

# Kettler Kapers

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This is not a very pleasant way to start off a column, but may I present an earnest plea for all you readers, residents and non-residents of Kettler Knolls, to PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY and slowly for you never know when one of our little angels (often with their halos askew and their wings a little grayish) might come darting out into the street in front of your car. This very thing happened just last week when Michael Oliver, son of Dick and Dorothy Oliver of Middlebrook Rd., was playing with a group of children near Cabrillo Ave. and Middlebrook Rd. All of a sudden some impulse took him and dashing out into the street and right into the path of a car.

He was knocked down and received a good sized bump on his head, also a thorough shaking up, but fortunately the woman who was driving had

stopped for the stop sign and was still in low gear, or the consequences might not have been so light. We'd all feel as badly as this woman did, I'm sure, but it can happen to you too. She said that he appeared out of nowhere. He wasn't there and then all of a sudden, he was. That's how kids are, so let's all be real careful in the future, so it won't happen again. There are so very many children in these tracts!

**Boasting about his new brother** to his kindergarten classmates is five year old Danny Hampton... and he has something to boast about for young Roger Allen, (that is what they have named the newest addition) weighed ten whole pounds when he arrived at Torrance Memorial Hospital April 18. His parents are Dorothy and John Hampton of 1714 W. 236 St. Passing out cigars to his fellow officers in the Los Angeles Police Dept. has kept daddy busy ever since. Grandmother is Mrs. Vesta Thomas of Lakeview, Ore. and great-grandfather is Frank Hampton of the 236 St. address. Congratulations and lots of happiness, folks.

**Putting on their best bits** and tucker recently were George and Sue Witz of Huber St. when George was initiated into the fourth degree Knights of Columbus in Long Beach. Following the initiation ceremony which was for members only, Sue joined George for a banquet at Town Hall in Long Beach. According to reports, it was really fun.

**Carmen and Jay Nelson** of Reynosa Dr. had a dinner guests recently Mrs. Eloise Huling and children from Sunny meade, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hill and children of West Los Angeles.

**Isn't it wonderful** to be proficient enough in a thing to be able to participate in a state competition? I never could beat Mrs. Gue (Joan to her friends) Bray of 2314 Huber St. can and did. She and her girl friend, Inez Kviliang, flew up to Sacramento last Saturday for the California Woman's Bowling Tournament, returning Sunday night. As yet, I haven't had a chance to talk to her to

find out how she came out, but I'm willing to bet she "held her own" at least.

**Paper drive coming up!**... Hope you are saving them! Of course if they have displaced or misplaced the car, you may give a few of them away but please not many, for they'd like this paper drive at the Torrance Elementary school to be the best yet. It's to be held Tuesday, May 27, at the school. If you want the papers picked up, or the twine to tie them with, you may call me and I will see that you are helped. Don't let it be said that Kettler Knolls ever fell down on its end of a job... and who knows, one of our children may need help at the dental clinic that the money is going to help establish.

**It was very nice** to see at least three of the fellows in the class of initiates into the Bert S. Crossland Post of the American Legion last Saturday night were from Kettler Knolls. Those new members were Ivan Eckersley, Jack Baldwin and Arthur Grant. It was quite an impressive ceremony with the installing team coming from Whittier to do the honors. They are also a "crack" drill team so it is always a joy to watch them work. After the initiation ceremonies, lovely refreshments were served and later in the evening a dance was held in honor of the new members and their guests. Besides the new Legionnaires I saw Mike and Josephine Orend, Kitty and Herb Walsberg and us Cunninghams tripping the light fantastic.

**Don't let the kids** keep you home... just give them a nap this afternoon and take them along when you go to see "Miss Molly's Girl" at the Civic Auditorium tonight. They will enjoy it too! It's a comedy put on by the Nativity School. Tickets may be obtained at the door.

**If you think Mrs. Iris Duncan** was thrilled and excited when she heard her husband, 1st Lt. Ted Duncan being interviewed on the radio last March, you should see her now... his home, and to stay! Well, that is, just as soon as he is processed at Fort Ord. He landed in Seattle a week ago and was home for the weekend, then returned to Fort Ord last Tuesday for the two or three days that it will take the Army to get through all their rigmarole that is necessary to release him. He will still be in the National Guard until September but will at least be home. He has been with the 40th Division in Korea since last Christmas Eve, and his men doing demolition work. "Sonny," their son, is "soo" proud of Dad and glad to see him come, too! Nothing is nicer than to say with all your neighbors and friends, "Welcome Home, Ted!"

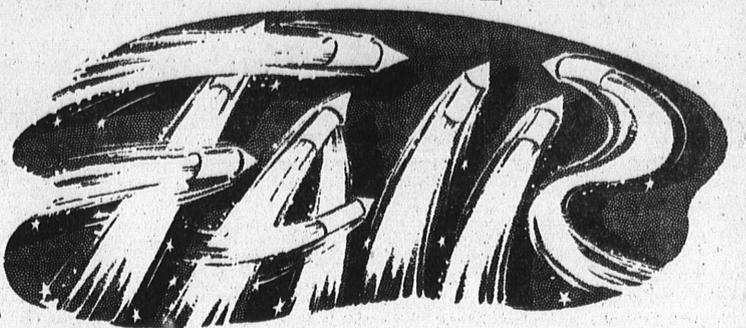
**Birthdays are always better** when we can share the fun of them with others. Mark Grubbs, son of Dr. and Mrs. Grubbs of Falena St. thinks so anyhow, so he had his mother bake him cupcakes for his birthday and he took them to school to treat the class and to share joy of that special day, recently. May we join with his classmates in wishing him many more happy returns of the day.

**An enjoyable evening** was spent last Saturday night when a group of friends got together for a pot-luck supper and an evening of visiting at the home of Sue and George Witz on Huber St. Those helping to make the evening a most successful one were Janie and Herschel Huffman, Jess and Dell Walls, and Bobby and Mel Fromm from Gardena. This group of young marrieds get together every so often for just such a sociable evening, taking turns at being host or hostess.

**Coming at a very appropriate** time of the year, so near to Mother's Day, was the Mother-Daughter banquet of the Lutheran Church of Torrance held a week ago last Tuesday in the Civic Auditorium. Among the Kettlerites who attended were Mrs. E. R. Sands Sr. and daughter Mary, and Mrs. Free and daughter Patsy, all of Cabrillo St. Mary was chosen to give the tribute to the mothers and as it happened, her mother gave the tribute to the daughters. A very nice mother-daughter combination. I would say it gives one such a nice warm feeling around the heart to see mothers and daughters such good pals.

**How good are you** at working out puzzles? Good enough to figure out last week's column. I hope, because as things sometimes happen, it got a little mixed up when the type was set and took a bit of figuring to have it make sense. Like a jigsaw, try putting it together different ways until at least one of them will make sense... that is if you still have any mind left. But seriously though, we're sorry it got jumbled in places, and do hope that you managed to figure it out and read the news.

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