

SOUTHWOOD HOMES

'Home State Week' Suggested To Bring Residents Together

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Thanks for answering my S.O.S. of last week. The phone has been ringing, but too often by the time I get the hose turned off and get into the house, it invariably stops just as I am about to reach for it. So please try calling back immediately because I just hate to sit here and listen to the dial tone.

I have been thinking it would be kinda fun to have a "Home State Week" in each column, and who knows, it may start a round of picnic, barbecue, or beach parties. We may even meet some of our old school mates. If the idea strikes you as being a good one, let me know, and I'll do my best to get you all in touch with one another. Last week we found some nice German couples, and the week before we succeeded in introducing some English couples. This week I found Mr. Aksel Hansen from Denmark, who is a newcomer, and is one of the boys at our beautiful Thriftmart. If they don't put up a signal at that busy corner pretty soon, I'm afraid I won't be here to write my weekly missive for you.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert G. Burgess and daughter, Pat Matson, formerly of Waterloo, N.Y., and now living at 21606 Evalyn Ave., were surprised recently when Mr. and Mrs. Bud Van Ripper and three sons of Waterloo dropped in for a visit. The same day, Mr. and Mrs. John Stephens of Downey stopped in at "Mom's" on their way to Torrance Beach for an outing. When they came back the new barbecue and patio was initiated and a wonderful evening was spent by all, just reminiscing and looking at snapshots which took them back to the "good old daze." The Burgess family is happy to have the Frank Kellogg family from Painted Post, N.Y., once again their near neighbors in Sepulveda Gardens.

The score was tied at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kubiak, of 21513 Ellinwood Dr., last week when little Kim arrived weighing 7 lbs. 11 ozs. They now have two boys and two girls. Grandma Leary came all the way from New York to be in attendance. I think grandmothers are the world's greatest invention. They are the handiest gadgets I know of to have around the house, and I am anxiously looking forward to the day I can join their ranks. Mrs. Leary plans to stay for Michael's birthday party Aug. 21.

The Richard Hanslers, of 21514 Ellinwood Dr., leave today for a two-week visit with his folks in Seattle, Wash. When they return Mrs. Hansler and son Michael leave for a month's visit with her mother in Mobile, Ala. Her mother said she would finance the trip. So you see, what did I just say about grandmothers?

We are sorry to see the "for sale" sign at 21505 Ellinwood Dr., but Mr. and Mrs. Louie Archer have decided to return to Ohio. All their neighbors hope they will come back, so maybe we should change the sign to read "for rent."

Mrs. William Sandstrom, a

native Californian, no less, the one to thank for my Ellinwood Dr. news, had a luncheon for three of her old girl friends from Monterey Park. They all brought their little ones and they decided it was more of a "buddler race," but they did manage to gossip a little when all the children were bedded down for their naps.

My son Gary was more excited than I when my brother Doug Lewis arrived from Madison, Wis., because his car is equipped with a two-way radio as Uncle Doug is in charge of the police radio system in Madison. Gary had more fun just sitting in the car pretending he was Brod Crawford of the Highway Patrol.

The other night I attended a "coffee klatch" at the home of Mrs. Jack Emrick, at 5219 Ruby St., and found out they had just entertained weekend guests, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bailey, of Trenton, O. Mrs. Leonard Jahnz, of 5218 Ruby St., was also sipping coffee with us and told us of her recent guests, the Bruce McLeods and four children, from Phoenix, Ariz.

Seen' as how some of us can't squeeze into our last year's bathing suits we have decided to start an "extra curricular" club. We won't have any dues, just "don'ts." This is Betty Boyer's and Mary Ackerman's idea as they figure many of us have "quite a bit" in common. You may call me for further details. This may even lead to the formation of a bridge club or two. Now I have given you many more reasons to call me, so please do so, won't you?

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boyer, of 5211 Ruby, were overwhelmed to find that their new minister at the First Christian Church in Torrance, was the same man who was Paul's spiritual director back in college at Lawrence, Kan. This certainly is an incentive for them to attend church now. Maybe the rest of us can find a good reason for going to church, too.

Don't discard your old diapers, ladies, as they may prove very useful in case of an emergency such as I experienced Friday noon. While performing the exciting task of washing dishes, I cut my hand rather severely on one of our prize glasses. My neighbor, June Clark, was more excited than I and rushed me to the nearest doctor on Torrance Blvd., Dr. Ralph McNeil. The pain ceased when I found out he was from my old alma mater, St. Louis University. He has practiced in Torrance for eight years and can remember when the population was a mere 20,000. As I said before, this certainly is a small world after all, isn't it?

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