

## BOY, 17, ARRESTED IN THEFT OF EXPLOSIVES

Exclusive to The Times from a Staff Writer

CHINO—Dennis Eugene Gill, son of a civilian underwater demolition expert working overseas, was described Tuesday as a bright youth, particularly in his chemistry class at Chino High School.

The 17-year-old student was arrested late Monday after police found him experimenting with explosives they said could have leveled six to eight city blocks.

Det. Melvin Teal said Gill, who lived with the Lester Jones family next door to Chino High, was experimenting in the Jones garage with two boxes of a chemical described as nitro-carbonate, 500 feet of fast-burn-

ing fuse and a bottle of glycerin. Teal said Gill was trying to find a way to detonate the explosives.

"If it were detonated all at once," said Teal, "it would have taken care of six to eight city blocks with no problem."

Teal said the explosives had been stolen earlier from a desert mine near Victorville. Gill was booked on charges of possession of explosives and receiving stolen property.

### Baseball Kills Boy, 9

LOS BANOS, Calif. (AP)—Kurt Salha, 9, was injured fatally when hit in the chest with a baseball during Little League batting practice session Monday.