

### Monoxide Fumes Kill Lomita Youth En Route to Big Bear

Stark tragedy struck down one member of a party of four Lomita boys who sought a weekend of recreation at Big Bear last Saturday night and started with eager faces toward the mountains with a dance and a day's fishing beckoning.

Tragedy, that left one member of the party dead, and the other three shaken and nerve-racked by the trying ordeal of attempting to revive a dead comrade, and failing to do so, standing by his lifeless form in a small cabin waiting for daylight and the coroner.

The dead boy is Gene Elwood Plummer, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Plummer of 25018 Lucille ave., Lomita, a Narbonne graduate, waiting for his 18th birthday to enter into active service with the Army Air Corps.

His companions on his last rendezvous, with pleasure planned, but death waiting for him, were: Arthur Farrar, 16, son of C. S. Farrar, formerly owner of the Lomita Drug store, now living in Los Angeles; Hugh W. Way, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Way of 2103 West 247th st., Lomita, where young Farrar also lived; and Darnell Clayton, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Clayton of 1956 West 257th st. Clayton is still under close observation of a physician at his home due to the unusual accident that caused the death of Plummer by carbon monoxide

#### All Narbonne Students

The boys left Lomita in young Way's sedan about 8 o'clock Saturday evening. The youngsters, all former Narbonne students, now working in defense plants while awaiting either Army or Navy assignments, planned on an hour or so at the dance being held at Big Bear and an anticipated fishing trip Sunday.

Funeral services for Gene Elwood Plummer were held yesterday afternoon at the Wee Kirk of the Heather, Forest Lawn Memorial Park with Rev. Fred Ross, pastor of the First Methodist church of San Pedro officiating. Interment was in Forest Lawn.

#### DR. SIEKMANN VISITS

Dr. K. F. Siekmann was a holiday guest of Mrs. R. Wilde and other friends in Gardena. On Sunday she visited relatives and friends in Long Beach.

### Places Open for Recruitment In State Guard

Company H, 2nd Bn., 39th Regiment, California State Guard, has places open for recruitment, it was announced today by Lieut. Robert Lewellen, commanding officer.

The company is composed of men from Torrance, Lomita, Waveria, Harbor City, Keystone and the Shoestring Strip who are patriotically giving their time for training which will prepare them to meet any emergency affecting this community. It was stressed by Lewellen that all assignments by the government are in this area.

The Federal government has provided full field equipment for Company H, including ordnance, ammunition, regulation uniforms and shoes for the enlisted men. Recently the company was assigned the use of a building to be moved to the Torrance Municipal park for use as an armory.

Any person interested in becoming a member of this local military organization and wanting further information is advised by the commanding officer to apply at headquarters at the Torrance ball park on any Tuesday or Thursday night.

### Red Cross Asks Aid In Planning Yule Activities for Servicemen

The Torrance Red Cross today called on clubs, fraternal organizations, lodges, unions and women's groups to help make it a Merry Christmas for servicemen in hospitals and at isolated posts in this area.

In cooperation with military officials in command in this area, the Red Cross has completed a survey of the hospitalized and isolated servicemen who must be remembered by the citizenry of Los Angeles this Christmas.

Recent completion of new military hospitals, the addition of a part of embarkation and increased military activity in this vicinity will mean that additional thousands of servicemen in hospitals or on duty at isolated posts will be homesick at Christmas time unless community organizations assist in helping provide gifts, tree ornaments, table decorations and entertainment.

"Men located in the outposts and other isolated positions are the particular concern of the military since many of these groups were entirely forgotten last Christmas," it was declared.

Many commanding officers have expressed a desire in having an organization "adopt" individual military posts and not

### Elizabeth Calkins Passes at Age 68; Funeral Tomorrow

Ada Elizabeth Stow Calkins, 68, passed away at 9:15 p.m., Tuesday, at Torrance Memorial hospital, following a brief illness. Born at Mt. Pleasant, Ia., she came to California in 1929 and about four years ago made her home in Redondo where she lived at 809 Opal st.

She is survived by her husband, Dexter P. Calkins, their two sons and two daughters and four grandchildren. Mrs. John R. Garner of 803 Amapola ave., Torrance; Mrs. Clarence Easter, Glendale; Mrs. Clarence McKee, Gary, Ind.; Paul Calkins, Eagle Rock; and Carroll Calkins, Roscoe.

The deceased the eldest of 12 children of whom eight sisters and two brothers are living. A sister, Mrs. Fred Yordy, has just arrived from Oakland for the services.

She is a member of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Redondo Beach.

Services will be held at Allen's Funeral home, 223 Diamond st., Redondo, 2:30, Friday. Private cremation services will follow at Crestview cemetery.

### Arthur Berg Joins Pacific Talent Staff

J. H. Morris of the Pacific Talent Academy in Torrance and Inglewood announced this week that Arthur Berg, noted ballroom and tap dance instructor in Chicago and other eastern cities, has become attached to his studios and will divide his time between Torrance and Inglewood. Berg studied tap dancing under Jack Stanley, an outstanding teacher in New York, also under Franz Scanlon, leading Chicago tap teacher.

Under present plans, Berg will come to Torrance each Monday, which necessitates a change in Mrs. Bowles' piano and voice classes from Mondays to Wednesdays.

### Gretchen M. Earle Opens Realty Office

Gretchen M. Earle, previously employed as secretary for the Torrance Investment Co., has become Torrance's newest real estate broker. Insurance and property management is also a part of Mrs. Earle's line of endeavor.

Having resided in Torrance for five years and for the past two years being engaged in business activities, meeting the public here, Mrs. Earle has made many friends who will be glad to know she will continue serving them at the same location, 1409 Sartori ave.

#### AT P.T.A. SESSION

Mrs. H. Thompson of Gateway Council P.T.A. and Mrs. M. C. Leason of Lomita-San Pedro Council are attending the December meeting of Tenth District California Congress of Parents and Teachers today at Central junior high school, San Pedro. Mrs. Edward T. Walker presided and was assisted by Mrs. Marvin Owen, third vice-president. Lomita - San Pedro Council is one of the hostess councils.

### Pvt. Ralph Pettitt Wounded In Action

Pvt. Ralph R. Pettitt is reported to have been wounded in action some time in October while engaged with the U.S. Army on the Italian battle front, according to advices received by his wife, the former Margaret Mort, of 1231 Coia ave., Torrance.

Mrs. Pettitt is of the belief that his wounds are not serious for she has since received a letter from her husband written in his own handwriting. He is still confined in an Army hospital.

#### GATEWAY P.T.A. MEETING

The regular meeting of Gateway Council P.T.A. will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 6 at Banning high school with Mrs. R. Thompson, the president, in the chair, Mrs. C. B. Harris, publicity chairman, announces.



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### OBITUARY

**AMELIA CARLTON KLAUER**—Aged 71, passed away at the Taft hospital on Thanksgiving day after a brief illness. Mrs. Klauber was born in Ohio Jan. 4, 1872. She lived in Torrance for many years, but during the past two years made her home with her only daughter, Mrs. H. L. Kirkpatrick on the C.C.M.O. lease near Fellows, Calif. Besides her daughter, Mrs. Klauber is survived by two grandsons, Homer and Lee Kirkpatrick, both of whom are overseas with the U.S. armed forces, and a great grandson, Donald Kirkpatrick of Torrance. Funeral services were held at the Stoffer funeral chapel in Taft with interment in West Side cemetery, Taft.

**JOSEPH LEITNER**—Aged 56, of 2108 Dominguez st., Torrance, died at the Las Campanas hospital Nov. 29, 1943, after a lingering illness. He was born in Munich, Germany and came to this community 19 years ago. He was a member of the Catholic Church of Nativity in Torrance and is survived by his wife, Ella Leitner, 2108 Dominguez st.; two brothers, John and Frank in San Francisco; one sister, residing in Germany; two nieces, Miss Bernice Scheider of Torrance, and Mrs. Peto Metzler of Gardena.

Funeral services were held this morning at 9:30 a.m. at the Church of the Nativity, Rev. Joseph Bauer officiating. The body was conveyed to the Angelus Abbey mausoleum under direction of the Stone & Myers mortuary, Torrance. Rosary was said at the mortuary chapel Tuesday at 8:15 p.m.

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