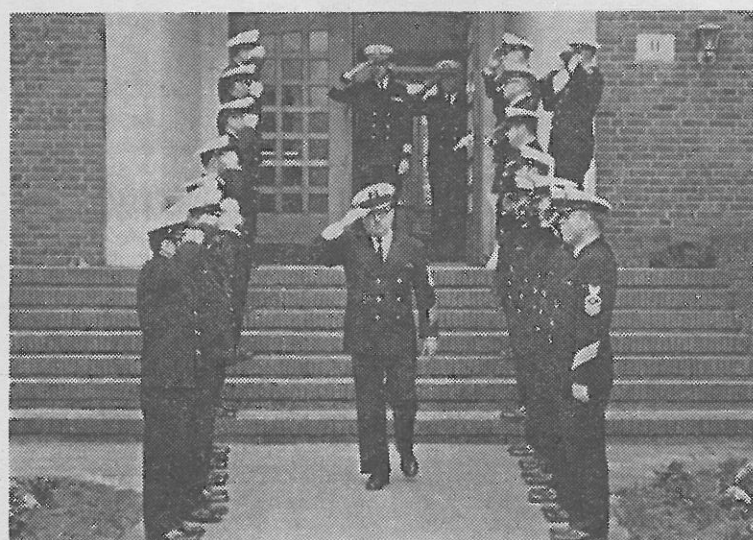




PIPED OVER — Master Chief Communications Technician Dwight O. Nichols of the Electronics Department (top photo) and Master Chief Communications Technician Ernest P. Dorn of Third Division (bottom photo) are "piped over the side" during retirement ceremonies last month marking their completion of 25 years and 22 years of naval service respectively.



3 Picked For ADCOP

Three personnel who applied from this command for the Navy's Associate Degree Completion Program (ADCOP) received word last month that they have been selected for the two-year college program.

CTC Charles T. Rauscher, formerly of NSGA Bremerhaven and now serving at the Naval Radio Station, Northwest, Va.; CT1 Gerald M. Rebeck of Second Division; and CT1 William F. Kelly of the Administrative Department will have the opportunity to pursue an associate degree at one of five participating junior colleges in the United States.

In addition to the three primary selectees, three other Navymen also received word that they had been picked as alternate selectees. They are: CTC Robert E. Scerbo of Second

Division, CT1 George C. Fisher of the Communications Department, and CT1 Lawrence K. Porter of the Electronics Department.

A total of nine personnel applied for ADCOP from this command. Navywide, 500 sailors were picked as primary selectees and 450 as alternates.

While in ADCOP, which normally takes about two years to complete, Navy students live much the same as their civilian counterparts. They are ordered to the program on a permanent change-of-station basis and report to a local Navy command for administrative purposes.

ADCOP students are under the military control of the local activity, but are assigned no military duties. They are permitted to wear civilian attire to class.

2 Master Chiefs Retire

Two master chief petty officers of NSGA Bremerhaven were "piped over the side" during retirement ceremonies conducted here last month.

Master Chief Communications Technician Dwight O. Nichols of the Electronics Department and Master Chief Communications Technician Ernest P. Dorn of Third Division retired after 25 years and 22 years of naval service respectively. Retirement ceremonies were held on April 9 for CTCM Nichols and on April 16 for CTCM Dorn.

Both men received letters of appreciation from Captain James W. Osmer Jr., commanding officer, commending them on their service to this command and to the Navy.

CTCM Nichols' letter of appreciation stated in part: "On the occasion of your impending transfer to the Fleet Reserve, I wish to express my appreciation for your commendable performance while assigned to this command from February 1970 to April 1971. During the past year you have served both as Division Officer and Special Projects Chief of a sixty-five man Electronics Division. Much of the credit for the smooth and efficient operation of that division, with the timely provision of essential electronic repair support services and the orderly accomplishment of equipment installation, belongs to you. With your administrative abilities and your wealth of technical knowledge you have been an extremely valuable asset to your division. Your attitude, enthusiasm, and industry have marked you as an individual with a desire for the complete and timely accomplishment of assigned tasks, as well as one with the attributes so desirable in our leaders."

"As the Senior Enlisted Advisor of this command, you have been steadfast and aggressive in your solution of the problems faced by the enlisted men. Especially noteworthy is your participation on the U.S. Forces Support District NCO Advisory Council and the European Exchange System Area Advisory Council. Your insight, congeniality, and sense of fairness have made you a respected channel of communication between the Army and Navy units of the community."

"This letter is not only a 'Well Done' for your service at this command but also for the nearly quarter of a century of dedicated naval service. . . . You have been awarded the Navy Unit Commendation, the Good Conduct Medal with six stars, the National Defense Medal with star, and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for Lebanon Military Operations."

"May I extend to you my best wishes for abounding success in any field of endeavor

on which you may embark. Wherever you go, may you always find "following winds and fair seas."

During his career, CTCM Nichols served at the following duty stations: Naval Training Center, Bainbridge, Md.; Naval Schools Command, Great Lakes, Ill.; USS Missouri; Naval Communications Station, Guam; Naval Radio Station, Cheltenham, Md.; Naval Facility, Nicosia, Cyprus; NSGA Karamursel, Turkey; NSGA Homestead, Fla.; USNS Pvt Jose F. Valdez; NSGA Kamiseya, Japan; Naval Security Station, Washington, D.C.; and NSGA Bremerhaven.

CTCM Dorn's letter of appreciation stated in part: "On the occasion of your impending transfer to the Fleet Reserve, I wish to express my appreciation for your service while assigned to this command from May 1968 to April 1971. During the past three years you have served both as Division Officer and Division Chief Petty Officer of a forty man division. Your managerial abilities have contributed significantly to the efficient operation of that division."

"This letter is not only a 'thank you' for your service at

this command but also to give credit for the many years of devoted, faithful naval service. . . . You have been awarded the Navy Unit Commendation, Good Conduct Medal (five awards), National Defense Service Medal (two awards), and Navy Occupation Medal (European Clasp).

"May I extend to you my best wishes for abounding success in any field of endeavor on which you may embark. Wherever you go, may you always find 'following winds and fair seas.'"

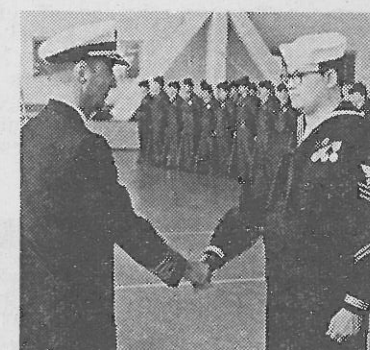
CTCM Dorn served at the following duty stations while in the Navy: Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.; Radioman School, Naval Base, Norfolk, Va.; Advanced Radioman School, Port Blakely, Wash.; Naval Communications Station, Adak, Alaska; Naval Communications Station, Guam; NSGA Winter Harbor, Maine; Naval Communications Facility, Port Lyautey, Morocco; Naval Communications Station, Washington, D.C.; Naval Communications Facility, Kami Seya, Japan; NSGA Fort George Mead, Md.; NSGA Karamursel, Turkey; NSGA Skaggs Island, Calif.; USS Palm Beach; and NSGA Bremerhaven.

First Class PO Receives Navy Achievement Medal

A first class petty officer of NSGA Bremerhaven was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal with Combat "V" last month for his "professional achievement" while serving in Vietnam during combat operations against the enemy.

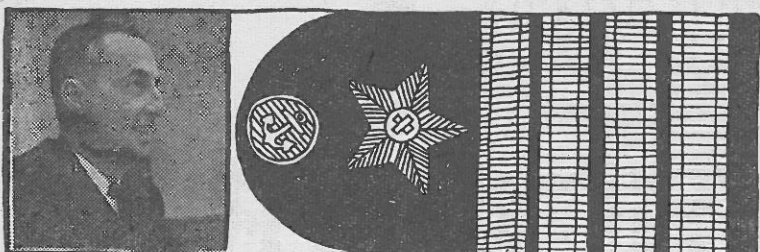
Storekeeper First Class Richard N. Bass of the Supply Department received the medal at awards ceremonies conducted during personnel inspection on April 2. Captain James W. Osmer Jr., commanding officer, presented the award on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

SK1 Bass' citation stated that he was awarded the medal for "professional achievement while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in armed conflict against the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong communist aggressors in the Republic of Vietnam from June 1967 to June 1969. Petty Officer Bass was attached to the Supply Department, United States Naval Support Activity, Da Nang, Detachment Chu Lai. As office supervisor of the petroleum, oil and lubricant section, he was responsible for establishing an accurate accounting system for charging customers and filing all transactions. Later, as



SK1 Richard N. Bass receives the Navy Achievement Medal.

petty officer in charge of the material division's service market, he redesigned the service market area and personally screened over five thousand items of stock to establish stock levels based on prior usage. In addition, he assisted in installing an additional thirty sections of storage bins and adding sixteen hundred new stock items. Petty Officer Bass' outstanding professionalism and devotion to duty despite arduous conditions and frequent enemy rocket and mortar attacks were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."



Thanks to all the ladies who worked so hard baking cakes and distributing them to all hands for providing something different to brighten a day.

Petty Officers John I. Bragdon, Kenneth R. McColly, and Charles A. Weaver are busy planning a 4th of July picnic (to be held on July 4 and July 8). The picnic grounds have been reserved; food and drink requirements are being drawn up; and games, contests, and entertainment for all are being arranged. Plan now to make this part of your 4th of July weekend.

The working uniform is turning into a logistics problem. As many of you know, we have had no medium size shirts since late December; efforts to obtain them have been to no avail, since Navy stocks of dungarees are being allowed to run out with the introduction of the new working uniform. At the present time the Small Stores is also out of large shirts and several sizes of trousers. Storekeeper Seaman Jerry L. Martin has placed the first order for the new working uniforms, primarily for the free issue uniforms. Additional requisitions are being placed for the general stocking of the new working uniform in the Small Stores.

The results of the last Navy-wide advancement examinations were disappointing to many due to the comparatively small number of personnel advanced and the large number who were "passed — not advanced." One man who needed a multiple of 96 to be advanced, missed it by two one-hundredths of a point. This more competitive environment will improve the quality of the petty officer corps of the Navy, and it emphasizes the value not only of studying harder for the examination, but also of achieving higher evaluation marks. For those who assign the marks, the importance of these marks should be more apparent, along with the need to assign deserved high marks to the real performers (including to the seamen and third class petty officers) and then making these marks meaningful by not assigning high marks to those who do not rate them.

We can expect to see some new ratings at NSGA Bremerhaven in the way of radiomen and electronics technicians. In order to improve the shore duty opportunities for these ratings, the Bureau of Naval Personnel has deleted several "O" and "M" Branch billets from our allowance and replaced them with RM and ET billets.

Some people have been complaining about the work of some of the cleaning ladies in the Bachelor Enlisted Quarters. We have only one alternative — replace them with sailors since the labor market is extremely tight. I do not intend to implement this alternative.

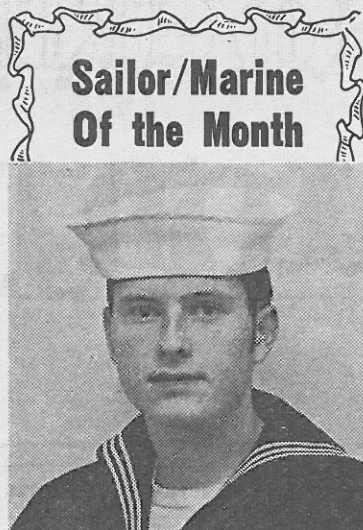
There will be no personnel inspections in July. However, there will be field problems for all watch sections. At about the same time, late July, there will be a change of command with Captain John S. Jennings assuming command of NSGA Bremerhaven.

A perennial question is: "Why rifle range training and the field problems?" An answer to that is that a Commander in Chief, U.S. Naval Forces, Europe instruction requires it, but that is not an adequate answer. We are part of the Armed Forces, not wanting war, but expected to be prepared for it. We are less than 100 miles from the Iron Curtain — only a few minutes by air. In the event of war, we have to be prepared to conduct a limited delaying defense of our facility, and then try to get ourselves out. To do this we must be organized, equipped, and trained.

COMNAVSECGRU has been informally advised by CHNAV-PERS that the Naval Security Group will be receiving six graduates from the Naval Enlisted Scientific Education Program (NESEP) in 1971. Heretofore, the restricted line fair-share totaled zero. Previously, experienced CT personnel who applied for and were accepted into NESEP did so with the knowledge that upon completion of the program they would receive unrestricted line commissions. This deprived the Naval Security Group of the services of an experienced officer and often discouraged applications of NESEP by CT personnel who did not desire to dissociate from the Naval Security Group. NESEP will provide an excellent source of Regular Navy officers through commissioning directly into the restricted line which previously has been limited to an occasional input from the Naval Academy, NROTC, and, most recently, distinguished graduates from OCS who are offered a regular Navy commission.



"WELCOME ABOARD" TEA — Mrs. James W. Osmer Jr. pours a cup of tea for Mrs. Kenneth P. Royer during a "Welcome Aboard" tea held at Mrs. Osmer's home last month. The Bremerhaven branch of the Navy Wives' Club, of which Mrs. Osmer is sponsor, sponsored the tea to welcome Navy wives who are new to the Port City. Twenty-seven ladies attended the tea. Looking on are (L-R) Mrs. Billy R. Ayars, Mrs. Wayne W. Brunet, Mrs. George A. Phillips, Mrs. Joseph A. Glockner, Mrs. Donald C. Woolverton, and Mrs. Louis E. Brohl III. Anyone interested in finding out more about the club's activities should phone Mrs. Michael R. Lawrence at Civilian 82073.



CT3 Dennis M. Devaney

CT3 Dennis M. Devaney of the Communications Department has been selected for the "Sailor-Marine of the Month" award for the month of May 1971. In CT3 Devaney's letter of selection, Captain James W. Osmer Jr. stated in part:

"You have been selected as the U.S. Naval Security Group Activity, Bremerhaven, 'Sailor-Marine of the Month' for May 1971.

"Since your arrival at this command in September 1970, you have displayed a sincere desire to attain complete versatility in the communications field. You have established yourself as an excellent communicator and your performance of duty never fails to meet the highest standards.

"Your congenial personality, cheerful manner, and sense of humor are positive factors in the promotion of good morale among your shipmates.

"In addition to your professional accomplishments, your active participation in the Command Sports Program has helped to make this program a success. Also noteworthy is your contribution to the community by teaching a course in Government and Politics at the local branch of the University of Maryland.

"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!"

New German Postage Stamp

For the sixth time since the end of World War II, the Federal Republic is changing its standard postage stamp. The familiar series "German Buildings from Twelve Centuries" is being phased out and replaced by a series in which each denomination displays the same portrait of President Gustav Heinemann.

The "German Buildings" series, out since 1964, was the second of its kind in the post-war era. The very first permanent issue, dating from 1948, showed Germany's most famous buildings, such as Cologne's Cathedral, Berlin's Brandenburg Gate, and Frankfurt's Roemer. The more recent series used buildings that are far less well known, but presented them in a more artistic fashion.

The Heinemann series is, similarly, the second one to show a president. One issued in 1954 portrayed then-President Theodor Heuss. (Reprinted from "Focus On Germany")

Focus on Faith

By Chaplain Ervin D. Ingebretson

"Conditions of readiness" is a naval expression that is used to describe the preparation of a ship to fulfill her mission under any circumstances. A ship and her crew must be prepared in order to repel the enemy. It would be utter foolishness for a captain to engage his ship and crew in combat without prior preparation.

Likewise, any individual who trifles with readiness for living is likely to end up faced with disaster.

"Ready for what?" you ask. Threats to the individual come without warning. It is too late to wait until a crisis develops before preparing to meet the challenges and pitfalls of everyday living.

Many of us are satisfied that life is simply preparing for a vocation, a life spent in education and training. The end result is that we strive to add coveted luxuries to basic needs and then call that readiness.

But life is more than that. Life has struggle, crisis, and challenge. The integrity of our being can never be equated with the material things upon which we place our hands.

Faith in God is an indispensable part of preparing for life. It is more than just saying, "I believe in God" (which is not too difficult to say). The proof of this faith for readiness is in allowing it to condition us for inevitable circumstances. Believe in God and then become what He has made it possible for us to become.

No person likes to be chided by the "I told you so" remark. Give God the opportunity to "condition" your "readiness." The misfortunes of life will be less probable and the fortunes of your life more rewarding.



PREACHING MISSION — The Rev. and Mrs. Edward Washington conducted a "Preaching Mission" at the Staging Area Chapel April 27 through May 2. The Rev. Washington is shown here playing the "tippie," a unique 10-stringed instrument, while his wife plays the accordian. The Washingtons live in Kaiserslautern, Germany and frequently work with American Forces, both in military chapels and on retreat staffs at Berchtesgaden, Germany.

New Age Limits For Warrant

Chief of Naval Operations Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, in Z-Gram 81 issued last month, announced changes in the age and active time in service requirements for the Navy's Warrant Officer program.

All candidates for the program must be at least 23 years of age and must have completed at least six years active time in service. Candidates in pay grades E-6 through E-9 must not have reached the following ages: E-6 (age 33); E-7 (age 35); E-8 (age 37); and E-9 (age 39). These age and time in service requirements will be computed to July 1 of

the calendar year in which application is made. The changes take effect with the Fiscal Year 1972 Warrant Officer program.

Admiral Zumwalt stated that it is the desire of the Secretary of the Navy, the Chief of Naval Operations, and the Chief of Naval Personnel "to afford outstanding first class petty officers and above every opportunity for further promotion to warrant and limited duty officer status. The changes herein pave the way for a vast resource of qualified specialists to find greater fulfillment within a naval career."



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Recognize That Red Cross Worker?

The last time you visited the U.S. Army Hospital, did that Red Cross worker that you saw in one of the clinics look familiar to you? Or perhaps she brought you coffee and magazines during your stay in the hospital a few months back.

If she seemed to ring a bell with you, it could well have been due to the fact

that she was the wife of an officer, chief petty officer, or petty officer that you work with every day.

Of the 64 American Red Cross volunteer workers in the Bremerhaven community, approximately one-half are the wives of Navy personnel.

Volunteers at the U.S. Army Hospital in Bremer-

haven work as receptionists and as chemical, X-ray, and laboratory technicians. In addition, they perform additional services such as providing magazines and coffee or juice to patients in the hospital's various wards.

Red Cross volunteer workers at the hospital donate between seven and 35 hours of their time a week to helping others. Besides giving their time, they are also required to purchase their own uniforms. Other supplies are contributed by local women's clubs and by special services libraries.

According to Mrs. Vincent J. Cedola, chairman of the local volunteers, "The only qualification needed to become a Red Cross volunteer is a willingness to help others. In addition to this, women become volunteers for a variety of reasons. Some have been previously employed and miss working, and some are interested in working in a particular clinic. Many say they just want to do something they feel is good and worthwhile."

What are the rewards of being a Red Cross volunteer worker? As one worker put it, "It is extremely gratifying to have a parent thank you for the attention you've just given their child who is brought in for treatment at the hospital. Perhaps you've just said a few kind words to help calm them while the doctor treats them for a cold or as they receive a shot. Sure, you might do the same for your own kids, but it's very seldom that you are thanked for it."

American Red Cross activities in the Port City are

administered by Mr. Norman R. Brown, the field director for this area. He sums up the value of Red Cross workers in this way: "All that the professional part of the Red Cross can do is to provide volunteer workers with an opportunity to help in an organized way. We help train and supervise them and give them an opportunity for growth. We also demand that they be responsible both to themselves and others and that they give their loyalty to the Red Cross."

"To the casual and not-so-casual observer, it's the person who wears that blue uniform who makes the Red Cross great, and the volunteers in Bremerhaven have done just that. They have done a truly outstanding job."

The Red Cross in Bremerhaven is actively soliciting for volunteer workers at the present time. Persons interested in finding out more about local volunteer work should phone Military 3638 for an appointment with Mrs. Cedola.



Mrs. William R. Martin of the Pediatrics Clinic hands a patients medical record to Major Robert D. Hayes, chief of pediatrics at the U.S. Army Hospital, Bremerhaven.



Mrs. Lawrence C. Schaffer (left) discusses lab reports with Red Cross worker Mrs. Harvey C. Woodruff in the hospital lab.



Demonstrating the Eye Clinic's vision tester to Journalist Second Class James E. Dorman is Mrs. Bertrand P. Moquin.



Red Cross volunteer Mrs. William H. Sink, shown here adjusting an X-ray machine in the Radiology Clinic, obviously enjoys her work.



Patients in the hospital's wards receive coffee, juice, and magazines from the Red Cross Coffee

Cart operated here by Mrs. Charles P. O'Neill (left) and Mrs. Donnie V. Risenhoover.

Presenting the Riesling

Though the quantity of wine Germany produces is miniscule (less than Rumania or South Africa), it ranks second only to France as an exporter of wine, and second only to nobody in the prices its quality wines bring.

The reason for this is the Riesling, one of the aristocrats of wine grapes, and the fruit from which the famed Rhines and Moselles are made. The grape is anything but aristocratic when you examine it: small, yellow-green, tough-skinned, sticky and sour as a pig's whistle. But it's awesome when pressed. The wine is a deep gold, with just a glint of green; dry and light bodied with a fruity bouquet, able to make a banquet of oysters, fish, fowl, pork or veal.

Nobody knows when this grape came to Germany. Perhaps it was developed here from the wild grapes of prehistoric times. It is known only that the Riesling has grown here in substantially its present form for at least a thousand years.

The Riesling is cultivated elsewhere too, notably in California and in the French province of Alsace, adjacent to the area that cultivates the grape in Germany. But the wines from these areas do not command the prices the German ones do. The steeply sloped river valleys of West Central Germany, it would seem, have just the right combination of soil and climate.

The Riesling has a dismaying number of drawbacks, all of which contrive to discourage its cultivation elsewhere. It can be ruined by either too much moisture or too much sunshine. The Riesling is particularly susceptible to disease and insect damage, and it is very late in ripening. An early frost is always a great danger.

So the cultivation of the Riesling is an expensive, difficult and risky business. However, you really needn't shed many tears for the vineyard owners. As we indicated, the prices when good are very good indeed. One classic vintage, 1959er Bernkasteler Doktor Trockenbeereauslese, is fetching DM 300 a bottle, and prices over DM 50 are not the least uncommon for top vintages and years. Owners of the better vineyards are not lacking in hilltop villas and Porsches.

Thus it is that the aristocrat of wine grapes turns German wine growers into aristocrats.

(Reprinted in part from "Focus On Germany")



NSGA BREMERHAVEN FLOWER CHILDREN — You can tell when spring has sprung at NSGA Bremerhaven when the Boat's Force begins its annual Pansy Festival in front of Building 11. Mother Nature's helpers are being supervised here by BMI Paul E. Scott (center, with white hat).

The Big Beat

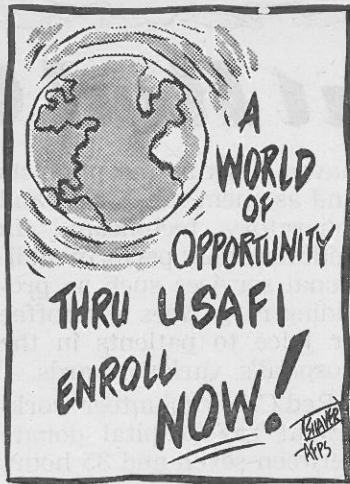
By SSgt David B. Stewart

As this issue comes off the presses, the American Forces Network's "New Concept" radio format for Saturday mornings is already about two weeks old. For those of you not informed, here is the line-up: At 8:05 it's "Town and Country," a wake-up type country and western show hosted by myself. At 9:00 the local high school program, "Blackhawk Report," has been replaced with "Oldies But Goodies" from the Jim Pewter slot. The most controversial program on the AFN Europe network, "Love," comes to you at 10:00 for prime time entertainment, and at 11:05 it's the very popular "Pop Chronicles."

The afternoon's programming begins with "The Young Sound" at 1:00 and this takes you up to AFN's magazine show, "Weekend World." And, in case you haven't caught it yet, I highly recommend that you listen to "Wolfman Jack" at 7:05 p.m. Wolfman hails from Los Angeles and is a nightly feature throughout 13 west coast states. "Wolfman Jack" could very easily become the network's number one show.

Our weekday program package has changed a little also. "Tempo" became a half-hour show, and the "Community Bulletin Board" is currently located within the framework of our local music shows. "Roger Carroll" moved back an hour and now makes his debut at 9:05 each weekday morning. This is followed by Karl Hass' "Adventures in Good Music" at 10:05. "Tom Campbell Stateside" now follows the "On the Town Show" at 1:05 and gets the afternoon programming off to a lively start.

Your local station, AFN Bremerhaven, has also made a few changes. After three years of hosting the "On the Town Show," I have decided to bow out for a while in order to spend more time on programming and production matters and have placed the show into the capable hands of Specialist 5 Jim Johnson. I thank all of you who have written and asked about my retreat from the show. To keep my hands in the airwork, however, I am hosting the "Town and Country" show mentioned above. Country music has always been my "bag" and I will enjoy getting back to it once again. We at AFN Bremerhaven hope that these changes will be to your listening pleasure. See ya with more news next month.



'T-Bones'

By CT3 P. L. Albohn

Change has been the watchword of Third Division during the last two months, including both physical changes in the spaces and personnel changes.

In the area of physical change, a new wall has been added on the "other side," and the painting and finishing of the wall have kept Third Division watchstanders from falling asleep during mid watches. Additionally, room has been made on the office side to accommodate recent visitors who are here on a special project for the Navy.

In personnel changes, recent "hails and farewells" were given to the following personnel: CTCM Ernest P. Dorn, CTCS James A. Crawford, CTC Terry A. Bachman, CTC David A. Wright, CT1 Anthony R. Caliscibetta, CT1 Rodney L. Hardesty, CT1 Gregory L. Welch, CT2 Ernest J. Babin Jr., CT2 Kim J. Cottom, CT2 John H. Daigle, and CT3 Richard A. Wright.

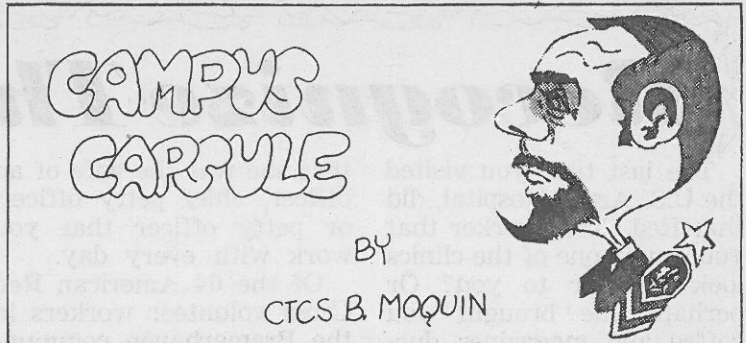
On the gain side, we welcomed aboard: Ens George W. Harrel, CTC Rudolph G. Spaulding, CT3 Kevin W. Bartley, CT3 Donald A. Hill, and CT3 Joseph A. Williams.

In addition to losses and gains, sickness and leave have taken their toll in confusion, as dreary-eyed CTs play "musical sections" to fill in the gaps on the watches.

Special congratulations go out to CT1 and Mrs. Ralph M. Simler on the birth of their first son, Melvin, on March 28.

And finally, from the "Doggie Bag" this month comes this tale from the world of baseball: It seems that in one of the major leagues a few seasons ago, there was an umpire so hated by the fans that he was booed from the moment he stepped onto the field until the game ended. Why? He was the most brutal umpire in the history of the sport. Any questioning of his calls was met by a sharp kick or a wicked left. Because of his reputation, this umpire had continually refused to take his son to any of the games he called. Finally, the son's nagging became too much for even a strong man to bear. He agreed to take his boy to the next game. As the contest progressed, the lad became increasingly aware of the intense hatred of the fans for his father. When the game ended, the father called his son to come and sit on his lap and have the game explained to him. The boy, having seen the way that his father had acted on the field and the way the crowd had reacted to this behavior, refused to sit on his father's lap. And to this day, the son never sits on the brutish umpire.

And the crowd boos. . . .



In January I discussed the College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) which enables individuals to receive college credit for education they may have received in nontraditional ways such as through correspondence study, television courses, independent study, on-the-job training and experience, and so on.

This month I am happy to announce that, beginning Sept. 1, 1971, the University College of the University of Maryland will recognize the CLEP General Examination.

Up to 24 semester hours will be awarded to a student who achieves a standard score of 500 or above on each of the five tests. Credit for individual tests will be awarded on the same basis.

The maximum combined examination credit, correspondence credit, and service school credit has been increased to 54 hours as follows: CLEP (24), service schools (18), and correspondence study (12).

CLEP General Examination credit will not be officially released until the student has successfully completed 15 academic hours with the University of Maryland.

The final 30 semester hours of course work must be completed with the University of Maryland, either on or off-campus. However, in hardship cases the Dean may authorize a student to take six of the last 30 hours with another accredited institution. Although a student is granted such a waiver, he must have a total of 30 hours with Maryland by the time of his graduation.

The following information shows (according to CLEP General Examination area) the amount of University College credit allowed toward the completion of General Education requirements and the relationship to University College curriculum and courses. The courses are listed according to the new course numbering system and the old course numbers are listed in parentheses.

English Composition — 6 semester hours — The student should not enroll in ENGL 101 and 292 (ENGL 001 and 010).

Mathematics — 3 semester hours — The student should not enroll in MATH 105 or 110 (MATH 003 or 010). Students whose curriculum requires mathematics courses of a more advanced level would not receive the CLEP mathematics credit.

Social Science-History — 6 semester hours — Students should not enroll in HIST 221, 222, 241, 242, and GVPT 170 (HIST 021, 022, 041, 042, and GVPT 001). Students may enroll in HIST 231, 232, 271, 272 (HIST 031, 032, 071, 072) or SOCY 100 (SOCY 001) or PSYC 100 (PSYC 001) or ECON 201 or 205 (ECON 031 or 037) or GEOG 100 (GEOG 001).

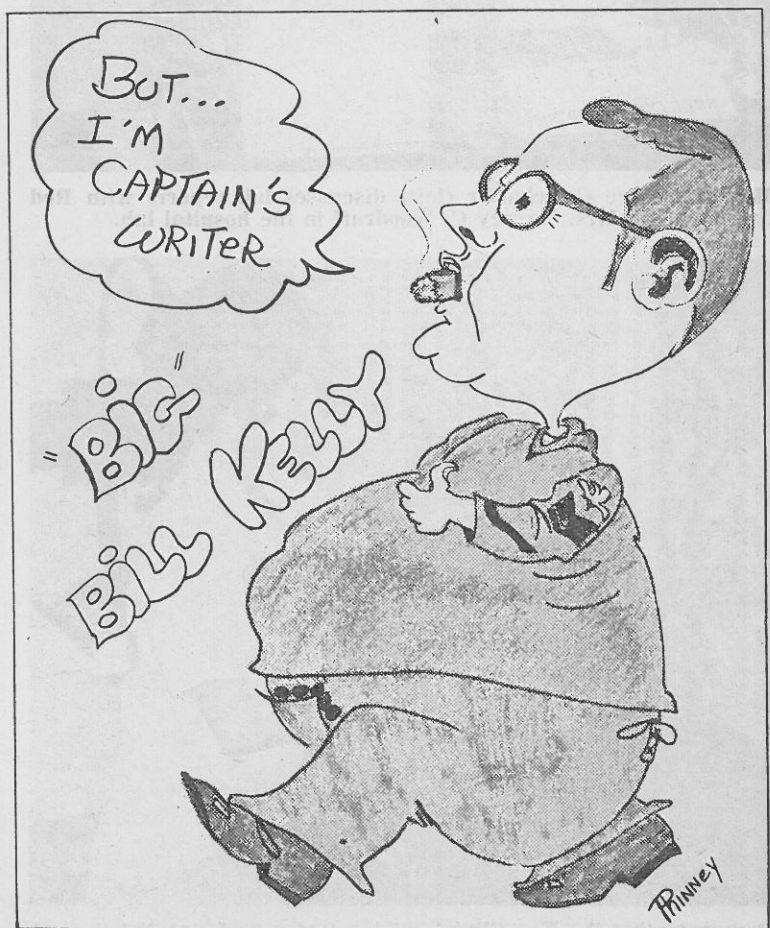
Humanities — 6 semester hours — Students should not enroll in ART 100 and GNED 289 (ART 010 and GNED 080).

Science — 3 semester hours — Students should not enroll in CHEM 101 (CHEM 006). The CLEP will satisfy the nonlaboratory requirement.

For further information, phone the Army Education Center at Military 3690.

See you around campus.

Phinney-graph No. 4



CT1 William F. Kelly

By LCpl J. R. Trunick

Company 'F' Round-Up

Among Company "F" events in recent months have been the distribution of Good Conduct awards to deserving Marines and the promotion of LCpl Joseph T. Kimak to present rank on April 1.

Arrivals to the Company have included MSgt Nathaniel L. Snodgrass from Hawaii, Cpl Carl J. Gasper from TAD at Herzogenaurach, Germany, and LCpl Kimak from Pensacola, Fla. Another arrival was a baby girl born to LCpl and Mrs. Russell E. Ensell Jr. on March 1.

Regarding departures, Sgts Bruce A. Knash and Arthur D. Taylor left for Camp Lejeune and Cpl James A. Fitzl left for the Philippine Islands. SSgt Robert C. Rollins is scheduled to depart soon, and GySgt Ernest R. Rohrer, LCpls Michael L. Abbate and David L. Welch, and PFC Michael A. Prince recently left for TAD for 45 days at Camp Lejeune.

Some other topics also deserve mention: Major Arthur P. Finlon, Company "F" commanding officer, was recently awarded the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V", and Cap-

tain Gilbert L. Nason received orders to Camp Butler, Okinawa. Lectures on the .45 caliber pistol and the M-14 rifle were given by Sgts Clair R. French and Dennis R. Welch respectively. SSgt. Algie F. Joye presented a lecture on NBC Warfare. Last but not least, Cpl Larry W. Beckham was selected to receive the "Sailor-Marine of the Month" award for the month of March, so let's hear it for "Neppie."

A personnel inspection was held April 22 and the overall impression was that Company "F" Marines either put on too much weight or lost too much, as a certain few of us can attest to. Other than that, the inspection went quite well. I would also like to mention that the I.G. inspection is tentatively scheduled for August.

Additional items of interest, according to the March issue of the "Marine Corps Bulletin," include a new system for maintaining a file on personnel by social security account rather than by service number. This change was scheduled to go into effect on May 1 of either 1971 or 1972 according to the Bulletin. Another item concerned the fact that

uniform necktie knots are not prescribed by Marine Corps Uniform Regulations and now, unless otherwise prescribed by the local commander, the type of knot is left to the discretion of the individual. So, as you can see, things are beginning to change after all.

In the way of sports, softball seems to be getting off to a rather solid start. There have been numerous practice games in which there has been a determined contest between officers and enlisted men. Certain teams could have aptly taken the pseudonym of the "Beer Brigade." At any rate, future games should be something to look forward to for everyone. Coming up in the not too distant future are the golf and football seasons which will need as much support as we can give.

The 500-Mile Club is still chugging along thanks to certain long-winded runners who may be capitalizing on the fact that Cpl Glen J. Lozier took a month's leave.

The volleyball team has had its ups and downs and, in the realm of bowling, the teams that have been strong from the beginning seem to be holding their own.



HOME SAFE — CT Daniel M. Anstine II of the Charlie I team crosses home plate during May 3 Captain's Cup softball play against Bravo II. Charlie Section soundly defeated Bravo in this contest with a final score of 17-5.

Sports Corner

By CT3 D. M. Devaney

Last month saw the completion of the 1971 Volleyball Tournament. In Captain's Cup competition, the Day Workers captured first place with Delta Section coming in second, and Bravo Section filling the number three slot. The overall order of finish was: Day Workers (1st); Delta Section (2nd); Bravo Section (3rd); Charlie Section (4th); Officers-Chiefs (5th); Company "F" (6th); Military Sealift Command (7th); and Alfa Section (8th).

The top-ranked Navy teams then met the top Army teams in the Port City to decide the 1971 Commander's Cup championship and to determine the Bremerhaven representative to the U.S. Theater Army Support Command, Europe (TASCOM) tournament. The Navy's Day Workers proved to be the "class" of the Port City, and they journeyed to Kaiserslautern, Germany, to take part in the annual championship event. The Day Workers team, consisting of SH1 Duane W. Karpenske, CT1 Douglas C. Katzenbarger, CT2 Robert G. Mock, CT3s James W. Clark (coach), Darrell D. Gordon Jr., James S. Kiraly, Ronald D. Tarbutton, Johnny L. Williams, and William H. Wilson, and CTSNs William

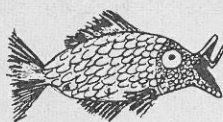
D. Groff, and David Vernigor, placed third in an eight-team field.

In the first day's action, the Bremerhaven squad defeated the Hessen Support District team 15-8 in each of two games, but then dropped into the loser's bracket after being upended by Baden-Wuerttemberg 15-7, 13-15, and 15-3. The Day Workers regained their winning form in matches against Nord Bayern and Hessen, but were knocked out in the semi-finals 15-7, and 15-12, by Baden-Wuerttemberg. The TASCOM title was eventually captured by the AFCENT team in a close series of matches with Baden-Wuerttemberg.

The close of volleyball also marked the wind-up of competition for the 1970-71 Captain's Cup. In the final tally, this year's award was won by Bravo Section. The positioning and point totals were as follows: Bravo Section (534); Day Workers (510); Delta Section (502); Company "F" (451); Charlie Section (398); Alfa Section (350); Officers-Chiefs (323); and Military Sealift Command (82).

Finally, the 1971 softball season got underway on May 2 and I plan to provide extensive softball coverage beginning with next month's column.

COMMENTS



By Fisher

Hey, hey, hey! This is the big fish back again to report on all the latest happenings in and around the Communications Department spaces. Some people think I'm an informer, but let's just say that I want people to know what it's really like working with 38 "O" Branchers.

Take for instance CT2 Allen D. Jackson. Now here's a guy who plays hard but still seems to end up sitting down on the job. Why just the other day he was so absorbed in thought that he failed to notice that his chair was rolling. The result was Al sitting on the floor with a sore posterior. In addition, that very night he locked his ignition key in his car. What does he do for an encore? Well, one day he was so hungry for some candy, he pried off the lid to the candy can with his bare hands (it wasn't a pry-open type lid)!

My next experience was with CTC Wendell F. Reeves. I heard his name was "ASAP," but I didn't believe it because I knew he was getting "short." Now you know that anyone who is "short" begins to have a change in attitude, but not good ol' Chief Reeves. He had just gotten into a new job and was eager to get the ball rolling. So there I sat typing one day when in runs Chief Reeves and clutters my desk with paper. "I need this done ASAP if not sooner," he said. I just looked up in disbelief.

Ah yes, if there's one thing

about my job I like, it's the fact that it's not boring. I mean really, has anyone ever heard of someone picking up a door handle thinking it was a telephone receiver? I never did either until I saw CTCs Norman C. Tebo, alias "Tebo Bear," do just that.

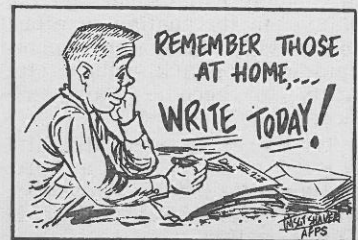
Medical research has been searching for a long time to find out why people stutter, but I have discovered why a certain chief does. He has so many things rolling around in his head that he forgets which order to put them in sometimes. He was so fortunate as to fill in for the division officer at a recent inspection and it seems that he forgot how to hold a salute and talk at the same time. Garble, garble.

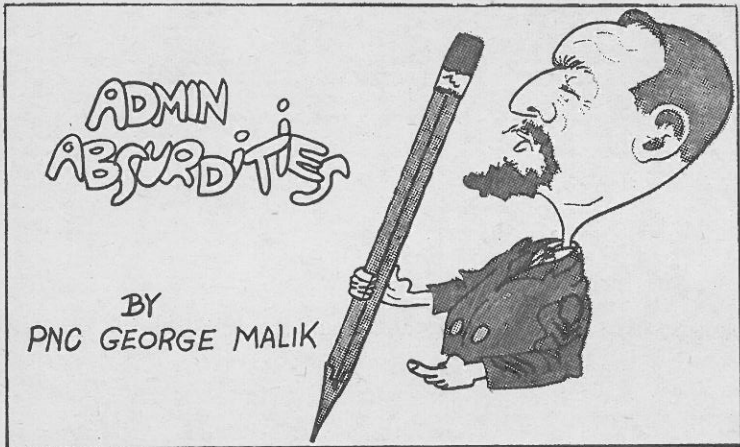
I am happy to announce that CT2 and Mrs. Roland B. Ekstrom now have a baby girl, Karin Elizabeth. She came into this world at 7:05 p.m. on March 24, weighing in at 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and woke her daddy up twice before she got here.

Let me end this column by announcing the new "Fish of the Month." There is no question in my mind that the honor goes to CTC Melvin L. Norris. You know Mel, he was in the news last month. I won't go into detail, but believe me, he was really fished in, but good! Ask the good chief with whom he conversed on the telephone from "Coltano" (Bremerhaven). See you next month.



THROWS FIRST BALL — The 1971 season of the Bremerhaven Little League Association officially opened April 26 when Major H. C. Snyder, representing the U.S. Forces Support District, Bremerhaven, threw the first ball of the season. Five teams are taking part in this year's Little League competition. (Photo by D. K. Ramey)





Since I'm getting "short," I've decided to make this my last "absurdity." I've enjoyed writing this column and I hope SOMEONE has enjoyed reading it during the last three years.

It's not an easy column to write. Some people have had "hurt feelings" when I failed to write about them; others were hurt when I did write about them; and still others never really understood what I was trying to say. One particular "A" Brancher complained that my column was much too "in-house," meaning, I suppose, that I didn't mention any actual names and had left him completely in the dark.

My defense is that many people didn't get mentioned because they weren't caught, and, for those who were insulted, please rest assured that any insults were unintentional. Far be it from me to purposely be malicious.

Why did I write entire columns without identifying a single individual? Because I was practicing satire; I resorted to fictional characters in order to make a subtle point. After all, one purpose of satire is to make people think. Perhaps that's the reason that Chief "A" Brancher had difficulty understanding my column.

At any rate, I'd like to make my last column more understandable. So as not to be accused of writing "in-house," I will make everything "out-house." The character is Percival Pampermore, whom I am sure you all know.

I first met Percy when he was checking into the Personnel Office to begin his tour of duty here. At that time he was just a seaman going up for E-9. The only thing holding him back was the fact that he hadn't yet completed the eight years required to make E-7. Also, he was too old for the Warrant Officer program.

He was, of course, drawing \$75.00 per month in proficiency pay, but, being modest, he didn't like to talk about it. In fact, his face would turn red with embarrassment when anyone less "proficient" mentioned the subject.

A more generous individual you couldn't know. Why, he never once refused to buy the house a round when he hit a jackpot on the slot machines.

Now Percy was a real "salt o' the sea." He was extremely proud of the fact that he had once ridden the Staten Island ferry without becoming seasick. However, he was quick to point out that in his honorable profession he was seldom transferred to sea duty. I particularly remember his look of disbelief when I told him I would probably spend my next two-year tour aboard a REAL NAVY ship. He was green with envy, to say the least.

Percy took a vital interest in serving his country to its best interests. In fact, once a week, for at least six months prior to his prospective rotation date, Percy would religiously phone

or ask the personnel officer to phone his detailer in Washington. Percy wanted to be sure that he received orders to a duty station where his talents would be fully realized. Surely, it would be a waste of government funds to transfer him otherwise.

Curiously enough, he received orders to a particularly coveted Navy school in the United States, but was unhappy about this. Now everyone knew that Percy had nothing against Navy schools; in fact, his service record listed a score of school completion certificates. The government had a lot of money invested in Percy and he knew it.

He took issue with the fact that the orders stipulated that he must have 24 months remaining on his present enlistment in order to accept the school. Poor Percy. He had only 22 months remaining. "I won't do it," he cried, "It's the principle of the thing! I was going to reenlist for six years," continued Percy (he was on his second enlistment), "but if they make me extend my enlistment for two months I'm getting out!"

Percy Pampermore, bless his unselfish heart, is no longer with us. The Bureau of Naval Personnel in Washington, realizing its great error and Percy's great value to the Navy, canceled his orders to that school. Since he no longer had to extend for two months, he reenlisted for six years. Shortly thereafter he was selected for the Navy's Associate Degree Completion Program and is now attending college at the Navy's expense.

Yes, Percy's gone, but all his brothers have remained on board to carry on the proud tradition.

For the last time, that's absurd!

Guess Who?



GUESS WHO THIS IS — May's mystery guest had this picture taken on Sept. 6, 1945. The sailor pictured is now an officer at this command. Last month's mystery guest was Lieutenant Commander Jack Haizlip, the NSGA Bremerhaven communications officer.

Matmen Madness

By "Jake the Snake"

Here it is May already. I had anticipated writing about the great rating party that Electronics Department had but it was PNAed. Instead I'll tell you about the disaster which occurred.

Working on live circuits can be dangerous at times, but working in the Electronics Department's office spaces "may be hazardous to your health." Thanks to the "can do" Seabeas of the Public Works Department, that is. Last month the ventilation fans to the office spaces were switched on for the first time in years. It was reported that CT2 Chrlas A. Weaver contracted "black lung" as a result and CTSN John D. Fitze lost some more of his hair. Black soot covered everything! LCdr Donald D. Hands was so covered with soot that he appeared to have been demoted to ensign since only a thin stripe of gold remained showing. Ltjg William H. Thomas had visions of becoming the new department head until he got a glimpse of his own uniform. It seemed that he wasn't in the Navy anymore. When the dust settled, things got back to normal. Well, as normal as in a coal mine anyway. So ends the Great Mining Disaster of 1971 except for the field day which came afterwards. CT3s Dennis W. Hebdon and Daniel Bramble and CTSN Fitze have the details on that.

And now once again the "fickle finger of fate" points to you and asks: "Did you know that CT3 and Mrs. George S. Hausmann are expecting a baby at the end of September... that CT2 Weaver is shipping over... that CT3 Steven P. Emerson is back from the gate and working with us again... without his pistol... that CT2 Morris K. Dagley got a haircut... that CT2 John M. Johnston has an Afro... that CTCs Donald R. Loveless will be present when CT2 Weaver ships over on the antenna tower... that Ltjg Thomas has added the expression "eat up" to his vocabulary... that CT1 Richard C. Leach wears a sauna belt... that CT2 William P. Hyer should wear a sauna belt... that CTC Robert F. Gribben is alive and well in Public Works... that Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leach (Chuck was formerly of this department) are alive and well in Sidney, Ohio... that this is all there is to this month's column?

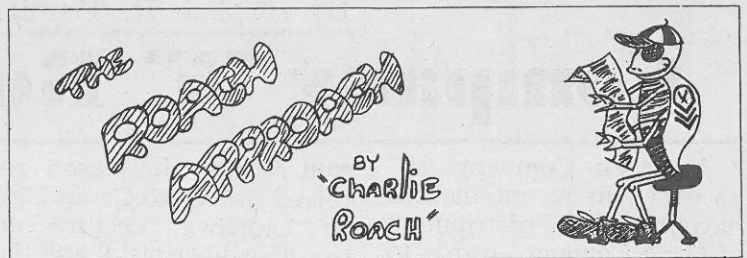
NROTC Set For Black Colleges

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The Navy will establish Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) units at Savannah State College, Savannah, Ga., and at Southern University, Baton Rouge, La., this fall.

Both schools have predominantly black enrollments.

Navy officials said the units are being established by the Navy "in its continuing effort to provide increased opportunities for black college students to become naval officers."

The Navy opened its first NROTC unit at a predominantly black university, Prairie View A&M College in Texas, in 1968.



A new division officer took over in Second Division recently and, being a curious insect by nature, I thought I'd sneak up and see how things were going under the new management. I hesitated to bother the new boss, however, since he seemed to be quite carried away with the task of weeding a garden planted by his predecessor (he'd already emptied the kelp from the many botanical gardens in the area).

I finally caught the "new broom" free and asked him for an interview, which I was granted. The following is that interview with LCdr Donald R. Meyer:

Q: "Mr. Meyer, what is going to be the first change you'll make as Second Division's new D.O.?"

A: "Take Lt Drew's fishing pole away."

Q: "Do you foresee any changes in the support staff?"

A: "I've considered taking Chief Martin off cigars, or at least demanding that he smoke them in a normal manner. Also, I plan to change Chief Pearce's chair — the new one will have straps. When I can find time, I want to make some arrangements to have CT2 "Bubba, ya all" Mock tell me just what language he uses to talk on the phone."

Q: "And what about the watch sections?"

A: "First thing I want to determine is whether or not this man they call "Press" can do anything but poke. He doesn't hold stock in the XYZ Teletype Corporation, does he?"

Q: "What impresses you most about the watch sections?"

A: "Their ability to raffle off chances for Block Four parties, when normally they can't



MISS WINDJAMMER — May's "Miss Windjammer" is tempting Edy Williams. Miss Williams comes to our pages courtesy of 20th Century-Fox.

even raise enough money to buy a round of soda pop."

Q: "There's been talk that you may change working hours for personnel of the support staff. Do you think they come in too early?"

A: "Either that or they're leaving too late from the previous day. I think everyone should have a fair chance to run the Wurster Strasse gauntlet at 8:00 a.m."

Q: "You know, it won't be long before the field problems begin. Have any special instructions for the troops?"

A: "Yes, I'd like everyone to oil up their thumbs (assuming they use their thumbs again, like last year) and practice running around shouting 'Bang, bang, bang! You're dead!' I mean it isn't every day that grown men can do this. Takes me back to the days when I was a little boy, a very little boy."

Q: "The field problem is supposed to be a practice to defend the buildings, isn't it?"

A: "So they say, but who's going to defend us from the sailors inside the building? Giving a sailor a gun is like giving a Marine a book with words instead of pictures; they won't know what to do with it."

Q: "I understand that the E-8s and E-9s are only going to be observers this time. Is that correct?"

A: "Um-humm, so they tell me. Guess it must be all that experience in counting coins that qualifies them for this."

Q: "Mr. Meyer, do you like fish?"

A: "Yes, on the table, fried with a bit of lemon."

Q: "What is your attitude regarding "ropeyarn?"

A: "Charlie, you know that dirty word isn't mentioned in Bremerhaven. I say, if a man deserves a day off, give him Sunday afternoon. Be generous but ever firm."

Q: "My last question, Mr. Meyer, is this: What do you expect to achieve in your remaining time here?"

A: "Well, I expect to see Jack Kaye's wife get a driver's license, Frank Reckner make second class, Chief McCutcheon lose his appetite, Dave Borden give up crystal balls, Jake Sherrin when he isn't promoting Johnny Griffin for director of NSA, Larry Steinfeldt give up looking for lost cats, Bob Featherer enroll in a course entitled "How To Win Friends And Influence Support People," and, if I'm lucky, see John Taylor run the 100 yard dash in 10 seconds. Shall I go on?"

Q: "No sir, time is up and I must get back to my coke bottle before taps. Thank you very much sir."

A: "No trouble, Charlie. Come back next month and see the Persian rug I ordered and my new 500LQ computer I use for keeping track of my stocks and bonds. My two-man office swimming pool and rotating desk should be here then too, and my fur-lined (censored) and..."

So long, folks. I'm off to see Cdr William D. Garner and see if I can have my (censored) fur-lined also.