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Lee R. Dawson Opens New Branch for Family Realty

Lee R. Dawson, vice president of E. W. Dawson Realtors, has announced opening of their new Torrance office at 1319 Crenshaw Blvd. The Dawson Co. has been in real estate since 1921 in Inglewood and the southwest area. Lee R. Dawson is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dawson, founders of the E. W. Dawson Corp. Ltd. Their headquarters are in Inglewood at Manchester and Market in the Dawson Building.

They have one other branch office at the present time in Carlsbad, Calif., where they have been developing the Seacrest Estates, an exclusive 90-acre residential park.

Lee R. Dawson has just purchased the property of Theresa Denton, at 1319 Crenshaw, which she has owned for many years. Lee has resided in Torrance for the last seven years and has just purchased a new home in South Wood Estates. He is married and has four children, three of whom attend Torrance schools. Lee is a broker and has been in the real estate business for nine years.

large local realtor. The E. W. Dawson Co. has been associated with progressive real estate. You will find in the Dawson family three past presidents of the Inglewood Board of Realtors, plus two vice presidents of the California Real Estate Assn. Both Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dawson have been national directors of NAREB.

Lee Plans to continue in his family's tradition of service to his customers. He plans on an office that will offer his clients all the latest information on sales, financing, and advertising that will help them sell or find a home.

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Health Examination Before Child Starts School Most Important

By ROY O. GILBERT, M.D., County Health Officer
Within a few short weeks, thousands of youngsters in Los Angeles County will be starting to school, some of them for the first time. Whether or not they will enjoy the experience and profit from it depends to a large extent on the state of their physical and mental well-being.

Two years ago, the National Congress of Parents and Teachers adopted a policy of supporting and encouraging continuous health supervision of children from birth through school, in place of a single health appraisal customarily sought on school entrance.

HOWEVER, health records show that at the present time the average child from two to five receives little or no health supervision, while those from 5 to 19 receive less than is desirable. Therefore, the health examination prior to the beginning of school is still most important.

The entering of school for the first time is an important matter to a child, and one that requires consultation with the family doctor. In addition to the regular physical examination given during this professional supervision against diphtheria, smallpox, tetanus, and polio should be completed or brought up to date with booster doses of vaccine.

THIS EXAMINATION should also include vision and hearing

been unjustly labeled mentally slow or poorly adjusted when as a matter of fact their difficulty lay entirely in defective vision or hearing. Conditions such as these are often easily remedied and their correction adds greatly to the child's happiness by enabling him to participate more fully and successfully in school life. At this same time, the parents of a child who is subject to colds or other minor illnesses may be advised as to proper nutritional and health habits that will help keep sickness to a minimum.

LIKewise, a child who is frequently absent from school because of dental appointments cannot be expected to get as much out of it as the youngster who is in regular attendance. Indeed, all such matters should receive parental attention before school begins.

It is, of course, a mistake to assume that attending to a youngster's physical well-being completes the job of readying him for school. Starting to school is a big emotional event in the life of a small child, and this should not be underestimated.

Although most children readily take to school life, this is not always the case. However, parents can do many little things to add to the child's feeling of security.

DURING THE weeks prior to opening day, an informal visit to the school grounds can do a lot to lessen any feeling of strangeness or apprehension that may exist. Familiarity with the route to be taken, or a bit of coaching in the use of a school bus or private increase confidence.

It is true that many school children are periodically examined by school physicians, while teachers and school nurses are ever alert to the symptoms of illness or emotional disturbances and the development of certain physical defects. Nonetheless, it is advisable for the family physician to examine a youngster thoroughly when he starts to school for the first time.

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