



PLAN HOMECOMING . . . Leading alumni of Pepperdine College in Los Angeles discuss plans for the Feb. 5 homecoming celebration at the college. Making plans for the event are, from left, Dr. Olaf Tegner and Gordon R. Hahn, both former alumni association presidents, and Phil A. Pennington and Robert Walker. Pennington, chief field deputy to Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, is the current president of the association, while Walker serves as the alumni executive secretary. More than 500 alumni, including many who live in Torrance, are expected to attend the celebration, which will end with a basketball game between Pepperdine and Loyola College.

These Doctors Are Going to the Dogs

Going to the dogs — and the cats, too, for that matter — is just what the doctor ordered for one booming California profession, according to Bank of America.

There aren't enough veterinary doctors to go around, says the bank's "Small Business Reporter."

Americans have more pets than ever before — at least 50 million dogs and cats — and 12 per cent of them are Californians.

Types of practice are:

- The one-man practice, with none of the problems that arise in a partnership, but the built-in disadvantage of long hours and no vacations.
- The partnership, with all the problems and advantages of two people running the business instead of one.
- The group practice, with several DVMs sharing expenses and income from a mutual hospital while still conducting their own separate practices.

Today's Doctor of Veterinary Medicine is "highly professional," with nearly four years of university undergraduate work and a four-year professional course behind him," the "Reporter" notes.

Ranking high among the problems that plague the small animal vet are zoning restrictions, based on the outdated concept that barking dogs kept in outside runs are a public nuisance. Although today's building design and methods have largely eliminated this program, for veterinarian still faces the task of educating planning officials and the general public.

Good personnel is a must, points out the "Reporter." The job requires a love for animals, physical strength, lack of fear and the ability to accurately observe an animal's behavior. And "none of these qualities is 'cheap.'"

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Telephone Firm Outlines Area Expansion Programs

An investment of more than \$9 million during 1966 has been scheduled by General Telephone Co. in its South Bay Division, according to Bernard LeBaron, division manager for the firm.

"The major item in the 1966 budget is \$3,600,000 for central office equipment, including Direct Distance Dialing (DDD)," LeBaron said. "Other expenditures will be made for telephones and associated equipment, amounting to another \$2,400,000."

LeBaron also said outside plant improvements, including poles, wire, and cables, will total another \$2,250,000, while land acquisitions, buildings, working tools, vehicles, and other equipment will exceed \$900,000.

Among the improvements planned is a major addition to the Redondo Beach plant



BERNARD LeBARON Expansion Program Set

Total expenditures for General Telephone Co. of California will amount to \$143 million, largest expansion program in the history of the utility. Total payroll for the firm is expected to top \$101 million during the year.



NEW MARINE . . . Marine Pvt. Paul W. Ratliff, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Ratliff of 21900 S. Figueroa St., has completed individual combat training with the Second Infantry Training Regiment at the Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Air Force Now Seeking Qualified Male Nurses

Qualified male nurses currently are being accepted by the U. S. Air Force, Sgt. Raymond Stauble, local Air Force recruiter, announced today.

Sergeant Stauble said the nursing program has been opened to male applicants for the first time in two years "because of a shortage of nurses in the Air Force."

Applicants who qualify are commissioned as Air Force Reserve officers in a grade commensurate with their age, education, and professional experience and enter active duty in that grade. The minimum tour of duty is three years, Sergeant Stauble noted.

While on active duty, male nurses enjoy the same pay and privileges accorded other Air Force officers of equal rank, including 30 days paid vacation each year. Air Force nurses work with the most modern equipment available and have an excellent opportunity to travel as assignments are available throughout the United States and overseas.

Applicants must be at least 20 but less than 35 years of age, a citizen of the United States, and a graduate of at least a three-year school of nursing which is acceptable to the Surgeon General of the Air Force. Applicants also must have an active nurse registration in at least one state and meet the physical and moral standards set by the Air Force.

Detailed information may be obtained from Sergeant Stauble by calling FA 8-1404 or visiting the Air Force Recruiting Office at 1616 Cabrillo Ave.



GUEST SPEAKER . . . Francis K. Schuckardt of Bellevue, Wash., will speak Friday at 8 p.m. in Nativity Parish Hall, Engracia and Arlington avenues. His topic will be "Peace Plan from Heaven," and there will be no admission charge. He is international secretary and Pacific division director for Blue Army of Fatima.

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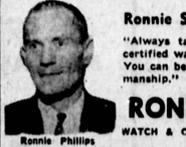
Father Emery Tang, O.M.S., producer of the television program, "The Hour of St. Francis," will be the principal speaker. Richard Pettinger, vice president of the Farmers Insurance Group and director of special events in Southern California for the American Legion, will be master of ceremonies.

All Serra High dads, including fathers of alumni, are invited to attend the banquet. Recognition will be given for their accomplishments in all phases of school life.

The Serra High dance band will entertain before dinner and a newly organized folk singing group, "The Young Folk Singers," will provide music following dinner.

Special guests will include Judge Burch Donahue, USC football stars Mike Garrett and Theo Viltz, and UCLA football star Kurt Altenburg. Also attending will be television actor Robert Logan of the Daniel Boone series.

Tickets are priced at \$2.50 per person and may be purchased at the school. Additional information is available from Mike Orozco, chairman of the event for the Serra Booster Club, at 324-5135.



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