

A Mechanical Operator Always Has Right Time

Miss Audichron may not be as pretty as the telephone operators who used to give out the time of the day, but she's more efficient.

For one thing, Miss Audichron never has complaints and little things like insects and bats never make her scream over the telephone.

Looking at her bulky four-and-a-half-foot, 200-pound frame, a telephone caller would never think she's capable of dispensing the time at 20-second intervals in such velvety tones.

Miss Audichron is the machine that gives the correct time to Los Angeles area callers, Jim Leggett, Pacific Telephone's local manager, said.

chron has patiently announced the time for 9.6 million times.

The care and feeding of Miss Audichron is a relatively easy thing. Aside from regular intakes of power, Miss Audichron craves little attention, except twice a year when Pacific Telephone technicians keep her up to date by putting her on daylight savings time in the spring and readjusting her to standard time in the fall.

Miss Audichron will get her first 1967 "midnight feeding" Sunday when she will be pushed ahead an hour at 2 a.m., as California goes on daylight savings time.

used to read the time off a wall clock, when telephone operators

TELEPHONE companies in the Los Angeles area established a time service as early as 1916.

In those early days, there was a single time operator and when a light flashed in her booth she would answer the phone and read the time off a clock.

When Pacific Telephone first offered the time service, operators worked in an office that wasn't soundproofed and sealed. Many times the announcement would be accompanied by the sounds of a student taking piano lessons in a hotel room across the alley.

even a scream, like the time a bat flew into the time room. And sometimes the operators would end up talking to themselves if they forgot to plug their headsets into the switchboard.

In the pre-Miss Audichron days, operators served what was called "time on time." Sitting before an instrument panel they had the monotonous job of staring at a clock and repeating their seven-second announcement every 15 seconds — 240 times an hour.

Miss Audichron is really a pair of twin machines. It is formed of two tape-wound cylinders, with one acting as a backup system. The time, broken down to hours, minutes and seconds is stored on three magnetic drums.

Miss Audichron may not be pretty to look at, but she has a soft human voice that belongs to Mary Moore of Atlanta, Ga.

Mary and Miss Audichron are on duty around the clock to give out the time on 853-1212.

SINCE SHE was installed in December, 1948, Miss Audi-

All in all, Miss Audichron is quite a change from 1948

OCCASIONALLY, there was

Nominating Committee For Chamber

Art Reeves has been appointed chairman of the committee to nominate new officers for the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, it was announced by Don H. Hyde, president of the Chamber.

Committee members serving with him are Mike Denn, George Post, Jim Becker, Larry Bowman, Dan Butcher, and Hyde.

After the nominees are selected, ballots will be sent to the Chamber membership in early June. The new officers will be installed at the annual banquet June 30, and will officially take office July 1.

Named Professor

Harvey S. Wright, of 2883 W. 230th St., has been advanced to the rank of professor of accounting at Los Angeles City College. He was one of 67 faculty members advanced in academic rank this month.

Study of Fire Areas Under Way

County Fire Chief Keith Klinger has been asked to determine if property owners in any area of Los Angeles County are getting a "free ride" because they are located within a fire district or an incorporated city.

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn asked for the survey, noting that some areas of Malibu, La Habra Heights, and Castaic which are unincorporated are not in a fire district. The county, however, responds to fires in the areas.

"This means other homeowners are paying for this protection while those receiving it are not being taxed for it," Hahn said.

Hahn's request for a report on the fire districts was backed unanimously by the Board of Supervisors.

Plans Approved for New Wilmington Area School

Preliminary plans on the new \$1,050,000 Broad Avenue Elementary School in Wilmington have been approved by the Los Angeles City Board of Education.

In addition, board members authorized the architectural firm of Flewelling and Moody, AIA, Los Angeles, to proceed with detailed working drawings on the project.

Superintendent of Schools Jack P. Crowther said the school, which will help relieve crowded conditions at several elementary schools in the area, will be on a six-and-a-half acre site on the west side of Broad Avenue between 246th and 249th streets.

The school will have 23 regular classrooms, four kindergarten classrooms, a library, an administration unit, assembly building and lunch shelter facilities.

Designed for 1100 pupils, the school will help relieve enrollments at Catskill Avenue, Fries Avenue, and Gulf Avenue elementary schools. Currently a total of 550 pupils are on double sessions at the three schools.

Accountants Participate In Workshop

Officers and directors of the Palos Verdes-Torrance chapter of the National Association of Accountants participated in a Chapter Operation Workshop last weekend.

Purpose of the workshop, sponsored by the organization's national officers, was to give local officers an opportunity to meet with national leaders to discuss ways to improve service to members.

Jay Terry, president of the local chapter, headed the Palos Verdes-Torrance delegation.

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