

New Navy Unit Decoration Is Announced

Establishment of a new unit decoration to be known as the Navy Unit Commendation has been approved by the President, local Navy officials revealed today.

The new decoration will be awarded by the Secretary of the Navy to any ship, aircraft, detachment or other unit in naval service which has—subsequent to Dec. 8, 1941—distinguished itself by outstanding heroism in action with the enemy, but not sufficiently to justify award of the Presidential Unit Citation.

Navy authorities pointed out that the Navy Unit Commendation will rank below the Presidential Unit Citation, and will compare to similar awards of the Silver Star Medal or Legion of Merit to individuals.

The decoration may also be earned by any unit distinguishing itself by extremely meritorious service not involving combat but in support of military operations.

According to officials, no unit may receive both the Presidential Unit Citation and the Navy Unit Commendation for the same act or service.

Personnel attached to a Navy unit receiving the new decoration and actually present during the occasion for which commended were authorized to wear the ribbon permanently. A bronze star signifies a second award of the decoration.

The Navy Unit Commendation ribbon, measuring the standard Navy size of one and three-eighths inches by one-half inch, consists of colored stripes of royal blue, Spanish yellow, Cardinal red and myrtle green. The material is silk moire.

Service Shorts

P. H. JENSEN... a chief mate in the U. S. Merchant Marine, left last Thursday for San Francisco. He has been spending a holiday leave at his home, 1320 Co. ave. Mrs. Jensen joined him in San Francisco Sunday, to await her husband's new assignment.

CLARENCE H. BANKS... carpenter's mate, 1/c, and Mrs. Banks were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Reid Sells of 1411 Amapala, serving on a submarine tender in Atlantic and Pacific waters, the service man, a son of Mrs. Sells, this year enjoyed his first Christmas at home in four years. He has completed six and one-half years service.

MERLE C. RICHARDSON... seaman, 1/c serving in the South Pacific, arrived Thursday for a short visit with his wife, Ethel, their 2-year-old son Tommy, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Richardson, of 1454 W. 210th st.

ROBERT D. EIPPER... metalsmith, 2/c, left Dec. 26 for overseas duty. His wife, the former Peggy Shawger, and their son Robert, Jr., are at home at 2415 Sonoma ave.

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Cpl. P. Mercado With 15th AAF Overseas Year

Cpl. Paul S. Mercado, son of Guineo Mercado, 1843 Main st., Keystone, is an automobile equipment operator in a 15th AAF B-24 Liberator group which has spent one year overseas.

His group has flown nearly 200 missions over strategically important targets such as Ploesti, Munich, Steyr, Schwechat, Regensburg, Vienna, Wiener Neustadt and Budapest. During the 12 months overseas, his organization has taken a leading part in the destruction of the vaunted Luftwaffe, and opened the campaign against Ploesti by leading the first daylight attack on Apr. 5. It coordinated its heavy bombardment with the attacks on Anzio and Cassino and later prefaced the Allied landings in southern France by knocking out coastal installations and gun emplacements. During the group's combat operations, it had established several bombing accuracy records.

Cpl. Mercado entered the USAAF in April, 1943. He attended the Fort Warren, Wyo., special purpose motor vehicle school.



PROMOTED... Frank E. Kelley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kelley of 917 Amapala ave., has been advanced to first lieutenant at his base in Italy, where he is serving with a bomber squadron, attached to the 15th Air Force. In a letter received here Dec. 21, he reported having completed 26 missions with many others scheduled. While resting recently at the site of Capri, Kelley sent his mother a swastika imprinted red silk handkerchief, purportedly the property of a German general, earlier stationed there.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Jack D. Leggate, 44, 1551 Post ave., Torrance; Doris Coulson, 35, 1617 El Prado ave., Torrance.

Howard Louis Weber, 25, 1903 Andro, Torrance; Ruth Elaine Storm, 23, 9408 Stanford ave., South Gate.

James A. Reese, 20, Station Hospital, Torrance; Patricia Margaret Murphy, 19, 21025 Figueroa st.

John D. Kay, 19, 14526 Greenleaf st., Sherman Oaks; Kathryn A. Quimby, 20, 1444 El Prado, Torrance.

Donald S. Thompson, 21, 1435 W. 221st st., Torrance; Mary J. Whittington, 16, 1410 W. 215th st., Torrance.

Darrell J. Wilcott, 42, 2930 Long Beach blvd., Long Beach; Mary E. Hubbard, 26, 21910 S. Figueroa, Torrance.

Frank P. Gillooley, 20, Navy; Mary L. Saunders, 18, 1610 Cabrillo ave., Torrance.



ON LEAVE... Lonnie S. Gray, a chief pharmacist's mate, arrived recently from duty in the South Pacific to spend 30 days leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Mansker of 1230 Crenshaw blvd. A veteran of 26 major engagements, he has been in service for five years.

Sgt. S. W. Griffith in U. S. A. After 35 Missions

Staff Sgt. Stacey W. Griffith, son of Mrs. Griffith 1415 1/2 W. 218th st., Torrance, has arrived in the United States on furlough from the European Theater of Operations where he served 6 months with the Eighth Army Air Force as a ball-turret gunner on a B-17. He completed 35 combat missions and 270 operational combat flying hours.



CONVALESCENT... Rowland R. Justice, a private, 1/c, is making a satisfactory recovery from leg wounds suffered in battle last Sept. 15 in Germany. A patient at Dibble General Hospital, Menlo Park, he has been enjoying a visit from his mother, Mrs. Blanche Justice, of 1554 W. 220th st., who has just returned. En route she was a guest at the Redwood City home of a daughter, Mrs. George Andrews. Rowland will soon be able to walk on crutches, he assured his mother. His brothers, serving in strategic war centers, are Paul, Cecil, Thomas, Leon and Clovis.

Need for Blood Overseas Urgent, Says U. S. Navy

The need for whole blood and blood plasma is so great in the Pacific, the Red Cross blood donor center at 925 S. Western ave. reversed its plans to close on New Year's Day, and Torrance branch spurred efforts to get a 100 per cent turnout on blood bank day, Jan. 17.

The urgency was made known in a telegram received from Lt. A. E. Allegrini, Navy Medical Corps, in charge of blood and plasma shipments to the Pacific. Lt. Allegrini expressly asked that no holiday be observed at the blood center either Saturday or Monday.

The center is open from 8:20 a.m. to 8:20 p.m. daily. Nearly 75 donors are yet needed to meet the quota of small mobile blood bank which Jan. 17 will visit Red Cross headquarters at 1345 El Prado. Promised donations now total approximately 200, the quota, but a large reserve always is needed to make up for cancelled appointments and rejections. Blood donor chairman, reported. The bank's hours will be from 8:40 to 12:40 p.m.

JOHNSON ENLISTS. Wayne Manuel Johnson, 2073 Carson st., Torrance, is among 17-year-olds who enlisted in the U. S. Navy during the month of December at the recruiting substation in San Pedro.



ENJOYS LEAVE... Lt. Richard E. Stambok, serving in the Naval Air Corps, arrived recently for a 35-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Stambok of 1226 Acacia ave. Serving in the South Pacific with fast carrier task forces, the lieutenant has been in service since June, 1941. He wears one silver and four gold stars representing nine major engagements, a silver star medal and a Distinguished Flying Cross. Stambok received his training in Pensacola, Fla., and Bakersfield and Lancaster, Calif. At the conclusion of his leave he will report at San Diego for a shore duty assignment.

OBITUARY

MARY E. McDONALD Services for Mary Elizabeth McDonald, wife of Duncan A. McDonald, were conducted yesterday at 9 a.m. from the Church of the Nativity, with Father P. J. McGuinness officiating. Mrs. McDonald died at the family home at 1765 Gramercy ave., on Dec. 29 at 7:30 p.m. She was born in Pueblo, Colo., on Jan. 29, 1881. Surviving, in addition to the widower are three sisters, Mrs. Leonard Young, Torrance; Mrs. Margaret J. Boice, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Loretta Hammond, of Pennsylvania, and a brother, Robert T. Burns, of Denver, Colo. Rosary was recited at Stone & Myers chapel on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, and interment was in Calvary cemetery, East Los Angeles.

ANNABELLE M. BUCKSTEAD Services were held at 11 a.m. Friday for Annabelle Marie Buckstead, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lars Buckstead of 1537 204th st., Torrance, who died Dec. 26 in San Pedro hospital. The Rev. Melvin Andrews officiated at the services and entombment was in Angelus Abbey Mausoleum. She also leaves the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. August Olson, and Mrs. John Buckstead; an uncle, Ernest Olson; an aunt, Mrs. Hazel Olmstead, and two brothers, Bob and John. Death resulted from asthma with which she suffered throughout her short life. Entombment was at the Angeles Abbey Mausoleum.

FOLLIS APPOINTED H. D. Collier, president of the Standard Oil Co. of Calif., following a regular meeting of the board of directors at the company's Los Angeles headquarters today, announced the appointment of R. G. Follis as assistant to the president. This newly created position will be in addition to Follis' duties as a vice president and director.

SEARCH BAN Searching of automobiles merely on suspicion of their containing illegal game is not permissible by game wardens, Atty. Gen. Robert W. Kenney stated in an opinion addressed to George P. Miller, secretary of the Division of Fish and Game.

DANCING CLASSES Bessie Clark Dancing Studios and the Pacific Talent Academy have been authorized by the City Council to conduct ballroom classes for children ages 12 to 16 years in the Civic Auditorium on each Monday afternoon from 4:30 o'clock to 6 o'clock. The studios will teach waltz, fox trot, Balboa, rumba, swing and New Yorker.

Service men's stationery? Call Torrance 444 or 443.

Use of Cancelled Red and Blue Ration Points Illegal, Board Says

F. W. Daniels, chief clerk, Torrance War Price and Ration Board, has warned consumers and retail merchants that use of all red and blue ration coupons issued prior to Dec. 1, 1944, is now illegal.

The stamps—red stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through P5 and blue stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through W5—were invalidated as of 12:01 a.m. Dec. 26, 1944, as the OPA moved to tighten rationing of meats and processed vegetables because of war-induced shortages.

"The order tightened rationing regulations and returned most canned vegetables to the ration list, most meats will be returned to the ration list with the issuance of new point chart effective Jan. 1, 1945," he said.

"Use of such points by either consumer or retailer is now illegal and all such ration coupons in the possession of housewives or others must be immediately destroyed. They are not redeemable for any food purchases and attempted use of the stamps is illegal.

"The enforcement division is now conducting a concerted survey to see that all retail food outlets conform to the new regulations, and that they have at all times the proper point values in their possession."

To partially compensate for the return of most meats to rationing, the OPA has announced that red stamps will now be validated at the rate of 50 points a ration period instead of 30, as previously. Red stamps which are now good for the purchase of meats and fats are Q5 through X5. Blue stamps X5 through Z5 and A2 through G2 are valid for buying processed fruits and vegetables. And sugar stamp No. 34 is still good for five pounds of sugar.

Tightening of war-time food controls will mean stricter budgeting of ration points. Food requirements of the armed forces in 1945 will be greater than was at one time anticipated, which means that there will be less for the home front. The return of several items to rationing was necessary to assure every civilian getting his fair share.

FRESNO VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Buxton returned Dec. 26 following an enjoyable visit at the new home of their daughter, Mrs. Virginia Scott of Fresno. Mrs. Buxton had enjoyed a two weeks' visit there and was joined by her husband for the holiday.

Henry Camou Is Sergeant

Henry A. Camou, son of Mrs. Ruth Camou, 32 203rd st., Torrance, has been promoted from corporal to sergeant, according to word received from the War Department.

Sergeant Camou is serving in the Army.

RICHARD MILLER... a corporal, may be addressed: Cpl. Richard Miller, 39276416, Batt. C, 233 AAA SGT. Bn, APO 322, care postmaster San Francisco, Calif. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Miller of 1317 Beech ave.

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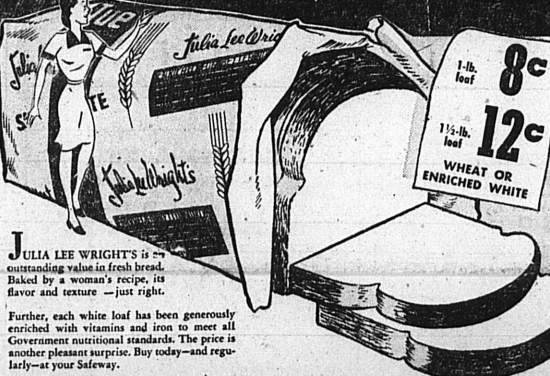
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- PIPPIN APPLES** lb. 9c
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- Krispy Crackers** 1-lb. 18c
or A
- Busy Baker** Salted Soda Crackers 1-lb. 17c

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- Blue Stamps:**
- (30) Tomatoes Gardendale Brand 28-oz. 14c
or A
- (20) Tomato Juice Sunny Down Brand 146-oz. can 21c, plus 40 points
- (20) Corn Butter Kernel Brand Golden Bantam 20-oz. can 14c
- (20) Del Monte Peas Early Garden Variety 20-oz. can 15c
- (10) Green Beans Gardendale Brand Cut green beans 19-oz. can 12c
- Red Stamps:**
- (4) Mackerel Vol Vito Brand 15-oz. 13c
- (4) Sardines Avalon Brand Natural Pack 15-oz. 9c
- (3) Kem Luncheon Meat Enjoy it fried with eggs. Libby Brand 12-oz. 29c
- (1) Deviled Ham Libby Brand 3-oz. 14c
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