

Kettler Kapers

Kettler Columnist Heads for Vacation

By TEO CUNNINGHAM
That undesirable miss, who sometimes forces herself upon us — "Mis-Fortune" — has paid Jack Baldwin from over Falena St. way a visit, and just when he had planned to take off for a fishing trip to the Sierras. Seems that Jack was thrown from a horse last Saturday and suffered a cracked vertebra, so instead of "packing in" and enjoying those fish he planned to catch, Jack will be taking his vacation in a hospital bed.

"Faw," more commonly known as Jack Fuller of Reynosa Dr. is getting out his best bib and tucker and getting ready to slick that hair back, for young est daughter, Dona Lilyan, is being married the first of August and it's his honor to give the bride away. Dona is pledging her troth to Hilton Ray Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson, 24315 Eshelman, in Lomita. The young couple have chosen Greenwich Wedding Chapel for the important event, and Dona's sister Betty Ewoldt will be matron of honor while Hilton's brother will serve as best man. Dona and Hilton will make their home in this area, as Hilton is a longshoreman and Dona plans to continue her studies at Reno's Beauty College in Long Beach. Mother Polly is busy and a little excited too, helping with the final arrangements.

Was very much surprised the other day to see the Schaefer house on Gramercy up for sale. So when we saw Rose Sunday we asked what it was all about. Rose and Walt are moving up into the valley, Paolina to be exact, where they have bought a home in Panoramas City and Walt has opened up an office. They hope to have

the house sold here and be moved up there by the first of next month.

Bob and Edith Crawford, of 1784 Santa Fe St., have sold their house and have also moved up into the San Fernando Valley. Sunland is their new address, and the reason for the move was daughter Mickey, who suffered with asthma here in the Torrance climate. Mickey has been at the Sun-Aire Home in Sunland for some time and has made such an improvement that Bob and Edith decided that it was well worth the move. We understand that Mickey doesn't even look like the same child; she's so much healthier looking. . . . and is now home with mom and dad. Neighbors and friends will miss the Crawfords, but are happy that they can all be together again.

Last Sunday found the Gordon Jones and M. R. Cooks enjoying the National Supply's annual picnic. The big event was held at the Montebello Stadium, and there were free rides for the kiddies and plenty to eat, so a "good time was had by all."

A really big thrill was experienced by the Fischer children and Kenny Helphand when they, accompanied by their parents, Goody Fischer and Camilla Helphand went with Carmen Nelson to Long Beach to see the mine sweeper Dextrose dock. . . . Carmen's brother, Seaman Don Still, was aboard to welcome home from his Korean tour of duty, where he has been since last February. After greeting Don, he showed them around the ship. His leaves while his ship is in port will be spent with Carmen and Jay.



News and Notes

from the office of
CONGRESSMAN CECIL R. KING

L. A. HARBOR IMPROVEMENT HEADINGS

Congressman King's bill, H. R. 3054, to improve the East Basin of the Los Angeles Harbor, up for hearings this past week before the House Public Works Committee, received the personal support of an entourage of VIPs from the Los Angeles area.

Speaking in behalf of the measure which would authorize dredging of a turning basin and wider channel to give full usefulness to the new \$8,000,000 terminal recently completed by the City of Los Angeles, King told the House group that he considered the project as "one of the most worthy in Southern California."

Adding emphasis to King's remarks were Ralph Chandler, Matson Navigation Co. vice-president, who noted that his line has more than 300 ship movements each year at the Los Angeles Harbor; Dep. City Atty. C. N. Perkins; President Albert O. Pegg of the Board of Harbor Commissioners; Capt. Frank A. Johnson, master of the S. S. Lurline and Commodore of the Matson Fleet; Chief Engineer E. Clinton Earle of the Harbor board staff, and Harold Hodger, County Flood Control Engineer.

The new terminal, due for opening July 11, cannot be used to maximum effectiveness unless an 80-acre shoal is removed from the East Basin so that large vessels can have sufficient space to maneuver without running aground or bumping into other ships and docks.

EISENHOWER TO GET REDONDO APPEAL
In a last-ditch fight to obtain emergency authority for the U. S. engineers to start work on completing the Redondo Beach breakwater to protect the city from further devastating ocean destruction, Congressman King plans a personal appeal to the President Eisenhower on the matter.

BILLS WOULD CUT NARCOTICS TRAFFIC
Widespread support for the enactment of three new bills just introduced in Congress by Congressman King aimed at improving means for combating the

narcotics traffic in America has been received from both individuals and the press.

The measures were introduced by King following months of study and investigation during which a close liaison was maintained with Commissioner Harry S. Anshinger of the Bureau of Narcotics for first-hand knowledge.

It was learned that military service rejections for drug addiction among the youth of our nation was greater today than during World War II. Reports showed that boys and girls committed to the California Youth Authority who admitted using dope increased nearly three percent during the last year. Nationally the percentage admitting regular use of drugs increased from 22.4 per cent in 1951 to 35.5 per cent in 1952.

Presently the Federal laws provide no distinction between the penalties provided for unlawful possession and unlawful selling of narcotics. Commission Anshinger agreed with Congressman King that the elimination of the peddler would soon see drug addiction stamped out.

H. R. 5220 provides a mandatory five-year sentence, without probation, and up to \$5000 fine for the first conviction of selling narcotics.

The selling of narcotics has been a very lucrative business for the underworld — a hundred dollars worth of dope can be quickly sold for a thousand dollars profit. But with a straight five-year jail sentence for a first conviction facing the peddler, temptation for such big money in the narcotic trade may be removed.

The other measures introduced by King would give the Narcotic agents similar authority to that now held by the FBI agents and authorizes the Commission of Narcotics to summon persons to produce books, papers and records, in carrying out the duties of his office.

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