

Kettler Kapers

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I hope that all you mothers had a very nice day last Sunday on your day of days. For me it was a rather lonesome one, what with my mother off in the wilds of Alaska, but we were together in spirit, anyhow. It seems so little for all that our mothers do for us, to set aside this one day to let them know that we appreciate their efforts. They have doctor-ed our hurts and tummy aches, washed our grubby hands and faces (ears too), listened to our woes, and never once thought of themselves, so aren't they the smart ones though? Others have just one job, but a mother has many.

Showing mom that she was a "Queen for the day," the family of Mrs. Harold White of San Pedro gathered at the home of Roy and Viola Gore on Paloma St. last Sunday. Helping to make it a red letter day for her and showing their love were daughters Arlene and Mary Helen White, husband Harold Sr., son and daughter-in-law Harold Jr., and Carmen White and children Robin Lynne and Gregory; Chester and Margaret Gowin and son Ronald, and Mr. George Coffield. I'm sure that it was a day that she will look back on with the fondest of memories.

It doesn't matter what the age is, birthdays are always occasions for celebration, so Mrs. Jean Curtis of 28th St. entertained on a recent Saturday evening with a hamburger fry for Miss Donna White. The occasion marked Donna's 15th birthday. Games were enjoyed, her lovely gifts were opened, and refreshments were served to the misses Carol Bennett, Leta Brady, Marjorie Murphy, Jerril Stokes, Barbara Nester, Nadine Stokes, Norma Pierce and Donna Shriver.

Another birthday marked by a party a week ago last Tuesday was the one honoring Patrick James Wilson on the first anniversary of his natal day. He is the son of Marion and Robert Wilson of Marinette St. Those enjoying the cowboy-decorated cake and receiving cowboy favors were brother, Michael Wilson; grandmother, Mrs. Sopa Avolan; grandfather and grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilson; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Magnante and children Joey and Vincie; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson and daughters Carol and Loretta; and Connie Wilson, all of Redondo Beach. Also, Mr. and Mrs. John Elsentraut and Margaret Moore of Torrance. Happy birthday, Patrick.

Joining in the chorus last Thursday wishing Norma Jean Wainwright a happy birthday were several neighborhood children and Lonnie Marie Squires and her mother, Mrs. M. Squires of Long Beach. The lovely party marked Norma Jean's fifth year and was held at the home of her parents, Dorothy and Norman Wainwright of 2088 Reynosa Dr. The little girl received wrist watches and toy harmonicas, and the little boys, plastic trains and planes, to help them to remember the very pleasant time they had. Ice cream, punch and individual cup cakes, each with its own candle, finished off the day.

Speaking of special occasions last Sunday was a very special one for Maureen Allen, daughter of Johnny and Marion Allen of Reynosa Dr. It marked a milestone in Maureen's life, for on that day she took her first communion. She looked so sweet and angelic in her white dress and veil. Congratulations, Maureen.

In the column last week I had the date wrong for the paper drive at Torrance Elementary School. The correct date is

LOCAL MAN'S CHARGE ASTOUNDS COURT

Possibly the most astounding charge to enter a local court was heard yesterday in Torrance. The charge, instigated by Mr. Sam Van Wagner was not the first made by this gentleman. He has been making similar astounding charges since he first opened his upholstery business in Torrance at 2083 Torrance Blvd. The most recent charge was \$39.95 for the upholstering of a chair that had eaten too much more commonly known as an overstuffed chair. The Court asstounded by the charge was Michaels Auto Court on Western Ave. Mr. Van Wagner of Van's Mattress & Upholstery Co. says: "Don't let anyone pull your leg—let us do it" (chair leg, of course). Our address please—2083 Torrance Blvd. and our phone, Tor. 1194... It's an our

May 15 and to save you the trouble of having to look at your calendar that is today. Hope it's not too late for you to take them or call to have your papers collected. Everyone gets a treat for this drive... something the kids all enjoy... a show!

It seems that Kettler Knolls has plenty of talent... majorettes, musicians and actors. Bob Pooler, who resides on Huber St., played the part of Mr. Robust in the play "Finian's Rainbow," that was put on by El Camino College last weekend. Did a good job, too, I hear.

Another display of talent was the Rhythm Band of the first grade of Nativity School, who played four numbers between acts of the play that the school put on last Thursday evening in Civic Auditorium. For first graders they did a wonderful job; hardly showed their stage fright at all. Kettlerettes looking so chic in their costumes of brown and gold, were Candy Sullivan, Richard Grant, (he's still on his crutches, but that didn't stop him), Mary Jane Schultz, John Hixon and Dennis Tierman. Little Cathie Andreoli was heartbroken because she couldn't participate and wear her pretty uniform... she came down with the chickenpox just a couple of days before. Better luck next time, Cathie.

Don't know who said it, but isn't it the truth? "It never rains, but what it pours." That was the case with Velma Lucas of Huber St. She just came home from the hospital for convalescence when son Tommy fell and broke his left collarbone. He was confined to bed for two days with poor mom having to wait on him. Both are doing fine now, though and I am happy to report that Tommy went back to school this week.

Recent Torrance visitors at the home of Ruth and Bob Pooler were Ruth's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Johnston of Sioux City, Ia. After two very pleasant weeks, they were reluctant to leave our balmy weather for the blustery spring of the midwest.

Mrs. Patricia de la Cruz, 23211 S. Western Ave, had a nice way to show her friendship for Mrs. Joy Manchester recently. She honored Joy with a shower of things for the baby-to-be. Those depositing their attractively wrapped gifts in a beautifully decorated basket were Mrs. P. E. Todd and John Frank of Lynwood; C. L. Glass and Carol Lewis of Manhattan Beach; D. Morrison and Peggy Whittington of Compton; Millie Hickson, E. I. Manchester, H. R. Smith, Margie Norelius, G. Engleley, Ruth Pooler, Violet Bradlock, Ruth Oliver and Mary Lou Winterlou. Preceding refreshments of cake, ice cream, coffee and lemonade, games were played with prizes of novel planters going to Mrs. H. R. Smith, Violet Bradlock and D. Morrison.

Folks, there is another blood bank coming up... How about a good turnout this time from this area. It's to be in Civic Auditorium Monday, June 2, from 2:30 to 7:30 p.m. You may call Torrance 3447 or 3448 for your appointment. I had a very pleasant surprise the other evening when I answered my door to find some old friends standing there that I hadn't seen for nearly two years. Mr. and Mrs. Russel Milligan of Pittsburgh, Pa. were out to Los Angeles on a business trip, so stopped by to say hello. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Smith of Westchester.

Passing out cigars and popping off buttons these days is Manuel M. Olea of Calamar St. His wife presented him with a six pound son April 29, whom they named Michael Dewey. Equally proud is sister Suzanne, who is 5 and brother Edward Douglas, who is 3 years old. Grandparents are Mrs. Rosenda Olea of Inglewood and Dewey V. Goedecke of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Finding it hard to settle down after a glorious three-day convention trip to Catalina Island this last week-end, are Carmen and Jerry Nelson, Jean and Jerry Loy, Mary Louise and Bob Owens, Jim and Betty Morehead and Ed and Marylou Marlow. Bedecked with Hawaiian leis they returned Sunday night, sunburned, tired and happy.

Mrs. Mary Andreoli of Kathy Way took a quick trip to Boston recently when her mother, Mrs. Mary Slattery, had a slight stroke. It had been eleven years since Mary had seen her mother who is 74 years old. Fortunately it wasn't too serious, so she is up and around some now. We

King Expected To Present New Tax Bill Soon

Cecil R. King, head of the crew of Congressional probers which recently unearthed a score of scandals in the Bureau of Internal Revenue is expected this week to present a draft of proposed legislation intended to plug some of the loopholes in the present income tax reporting methods.

King, representing the 17th Congressional District of which Torrance and surrounding areas is a part, is reported to be fashioning a legislative weapon to be used against taxpayers who abuse and misuse allowances for business deductions and who do not itemize income in detail.

If King's legislation passes, no longer will business entertainment, such as the bills for expensive dinners, cocktails, and dancing be allowed to be deducted under the blanket title of "entertainment." The bill would do away with padded expense accounts in many cases, since it will require itemized statements. Eliminated will be such vague terms as "additional income" or "fees and commissions."

County Seeks Office Site

A possible site for the establishment of a building and safety branch office in the Lomita area is being sought by officials of the County Building and Safety Department, it was learned last week.

A survey completed recently which compiled the total amount of permits issued in the area which would be served by a new local office indicated a need for a branch in Lomita. B. Y. Stevens, department supervisor, said.

The office would serve Lomita, Rolling Hills, Keystone and Dominguez. Permits are now issued from the department's office in Lennox.

Circle 7 gathered last Tuesday for its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Viola Gore, 22205 Falena St. Mrs. Camilla Raphael, presided as the new chairman. Secret pals were revealed and new pals for the coming year were drawn. The meeting closed with the serving of strawberry pie, which was just "out of this world," and coffee.

Keeping very busy with the arrangements for the Junior Chamber of Commerce dance that is being planned for May 31 at the Hermosa Biltmore Hotel is Gordon Jones of Reynosa Dr. It promises to be a very nice affair, so why not make plans to go. The tickets will be \$2 per couple.

May I take time out right now to wish "Zeke" Trezise a happy birthday, and the Winklebachers a very happy anniversary. Both came on the ninth. Better late than never, a belated greeting to Tom Andreoli Sr. whose birthday was May 3. My birthday and anniversary list isn't complete as yet, so best wishes to those whose names I don't have.

Enjoying the Ramona Pageant at San Jacinto recently were Gus and Jean Bray, Inez Kvilvang and Clarence Bay.

I'll bring this week's column to a Grand conclusion. At the TEAC luncheon last Monday, I learned that the Howard Wood School, which is to be the one built at this end of town and where our children will go, is one step nearer to completion. It is on the drawing boards now. Of course, it has to be approved by the state before construction can start, but at least it's that much nearer to becoming an actuality. After our lunch we were taken in one of the school buses out to the new Madrona School for a tour of inspection. It's a lovely school and will be even nicer once they get the lawns and landscaping in. The rooms are so light and geared to the grades that are taught in them, so if ours is as nice, and I'm sure it will be, the children will find their school hours far more pleasant than we did.

Do You Know....

that there is an offer for someone to care for a child between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, in an Ad in Classification No. 30, today's Classified Ad section?

that someone is advertising to sell or trade a Maytag iron on a TV set or an electric sewing machine? The Ad is listed in Classification No. 102.

that a tear-drop trailer is offered for sale for \$125, "excellent" to an Ad in Classification No. 111, today's Classified section.

that the best offer will buy a 4-year-old three-quarter Arabian mare with a 2 months old filly? The Ad will be found in Classification No. 105.

that a nursery salesman is wanted by a large nursery firm, one who will also help with general nursery work? The Ad is listed in Classification No. 36.

Judge Willett to Hear Case Involving City of Redondo

Because a Redondo Beach judge felt he would be hearing a matter directly involving his city, and that his decisions might not be just, a case involving Redondo and a Hermosa Beach concrete products company will be aired before City Judge Otto B. Willett in Torrance Court today. Charges of delivering concrete in Redondo without purchasing the necessary business license

Plans for Armed Forces Day Celebration Revealed

Plans for a gala celebration of Armed Forces Day in the area next Saturday, May 17, include open house on the Cruiser Los Angeles and the Submarine Astro, according to Captain George E. Duffy, community project officer for Torrance.

Church Group Spends Weekend In Mountains

Members of the Torrance Methodist Church enjoyed a week-end trip to the San Geronimo Lodge in the San Bernardino mountains last week. Making the trip were 17 adults and 13 children. The group indulged in the popular sport of snowballing, and spent some of the time hiking. All agreed that the group enjoyed the community meals prepared by different persons making the trip. A "newspaper party" conducted under the direction of Maurice Ransom was featured Saturday evening. Regular class services were held Sunday morning with the children under the supervision of Mrs. Marvin Hiebert, Mrs. Ransom, and Mrs. Lester Foster. The adult class was conducted by M. M. Schwab. Those making the trip included Mayor and Mrs. Schwab, Mr. and Mrs. Ransom and son, Mr. and Mrs. Hiebert and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Foster and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Hanlon and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ogles, Mrs. John Simmons and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph King and two children, and Dr. and Mrs. John Tippin and sons.

Former NHS Sticker Still Setting Marks

Pvt. Robert Wada, former Narbonne High School baseball star, set a new 1952 range record at Camp Matthews by scoring 240 out of a possible 250 on the Marine Corps rifle range, it was reported recently. Pvt. Wada is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tanechi Wada of 1854 W. Lomita Blvd. He graduated from Narbonne in 1948.

HC Council, Union Petitions SNAFU'd

Through error, petitions from Harbor City Council Advisory Committee and the Bartenders Union Local 591 got all mixed up together last week with the result that it was reported that the Los Angeles City Recreation and Park Commission had ordered that the Advisory Committee's request for a playground and golf course be denied.

QUOTE 'N VEST

By Jack Treskes

A HINT FOR HOUSEWIVES

Green paint may be removed from the seat of pair of light colored slacks with a bottle of ordinary turpentine, a stiff brush, and a pair of scissors. The next procedure is to walk (not stomp) out of the house and enter this happy men's store. Here, we'll present you with the slacks of just the right shade, color and weave that most becomes you... slacks that fit you and your budget. Treskes Men's Wear, 1319 El Prado. (Between Newberrys and Mc-Cown Drug Store). JOIN THE BALLOT BATTALION—VOTE!

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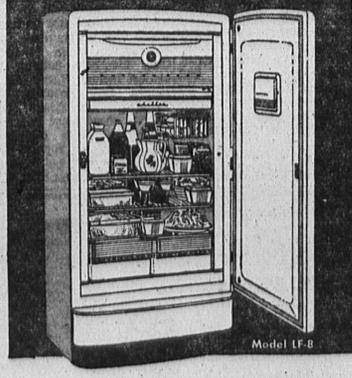
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