

Baptists to Hear Guests Speak Sunday

Pastors of churches affiliated with the Conservative Baptist Assn. of Southern California will exchange pulpits this Sunday as a "get-acquainted" endeavor.

The South Bay Baptist Church, 4585 Sharynne Lane, will have a guest pastor in the 11 a.m. service whose identity will remain unknown until church time.

In the evening service, a still another surprise guest pastor will bring the message. Rev. George F. Cain, pastor of the local church will also participate in the exchange for the day and will preach at two unannounced churches.

National Electric Observes 50th Year

National Electric Products Corp., the world's largest producer of a complete line of electrical wiring systems, is marking the completion of 50 years in business.

The company, originally the National Metal Molding Co., was founded in 1905 by William C. Robinson, now honorary chairman of the board of directors, in Economy, Pa., now Ambridge.

The main plant still is located in Ambridge. Others are at Torrance and at Linden, N. J. It also has 13 warehouses and 37 sales offices throughout the nation, a far cry from the original labor force of 15 which worked in one small building.

Corp. originally was founded to manufacture metal moldings, raceways of steel, with the entire system securely joined and grounded.

Since electrical use was then in its infancy, growth was slow at the start, but gradually picked up momentum as the principle of grounded electrical systems, pioneered by National Electric, gained recognition throughout the country. In 1913 grounded metal systems became mandatory.

Despite two world wars and the police action in Korea a few years ago, National Electric continued to expand during the period of peace which followed each conflict.

The firm was used to operating under adverse conditions. It had survived the panic of 1907-8 and the depression of the Thirties. Continual expansion under the leadership of Robinson aided the development of the infant company.

Another factor which added to the prestige and growth of



YOUNG SINGERS . . . The Torrance High School Girls' Glee Club will have a featured role in the high school's first annual Christmas program next Thursday night. Sixty-five girls belong to the club and will combine with the THS Tartar Choir to open the program with a Christmas procession.

They will present a number of Christmas songs during the performance. This is the second joint concert with the band, with the first presented last spring.



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the firm was its policy of extensive experiments to meet the growing demands on electrical systems, and its ability to overcome problems and shortages of material. The result of the experimental program was a steady flow of new and improved products.

One such product was the perfection of "Firestop" wire and cable. Developed in the third decade of the company's history, 1925-1935, this flame-retardant wire was the first of its kind. Even when held in a flame hot enough to char the finish, burn the rubber and melt the copper, it still does not carry the flame. This development produced such a revolutionary effect on the electrical industry that a United States judge ruled that it was too important for the safety of the country for only one company to produce it. He ruled that other companies should be licensed to manufacture flame-retardant wire.

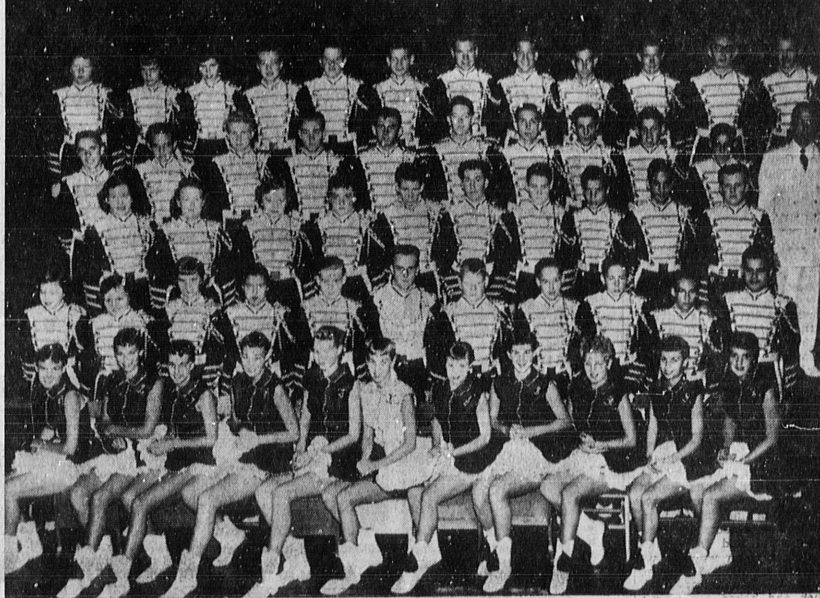
Current leadership of the company rests in the hands of two sons of the founder. A. L. Robinson is chairman of the board and W. C. Robinson Jr. is president. Sales are directed by R. C. Bennett Jr.

Will Present Yule Concert

Three Torrance High School music groups—the Girls' Glee Club, Tartar Choir, and Concert Band—will combine to present the first annual Christmas program at the THS Auditorium next Thursday night, Dec. 15, at 8:15 p.m.

More than 200 students will participate in the program, presenting familiar songs of the Christmas season. The Girls' Glee and the Tartar Choir will open the program with a colorful Christmas procession. The concert band will play the Overture to Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Suite."

The program, marking the first joint concert this year, will be under the direction of Glenn F. Hawley and James Davidson, directors of the high school music department.



CONCERTERS . . . The Torrance High School Tartar Band first Annual Christmas program next Thursday night at 8:15 the band will appear with the THS Choir in combined concert. Familiar Christmas carols will be played, as well as the overture to Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Suite." The program is the second appearance of combined choral and instrumental groups in concert.

will make its first concert appearance of the season at the p.m. in the THS Auditorium. Director James Davidson said. Familiar Christmas carols will be played, as well as the program is the second appearance of combined choral and instrumental groups in concert.

By Fuchsia Society

Christmas Decoration Contest Announced for North Torrance

The North Torrance Fuchsia Society will again sponsor their annual Christmas Lighting Contest in the north Torrance area.

Mr. Clarence DeCamp, president, reported this week.

The contest will be divided into three categories this year, with prizes being awarded for the best outdoor lighting, the best door decoration, and the best window lighting as seen from the street. There will be

a first and second prize in each category.

Anyone living in the north Torrance area who wishes to enter the competition may do so by contacting Mrs. Basil Ball, Christmas Lighting Contest chairman, at DAVIS 4-0781. The registration deadline is Dec. 19th.

So that the judging will be on an impartial basis, the Chamber of Commerce has

agreed to pick three judges for the contest. The judges and the date of the judging of the contest will be announced at a later date.

The North Torrance Fuchsia Society has sponsored this Christmas Lighting Contest for the past three years in an effort to make the north Torrance area a show place of Christmas Lighting and decorations.

"Make plans now to enter this contest and place your entry with Mrs. Ball," Mrs. Ball urged.

God Cited in Sunday Topic

Biblical assurance of God's guidance and protection is the topic in the Lesson Sermon on "God the Preserver of Man" to be read in all Christian Science churches Sunday.

Luke's Gospel relates that "Simon's wife's mother was taken with a great fever," and Jesus "stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her; and immediately she arose and ministered unto them" (4:39, 40).

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