

Savings Firm Fills Post

S. Mark Taper, chairman of the board, American Savings & Loan Assn. has announced the appointment of Philip M. Bishop as the association's vice president in charge of development of

branches. He will operate from the institution's main office at 210 E. Philadelphia St. in Whittier.

Bishop has had extensive experience in all phases of mortgage lending and savings and loan activities in Southern California for the past 12 years. He is active in San Gabriel Valley civic organizations where he resides in West Covina with his wife and children.

Garden Chatter

By LORING BIGELOW
Often times a parkway ground cover of Ivy will get away from the home owner and start up a tree which is planted in this parkway. The property owner may plant ivy at the base of the tree to hide what to him is an ugly stump

or trunk, or even to disguise a type of tree that he does not care for. In any event, little may be known at the time of the consequences when this ivy is allowed to grow.

After a few short years the tree that it is going up begins to suffer. It is having its branches shaded out and the weight of this accumulated ivy increases as time goes on. Birds may build large quantities of nests within the ivy cover and this bird population

may "attack" you during their nesting season. This bird build-up may also take all of the fruit your trees can produce. The mess that they make is untidy and often times this ivy build-up is a source of rodent colonies.

As time goes by, the growth put out by these few ivy plants is gigantic. The tree itself may eventually die and the ivy live on. When this happens the stump of the tree

gradually weakens and eventually may topple over upon the walk, curb, car or in some cases people. If the home-owner becomes aware of this large growth of ivy and severs its connection with the ground, the whole top will die and then the entire unit becomes a dry and hazardous fire trap.

It is best not to plant ivy or any other type plant to accomplish such a disastrous end as this, but if so keep it under control with an occasional

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pruning and do not allow the plant to climb up into the tree just as it pleases. Tree surgeons make a heavy charge for this ivy removal.

The 3200 block of Newton St., Torrance holds a very good example of this very subject and all stages of this ivy development may be observed —yet, even the death of the original tree.



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Editor, Torrance Herald.
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