Social Affairs

GANDSEY-ALVISO BETROTHAL ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Alviso, af 516 E. 55th st., North Long Beach have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary to Mr. John Gandsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gandsey, of 1610 W. 216th st. The wedding will take place in the late autumn. The bride-elect was educated at U. C. L. A. where she majored in physical education. Her fiance was graduated from University of California at Berkeley and is an engineer for Richfield Oil Company.

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MRS. BEEMAN RECEIVES BRIDGE CLUB MEMBERS

The home of Mrs. John W. Beeman was the setting for an enjoyable party Tuesday evening when bridge club members were entertained. Prizes were presented to Mrs. C. E. Easley and Miss Julie Stefan, a club guest. Mrs. G. J. Derouin was also a guest that evening. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of card play.

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G. J. DEROUINS ARE DINNER HOSTS SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Derouin were gracious hosts when they entertained at dinner Sunday evening at their home, 1625 Beech ave. Covers were placed for Dr. and Mrs. John W. Beeman and Messrs. and Mesdames Don Hyde, John Melville, Ted Meier and Von Bergen.

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SON IS BORN TO JOHN H. MICHEAUS

Cpl. John H. Smart and Mrs. Smart, the former Bebe Micheau, are receiving congratulations on the birth of their first child, a son, Michael Lee, born Sept. 26 at Denver. They are at home at 919 Downing St., Denver. The baby's father is stationed at Lowery Field where he is attached to the AAF Medical Corps. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smart and William Micheau, all of this city.

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JOB'S DAUGHTERS IN VARIED ACTIVITIES

Torrance Bethel No. 50, Job's Daughters was represented at a joint meeting with Gardena and Compton bethels held Sept. 25 at Compton. Torrance Bethel exemplified the closing ceremony under the supervision of the grand guardian and associate grand guardian. A social hour followed and refreshments were served.

Parents' Night was observed at Torrance Bethel Tuesday evening and was attended by Naoma Brown and J. E. Miller, worthy matron and patron of Torrance Chapter, 380, Order of the Eastern Star and representatives of the Blue Lodge. Refreshments were served.

October 19 is the date of the Job's Daughters' dance to be held at Civic Auditorium.

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SECOND CHILD BORN TO LINGO FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. C. Robert Lingo, of 4052 Hawthorne ave., Palos Verdes Estates, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son, James Alvin, their second child, born Sept. 16 at Los Cerritos Hospital, Long Beach. The baby's mother is the former Gertrude Mowry and her grandmother is Mrs. Katherine Mowry of the Palos Verdes address.

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BETSY ROSS CLUB REPORTS CARD PARTY

Among the enjoyable parties of the week was the monthly card party sponsored by Betsy Ross Star Club, held Saturday evening at Masonic Temple.

Mrs. Mildred Evans served as chairman of the committee and the following were prizewinners:

Mrs. Winner, door prize; J. H. Fess, Arleta Rose and Arthur P. Jepsen, pinochle; Mrs. Don Hall, auction; Mrs. Chris Jones and Soeten, contract; Mrs. Billie Davis and Chris Jones, 500.

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SUNDAY DINNER GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Earl A. Miles entertained as their dinner guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Price and daughter Valle, of North Long Beach.

DISTRICT OFFICERS AT PICNIC LUNCH

Trailers of 1945 entertained matrons and patrons of the 71st District at a picnic luncheon Sunday at Torrance City Park. About 40 were present including Worthy Patron, Logan Cotton and Mrs. Cotton, of Hermosa Beach and Lilian Menard, of Redondo Beach, district deputy. Guests were from chapters in San Pedro, Wilmington, Redondo, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Hawthorne and Torrance.

Marriage Licenses

William W. Patton, 24502 Eshelman, Lomita; Ora M. Bradshaw, 1112 E. Court, Wilmington.

Alfred C. Vient, U. S. Marines; Vera Kerns, 2714 Spencer st., Torrance.

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MRS. MYRTLE MCMANUS MAY RECEIVE VISITORS

Mrs. Myrtle McManus, returned last week from California-Lutheran Hospital, where she had been treated for injuries following an accident. Friends may visit her during the afternoon hours at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. R. Smith, at 2004 Carson st.

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FROM BERKELEY

Barbara Quimby returned this week from Berkeley where she had attended the U. S. C.-California football game Saturday.

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IS CONVALESCENT

Mrs. G. A. Kelley is convalescing at her home, 1418 Amapola ave., from a recent operation which she underwent at Torrance Memorial hospital.

Gasoline Tax Assessments Show Increase

The State Board of Equalization announced today gasoline tax assessments of California oil companies for July, based on distribution of 163,982,625 gallons, amounted to $4,919,478. This is a gain of 14.79 per cent over the same month in 1944.

The revenue for July exceeds by 4.48 per cent, that of June and is greater by 7.43 per cent than that collected during May.

While the month of July reflects the increase allowed by the Office of Price Administration to "A" and "B" card holders from 4 to 6 gallons as of June 22, 1945, it is also the seventh consecutive month that collections have shown increases over the corresponding months of 1944.

The end of the war in the Pacific Area, and the elimination of gasoline rationing as of Aug. 16 will undoubtedly be reflected by increasing consumption of fuel by the average citizen. This increase cannot be ascertained until returns for the first full month (September) are available in November. The inability of many motorists to secure first grade tires except for essential driving will likewise have an effect on normal gas tax revenues. Until all these prohibitions are removed, future estimates are more or less conjectural.

To refuse to see in others that which one does not wish to express in one's self is to reduce the Golden Rule to hourly and daily practice.

—Alma Shierbaum

Edison Company To Aid In Sales Of Appliances

Of interest to local business is the announcement by R. R. Walbridge, vice-president of the Southern California Edison Company, that the company will discontinue the direct sale of electrical merchandise, including Mazda lamps, and will engage in a vigorous promotional campaign for sales through electrical dealers.

"This change in the Edison Company's merchandising policy is based mainly on the greatly accelerated interest in electrical labor saving devices during the war years, and the resultant increase in the number of electrical dealers," Mr. Walbridge said.

"Because electricity has helped in so many ways to win the war, most people are more conscious of its conveniences and comforts than before the war, and a large backlog of purchasing power for electrical appliances has been stored up during the war years. This public interest has been equaled by that on the part of dealers in selling electrical equipment, to the point that today there is an adequate number of well qualified dealers to meet the sales needs of Edison customers.

"Therefore the decision has been made that the Edison Company can be most effective in aiding the development of long term selling programs, working directly with dealers and distributors in this area in coordinating sales plans and promotional activities. These development programs will be directed by H. C. Rice, Edison company manager of domestic sales.

"Experienced Edison men soon will be working with dealers, architects, builders and contractors to promote electric range and water heater sales, adequate wiring and better lighting. Market surveys will be made, and training programs for dealer salesmen will be held. Materials for store and window displays will be supplied. Fair exhibits will be used. Seasonal campaigns on appliances will be held.

"These activities will be supported by a concentrated advertising program, centering upon newspaper advertising, which always has been the backbone of Edison advertising.

"A staff of Edison home economists will conduct cooking schools and will assist purchasers of electric ranges to receive the fullest measure of convenience and economy from this modern cooking method."

READ OUR WANT ADS

Six Men Are Inducted In Armed Forces

Six Torrance and Lomita men were inducted into the armed forces during the month of September by local board No. 280, 2300 Carson st.

They are: George Capellino, 17222 Hawthorne blvd., Navy; Earl R. Oswald, Huntington Park, formerly of Torrance, Army; John A. Nelson, 24315 Eshelman ave., Army; John G. Slinger, 2043 Pacific Coast Highway, Army; Jay A. Harris, 26346 Monte Vista ave., Navy; Frederick C. Swain, 2051 255th st., enlisted in Navy.

Volunteers Are Needed To Sew Ship Banners

If you can sew and have an evening to spare, here's a novel assignment for your volunteer services.

Special banners are wanted for the 5,000 ships of America's mighty Merchant Marine, which is racing with time to bring the boys back home and rush food and supplies to starving millions all over the globe.

The banners are sought by United Seamen's Service, the nation's publicly supported worldwide "home away from home" for merchant seamen. The flags are destined for display on each of the Libertys, Victorys, troopships and tankers sailing under the Stars and Stripes.

The banners are very easy to make and require only one yard of muslin, upon which three small squares may be sewed by machine. The project can be completed in a couple of hours.

Simple directions for turning out a banner may be obtained by writing to United Seamen's Service at 354 S. Spring street, Los Angeles, 13, Calif.

The squares on the banner are ship's code symbols standing for USS—letters which all American seamen recognize as the initials of the organization through which the nation has generously expressed its gratitude for the outstanding performance of the Merchant Marine and its unwavering devotion to duty, whether in war or peace.

USS is one of the principal agencies listed by the Victory War Chest. It now is operating 131 hotels and recreation clubs and rest centers in home and foreign ports. The most recently opened facility is at Shanghai.

RIVERSIDE WEEKEND

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bacon and children were weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hughs of Riverside.

DINNER GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Bradford entertained at dinner Wednesday evening for Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Fitzpatrick of Santa Barbara.

No one would ever love his neighbor as himself if he listened to all the "buts" that could be said. —Bulwer-Lytton

Your Kitchen Counsellor

by

SYBEL MORRIS

Southern California Gas Co., Home Service Representative

DON'T BE LATE

Christmas is coming. You'll want to be sure your boy or girl serving with the armed forces overseas is well-remembered by the family at home. Don't be late.

The official time for mailing those Christmas parcels is between September 15 and October 15. You'll want to check the Post Office regulations regarding the size, weight, contents and other details concerning the packages you plan to send. Getting the rules in advance and observing them carefully will aid you in your preparation.

PACKAGING

Boxes for overseas transmission should be stronger than those usually selected for mailing within the states. Containers of metal, wood, solid fiberboard or double-faced corrugated fiberboard are suggested.

Each box should be securely tied with strong cord before and after the outside wrapping of heavy paper is applied. Clear, complete addresses should be typewritten or printed in ink on the outside and also on the inner wrappings.

The packages within the Christmas parcel should be carefully packed and sufficient cushioning material added to prevent rattling or loosening. Tightly filled boxes are less apt to become crushed in transit.

Of course you'll make the gifts attractive with appropriate wrappings. But you should not attempt too many frills. A tightly rolled comic book or a small magazine will make a fine wedge to hold other packages in place, and your packing material will be enjoyed.

WHAT TO SEND

If you have a specific request for some article to be included in the gift box, you'll want to send it. But be sure that the things you choose are of such a nature as to make their sending practical.

Joe may be wishing for one of Mom's own chocolate cakes. But such a wonderful confection would be a horrible mess after weeks in the hot hold of a ship.

We are urged not to send articles of food or clothing overseas. Our service people are amply provided with these necessities.

You'll find combination packages of miscellaneous toilet articles, firm candies, soap (the sweet-smelling variety), pocket-sized reading material, etc., are generally acceptable. Small, every-day luxuries will be welcome.

MAKE SOME CANDY

You'll find many ideas for overseas gift items in the stores. And you'll also want to tuck in some home made candy. We've found two recipes for candy which travels well.

The fudge rides better in a block than when cut in pieces. A cigar box is suggested as the container. Wash the box with a baking soda solution and sun it for several days to remove all tobacco odor. After the fudge is made, pour it into a shallow pan to set. Cut the block of candy to fit the box and wrap it in very heavy waxed paper. Seal all edges of box with gummed tape—a cloth tape is preferred.

The caramels are cut and each piece is wrapped in heavy waxed paper. The candy may be packed in a wood or tin box and the cover securely taped or sealed.

Your thoughtfulness and care in selecting the gifts, and packing the Christmas parcels for overseas mailing will be appreciated by the recipients. Don't be late.

CREAMY LIGHT FUDGE

6 c. sugar
2 c. light corn syrup
3 c. milk
3 c. walnut meats
1½ tsp. vanilla

Mix sugar, syrup and milk in a large saucepan. Cook to soft ball stage (238° F.). Cool slightly and beat with a rotary beater until mixture begins to thicken. Add nuts and vanilla. Turn into oiled pan to set. Cut in pieces.

Note: If fudge is to be mailed, it should be sent in block form.

CONDENSED MILK CARAMELS

1½ c. condensed milk
2 c. brown sugar
¾ c. light corn syrup
½ c. margarine
½ c. tsp. vanilla
½ c. finely chopped walnuts

Combine condensed milk, sugar, syrup and margarine in a saucepan. Cook to firm ball stage (246° F.), stirring constantly. Add flavoring and nuts. Pour at once into an oiled shallow pan or platter. Chill 4 to 6 hours. Turn onto a cold smooth surface. Cut and wrap at once.