

Tree Planting Ceremonies To Highlight 186th St. PTA Founders' Day Celebration

The 186th St. PTA will commemorate Founders' Day on Feb. 11 with a tree-planting ceremony, to be held at the school at 2 p.m.

CIRCLES SET DESSERT LUNCHEONS

A series of dessert luncheons are in store for the Women's Society of Christian Service, Methodist Church, next week.

Circle One will start the ball rolling with a 12:30 p.m. affair at the Church on Tuesday, Feb. 3. Mesdames M. H. Booth, and A. R. Cramer will share hostess honors.

The following Thursday, Mrs. Earl Robnett will open her home, 333 Palos Verdes Dr., N. Rolling Hills, to members of Circle Two for a similar 12:30 p.m. gathering. Assisting her in the hostess role will be Mrs. J. P. Wehler.

Members of Circle Three will gather at the same time at the home of Mrs. Grover C. Van Deventer, 2203 W. Carson St., for a birthday party.

Normont School Graduates Eleven

Eleven students participated in graduation exercises at Normont School Friday afternoon and were honor guests at a refreshment hour sponsored by the PTA following the ceremonies.

Featured on the program were a farewell speech by Dave Akens, an accordion solo by Pat Williams, a class will read by Donald Hall, and card tricks presented by Donald Gonzalez.

Principal J. Wear Pearson also gave a farewell address to the class.

Graduating were Maclovia Armijo, Arvey Estrada, Betty Palmer, Romely Ponce, Ruth Riggs, Shirley Scaggs, Victor Van Scoy, Williams, Hall, Akens and Gonzalez.

'Stork Story' FROM TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Three children now compose the family of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Dube, 709 Pine Dr., since the arrival at 1:20 a.m. Jan. 27 of a 7 lb. 10 1/2 oz. boy, Sanford Lewis. The new baby joins Robin Lynn, 6, and Vance Alan, 4. Father is a dispatcher at Sears Roebuck Co.; grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Johnston, 1124 W. Ocean, and Harry Dube, New York.

FUCHSIA CLUB SETS VALENTINE PARTY

Next on the agenda for the Keystone Fuchsia Society is a Valentine party, to be held Feb. 10 at the Keystone Woman's Clubhouse. Mrs. J. H. Parker, publicity chairman, is in charge of arrangements for the affair.

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Baby Sitting, Counseling Classes Offered by Service

Two new courses, how to care for children and techniques in counseling, opened this week at the Compton Counseling Service, Mrs. Leona Prudence, press chairman, announced.

The first class, designed to instruct baby sitters will meet every Wednesday afternoon from 7 to 8 o'clock at the Service, 1317 E. Golden Ave., Compton, for the next six weeks.

This course, designed to fill the growing need of parents of young children as well as youth who want to serve and earn, is being taught by Mrs. Gladys Clouse, newcomer to the Service staff.

She will teach the care of children, what to expect of children at certain ages, and how to handle emergencies. Tests will be given at the end of the course and certificates awarded to those passing the tests.

The "Techniques in Counseling" course will be limited to professional people, counselors, ministers and their wives, doctors, nurses and teachers. The class will meet every Friday for 10 weeks, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

The sessions will include techniques on counseling the pre-marital, marital problems and parent-child relationships. Instruction also will be given on how to discover abnormalities and when and where to refer such cases.

Each class meeting will include a workshop period to learn about tests, how to administer and score them. Be-

HARBOR PTA SEEKS MOMS FOR 'MARCH'

Mrs. Troy Collum, chairman of the "March of Mothers" unit from Harbor City School PTA is still seeking volunteers to aid in the one-evening project, slated from 7 to 9 p.m. next Thursday, Feb. 5.

Anyone interested in joining forces with this PTA may contact Mrs. Leland Van Buren, Lomita 9697.

Mothers will gather at the home of Mrs. Ray Groover, 26010 President Ave., Harbor City, following the drive to tally the amount collected. Coffee and doughnuts will be served.

PAPER DRIVE RATED SUCCESS

The entire student body of Harbor City Elementary School will view a movie on the last day of school as a reward for the success of the PTA-sponsored paper drive held last week.

Mrs. D. C. Cheek, ways and means chairman, reported on the success of the Christmas card sale project and also extended an invitation, on behalf of Frank's Furniture Store, to attend a cooking school at the store on Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 4 and 5.

Homemaking Institute To Be Held in March For Girl Scout Leaders

A homemaking institute geared to three age levels will be conducted for Girl Scout leaders this spring. It was announced at last week's meeting of the Harbor Section Planning Committee.

The institute will be held at the council office from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on March 18, 19, and 20.

First session, designed for Brownie leaders, will deal with the topic, "Let's Play House," "Clothes Tell a Story," and "Careers" will be subject matter for the next two meetings, to be held for Intermediate and Senior leaders, respectively.

Pre-registration through neighborhood chairmen is necessary for each class. Registration fee will be 25 cents.

Health Officer Says 6400 in LA County Have Cerebral Palsy
Cerebral palsy is a term used to describe a group of five disorders that, as a result of disease or injury, affect the motor centers of the brain. Specialists in this field claim that in 30 per cent of the cases the damage to the brain occurs before birth, 60 per cent at birth, while in the remaining 10 per cent of the cases the damage is done at some later date—usually before three years of age. It is estimated that seven out of every 100,000 children born in the United States are so afflicted and approximately 6400 of them are in Los Angeles County, according to Dr. Roy O. Gilbert, County Health Officer.

Formerly cerebral palsy was thought to be synonymous with feeble-mindedness, but this theory is no longer acceptable to the professional people who handle these children. It is now well established that cerebral palsied individuals have ability to profit from the educational and therapeutic services provided for them. Unfortunately, they are rarely provided in sufficient quantity.

Fatalistic High
Dr. Winthrop Phelps, a nationally known authority on this disorder, states that out of every seven children born with cerebral palsy one dies at birth. Two of them, because of the great involvement of the brain centers which makes any physical control an impossibility, or because of mental defectiveness will be unteachable and, in such cases, are usually placed in institutions. Three will possess average intelligence in varying degrees, and one will be scarcely distinguishable from the child considered brighter than normal.

The forms of cerebral palsy most commonly found in children are those that produce involuntary movements of the arms, legs, or facial muscles (athetosis); jerky, laborious, spas-



NEW, ALL NEW... That's the description for the 1953 International trucks now on display at Carl's Motor Co. in Wilmington. The line of trucks known as the R-Line is available in 168 basic chassis models.

International Trucks Present New R-Line

A completely new line of International trucks, with 168 basic chassis models in 296 wheelbases, was introduced this week at the Harbor area, it was announced by Carl's Motor Co., International truck dealer for Wilmington.

Carl said trucks of the new line, designated the R-line, are being shown at 1200 Avalon Blvd.

"The International R-line, most complete line of trucks in the world, consists of light, medium and heavy-duty motor trucks whose gross vehicle weight ratings range from 4200 to 90,000 pounds," Carl said. "Gasoline, liquefied petroleum gas or diesel engines are available."

The line, announced nationally by W. C. Schumacher, general manager of the motor truck division of International Harvester Co., Chicago, is being shown in International branch and dealer showrooms throughout the country.

"The R-line trucks offer 307 new features developed at our engineering and test laboratories at Fort Wayne, Ind., and proved at our Phoenix, Ariz., desert proving ground," Carl said.

"The new International trucks are identified by the distinctive IH emblem, which replaces the traditional Triple Diamond. "Truck-to-job specialization is possible with the R-line to a de-

Veteran PE Employee Retires Here

Edgar M. White, longtime Torrance resident now living at 441 E. Pleasant St., Long Beach, yesterday announced his retirement from Pacific Railway Co. after 42 years in railroad service, including 39 with PE.

White had been a blacksmith at the company's Torrance shops since they were built in 1919. He moved to Torrance in 1923 and resided here until recent months.

Born in 1886 in Philadelphia, Pa., he was a youngster of 9 when the family moved to Burbank, where his father became a pioneer rancher.

White's son, Earl, worked for Pacific Electric for five years and a brother, Walter, retired as chief clerk of the PE Mechanical Department.

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Board members attending were R. R. Smith, president; Grover C. Whyte, vice-president; Dr. John W. Beeman, treasurer; Don Findley, secretary; Mrs. Charles Curtiss, assistant secretary; and O. A. Kresse, Mrs. N. J. Jamieson, L. C. Miller and Dr. Ernest G. Butt, directors. Spouses of the leaders were also guests.

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