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## PIONEER JUBILEE

Sunday, March 9, will be a red-letter day in the history of the Chatsworth Methodist Church and for the community at large, when the 70th anniversary of the founding of the church will be observed. This church served the community as the only established church for 63 years, when the Four Square Church came here in 1951.

The occasion will also observe the 78th anniversary of the first Sunday School established on the Niels and Ann Johnson Ranch, in 1880; the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Epworth League, whose charter, given in 1898, hangs on the wall of the Katharine Johnson Chapel; the 58th anniversary of the erection of the church in 1903; and the organization of the Ladies' Aid in 1902, 57 years ago.

Following is the program for the day:

8:30 a.m. Worship Service, with the pastor, Dr. Harold Hayward, preaching, and the MYF groups assisting in the service.

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, with two pageants, one in White Oak Hall for the younger children and one in the Sanctuary for the older youth and adults.

11:00 a.m. Worship Service, with Bishop Gerald Kennedy, Bishop of the Southern California-Arizona Conference as the guest speaker.

Junior Church will be conducted in White Oak Hall for the entire hour by Harold Johnson.

12:30 p.m. Barbecue dinner catered by Stern's Barbecue. Call church office about reservations by Thursday, March 6, as total reservations must be sent in on that date. (DI 8-1231)

2:00 p.m. Afternoon Round-up, in charge of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Song favorites of old favorites led by Harold Johnson, and reminiscences of former pastors, WSCS presidents, presidents of Youth Groups, and members. Dr. William Hildebrand, superintendent of the Pasadena District, will make the official change of the name of the church from the Chatsworth Community Methodist Church to The First Methodist Church of Chatsworth. He will also present all the visiting pastors.

3:15 p.m. Pageant--"The Church in the Valley", a brief history of the church through the years, full of humor, pathos, and interest.

5:00 p.m. Coffee Hour - Sandwiches, cake, and beverage, served free of charge by WSCS.

5:30 Closing vesper service, with Dale Evans and Roy Rogers speaking on "Witnessing for the Master" (Please turn to page 2)



PIONEER JUBILEE (Cont. from pg. 1)

Music will be provided by the choir under the direction of Wm. Little at both morning worship hours and by the Valley Male Chorus at the Vesper Service.

There will be nursery and child care throughout the entire day.

Mrs. Wm. Schepler, chairman for the event, is ably assisted by her committees of eager workers from the church membership and constituency.

A very cordial invitation is extended to everyone in the community to attend any or all of these services and help in the Pioneer Celebration of the second oldest Protestant Church in the valley. All community churches and organizations have received official invitations, as have other Methodist churches in the valley.

The following ROTARIANS were elected last week to assume the duties and obligations as the new officers and directors for the Rotary year 1958-59:

Pres. Al Brain; Vice Pres. Bill Dempsey; Sec. Bill Beaver; Treas. Harold Frost; Sergeant-at-arms Cliff Ahlstrom; Directors, Dr. Miner and Gay Minardi. These newly elected Rotarians have pledged to keep the club vigorous and dynamic, upholding the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self".

Mr. and Mrs. DON PITTMAN have returned to Chatsworth after a few years' residence in Monterey Park. We are happy to have them home again.

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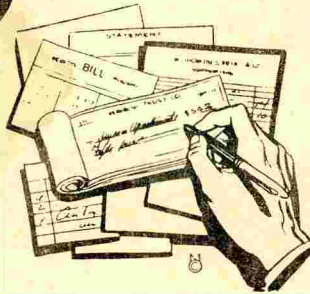
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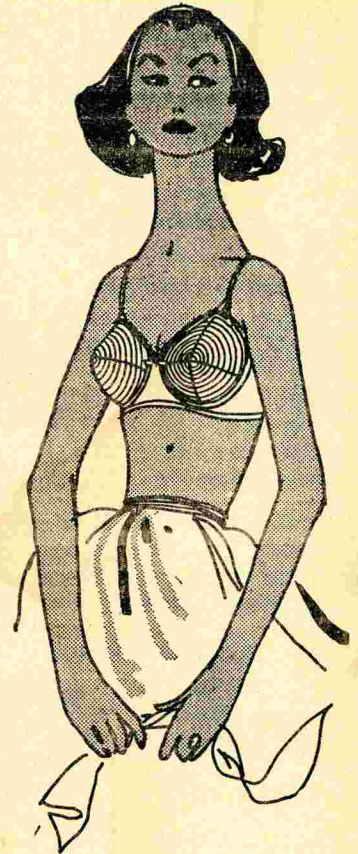
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THE CHATSWORTH WOMAN'S CLUB will observe their annual Reciprocity and Federation Day Tuesday, March 11, at the club rooms. Presidents of all other valley federated clubs will receive invitations to attend.

A surprise program of music and drama is being planned and this is apparently all the information which is being given out regarding the program. It will, therefore, be necessary for all members and their guests to be present to see what will happen.

Hostesses for the luncheon are Mrs. Edmund Loritz, chairman, and Mdms. Tom Somerville, Troi Wolfe, Harold Sunde, Robert Maybin, Frank Ferrin, Walter Rasmussen, Lloyd Davis, and John Thornton.

At the meeting of the club last Tuesday, advance announcement was made of the annual fashion show on May 13, which is given as a philanthropy benefit. Mrs. Edmund Loritz is the chairman, and hopes to make this the biggest event of its kind yet given by the club, as the need is great for philanthropy this year. Tickets will be available at the March 11 meeting.

Following the meeting, Mrs. Kate Sheridan, legislation chairman, conducted a meeting of the citizenship section when several matters concerning youth problems were discussed.

Funeral services for Mrs. AMY STUNT, who passed away on Feb. 19, were held at Oakwood Memorial Chapel on Feb. 23, with Dr. E. C. Wilson officiating. Mrs. Stunt was a Chatsworth resident for many years when she came here from England to make her home with her late son-in-law, and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Montgomery, until they moved to Calabasas about three years ago.

She leaves her sister-in-law, Mrs. Ethel Stunt of the Calabasas Ranch, and two sisters in England.

The CHATSWORTH LEGION AUXILIARY in session Wednesday night at the Legion Hall on Topanga Canyon, made plans for their annual birthday dinner for the Legion Post. The date has been set for Wednesday, March 26, and Mrs. Katherine Slater will be chairman.

Another date of interest, close at hand, is the meeting on March 12 when the Unit will entertain the District President, Audrey Conley, and other members of the official family.

Today, March 6, president Aileen Randall will entertain members of the Unit and their friends with a Stanley Party, as a benefit for the Unit treasury.

### *A Note on a Tree*

Several years ago Meyer Leven wrote in Collier's magazine about a girl in an orphan asylum. She was quite unattractive and had many annoying mannerisms so that she was shunned by the children and disliked by her teachers.

The head of the institution looked and longed for a reason to send her off to some reform school. One afternoon the opportunity came. She was suspected of writing clandestine notes to people outside of the orphanage. One of the little girls had just reported, "I saw her write a note and hide it on a tree near the stone wall. The superintendent hurried to the tree and found the note, then passed it silently to his assistant. The note read, "To whoever finds this: I love you."

*Someone else wrote a note and put it on a tree outside the city wall. Of Him, too, it was written, "He had no form or comeliness that we should look at Him, and no beauty that we should desire Him. He was despised and rejected by men." So they sought to get rid of Jesus. They took Him out to Calvary's hill where they crucified Him. They nailed Him to a tree. But when men go there they find on that tree a note that reads, "To whoever finds this: I love you."*

—Wm. R. Buitendorp

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All of the youth groups of the community were present in a body and each one had a small float which displayed their activities. Many people were surprised at the large number of such groups, listed as follows: The 4-H Club; Girl Scout Intermediates, Girl Scouts Senior, Girl Scout Mariners, and the Brownie Scouts; Blue Birds and Camp Fire Girls; Y Indian Guides; Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and three square dance groups. Mrs. Chas. Hills, PTA youth chairman, introduced each group as the floats were displayed on the stage. The Camp Fire Girls sang the PTA birthday song, and the traditional PTA birthday cake was cut and served by the room mothers of the fourth grade.

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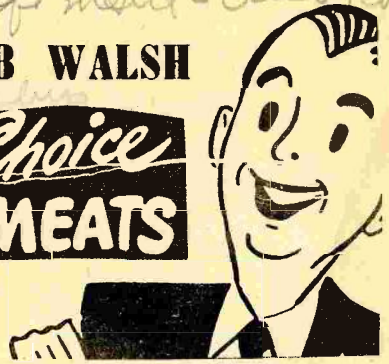
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Committees will be selected of parents to help with such chores as running the refreshment stand, taking care of the field, etc.

There will be entertainment also. Plans are being made to show a baseball film of a late World Series or an All Star game. Oh, yes - there will be refreshments, too.

The importance of this March 18 meeting cannot be stressed too much; so all boys living in Chatsworth be sure to come and bring at least one of your parents with you if at all possible. Better still, bring both parents!

Much work has already been done to refurbish Wilkins Field. The refreshment stand has been made larger - the dugouts have been completely repaired - grass has been planted - and a portable sprinkler system installed.

FOUR FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS that were overlooked were Mrs. Haldor Duncan, Feb. 2; Mrs. S.R. Ewalt, Feb. 5; Mrs. William Gray, Feb. 26; and Mrs. Annette Hughes, who also had no birthday--Feb. 29! Sorry, but we mustn't divulge the number of years of these ladies!!

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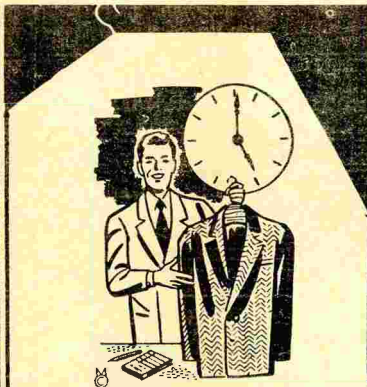
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and adults may register any time during the day to participate in the drawing for the lovely gifts selected from Colleen's merchandise--a dress, sweater, hosiery, and lingerie. At 8:00 p.m. Randy Brooks (Corporal Boone of Rin-Tin-Tin) will draw the lucky names, and you need not be present to win. No purchase is necessary to register during the day. Colleen will serve refreshments in the evening hours from 7:00 to 9:00.

Nationally known brands will be a specialty at Colleen's--in dresses she will carry Toni Todd, Vicki Vaughn, J.I. Originals, and others; sportswear will carry the labels of Cashroma of Calif.; Campus Casuals, Calif. Ranchwear, and Trio Tags of Calif.; hosiery--Berkshire and Henson; lingerie--Beautee-Fit and V-ette.

Colleen's daughters will assist in the new store--Marydee, age 14 and a student at Northridge Jr. High, and Sue, 21, a singer presently in Greenland with the Harding & Moss Review.

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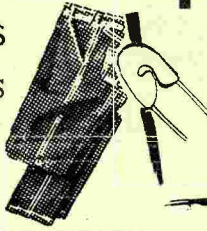
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Clubs, individuals, or organizations wishing to participate in this important public opinion poll may secure copies of the questionnaire from George Schoell, Secretary, or by writing to the committee, Room 3048, State Capitol, Sacramento.

Watch next week's Grapevine for announcement of WSCS Rummage Sale March 14 and 15., and also the catered luncheon.

DONALD JOURNEAUX began classes last week in Ballet for all ages, body building and coordination for boys, women's slim-and-trim; and teen-agers' modern free-style. Response has been very gratifying, which is understandable, as Mr. Journeaux is an excellent teacher. For information call Mrs. W. Lakey at DI 8-3272. Classes are held every Wednesday at Chatsworth Center.

Word has been received of the death of LLOYD RUDELL of Burbank, who passed away with a heart attack and funeral services wer held on Saturday, Feb. 22. Mr. Rudell was an early resident of Chatsworth and made his home here for many years until he moved with his family to Burbank several years ago.

BOB NESBIT, former resident, visited here last weekend and renewed old acquaintances. He is working at Port Canaveral, Florida, on the missile project.

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