



COMMUNITY SHELTER INITIATED

Residents of the Highlands residential area in Boise, Idaho, stream into their community fallout shelter in test alert. Structure was built as model shelter, largely with civil defense funds. It also serves as a community meeting place.—(AP)

Hurled Out in Crash, Man Dies

A 23-year-old man Wednesday became Long Beach's 46th traffic fatality of the year when he was thrown from a car as it overturned after a broadside collision on Long Beach Boulevard at First Street.

Driver of the other car, Peggy Dean Doherty, 21, of 8019 Bergman Lane, Downey, was booked at the City Jail for investigation of manslaughter after officers said witnesses told them she had run through a red light.

Dead on the scene was William E. Vaughn of 428 Colorado Ave.

HE WAS THROWN from a car driven by David E. Barkand, 20, of the USS Oklahoma City, when it overturned after the Doherty vehicle crashed into it about 1:30 a.m., police said.

The Doherty woman suffered a minor head cut and her passenger, Charles K. McCubbens, 20, of the USS Norton Sound, a broken left leg. Both were treated at St. Mary's Hospital. McCubbens was later transferred to the hospital ship USS Haven.

Last year at this time 36 persons had died in traffic.

Vets' Tax Exemptions Challenged

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Thousands of veterans may illegally be claiming a \$1,000 exemption on property tax, the foreman of the Los Angeles County Grand Jury said.

Hayden F. Jones said the jury has asked the state Board of Equalization to review veterans' exemption regulations and seek new opinions from Atty. Gen. Stanley Mosk.

Jones explained the state constitution provides "that property in the amount of \$1,000 owned by a veteran shall be exempt from taxation provided he does not own property of the value of \$5,000 or more."

HE SAID the jury questions the county assessor's practice of using the assessed value of a veteran's taxable property as the basis of determining his eligibility for exemption.

With a current assessment rate of 24 per cent, he explained, property assessed at \$2,500 or more has a value of more than \$10,000.

He said more than 550,000 county veterans saved \$34 million in property taxes by claiming the exemption in 1960.

"Whatever portion of this total is undeserved means that much more burden for other taxpayers to carry," he said.

Aid Blind Refugees

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—The Vatican's pontifical mission for Palestine refugees has donated \$60,000 to establish a center for the blind in the Gaza Strip.

Army Adds Swahili to Language Course

MONTEREY, Calif. (AP)—The Army language school celebrated its 20th anniversary Wednesday with announcement of two new courses—in Swahili and Toishan.

Army plans to develop a course in Swahili, an African language spoken in the sub-Saharan region, were made to meet an anticipated need for African linguists.

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