

HONOR MEDAL WINNER—Captain James W. Osmer Jr., commanding officer, presents a George Washington Honor Medal to Communications Technician Second Class Thomas C. Robinson. CT2 Robinson was awarded the medal and \$100 by the Freedoms Foundation for his entry in their annual letter-writing contest. The theme for the contest was "Freedom: Privilege or Obligation?"

Freedoms Foundation Award

Sailor Wins \$100 For Letter

"Freedom: Privilege or Obligation?" That question was the theme for the 1970 Freedoms Foundation Letter Awards Program in which Communications Technician Second Class Thomas C. Robinson of the Administrative Department won \$100 and a Freedoms Foundation George Washington Honor Medal for his entry in the letter writing contest.

The following is CT2 Robinson's prize-winning entry:

"Freedom is a basic civil right guaranteed to us by our government. It is an advantage we have that is not enjoyed by all others, but at the same time we are legally imposed upon by our government because we are indebted to our country for this favor. In reciprocity we have as our responsibility the obligation of military duty.

"As partially defined by Webster's New World Dictionary of the American Language, freedom is the 'exemption or immunity from a specified obligation or discomfort.' But, as Americans, we do have an obligation or, as defined by Webster, (1) 'a duty imposed legally or socially — a

thing that one is bound to do as a result of a contract, promise, moral responsibility, etc.' and (2) 'the condition or fact of being indebted to another for a favor or service received.'

"Now a question arises because of two basic, conflicting essentials within one governmental system: Are we a free country because we earn it by defending our country, or is it because of our established freedom that we must defend our country to keep our freedom? In other words, is freedom a privilege or an obligation? I believe neither to be right. Obviously, these printed words ('privilege' and 'obligation') have very defined meanings, but when used about one's country, they cannot properly convey the emotional feelings behind them.

"Freedom is not a privilege or an obligation, it is both. It is a privilege, but we are obligated to ourselves to try to keep our people free. By law we must give six years of our lives to physically defending our country, but does our obligation stop there? What about the other years, the years we do not wear a uniform? Does

an American's love of his country stop with the removal of a uniform? If you are a true American, it does not. This is the time when moral obligation comes into view. Because of the love we hold for our country, whose whole foundations are destroyed when we lose our privilege of freedom, we are constantly obligated morally to ourselves to defend it whether it be with weapons or words. This obligation of oneself to his country is what is commonly called loyalty.

"The question posed cannot be simply answered by an 'all of one and none of the other' response. Is freedom a privilege? Yes, it is. Is freedom an obligation? Yes, it is. Our privilege and obligation are not separate. They work hand in hand towards a common goal — Free America."

Freedoms Foundation, an independent and nonprofit organization of Valley Forge, Pa., sponsors the annual Letter Awards Program which is open to active duty and Reserve military personnel. The organization awards prizes of up to \$1,000 for selected letters having a specified, patriotic theme.

Marine MSgt Commissioned

A Marine noncommissioned officer attached to the Company "F" Marine Support Battalion of Bremerhaven was recently appointed to limited duty officer (temporary) status during commissioning ceremonies conducted here.

Master Sergeant Carl M. Stipe of Fourth Division became Second Lieutenant Stipe during June 10 ceremonies, with Major Arthur P. Finlon, commanding officer of Company "F," performing the commissioning.

Upon receiving his commission, 2d Lt Stipe assumed new duties as the Company's administrative officer.

Under the Limited Duty Officer (LDO) program of the Marine Corps, noncommissioned officer, after being commissioned, may be promoted to a terminal grade of captain.

Officers in this category are permitted to complete 10 years of service as a commissioned officer. Following this period of service, they have the option of retiring or reverting to their permanent enlisted grade.

Appointments to LDO are restricted to candidates qualified in technical occupational fields that have billet requirements for officers with specialist qualifications above the grade of chief warrant officer.

'A' Average Earns Ensign Honors

Ensign Lawrence C. Schaffer of Second Division received academic honors last month from the European Division of the University of Maryland for his scholastic achievement while enrolled in the university at the Army Education Center here.

Captain James W. Osmer Jr., commanding officer, presented the award on behalf of the director of the European Division of the university.

Ensign Schaffer was awarded the university's Scholastic Achievement Medallion and a Certificate of Scholarship for his appointment to the Dean's List at the end of the 1970-71 Second Term with a 4.00 or "A" grade average. According to Henry A. Walker, director of the European Division, "At that time only 25 students of the 7,729 enrolled in the European Division of the University of Maryland appeared on the Dean's List with an 'A' average."

Ensign Schaffer has been enrolled in the University of Mary-

land since September 1969. During the five-term period of enrollment used in determining his appointment to the Dean's List, he completed 15 semester hours of college credits, bringing his total number of semester hours completed with the university to 30. In addition, he has completed 12 semester hours of credits with the Army Language School in Monterey, Calif.

The presentation of this

award was also somewhat of a milestone in the career of Lawson W. Hawkins, educational supervisor of the Bremerhaven Army Education Center. In Hawkins' 21 years of educational administration in the European Theater, this is the first time a student from one of his centers has earned this award. Ensign Schaffer is also believed to be the first student from the Bremerhaven center to receive the medallion.

NAVSECGRU Picks MCPO

The Commander, U.S. Naval Security Group (COMNAVSECGRU) recently announced the appointment of Master Chief Communications Technician Clarence L. Schick to the newly created position of master chief petty officer of the Naval Security Group Command.

CTCM Schick, an "R" Brancher currently stationed at the Naval Communications Station, Rota, Spain, is scheduled to take over his new post in August.

Prior to reporting to NAVCOMSTA Rota, CTCM Schick was attached to the Naval Security Group Activity, Marietta, Wash.

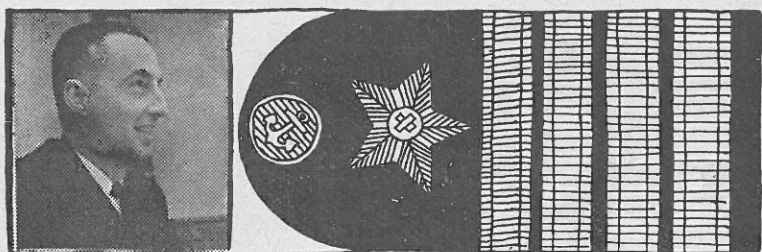
Chief Communications Tech-

nician Frederick J. Ennulat of the NSGA Bremerhaven Administrative Department served with CTCM Schick at NSGA Marietta between February 1969 and January 1971. According to CTC Ennulat, "Chief Schick served as senior enlisted advisor of NSGA Marietta, in addition to being the command's assistant operations officer. Since NSGA Marietta was an activity small in personnel, but large in commitments, Chief Schick was required to serve on all boards and committees, and was a person to be looked to for advice and guidance. He received the Navy Achievement Medal for his outstanding performance of duty while attached to the command."

**FANTASTIC
ROCK**
(See page 3)



RECEIVES SCHOLASTIC HONORS—For his appointment to the University of Maryland Dean's List with an "A" grade average, Ensign Lawrence C. Schaffer, NSGA Bremerhaven processing and reporting officer, was awarded the university's Scholastic Achievement Medallion and a Certificate of Scholarship. Presenting the award is Captain James W. Osmer Jr. Looking on in the background are (L-R) Lawrence W. Hawkins, supervisor of the Army Education Center; Commander William D. Garner, operations officer; and Lieutenant Raymond M. Drew, assistant Second Division officer.



Bachelor Enlisted Quarters

Some 173 desks are on order for the Bachelor Enlisted Quarters, and the General Services Administration has advised us that they should be shipped from the factory in June or July of this year. Additionally, a \$1,228 requisition for furniture for the CPO and First Class Lounge has just been submitted. These requisitions use up nearly all the monies made available to date by Commander, Naval Security Group for BEQ furniture. Also, we have ordered the final sets of curtains for the BEQ rooms plus some spares. Public Works personnel have worked up a project to install shower stalls and curtains in the BEQ shower rooms. Bids on this project opened June 4 with work starting shortly thereafter.

Financial Responsibility

Any time a person makes a large expenditure, he should consider carefully whether or not he wishes to part with his hard-earned money. And before a person signs a contract, he should carefully study its terms to be sure they are fair to him and that he is adequately protected. A good way to gain some time to consider a large purchase and to ensure that you are getting a square deal in the contract is to bring the contract in to the legal officer before you sign it.

Since paying out money is sometimes akin to signing a contract, do not be in a hurry to spend or sign — see the legal officer first. He can provide some references of people stationed here who did it the other way around — and now regret it!

Financial Irresponsibility

A few weeks ago the Legal Office, in a period of one week, handled bad check cases involving \$645 and eight young petty officers. Cashing a check for which there is insufficient funds is a criminal offense (though there was no criminal intent involved in these cases). Furthermore, such an act reflects adversely on the readiness of a man to accept the responsibilities required of a petty officer.

Finally, and most importantly in these cases, I should think that an individual would be more concerned with his own good name and reputation than to cash a bad check. Laziness and carelessness were the culprits in the aforementioned cases — not good enough reasons to risk damage to one's reputation.

New Working Uniforms

Some of the new working uniforms are now in stock at Small Stores. No one had said anything about a different crew being required with this uniform, but several weeks ago Senior Chief Storekeeper Jack R. Bailes of the Supply and Fiscal Department noticed that the crew looked different in a picture of the uniform in "Navy Times." A call was placed to the Fleet Material Support Office and sure enough, a different rating badge is required. FMSO gave us the necessary stock number and these are now on order, all thanks to the sharp eye of SKCS Bailes. Subsequently, a Navywide announcement came out regarding the requisitioning of the new working uniform rating badges.

Lifers Are Everywhere

WASHINGTON, D.C. (NAVNEWS) — (Public Affairs Officer's Comment: The following is a reprint from "Flight Lines," the station newspaper of the Naval Air Station, Albany, Ga. It is worthy of the attention of all hands throughout the Navy).

One of the most often heard cliches in the Armed Forces today is "lifer." It's an "in" word if you're "out," and an "out" word if you are "in."

"Lifer" flashes back to Class B movies with George Raft shuffling endlessly along cold prison walls. It insinuates that the career airman has taken a life sentence, just like some three-time losers at Sing Sing.

It's a word that can easily be shouted by some guy whose biggest moments used to be standing on a street corner and throwing rocks at school buses.

It's a word that irritates many. Why? Because no one likes to be belittled by prejudicial words. On second thought, maybe the word isn't all that bad, though . . .

No one was born a "lifer." They become one, step by step. Along the way civilian life beckoned. The grass often looked greener in their neighbor's backyard. "Peacetime" years weren't always very peaceful — Korea, China Straits, Lebanon and Berlin Crises, Cuban missiles, and then Vietnam.

Many "lifers" sweated out housing, pay raises, operations, readiness inspections, long temporary duty assignments, alert duty, and frequent moves. Somehow, the years passed and the sense of belonging grew. Good outfits, good guys, and good memories outweighed the bad. So, they became "lifers."

Though the "lifer" may march to the beat of a different drummer, the doctor who brought each of us into this world was a "lifer." So was your favorite teacher, and so were Vince Lombardi, Franklin Roosevelt, "Satchmo" Armstrong, Pope John, Billy Graham, Henry Ford, and George Patton. Unfortunately, so were Karl Marx, Ho Chi Minh, Mao Tse Tung, and most of those who are trying to upset our apple cart.

That's why professionals are needed in the military today and in the future. So nobody is getting "hung-up" over the "lifer" label — the professionals have spent too many years earning it, and they're in good company.

Sailor/Marine Of the Month



CT2 Charles E. Oravec

CT2 Charles E. Oravec of First Division has been selected for the "Sailor-Marine of the Month" award for June 1971. In CT2 Oravec'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 June 1971.

"Since your arrival at this command in April 1969, you have demonstrated a high degree of professional performance, a keen interest in all assignments, and a willingness to accept additional responsibilities. Your ability to train new personnel is indicative of a high leadership potential and most commendable.

"Your positive and enthusiastic attitude toward the service reflects a high degree of dedication and loyalty. Also noteworthy in this respect is your always immaculate personal appearance, both in and out of uniform, setting an example to all.

"In addition to your professional accomplishments, your active participation in the Command Sports Program in softball has helped to make this program a success. Not one to rest on past performance, you have chosen to continue your education through the United States Armed Forces Institute program.

"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!"

Guess Who?



GUESS WHO THIS IS — Readers have been telling us that we are giving them too many hints regarding the identities of our mystery guests, so here is one minus any clues to his identity. Last month's mystery guest was none other than the NSGA Bremerhaven administrative officer, Lieutenant Commander Guy Keenum.

Focus on Faith

By Chaplain Ervin D. Ingebreison

How tragic it is when a man or woman or a young person goes through life without gaining a sense of the sacred. Never knowing the "lift" of a divine presence puts us out of reach of a vast new dimension for our lives.

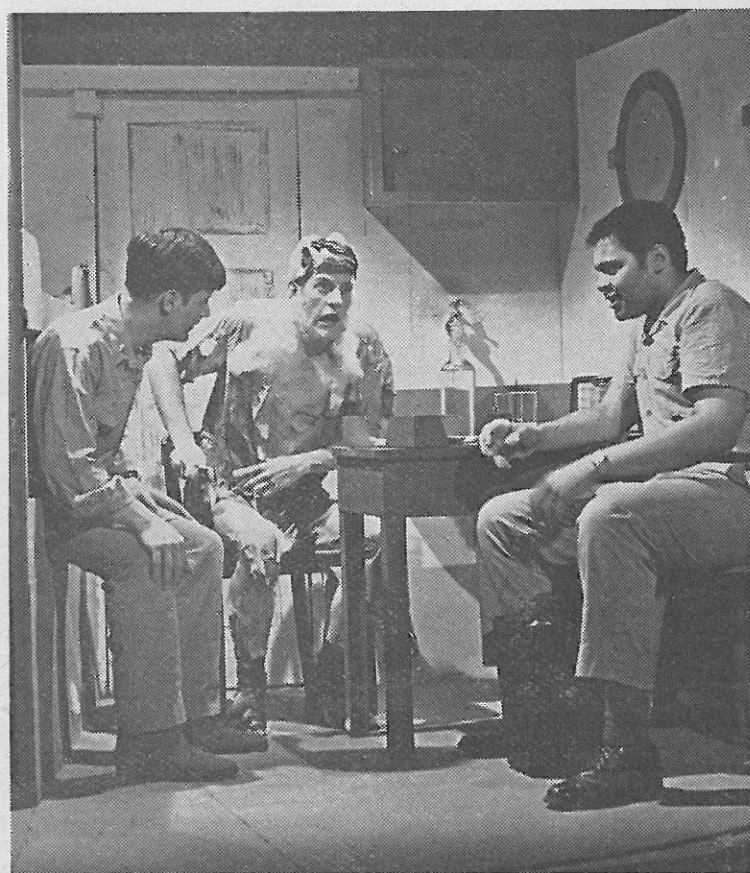
Far too often the experience of acknowledging God depends upon the circumstances that surround us: If health is normal, there is no need to seek the help of some mysterious force beyond; if we are able to provide for ourselves through our own skills, dependence upon God may seem useless and, perhaps, a bit of folly. When life seems to be relatively free of struggle and catastrophe, invoking the divine seems unnecessary and irrelevant. To many, life is balanced if work is compensated by a reasonable amount of leisure and troublefree living.

Poise in life is experienced only when we make room in our mortal lives for that which is eternal. Life is balanced when a sense of the sacred enters into and controls our basic philosophy.

Apart from God, too many questions are unanswered and life is a dilemma and a puzzle. The common ventures of life lose their meaning unless we hold a deep knowledge that life is holy because it is given by God to serve his eternal purposes.

If individuals and nations are not powered by moral and spiritual laws — reverence for God — ruthlessness inevitably moves in. Society reflects many examples of this.

In our efforts to keep abreast of all the opportunities and the feverish business in our day, "Stand still, and consider the wondrous works of God." (Job 37:14)

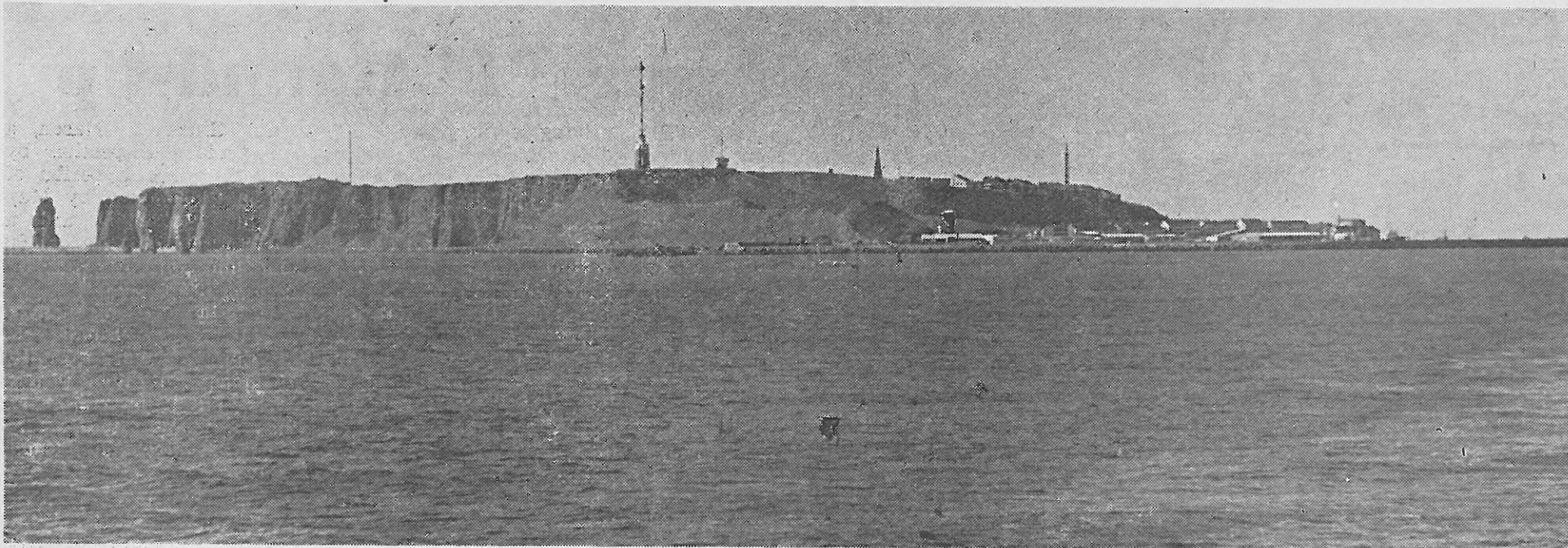


"MR. ROBERTS"—The Port City Theater recently completed their production of "Mr. Roberts," which played June 3-5 and 10-12. The scene here shows the aftermath of an exploded firecracker manufactured from fulminate of mercury. The players are (L-R) CT1 Thomas S. Hall (Mr. Roberts), CTSN Andrew M. Bristow (Ens Pulver), and CT3 Roscoe H. Lindsey ("Doc") (Photo By J. C. Benner).



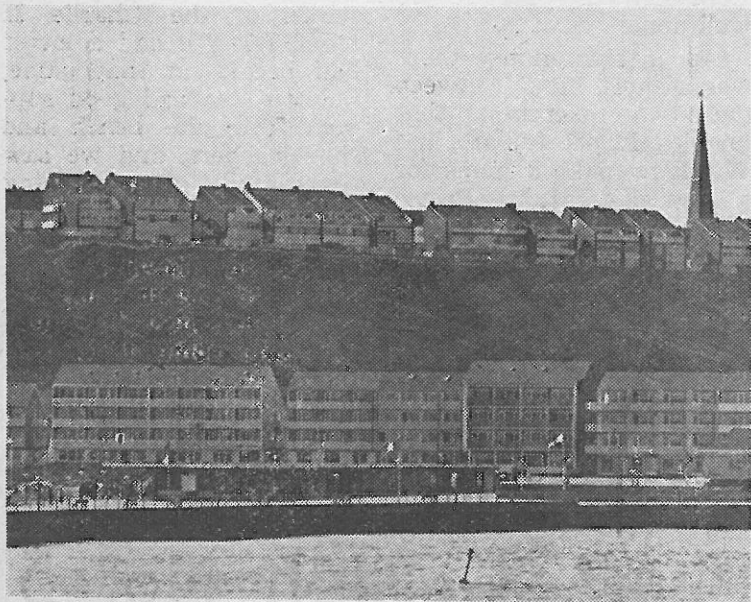
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North Sea Vacationland

Germany's Helgoland--'Fantastic Rock'



SPLIT-LEVEL TOWN—Helgoland's built-up area is divided by a cliff-face into the Oberland (upper land) and Unterland (lower land). The entire area was entirely reconstructed following World War II and the numerous hotels of the Unterland pictured here serve thousands of tourists each year. For the shopper, the island's numerous shops sell a variety of tax-free goods.

"A fantastic rock." Those are the words used by the famed **Michelin Green Guide** to describe the German island of Helgoland which lies 43 miles out from the mouth of the Elbe River in the North Sea.

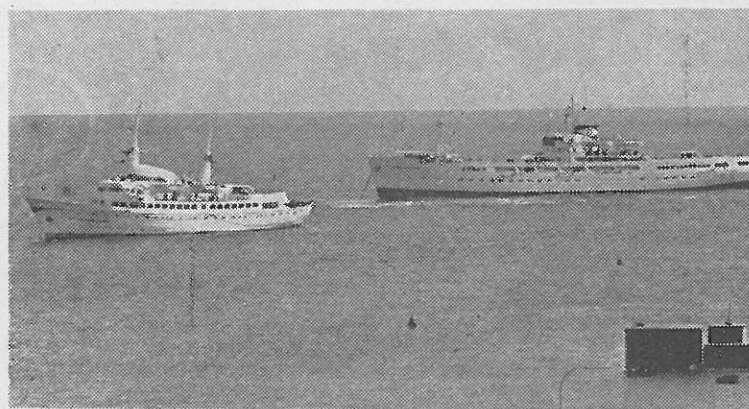
The island is accessible by ferry from Bremerhaven, as well as from Hamburg and Cuxhaven. Thousands of tourists flock there each year to escape the hustle and bustle of city life. They are attracted by the short sea cruise, well-tended cliff walks, and sea bathing from the lonely but sheltered Deune sand beach, as well as by the tax-free tobacco, spirits, and sweets offered by the island's numerous shops.

The Bremerhaven ferry to Helgoland operates seven days a week, departing Columbus Quay at 8:50 a.m. and returning at approximately 8:15 p.m. The cruise takes not quite four hours each way, leaving about four hours to explore the offerings of the island. Ferryboats anchor in the harbor and passengers travel to shore in tenders.

Excavations on the island have indicated that it was inhabited during the Stone and Bronze Ages, many years before the Birth of Christ. During the 8th Century, the island was a place of worship for Frisian heathens. In more recent history, Helgoland has been occupied at various times by Denmark, Great Britain, and Germany.

Great Britain acquired the island from Denmark in 1807 and, in turn, traded it to Germany in 1890 in exchange for Zanzibar. It was while Helgoland was under British control that Heinrich Hoffmann von Fallersleben there composed verses which later became the German national anthem, "Deutschland, Deutschland Uber Alles."

The island, which for centuries has been undermined by the sea (actual area less than one-half mile square), was nearly wiped from the map in 1947 by the British who tried unsuccessfully to blow-up what had been a submarine base during World War II. They expended 700,000 tons of explosives in their efforts. Helgoland was returned to Germany in 1952 to become the tourist center it is today. Its built-up area, which is divided by the cliff-face, has been entirely reconstructed.



FERRY SERVICE—Helgoland is accessible by ferryboat from Bremerhaven, Hamburg, and Cuxhaven. All passenger ships coming to the island anchor in the harbor, where the passengers are picked up by tenders and taken to shore.



HELPING HANDS—A passenger (second from left) is assisted by three "salty" attendants who aid passengers in disembarking from the small tenders that run between the island and the large passenger ships anchored in the harbor.



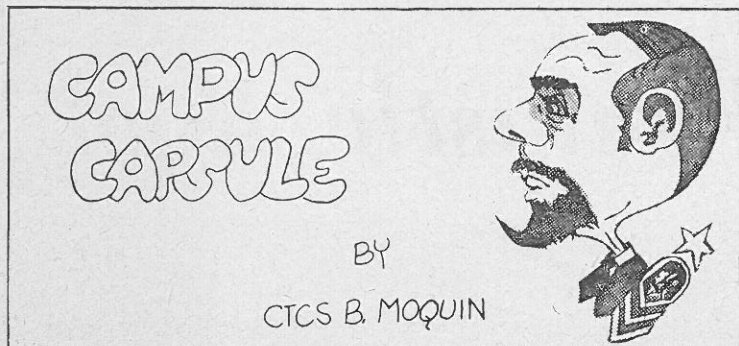
RED LIMESTONE CLIFFS—Helgoland's rugged cliffs show the long-term effects of the erosive North Sea on its shores.



SPRECHEN SIE AMERICAN?—One of Helgoland's shops sports this sign: "We speak English, American understood." The sign has apparently been in use for some time; note that the American flag in the picture only has 48 stars.



PTA AWARD—CTCS Bertrand P. Moquin, Parent Teacher Association president (center) presents a silver bowl to CTC and Mrs. Leroy L. Reinitz on May 3 in recognition of service to the PTA during their tour at Bremerhaven. CTC Reinitz served as chairman of the PTA Ways and Means Committee.



You will recall that in last month's column I announced that, beginning Sept. 1, 1971, the University College of the University of Maryland will recognize the General Examination of the College-Level Examination Program (CLEP).

Although I discussed this program in detail in my January column, I have decided to review it due to its now greater applicability to military personnel in Bremerhaven who are planning to enroll in the University of Maryland here.

CLEP was established to enable individuals who have acquired their education in nontraditional ways to demonstrate their academic achievement.

This program is offered by the College Entrance Examination Board, which for years has provided testing and guidance services to schools and colleges, and to students who proceed from high school to college in the conventional way. However, these services had been neither readily available to, nor appropriate for, those who had gained their education outside the classroom through such means as correspondence study, television courses, independent study, on-the-job training and experience, and so on.

The Purpose of CLEP

Recognizing that the important question is not **how** a person has acquired his education but **what education he has**, the College Board designed CLEP to serve a variety of purposes. The basic purpose, as outlined above, is to enable those who have reached the college level of education in nontraditional ways to assess the level of their achievement and to use the test results in seeking college credit or placement.

In addition, scores on the tests may serve to validate educational experience obtained at a nonaccredited institution or through noncredit college courses. Colleges and universities make use of the tests to measure the level of educational achievement of their students, and for various institutional research purposes. A number of colleges and universities also use the tests in the administration, placement, and guidance of students who wish to transfer from one institution to another.

Acceptance of Scores

The American Council on Education (ACE) recommends that institutions of higher education grant adults, both military and civilian, credit and advanced standing for each of the five General Examinations (provided that the student has not previously earned credit in the areas), using as minimum standards: (1) That the examinee achieves a score at or above the 25th percentile on each test; (2) that six semester hours of credit be granted for each test, or the amount of credit the institution normally grants in the areas covered by the tests; and (3) that the total amount of credit granted for all five tests not exceed 30 hours of credit, or the equivalent of one academic year.

The United States Armed Forces Institute (USAFI) provides the tests, scores them, and reports the results to the examinee and to any institutions or agencies of his choice; but neither USAFI nor the College Board can award college credit, and the ACE recommendations are only advisory.

Comprehensive Examinations

In most colleges and universities in the United States today, undergraduate students undertake general studies during their freshman and sophomore years.

The CLEP examinations, which consist of a battery of five tests — English Composition, Social Sciences-History, Natural Sciences, Humanities, and Mathematics — are designed to be particularly relevant to the kinds of intellectual experiences students will have during their first and second years in college.

Each of the five comprehensive General Examinations is an objective test consisting of multiple-choice questions. The English Composition Test requires 60 minutes, while each of the other four tests have a 75-minute time limit.

Once again, that is the story on the CLEP tests; anyone interested in taking the examinations should contact the Army Education Center on the second floor of Building 228.

By LCpl J. R. Trunick

Company 'F' Round-Up

Recent Company "F" activities were highlighted by the German-American shoot May 22 and 23 at Verden, Germany. On the first day of the shoot, Company "F" Marines coached and kept score as the Germans won a fair share of our Marksman, Sharpshooter, and Expert badges. The Marines shot on the second day and walked off with a good number of German bronze medals, with GySgt Peter Manning and SSgt Chester V. Harris winning gold medals, and the Company receiving a silver plaque.

Following the awards presentations after the match, a party was held featuring steaks and beer, carnivals, beer contests, dancing, and bubble baths, with the Marines spending the night with the German families. The overall German hospitality was outstanding.

It seems that Cpl Larry W. Beckham had the most sensational time with frequent breaks during the firing of his rounds, an assortment of mixed drinks during the party, and while losing himself and others in the history of Sgt York, the World War I hero. There was also a bit of humor and confusion concerning those who became lost while

driving to the shoot.

GySgt Ernest R. Rohrer, SSgt James L. Minter, and LCpls Michael L. Abbate, Michael A. Prince, and David L. Welch, recently returned from a TAD tour at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, where they participated in two field exercises. The first exercise was with the Radio Battalion and included the extensive use of field equipment.

The second exercise in which the men took part was "Exotic Dancer IV," a combined forces exercise with over 50,000 troops from the four branches of the services. The commanding officer of the Marine Support Battalion forwarded a letter of appreciation to the Marines of Company "F" for a job well done.

As a side note, there was a short break between the two exercises that enabled LCpls Abbate and Welch to make it home for a few days. LCpl Prince was not quite so fortunate — he was "permitted" to remain at Camp Lejeune and work.

LCpl Prince, by the way, was promoted to his present rank on May 24. Congratulations!

May training included close order drilling led by

Capt. Gilbert L. Nason, a clothing inspection by squad leaders, a period of troop information by Maj. Arthur P. Finlon, and a lecture on the M-60 machine gun by Cpl Carlyle W. Engelage.

In the way of departures, GySgt Ronald E. Mattingly, who recently extended for two years, left June 2 for Company "A" at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland. Good Luck!

The Company's softball record up to May 25 included a record of five wins and three losses. A wipe-out win for the Company was the victory over the Army's M.P. team, 18-5. There were also some "narrow" losses suffered by the Marines, such as the one we took at the hands of the Charlie II team, 7-1. We had a lot of bad breaks in that game, but we also had good support from the bench and the bleachers, and we saw some really great pitching out there.

Also in the area of sports, the bowling team seems to be holding its own, as has been the story for quite some time, and there were recently two 500-mile hiking completions by Cpls Richard E. Andrews and Glen J. Lozier.



Milk, Not Coffee Filling Navy Cups

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AFPS) — Has the "mod" Navy dealt a death blow to coffee? Will the salty bo'sun soon be seen with his calloused hands circling a cup of milk?

It's highly unlikely. However, statistics from the Navy's Subsistence Office do indicate coffee consumption is going down, and fresh milk figures are going up.

In 1968 the Navy cooks needed 7,268,000 pounds of coffee to keep the pots boiling. Two years later, there was a drop of more than two million pounds, enough for 180 million cups of java.

Some of the decrease can be attributed to cutbacks in force levels, but at the same time, there was an increase in the consumption of fresh milk: from 23,000,000 gallons in 1968 to 24,897,000 gallons two years later.

Phinney-graph No. 5



Cdr Thomas C. Bosworth

The World of Matthäus Merian...

Though Matthäus Merian (1593-1650) was an accomplished engraver, only a small part of the beloved Merian city views are actually the work of his own hands.

Consider that there are thousands upon thousands of such city views, many of them so intricate that it takes one an hour of time and a magnifying glass to study them. It is doubtful that any one person could produce such a legacy in several lifetimes.

Headed a Firm

Merian was mainly a businessman, heading a firm that had been established by his father-in-law. He would train his co-workers to travel the Old World — from Russia to Morocco, from England to Constantinople — bringing back bulging sketch books from which artisans in his big shop would make engravings. The results would

be bound in books, or sold as maps and charts.

Enchings Widely Used

The Merian legacy is a delight — both to decorators and to historians. Private homes, restaurants, club rooms, and the like, find endless uses for Merian's etchings, framed; on lampshades, table tops, trays and cigarette boxes; in wallpaper patterns; etched on colored glass, and hung in a window.

Historians find the accurate Merian drawings useful for studying architecture, or the development of a city.

The bigger engravings show thousands of buildings, each of which actually stood on the site shown.

Historical Documents

Some of the Merian works, sadly to say, became very important historical documents soon after they were made.



ROSTOCK—An important port on the Baltic Sea, now in the (East) German Democratic Republic.

Within a few years of the early German city scenes, many of the cities in question crumbled into the rubble and embers of the Thirty Years War.

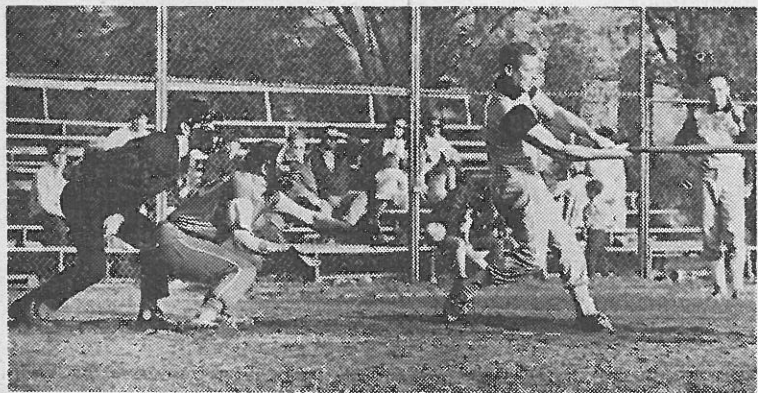
(Editor's Note: The above article was reprinted in part from "Focus on Germany").



LONDON — Merian made this very detailed view before the old city's face was altered by the great fire.



FRANKFURT Besieged by Swedes during Thirty Years' War.



THAT'S A STRIKE, CHIEF! — CTC Johnny Mc. Davis of the Officers-Chiefs softball team gets a strike during the May 15 game with Company "F" Marines. The Off.-CPO team won the contest, 8-3. The Marine catcher in the photo is Sgt Robert G. Cain. BELOW: The photographer caught the ball in flight just before it crossed the plate after being pitched by CTC John A. Kromas of the Off.-CPO team. The May 17 bout with the Day Workers was later rained out. (Photos By W.J. Moward)



Matmen Madness

By 'Jake the Snake'

There is a rumor going around the shops in the Electronics Department to the effect that before long all watchstanding Matmen will be issued goggles with red lenses. The reason for the goggles is to help the men adjust to the darkness during Eve and Mid watches — not the darkness outside, but inside. I heard that CT2 Mark M. Hoffman was recently found performing preventative maintenance on what, in the dark, appeared to him to be a receiver. He was shocked when he later found out he had "tweaked up" a box of empty pop cans!

Department personnel have been taking advantage of the warm weather in recent months by way of "Beer Ball Games." The Day Workers are the champs now, but that shouldn't last long.

CT1 Neal A. Costanzo is said to be moonlighting during his off-time for the Deutsche Bundespost. They even seem to have let him use one of their cars full-time. I mean really, who would buy a Bundespost yellow Chev?

Word reached me at my outpost in Spaden that someone in the Second Division Maintenance Shop has been receiving phone calls that are driving the watch standers crazy.

A sweet, young voice on the line keeps asking for "Schatziepoo." Wonder who that might be?

At long last, the sonic cleaners have been installed. All sorts of things that were once dull and dirty now shine and sparkle — a paper punch, all the shop ashtrays, CT2 Steven B. Payne's tool pouch, CT1 James A. Jauert's coffee cup, and, last but not least, everyone's wedding ring.

Now I would like to welcome aboard some of the new faces in the department. CTC and Mrs. Bertrand G. Charest arrived here from Adak, Alaska. Chief Charest is the new division career counselor. CT2 and Mrs. David M. McQuay, by coming from Winter Harbor, Me., won't have to adjust too much to the Bremerhaven winters. CT2 and Mrs. Benjamin C. Roman were previously stationed in "The Land of Bull-fights," Rota, Spain.

Along with the "Brownbaggers," we also had some new "Lockerslammers" arrive. A hearty welcome to CT2 Howard W. Carriger from Adak, CT2 Raymond A. Croxford from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and CT3 Don L. Carlson from Fort George G. Meade, Md.

Congratulations go out to all those recent reenlistees: CTC

Duane C. Long, CT1 George S. Leaf, CT2 Charles A. Weaver, and CT3 Remo K. Anderson.

And now it's time once again for the "Fickle Finger of Fate" to point to you and ask: "Did you know that CTC and Mrs. Robert F. Gribben are expecting an addition to their family in August... that CT3 Steven E. Richardson received (in absentia) an initial award for his tachometer generator 'Benny Sugg'... and that by the time it got to Steve, the IRS had nibbled his \$25.00 award down to 20 bills (with luck he'll get more, depending on how often his suggestion is used during a period of a year)... that if you send a prominent brand of German slide film to Hamburg via the Bundespost, you can get your slides back in three to four days... that CT2 David A. Walp refuses to ride in a certain make of auto... that CT2 Ronald J. Nielsen has been nicknamed "The Sleepy Rider!"... that CT2 John M. Johnston cut off his Afro... that CT1 Lawrence K. Porter is taking riot lessons so as to fit into the college way of life quicker... that CT2 Wayne H. Seely is 'short' here in Bremerhaven... that 'FRODO' is alive? That's all folks!

R. H. I. P.

Persons oriented toward the military will immediately recognize the above abbreviation. It stands, of course, for that old military proverb: Rank Has Its Privileges. It refers to the concept that, as a person progresses in rank, his privileges, power, benefits, or whatever increase accordingly.

The following article was contributed by Communications Technician First Class Richard L. Phinney of the Administrative Department. He did not write the piece and does not know who did. As he explains it, "I picked it up in Frankfurt. It's one of those 'literary works' that are passed from hand-to-hand throughout the Navy, with the author remaining anonymous."

How accurate do you think the anonymous author was when he wrote the following rank descriptions?

ADMIRAL: Leaps tall buildings with a single bound; is more powerful than a locomotive and faster than a speeding bullet. He is able to walk on water and he gives policy to the Almighty.

CAPTAIN: Leaps short buildings with a single bound; is more powerful than a switch engine, and just as fast as a speeding bullet. He walks on water if it is calm and talks with the Almighty.

COMMANDER: Leaps short buildings with a running start and favorable winds, and is almost as powerful as a switch engine. He is faster than a speeding B.B., walks on water in an indoor swimming pool, and talks with the Almighty (if special permission is given).

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER: Barely clears quonset huts; loses a tug-of-war with a locomotive. He can fire a speeding bullet, swim well, and is occasionally addressed by the Almighty.

LIEUTENANT: Makes high marks when trying to leap buildings; is run over by locomotives. He can sometimes handle a gun without inflicting self-injury, is able to dog-paddle fairly well, and talks to animals.

LIEUTENANT (junior grade): Runs into buildings; recognizes a locomotive two out of three times. He is not issued ammunition, can stay afloat if properly instructed in the use of a "Mae West," and talks to walls.

ENSIGN: Falls over doorsteps when trying to enter buildings; says, "Look at the choo-choo!" He wets himself with a water pistol, plays in mud puddles, and mumbles to himself.

CHIEF PETTY OFFICER: Lifts skyscrapers and walks under them; kicks locomotives off the track. He catches speeding bullets in his teeth and eats them, changes the course of hurricanes with one breath, and . . . he IS the Almighty.

The AFN Bremerhaven 'Big Beat'

By SSgt David B. Stewart

Summer vacation time is with us and the usual program changes are under consideration with us here at AFN Bremerhaven. We are currently in the middle of conducting a cross-section radio listening survey. Using facts and figures given to us by people in the know, we are personally interviewing a variety of local servicemen, civilian personnel, and dependents.

The survey polls a sampling of people representative of the ranks and age groups of our listening audience. We feel the results will give us a true picture of what we should be putting across to you the listener, and that it will also help us in presenting better programming to everyone.

Program Changes

The survey contains questions pertaining to listening time, opinions regarding current scheduling, and suggestions for a possible new, revamped future programming service. It is very similar to the type conducted by the major networks back home, and we feel it will aid us immensely.

Some program changes are already in effect. The most revolutionary was the overhauling of the Saturday morn-

ing schedule which has not received much comment at all except for the complaints of angry parents and children concerning the movement of "Big John and Sparky" to Sundays at 10:00 a.m. It seemed that this time slot clashed with Sunday church services, so we moved it back two hours to 8:00.

Something for Everyone

While on the subject of moving programs and of listener surveys, I am reminded of an often heard complaint here at the station: Why Karl Haas? The "Adventures in Good Music" program originates every weekday morning at 10:05 from Frankfurt. The show is 40 minutes in length and during this time Mr. Haas discusses musical theory in detail. In trying to keep our current policy of a little bit of something for everyone, we feel that 40 minutes of cultural music a day is a fair share for our "high brow" listeners, and not unfair to others.

Next month our "Eve Watch" program for Navy personnel will undergo a slight change and I will tell you more about that then. Until next issue, "Thank you for your time; you've been most kind."

The Supply Scope

By SK2 J. R. Howard

The Supply and Fiscal Department recently acquired a new leader — Lt Lawrence A. King. A "Welcome Aboard" to Lt and Mrs. King and their two children. Lt King was formerly stationed at the Naval Supply Facility, Da Nang, where he served as material control officer.

LCdr Jerome J. Ceo, whom Lt King relieved on May 14, is returning to civilian life in Harrisburg, Pa.

Another new arrival to the Supply Department is SK1 Richard N. Bass who reported aboard from the attack aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk. He is serving as Supply's stock control supervisor and is accompanied on his tour here by his wife and son. A "Welcome Aboard" to the Basses and to SKSN Gary C. Barker and SN Thomas A. Battan, two other new arrivals.

Congratulations are in order for DKC Robert E. Blair who was meritoriously advanced to his present rank on May 1. Boy, leave it to those DKs to program their own advancements, keep up with the ever-continuing "gold flow" problem, and outsmart us all in the latest monetary development, the "floating" of the Deutsche Mark.

Ship Photos Available

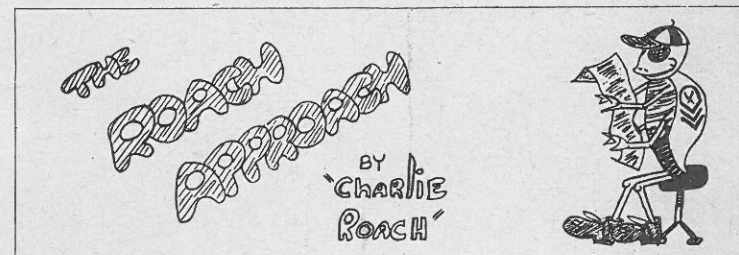
WASHINGTON, D.C. (NAV-NEWS) — If you are stricken with nostalgia to see your old ship again, here is a remedy for a fast cure — order your own photograph of her.

Ship photographs taken before 1958 may be ordered from the National Archives and Records Service, Attention Cashier, Room 404, 8th and Pennsylvania Av., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20408. A check for \$2.00 payable to the General Services Administration must accompany the request.

Newer photos can be obtained from the Commanding Officer, Naval Photographic Center, Naval Station, Washington, D.C. 20390. The cost for these pictures is 90 cents for an 8 X 10 black and white glossy photo. Second and third prints of the same negative are 40 cents. Checks should be made payable to the Naval Photographic Center.



MISS WINDJAMMER—June's "Miss Windjammer" is lovely Lara Lindsay, who certainly appears well-cushioned here . . . and there, too.



There's an old saying: "It's a crazy world, isn't it?" The more I see around me, the more I am inclined to agree. I was out churning up a few "G's" in the Roachmobile recently when I stopped off to see a softball game at Chapel Field.

I pulled the Roachmobile into the area behind home plate and had hardly stepped out when two hairy-armed, muscular, slightly overweight MPs had me spread-eagled over my car (which is, in itself, a real chore as those familiar with the Roachmobile will understand).

After showing them my driver's license, I.D. card, Social Security card, World War II veteran's button, and Block Four credit card, they severely reprimanded me for driving my auto on sacred ground. Upon questioning them, I determined that my best bet for a parking spot was somewhere near the bahnhof in Dudeldorf.

I made it back for the last inning of the second game (after all, Dudeldorf is a far piece), and afterwards I watched the ballplayers police up the area. That's right, seems that is the new procedure. It's O.K. for the patrons to enjoy the goodies and the concession stand to reap more than an average profit (15 cents for a 6 cent soda pop), but just think, some lucky devil probably submitted the player clean-up and received "Benny Suggs" money. Get your shovels, men; those nasty rabbits have been in the area again.

And moving to some other miscellaneous items . . . I'm not against high school boys having long hair. After all, it's probably just a sneaky plot by some Women's Lib group; but boys, I beg you, don't wear hot pants! I have my little Roachmobile trained to hoot at long hair and hot pants, and you guys could really "mess up" the works.

Twice my little Roachmobile has almost been demolished by Army buses speeding in the housing area. In fact, I was thinking of entering one particular bus, the short one in Eckleintarten, in the Nuernberg Ring or even at Indianapolis.

Glory, gory, boary! AFN Europe moved Karl Haas' show to 10:00 a.m. Only thing to beat that would be to give us another hour of country and western or hard rock music.

And not last, and not least, I offer a poem:
From the halls of Montezuma to the shores of Tripoli,
So goes their glory and all of its fame;
But when O and C beat the Marines,
The days of their glory went right down the drain!
Not too good, huh? Well, I never did claim to be an Albrecht Duerer anyway.

See? It's a crazy world, and if I could tell you all the really sneaky, odd, and crazy things I see, you'd just never believe them.

In closing, let me urge all hands to get out to the ball game and root for your favorite team. Me, I like Bravo Section's team, "The Nads." Go Nads, all the way! Yeah!

If you have a favorite subject you would like Charlie Roach to explore, drop me a line care of the "Windjammer" editor at the Public Affairs Office in Building 11. I will be waiting to hear from you.