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AMPHIBS SPEED WESTERN FRONT VICTORY

Fort Pierce-Trained Crews Shuttle Army Forces Across Rhine

ASSAULT CRAFT TAKE ARMIES ACROSS RHINE

"Assault craft and amphibious ducks were plying the calm Rhine back and forth across the river."

In an Associated Press story by Edward D. Ball, datelined With the Third Army East of the Rhine, came this word of the latest amphibious landing operation successfully contributing to speedy winning of the war with Germany.

In photographs and eye witness accounts by correspondents, this story has been repeatedly and dramatically told throughout this week, as, the Rhine repeatedly crossed in strength, Allied armies race across the central German plains against deteriorating resistance. Photographs have shown the LCVPs, on Army trucks, being transported to the Rhine for the surprise crossings. One showed Prime Minister Winston Churchill, and ranking American and British officers, crossing the river in an assault boat.

Of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army crossing, AP correspondent Ball wrote further: "There was a minimum of noise and confusion at the bridgehead where droves of assault boats were speeding back and forth with men and supplies."

During the week, Gen. Dwight Eisenhower declared the Germans to be broken on the West; but forecast hard fighting ahead at various resistance pockets and warned against premature victory celebration.

Almost coincidentally, Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King, CominCh and CNO, in his annual report to SecNav Forrestal, pointed out that final victory over Germany would mean only redistribution of naval strength for the war against Japan, and not demobilization.

As for the amphibious operations over the Rhine, participated in by USNATB attack boat alumni, the description of the correspondents in the field complete the story, told partially in a recent letter from an officer alumnus of training here:

"At present I am attached to a small boat unit somewhere near

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USNATB-trained attack boat crew who shuttled the Allied Armies across the Rhine perhaps did not think the historic river was their destination during training days at Fort Pierce, but these Navy photos, courtesy Associated Press wire-photo and the Miami Daily News, show how it

was done. One photo shows LCVPs moving up to the Rhine aboard big Army trucks, passing through a captured German village and the other, Navy personnel in the courtyard of a village square with church and chateau background, during final training days.

EASTER RELIGIOUS SERVICES FOR ALL

The Easter story will be emphasized for men of all faiths in Base religious services for all hands, scheduled in detail today by USNATB chaplains. There is special observance of Holy Friday today, and a busy program of services Sunday.

The Catholic worship program will open with a Solemn High Field Mass in the field adjoining Gulbranson Hall at 0630. Masses for the remainder of the day will be held at S&R Casino at 0815; Salvage School at 0915, and Gulbranson Hall at 1045.

The Protestant program will start with Sunrise Services at 0700 in the rear of the Administration Building and Holy Communion at Gulbranson Hall at 0845. The remainder of the schedule includes services at the Gator Club at 0915; Gulbranson Hall at 0930; North Island DRU at 1100 and at the Brig at 1630.

The Catholic Mass schedule for next week will be an 0600 service at Gulbranson Hall and a 1630 mass at the Camp Three Chaplain's Office. The Protestant schedule will remain the same.

Senator Walsh Visits USNATB

FLOTILLA 70 GRADUATION EXERCISES SATURDAY

Flotilla 70, present senior flotilla in the attack boat program here, will formally graduate at 1000 Saturday morning in ceremonies attended by Capt. C. Gulbranson, USN, Commanding Officer, and other Base officials.

In addition to a formal inspection and review, Capt. Gulbranson will award cash prizes to the three prize-winning small boat crews on the basis of selections made by Lt. C. P. J. Riordan, Lt. C. J. Foshee, Lt. (jg) J. M. Beckerman, Lt. (jg) E. A. Owsiak and Ens. H. R. Wessner.

A five-man LCM crew and a four-man LCVP crew will share first and second prize awards, totalling \$45, since both crews were tied for first place honors. Recipients will be Lamar H. Jones, MoMM3c; Robert E. Smith, Cox; Kenneth Williams, F1c; Rebell Strolle, Kenneth Bushnell, Neal Phillips, Joseph Harrelson, Richard O'Conner and Paul R. Heater,

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NAVAL AFFAIRS HEAD PRAISES BASE TRAINING

Senator David I. Walsh, of Massachusetts, chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, visited the U. S. Naval Amphibious Training Base here Wednesday and Thursday, and voiced high praise for the success of amphibious operations as a major contribution to speedy winning of the war.

The amphibious forces and the SeaBees have made advancements in the organization of offensive warfare that rank with the major developments of the war, Senator Walsh said as he inspected facilities at this major base of the Atlantic Fleet Amphibious Training Command.

The entire command recently observed its third anniversary by summarizing its record of training more than 400,000 officers and men who have spearheaded 35 major

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PLENTY OF GROUND TO COVER

With every sunset bringing closer the day when Hitler will cry "uncle," it is but natural that without carefully thinking the situation through, we may find ourselves relaxing in wartime alertness and war bond buying. Because after all, we tell ourselves, it won't be long before there will be a greatly decreased demand for new tanks, planes, guns and the many other sinews of war.

But from the testimony of experts on the needs and requirements of war, such as Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King, USN, Commander in Chief, United States Fleet, and Chief of Naval Operations, and General B. H. Somervell, Chief of the Army Services of Supply, we learn that a continuing need for war production lies ahead until the day we also hear "uncle" with an oriental accent. To bring the Pacific war to a conclusion as soon as possible, it is stressed, necessitates a continuation of the manufacture of new equipment rather than merely the transportation of available material from the victorious battle fields of Europe to the other side of the world.

Such a decision means one thing, and that is: We must continue to buy bonds for new equipment until the last vestige of the Japanese plan for a "greater East Asia coprosperity sphere" is destroyed.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By CHAPLAIN C. J. HURST.

In this year of our Lord, 1945, as we observe the anniversary of the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, our minds and hearts are filled with varied thoughts and mingled emotions. For some, this sixth Easter of the war is the first one away from home and these are not privileged to attend Easter Services this year in their home Churches with their families and close friends. Some are perturbed as to the destiny of the souls of loved ones who have departed this life. Others are fearful as to what the future holds for them, both in this life and the life to come. Yet many are confident and secure in their faith in the risen and living Lord.

Jesus, an innocent man, was crucified by evil men. Because of the sins of the people upon earth, including our sins, Jesus died upon the Cross. There he made the sacrifice of himself as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Joseph of Arimathea, a good and just man, who was waiting for the Kingdom of God, and Nicodemus, who had previously sought him out at night for religious instruction, came late Friday afternoon and removed the body of Jesus from the Cross. They wrapped it in linen clothes with spices and laid it in the tomb which Joseph had hewn from the stone for his own burial place.

The hours from late Friday afternoon until early Sunday morning were filled with loneliness and sadness for the disciples and friends of Jesus. Some of his enemies feared that the body of Jesus would be stolen away by his disciples and that they would pretend he had risen from the dead on the third day as he had said. They asked Pilate for a watch at his tomb, which was granted. They made the sepulchre sure, sealed the stone and set the watch.

But the watch was not sufficient to hold him in the grave. Mary Magdalene and other women came to the sepulchre early on the first day of the week and found the stone rolled away from the door—and the tomb was empty. The women feared greatly when they looked upon the glittering and glistening countenance of the Angel of the Lord who had rolled it away. He quieted their fears and gave them reason to be filled with great joy as he said unto them, "Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay."

"He is risen." These three words are filled with meaning.

Senator Walsh Visits Base, Praises Training

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amphibious invasions in war theatres around the world.

In his second visit to the US-NATB, Senator Walsh was the overnight house guest of Capt. C. Gulbranson, USN, Base Commanding Officer. He had visited the Base in March, 1944, and was much pleased at the expansion of facilities since that time.

Senator Walsh was pleased at progress of the war both in Europe and the Pacific, but declined to predict when Germany would surrender, or how much longer it would take to completely defeat Japan.

Senator Walsh complimented all personnel highly on the smartness of their military bearing and alertness, as he observed it about the Base, and told Capt. Gulbranson and members of his staff that the USNATB was known in Navy circles in Washington as an outstanding Base, and was favorably known throughout the service for the way its men salute and exchange military courtesies at all times.

He complimented the Base on that record, in departing Thursday morning to complete his return trip to Washington.

Lt. Benedict Fitzgerald, USNR, of the Bureau of Aeronautics, Washington, and former Boston newspaperman, accompanied him here as his aide.

We do not worship a dead God; our Lord lives for evermore. We cannot realize the joy those three words have brought to millions of people. It has been suggested that the nearest we can come to imagining the intensity of the joy brought by those three words is to think of three others, "War is over," or "We have won." Let us pray God on this Easter that we may hear these words soon.

We have in the resurrection of Christ the positive answer to Job's question of old, "If a man die, shall he live again?" Life does gain the victory over death. Hear the Son of God saying to his troubled and distressed disciples, "Because I live, ye shall live also." Or hear him again as he stands beside the graveside of his friend and says to those who are mourning his friend's death, "I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

The risen Lord has proven that love conquers death, that goodness is invulnerable, that God is in Heaven and the dark night of evil must pass.

Our Letter Box

Dear Captain Gulbranson:

I want to thank you and every one who took part in seeing my son, Arvel M. Wirtel, was taken care of during his illness. And I think the way the Navy kept me informed by telegram was wonderful. No wonder Arvel wanted to be a Navy man. My one regret is that I didn't come to him when I received the first telegram, but I was leaving him to God and the doctors, although I know he did want to see me.

Captain, his remains were sent home beautifully and the sailor escort, Casimo Santillo, was his friend. Regarding his personal belongings, please send them to me. Sincerely yours.

Mrs. Lillie Wirtel,
 4276A Wyoming St.
 St. Louis, Mo. (76)



"Oh, bim—seems he's had two years on a carrier."

Skyscrapers (NAS, Brooklyn, N. Y.)

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Japan's Inland Sea means waters between Kyushu, Shikoku and Honshu, main Japanese islands.

AROUND THE BASE

To facilitate the flow of traffic through the Main Gate during rush hours, the concrete island has been removed on the incoming lanes and lines painted on the roadway to route three lanes of traffic through each side of the gate house. Personnel driving vehicles through the Main Gate are directed to stay within these new lanes.

President Roosevelt has proclaimed Friday, April 6, as Army Day, "in order that we may give special honor to our courageous soldiers." He has invited the Governors of the various states to issue proclamations calling for the observance of that day.

The USNATB concert band made a splendid impression in last Sunday's concert at Flagler Park in West Palm Beach. Lt. Comdr. B. M. Klivans, Welfare and Recreation Officer, told the more than 2,000 persons in attendance something of the work done at this Base. In the evening a capacity crowd jammed the NCCS-USO to dance to the music of the 15-piece USNATB orchestra.

Lt. D. D. Loban has received Bureau orders as the Base Personnel Officer, relieving Lt. (jg) Le-on S. Friedman, soon to be assigned to duty elsewhere. New aboard this week is Lt. J. L. Hanson, back from the Pacific to prepare to take over as Officer in Charge of Attack Boat Training, relieving Lt. S. M. Townsend who will be assigned elsewhere in the near future. Recently transferred was Comdr. Samuel A. Isquith (MC), after more than a year of service at the Dispensary.

Capt. Thornton Miller (ChC), USN, 7ND senior chaplain, found time for two rounds of golf during his four-day Base visit as guest speaker at the Protestant Mission. Addison Exum Warren, CSp(A), nosed him out in both rounds. Lt. (jg) Jack Boone and Lt. (jg) John Polanski, mainstay backs in the Amphib undefeated combination last fall, are among the attack boat officers newly transferred to duty afloat.

LOUIS J. DEFIORÉ, the Army man who was the Commanding Officer's first driver with establishment of the Base, is now Staff Sergeant DeFiore, with the 117th Infantry, on the Western Front. He writes this week to Capt. C. Gulbranson, USN, the Base CO, a letter of thanks for the 1944 Christmas Day dinner menu and copies of the Mock-Up. "It brought me back to our shipmate days, as you would say. You remember I married while at Fort Pierce, and we have a lovely baby girl, one year old, March 22. Have you heard of Bill Hall's ma-

Former NCDU Chief Earns Navy Cross

Citations and awards to Base alumni include the Navy Cross to Jerry Neal Markham, CMM, formerly at NCDU, and member of an underwater demolition team, who was detached last February for duty elsewhere. Chief Markham was cited for heroism in action in Europe.

Other awards include the Silver Star to Lt. (jg) John C. Allen, for valor at Omaha Beach; the Navy and Marine Corps Medal to Walter Yakin, S1c, member of UDT team; Silver Star to Lester John Meyers, M1c, who served on Omaha Beach; Silver Star to Ray Bristol King, BM1c, and Bronze Star to Nobel Lopez, GM3c. All are now detached.

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Pioneer Camp Two, Faber Cove Merge

After more than two years of service, Camp Two will soon be just a memory. Plans call for all personnel now housed there to move to the Faber Cove barracks when space is available.

chine shop? He is my father-in-law. I'll read the Mock-Up word for word. Good luck and God bless you," Sgt. DeFiore writes.

Lester H. Seasingood, CSM, Chief Master-at-Arms here since August, 1943, and among the first arrivals in February of that year, has been relieved of his duties and is now awaiting orders for duty elsewhere. The new Chief Master-at-Arms is Arthur Pelican, BM1c, who has been on the MAA staff more than a year.

Leroy H. Adams, Y1c of General Files, finally has obtained that new motorcycle. All hands are hereby alerted.

Year Ago This Week

Formal dedication exercises for the new Community Hall (Indian River USO) were announced. New officers aboard included Comdr. (now Capt.) John C. Hammock, Base Training Officer; Lt. Comdr. Alexander H. Stevens and Lt. (jg) (now Lt.) H. W. Hardin, Medical Corps; Lt. A. B. Nabors, Lt. F. C. Kelley, Lt. (jg) (now Lt.) Raymond Blais, Dental Corps; Lt. (jg) (now Lt.) Guy H. Putnam, Assistant to the Executive Officer; and Ens. Robert F. Beck, Educational Officer. Lt. (now Lt. Comdr.) B. M. Klivans was appointed Welfare and Recreation Officer. Lt. Norman (Mike) Murburg was made Athletic Officer and predicted a great baseball season after watching practice at Jaycee Field, with Melvin Sims, CEM of M & R acting as coach.

Attack Boat O-in-C Well-known Sportsman

The Officer in Charge of Attack Boat Training at USNATB is Lt. Stuart M. Townsend, eastern winter sports enthusiast whose winter in Florida caused him to miss one of the most severe seasons the north has ever seen.



A native of Oyster Bay, L. I., Lt. Townsend majored in physical education at Springfield College (Mass.) where he played on the varsity lacrosse team. Upon his graduation in 1934 he taught science and coached at Lake Luzerne, New York, in the heart of the Adirondack mountains.

His love of skiing, hunting, fishing and other winter sports, plus interesting work, kept him at Lake Luzerne up until the time he received his Naval commission in November, 1942. By that time Lt. Townsend was principal of his school and owner of a ski tow, unique form of transportation for skiers.

Lt. Townsend's Naval career started with indoctrination school at Princeton University, finishing in February, 1943. Until April of that year he was in training for LSTs at Solomons, transferring to Little Creek at that time to assist in the attack boat training program.

His next tour of duty was at the Aberdeen (Maryland) Proving Grounds, where he spent seven months running tests on artillery fire from landing craft. Coming to Fort Pierce in October of last year, he succeeded Lt. J. K. ("Cappy") Hawkins as Officer-in-Charge of Attack Boat Training.

Since his arrival here Lt. Townsend has taken a local girl as his bride, marrying the former Josephine Brewer on January 30. Sharing her husband's interests in sports, Mrs. Townsend has just won the runner-up position in the women's division of the Fort Pierce City Golf Tourney for the second straight year.

In the near future Lt. Townsend expects to be transferred to duty afloat. His relief will be Lt. J. L. Hanson, a veteran of attack boat warfare in the Pacific, who came aboard this week.

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Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel afloat and ashore outside the continental limits totaled 2,380,084 on 31 January 1945.

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The best thing about a popular song is that it is not popular very long.



Sunday Worship Schedule

Chaplains

- K. D. Perkins
- J. C. Fitzgerald
- E. C. Helmich
- W. J. Walsh
- W. B. Leonard
- C. J. Hurst
- A. J. Schutz

BASE SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Area One at Salvage School	
Protestant	0815
Catholic	0915
Area Two at Gulbranson Hall	
Catholic	0700 and 1045
Protestant	0845 and 0930
Area Three at S & E Casino	
Protestant	0900
Catholic	0815
Area Four at Gator Club	
Catholic	1600
Protestant	0915

Protestant Divine Services are also held on North Island at 1100, and a Sunday School class meets at 1030 at the Camp Two Chaplain's Office.

CATHOLIC WEEK DAY SCHEDULE
Masses will be held daily at 0600 at Gulbranson Hall and at 1900 at Lecture Hall, Salvage School. Confessions every day. Religious instructions any time.

PROTESTANT WEEK DAY SCHEDULE
Bible Classes in Chaplain Offices at 1930: Tuesday, Camp 3; Wednesday, Camp 2; Thursday, Camp 4.
Instruction, Baptism and other ministrations on application.

Fort Pierce Churches

PROTESTANT	
Methodist	1100 & 1930
First Presbyterian	1100 & 2000
Parkview Baptist	1100 & 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

JEWISH
Services Friday at 2000 in Methodist Church Annex.

Christian Scientist: John J. Torpey, authorized wartime minister, Pleasant View, RFD 2, Fort Pierce, Phone 184-W. Special Liberty (1000-1300) to attend the 1100 church service, 111 East Orange, half block from Indian River USO.

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Lost, Found, Buy, Sell And Trade Department

WANTED: Barbers, with experience, and background of overseas duty. See Lt. A. W. W. Higgins, Ship's Service Officer, or make application at Ship's Service Office.

RIDER WANTED: Navy Man's Wife to share driving car between Fort Pierce and New York City about the middle of April. Anyone interested kindly contact Lt. (jg) Henry Weiss, Flot 74, Camp Two.

FOR SALE: Diamond Wedding ring; also engagement ring, both for \$125. D. E. Smith, MM3c. Can be reached through O.O.D. at CB 1011.

LOST: Brown and tan striped bottom of Schaeffer fountain pen, between Camp Three and Administration Building Annex on 22 March. Please turn in to W. E. Lawson, Y2c, Enlisted Personnel Office.

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Lipsticker is something that adds flavor to an old pastime.

MEAT DEPARTMENT OPENS, ADDING TO FACILITIES AT BASE COMMISSARY STORE



Official opening of the Commissary Store Meat Department took place last week. Above are photos of servicemen's wives making

first purchases at the new Department. The store is open from 0830 to 1400 daily except Sunday for service personnel.

Dean Hudson Band Visits Base Tuesday For Show and Dance

Oranges aren't the only good things to come from the sunny state of Florida, as local dancers will discover when Dean Hudson, Florida's gift to the orchestra world, brings his popular orchestra to USNATB on Tuesday night, 3 April as a Post-Easter feature.

Beginning at the University of Florida, Hudson led a band known as the Florida Clubmen until his graduation. Then he took the band right on the road with him and scored an immediate triumph. The band is as adept at swing as it is sweet; and it also features a charming girl vocalist, and an A-Capella Glee Club.

Dean, a reservist at the University of Florida, went into service at the outset of the war as a second lieutenant. He received a promotion to a first lieutenantcy, and on the very day his promotion to a captaincy was approved, was injured so severely he was given a medical discharge.

Petite and pretty Frances Colwell was one of the original members of the Dean Hudson band when it was organized at the University of Florida. The cute brunette handles the female vocals in a completely competent manner. In addition to a winning voice, Frances possesses a songwriting knack and has turned out, among others, "You Set Me on Fire" and "You Let Me Down," a pair of torch songs recorded and featured by Jimmie Lunceford and Andy

NAVY CITATIONS AND AWARDS TOTAL 24,755

From Pearl Harbor to January 1, 1945, 24,755 medals and letters of commendation from SecNav have been awarded Naval personnel, plus an additional 3,722 letters of commendation from other delegated authorities.

The breakdown follows: 61 Medals of Honor, 178 Distinguished Service Medals, 1,862 Navy Crosses, 1,399 Legion of Merit, 151 Legion of Merit medals to foreigners, 3,951 Silver Star medals, 2,688 Distinguished Flying Crosses, 1,931 Navy and Marine Corps medals, 3,395 Bronze Star medals, 7,593 Air Medals, 47 Soldiers' medals (from Army), 4 Life Saving medals, and 1,355 letters of commendation from SecNav.

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Aubrey A. Graves, managing editor of the Washington, D. C. Daily News, Scripps-Howard newspaper in the nation's capital, visited the USNATB Wednesday to see his son, Jimmy, on duty here with Navy Demolition. Editor Graves was enroute home from a Navy-arranged trip for newspapermen aboard one of its new carriers, and wore his Navy correspondent's uniform.

Kirk.

The orchestra will appear at a special show at Gulbranson Hall at 1800 and at an open-air show at Jaycee Field at 2000, which will be free to all officers and enlisted men and their families and friends. Following the show at Jaycee Field there will be a dance for enlisted personnel at Legion Hall.

Flotilla 70 Graduates At Saturday Ceremony

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all S2c.

Third prize of \$10 will be awarded to the crew of George McAnallen, S1c.; Frances Posthauer, F1c.; James D. Boe and James Z. Bayless, S2c.

A farewell party for officers and men of the flotilla was given Thursday night on the ocean front, featuring a wiener roast, soft drinks and athletic contests.

Flotilla 70 is headed by Lt. Charles S. Redline, of Bethlehem, Pa., veteran of attack boat warfare who served in the invasions of Gela, Sicily, and Salerno, Italy. A graduate of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, Lt. Redline is a registered pharmacist in Pennsylvania and was associated with a wholesale drug firm in Bethlehem before entering the Navy as a third class pharmacist mate in March, 1941. Serving at the Philadelphia Naval Hospital, he advanced to first class by October, 1942, when he was recommended and accepted for the Navy V-7 officer candidate program. Following several months of schooling at Notre Dame he was commissioned an ensign in January, 1943.

Since becoming an officer he has been in the amphibious program and was one of the pioneers in the USNATB training program. After several weeks of training at Little Creek, Lt. Redline was among eight officers and 140 enlisted men to arrive here in February, 1943, to be the first personnel housed in Camp Two. Another officer in his

Mrs. Paul Ryno Heads Enlisted Wives Club

The Enlisted Men's Wives Club has chosen Mrs. Paul Ryno chairman to succeed Mrs. Donald C. Schlosser, with Mrs. Marvin Rizzi, and Mrs. Don Stoner as secretary and treasurer, respectively. Mrs. Albert Bellin is handling publicity and has announced that the club's program of weekly sessions includes shellcraft instruction on Fridays, Needlecraft on Mondays and Wednesdays, DuBarry success on Tuesdays and business meeting on Thursdays.

same group was Lt. (jg) Leon S. Friedman, who stayed on here as the Base Personnel Officer. However, Lt. Redline had a brief stay at Fort Pierce, leaving after only several weeks to go aboard an APA, the USS Lyon. It was aboard the Lyon that he took part in the Sicilian and Italian invasions, for which he received two commendation letters from Vice Admiral H. K. Hewitt, Commander of the U. S. Fleet in Northwest African Waters.

Returning to the States in December, 1943, Lt. Redline was married on the fourteenth day of a fifteen-day leave, after which he went aboard another APA, the USS Chilton, as a boat group commander. This ship, however, served as a training ship in the Atlantic and did not see any action.

Returning to Fort Pierce in December, 1944, Lt. Redline was immediately made flotilla commander of Flotilla 70.

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It appears Lt. Gen. Patton, who swam a river, is also amphibious.

AT THE MOVIES

GULBRANSON HALL

Friday and Saturday
BETRAYAL FROM THE EAST
 Sunday and Monday
TO HAVE AND TO HAVE NOT
 Tuesday
MOLLY AND ME
 Wednesday and Thursday
SUDAN

SUNRISE THEATRE

Friday and Saturday
SINCE YOU WENT AWAY
 Sunday and Monday
DOUGHGIRLS
 Tuesday and Wednesday
CLIMAX
 Thursday
HERE COMES THE CO-EDS

RITZ THEATRE

Friday and Saturday
TRIGGER LAW
 Sunday and Monday
SHADOWS IN THE NIGHT
 Tuesday
SGT. MIKE
 Wednesday and Thursday
FACES IN THE FOG

INDIAN RIVER USO

Saturday and Sunday—2000
LITTLE OLD NEW YORK
 Wednesday—2000
THE UNINVITED

TENTH STREET USO

Saturday—1930
WINTERTIME
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Fast Stepping USO
Show Here April 12

Another fast-stepping USO Camp Show is scheduled to play at Gulbranson Hall for two shows on the evening of Monday, April 12. "Speak Up" is another attraction featuring comedians, singers, dancers, musicians and novelty artists. One headline attraction will be the Six Kitty Wolff Girls, a line of lovely dance girls who've been wowing club and hotel patrons for the past three years.

Head Navy Officer Wives Club



Mrs. Ivan H Mowry, wife of Lt. (jg) Mowry, Officer-in-Charge of Mobile Unit No. 2, left and Mrs. Hugh G. Montgomery, wife of Ens. Montgomery of the Base Gunnery Staff, are chairman and secretary of Navy Officers Wives Club.

WEDDING RITES FOR SEVERAL BASE COUPLES

Five men of USNATB were united in marriage ceremonies held recently.

The wedding of Miss Marguerite Ratliff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Faulkner Ratliff of Fort Pierce, to Lt. (jg) Leslie O. Carlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reese H. Carlin of Riverside, Calif., took place Friday evening in the home of the bride's cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Thad Carlton, on Indian River Drive. The Rev. Allen W. Graves, pastor of the First Baptist Church, performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Carlton and Ens. J. W. Pope were the attendants to the bridal pair. Lt. (jg) Carlin is serving as engineering officer on the LCI(L) 570 at present.

The marriage of Miss Audrey Shellenberger, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. D. A. Shellenberger of Sharon, Pa., and Ens. William L. Hamilton, son of Mrs. John Hamilton of Farrell, Pa., was solemnized Saturday night, 17 March, in a ceremony that took place in the First Methodist Church with the Rev. J. B. Culpepper officiating.

The attendants were Ensign and Mrs. Byron Morgan of Youngstown, Ohio. Ens. Hamilton is stationed at Faber Cove with Flotilla 72.

Miss Margaret Hays, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hays of Camilla, Ga., became the bride of Ens. T. H. Maynard, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Maynard of Newton, Ga., in a quiet wedding solemnized last Saturday afternoon at the First Baptist Church by Lt. (jg) C. J. Hurst (ChC).

Miss Mary McLaughlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McLaughlin of Jermyn, Pa., and Willis McHale, Bkrlc, of Scranton, Pa., were united in marriage in a ceremony conducted by Chaplain C. J. Hurst at his residence, South 21st St.

S1c and Mrs. George O. Miles were the attendants. McHale is attached to Camp Four mess hall.

INDIAN RIVER USO

Highlight of the past week's activities at the club was the Band Concert presented by Ft. Pierce High School on Palm Sunday afternoon to a crowd that taxed capacity of the auditorium to the limit. . . Bingo and its prizes are always popular. Wm. Kowalski of Chicago, Homer Harlan, Lewis E. Sams, and Don Amort were among the grand prize winners. This week there will be no Bingo games Friday night. They were scheduled for Thursday instead. The change of time for the movies has proved popular with twice the number of servicemen enjoying these shows — new hour from 1600 to 2000, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. . . Dances need no "buildup" — they are always "tops" in entertainment. Prizes add zip to the dances and will be awarded at the square dance Mondays as well as at the weekly dance on Tuesdays. . . A special Good Friday evening sacred concert is being arranged by the Episcopal Church Choir assisted by the ATB Band. . . The Easter-Sunday activities will be many and varied. The young people of the various city churches will hold annual Sunrise Services on the lawn of the club. The Girls Glee Club of the Fort Pierce High School will furnish the music and the Rev. L. E. Barnett, pastor of the Christian Church, will be the speaker. Java Club will be at 0930. Good Food and special Easter music is being planned for the evening and an egg rolling contest

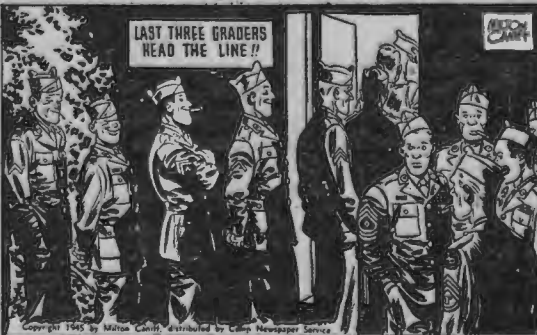
TENTH STREET USO

Homemade lemon and cherry pies proved popular as ever at the Wednesday night Bingo. The winner of the free telephone call was Richard F. Burke, S1c, who will call his wife in Philadelphia, Pa. . . Thursday evening at the largely attended dance held indoors, Easter corsages were won by Josephine Bergandi and Simone Vachon. Music for the evening was furnished by Manny Lopez and His W&R Orchestra. No dance was scheduled for Holy Week. . . At Sunday night's movie, the free telephone call was won by Pfc. Morton Harkins, who made a call to Utah State Agriculture College at Logan, Utah. . . A special Easter menu is being prepared to be served Sunday morning from 0900 to 1200. The breakfast is a special, with the traditional ham and eggs piece de resistance. It will be served by the volunteer group of women who have been working at the Canteen since its opening. The Junior Service Corps girls will work with the servicemen in coloring dozens of Easter eggs after the services at St. Anastasia Church on Good Friday. Servicemen's mothers are invited to pour coffee at the Sunday morning breakfast. The movie scheduled for tonight has been cancelled and will be shown Saturday night instead. . .

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Jack Lee Douglas, S2c, of Flot 74 and Miss Gloria Niekamp of Quincy, Ill., were married Wednesday evening, 14 March, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church by Chaplain Kenneth D. Perkins.

Male Call by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates" **Grilled Chicken on Three-Decker, Well Browned**



The Wolf by Sansone

Baseball Season Opens Here Sunday With Orlando Fliers

Coach and Hurlers Plan Game Strategy

MITCHELL TO HURL OPENER FOR BASE

The 1945 edition of the USNATB baseball nine will make their debut Easter Sunday afternoon at 1500 when they encounter their old rivals, the Fliers from the Orlando Army Air Base at Jaycee Field.

In six games with the Fliers last season the Amphibs won two, dropped three and tied one, a scoreless 16-inning affair. Curt Mitchell and Pat Murphy are the only holdovers from the last season squad.

On Wednesday night at Jaycee Field the Amphibs are tentatively scheduled to meet the Miami Naval Air Station nine in a game to be played under arc lights. The following Sunday they are to meet the Food Machinery Corp. team from Lakeland.

Coach Whitie Platt announced that he intends to start Curtis Mitchell, mainstay of last year's hurling staff, in the opener. Mitchell boasts a record of 12 wins in fourteen starts for last season. Chubby Neugin and Wardrop will be held in reserve.

Jack Stieve, with five years of pro ball experience, is slated to do the catching chores in the opener with Smagacz and Maksimoski held in reserve.

The starting infield will include. Swoboda, former Baltimore Oriole star, at first; W. Brown, at second; Pat Murphy, leading batter of last year's contingent, at third; and Ens. Nick Wazylik Officer-in-Charge of baseball, at short. Utility men include: Pool, Rodriguez and Switzer.

A trio of heavy hitters will comprise the outer defense. Ray Goolsby, property of the Washington Senators who has never hit below .300 in organized ball, will patrol left field; Whitie Platt, team coach and former member of the Chicago Cubs, will be in center; and Gene McCarty, a veteran of four years of minor league competition, will be in right. Lt. (jg) Johnny Polanski, member of the base football team and former star of Wake Forest College, will be held in reserve.

The Amphib aggregation hopes to better the record set by last year's squad, 22 wins, 7 losses and 2 ties. The team has plenty of power at the plate and only needs a few good games to show just how the defense will shape up. Admission to all games at Jaycee Field will be free and the public is cordially invited.

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Give some guys enough rope and they'll skip with your girl.



COACH WHITIE PLATT practices how to hold a knuckle ball while three members of the Amphib pitching staff look on with interest. Left to right, Curtiss H. Mitchell, S1c; Ross E. Neugin, WT2c; Ens. Marshall R. Wardrop and Coach Platt. The team officially opens the season Sunday at Jaycee Field against Orlando Army Air Base Fliers.

Probable Sunday Game Line-ups

USNATB	ORLANDO
Swoboda 1b	Glore
Brown 2b	Moreskonich
Murphy 3b	Bush
Wazylik ss	Chapman
Goolsby lf	Davis
Platt cf	Scullion
McCarty rf	Bomar
Stieve c	Hunt
Mitchell p	Rushe

Camp Four Captures Officer Cage Tourney

The Camp Four quintet captured the Officers' Elimination Basketball championship by downing a stubborn Demolition aggregation by a 46-32 count in the final game played Tuesday night at the Fort Pierce Hotel court.

The first half was a fast played stanza with the Camp Four squad out in front by a two point margin. In the third quarter the boys from the Receiving Unit tallied 12 points to their opponents two; and from then on in the outcome of the fray was never in doubt.

Rodrigues and Joachim led the victors in the scoring column with 16 and 10 points respectively. Marantz was high for the losers with 12 points.

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Then there was the absent-minded husband who sent his wife to the bank and kissed his money good-bye.

Base CO Presents City Golf Tourney Awards

Captain C. Gulbranson, USN, Base Commanding Officer, presented trophy awards to winners and runners up in the various flights of the recent city golf championship, at the Indian Hills Country Club, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ralph Lang and Pfc. Leroy Godfrey, of the 18th Engineers, are the champions. Others receiving trophies included Mrs. Stuart M. Townsend, also a finalist last year, and Bert French, SKD3c, the runners up; Mrs. George Gortner, women's first flight; Lt. (jg) J. B. Harder and Curtis Mitchell, S1c, men's first flight; Add Warren, CSpC (A), second flight; Allen Walker and Jerry Campbell, third flight.

In addition to the public trophies, Godfrey and French each received awards from the base.

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Seeking All Comers

The Central Gunnery School officer volley ball team, led by Comdr. T. Blanchard, is looking for competition. During the past week the strong team captured two wins from Amphibious Scouts and one from 12th Beach Battalion; while dropping one to the officers from 12th Beach. They challenge any and all comers.

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A girl who tries to talk her boy friend into buying her a dress shouldn't mind too much if he tries to talk her out of it.

EASTER CELEBRATION PLANS ARE COMPLETE

Final plans are complete for celebration of the Easter Holiday here at USNATB.

The various activities will be started with an Easter egg hunt for the children of officers and enlisted men at River Front Park on Saturday afternoon at 1630. Candy and many prizes will be distributed to the children.

At 2030 Saturday night, the regular weekly enlisted men's dance will be held at Legion Hall with the USNATB 15-piece orchestra supplying the danceable tunes. A special feature of this dance will be an Easter Parade. The ten best looking couples will be awarded prizes, which will include Easter corsages for the ladies. Special prizes for others will be awarded along with the parade winners.

A midnight show will be held at 2300 the same night for men on the base at Gulbranson Hall.

Band concerts will be held at the various show halls for the noon day meal on Sunday. The men will receive candy and cigars along with a special holiday meal being prepared by the chefs.

There will be two showings of the popular Miami Matinee at 1300 and 1400 at Gulbranson Hall. The matinee will feature several stars of stage, screen and radio now appearing in Miami.

A Shut-in Party has been planned for those in the Base Dispensary at 1530. Music, entertainment, gifts and prizes will be the features.

Following the Miami Matinee an Easter program of movie short and comedies will be presented along with the feature picture, Humphrey Bogart in "To Have and To Have Not."

At the Officer Club, there will be special buffet, with Easter decorations and novelty favors and entertainment, at 1900 Sunday.



"We've been stranded here one-two-three years"

Base Nine Wins Over West Palm Beach, 5-3

Gene McCarty, hard hitting right fielder, led the Amphibs baseball nine to a 5-3 win over the West Palm Beach Wildcats in an exhibition game held at Wright Field, West Palm Beach, Wednesday afternoon. McCarty garnered four hits in five trips to the plate, drove in three runs and stole three bases. Doswell Olson, flashy portsider, was the winning pitcher.

BASE GOLF TOURNNEY IN SEMI-FINAL ROUNDS

The USNATB golf tournament, at the Indian Hills Country Club, moved into its semi-final rounds this week, with several luminaries eliminated in first round play. There are seven flights in the tourney.

First round results and second round pairings:

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

SK3c Bert French defeated Ens. R. W. Davis, 3-2; SK3c E. E. Woodson defeated CPHM W. R. Miers, 3-2; EM2c A. K. Guesing defeated PhoM1c D. L. Cummings, 7-6; and Pfc LeRoy Godfrey, winner of Public Championship Tournament, topped T/5 H. P. White 6-5.

Second round pairings: French vs Woodson; Godfrey vs Guesing.

FIRST FLIGHT

Lt. (jg) P. L. Baffes downed Cpl. W. F. Wyneski; Ens. A. J. Knap topped S1c N. G. Kupasco; Ens. W. R. Brown stopped P1c J. F. Palicic, 8-1; and Pfc. E. B. Anderson bested Lt. S. M. Anderson, 7-5.

Second Round Pairings: Baffes vs Knap; Brown vs Anderson.

SECOND FLIGHT

Lt. Charles Barber won over Lt. C. G. (Doc) Allen, 5-4; Ens. T. M. Gattle topped S1c Curt Mitchell, 4-3; Lt. (jg) J. B. Harder won by default from Lt. W. W. Seale; and Lt. Charles Riordan stopped S1c E. C. Bishop, 5-3.

Second Round Pairings: Barber vs Gattle; Harder vs Riordan.

THIRD FLIGHT

Ens. P. D. Finebrock won by default from PhoM3c J. S. Youroff; Ens. G. Gelwick won by default from Ens. R. E. Green; PhoM1c R. L. Lane topped P1r3c J. W. McCreary by default; and S1c W. M. Blakeney defeated W. C. Mankin, 1up.

Second round pairings: Finebrock vs Gelwick; Lane vs, Blakeney.

FOURTH FLIGHT

Lt. (jg) D. H. Schaper topped CSP(A) Add Warren, 3-1; Ens. C. R. Morris defeated Lt. J. M. Hamilton, 3-2; Ens. G. A. Beck topped Lt. (jg) E. J. Finley, 7-5; and SF1c W. F. Klem tripped EM1c J. E. LaCrosse, 3-2.

Second round pairings: Schaper vs Morris; Beck vs Klemm.

FIFTH FLIGHT

Lt. (jg) H. L. Wallerstein won over Bkr2c Jake Evans by default; Sc2c C. J. Utz topped MOM1c E. V. Keehan, 1 up; Ens. Broaddus won by default from MoM3c C. J. Ordorisio; and Lt. (jg) E. F. Crowder won by default from Ens. T. H. Donahue.

Second round pairings: Wallerstein vs Utz; Broaddus vs Crowder.

SIXTH FLIGHT

SM2c S. C. Stevens over S1c J. H. Anderson by default; SM2c D. G. Golden over S1c J. B. Albee by default; PhM1c B. Bowers defeated PhM1c J. A. Hamilton, 1 up; and Ens. C. H. Joachim topped Ens. R. E. Billmeyer, 5-4.

Second round pairings: Stevens vs Golden; Bowers vs Joachim.

SEVENTH FLIGHT

SC1c J. R. Logan won by default from RM1c O. Mannell, Ens. P. D. Malaska, RM1c J. A. Hoffman and Cox W. Smyth drew byes.

Second round pairings: Logan vs Malaska; Hoffman vs Smyth.

Sports Chatter About Athletes From Here and There

By FRANK X. McPHILLIPS S1c

Baseball fans are keenly interested in two physically handicapped athletes receiving tryouts from big league ball clubs. The St. Louis Browns, champions of the American League last season, are giving one-armed Pete Gray, former star of the Memphis Chicks, a try at the big time. Gray was the leading batter in the Southern Association last season and was chosen as the loop's most valuable player. Don Barnes, president of the St. Louis American League club, claims that the Brownies did not sign the one-handed outfielder as a novelty attraction; but for his versatility as a player. . . Lt. Bert Shepard, of the Army Air Corps, now convalescing at the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C., has had offers from both the New York Yankees and the Washington Senators. Lt. Shepard lost one of his legs when shot down while on his 34th bombing mission over Germany. Before entering the service, Shepard was one of the outstanding players on the Bisbee, Arizona, Bees, playing the



outfield, first base and pitching every fourth day. Realizing that his chances of ever becoming a big league ball player were dimmed somewhat by loss of a limb, the plucky officer made a determined bid to walk earlier than doctors in the German hospital thought he should. The doctors tending the athlete were amazed at his determination to overcome the handicap and did all in their power to aid the youth. He was returned to this country last fall on the Diplomat ship, the Gripsholm. Last Sunday, Shepard was taken from the Reed Hospital to Atlantic City where he worked out with the New York Yankees before a gathering of convalescing soldiers stationed at the Redistribution Center at Atlantic City. Shepard surprised the entire audience of 3,000 fans in the manner in which he handled himself on the mound. He fired the ball plateward with all the power of an able-bodied pitcher; and fielded the bunts like any ordinary twirler would. . . It's men like these who will give all other returning veterans, who have suffered loss of limb, a brighter outlook on their chances of making good in their field of endeavor. . . While on the subject of baseball, may we call to your attention the fact that "Rapid Robert" Feller, former schoolboy hurler of the Cleveland

Indians and now a Chief Specialist in the Navy, will succeed Lt. Cmdr. Gordon (Mickey) Cochrane, as coach of the Great Lakes Naval Training Station baseball team. Feller, a veteran of twenty-six and one-half months of sea duty, wears ribbons denoting service in the American, Asiatic and Mediterranean theaters, and also for the Philippine invasion. He also participated in the Leyte landing. Among some of the stars recently added to the roster of the Bluejackets roster are Clyde Shoun and Max Marshall, of the Cincinnati Reds, Ken Keltner, formerly of the Cleveland Indians, and possibly Dick Wakefield, ex-Detroit Tiger slugger. . . On the football front, Harvey Hester, genial owner of the Miami club in the All America League, announced the signing of another Poole. This time, it's Lt. Jim Poole, former star of the University of Mississippi, as an assistant coach. Poole will team up with Ens. Hamp Pool, coach of the undefeated and untied Fort Pierce Amphibs of last fall, as line coaches. Both men have seen action in the pro leagues before entering the service. Jim, with the New York Giants, and Hamp, with the Chicago Bears. They should make one swell pair of ends for the Hester eleven. . .

The Navy announces return to the U. S. of Lt. Robert J. Saggau, former All-American football star of the Notre Dame University



ADD WARREN, CSP(A), winner of the second flight of the Fort Pierce Public Golf Tournament, is ready to tee-off during play-off match with SC2c C. J. Utz, of CB 1011. Both men are in the base tournament now in progress.

LCM SEAMAN WINS CROSS COUNTRY RACE

R. L. Sweetland, S1c of LCM, captured the USNATB Cross Country Championship run last Saturday afternoon over the two-mile course in the recorded time of 12 minutes and 40 seconds. Sweetland received \$50 in cash as the major prize award.

Second in the field of 34 finalists, survivors of elimination events held earlier in the week, was Gerald Dillon, S1c of Camp Four. Capt. C. Gulbranson, Base CO, was among the spectators at the event and awarded the prizes to the winners afterwards.

Other prize winners in the first ten included: Don Brown, S2c, Amphibious Scouts; M. E. Bauer, S1c, Flot 71; Robert Hill, S2c, Amphibious Scouts; C. B. Kitchell, F1c, LCM; J. D. Hartman, S1c, NCDU; Lawrence Nuyen, S2c, Flot 70; Harold Watts, S2c, Flot 74 and William Hendrick, S2c, Amphibious Scouts.

The first team prize was won by Amphibious Scouts with a total of 18 points. Flotilla 70 was second with 39; while Flot 74 and Flot 75 were third and fourth with 48 and 56 points respectively.

Assault Boat Crews Take Army Over Rhine

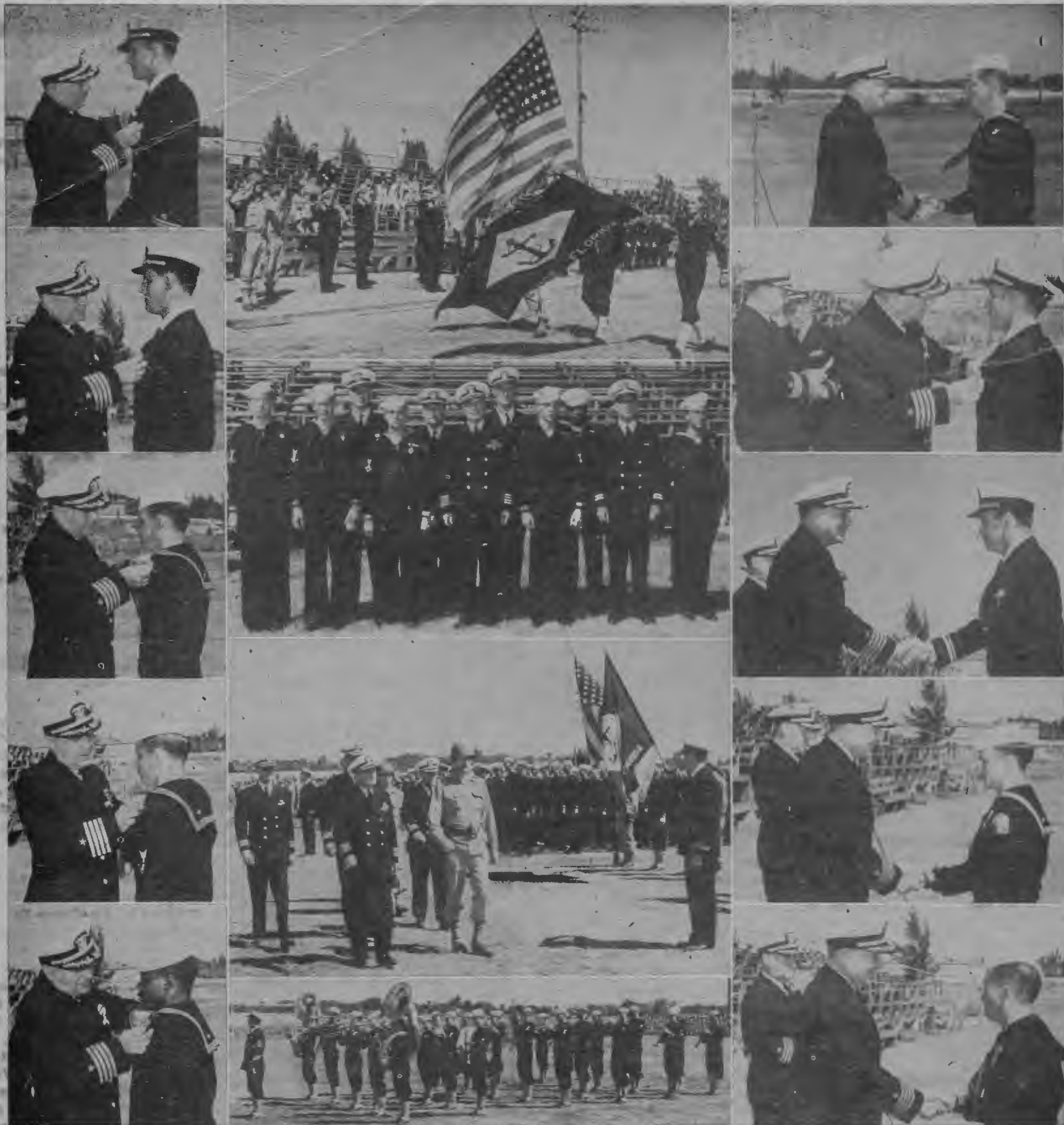
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Germany with the Third Army, and when our armies get up to the big river we expect to see more action. After hitting the Omaha beach in Normandy with Army and Navy demolition, we are sweating out air raids, and living an army life in our new assignment."

squads of 1938-39-40. The former ND ace was attached to the fighting squadron of Air Group Eleven, and flew a Grumman Hellcat. During his war cruise he made 34 combat missions, taking part in strikes against the Philippines, Formosa, Okinawa Jima, the South China Sea Coast, and the historic Battle for Leyte Gulf. . . The Amphib nine held a practice game at West Palm Beach Wednesday and looked fit and ready for action Sunday, when they encounter the Fliers of the Orlando Army Air Base. . . Stan Musial, former star of the St. Louis Cards, is expected to lead the Bainbridge Tars in their baseball wars this season. Another headliner on the Bainbridge outfit is the son of George Sisler, member of the baseball Hall of Fame. . .

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S1c (at concert): "She has quite a large repertoire, hasn't she?"

S1c(QM): "Yeah, and that dress makes it look all the worse."

Awards and Citation Ceremony Highlight Amphibious Training Command Anniversary



This is the photographic story of the award ceremony at Jayces Field, Fort Pierce, on the Third Anniversary of the Atlantic Fleet Amphibious Training Command. Capt. C. Gulbranson, USN, Commanding Officer, presents awards, earned in action overseas, to 10 officers and men now stationed at USNATB.

At left, top to bottom, the Captain presents the Bronze Star to Lt. (jg) Albert S. Bynum (CEC) of NCDU, Bronze Star to Lt. (jg) David H. Schaper (CEC) of NCDU, Purple Heart to Lee A. Harris, Cox. of Flotilla 72, Presidential Unit Citation to John P. Bretherton, EMsc of Camp Four, and Presidential Unit Citation to Calvin C. Bernard, StMsd of NCDU.

At right top to bottom, Capt. Gulbranson congratulates Wen-

del M. Vaughn, Cox. of NCDU, who received the Navy and Marine Corps Medal; Lt. Carl P. Hagensen (CEC) of NCDU, recipient of a Commendation letter and ribbon; Lt. (jg) Thomas J. Mullin, Jr. (CEC) of NCDU, awarded the Bronze Star; Charles W. Dietz, SMsc of the Attack Boat Pool, who received the Purple Heart; and Reuben D. Council Cox. of Flotilla 72, recipient of the Purple Heart.

Center photos, top to bottom, the colors pass the reviewing stand; the 10 decorated men in a group; Capt. Gulbranson inspects Army and Navy personnel, with Lt. Col. Linwood Griffin, Jr. in command of troops, and the station band, playing under direction of L. J. Breaux CMus, USN.