



JUS' PLAY-ACTIN' . . . Ethel West and Dennis Goodno set the scene for a little action in "Two Blind Mice," which Harbor Junior College students will present tonight and tomorrow night at Banning High School.



TRAFFIC STUDY . . . Police Chief J. A. Smith, Palms Verdes Estates, (left) confers with E. F. Hawkesworth, division manager Southern California Gas Co.; Sgt. J. B. Miles, and Police Chief W. H. Haslam, of Torrance, on traffic control problems which are expected during pipeline construction work in south Torrance next week.

Civil Service Topic of Meet

Dr. C. Mansel Keene, manager of the U. S. Civil Service Commission for Los Angeles, will speak at the Dec. 20 breakfast meeting of the Chamber of Commerce here, it was announced yesterday by Chamber President Paul Loranger. The speaker will talk on the

topic, "On Having a Better Understanding of Civil Service Employees," according to Chamber Director Mervin M. Schwab, who will be chairman of the Dec. 20 meeting. Advance reservations may be secured by calling the Chamber of Commerce at FA 8-2814.

Living Tree Is Current Trend In Decorating for Christmas

Yuletide decorations always center around the Christmas tree—with each family following its own special way of decorating and celebrating the holiday season with the "lanenbaum." A current trend in the use of Christmas trees is the "living Christmas tree," an alive and growing tree in a container which you decorate and keep in your house for the holidays and plant out of doors afterwards.

Several Pines, Cedars, Cypress, Junipers and Arbovitae are especially effective as living Christmas trees. The California Association of Nurserymen recommends as particularly appropriate for this season the California Christmas tree (Cedrus deodara). A native of the Himalaya mountains, the Deodar Cedar provides frosty, blue-green foliage in conical shape—beautiful when decorated with Christmas ornaments. It reaches 25 to 50 feet and therefore should be planted in a rather large area. A smaller form of the Deodar Cedar is the Cedrus deodar decolor which seldom grows higher than 25 feet.

Six to Seven Feet In Junipers, the Narrow Irish Juniper (Juniperus communis hibernica fastigiata) reaches only six to seven feet, an ideal size for your small

yard. This selection for the role of living Christmas tree grows with blue-green foliage in a narrow and erect manner. Of about the same height the Juniperus chinensis twisted is irregular in its growth form with twisted, tufted branches that look almost artificially trained.

Two Dwarf Cypress varieties, the Ellwood Cypress (Chamaecyparis lawsoniana Ellwood) and the Blue Lawson Cypress (Chamaecyparis are good selections for inland areas of the state. The Ellwood grows very neat in dwarf form to six feet; frosty blue-green in color, while the Blue Lawson may reach 12 feet in a metallic silvery-blue color.

The Arbovitae family offers two members well suited to be living Christmas trees. Dwarf and coneshaped the Thuja orientalis Bonita grows to five feet in a broad and compact manner. Thuja orientalis nana or Berkmann's Arbovitae features an unusual green with golden tip—which some Californians might prefer for an unusual touch at this season.

Large Grounds Needed Large grounds are needed for the future homes of the Norway Spruce (Picea abies) and the Colorado Spruce (Picea pungens) for these two trees grow to 150 feet and form

living Christmas tree. Here, again, it will not get too large during a normal lifetime.

Living Christmas trees are prepared for use at holiday time by your nurseryman. He'll have them already growing in containers or simply balled and you can choose which form you prefer. You'll be able to obtain containers from him, too. At any rate, whether you pot them or get them in containers, remember to care for your living Christmas tree just as cautiously as you do any house plant—if you want to enjoy the tree outdoors afterwards.

Embarrassed by Lovers

Mrs. George McNeill, of 16825 Ainsworth, called police Sunday morning and said that "lovers" had been parking in front of her home during the night. She told authorities that the lovers caused her embarrassment. How about the lovers?

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Thousand Volunteers Help Salvation Army This Week

Approximately 100 Salvation Army workers were busy this week preparing for the organization's biggest Christmas effort in southern California when approximately 100,000 needy families and individuals will receive Yule aid, Lt. Colonel Frank Wilmer, area divisional commander announced this week.

Increases in the scope of Salvation Army Christmas services are due to increased population, illness, broken homes, inadequate family resources, unemployment, disability of breadwinners and other causes, Wilmer said.

The majority of the organization's Christmas workers are volunteers, and one of the greatest tasks in the project is "making sure no needy person or family is overlooked," the divisional commander explained.

Mothers Helped Principal expenditure of funds will be in the form of cash budget subsidies to mothers of needy families, enabling the mothers to make necessary purchases for her children, assuring a "merry Christmas" in every home.

The Salvation Army formerly distributed baskets of food-stuffs to needy families but this plan was abandoned several years ago to protect the families from embarrassment and to make more adequate provision for family needs. The amount of the check sent to each family is determined after casework investigation of the family's resources and needs, Wilmer said.

3000 Meals Planned Other Salvation Army Christmas services will include a turkey and trimmings dinner for approximately 3000 skidrow habits, "sunshine" gifts to patients in military and general hospitals, Christmas cheer for prisoners and their families, numerous Santa Claus parties for needy youngsters and special observances of the season in all Salvationist institutions.

Those desiring to assist the Salvation Army's Christmas appeal may do so by sending checks payable to the "Salvation Army Christmas fund" to the Salvation Army, 832 West Ninth St., Los Angeles 15, or by placing contributions in any of the Salvation Army "boiling pot" on the streets. Approximately \$100,000 will be needed to defray expenses of the service, Lt. Colonel Wilmer said.

80-Voice Choir To Sing Sunday

Eighty voices of the El Camino College a capella and community choirs will join the college's orchestra Sunday evening in presenting the annual Christmas concert in the campus center.

The concert, to which the general public is invited without charge, will start at 8 p.m. Merl F. Sloan, director of student personnel, announced yesterday.

Soloists who will perform are Tommy Gough, Jean Street, and Sue Bernard, sopranos; Mary Wallenburg and Maurice Counsel, altos; and Bill Bahrt and Dick Schieffel, basses.

The principal portion of the concert will center about the theme "The Coming of Jesus," and the second will feature a Christmas medley by the orchestra and selections from the Nutcracker Suite by the chorus and orchestra.

Numbers included in the first part are "E'en So Lord Jesus," "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring," excerpts from the "Messiah," and a cantata, "Rejoice, Beloved Christians," by Butchude.

F. Neil Hill and Hamilton Maddaford are faculty directors of the musical event, assisted by Gordon Orne and Calvin Greer.

Infant Dies Of Infection Coroner Says

The death of 2½-month-old William Carl Walberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Walberg, of 2606 Ridgeland Road, has been attributed to complications of an upper respiratory infection and not suffocation, a coroner's inquiry determined here this week.

The infant died last week despite resuscitator squad efforts of the Torrance Fire Department.

Suffocation, which was given on preliminary reports as the cause of death, was definitely ruled out according to the coroner's reports.



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