

General Clark Requests Blood Contribution for Wounded GIs

Gen. Mark W. Clark, commander-in-chief of the Far East Command, asks citizens of Torrance and other cities in Los Angeles county to give wounded GIs "an even break with death" by donating their blood.

In a communication received this week by W. A. "Dick" Felker, Torrance branch chairman of the American Red Cross, stressed that the Armed Forces which was forwarded by the Los Angeles office, Gen. Clark of whole blood each month, exclusive of plasma and other blood derivatives.

The general appealed to "please tell your people in Torrance that we will appreciate anything they can do to help us out in this crucial matter."

A Decisive Factor

"One of the decisive factors in saving lives of countless of our brave men wounded on Korean battlefields," Gen. Clark wrote, "is the use of whole blood. The war in Korea is a grim one. Each day finds numbers of our men requiring many pints of whole blood in order that our doctors can help give them an even break with death."

"Today we require 12,000—1 repeat, 12,000—pints of whole blood each month; blood which must be utilized within 10 to 14 days after its arrival in Japan. This life blood for the wounded must continue to flow to us from the States if we are to save the lives of our brave men who are defending the freedoms we hold so dear," Gen. Clark's letter concluded.

To aid citizens wishing to contribute blood in the coming two weeks, Torrance branch is issuing the following schedule of those blood banks nearest Torrance areas:

Dates Listed

Tuesday, Nov. 18, Long Beach Chapter, 3 to 7:30 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 20, Harbor District, 380 W. Seventh St., San Pedro, 2 to 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Nov. 25, Long Beach chapter, 3 to 7:30 p.m.; and Tuesday, Nov. 25, South Bay branch, Clark Stadium Valley Drive, between Pier and Eighth Aves., Hermosa Beach, 3 to 7:30 p.m.

Los Angeles Chapter office, 1130 S. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, is open daily for blood donors who wish to "drop in" hours, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., while doors will be open Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Dog House Blaze Heats Tempers Of Pup Owners

Tempers of dog owners in one Torrance section reached a heated level this week, as Robert Bowles, of 4212 W. 178th Pl., found that a dog house in his back yard had been burned, presumably by an animal hater in the area.

A neighbor, David Welty, reported to Torrance police that many of the residents in the area have received threatening letters telling them that drastic things would happen to them if they "didn't get rid of their dogs."

Officers A. L. Jackson and Dave Cook said it definitely appeared that the dog house had been ignited. Police are investigating.

Kettler Kapers Long-Legged Bird In Kettler Visit

By TEO CUNNINGHAM

That long-legged, long beaked bird, commonly known as the stork, has made three recent visits to the Knolls . . . first of which was the precious bundle of "sweetness" that he dropped at Torrance Memorial Hospital with the instructions that she was to be delivered to Jack and Irene Burham, of 23020 Huber St. The big event happened on Saturday, Oct. 25, at 8:38 p.m. Brothers Cary, Larry and Richard, and sister Beverly are really excited with the new arrival which weighed 6 lbs., 6 oz. and was named Barbara Sue. Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam C. Estes of Torrance, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kooner of Joier, Ark. are also popping buttons.

Singing loudly the praises of the newest member of their family, little Melva Christine, are Melvin and Virginia Miller, of 1823 Marinette St. The "Answer to the Millers' hopes" made her debut at Torrance Memorial Hospital Sunday, Nov. 2 at 2:59 p.m. As thrilled as their parents, the new "big brothers," Steven and Timothy, were on hand to welcome home mom and the dainty 7 lb., 6 oz. lassie. The proud papa is assistant chief clerk at the Bank of America here in Torrance. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dykes, and Mrs. Emily Miller, all of Torrance.

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An evening of watching television and "gabbing" was the

program for the get-together Sunday evening that honored Jimmy and Susan Gregory, newlyweds from Arkansas who plan to make their home in Torrance. Jimmy's aunt and uncle, Bill and Mae McEwen, of 1977 Reynosa Dr., were the host and hostess for the evening. More than 20 friends and relatives gathered to present the happy couple with their token of best wishes and things to give their new home that warm and friendly feeling. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and punch were served at the end of the evening.

Here and there; Bill and Bertha Gregory celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary by going out for a barbecue dinner Sunday evening . . . Millie West and Louise Davis are to be congratulated on their election to offices in the Women's Auxiliary to Firemen's Assn. . . June Grubbs and Camilla Help hand hosted card parties in their homes last Wednesday as part of their Junior Woman's Club annual dessert card party . . . Steven Buckalew recently was presented his second class badge in Boy Scouting at the 29th anniversary celebration of his troop, No. 219, which is sponsored by the local Kiwanis Club . . . our own Gloria Hixson was offered a job modeling hair styles for Martin of Martin's House of Beauty, but just didn't feel she had the time to do that as well as her many other activities . . . Jean and Donald Loy were hosts to Don's brother and his wife, Seaman and Mrs. Jim Loy, this past week while Jim is on leave from the USS Iowa . . . and last but not least, birthday greetings go to Lawrence Betty on the 13th, and to Bobby West and Marilyn Witz on the 17th.

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