

Boscoss Tell of Trip to South America

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Normally most of the news gathered for this column is done by telephone but I was invited on Feb. 29 for coffee to hear first hand the news of a recent vacation and trip to several South American countries taken by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Boscoss of White Pine Drive.

The "coffee break" stretched into almost a three-hour visit and was one of the most rewarding I have had. The Boscoss are basically people interested in "people."

Mr. Boscoss who is in semi-retirement is in a position to travel and this is what he and Mrs. Boscoss do quite frequently. Of the 50 of the United States, there are only three that they have not as yet visited, Alaska, Hawaii and surprisingly enough North Dakota.

IT'S ANYBODY'S guess how they happened to miss the latter one. Europe is not unfamiliar territory to them because as one time their son, Louis, Jr., was a student at the University of

Rome, so naturally they found time residents of that country. Because of their boundless enthusiasm of "getting to know people," it seems no matter which country they bump into someone they know from home or at least someone who is a friend of a friend.

Their first stop was in Lima, Peru, where they began on Nov. 27 and lasted three months, covered many of the South American countries. Because the occasion called for celebrating their sons, Louis, Jr., now married and residing in Royal Oak and Donald, a student at Ferris, drove to New York for a Thanksgiving celebration.

Soon after that the Boscoss winged their way south of the equator. Their first stop was in Buenos Aires where they were met by a niece and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. James Larkin, former residents of the Detroit area. Col. Moffett, who is an assistant in the American Embassy in Buenos Aires, and his wife were often in the Boscoss party when groups gathered. Trips were made to Rosario and then down to Mar Del Plata, which is a large gambling casino and Monte Carlo and gathering fame among many European travelers.

THE NEXT stop on their itinerary was Mendoza where Dr. Paul F. Boscoss is conducting a seminar. Dr. Boscoss is a professor from the University of Notre Dame. This undoubtedly was the most important part of their trip.

After leaving Mendoza, they flew to Santiago in 30 minutes. The same trip takes about 18 hours by train. Next the Boscoss went on to Lima, Peru, perhaps one of the most modern cities in South America.

The Boscoss relate that on one of the "main thoroughfares," there is extreme poverty to see to the extent of being appalling. Their last stop before returning to their home, was in Miami, Fla., where they spent five days. It only wish that time and space allowed for a more detailed account of their many experiences.

WHAT MORE can be said than "we had a ball" when 40 girls from the Marian High School boarded a bus and headed for skiing country?

It so happened that during the week end, Joan Palmer had a birthday and her dad arranged to have a birthday cake served at one of their meals, but Joannie wasn't there to enjoy it.

She was one of the two casualties suffered by the party and instead was serenaded by nurses in a nearby hospital to which she was taken for treatment of a knee injury. The young ladies were on their excursion the week end of Feb. 20.

WHEN DR. and Mrs. Lou Ursu of Farmingdale Drive planned a trip to Phoenix, Ariz., and parts of California they didn't realize they had an unexpected thrill in store for them although their young son, David, was apparently unimpressed by the whole thing.

Of course being only 18 months old, he just doesn't understand how much fun it can be to appear on television, which of course is what happened to the Ursus.

They decided, when in California to try to get tickets to see the program "Let's Make a Deal." A relative living on the west coast advised them to take something extremely unusual to the TV station for a trade and they decided on an old airplane propeller.

Through the process of elimination their item for trade was among the four considered most unusual brought to the studio for trade and they were invited to appear as contestants.

Mrs. Ursu thought it was a good deal when they acquired 10 canned hams, and most important, plenty to talk about when they returned home on Feb. 28 after a 2 1/2-week vacation.

THE RICHARD Hallocks of Halyard Road returned home on Feb. 28 after spending two weeks

in Los Angeles and Las Vegas. It was the grand finale of a month of celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary.

While in Los Angeles, they were in touch with the Stanley Martin's daughter and son-in-law and also looked up a school chum of Mrs. Hallock's—Betty Ayres, who is performing with a string quartet at the Riviera. Betty is a former Lansing, Mich. resident.

During the Hallocks' stay at the Ambassador Hotel they had the opportunity to see many of the stars of Hollywood and were also given a personally conducted tour of both the 4-Star and DeSlistt houses.

HOUSE GUESTS at the LaFontaine home in Teynham Place for several days during the week of Feb. 16 were Mrs. LaFontaine's

brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Anderson of St. Johns, New Brunswick, Canada. The Andersons had spent two weeks in the Bahamas and were on their way home when they stopped for a visit.

SANDRA SHROCK, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shrock of S. Cranbrook Road was home visiting with her parents for a few days recently. She was accompanied by Miss Catherine Clapre of Providence, R. I.

Both the young ladies are teaching school in the Boston area. Mrs. Shrock almost felt the need for an extra room in her home when the girls brought their pets with them, a German shepherd named Heidi, and a Great Dane called Banjo. Just for the record, they did their traveling in

a station wagon and not a little sports car.

GIRL SCOUT Troop 666 is busy these days practicing for a program they will have at the Westchester School on March 12 immediately after school hours. It will be held in the multi-purpose room of the school.

It will be the troop's first Court of Awards program and is being held during Girl Scout Birthday Week. Parents, families and friends of the girls are invited to attend the program.

Library Director Is DAR Speaker

James M. Babcock, director of the Burton Historical Collection at the Detroit Public Library, is slated to speak at the March 10 meeting of the Piety Hill chapter, DAR. The meeting will be held at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Clarence Crockett, 8933 Kirklund Court, Bloomfield Hills. Mrs. Roy Thurman, tea chairwoman, will be assisted by Mrs. Dwight C. Ensign, Mrs. John Kull, Mrs. Robert Boston, Mrs. Louis J. Auer, Mrs. Harry Allen and Mrs. Eugene E. Heas.

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