

Easter Sunrise Service Scheduled for Lomita Hilltop at 5:30 a. m.

Lomita churches will unite in Sunrise service at 5:30 Easter Sunday morning on the hilltop south of Lomita.

Chaplain Guy L. Margeson of Ft. MacArthur will speak and community singing under direction of Charles Eade will be a feature. Eade has participated in the Sunrise services since they started 20 years ago.

The invocation will be given by Rev. Paul Lomax of the Wayside Chapel, Scripture lesson by Rev. John E. Orr, of the Community Presbyterian church, Rev. Urban W. Hall of the South Lomita church will offer the prayer, and Rev. David Shank of the Missionary Church of Christ will deliver the benediction.

OBITUARY

JAMES SWAUGER . . . Services for James Swauger, 69, who died Saturday at his home, 921 Border st., Torrance, were held yesterday at the Stone & Myers chapel with the Rev. Harry Branton officiating. Interment was in Pacific Crest cemetery.

Mr. Swauger had lived in Torrance for the past year and was employed at the Doak Aircraft plant.

He leaves his widow, Nellie B., and four daughters, Mrs. Isabelle Smolinski, and Mrs. Hulda Wagner, 921 Border; Mrs. June Hook, 923 Border; and Mrs. Helen Anderson, 716 Annapola ave. in Torrance; four sons, Eugene L. U.S.A., Wayne H., Whittier, Robert D., San Diego, and Byron M., and a stepson, James O. Cunningham, of Miles, Ohio.

WALTER J. WIESE . . . Services for Walter J. Wiese, 56, were held Saturday in the Dil day chapel, Long Beach, with the Rev. Dr. Martin J. Bruer of the First Lutheran church of Long Beach officiating. Mr. Wiese died April 12 in a Van Nuys hospital from injuries received in a traffic accident.

He leaves his widow, Hilda, of 2042 238th st., Torrance; daughter, Mrs. Engelene Sandstrom, also of Torrance; son, Vance, in the Army Air Corps; a brother in Tilford, Mont.; two sisters and two brothers in Fall Creek, Wis., and four grand-children.

He came to California five years ago from Cramer, N. D., and was employed at Lockheed Air Terminal, Burbank.

L. B. Police Fast, Local Man Learns Facing Revolvers

J. A. Langworthy of Torrance was given a startling demonstration last Friday of the speed with which Long Beach police function when searching for automobiles reported stolen.

Langworthy telephoned headquarters that his automobile had been stolen from near Ocean blvd. and Pine ave. and gave them its license number.

The license number was broadcast to all radio cars. A few moments later Officers R. G. McConahy and J. W. Kinz radioed that they had recovered the car at Ocean blvd. and Magnolia ave. and were holding the driver.

The driver was Langworthy, the owner.

He had located his car on the way to police headquarters and, being in a hurry to get to work, had driven on his way. He had driven only a couple of blocks when he found himself facing the guns of two officers. He finally established his identity and was on his way.

The mountain laurel is the state flower of Connecticut.

Kiska: A Sword Over California

Despite incessant bombing and strafing attacks by American planes, Jap forces, disregarding their losses, are still hard at work in the Aleutians—and are rapidly pushing to completion a long fighter plane field on Kiska, and an even longer bomber field on Attu.

That revealing bit of information comes from our 11th Bomber Command, which adds that Zeros may be zooming off the Kiska runway within two weeks, and that the Attu bomber field probably will be finished in time to permit Jap bombers to warm up our Fourth of July celebrations.

Headquarters of the Bomber Command, while stating that primary Jap objectives in building the runways may be to prepare themselves to repel landings of their beaches and bombardments by the Navy, also emphasize that another objective is an offensive against Alaska. The use of transports in their thwarted attack last June, says the report, clearly indicates that the Japanese objective at that time was to take Alaska as a base for operations against the Pacific coast.

If we have grown complacent about the danger of bombing attacks on our California cities, the report of the 11th Command — which saved us from just such an attack less than a year ago—should cause us of our apathy and indifference. The Jap forces in the Aleutians hang like a sword over both Alaska and the Pacific coast. And they are completing their bombing fields, despite the best we can do to dislodge them. The attack may never come, or it may come within a matter of weeks. The least we can do is to be ready for it!

Red Cross Aid to Friend of War Prisoner Disclosed by Local Man

A complete file of letters and telegrams concerning his close friend, Private George A. Barham, who is a prisoner of war in the Philippines, is being kept by James G. Caldwell of 22120 Monica ave., Torrance, as a valuable war record.

It shows how the Red Cross through its international, national chapter and branch organization is bringing rays of comfort to those who have relatives and friends behind the stockades of enemy military prisons.

Private Barham enlisted in the Coast Artillery at Los Angeles in 1940 and shortly afterward was sent to the Philippines. He was attached to the fall of Corregidor and received a reply dated May 12. This stated that Private Barham was, according to the latest information available, serving in the Philippines Islands at the time of the final surrender.

Mr. Gen. J. A. Uio, adjutant general, wrote: "I deeply regret that it is impossible for me to give you more information. . . . In the last few days before the surrender of Bataan there were casualties which were not reported to the War Department."

Caldwell later appealed to the Red Cross for information and on Nov. 23, 1942, Mrs. Marion E. Byam, supervisor of the War Inquiry Service of the Los Angeles Chapter, wrote Mrs. Helen Miller, home service chairman of the Torrance branch, that "we have been informed by National Headquarters that they received a report from the War Department that Private Barham is missing in the Philippine Islands as of May 7. . . . and there is no additional information regarding him at the present time. If you may assure Mr. Caldwell that if any other report is received it will be sent to you for him."

How to Address Prisoners

A telegram, dated Feb. 12, 1943, from the War Department informed Caldwell that Barham was "reported a prisoner of war of the Philippine Islands." Later he received a letter dated the same day from Maj. Gen. Uio, informing him that the Prisoner of War Information Bureau in Washington, D. C., will "furnish you the address to which mail may be sent."

This data was received by Caldwell Feb. 25, 1943. It suggested he address his friend: "PFC George A. Barham, U.S. Army, "Interned in the Philippine Islands, "No Japanese Red Cross, Tokyo, Japan, Via New York, New York."

"Packages cannot be sent to the Orient at this time. When transportation facilities are available, a package permit will be issued to you," Caldwell was informed.

Branch Offers Services

On March 11 the Red Cross, through Mrs. Miller of the Torrance branch, again contacted Caldwell to give him necessary information on how letters should be written to his friend: "The sender's name and address should be placed on the back of the envelope. It is suggested that only personal matters be included in the correspondence in order to avoid delay by censorship. The letter should be typed

Marines Are Wearing.



This smart forest green uniform is now being worn by members of the U. S. Marine Corps Women's Reserve, recently organized to free Leathernecks for combat duty. Aside from a flared skirt, the only striking difference from the regulation Marine winter uniform is a scarlet cord decorating the front of the visored cap. A scarlet wool muffler is a feminine complement to the top coat.

ANAHEIM VISITOR
Miss Helen Long of Anaheim was a guest Sunday at the H. L. Bodley home here.

MOVE TO MICHIGAN
Mr. and Mrs. Erwin W. Dubey of 1635 Hickory ave. have moved to Gladwin, Mich.

AT PARKER HOME
Mrs. Gil J. Derouin and sons and Mrs. C. E. Ward are spending a few days at Parker dam visiting relatives.

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DINNER HOSTS
Mr. and Mrs. John T. Oursler entertained at dinner Sunday for her mother, Mrs. Virginia Schaffer, and her sister, Mrs. Virginia Stoker of Burbank, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Frank of Manhattan Beach.

VISITS HERE
Mrs. Mina Shidler of Los Angeles and formerly of this city was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Cucci.

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