

# Seeing the U.S.A.

# From Redwood Forests— To Gulfstream Waters

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**Kings and Queens of the Road**

There will be music all the way as this Torrance family and their friends, traveling in their converted city bus, tour America. They took along their piano, accordion, guitar and ukelele. All talented, the father a sculptor and the mother a former Palos Verdes Elementary teacher, there will be "hootenanyans" as they travel along. Pictured just before

departing, they are from left, Kathy Ball and friend Pam Coy, Mr. and Mrs. Hall giving the "onward" order, and Kenny Ball in the driver's seat. With their heads out the window are Linda Cloward and Mary Ball. The family poodle, Pierre, held by Mrs. Ball, is also a member of this happy caravan.

(Press-Herald Photo)

An old city bus, which had served its time transporting passengers up and down the streets of Torrance for many years, is wearing its new attire and is off on one of the gayest holidays of them all—a tour of the U.S.A.

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The old bus, purchased by the Howard W. Ball family, 4148 Via Lado, has received much attention during the past few months, being completely remodeled, painted and furnished, even to a piano, affording a very comfortable home for the family and their friends, who are traveling the highways and byways of their nation.

The Balls, Mr. and Mrs., have three teen-agers, Mary 17, Kathy 15, and Kenny 14, all students at South High School. Together they planned a summer-long vacation. Each teenager was permitted to choose one friend to make the trip with them. Mary chose Linda Cloward, also a South High student; Kathy chose Pamela Coy; and Ken invited his best friend, Thomas West of Huntington Beach.

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The Happy Wanderers left Torrance last Tuesday headed for the Carlsbad Caverns in New Mexico. They will then travel

through the Ozarks in southeast Missouri and northwest Arkansas en route to New Orleans. The bayous of Louisiana, the historic French Quarters, Lake Ponchartrain are all places that have been marked on the map.

Crossing the deep south, the visitors will travel the length and breadth of Florida before heading up the eastern seaboard to New York, stopping all along the way to revel in their heritage.

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Uniquely American, the Californians will visit their neighbors. Their itinerary includes Nova Scotia, on to Quebec across the Trans-Canada highway, stopping of course at Lake Louise and Banff, on to British Columbia, returning to Washington State down the coast into their own California. They will travel this ribbon of highways, naturally they will be home in September in time for school.

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Mr. Ball, a sculptor for Walt Disney, will be looking for ideas and will put his artistic talents to work by covering the entire trip with color photographs. Among his well known accomplishments are the Abe Lincoln exhibit at the New York World's Fair and the dinosaurs in the General Motors' Fair exhibit, to which he loaned his talents.

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## Hawaii Honeymoon

Honeymooning at the Halekulani Hotel on Waikiki Beach in Honolulu, Hawaii, are Mr. and Mrs. M. Gale Gardner, who were married Friday, June 24, in Westchester.

Mrs. Gardner is the former Mrs. Veva Robinson, escrow officer at the Bank of America, Torrance branch. Mr. Gardner, former assistant manager of the Torrance Bank, is now with the Grove Mortgage Co.

The couple was married in the presence of the families and a few close friends.

Immediately following the ceremony, they left International Airport by Pan American Airlines for an island honeymoon.

Children of the couple attending the wedding were Leslie and Stephen Gardner and Carole Deane and Donald Robinson.

Others attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Milton Gardner, Glen Snyder, Argyle Prescott, Holman Howe, Edwin Kirkpatrick; Mmes. Beatrice Frey, Bernice Chamberlin, Lena Robinson, Charlotte McGuire; and Mr. Chris Prescott.

The new Mrs. Gardner is president of the Torrance Business and Professional Women's Club.



## Vecinas Closes Year With Gifts

As a brilliant ending to its 1964-65 club year, Las Vecinas Women's Club mailed checks totaling over \$5,000 to its many philanthropic projects.

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One of these recipients was Michael Montgomery, in the above picture, with Mrs. Charles Sturgill, retiring Las Vecinas president, right, and Mrs. John W. Walti, the club's scholarship chairman. Michael will attend UC at San Diego as a math-science major. In keeping with mounting college costs, Las Vecinas raised the amount of the scholarship to \$300 each year for four years. Michael is the ninth winner of this award.

The club's youth program was emphasized with a contribution to the South Bay Council Girl Scouts for development of "Singing Arrow" campsite at Lake Arrowhead. Of the 5,000 girl scouts in the South Bay Council, the club sponsors 12 troops. Pictured at this presentation at the right are, from left, Diane Ellis, senior scout, Mrs. Philip Pinter, Volunteer Scout Trainer; Gayle Harlin, cadet scout, Linda Pressley, junior scout. In front is Abby Kurz, holding the check and smiling her thanks to Mrs. Colvin Kindschi, club member.

(Press-Herald Photos)



## Family in New Home, Son Baptized, Father Returns to Viet Nam

Samuel B. Thomsen, American Consul in Hue, Viet Nam, leaves today to return to his duties there for another year. Thomsen, injured in the bombing of the American Embassy, has been on leave here for the past two months, joining his family, who had been evacuated a month before the bombing.

His family, Mrs. Thomsen (Judy Wolf), Katie and Sam, are established in their new home at 2741 Andree.

The son, Samuel Patrick Edward, who was born Dec. 28 in Viet Nam, was baptized in his family's church, St. Andrew's Episcopal on Sunday June 27.

The Thomsens entertained at their home following the baptism. Guests were the Rev. Hugh Percy, pastor of St. Andrew's; Mr. and Mrs. Don Wolf, grandparents; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Fox and Mrs. Bertha Elliott, great-grandparents; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Thomsen, paternal grandparents; and other relatives and close friends, Messrs. and Mmes. Richard Gaveley, Robert Wolf, John View, Marvin Nielsen; Harry Kersten; Mmes. Mary View and Mary Joan Leuba.

## Engagement

### Crul - Cobbs

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Crul, 2312 W. 246th Place, Lomita, announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda Lorene, to William Raymond Cobbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Cobbs, 2352 W. 246th Pl., Lomita.

The wedding will be an afternoon ceremony at the St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Lomita in September.

The future bride, a 1963 graduate of Narbonne High School, is employed by Sears Torrance.

Her fiance, a 1961 Narbonne graduate, is employed by the Central Market in Lomita. He is also a National Guard Reserve.



LINDA CRUL