

# Alfred P. Hopkins Home from Hawaiian Vacation

## Re-United With Friends On West Coast, Islands

By VIRGINIA COLE

ORCHARD HILLS—To the Alfred P. Hopkins of Colby lane, vacationing in Hawaii has come to mean more than just another trip. It means reunion with scores of friends both on the west coast and in the islands.

To see them off aboard the S.S. Lurline Feb. 15 were over 100 at a luncheon party in the two Lanai suites occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Pollard of Los Angeles who sailed with them.

The Pollards and Hopkins met two years ago on the same trip and have become fast friends. Following the party, many guests boarded a coast guard cutter and followed the Lurline far out to sea, chatting over the captain's loud speaker between ships.

Throughout the voyage, they were guests at the captain's table and with him recalled events of their two previous trips with him.

ON ARRIVAL in Honolulu, the ship was met by three tug-boats of their island friends who escorted them to their room at the Surf Rider hotel. Upon entering the hotel the party was met by their entertainers and musicians who sang and played through the corridors enroute to the room. A really super welcoming party then took place with friends piloting them to their rooms where they showed above them.

After five days in Honolulu they flew to Hana Maui where they took the Kawiki cottage at the Hana Maui hotel. Here they relaxed for five days and enjoyed the quiet beauty of this outstanding spot.

FROM THERE they flew to Kaula Island where they were met at the airport by their good friend Willie Duart, a resident of the island. They stayed at the Coco Palms hotel where Duart had arranged a big, cordial dinner party in their honor.

March 9, as they prepared to leave this island, they were twice evacuated from the hotel due to a violent tidal wave. Along with all hotel guests and personnel, they were evacuated to the mountains where, both times, they were forced to remain several hours.

TWO DAYS before they had enjoyed a picnic on Hana, near beach of Lanai on this garden island of Kauai. The tide waves swept away this and all beaches and homes in its path. As they stood on the mountain, they could watch it roll up the river and spill over into the land, completely inundating hotel grounds.

On the third try they finally took off in the plane for Honolulu and that night were guests at a luncheon party aboard the S.S. Lurline in the Lanai suite of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Goldman whom they met on their 1955 trip. The same evening, a cocktail party was given in their honor by Hawaiian air lines Captain and Mrs. Ernest W. Vary Jr. with 75 guests.

DURING THEIR 1954 trip to Hawaii, the Hopkins met H. F. Sundstrom with whom they have been fast friends ever since. Sunny Sundstrom, as he is known, and his bride entertained the Hopkins at a party March 15. They were cocktails and hors d'oeuvres throughout the evening for more than 100 guests.

Another island friend, Ken McLanahan, gave a St. Patrick's day dinner party for their company with Irish hats, decorations and genuine Old Bushmill's Irish liquor and a chicken dinner with all the trimmings.

AT A JAPANESE tea garden dinner party given for them by Lucille Morris, the hostess, they enjoyed authentic Japanese food and music and dinner guests who sat on the floor for the authentic Japanese meal were kinship after first removing their shoes at the door. Leaving Hawaii March 27, they flew to Los Angeles where friends met them at the airport and entertained them first at the Ambassador club and then at the Traders in L.A. for dinner. For the next four days they remained as guests of the Martin Pollards at their Los Angeles home.

EN ROUTE home they stopped in Las Vegas, Nevada, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. William J. Moore, Jr. for four days. During their stay they were entertained at all the leading shows including Tony Martin at the Flamingo, Ben Blue and with him recalled events of their two previous trips with him.

At Fremont, Nebraska, they visited the Hopkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Linton Hopkins, who entertained at a welcoming dinner party for them and then more unexpectedly decided to return on the trail to Detroit with them.

ARRIVING in Detroit April 5th, they were met at the train by Mr. and Mrs. Leo LaFlour and Mr. and Mrs. John Booth who took them to Eckner's Chop House where they were met by more than 200 friends and greeted by the orchestra playing and singing Hawaiian tunes in their honor. From there they went to Palumbo's where still more friends from the group for dinner.

Mrs. Donald Anderson presented all the ladies with camellias and Mrs. Hopkins with a large bouquet of gladioli.

The whole party then escorted the Hopkins, Jr. and Sr. to their home on Colby Lane where they wound up both the trip and the night.

THE NEXT day they were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. John Booth for afternoon cocktails at their new home on Castle drive and then to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo LaFlour of Putnam drive, Walnut Lake for cocktails and Sunday dinner.

During the Hopkins' two-week stay the younger Hopkins took them to King-Indy Inn, Beauchamp and Palumbo on numerous occasions and Mr. and Mrs. Metzger of Wing Lake road entertained both couples at dinner at Debon Galley.

THEY WERE also entertained at lunch by Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Grandy had them for cocktails and dinner at their home on Hospital drive, Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins Sr. returned by air to their home in Nebraska last Thursday.

Island friends know that to the Hopkins, Aloha truly means, "Till we meet again."

**Vacationing**

BLOOMFIELD WEST—The Ray Martin left for Easter in Chicago with Mrs. Martin's family last Saturday. From there they expect to journey to Elgin, Illinois, for a visit with the family of Martin's brother, who makes his home there.

**Travel to Florida**

BLOOMFIELD WEST—The Lucille Morris, having secured a fully side-wind the throat of further chickenpox in the family, were able to leave on their Florida trip last Thursday as scheduled. Reservations have been awaiting them in Hollywood, Florida, for the past month.

# Bloomfield West

WALNUT LAKE - BLOOMFIELD FARMS - BRAES  
MEADOW LAKE - LONE PINE HEIGHTS

**Bloomfield West Social Briefs**

**BLOOMFIELD FARMS**—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wray of West Dartmouth road drove to Columbus, Ohio, to be with their parents on Easter Sunday. Mrs. Wray and the boys, Matt and Steve, are staying on for the remainder of the school vacation period.

Nancy Button returned to Grand Rapids Monday after spending her vacation at home with her family. The Donald E. Buttons of East Dartmouth road, Nancy, an Allie college graduate, is at present teaching in Grand Rapids.

She is anticipating the summer months and the beautiful campus at the University of Colorado, where she is enrolled for summer courses. Next fall she plans to begin teaching in Denver.

Sister Judy was not around to visit with her, as she left last Friday with the Birmingham high school seniors on their annual class trip to Washington.

The George Wirths of South Clubbury road spent a long Easter weekend in Cincinnati visiting with Mrs. Wirth's family there. Small sons Randy and Rusty accompanied them.

**BLOOMFIELD WEST**—Mrs. Walter McCarthy of West Dartmouth road is home again after spending four weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Ross, in Westfield, New York. Wally, David and Sharon Ann enjoyed the visit with their grandparents also, but were happy to see daddy again when he picked them up after his Washington business trip during the same period.

**New Residents**

WALNUT LAKE—The Donald Hawkins moved to Sunnyside road from their former home in Royal Oak. They have a daughter, Linda, 6, who now attends the Walnut Lake school. Hawkins is associated with Conamer's Power company. His hobby is flying, and this he does most from the Warren airport where he kept his own plane until recently.

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**Occupy New Home**

LONE PINE HEIGHTS—The Richard Maunds moved into their new home on Tahquamenon court in March. They have been living at Walnut Lake while awaiting its completion. Daughter Sheryl Lynn, 7 years old, is enrolled in Walnut Lake school, and son Jimmy, 5, is still keeping mother company at home. Maund is associated with the D. T. Randall company.

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