Wednesday, October 9, 1963



TERRY WILLIAMS, left, 4424 W.

238th, Torrance, is sure to be in the line-up of blood donors Thursday, Oct. 17th with clowns like "Jingles", right, on hand to drum up business for the Red Cross bloodmobile's visit to Hughes Aircraft's El Segundo division. Members of "The Clown Club", of which "Jingles" (Mrs. Cecilia Frank

of Inglewood) is president, will be on hand to spur their fellow employees at Hughes to participate in the blood bank which is hoped to net 660 pints of blood. The collection is to be held in a circus tent with appropriate music and hundreds of balloons giving the affair a real circus atmosphere.

Diary of an Optimist

The psychiatrist is the substitute for a wise old grand-ieven to fail. To fail and to father who does not exist. I was about to add: "anymore," learn something from the simple "TRY" from those but the word is superflous. The truth of the matter is experience is to grow to sat- we look to for encourage-

that he never did exist. isfactory maturity. To be ment. What happens when you go to an older-and there-fearful of attempting is to be fore assumed to be wiser-person for advice In most dwarfed beyond recognition cases the advice is: "Don't do it. I know." as adults.

What kind of sound ad-I have a friend who revice is this. It might work profit by our own experi- minds her children when for you, even if it did not ence? Not often. How often they are ashamed at their work for him. In any case, do we find cheerfulness and inadequacy or embarrassed we all have to find out what humor and the understand- in the beginning stages of works for us by our own ing of irony in older folks? some new venture: "Nobody trial and error. Where Sometimes it seems that wakes up one morning would the world be if young their total experience adds knowing how!'

men and women (I don't up to the continual round And this is the truth. We mean children) listened to of complaining, and an ab- are not born knowing how. sence of patience for the We have to teach ourselves; this ivory tower advice?

Yet, the magic word fumbling reachings for ex-"TRY," spoken with symp- perience in their children. ling and stumbling; and we athy and hopefulness, can Even adult children must need, above all, the security send one on a gigantic be permitted to TRY, and that could be provided by a

attempt, which, even if it ends in failure, at least prt vides wisdom and experience for the next attempt.

There is a lady I know who, downing the dregs of her coffee, rises resolutely and makes for the door, say ing with a wry smile, "Well I'm going home, and DO something, evtn if it's the wrong thing!" And, of course, often the wrong thing is better than indecision and no action whatever.

As we grow older do we

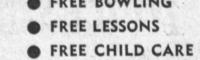
Lomita Drainage **Project Begins**

at Lomita Boulevard and Narbonne Avenue now is under way, Supervisor' Burton W. Chace announced today. The project, to be installed by the County Road Department, will include re constructing curbs, gutters and catch basins and metal

drainage pipe. Chace urges motorists to drive with caution in the construction area.



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Authorization Sought For Clerks to Perform **Civil Marriages**

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\$5 fee was called for this noted. week by Supervisor Ken- Because the marriages thirteen designated facili-

neth Hahn.

Los Angeles County will roll out the red carpets for thou-

invitation for all to visit







th Hahn. Hahn asked the County ble," judges are also finding Hahn asked the County ble," judges are also finding Peter J. Pitchess. Counsel to draft the propos- it difficult to perform the -ed legislation and on his mo- ceremony in a solemn mantion the Board of Supervis-ner. ors will request Governor The rotating judge system

Behind-the-scenes law enforcement activities are as educational as they are exciting.

Brown to put the matter on was put into effect as a stop Each of the thirteen Sherspecial call at the next ses- gap measure after it was disclosed that one judge was iff's Stations will feature sion of the Legislature. Hahn stressed that he fa- conducting "behind the pil- guided tours, inspection of vored religious marriage lar" marriages every Satur- Departmental vehicles and ceremonies whenever pos- day for a gratuity of \$5 or equipment, appropriate dissible, and that he was not \$10, or whatever the couples plays, and handout brochures regarding the Deendorsing the civil marriage wished to give. over the religious ceremony. The judge was conducting partment's activities. Mount-

However, experience has up to 60 ceremonies each ed Possemen will be each Station with displays of taught us that there is a weekend. definite desire by some per- "I feel that by allowing their special equipment.

sons to have a civil cere- the County Recorder and The county area near mony because of religion or County Clerk, both Charter Torrance is served by two other factors," he said. "It officers, to solemnize mar- Sheriff Stations, one at 4331 falls upon the County to see riages for a \$5 fee, we could Lennox Blvd., and the other solve 'several problems." at 7901 S. Compton Ave. that this need is met."

The Supervisor pointed out that a policy of rotating form free marriages in the County Courthouse is not satisfactory

An average of 56 marriages each Saturday have been performed by judges Since the policy was insti-tuted February 9, 1963,

"There is a feeling among the judges that couples cannot be counseled properly in the short time available and that in some cases hasty

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