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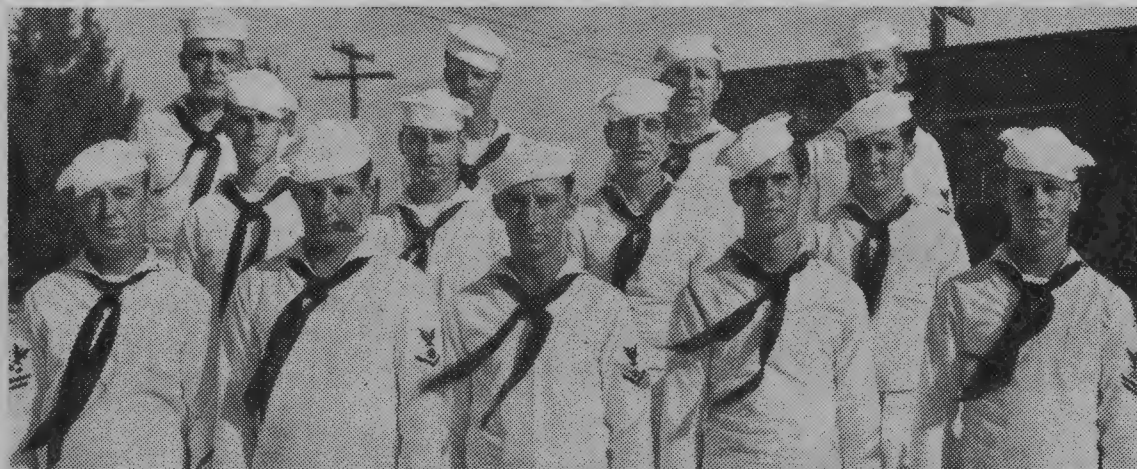
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Stuart To Honor Demolitionaires

COMMUNICATIONS VITAL TO SALVAGE SCHOOL OPERATIONS



COMMUNICATIONS—An important activity in every operation is the communications section at the Landing Craft Salvage School and these men handle their assignment efficiently. Front row, left to right, K. P. Conroy, SM2c; J. W. McKee, EM3c; E. Kieffer, RM3c; M. L. Mancini, S1c;

R. E. Walters, RM2c; Second row, F. J. Rudie, S1c (SM); C. S. English, Y3c; J. J. Landi, S1c (SK); C. F. Hobart, RT2c; Third row, M. Christensen, Y2c; N. J. Beasley, SK2c; A. J. Gerding, F1c; H. L. Sabre, RM3c.

Ceremony Will Mark Opening Of Channel

At an all day dedication ceremony at Stuart next Sunday, the community there will give recognition to the USNATB, and the Naval Combat Demolition unit that has opened the St. Lucie inlet there to channel shipping by blasting a deep gap through a coral reef that has blocked the entrance.

The feat was accomplished as practice training for the NCDU, as they train for landings on enemy shores.

Capt. C. Gulbranson, USN, Base CO, and Governor-elect Millard Caldwell will be principal speakers at a dedication program at 1600 in the afternoon.

Earlier, at 1430, Gov.-elect Caldwell will fire a very pistol that will be a signal for the final token blast to complete the reef-clearing operation—similar to the cutting of a ribbon at a bridge opening ceremony.

A fish fry is scheduled at 1800 for NCDU personnel who participated in the blasting operations, under direction of Lt. W. F. Flynn, NCDU O-in-C. At 1900, a cocktail party will be held for USNATB visitors, civilian guests and local civic leaders, with a banquet and dance at 2000.

In the afternoon, Navy landing craft, headed by SCs from the Base here, will lead a boat parade into the inlet from the sea, and proceed through the new channel to the Stuart municipal docks. An exhibit of Naval landing craft is also scheduled there.

The entire program will honor all Base personnel, under Captain Gulbranson's direction, who participated in the opening of the channel that will open Stuart and Salerno to ocean shipping.

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"The Amphibs," new magazine on the Atlantic Amphibious Training Command, is an excellent edition portraying activities of the Amphibs. Purchase your souvenir copy at any of the Base Ship's Service units.

RECREATION PAVILION WILL BE OPENED SOON

New Structure Will Provide Variety Of Entertainment For Base Personnel

The Recreation Pavilion, just west of Gulbranson Hall, will be opened within a week in the expansion program of the Recreation and Welfare Department. The new structure is virtually complete and recreational concessions are being placed in the pavilion.

The building will house a number of games including 12 pool and 15 ping pong tables, two skee ball sets, table shuffleboard and other games. There will be letter writing facilities and a free juke box for the use of servicemen.

In the meantime the west wing of Gulbranson Hall where pool tables and other games were available to personnel will be converted into office use. In this wing the Recreation and Welfare Office will have space as well as the Navy Relief and the Red Cross.

In moving the Recreation office from the east wing of Gulbranson Hall, the library will be expanded as more books are being added and the popularity of the reading room is such that the extra room was needed.

THIS STAFF OPERATES LCS(S) SCHOOL



LCS(S) STAFF—This staff of youthful officers conducts the operations of the Landing Craft Support (Small) School and the officers are doing an excellent job. Seated, left to right, Ens. R. W. Collins; Ens. E. B. Byhre; Lt. Homer Tolivaisia and Ens. E. C. H. Bartlett. Standing, Ens. T. H. Roberts; Ens. A. Willis; Ens. K. K. Rohrbach and Ens. F. C. Joyce.

BIG BATTLES COMING

"The big battles of the war against Japan are still but a gleam

in our planners' eyes, and we are just getting the preliminaries over." — Brig. Gen. Robert L. Denig.

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Good Petty Officers Important

Of all the positions that the Navy has to offer the men who are in it, the position of a Petty Officer is to our way of thinking one of the most important.

There are some obvious advantages such as more pay and the privilege of wearing an insignia which recognizes the wearer as a specialist in his field. However, the real advantage is the opportunity for progress and the assumption of responsibility. A good Petty Officer is the most important man in the Navy. A commissioned officer might formulate the policy of activity, but it is the Petty Officer who must in the final analysis see that this policy is carried out.

A Petty Officer is the craftsman, the skilled artisan, the man who puts the know-how to work. His responsibilities are great; upon him rests the success of the operations. It is his job to carry out and supervise the execution of orders.

Along with this responsibility and opportunity—being a Petty Officer requires something else—it requires the setting of the example for the recruits, for the non-rated men, and the helping of those who for some reason or another just don't seem to get on.

Section 1275 of Navy Regulation is one of the most important phases of our "bible." It reads in part:

"(1) Petty Officers shall show in themselves a good example of subordination, courage, zeal, sobriety, neatness and attention to duty.

(2) They shall aid to the utmost of their ability in maintaining good order, discipline, and all that concerns the efficiency of the command."

All Petty Officers and those who aspire to be Petty Officers should consider this section of Navy "Regs" to see how they measure up. There is, of course, a lot more to being a Petty Officer than the wearing of the rate insignia and the drawing of extra pay. Let's take an inventory and see which side of the ledger we are on.

—From ATB NEWS—Camp Bradford, Va.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Chaplain E. C. Helmich, USN

On 10 September, your Chaplain left Kodiak, Alaska, via plane for the states and new assignment, he knew not where. After a five-day lay-over in Anchorage awaiting transportation, he boarded a plane Stateside bound. Twenty-two hours later, we were in Minneapolis. Having missed the plane for Chicago, the remainder of our journey was made by train. Shortly after arrival, I reported to the Ninth Naval District via telephone and was instructed to report in person on Monday morning.

Following these instructions, I logged in and took care of all the details connected therewith. (And believe me, fellows, there was plenty of red tape connected with letting it be known that I was aboard.) After another five days of waiting, I finally received specific orders which read USNATB, Fort Pierce. I can tell you, that didn't make me mad after 16 months in Alaska, the land of ice, snow, williwaws and mosquitoes.

After delay which counted as leave, I finally found myself aboard this Base on 20 October. I hadn't been aboard long before I heard complaints from some of the men regarding sandflies, mosquitos and heat along with a few other items which we won't mention here,

It's true that I was sent here at an ideal time of the year, but I'm sure BuPers won't single me out sometime in the spring and say, "Chaplain, you've served in the South for the winter. Now, we'll send you to some northern climate for the summer."

And as for mosquitos. Well, we had them in Alaska, too, but of a much larger variety. In fact, it is commonly reported by men who have seen duty in that sector, that the mosquitos have been mistaken as planes. It is said that one landed at the hangar and the ground crew started servicing it and had pumped in 60 gallons of gas before they discovered it was a mosquito. Of course, I'll draw the line at this one where the B-29 said to the mosquito, "Is you is, or is you ain't my baby?"

Well, fellows, you might not be satisfied at USNATB, but there are a lot of places on the globe which are worse than this place. Then, too, there should also be the realization that you won't be here forever. A goodly sense of humor will help the days pass more rapidly.

In the final analysis, I believe the Apostle Paul has some good sound advice which, if followed, will make this tour not only bearable but downright beneficial. He says, "I have learned in whatsoever state I am therewith to be

RAMBLING AROUND WITH COAST GUARD

BETTY TYPEWRITER 3c

Since Sea Lion Brown left our happy throng we haven't had a chance to be represented in a newspaper, so this opportunity to speak our piece in the *MOCK-UP* is most welcomed, and we wish to thank the editorial staff for so kindly offering this space to us.

By the way, speaking of Sea Lion Brown, Red Brown, W. C. Brown or what have you, he is in Public Relations at CG Headquarters, Washington, D. C. He is doing now the type of work he as wanted to do, so we say "more power to ya, Red."

The Morale Department sponsored a party for Coast Guardsmen and their families last Friday night at the Legion Hall. We had a supper served to us, and the Camp Murphy dance orchestra furnished the down beat. Need we add that the atmosphere was most congenial?

"Topside," the mascot for the CG-83509, is quite a gal! Her dog tags read, "Miss Topside," and she's the pride and joy of every member of the cutter. Joe Brownlee, SoM3c, takes her everywhere he goes. She even gave him moral support when he went to the dentist the other day. Steps have been taken to change her dog tags from "Miss" to "Mrs. Topside," inasmuch as she is going to bless the "509" with more little Topsides.

Yes, the dentist is here. Mobile Unit No. 10. Many brave men stand in line, in line mind you, for a prolonged seige with Dr. Samuels. The unit is set back from the main line of traffic so the sounds coming from it don't affect the work of the Vessel Repair or carpenter's shops. Dr. Samuels is wise!

It isn't generally known among the populace, but the personnel office of the SCGO-COTP, Ft. Pierce, has quite a rep on the base for song composition. Blues, solid stuff or just plain rag time can be whipped up on heir off time . . . natchery!

***USNATB* Birth Of Son Announced**

Lt. (jg) and Mrs. A. J. Snook announce the birth of a son at the Fort Pierce Memorial Hospital on Wednesday. Lt. Snook is First Lieutenant of the Base.

content." Contentment means much to every individual. It is an inner quality which is only fully acquired if the person has a practical dynamic faith in the living Christ. This contentment will make it possible for you to serve God and Country anywhere in the world without that unrest that makes life miserable both for you and your shipmates.

AROUND THE BASE

By Charlie Noble, Bkr2c

SHORE PATROL LOSES DE BOID — The carrier pigeon AOL from its Base somewhere on the East Coast, apparently saw the light and is going to turn himself in. Anyway, that's the way J. A. C. Peoples, CBM, of the USNATB Shore Patrol, sizes up the situation.

Two Shore Patrolmen captured the injured boid last week and he was getting the treatment of a king in the SP headquarters (if that's possible). But with a war on a king's life isn't so hot so Red, as the pigeon was monnikered, flew the coop. "Wanted a change of duty," as Peoples put it.

Red had all the comforts of home but apparently got tired of being pampered. Anyway, Tuesday afternoon W. R. Riddle, F1c, thought it appropriate to get playful with Red having been acquainted with the boid for nearly a week. With wingspread better, Red feinted for a time with his playful companion and outwitted Riddle on a surprise takeoff. Red made a brief stop atop the Fire Station, saluted Shore Patrol Officer McGonagle and went aloft. And now the SP's are looking for a new mascot but this time it will have to be one not connected with the service.

Ens. Robert Leckie, Jr., who recently left this Base with an attack boat group, writes with pride to friends here of his new assignment aboard ship. He wrote in part: "The Commander who met the train with other officers said we were the best appearing and best behaved group that he had seen in two years. . . . The officers of the ship marvel at the discipline of the men and cleanliness so maybe our training at Fort Pierce was pretty good. . . . They haven't touched my division and I am in complete charge. . . . I am really proud of the outfit. . . ."

Monroe L. Fox, SK1c, formerly of NCDU here, though now on duty elsewhere, says he is still interested in the activities of this Base and wants the Base newspaper sent to him to keep in touch with things. He wants to be remembered to his "Demo" friends. . . . The North Carolina Alumni on the Base are set for a big program tonight at the Elks Club. Speaking, dancing and luncheon have been arranged by Add Warren, CSp(A), president. . . . Lt. H. J. Hewitt, Sr., O-in-C of the CB1011, who will soon be placed on inactive duty list by request, has been commended for his service by Vice Admiral Jacobs who wrote the following to Lt. Hewitt: "The Bureau takes this opportunity of conveying to you the sincere gratitude and thanks of the Navy Department for the valuable services rendered by you in behalf of your nation at war. It has been the

CHAPLAINS DECORATED AT CEREMONY



DECORATED—In shipboard fashion two USNATB chaplains who left this week for duty elsewhere were "cited" for "meritorious and efficient performance of duty." In the presence of CB 1101 personnel, Lt. D. F. Mullen (left) and Lt. (jg) W. N. Mertz (right) were presented the "awards" they are shown wearing. Lt. Comdr. P. M. Fenton (center) Executive Officer, pinned on the decorations for their service in the "Battle of Fort Pierce."

Member Of 1259 Engr. Winner Of Phone Call

Pvt. Michael Alessi of Co. A, 1259th Engineers, won the free call home Sunday night at Tenth Street USO. He called his mother, Mrs. Emma Alessi, at Lindenhurst, R. I. A telegram was sent Tuesday morning informing his mother that her son would call that night.

faithful and effective performance of such services by you and others in the naval establishment that now makes it possible for the Navy to return you to your civilian activities." . . . Lt. Shuman Smith was the guest speaker at a recent meeting of the Stuart Kiwanis Club. Lt. Smith took part in early battles in the Mediterranean theatre and reviewed some of his experiences. . . . The Commanding Officer, in a memorandum to all hands, commended the Base officers and men "for their excellent appearance at the Navy Day exercises held at Jaycee Field. The ceremony was satisfactory in every respect and the tribute given those valliant officers and men for their meritorious service was excellent."

. . . Lt. Comdr. Robert (Buck) Halperin, recently promoted, sends his "best" to friends at his Base. Formerly with the Scouts and Raiders, Lt. Comdr. Halperin has been assigned to duty elsewhere after receiving his promotion. . . .

Our Letter Box

Dear Editor:

Out here in the Pacific The Mock-Up comes as a most welcome and cheery guest; late obviously but when it comes it is read completely. Even the lists of names are read. It is pleasing to see the pictures of men and officers I once associated with.

Every time a ship comes around with relations to "Amphibs," I always go on a search for former USNATB personnel. One time while crossing the quarter deck I was recognized by a group on the dock who shouted: "Hey, Ft. Pierce, hi Chaplain." The reunion began then and there. I have crossed sea lanes with demolition units a couple of times also but not often enough. However, every word we get is that the units trained at Fort Pierce have done a great job. I almost connected with a Beach Battalion but, as you know, the "show" out here isn't run for convenience.

The pictures in The Mock-Up really go deep inside of you. Recently the penetrating but friendly expression of our Commanding Officer, Captain Gulbranson, through your pages gave me a needed lift. Then there was Lieutenant Collins and Flynn of Demolition, and now a softball team from Burston Hotel. Well, it all does good.

When the "sea duty" is over



Sunday Worship Schedule

Chaplains
K. D. Perkins
J. C. Fitzgerald
E. G. Helmich
W. J. Walsh
W. B. Leonard
C. J. Hurst

BASE SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Area One at Salvage School
Protestant - - - - - 0800
Catholic - - - - - 0900
Area Two at Gulbranson Hall
Catholic - - - - 0700 and 1045
Protestant - - - - 0845 and 0930
Area Three at S & R Casino
Protestant - - - - - 0845
Catholic - - - - - 1000
Area Four at Gator Club
Catholic - - - - - 0815
Protestant - - - - - 0915

Vesper Services

Protestant vesper services at 1800 in Chaplains' offices, in all four areas.

Week Day Schedule (Catholic)

Masses at 1630 daily in Chaplains' offices in Camp One and Two areas. Novenas Tuesday and Friday.

Confessions every day and religious instructions anytime. Office hours Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 0830 to 2000.

Fort Pierce Churches

PROTESTANT

Methodist - - - - 1100 & 1930
First Presbyterian - 1100 & 2000
Parkview Baptist - - 100 & 2000
First Baptist - - - 1100 & 1930
St. Andrew Episcopal 0800 & 1100
First Christian - - - 1100 & 2000
Church of Christ - - 1100 & 2000
Church of God - - - - 1130
Christian Science - - - - 1100

CATHOLIC

St. Anastasia - 0800, 0900, 1000

JEWISH

Services Friday at 2000 in Methodist Church Annex

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Catches Big Jewfish

A jewfish weighing 292 pounds was on display Wednesday at the Bull Line docks after being caught in Indian River basin by James Prelates, F1c. Prelates is attached to one of the craft in that area.

I'd take my job back in Ft. Pierce with pleasure if the Navy placed me there. It was great duty the short time it lasted. You are putting out a newsy and interesting paper. I hope all my friends will feel that I often think appreciatively of them.

PHILLIP JOHNSON,
Lieut., ChC, USNR

Ensign McFarlane First Officer To Win Grid Selection Contest

MEMBERS OF NAVY WIVES CLUB PLANNING ACTIVITIES



NAVY WIVES—Pictured is a group of members of the Navy Wives Club at the Indian River USO. Standing, left to right, are: Mrs. W. L. Finley, Mrs. R. L. Dornhecker, Mrs. J. T. Manion, Mrs. William J. Weaver, Mrs. Marguerite Brotherton, Mrs. W. H. Barnard, Mrs. D. C.

Schlosser, Mrs. O. C. Ashley and Mrs. J. N. Cox. Seated are Mrs. H. R. Conway, Mrs. E. D. Bair, Mrs. C. H. Flaherty, Mrs. H. Rudolph, president, Mrs. W. E. Packer, Mrs. Walter Meisel and Mrs. E. G. Stevens, Jr. The members are planning a busy season of activities.

Seven Entries Name All But Four Winners

Upsets galore on the nation's gridirons the past week likewise mowed down the fans who pick 'em in the Base Pigskin Pickins contest, and the best entries among nearly 2000 missed four of the 20 games included in the current slate.

Seven contestants missed only four games, and the winner this week — an officer for the first time — is Ens. Blair A. McFarlane, of Camp Four.

Stanley Abat, MM1c, of the YR 51, was the runnerup, with third place going to Ens. Wes Deist, of Scouts and Raiders. Rewards of \$25, \$15 and \$10 go to them.

In the \$5 bracket, 10 awards go to the other four with just four misses, J. T. Hazelett, Scouts and Raiders; H. E. Graham, Sp(A)3c, Camp Three; Charles A. Ray, physical instructor, Camp Three, and Linwood A. Warren, S2c, Camp Three.

Six other winners, with five misses, and selected by the judges from a group of 16 entrants who missed only five picks, are Paul C. Sherrill, Camp, Four; Ens. A. W. Brown, Jr., Camp One; Thomas L. Sheil, Company B, 1259th Engineers; W. R. Crowley, SF2c, M and R; Ens. Thomas Miller, Camp Two, Flotilla 56, and Roy E. Omodt, S2c, Camp Two.

This week's contestants, with another \$100 in awards, ends today at 1700.

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Chairman Of War Fund Reports Good Response

Contributions totaling nearly \$1500 already have been turned over to the USNATB chairman of the War Fund, Lt. G. H. Putman, USN. Personnel of all activities are reported to have made good response to the campaign but complete account will not be known until several large activities have prepared their reports.

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US To Start Producing V-1 Type Robot Bomb

Washington (CNS) — The War Department has contracted for the production of from 1000 to 2000 copies of the German V-1 robot bomb. Among 10 plants receiving experimental contracts is the Ford Motor Co., which will manufacture the jet-propulsion engines.

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Do double duty, buy War Bonds.

AT THE MOVIES GULBRANSON HALL

Today - Saturday
MY PAL WOLF
Sunday - Monday
THE BIG NOISE
Tuesday - Wednesday
NONE BUT THE LONELY HEART
Thursday
MASTER RACE

SUNRISE THEATRE
Today - Saturday
TILL WE MEET AGAIN
Sunday - Monday
RAINBOW ISLAND
Tuesday - Wednesday
ROGER TOUHY GANGSTER
Thursday
MARINE RAIDERS

RITZ THEATRE
Friday - Saturday
TUCSON RAIDERS
Sunday - Monday
SWING IN SADDLE
Tuesday
JEEPERS CREEPERS
Wednesday - Thursday
I MARRIED A MURDERER

AT OFFICERS CLUB
Tuesday at 2030
KITTY FOYLE
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"It is a time that calls for all we have to increase the power of our blows, for only by so doing can we hasten the final surrender."
— ADMIRAL STARK.

ENJOYING SERVICEMEN'S PROGRAM



FRIENDS OF THE SERVICEMAN—Enjoying a program at the Indian River USO recently are the above USO workers. Left to right, Mrs. Marguerite Brotherton, program director, Mrs. John P. Sheppard, mother of Mrs. Brotherton, and Mrs. Aubrey James, canteen director.

Anniversary Program Will Fete 11th Beach Battalion

The first anniversary of the 11th Beach Battalion will be celebrated Monday night at the Tenth Street USO when a special program in honor of this unit will be conducted. Junior Hostesses are asked to attend and the Officers Club orchestra will play for dancing and an entertainment. Officers of the Battalion have been invited for the occasion.

Bingo Games Enjoyed At Tenth Street USO Weekly

The bingo jackpot at the Tenth Street USO continues to increase in size over the past five weeks. Each Wednesday evening bingo is enjoyed by servicemen and their guests with many prizes awarded. During the program a free photo is donated through the courtesy of a Fort Pierce studio.

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Have you smiled yet today?

Progressive Strides Taken In Attack Boat Training Program Here



BASE TRAINING STAFF—The above officers and men comprise the staff that guides the Base training program under Capt. J. C. Hammock, USN, front center. At Captain Hammock's right is Comdr. W. S. Heald, USN, his assistant, and on the Captain's left is Lt. Col. G. B. Wood, USA, advisor for attack boats. The men kneeling, left to right, are Clyde Bright Y2c, William Poff

MoMM2c, Larry Huelsing S1c and James Gilmore Y2c. Officers standing are Lt. (jg) A. P. Shoriak, Lt. (jg) R. M. Mereness, Ens. K. D. Romine, Lt. (jg) L. H. Meisel, Lt. (jg) W. C. Gaige, Ensign C. M. Fleener and Ensign F. C. Cottrell. Not present for picture were Lt. (jg) M. C. Peterson and Lt. (jg) J. H. Wagner.

Many Schools Educate Men For Job Ahead

On 10 March of this year, four days after Capt. J. C. Hammock's arrival on the Base as its first Training Officer, the Training Headquarters Staff was organized. On 21 April, the Training Office was moved from the Burston Hotel to its present location on the Base where it now houses 13 members of the staff plus four directors of training departments. Here, under the direction of Capt. C. Gulbranson, USN, Base Commanding Officer, all training activities are administered, supervised and coordinated.

Captain Hammock, a graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy, Class of 1925, came to Fort Pierce following a tour of duty as First Lieutenant of the Battleship Tennessee. As Training Officer he has

BASE TRAINING STAFF HEADQUARTERS



STAFF HEADQUARTERS—This small structure houses the offices of Capt. J. C. Hammock, USN, Base Training Officer, and several of the officers on the BTO staff.

devoted his energies to adapting Naval procedures to training needs so as to unify and make efficient training procedures to the greatest extent possible. As the training program developed, additional

buildings and equipment have been acquired, and the activities of the various schools have been unified and coordinated.

Training Devices

Since 15 April, 42 classrooms

have been constructed and equipped; a new gunnery range is nearing completion; a group of buildings in the Attack Boat School Area houses a complete series of gunnery training devices; a huge mock-up with new equipment has been installed on the inlet.

Three new schools have been established: The Landing Craft Support (Large) School, Landing Craft Support (Small) School, and the Landing Craft Salvage School. In addition a new Boatswains Mate School has been added to the Attack Boat School.

To assist instructors in their work the Training Aids Office was formed and is now conveniently housed on the Base. Lt. (jg) R. H. Mereness, Training Aids Officer, procures and distributes training aids, while Lt. (jg) W. C. Gaige, Utilization Officer, assists instructors in the selection and proper use of training aids. More recently a Teacher Trainer Officer, Lt. (jg) J. H. Wagner, has been

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1259th Engineers Capture Top Honors In Base Rifle Match

SeaBees Score Second Best In Competition

The USNATB rifle match was captured by a team representing the 259th Engineers. The following ten-man teams competed and their scores were: 1259th Engineers, 2287; CB 1011, 2198; Attack Boat Gunners Mates, 2007; Rocket School, 1859.

Warrant Officer Russell W. Erickson of the Engineers turned in the best individual score with Elmon Hastings of the Attack Boat team second highest scorer.

Through the courtesy of the Base Welfare and Recreation Dept., "ID" bracelets will be awarded to the members of the Engineers team for their victory. A special award will be presented to Warrant Officer Erickson and a team plaque will be given to the Engineers to add to their trophies.

Future matches are being planned and other Base activities are urged to have teams enter. Aside from rifle matches there will be competition in pistol and carbine as well as 30 calibre rifle.

Members of the Engineers who participated were CWO B. L. Montgomery, WO(jg) R. W. Erickson, Cpl. J. Hershman, Tech 5 R. W. Frund, Cpl. C. S. Skelton, Tech 5 R. A. Berkheimer, Cpl. D. F. Pilz,

AMPHIBS TO PLAY EXHIBITION GAME HERE

A scheduled game with Waycross, Ga., Army Air Base was cancelled when the Flyers found themselves unable to play out a schedule and as a result the USNATB Amphibs will choose up sides for a squad scrimmage exhibition at Jaycee Field Friday night.

The game will be played under lights at 8, and the public and Base personnel is invited.

A week ago, in a similar exhibition, the Whites and Blues played to a 7 to 7 tie, with Bill Daley scoring for the Whites on a 30-yard end run, and Bill Godwin for the Blues, with an 80-yard runback of an intercepted pass. Les Bruckner and Jack Brown booted conversion point.

Next week the unbeaten and untied Amphibs will play Mayport Navy, at Mayport. The "toughie" games of the year, then follow, with sessions with Naval Air Station, at Jacksonville November 25, and with the Third Air Force, at Tampa, December 3.

A new home game, to be played here December 10 with unbeaten and once tied Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss., was added to the schedule this week.

Pvt. J. M. Paolino, Tech 5 R. R. Jamieson, Tech 5 C. E. Collins and substitutes, Sgt. E. W. Murray and Pfc. W. G. Carroll.

BASE SWIMMERS ARE GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

Championship Team Members Speak On Aquatic Feats At Luncheon Meeting

Members of the USNATB swimming team were guests of the Fort Pierce Rotary Club at this week's luncheon meeting. Undeclared, the team won the Florida state championship in the past season.

Lt. A. Reed Wilson, Base Transportation Officer, introduced Jerry Brenner CSp(A), of St. Louis, Mo., Missouri state champion in the 100 and 200 yard freestyle swimming contest in 1934 and coach of the team who introduced the team members.

Julian Robertson, Sp1c, of Austin, Texas, former swimming coach of the University of Texas, and winner of the 1932 Olympics, who stated that "swimming is the most important phase of the Navy's training program and the percentage of non-swimmers has been reduced from 38 percent to 14 percent through the swimming lessons."

Robert Patton, S1c, of Chicago, all American prep school champion, an assistant in training men to swim in rough surf water and how to handle themselves when landings must be made by swimming ashore.

City To Honor Football And Aquatic Teams

The USNATB football and swimming teams will be accorded a fitting tribute by the City of Fort Pierce for the appropriate recognition they have brought to the city. At Monday night's meeting of the City Commission, City Manager D. O. McDougald was authorized to make arrangements for a program to honor the athletes.

A dinner party or some other appropriate recognition will be given the two teams in the near future. The Base swimming team which went undefeated during the past summer and captured the state championship will join the undefeated football players for the program.

Donald Zemlock, CSp(A), Terre Haute, Ind., diver who has won eight different Indiana state championships, talked on the use of flotation gear and how to use it. "A hat, shirt, helmet, pants and jackets may be used as life preservers if properly used," he stated.

Sy Rosen, HA1c diver, of Cleveland, O., won the National A.A.U. Jr. diving championship.

ELEVEN BIG REASONS WHY AMPHIBS HAVE UNDEFEATED FOOTBALL TEAM



FORMIDABLE—This starting combination is one of those that has the USNATB eleven riding in the charmed circles of teams undefeated and untied. Left to right, in the backfield, Jack Brown,

Les Bruckner, Jack Boone and Joe Scriba. Kneeling, in the line, A. J. Beal, Bill Gilmore, Bob Sutter, Don Reese, Joe Clearinger, Pete Reguci and J. M. Harris.

USNATB Men Learn In Attack Boat Schools

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added to the Training Staff to further assist instructors.

In April Captain Hammock unified the first subject of instruction when he made Lt. W. A. Tracy head of Recognition Training. Subsequently, Lt. F. M. Ford was made head of the Communications Training Department; Lt. P. E. Walker, head of the Chemical Warfare Training Department; Lt. B. F. Railsback, head of the Gunnery Training Department; and Lt. (jg) D. J. Ahern, head of the Physical Training Department.

On 4 September Comdr. W. S. Heald, USN, came to the Base as Assistant Training Officer from a tour of duty as Commanding Officer of the USS Endicott. He is a graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy in the Class of 1927. Commander Heald is completing work to put the Central Schools into effective operation in relation to the specialized training of the unit schools, such as the Attack Boat School and the Scouts and Raider School.

Schools in Operation

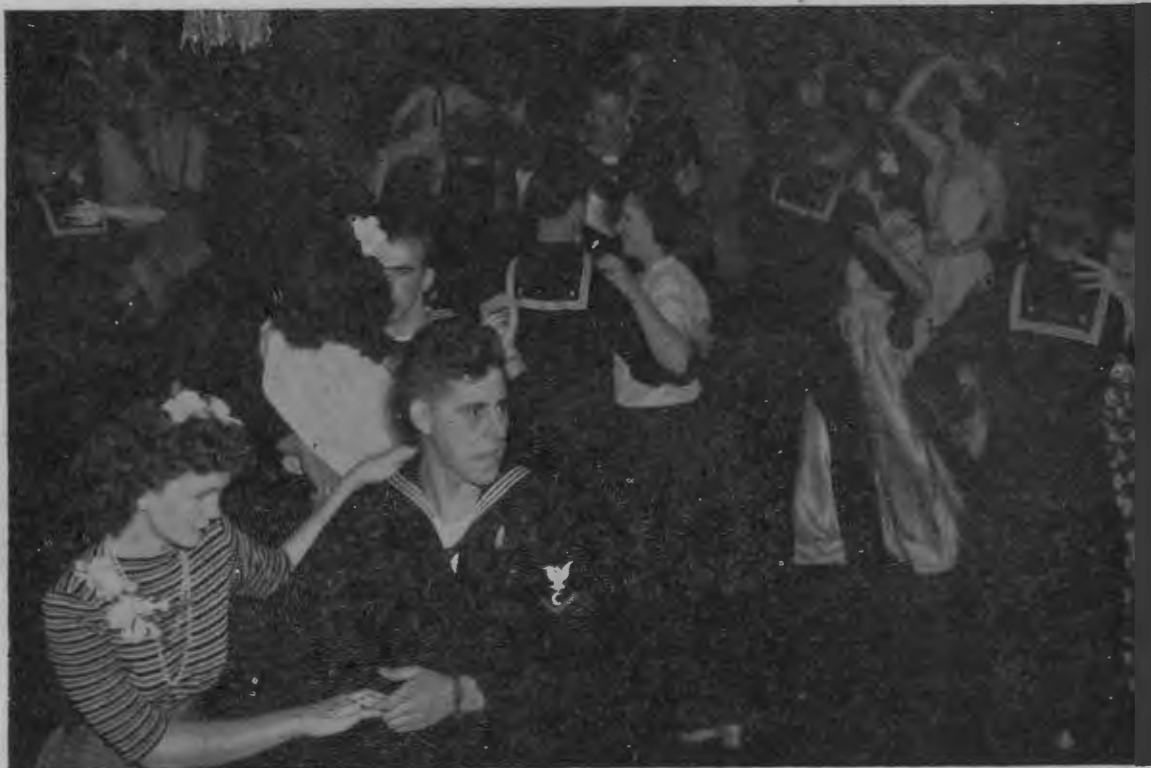
The following central schools have gone into actual operation: Chemical Warfare School, Recognition School, Gunnery and Rocket School, Physical Training School, Communications School, Landing Force Doctrine School, and the Night Lookout School. Within the next two weeks the two remaining central schools, the Indoctrination School and Military Leadership School will go into operation.

Under Commander Heald's direction Lt. (jg) A. P. Shoriak, the Training Operations Officer is scheduling all classes for the Central Schools. Lt. (jg) L. H. Meisel and Ensign C. M. Fleener work with enlisted and officer personnel, respectively, to see that proper complements of trainees are available in all programs. Ensign K. D. Romaine keeps track of all training materiel so that the best and most economic use can be made of it. Ens. F. E. Cottrell serves as Administrative Aide to the Training Officer.

The advisor to the Attack Boat Training program, Lt. Col. G. B. Wood, USA, has brought to the Navy his extensive experience with Attack Boats when they were part of Army operations. Before being attached to the Navy at Norfolk, from where he came to Fort Pierce, Colonel Wood was in charge of Training Army Amphibious forces with the 3rd Division. He assisted in training the Amphibious elements of six infantry divisions.

The Training program at Fort Pierce has reached maturity. The various schools are all now well

GSO GIRLS ARE HOSTESSES TO SERVICEMEN AT DANCE PROGRAM



GSO GIRLS ENTERTAIN—Pictured are GSO girls and their dance partners at the Indian-River USO recently when a dinner and dance

program was held in their honor. The girls in formal gowns and the men in their dress blues presented a colorful spectacle.

'THE AMPHIBS' MAKES APPEARANCE

Colorful Pictorial Edition Illustrates Activities of Atlantic Amphibious Command Stressing Scenes At USNATB and Other Training Bases

"The Amphibs," a beautiful souvenir edition of the Amphibious Training Command, U. S. Atlantic Fleet, illustrating in pictorial fashion the various amphibious activities, has gone on sale at USNATB Ship's Service units. The new booklet, done in attractive colors, can be purchased at 60 cents, the cost price of each copy.

The cover of the booklet in a fascinating color tone portrays an LST with its bow open and ramp down spewing out an Army tank onto a beachhead. The rear cover illustrates an attack boat maneuver taken at this Base. The new amphibious insignia in its own scarlet and gold colors is cleverly arranged throughout the magazine.

Tribute to Amphibs

Thumbing the leaflets one finds a splendid tribute to the officers and men of the Amphibious Force within the cover. It reads: "MIS-

staffed and equipped. The central organization under the Training Headquarters Staff is now providing for smooth efficient operation of the many schools on the Base.

SION: to hit the beaches of the world with the men and materiel needed for victory. The Amphibs have done the job, forged a new kind of naval warfare in the doing. They are going out now as they have for the two-and-one-half years from their cradle of invasion on the eastern seaboard. Their days of learning with the Amphibious Training Command, U. S. Atlantic Fleet, are part of the story of the landing fleet first at Normandy, Southern France, Saipan, and Guam. First at Japan. Their story is history for the United Nations and . . . the folks, Americans at home. This is a memento of the Amphibs rehearsing for their D-Days."

Rear Adm. F. W. Rockwell, USN, Commander, ATC, NOB, Norfolk, Va., is pictured on the first inside page. Then comes a series of dramatic training pictures and a layout of newspaper and magazine clippings heaving fame at the invasion forces. All types of landing craft are shown in operation and invasion rehearsals are dramatized in pictures.

Training Programs

Four sections are devoted to the

training programs at Bradford, LST training base; Solomons, Md., LCI and LCT activity; Little Creek, Va., training waters for LSM program, and Fort Pierce, where the men who man the attack boats and other special units (scouts and raiders, demolitionaires, Army engineer combat groups, etc.) are educated in ship-to-shore fundamentals.

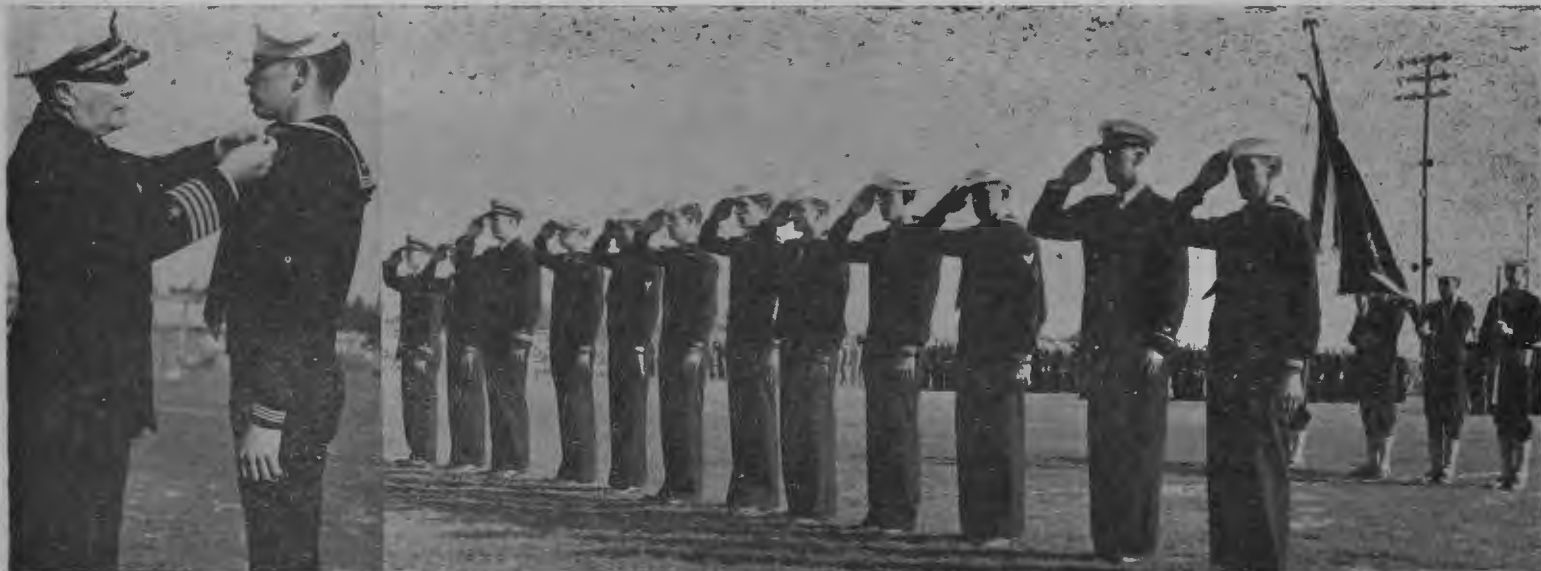
Twelve pages of the edition are devoted to activities at this Command. The USNATB section opens with a scene from Navy Cross ceremonies at Jaycee Field and colors at the Burston Hotel flag plot. Scenes of nearly every activity are portrayed including operations, exercises and maneuvers. Recreational facilities are pictured, unit insignias shown and even a picture of the Scouts and Raiders famous mascot, the coatamunde. The Administration Building, Gulbranson Hall and Indian River USO are some of the buildings pictured and the Base CO, Capt. C. Gulbranson, USN, is shown presenting awards to the winning crews of an attack boat flotilla.

The booklet of more than three score pages is truly a masterpiece of photography and will make a souvenir every member of the Atlantic Amphibious Force will be proud to possess. In order that every member of this Command will have the opportunity to obtain a copy Ship's Service is offering the magazine at cost price to all. Be sure and get your copy today.

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Have you written home lately?

IMPRESSIVE SCENES AT PRESENTATION OF AWARDS TO USNATB HEROES AT EXERCISES



AWARDS PRESENTED—Officers and men of this Command, who were honored at recent exercises here for meritorious duty in combat zones are pictured in an impressive salute at presentation

of colors. At left Capt. C. Gulbranson, USN, CO of the USNATB, is shown pinning the Bronze Star on R. B. King BM1c of the Scouts and Raiders.

Six Officers Begin Duty In Base Ship's Company

Six officers have joined USNATB Ship's Co. staffs within the past week. They are Lt. (jg) Oscar LaBorde, 11th Beach Battalion; Lt. (jg) Stanley Z. Kepner and Lt. (jg) Maxwell Gordon, Base communications; Lt. (jg) J. G. Shade, Board of Medical Examiners; Ensign E. F. Marum, Public Works, and Chief Carpenter Luke B. Dodds, CB 1011.

Five officers have left for duty elsewhere. They are: Lt. Comdr. Donald M. Baldwin of the Medical staff; Chaplains D. F. Mullen and W. N. Mertz, Lt. J. A. Williams, USN, Attack Boat Staff, and Lt. (jg) Edward E. Bell of the 11th Beach Battalion.

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Lt. (jg) Davis Praised

By Capt. Gulbranson

Lt. (jg) Carl E. Davis, USNR, of the Attack Boat Staff, was signaled out by Capt. C. Gulbranson, USN, Base CO, for the splendid manner in which he drilled and paraded the honor platoon at the Navy Day exercises held at Jaycee Field. The Captain's letter reads:

"The Commanding Officer wishes to commend you for the excellent manner in which you drilled and paraded the honor platoon and for their splendid appearance at the Navy Day Exercises held at Jaycee Field.

"The appearance and military bearing of the honor platoon was satisfactory in every respect and you are to be commended for a job well done."

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Walk on the LEFT side of the road for safety.

INDIAN RIVER USO DANCES POPULAR



HOLD THAT SMILE—And The Mock-Up cameraman snapped this quartet in a happy moment at the Indian River USO recently during a dance intermission. Left to right are A. J. Nardi S1c, Virginia Johnson, Grace Ramer and T. K. Mikel, MoMM1c.

Marine Corps, 169 Years Old, Launches On Most Momentous Years Of Battle Filled History

The Marines, gallant fighting branch of the U. S. Navy, today celebrate the 169th anniversary of their organization. For this occasion the Marine Corps Commandant, Lt. Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, made the following comment to all Marine activities:

"We Marines begin our 170th year of life. It is destined to be one of the most momentous years in all our battle filled history. A birthday is a fitting time to peer backward and forward. As we look back into the 12 months just passed we have reason to look ahead with hope and with courage. Since the last observance of the Corps official birth our advance in the Pacific has been steady and unswerving. We take deserved pride in our role

as the spearhead of a great amphibious drive against a formidable enemy. You have fought ably in the past year. You have met and licked the foe's forces at Cape Gloucester, at Bougainville, in the Marshalls, the Marianas, the Palaus. You have planted our flag again on Guam. You have helped to secure the bases from which our Navy has sailed forth to overwhelming conquest. You, with the other services, have come as liberators to thousands of men, women and children who have been under Japanese rule for nearly three years. The price has been high. Many of your comrades are gone. Their lives, their wounds paid for those victories. Today as new blows are being readied we stand pre-

NAVY RELIEF SOCIETY HAS FIRST ANNIVERSARY

The Fort Pierce Branch of the Navy Relief Society, in caring for the Navy's own, has made loans totaling \$5,026.05 and gratuities totaling \$1,142.60, during its first year of operation, Capt. C. Gulbranson, USN, Base Commanding Officer, who is the society president, said today.

The local chapter is completing the annual report for its first full year of operation, for forwarding to Rear Adm. W. S. Anderson, USN, Commandant Seventh Naval District, and president of the Miami chapter.

The loans made by the chapter include 27 for hospitalization, for a total of \$1,701.05, and 73 for purposes other than hospitalization, for \$3,325. The average loan is approximately \$50, but individual loans range from \$10 to an extreme high of \$300.

Gratuities include 14 for hospitalization, totaling \$957.60, and five for other purposes, totaling \$185. These are for figures as low as one for \$3, the annual report, by Lt. Bruce A. Hood, treasurer for the society, shows.

pared for further action. Our enemy is determined that we shall not reach our objective of inflicting total defeat. He is ready to fight to the death. In these many years we have met other such enemies and we have won out against them, for we too are determined. Whatever obstacles confront us, we shall destroy them and press on to our goals. On this 169th birthday of the Corps therefore I wish all who wear the Marine green the highest success in the ventures they face."