

A 25-Year Dream Comes True in Torrance



25 YEARS AGO the two women shown above began to correspond as Pen Pals. On Friday, March 15th, this scene of greeting took place at International Airport as Mrs. Pamela Messmer (left), of Australia, met Mrs. Eulalie Dominica, of 4327 W. 230th St., Torrance, for the first time. Mrs.

Messmer and her husband were in England while Dr. Messmer was doing advanced study in surgery. The doctor returned to Australia by boat. Mrs. Messmer flew home via Torrance to see her Pen Pal and make a 25-year dream come true. Photo by Photography, Inc. for BOAC



PAMELA MEETS PAM, Mrs. Pamela Messmer (center) meets her namesake, Pam, 14, whom Mrs. Dominica named for her Pen Pal in Australia. Mrs. Messmer's daughters, Ruth, 5, and little Beth, 18 months, look at scrapbook Mrs. Dominica kept of their mother for 25 years. —PRESS photo



THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK the Pen Pals spent together was given over to a tour of the wonders of Disneyland, of which the Messmers had heard so much about. Above, Mrs.

Pamela Messmer, daughters, Beth and Ruth, and Mrs. Dominica, are shown on one of the street cars at Disneyland. —Photo from Disneyland



THE SECOND DAY, the Pen Pals visited Pacific Ocean Park, and are shown in the photo at upper left riding in the covered wagon. The third day saw them in another covered wagon in the photo at upper right at Knott's Berry Farm. The evening of the fourth day, Tuesday, March 19th, they rested at home after a visit to Farmer's Market. Left to right, are Jim and Eulalie Dominica; Pamela Mess-

mer, with daughters, Beth and Ruth, and Mrs. Dominica's Pamela with her brother, Danny. At right, the arrival scene was re-enacted in a farewell at International Airport at the end of the week's visit. Was reality as good as a dream? "It was better," said Pamela Messmer.

