Kettler Kapers

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Newspapers all over the country last week were publicizing "Leap Year" babies but they had nothing on us for one was born to a resident of Kettler Knolls! It's the first child for happy parents Clem and Burna Bolles of Reynosa Dr. Thomas Virgel is the name they picked for the newcomer who weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces and was 19 inches long. Of course you know the date—Feb. 29! We hear that mother and son are doing fine and the new father will survive. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Virgel Bolles and Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Morris, all of Torrance. Congratulations to this popular young couple.

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Neighbors and friends were sorry to see the Rev. and Mrs. Daniel R. Guild, of 1767 Santa Fe St., leave Kettler Knolls for Washington, D. C. We wish them happiness in their new home.

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Mrs. Dona Clutter and husband, Dick, were happy to have as a houseguest last week Dona's father, Joseph A. Christiansen of Mayfield, Utah. Mr. Christiansen's visit was made more enjoyable by his "romps" with his grandchildren.

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We'd like to extend a hand of welcome to new neighbors, the Frank Seehorns, who have moved into the home at 23102 Huber St. We understand that both Mr. and Mrs. Seehorn are very active in the business world. Let's hear from you folks . . .

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The Torrance Elementary PTA paper drive last Thursday was wonderfully successful—a total of $158 was received from the almost 20 tons of papers collected by the children and grown-ups. This money, you know, will be turned over to the dental clinic which has been a project of all the PTAs in the Torrance school system. Thanks a lot for your cooperation!

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Nice to hear that Mrs. Stewart R. Todd is home from Torrance Memorial Hospital, where she underwent major surgery. Her daughter, Mrs. Lois Phillips of Reynosa Dr., reports that her mother is doing nicely and happy to be home. Mr. and Mrs. Todd are residents of New York but spend the winter season with the Phillips family.

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Carmen and Jay Nielsen and son, Keith, enjoyed a full weekend visiting friends and relatives in Riverside and San Jacinto. They didn't let the rain and wind last Friday and Saturday stop them from having a holiday.

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Pleasant memories to look back on when in far-off Japan were part of the gift given to Mrs. Helen Catina at a farewell get-together last Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Cunningham, 1923 Reynosa Dr. Members of her Knitting Club present to wish her "bon voyage" were Mary Hroza, Velma Lucas, Marge Estes, Madge Venable, Golda Beight, June Duncan and the hostess, Teo Cunningham. Helen leaves soon to join her husband, Warrant Officer Jim Catina who is with the U. S. Army in Tokyo.

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Chairman of Circle 7, Mrs. Bette Morehead, will preside at the next meeting slated for Tuesday evening, March 11, 7:45 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Thelma Setser, 23002 Walnut St. Cohostess for the evening will be Mrs. Morehead. Plan to be there, girls, a pleasant evening is in store for you.

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Mrs. Anita Ransom of 1768 Calamar St. has enjoyed her houseguests for a week, her sister Mrs. Francis Swinney and Mrs. Swinney's baby son, David, of Sacramento.

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Good news from Korea for the Melvin Wagerses. Their son, Cpl. Dewey Wagers, has been released from the hospital and is now in a reserve unit for three weeks. He says that some shrapnel worked out of his hand and arm that he didn't even know was there . . . that he thought was just scratches . . . as he guessed he was "banged up" more than he'd realized. We're rejoicing with his parents to hear the glad tidings!

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Among the recent initiates of the Catholic Daughters of America were four Kettlerites, Mrs. Rose Schaefer, Mrs. Sue Witz, Mrs. Pat De La Cruz and Mrs. Teo Cunningham. They heard and learned the aims, purposes and ideals of the organization for the first time.

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Visiting with her sisters, Mrs. Melvin Wagers of Kettler Knolls and Mrs. Gaymouth of Lomita is Mrs. Charles E. Bailey and her husband from Sheridan, Wyo. They returned yesterday from a sightseeing trip to San Diego and Lower California, where they basked in the balmy weather and enjoyed the sights. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey are staying with the Melvin Wagers on Reynosa Dr. They expect to be enjoying the sunshine for another couple of weeks before returning home.

BRIGHTEST STAR

Sirius, the dog star, is the brightest star yet discovered.

Auto-Pedestrian Accident Sends One to Hospital

Alexander Duben, 27, of 2104 Cabrillo Ave., was injured when he was struck by a car while walking across Carson St. at Border Ave. early Friday morning.

Duben, an employee at National Supply Co., was hit by an auto driven by another National worker, David Brock, 25, of 1917-C Cabrillo Ave.

Taken to Harbor General Hospital, Duben was found suffering a possible fractured leg.

NEW CLASSES IN DRAMA OPEN AT NIGHT SCHOOL

New classes in drama, speech and personality development are being opened at the Torrance High School for persons interested in cultivating their talents, it was announced this week by Dan Desmond, insructor of the course.

A workshop class offered by the Torrance School of Adult Education, the successful course is being offered for the second year.

The group participating in the class produced a series of one-act plays last summer that were presented to the community. In the fall the Hampton Players joined the workshop and the two groups produced a three-act play, "The Bees and the Flowers."

The class also traveled to San Pedro and presented an evening of one-act plays before that community, returning two weeks later to give the same show to the people of Torrance.

This term the class will emphasize the growth and development of the total personality through the use of drama and speech, Desmond said.

"We will take up such problems as voice development, bad speech habits, correct body patterns (walking, sitting, standing, pantomime, makeup, etc.), and other personal problems of the individual," he added.

Sight reading, interpretation of the printed page, expression in speaking, play reading, giving play reports, character study, stage techniques and the fundamentals of acting will be stressed also, Desmond reports.

Production of a three-act play is planned to cap the season, he said.

Persons interested in joining the free class may register at any session of the course in Room 101 of the high school on Tuesday evening.

International Flower Show to Open March 22

Everything from orchids to landscaped gardens will set the theme for the California International Flower Show which will open in Hollywood Park March 22.

The show, largest in its history, will cover nearly 300,000 square feet of space and will feature gardens, cut flowers, education exhibits, and every variety of spring flower.

Doors will be open daily from 10 a. m. until 10 p. m. through March 30.

Camino Assured Of Materials For Buildings

Continuation of the permanent building program at El Camino College was assured this week by receipt of advice from Congressman Cecil R. King that the Federal Security Agency will authorize commencement of construction and allocation of materials on April 15 for construction of library-classroom building.

In commenting on the letter received from Congressman King, President Forrest G. Murdock said: "We appreciate the fine interest that Mr. King has shown in the college building program and for his valuable assistance in securing critical materials. Granting of this allocation will permit us to start construction in May or early June with completion of the project scheduled for the spring of 1953."

Estimated cost of the project is $450,000.

Model Plane Club Planned

Plans to organize a city-sponsored model airplane club here was announced yesterday by Frank Carpenter, superintendent of recreation.

Taking charge of plans to organize a group is John Hansford, of 2423 Border Ave., who moved here recently from Phoenix, Ariz. where he was active in such groups.

Initial meeting of those interested in model aviation has been slated for Hansford's home on Border Ave. Friday afternoon.

Model enthusiasts, young and old, are welcome to investigate the proposal, Carpenter said.