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In the 3rd Engineer Special Brigade it's "The N-a-v-y of the A-r-m-y" forever, three cheers for the Gold on the Blue! The sea-going soldiers are the Amphibian Engineers, the Gold-on-Blue the insignia of eagle, tommy gun and anchor which they adapted in '42, upon invitation, from the red-on-blue insignia of the British Commandos with whom they trained—and which the U. S. Navy's amphibious forces borrowed only recently in gold on red!

In the Southwest Pacific, the 3rd ESB put Gen. Douglas MacArthur's forces ashore at Yalau Plantation near Saidor, at Alape Wakde, Noemfoor and Sansapor, the Marines at Talasea and the Aussies at Madang and Karkhar. They landed Alamo Scouts of Gen. Walter Krueger's Sixth Army on Unbol of New Britain a month before the actual invasion; three of the 3rd's "web feet" won the Silver Star for that exploit.

Before coming overseas, the 3rd ESB completed training in the heavy surf of the California coast, after pioneering operation of small boats— their landing craft are 50-footers— over extended distances in two 2,500-mile runs up and down the Atlantic coast. The boats that landed at Sansapor made the entire 1,500-mile run from Milne Bay under their own power.

The 3rd's boat battalions man tank, vehicle and personnel landing craft, crash, picket and "C" boats to navigate their flotillas, gun and "flak" boats for flank and air protection, salvage and fuel landing craft and barges, and sea-going tugs. The shore battalions mop up and bulldoze beachheads, organize perimeter defenses, and kill more than their share of Japs. There's even an Amphibian Medical battalion to evacuate casualties, and an Amphibian Signal company, which, in the Sansapor landing, operated a communications net and control system extending over a distance equal to that from Maine to Florida.

Among Californians with the 3rd ESB are: M/Sgt. Milton F. Jameson, 636 Ave. A, Redondo Beach, son of Mrs. Harriet Jameson, 1207 W. 106th st., Los Angeles, and former employee of Columbia Steel Corp., Torrance.

**'Y' Leaders at  
San Pedro Parley**

The Torrance Y.M.C.A. board of managers were officially introduced to the San Pedro Army and Navy Y.M.C.A. board of directors at an early morning breakfast in San Pedro Tuesday. W. E. Bowen, recording secretary of the Y.M.C.A., pinning the chairman, Gil Derouin, presented the committee. Roy Paul Wheeler, Harry Lewis, Mayor Tolson, Hillman Lee and Y.M.C.A. Secretary Ted Meier represented the Torrance "Y." Mr. Bowen expressed the board's appreciation for the sponsorship and interest the San Pedro branch had taken in the Torrance Y.M.C.A.

Preceding the various committee reports, H. H. Miller, veterans' counselor of the San Pedro branch, led a devotional period on the subject, "From the Mangler to the Throne." He pointed out "that especially this Christmas season, with the world so war-torn, we need to follow the leadership of Christ and rededicate ourselves to His ideals."

**State Chairman  
Named for March  
Of Dimes Drive**

Forty-three prominent industrial and civic leaders have been appointed as state chairmen for the March of Dimes and will direct the fund-raising appeal of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Jan. 14 to 31, in their states, it was announced today by Basil O'Connor, foundation president.

Although the infantile paralysis epidemic of 1944, with nearly 19,000 cases already reported, was the second largest in the recorded history of the disease in the United States, the nation was better prepared for the march of the Crippler than ever before, through the generosity of the American people whose dimes and dollars helped to stem the tide of the mysterious poliomyelitis, for which there is no known preventive and no cure, O'Connor pointed out.

Epidemic areas in 1944 included North Carolina, New York, Kentucky, Ohio, Virginia, Pennsylvania and Michigan. Polio also severely affected Tennessee, Maryland, Indiana, Louisiana, New Jersey, Mississippi, Connecticut and District of Columbia.

The chairman who will direct the appeal in California is Joseph M. Schenck, Los Angeles.

**Care In Driving  
Over Holidays  
Is Urged Here**

Anticipating unusually heavy traffic during the next two weeks, Chief of Police John Stroh has joined with Highway Patrol Chief E. Raymond Cato in urging all motorists to be extremely careful and observe all safety precautions during the holiday period to avoid accidents.

Both Christmas and New Year's fall on Monday, they said, which will cause large numbers of motorists to plan long holiday trips. New gasoline stations will be released Dec. 22 and the duck hunting season will be open.

Pedestrian accident hazards will be high because of holiday shopping in urban areas. Unfavorable weather conditions of fog, rain and slippery pavements will be contributing accident factors, Cato also predicted an increase in drunken driving.

"The Highway Patrol will do all it can to keep the highways safe but we have lost so many to the armed forces that our efforts will be limited necessarily," Chief Cato said. "The surest way for the individual driver to avoid accidents is to drive with extreme care or stay at home during the holiday period and conserve precious gas and tires."

**Ernest Tomkins  
Completes His  
Ordnance Training**

Ernest T. Tomkins, seaman second class, USNR, of 1811 Gramercy ave., Torrance, has graduated from the aviation ordnance school, U. S. Naval Air Technical Training Center, Norman, Okla. Eleventh Naval District officials announced today.

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**New Uniforms  
For Wacs, Nurses  
On Overseas Duty**

Two new uniforms have been developed for Wacs and Army nurses in tropical and cold climates, the Ninth Service Command quartermaster learned today.

The tropical uniform consists of cotton khaki slacks, matching shirt with convertible collar, and is worn with ankle-high shoes, khaki socks and khaki overseas cap. The cold weather outfit consists of wind resistant, water repellent trousers and field jacket. The jacket is olive drab wool-flannel lined with rayon-trousers to match. Black felt shoes, knit cap with tiny visor, or the garrison cap and matching knit gloves complete the uniform.

**Service Men Must  
Pay Tax of 20%  
On Luxury Items**

Retail stores which allow service men and women to purchase luxury items without payment of the 20 per cent federal excise tax are violating the law and will be held liable for payment of the tax, Collector of Internal Revenue Harry C. Westover warned today.

"Sales to soldiers, sailors, or marines who make individual selections of taxable articles are subject to these luxury taxes," said Westover, "even though the service men present purchase orders from ships, service stores or Army post exchanges."

**BAKED OR FRIED FISH**  
Roll fish in corn meal, flour or fine cracker crumbs before baking or frying it and this will help to retain the flavor and moisture.

**LIVE  
CHRISTMAS  
GIFTS**

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PLANTS FOR CHRISTMAS  
THIS YEAR**

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