



Navy Workload Studied

MVT Surveys NSGA Manpower

The Naval Security Group Manpower Validation Team (MVT), consisting of 1 officer, 6 enlisted men, and 1 civilian (GS-11), arrived at NSGA last month and began its three-week study of the Navy's manpower staffing here. The team, headed by LCDR Benjamin F. Summerlin, studied civilian as well as military billets to determine if staffing was economical, adequate, and efficient.

"The vital mission of the

Naval Security Group Activity," explained LCDR Summerlin, "requires an expensive manpower investment in order to obtain suitable personnel with the proper training. The high cost of this investment, and the fact that the Department of Defense is becoming ever more critical of manpower requests, emphasizes the need for assuring realistic and economical allocations of manpower. The purpose of our team is to act as a measuring de-

vice very much like a thermometer. A thermometer tells you if the temperature is above or below normal for a given day, while we try to determine if manpower is above or below what it should be for a Security Group Activity."

The MVT studied manpower utilization here through the use of interviews with personnel, observations of work areas, and samplings of work being accomplished. This information will be used to determine if additional billets should be opened or existing ones eliminated. NSGA Bremerhaven will be able to comment on MVT recommendations when it receives a preliminary report in the near future. A final report will then be prepared by Naval Security Group Command containing its decisions on final actions to be taken.

"Our team has a combined total Naval experience of almost 150 years," said CTC Harry L. Schupp, "most of which has been spent at Security Group Activities. We use this experience not only to help the Navy, but to benefit the individual as well. If an activity is undermanned, it not only hurts the Navy's mission, but also the man who must assume a heavier than normal workload. Since you, the individual, are in the best position to know your job, we appreciate your suggestions and consider these when making our recommendations."

Since its formation in August 1968, the Manpower Validation Branch of Naval Security Group Command has planned, directed, and provided technical guidance to the Manpower Validation Program. The branch consists of an administrative staff and two survey teams. The teams continually conduct on-site surveys of Security Group Activities. The team recently in Bremerhaven had conducted 10 surveys prior to arriving here Jan. 19.

For four members of the team, this survey was like a homecoming. LCDR Summerlin, CTC Schupp, CTC Harry L. Moon and Mr. James D. Knight have all been stationed at this command in the past. "It's been great," commented CTC Moon, "to return to Bremerhaven and visit with many of our friends here."



MANPOWER VALIDATION TEAM—Team members discuss findings of the recent survey conducted by them to determine staffing efficiency here. The team members are (L to R) CTCS L. D. Jochum, CTCM G. Villalobos, CTC H. L. Schupp, CTC H. L. Moon, CTCS D. B. Chamness, Mr. J. D. Knight (GS-11), and Team Leader LCDR B. F. Summerlin. Absent from the picture is CTCS J. J. Burke.

Special Services Plans Trip To Mallorca

Do you yearn for sunshine, warm breezes and an escape from the bleak Bremerhaven climate? If so, you may satisfy these desires by taking advantage of the Navy Special Services tour to the Spanish island of Mallorca next month.

The tour price of \$115.00 per person includes jet transportation, lodging at the Hotel Olimpo, three

meals a day, and a guided tour of the capital city of Palma. The tour, lasting a week, will be offered March 17-24.

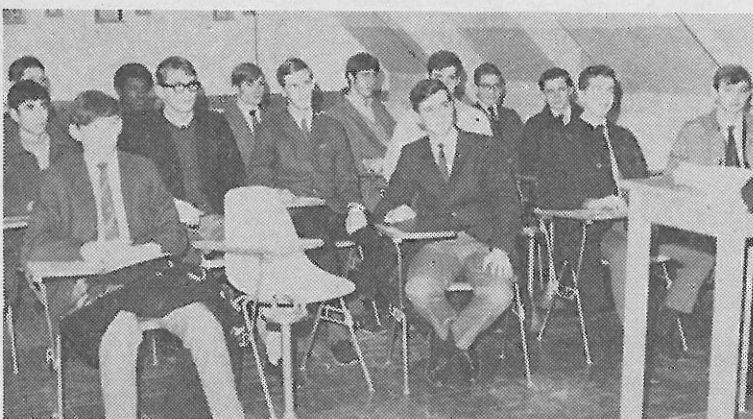
"Malloca," said SK1 "Butch" Trapley of Special Services, "is a tourist favorite of all the Mediterranean islands. Its beaches, hidden mountain villages, little harbors, and historical sights draw about one million visitors annually. Palma, situated on the western part of the island, is the center of most of Mallorca's restaurants, hotels, and night life. During the daylight hours, there are a number of interesting places to see such as a 13th century cathedral, Bellver Castle, and a bull-fighting school."

Reservations must be made no later than Feb. 28. For further information contact the Navy Special Services Office at Mil 3728 or Mil 3118.

NOWC News

The NOWC sponsored a Sadie Hawkins Evening during the month of January. Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. E. McGrath and Mrs. D. McMunn. A delightfully original array of costumes contributed to the highly successful evening.

Mrs. E. Ingebretson and Mrs. G. Cirak will be the hostesses for a "tea" scheduled for the month of February, so put on your best Sunday bonnet and come out for a chat and refreshments. Call 82492 or 82074 for reservations.



NROTC CANDIDATES receive information concerning testing, interviewing and physical examinations for the 1970 NROTC program. The 14 high-school seniors, recently here for NROTC processing, are dependents of military personnel stationed in Europe.

Fleet Chief Visits Station To Gather Information

This activity was recently honored by a visit from Fleet Master Chief O. O. Henderson, Senior Enlisted Advisor (SEA) to Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Naval Forces, Europe. MCPO Henderson will report to CINCUSNAVEUR his recommendations on any matters concerning morale, welfare, and well-being of U.S. Naval enlisted personnel at this command. He makes frequent trips to commands in outlying areas to gather information on existing conditions. After each visit, a trip report is submitted to CINCUSNAVEUR with copies forwarded to Master Chief Petty Officer of the

Navy D. D. Black and to the SEA of the command visited.

The SEA for this activity is CTCM L. K. Byrd of Operations Department. "MCPO Henderson," commented CTCM Byrd, "makes these visits for the benefit of the enlisted man. Suggestions or recommendations concerning the welfare of enlisted men may be submitted to me either in person or in writing. If you believe a problem exists, let's discuss it. Don't sit back and wait for 'someone else' to make the first move; to your shipmates, you are that someone else."

Navy Cartoon

NEW YORK . . . The creator of "Dennis the Menace" is making plans to syndicate a new cartoon strip featuring a short, salty sailor named "Half Hitch."

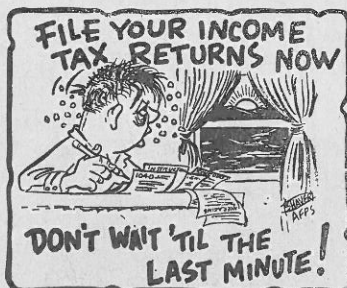
"Half Hitch" and his buddies are expected to show up in the comic pages early this year.

Needless to say, the zany character won't be portraying the ideal seaman but his surroundings should be authentic.

Cartoonist Hank Ketcham, a former Navy man, is getting full cooperation and will be visiting ships and bases to pick up flavor and details.

Ketcham's father is a retired Navy commander and his son, Dennis, served as a Marine rifleman and NCO in Vietnam for 13 months.

The strip will be distributed by King Features Syndicate.

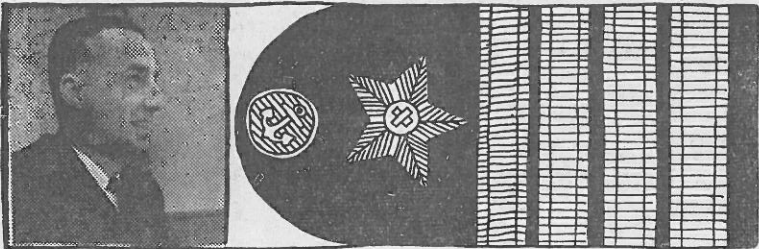


Congratulations

Six officers are to be congratulated for their recent promotions and selections at this command.

LCDR James M. Ennes Jr., 4th Division Officer, and LCDR James C. Carroll, Legal Officer, were promoted to their present ranks effective Aug. 1, 1969. LCDR Linn T. Shoup was promoted to present rank effective Dec. 1, 1969 and is now attending the U.S. Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey, Calif. LT Robert L. Vlasblom, Disbursing Officer, was promoted to present rank effective Jan. 1, 1970.

LT Michael C. Werner and LT Norman W. Laible were recently selected for permanent appointment in the regular Navy. LT Werner is now stationed at NSGA Ft. Meade, Md., while LT Laible is serving aboard the USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42).



A sizeable reduction has been made in the authorized strength of the Navy and further cuts are forecast. One result will be a smaller requirement for petty officers and, hence, a slowdown in the advancement rate. This effect is already apparent as the special quarterly examinations for advancement to Petty Officer Third Class will no longer be held and the waivers of service requirements for advancement to Petty Officer Second and Third Class are no longer being granted. It is probable that the greatest effects will be felt in the immediate future with the situation improving once the Navy's strength stabilizes.

For the Navy, this will mean a petty officer corps of improved quality since advancements will be made on a more selective and highly competitive basis. For many sailors it will mean slower advancement, with a more frequent appearance of the cryptic "PNA," passed but not advanced, on advancement examination results. However, the Navy's advancement system has long been noted for its fairness since it is a Navy-wide competitive system that gives recognition to a number of factors of importance to the individual as well as to the Navy. Thus, for the sailor who wants to get ahead and realizes that his rate of advancement is dependent on his efforts, there are several ways to significantly improve his chances for advancement.

To be advanced the sailor must pass the examination and have a multiple standing higher than the cutoff point. The multiple is a weighted figure (maximum 185) based on: (1) Examination—43 per cent, (2) Performances marks—27 per cent, (3) Length of service—11 per cent, (4) Time in grade—11 per cent, and (5) awards—8 per cent. Seventy percent of the multiple comes from the examination score and performance marks and these are the areas in which the man who wants to get ahead can do something and should concentrate. First, study hard—not just to pass the examination—but to get the highest possible score, since this score will account for nearly half of the final multiple. Second, perform in such a way as to earn top performance marks. Find out from your supervisor what your weak points are and work to correct them.

But advancement is not solely a matter for the individual. Leadership plays an important role. The division training program, counseling, and the leader's encouragement to study will effect the scores his men achieve in the examinations, and, equally important, supervisory personnel exert a considerable effect on the quality of the Navy's petty officer corps through the assignment of performance marks.

Every leader wants to take care of his men, and all of us want the best possible petty officer cadre. It is important that the former desire be subordinated to the later requirement if we are to improve the quality of the Navy. Arbitrarily assigning high evaluations to all personnel penalizes the truly outstanding performers who should be rewarded by recognition for their efforts and performance. Too often the perfunctory assignment of nearly equal performance marks to all personnel in the same pay grade unduly rewards the low performer and fails to recognize the man with high performance and potential since both are assigned the same, or nearly the same, marks. The system of "4.0 for Chiefs, 3.8 for Firsts, 3.6 for Seconds, 3.4 for Thirds, and 3.2 for Seamen" is a disservice to the individual and the service. The good leader will ensure that the outstanding seamen and Thirds get the 4.0's they deserve and that each man gets marks consistent with his performance and potential.

Remember when you are assigning performance marks that marks as low as 2.8 (3.0 for military behavior) are indicative of acceptable, albeit marginal, performance. To show the power of performance marks to reward outstanding performance, a man with a 4.0 average will receive 50 points, a 3.8 average — 44 points, and a 3.0 average—17 points, in the final multiple. Obviously, performance marks must be used wisely and well.

One final point concerns medals. There is one medal that is within the ability of each man to earn—the Good Conduct Medal. This medal and each subsequent one are worth from two points, to a maximum of 10 points, a significant percentage of the multiple points available. In the competitive environment of advancement each point counts heavily.

CFC Needs Your Help

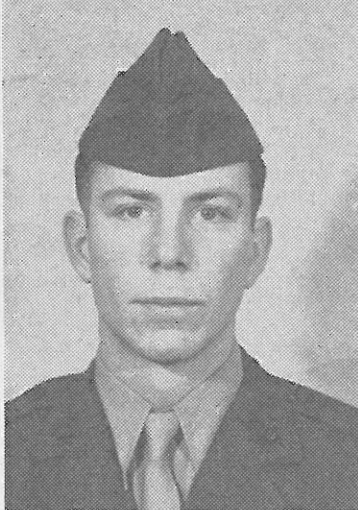
WASHINGTON — The DOD Overseas Combined Federal Campaign, which last year brought help to more than 75,000,000 people, is now under way for 1970. The American Red Cross, 10 International Service Agencies and 13 National Health Agencies are participating.

The campaign extends from the starting date, February 15, to March 31, and makes its appeal to military personnel and Federal civilian employees here. To help individual donors determine the extent of their contribution, the campaign has issued a "fair share giving guide" which seeks to establish figures that meet the increased need, but are fair to all personnel. The extent of giving is, of course, the decision of the individual donor.

The combined agencies participating in the 1970 campaign have an overseas goal of \$1,500,000.

The donor may give in one lump sum, or he may contribute through a payroll deduction plan that spreads the amount and the time of giving. He may also, if he chooses, designate the agency or agencies to whom his contribution is to go, and how his contribution is to be divided.

Sailor/Marine Of The Month



SGT MICHAEL D. MOORE

SGT Michael D. Moore of 1st Division has been selected "Sailor/Marine of the Month" for the month of February. In SGT Moore's letter of selection, Captain Osmer stated in part:

"You have been selected as the U.S. Naval Security Group Activity, Bremerhaven, 'Sailor/Marine of the Month' for February 1970.

"Since your arrival at this command in December 1967, you have consistently exhibited proficiency, industry, and initiative far exceeding standards generally expected of personnel of comparable rate and experience. One example of your outstanding performance was your participation in the NATO Naval Communications Competition held in Londonderry in May 1969.

"Your active participation in the Command Sports Program in football, basketball and softball has helped to make this program a success.

"You have also eagerly sought to improve your personal standards as well as to willingly accept and master new assignments. In addition to your professional accomplishments, your attitude, appearance, willingness to teach others and faultless military bearing have greatly impressed all associated with you. The personal example you have set has always been in the highest traditions of the Naval Service.

"I commend you on your excellent performance. I am pleased to present you with a \$25.00 U.S. Savings Bond and a plaque commemorating your selection as 'Sailor / Marine of the Month.' Well done!"



A Miraculous Book

Focus on Faith

By Chaplain Ervin D. Ingebretson

"I always have said, and always will say, that the studious perusal of the sacred Volume will make better citizens, better fathers and better husbands."
—Thomas Jefferson

"Hold fast to the Bible as the anchor of your liberties; write its precepts on your hearts and practice them in your lives. To the influence of this Book we are indebted for the progress made, and to this we must look as our guide in the future."
—Ulysses S. Grant

"I am profitably engaged in reading the Bible. Take all of this Book upon reason that you can and the balance by faith, and you will live and die a better man."
—Abraham Lincoln

"A man has deprived himself of the best there is in the world when he has deprived himself of this (a knowledge of the Bible)."
—Woodrow Wilson

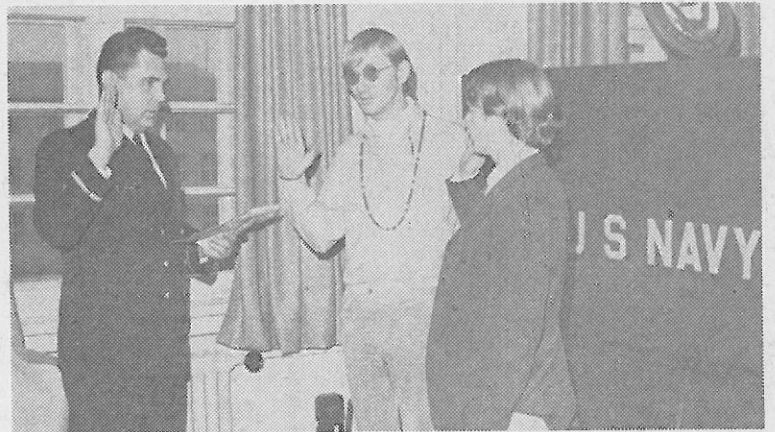
These and many other great statesmen of our nation have discovered that the Bible is a miraculous Book which has outlived all others. Its message and transforming light have cast an illuminating power providing a recreative force for every generation. It has provided the rock foundation upon which our nation was built. The Bible is the Constitution of the Judaic and Christian civilization. We cannot escape our debt to the influence of this Book in our remarkable history.

'Bible Our Guide'

When we seek for an honest interpretation of life; when we become anxious for a light to dispel the gloom of perplexity; when we desire to hold strongly to the principles of freedom, equality and justice, our guide is the Bible. The impregnable and unshakable truths of this Book provide an open pathway to progress. People who infuse its ideals in their personal and national life find a dynamic challenge in it. Wherever the Bible has been opened it has enlightened the souls of men.

In spite of its valuable concepts and judgments on life, the Bible has been the subject of popular criticism. Some men have judged it outdated, outmoded and only for the naive. Only those who have not read it carefully would make such judgments. Its honor and value can be best upheld in the following quote: "It contains the choicest matter, gives the best instruction and affords the greatest pleasure and satisfaction that can be revealed. It brings the best of tidings, and the best of comfort to the inquiring and disconsolate. It promises the blessings and protection of its author to all who walk by its rules."

Man can never outgrow such a book of wisdom, counsel and encouragement.



BOOT CAMP BOUND — CWO-2 Lyle Westrom swears in Ralf Seyfarth (center), son of SSG M. F. Brownfield of 3rd Infantry Div., Kitzingen, Germany, and Michael Montgomery (right), son of SGT M. D. Montgomery of USAFE, Wiesbaden, Germany. Both enlisted for four years in the Navy on Jan. 27. Needless to say, Ralf and Mike will have slightly different haircuts soon after their arrival at Great Lakes.



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The Navy "Eve Watch" program, which has shown considerable success since its inception last October, has seen a change of hosts. CT1 Bill Remsing has departed for an assignment in his home state of Washington. The show's new host is CTSN Jim Clark of "A" Division. Jim is a veteran of stateside radio and is quite capable of filling the vacancy left by Bill. The program's successful format will remain the same.

The perennial favorites, "Hawaii Calls" and "This Is Your America," were recently replaced by the AFN Bremerhaven staff. The substitute broadcast is hosted by Army Specialist Mark Winship. AFN Bremerhaven decided to use the optional time to allow the station to provide a better weekend local coverage for the Port listener, and the slot will be used to give information on weekend activities. The "Swap Shop" will also be offered in this time slot and will give the day-worker audience a chance to pick up some of those cheap, used cars on "Uncle Mark's Market."

Specialist Toby Kirby was promoted to BC2 (Broadcaster's Mate Second Class) in ceremonies here recently.

Tours of the AFN Studio are again in the making. If your club or activity would like a studio tour contact the Station Manager at Mil. 3665.

The CFC "Pledge-in," that was scheduled for the first time last year but postponed due to the death of President Eisenhower, will be aired this year in March. At this time, AFN will hold open house and broadcast live throughout the evening. Stay tuned to AFN for further details.

A special AFN congratulation to all of the Navy participants in the latest Port City Theatre Production "A Man For All Seasons."

Special greetings to Navy JO Jim Dorman, the new Windjammer Editor-in-Chief, who aptly fills the shoes of "Mr." Les Goldberg. Les left the Navy to become an elf with Macy's.

Notice

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To: Distribution List

Subj: Effective management of forms and paperwork management projects generated from efforts to reduce unnecessary verbiage and superfluous words and phrases in memorandums, letters, requests, forms, messages, notices, directives, manuals, technical notes, regulations, propaganda, and instructions.

1. **Purpose.** To promulgate instructions for the reduction in unnecessary verbiage in communications, hence, leading to a reduction in paperwork.

2. **Background.** It has been noted that vast amounts of unnecessarily wordy paperwork are being continuously promulgated by WINDJAMNAVEUR commands and individuals within said commands. A majority of these are written in a nearly unintelligible format using unnecessary, obscure, obfuscatious grammar and vocabulary and involving long, poorly punctuated and otherwise not only confusing but misleading and vague sentence structure; the most common of which produces little if any meaning readily understandable by the reader or readers, whichever is most apparently apropos, who is not indoctrinated or trained in the technicalities and niceties of governmentese and official gobbledegook.

3. **Action.** Commanding Officers will immediately institute a four month detailed study of all forms, memorandums, letters, requests, messages, notices, directives, manuals, technical notes, regulations, and instructions originated and produced by their commands. The study will be conducted in the following manner:

a. Originators of the above items will be instructed to prepare all paperwork in octuplicate.

b. One copy each will be reviewed by the Commanding Officer, Executive Officer, Department Head and Division Officer concerned, Administrative Officer, Personnel Officer, Public Works Officer, and the Chief Master-at-Arms who, in turn, will comment in writing on each item reviewed with copies to WINDJAM, BUJAM, CINCUSWINDJAMNAVEUR, and CO, Company "B", 599th Garbage Disposal Battalion, SOL BUY, Southeast Asia.

c. At the survey's end, a brief summary of no less than 90,000 words will be forwarded to CINCUSWINDJAMNAVEUR for further review.

4. **Cancellation.** This notice may be cancelled.

Company 'F' Round-up

By SGT D. W. Aldrich

Modern training is an important aspect of every Marine's monthly schedule. During the past month, Company "F" was fortunate enough to receive the famous M-16 rifle that Marine Support Battalions are acquiring for training purposes. SSGT Rollins instructed a class to acquaint Company "F" Marines, many of whom are unfamiliar with the M-16, with the primary weapon used by the American fighting man in Vietnam.

Congratulations are extended to CPL Cain who was selected as the "Sailor-Marine of the Month" for January. James "Junior" Barnes is also to be congratulated for his selection to GYSGT.

Arrivals and departures are forever a part of military life. The new faces arriving at Company "F" last month were SGT Krohn and his wife Susan, CPL Ferrez from Monterey, and LCPL Krimp from Company "K". We welcome you all to Bremerhaven's weather (???)

Departures last month included SGT Monroe for Vietnam, SGT Kermes for Camp Lejeune, and SGT Callahan for stateside separation. SGT Stiles was released from active duty here in Bremerhaven and is catching up on his European travels.

As an item of interest, SSGT Minter was beginning to wonder if January was his month. He managed to fall out of his CWO chair during a mid-watch, was almost run over by his own car (the "Green Hornet"), fell off of the basketball court while refereeing a game, and ran out of gas on the way to a mid-watch. Note: he was completely sober on all occasions.

Supply Hot Line

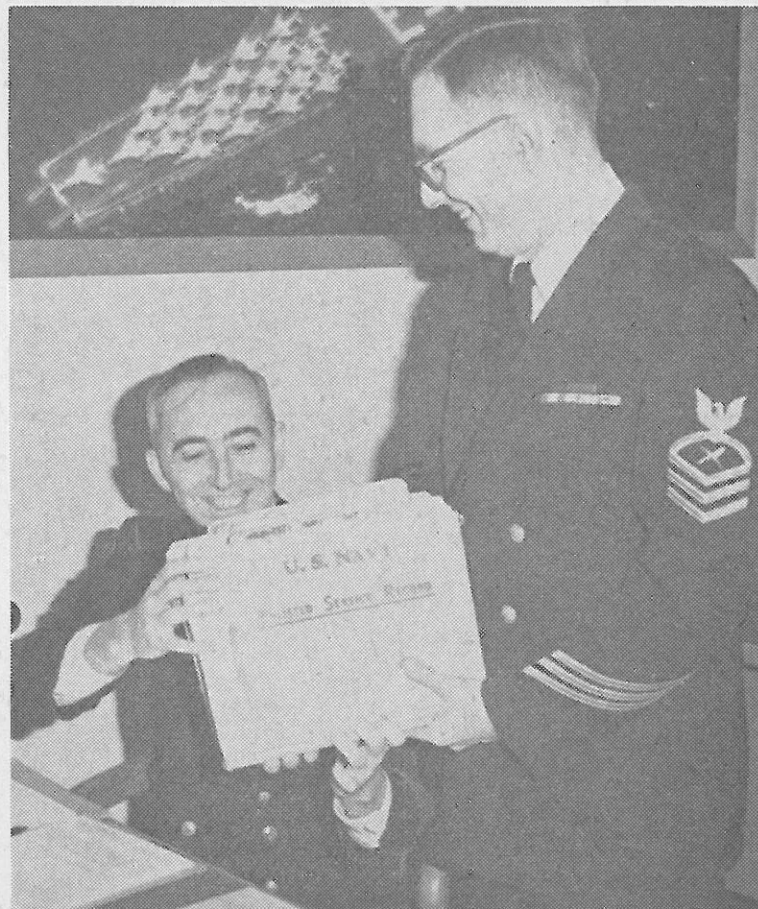
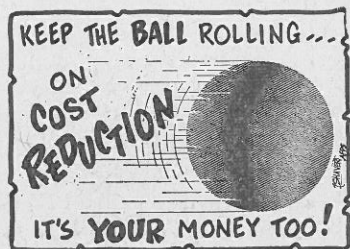
By SK2 R. Wilson

One of our scholastic types in Supply has made good again. SK2 Steve Padgett took his final exam in Business Law from the University of Maryland and passed the course with a final average of "B". Good job, Steve, and congratulations.

The billet of Stock Control Supervisor, which was held by SK1 Carl Allen, has been taken over by SK2 Steve Hahn. Carl was transferred last month to Little Creek, Va. Steve says he likes the job because it offers him a challenge. We hope he continues to enjoy his new job and does well in it.

The big news this month concerns yours truly. I received some literally "cool" orders. It seems a request that I put in almost seven months ago, and had almost forgotten about, finally went through. I have been selected to participate in the Navy's scientific assistance program in Antarctica known as "Operation Deepfreeze." Like I said, those orders are pretty "cool."

So, alas, this will be my last article for the Windjammer. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who have made my tour in Bremerhaven an enjoyable one. It's been fun in Bremerhaven, but I am looking forward to going back to the "world" for at least a few months. The last thing I'd like to say as Supply's reporter is, "Good-bye, and SHORT!"



WINDJAMMER CHANGE OF COMMAND — CTC John J. Devitt (seated), Windjammer Assistant Public Affairs Officer, prepares to relinquish his desk to CTC Scott L. Morris. CTC Devitt, who contributed greatly to the organization of the station newspaper, left Feb. 3 for Washington, D.C. where he will work in NAV-SECGRU Officer Detailing. CTC Morris arrives here from U.S. Naval Facility, Danang, South Vietnam.



The scene is a crowded, smoke-filled, sports arena somewhere near Frankfurt, Germany. Through the haze, all eyes are apprehensively fixed upon the illuminated wrestling ring, where two mighty, entangled foes struggle methodically, each endeavoring to pin the other to the mat for a count of three. Amid the whistles, boos, and epithets one can hear an occasional cry of encouragement for "Weaver the Wringer," wrestler extraordinary, who is in reality, mild-mannered and bespectacled Charlie Weaver, Transfer Personnelman for the NSGA Bremerhaven Personnel Office.

Charlie Weaver (195 pounds), along with Jim Kiraly (125 pounds) of Personnel, decided to try-out at the U.S. Army Europe Free Style and Greco-Roman Wrestling Championships at Fuerth, Germany (that's a mouthful). Jim returned three days later, stating that he would have had to reduce to 114 pounds in order to compete in the "Flea-weight" Class. Charlie remained to contend for the "Jumbo" Class. Rots-a-ruck Charlie (or however you say it in German).

I'm inclined to believe that Jess Saur, the NSGA Bremerhaven Chief Master-at-Arms, in many ways, has missed his true professional calling. He is the proverbial "jack-of-all-trades;" a man of many talents and skills. In addition to the primary considerations of his billet (that of "right arm for the XO," chief disciplinarian and boss of the barracks), Jess is also an aspiring artist, an electronics technician, and adept in linguistic oration.

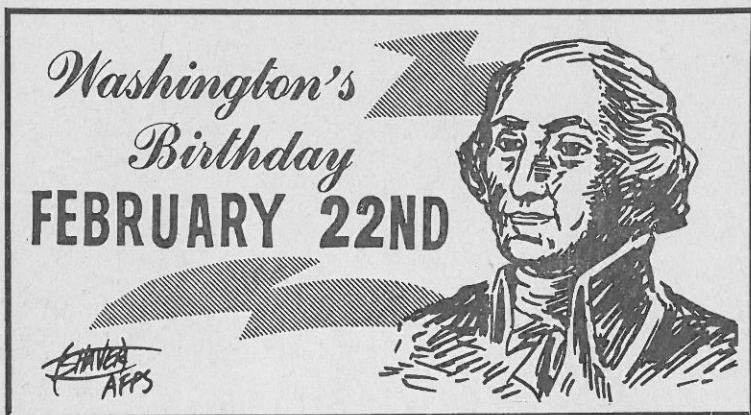
Jess Saur's artistic flair is in immediate evidence throughout his office and throughout the command. There are the many colorful and eye-catching posters that he has created, either for the promotion of command charity drives or for enhancement of his office decor. There is the colorful coffee table ("nobody else wanted it") in his office, that he converted into a patriotic extravaganza, depicting quotations from historic Naval heroes and accompanied by pictures of their conflicts at sea. Directly attributed to the efforts of Jess Saur is the First and Second place awards that this Command recently received from the Army Terminal Command for our display of the best Christmas decorations.

Jess' electronic ability is borne out by the fact that he seems to be able to repair (or in Naval slang, "jury rig") anything from a Japanese transistor radio to three-component, solid-state, hi-fi and stereo consoles ("mostly from the barracks and for the morale of the troops"). A section of his office is set aside for just that purpose.

Receiving wide acclaim and raising many an eyebrow throughout the command for his "linguistic" ability, Jess Saur has a language all his own. Like the electronics gear that he tinkers with, his verbal expression is often "shocking." However, Jess Saur recently distinguished himself as an exemplary instructor by presenting an extremely well-organized and interesting lecture on seamanship, in which not one swear word was spoken.

As proof of his compliance with the Chief of Naval Operations's recent directive that officers (in particular) take advantage of their accumulated leave on the books, Captain Osmer wears plaster cast from his recent skiing trip.

That's . . . unfortunate!



Not long ago I received an urgent call from Chief Martin, 2nd Division's leading CPO (I'm not sure what he's leading; someone suggested it was probably 1st Division's honcho, CTCS Hockett, in their daily jog around the golf course). I was to be in his office within the hour.

"Wow, a story!" I suggested loudly.

"No, Charlie. No story here. Just leave your writing gear in the bottle and grab a set of safari pants, several knit shirts and a pith helmet."

"If it weren't already past," I thought to myself, "I'd swear he was still celebrating New Year's Eve."

"It's no joke, Charlie," he said, "grab your gear and get up here."

Smiling to myself, I think, "Ah ha! He's trying to get me up there so's he can read me one of those dry plans of the day, that's what he's doin'. Well I'll just call his bluff; I'll wear ear plugs."

Grabbing my gear, (a good roach always comes to Bremerhaven prepared for anything) I high-tail it up to his office. "O.K. I'm here. Where's the gorilla; show me the lion; I can tackle a whole mess of tigers, just lemme at em." (Well, after all, what am I supposed to do with the gear and, of all things, a pith helmet. I've been in Bremerhaven almost two years and ain't seen the sun yet.)

"Charlie," Chief Martin cleared his throat, "since you never have the pleasure or privilege of having the POD read to you, (cough! cough!) you probably don't know the problems we're having with manpower in 2nd Division these days. What with the Manpower Validation Team poking around here and there, and 1st Division sliding Ops from under our nose, and the big defense cuts, it's getting tough, yes sir, very tough. It means every man has to do more, jobs have to be doubled and people have to take more responsibility."

Seeing he was playing up to my sense of duty, I knew what was next so I figured I'd better counterattack quick. "I'm aware of your problems Chief, but if you think I'm going to stand out there of the gym floor, with one of those crazy guidon flags, forget it! I was never issued leggings and besides, bootcamp atmosphere scares me."

"It's not that Charlie, it's more important. It's a job that requires more responsibility and greater motivation than the troops here have been able to put forth. It's a job that requires real determination and drive—not a responsibility we'd give just anyone."

I was puzzled. Then, glancing at the Afrika Corps garb in my hand, I asked, "And what about this gear, don't tell me we're going after Rommel again; you didn't have me bring it for nothing, so come on, get down to business, what's this new 'added' assignment?"

"Charlie, you've been designated to play a very important role in a low-echelon, 2nd Division job—YOU'RE GONNA MAKE SURE THE DIVISION FLOWERS AND PLANTS ARE WATERED DAILY."

I was floored! "Are you kidding me? Those scrubby pieces of jungle refuse; I'm going to look after THEM? Why I've seen better bush growing in the desert! Ooohhh, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Roberts, where are you? HELP!"

O.K. wise guys, I'm watering, but knock off this "Desert Roach" bit. Oh, to see the briney 2nd Division head again. HELP! HELP! HELP!

Sport Shorts

By BM1 Ron Hogsed

The Port City Intramural Basketball League is coming down to the wire with any of five teams having a shot at a berth for the Port City Play-offs. The Charlies Chargers and the Bravo Bulldogs are the current leaders with each having an 11-3 win-loss record, but right on their heels is 67th Transportation at 10-3. Coming on strong is 59th Finance with a 9-3 history.

This year the Port Play-offs will be made up of the top four teams in the league which will play a double elimination tournament to decide who will represent the Port City in the TASCOT Tournament to be held Feb. 23-27 at Kaefertal Sports Arena, Benjamin Franklin Village, Mannheim, Germany.

Umpires, referees, and officials are being sought for all sports. Would you like to join the ranks of this elite group of men? Anyone interested in applying may contact Navy Special Services at Mil 3728 or Mil 3118 for further information.

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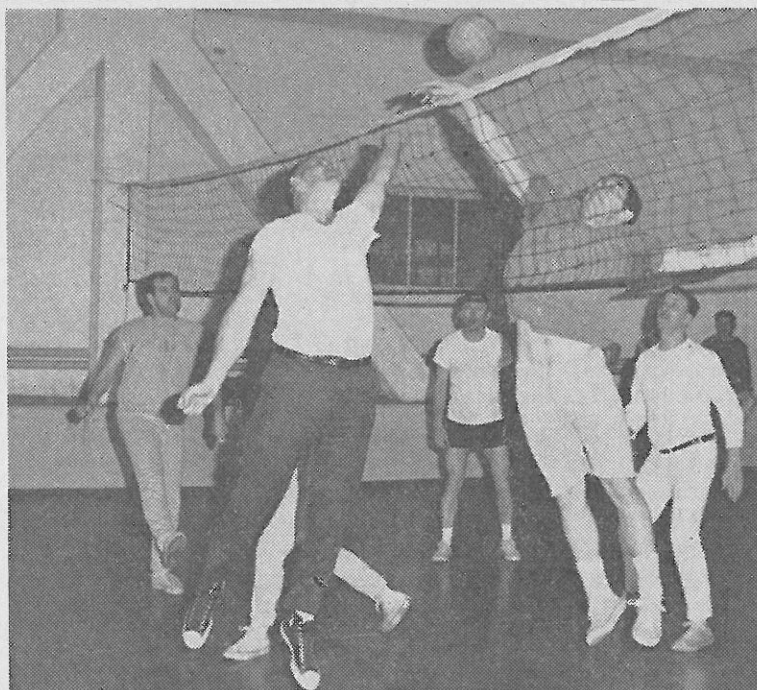
After the first round of the current session in the County Travelling League, the U.S. Navy holds a lead of 83 pins over Fortuna of Bremerhaven and 117 pins over the third place Bremen II team. Current pinfall goes as follows: U.S. Navy 5259, Fortuna 5176 and Bremen II 5142. Averages for the first round are J. Rebeck 184, R. Thomas 181, R. Martin 176, B. Marron 173 and S. Harold 161. The Varsity will be bowling at Paulus on the first weekend in February and at the Radio City Lanes on the first Sunday of March.

In the recent International Tournament held at Paulus, Jan. 24-25, the Navy managed a third place finish against some of the best teams in Europe, including teams from Denmark, Sweden, Austria, Germany, U.S. Army and U.S. Navy. Final results were: Fortuna in first with 5673, Schwarz & Weiss (Hanover) in second with 5529 and the Navy in third with 5473.

Don't forget that bowling is a spectator sport also and fans are not only welcome but urged to come out and support their team.



MISS FEBRUARY WINDJAMMER — Miss Windjammer for the month of February, Claudia Jennings, said she would be glad to come to Bremerhaven and be our Valentine Girl. Then she looked at a Port City weather report and decided she couldn't trade her bikini for a parka. (Playboy)



ALL EYES ARE ON THE BALL as CTC W. M. Donner (left) and LT J. J. Ceo (right) take to the air during the Jan. 25 Officers and Chiefs volleyball game held in Gym 103. The Chiefs captured four of the six games played. The three players looking on are (L-R) CTC R. F. Gribben, CDR W. D. Garner and CWO-2 J. A. Moeller.

Matman and Boy Blunder

By CT1 S. M. Tieken

High above downtown Bremerhaven in their secret Matcave, Matman and Boy Blunder, are discussing the various side effects of that terrible transistor killer, "Transients," when the emblem of crossed screwdrivers flashed onto the clouds. The signal was well known — Matman had a trouble call from Building 2. The signal was a sign that "Super-Tech" was in trouble.

"Holy BFO, Matman! Super-Tech's in trouble," said Boy Blunder.

"That's right Blunder. Let's go!" answered Matman.

So, into their Matmobile they go, streaking to Building 2; taking only two hours to get there (the MP's stopped them for not having a left rear taillight).

Now, on the scene, Matman is frantically trying to sync the scope, while Boy Blunder is trying to sync himself.

"See the presentation on the scope Blunder?" queried Matman. "It's all adding up now. The source of the problem that has been escaping us now makes sense."

"Burnt resistors!" exclaims Boy Blunder. "How did you figure out the trouble so fast?"

"Elementary, my dear Blunder. There's no presentation on the scope, and the on-off switch is in the off position."

"Now I see," shouts Blunder, joyfully. "The receiver was off all the time."

"That's correct, Blunder. So let's turn it on and see what happens."

We now find Boy Blunder with his 500 volt rubber gloves, tin-foil apron and instruction book trying to figure out how to turn the switch on.

Will Boy Blunder turn the switch on correctly? Is that the real problem? Will Super-Tech figure out how to get back from the snack bar? These questions will be answered in the next exciting episode of "Matman and Boy Blunder."

Matmen Madness

By Robert Shirlington

I'd like to start this article by mentioning Bob Cooper (he gave me a dollar to use his name). Next, a welcome aboard to CT2 Dossey, CT2 Ball, and CT2 Bidne. A fond farewell goes to CT2 Cole and CT1 Goselin.

A suggestion from CTC Kerr, with prodding from Mr. Hands, became reality on Jan. 17 — a department party. The Matmen turned out in force with wives and girlfriend (John Miller brought a boyfriend) to a little-known gasthaus in the boondocks. At the cost of \$5.00 a stripe, all the guys who advanced last year polled their money and bought enough liquid refreshment for an army. At 8:00 p.m. a ribbon-cutting ceremony was held and the party officially began.

CT2 Rossi's wife was sick and couldn't make it. He felt so bad that he drank the first one for himself and the next one for his lovely wife. By the end of the party it was "on fer me and one fer good ole what's-her-name." I wore a smart red blazer and 47 people handed me keys to park their

cars. They obviously had no class, no class at all. Special guests were Mr. Meyer (Delta OWO) and his lovely wife. CTC Stuber was there too, but nobody recognized him without his cowboy hat.

I've heard conflicting reports about what time the party ended; some say 2:00 a.m., others say later. Timm Burt thinks it lasted until his next eve-watch, poor kid. At any rate, ham, turkey, liquid refreshments and a hard-rock band were enjoyed until the wee hours. Mr. Hands sat next to the band which was, according to him, too loud. His head hurt so badly he barely made it to work Monday. CTC Heather had the "Monday Flu"; CTC Kerr had to get estimates for auto repairs that day; and CTC Rollins claimed he got a bad ice cube, the effects of which didn't wear off until 4:30 p.m. Monday.

But the party was fun and everyone had a good time. It's rumored that these parties will occur every quarter, being geared, but not limited, to two sections.