



**Brownie Troop 1378**

Brownie Troop 1378 recently held an investiture ceremony at the WALTERIA Scout House under the leadership of Mrs. Millie Johnson and Mrs. Geri Russak, who was invested as co-leader.

Following the flag ceremony

and pledge of allegiance, the Brownie story was portrayed by the older Brownies who later received their one-year pins. Among these Brownies were: Carol Martin, Cathy Wilk, Penny Johnson, Linda Coleman, Marsha Curtis, Katis Poirier, and Cathy Ball.

**Girl Scout Troop 216**

Five girls in Troop 216 received their Brownie Wings and Girl Scout Pins at a Fly-Up Ceremony on Girl Scout Sunday. Past leaders were honored with presentation of certificates of appreciation and were also guest with their families. Pot Luck fol-

lowed the ceremony. The five Fly-Up girls were Kathy Garrison, Carla Edward, Evelyn Wilson, Gwen Mills and Pat Bobbitt. The past leaders present were Cleora Mc Ness, Carole Bree and Gwendolyn Mills. Two past leaders unable to be present were Ruth Weil and May Craig.

The past leaders with Mrs. Judson Bowers (neighborhood chairman of central Torrance Girl Scouts) and co-leader, Mrs. William Brock, pinned the wings on the girls. Leader Lucile Wilson pinned on their Girl Scout Pins.

Charlene Garrison, senior Girl Scout, assisted the leader in training the girls. The program was begun with a flag ceremony by the Brownie patrol consisting of Cheryl Moore, Jenell Moore, Connie Brannon, Cherry Broch and Terry Mills.

Halldale PTA has sponsored Troop 216 for five consecutive years. This year it was awarded to Tom Adams, Keny Cramer, Russel Devore, George Glass, Ray Harter, Dennis Haslam, Terry Kemp, Hubert Knoop, Dennis McGowa, Craig Peroutka, Mickie Ross, Mike Schuster, and Mike Walker.

Accompanying the scouts was Scoutmaster Dick Ross. Boy Scout Week patches were awarded to: Tom Adams, Keny Cramer, Russel Devore, George Glass, Ray Harter, Dennis Haslam, Terry Kemp, Hubert Knoop, Dennis McGowa, Craig Peroutka, Mickie Ross, Mike Schuster, and Mike Walker.

**Boy Scout Troop 998**

Boy Scout Troop 998 celebrated Boy Scout Week with an overnight camp at El Nido Park. Highlight of the week-

end was the council fire around which the boys performed skits, recited poetry, and participated in community singing.

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Unfortunately, the joint legislative committee on assessment practices, a committee composed of both members of the assembly and senators, has published a report in which "consultants" and "experts" are represented as favoring a reduction in the assessment on public utilities, such as the Southern California Edison Company, and a gradual increase through the years ahead of the assessment on homes, starting at an assessment on homes based on 30% of the market value instead of the present 25%.

In other words, they recommend a 20% increase in your taxes in order to give a reduction to the taxes of the Southern California Edison Company and other utilities. I particularly mention the Southern California Edison Company because it has sent its representatives to meetings of the joint legislative committee on assessment practices, and recommended the increase I am explaining.

There are both Republicans and Democrats responsible for the report of the joint committee. Obviously, all of them primarily represent owners of homes and should be more interested in helping home owners than the big utility companies.

When I discussed this new assault on the taxpayers of California, I was told that no newspaper would want to print this issue of the Sacramento Report because it would antagonize utilities, especially the Southern California Edison Company, which advertise in newspapers. This does not alarm me, because in addition to shifting part of the tax burden from utilities to homeowners, part of the grandiose scheme is to shift the tax burden on all real estate, including real estate owned by newspaper publishers.

Fortunately, practically all daily newspapers in California and many weekly papers have already run "wire service" stories on this subject, but the wire services of which I have knowledge did not pin-point and simplify the plot enough to bring it home to the average taxpayer, hence I feel it necessary to ring the alarm bell in words that everyone can understand.

If you agree with me that it is not fair for the utilities to cause your assessment to go from 25% to 30% of market value in the near future, and possibly even higher later, then write to your own assem-

blen and also to State Senator Richard Richards and tell them: "Do not vote to shift the tax burden from utilities to other taxpayers." It is not necessary to write to me on this subject because I am on your side already. A formal letter is not needed. A postal card will do.

When I introduced my bill to exempt household furniture from the personal property tax, I sent a copy of the bill and a letter requesting comments to every county tax assessor in California. I heard from all of them except John Quinn, County Assessor, Los Angeles County. Finally, "Jovial John" came to Sacramento on another subject. I found him holding court in the hall. I asked him in front of witnesses how he stood on my bill. I reminded him that he had supported the identical bill during past sessions of the legislature and asked him if he had the same stand now. John answered:

"I did not write to you because I wanted to discuss the matter with you personally although I have an answer in my pocket. I am now against your bill because I have decided that it does not cost more money to collect the taxes than the revenue thereby obtained."

I ASKED Jovial John how he reached this conclusion and asked him if it was based on the fact that he has a vast army of temporary deputy county assessors who go around peering through windows at assessment time, looking for pianos, organs, television sets and other pet objects for taxation. I also told John that I consider those temporary deputy assessors of his really his political machine. In other words, they are his campaign-for-re-election precinct workers. John just laughed and two deputies with him laughed. They did not deny the accusation.

If every interested taxpayer in Los Angeles County will please telephone John Quinn and insist on a personal conversation, the results will be interesting. Of course, I doubt that John will answer the telephone, but you can send him a postal card and you can write letters to your local newspaper expressing your feelings about the bill and Jovial John.

**Girl Scout Troop 580**  
Girl Scout Troop 580, sponsored by the Howard Wood School P.T.A., celebrated Girl Scout Week by attending services at the First Methodist Church with their leaders, Mrs. Phyllis Morgan, and Mrs. Bonnie Clark. Rev. John Taylor, minister, welcomed the troop.

Among those who participated were: Cleoan McComas, Dianne De Witt, Erica Morgan, Jan Ekersley, Judy Wirch, Judy Engstrom, Nancy Joe Coffey, Nancy Harrison, Pamela Hoy, Pat De Temple, Susan Coleman, Susan Clark, Terry Braswell, and Linda Wiggs.

**Biggs Girl Scouts**  
Girl Scouts of Biggs Neighborhood cancelled plans for an ingathering to celebrate the birthday of Girl Scouts because of a mixup in dates. The affair was scheduled for the Civic Auditorium, March 18 at 7:30 p.m. Tentative plans are being made to hold the affair in October in celebration of Juliette Low Day.

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