



CLASS A WINNER . . . Paul Loranger (left) and K. D. Figgins, co-owners of Paul's Chevrolet, stand by tree which won first place in the Class A window decorations sponsored by the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce.



SWEEPSTAKES WINNER . . . Bob Wadell (left) chairman of the Junior Chamber of Commerce window decorating contest, check the sweepstakes window with owner Johnny Johnson of Torrance Flower Shop. It was the third sweepstakes win for Torrance Flower Shop.

GARDENA JEWISH CENTER Schools Seek CELEBRATES HANUKKAH 200 Janitors

Hanukkah or the Festival of Lights was celebrated by a play given by the Gardena Valley Jewish Center Religious School at the Center building, 14725 S. Gramercy Pl., Gardena, last week, after which a party was given for the children. A party was also given by the Center Sisterhood for its members later. Gifts were exchanged. Hanukkah commemorates the military triumph of the Maccabees over the mighty Assyrian armies that had swooped down over Palestine in 165 B.C.E. (Before common Era). Eight candles are lighted, one the first day, two the second day, etc. In the days of old, only pure olive oil was used, and the supplies were depleted, the supplies were being cleaned, one bottle of oil was found which had not been contaminated. This bottle was sufficient for only one of the seven lights (as the candelabra was then), so it was decided to

pour a little in each of the seven containers, so that each one would burn 1 1/2 hours, instead of a whole day. Then a wonderful miracle happened, the lights continued to burn eight days. It was decided then that Hanukkah was to be set aside each year as a time of rejoicing. Spiritually, it marks the historic struggle of all freedom loving peoples for religious liberty at all times and in all lands. The next general meeting of the Gardena Valley Jewish Center will be held tomorrow at the Center building, 14725 S. Gramercy Pl. All members and friends are invited to attend.

An intensive drive to recruit more than 200 custodians to work in Los Angeles City School plants throughout the city was begun this week by the system's personnel division, according to Associate Superintendent William B. Brown. The recently-raised salary is now \$246 monthly, \$259 after six months, and subsequent yearly automatic increases bring this total to \$303 in three and one-half years. Six months janitorial experience is required of all applicants. Additional information may be secured by calling the City Schools Employment Center, MUTUAL 7281.

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CLASS C WINNER . . . Bertha Kehrner puts finishing touch on the La Galeria Florist window just in time to win first place in the Class C competition sponsored by the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce. The contest is an annual event sponsored by the Jaycees to promote Christmas window decorations.

Methodists' Meet Slated

Dr. Willis Fisher, theology professor at the University of Southern California, will give an illustrated lecture on his trip to the Holy Land at a meeting of the Methodist Men's Club at 6:30 Wednesday night at the First Methodist Church. Last year, Dr. Fisher completed a trip to the Middle East.

The Methodist men and their wives will eat supper at 6:30, with the public invited to the lecture which will start at 7:45 p.m. Dinner reservations may be made at FA 8-3242.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

A word of thanks and Season's Greetings to the many friends we have been privileged to serve. We wish you and your family health and happiness for many years to come.

PAL SHOES
15216 S. Crenshaw Blvd.
DAvis 4-0436

Reflections

By J. HUGH SHERFEY, JR.
Ruth Gull's hair was as golden as sunset, her eyes as blue as the heaven, her smile sent ripples of happiness to one's heart. For sixteen years this beautiful girl lived gloriously, unselfishly, when an accident could have wrecked her life. She was hopelessly crippled, physically disabled but her character-beauty was glorified. In the hospital she asked to be moved into a ward, with other young girls. On Christmas, gifts piled up around her bed; as each beautifully wrapped gift arrived, Ruth smiled, looked at it, made a note and told a nurse to take it to Grace, the next one went to Florence and so on until each girl had perfume, candy, dainty slip or blouse. That was the way it began and since then Ruth has brought Christmas happiness into the homes of numberless girls and she is the happiest of all. Though completely immobilized, she used her telephone; her laugh is infectious and money, gifts and Christmas cheer comes in a stream and she gives them all away. That is the essence of Christmas.

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Happy New Year

To everyone, we send our best wishes for a New Year filled with good health, happiness and success.

HAPPY HOLIDAY

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1610 So. CATALINA, Redondo
Corner Avenue 111 - Building 2-7315

Hospital Log (San Pedro Community Hospital)

Patients Admitted Dec. 14, 1955
Marilyn Ann Vigeant, 406 Pal Verde Drive
Patricia Kay McMullen, 24451 Winlock Drive
Patients Admitted Dec. 15, 1955
Jack Allan Nyland, 2615 Fisk Lane, Redondo Beach
Thyllis Jacqueline Birch, 5026 Pacific Coast Hwy.
Diana Lou Schlimmick, 1449 W. 215th St.
Ida Farrell, 2729 Loftview Drive, Babes Born, Dec. 15, 1955
To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vigeant, 406 Pal Verde Blvd., baby girl, 7 lbs., 9 oz.
To Mr. and Mrs. George Birch, 5026 Pacific Coast Hwy., baby boy, 9 lbs., 5 oz.
To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schlimmick, 1449 W. 215th St., baby boy, 6 lbs., 9 1/2 oz.
Patients Admitted Dec. 16, 1955
Susie Estelle Aton, 2718 S. Andrew Ave.
Babies Born Dec. 16, 1955
To Mr. and Mrs. Marion L. Aton, 2718 S. Andrew Ave., baby boy, 8 lbs., 3 oz.
Patients Admitted Dec. 18, 1955
Charles Edward DeHaas, 24229 Park St.
Hazel Harger, 22712 Doble Ave.
Babies Born December 18, 1955
To Mr. and Mrs. James Harger, 22712 Doble Ave., baby boy, 7 lbs., 12 oz.

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greetings of the Season

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Corner of 182nd & WESTERN AVE.
DA 9-2584

Greetings

Mira Costa Home Shop
200 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Manhattan Beach FR 4-4818

Greetings

Once again it's the time of the year for Joy and Merriment, and we wish to take a moment to extend to all our friends our very best wishes for a Holiday Season full of good cheer and happy times.

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