

# Fair Features Top Stamp Show

An enlarged stamp show which will include more than 88,000 stamps will be one of the features at the California State Fair, Aug. 31 through Sept. 11.

With the incorporation of the fourth annual Central Valley Philatelic Exhibition (CEVPEX), the stamp show becomes a competitive event. The stamp show is part of the Third Annual Hobby and Stamp Show which opens Sept. 5 and runs to the conclusion of the fair.

Stamp exhibits will vary from some 8,000 stamps in 253 frames from special collections to stamp tables containing 80,000 stamps, according to John J. King, exhibit chairman.

**COLLECTORS** can add to and fill out sets and pick up bargains at the tables where all stamps are priced at 2 cents each. More than 25 exhibitors will participate in showing private collections.

Closing date for receipt of

exhibits is Aug. 20. Entries are classified into six sections which include the United States and possessions, postal history, foreign, air-mail, topical, and miscellaneous. The stamps are used to recreate U.S. history and to cover a certain era, with stamps from that time.

**JUDGING OF THE** displays is based on Philatelic knowledge and research, arrangement and presentation, condition of the stamps, degree of completeness, and scarcity.

Competition judges are certified by the Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies. Four judges including the chairman will present the many awards.

## Girl Scouts, Dads Attend Dodger Game

Girl Scouts from Troops 1243 and 1108 in the Harbor District led the singing of the National Anthem during the pre-game ceremonies at the Dodger baseball game July 27.

The girls attended the game with their fathers during the annual Father-Daughter Night at Dodger Stadium. The official Girl Scout Drill Team, organized in 1953, performed during the pre-game ceremonies.



**AWARDS TIME . . .** Kathy O'Bitz, administrative assistant with the Torrance Recreation Department, gives out departmental awards at a department picnic Sunday at Victor Park. More than 150 attended, including members of the current staff, former staff members, and their families. Activities included sack races, balloon and egg tossing contests, a variety show, and a softball game between the administration and park personnel. Parkmen won, but the score was not divulged.

## Obedience Club Holds Graduation

Graduation exercises for the novice obedience class of the San Pedro Obedience Training Club are scheduled at 7:30 p.m. today at Lomita Park.

Dogs will be judged on their ability to heel on and off the leash, sit down on command, stay when left, and to come on call. Diplomas will be awarded to all dogs with a qualifying score and trophies will be awarded to the top scoring dogs.

Profits from the classes are donated to the International Guiding Eyes, Inc. Chuck Hart, the club's trainer, will start a second class at Lomita Park next Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The course includes nine weeks of class meetings.

## Bank to Open New Quarters

Remodeling construction will be completed this month at Security First National Bank's 174th and Crenshaw Branch, according to William F. King, branch manager.

King also said an open house will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Aug. 26 in celebration of the remodeling.

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## \$9.5 Million Contract Awarded Redondo Firm

TRW has been awarded a \$9.5 million contract as prime contractor for the SPARTA program, a cooperative undertaking between the United States, Australia, and Great Britain to study re-entry phenomena at the Woomera Range in Australia.

The work will be performed by TRW Systems, an operating group of TRW Inc. The contract will support Project Defender, a study of Ballistic Missile Defense Systems being conducted by the Advance Research Projects Agency. The U.S. Army Missile Command, Redstone Arsenal, Ala., manages the program for ARPA, an agency of the Department of Defense.

SPARTA is an acronym for Special Anti-missile Research Test, Australia. The program will use several refurbished Redstone missiles as boosters with upper stage solid motors to hurl a series of experimental payloads high above the Woomera Range. At the top of the trajectory, the SPARTA missile upper stage will accelerate the payloads back into the earth's atmosphere at ICBM re-entry velocities. As the payloads re-enter, data will be acquired by ARPA radar and other sensors.

By using mothballed operational equipment such as the Redstone, TRW engineers estimate that the SPARTA program mission can be achieved at substantially reduced cost of using new equipment developed especially for the program.

TRW Systems activity in this project is under the direction of G. G. Keelan, manager of TRW's Launch Systems Organization in San Bernardino, Calif.

A. B. Bennett, SPARTA project manager, stated that TRW's prime responsibility would include such tasks as program management, experi-

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