

# Treasures From Japan Remind Starks of Past Year in East

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Treasures from afar are much in evidence on Danaha St. these days since JoAnn and George Stark are back in their home after spending a year in Japan. Exquisite vases, pictures, ceramic figures, and Chinaware are witnesses to the workmanship which can be found in that island country. The Starks also brought back innumerable slides all in color of the lush green or snow covered countryside, depending on the season, and of the people and buildings. Many interesting hours could be spent viewing these informative and beautiful pictures. One of the interesting things to hear around their home is their 2-year-old son, Steve, who speaks a combination of Japanese and English—amusing but confusing. At any rate, let's extend a hearty welcome back to the Stark threesome.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. Paul G. Lasen of Ward St. suffered painful injuries when she accompanied her Cub Scout den on a skating party. One of the young skaters at the rink collided with her, throwing her to the floor, and breaking her arm. She was unaware of the seriousness of her injury until, upon circling the floor once more, she started to take hold of the rail with the injured hand. The result of the attempt threw her to the floor once more, breaking the other arm. This reporter thinks a purple heart would be in order for this citizen who was injured while taking a share in the responsibility of caring for the youngsters in our town.

Mr. Al Freels of Danaha St. left last Friday evening after receiving word that his mother had passed away in Houston, Tex. Our sympathies rest with the bereaved family.

Speaking of tragedy, there were anxious moments at the J. F. Hardesty home on Crickwood last week when their baby swallowed some sugar cubes which had been dosed with insect killer and put out to kill ants. A hurried trip to the local medical center and the stomach pump put all in order again and the baby emerged shaken and pale but safe.

Those of you who knew the Bill Landis family, until recently residents of Madison Court in our home, will be sorry to hear of the misfortune which overtook them last week. As many of you readers know, Beth has been assigned to a teaching position as an exchange teacher in Honolulu, Hawaii, for the coming year. The Landis family all decided to go along, and consequently rented their home for the duration of the absence, packed all the belongings and moved into a house trailer at Bill's place of business. Last Friday evening someone broke into one of the trailers and took all of the clothing belonging to Beth and her two boys, all the linen, a valuable camera, and a Mixmaster. Fortunately Mr. Landis' clothing and the belongings of their daughter were in another trailer and escaped the pilfering.

The First Baptist Church Sunday School here in Walteria held its annual picnic last Saturday, July 2, at the Lo-

mita Park. Everyone had a rip-roaring good time with Eugene Furlong and Lloyd Hughes taking charge of the games. A potluck luncheon consisting of fried chicken and covered dishes was highly enjoyed, with the Sunday School supplying icecold watermelon and lemonade. On Sunday evening the church enjoyed a sing-spiration followed with refreshments served by the Senior Young Peoples' group.

Daily Vacation Bible School begins on Aug. 6 at the First Baptist Church. The school will accommodate youngsters in the first through the eighth grades. Taking charge of the vacation school this year will be Mrs. Alice Hudson of Hermosa Beach.

Girl Scouts of Troop 892 are ambitious these summer days. They are planning a bake sale on Sept. 8 to help earn a trip to Catalina for their members. The troop is sponsored by the Business Women's Club and led by Mrs. Francis Hardesty and Mrs. R. F. Maynes.

The Tom Fitzpatricks had a wonderful time last week when they went to San Francisco for three days with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Olsen of St. Paul accompanying them. Sunday they had another hilarious time when they visited Disneyland.

The Cub Scouts in our area are having a high old time this summer. They began with their Pinewood Derby last of June with many of the boys competing with their miniature racers. Fastest of the little numbers was the one built by Gary McLaughlin, with Jack Farmer coming in second, and Mike Englehardt taking third. Best looking prize went to Mickey Williams with second place going to Treyon Clonka. All in all the boys had a wonderful time. On Saturday, June 23, the boys and dads took in a Father-Son camp out at O'Neill Park near Irvine Lake. They all had a wonderful time cooking and camping out doors with sure enough campfires.

On Sunday, July 22, the Pack had a picnic at Lomita Park with each family bringing its own picnic lunch and the Cub Scouts furnishing watermelon and punch. Over 20 attended the gathering to laugh themselves sick over three-legged races, balloon busting contests, and a "going to Chicago" relay race for the parents. The latter was a huge success since confusion reigned supreme as dad tried to don a lady's dress and accessories, while mom came up with strange combinations of men's wear. The next activity on the calendar for the group will be roller skating.

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Mustn't forget to mention the two-hour harbor trip the Cub Scouts went on in July. Thirty-four boys enjoyed this trip in the company of Leader Bill Addington and his wife Kay, Den Mothers Peggy Randall and Mrs. Jack Bausman, and fathers Roy Cloutier, Don Hoberg, and Jack Bausman.

A welcome back party in the patio of their home was a surprise planned for the Jack Powers of Winlock Rd. last Saturday. The Powers have recently returned after spend-

ing six months in Columbus, Ohio. Their neighbors all gathered Saturday night with a luscious variety of potluck dishes and hamburgers and buns. Following the dinner all the guests more than enjoyed viewing the beautiful slides the Powers took during their travels including shots of Washington, D. C., Niagara Falls, gorgeous snow scenes, Virginia, West Virginia, and other places. Those who joined in this welcome back gesture included Mrs. Polly Moorehead and children, the George Lam-

bertsons, the Charles Ewings, Mrs. Martha Gavin, Mrs. Vida Jacobson, the Del Askews, Mrs. Glenn Karhu and children, and Mrs. Marion Hoke and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Nickel entertained at an open house in their lovely new home on Tandem Way in Walteria on Sunday, July 22. Mr. Nickel holds the rank of Lt. Colonel and is retired from the army after 29 years of duty. A year ago he returned from the army service stationed in France and in our area. Many friends dropped in to wish them much happiness in their new home, including the Don Matthews, Nin Woods, the J. A. Beasleys, Joe Bellantes, B. P. Pendle-

tons, Maze Mojons, Jack Sakayes, Herb Jacksons, Ed Nickels, Fred Kitas, Cliff Coopers, Dave Lappers, Virgil Hancock, Robert Sleeths, Ritsugitos, M. M. Mitchells, John Chaudanos, Chris Sorensons, Bob Kekunos, Jack Browns, Frank Vajos, Nathan Gordons, Tom Jones, Stewart Rose, and Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Labit. Guest from Bordeaux, France, was Michelle Lematte. Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Thomas of Anaheim and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pike of Garden Grove were other out of town guests. The guests presented the proud owners of the new house shrubbery and garden furniture for the patio.

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