

900 Churches Endanger 1963 Tax Exemptions
 County Assessor Philip E. Watson has warned that 900 churches who have failed to file their property tax exemption claims are in danger of losing their exemptions. Any church that received an exemption last year was mailed a property statement and claim form that must be returned to the Assessor's office no later than 5 p.m., May 6. Claims will be accepted by mail if postmarked by 5 p.m. For further information, the number to call is MA 6-6311.



HAIL THE QUEEN, Sue Weatherman (left) of the Tordondo Little League Baseball League and her two princesses (left to right) Laurie Thomas and Nancy Bowling. The girls graced the opening day ceremonies for their brothers and 350 other Little League baseball players.

What's a Drag Strip?
By GREG SCIARROTTA
 When the word Drag Strip is heard by some people it is often referred to as a teenage hangout where juvenile delinquents try to kill themselves by racing. People who say this, in my opinion, certainly are not acquainted with drags, because from witnessing them myself, they are one of the best-organized and planned events that I have ever seen. The first question anyone asks is: What is a drag strip? Is it round, oval, figure eight, or what? To try to answer, a drag strip is a straight and very level road about 80 feet wide and a mile long. It is never used if wet or slippery. The drag race itself is only a quarter of a mile and is timed for speed and elapsed time from start to finish. The other three-quarters of a mile of track is used for stopping and is more than adequate. The cars and dragsters that race on a strip must meet very strict qualifications set up by drag strip officials and police departments. A dragster must be weighed to make sure that it is in proper balance and to make sure there is no chance of it flipping over. The steering, brakes, roll bar, and seat belts are all checked. The driver also has to meet certain qualifications and must wear a crash helmet. The dragster is given a classification and a number. At all races, there

must be an ambulance and fire truck for extra safety precautions. A drag strip is not designed to promote racing, but to keep it on an organized basis off the streets and confined to an area designed for safety. Any car can meet the qualifications. There are stock cars, like the ones all people drive, there are roadsters, competition coupes, and, of course, dragsters. By going to the drag strip you'll be doing your part to keep racing on the track and out of the street.

Levine Flacks For L. A. Show
 Henry Levine, 2126 W. 180th Place, Torrance has been appointed a member of the publicity committee for the 16th annual Southern California Business Show to be held April 30 to May 3, 1963 at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. "Show case of Business Equipment" is the theme of the 1963 show which is sponsored by the Los Angeles Chapter of the National Association of Accountants for the benefit of the local Southern California business community.

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Harbor City School Holds 'Round-Up'

Tomorrow, Thursday, May 2, Harbor City Christian School will celebrate its Annual Round-Up Day on the elementary school grounds at 840 W. 255th St., Harbor City.

Events of the day begin at 10:00 a.m. with a parade, forming in the area near the New Foursquare Church, and marching around the east boundary of the school, terminating on the ball field. All students are invited to be in costume and each class in the school will have an entry in the parade. Marching units, home-made floats and a King and Queen chosen from the Harbor Christian High will highlight this event.

The remainder of the day will include two comedy plays, one from the high school and the other from the Junior high school, a model show, egg throwing, Bubble Gum and greased pole contests.

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