

BEN HAGGOTT HEADS NEW WEST BASIN WATER ASSN. FORMED TO STUDY PROBLEM

The West Basin Water Association, an organization composed of representatives of cities, private utilities, petroleum industries, industrial and private users of water in the West Basin, was organized in the city council chamber in Inglewood Thursday February 14.

Ben Haggott, president, Palos Verdes Water Company, was elected president and O. A. Gierlich, city engineer, Manhattan Beach, vice president. Allan Harris, Johns-Manville Corporation, will serve as treasurer and Mrs. Leland Dye was appointed temporary executive secretary.

The new association was organized for the following purposes: To take an active interest in the problems arising because of the deficiency existing in the supply of ground water in the West Basin.

To investigate such problems, formulate, adopt, promote, publicize, and effectuate proposals, plans, and policies for providing West Basin, its inhabitants and the producers of water therefrom, with a dependable supply of water sufficient to meet their present and future needs.

To suggest and further such legislation, state or local, as may be necessary or proper to

effectuate such proposals, plans, and policies.

To cooperate with its members and other persons, firms, corporations, municipalities, districts and other agencies, both public and private, interested in or affected by such problems and the solution thereof in any and all matters relating thereto.

The term "West Basin" comprises all that territory in the County of Los Angeles which lies southerly of the Ballona Escarpment and Slauson avenue; westerly of the Inglewood-Newport Fault and the Flood Control Channel of the Los Angeles River; and easterly of the Pacific Ocean.

This association does not contemplate pecuniary gain nor profit to the members thereof and shall have no power to engage in any business for profit, Haggott said.

The following members and directors were present at the organization meeting: L. A. Hulse, Fletcher Oil Company; Fred Powell, Standard Oil Company; John S. Gallagher, Texas Oil Company; Floyd Bradley, Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company; R. W. McOmie, Shell Oil Company; Kenneth E. Kingham, Union Oil Company; W. R. Davis, Richfield Oil Company; Dave W. Peterson, City of El Segundo; Gilbert Potts, Gardena; E. G. Kemp, Hermosa Beach; A. Gierlich, Manhattan Beach; Ben Haggott, Palos Verdes Water Company.

Other members include: Lates, Redondo Beach, Fallisades del Rey, Water Company, Kelvin C. Vanderlip, Rancho Mutual Water Company; Louis J. Alexander, Southern California Water Company; Allan Harris, Johns-Manville Corporation; Ben Haggott, Palos Verdes Water Company.

Santa Fe Land Improvement Company has joined the organization since the meeting and has designated Herbert Lapham as a member of the board of directors. A majority of the large water producers have joined the association and it is expected that the others will become members in the next few days.

Many Cities Of the cities originally interested in the group, Hawthorne and Inglewood are the only two which have not become members to date.

Those eligible for membership are: Producer members. Any person, firm, corporation, district, municipality, or other agency, public or private, taking or diverting water from the ground in the West Basin may be ad-



"Was on Disease show," free to public in County Museum, Exposition Park, Los Angeles. is a feature of Disease Prevention Week, now being conducted by Community Health Association and other health agencies. Ben Haggott, public health nurse, participates in show.

Junior Fire Department Members Named

Thirteen Torrance elementary school pupils were awarded honorary titles from the Torrance Fire Department Tuesday, following their appointment to the Junior Fire Department here.

Eight more pupils from the Fern ave. school received their awards today, according to Capt. Roy Winters of the city fire department.

Students awarded at Torrance elementary school are: William Moore, battalion chief; Ronald Turner, capt.; John Greene, capt.; Michael Chambers, capt.; Duane Anderson, capt.; Duane Brimley, capt.; Rudolph Bowen, capt.; Joyce Dolan, lt.; Virginia Buchanan, lt.; Betty Donnel, lt.; Jacqueline MacGreager, lt.; Shirley Duncan, lt., and Floyd Shirley, lt.

Receiving awards today from Fern Avenue school are: Bill Gray, battalion chief; Tom Mata, capt.; Carol Campbell, capt.; Patty Dunmyer, lt.; Marca Wright, lt.; Betty Phipps, lt.; Erma Peck, lt., and Beth Ann Jenkins, lt.

Capt. Winters said that the Torrance Junior Fire department is a fire prevention activity and does not include the extinguishing of fires. Classes are conducted in the grammar schools one hour of each week and after 10 weeks of instruction the pupil is required to take the examination.

Those passing the examination are appointed to the department, he said, the pupil with the highest grade of each school becomes the battalion chief. The highest grades beneath the chief become captains with lieutenants following in line. Fire drills are conducted by this body in the schools under the supervision of the principal and Capt. Winters of the Fire Department.

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The stork delivered three girls and two boys to local parents in the Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week. These parents are:

Mr. and Mrs. James Alexander, 25202 Eshelman ave. boy, Feb. 17, 6:32 a. m.
Mr. and Mrs. Camille Broucke, 25625 Narbonne ave. boy, Feb. 16, 4:22 p. m.
Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Lewis, 20210 S. Western ave., girl, Feb. 17, 3:09 a. m.
Mr. and Mrs. Alvaro Mora, 1434 W. 218th st., girl, Feb. 19, 8:06 a. m.
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Tam-bash, 25832 Narbonne ave., girl, Feb. 17, 4:37 p. m.

AHWAHNEE HOTEL
Yosemite Valley's Ahwahnee Hotel has not yet been opened for civilian occupancy. It is expected that the Ahwahnee will be ready to receive guests in October of this year.

mitted to membership as a producer member in this association.

Associate members. Any person, firm, corporation, district, municipality, or other agency, public or private, interested in or affected by the purposes of this association and who is not qualified as a producer member, may be admitted to membership as an associate member in this association.

Upon joining this association the member shall subscribe to these articles at the end thereof. These articles may be executed in counterparts, and when so executed shall be considered as constituting the complete original Articles of Association.

Next meeting of the association will be held Thursday, March 21 in the Inglewood City Council chamber at 7:30 p. m.

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