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Beach Lovers Irked as Seagulls Give Way to Loud, Hungry Horde

By MARY WEBB
FB 5-3051

The beach lovers of this area are sad witnesses to the passing of an era. That's the consensus of conversations we've had concerning the local beach. Whoever liked the deal to turn our beach into a west-side Coney Island is certainly no beach lover. We can recall the not too distant day when it was a joy forever to drop down below to the quiet beach and enjoy sun, spray and seagulls, while the crowds kept their appointments at other beaches in our communities.

Not now.

Now they flock to the beach, intent on listening to a blaring juke box, sipping on food from the concession stand down there and generally littering up our beach with trash, banana peels, orange rinds and sandwich scraps.

You can have it.

We'd imagine the beach properties edging the beach have gone down in value since the horde arrived—it certainly can't be a joy to look upon thousands of bodies snuggled blanket to blanket on the jammed sands.

We rather enjoyed the vista of sand and ocean, of cliffs and sky that used to be ours in the good old days of two to three years ago.

Well, we found the answer. Don't go there. You'll find better beach and better living a mile or two north. Up there, where we considered it crowded in the old days, we find lots of space to romp and bathe. And it's far enough away so we can't hear what the wild hordes are screaming.

When the Scotts celebrate a wedding anniversary, they all celebrate!

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Scott, 127 Via Monte de Oro, made their anniversary an even more special occasion by celebrating with an evening of dining and dancing at Moulin Rouge recently. The younger Scotts whooped it up with a trip to Disneyland on the day before—taking in all the sights.

Along for the anniversary fun were sons Mike and Tim, and daughter Patty, together with Mrs. Harry Walker III (nee Sandra Scott) and her daughter, Terri. Mrs. Scott hosted the trip.

To St. Louis on a business trip last Sunday went Leonard Voskamp, 427 Via Mesa Grand, via airplane. An engineer with McDonnell Aircraft, he'll return to Riviera within a week, says Mrs. Voskamp, who will tend the home fires in his absence.

Riviera school will open Aug. 25 for mothers who wish to register their children for the term starting Sept. 14. So reports Mrs. Clyde Beck, school secretary.

To register your child, it is necessary to bring along his birth certificate or proof of birth date if he is going to be in kindergarten or first grade. If he's going into one of the higher grades, you'll need his transfer certificate or his last report card, showing he has been promoted to that grade.

For more information, you can call Mrs. Beck at the school office any week day on or after Aug. 25. The phone number: FR 5-4594.

We took a look in on the Newton school now building, Albert Posner, assistant superintendent, told us that registration of new students for the Newton school will commence about Sept. 1. School will open officially on Sept. 14, or at least they are driving towards that date.

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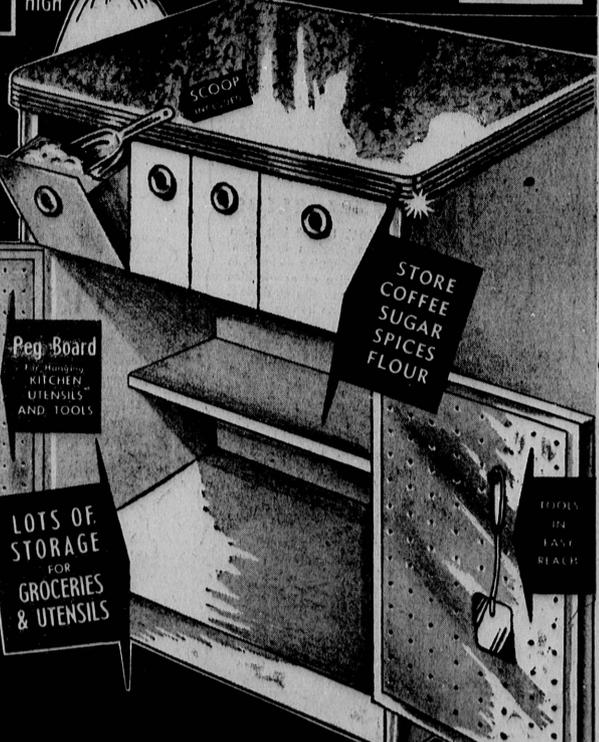
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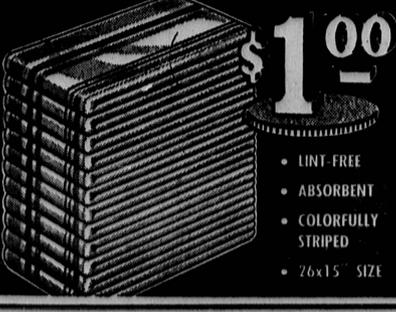
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Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beck, 326 Calle de Andalucia, have returned home from their annual vacation trip. They spent the first part of this month up at Bass Lake living it up in true vacationer style.

Staying at a cabin near the lake, they spent most of the time swimming, boating and resting. Total time at the lake was a delightful 10 days, they report. With them were son and daughter, Konrad, 11, and Susan, 8.

Mr. and Mrs. William Urban, 1468 Calle de Andalucia, played host to her father, Mr. M. N. Hicks of Mangum, Okla., for a week recently. During his vacation here, they visited Marineland, Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm.

NEW NEIGHBOR DEPT: A big hearty welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Albright and son, Chuck, who moved into their new home at 139 Paseo de las Delicias last week. The Albrights moved into their new home on Aug. 9, from their former home in Redondo Beach.

Goodbyes and hello to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Grover, who moved into their beautiful new home at 151 Camino de las Colinas, a couple of months ago. They formerly lived at 336 Calle de Andalucia, from where they moved together with their son and daughter, Don, 8 and Marsha, 13.

Mrs. Kildow, mother of Mrs. Grover, who lives with them, also made the move to the larger home.

Son Ronald Grover, 22, incidentally, arrived home from a tour overseas with the Navy. He spent four years overseas duty in Japan, Kwajalein and Hawaii, receiving his discharge from the service last Monday. Ronald reports he will attend El Camino college this fall, studying towards a degree in pharmacy.

ADD NEW NEIGHBORS: Another big welcome to Mr. and Mrs. George Reynolds and their two children, who moved into Riviera in July. Their new home is at 148 Via la Ciruela. They moved here from their former home in Indio, together with son, John, 9 and Nancy, 7. Reynolds is a flight engineer with TWA.

Home is the hunter — home from the hills, and the Koesters are home from the east. That's the word from 218 Via la Ciruela, home of Mr. and Mrs. Al. Koester and all the little Koesters, who recently completed a 6000-mile auto journey all over the midwest and parts of Canada.

First stop, report the Koesters, was St. Louis for business reasons, and then on to Cincinnati, O., where they visited Mrs. Koester's folks. From there, they shuffled off to Buffalo, N. Y., where they spent time with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Koester. Afterwards, they continued north and into Canada, crossing over to Niagara.

Westward rolled the caravan, till they dipped south and came back into the U. S. in Wisconsin. From there they motored to Minneapolis where they did some more settin', this time with Al's brother, Bill Koester and family.

From Minneapolis, southwestward to Las Vegas (what else?) for a short stop before continuing home.

Our deepest sympathies go this week to neighbor Dave Cochran and his wife, Marge, Dave, commanding officer of CAP, Long Beach group 7, of the Civil Air Patrol, was injured badly last Saturday afternoon when his CAP plane crashed and burned in the Rolling Hills area. His observer, Lt. Myrtle Kirby, of Torrance was injured critically with second and third degree burns over 80 per cent of her body, while Cochran, who lives at 286 Calle de Andalucia, suffered severe burns on both legs and cuts on face, neck and hands.