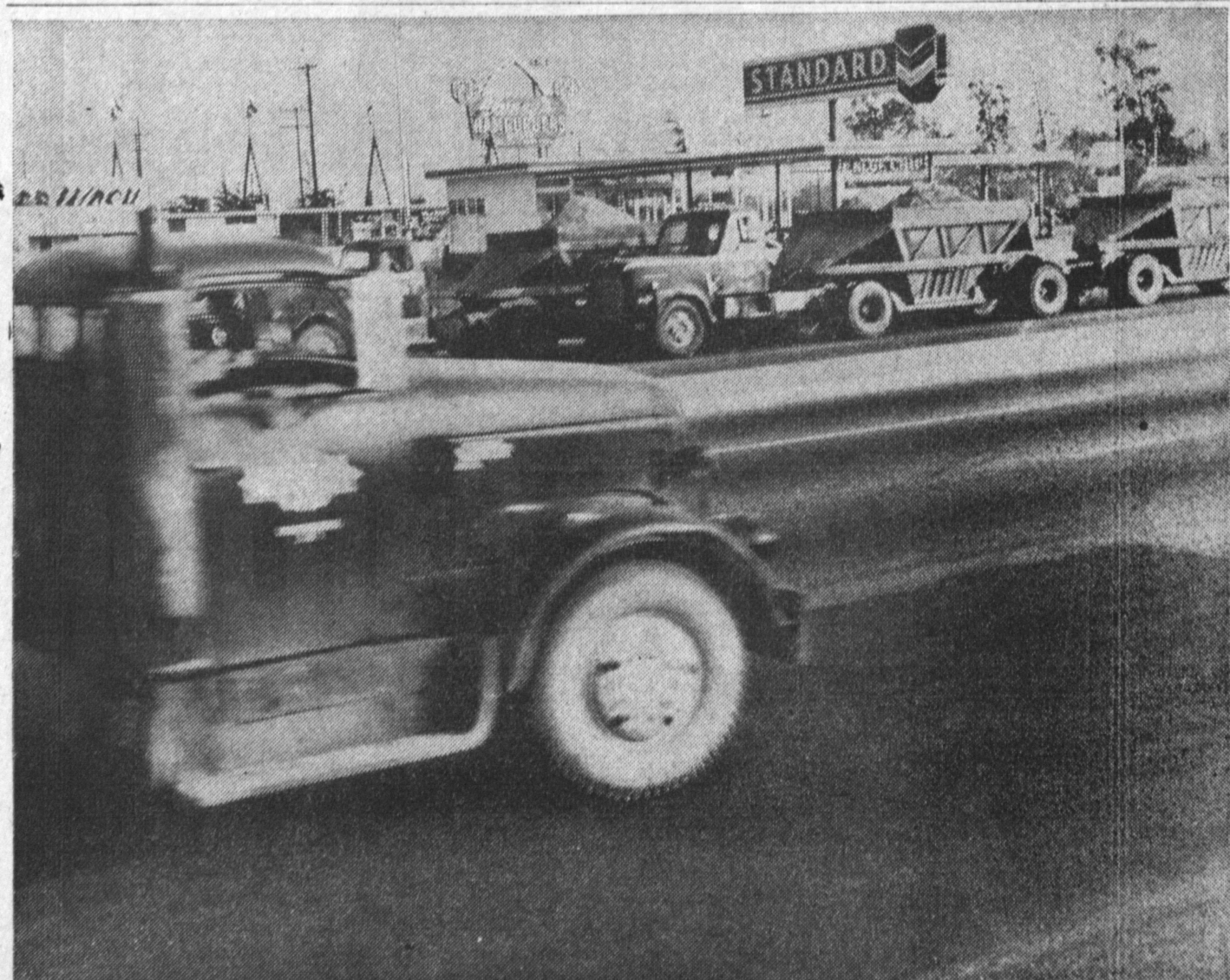
A local ice cream salesman stopped his truck to take an order Wednesday evening and found himself taken instead—to the tune of \$33.

Good Humor man, Norman C. Stenson, 32, told Torrance police officers he stopped for two boys on Kornblum Ave. near 190th St. One of the youths, wearing a straw hat, carried a .32 caliber revolver. His partner brandished a pocket knife.

After turning over the money which the juveniles demanded, Stenson was ordered to get into his truck and drive around the corner. When he returned with police, boys had vanished.

Alert Sirens to Be Tested Thurs.

City of Torrance will test air raid warning devices at two locations between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon next Tuesday, it was reported yesterday.



COMPLAINTS AGAIN—Local drivers were beginning to get the idea that they are being allowed to use Hawthorne Blvd. on sufferance of dirt truckers as complaints began to pour into city hall and the police department Friday. Complaints charged that road-hogging drivers were cruising down the highway two

and three abreast, crowding out motorists. On orders from city hall, police again started cracking down on the drivers after an uneasy peace that had lasted for two months. Above, drivers are off to the freeway site side-by-side in defiance of strict rules laid down by the local police department.

BASED ON POPULATION...

State Vehicle License Fee Apportionment Fattens Torrance Coffers; Check for \$37,000 Received

Coffers of the city of Torrance were fattened this month in the amount of \$37,011.41 when the apportionment, representing revenue from State motor vehicle license fees collected between June 1 and November 30 of 1961 was returned to the City treasury.

The fees are allocated on the basis of a population formula which in this instance allowed slightly less than 34 cents per capita for cities and slightly more than 25 cents per capita for counties.

Torrance led the local apportionment parade,

having a population of 108,900. Other nearby cities receiving their portion were: Gardena, 35,943 pop. \$12,215.80; Hermosa Beach, pop. 16,115, \$5,476.94; Lawndale, pop. 21,740, \$7,338.69; Palos Verdes Estates, pop. 10,450, \$3,551.60; Redondo Beach, pop. 46,986, \$15,968.94; Rolling Hills, pop. 1,664, \$565.54 and Rolling Hills Estates, pop. 4,220, \$1,434.23.

SMALLEST

The above apportionment is the first and smallest of three apportionments to be made in the 1961-62 fiscal year.

Larger apportionments will be made in April and June.

All but a minor portion of the license fees (sometimes known as "in lieu" taxes) goes to local government as the tax takes the place of a local property tax on motor vehicles. Deductions are made from the total collections to cover interest charges on highway bonds and for support of the Department of Motor Vehicles' license fee division.

There is no State restriction on the expenditure of the money and cities and counties may

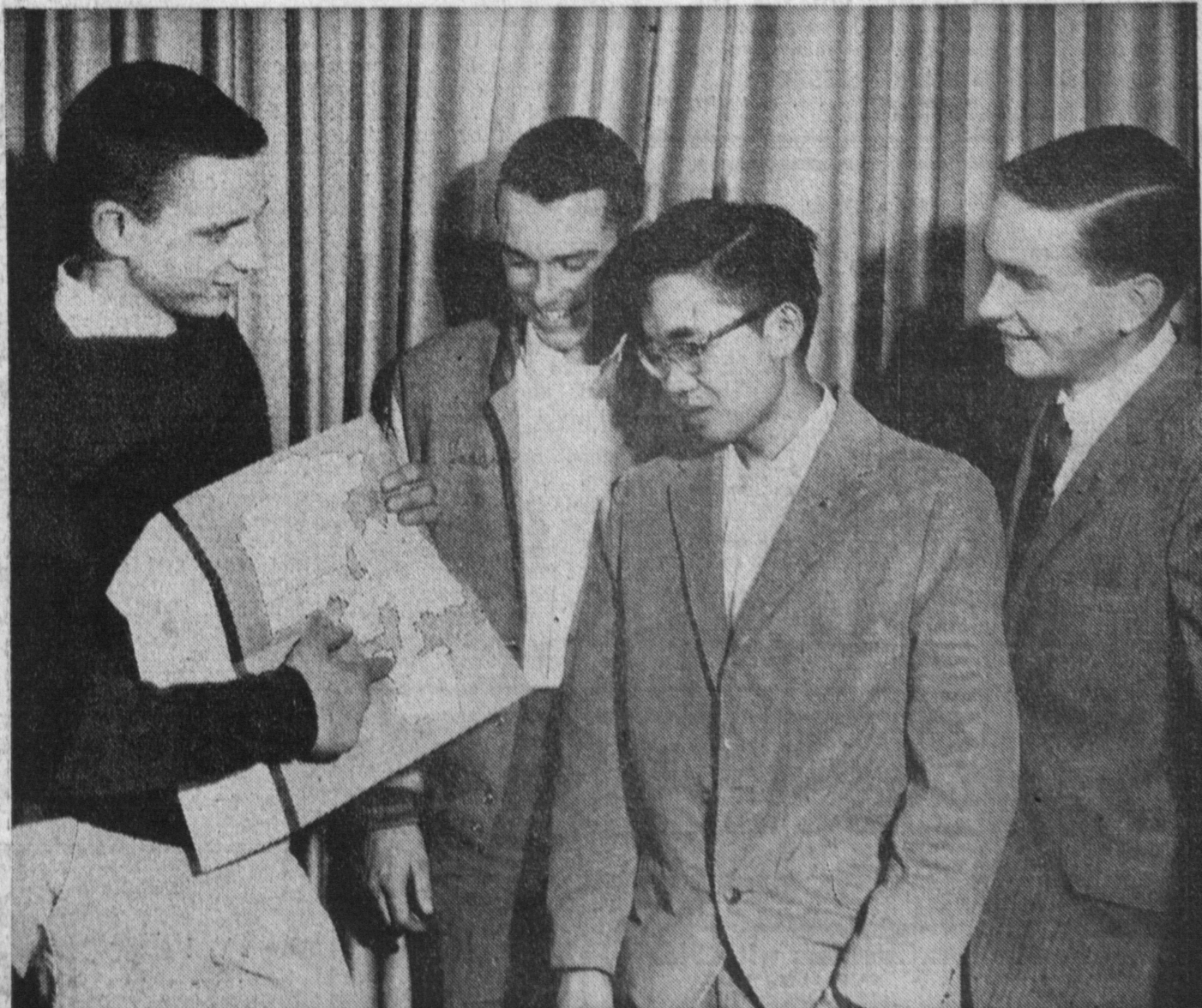
use it for general purposes.

In accordance with State law, the counties' shares were based on April 1, 1960 census figures while cities' shares were based on the census figures as adjusted to reflect incorporations, annexations and special censuses.



GOOD INVESTMENT—Surveys, which will be completed by the Torrance Fire Department, this week, indicate that city units answered nearly one thousand fire and emergency calls last year. Of the calls, more than 30 percent were rescue calls. Chief J. J.

Benner, above examining resuscitator unit with Fireman Robert G. Hill, estimated that the rig, and similar ones in each of the Torrance stations, was responsible, indirectly or directly, for saving the lives of some 250 persons over the year.



TORRANCE FINALIST—Torrance's Tom Pettepiece points out his YMCA area to other finalists in the 14th annual Hi-Y Boy of the Year competition. Winner, to be selected next Wednesday, will receive a \$1,000 college scholarship. Other boys shown are, left to right,

Jack Hamilton, Huntington Park; Harold Honda, Los Angeles; and Tom Morris, Sherman Oaks. All are 17 years old. Pettepiece, active in academic as well as YMCA circles, is the winner of several scholastic and group participation citations.

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