

Kettler Kapers

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Well, here it is well into the first week in June. Only another week until school will be out and the kiddies thinking of going off to camp, on that long-awaited vacation, going on to summer school or Bible school, or thinking up just plain devilment to get into. I can remember, as a kid, how I used to look forward to the last week of school. It meant exams were over, our books were turned in, and it was mostly a social time highlighted by a picnic or party the last day. Where I came from, that last get-together was usually a picnic in the woods down by the creek, with the kids gathering, wild flowers, wading and playing games. It seemed that when summer really started . . . when school was out and we had the time to do all the playing that we wanted to. This year the summer school schedule sounds so exciting that I'm sure there will be a lot of children who will take advantage of it. I sort of wish that I could, if only I were school age again. It sounds like so much fun!

Speaking of school and graduation, may we offer our congratulations to some of the lads and lassies from the Knolls who will be graduating this year from eighth grade, and who will enter high school, that exciting growth place that they have been working toward for so long: Lenore Sexton, Sharon Stewart, Judy Cook, Beverly Oakes, Geraldine Rusk and Karen Hester are all thrilled with their new graduation dresses, and the prospects ahead of them. The boys, who though also excited, aren't showing it as much, are Tommy Cook, Dickie Dawson, Timmy Baldwin and Myron Schmidt. Best wishes and good luck, kids . . . Have fun in high school!

In the center of the activities that surround a graduate is 1st Lt. Howard Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nelson of 1804 Marinette St., who graduates from Southern California Military Academy next week. Honor ing their son, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson hosted a dinner for him and his classmates at the Ding How Cafe recently. Special guests were Commandant Major Barham of the academy, and academy instructor Lt. Farley. Following the delightful dinner the graduating class was honored at a dance held at the parish hall of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. The boys really looked nice in their uniforms, and many

a feminine heart turned flip-flops, I'll bet.

Throwing out their chests with pride are Grant and Marie Tidmarsh of 2151 Middlebrook Rd. and for a very good reason, their 8-year-old daughter, Donna, took part in a concert the 25th day of May at the National Institute of Music and Arts in Los Angeles. Donna has been taking violin from H. A. Clapperton, one of the institute instructors, for about a year and a half now, and is really getting up there with the best of them as her group played "Pavane." This concert is an annual event, for it's nothing new to Donna. In fact, last year when it was just the group from the Los Angeles area, she was selected to conduct one of the numbers. This year the concert was longer and represented four of the institute teachers with their groups, with some of the participants coming from as far as Ventura. I'll bet Donna looked so very sweet in her formal, and we're proud of her too.

Parties are one of the nicest ways to celebrate a birthday, don't you think? At least four-year-old Linda Loy thinks so, and feels quite the young lady now since here was enjoyed by 13 of the neighborhood children recently. Her mother, Mrs. Jean (Jerry) Loy, of Middlebrook Rd., sought to keep little hands busy so favors consisted of coloring books, suckers for the sweet tooth, and balloons of all colors for that festive touch. Of course there was a big birthday cake, all decorated in pink and green with FOUR candles on it, and home made ice cream. Many happy birthdays to come, Linda.

Getting back from what you might call an impromptu vacation last week, were the Kiddies of Kathy Way. They didn't have much notice, for it was one of those cases where it's either now or not at all, so they took it now. They had planned traveling east to the Virginias, North Carolina and Detroit during July and August, but Holy (as Mr. Kidner is known) was to start a new job with the City of Torrance Water Department the first of this month, so they forgot previous plans and just went. They were gone three weeks and had a wonderful time visiting relatives and friends they hadn't seen for over two years. They ran into some rather warm

weather in Arizona and New Mexico, but except for a broken windshield gotten from a flying rock in a windstorm, they had no difficulties at all. I am sure glad that you had such a nice trip, folks, and lots of luck in your new job, Holly.

Taking advantage of the three-day holiday, the Moreheads of Middlebrook Rd. traveled down to San Diego for the week-end just for a rest. Now that their offspring are over the measles, what better way is there for spend a week-end, especially when it's a long one?

Also going down San Diego way were Chief and Gladys Kaelin of Schilling Dr. They went down to visit their son and daughter-in-law and new granddaughter, Linda Marie, the "littlest angel," is six weeks old now, getting more like a doll every day, and Gladys is looking forward to having her for the summer. Her daughter, Mrs. Marjorie Williams, and granddaughter, Toni, have arrived safely in Guam . . . they had a wonderful trip, not getting seasick once. Toni played Bingo one night and won her father a lovely Elgin wrist watch. What 10-year-old wouldn't be thrilled at that? Toni writes that she misses her Manny (Gladys), the cat and the two dogs, though the neighbors have some baby pigs that are most interesting. What an adventure for a young lady!

Spur of the moment activities seem to be more fun, so when Ted Aarup suggested Friday evening that they drive up to Visalia to see Jane's mother, Mrs. Rowan, it only took her a few minutes to gather things together into a weekend bag and off they went, returning late Sunday night. The weather was mild and the traffic not too bad until they "hit" the ridge route on the way home, so it was lots of fun and a nice holiday.

Got new neighbors at 2051 Reynosa Dr. to whom we would like to extend a hand of welcome. Victor and Orabelle Youngs, and daughters Sheryl, 22 months, and Lois, 7 months, have lived in the Torrance area for the past six months coming from Hawthorne before that. Victor is employed at Olson Glass Company in Torrance. We hope that you will enjoy living in the Knolls, and welcome to the fold.

Tasting the scrumptious flavor of smores for the first time last Saturday night were Ingrid and Mitche Walsberg, and Dan and Jorie Cunningham, who got together in the Cummings' Weed Patch (back yard if you must get technical) to roast wieners and marshmallows over



THE QUEEN'S COURT . . . Annual May Queen crowning ceremonies which took place last week at the Catholic Nativity Church saw Faye Cox head ceremonies honoring the Mother of God. She was assisted by Carol Armstrong, Colette Birdsall, Brenda Martin and Bette Jesseme. They are shown here entering the church.

a bonfire. Rounded out by bakelate was any indication, it was of beans, punch and a green salad, it was the best meal that wish they would all the time, they had ever eaten, according to them, and if the amount they spoil their fun.

VFW, Auxiliary Plan Pot-Luck Supper Soon

A pot-luck supper for members of Lomita Post 1622 VFW and the Auxiliary to Post 1622 will be held at the VFW hall next Thursday evening at 6:30, according to Mrs. Anna Long, Auxiliary president, and Jake Eichman, post commander. All members are cordially invited, it was stated.

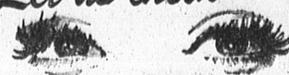
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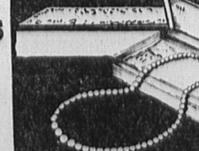
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