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Information Section. t

Norman Isbell wishes to thank all of the Arboretum personnel who gave such wholehearted cooperation in making the Home Owner's Lawn Show a real success. His special thanks to those individuals who came in after hours to help out.

Sometimes the Information Section encounters difficult situations - such as was caused by a reporter for the Pasadena Independent-Star News writing a humorous article titled, "Bird Watching is for the Birds." Too many phone calls to the Arboretum gave proof that some bird hobbyists are unable to laugh at themselves; truly a sad state of affairs.

Youth Education Section

We are just recovering from an overhaul of the grounds by the Professional Gardening class. Some of the many tasks accomplished were: removal and replacement of various plants, pruning, planting of a camellia bed, seeding of a lawn, and fertilizing of the area. Many thanks to all who helped out by providing the necessary tools, plants, equipment, etc. to help complete the job.

The swan family is doing fine. Mama and Papa are still protecting the rapidly growing cygnets. The goose family is still on its way. Mama is still setting, and Papa is still belligerant.

Library Listings

Recent arrivals in the Library are:

Plant analysis and fertilizer problems Reuther, W.

Payne, T. Life on the Modjeska ranch in the nineties

Martinez, M. Los pinos Mexicanos

Coltman-Rogers, C. Conifers and their characteristics

VanMelle, P. J. Trees and shrubs for the small place Barrett, J. W. Regional silviculture of the U.S.

Woman's Club of Havana. Flowering plants from Cuban gardens

Bond, T. E. T. Wild flowers of the Ceylon Hills

Lothian, T. R. N. The Practical home gardener

Foundation Future

We are happy to report that our secretary, Mrs. Elsie Murray, is improving and will eventually be back with us before too much longer.

The last in the series of lectures offered by the Foundation to members and non-members will be held on April 24, at 8:00 p.m. in the Lecture Hall. Mr. John S. L. Gilmour, Director of the Cambridge University Botanic Garden, Cambridge, England will illustrate his talk on "The Cambridge Botanic Garden." Non-members are charged \$2.00.

Personnel News

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr. and Mrs. Lee H. Wakeman became the proud papa and mama of a fine baby boy. Name William.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Marge Wood who overcame many obstacles; to wit: a car accident in which she received a whip lash; her daughter's tonsillectomy; and a long time backache. Glad to have you back, Marge!!

Bernice McKeen, Chairman of the Blood Bank, wishes to thank the following people who gave to the Blood Bank: William Dickey, James Cochran, Harold Martinez, Charles bransford, Clarence Smith, John Branner, John Basye, Clifford Parks, Norm Isbell, and Robert Caldwell, local printer, who gave through our bank to replace blood used by Elsie Murray in her recent operation.

Historical Happenings

An exciting new exhibit covering pre-historical to modern period of Santa Anita Rancho, of which the Arboretum represents central core, will be available to interested visitors on May 1 in the Coach Barn Museum of the Arboretum Historical Center. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Sunday.



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