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Employee Eaves Droppings

The BIG NEWS from the Information Department at the Arboretum is the appointment of Norman Isbell to Senior Information Aid, effective August 1. We shall expect Frank to walk more erect now, after being relieved of a load of detail that he has carried so long. Frank's comment, "I'll have to put rocks in my shoes to keep my feet on the ground!"

The news from the As-Needed Information Aids is: Bob Smith handed out cigars on the arrival of a baby girl. Bob now has a son and daughter. Congratulations, Bob!

Jerry Gause wife presented him with a baby boy, their first child. Needless to say this was a nervous experience as the baby came a week late. Congratulations to you, too, Jerry!

We hear, via the grapevine, that the long-legged bird is hovering over the home of the Norman Isbell's; a delivery to be made sometime in September.

Arboretum Addings

For staff interest and public interest, we wish to supplement the game bird population of the Arboretum Lagoons by giving sanctuary to certain waterbirds recovered at the Sacramento Wildlife Refuge. Included are Canada, Lesser, Cackling Geese, Snow Geese and Whistling Swans.

Staff News

We wish to welcome to the Arboretum Charles Mozolan and John Branner, both Park Maintenance Men Helpers.

Welcome to South Coast Botanic Garden, as a permanent Park Maintenance Man Helper, Le Roy Burkitt. Kenneth Graves is an As-Needed Park Maintenance Man Helper for South Coast.

Don Woolley is the Supervisor of South Coast Botanic Garden. He will be missed at the Arboretum, but all wish him well in his new position.

Library Listings

Barton, L. V. - Seed preservation and longevity . . . Entoma 14th edition Lucknow Bot. Garden - Monstera deliciosa . . . Butler, J. D. - Hydroponics as a hobbyb. Sinclair, James B. - Plant diseases, how to identify them Kazarian, E. A. - Plastic films for . . . construction

Gertrude's Gleanings

You would be surprised at what has shown up this summer at the Youth Education Section in the Arboretum. When vacation time comes along - so do a lot of other things! For instance, four cute bantams that now run the ranch from the back door on out; one white leghorn rooster who set up a crowing marathon under the building (this one has moved on to the field of nutrition - ask Tino); Three large white rabbits appeared under the fence in Ross Goodriche's section, and a neighbor phoned asking us to "do something." We did!! Rabbits joined the nutrition field, too. Twelve baby cliff swallows appeard as a result of cleaning nests off a nearby house. One garter snake, five toads, and two turtles joined the staff early in the season. Two pet ducks applied for admission which was refused, but they no doubt found a way under the fence later. A new soil manager joined the Education Section via the skip-loader and Billy Hawk. His name is Botta Pocket Gopher, and he knows and does more about soil than most of us.

All this is good fun, but it is the 257 children that have made a wonderful summer. Sixteen classes have been successfully concluded with the help of two outside teachers and four volunteer helpers. We increased the Arboretum attendance by 1,381 people who will never forget it!!

Social Committee Soundings

REMINDER!!! If you are interested in going to the BASEBALL GAME on SEPT. 21, please let your Social Committee representative know by August 24. So far, very few have signed up for reservations - not enought to fill a bus - so this might have to be cancelled unless we receive more reservations. Those interested in going to the game, can still go, but must furnish own transportation, if we do not have more wishing to go in a bus. Let us hear from you.

NOTE: BLOOD BANK on Monday, August 20, Arcadia Elks Lodge #2025, 27 West Huntington Drive, at 3:00 PM and 7:30 PM.

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