

## Service Shorts

**WALTER S. GORDON**... a technical sergeant serving with the A.A.F. in England, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for "extraordinary achievement in aerial combat." A Flying Fortress engineer and top turret gunner, Sergeant Gordon has participated in 35 bombing missions against German targets and wears the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters. He is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Miller of 1628 Fern ave.

**BERNARD FRIEDMAN**... a private, 1/c, writes from Saipan that he heard a recent Tokyo broadcast distinctly and is quite sure that he recognized Lt. Louis Zamperini's voice unmistakably. On hearing the voice he was much shocked, but the shock turned to glad surprise as he made sure that his old friend was speaking. He asked that the message be conveyed to Louis' family.

**STACY GRIFFITH**... a staff sergeant, writes from England that he has completed 34 missions over Germany, and has now the Distinguished Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement, as well as the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.

**PAUL HARESTAD**... a MoMM, 1/c, was host to his wife, Jo, who joined him for a brief visit at his Pittsburgh, Pa., base before his departure for overseas duty. Mrs. Harestad is now visiting friends in New York before returning to Torrance where her son Curtis is visiting with his grandmother, Mrs. Harry Basch.

## Two Members of Family See Action Against Germans

Two members of one family have seen recent action against Germans, according to reports received here.

Denver C. Hilliard, chief yeoman, U.S.N., aboard the U.S.S.



Lieut. Allen Hilliard

Destroyer Gleaves, participated in action when enemy batteries and troop concentrations were bombed in Mediterranean waters Oct. 28, it was disclosed in a communique recently received by Mrs. Hilliard of the home address, 21922 S. Main st. Another release states that Hilliard's destroyer, with a sister ship, peppered German installations in the Gulf of Genoa area and poured the destructive power of their main batteries into Kraut munitions dumps, roads and guns.

Meanwhile, First Lt. William H. Allen, A.A.F., son of Mrs. Hilliard, scored his first victories over the Luftwaffe when he destroyed four German planes. Piloting a P-51, Lt. Allen saw the first two planes crash after he began firing at them. He tried to make a pass at the other two, but before he could fire the planes crashed in the trees in an effort to escape. Lt. Allen, who has been enjoying a 21-days leave, has the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters.

## Nance Piano Pupils To be Presented Sunday Evening

Pupils of Mrs. Colette Nance, pianist, will be presented in a Sunday evening recital, Dec. 10, at 8 p.m., at the hilltop home of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Welch in Rolling Hills. They will be assisted by Dorothy Bushell, soprano.

Included in the group who will play piano numbers are: Joyce Margaret Anderson, Ruth Grant, Dan Ivan Aluevich, Constance Marion Welch, Nancy Ann Whyte, Sonia Aluevich, Eunice Paula Abramson, Norma Levy Greenberg, Helon Alice Trafzer and Norma Patterson Smith.

## AFTERNOON BRIDGE PARTY

The home of Mrs. C. T. Rippon on El Prado was an attractive setting for a desert bridge last Thursday afternoon when club members were entertained. Arrangements of orchid hued heather used throughout the rooms created a holiday effect. Mrs. Henry Uhlright was a club guest and Mrs. J. E. Klink, Sr., was a prizewinner at contract.

## NAVY MOTHERS REPORT PARTY

Little Hills Navy Mothers Club No. 157 sponsored a very successful card party at V. F. W. hall, Lomita, last Friday evening. Mrs. Inez Ambill of Redondo Beach was presented with a handsome handmade quilt as first prize. Foster White received second prize and Mrs. Laski of Lomita won a door prize.

## ELEMENTARY P. T. A. GROUP AT TEA FRIDAY

Mrs. W. E. Bowen, Mrs. Oscar Olsen and Mrs. John Spiller, of Torrance Elementary P. T. A. attended the scholarship tea at Dana Junior high school, Friday.

**U. C. L. A. STUDENT**... Miss Lynn Jackson, a student at U. C. L. A., where she is majoring in bacteriology, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jackson of 1448 Engracia ave.

**IS CONVALESCENT**... Mrs. Christine Ericson, of 1920 Andreo ave., is making a satisfactory recovery from a broken hip at Magnolia hospital, Long Beach. She is well enough to receive callers now, it is reported.

**AT L. A. HOSPITAL**... W. H. Ambach entered a Los Angeles hospital this week for treatment and observation.

Mrs. Kenneth B. Fess returned recently from Clovis, N. M., where she had accompanied her husband, Lieut. Fess, A.A.F.



**BRIDE**... Mrs. Jack W. Sims, the former Miss Louise Van Kralingen, whose marriage was solemnized Nov. 25 at El Paso, Tex.

## C. E. CHURCH GROUPS ARRANGE LUNCHEON

Members of Central Evangelical Guild and the Missionary Society of Central Evangelical church will hold a Christmas luncheon at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13. A program will follow. Hostesses for the meeting will be Mmes. W. E. Bowen, W. H. Haslam, E. Stiegelmeier and H. L. Wagner.

## MRS. BILLIE KERBER AT INSTALLATION RITES

Billie Kerber, Grand Ruth, O. E. S., attended a joint installation of officers for all of the eight chapters in Long Beach, held Sunday afternoon at Long Beach Municipal auditorium. A banquet for 500 guests was later served at the new Masonic Temple there. Other grand officers attending were Logan Cotton of Redondo Beach, worthy grand patron and Lillian Podesta of San Francisco, worthy grand matron.

## BRIDGE CLUB MEETS AT RADEMAKER HOME

Mrs. E. B. Rademaker was a gracious hostess to bridge club members when she entertained recently at her home, 2318 Sonoma ave. Mrs. L. Murphy of Redondo Beach was a club guest and prize winners at contract were Mmes. E. Struck of Redondo and M. H. Hussey of this city. The birthdays of Mmes. J. S. Miller and L. D. York were noted when group gifts were presented.

## PATRICIA ANN TURMAN BORN NOVEMBER 28

Staff Sergeant and Mrs. W. H. Turman (Genevieve Everett) are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter, Patricia Ann, born Nov. 28 at Torrance Memorial hospital. The baby's father is serving with the infantry somewhere in Holland.

## Torrance Girl Exchanges Vows In El Paso Rites

Mr. and Mrs. A. Van Kralingen of 2304 Gramercy ave., announce the marriage of their daughter, Louise, to Mr. Jack W. Sims, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sims of Fort Worth, Texas. The ceremony was performed Nov. 25 by Rev. Dr. Paul Poling at the First Presbyterian church of El Paso, Texas.

The bride was graduated from Torrance high school with the class of summer '43 and has been employed at Doak Aircraft Co.

The bridegroom returned last June from Honolulu, T.H., where he was a civilian employee of the Navy Department for three years and more recently at the Navy Drydock at Terminal Island. The newlyweds are spending their honeymoon in Texas until Dec. 15 when he will enter military service. Mrs. Sims will resume her defense work at Fort Worth or in Torrance.

## V. F. W. AUXILIARY TO INITIATE CLASS

Members of V. F. W. auxiliary and post will enjoy a 6:30 o'clock pot luck supper next Thursday, Dec. 14, at Civic Auditorium where the auxiliary will hold all future meetings. At the meeting following group of candidates will be initiated. Lorry Bernasconia, Elsa Bedell, Eunice Crebtree, Dony's Valacis Abalar, Lorraine Balcon, Emma Shaner, Lorraine Hall, Caroline Hedrick, Eva Mae MacArthur, Sara Eckersley.

## MISSIONARY COUNCIL MEETINGS REPORTED

Mrs. C. R. Smead of Manhattan Beach officiated Thursday morning at impressive installation rites for officers who will serve the First Christian church council during the ensuing year. The following ladies were installed: Nellie Phillips, president; Bess Marker, first vice president; Nellie Haynes, second vice president; Willa Snyder, secretary and Eliza Travioli, treasurer. The church missionary group met following luncheon and Mrs. Smead, as guest speaker, reviewed "God in Our Public Schools," by W. S. Fleming.

## MRS. RICHARD MILLER RECEIVES CLUB MEMBERS

The home of Mrs. Richard G. Miller, 1003 Acacia ave., was an attractive setting for a recent evening bridge club party. Yellow pom-pom chrysanthemums were used in the living room and at the table where refreshments were served at the close of play. Mrs. Caroline Michaels was a club guest and prize winners were Mrs. Lucille Rogers and Ina Mae Maupin.

## LEGION AUXILIARY PLANS DINNER MEET

Members of American Legion Auxiliary of Bert S. Crossland Post No. 170 will meet Tuesday evening, Dec. 12 for a 6:30 pot luck dinner and exchange of Christmas gifts. The dinner will be for members only and a 50 cent charge will be made for each person. Initiation is requested. A full attendance is requested by Mrs. Emma Evans, president.

## CATHOLIC PARTY THIS EVENING

Hostesses for tonight's Catholic card party are Mrs. Rademaker and her committee, Mmes. Basile, Steck, O'Toole, Brodie, Schott, Fontaine, Conley, Steffin and Gallagher. Everyone is cordially invited. The first door prize will be presented at 8 o'clock and card play will begin immediately. Contract and auction bridge, pinochle and 500 will be played. Refreshments will be served.

## LEAVE FOR FRESNO

Mrs. B. C. Buxton left Sunday for Fresno where she accompanied her grandsons, Jimmy, Charles and Dickie who this week joined their mother, Mrs. Virginia Scott, in her new home.

## BEAUMONT GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Lappl of 2431 Border ave., entertained as their guests Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Charles Willon of Beaumont.

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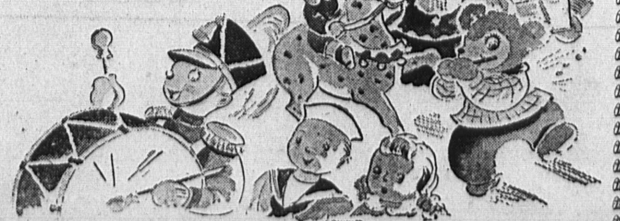


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