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## Employee Eavesdroppings

A genial welcome to Dr. Robert Gonderman, our new Plant Physiclogist, who comes to us from Michigan State University. We are wondering, Bob, if you will miss having to shovel snow this winter.

Welcome to our new Tree Trimmer, Charlie Bransford.

Recent employees to move up the ladder on the staff are: Francis Ching to Chief Horticulturist; Joe Lerchenmuller to Nurseryman in charge of Orchids. Hope you both like the new positions.

Denis Kucera has moved on to Riverside where he will help create a new growing acreage for the University of California at Riverside. Nice going, Denis.

On October 2, Master Ronald Allen Isbell put in his initial appearance at the Huntington Memorial Hospital, Pasadena. Weight 7 lbs. Proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Norman Isbell. CONGRATULATIONS!

## Library Listings

Recent Library arrivals:

Steiner - Philippine ornamental plants

Eliovson - Discovering wild flowers in southern Africa

Meeuse - The story of pollination Couch - Diseases of turfgrasses

Benson - Plant taxonomy

Letty - Wild flowers of the Transvaal

American Iris Society Check List 1950-1959

Harrison - Handbook of trees and shrubs for the Southern Hemisphere

#### Arboretum Articles

In case you have been wondering just what is going on at the corner of Hugo Reid and Baldwin Avenues the scoop is this: Preparation of approximately four acres for an Experimental Garden facility. Following the initial fencing and screening with Acacia cardiophylla, grading and installation of irrigating equipment are now in progress and will be followed by soil preparation with anticipated planting in the late winter and early spring. This facility will provide accomodations for experimental plots and plantings of the research staff.

#### Historical Happenings.

The Historical Center has been active for the past few months, first obtaining sponsorship for some of its needs and events, etc., second, instituting last summer and still continuing - a workshop for children in the third, fourth and fifth grades. This workshop is called 'Early California Indian and Rancho Tales' in which children participate - via a day in the life of . . . Each an important period in California history. Third is the beginning of our Docent History Workshop for Junior and Senior High School students. Our fourth venture is to institute an archeological 'dig' upon Tallac Knoll via the assistance of the Pasadena City College archeological professors. This should prove very interesting and educational as it will help to get some date established for some of the artefacts we have which were found on the hill and other areas in the vicinity.

If you have an 11th or 12th grader in your family inform him that the Docent History Workshop began as of October 6. Classes are held on Saturdays (holidays excepted) at 10:00 a.m.

NOTE: Dr. George will be here on November 2. He will give polio, tetanus, and flue shots. Take your pick!!

NOTE: A telephone training class will be held in the Lecture Hall on November 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Mrs. Irene Serna of Communications will be the teacher.



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