

## Junior Philharmonic Auditions Open Today

Auditions called the most significant in its 26-year history will be started today by the Junior Philharmonic Orchestra for young musicians of the Southland, according to the orchestra's founder-conductor, Ernst H. Katz.

The auditions will continue for two weeks as membership of the 1963 symphony is selected from Southern California area young musicians.

Conductor Katz invites boys and girls, between the ages of 12 and 19, playing violins, violas, cellos, basses, flutes,

oboes, clarinets, bassoons, alto saxes, trumpets, trombones, French horns, tubas, tympani, drums, harp and piano to call CRestview 6-5923 and an audition will be set.

DEDICATED TO "Give Youth a Chance to be Heard," the Junior Philharmonic Orchestra of California is a non-commercial civic all-youth symphony founded 26 years ago on Jan. 22, 1937, with a nucleus of four boys. Today it boasts a roster of more than 100 talented boys and girls drawn

from over 36 cities in Southern California.

There is no audition fee or membership charge for joining this unusual musical aggregation.

The JPO started its current season by hosting 35 teen-age Japanese musicians from Nagoya in Central Japan and is now cooperating in General Dwight D. Eisenhower's "People to People Program" and Mayor Samuel W. Yorty's "Sister City" cultural exchange. The orchestra has been officially invited to Japan and

South Korea and has been promised an exciting reception there.

"DURING THESE auditions we are making a special call for young musicians playing the oboe, bassoon, and viola and we especially urge young people who play these instruments to call CRestview 6-5923 for an audition," said Conductor Katz.

The Junior Philharmonic Orchestra has been the recipient of many national and international citations of merit and

holds 14 special commendations from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and a laudatory resolution from the State Legislature calling this orchestral movement "an outstanding contribution to the spirit and culture not only of California but of the entire United States."

Among the world-famed personalities who are honorary members of the JPO are the renowned concert violinists Mischa Elman and Isaac Stern, opera-star Lauritz Melchior, British Conductor Sir John Barbirolli, and "America's Sweetheart," Miss Mary Pickford.



## Bank Makes Appointment

Appointment of Donald A. Funk to assistant manager of the Torrance office of United California Bank has been announced by Frank L. King, chairman of the board.

A native of Michigan and a graduate of the University of Arizona, Funk was employed by business firms in Tucson and San Manuel, Ariz., for four

years before joining United California Bank in 1957. During the past six years he has worked in the bank's head office, Bell, and Torrance offices. Mr. and Mrs. Funk reside in Hermosa Beach at 2134 Circle Drive.

## Receives Award Pin

A 15-year service award pin was presented to Earl Evansen, 1341 Carson St., by the Housing Authority of the city of Los Angeles recently during the annual employes meeting held by the authority which is now celebrating its 25th anniversary.



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