



Ships Have Shoot-Out

NSGA Pistol Team Hosts Minesweepers

The NSGA Bremerhaven Pistol Team recently hosted an international style pistol match for crew members of two minesweepers that visited the Port City. The USS Dash (MSO-428) and the USS Direct (MSL-430) each had two four-man teams competing in the match held last month at the Speckenbuettel Schutzenhaus.

These two ships, along with minesweepers USS Detector and USS Dominant, make up Mine Division 43 which is homeported in Charleston, S.C. The Division, under the command of Commander Thomas H. Wood, was in port July 25-28 for a routine visit.

The match, organized by CT1 Gerald B. Quigley of

NSGA, consisted of a 150 point slow-fire course and a 150 point rapid-fire course, each at a distance of 25 meters. "The visiting teams," said CT1 Quigley, "were particularly impressed with the rapid-fire course. This course features electronically operated targets which face the shooter for only four seconds per shot."

The USS Direct teams finished with the high total

score of 1,109 while the USS Dash teams scored a total of 1,095 points.

To commemorate their visit here, both ships received a station plaque of NSGA Bremerhaven.

NSGA personnel who helped to coordinate the match were CTCM Lloyd K. Byrd, CT1 Harold C. Pritchett, CT1 John I. Bragdon and CT3 Steven B. Payne. Also participating was John A. Bertolini, formerly of NSGA.



MINESWEEPERS—Pistol teams from the USS Dash (MSO-428) and the USS Direct (MSO-430) recently competed in a pistol match hosted by the NSGA Bremerhaven Pistol Team. The ships are part of Mine Division 43 which was in port July 25-28. One of the teams is shown here (bottom photo) during the slow-fire competition.



MSTS Changes Its Name

BREMERHAVEN (COMSCELM) — Military Sea Transportation Service became Military Sealift Command (MSC) on Aug. 1. Approval of the change of name for the U.S. Navy command, which has responsibility for providing sea transportation support for all elements of Department of Defense, was given by Deputy Secretary of Defense David Packard.

Present commander of MSC is Vice Admiral Arthur R. Gralla. In recommending the change — which was endorsed by Secretary of the Navy John Chafee — the admiral said that Military Sealift Command was a title which better depicts the mission and roles of the global Navy command.

He said the term "sealift" is widely used by those involved in planning for national security and has a common connotation. "Airlift and sealift," he

said, "are the two basic sources of global mobility for our Armed Forces and they operate as a team in moving and supporting Defense forces worldwide."

Captain G. W. Rahill, USN, commander of Military Sea Transportation Service, Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean, stated that his title has been changed to Commander, Military Sealift Command, Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean (COMSCELM). His sub-area commander in Leghorn, Italy and the offices in Rotterdam and London have been similarly renamed.

Change of the MSTS title to Military Sealift Command did not require a vast number of follow-up actions since the command operates no bases and its ships do not carry the command title on their bows or stacks and since no organizational changes will be made.

6 NSGA Sailors Receive \$53,000 For Reenlisting

Six NSGA Bremerhaven petty officers received over \$53,000 last month upon reenlisting for periods ranging from four to six years. This amount included reenlistment bonuses, variable reenlistment bonuses, and mileage and unused leave payments. In addition to receiving a monetary payment, four of the men received guaranteed duty assignments as an added incentive for reenlisting.

The six men and the number of years for which they reenlisted are: CT2 Roger Brown (6 years); CT2 Ronald Dunlop (6 years); CT2 Michael Purtymun (5 years); CT2 Wayne Seely (5 years); CT3 Joseph Domalavage (5 years); and CT2 Edward Ball (4 years).

Petty officers Brown, Dunlop, Purtymun, Domalavage and Ball are members of the Electronics Department, while petty officer Seely is a member of Second Division.

AFN Marks 25th Birthday

AFN Bremerhaven marked its 25th anniversary last month by airing a special 55-minute show which traced the station's history from July 28, 1945.

According to Staff Sergeant Dave Stewart, station manager, the station began operating in Bremen and remained there until the summer of 1949 at which time they made their move to Bremerhaven. "The station signed off the air in Bremen at 1:00 a.m.," said SSgt Stewart, "and five hours later it signed back on with 'This is AFN Bremerhaven.'"

Since its move to Bremerhaven the station has been managed by Army personnel. However, it once had a Navy manager, Lieutenant Donald McKeon, who managed the station in 1947.

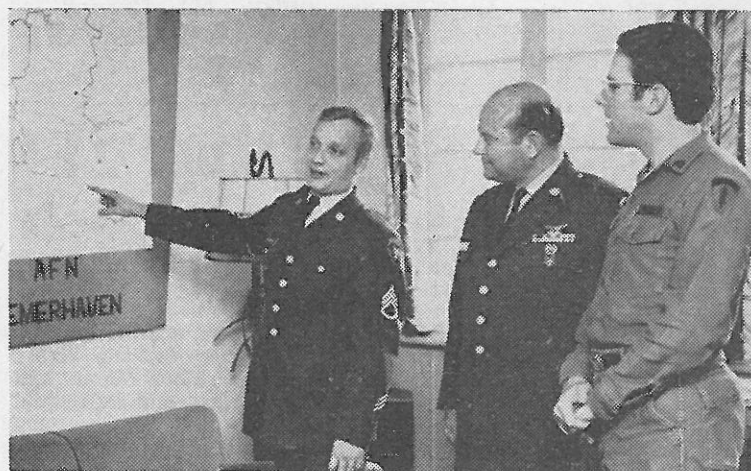
"During our commemorative broadcast," said SSgt Stewart, "we tried to present not only a history of the station, but also a history of radio trends in general." The show carried excerpts of old radio melodramas

and comedies as well as a chronology of music of the late 1940s and the 1950s. "The biggest boost that radio ever received," continued SSgt Stewart, "came with the arrival of Rock and Roll in the mid-'50s."

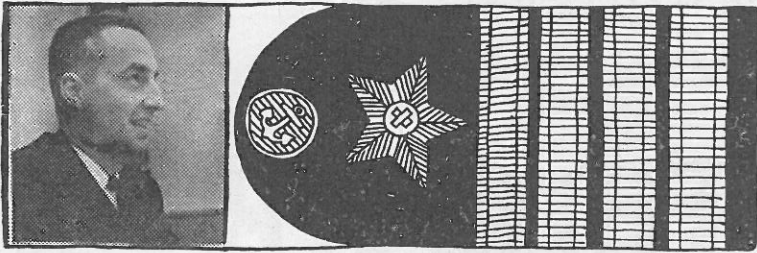
In 1969, AFN Bremerhaven began its first radio show to be produced and staffed by Navy personnel — "The Eve Watch." The Monday night broadcast is still going strong and is hosted by CT3 Jim Clark of "A" Division.

Of the 24-hour daily broadcast schedule, about 30 hours per week originates from AFN Bremerhaven. All other programs are transmitted by the AFN Frankfurt headquarters or by other stations in the network.

Despite the fact that it is the smallest station in the AFN Europe chain, AFN Bremerhaven continually receives reception reports from all of Northern Germany, the Scandinavian countries and Holland.



25 YEARS OF SERVICE—Staff Sergeant Dave Stewart, station manager of AFN Bremerhaven, indicates areas of possible expansion of FM facilities of the American Forces Network in Europe. Looking on are Staff Sergeant Vic Sage (center) and Specialist 5 Mark Winship. AFN Bremerhaven celebrated its 25th anniversary of service to Northern Germany on July 28. (U.S. ARMY PHOTO)



Special Services has drawn up a schedule of tours for the next year. Some new destinations have been added and the tours are (on the average) somewhat longer, since a frequent comment from past trips has been that they were too short. Noticeably missing are "break" tours for the watchstanders; however, we want the watch sections to be able to make short tours and Special Services will schedule them according to the watchstanders' desires. Charlie Section has already come in with their request for a specific date for the Oktoberfest and the reservations are made, while Alfa has just returned from a tour along the Rhine.

Education

Shorter, colder, wetter fall and winter days are just around the corner and the Army Education Center is gearing up for the fall term. As you will read elsewhere in this issue, Chief Moquin has been transferred to the Educational Services Office with a desk right in the Army Education Center. His goal is to make the Education Center more responsive to your needs; to make you aware of the Center's offerings; and to simplify the procedures for registration. And, if you feel you cannot be tied down by a classroom schedule, do not forget the very extensive USAFI offerings of college level courses.

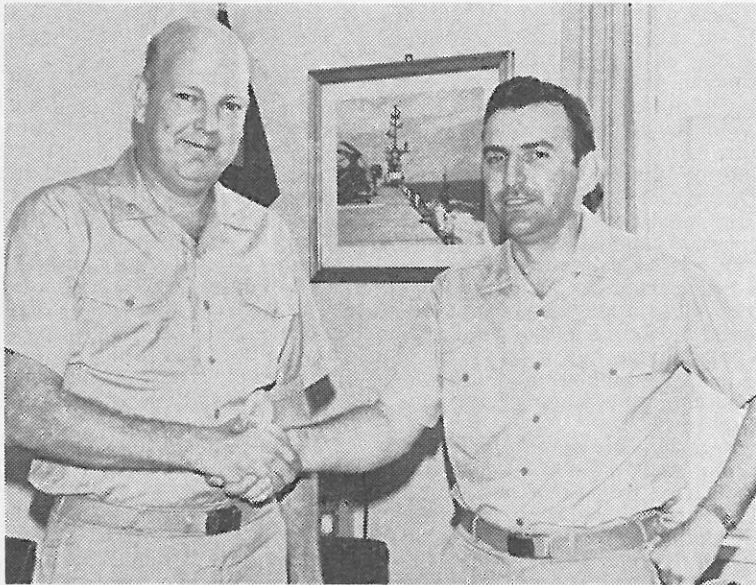
Sportsmanship

The command has an extensive sports program for your enjoyment. One feature of the program should be sportsmanship. Too often, however, sportsmanship is lacking on the teams and sometimes in the stands. Otherwise fine NSGA teams have lost games and even tournaments because their reaction to an actual or imagined bad call by a referee was a childish temper tantrum. The referees do make some bad calls, but not so many as you would think. But they make them against all teams—no one team is singled out. Teams should play hard and play to win, but they should play also to have fun. However, winner or not, be sure you can lay claim to the title of "sportsman."

Charlie's Travels

As you may gather from Al Jeers' article in this issue, Charlie Roach made a visit to the Army Mess Hall last month and reported on his trip in the Windjammer. The article was "squashed" (better the article, than Charlie) since his visit had already done enough to set back the mess hall's reputation.

I first learned of the visit while going through the meal reports submitted at the quarterdeck. One first class petty officer wrote a monograph on mess hall sanitary conditions as the result of sighting a solitary cockroach in the chow line. Little did we know that it was just Charlie out sampling the Army's food!



NEW ADMIN OFFICER—Lieutenant Commander Guy Keenum (left), NSGA's new Administrative Officer, bids farewell to Lieutenant William Westcoat who departed Bremerhaven last month for Washington, D.C.

Volksfest Begins Aug. 21

The annual German-American Volksfest that opens Aug. 21 at Phillips Field is expected to draw a quarter million visitors during its 10-day operation.

Three major events are to be combined in this AYA fundraising carnival: The ninth German-American Volksfest, the 118th annual Bremerhaven Freimarkt (carnival) and the 22nd annual Bremerhaven Shooters Guild torchlight parade.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony at 2:00 p.m. Aug. 21, conducted by Colonel Robert J. McKay, Commanding Officer, U.S. Forces Support District (Prov) and Bremerhaven's Lord

Mayor Bodo Selge, will officially open the Volksfest.

Events to be featured in Bremerhaven's largest show will include a full-scale carnival, music and entertainment by military bands, an "Old West" village and saloon, beat and western combos and individual performers.

Before the Volksfest ends Aug. 30, visitors will have been treated to a torchlight parade, Heeresmusikcorps 11 of Bremerhaven, square dancing demonstration by the Port Promenaders, the crowning ceremony of the new German and American rifle king and queen at the carnival tent and a massive fireworks display.

Sailor Of The Month



CT1 Kenneth R. McColly

CT1 Kenneth R. McColly of Second Division has been selected "Sailor of the Month" for the month of August. In CT1 McColly'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 August 1970.

"Since your arrival at this command in April 1969, you have displayed exceptional professional ability, motivation and initiative. Your ability for effective planning and organization indicate considerable leadership potential. This potential is further attested by your ability to make quick and accurate decisions.

"Your awareness of the need for improved working conditions is evidenced by your participation in the Navy's Beneficial Suggestion program, in which you received a \$50.00 cash award for your contribution in improving the Security Group Standard Subject Classification System.

"In addition to your professional accomplishments, your contribution to the betterment of German-American relations is most noteworthy. As a member and officer of the local Masonic Lodge, you have made frequent visits to German lodges and associated extensively with their members. Also noteworthy is your active participation in the local Toastmasters Club which is a combined German-American club.

"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!"

NOW Club Meeting

Mrs. G. Suthowski and Mrs. W. Westcoat were bade farewell at the July NOWC coffee, while Mrs. G. Keenum was welcomed.

Mrs. Eleanor Henson also attended as a guest of Mrs. E. Ingebretson.

Doorprizes were won by Mrs. G. Nason and Mrs. D. McMunn.

Hostesses for the coffee were Mrs. D. Hands and Mrs. D. Meyer.

Focus on Faith

By Chaplain Ervin D. Ingebretson

Of all the reasons given for objecting to the organized establishment of religion—the Church, the number expressing fear of being hypocritical far exceeds all others. The frequency with which this excuse is used indicates how easily the motive behind church-going may be misunderstood, or, how difficult it is to prove that the individual really believes what he says and does.

The word 'hypocrite' comes from a Greek word meaning an actor or pretender. Hypocrisy is the act of playing a part; of assuming a false appearance of goodness. The word especially relates to religious life or belief—any system which subscribes to strong moral and spiritual guidelines. Many persons who say they are not religious sometimes add, "At least I'm not a hypocrite. I don't pretend to be pious."

Any organization, including the Church, must depend upon people for its success and must attribute its failure to their weakness. In spite of human frailty, the Church is God's instrument for promoting His will and His way to all. Its intended purpose should receive the most whole hearted genuine support. If one excuses his responsibility of participation and support on the basis of abstaining from hypocrisy, he may be projecting his own weakness to others.

The truth is that the Church does not consist of perfect people but of imperfect people seeking a more meaningful life—not all are hypocrites. Fear of hypocrisy is an illegitimate excuse and may be your humanly devised shield keeping you from God.

Radio City Curtain Call

The Port City Theatre, under the guidance of Entertainment Director Miss Hazel Burnett, will present "Spoon River Anthology" at 8:00 p.m. on Sept. 4-6 and 10-12.

The play, written by Edgar Lee Masters, consists of 76 monologues and is intended to show the audience "the real meaning of a full life."

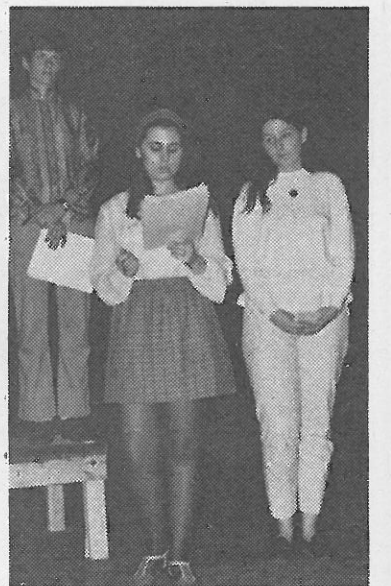
"Spoon River Anthology" is directed by CT3 Russ Robbins of First Division who has also directed several previous productions. Of the cast of 20 players, 17 are either Navy personnel or dependents.

Although there is no charge for admission, reservations are required for all performances due to the fact that the plays usually draw capacity crowds. Reservations may be made by calling the Port City Theatre at Mil. 3714 between 1 and 5 p.m. The opening date for acceptance of reservations is Aug. 21.

The next production, "Any Wednesday," is scheduled for late October. Tryouts for this play will begin Sept. 7 and run through Sept. 9.

The theater group utilizes amateur talent; military personnel, dependents or local na-

tionals may participate. An average of six plays a year are produced by the group.



"SPOON RIVER ANTHOLOGY"—Cast members of the latest Port City Theatre production, "Spoon River Anthology," rehearse their parts. The players are (L-R) Mrs. George S. Leaf, Mrs. John R. Turner and Mrs. Thomas M. Robinson.



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Campus Capsule

By CTCS B. P. Moquin

In this and future articles, I hope to give the reader an insight into the internal workings of the Army Education Center and details of the various programs offered.

The offering of a wide range of college courses at Bremerhaven requires a relatively large cadre of part-time instructors. By part-time instructors I mean local military, dependent or civilian personnel who hold a full-time job other than teaching and who teach part-time in the evenings for the University of Maryland. Presently there are six local part-time instructors — an obvious shortage.

Coupled with the shortage of part-time instructors is the problem of meeting the requirements necessary to obtain full-time instructors.

The university requires two classes of 18 or more students each per term and notification one month in advance of the start of the term that these requirements have been met. Such requirements tax a relatively small command and point up the need for early and obligatory enrollment.

Another problem facing NSGA personnel is the fact that a large percentage of you are watch standers. The watch stander must, during each term, miss four classes — the maximum allowed by the university — unless he provides a stand-by for his watch or for time-off. The problem is, at present, unsolved. However, beginning with Term I, a new class schedule has been instituted in order to allow more time between class meetings. Classes are scheduled to meet Mondays and Thursdays, Tuesdays and Fridays and, if need be, Wednesdays and Saturdays. This allows two days between classes rather than a single day which was the previous policy.

The following courses are being offered for Term I (Sept. 7-Oct. 30):

English I — Composition: Rhetoric, grammar, and the mechanics of writing. Frequent themes. Analysis of expository prose.

German I — Elementary German: Development of language skills; understanding, speaking, reading and writing based on language structure.

Mathematics 10 — Introduction to mathematics: Logic, set theory, probability, sequences, sums, algebraic functions and their geometric representation, linear equations, vectors and matrices. A diagnostic test is required prior to enrollment.

History 22 — History of the United States since 1865: A survey of economic, social, intellectual and political development since the Civil War.

Psychology 005 — Personality and Adjustment: The psychology of human personality and adjustment presented with a view toward increasing self-understanding and developing an appreciation of the mental health movement and each individual's stake in mental health.

Psychology 161 — Industrial Psychology: An introduction to such technical problems as personnel selection, interviewing, morale, supervision and management, and human relations in industry.

Business Administration 180 — Business Law: Legal aspects of business relationships, contracts, negotiable instruments, agency, partnerships, corporations, real and personal property and sales.

Government and Politics 102 — International Law: A study of the basic character, general principles and specific rules of international law, with emphasis on recent trends in the field and on its relation to other aspects of international affairs.

Tuition for University of Maryland courses has been increased from \$60.00 to \$66.00 for a three-semester-hour course. Through the Tuition Aid program, the government pays \$49.50 and the student \$16.50. For initial enrollees, a matriculation fee of \$10.00 is also charged. Registration for Term I must be completed by Sept. 7.



FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION—The Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) conducted its installation of newly-elected officers July 22 at the Strandhalle restaurant in Bremerhaven. Shown taking their oath of office are (standing L-R) DK1 Robert E. Blair (president); SSgt James S. Gooder (hidden from camera) (second vice president); DK1 Albert W. Peter Jr. (treasurer); PN2 Charles A. Weaver (member of board of governors); SK2 John T. Murray (vice president); CT2 Douglas C. Katzenbarger (secretary); CT1 George C. Fisher (member of board of governors); CTC Leroy L. Reinitz (member of board of governors); and CTC William M. Donner (member of board of governors). (Photo by CT1 Robert F. Fritsch)

Company F Round-Up

By Sgt D. W. Aldrich

"All good things must come to an end," said Major Neyman when he received word from Marine Corp Headquarters that he will soon be relieved as the Company "F" Commanding Officer by Major Finlend. The Company's new CO is scheduled to arrive this fall.

Congratulations to MSgt Ellis who was promoted to his present rank and received orders to the Second Radio Battalion, Camp Lejeune both in the same month. Oh well, win one and lose one, right "Top"

Departing Company "F" with MSgt Ellis to Camp Lejeune is GySgt Barnes. Sgt Barr will soon depart for First Radio Battalion, Vietnam.

New arrivals to the Company last month included GySgt Rohr, SSgt Boyajian and SSgt Duran all of whom arrived from Southeast Asia; LCpl Casper arrived from the Language School in California. Two small additions to the Company are SSgt and Mrs. Rollins' new baby girl and Sgt and Mrs. Barrs' new baby boy.

On the softball scene last month, Company "F" beat the Day Workers, Charlie Section and an Army team and bowed only to Bravo Section and Todendorf.

Supply Hotline

By SK3 Mike Hayes

On Aug. 11, SK2 Steve Hahn, the former author of this column, departed beautiful sunny Bremerhaven and the NSGA Supply Department. After taking some well-earned leave in the United States, Steve will proceed to "Gitmo," his next duty station.

Quite a few beards were seen getting started around Supply recently but they have since vacated the premises. Oh well, maybe next year.

SK1 Dushan (yes, that's his real name) Riley recently returned from a month's leave in the United States. Seems his leave was a little too short.

SK2 Steve Padgett and DK1 Al Peter played a round of golf recently. Well, almost a round; actually they played seven holes. The next day SK2 Padgett was heard mumbling something about running out of golf balls.

Well, that about wraps up the Hotline for this month. See you in September.

Where's Charlie?

By Al Jeers

Plodding through another barracks watch last week, I was busily keeping count of the missing keys at the watchclock stations when I noticed a strange squeaking noise coming from an empty coke bottle. Sensing action, I rushed over to investigate. That sure was careless of the Boat's Force to leave such a fire hazard lying around.

Thinking only of the safety of my shipmates, I grabbed the deadly bottle and was about to dispose of it when the bottle said, "Hey, who's rocking the boat? Put me down."

Astonished, I looked inside and saw a good-sized bug shaking his fist at me. I immediately recognized him as the famous Charlie Roach, ex-star reporter of the Bremerhaven Windjammer.

"Gee, sorry Charlie," I apologized. "Didn't know you were in there. By the way, where have you been lately?"

"I've been sick," he said weakly. "My whole life has been ruined. I'll never be the same again."

The poor guy did look pretty bad. He'd lost some weight since I'd last seen him, and he had a couple of mean circles under each eye. Seeing as how I had a few minutes until my next time clock hit, I asked him about it.

"Well it all started last month," he began. "As you know, I once had a flourishing job as a reporter for the Windjammer. Every month I'd roam around the Staging Area picking up stray bits of hot skinny and writing editorials, hoping maybe I could help to improve a few things. I reported on minor discrepancies and, if nothing was done about them, at least I provided a couple of laughs."

"Sure, I remember; then what?"

"Just as things were going great, they turned down one of my stories, right out of the clear blue sky." He sniffed and I thought he was going to start crying again.

'Cute Bedbug'

"I was all set up," he continued. "I had planned to marry this cute little bedbug who lives in Building 10, buy a brand new Roachmobile, and maybe even find a better coke bottle to make our home. I was really going to start living right. Then I made my fatal mistake."

"What was that," I asked breathlessly.

"Writing an article about the Army."

"You what? What's wrong with that?"

"Nothing as far as I could see, but you know how the Navy is; always wanting to promote good relations with our friends and allies."

"So what did you write that was so terrible," I wondered.

"I said that I didn't like the way they kept their empty coke bottles stacked up. They look like a housing development that has seen better days. I think those bottles need urban renewal fast before its too late."

Choking down the desire to ask Charlie if he ever ate there, I began to understand his plight more clearly. A guy writes what he thinks and is censored because he stepped on someone's toes. Charlie wasn't the first and he won't be the last. What's the First Amendment for anyhow? Maybe he should have submitted his article to another paper. Someone would have printed it.

Charlie broke into my thoughts. "Now I'm out of a job, my health is failing, and I've worried so much all my hair has fallen out." Charlie looked at his reflection in the glass. "By the way, Al, how do you like my toupee," he asked.

"It looks ace," I assured him. Charlie can be a pretty vain guy when he wants to.

'Mild Brainstorm'

Then I got a mild brainstorm, which hurt a lot seeing as how I'm not used to such things. "Tell you what Charlie, I'll write an article for you this month and let you have a few sugar cubes to tide you over. I'll tell the public the whole sad story of your downfall. Of course, I won't say anything to antagonize the Army or even the Navy, and it'll get printed for sure. Then your fans will know what happened and clamor for your return. What do you say to that?"

Ol' Charlie brightened up immediately. "Would you really, Al? That'd be great. I'd sure appreciate it. I wonder what that cute little bedbug is doing tomorrow. I think I'll drop by in my new car. Tell me, is my toupee on straight?"

I left the cackling Charlie to his pleasant dreams. After all, I did have a watch to finish. Maybe Charlie'll be around next month to tell us about his new lease on life. I sure hope so.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER'S COMMENT: The "Roach Approach," familiar to millions around the world, came to Bremerhaven with the Windjammer's first issue in December 1968. Since then, Charlie Roach has satirized such things as a "Get-Out-Of-It-Board" (which may still exist in 2nd Division), an OOD who locked himself in a set of handcuffs and could not get out, the Field Problems, getting flu shots, Recall and the I.G. inspection.

He has caustically and humorously attacked the budding poets who publish in the 2nd Division head, people who tear up watchclock key boxes as a form of protest and the rationale of permitting anyone but sailors to walk on the quadrangle. Issuing a rejection slip to one of our plank owners, therefore, caused no end of consternation in the Public Affairs Office.

We welcome acid comment and offer here for our readers the last paragraph of the unpublished "Roach Approach" in traditional Charlie Roach style.

"As a final thought before the Army cuts off my electricity and water, let me ask you a question. What have you done to introduce the Germans to pollution? If you want an excellent example of good old American pollution, take a look at the Speckenbuettel School playground. We've done a proper job there—pop cans, ice-cream wrappers, hot-dog napkins—a real proper job.

"See you later, I have to wade through this junk to catch a bus back to the 2nd Division head where I can breathe clean air again."



My main theme again this month is on the subject of evolution — that of people and the times; in short — change. Therefore, so that no one is short-changed, I will give a report of some of Admin's most prominent "short timers."

First, in September PN1 Ray Walrath will be setting out to find his wayward attack squadron somewhere in the Pacific. He's not sure exactly where he'll catch up to it. They did drop him a hint in a letter, recently, that he will be happy at his next command provided he is fond of fish heads and rice; this might suggest Asia. PN1 "Corky" Elmore, however, suggests that the ship in which the squadron is embarked could be anywhere in the world and that its supply officer has simply gone Asiatic.

Green with envy is YN1 Joe Moyer who says he'll take an aircraft carrier or a cruiser anytime (he got a destroyer escort out of Pearl). Judging from personal experience, I would say that Joe is going to be green from a lot more than envy once that "greyhound" gets underway.

SK1 "Butch" Trapley, one of Special Services' tour guides, got a cruiser, the U.S.S. Albany out of Mayport, Fla. No doubt he'll get involved in a lot of travel from there.

BM1 Charlie Walker, on the other hand, will have the privilege of joining the President's Vietnamization effort sometime in December.

Maria Wittig, the cutest secretary in the NSGA Legal Office, has returned from 30-day vacation to find Juris Prudence still the same as usual, which is news to me. I didn't even know we had anyone by that name working in the Legal Office. You see, people and the times are changing constantly.

As the old saying goes, "it's a new Navy." Even civilian personnel management specialists are beginning to align with the old Navy adage that "change is, in fact, good even when the change is for the sake of change." Take the recently liberalized uniform regulations for example. Now there's a hairy subject. But I've never seen so many happy, smiling faces (except for the barber's, that is).

Yet although more liberal uniform regs may keep morale at least up to par, there are certain drawbacks. I know a young fella in Admin who couldn't buy a pack of cigarettes at the bowling alley because they refused to believe that he was in the military — even after he had shown his ID card. I suppose the moral here is "if you decide to get a haircut, be sure your photo corresponds."

Can you imagine getting chewed-out by "Boats" Saur because your hair was too short or your sideburns didn't quite descend to the top of your ear lobes? I guess the moral here is "it's better not to have sideburns than not to have ear lobes."

Some experts are of the opinion that gas masks might eventually have to be redesigned to fit bearded men. In addition to "large," "medium," and "small," they will come in "brushy" and "bushy."

In closing, I was sitting on my balcony at home, listening to CT3 Jim Clark's "Navy Hour" over AFN when I heard the advertisement come on that went something like "weigh the advantages of such career opportunities as STAR, SCORE, and NESEP . . . contact your Navy Career Counselor today . . . !" Then the phone calls came.

Not that I minded the phone calls. I was, as a dedicated career Navy Chief and Career Counselor, delighted! But some guy called who thought the slogan went "If you want to be a Specialist . . ." Another said he wanted "more leadership responsibility in USAREUR."

By then I was so befuddled that when someone called and asked "What's the SCORE," I replied that I didn't even know who was playing!

That's Absurd!!



HOT SHOTS!—Communications Technician First Class Gerald B. Quigley (left) and Communications Technician Second Class Douglas W. Marlitt (center) present a trophy and plaque to Captain James W. Osmer Jr. on behalf of the NSGA Pistol Team. The team received the awards for placing third in German rifle competition in a match sponsored by the German Navy. Other members of the team in the background are Master Chief Communications Technician Lloyd K. Byrd and Communications Technician Second Class John I. Bragdon.

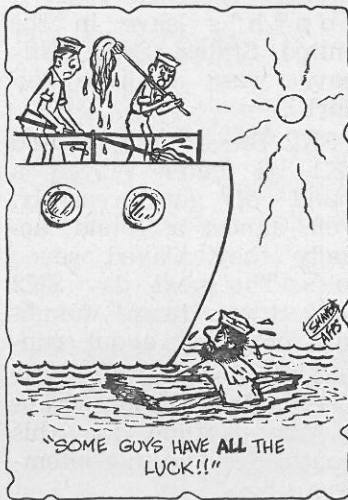
Big Beat

By Dave Stewart

As this edition of "The Big Beat" comes off the press, we are still being harassed about our goof last month. One of our spot announcements ran amok over the 9:00 p.m. news, and a portion of the "Stateside Sound Survey." The spot in mention concerned authorized swimmin' holes in the Port City. A power failure and a drop in voltage caused our automatic mechanism to run wild. Guess where this writer was when the incident took place? Well, splish-splash, I was taking a bath! That's right, and ironically, the music intro on the spot was "Splish-Splash" (I Was Taking A Bath). Well, phone calls were coming in fast and furious at the station and at home. I must say, it's reassuring to know that we have so many listeners. We regret the incident and our faces are red. The only problem is, that when **WE** goof, everyone knows. That's what we call "Dero Zefects."

A new voice has arrived in Bremerhaven that belongs to Army Sergeant Vic Sage, a long-time veteran of military and commercial radio and television. SSgt Sage fills the slot of the station's chief announcer, a slot that was vacant since the departure of SP5 Mark Beardslee. Vic is programmed to take over this author's slot as station manager, when I depart in late December. SSgt Sage entered the Army in 1949. His wife will soon join him here.

Good (or bad) news for everyone: AFN Bremerhaven has received more episodes in the life of "the most fantastic crime fighter this world has ever known." It may interest the readers in knowing that a **POSITIVE** reaction to the Weekend Warrior has been received from our male listeners, while the females would prefer a "Milton Berle" summer re-run or even a "Stewart" summer souvenir, Golden Heavyweight, blast-from-the-past oldie.



RIGHT ON!—Miss Windjammer for the month of August is lovely Gloria Slate. Miss Slate says, "You won't be riding down that old lonesome highway if you look into Project Transition before re-entering civilian life." (Photo courtesy American International)

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Well, since I still have some tidbits from the field problem to talk about, I'll start with them. It seems that CT2 Poston and CT3 Moss had problems during a heavy bombardment by the aggressors. It all started when a smoke bomb was thrown from in front of their fox hole and, in the confusion, they barely realized in time that they weren't alone in the hole. In the rush to get out, CT3 Moss grabbed "Pappy" Poston's feet and neither got as far away as they would have liked. Having received "the business," they proceeded to give some out—to the EES laundry after the field problem was over. Their clothes were pure mud and sweat.

It seems all the action on the Staging Area takes place at Chapel Field during softball games. CT1 Meders is full of action when he roots for his team (WHICH team is sometimes in question), but he has a lot of fun.

Speaking of softball, Sgt Diamond got a double off Bohlmann (Todendorf's pitcher), which is a feat, and Sgt Anderson got hit three times in one game, thereby setting some kind of record.

SSgt Duran is a new man around COMM who checked in from Vietnam. He is accompanied on his tour by his wife Sylvia and two children, Vivian and Monica.

I was told Sgt White is to receive recognition for his latest dubious achievement—he remained completely still for the duration of one entire day watch.

CWO-4 Nelson finally kicked his VW bus too far and now it is resting peacefully at Property Disposal. He must have canned his shoes also, because now he has a new pair on his desk.

COMM's Alfa and Bravo Sections combined to hold their annual summer picnic recently. Due to inclement weather it at first appeared that the picnic would have to be called off. However, in the afternoon "Mother Nature" came through with a little clear weather. The volleyball and softball games played between sections turned out to be extremely competitive. It was impossible to declare a winner because people kept taking refreshment breaks and when they would return to the game they couldn't remember which team they were playing with.

I would like to wish CTC Spyker a hearty farewell on behalf of all at COMM. He has done an outstanding job during his tour here and will be missed by all personnel. Good luck, Chief. Congratulations also to MSgt Ellis on his promotion to his present rank July 24. Rate grabber!

And last, but not least, this month's "Smiler of the Month" award goes to CT3 Howard L. Mohler. I guess he's happy now because he can let his sideburns grow. Congratulations and keep smiling.

Well, that's all the latest skinny from the Communications Department for this month. I'd like to tell everyone to keep those cards and letters coming, because we read each and every one of them. So long till next time.