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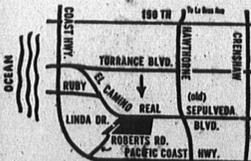
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## Walteria News

### Planting of Tree Marks Arbor Day

By BETTY MITCHELL  
Lomita 2635-W  
The Walteria Recreation Park is richer by one tree, thanks to the efforts of the Walteria Business Men's Club. The tree was presented to Mayor Schwab by Loring L. Bigelow, who was representing the club, after Mr. Bigelow gave a short address on the history of Arbor Day. The tree was planted Saturday. A crowd of approximately 50 attended the ceremony. By the way, the tree is a Mexican ash and should be a very beautiful example of Mother Nature's handiwork. Also representing Torrance along with the Mayor was Al Turner of the Mayfair Creamery. The M.C., Mr. Bigelow, is at present one of the State directors of the California State Association of Nurserymen. He also gave a speech at the last meeting of the Business Men's Club held as a dinner meeting at the Fish Shanty on March 5. At present the Club is planning a community sunrise service for Easter in Walteria. Chairman of the affair is James Whitmer, who reports that the plans are progressing rapidly. More about this service will be in the column on a future date.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cramer, of Los Codona Ave., and their two children were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Andrews in San Fernando Valley on Thursday, February 26.

This seems to be the month for birthdays. The largest birthday celebration was the one held by the Girl Scouts. Two of our troops of girls attended the party at the Pan Pacific Auditorium on Saturday. The troops were Intermediate Scouts number 892 and 971, under the leadership of Mmes. Nannery and Wrigley. The two troops, chartered a bus and were joined by a Torrance troop under the leadership of Mrs. Cunningham, so there were 41 girls altogether in the bus. It was a lot of fun for all attending.

The Cub Scout committee held its meeting for the month at the home of Mrs. Dannie Jordan of Dalemead St. It was decided that the various committee members would try to visit various homes and try to get more committee members to help with the Cub activities. Anyone interested in joining this activity may call the Schrauben residence at Lomita 1116-W. They will be more than happy to hear from you.

Away on a camping trip are Mr. and Mrs. Al Freels and daughter, Fanny, of Danaha St. They will be back sometime next week.

Lunching at the Fish Shanty on Pacific Coast Highway last week were Mrs. Paul Bowen of Danaha St., her mother, Mrs. O. E. Allis of Long Beach, and Mrs. Shumate and Miss Lorenzen, also of Long Beach. The four got together on Wednesday afternoon, March 4.

Guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cornell, Ward St., is J. T. Geesey of North Dakota. He is visiting with

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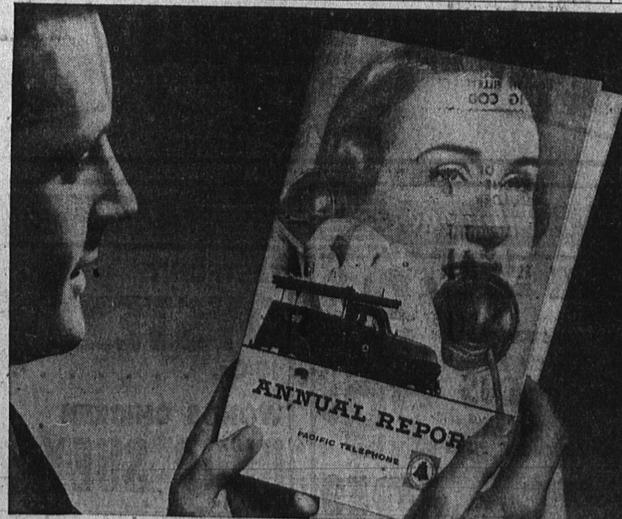
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### 1952 Highlights

- Every day, Pacific Telephone spent half a million dollars on construction.
- Improvements in wages and related benefits for telephone employees amounted to more than \$21,000,000 annually.
- Total taxes per telephone in 1952 amounted to \$37.17. This means an average tax of \$3.10 per telephone per month—almost double what it was ten years ago.
- Microwave radio relay facilities were extended to Portland, Seattle and San Diego... helping us to handle more long distance calls than ever, and bringing network television to these cities for the first time.

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