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Naming Schools Congratulations!

You may have wondered, as we have, how our schools receive their hanes. An interesting explanation was made by Bill Henry in a recent "By the Way" column. "In the early days," he said, "it was very simple, as the schools were named for the town, as Los Angeles or Hollywood, or for the type of school, as Polytechnic or Manual Arts. But," he added, (nowthat there are so many schools) "it nly natural that our Board of Education insists on trying to pin the responsibility on the community in which the new school finds tself, rather than face the righteous wrath of the citizens whose children will attend the school."

"Chatsworth recently had the quite unprecendeted naming of two schools at one sitting," he continued, and then explained how it was done. Some representatives of the Board of Education met with a oup of Chatsworth Community eaders, from the PTA, the Legion, the service clubs, the Chamber of Comm erce, the Postmaster, and in our case the honorary mayor s. On this day Roy Rogers had to work so Dale Evans was the one to ropear. And Bill Henry himself was also there.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley H. Carter of Chatsworth announced the engagement of their daughter Edna to Charles Van Valkenburg at a dinner party given in their home.

Guests included Miss Mary J. Carter of Honolulu, Hawaii, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Box of Ventura

Miss Carter graduated from Canoga Park High School and also attended Pierce Junior College where she was President of W.A.A., ecretary-Treasurer of the Senior Class and a member of Zeta Tau sorbrity. She is now attending Arizona State College.

Mr. Van Valkenburg is a raduate of Tri-State College in in lana where he received his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. He is now employed by Martin in Denver, Colorado.

An early March wedding is pla nrel.

"Mere was no problem at all to name the high school as just about everybody wanted to call it Chatsworth High School." Mr. Henry said. 'But with the junior high there was some difference of opin-Everybody had some famous person...but when we didn't seem to be getting anywhere, there was

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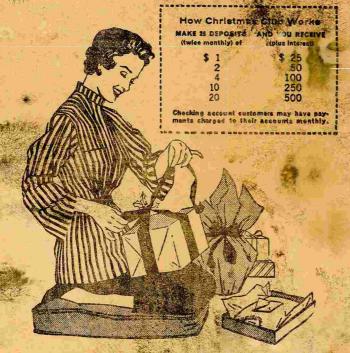
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The ASSOCIATED OIL COMPANY added their bit to the Christmas leason by lighting in full, all the derricks in their field nor th of Chatsworth of Christmas Eve and Christmas night making Ost Ridge a veritable Christmas tree mountain. The community and sur rounding areas appreciate their effort and the beauty it added to the outdoor decorations.

Members of the CHIOR of the First Methodist Church of Chatsworth were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. JOHNSON on Friday night for their annual Christ mas party. Following a short mehearsal, directed by Don Lilia, they enjoyed a game of Music Bingo, and some Crazy Chior Hits. The evening concluded with "Chips and Dips" served by the hosts

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everal of the youth groups of the community show ed a Chrstmas Spirit of sharing when they went about the community carolling, some to the sick and shut-ins, others to the parents in their homes, and others about the streets of the town bringing the Christmas message of joy in song. Groups that participated in this way were the Northridge Chatsworth 4-H Club, the Brownies, ie Juni or MXF of the First Methodist Church nd the J. High, and Senior groups of the First astist Church.

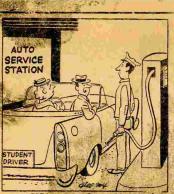
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"SUICIDE MOUNTAIN" a motion picture filmed in beautiful color entirely in Japan will be shown this Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Chatsworth. The film tells the dramatic true story of a Japanese family. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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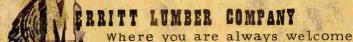
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A miscellaneous bridal shower was given by Lewise Schepler for NORMA HAAG PARISH on December 14. It was only recently known by family and friends that Norma and Herb had eloped last June to Las Vegas, and have been secretly marriedsincethattime.

JAN JURNECKA, age 10, came home from Valley Presbyterian Rospital Christmas Eve following a hemia operat im earlier in the week.

Do you have a January 6 issue of "Look" magazine II so, you will be interested in reading on pages 66-71 about a Branding Party in Wyoming, at the ranch of James Newland, who

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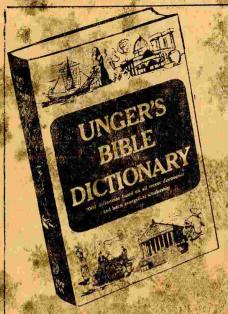
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and costumes and talk by Miss Elsie Farris, Long Beach Attorney. January 25- Topic: Middle East - color film, "Mid-East Pro-file". Feburary l-Topic: Southern California - talk by Dean Cranston, Dean of Southern California School of Theology at Claremont. Feburary 8- Topic: Mexico -Mexican Dinner to be served at 6:30 p.m.. followed by color film "Report from Mexico".

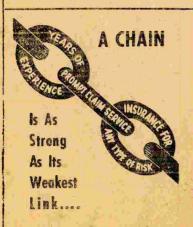
WILLIAM (BILL) SCHEPLER left Friday night, after Christmas on a seven week vacation trip which will take him to Mexico, Guatamala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Nicuragus, Panama, and the Canal He will make Zone. the trip by train, bus and launch, where there are no road or railroad connections. He would like to return by ship if he can make connections at the time he is ready to come home.

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Boys receiving awards at the Dec. Cub Pack Meeting were: 13 new Bobcats: Alvin Hyle, Teeko Planter, Russell Ahlstrom, Kevin Burns, Stephen Clemens, Robert Weddaugh, Gary Wilkinson, Robert Davis, Frederick Wells, Tomny Wisdom, Darrell Cooper, Jerry Wilderson, John Cade. The introduction of these boys will mean the formation of possibly two more dens according to Jim Dicus, Committee Chairman.

Others receiving acheivement awards were:
Den I: Mrs. Val Wangsgard, den mother- Ronald
Richards, Don Newlin, Jeffery Sagert, and Chris
Wangsgard. Den 2: Mrs. H. M. Ditto, den motherKelly Joe Ewalt and Michael Davey. Den 3:
Mrs. James Dicus, den mother- Robyn Wooten,
Mike Riley, Bruce Allen, Tommy Dicus, and Jan
Jurnecka. Den 4: Mrs. Michael Ragusin, den
mother- George Lorbeer, Tyler Marriott, Michael
Rabe, Steven Ragusin, Victor Hill and David
Lynn. This den was most cutstanding for the
number of awards per boy, according to Barton
Cook, award Chairman.

In addition to the awards to the boys, three den mothers, who are really the unsung heroines of Cub Scouting, received lovely compacts. Mrs. Joseph Jurnecka, Mrs. Louise Sagert, and Mrs. Ann Eckhardt.

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M nan d Mrs. LJRK HASKELL were busy entertaining last week ... on Tuesday eventing they had as dinner guests Mrs. Haskeri's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson and family of Phoenix, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson of Montros. The following night, Christmas Eve, they entertained several people who were away from relatives and friends, the Herbert Slaters, Mrs. Pearl Wright, Mrs. Estelle Kearns, and Checks Warrer, and gave them an extra bit of Christmas. At eleven o'clock th ey all ad jouto the First odist Chur ch for the thas communio n Chorale. Saturday night, Mr. Haskelf's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haskell and daughter of San Francisco were dinner guests of the Haskells.

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to attend and meet at the First Baptist Church for Transportation. at 6:30 p.m.

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some discussion that maybe the name should have some local, or at least California significance. After several suggestions we finally hit on a name with a California significance and one with a future as

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