

### Sugar Plum Fairies Wear Silver Skates to Thrill 3-Year-Old

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Debbie Watts' mother, Mrs. Herb Watts, had qualms of every size and shape when an auntie of Debbie's gave them tickets to the Icecapades. Mrs. Watts, whom we all call "Mary," knew she would love the show but Debbie, just turned three, might get fidgety. How wrong she was. The little spectator was enthralled. Half way through the glittering performance she looked up at her mother and pleaded, "Me skate." Her mother smiled and patted the little swaying head as it kept time to the rhythmic strains. "Yes dear, you will skate... someday." "No, now!" was Debbie's determined reply; and with that she scooted from her seat and was about to join the polished entertainers as Mary grabbed a handful of ruffles and pulled the budding Sonja back into position as admirer rather than admirer. Keep the dream shiny, Debbie. That's the stuff success is made of.

Two saint-named cities, San Francisco and San Jose were vacation spots for Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Morrison and family late in August. They left their home on Anza and spent a whole week visiting friends, some they had become acquainted with in school. Penny, who is 4, and Heidi, 2, filled the back seat with lots of little girl talk and no doubt a few kitten naps on the way home. After all WHO can sleep on the way to anyplace?

Danny Mockett's five years old and very happy to be back home again with his parents, the Don Mockett's and brothers, Donny, Michael, and Kenny. An operation required that he be hospitalized for awhile. We don't know how Danny feels about this but if the nurses find a boy's getting lonesome for home do you suppose they'd consider sprinkling just a little sand on the bottom sheet and maybe hiding a rubber band or a feather under his pillow. Seems to us it takes a heap of such nothings to make a boy's bed real homey.

In spite of the heartaches war brings there are often delightful repercussions. "War-brides" could be thusly classified. We have a new neighbor who was a British war-bride. She and her family, the Harold Edner's have recently sent out change of address cards to friends stating they are now at home at 4602 Cadison. Susanne, their only daughter, has three brothers: Sheldon, Arnold, and David. We feel sure they're going to like it in Southwest Park. Welcome folks!

Las Vegas seems to have a tremendous appeal to the adults in our neighborhood. Leaving their littlet back-seat drivers at home the Ronnie Palmers went to see what the attraction was, and concluded it's all they had heard and quite the spot for a week end respite. Their grandmother cared for little Linda Palmer and her brothers Gary and Glenn, while Mother and Daddy were gone.

Southwest Park will never look quite the same to Michael Orzio. Any boy knows that to go to New York City would be just about the keenest thing. But he with his grandmother, well that would improve the prospects for fun a hundredfold. Michael's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Orzio were pleased to see the plane that brought their boy home last Thursday, after having him gone all summer. Casey, 3, and Frank Jr., who is 8, will find their home at 4641 W. 191st St. a lot less empty. After all no one can actually take someone else's place. The children's grandmother is remaining awhile and giving the entire family lots of pleasure with her incomparable cooking. She, in turn, like every woman who cooks well, is no doubt enjoying her appreciative tasters.

Dark clouds often have silver linings. Mrs. Wade Habshey 4706 Narrot St. was a patient at St. Francis Hospital, but she is back with her husband and children, Linda Sue, Porky, and infant Mary. The bright side of the experience is represented by the presence of Mrs. Habshey's mother, Mrs. David Smith who is with the family while Mother recuperates. Mrs. Smith comes from the city of Birmingham and promises she'll remember our

nic sea breezes when she is "Alabama bound" once more.

We've just about concluded that Torrance is the "partyingest" town in the county. Linda Wilson was 12 the 15th of September, so her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wilson, proceeded to hold the nicest party a girl could want. And there wasn't just the usual ice cream and cake (although that's mighty nice). No siree, a barbecue just like the grownups have been in order for guests: Judy Seisser, Shirley Reed, Marsha Jennings, Diana White, Janet Perry, Becky McArthur and Gay Lynn Hatton. Others who joined right in with the celebration—Judy Perry, Donnie Brower, Jerry Johnson, Eddie Wilson (Linda's younger brother), Ronald Cota, Billy McArthur, Dennis Sills and Danny Needham—were reminded again how delightful a party is.

And right in the same neighborhood another birthday was marked by festivities as Billy Rustrum became a 15-year-old. Jeff Patterson, Jerry Burch, Connie Arney, Karen Schmelz and Billy McArthur joined to honor their host, as did Jeanette Arney, Ronald Cade, and the celebrant's sister, Barbara Rustrum.

We were in Redlands a while back so we know what a pretty place the Mitchells of 191st St. visited when at their Grandmother Wallace's who makes her home in that community. They were there for the week end and may have had the pleasure of picnicking in the park across from the university. What a lovely spot that is!

Another birthday party, same street same day, what do you know? Teri Porter invited lots of her friends over for the big annual event, second only to Christmas in excitement. Sheryl and Sandy White, Susan McIntyre, Patty Hatton, Kathy and Linda Roberson, Judy Perry and Becky McArthur were all there "with bells on," as the saying goes. Three Misses Brooks: Bonnie, Margie and Georgia, Janice Aureli, Marianne Scott, Sherry Parker and Kathy Bradford also enjoyed every minute of it. And not to be excluded from her elder sister's big moment was little Debbie Porter, to whom parties are old stuff. She had just turned 2 the week before and had had her share of birthday glory, too. September is quite the month for celebrating at the Bill Porters, for besides the two daughters Mrs. Porter observes her date of birth on the 18th.

We women are probably entirely too romantic but we like to slip away for the evening with our husbands, especially when the wedding anniversary comes around. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rix observed their sixth this month by going out to dinner (Mexican food, Maxine adds) and then on to a show afterwards.

We, too, celebrated an anniversary recently. A favorite couple joined us for a steak roast at Playa del Rey. The one-time bride didn't look very bride-like in her sandy black pedal pushers and wind-tossed pony-tail. We almost wrapped up in the gingham tablecloth to keep warm but there was

music from the portable radio and the ever-pounding surf keeping us aware of our whereabouts. The coffee got cold quickly and somebody let the steak burn but this was a party and who would complain? When we returned to our little nest tired and happy it wasn't rice we shook from our clothes but handful of sand. It was as though the friendly beach had taken note of our 11th anniversary and wished us many more.

If you have any happy notes you'd like to share with your neighbors why not jot them down and drop them in our door at 4630 Narrot St. Or you can call us, FR 9-5508, between 8 and 10 p.m.

### TWO LOCAL SEAMEN IN FLEET REVIEW

Among those servicemen assembled in Long Beach recently for the U.S. First Fleet demonstration was Dale P. Ferguson, sonarman second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Meade H. Ferguson, 23121 Falena Ave., who was

aboard the escort vessel USS Spangler. Aboard the hospital ship USS Haven was Leroy Sadler, seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rowena J. Sadler and husband of the former Ann L. Hollenbaugh, all of 20944 Milton St.

### Speck, Staxrud Named Chairmen For Annual 'Good Neighbor' Fete

Plans for the tenth annual YMCA Good Neighbor Breakfast to be held on Oct. 27 started today with the naming of William Speck and S. C. Staxrud as Co-Chairman of the event.

The breakfast will be held in the Torrance Civic Auditorium, and the entire community is invited to "have breakfast with the YMCA." Staxrud has ordered thousands of tickets printed for the big community feed, and stated that YMCA boy members as well as adults will be selling the tickets in a few days. The proceeds from the breakfast will help support the Y building.

### Mal Whitfield to Talk To Young Republicans

Mal Whitfield, internationally famous Olympic record holder, will be principal speaker at the Tuesday evening meeting of the Torrance Young Republican Club, it was announced yesterday by Vice President Robert L. Aguilar of the club.

The meeting, at Higgins Brick and Tile Co., 2217 W. 174th St., will start promptly at 8 p.m., Aguilar said.

In addition to Whitfield, speakers who will give brief talks to the club include Charles Franklin, who will report on his progress in the campaign for 17th Congressional District election; Tom Brewer, candidate for State Assembly, who will report on his campaign, and a man acquainted with the Torrance Post Office situation who will report to the club.

"All who are interested in meeting the candidates and discussing the issues with them informally are invited to attend Tuesday's meeting," Aguilar said.

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