advanced students of Adricenne Wester-back, organists, entertain on an instrument furnished by Gould Music Co. of Glendale. There are thirty-three organists, some of whom will be playing for the fourth year, who volunteer their talent for this event. They play approximately an hour and a half each in rotation during the nine-day show. On Sunday afternoon, December 8, at 3 o'clock, the Symphonietta Strings from Burbank will play Bach's Christmas Chorale and other Christmas music.

Co-chairman of the show this year are Mrs. Rodney Rood and Mrs. John Urabec. Helping them are the following women: Mesdames Francis Usher, Russell W. Justice Jr., Roger Gurley, Exhibits; Claude Bartlett and Elmore Aronstam, Terrace Boutiques; David Anderson, Exhibitor Hospitality; E. Kent Springer, Sign In; James C. Arnett and Thomas H. Rea, Hospitality; Paul F. Decker, Guy Johnson and Kenneth Wilson, Hostesses; James Corcoran and Charles Wirch, Music; Arthur Downer, Plant Sales.

The Hospitality House will be open for the Christmas Show from 9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. daily. Free tram service is available from the entrance gate. There is no admission charge to the show.

ROSE PARADE

The most famous of parades on New Year's Day will have an added interest this year for readers of Lasca Leaves. The Department of Arboreta and Botanic Gardens, through its director, Francis Ching, has received a distinctive honor by reason of his having been invited to serve as one of the five judges of the coming Tournament of Roses Parade. The one aspect of the floats that is unique and that has brought them worldwide at-

tention is, of course, their decorations which, according to rule, must consist only of flowers and plant parts. Competion among the 60 floats allowed each year is intense and contributes to their high cost, ranging from \$20 to \$40 thousand, depending on size, amount of animation, and so on.

HUGO REID ROUNDUP

Being a member of the California Arboretum Foundation brings many privileges and extras not available elsewhere. Among them is the Hugo Reid Roundup, a members-only event. Held last August 23 in and around the Hugo Reid Adobe, some 200 members and 70 children enjoyed an evening of family fun. Under the chairmanship of Tootie Grivich, Foundation president, a well-organized evening started at 6 o'clock and ended three hours later. Adults enjoyed an authentic Mexican dinner served by vice president Ruth Mary Larson and her committee, and prepared by Francis and Elaine Ching with John Provine and Cal-The youngsters Allen assisting. roasted hot dogs for themselves under the supervision of Mary Atkinson.

Patricia Warren, historical curator of the Arboretum, opened the Hugo Reid Adobe for the occasion and decorated it with fresh flowers. There was fishing with bamboo poles in Lasca Lagoon, and a magic show presented by 11-year-old Tommy Peters, a neighbor of Mitzie Moore, president of Las Voluntarias. Carol Brayshaw arranged some games for the children climaxed by three pinatas the traditional Mexican star, a bull, and a peacock, all containing candy which tumbled out as the youngsters enthusiastically hit them with sticks. Throughout the evening, Mexican music was provided by the band of Richard Castruta.



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