

Speed, Alcohol Fatal In Accident Picture

"You can count on the fingers of one hand the causes of 60 per cent or more of the traffic accidents that occurred on our roadways during the Memorial Day holiday," declared California Highway Patrol Commissioner Bradford M. Crittenden after a review of the crashes investigated by members of the Patrol during the holiday.

Excessive and unsafe speeds (31.8 per cent), failure to yield the right of way (9.9 per cent), driving while drunk (7.4 per cent), driving on the wrong side of the road (7.4 per cent), and falling asleep at the wheel (5.0 per cent) were listed by Crittenden as the major accident causes.

"In fatal accidents, speed accounted for half of the crashes, and drunk driving was responsible for 10 per cent. Driving on the wrong side of the road and failure to yield the right of way accounted for another 25 per cent.

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Although noting that the late afternoon and early evening hours accounted for about half of the total accidents, Crittenden pointed out that 50 per cent of the fatal crashes occurred between 11 p.m. and 3 a.m., and that two-thirds of the fatal accidents involving a drinking driver occurred between 1 a.m. and 3 a.m.

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Graduation exercises were held Wednesday for members of the sixth grade class.

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Calvary Holds Honor Assembly
An honor assembly was held at Calvary Baptist Elementary School Friday with awards presented for perfect attendance, choir participation, the pentathlon events, and academic achievement. Students honored for the latter were David Bowen, Donald Hudson, and Charlene Ahara.

Remedial Reading Centers Schedule Summer Program
Remedial reading, which made its debut at eight special centers in Torrance last fall, will be offered by the Torrance Unified School District as part of the regular summer school program for the first time this summer.

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Diplomas were presented by John A. Spencer, teacher. Clyde Mitchell, professor at El Camino, addressed the students.

SCIENCE PROGRAM
Stephen C. Beach of 5624 Calle De Ricardo, has been selected as one of 50 high school students to participate in a six-week secondary science training program in mathematics at San Diego State College.

Lomita Post Engages in Installation
Lomita Post 1622 participated in the 15th annual VFW Fourth District mass installation of the Department of California June 5 at the Long Beach Auditorium. Installing officer was Allen J. Martin, VFW department commander.

RECEIVES CAP
Shirl Zimprich, 1834 E. 215th St., was graduated in a capping ceremony from Los Angeles City College Wednesday with 32 student dental assistants.

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