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Situation Comedy Right at Home

Week in, week out, I keep watching the "situation comedy" portrayals of family life on television, hoping to find just one show that bears some resemblance to this household — aside from the Addams Family and the Munsters, of course.

What nettles me most is that the mother-heroines are always impeccably gowned and beautifully coiffed. Except, I forgot, oh goodness me, for the episode in which the husband brings home unexpected company to Donna Reed or Mary Tyler Moore.

For then the wife displays a cute smudge on her nose and one lock of hair out of place which she keeps blowing away coyly in a technique perfected by Gale Storm in "My Little Margie."

First, my husband would know better than to bring anybody into this house without some advance notice. About three weeks would suit me fine, because then I would have time to get my hair fixed so that I, too, could have the forelock fetchingly down. Our trick is to feign that I was not forewarned; that way, we have some excuse for the condition of the house. However, I know that it sometimes does look a little strange for me to be "caught" wearing a cocktail dress doing my housework.

Who writes the dialogue for "Leave It to Beaver," by the way? In five years I have yet to hear the parents yell. "Shut up!"

And how old do kids have to be, I ask you, before they no longer eat cake and milk every night in their parents' home, as in the case of "Oz and Harriet"?

In looking for a television show to identify with, I keep being misled by the titles. For instance, I thought for sure that "Branded" was going to be built around a housewife whose name is on every volunteer list in the county to solicit fun's door-to-door.

And wouldn't you think that "My Mother the Car" would have something to do with a mother who spends half of her time picking up and delivering her kids everywhere?

Though I've seen "Petti-

Report From Agricultural Employer Due

Deadline for filing a contribution return and report of agricultural wages, form DE 7003, for the fourth quarter of 1965, is Monday, according to W. P. Nebergall, auditor in charge for the State Department of Employment in Long Beach.

Penalty and interest will be charged employers of agricultural workers if the report is filed after the deadline, Nebergall said.

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coat Junction," my husband has not, so I think that he still believes that it has as its setting a bathroom of a suburban home in which six

girls, in trying to get ready for school each morning, compete for equal time in front of a mirror. What I've been trying to

do is to come up with a new plot, but without success. I did have this terrific idea of parents who plot devious ways to escape from the

house without taking the kids. But it sounded too much like "Stalag 17" or Hogan's Heroes."

Then there's the one in which the mother is "Be-witched" — in other words, she's a witch. Sound famil-



Letters From Famous Americans

Alexander Graham Bell uttered on March 10, 1876, the first intelligible words ever transmitted by the telephone he invented when he said to his assistant: "Mr. Watson, come here. I want you!" Bell, a lifelong worker for the deaf, wrote the letter below to a friend to secure help for a six-year-old deaf and blind girl, Helen Keller. Bell said of her: "The little girl is evidently an intelligent child." Bell was born March 3, 1847; died Aug. 2, 1922.

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By Mrs. T. J. Gallant
 Mr. A. H. Keller of Alabama will dine with me this evening, and bring with him his little daughter (aged about 6 1/2) who is deaf and blind & has been so from nearly infancy. He is in search of light regarding methods of education & the little girl is evidently an intelligent child & altogether this is such an interesting case that I thought you would like to know about it. I am now residing at 1739 Rhode Island Ave. & hope you may be able to look in in the course of the evening. P.S. We dine at 5:30 p.m.
 Yours very sincerely
 Alexander Graham Bell

TEXT: "Mr. A. H. Keller of Alabama will dine with me this evening, and bring with him his little daughter (aged about 6 1/2) who is deaf and blind and has been so from nearly infancy. He is in search of light regarding methods of education. The little girl is evidently an intelligent child and altogether this is such an interesting case that I thought you would like to know about it. I am now residing at 1739 Rhode Island Ave. and hope you may be able to look in in the course of the evening. P.S. We dine at 5:30 p.m."

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