Hi-Lites Of Seaside Heights

By GRAYCE RYCKMAN
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What a glorious time of the year this is. Have your spirits soared with the colorful kites that brighten the skies these days? Have you noticed the nice improvements in so many of the houses and yards here in the Heights? It doesn't take much effort to really perk our places up. Several of our streets even seem to be outdoing the others. Which street do you think looks most attractive?

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Our own Boy Scout Troop 726, through the capable leadership of Floyd Holstin, has again made a name for itself in South Bay Scouting history. This time the troop received a Class A award for its window display at the Hi-Tone Cleaners on Highway 101 during the 42nd anniversary Scout Week. The boys have received a large signed certificate which will always remain in the books of the troop, along with a large green and gold embossed ribbon of participation. The window decorating project was sponsored by B'nai B'rith.

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I stopped by to see Emily Robinson of 5364 Doris Way last Friday. She is the lady who keeps her windows so interesting and varied with her lovely ceramics. Up close they are even more fetching. Her son, Duke, was then and still is limping with a badly sprained ankle, acquired at Torrance High while high jumping. Or is it pole vaulting?

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The little Wagstaff baby, Bobby, age three months, had a most unfortunate accident. Just in ordinary handling the bone in his upper leg splintered, and the poor baby is in a cast from arm pit to toes. Our sympathy certainly goes to him and to his folks, Betty and Bob of 5239 Bindewald.

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Anita and Bob George spent a very uneasy Friday morning last week when their little 5-month-old Joel underwent surgery for removal of a tumor on his back. It was not serious, but parents just can't help being that way. He came through it so well, in fact, that they brought him home Saturday afternoon instead of Monday, as originally planned.

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There was quite a little excitement on Vanderhill last Saturday afternoon. In fact, it spread over our whole area. Little Danny Spear, age 4, of 5228, wandered off with Tiga (dog), and neither were seen again for 3½ hours. By then the neighbors and the police were on the alert. But he was finally found and returned home, undaunted, by Howard Hatfield. Incidentally, he is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spear (Noreen), who moved to our hill just three weeks ago. So, welcome, the three of you. Mrs. Spear would like to use this way to say thanks to all of you who aided in the search for little Danny.

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Other new neighbors on the same street are Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Crewe at 5245. They have been here only a few weeks, too. The Mr. is employed at North American Aviation, and the Mrs. at Douglas. They are from Detroit.

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A birthday party was given last week for Ned Duvall of Zakon Rd. Among his guests were boys from the Heights and the Ranchos—Terry Zervantian, Bobby Sadavage, Donald Hatfield, Johnny Weber, Bobby Holstin and Clifford Burk. Ned is now 14, and the way I hear it, the party was a big success.

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Visitors from near and far: From Oshkosh, Wis., we have Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gansen visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Gansen and their daughters, Virginia and Josephine, at 5120 Zakon Rd. We do hope they like it here.

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At the Mr. and Mrs. William Panick home, also on Zakon, 5232, the visitor for the weekend was Mrs. Panick's brother, who is stationed in San Diego at the Naval Base. His name: Blaine Laing.

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And more locally, from the valley, we had Craig Jr. and Carolee Hayes visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Milsom of Bindewald, for the week-end. We know they like it here—what fond memories, staying with grandpa and grandma—do you remember?

STARY GANGE
. . . Kiwanis Governor

Reception Set For Governor Of Kiwanis Club

Stary Gange, governor of the California-Nevada-Hawaii district of Kiwanis International, will be the guest of honor at a Governor's Reception to be held by Division 19 at the El Camino College Campus Center on Saturday, March 8.

Announcement of the reception was made yesterday by Forrest G. Murdock, secretary of the division and president of El Camino.

A resident of Lindsay, Calif., Gange has had a long service with the Kiwanis Club and an outstanding record of civic interest in his community.

He is an olive and orange rancher, has served as president of the Lindsay Chamber of Commerce and at the present time is vice-president of the Central Valley Empire Association and foreman of the Tulare County Grand Jury.

Sharp Blast Rocks Area

A sharp, jolting blast was heard and felt in most portions of North Torrance about 9:15 Saturday night, and citizens' calls jammed police and sheriff's office switchboards.

An explosion in a small aircraft parts manufacturing plant at 133rd St. and Western Ave. was blamed for the jolt. No damage to persons or property was reported. The company reportedly is conducting confidential government work.

Radio cars from surrounding communities were dispatched to track down the mystery shock, which apparently was felt hardest in the upper Gardena areas. Police said callers told of having their doors blown open by the blast.

Clerk Nabs Gals; No Color Change

Two teen-age girls who probably were going to do "what nature forgot to do," were caught red-handed while shoplifting at the McCown Drug Store, 1327 El Prado Ave., last week.

Clerk James Skenes told Torrance Police Sergeant A. S. Thompson and Officer Bob Wright that he nabbed the gals as they made off with a bottle of hair bleach and a package of Tintair.

The girls were reprimanded and turned over to their parents.

HALF-A-MILLION

There are more students (409,411) in the Los Angeles City schools than there are people living in Delaware (316,709) or Alaska (127,117).

Hot Sweaters Bring Arrests

Three men who sold highly inflammable sweaters were found guilty of violating state fire laws by a jury in a Los Angeles municipal court this week.

One of the men was John H. Toregrase, 1648 W. 153rd St., Gardena. Two others were convicted in an earlier trial.

The Herald recently ran a series of pictures showing the attractive sweaters bursting into flame when a match was brought near the fuzzy garments. They completely burned in less than 40 seconds.

State fire marshal's representative Louis Segal handled the case for the government.

Through The

Keystone Keyhole

By BETTY LINN
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We have a lot of chit-chat along with some news this week. We did get our rag drive over with and while it involved a lot of time and effort it was a success, so they say.

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Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Pike, of 101 E. Carson St., celebrated their 13th wedding anniversary Feb. 19. Also observing the anniversary date were Mr. and Mrs. William Marshall of Long Beach. The two couples were married in a double-wedding ceremony in Lakewood Village Church Feb. 19, 1939. It has been their custom to celebrate together each year, and this year it was a dinner in Long Beach. The Pikes have Judy, aged 8, to round out their family, while the Marshalls now have Mike, 8; Billy Bob, 9 and a brand new addition, a third son who arrived Feb. 6 named Timothy. Congratulations are in order.

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Birthday festivities, three in a row, were taken care of this past week at the Rex Munsons, 22014 Grace St. First to celebrate was Eugene, who was 11 on Feb. 18. Next was little Sandy, 7 on Feb. 20, and last, but not least, was Ricky, who was 5 years old Feb. 22, Washington's birthday. All had the traditional birthday cake with candles, along with gifts.

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Belated birthday greetings also go to Russell Brooks, who celebrated his third birthday Feb. 20, with festivities taking place at Banning Park in Wilmington. Games were played. A big birthday cake along with punch was enjoyed by Russell and a group of little friends which included Dorothy and Clellene Woods of Lomita, Jed Zimmerman, Lomita; Marilyn Hand, Lomita; Steven Kendrick, Avalon Village; Linnae and Rita Gentry, also of Avalon Village; Wyman Shanks, Wilmington; Chris Rasnick, Wilmington; Theodore Nelson, San Pedro and Mary Rains and Dana Gilbert of Torrance. Mothers who helped the celebrants were Mmes. J. Zimmerman, S. Hand, T. Nelson, M. Gentry, Don Woods, L. Kendrick, and Carl Brooks, the hostess The Brookses reside at 22427 Moneta Ave., Torrance.

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Mrs. Jack Spence, president of Carson St. PTA, accompanied by Mrs. M. R. Wallace, principal of Carson St. School, attended the 10th District Health Conference at the Biltmore Theater in Los Angeles Feb. 20. Discussion centered about "Mental Hygiene." A luncheon at the Biltmore Bowl followed the meeting, Carson St. PTA members attending the 10th District meeting at Narbonne High School in Lomita Feb. 21 were Mmes. Jack Spence, president; Charles Linn, James Campbell, Alfred Barkan and Russell Gilbert.

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Carson St. School had a somewhat busy week when Blinko the clown visited the school Feb. 18 and entertained the children with several performances in the Greek Theater, Tuesday, Feb. 19, a morning tea was given for new kindergarten mothers. Hostesses to more than 50 mothers were Mmes. Lula Lee and June Claypool, Carson's kindergarten teachers. Then on Feb. 21 the school gave a program in observance of George Washington's birthday. Upper grade students presented the program, which took place in the Greek Theater. A contest to end all contests will begin at Carson School Feb. 29. "Name the Sheep" is the title, with all children in the school invited to submit names for the sheep which are Carson's pet project. Up to now the animals have been nameless, which of course can't go on, so to remedy this sad situation names are wanted for one male and one female sheep. Prizes will be awarded winners of the contest, according to Mrs. M. Q. Wallace, principal. We'll tell you the re-

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Cub Scouts in Pack 230-C of Wilmington, sponsored by the Ben Cluff Dairy, held a donut drive Saturday, Feb. 23 which, according to Cubmaster Andrew Cochran, was a great success The boys sold approximately 200 dozen donuts in two hours. They promise to have more next time.

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Ben Cluff tells me someone, person or persons unknown, helped himself to 120 pounds of butter and 35 pounds of American cheese sometime during the night of Feb. 20, all at Ben's expense. He would like to get his hands on the so-and-so. The removal took place at the Ben Cluff Dairy, 22210 S. Avalon Blvd., in Wilmington.

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Before we close we would like to apologize to Danny Spence for a misprint last week which referred to him as Annie. We are sorry, and won't let it happen again.

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Remember, if you have any news from hereabouts, be sure and let us in on it. 'Bye now.

AIRMAN PASLOV
. . . Done With Basic

PASLOV ENDS BASIC WORK

Pvt. Gene T. Paslov is completing his basic airman indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas, the Air Force announced this week.

Paslov, who lives with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Paslov, 2435 W. 235th St., is preparing for entrance into Air Force technical training and for assignment in specialized work.

Lackland is the "Gateway to the Air Force."