Children Awaiting Adoption

The "Aid for Adoption of Children" program will make it possible for the Los Angeles County Department of Adoptions to find families for more than 200 Negro children now waiting for homes. Under this new program more adopting families will qualify for a waiver of the fee for service. In addition, a temporary monthly grant of \$65 is possible for families who can't immediately handle the expense of the child.

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Negro children available for adoption under this program include young babies, toddlers and pre-school age children and some of school age. Also available are a few Anglo children with physical handicaps or who are more than six years old, and a few of other ethnic backgrounds.

Interested families may call the Los Angeles County Depart-ment of Adoptions at 381-2761; or any of the agency's district offices.

Western Avenue **Bids Due**

Bids for landscaping a median divider on Western Avenue in the Lomita-Peninsula area are

the Lomita-Peninsula area are being sought, Supervisor Burton W. Chace said today. The Board of Supervisors yes-terday approved plans and spec-ifications for the work and set April 22 as the bid opening date. The work will be done on the newly improved ¾-mile stretch of Western, between Palos Ver-des Drive North and Redondela Drive. Chace said.

"THE LANDSCAPING will "THE LANDSCAPING will blend with the surrounding countryside to provide a pleasing effect for drivers who use this key north-south highway, as well as neighboring property owners," he said.

Concrete planter boxes will be built in the median strip, complemented by shrubs native to the area. Unplanted areas will be paved and graced with buff-colored stones.

AN AUTOMATIC sprinkler system is included in the contract specifications. During construction, which will be completed by September, left-turn lanes at alternate intersections may be closed to traffic sections may be closed to traffic during working hours. The same applies to driving lanes adja-cent to the median dividers.

Left-turn pockets at signalized intersections will remain open at all times.

Deadline For Tax Forms Set

County Assessor Philip E. Watson today urged all home-owners to return their \$70 prop-erty tax refund and exemption forms to his office as soon as

forms to his office as soon as possible to facilitate processing of the applications.

Deadline for filing is April 15, Watson pointed out, but because more than one and one-half million forms were mailed by his office, the work load at the last minute is expected to be tremendous.

The assessor also reminded homeowners that if they lived in their home last March 1, 1968, and did not receive the tax refund forms they should con-tact the nearest Assessor's Reg-ional Office or the main office in the downtown Hall of Administration, 500 W. Temple St.

First Aid Class Set At Center

Sign ups are now being taken for Red Cross first aid classes at Normandale Recreation Center, 22400 S. Halldale Ave.

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The eight-week course will consist of two and a half hour classes with the scheduling of days to be set once a class is registered.

Instructions will consist of correct bandaging methods with a strong emphasis on home accidents. A certificate will be given at the end of the course which is



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