



PETER J. PITCHESS
Brotherhood Chairman

Pitchess To Lead Observance

Los Angeles County Sheriff Peter J. Pitchess today was named Southern California Chairman for Brotherhood Week, Feb. 21-23.

In making the announcement, Walter N. Marks, regional chairman of the sponsoring organization, National Conference of Christians and Jews, said that Pitchess will direct the Southland observance, part of a nation-wide event. President Lyndon B. Johnson is honorary chairman of Brotherhood Week, a period which stresses the need for good human relations and the elimination of prejudice, intolerance, and hatred.

Pitchess has long been active in programs of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He has served as a member of the regional board of directors since 1963, and in 1963 was chairman of the region's annual Brotherhood Testimonial Dinner.

IN COMMENTING on his Chairmanship, Pitchess said that the theme of this year's observance, "Brotherhood—Democracy at Work," suggests the twin ideas that brotherhood in action equals democracy, and that democracy in action means brotherhood.

"During Brotherhood Week all of us have an opportunity to examine our attitudes and feelings and to rededicate ourselves to the elimination of prejudice, intolerance, and hatred," Pitchess stated.

Established by the National Conference of Christians and Jews 32 years ago, Brotherhood Week falls annually during the week of Washington's birthday, highlighting the first President's statement that one of the new Union's ideals was "to give bigotry no sanction and to persecution, no assistance."

Problems of Blind Topic For Speaker

Edward J. Meier, a Los Angeles public relations and advertising executive, will address the Downtown Torrance Lions Club Tuesday, Feb. 2.

Meier, who is blind, will discuss some of the problems facing the blind and the visually handicapped. One of the chief problems, he says, is the job of educating family, friends, and business associates to act normal and help them in an effective, mature way.

A member of the volunteer speakers' bureau of The Braille Institute, Meier is west coast editor of four national business magazines. His sight failed him four years ago.

Hermanson Rites Held

Funeral services for David W. Hermanson, 60, maintenance foreman with the Filion Corp., were held Tuesday, Jan. 19, in the chapel of the Inglewood Cemetery-Mortuary.

Mr. Hermanson resided at 22719 Cerise Ave. He is survived by his widow, Margaret; a son, David Robert, a brother, William; and two sisters, Edith Wolfe and Ethel Herle.

Interment was in Inglewood Park Cemetery with the Rev. Virgil Ledbetter officiating.



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