New Families Are Welcomed By Klamath Falls Residents

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MR. AND MRS. GERARD S. VERGEER and BOB

HOLLAND-BORN Gerard S. Vergeer came to this country when he was 15 years old. Now as city manager, he and his family call Klamath Falls their home. They are recently from Port Angeles, Washington, after residencies in Bend, Prineville and Baker. Mr. and Mrs. Vergeer are pictured with their 14 year old son, Bob, who is a freshman at KUHS. Two older children, Mrs. David (Carol) Egge and Gerard Jr. live in Seattle, Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Vergeer are grandparents to four little ones.

JIM PARKS, his attractive wife and four children are very recent additions to the city, having moved here three weeks ago from Eugene. He is the new manager of Newberry's, the firm with which he has been associated for six years in Oregon and Washington. When settled, they plan to try their luck in the local streams and enjoy their favorite sports, bowling and golf. Steven, 10 months old, sits on his mother's lap. Rickie Ann, 4, is beside her father. In front, at left, is Brad, 5, and Mark, 2, at right.

THE MONTH OF JANUARY marked the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Broderick and their four children from Grants Pass. Frank Broderick, a native of Minnesota, is a graduate of Oregon State College in Corvallis where he met and married his wife who was raised in Grants Pass. They are the new owners of Hendricks Drug Store and reside at 229 Washington Street. They are pictured with their family, Bruce, 8, at left, Ann, 2, on her father's lap and 7-year old twins, Christy and Holly, at right.

MANY MILES separate the Jean Gilson family from their birthplaces. Mrs. Gilson, her husband and daughter, Monique, 8, were born in Belgium and son, Jean Paul, 3½, in France. Too young for the army, Jean Gilson joined the Young Belgian Army, an underground organization. Later he served in North Africa with the French Foreign Legion, was wounded, captured and finally escaped. Surgery by Allied physicians restored his lost eyesight and he became a member of the French Merchant Marine on ships that transported troops to Normandy. Following the war, he taught French to dependents of American servicemen in Chinon, France. He hopes to resume teaching when he receives his final citizenship papers.

THE REV. AND MRS. NORBERT DEY and three children after only three weeks are well settled in their new home. The Rev. Dey is pastor of the Zion Lutheran Church, coming here after three and a half years at Weiser, Idaho. A native of Minnesota, he graduated from Concordia Seminary at St. Louis, Missouri, in 1935. Their three children still at home are Caroline, 11, who attends Fairview School; Jon, 15, a Sophomore at KUHS and Thomas, 5. Two older children are Beth, a freshman at Valparaiso University in Indiana, and Norbert Jr., a senior at Weiser High School in Weiser, Idaho.

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MR. AND MRS. JIM PARKS and children

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