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Dogs are more likely to bite the hand that teases them during hot weather, so it is well for parents to see that children leave them alone as much as possible during this period. Contrary to popular belief, however, dogs are not particularly subject to rabies in the summer months.

Rabies can appear at any time during the year and many of the worst outbreaks have occurred in the winter season. It is a treacherous, deadly infection which, once allowed to develop, is always fatal. It cannot be cured but it can be prevented.

Dogs carry the germ, or virus, which causes rabies, in their saliva and if the animal is infected, this germ can be transmitted to another animal or a human being—usually through a bite, although the infection can be spread if a rabid animal simply licks a scratch on the hand of the person who is petting or handling him.

In case of a bite by a suspected animal, wash off the area with soap and water as quickly as possible and report at once to your physician or nearest health center.

Bites on the face and neck are more dangerous and Pasteur treatment should be started immediately. Cauterization of the wound is frequently required. Lacerations on other parts of the body are less urgent since it takes the virus longer to get to the nervous system and Pasteur treatment can be delayed.

The dog should be tied up in the yard (or boarded at the local pound or animal hospital) for a minimum period of 10 days and observed closely for any signs of the disease. Should they appear, Pasteur treatment must be given.

If, after biting someone, the dog cannot be located, medical authorities advise taking the Pasteur treatment. Remember, that no treatment is possible once symptoms appear.

Never kill the dog that is suspected of having rabies. Have him restricted for veterinary observation and you may save yourself the expense and inconvenience of unnecessary Pasteur treatments.

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**LOVELY TRUCK DRIVER...** Diminutive Marie Armin, 28, owns her own trucking outfit and drives her own trucks on jobs both large and small. Almost dwarfed by her truck "Jumbo" she is preparing to go out on a job. The company at 1747 Pacific Coast Highway was organized because of a piano... her ten-year-old daughter, Roberta, wants one.—Lomita News photo.

**Scouting ... Around**  
By BOB MAXFIELD

Today, September 1, marks the long-awaited lowering of the minimum age requirements for all phases of the Boy Scout Program. As of this date, boys between the ages of eight and 11 may join the Cub Scouts, boys between 11 and 14 may join the Boy Scouts, and young men over the age of 14 will now be permitted to enter one of the phases of the Explorer Scout program. This lowering of the age limits by one year will meet more adequately the needs of the modern, active boy, and will group the members of the individual units more in accordance with their interests and desires.

The Scout Troops, Cub Packs, and Senior Units of the Torrance Area welcome into their ranks a new member, Troop 725 of the Pueblo. This recently organized Troop was brought into being through the heroic efforts of Leland Franz, Vice Chairman of the Organization and Extension Committee of the Harbor District, Boy Scouts of America.

The group is at the present time sponsored by a Pueblo citizens group and meets every Friday evening at 7:30 at the Pueblo Center.

Mr. Franz was very fortunate in obtaining an excellent group of officers to head the new Troop. They include Scoutmaster Ruben Ordax, Officer D. C. Cook of the Torrance Police Department as Assistant Scoutmaster, and Committee Chairman Tony Riggs.

The scout leaders of this area, and Mr. Franz in particular, have long felt the need for a Scout Troop for the Pueblo area, so we all join in wishing Troop 725 a long and happy career of Scouting.

Four members of the Green Bar Patrol, a troop officers group of Troop 241 spent last week on a hike into the San Gabriel Mountains. The party, composed of Assistant Scoutmaster Bob Maxfield, Senior Patrol Leader Jerry L. Watson, Quartermaster Hal C. Lauder, and Patrol Leader Dick McWhirter, hiked through Big Santa Anita Canyon, over Mount Wilson, Mount Lowe, and down in Millard Canyon. The group visited the ruins of the old Mt. Lowe Tavern, and in climbed railway, and also explored the Dawn Mine, an abandoned gold mine in the upper end of Millard Canyon. The purpose of this hike was a combined outing for the officers and an exploration of future hiking and camping sites for Troop 241.

Explorer Ship 213-S, the S.S.S. Decatur has at last obtained a sponsor, a citizens group from the Torrance-Lomita Area. Now, with the financial success of the unit's recent donut sale and the blessings of official sponsorship, the local Explorers can begin their program in earnest.

Thirteen members and three officers of 213-S will leave Saturday morning September 3 for Catalina Island aboard the unit's vessel, the S.S.S. Decatur. The group will visit Emerald Bay, Avalon, and spend the Labor Day holidays cruising about the island. The main purpose of this trip is to acquaint the crew with the operation of the boat, and to hold some exercises in navigation and dead reckoning.

Skipper John P. Wilson will be in command of the group, assisted by Mate Richard Van Dyke and Committeeman E. L. Hetrick.

**CHAMBER HITS YARD SHUTDOWN**

Promised action to forestall the shutdown of Terminal Island Naval Shipyard was received by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce from Senator Sheridan Downey (D-Calif.) late last week in response to a letter of protest sent by Charles Ver Jones, president of the local chamber. In Jones' letter to the senator, the Torrance civic leader pointed out the effect the closing would have upon business in this area. He advised that a number of the yard's workers live in Torrance and near-by communities.

Downey's reply stated that he was keenly concerned about the impact of the shutdown. The senator promised that he would do everything possible to alleviate the situation. Reports from Washington this Monday indicated that Navy officials would reconsider their action.

One of the reasons given for closing the yard, the Navy claims, is that the yard is becoming less efficient because of the sinkage at the west end.

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**BEAUTIFUL GIRL TACKLES BIG JOBS WITH TRUCKS**

Trucking and hauling is a business usually reserved for big, brawny men, but there are exceptions to every rule. The exception in this case is a 5 foot 2 inch beauty who founded and operates a trucking company right here at 1747 Pacific Coast highway.

Mrs. Marie Armin, 28, mother of three children, drives her own big dump truck, and when big jobs require it, calls in aid from other owners of rigs and equipment.

It all started when ten-year-old daughter Roberta said she wanted a piano, and mother decided to earn the money with which to buy a good piano. Parked alongside their home at 1040 W. 296th street, was a two-ton dump truck that her husband, Norman, had purchased for use in a proposed contracting business. Mrs. Armin had learned to drive the rig and decided that it was not earning its keep sitting in the yard, so she started to work driving it on jobs.

Lack of a telephone prevented her from getting several jobs, so she set up her office in a rented building at the Pacific Coast highway address and immediately secured a phone.

She is the only woman in the Teamsters Local 396, A. F. of L. and can operate the big truck with the best of them.

"My husband has encouraged me in the business and I intend to make it a success," she said. "He is in the construction business and has no part of this trucking concern, except for the initial investment of the big truck."

The young lady has other talents too... for she has painted her own signs on the building using a design created by her husband of an elephant with a large log in its trunk... signifying that the trucking company is sturdy and dependable.

"I now have sand, gravel, rock, top soil, fill soil and other needs for builders and can make deliveries right away," she said. "I'm trying to make this concern a good one, and we intend to give the best service on all orders. When my own truck won't do the job, I have others that I can call so there just isn't a job too large or too small for us."

Her other two children, Norman Jr., age four and Yvonne, 2½, attend nursery school while their mommy is busy at the office, but Roberta drops into the

**Chest Workers To Study Red Feather Talks**

"How to put magic in the magic formula," Dale Carnegie secret to successful public speaking, is soon to be imparted to Red Feather orators.

Training classes for members of the Community-Chest Speakers Bureau will be conducted by instructors of the famed Dale Carnegie method, it has just been announced by Nelson McIninch, Speakers Bureau Chairman for the Community Chest of the Los Angeles Area.

To save wear and tear on tires this professional knowledge will be available in the Harbor area for speakers from Torrance, Lomita, Dominguez, Wilmington, Rolling Hills, Palms Verdes, San Pedro and Gardena. A series of three classes will be held on Tuesday night, Sept. 9 and Monday nights, September 12 and 19, at the San Pedro Welfare Center, 1427 South Pacific, San Pedro.

Strong emphasis will be given the Speakers Bureau program this year through the appointment of a speakers bureau chairman in each community who will obtain engagements for Red Feather speakers on a wide scale in his own town.

Everyone who can qualify for this vital assignment is urged to enroll at once through the San Pedro Welfare Center at 1427 South Pacific, telephone TE 3-5227, or at the Central Speakers Bureau at Chest headquarters, 729 South Figueroa Street, MI-8821.

A feature of the first speakers training class on Tuesday, September 8 in San Pedro will be the Community Chest technical sound movie which shows Chest supported services in action.

office each day to answer the phone and help out while school vacation is underway.

During the war she worked as an electrical inspector for the U. S. Army at various local plane plants, and isn't afraid of getting her hands dirty.

So far business has been good, and she now has several regular clients that call her for jobs, but she said the overhead and upkeep were sapping most of her income but that the business potential was there and she was going to make the grade with her new business.

Determination like that is what built the nation, and there is little doubt but that the Harbor Cities Trucking Co., M. E. Armin, owner, will make its way to the top.

### Reflections

By J. Hugh Sherfey, Jr.

#### Dave, the Bus Driver

He ignores weather. Though the sun is blistering hot, or the wind howls or gale, or snow lays a slick blanket, or fog is a solid wall, Dave pilots his bus with steel-spring nerves and infinite confidence.

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We know that he lives life and death drama every second of every trip, each second is filled with danger, yet, he has an enviable record; thousands and thousands of miles without an accident. Few private car drivers can say as much. He is the man we trust with our life without a second thought.

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**MOVEMENT ENLISTS AID FOR ADEQUATE POLIO TREATMENT**

A movement to enlist the aid of all county residents desiring more adequate facilities for the care of poliomyelitis patients was started by the Board of Supervisors recently.

According to Supervisor Raymond V. Darby, the County's Chief Administrative Officer was directed to invite such citizens to an open meeting in the Board's Hearing Room, for the purpose of forming a committee to work for the success of the proposed \$5,000,000 bond issue for a new Contagious Disease Unit at the County Hospital. Plans are to place this matter before the voters at the special State election to be held on November 8, 1949.

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