

North Torrance

Girdles Prove Downfall of Men, Gals Nab Suitcase Race

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Richard West excitedly telephoned to report that wife Ann had a 7 lb. 8 oz. girl on Aug. 30th and that mother and daughter were doing fine. He was too excited, however, to remember what they were going to name the baby! The Wests, who reside at 17505 Glenburn Ave., have another daughter, Vicki, age 3.

The Hamilton Blacks, of 17224 Atkinson Ave., have just returned from a two week vacation motoring through northern California and visiting Crater Lake and the national parks. They spent one week in Yosemite Valley camping out and roughing it.

David and Myrtle Dyer, who have lived at 17030 Crenshaw Blvd. for the past five years, have moved to Lancaster. Dave was transferred to the Lancaster Branch of Northrup Aircraft and we are sorry to lose the Dyers as neighbors. Ann and Ed Collins, of 17025 Crenshaw, spent the last weekend with the Dyers in their new home in Lancaster and report that the Dyers are a little lonesome in their new home and would like to hear from their old friends in North Torrance.

First Federal Savings Opens Lomita Office

The new Lomita Branch of First Federal Savings and Loan Assn. of San Pedro is now open for business at 2233 Lomita Blvd., according to George G. Collins, executive vice-president and manager of the local financial institution.

"With the opening of our Lomita office, we are pleased to bring our savings and home financing services closer to thousands of residents of the greater harbor area," Collins said in making the announcement, adding that many Lomita, Torrance, and Harbor City residents already have savings accounts or loans with First Federal Savings. The association's new building was just recently completed at the corner of Allene Street and Lomita Boulevard by C. G. Crawford, general contractor, a modern attractive comfortable furnishings and the latest in modern accounting equipment. On Friday, Sept. 17, an open house will be held in the new Lomita offices to which the general public is invited to inspect the quarters and to meet members of First Federal Savings' staff.

Recovering from a broken leg he received in a freak fall is Norman K. Lillis, of 16715 Glenburn Ave.

The Howard Walkers, of 2417 West 175th St., held a dinner party Saturday evening in their patio decorated with Japanese lanterns and balloons. Games were played until the wee hours of the morning, with the funniest game being a relay race between the men and women. The men were given a suitcase filled with female wearing apparel and the girls were given a suitcase containing male apparel.

The race was staged to see which team could dress the fastest. It is said the men had trouble slipping into the girdle and other feminine equipment, so the girls came out the winners. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Chal Strayer, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Byrd, and Mr. and Mrs. Loren Metz.

Mrs. Ted Lindseth, a popular resident of Falda Ave. who is moving to Covina, was honored at a surprise lingerie shower given for her by Mmes. Wesley Clark, Joseph Reynolds, and J. H. Jensen. Attending the farewell party held at the 16712 Falda home of Mrs. J. H. Jensen were Mmes. Milton Hunter, Joseph Hall, Warren Walker, William Horowitz, Arthur Brown, Gerald Newman, Joseph Jordan, and Ted Coberly.

Little Susan Gail Bronson, daughter of Jerry and Walt Bronson, of 17225 Atkinson Ave., celebrated her first birthday this week with friends Sandy and Chris Fagnano, Lejana Alford, Aunt Charlene Hanson, and, of course, Grandmother Bronson. Susan especially enjoyed the ice cream and cake, which she ate with both hands, and could not understand why she couldn't eat the candle.

The R. L. McDonnids and daughters Linda, Pat and Nancy of 17419 Falda Ave., rented a house trailer and spent two weeks traveling through California. They stayed at Twin Lakes in the High Sierras for a week and report that the fishing is wonderful and they had fried trout every day.

Your regular North Torrance reporter, Adaline Cortez, has just returned from her vacation and you will be reading her column again next week. Adaline, husband Heron, and children Eric, Duke, and Tina spent two wonderful weeks visiting their families in Santa Fe, N. Mex. and Las Cruces, N. Mex., but I'll save the details of the trip for your regular reporter to tell you next week.

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