

WHO'S WHO

and doing what

By EDDYE K. KIM

Especially 'chic' was the always fashionably attired society matron, Mrs. Thelma Toms, the other noontime in her hostess role at an intimate, small-talk luncheon for Mr. and Mrs. Ollie E. Franklin of St. Louis at the Dunes Hotel's 24th floor "Top of the Dunes" room where the excellence of the gourmet food served is challenged only by the spectacular view, no more ooh'ed and aah'ed over by the visitors than your scribe who was a member of the luncheon party (and who should be growing a little accustomed to the splendor of it all, by now).

Mrs. Franklin is a cousin of actor Napoleon Whiting (a regular on TV's "Big Valley" series) who flew up from Los Angeles for a reunion with his cousin and was the house guest of Dr. and Mrs. Chas. I. West during his visit.

The Franklins' all too brief stop-over in Las Vegas was the last leg of the popular couple's extended tour of the West Coast, and all arguments to the contrary, they had to return home where she is Chairman of the sponsoring organization's presentation of Ebony Fashion Fair in St. Louis due to appear there soon, and he, as the only living charter member of the renowned 20th Century Club, will be engulfed in plans for the Club's Golden Anniversary Dance where more than 1800 guests will be invited to attend.

During luncheon, Mrs. Toms confided to us that spouse, Till, a charter (Gold Card) member of San Francisco's Union Square Optimist Club and chairman of the Club's first Boy's Work Shop had just returned from a trip to the Bay City where he received a plaque from the distinguished Optimist Club for outstanding service to the organization.



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ALPHAS COOK-OUT

A perfect Indian Summer evening lent added enchantment to the beautiful patio garden of Dr. and Mrs. James B. McMillan when the couple entertained his Alpha brothers and their ladies recently with an al fresco buffet of barbecued chicken, ribs, and beef with all the trimmings. The illusion of wining and dining at St. Tropez or any of the famed open air restaurants on the French Riviera was considerably heightened by the presence of lovely Andre Richard who is making her home with the McMillans. When Andre arrived here in April of this year, she could not speak one word of English, a circumstance of mutual benefit to her and her hosts for conversation in the McMillan household is now bi-lingual. Baby Jeffrey (one year old) is speaking his first words in French, and his "big Sis" Jarmilla joins in the french lessons.

During the after dinner give and take conversation, we learned that Ass't D.A. Addeilar Guy, who was recently installed as President of the local (Theta Lambda) Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, is headed for another out-of-town jaunt. The Alpha's prexy who toured the European continent this summer will attend a three-day convention of Federal Housing Commissioners in Portland Oregon (He was recently appointed commissioner for the Las Vegas area) and following the Portland meeting, a four-day tour of the Hawaiian Islands is on the agenda.

VACATIONERS

Mrs. Donald (Barbara) Kirkland and children visited Donald's niece, Merrine McDonald who is now "Sister Merrine" of the Sisters of Divine Providence, a novice at Our Lady of the Lake Convent, San Antonio, Texas. From Texas, Barbara and the youngsters joined hubby Don in San Francisco for a sight-seeing tour of the City by the Bay before returning home to meet

A Happy And "Hearty" Family Reunion



DEJEUNER EN FAMILLE--The nicest kind of dinner party is always one that finds a family reunited. The recent "sit-down" dinner at the lovely North Las Vegas home of John Bailey, his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt McClendon, was no exception... What was (and always is) exceptional was the marvelous food as prepared by Francine McClendon... The happy occasion was the Bailey and McClendon clan's hospitable welcome to Mrs. Thomas (Mary Lou) Washington of Indianapolis, Indiana who is a house guest of her sister-in-law and hubby, Loyce and Lela Neal. The ladies are cousins of the closely knit Bailey family.

Pictured clockwise, above, are Mrs. Washington, guest of honor; "Mac" McClendon, Mrs. Eddy K. Kim Wells (holding granddaughter Sophia), Henry Wells, Ann and Bob Bailey's adorable five-year-old Kimberly, Bob Bailey (the ebullient Francine is Bob's sister), and Ann Bailey (holding son John)... Standing are Mrs. Neal, John Bailey, and Francine Bailey McClendon.

In photo left, hostess Francine is pictured with Mrs. Washington and Mrs. Neal for the family album.

Signal Appointment For Delta National President

Dr. Geraldine P. Woods, National President of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, has been appointed as a Public Member of the Department of State's Twenty-First Selection Boards.

The Selection Boards, which convened in the Department on September 19, will review the files of approximately 2,800 officers for performance evaluation and promotion recommendations. The Boards will be in session for about eight weeks.

One of the Department officers serving on the Selection Boards is Mr. Howard Robinson, Labor Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs.

Delta Soror Pughsley Reports On Nat'l Meet

Frankie Muse Freeman was elected fourteenth national president of Delta Sigma Theta at the conclusion of the organization's 29th biennial convention, Soror Joanne Pughsley reported on her return from attending the five-day meeting held in Cincinnati, Ohio, August 13-18.

Mrs. Freeman, former national first vice-president of this 45,000 member, national, predominantly Negro, women's public service organization, is the only woman commissioner of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, and associate general counsel of the St. Louis Housing and Land Clearance Authorities.

Among the many outstanding highlights of (See DELTAS, page 13)

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Barbara's grandmother, Mrs. Bertha Toliver of Shreveport, Louisiana who is here for a visit with the family.

EO Board Chairman Isaac White and his charming spouse brought their house guests Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks and their daughter Elaine of Los Angeles to the McMillans' party and on to the Strip to catch some of the shows where Mrs. White's mother, Mrs. Lucille Brooks and brother Wyndel, here from Tulsa, Oklahoma, joined the party.

HAPPY HAPPENINGS

Mrs. Charles (Lorene) Goodman's recent visit to hometown Fordyce, Arkansas to visit her mother... Also Rev. and Mrs. Leo Johnson's blessed event, Leo, Jr.... Mrs. Johnson and daughter Trudy take turns from their classes at NSU to care for the new Johnson heir.