

Red Cross Drive Committees Are Organized

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Red Cross during wartime is all inclusive," he said.

"In wartime and in peace—this is a battle which goes on forever. This is a battle which is never wholly won. There is no conceivable turn this war can take which will lessen to any great degree the responsibility of this army, the work of the American Red Cross.

"This is a battle against suffering, wherever it may be. In fire and famine, in flood and flood, the Red Cross must be ready with emergency relief, with shelter and food and clothing, with rehabilitation programs for the destitute—those left destitute by war as well as by natural disaster.

"To fight the battle of injury and disease, the Red Cross has expanded to a mammoth degree its home nursing, nurse recruitment, first aid, nutrition, and disaster services.

"To help save the lives of wounded, it developed its Blood Donor Service into one of the largest medical undertakings in history, requiring approximately 100,000 volunteer donors each week and a total of more than 5,000,000 pints of blood in 1944.

"To fight the battle of loneliness and anxiety, the Red Cross has stationed many thousands men and women with our fighting forces at home and overseas. When necessary, field directors establish their contact with home. Red Cross club workers provide them with entertainment and relaxation when they are on leave. When they are in the hospital, Red Cross workers provide services suited to the needs of the sick and wounded.

"For the comfort and welfare of our prisoners of war and civilian internees—millions of pounds of food packages, medical supplies, comfort articles, and clothing are carried to Europe on the Red Cross fleet. To relieve the suffering of refugee men and women and children in occupied countries, vast amounts of relief supplies are sent by air and through the American Red Cross.

"To keep this great army functioning, the time, the energy, and the dollars of the American people are needed. Without them it cannot continue. Every man, woman, and child in America is part of this army. You are the Red Cross—you are the soldiers in its ranks."

TO FRESNO

Mrs. B. C. Buxton will leave Sunday for a visit with her daughters, Misses Virginia Scott and Margot Grow, of Fresno.

LONG BEACH GUEST

A recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ambach was Mrs. Genevieve Crow, of Long Beach.

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Service Shorts

CHARLES ARTHUR WOODCOCK... a private, 1/c, arrived recently at a South Pacific base and has been assigned to the First Marine Division, according to his mother, Mrs. Ruth Woodcock of this city.

WILLIAM O. MIDDLETON... a pharmacist's mate, 3/c, training with amphibious forces at Oceanside, was a recent guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Middleton, here. The serviceman's mother, Mrs. William O. Middleton, Sr., arrived recently from her home in Argus, Ind., to visit her son and other relatives here.

HARRY GAGEN... a private stationed in San Francisco, awaiting further orders was host to his wife, Bettie, who recently visited him there.

EDWIN GEATCH... a corporal, and his wife, arrived recently from his base at Williams Field, Ariz., to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Merriam, here. Mrs. Geatch is in government civilian service at Williams Field.

LILLIAN M. BENDER... a private, serving with the Women's Army Corps, recently left First WAC Training Center at Des Moines, Iowa, for duty with the Army at Hammond General Hospital, Modesto, Mrs. Bender, whose home is at 2318 Eldorado st., has two sons in service, Howard and Leland, both veterans of many major naval actions.

EDWARD BALCOM... Mo.M.M., 1/c, returned Saturday for a 30 days leave from South Pacific duty, to visit his mother, Mrs. Lorraine Balcom, of 2842 Walnut st., Lomita, and proprietor of Carson Street Beauty Shop, here. The serviceman will also visit his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Balcom of 29001 Eshelman ave., Lomita. He has been overseas for the past two years.

WILLIAM A. SMITH... a corporal, husband of Mrs. William A. Smith, 1614 West 215th st., Torrance, has arrived in the United States on furlough from the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of Operations where he served 19 months with the infantry.

ARTHUR BASILE... is attending Officers' Field Artillery school at Fort Sill, Okla. His wife, the former Virginia Brandon, and their children are now living at Lawton, near his base.

LEE KIRKPATRICK... a Staff Sergeant, stationed in Corsica, is a turret gunner. During the past three months his unit has set a bombing efficiency record, it is reported. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kirkpatrick, Sr.

LEWIS W. DAY... a sergeant, arrived recently for 30 days furlough from Ashburn General Hospital, McKinney, Tex. His wife is Mrs. Mary Roberts Day of this city.

PAUL E. PIERSON... has been sworn in under the Naval "Eddy" test and will leave soon for Great Lakes Training Station. A student at University of California, at Berkeley where he has been majoring in chemical engineering, Pierson was graduated from Torrance high school with class of summer '44. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Pierson of 1949 Plaza del Amo.

MILTON EVERETT... is now a storekeeper, second class, and is at a Naval supply base in England, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Everett, 1004 Arlington ave. He was storekeeper, third class, and has been in England for 10 months. He was last home in April, 1944.



VERNETTA OMANS
Winner of talent division, Herald-Express Contest, 1944. Trained exclusively at this school.



CHIEF NOW... Paul Harestad, chief Mo.M.M., has returned to the South Pacific following a 30 days' leave with his wife, Jo, and their son, Paul Curtis Harestad, and his mother at 2016 Gramercy ave. Harestad has seen 21 months' service in the Pacific area.

MARVIN L. KENT... an apprentice seaman, stationed at San Diego, is in sick bay convalescing from a recent attack of scarlet fever. His friends may address him at Camp Farragut Dispensary, Barracks 49, War 4, U. S. Naval Training Station, San Diego, 33.

JOHN W. McDONALD... an Aviation Machinist's Mate 1/c, has been transferred to a Naval Air station in Hawaii. He is an aircraft recognition instructor at gunnery school there. Until his transfer he served at Naval Air Station, Terminal Island. His wife Ruth and their son Kenny live in San Pedro.

DAVID R. PIERSON... serving in A.A.F. at Dalhart, Texas, is a crew chief on the Thunderbolt P-47. On 10 days furlough Pierson recently visited with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Dan Pierson of 1319 Plaza del Amo.

WALTER MAREK... a S/Sgt. in A.A.F. is serving as a gunner in England and has completed more than 32 missions. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Marek of 1308 Portola ave.

CHARLES MAREK... a Radioman 2/c is stationed in New Guinea. He has been in service for two years, according to his mother, Mrs. J. T. Marek.

WALTER MAREK... a Machinist's Mate 1/c, U.S.N. in the South Pacific theatre, has been in service for the past three years. Marek is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Marek of 1308 Portola ave.

D. F. Gilkeson At Altus, Okla., Air Station

Aviation Student Delmar F. Gilkeson, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Gilkeson, Route 1, has reported to the AAF Training Command's advanced flying school at Altus, Okla., to begin the final nine weeks phase of his pilot training.

After flying 70 hours in two engine training planes and taking 70 lecture-hours of combat subjects in ground school, he will be awarded the silver wings of an AAF pilot and appointed a second lieutenant. From Altus he will either go on to train with the multi-engine bombers or fighters that he will ultimately fly in combat zones, or he will be sent to Central Instructor's School at Randolph Field, Texas, to learn how to instruct other young men training for their silver wings.

David Griffith Dies in Blast

News of the death of their nephew, David Griffith, has been received here by Mr. and Mrs. L. Mort, of 1221 Cota ave. Griffith was killed in an explosion Tuesday at Bethlehem Steel Mills, at Sparrow's Point, near Baltimore, Md.



DAVID GRIFFITH
Killed in explosion at Bethlehem Steel Mills, Sparrow's Point, Md.

People

and what they are doing

OREGON VISITOR
Mr. and Mrs. George W. Dolton, of 1320 Arlington ave., are entertaining at their home guest, Mrs. D. H. Storm, who arrived Wednesday from Klamath Falls for an indefinite visit.

PARENTS VISIT
Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Bauman are entertaining at their home guests Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Bauman of Enclinitas.

IS CONVALESCENT
Tom Waters is making a satisfactory recovery from a recent serious illness. He is convalescing at Seaside hospital, Long Beach.

VISITS PARENTS
Reed Sells, of 1411 Amapola ave., has returned from a visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sells, of Nashville, Tenn.

IS CONVALESCENT
Miss Dorothy McNew, of 1634 Acacia ave., is convalescing from an appendectomy which she underwent recently at Torrance Memorial hospital.

ALLENS ENTERTAIN
Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Allen entertained at dinner Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kluseman, of West Los Angeles; Mrs. Della Brown and L. B. Bush of Long Beach, and Mrs. Allen's mother, Mrs. F. T. Potts, of the home address.

AT BELFLOWER
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ambach visited Sunday at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Jones of Belflower. The occasion was the 14th birthday of their granddaughter, Gloria Mae.

RECENT WEDS... Leland Floyd Campbell, U.S.N.R., and his lovely bride, the former Miss Margaret Taylor, whose marriage was recently solemnized at Central Evangelical church.

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Sergeant Bay Back in England Reports State

After serving in Holland with a Troop Carrier Service Wing service team, Sgt. Clarence Bay, 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bay, 2033 Gramercy ave., Torrance, has returned to his former base in England.

The service team that Sergeant Bay served on was composed of skilled air force technicians, who salvaged and repaired gliders used by the First Allied Airborne Army in its aerial invasion of the Netherlands last fall. In so doing, the service team had to maintain an air strip so advanced that it fell between the front lines and the Allied artillery.

Sergeant Bay was graduated from Torrance high school in 1938. He was working as a steel worker for the Columbia Steel Corp., Torrance, when he joined the army in January 1942. He has been overseas since the summer of 1943.

Capt. Lewellen Addresses Local Rotary Meeting

"What the State Guard Means to Torrance" was the topic of a talk delivered to Torrance Rotary at its meeting last Thursday in the Woman's club house by Capt. R. L. Lewellen, commanding Company H, Second Battalion, 39th Regiment, of the California State Guard.

The captain told of the value of the Torrance company to the community in event of emergency, and declared that the unit "belongs to you men."

Appearing with him at the meeting was First Lt. Tom Ramskill, Columbia Steel Co. millwright, who is executive officer of Company H.

L.B. Harbor to Get Steel Here

The Long Beach Harbor Commission Tuesday approved shipment from Torrance of an order of material from Columbia Steel Co. instead of from Gary, Ind., as an initial contract stipulated. The change had to be authorized because of difference in costs and sales taxes.

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MRS. BURGER RECEIVES CORNELIA CLUB GROUP
Members of the Cornelia club spent an enjoyable afternoon recently at the home of Mrs. L. C. Burger. A dessert course was placed for eight guests and prizes at contract were presented to Mesdames L. Ahrens and M. N. Felker. Mrs. R. J. Rogers was a club guest.

RED CROSS MEETING MONDAY AFTERNOON

The regular monthly meeting of the Torrance branch of the American Red Cross will be held at 1:00 p. m. Monday, Feb. 26. Mrs. Lola Hoover, branch chairman, urges a large attendance at this afternoon meeting.

ART EXHIBIT AT PALOS VERDES LIBRARY

Palos Verdes Community Arts association announces an exhibition of oil paintings and water colors by Annita Delano and Ida Abramovich, presented through March 2 at Library Gallery, Palos Estates.

FRIENDS GATHER AT TAVAN HOME

Mrs. Helen Tavan recently entertained at an informal evening party at her home on Andree ave. The group spent the time sewing and later refreshments were served to Mesdames Louise Diesel, Dorothy Coleman, Theo Thistle, Veronica Tepper, Gladys Justice, and Bertha Hedberg.

DAUGHTER IS BORN TO DOUGLAS COLLINS

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas B. Collins, of 310 East Carson st., are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter, Alyse Tiffany Collins, their fourth child, born Feb. 14 at Bixby Knolls Maternity hospital, Long Beach.

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SCOUTS ORGANIZE BOYS' CHOIR

Members of Boy Scout Troop No. 241 sponsored by St. Andrew's Episcopal church, have organized a boys' choir at St. Andrew's. The boys meet each Saturday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock for rehearsal, it is reported.

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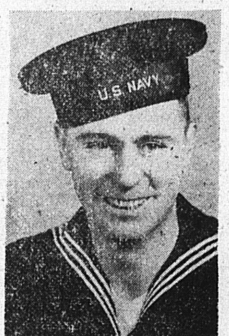
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Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bradford recently entertained at their dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Small of Long Beach and Mr. and Mrs. Tom J. King of this city.

WEEKEND GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bennett and children Woody and Nancy were recent weekend visitors at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Green of Culver City.

REUNION OF FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Johnston entertained at their guests Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Long, of Vandegrift, Pa. The men have been friends for the past 47 years.

READ OUR WANT ADS

Crockett Boys Meet on Island In Pacific Area

James A. Crockett and Edward E. Crockett, U. S. Navy, sons of Mrs. Mary Delano at 2708 W. Carson st., met by chance on an island in the South Pacific, where James has been stationed for the past 20 months. The boys had not seen each other since 1911, so the chance meeting was a wonderful surprise. They were given a short leave and neither one slept the entire night, staying awake talking of happier days at home together.

James wrote his mother that Edward was on his way home and would arrive in about four weeks. He also wrote a little sentence saying, "Mom, keep up the good spirits, I'll be seeing you soon," reminding Mrs. Delano when he left for overseas and she told him that she would be brave and hopeful always, for she knew in her heart that he would come home to her.

Mrs. Delano is making her contribution to the war effort, working in a war plant and buying a War Bond each week. She has four nephews, a brother, a son-in-law and the two sons in the armed forces. One son recently received an honorable discharge from the service and the youngest son, Frankie Joe is only 15, but is anxiously awaiting his turn to serve his country.

HELEN WHISLER MARRIES AT SANTA ANA CEREMONY

Mrs. Helen Whisler, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kracht of 1724 Gramercy ave., exchanged wedding vows with Mr. Lorean Harris in a ceremony performed recently at Santa Ana Wedding Chapel.

The bride was beautifully attired in a navy blue ensemble with matching accessories and an orchid corsage. Following a brief honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Harris returned to Torrance where they have purchased a home on Denker ave. Mrs. Harris is employed at National Supply Company.

FROM HOLLYWOOD

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd G. Jones of Hollywood were weekend guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jones, of 2118 Marina ave.

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