

# RTS



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#### Gob Gives Lessons On Rolling With Ship

The gob pictured below is not in the act of praying -- at least not in the generally accepted sense of the word. Nor is he in the act of genuflicting .



E. Rudolph, AMM2c

He is envolved in a of tiddle-de-winks, in which he apparently is rolling up a passable score.

This contestant's name is This contestant's name is Eddie Rudolph, AMM2c, and the reason he is not smiling broadly is because he does not want to hurt the feelings of the other contestants, most of whom are not exactly in a smiling mood. smiling mood.

Rudy is acclaimed as the light-heavyweight champion in this popular indoor sport.

Many tedious weeks of practice are required," says Rudy, "in perfecting an individual technique-that is to say, one that every Tom, Dick and Harry does not know.

"Of course, knowing when to lay the green units on the ol' line is important, too.

"I come from a long line of followers of the sport, and thereby I was in a position to study the niceties of the game.

"There is no game, in my opinion, which so enriches the spirit (not to mention the body) as this one."

# To Throng To Ship's Gym. For More Active Sports

A sudden fad for exercise seems to have sprung up over night.

Whether it is caused by the cooler climate the crew now enjoying, or by a desire to present a more attractive physique to the poor unfortunate souls who have been confined to living in the U.S.A., is a matter of conjecture.

Many new addicts are seen lately hopping and skipping around the passageway in front of Main G.S.K., the space gen-erally looked on as the ship's gymnasium.

The seabag stuffed rags which hangs from the overhead is subjected, these days, to continuous, vicious attacks as the more vigorous members of the crew shuffle about shooting their Sunday punches

Joe Zawronski, one of the gym's late-comers, says, "I've put on 20 pounds in the last year, and I want to shuck it off so my wife will know me."

#### Jap Fishing Season May Open Soon

Fishing in Tokyo Bay, judging from the number of Japanese who spend the day sitting in boats during the day, is good. But then, maybe the Japs are easier to please on this matter than Yanks are.

With rumors of restrictions about to be lifted the adherents to the sport of rod and reel should have an opportunity to try their prowess before long.

#### SPORTS QUIZ

- Can you name the largest sports stadium in the US?
- 2. In all boxing history can you name the fight that drew the largest Gate Receipts?
- Who is the World's Horseshoe Pitching Champion?
- What nation holds the 800 m. men's relay, swimming record? (Answers on page 5, col. 1.)

## Cooler Climate Causes Crew Penny Pitching Pinch Hits As Liberty Awaits OK

Present title-holder of the ships championship in pitch-ing pennies to the line, is Joe Hutkowski.

Joe, an ardent adherent to the side arm delivery, attribu-tes his success, to the unor -thodox stance which has gained him prominence.

The Hutkowski stance at "taws" (the line on which the player stands to toss his coin) differs from the standard posture, in that the contestant leans backward at a steep angle, using a heavy black mustache as a counterbalance.

"Ski," who began pitching pennies as an amateur in Philadelphia, turned professional only recently at the continued urging of rated authorities on the game.



J. Hutkowski, M3c

He intends to follow profession after leaving the Navy in the hope, he says, osome day picking up a pretty of penny.

Send Crew's News Home

# Crew's News Photographer Versital Lad; Yes Indeed!

The lad with the Colgate smile and the concert guitar is George E. Krapf, PhoM3c.



#### G. E. Krapf, PhoM3c

In the process of getting out the Anniversary Edition, Krapf was seen in every part of the ship snapping the pictures needed to make the book complete.

Since March, Kingston, Pa.'s gift to the Navy has been the official Crew's News photographer, turning out those shots that appear in each issue of the paper.

Prior to boarding the C.S. at Tacoma, George was at stations from Pensacola, Fla. to Sandpoint (Seattle), Wash.

### K. S. Campbell, ACRM First Ship's Enlisted Man To Set Foot On Jap Soil

K.S. Campbell, ACRM, one of the first men to be transferred back home, lived in the constant fear that he would be sent back before he had a chance to set foot on Japanese soil.

This, however, was settled when, after inducing the coxswain of one of the small boats in which he was a passenger to pull in close to shore, Campbell reached out and touched an over hanging ledge with one foot.

#### VPB-26 - cont. -

ron, were aboard the tender.

The honor of being the first seaplane squadron to arrive in Tokyo Bay is well merited by VPB-26, which has achieved an impressive history. The squadwas commissioned May 1, 1944, and after operating successively in the Hawaiian area, Eniwetok. Kwajalein, and Saipan, it was ordered to Kerama Retto, Okinawa Gunto, in April 1945.

At Okinawa, the squadron executed a wide variety of missions, reaching to the China Coast near Formosa and up to the tip of the Hantung Peninsula, along the shores of Korea, into the Japan Sea, and along the Eastern shores of Japan as far north as Honshu.

Its record shows 19 Japanese merchant ships sunk, 31 damaged, 1 Jap fighter plane shot down and 2 others damaged, 2 Japanese shipyards destroyed several docks and piers damaged, and several lighthouses, radio stations and weather stations bombed and strafed.

A great variety of Japanese shipping was encountered and attacked off the shores of China and Korea. Valuable information as to the movement of Japanese warships from China and Korea to Japan was obtained on the long range searches.

## Advance Of 30 Men Made On Sept. 1

The largest number of men to be advanced in rating since April were upped a rung on 1 September, according to the Personnel Office.

Only two members of ship's company were advanced to chief. They were: R.E. Case, CFC and K.L. Jackson, CRM.

Other advancements were: G. Adams, Slc; T.H. Boen, WT3c; J.D. Bradley, Slc; R.D. Brawley, RdM2c; G.E. Breshears, RdM3c; E.G. Carlile, Slc; J.L. Clark, CM2c; H.W. Davis, SK2c; C. Driscol, StMlc; E.T. Fearing, RdM2c; J.H. Foster, SK3c; W.L. Graham, StMlc; R.C. Heppner, FC3c; F.J. Hladik, SK1c; E.E. Iverson, CM3c; T. Jorgensen, WT2c; F.J. FaFleur, SK1c; H.D. Larson, SF3c; L.E. Mc Daniel, Slc; J.T. Munsill, SK3c; G.L. Pruitt, SSM(L)1c; O.W. Rasco, SKD2c; L.K. Reinholdt, WT1c; J.H. Simbeck, WT3c; D.A. Sturges, SM1c; J.E. Thiede, Slc; G.R. Van Wormer, Slc and L.E. Whisenhunt, Y3c.

Plump Wife: I'm so angry that I could slap that boneheaded store clerk for sending me a brassierethree sizes too small? Hubby: There, there, my dear --try and pull yourself together.

All Ball And No Chain



Both C.D. Custer Sr. Slc, and K.M. Corbin, SSM(B)3c, pictured here behind the w.k. 8 ball, are the proud fathers of 16 children who, at this moment are provenably spreading the news among the neighborhood kids that their dads are in 7bkyo Bav.

Custer, 39, whose eldest is 17 and whose youngest is 6, has 5 boys and 3 girls. Corbin, 27, squeezed in a couple of double-features, with 1 set of boy twins and one of girls. His eldest is 12, youngest 4.

Neither of these men sees any hope for immediate release from duty, as the Navy does not allow additional points for children. They are however, entitled to \$20 a month allotment for each child after the first. The allotment for the first child is \$30.

ANSWERS TO SPORTS QUIZ .....

- 1. Soldiers Field (Chicago), maximum capacity 200,000.
- G. Tunney vs J. Dempsey, on Sept. 22, 1927 at Chica-go. Gate receipts were \$2, go. Gat.
- Fernando Isais, (Los An-geles) Won 23 Lost 0.
- 4. Japan 8m 51.5s Aug. 11 1936.

#### She'll Entertain Servicemen





#### Enter Tokyo Bay - cont -

USS Wedderburn DD 684

USS Cumberland Sound

USS Suisun AVP 53

USS Reeves APD 52

On the following day Aug. 29th, several other ships entered, among them the USS Iowa USS South Dakota and the USS Missouri, on which the treaty was later signed.

Shapely, blond Sharon Hurley will probably be one of the 200 chorus girls who will help entertain overseas units at redeployment centers in this country.

The USO Camp Shows are in the process of choosing the girls now.

Sharon is fairly busting at the seams with enthusiasm over the prospect of doing her bit to brighten the day for returning vets.

That look in her eyes not one that seems meant to chase away admirers.

The exact nature of the dance Sharon intends doing has not been divulged, but it is safe to assume that it will reveal many new features.

Keep Butts Off Deck

WHEN I WAS ONE-AND-TWENTY

When I was one-and-twenty I heard a wise man say "Give crowns and pounds and guineas

But not your heart away; Give pearls away and rubies But keep your fancy free." But 1 was one-and-twenty, No use to talk to me.

When I was one-and-twenty I heard him say again,
"Tis heart out of the bosom
Was never given in vain;
'Tis paid with sighs a-plenty
And sold for endless rue." And I am two-and-twenty,
And oh, 'tis true, 'tis true.

A.E. Housman

Little Mary, age about five, returned from a stay with grand ma in the country. Mother asked her what she had seen of interest.

"Gee, Mommy," said Mary, "you should have seen the pigs, we had one great big pig and a lot of little pigs out, in the pen. And you know what, Mommy? Those little pigs just chased the big pig around and around until the big pig got tired and layed down and then the little pigs chewed all the buttons off the front of her dress."



"I have enough points to get out, all right," says Mc Donald, Slc, "but I hate to leave now, since there are a few matters I have not properly attended to, and which I can hardly bring myself to entrust to others.

"One of my duties is cleaning the R Div. head, and I have come to take a real pride in its appearance.

"Some how it does not seem right for me to go away and leave this chore in the hands of a sailor who might adopt a lackadaisical attitude towards its execution.

"Cleaning compartments is a task which presents many little difficulties, and it was my careful study and eventual mastery of these which so attached me to the job.

"For the past several days I have been engrossed with the task of extricating a pea coat button from one of the wash-basin drains.

"I have used a great many ingenious little wires and hooks and have succeeded finally, after many discouraging failures, in bringing it almost to the point where I can reach it with my thumb and fore finger.

"I have been especially diligent, working evenings as well as days, in the fear that I'll be sent back to the states before I have successfully completed this work.

"Then again, my tan has not been deepened to the impressive degree I'd like.

"I also have a lot of fairly new dungarees which I should like to wear out before I head for the States, since I'll probably not be able to use them in my line of work on the outside.

"All in all, I'm scared stiff that I'll be transferred too soon."

Certificates To Crew - cont. Captain E. Grant, CommandingOfficer.

It is fairly safe to assume that these certificates will be scarce in years to come. Arrangments for lettering names on the certificates can be made in the Crew's News office.

Long And Short



Keeping a watchful eye on Lt. Iwoo Usui, Japanese Naval Officer is Tom Treis, AMMF3c, as the "Mighty Cuc" entered Tokyo Bay on Love Day minus two. (Aug. 28.)

The Nip Navigator appears to be rather small along side 6ft. 5in. Treis.

#### Mail Piles Up As AV-17 Circles At Sea Prior To Occupation

Mail piled up in the ship's post office to the extent of 20,000 letters while the Cumberland Sound was going around in circles in the Pacific off the coast of Japan prior to entering Tokyo Bay.

That mythical mail buoy at which ships at sea are supposed to deposit their mail, was nnt encountered. Many hands were under the impression that it was the navigator's inability to track down the buoy which kept us going in circles.

Approximately half the mail was comprised of the special letters which bore the post mark designating it as the 1st mail to leave Tokyo Bay.

Trogolo and Kirby, mail PO's say they are glad there are no more places to invade.

Gertie said she didn't take up with the idea of being a general's wife because that would put a stop to all her private affairs.

#### Exec. Dons Scrambled-Eggs; Three Others Promoted

Executive Officer and three other ship's officers added a half stripe-recently.

Lt. Comdr. J.F. Thorne, Executive Officer has been promoted to full Commander. Lt's T.N. Rogers and T.F. Mc Carthy now hold the rank of Lt. Comdr. and Lt. (jg) C.N. Pollard is now full Lieutenant.

The first three promotions became effective as of July 1Q while the fourth is Sept. 1.



ENVOY UNEXTRAORDINARY

By Donald Dunham

Now that the world is again at peace mysterious men of conquest will soon be loosed to invade country after country, with the objective being friendly relations.

These are chosen men. These are men with rare abilities. These are diplomats, Ambassadors, ministers plenipotentiary and envoys extraordinary.

This book, by Donald Dunham, is the first to come from an "Envoy Unextraordinary": a Vice Consul in America's farflung, but largely anonymous, foreign service.

During eight years in this service, Donald Dunham was stationed in Berlin, Hong Kong, Athens and Eden. The manner in which Mr. Dunham portrays his adventures, his mishaps, is delightfully clever and contains real down to earth humor.

When he returned to his home he found that he was a stranger in his own country, so he quit the service and wrote this book.

No criticism is spared. He criticizes the Department of State with an honest expression of directness. Just as you or I would.

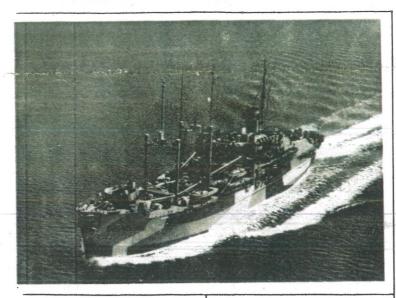
Donald Dunham tells his story simply, directly, with much humor and largely in the form of anedotes from his diary of varied experiences. It will appeal to all who enjoy meeting human beings different from themselves, as well as to all who want to learn and perhaps find careers in the unpublicized Foreign Service.

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# UMBERLAND SOUND FIRST AV IN TOKYO BAY



#### Celebrate Anniversary As War Ends

The end of the USS Cumberland Sound's first year as a member of the US Fleet came on August 21, and to celebrate the coassion several special events were staged.

Tuesday morning the scratch of the pen was heard as members of the crew were getting autographs in their Anniversary (cont. page 8, col. 1)

#### Four Men Transferred To States For School

While at a stopover en route to our present location, four members of ship's company were transferred back to the States for Flight Training and special schooling.

Those reporting for Flight Training were: F.M. Randall, SFlc; Coit Rogers, AMMFlc; and J. T. Kerr, AM2c. E.H. Renn, AFClc, is to attend a special school for Fire Control (Ordanance) at Jacksonville, Fla.

## Dreaded Atomic Bomb May Redeem Self In Peace-Time Use

The atomic bomb, possibly the greatest single contributing factor to the speedy close of the war with Japan, took its first step toward completion back in the year 1789, when Klaproth discovered an extremely hard, greyishwhite metal, which was later called Uranium.

Not until 1898, however, when Madame Curie discovered radium, did radio-active elements attract much attention.

Shortly after Mme. Curie's discovery, scientists in Germany, England, France and America started to work with radio-active elements. Finally in the late 1920's, the first successful disintegration of the atom was achieved.

In the early 1930's, with the aid of grants of money from the Society For The Prevention of Cancer, the Mas-(cont. page 4, col. 2)

#### "Mighty Cuc" Leads AV Parade; Starts Operations Immediately From Japan

The USS Cumberland Sound, first Allied seaplane tender to enter Tokyo Bay, proudly steamed in as part of Admiral Halsey's Third Fleet in what was the initial step in the occupation of Japan.

Stretched out as far as the eye could see were fighting ships and auxiliary vessels bearing down on the Jap homeland in probably the greatest strength ever assembled in the open sea.

Notable participants in this grand finale were the battleships Missouri and Wisconsin, the carriers Hornet and Yorktown and the cruisers Atlanta and San Juan.

The Cumberland Sound accompanied by the USS Hamlin (AV-15) the Gardiners Bay (AVF-39) the Suisan (AVP-53) and the Mackinac (AVP-13) with Captain Grant as Task Group Commander 'hastened to a rendezvous at sea with the Third Fleet.

While the Japanese cabinet was stalling for time, allied ships of all classes were congregating at the secret rendezvous and circling impatiently as they waited for the order to enter Tokyo Bay.

Fleet tankers performed the complicated but now commonplace feat of refueling the fighting units underway.

On the third day after the Cumberland Sound joined the armada word was passed to prepare against an approaching typhoon. It developed, however, that the fleet was not in the storm's direct path, and nothing more serious than unusually heavy seas was encountered.

The USS Cumberland Sound's first anniversary (August 21) was celebrated with a note of real jubilation since it fell at about the same time as the signing of the peace agreement.



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#### Letters to the Editors

The letter credited to Edward P. Ehrich in the Crews News of Aug. 1, 1945, in he pleads for "a little shallow thinking and nonsense," in considering the pros and cons of a question becomes a dissertation which loses its conviction in its own shallowness and nonsense.

"This letter is no brief for or against compulsory Military Training," writes Mr. Ehrich, "It is, though, a plea for little less shallow thinking and nonsense in considering the pros and cons."

Are you condescending to step down, Mr. Ehrich, to condemn us poor shallow thinkers without offering us a solution to our difficulties? You seek to shield yourself from the necessity of defending your state-nents by saving, "This is no ments by saying, "This is no brief for or against compulsory Wilitary Training," yet you nake an apparent effort to sell Compulsory Military Training to your readers. You do not restrict yourself to correcting 'shallow thinking and nonsense."

Anyone can carp or criticiza invone can find weak points in in argument and even refute it if he does not completely consider both sides.

With space for pin-up pictures limited as it is, it seems a shame to allot so much

of it to an article which skims no deeper below the surface than yours did.

You say, in effect, that we can forget about compulsion being UnAmerican. Do you fancy your Crew's News readers childish that they will accept brow your consideration of a in place of the full phrase?

Because we are compelled to pay taxes, does it follow that any phrase to which the word compulsory is added becomes part of the American way

Is compulsory attendance of a certain church or compulsory voting the "American Way?" We all admit that there are many parts of our national life that are compulsory and we approve of them. But do not ask us to believe that any compulsion the majority agree upon is American just because we do have compulsory institutions.

Service in youth involves a negligible economic sacri fice.

On the contrary, Mr. Ehrich, t involves a great economic loss to the nation. A great deal of labor on our farms, ranches, and in industry is done by boys whom you propose to induct for a year. We do not know in what circles you move or from whom you obtain-ed your information as to our youths doing nothing upom com-pletion of high school.

But let us assure you that all of our boys are not "drug-store cowboys," at least not yet. Multiply 365 days of the year by the number of men who will be inducted each year, (substract if you wish the small percentage who loaf or go to college) and laugh off if you can the man labor days lost to our nation.

As far as the youth personally is concerned, we admit that his earnings are generally not great. But regardless of the earning capacity of the youth upon induction, it is evident that he will be a year longer in reaching the peak of of his earnings than he would had his economic development gone uninterrupted. In he is very likely to be thrown completly out of stride.

At an impressionable age he is taken from his job as office boy, apprentice to the plumber, or pre-med student and thrown into the service when the watchword is, "Be smart - Do as little as you can and get away with it." If he is ambi-tious and tries to get ahead he will be scorned, and styled



Divine Services Sunday - Sept. 2

Protestant Services Chaplain Cole ( To be held topside forward, weather permitting.) Catholic Mass

( To be announced.)

"an eager beaver."

At the very age when he should be made opportunity conscious, when he should be en-couraged to develop his initi-ative and abilities he imbibes the "20 year man philosophy."

Examine the man who has spent years in the service from whom your son would learn, Is he not either an economic liability or a totalitarian?

The business character of thousands of our young boys, thousands of plumbers, and thousands of pre-med students will be impaired annually to the detriment of the individual and consequently to the very fiber of our nation. --For shallow thinking your article takes the prize.

Lyle Louis Rehberg Y2c, USNR

#### :-: EDITORIAL :-:

On the off chance that the on the variety of the point system should take how before the next edition is whipped up, and the Crew's News loses some of its readers, the editors and staff are now officially tendering the hard by and good luck" which "good bye and good luck" whill cover not only these partures but any future ones.

It is not meant necessarily to be enterpreted as a heart-felt parting word; and the reader may feel perfectly free to accept it for what such "good byes" are worth.

Let him know by this, ever, that some truth appears at times, in all publications.

When You and I behind the Veil are past, Oh, but the long, long while the World shall last

Which of our Coming and Departure heeds the Sea's self should heed a pebble-cast.

Omar Khayyam



"When a sailor is in the States," says Mc Awful, MAlc, "he builds up a sort of social life, you might call it, as he moves around to this city and that; and after he leaves the USA he keeps these social contacts alive by writing letters here and there.

"Now take me.... when I was at Great Lakes I made some pretty good contacts in Chicago, and although I moved on and induded other individuals in my social circle, I kept in touch with Chicago by following a carefully arranged schedule of correspondence.

"As I was moved from place to place by the call of duty, the number of letters I wrote increased, since I am of a rather friendly nature; and, though I do say it myself, I don't turn out a bad letter when I set my mind to it.

"Naturally, in writing letters to widely scattered individuals of varied tastes, the same form is not always followed. In fact, many of the social contacts with whom I correspond differ radically in their opinions of what constitutes an amusing letter. One of my primary rules, therefore, when writing more than one letter at a sitting, is to be sure always to put the right letter in the right envelope.

"Up until the time we sailed out through the Golden Gate I had run into no trouble at all on this score; but I am beginning to think lately that everything is not as it should be.

"Only here last week I got a letter from one of my favorite correspondents, a student of English Literature at Northwestern, in which appeared in quotes certain of the phrases I have been in the habit of using when I write a social contact whose acquaintance I made on the Pike in Long Beach. The letter on the whole was not written in a vein that could in any way be called morale building.

"Hardly had I begun to hoist my dampened spirits out of the nightmare of embarrassment into which they had been thrown by this letter than I got another from Long Beach, the general gist of which was, "Hey, what is this? "If this kind of things keeps on, I'll have no social life at all when I get back to the USA, and this will interfere seriously with my post-war plans.

"I can't figure out how those letters keep getting into the wrong envelopes. I am very careful about this detail, yet it has happened several times. If it keeps up, I guess I'll have to ask someone's advice...maybe the censor's."

#### Point System Troublesome

The point system of release for men in the Navy has Cuttcliffe, Y2c, hanging on the ropes.

Not only is he just short of having enough to wear that smug expression often seen these days, but he is faced with the necessity of answering questions such as the following.

When does the system go into effect?

If the government pays the same allotment to my dependent mother and sister, as it does to John Doe's wife, doesn't that entitle me to ten points?

If I am 42 and have only 40 points can I get out?

Answers to these questions can be found in the typewritten bulletins which have been posted at various places about the ship.

#### Blow Gabriel Blow!

We've a boogie woogie bugler, A hot lipped tootin' fool His "Tattoo's" always in the

groove,
His "Mess Gear" makes you
drool.

He's a triple tonguein' demon As, with eyebrows acrobatic He livens up his "Colors" With a flourishing Chromatic.

His rendition of a "Mail Call" Sends shivers up your spine His dulce "Sick Call" makes you want

To lie right down and whine.

His "G.Q." is a fanfare
His "Assembly" makes you
prance

And when he does a "Boats Away"
It leaves you in a trance!

His "Taps" is low and soothing, It's as restful as can be. But - blast his hide he tops it all

When he jives up "Reveille"!

"Plumb Bob"

"Did 'oo fordet your wench?" the cutie lisped to the plumber who was fooling around beneath the sink.

"No, Baby," he replied, "Ill get around to you in a few minutes."

People who live in glass houses-shouldn't.





Edition of Crew's News.

Dinner provided its share of surprizes, when "Red" Beckman and the boys in the bone yard dished out healthy portions of roast turkey along with potatoes and gravy, salad and dessert.

The special entertainment program; held in the mess hall because of bad weather, was a

complete sell out, with ship's company and squadron visitors crammed into every corner.

Lt. Comdr. E.P. Ehrich, our ship's newscaster started off the program with a word of wisdoms and a wish for continued success and happiness. Duties kept Captain Grant from appearing in person, but by special hook-up he talked to the crew from the bridge. All hands from the bridge. All hands listened as the Skipper thank-

ed the crew for services ren-dered and asked for the same continued spirit.

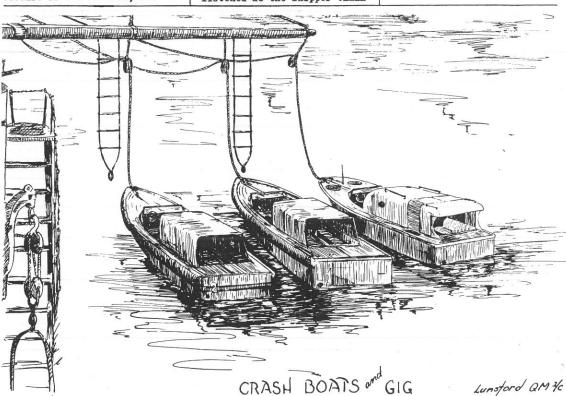
The man with the cigar, Lt. Comdr. J.F. Thorne, Executive Officer, came forth with a word or two and greeted everyone. The forty-four pointers rejoiced as he expressed his desire to get them on their way home as soon as possible.

To start off the entertain-ment portion of the program Mr. Ehrich turned over the Mike to Koster, PhoM3c, who despite his delayed action jokes which are still waiting for action, kept things moving in orderly fashion and did his bit to make the entire show rate 4.0.

Participants in the show were: Y.F. Rogers, PhMlc; L.S. Rogers, S2c; G.J. Hagland, Cox L.M. Sanderson, S2c; R. Cutt-cliffe, Y2c; D. Vigil, SSMB3c; C.C. Robinson, St2c; L.F. Sadler, AM2c; F.A. Cooley, S2c; and R.C. Hunt, S2c.

Making it possible for the curtain to go up on time was A. Turkisher, RdMlc, who arranged the acts.

A certain sailor was telephoning his girl for a date.
"Mary, are you free tonight?"
"I'm not free," she replied,
"but I'm reasonable."



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In answering the all important question, is going to happen to me when we dock? Will I get leave or will I be transferred?" Commander J. F. Thorne, Executive Officer, has released the following information to all hands.

Passengers on board, both Navy and Army, will be disembarked at the Port of Seattle, pier number or berth to be announced later. Navy men reporting for discharge will be sent to the Separation Center, Bremerton, Washington for transfere to the center near their home. Men going on leave or being transferred to stateside duty will be taken to the Receiving Ship for further transportation.

Ship's Company high pointers who are eligible for discharge will be transferred as soon as the necessary papers can be made up and reliefs are

made available. In those cases where reliefs are not needed, the process will be speeded up. In either event speed will the password, since the desire of everyone to be home for the Christmas season is understood.

Those low point or USN sailors remaining as part of ship's company will be given leave as soon as the exact number of days we will be given in the yards is learned.

Present plans for the USS CUMBERLAND SOUND after docking at Seattle and unloading passengers and gear call for he proceeding to the Navy Yard where she will be put in dr her dock and given a general over-

haul. After all repairs are completed she has been ordered to report for duty as part of the Magic Carpet. The exact assignment the AV-17 will be given is not known at this time.

An estimated 250 enlisted men and about 20 officers will make up the ship's company of the USS Cumberland Sound in the Magic Carpet, according to Comdr. Thorne.

#### Shipping Over Program Gets Shot In The Arm Now Necessary

Information concerning the Navy program to encourage enlistment or re-enlistment in the regular Navy has been com-piled from info conteined in AlNav 360.

Leave, that little word with so great a meaning, seems to be foremost on the Navy's program, with the ruling that re-enlistment leave is to be granted at the earliest opportunity to any man, reserve or regular who re-enlists or has reenlisted since June 1, 1945 and furthermore, that Commanding Officers must exert every effort to see that men are granted leave as soon as possible.

Sharing the feature spot on the double bill to attract men of our Navy is the furlough or leave travel allowance. At the rate of 5¢ per mile from the point of leave origination to your leave address, via the shortest route, and back to the Receiving Station so stated in your leave papers, can cause a man to think twice. At the present men traveling on re-enlist ment leaves may either draw the money in advance or make application for the amount upon expiration of leave.

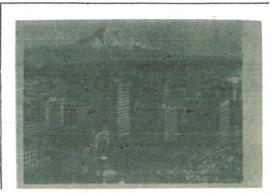
Men overseas need not swim (cont. page 6, col. 1)

#### WELCOME ABOARD

Already familiar to most of the old hands of the AV-17, are the 270 soldiers of the Army's

Fifth Air Force. The Army draft, made up mostly of veterans of 22 months or more service overseas, is the 1st group of soldiers to travel aboard the "Cuo".

Welcome aboard fellows, we hope you enjoy the trip.



# Ribbon Authorization

In accordance with various AlNavs and directives, a list of campaign ribbons must be entered in each man's record, according to Personnel Office.

Ship's Company aboard the USS Cumberland Sound are auth-orized to wear the following ribbons: Asiatic - Pacific, American Theater and World War II Victory.

In the event that a occupa-

tional ribbon for Japan is made official, men of the AV-17 will rate that also.



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### EDITORIAL

Return to the USA and civiliam life will provide the first opportunity of men aboard the Cumberland Sound to think for themselves and make a decision with out advise or assistance from anyone.

Don't allow social, religious or political parties to take advantage of you, think for yourself.

Many of the so called beneficial organizations are out to control the power of the returning servicemen and women. You must realize, that the 15,000 000 men and women connected with the armed forces hold in their grasp the destiny of our country and its policy in the years to come. Perhaps you are not aware of what this means, but others ame and it is they who are fighting hard to get you on their side of the fence and thus capitalize on your vote and power. All social, religious or politi-cal groups are not bad, but unless each individual uses the upper part of his anatomy for the purpose it was intended the difference between good and bad can not be ascertained. The destiny of our nation depends on each returning servicemen's ability to make the right decision.

List leader of problems that will confront returning servicemen will be the racial discrimination surge that is running rampant throughout the country.

The recent action taken again st pianist perfecto Hazel Scott by the DAR and the controversy over the signing of Robinson by the Brooklyn baseball farm

system are but two of the unjust one sided stands taken by people that are living in a the horse world which includes and buggy plus the belief that the electric light is just a pipe dream. Many of you have become acquainted with Negro men in the Navy and others have seen them in action. You know them perhaps better than anyone The purpose of this edielse. torial is not to force a stand on the part of anyone individual but it is trying to impress each of you with the urgent need, now more than ever before of a clear understanding of the problem. All that is advised is that the Negro problem be given a clean break. The time for living in a nation where we as whites feel (cont. page 6, col. 2)

## Letters To Editor

Dear Ed.

The following poem was sent to me by myl4 year old niece.
I am very proud of it and at the suggestion of some of my friends am submitting it to you.

> Sincerely yours, N. Goette

MY UNCLE NORM

The story begins when he was 28 At which age is the Navys bait. So he was inducted and had to leave, His wife, his kid, and his job

at Mosby. He traded his suit and his felt

hat too For a blouse and tight pants of Navy blue. His training at Farragut was pretty tough, But for this guy from Missouri it wasn't too rough.

After boot he was assigned to a ship And as I said before, it was really a pip. This guy won fame for the cakes that he makes, And cookies, pies and bread that he bakes.

I have heard it said, that he helped win the war, With his cakes, pies, bread and more.

The Japs would run in one by one And for a plate of his flapjacks surrender their gun.

Now that the war's over and the battle is won.

He wants to come back to his wife and his son. But there's one thing that's worrying his head to his joint, And that is those blankity, blank points.

He only needs between five and ten, To send him sailing home again. The question in our mind today,



DECEMBER 2.

Protestant Services 1000 Chaplain Cole CPO Mess Hall

No Catholic Service

Is will he be home for Christmas to stay.

Well anyway I thought you'd care To hear of a sailor still over there.

I can still see him saying, And hoping and praying.

That the points will be lowered this November, So he can be home by the close of December.

by Mabel Richardson

c/o F.P.O. Sen Francisco, Calif. 26 October, 1945

Dear Sir:-

I wish to express my gratitude and the gratitude of this ship for your very considerate action in sending us the Neptune Cards, which you were kind enough to offer us while we were operating with T.G. 30.8.

Hope that we will have the pleasure of operating together again in the near future -(preferably within visual distance of Uncle Sugar.)

With best wishes for fine sailing.

> Cordially yours, Howard K. Smith Lieut., USN Commanding Officer USS Chawasha

## SPORTS QUIZ

- In No-Hit Baseball Games on record, what is the most runs scored by a winning team
- Who holds the record for pole wault, according to AAU?
- 3. As a three year old, in 1920, how many firsts did Man O' War win?
- 4. What was the largest amount of money won by any one horse in a single year?
- 5. What country won the Davis Cup International Tennis Matches from the US in 1939?

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#### Surplus Vehicles Sold To Veterans For Job Use (Sea)

Passenger cars (including jeeps), station wagons and light panelbody trucks are surplus items most sought by veterans, but they cannot get preference to buy cars for personal use unless they show need from them in jobs, Maury Maverick, chairman and general manager of the Smaller War Plants Corporation, advised the Navy.

Maverick said veterans' preference now applies to those on terminal leave and in inactive status and that SWPC or any other disposal agency can now put minimum and maximum limits on value and quantity of surplus property according to the situation concerned.

World War II veterans who meet service requirements get preference in buying surplus property for their own small business, agricultural or professional enterprises.

Those seeking surplus purchases should apply first to the nearest SWPC office, where they can be certified and directed to the proper disposal agency.





QUESTION OF THE WEEK: "Have you learned anything, during your time in the service, that will benifit you in civilian life?"

J. Krening, SClc; "Since I do not plan on going into the cafe business as a civilian, my experience as a Navy cook cannot be classed as beneficial. I still have a year to serve, during which time I will decide whether I will remain in the Navy or not.

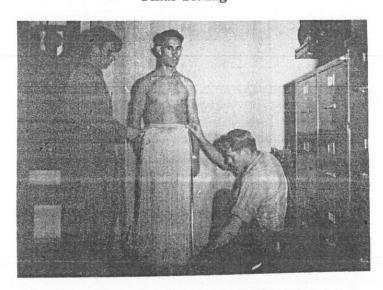
(Loveland, Colo.)

F. Zabatta, PhM3c; "I have learned only one thing and that is if we are ever going to have law and order the first thing we have to do is take all the USN men out and shoot 'em down like dogs."

(Providence, R.I.)

F.L. Mitchell, PhoM2c; "I plan on going into the photography business after my release from the service, so my experience as a Navy photographer will be of benefit to me. My various engagements with the

#### Final Fitting



Unknown, R. F. Eley, H. R. Gilliland

feminine set throughout the USA will also benefit me in the event that I ever enter into marital bliss."

(Portland, Maine)

W.G. Snow, CY; "I don't know of anything I have learned that will be of benefit to me in civilian life as far as work is concerned. Perhaps learning to get along with all types of people and handling myself in all sorts of situations will aid me. Most important of all is how being in the Navy has taught me to appreciate civilian life."

(Cleveland, Ohio)

R.E. Gagnon, Slc: "I figure that office work, such as I am doing, can help a person outside and since my plans include going into business with my father and brother-in-law, my knowledge of office management and business procedure will help out a great deal. Perhaps there are other things but at present I cannot account for them."

(Oakland, Calif.)

The lady of the house was entertaining her bridge club when the pattering of tiny feet were heard on the stairs. "Hush," she said softly, " the children are going to deliver their good night message. It always gives me such a feeling of reverence to hear them. Listen!"

There was a moment of silence then shyly, "Mamma, Willie found a bedbug."

It will be Hawaiian "grass" skirts made from Japanese silk that American wives and sweethearts will find in those souvenir eaches of returning Cuc crewmen. Above; three sailors work on one of the revealing creations wrought from some of the approximately 300 parachute; found far back in Japan's hill-side caves. Braiding is a favor ite post-war pastime aboard ship since the caverns gave up their booty.

But there will be more than just these "grass" skirts when all of the silk reaches its final form. Kimonos, negligees and numerous dainty unmentionables are being planned for some pieces of the widely sung Nippon product.

Of course there will always be a question as to the genuineness of the material - but that matters little to the Pacific veteran of some 13 months who constantly envisions "Her" in one of those lovely thing-a-ma-

jigs.

#### ANSWERS TO SPORTS QUIZ--->

- 1. Thirteen runs in the game between New York and Cleveland on August 27, 1938, pitched by Pearson.
- 2. Corn. Warmerdam, USA, 15 feet 8½ inches, on March 20, 1943.
- 3. Eleven first places, netting his owner \$166,140.
- 4. Gallant Fox, in 1930 won \$308,275.
- 5. Australia, score 3-2.

#### Shipping Over - cont.

back since trains or busses do not frequent this neighborhood, the great white father has taken cars of you, too. The Navy will provide travel accomodations and subsistence enroute to a west coast port where your leave will officially commence.

Men who have spent several years in the service should con sider the situation before severing all connections with the Navy and throwing away years which could count towards eventual retirement.

Attention is called to the 90 day period in which the individual can think over the possibilities and advantages offered by the Navy and make a decision which will be beneficial to him 10 or 20 years from now.



Marianne Le Patourel the neat and prim, best dressed lady in the society of her time will not easily be forgotten after you have weaved with her through the pages of, "Green Dolphin Street."

Green Dolphin Street is a novel by Elizabeth Goudge, excellently portraying the struggle of two sisters, Marianne and Marguerite, for the love of William Ozanne.

Marguerite having nothing but a bubbling enthusiasm for life is no match for the wiles or subterfuges of her more educated sister, but we'll let william decide that in his own way.

Decide it he does, and his way is a short memory for names which, acquires for him, the wrong prospective bride. True to the style, of the Williams of this world, he marries her, How he lives this lie to the end, makes for some interesting reading.

'Green Dolphin' Street, 'reachs deep into the past, to a time when the land down under was a new world settled by men and women from the old. A time when the Maori's bitterly contested the invasion of their country and the white man lived from day to day.

Set in an appropriate background, this tragedy, will run the reader, with the speed of a, "Green Dolphin," through a complete cycle of emotions and the chapters of this book. SO, make it a must on your next library shopping tour.

#### Men From Hamlin Pitch In And Help

Many thanks to Bob Shraluka "Foggy" Bock and Bill Marotta, ex editor, artist and printer respectively, of the USS famlin Pied Piper, for their assistance in putting out this issue.

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#### Editorial - cont.

that because of our heritage we are the only ones to prosper and go unquestioned, has passed. A speedy analysis of our own actions at times is very apt to prove embarrassing.

#### PHONY GEISHAS

(Sea) The geishas who entertain GI's in Tokyo are complete phonies and the so-called geisha houses are really quite respectable, according to the Tokyo Metropolitan Police Board. The real geishas went to work in war plants, or got married or retired during the war, and the girls who now entertain American soldiers and sailors are stenographers or clerks just putting on a little show.

# Gone - - But Not Forgotten

The scarcity of familiar faces about the ship has been evident since the transfer of over 300 men with 344points or less to other units of Fleet Air Wing Seventeen.

Of the over half-a-hundred men of her original Commissioning Day crew only 269 plank owners are still on board, and half of the 717 men who sailed from San Diego, October 28, 1944 aboard the USS Cumberland Sound have been transferred, according to the facts and figures supplied by the Personnel Office.

Enlisted men and officers have been assigned to the following ships or units:

Hamlin	116	3
Pine Island	70	
St. George		4
Mackinac	17	1
Gardiners Bay	33	2
Tangier	10	
FAW 17	15	2
VPB-26	67	

#### RATES FULL PAGE

The AV-17 hit the big time Sunday, October 21, by making a full page picture in the Magazine section of the Detroit Times, according to a letter received by L. Prock, AMMLc from his wife.

