

Armed Forces

Graduates of the eight-week recruit training at the Marine Corps Depot in San Diego include the following:

Floyd V. Thompkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland C. Thompkins of 1925 Condon Ave., Redondo Beach;

Keith D. Hall Jr., son of Mrs. Constance Rupert of 3110 Merrill Drive;

David A. Polley, son of Mrs. R. W. Polley of 1152 E. 215 Place;

Raymond S. Tracy, son of Mr. and Mrs. James K. Tracy of 18234 Mettler, Gardena.

Gary L. Nixon, son of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Nixon of 1701 Steinhart, Redondo Beach;

Martin G. Chambers of 13414 New Hampshire, Gardena

John B. Gonzales, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Gonzales of 13406 S. Vermont Ave., Gardena

Harold H. Jenkins, husband of the former Miss Trudy L. Feelo of 818 W. 148th Place, Gardena;

Laszlo Bezdán, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bezdán of 16915 Mert Ave., Gardena;

Craig C. Peterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Peterson of 4021 E. 242nd St.;

Gregory L. Hoffman, son of Mrs. Brandon of 2016 W. 145th St., Gardena;

Patrick C. Leonard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude A. Leonard of 1301 S. Catalina Ave., Redondo Beach;

Victor L. Elliott, son of Charles J. Elliott of 21318 Lostine Ave.;

Johanny T. Brown, son of Mrs. Ernest Brown of 1515 W. 206th St.;

Ralph E. Henson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley T. Henson of 1816 W. 148th St., Gardena;

Cpl. Peter D. Mora, USMC, has returned to Yankee Station operations off the coast of North Vietnam aboard the attack carrier USS Oriskany.

Mora, the son of Mrs. Amelia Mora of 4701 Sepulveda Blvd., is attached to the staff of Rear Admiral Frederick H. Michaelis, commander of Carrier Division Nine.

Three local Army men have received the following assignments:

Pvt. Gary L. Pickett, son of Mrs. Agnes Pickett of 25110 Eshelman, Lomita, and Dale L. Pickett, of 2610 Carnegie, Redondo Beach, assigned to Headquarters Battery of the 56th Artillery's 6th Battalion near Long Binh, Vietnam;

Spec. 4 John MacGillivray, son of Mrs. Lois Rance of

4335 W. 176th St., assigned to U. S. Army Headquarters Area Command near Saigon;

Spec. 4 William D. Lochridge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Lochridge of 3407 Gibson Place, Redondo Beach, assigned to 10th Aviation Group's 106th Transportation Company, Ft. Benning, Ga.

Soldiers now serving in Vietnam include the following:

Pfc. John R. Brock, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Brock of 1228 W. 212th St., and whose wife Jacqueline lives at 3231 Winlock Road, 92nd Assault Helicopter Company, Cam Ranh Bay;

Spec. 4 Paul R. Crow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil R. Crow Jr. of 21505 E. 111thwood Drive, 503rd Infantry's 3rd Battalion, near An Khe;

Pfc. Larry Weslowski, son of Mrs. Helen Weslowski of 25123 Fejoa, Lomita, 54th Engineer Platoon;

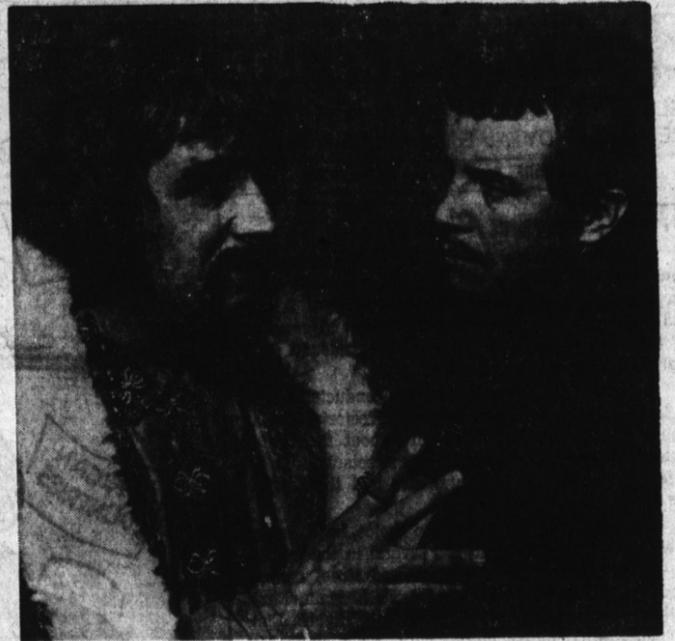
Pfc. Steven D. Schmoker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Schmoker of 1848 W. 257th St., Lomita, 198th Light Infantry Brigade, Chu Lai.

Airman Robert A. Swader, son of A. A. Swader of 1910 Pullman Lane, Redondo Beach, has been assigned to the Air Force Technical Training Center at Chantane AFB, Ill., for specialized schooling as an aircraft maintenance specialist.

Airman Randall J. Rubin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Rubin of 2884 230th St., has been assigned as an administrative specialist with a unit of the Military Airlift Command at Travis AFB, Calif.

Gerald T. Edwards, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Edwards of 1548 W. 216th St., was commissioned an Army second lieutenant upon graduation from Transportation Officer Candidate School.

Thomas V. Dyroff, whose wife, Teresa, lives at 1313 W. 223rd St., and son of Mrs. Margaret E. Dyroff, 26308 Regent Ave., Lomita, has been promoted to Army sergeant Nov. 27 while serving as a supply sergeant in the 188th Maintenance Battalion's Headquarters and Main Support Company near Chu Lai, Vietnam.



FRIENDLY ADVICE . . . Pat Dempsey (left), as the King of France, gives Dick Johnson (Becket) some friendly advice and a warning in a scene from Jean Anouilh's costume epic, "Becket." Presented by the Long Beach Community Players, the production will run through Feb. 10 at the Community Playhouse, 5021 E. Anaheim St., Long Beach. Curtain is 7:45 p.m. Thursdays and 8:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

NEW STAMP . . . The United Nations has honored Marc Chagall with the issue of a new 6-cent stamp and souvenir art sheet. The reproduction is of a stained glass memorial panel designed by Chagall and donated to the United Nations Secretariat on the third anniversary of the death of Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld. The stamp and souvenir sheet were obtained for Press-Herald columnist Larry Macaray by one of his students.

... Let's Go

By LARRY MACARAY

Every once in a while, when a new United States Art Stamp is issued, I make the attempt to buy a sheet of them. Collectors everywhere must grab them up quickly, as it is always difficult to obtain them. The Memling Christmas stamp is a good example — most post office branches that I went to were out of them early in the Christmas season.

The perennial gripe that I have about the post office in general and few stamp clerks in particular is the overall apathy and disregard for customer satisfaction. So many times when I have asked a clerk for the "Memling stamp," the "Eakins stamp," or the "Mary Cassatt stamp" — the only response that I receive is "What is it, a nickel stamp?" or "All I have is George Washington."

If there were a competitive post office, I would patronize it exclusively. The general post office system really needs an overhauling—it is so big and bulky that so many of its practices are decades behind the times. I know that the clerks taking packages and selling stamps are human — but if I had a dime for every smile I have seen on a postal clerk's face, I couldn't buy a cup of coffee.

ON THE plus side of the United States Post Office, the public should know there is an attempt by the post office to finally issue some artistically competitive stamps. By competitive, I mean that nations throughout the world have issued beautiful art stamps for many years and now we have finally arrived. The Memling stamp is a good example. There was some kind of a religious fight over the use of it — what a waste of energy!

The Memling stamp is just the center portion of the original painting. The two angels on either side of the Madonna are not shown. For the record, Memling was Flemish (1435-1494). The Mary Cassatt stamp was also a colorful stamp. This art stamp, as well as the others that are issued, was taken from a painting in the Na-

tional Gallery in Washington. Mary Cassatt is without a doubt the greatest woman painter that America has ever produced.

The Thomas Eakins stamp was issued a few months ago and it was the first stamp (I think) issued by the United States in the photogravure technique — long used by Spain and Japan. The stamp is "The Biglen Brothers Racing" which was painted about 1873. Eakins himself rowed and scenes of sculling appear frequently in his early pictures. Eakins (1844-1916) is one of my favorite American painters.

MARC CHAGALL has been honored by the United Nations recently with the issuance of a most interesting stamp. On Nov. 17 the United Nations Postal Administration issued its first commemorative stamp and miniature art sheet—a Marc Chagall 6-cent stamp. The stamp issue was a miniature art sheet of six 6-cent stamps (value 36 cents). An individual 6-cent stamp was also issued.

The art sheet measures 3 3/4 by 4 1/4 inches, perforation to perforation, and was printed in an issue of 3,500,000. It reproduces the stained-glass memorial panel designed by Chagall and donated by him jointly with members of the United Nations Secretariat Sept. 17, 1964, which was the third anniversary of the death of Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld and 15 others in a plane crash on the way to Ndola, Northern Rhodesia (now Zambia).

A student of mine, Frank Null, thoughtfully obtained and gave me a mint copy of the miniature art sheet as well as the 6-cent Chagall stamp. I have several Chagall lithographs and I enjoy them — but I am going to frame this six stamp art sheet and hang it next to the lithographs. So many countries are using good art to reproduce on their stamps — take a good look at ours and you will see that they are becoming equal in art value to anything being produced anywhere.

Plans for New Lights Approved

Approval of supplemental specifications for work being done in the Dolores Lighting District in the Carson area was revealed today by Supervisor Burton W. Chace.

Chace said original specifications, which were approved last September, called for 115 additional lights on steel electroliers, bringing the total in the Dolores Lighting District to 602.

Supplemental specification, approved by the Board of Supervisors this week, provide for additional poles and lights on 189th Street west of Cairo Avenue.

The Dolores Lighting District is bounded on the north by 189th Street, by Sepulveda Boulevard on the south, by the Harbor Freeway on the west, and by Wilmington Avenue on the east.

"Good street lighting is the best deterrent to crime, and it increases nighttime safety for both motorists and pedestrians," Chace commented.

Ask Probe Of Hearing Aid Sales

An investigation into an apparent million-dollar hearing aid racket aimed at Los Angeles County's senior citizens has been requested by Supervisor Kenneth Hahn. Hahn asked District Attorney Evelle J. Younger to investigate after receiving complaints from several elderly people that they were being deluged with advertising material trying to sell inferior products.

"These devices are sold for as much as \$350," Hahn said. One 79-year-old man showed Hahn a hearing device for which he was billed \$320.25. It consisted of a plastic ear-piece and a battery.

Hahn said he has been advised that in some cases high-pressure salesmen have sold "hearing aids" to totally and incurably deaf persons.

Fair Date Set
The 1968 Los Angeles County Fair will open Friday, Sept. 13, and continue through Sunday, Sept. 29, at the County Fair Grounds in Pomona.

Legal Secretary Club Plans Espionage Talk

Members of the Southwest District Legal Secretaries Association will get behind-the-scenes look at modern methods of crime detection when Russ Jones, owner of the Central Bureau of Investigation,

speaks to the group at Inglewood Golf Course Restaurant, 3700 W. Manchester, Inglewood.

The program will be held Wednesday, Jan. 18, according to Miss Pat Chapman, program chairman. A social hour will precede the 7 p.m. steak dinner.

All legal secretaries and their bosses from the Central-South Bay area will be welcomed.

Jones' topic will be "The Polygraph Story," and he will describe the use of the scientific device in law enforcement and counter espionage.

Southwest members who have made reservations for the quarterly Forum of Legal Secretaries, Los Angeles County, are Mmes. Juanita Hammond, V. E. McGuckin, B. Rosenstein and Jesse McIntyre, and Misses Marian Knoblich and Pat Chapman.

Freeway Route Hearing Delayed

SACRAMENTO — Vern Cristina, State Highway Commission chairman, announced today the scheduled Jan. 16 hearing on possible routes for the Century Freeway in Los Angeles has been delayed for several months.

He said nine alternate routes are under consideration, all of which pass through urban areas, and that the commission needs several more months to complete its study.

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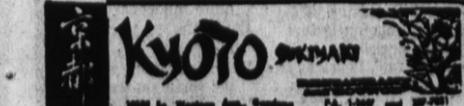
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Security Bank Reports Record Earnings in '67

Security National Bank's Bank's consolidated earnings resources, loans and deposits were at record levels for the year ended Dec. 31, 1967. Frederick G. Larkin Jr., president of the bank, has reported.

Consolidated net operating income for 1967 totaled \$41,307,515, equal to \$3.15 per share, an increase of 4.7 per cent over 1966. This compares with \$39,457,101, or \$3.01 per share as of Dec. 31, 1966.

Security Bank's fourth quarter earnings amounted to \$10,791,843, equal to 82 cents per share, up 5.6 per cent from the \$10,223,065, or 78 cents per share in the corresponding quarter of 1966.

He also noted that per share earnings for 1966 are adjusted for the 15 per cent stock dividend declared June 8, 1967, which increased the number of shares outstanding

from 11,400,000 to 13,110,000. Total resources as of December 31, 1967, were at a record \$5,617,799,563, against \$5,088,954,493 a year earlier. Loans, less reserves, reached a new high of \$3,016,379,015, compared with \$2,829,833,630 as of Dec. 31, 1966.

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