

Fords All Over the Place and Grandma Worland Looks On Spare Time? ... Lend a Helping Hand at Pilot Club's New Volunteer Center

Stork Story

Harvey Raymond is a new name in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob R. Stone of 17622 Kornblum Ave. It is the given name of their new son and first child born Dec. 22 at 9:28 p.m. at Torrance Memorial Hospital. Weighing a husky 8 lb. 4 oz. at birth, he is grandson to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. King, Sr., of Grand Prairie, Texas, and Mrs. D. O. Stone of Inglewood.

Second daughter for Mr. and Mrs. James H. Weigand of Hermosa Beach, arrived Dec. 26 at 1:43 a.m. at Torrance Memorial Hospital. The little lady had a birth weight of 6 lb. 12 1/2 oz. and her future playmates will call her Karen Lee. She has a 14 months old sister, Debra Lynn. Nevada grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sim W. Smith and grandparents at Manhattan Beach are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Weigand.

Danny Alan and Gloria Jean are telling playmates about a new baby brother who joined their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Z. Weddle of 18405 Faysmith Ave., on Dec. 26 at Torrance Memorial Hospital. The 7 lb. 3 oz. David Patrick put in an appearance at 10:44 a.m.

December 26 will be celebrated as future birthdays for the first daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Augustine Saucedo of 2129 Del Amo Blvd. Linda arrived at 11:44 at Torrance Memorial and tipped the scales at a dainty 5 lb. 11 oz. She is sister to Augustine Richard, age 1, and grandson to Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Escobar and Mr. and Mrs. Jose Saucedo.



Three Ford Brothers Wed Three Sisters, Ten Little Fords, Triple Kissing Cousins

When three sisters marry three brothers, their children become triple cousins and their parents find themselves in the unusual relationship of being sister-in-law and brother-in-law to their own sisters and brothers. This is the complicated but happy situation in the family of Mrs. Joseph Worland, of 442 E. 219th St., who is grandmother to the ten off-springs of the brother-sister merger.

Just how it all began is not explainable by Mrs. Worland who says, "they used to gather around the piano to sing and dance and the first thing I knew they were all getting married." The "they" referred to by Mrs. Worland are her three daughters and the three Ford brothers, John, Ernest and Charles, who came here with their father, from Flint, Mich., in 1944. The Ford brothers all attended and graduated from Torrance High School and took part in athletic events there. Charles was a graduate of the class of '48, Ernest in '49 and John, '51.

First couple to begin the Ford-Worland merger were Charles and Dolores, who skipped to Yuma and were married in a wedding chapel there. Second to tread the bridal trail to Yuma were Mary and Ernest who were also wed in the same wedding chapel. John and Betty had different ideas and remained here and were wed at Nativity Catholic Church.

To further complicate the already complicated situation, Charles and Dolores became the parents of Corky, 4; Donna, 3; and Kim, 4 months. They reside on Janet Lane.

Ernest and Mary are now parents of four, namely: Linda, 4; Sherry, 4; Terry, 3; and Ernie, 2. They live at 1639 W. 228 St.

Fourth child for Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Nelson of Manhattan Beach, joined the family Christmas Day at Torrance Memorial Hospital. A boy weighing 6 lb. 15 oz. is now making the acquaintance of brother, Sheldon Asher, 7; Steven Rhee, 3 and sister, Stacy Jane, 4. Minnesota grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Nelson and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Werner.

Four great-grandparents heard the news of the birth of Karol Corinne upon her Christmas Day arrival at Torrance Memorial Hospital where she joined her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry E. Jones of Buena Park. Weighing in at 6 lbs. 10 1/2 ozs., she was clocked in at 1:48 p.m. At home she joins

What can I do with my spare time? A volunteer Bureau where residents of the Torrance area may register to offer their free time to aid in health and youth agencies has been opened at 1628 Gramercy Ave., in Torrance. The office will be open from 7 to 9 p.m. each Tuesday, and from 2 to 5 and 6 to 8 p.m. each Friday. This office has been opened at the request of and under the sponsorship of the Harbor Area Planning Council, a Community Chest supported agency, and will be operated by the Pilot Club of Torrance, members of Pilot International.

Mrs. J. F. Higgins, chairman of the committee in charge of the office, stated, "There is a desperate need for volunteer workers of all kinds, including nurses aides, receptionists, translator of foreign languages, drivers of cars for handicapped of blind, craft and art instructors, clerical workers, and people who can tell stories or read to children and write letters for patients, as well as many other categories. Groups and individuals, both men and women, are urged to contact the office by telephone or just drop in during the hours the office is open. We have numerous requests from various agencies, such as Harbor General Hospital, health centers, craft and art institutes, children's wards, YWCA, YMCA, and recreation centers, and even though you may think the talents you have to offer are limited, you may be sure your help is needed and the work will be found extremely gratifying."

YWCA Offers Posture Series. Have you lost your youthful figure? It must be something you ate! These and other slogans are being seen around town as the YWCA announces the opening of its winter weight control conference starting this evening, at 7:45 p.m. at the headquarters building, 437 W. 9th St., San Pedro. Mrs. Leola Brucker of the adult program committee is the coordinator. A commercial photographer will attend the first meeting of the group to take pictures of the participants look now. These will be taken with a plumb-line so as to indicate posture problems on which each may work. The photographer will return at the end of the course and another picture will be made of each member of the group, so that each may see the actual improvement in these "before and after" shots. Those wishing an enroll may do so at the headquarters building where the conference will be held. The Los Angeles City Health Department is serving as consultant to the YWCA in the presentation of this course.

P T A ACTIVITIES

Crenshaw. An interesting speaker at the Crenshaw Elementary PTA on Wednesday, Jan. 4, was Mrs. Langille, representative from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. She explained the work of the organization and stressed the need for mothers to work on the March of Dimes, Tuesday, Jan. 31. Following her talk, Mrs. Langille answered questions regarding polio. A film was shown depicting the crippling effects and care of victims of the disease. Mrs. William Drake, president, then requested volunteer workers to contact her before Jan. 31.

Membership chairman, Mrs. Dane Walker, announced 465 members. Thirty-five more are needed to meet the goal before March. The cooperation and tremendous response to the request for food and toys for White Gift Day was praised by Mrs. Don Sayre, welfare chairman. She stated that 14 families were recipients of baskets for Christmas.

Miss Phyllis Huisenga and Kenneth Blake had the highest percentage of members at the meeting thereby winning attendance prizes. Mothers from the rooms of Mrs. O'Dell, Blake and Allen were hostesses during the social hour that followed the meetings.

Plans for the first Honorary Life Membership to be given at Crenshaw will be discussed at the board meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 18, 9:30 a.m.

Lomita. Lomita Elementary PTA met Thursday, Jan. 12, at the school where they viewed films of her world tour shown by Mrs. Cleone Isom who won the trip on a TV show. Mrs. Isom, fifth grade teacher, described the places shown as she showed the film.

Honorary life membership committee headed by Mrs. Dorothy Rogers, and composed of Mrs. Mmes. Jane Rey, Leonard Loy, Robert Oster, and William Hansen, recommended that the association purchase two honorary life memberships. These will be presented to two worthy recipients on Founder's Day, Feb. 9. The money used to purchase the memberships is used for the student loan fund to help deserving students with their college education.

A kidnap breakfast was held Wednesday, Jan. 11, from 9:30 to 12 at the home of Mrs. Al Strange to raise funds for the purchase of the memberships. The association also helped financially families at Christmas time with food and clothing, made for the children by board members.

Harbor City. Harbor City PTA Board met in the school cafeteria with Mrs. Chas Hilzer president conducting the meeting. The Board voted to give two Honorary Life Memberships in February, instead of one. Mrs. Charles Hilzer, president will be the chairman for the March of Mothers to be conducted by the members of the Harbor City PTA, January 31st, 1956. From 7 to 9 p.m. Harbor City PTA will meet Jan. 19 at 12:15 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Topic for the month will be Teamwork. Does it with Youth Groups. Each one of the youth groups sponsored by the Harbor City PTA will have displays of the crafts done by them. Class room visitations will be for the third and fourth grades and the afternoon kindergarten. Committees featured will be Youth Services and Safety. Room 14 Mrs. Ruth Christmas and room 10 Mr. Robert Metz will act as hostesses.

Regular monthly meeting of the North Torrance Elementary PTA was held at the school cafeteria on Jan. 5. Mrs. Robert Payne, president, led the flag salute and gave the inspirational message. Mrs. Rose Cook gave the treasurer's report. A report on the December book drive was given by Mrs. H. York, revealing a collection total of 1219 books. Cataloguing of the books is to begin soon, so that the library may be set up at the school and begin serving all pupils.

Mrs. L. Vandevort, honorary life membership chairman instituted discussion of the fine work accomplished by the scholarship fund which is financed by the yearly honorary life memberships awarded by each PTA unit. A committee to select this year's honorees is to be chosen at the next association meeting, and there is to be a suggestion box into which any one may put the name of a person they feel deserves this honor.

Mrs. Payne announced the annual midwinter conference to be held in Norwalk on Jan. 31. The March of Mothers also on Jan. 31. A proposed workshop on phonics was discussed with many showing great interest in the series of meetings. Resignations from Mrs. J. Hale, legislative chairman, and Mrs. H. Dickey, health chairman, were accepted. The regular association meeting was held at the school on Jan. 11.

Squabblers Square Dance Club which meets as a closed club every Wednesday evening at 8 at 2119 Arlington Ave., will reopen their series of meetings on the first Wednesday of each month. Any square dancer is invited to visit the club. Homer Morgan is the caller.

ORGANIZE CLUB. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Barrow, 5707 Clearside, Torrance, are assisting in the organization of a non-invitational adult square dancing club to hold its initial dance at the El Segundo Masonic Temple, Friday, Jan. 20, at 8 p.m.

Scout Trails

TROOP 404. Brownies of Troop 404 under the leadership of Mrs. Jean Bryant and Mrs. Alice Almeida, made their first trip Thursday, Dec. 29, to Holms Bakery. The party consisted of Brownies Annie Almeida, Lynn Beahan, Joyce Breaker, Lynette Campazzi, Judy Carstenson, Karen Harding, Victoria Hayes, Robin Major, Susanne Meyers, Barbara Olson and Laurie Young.

Mothers accompanying the girls on the trip were Mmes. Almeida, Bresko, Harding, Young, Olson, Beahan.

TROOP 404. Investiture services held at the YWCA on Sunday, Dec. 18, marked the institution of Brownie Troop 404, under the leadership of Mrs. Jean Bryant and Mrs. Alice Almeida, co-leader.

The services were opened by Mrs. Betty Hayes inducting Mrs. Bryant and Mrs. Almeida. After accepting leadership of the troop, Mrs. Bryant administered the oath of office to her committee, Mrs. Doris Roberts, chairman; Mrs. Roda Major, finance; Mrs. Alice Meyers, telephone. Mrs. Bryant then accepted the oaths of future Brownies Annie Almeida, Lynn Beahan, Leslie Bergsma, Joyce Breaker, Barbara Bryant, Lynette Campazzi, Judy Carstenson, Debbie Dahlen, Karen Harding, Victoria Hayes, Jackie Huff, Robin Major, Susanne Meyers, Barbara Olson, Susan Roberts and Louise Young.

Refreshments were served by Doris Roberts, Mary Campazzi, Pauline Carstenson, Carrie Bergsma, Betty Hayes and Roda Major.

PACK 953C. The Christmas party for Cub Pack 953C, sponsored by Perry PTA, was held on Dec. 20, at the Higgin's Brokeryard Recreation Room. Everyone sat in the warmth of the open fireplace and enjoyed the Christmas skit participated in by each den. There were Christmas carols sung to the accompaniment of Robert Campbell.

The boys decorated a large and beautiful tree with ornaments which they had made themselves. Cub Master Carl Swanstrom presented the following awards: Bob Cat Pencil to Chris Prescott, Jerald Carriere, George Fulton and Alan Gayda. Douglas Jackson was awarded a Bear Badge and a Gold Arrow, Earl Ware received a Gold and a Silver Arrow. Marvin Watkins and Charles Russell received Silver Arrows. Richard Butterfield received a Gold Arrow. Mark Hansen was given the Wolf Badge and a Gold Arrow.

Danny Kuyper went a Denner stipend. Edward Campbell was awarded the Lion Badge. Grego Boell was welcomed into the Scouts. A gift was then presented to Cub Master Carl Swanstrom from the Pack.

LOCAL WOMEN TO BE INSTALLED. Three Torrance women will be installed at the ceremony of the Neta Dena Rebekah Lodge 331 of Gardena this evening, at the American Legion Hall, Normandie and Gardena.

Installed will be Doris Powell, vice grand; Vertie Grimm, color bearer, and Sussie Walker, musician. The affair is open to the public.

IN PALM SPRINGS. Mr. and Mrs. John Melville and three children, accompanied by Arno Mehling, foreign exchange student, spent several days recently in Palm Springs.

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Reflections

By J. HUGH SHERFEE, JR. HE MADE FRIENDS, FIRST "Lucky," they said, but those of us who know Don Ragon best, knew the word should have been "Compassionate." Don Ragon was born and reared on a farm in Kansas, knew how calluses came, fully appreciated what it meant to live on corn mush and a piece of pork seditment. He walked two miles to school, often through blizzards, came home to chores; in addition to his manifold duties he helped his neighbors. He opened an Electric Appliance Store; his banker said, "You'll fall unless you tighten your credit strings." Don shook his head. "I can't," he said. "They're my friends." He took calves, hogs, chickens and eggs in lieu of cash. Those payments stocked his ranch. His business prospered. His greatest wealth was friends and compassion sealed them to him tighter than glue. P.S. We pledge to you a fair, friendly attitude under all conditions.

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