

CATHOLIC PARTY
THIS EVENING

Hostesses for this evening's Catholic card party are Mrs. Clara Steek and her committee, Mmes. Morin, Forester, Emory, Killo, Elder, Lander, Freedericks, Spangler, Doran, Collinsworth, Ingals, Basile, Kealley and Pival. Every one is cordially invited. The first door prize will be drawn promptly at 8 o'clock and a games of contract and auction bridge, pinochle and 500 will begin immediately. Refreshments will be served.

RED CROSS MEETING
SET FOR MARCH 28

The annual meeting of the Los Angeles Chapter, American Red Cross, Torrance Branch, will be held at 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 26, at headquarters, 1345 El Prado.

This meeting is for the election of the board of directors and officers for 1945, as well as a regular business; and it is therefore important that members attend.

FROM BRAZIL

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Burgen and family arrived Saturday from Bahia, Brazil, where he has been employed with a drilling and exploration company for the past two years. They will remain at their home, 24451 Madison st., Waverly for three months before their return to South America.

Marriage Licenses

Kenneth W. MacHale, 25401 Eshelman ave., Lomita; Louise Third, 26106 Narbonne ave., Lomita.

Dean D. Stewart, Army; Shirley Louise Nair, 1614 W. 214th st., Torrance.

Bud A. Lovelady, 1618 205th st., Torrance; Lucille Wisam, 1334 W. Carson st., Torrance. William Casby, Navy; Norma P. Mann, 519 Harbor Hills, Lomita.

MRS. JENSEN AT
LUNCHEON PARTY

Mrs. H. Phillip Jensen (Maxine Steele) attended a recent luncheon party at the Biltmore Grill where she was joined by Mrs. Nello Woods, president of the Executive Secretaries organization; Mrs. Mary Briggs, Los Angeles City postmaster, and other club members.

JOB'S DAUGHTERS
TO DANCE FRIDAY

Torrance Bethel, No. 50, Job's Daughters, will entertain at a gala St. Patrick's student dance to be held tomorrow, Friday evening, March 23, at Torrance Civic Auditorium. Tickets may be purchased from members or at the door.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS
TO MEET MONDAY EVE

Mrs. J. V. Murray will open her home, at 1912 Andree ave., for a meeting of Catholic Daughters of America, at 7:30 Monday evening, March 26. The purpose of the meeting is the institution of a new court in Torrance.

RED CROSS NEEDS
KNITTING NEEDLES

Mrs. Maude Lock, production room chairman, Torrance Branch, American Red Cross, is issuing an urgent request for knitting needles, all sizes, for use in her department.

SCOUT MOTHERS
MEET TONIGHT

Scout Mothers of Troop No. 217 will meet this evening at First Christian Church. Mrs. Shaw, leader, will conduct the meeting.

SON IS BORN TO
MEDLEY FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Medley of 2528 Manhattan ave., Hermosa Beach, are the proud parents of a son, born March 9, at Torrance Memorial Hospital.

R.N.A. MEMBERS
INVITED TO LUNCHEON

Royal Neighbors Friendship Circle will be entertained at a pot-luck luncheon, Tuesday, March 27, at the home of Mrs. Rosie Shepherd, 2233 239th st., Lomita.

A. L. FISH HERE

A. L. Fish, serving in the Merchant Marine arrived March 10 from the Carolina Islands and is spending some time at home awaiting the reconditioning of his ship.

More Details
Of Bob Fenton
Death Related

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril H. Fenton, 1679 West 257th st., Harbor City, was saddened



last week when their last child, Staff Sgt. Robert Howard Fenton, Co. A, American Division, 164th Infantry, was declared dead by the War Department during the final mopping-up operations on the west portion of the island of Leyte, in the South Pacific.

Their only daughter, Mrs. Helen Marush, died 12 years ago during childbirth.

Bob had the distinction of being a member of the only division in the United States Army with a name instead of a number. It was the first American Army division to go into offensive action against the Japs which was at Bougainville. The men were given the opportunity to vote for their name and insignia. The name is derived from the combination of America and Caledonia.

Contrary to the belief of many that Leyte had already been taken by the Allies, continued fighting has been going on about 60 miles along the west portion of the island where the hard-fighting American division and Filipino forces have begun a systematic series of counterattacks under Lt. Gen. Robert Eichelberger, United States Eighth Army commander. It is believed that it was during the large scale mopping up operations that he was killed in action because the date of his death was Feb. 21.

Bob had graduated in 1933, from Narbonne High school, where he was active in sports. He attended Compton Junior College, where he was a member of the tennis team, and graduated in 1936. He was later employed by Patten-Blinn Lumber Company.

Bob went into the service during the second draft call, soon after war was declared, and was sent to Fort Ord and then into California coastal defense forces. He was one of 30 men recalled to Fort Ord where the 164th Infantry was reorganized. He then went to Australia and to New Caledonia where, under Major Gen. Alex Patch, he received his training in jungle warfare.

He took part in four major battles, Guadalcanal, Bougainville, Vellalavella and the Leyte invasion. He had received the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Good Conduct Medal, the Presidential Unit Citation and the Bronze Star, the latter awarded to him after he turned back a Jap advance on his mortar position after every other man in his unit had been wounded or killed. He took over a machine gun which was not his weapon and for his bravery was awarded this citation. He had received expert ratings in five weapons.

He was an excellent photographer and had made a complete photographic record of the wild life and scenery of all the places he had visited, sending home more than 500 films, and was official photographer for his company.

Deeply interested in deep-sea diving and spear fishing, he had instructed his fellow comrades in both.

Mr. and Mrs. Fenton had received letters from boys in Bob's company and had been visited by boys returning home who always spoke highly of his wonderful personality and willingness to do anything he could for his buddies.

VISITS HOLY LAND

Sgt. Walter Hamman, stationed in Egypt and serving with the Quartermaster Corps spent a recent eight-day furlough visiting the Holy Land. He reports his impressions of the "Garden of Olives," Christ's birthplace and other places of Biblical interest. Many beautiful religious souvenirs have been sent from there to his mother, Mrs. Anna Hamman, of 223rd st.

People

and what they are doing

COUSINS VISIT

Fred B. Hopkins of 1514 Engracia avenue, recently entertained at his houseguest his cousin, Harry Olney, United States Navy, of North Scituate, R.I. This visit marked their first reunion in 30 years.

NEW RESIDENTS

Recently arrived from Breckenridge, Minn., to make their home in Torrance are Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Caspers and children, Marjorie, Kathie, Jennie and Michael.

INDIANA GUESTS

Mrs. Herbert Eagles, of South Bend, Ind., was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Goss, here.

DAWSONS ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Dawson, of 1906 Plaza Del Amo, have been entertaining as their house guests, her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Lambert, of Laytonville, Calif.

AT DESERT RESORT

Mrs. Minnie Teague of the Torrance Post Office staff, is recuperating from a recent illness at Palm Springs.

ATTEND "DRUNKARD"

Included in a group of 38 National Supply Co. employees, their wives and husbands, who attended a showing of "The Drunkard," Saturday evening were Messrs. and Mmes. T. A. Bray, Willis Ulmer, A. L. Fish, Jess Reddington, Miss Mary Dowdy and Willis Dell.

WEEKEND GUESTS

Weekend house guests of Mrs. Willis M. Brooks were her son and daughter-in-law, Lieut. and Mrs. Phillips M. Brooks, of March Field, Mrs. Langdon Horton of Los Angeles and Mrs. John P. Burrows.

EASTER VACATION

Mrs. E. W. Quimby and son, Bobby, will leave early next week to spend Easter vacation with her daughters, Mrs. John Dixon Kay of Berkeley, and Miss Barbara Quimby, a student at University of California at Berkeley.

RIVERSIDE GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. George Dolton entertained as their weekend guest Mr. and Mrs. Morris Reid of Riverside.

ADAMS ENTERTAIN

Mrs. R. J. Martyr, of Pittsburg, was a recent house guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Adams, of 1448 Post ave.

WEEKEND GUEST

Erma May Carstens entertained as her weekend guest Nadine Enquet of Long Beach.

HOME AGAIN

Harvey Vanderlip, of 1271 Madrid ave., returned Friday from Grand Rapids, Mich., where he was called by the serious illness of his uncle.

INDIANA GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Nackerman recently entertained as their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sonnerman of La Porte, Ind.

George Steele
Wins Bronze Star
For Heroism

T/4 George Steele, of 21505 Berendo ave., Torrance, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal



for "heroic service" in the area of Lindern, Germany, in November. Awarded by direction of the President, Dec. 7, 1944, by the Seventh Armored Division headquarters, the citation reads: that Sergeant Steele won the medal "for distinguishing himself by heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the November 29, 1944, in the area of Lindern, Germany. While moving forward in an attack on Lindern, the tank in which T/4 Steele was driving came under heavy enemy fire. A direct hit from an anti-tank gun disabled the vehicle, critically wounding the tank commander. With complete disregard for his own safety, T/4 Steele braved volleys of small arms and artillery fire to carry the injured soldier two miles to a point where medical assistance was available. His courageous devotion to his wounded comrade reflects the highest credit upon T/4 Steele and the Armed Forces."



HOME AGAIN . . . Sgt. Joe T. Marek, aerial gunner, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Marek of 1308 Portola ave., arrived Friday for a 21-days furlough from the European theatre of operations. Marek's furlough follows completion of 35 missions, it is reported.

Torrance Hero
Is Determined
To See Berlin

Holder of the Purple Heart, three Oak Leaf Clusters and the Combat Infantry Badge, Sgt. Gus Dodos, in a recent letter to Miss Irene Mills, told of his determination to see Berlin before he returns here for a furlough. He states, "I've been hit for the fourth time and have been in many tight spots. Although I've had a chance to come home I refused it. I'm going to set foot in Berlin before I return. I believe I've gone farther into Germany than any other Torrance soldier."

He continues, "As you may know, I've been fighting in Germany since the drive started last October. All my old company is under German control. Luckily I happened to be two hours early or my fate would have been the same as theirs. My whole company was captured before my eyes."

Carlson With
Unit Which Was
Awarded Plaque

Pvt. Carl G. Carlson, 1723 Andree st., Torrance, Calif., is a member of the Third Division's Third Medical Battalion which was recently awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque for superior performance of duty and the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks during the Anzio Beachhead campaign and the fall of Rome.

As a part of the Third Division the Third Medical Battalion has taken part in seven separate campaigns from French Morocco in North Africa, through Tunisia, Sicily, Italy and France to the Rhine River.

The battalion on January 22, 1944, participated in the amphibious operation which secured the beachhead at Anzio, Italy. Thorough planning, training, indoctrination and a high standard of discipline enabled the battalion to render outstanding medical service to the Third Division throughout the four months on the beachhead and the historic breakthrough to Rome.

The entire beachhead was under continuous direct enemy observation and all roads received frequent interdiction fire. The battalion's installations were shelled on 26 occasions and subjected to 16 bombing attacks, necessitating the digging in of the entire medical battalion. Absolute blackout prevailed and most ambulance runs were made at night to prevent disclosure of forward positions.

Double Tragedy
Strikes Here

Mrs. Monroe Intermill, of 1323 Acadia ave., left Saturday for Steubenville, Ohio, where she was called by the critical illness of her mother.

On the same day, news of the death of Mr. Intermill's aged father was received here. The deceased, whose home is in the east, was 96 years of age, it is reported.



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