

CURRENT HSCV INFORMATION

CV During Wartime: Locals Remember

The May meeting of HSCV will feature a retrospective of our own memories of wartime here in CV. Just like we did for our recent New Years Flood presentation, we'll pass the microphone! Did you or someone in your family serve in WWII, Korea, or Vietnam, either overseas or stateside? Did you serve on the "home-front" as a defense factory worker, a housewife with a "Victory Garden," or as a wide-eyed kid watching the military convoys on Foothill Blvd. or spying on the anti-aircraft guns arrayed along upper Crescenta Valley. This will be an evening of memories for those that were there, and an eye-opener for those that weren't.

Join us for this presentation on May 19th at 7:00 p.m.
at the La Crescenta Church of Religious Science
Located at the intersection of Dunsmore and Santa Carlotta



*Floyd Farrar's parents
during WWII*

*Verdugo Studio
Montrose, Calif.*

A Tour of the American Legion Hall

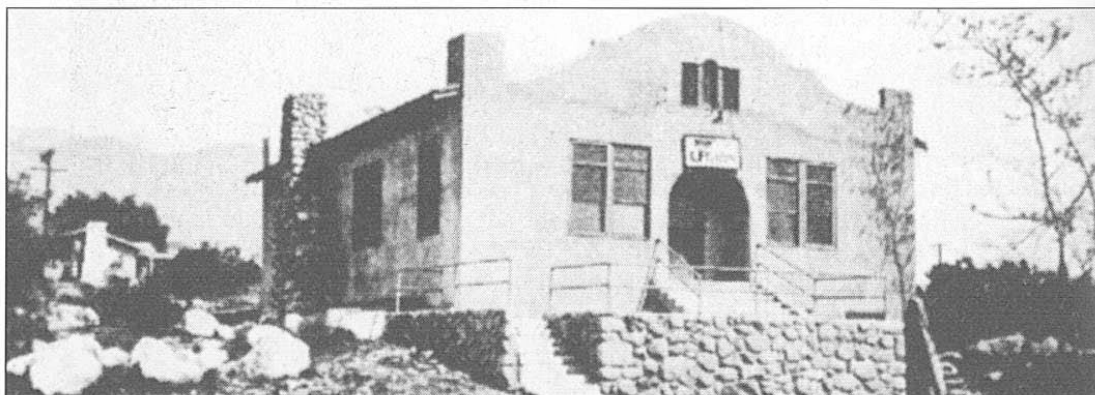
In honor of Memorial Day

American Legion Post 288 was formed in 1924 by WWI veterans living in the Crescenta Valley. The American Legion Hall was built in 1925, and has served the community ever since. Join us for a tour of this CV icon. While there, we'll hear a brief history of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and get a look at some of the memorabilia they've collected over the years. We're also delighted to have our resident New Years Flood expert, Art Cobery, on hand to tell us about this famous structure. The Legion Hall was originally located over on Rosemont. When a flashflood hit at midnight on New Years of 1934, the Hall was directly in its path, and 12 people died inside its walls. The Legion Hall we know today is the same building; the damaged structure was simply patched up and moved to its current location.

Join us for tour on Friday, May 30th at 7:00 p.m.

at the American Legion Hall

Located 4011 La Crescenta Ave.





Zwick Plaza in Montrose Shopping Park to Receive Memorial Plaque



In the '20s, the Zwick Family lived on Honolulu, just to the west of the business district of Montrose. They had two sons, Charles and Leland. When WWII came, the two boys joined the Army Air Corps, and became flight instructors in the same unit. Sadly, in 1943, both sons died in training accidents within a month of each other at Lomita Air Strip, near Palos Verdes. Heartbroken, Mr. and Mrs. Zwick lived on in their home on Honolulu, until the old house was torn down in the early '70s. The builder, John Bluff had been close to Mrs. Zwick in her final years, and so named the office/retail building Zwick Plaza in honor of the Zwick Family. In a final tribute, Mr. Bluff, found the handprints the Zwick boys had left in cement when they were very young, and lovingly placed them in front of the fountain in the courtyard of the new building. The HSCV will dedicate a plaque to the Zwick Brothers, so that future generations will remember them. The dedication will take place right after the Montrose Memorial Day ceremony, which starts at **8:15 AM on Monday, May 26th at the Vietnam Memorial** at Ocean View and Honolulu. Immediately following the ceremony, the attendees will be invited to walk the half-block to the Zwick Plaza for a very brief dedication, and unveiling of the plaque.



A special event!

An Evening About... Rockhaven



Hooray! The City of Glendale has purchased the last remaining sanitarium in the valley for reuse as a library/community center.

Since 1881 when Dr. Briggs first moved to the valley, sanitariums, rest homes and hospitals have been a major industry of the Crescenta Valley. In 1923, a young nurse named Agnes Richards was convinced that she could significantly improve the treatment of mentally ill women. She bought a small stone house set in an oak grove and named it Rockhaven. As Rockhaven expanded over the years, the level of care given to the patients remained outstanding. It passed to her granddaughter Pat Traviss who ran the facility until she too retired a few years ago. The fate of this site has been up in the air, until just this year Glendale City Council stepped in and negotiated the purchase by the city.

Rockhaven Sanitarium is 3 ½ acres of landscaped gardens containing 27 mature oak trees, with 14 buildings of varying historical architectural styles. The inside is a time capsule! The furniture is still there, and some rooms are just as they were left, right down to clothes in the closet. There are boxes and boxes of records and photographs, all being currently cataloged by the Glendale Library. The city is proposing a library and community center, but will hold several public meetings the best determine the needs and wishes of the community.

So... When do we get a look at it? When can we get a public tour? Well, not yet! The property has not been maintained for several years and some hazards need to be cleared.

In the meantime, Glendale Assistant City Manager Bob McFall has offered to show photos of what the inside currently looks like and discuss the steps that are being taken to preserve the site and conserve the historical materials inside. We may talk about possible future uses as well. We'll also show some of the historic photos of the property that we've recently collected, and hear memories from some of the people that worked at Rockhaven.

**Join us for this presentation on June 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at the
La Crescenta Church of Religious Science
Located at the intersection of Dunsmore and Santa Carlotta**



Foothills Relay for Life -- May 17th, 9 am - May 18th, 9 am

— 24 hours —
(because cancer never sleeps)



The HSCV and CVH will have a team for the American Cancer Society relay at Clark Magnet High School, 4747 New York Ave., La Crescenta, CA 91214. Please join us. We'll have a booth set up for you to stop in and watch John Newcombes's DVD, *Rancho La Canada*, which will be showing continuously during the event. The nighttime portion of this walk is truly spectacular, as they line the track with candles--personalized luminaries remembering survivors and cancer victims. If you know someone who has battled cancer, or if you yourself are a survivor, come out and walk a mile with us.

For more information see: <http://www.foothillsrelayforlife.com>



By Sharon Weisman

Good news and bad news on the **Verdugo Hills Golf Course** situation. First, the good news is that the **Rim of the Valley Corridor Study** has passed both the house and senate and now President Bush's signature! This is one small step toward possible federal help with securing this and other wildlife habitat sensitive property. On the other hand, the financial picture in **Glendale** is worsening and money is getting tighter. No funds have been allocated toward the **VHGC** in the current capital budget. **VOICE** and the **VHGC Committee** continue to lobby local officials for **Glendale, LA City and County** and the **Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy** to purchase the property as a regional recreation resource for the public. Meanwhile you can support the effort by spreading the word about efforts to save it, playing at **VHGC** and hosting events there. Details and current status:

<http://www.gcvoice.org/current-projects/vhgc.htm>

Wednesday, May 28 is the next **Crescenta Valley Community Association** meeting and **Laura Stotler**, the **Principal Planner** who has been managing **Glendale's Housing Element** update will be the speaker. The meeting starts at 7 pm and is in the Briggs Sheriff Station Community room, 4554 Briggs Ave, La Crescenta. The subgroup for **Far North Glendale Homeowners** meets concurrently. We have been accepted as a voting member of the **Glendale Homeowners Coordinating Council**. If you live north of Honolulu Ave between Pennsylvania and Lowell and would like to join this group contact me at wdweisman@yahoo.com. You can also let me know any quality of life concerns you have regarding the area.

The city of **Glendale** is considering bringing back **neighborhood signs** like **John Drayman** remembers from the 1970s. City staff has been able to locate the logo for **Montrose** and John remembers the **Rancho District** was represented by a horse and **Tropico's** sign had a palm tree. If you remember any other details or have photos of the original signs please contact me and I'll forward the information to the city.

Members Remember...

By Dorothy Abercrombie

Orange Groves in Sparr Heights

In the late 1930's and 40's, where I grew up, there was evidence that orange groves were once there. My dad had to dig up at least six orange tree stumps so my mother could have a lawn and garden in the back yard. Sparr Heights, a nice residential area, is just below the changing town of Montrose, and in those days we could walk up there with my mother and bring back bags of groceries from Shopping Bag market.

Later on after I married and with our two oldest children, we settled down and bought a home in Montrose. And later on after that, we had two more children and bought three small Valencia orange trees for our back yard.

Now a days, the three trees are huge, taking up most of our lower back yard and producing most delicious Valencia oranges. I share baskets of them at the Sparr Heights Community Center and the Crescenta-Canada YMCA, where we are active, and we eat them each morning for breakfast, remembering the areas once had orange groves.

Thank you to our Library Plaque donors!!! Our mailing plea has raised \$730 so far, at the time of this printing. Thank you to our donors, so far: Elmer Art, Jim and Carol Beck, Bill and Norma Bowman, Judy Gorham, Marshall and Marlene Hall, Harriet Hecht, Debbie and Fred Koegler, Elizabeth McMurray, Randy and Debbie Morrow, Eugene and Betty Newton, Mary Strauss, Bill Swisher, Todd and Laura Thornbury, Nelson and Cecily Thurn, Eva Trapani, Bill and Leann Warner.

*Travel back in time to
1943....*

Our May Newsletter will
feature articles and ads
from 1943 Ledgers.



(October 1943)

TAPS SOUNDED FOR LIEUT. L. C. ZWICK

Death came suddenly to Lieutenant Leland C. Zwick, 23, on Saturday morning at ten o'clock at Lomita Flight Strip when he was killed leading a flight. He had just taken off when one engine of his P-38 quit. His brother, Lieutenant Charles C. Zwick was in the following flight. The flight leader was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Zwick of Montrose.

A funeral with full military honors was held on Tuesday morning at Wee Kirk o' the Heather. Interment followed in the Vale of Memory, Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

Overhead the 373 Fighter Squadron was flying in V-formation with one vacant space for Lieutenant Zwick. The bugler sounded Taps and the Guard Squadron fired a rifle salute in his honor.

The airman had lived here 22 years and attended La Crescenta Junior High school and Glendale High School. He had been in the service 16 months and had recently been stationed with his brother at Muroc and Lomita. He had been connected with the Southern California Telephone company before entering the service.

Valley Hero Recipient of Medal of Valor

The War Department has notified Mrs. C. G. Logan of 3916 Pennsylvania avenue, La Crescenta, that her son, Lieutenant Edward Townshend Logan, had been awarded a medal for valor in the air forces of the United States. He had been killed on April 4, while flying over the European area.

The flying officer was serving with the United States Eighth air forces in England. He trained at Lubbock Field, Texas, and his name appeared in news dispatches several months ago when he participated in a daring air raid over Germany.

Waves Recruit Another Local Girl

Kathryn Harmon Allan of 4415 Rosemont avenue, Montrose, has begun her training at the First Women's Army Auxiliary Corps Training Center at Fort Des Moines in Iowa.

(November 1943)

Lt Charles Zwick Follows Brother in Plane Crash Death

The Valley was stunned to hear of the crash that took the life of Lieutenant Charles Clifford Zwick of the United States Army Air Forces, over Palos Verdes Hills, on Friday November 12, at 3 p.m. He was in a trainer plane at the time of the accident.

The funeral was held at midday on Tuesday at the Wee Kirk o' the Heather, with the army chaplain in charge. Overhead the 373 Fighter Squadron was flying in V-formation with one vacant space, Taps was sounded and the Guard Squadron fired a volley over the grave of the gallant young aviator whose years numbered 21.

At midday on Oct 12, similar services were held for Lieutenant Leland C. Zwick, brother of Lieutenant Charles C. Zwick.

The two brothers had been inseparable in life and were united in death within a month. They went to the same schools here and in Glendale, and received their commissions at the same time and were stationed at the same fields, Muroc and Lomita Air Bases. They belonged to the same fighting squadron and had the distinction of being flight leaders of their squadron.

Several weeks ago Charlie saw his brother Leland's plane crash due to a faulty motor. It was Charlie who had the sad task of notifying the family of the tragedy and for once his smile was missing. It was a boy suddenly grown to manhood who told of the accident in which his brother perished.

Both boys died in the homeland as they were preparing for overseas duty. They were the only children of Mr. and Mrs. Ned C. Zwick of Montrose.

Charlie was a favorite among the young people and many are mourning the loss of this officer.

Wife Sent Award Of Purple Heart For Hero Husband

Mrs. Donald Russell Lyon has received notice from the War Department that her late husband, Colonel Donald Russell Lyon, U.S.A., had been given the Military Order of The Purple Heart. The society was instituted by George Washington and its medals are given to heroes.

The colonel was killed in action in China where he had been stationed for two months after his request to be sent overseas. Letters from commanding officers tell of his bravery. Mrs. Lyon is the daughter of Mrs. Mary Kimball.

Volunteer Nurse's Aides

Any woman between the ages of 18 and 50, an American citizen and High School graduate, who wishes to serve as a Volunteer Nurse's Aide, may contact Mrs. Russell Steinpfad at Red Cross head-quarters, Verdugo City, on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by appointment any Monday through Friday.

La Crescenta Needs Bandage Makers

The surgical dressing unit of the La Crescenta branch of the Red Cross has made an enviable report to headquarters. 34,556 dressings were made during the month of March and 25,996 for the first three weeks of April. More workers can be used on Thursdays and Fridays from ten until four.

As the war increases in intensity so will the need for bandages increase. Aptly illustrative of this is the soldier who while convalescing from wounds reported to a neighboring Red Cross station and helped make bandages for he know how very badly they were needed at the front.

THE ENTANGLING WEB...

Torchy Webb

Miss Carol Anne Ashcroft, of Sparr Heights, intends to follow in the footsteps of her three brothers.

On Monday, she left for Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, to be inducted into the Woman's Army Corps.

She has two brothers in the army at the present time. The third brother who was in the Army Air Corps, was reported missing in action, at Guadalcanal.

Miss Ashcroft also has a brother-in-law in the service.

Mrs. James Kelly is a very happy mother. After not hearing from her son, Lieutenant James Kelly, U.S. Army for some months, she received a letter saying he had arrived safely in England.

Mrs. Kelly has just returned from a visit with her other son and his family at Antioch, California. He is Lieutenant Edward Kelly, U.S. Army.

Send A Part Of Yourself To War; By Pete Steyskal

At 1:32 a.m. on the morning of October 17, 1941, the U.S.S. Kearney was plowing toward Iceland. Without warning a German torpedo ripped into her flank. A lifeboat broke loose and crashed against Chief Boatswain's Mate Leonard Frontanowski.

A few hours later a seaplane, answering frantic radio calls, swooped low over the wallowing destroyer, and three small parachutes fluttered down. To each was attached a watertight box. A surgeon ripped them open, removed bottles of golden dry powder and bottles of sterile water. Mixing them together, he transfused the mixture into Leonard Frontanowski's blood vessels.

Slowly the starved heart of the wounded man sucked up the fluid and shot it out into the thirsty arteries, and the pulse steadied down to a firm measured beat. After the third pint flowed into his body, Frontanowski stirred and opened his eyes. He was out of danger.

The yellow powder that saved his life was dried blood plasma—prepared 3,000 miles away in Philadelphia from the blood of housewives and flown to Iceland for just such emergencies.

Today your blood plasma is saving lives in the jungles of New Guinea! An eyewitness account says, "Some months ago you and some friends each donated a pint of blood to the American Red Cross. They gave you a little bronze honor button, then perhaps you forgot all about it. Today your blood is fighting—on the frontline in tropical New Guinea. Thousands of weary miles from your blood donor center, your blood is saving uncounted lives of Allied fighting men."

"I've just followed your donated blood to the end of the trail, up through black sago swamps where your sons and their Aussie comrades are slowly but surely pushing the Japs back whence they came. And all along that trail, by sea from America, by plane from Australia, by native carrier up the jumble paths, there's heartfelt gratitude for this medical wonder that's easing the terrible pain of war."

Major Simon Warmenhover, director of the American Medical Services in New Guinea, lists blood plasma as the most important factor revolutionizing wartime surgery. "Plasma is packed in tin cans just like bully beef," he says, "and it can be transported anywhere in any climate, making it available for use at first aid stations within enemy rifle range. Ten minutes after a man is wounded we give him blood plasma and save his life." and the Major adds, "My aunt donated five hundred cc's and wondered if it would reach the front. Please tell her and all the other Red Cross donors that blood plasma gets A-1 priority right up to the battle lines. We need it, all we can get—right now!"

The army and Navy have recently asked for 4,000,000 pints of blood during 1943—more than three times the amount obtained from volunteer donors at Red Cross centers last year. The new quotas are the result of two factors: highly favorable reports as to the efficiency of plasma in the treatment of burns, wounds, traumatic shock and the recently expanded capacities of the processing laboratories which enable them to handle more blood.

The Army, Navy and the Red Cross are all proud of your contribution today, for you are sending a part of yourself to war. Perhaps one or more of your friends and neighbors will be interested in helping save the life of a fighting man, so take this paper home, won't you, and let others read it.

Donating a pint of blood is a simple easy task requiring just forty-five minutes—including time for rest and refreshment. Before you phone for an appointment at your Red Cross Blood Bank, check these simple requirements:

1. *Age limits are 21 to 60 years (minors must have the written consent of a parent, guardian or spouse)*
2. *10-week must have elapsed since the last donation. Not more than 5 donations in a period of 12-months are permitted.*
3. *You must weigh at least 110 pounds.*
4. *The following automatically disqualifies you as a Red Cross blood donor:*
 - A—Pregnancy at present or terminating within past nine months;
 - B—Malaria within past 15 years;
 - C—Tuberculosis past or present;
 - D—Diabetes;
 - E—Jaundice within past six months;
5. *No discrimination is made because of race.*

On the day of donation, eat sparingly of fatty foods (milk, cream butter, cheese, eggs, meat, avocados, nuts, salad oils). Take some form of nourishment such as fruit juice and crackers (or other cereal products) shortly before going to the donor station. Eat your usual meal four hours before your appointment. Drink plenty of liquids, excepting cream and milk, up to one-half hour before your appointment. Wear a loose or short sleeve.

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Air Raid?

Daytime Alert Official, Not A Practice; Citizens Obey Warnings Satisfactorily

It wasn't practice when the air raid sirens sounded just before 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, and Valley residents as a whole, seemed aware of the fact. According to Captain Heine, the business area was quiet enough to hear a pin drop and shoppers and businessmen took their posts of duty or remained undercover. What confusion did exist in the residential area seemed to be due in a large part to the failure of the radio to go off the air. In a daytime alert, Captain Heine explained, the radio may not go off for it is possible for raiding planes to come in without using the radio beams for direction finding. The sirens alone are sufficient warning and they will not be used for any test. When they sound it is official.

One other instance in which the residents failed to do their part was observed by both the offices of the Fire Fighting units and the Sheriff. Both were swamped by phone calls. One of the cardinal rules to remember in a raid is that the phone must not be used. It is needed solely for official use. If civilians persist in disregarding this request there will be nothing else to do but completely cut off all private lines when a raid is in progress.

Foothill boulevard seemed to be the area which most flagrantly failed to observe the stop and park rule. Heine stressed in his report that it is not solely the officials duty to enforce raid rules but it is the specific duty of each and every individual and that violations in the future would result in citations under the county ordinances.

Tuesday evening, a regular test alarm was staged which this time was realistic in extreme. Loiterers were picked up near the telephone company with a suspicious suitcase in their possession. Taken to the sheriff's office they were actually locked up as their identity was unknown and the suitcase contained phony bombs.

Making the test still more alert and real, a report was given of a foreign plane crashed near Foothill and Briggs

Communities Buy Pursuit Ships, Bombers; Local Area In Long List

Thirty-five Southern California communities not only have "bought" 27 Army bombers and nine pursuit ships, valued at \$9,275,000 in War Bond drives the past three months, but the momentum they attained rolled up additional sales of \$3,245,000.

War planes will be, or have been christened in the name of the following communities in the county, which have completed their drives: Boyle Heights, Torrance, Southgate, Redondo, Bellflower, Highland Park, Culver City, MONTROSE, Alhambra, Venice, Huntington Park, San Gabriel, Wilmington, Glendale, Beverly Hills and Long Beach.

La Crescenta Boy On Real Alert

Lieutenant Ned Lee Broyles, La Crescenta, saw real action when he spotted two Japanese warships lying in wait for American forces. His alertness resulted in the enemy ships being sunk in 20 minutes from the time they were spotted.

Meat Rations Sighted

Motorists on Verdugo Road near Indian Springs last Saturday afternoon rubbed their eyes in astonishment when they saw four live porkers nonchalantly strolling along the highway. Sheriff's officers were notified and the pigs returned to their owner. It is reported that one motorist, who had probably been having difficulty in obtaining his weekly meat quota, was agile enough to catch one little pig and sped away in his car.

with a resulting fire which made evacuation of the area advisable. On Briggs Terrace an actual magnesium bomb fire was started and certain fumes were released to indicate the presence of gas. It was the most dramatic test yet staged and following on the heels of an actual alert brought home to the Valley the need of constant practice to make perfect the machinery of preparedness.

Letters From Servicemen

45th Construction Battalion
%Fleet Post Office

San Francisco, California

May 19, 1943

Montrose Ledger

Montrose, California

Dear Mrs. Carpenter:

Please send me The Ledger.

I have been away from home now since last October and while I receive letters from home I miss the local happenings of the Valley as outlined in your progressive publication.

We have been outside the continental limits of the U.S. since January and are doing our utmost to help bring the war to a hasty, successful conclusion.

You can assure your readers that the sacrifices made by them are being passed on to the men in the service. We are fed the most nourishing foods, meats, etc. prepared as only U.S. cooks can prepare them. Plenty of everything necessary to keep us well and happy.

Mrs. Hines at 4868 Sunset avenue, La Crescenta, is keeping things going on the home front.

Kindest regards and best wishes to yourself.

Yours truly,

Frank M. Hines

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Ration Calendar

May 16 – Red stamp H valid.
 May 21 – "A" gasoline coupon No. 5 expires.
 May 22 – "A" gasoline coupon No. 6, 4 gal. valid.
 May 23 – Red stamp J valid.
 May 30 – Coupon No. 23 for coffee expires.
 May 31 – Coupon No. 12, 5-lb. sugar expires.
 Red stamps E, F, G, H, J, expire.
 Blue stamps G, H, J, expire.
 "C" tire inspection must be made.

A & D Gas Rations To Come By Mail

Plans by which Southern California car owners may renew their present basic gasoline rations by mail have been announced. The motorist will be advised where he can get application blanks about June 22nd, probably at service stations as before. These he will fill out and return to the rationing board with the signed back covers of his gas books and tire inspection record. The new A books will be then mailed out to the consumers.

George Slack, Marine Buys Bonds

George Slack, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry V. Slack, is now stationed on an island off the coast of Australia. He has sent \$500 home to be invested in defense bonds. The young marine was recently 18. He was born on February 29th.

Buy Victory Bonds



MAXINE GRAY
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Guadalcanal Men Plead For Buying Of War Bonds

First Lieutenant H. R. Peterson, USA, although burning up with fever when he left his troops on Guadalcanal, remembers asking his boys what he could do for them on the mainland. Their parting words have often haunted him as he has tossed on a bed of pain since then. They were, "Lieutenant, we will miss you and long for you. But tell the folks at home to buy War Bonds so that we can have materials, then leave the rest to us." He described his men as "the fightingest men in the world."

The young officer was away 14 months and his memories are far from pleasant. He has a wife, Nora, and a two-year-old daughter, Dolly Darlene.

Army Asked To Remove Japanese From Sanitarium

The County Board of Supervisors has asked Arthur J. Will, Director of county institutions, to contact U.S. Army Medical authorities with a view to having tubercular Japanese removed from county institutions as soon as possible. This will relieve an acute situation in the Valley if such action is taken as local residents have viewed with alarm the housing of these Japanese in the foothill area.

Red Cross Schedules Working Hours At La Crescenta

The La Crescenta Red Cross wishes it known that the sewing rooms at headquarters, Honolulu and La Crescenta avenues, is open Monday through Friday from 10 in the morning until 4 in the afternoon. Workers may come any day and help with the making of various items of clothing which are urgently needed by the field corps of the Red Cross.

Bandage making, which is still falling behind the quota asked for this district, is being done at quarters donated by Twelve Oaks Lodge. Rooms are open here for workers Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and the hours are from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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April 1, 2, 3

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"Margin For Error"

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April 11—Commandos Strike at Dawn and A Night to Remember

April 18—Casablanca

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Editorial

Are you going to display a Flag on June 14th? Why? Just because that day was chosen as Flag Day at a conference held in Washington, June 14th and 15th in 1923?

Unless you can say silently, and mean it, when you display the Flag at your home, office or meeting places, "I am flying my Flag because it tells to the world that I am a 100% American, that I am backing up every man and woman in service either at home or at the battle front," unless you can say that, better keep your Flag wrapped up and put away in some dark closet. The Flag would be ashamed to fly for you.

But the Flag today means even more than that. The Flag today is a pledge we make to humanity, a reminder for the days to come, that we of the United States hold a working belief in the principles of true democracy. A pledge that even though we find it necessary now to surrender, for the time being, certain parts of democracy and must submit to rationing, to censorship of the printed and spoken word, to restrictions on moving freely and bargaining openly for the right to work when and where we please, that of citizenship and freely exercise our privileges of democracy.

Fly the Flag on Flag Day and on other days. If your actions in everyday life are 100% for the United States of America, but not if you are by any way, shape or form hindering any effort of this or allied countries in hastening the day of Victory.

U. S. War Casualties

Announced casualties of the United States armed forces from the outbreak of the war to April 23 (whose next of kin have been notified) totaled 78,235. This total arrived at by combining war and navy reports, includes: Dead, 12,123; wounded, 15,049; missing, 40,435; prisoners of war, 10,628.

Advanced Garden Class at La Canada

The advanced garden class which meets at La Canada school every Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. will have a special instructor this coming week when Fred Walters will present an authority on how to raise rabbits and chickens in home back yard plants.

Brother Missing Found As Prisoner

That broad smile on Al Reno's face is there to stay for some time. The family has just received the second letter from the War Department telling of Reno's brother, Corporal William Charles Reno, Jr.

Bill, whose home was in Oxnard, was a member of the National Guard in the days before war came. Mustered immediately into service after Pearl Harbor, he trained at Fort Lewis in Washington. When the opportunity came he volunteered for foreign service and was sent to the Philippines in a heavy tanks corps. The last personal word the family had from Reno indicated that he was on the Bataan peninsula when fighting was the heaviest. After that only silence.

In March, 1942, the War Department officially notified the home folks that Bill Reno was missing in action. Very nearly a year passed with no other word, only that heavy cloud of not knowing, not daring to hope, and in that year the boy's father died.

Came April of 1943, and another letter from the War Department. This time the message stated that William Charles Reno was a prisoner of war in the Philippines.

Close on the heels of this message came another, received by Reno's mother only last week. In this letter was real news, the kind that makes it easier to carry on at home. The War Department advised that Reno, according to the American and the Japanese Red Cross was in sound health and had no wounds. As a prisoner he was reported well treated, was allowed to talk to the Red Cross workers when they visited prisoners and once a month was looked over and given medical attention if needed by competent doctors. Best news of all though was that short personal letters might be exchanged between prisoners and home folks. However, mail will travel the long way around for it must be addressed from here to an American Prisoner of War, Tokyo, Japan, via New York, N.Y.

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Mother, Daughter Leave For East

Mrs. William J. Nicholl (Eloise Benson) left Saturday night for Birmingham, Alabama, after a week's visit to her parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Benson and Miss Phyllis Benson. Mrs. Nicholl will join her husband, Lieutenant Nicholl, who is stationed at present at Camp Sibert, Alabama.

Since Sergeant Malcolm Benson could not get all the way home from his camp to bid his sister good-bye, he traveled as far as San Bernardino and waited there until the train arrived at 2:15 a.m. He found Mrs. Nicholl aboard and visited with her and Mrs. S. D. Nicholl for 25 minutes. Then he came on home to Montrose for the rest of his short leave, spending about six hours with the members of his family here, a pleasant surprise even though of short duration.

Mrs. S. D. Nicholl, mother of Lieutenant Nicholl, is traveling with Mrs. William Nicholl as far as Kansas City, then she will go on for a 3 weeks' visit with a daughter near Pittsburg, Pa.

Ananda Ashrama To Have 20th Anniversary

An important occasion, the celebration of the Twentieth Anniversary of Ananda-Ashrama, 5301 North Pennsylvania avenue, La Crescenta, established by Swami Paramananda, will be observed Sunday, May 23rd, 1943. In honor of the day Sister Daya will conduct two services, the first at 11 o'clock in the morning, theme of address: "After Twenty Years" and the second at 3:15 in the afternoon, theme of address: "Vision For the Ashrama."

Birthday greetings from friends will be extended, also there will be special music. At the close of the afternoon service, refreshments will be served. All are invited to attend the services and spend the entire day at the Ashrama participating in the joy of this occasion.

Ananda-Ashrama, a have of peace and spiritual refreshment, is a living monument to the memory of Swami Paramananda, its founder.

Crescenta Racing Pigeon Club Holds 500 Mile Annual Classic

To the Crescenta Racing Pigeon Club came high honors when birds owned by local residents won in the special 500 mile race held May 15th. The racing pigeons were taken to Redding, California and released on the 15th. The first bird to reach its home loft was owned by Tom Brown of Montrose. Its arrival time was 5:36 p.m., that same day, making its rate of flight 1322.66 yards per minute.

Second place went to a bird owned by Carl Forsmann of La Canada which came in at 5:40 p.m. H. R. Sand's bird took third place, arriving eight minutes later. Fourth arrival was owned by Clayton Shaw.

The 500 mile race is the main event of the old bird racing season and an owner of a bird who competes in such a race feels that he has accomplished something in the way of raising a racer.

Since pigeons are taking an active part in war work all over the world, carrying important messages perhaps of a pilot forced down or an important release from the battle line, racing pigeon enthusiasts all over the world are breeding and training birds which are capable of taking their part in the struggle for freedom. So important was the work done by these birds, Hitler ordered all pigeons in occupied France killed, but messages are still being carried through by this medium.

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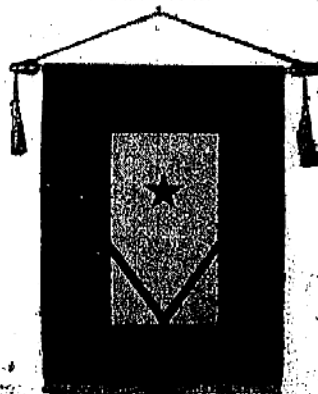
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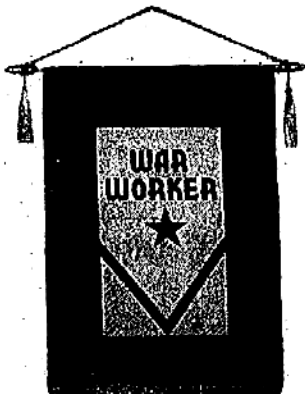
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Weed Crews To Clear Vacant Lots

Weed abatement crews started their clearing operations in La Canada and La Crescenta on the 10th of May. Lots required to be cleared are those which are fire hazards to adjacent improved properties and have been posted.

Owners who desire to remove the weed fore hazard from their own properties must write or call at once to the Weed Abatement Section, 808 North Spring street in Los Angeles or the county will do the work and the expense will be added to the tax bill.

Splendid Acts To Feature Variety Show

Individual talent will vie with group plays and acts at the Variety Show to be given at Clark Junior High school tonight in an entertainment which promises to outdo the student body effort of last year. From the overture played by the orchestra until the finale at the close, music, skits, and dancing will be presented by Todd Harker as master of ceremonies.

There will be acts such as the stunt by the girls' physical education class directed by Katherine Bush; the Honor Society tableaux of patriotic interest; the one act comedy called "The Ghost Hunters," and the minstrel show given by the boys' and girls' glee clubs.

Bettie and Billy Stone, a popular pair, will give a scene, "Willie Cross Questions His Ma;" Floyd Dietlein, the Mystic Man, will be magician.

A recently formed and delightful harmony trio made up of Fern Williams, Ruth Kaiser, and Betty Keen is preparing a group of songs. An authentic hula dance will be given by Joan Pittman. Another vocal group will be Barbara Butterfield, Darlene Galley, Gery Goodfellow, Harriet Cooper, Ellen Cooper and Sally Norman.

Among solo performers will be piano numbers by Gayle Griffin and Maxine McCune. Yvonne Priaux will sing accompanied by Gayle Griffin and Joanne Headley will sing accompanied by Jean Pedersen.

In preparing for the program the student body has invested in equipment for the stage settings, which will become a permanent part of the stage properties.

During the intermission on each evening a committee of students headed by Irene Pollender will sell ice cold punch. Advance sales for both performances are being conducted by members of all home rooms and tickets will also be available at the door.

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AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS	
This column is open for all branches of Civilian Defense to make short announcements or to circulate instructions either to the General Public or to the Volunteer Workers. Copy must be in by Monday night.	

Did you know that during an air raid alert: Doctors, ambulances, fire, police services are ordered through the Air Raid Warden in your block? There will be installed on your telephone a device so that you can not call out during air raids? That you are not permitted to leave your residence? You can't drive your automobile? You can't even walk down the street?

Do you know how to: Put out an incendiary bomb? Fight a house fire? How to prepare a gas proof shelter? Protect your family against high explosives? Select and equip a "refuge room?"

Would you like to know how Civilian Defense is organized: To protect you and your wife and children? Why all these precautions are necessary? Why the Army insists on our participation?

What should I do in case an evacuation is ordered: Due to an unexploded bomb? War gases are used in vicinity? Where can we go? What can we take? How much time are we allowed? What about our pets? Shall we take them?

The answers to all these vital questions affecting the public will be explained in detail by War Department trained instructors at the new Air Raid Precautions School that starts Thursday, May 6th.

Air Raid Warden graduation set for May 21st, has been postponed until Wednesday night, June 2nd. Please notify all concerned.

The new Auxiliary Deputy Sheriff bulletin "The Alert" shows promise of being very much worthwhile. It's newsy and instructive. Editor: Sgt. Harold McFadden. Congratulations to Sgt. McFadden and Assistant Chief J. G. Layne on another fine community project.

Commendation to all ARW's: Captain D. B. Heine in a letter says in part—"I would like to take this opportunity of commending the Wardens for very prompt and efficient manner in which they responded to the Blackout of April 25th. It gives me a feeling that should we ever experience an actual raid these men and women can be relied upon to protect life and property in this area--."

Camouflaging Plans

The County Board of Supervisors has adopted an order releasing to the Army trees and shrubs grown at the Pacoima nursery. These shrubs will be used in the camouflaging of barrage balloons.

Men In Service Get Tax Exemption

Enjoyment of the \$1,000 exemption on assessed valuation of real property, hitherto granted to veterans of previous wars, has been extended to members of the armed forces in the present war according to an announcement by County Assessor John R. Quinn.

The announcement was made as the result of a ruling by the State Board of Equalization. Immediate relatives may sign the necessary applications for the exemptions which apply only on real property having a total assessed valuation of \$5,000 or less.

Pastor Contributes To Serviceman's Book

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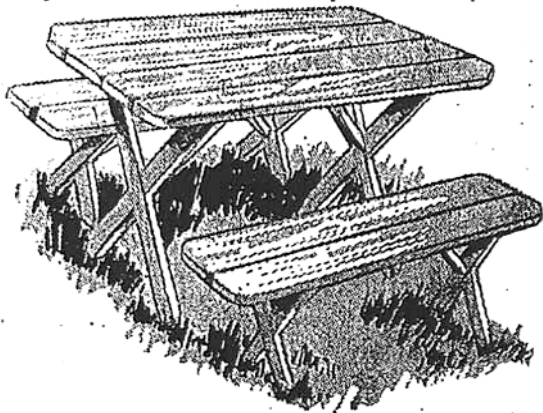
This is a part of the preface which introduces a compilation of daily devotional messages and religious quotations especially for servicemen. One of the co-authors of this little volume is the Reverend H. Vernon Harris of St. Lukes of the Mountains church.

It is just a little pocket volume, bound in either khaki or blue but for a serviceman it may give that comfort and assurance which is needed when the going gets particularly tough.

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Check the website **CVHeritage.org** for more information.