

IT'S NOT THE HEIGHT . . . It's the simplicity that gets workers of the city park department. Latest device which combines working at tree-top level and efficiency is a portable ladder rig purchased by the city. Tree trimmers say it cuts their tree trimming time in half. Photo, above, depicts view from atop the 40-foot ladder extension.

NEW LADDER RIG TRIMS TREE TRIMMING TIME

The park department's tree-trimming time, always a major item, has been trimmed in half with the addition of a \$1350 truck-ladder rig which went into service here this month. Yesterday, while a member of the city's tree-trimmer gang perched 40 feet above the ground performed surgery on the dead limb of a eucalyptus tree, Tom Mann, ground man, explained some of the advantages of the new outfit. "Used to be, we'd have to hoist ladders up against a tree, climb up, and then try to operate and hang onto the ladder at the same time," Mann declared. "Now, all that is changed. Our man rests on a special platform at the top. He's strapped in; he can't fall. It cuts our tree-cutting job in two."

MAN FINED \$125, LICENSE SUSPENDED

Leroy George Krose, 24, last Thursday was fined \$150 and his operator's license suspended for 90 days by Judge Otto B. Willet for what arresting officers charged was drunk driving.

Mann added, that when a tree-shaping job is completed, the ladder conveniently folds down onto the bed of the one-and-one-half-ton truck. The crew can then speed away for work on other trees, repair street lights or even hang street decorations.

P.E. Request to Get Four-Day Hearing

The Pacific Electric Railway company's request for permission to abandon certain street-car lines and to substitute bus service will have a four-day hearing beginning September 19. Opponents of the proposal will have the opportunity to voice their protests during the hearing.

The hearing is scheduled to be held in the office of the state public utilities commission in the state building in Los Angeles.

College Summer Attendance Sets Record

With a record Summer School enrollment completed at El Camino College for its second summer session the final totals were announced today by H. J. Sheffield, director of student personnel. Enrolled are 567 men and 299 women for the total of 866. Included in the summer school enrollment are 382 new students who have enrolled at El Camino for the first time.

As an added service to enrollees a complete battery of vocational tests together with vocational counseling by one of the college counselors has been made available. This test battery, which is available not only to summer session enrollees but to students who plan to attend El Camino College for the first time in September is

offered between the hours of 3 p. m. and 6 p. m. daily Monday through Friday under the direction of George D. Watt, college psychology instructor.

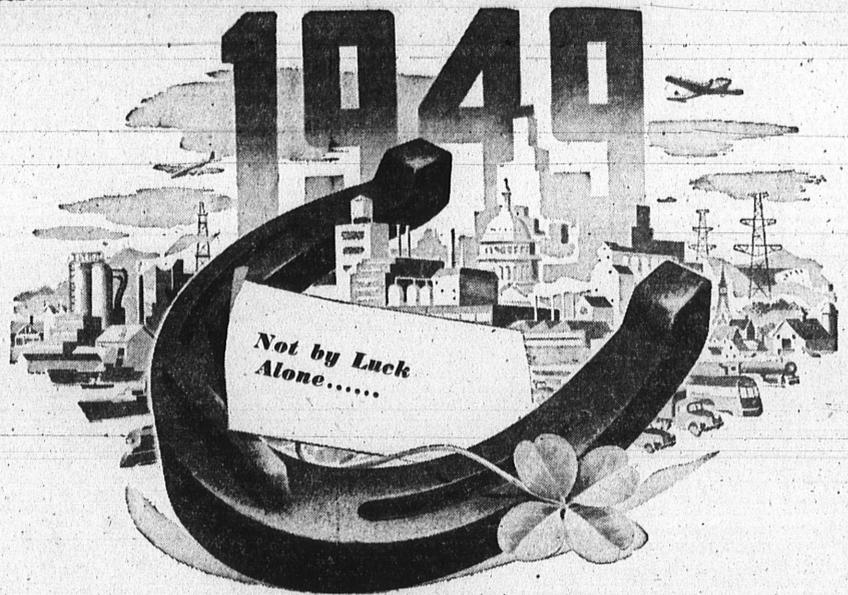
CENTER MOVES

The Church World Service Center for receiving, processing and shipping clothing, bedding and other supplies for overseas relief moved this week to a new location at 7320 Compton avenue, Los Angeles.

Squadron Lead by Local Flyer on Navy Training Hop

While serving with the U. S. Naval Reserve, Lt. Bob Tolson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tolson, 903 Beech avenue, lead a squadron of 15 fighter planes from the Los Alamitos Air Station on a training flight to Texas.

The four-day flight was made as part of the two-week training now being given 43 members of the so-called "Weekend Warriors" of the Naval Reserve.



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