



**NAVY MASONS FIRST CLASS** — Communications Technicians First Class Kenneth R. McColly (left) and David L. Snell (right) pose in their Mason attire after being thanked by Sergeant Dave Stewart, station manager of AFN Bremerhaven, for their contribution to the CFC "Pledge-in" last month. McColly and Snell contributed \$582 to the CFC in behalf of the Masons, a fraternal society to which both men belong. The two men were responsible for donating more than half of the total amount raised by the AFN sponsored radio marathon.

## Relief Society Helps Those in Difficulty

Navy and Marine Corps personnel are normally self-reliant, self-supporting and capable of managing their own affairs. But, due to the conditions of service life, they are more subject to mischance and misfortune than their civilian contemporaries. Abnormal circumstances created by enforced separation, new environment and sudden illness can assume greater proportions when individuals are separated from family and friends.

Recognizing the need for help with these problems, members of the Naval Service have created and supported their own organization dedicated to assisting members who find themselves in real difficulty. This organization is the Navy Relief Society.

### NOWC News

A display of wigs and hairpieces was featured at the March luncheon of the Navy Officers Wives' Club. A large selection of styles and colors were shown. Many of the members had the opportunity to model the latest in hair fashions.

Door prizes were won by Mrs. James Neyman, Mrs. Jerome Ceo and Mrs. William Westcoat.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Gilbert Nason and Mrs. Ronald Richter.

This month the Navy Officers Wives will be the guests of the Chief Petty Officers Wives at the CPO Club in Imsum.

All active duty and retired personnel and their dependents are eligible to receive aid from this organization for relief of the distressed. This aid may be in the form of either financial assistance or service aid. Interest free loans, outright grants or combinations of these make up the financial aid. Other services consist of such things as budget counseling and aid to individuals in contacting community agencies such as American Red Cross and Social Security and Veterans Administration agencies. The Society is also willing to act as a "listening post" for anyone with a problem. Whenever emergencies arise which prevent a serviceman from providing basic maintenance needs; hinder him in obtaining emergency travel; or present any other financial hindrance, the Navy Relief Society is prepared to render assistance.

#### Supported By Contributions

The society is supported by the people it serves, Navy and Marine Corps personnel, through their contributions of money and time. All monetary contributions are used to provide aid only and not for administrative expenses. Contributions may be made each spring during the Society's fund raising drive or at any time during the year.

The Navy Relief program at this command is administered by Navy Chaplain Ervin D. Ingebreton. Anyone wishing to contribute, seeking information or desiring aid should contact Chaplain Ingebreton at Mil 3730 or Mil 3490.

### AFN 'Pledge-In' A Success

## Two Sailors Top All CFC Pledges

Many individuals helped to make last month's Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) "Pledge-in" a success. However, two NSGA sailors were responsible for donating more than half of the \$1,000 raised during the AFN Bremerhaven sponsored radio marathon which lasted nearly 11 hours.

CT1 David L. Snell and CT1 Kenneth R. McColly, both of Second Division, pledged a total of \$582 in behalf of the Masons, a fraternal society of which both men are members.

This contribution, in addition to money previously pledged by the two men, put the total of their donations to CFC over \$800.

They asked that their contributions be distributed among three National Health Agencies — the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults, the American Cancer Society and The Arthritis Foundation.

Concerning their donations, Snell and McColly issued a statement in behalf of the Masons which read in part:

"When we neglect the opportunity to further the welfare of those less fortunate, we have lost the true meaning of life.

"Just as the earth gives free-

ly of her natural resources... so should we give freely our human resources.

"Masonry teaches these principles and is a precedent in our families we hope to continue. We have given freely because we enjoy accomplishment and, to us, the cure of a crippled child is the grandest accomplishment of all."

During the "Pledge-in," pledges of \$1 or more were accepted from military personnel in the area. In exchange for his pledge, each individual was able to request that the song of his choice be played during the broadcast. Five American Red Cross volunteers answered the telephones, pulled records from the station music library and took them to the sound studio for airing, while four "disc jockeys" took turns announcing and playing the requests.

"We received 130 pledges," said SGT Dave Stewart, station manager, "and we were able to play all requests. Some of the other AFN Europe stations became backlogged with requests and consequently were unable to play them all. Several unusual requests were received during the "Pledge-in", but the most unusual one came

from CT1 Snell. He requested one minute of silence and we were happy to give it to him."

"Several rather humorous requests were also received," continued SGT Stewart, "including the one from Captain Osmer for the song "Hair" which he dedicated to the Army."

According to SGT Stewart, the "Pledge-in" proved so successful that one is being planned for next year. The first broadcast of this type was to have been made last year, but was cancelled due to the death of President Eisenhower.

The March 21 broadcast began at 7 p.m. and ran until 5:30 the next morning.

All pledges received from Army, Navy and Marine Corps personnel were kept separate and were turned over to the CFC "keymen" of the respective services following the marathon. The keymen then contacted the individuals to set up payroll deductions or collect cash contributions.

This year's CFC keyman for the Navy was LCDR Edward G. McGrath, Second Division Officer. "This year NSGA personnel contributed \$4,486.25 to the Combined Federal Campaign," said LCDR McGrath, "which gave us an average of \$7.72 per solicited man, and topped last year's Navy contribution by \$392.35. Over \$700 of this amount was contributed as a result of the AFN Bremerhaven "Pledge-in."

Three divisions received contributions from 100 per cent of their eligible personnel (Public Works, Fourth Division and Supply Department) with Public Works being the first to complete its drive.

Fifth Division's average per man of \$12.07 was the highest of all divisions.

## Proves His Mettle



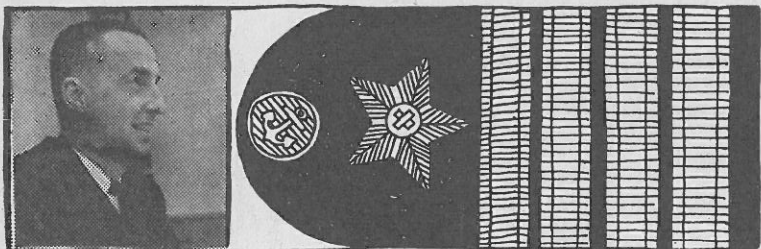
**NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL** — Rear Admiral Ralph E. Cook, Commander, Naval Security Group Command, congratulates Lieutenant Commander Cameron L. Hoover after presenting him with the Navy Achievement Medal on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy. LCDR Hoover received the award for "outstanding achievement in the superior performance of his duties from August 1966 to September 1969 while serving as the Assistant Operations Officer and, subsequently, as Operations Officer of the Naval Security Group Activity, Bremerhaven, Germany."

## Baby-Sitting Offered Free

You may be wasting money if you are not taking advantage of the free baby-sitting service being offered by area clubs and the Chapel Center. This service is available through the Child Care Center located in the rear of the U.S. Army Hospital. Children left here are supervised by trained personnel at all times and are fed snack-type lunches and dinners. The operating hours of the Center are 8 a.m. to 1 a.m., Mon.-Sat. and 4:30 p.m. to 1 a.m., on Sundays.

Consult your NCO or CPO Club manager or contact the Chapel Center in Building 228 for more information concerning this money-saving service.





## Sailor of The Month



CT1 WALTER D. ZIRIAX

CT1 Walter D. Ziriak of First Division has been selected "Sailor-Marine of the Month" for the month of April. In CT1 Ziriak's letter of selection, Captain Osmer stated in part:

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

"Since your arrival at this command in June 1968, you have become well versed in all aspects of your assigned tasks. You willingly accept responsibility and have demonstrated your ability to bring assignments to their successful completion, regardless of the amount of extra time and difficulty involved. While undertaking such duties, you have displayed a constant sense of personal responsibility for the quality of your work.

"Your pleasing personality and willingness to help others has greatly enhanced the morale of all associated with you. Through your outstanding knowledge and use of military courtesy, you have encouraged others to devote more attention to their military behavior.

"Your pride in uniform is evidenced by your always immaculate personal appearance which sets an example for juniors and seniors alike. You have shown your commendable desire to keep physically fit through your active participation in the local program conducted for this purpose.

"I commend you for 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 of the Month.' Well done!"

## DoD Form 214 Essential to Vet

WASHINGTON (AFPS)—Department of Defense Form 214 is probably the most important piece of paper a man will be handed when he leaves the military.

The DD-214 is the "Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge." To qualify for veterans benefits, a former serviceman needs the form as proof of military service.

Each man leaving the military should ensure that he receives an original copy of the form. The VA does not consider reproductions or drafts as official documents and will not accept them.

# Focus on Faith

By Chaplain Ervin D. Ingebretson

If one keeps his ear "close to the ground," he will often hear statements that are well worth contemplating. The following thought-provoking statement was heard recently: "Listen more to the things which you do not believe, because they may show you how wrong you are about the things you believe most."

It is possible that we may be so closed to new ideas and values that we resemble the one who said, "My mind is made up; don't confuse me with the facts." An open mind is a healthy mind.

There are some areas of belief and conduct that are so intensely personal that we refuse to allow any outside influence to alter them. They are finalized for us through preconceived ideas. Through our emotional filters we see and hear only what we want.

One of these areas, which people guard very jealously, is the set of personal beliefs which we commonly call our religion. A familiar retort to an inquiry regarding this subject is, "I have my own religion; it suits me when I need it." Obviously, it is tailored to fit personal desires rather than accepting God's plan for the individual.

It is not a matter of questionable sincerity, for many people consider the practice of their personally tailored religion to be wholly sincere, but one may be sincerely wrong.

The Bible presents a God-oriented faith which is intensely personal. It is subjective through a personal experience of faith and it is objective because it is centered about a person. Its value for each of us is based upon our willingness to receive God's instruction. If we close our minds, we restrict the source and power of wholesome, worthwhile religious faith. Consider Proverbs 14:12.



ROOM OF THE QUARTER — Communications Technician Second Class Frank H. Konegi of First Division enjoys some recorded music in his room which was selected as the Bachelor Enlisted "Room of the Quarter." Storekeeper Second Class Stephen R. Padgett and Communications Technician First Class David L. Snell received Honorable Mention for their rooms.

## Supply Hot Line

By SK2 Steve Hahn

Our congratulations to Bob James on his recent surprise promotion to DK2. Bob was picked in March as a result of the August exams. A review of manning requirements and the decision that more DKs were needed enabled Bob to sew on a belated crow . . . Welcome aboard SKSA Richard Buhl. Rich, who recently completed Class "A" School at Newport, R.I., will take over the job of stock records clerk in Stock Control . . . Congratulations to SK2 Steve Padgett whose room

recently received honorable mention in the "Room of the Quarter" competition . . . And, with all the congratulations going out this month, some are in order for SK3 Dale Jorgenson who surprised everyone in Supply last month. In addition to learning he is an expectant father, Dale, after many attempts, passed his Military Leadership exam for second class . . . Well, that's Supply's "hot-line" for this month . . . Remember, today is the first day of the rest of your life.



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The mass media have extensively publicized marijuana and other drugs too often, thereby creating the impression that a cure-all exists for a variety of problems of living. These substances in no way improve personality or physical functioning; nor do they enhance religious experience or increase creativity in the arts. However, it is well established that a drug abuser is very likely to suffer severe, recurring, adverse physiological and psychological effects that produce personality change and an inevitable general physical deterioration. Due in large measure to widespread, misleading publicity, coupled with a lack of popular knowledge regarding the adverse effects associated with drug abuse, a surge in drug and narcotic usage is being experienced among the young adult population.

The unauthorized use of narcotics or marijuana attacks the personal dignity of the individual and leaves a life-long stigma. In addition to the deterioration of physical and mental balance and health, it brings shame to the individual concerned and also, ironically, untold grief to loved ones as a result of the disciplinary and administrative action that normally follows.

Factual information concerning the effects of marijuana have not been able to keep pace or compete with the permissive wanton advocates so gullibly accepted by marijuana users and frequently by an indifferent public. Although cannabis sativa in its various forms (marijuana, hashish, bhang) has been used by man for centuries, it has not been the case, until present times, that factual medical and pharmacological developments have emerged. Initial evidence in continuing research projects labels marijuana as harmful to humans. Unfortunately, the people who are attracted to the marijuana form of drug abuse comprises a group of individuals complex in nature who attempt to bolster deficiencies — imagined or real — by further deterioration of their physical or mental assets through the use of cannabis.

U.S. Navy Regulations prohibit, except for authorized medical purposes, the introduction, possession, or use of narcotic substances or depressant or stimulant drugs within any naval station. They further prohibit, except for authorized medical purposes, the possession or use of narcotic substances or depressant or stimulant drugs by persons in the naval service. Article 1270 further classifies marijuana as a narcotic.

Conviction for the use or possession of marijuana under the Uniform Code of Military Justice may subject offenders to a maximum punishment of dishonorable discharge from the service, confinement at hard labor for 5 years, forfeiture of all pay and allowances and reduction to the lowest pay grade. An additional 5 years of confinement is authorized for conviction for use or possession of a habit forming narcotic drug. Violations of Article 1270, U.S. Navy Regulations, a lawful general order or regulation, and of federal law arising out of the use or possession of dangerous drugs may also subject offenders to a punishment including a dishonorable discharge and a substantial period of confinement. Administrative processing may result in an undesirable discharge.

With marijuana usage on the increase worldwide, command awareness and action is mandatory. The moral obligation to protect the Navy man requires effective training and orientation. Detection of the user and pusher requires command support.

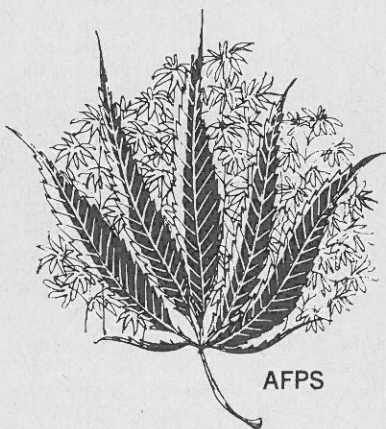
Drugs and narcotics, particularly hashish, exist in Bremerhaven and have been introduced onto the Staging Area. Every man who might consider drug usage, every officer and petty officer responsible for the performance of this command's mission and every parent should be familiar with the contents of SECNAV Instruction 6710.1A, from which the above was extracted.

### SUMMER SPORTS

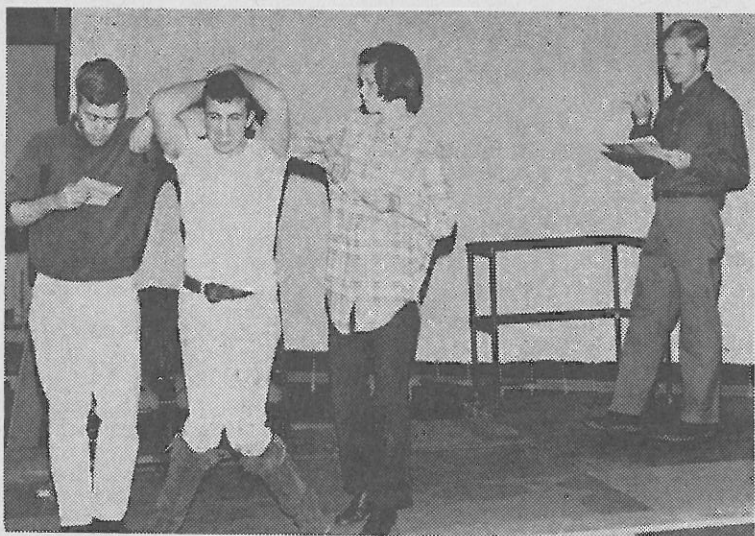
Skiing season is over, and although at least three fractures as well as an assortment of sprains and strains were suffered, I have talked to many members of the command who enjoyed a skiing leave this year. Many had skied for the first time; and they found the Ski Weeks at the Garmisch and Berchtesgaden Recreation Centers to be very enjoyable and instructive. And then there was the lucky man who had to get a leave extension since he was snowed in at Zermatt.

Although softball will be the big sport for many this summer, the golfers are chomping at the bit to take out their frustrations on the golf ball or to try again to break 100, 80, or par, whatever their dreams might be. For those who have never tried it, I recommend you take advantage of our golf facilities. The course is easy, clubs may be drawn from Special Services or rented at the course and green fees are only 75 cents per round (slightly higher on weekends) or \$6.00 per month. The course also has a driving range, practice green and snack bar.

Golf is a sport where it is a good idea to take a few lessons and a few minutes should be spent learning the rules of golf etiquette and courtesy. It is also a good sport for watch standers since it can be played any day of the week and can be enjoyed singly or by as many players as can get together. With our early summer sunrise and late sunset, day workers and watch standers alike can get a round in either before or after work.







**TROUBLED TRIO** — During rehearsal of the recent Port City Theatre production of "LUV", Harry (Second Lieutenant Ray Vrazel) assumes a distressed appearance after finding out that Ellen, his wife, is in love with her ex-husband, Milt. Ellen (Mrs. Clyde Way) and Milt (Major James Walch) are casually discussing how to dispose of Harry. Communications Technician Third Class Russ Robbins, director of the two-act comedy, looks on.

## The Big Beat

By Dave Stewart

First off, many, many thanks to all of you Navy folks for your help in making this year's CFC "Pledge-in" a complete success.

The results of last year's Listener Survey have been tabulated and in this issue of the Windjammer I would like to present them to you. In the Bremerhaven area the following types of music are what you picked as your favorites in this order:

1. Middle of the Road (easy-rock, easy-listening, popular, and commercial country and western)
2. Country and Western
3. Popular (survey sounds) (bubble gum music)
4. Blues and Soul (including hard-rock)

The preferences for all of Europe are as follows:

1. Popular
2. Blues and Soul
3. Middle-of-the-Road

## Company 'F' Roundup

By SGT D. W. Aldrich

Company "F" volleyball dominated the sports action last month. The team, consisting of MAJ Neyman, CAPT Nason, GYSgt Dunlap, GYSgt Brown, SSGT Clark, SSGT Barnes, SGT Sanchez and CPL Green, suffered only one defeat in the regular season and ended up second. The team then went on to win second place in the Port Play-offs.

Congratulations are extended to Bill Timberlake who was promoted to sergeant in ceremonies conducted by MAJ Neyman.

A welcome aboard goes out to SSGT Dietz who arrived last month with his wife and two children.

SGT Phelan departed Company "F" last month bound for Company "L" in Vietnam and several other marines received orders and will be leaving Company "F" in the near future. . . SGT Bice will be transferred to Company "D", Okinawa and CPL Marcotte will be bound for Company "C" in the Philippines. . . CPL Jackson is returning to CONUS for duty at Camp Lejeune. . . SSGT Clark will be leaving for CONUS for further transportation to Sub Unit Two, First Radio Battalion in sunny Hawaii.

4. Country and Western
5. Other

The Survey showed that the popularity of Blues and Soul is on the upswing and is surpassing the Establishment Middle-of-the-Road music. AFN has recognized this by increasing the popular Herman Griffith show to a one-hour package. The program, now heard at 11:05 a.m. weekdays, will move to 2:05 p.m. weekdays sometime during May.

In other AFN programming, the Listener Survey showed that the majority thought AFN news and sports informative and the half-hour summaries especially good. The European audience criticized the drama programs by complaining there were not enough of them. AFN has added some drama shows to the network over the past few months, and it now includes the Sunday Evening Radio Theatre. There is, however, a problem in this area in that all of these shows were produced before the era of television emerged; with the coming of the "boob tube" the radio stage era disappeared. Consequently, the network digs into its archives to present these "oldie-but-goodies" programs.

In all, the Survey was valuable to the network and we have respected our listeners' desires as a result.

No, your radio was not on the blink every Saturday and Sunday at 6:25 p.m. when it went off for exactly one minute during "Viewpoint" for the past six months, the Technical Department of AFN has been trying to find the problem and was finally able to come up with the culprit of sabotage. This annoying inconvenience is now a thing of the past.

AFN continues to receive off-duty hour requests and we appreciate your initiative. However, it is in violation of AFN Europe and EUCOM regulations to acknowledge telephonic requests. In addition, our local programming is restricted to five hours a day and the evening and early morning hours are strictly Frankfurt or Los Angeles originated programs. We'll be glad to answer any questions you may have. During duty hours call Mil 3665 and after duty, Civ 82322.

Until next month, thank you for your time; you've been most kind, my friends.

## Head Shed Report

By CTC W. M. Donner

This column from the "room at the top" is first in a series of at least one. We in Fifth Division have been mourning since our loss of status. It seems we no longer house the command's Senior Enlisted Advisor since CTCM Lloyd Byrd gave the title and responsibility to CTCM Dwight Nichols of Electronics Department. But we still defy any division to beat our average years of service per man. Our total of 104 years for eight people is an average of 13 years each. That's pretty good considering we have two new guys, CT3s Chuck Everett and Frank Giacomelli, with only two years service. Our average is bolstered considerably by three people, LT George Suthowski, CTC William Martin and CTCM Byrd, who have a total of 66 years.

With this article, I'd like to introduce a first — "The Head Shed Swap Shop." We have two items up for trade right now. First, a "just-rite" plunger can, for which we'll take almost anything. Contact CTC Walter Stein for operating instructions. Finally, we have one pair of slightly used contact lenses. Contact CT2 Roger "Six Eyes" Stiles — he likes specs.

In closing, I leave you with words from the wise Chew Chang Chong: "Contrary to popular belief, a pineapple is not pine nor apple; it is, in fact, a berry."

## COMM-ents By Fisher

This month I'm going to talk about some fish—namely suckers. In short, Chiefs Tebo and Spyker asked how CT1 Fisher's sister was doing with her dancing lessons and, upon finding out, nearly trampled their lower lips. Ask them what transpired and look out. But COMM's not the only department with fish. Seems SK1 Mock of Supply felt bad when he heard of the cat CT1 Fisher ran over and offered to pay the fine the Polizei gave Fisher.

Two men in COMM donated the song "The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly" during the CFC "Pledge-in" to Chiefs Spyker, Tebo and Johnson; they forgot to say who was which. Chief Tebo got another dedication from CT2 Jackson—"You Must Have Been A Beautiful Baby."

Congratulations CTC Johnson and wife Darlene on the birth of Jared Chris, born at 5:05 p.m. on Feb. 26 weighing 8 pounds, 13½ ounces.

**ALFA SECTION:** Congratulations CT1 Loomis and wife Jackie on the birth of Vicki Louise, born at 5 p.m. on March 4 weighing 6 pounds, 6 ounces.

**BRAVO SECTION:** CT1 Meders and CT2 Jackson were properly welcomed from Charlie Section; seems when Bravo went to the gym for PT, Charlie challenged 'em to a basketball game. Many were rusty but enjoyed the game. . .

**CHARLIE SECTION:** Most of the Section took leave last month; ST3 Miller to Italy; CT3s Niedziński and Martin to Mallorca; and CT3 McDonald to Wiesbaden to learn umpiring. . . CT2 Baldwin's getting ready to ship over and wondering how to spend his variable reenlistment bonus. . . **DELTA SECTION:** SGT Diamond seems so busy he can't find himself!

## Admin's Absurdities

By CT1 Ron Hansson

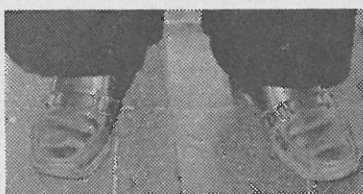
**FOTO-FLASH:** The "Poisonel" Office was just chock-full-o'-news this month. PN1 Walrath claims (and he should know, bein' Navy Wine Mess Custodian) that recently arrived CT1 Bill Kelly has a strong aversion to Bremerhaven cold. Seems he was told to take two hot toddies before bed time and two aspirin every three hours to fight the cold. Ray claims that Bill switched the prescription — takes two aspirin before bedtime, etc. O' course, there are indications that Ray takes a little nip himself once in a while. . . CT2. . . oops, I mean PN2 Chuck Weaver put in for leave in April. Chuck's wife is in the family way and "Wobbly" Walrath (who just happens to be Weaver's boss) sort of took it for granted that Chuck was planning a welcome aboard party for his prospective new family member durin' his April leave. Come to find out Mrs. Weaver isn't due until June or July or something like that. Ray insists his red face is from embarrassment and not imbibing.

**FLISH-FLASH:** Ace bingo player Pete Lafleur of ESO had a series o' magic numbers last month: 3-26-70-30-3-9-9. No, he didn't win the \$5,000,000.00 jackpot at the NCO club. Ya see, on 3-26-70 (March 26, 1970 for you non-admin types) Pete turned 30 years of youth (sounds better than age, don't it?). He also shipped for 3 with 9 years and 9 months o' service. Now if he can find a bingo card with just those numbers on it. . .

**HASH-FLASH:** Bein' in "the Group," I know that a lot of our cohorts in arms are sorta like "citizen sailors," but I wasn't aware of how "citizen" these sailors actually are until I heard about a certain non-CT type the other day. Now we aren't mentioning any names, but it seems this lad got up a little late on a recent morning; whippity-snip, he got dressed and roared on in just about in time to make Quarters. After listening to all the hot skinny and all, he went on to work and discovered he was a style setter. Seems he had put on his "civvy" shoes instead of the Navy issue ones.

**FINAL FLASH:** Our trusty

comic book hero type, ARF-COSMAN, (otherwise known as "Navy Specialist" Jim Clark of "Eve Watch" fame) has won another battle in the fight against whatever it is that he's fightin' against. It seems that a slightly tipsy Jim was listenin' to the AFN "Pledge-in" last month and decided (with a little coachin') to dedicate a song. Heard soon after was Dave Stewart announcin' a dedication to Captain Osmer as performed by the Chad Mitchell Trio. The title. . . "Super Skier" . . . and if you think I'm gonna end this nonsense by sayin' "That's Absurd," . . . well, as Seaman George (Wilks that is) of Personnel would say, "Yup!" (Editor's Note: . . . That's absurd!)



**STYLE SETTER** — One of NSGA's "Citizen" sailors.

## 'Bad Trip'

By CTC W. H. Mackey

Forty-five men of Alfa Section returned a while back from what could be called a "bad trip" to Bad Harzburg. However, after two days of skiing, few casualties were suffered.

Two unlucky ones were CT1 Vince Donnelly and CT2 Vern Weaver. CT1 Donnelly was a temporary resident of a Frankfurt hospital as he recovered from that "last big turn." CT2 Weaver, with cast on leg, said he regretted not getting a ride in the snowmobile. He had a consolation though — a nice lady who carried his skis down the mountain for him.

We heard of various quotes from the trip, such as: "Look out, Lady!; "OW! I can't get up!"; etc., etc.

To say the least, it was a memorable trip and we're looking forward to our next outing. Meanwhile, all hands are invited to look over the Alfa Section scrapbook in Building Two.



**NAVY ENLISTED WIVES** — The newly-elected officers of the Navy Enlisted Wives' Club are (L-R) Mrs. Terry Bachmann (president); Mrs. Gerald Rebeck (vice president); Mrs. Roger Swain (secretary); and Mrs. Harry Fuller (treasurer). The four were installed into office by Captain James W. Osmer, Jr. (far left) at ceremonies conducted during a buffet dinner at the Army Officers' Club last month. Honored guests at the dinner were Mrs. James Osmer, the Club's sponsor, Chaplain Ingebreton and CT2 and Mrs. Clyde Way. Mrs. Way, the outgoing president, presided over the candle ceremony.





There I was, lying in my Coke bottle, trying to recuperate from a Bravo Section "prayer meeting," when Chief Bachmann popped into the head and began rolling my bottle around. After listening to Big Anita expound, although not fully comprehending what she was driving at, this early morning "roll 'em out" bit was just too much. While breathing heavily over my bottle, Terry was shouting something about a "recall." Still a bit sleepy, I pokes my head out and says, "Tell 'em to call back; I can't get my head out of the bottle." Angrily spinning my bottle, he shouts, "COME ON CHARLIE! DRAG YOURSELF OUT OF THAT BOTTLE! IT'S AN OFFICIAL RECALL!"

Scratching my head, I drags out my list of people to call: "Let's see, Glass-eye Frieda, Downtown Ingrid, Tennis Shoe Helen, Big Anita . . . oops! Wrong list . . . Oh, here it is; I have to call . . . Hey Chief, they didn't give me a list of anybody to call. What's up?" "You call CT1 Neuman and CTC2 Pearce," replies Terry. "O.K." I sez, "I got some good names to call Neuman. Used a lot of 'em during the basketball games. How does 'meathead' sound, Chief?" "No, Charlie," sez he, "you don't get the point. You call 'em on the telephone. Now drag your carcass out of that bottle; up and at 'em."

Hummph! He sounds like that guy I met last month with the salty talk. "Up and at 'em" indeed. Next thing you know we'll be in leggin's. Struggling out of the door, I sees this red streak flashing back and forth with great streams of water trailing behind. I grabs my camera and tries to snap a picture, but it's too fast for me. "Hey Chief!" I holler, "What the heck was that, an aurora borealis? You know, I seen one of them once in Adak." "No, Charlie," he says, "that's LCDR Crane, I think. He's really movin' them out isn't he?" Grinning, I replied, "That's better than movin' 'em up, wouldn't you say?"

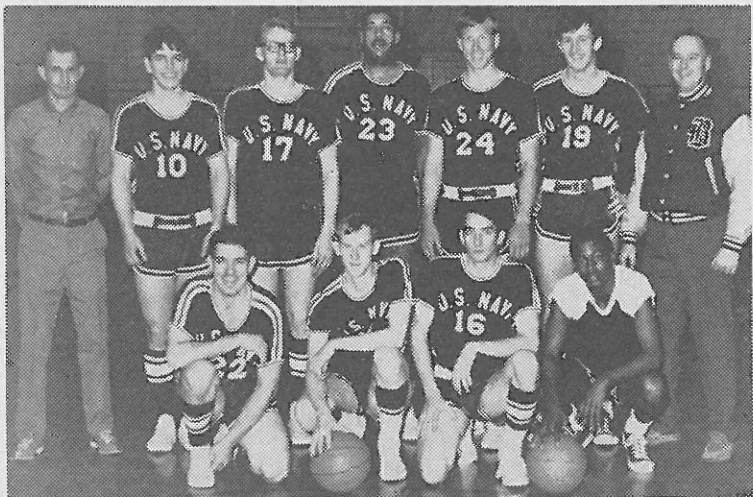
Well, I let Neuman's phone ring some three thousand times and all I get on the other end is "ZZZZZZZZ." "Guess I'll forget about him," I think, "and try Chief Pearce." Someone answers and I say, "Hello . . . Hello, is this Chief Pearce?" There's a pause and then " . . . Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kipper, Al Gurshne, Hammurabi dollar ninety-eight." "Is this Chief Pearce?" I ask again, not understanding the strange language. The voice replies "Agudath Jacob, plosni such a deal I got for you!" Not understanding any of this, I shouts "RECALL!" and hangs up.

Completing my part of this recall, I stands back to watch. I'm passed several million times by the "red streak" and within an hour the spaces are crowded by all these people I've never laid eyes on. I gets a hold of Chief Bachmann and asks "Who are all these people?" "Day Workers, I suppose," he replies, "It's so seldom you see them; I'm not sure." Just then, from high on the second deck, I hear this strange musical chord ringing out through the building. "My gosh! What kind of warning signal is that?" I ask. Terry grins, "That's no warning signal; that's 'Wirey' Leonard. He's been selected to participate in the "Sing-in" they're having in Berchtesgaden; He's using very spare moment to practice."

For the rest of the mornin' people staggered in and out askin' who called who, where was Joe Doe and how come the skipper was called by every officer in the command (guess they didn't want him to miss the fun). The XO would've made it, but he accidentally got stuck in his VW bus and no one would lettin out. LCDR McGrath would've made it too, but the OP's officer's big Chrysler sucked up Mr. McGrath's little BMW into its exhaust and neither of 'em made it. GS "21" Jake Sheerin called in from a German phone booth and reported that his car wouldn't make it past the Jagerhof. Chief Byrd and Chief Nichols didn't make it since they couldn't figure out which was senior — they had a checkmate at the Main Gate. Chief Crosslin was in charge of the Second Division recall since Chief Martin dropped a bowling ball on his foot while dressing (he wasn't taking any chances on missing the Berlin trip). Chief Crosslin was here because he was here the night before the morning he arrived . . . uh yeah.

And so it went; recall — to me it was more like a relapse. See you next year when they have it again. I'm going to bring a three-dimensional camera though; it's too good to miss!

## The Buccaneers



**THE NSGA BUCCANEERS** (Left) journeyed to Denmark this month to promote international basketball. The team members are (standing L-R) Ron Hogsed (assistant coach), Charles Leach, James Sampson, James Barnes, Charles Hoglin, Don McNulty, Captain Gilbert Nason (coach); (front row L-R) Douglas Katzenbarger, Vern Wells, Darrell Libby, and Joseph Williams. Absent from the photo are Gaylyn Teeters and Bryan Campbell.

## Big Four Grapevine

By AG1 J. R. Brown

On a recent Thursday afternoon I was shocked to notice most of the day workers in the office and thought "No Captain's Cup bowling today?" No, it's all over, but the Grapevine heard the Day-ladies just began writing bylaws for an invitational tiddly-winks tournament.

Not much happened in March except for the new coats of "Hoover" blue that went around the spaces. A welcome aboard goes to SGT Mike Durnavich and CTSN Paul Talafaro. And then there were the lucky ones who departed beautiful Bremerhaven; CT1 Walt Guill to Ft. Meade, Md; CT2 Ray Rydzewski will be there with "Wart"; and CT2 Rodney Powell is leaving the "NAV."

Good news for the chaplain! Rumor is CT1 Ken "J.R." McQuade spent a month praying for early orders. When I asked him, all he'd say was "Ask and ye shall receive." Just watch Fourth Division's increased church attendance.

Well, that wraps it up except for a retraction—MSGT Eagan says he's not old and can't help the way he looks.



## Sports Shorts

By BM1 Ron Hogsed

The '69-'70 Captain's Cup competition has ended with the Day Workers repeating last year's performance by winning the title. The '70-'71 competition commences with softball and you all have the opportunity to support the teams of your choice in a "brand new ball game." Now is the time to bring new ideas to the command's attention by contacting your sectional representative of the Athletic Council.

After some controversy, the Officers and Chiefs bowling team (No. 1) emerged as winners of the bowling portion of the Captain's Cup. Runners-up were Day Workers (No. 1), Delta Section (No. 1) and Charlie Section (No. 1), in that order.

Volleyball gave the Day Workers the Captain's Cup this year and the Navy and Marine Corps teams were not beaten by any of the three Army teams. At the end of play-offs, the top three teams were Day Workers, Company "F" and Bravo Section, in that order.

The NSGA "Buccaneers" basketball team journeyed to Denmark early this month to promote international basketball in Danish cities not having teams. They are doing this at the request of various regional basketball associations.

# Smiling Ho Chi Grin Tests Duo's POW-er

By Robert Shirlington

### CHAPTER THREE

We rejoin our dynamic duo trapped in a magnetic field while Electrocutionman and Tool-Napper look on in glee. "Shades of Ohm's Law," exclaims Boy Blunder, "How will we escape this mess, Matman?"

"If our ally, Super-Roach hadn't fallen in love with a dandelion on the Quadrangle and lost his clearance," replies Matman, "we could summon him on our emergency call generator. There may still be a way though, Blunder. You remember I once told you to keep aware of technological advances? During the winter, I added a 9 cycles per hour (cph) generator with reverse polarity switch to our utility belts. Since the earth's magnetic field oscillates at exactly 9 cph, we simply turn our generators on and, with you acting as a north pole and I as the south, we walk in opposite directions until we break the magnetic flux lines. The flux lines then become a heap of oozing gauss and are permanently disabled. Just like this and . . . there! We are out."

Now free, our heroes turn their attentions to their nasty nemeses who are still rolling on the floor in uncontrollable mirth as their criminal careers rapidly career to an end. "Pow!" Biff! SOCKO!" . . . after a quick surrender, the villains are hauled off to jail.

Relaxing again in their secret Matcave, high above beautiful downtown Bremerhaven, Boy Blunder notices something through the cave entrance. "Holy horseradish mustard, Matman! Look at that golden dollar sign reflected on the northern clouds! What can that mean?" "Elementary, my dear Blunder," replies Matman, "The I.I.S. is in trouble." "What, oh enlightened one, is the I.I.S.?" queries Boy Blunder.

"Ician Ideological Surfers (retired)," answers Matman. "You see, Blunder, long ago an assemblage of old surfers from East Blanenfozzel, Pago Pago were caught up in a big wave while surfing. They ended up exhausted, but still alive, on the Weser Dike. Since they knew no trade other than laundrying, that was the endeavor they pursued. They proved successful at it too, until now. But come, tarry not. Let's find out what aid we can offer."

Arriving on the scene several hours later, (the Matmobile lacked a current inspection decal and was held up at the main gate) our heroes talk with Willie Lipservice, manager of the I.I.S. Laundry. "What's up Willie?" asks Matman. "It seems," replies Willie, "that many of our dungaree shirts are coming back from our jobber company with broken buttons and ripped sleeves and our customers are losing confidence in us. In short, our good reputation is at stake." "Fear not," says Matman in departing, "I'm sure we'll get to the bottom of this."

So, in their recently computerized Matmobile (so you can tell it where to go) our dynamic duo streaks off in search of clues. "I think we should pay a visit to Ho Chi Grin, the I.I.S. jobber," says Matman, "but we must do it clandestinely to avoid tipping our hand."

We now find the Matman and

Boy Blunder, disguised as coolies, looking in the basement window of Ho Chi Grin's Luxury Laundry. "Gosh, Matman!" says Boy Blunder, "everything looks on the up and up in the basement; just like any other laundry." "Yes," replies Matman, "but notice. Not one dungaree shirt is being processed on this floor of the laundry. They are all being carried down to a lower floor where, drat the luck, we can't see what's going on. Let's see how good these disguises are."

So, our clandestine coolies enter the basement with large armloads of laundry and find a trap door leading to the lower floor. Below the basement they discover an entirely different operation in progress. Four out of every five dungaree shirts are laundered normally, while the remaining ones receive "special treatment." "Look, Matman!" exclaims Boy Blunder, "The separated shirts are laundered and then go into a right sleeve ripper, a button crusher and then into a plastic bag with the four good shirts. But why?"

"Perhaps I can answer your question," says a voice with a heavy Oriental accent, "Turn around slowly and I shall explain it to you."

Turning around, our heroes find themselves face to face with Ho Chi Grin and his henchmen. "You see," continues Ho, "What you learn now doesn't matter, since you will shortly be disposed of in a very 'ironic' manner. In short, my recently departed Asian uncle made me promise on his deathbed to continue to undermine the American Forces as he did. Through my operations here, I am attacking the Navy's morale. The morale is further lessened when the sailors show up on watch and get chewed out for their ragged appearance. And now wait until you see what awaits you, you do-gooders Har! har!"

What does await our caped crusaders? Will Ho Chi Grin and his henchmen lynch our heroes? These questions will be answered in the next exciting episode of "Matman and Boy Blunder."



**MISS APRIL WINDJAMMER—** Pretty Linda Forsythe reminds us that warmer weather is on the way to Bremerhaven . . . sometime.

(Photo courtesy Playboy)