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CHECKING SIGN . . . These local American Red Cross officials admire sign, which stands outside new offices of the Red Cross in Torrance. Stan Remelmeyer, disaster chairman and first vice president; Mrs. Edith Meskimen, staff aide chairman; Postmaster Clara Conner, fund drive chairman; Dr. Don C. Moshos, Torrance ARC chairman, and John K. Kesson, third vice president of the local chapter, left to right, scan sign. New offices are next to Chamber of Commerce building, 1345 El Prado, and were presented to the homeless ARC chapter by city officials.

WALTERIA NEWS NOTES

All Are Busy in Walteria As Businessmen Set Annual Picnic

By BETTY MITCHELL DA 6-4438

This week marks the end of another summer vacation for our many school lads and lassies. Today the school bell will ring in another year of readin', writin' and 'rithmetic, to say nothing of PTA, field trips, sports, etc., etc. In our own school, principal will be Mr. Artuso again, who has given so wonderfully of his services in the past. Ably assisting him will be Don Mullaney as vice-principal. More than 20 teachers will be teaching our children this year with the first through third grades still on half-day sessions. Our enrollment is not expected to be much larger than last year's, fortunately for both teacher and pupil.

Speaking of the PTA, its membership drive will start off the same time school starts with the chairman of the drive this year being Mrs. Cass Russak, of Danaha St.

Big news this week is the annual Business Men's Club picnic to be held Saturday at the Walteria Park. The "bigger and better" motto is holding true for this event, with an amazing and ambitious order for the day. The celebration will begin at 11 o'clock with a parade down Newton St. to Hawthorne Blvd. and then down Hawthorne to 242nd St., then to the park. Participating in the parade will be mounted riders, decorated bicycles, which will later be judged for prizes, scout groups, etc. At the park will be food booths with a full assortment of goodies including hot-dogs, salads, cakes, pie, ice-cream, and punch. One of the highlights of the afternoon and evening will be the attendance of Googoo the clown, who will give his fabulous act.

Funds from the picnic will be used, as always, to put on the Christmas Party for the kiddies here in town. Don't forget to get in your vote for honorary mayor of Walteria. When you go shopping in the local business houses why not drop in a dime as a vote for your favorite candidate? The hotly contested vote is being distributed between five candidates: J. A. Beasley, Virgil Hancock, Herb Jackson, Penny Pendleton, and Nin Woods. Every dime you use when voting is a dime toward the scout building on Madison St. So vote often—go ahead, stuff the ballot box and see who cares!

Seems the Business Men are really busy beavers these days. They had a gala social night last Saturday when they had a ladies night at Nickel's Ranch. What a ball the guests had between dancing to an all Glen Miller record music in the jute box, playing bingo, and munching on a luscious cold buffet-style supper.

The local Kiwanis Club is reminding one and all that the free polio shots are now available in the 2-10 age group of children here in Torrance. The shots will continue through-out this month on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays from 10-11, at Dr. Hampton Fancher's office on Pacific Coast Highway. If you wish to have your child receive these shots send the following information to the club, showing the time and day you prefer to have your child treated. Since the vaccine is given out in accordance with the demand, it is important that you ask for an appointment in order to assure ample supply. Anyhow, mail your name and address, plus the names and ages of all children you wish treated, plus the preference for appointment to Emil Kaye, 24454 Hawthorne Blvd.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Trantham, of Ward St. proudly said goodbye to son Mike a couple of weeks ago when he left to enroll at Texas A&M. Mike successfully passed the exams and requirements necessary for his enrollment, and is now starting his study toward a degree in agricultural engineering.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Tucker, of Danaha St., had a wonderful time this last week end when they went to Las Vegas for fun and relaxation. They spent most of their time beating the heat by lolling by the swimming pool.

There is a desperate need for more scout leaders here in our town. At present there are three troops without a leader. One is a Brownie troop of girls, age 7-9. Another is an intermediate troop, with girls aged 11, and another intermediate troop with girls age 12-13. If you can help with one of these groups won't you give Lea Waegner a ring at DA 6-4281? I know she will be more than glad to hear from you.

The Ken Bakers of Adolph St. said goodbye to their son Kendall for six months when they took him to Fort Ord last week. Kendall will be in the 366th Radio Broadcast and Leaflet Battalion in the active reserve program. After eight weeks of basic training at Fort Ord he will leave for Fort Bragg in North Carolina. Kendall signed up in May and has been taking preliminary training on week ends.

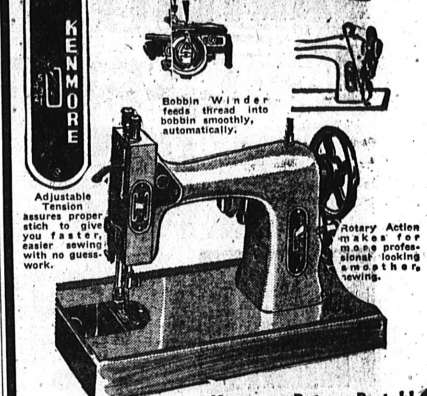
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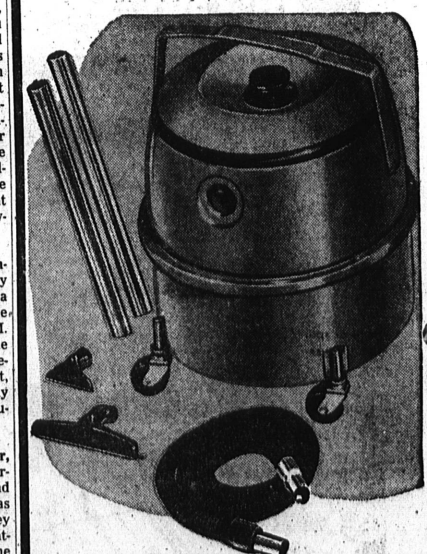
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