

# SHOVEL SCOOPS

"WHEN THE MARINES ENTER TOKYO, THEY WILL MARCH ON THE ROAD THE SEABEES BUILT"

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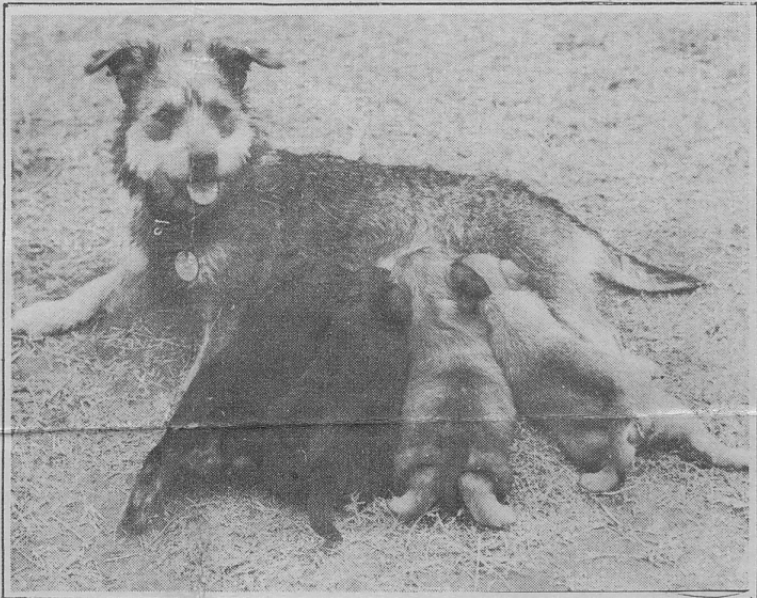
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## 15 MEN RECEIVE CROSS-RATES

PERS. OFFICE (23 Oct.)--In accordance with the recent switch in General Service rates of FM (Riggers), MM (Draftsmen), CM Quarrymen, M(Blacksmiths), and Sp(M), fifteen men have been cross rated. One rate that of Sp(M) to MaM is not a cross rate but merely a change.

### CROSS RATES

Aspaas, Ralph W. CM1c(CB) to FM1c(CB) (Powderman)  
 Bennett, Raymond O. Cox(CR) to SP3c(CR) (Rigger)  
 Dombrowski, Michael (n) M1c(CR) to SF1c(CR) (Blacksmith)  
 Doucet, Willis J. FM1c(CR) to SF1c(CR) (T)  
 Dudek, Richard T. M1c(CB) to SF1c(CR) (Blacksmith)  
 Herrington, Jack W. FM1c(CR) to SF1c(CR) (Rigger)  
 Inalls, Robert (n) M2c(CR) to SF2c(CR) (Blacksmith)  
 Jones, Guy W. CBM(PA)(CB) to CSF(PA) (CB)  
 Lorette, Leon V. MM3c(CR) to SSMT3c  
 Lee, Cecil P. M1c(CB) to SF1c(CR) (Blacksmith)  
 Lucey, James A. QM1c(CB) to BM1c(CB)  
 Marsch, George (n) Jr. CMM(AA) (CB) to CCM(AA) (CR)  
 Michaud, Theodore J. QM2c(CB) to BM2c(CR) (Boatswain)  
 Mavin, Henry (n) CM3c(CB) to QM3c(CB) (Powderman)  
 Dow, Harold P. SP(M)1c to MaM1c



Contented and happy over her new brood, "Rags", poses with her quads who are interested in show at present.

## CANINE BIRTHS CAUSE FUROR AMONG C.B. NURSEMAIDS

Canine births have seldom caught the attention of world society. The birth of quadruplets, however, caused a contagious furor among Seabee nursemaids after a recent kennel delivery.

"Rags", the short grey haired snippy, but friendly, scotty gave birth to four of the canine species CB unit on this Station. When first last August 14. Contented and exercising their limber legs the proud "Rags" stood faithful watch over her closed-eyed young ones until discovered by members of the 112th NCB Armory force early in the morning.

The birthplace was a well protected corner near the Armory entrance. Being a little dubious as to the trustworthiness of Seabee handling, "Rags" was somewhat touchy of any advance made toward the pups. After a time, though, a selected few were allowed to handle and assist in the care of her quads.

The puppies color combination was well dispersed, two were black, one brown and one grey. Oddly enough, "Rags" produced four ladies.

Each pup is of true Hawaiian breed, "Rags," herself was born on this Island and has outlived one birth to four of the canine species CB unit on this Station. When first last August 14. Contented and exercising their limber legs the proud "Rags" stood faithful watch over her closed-eyed young ones until discovered by members of the 112th NCB Armory force early in the morning.

Now well rounded physically, long on play and conspicuous with floppy ears each pup is gradually finding a home, one has already left the Island with a CASU unit, one will remain as Armory mascot, one will stay with "Rags" and her master George Flasher, Phm3c, and one has been lost, strayed or stolen.

## WAVES MAY GO OVERSEAS

SNS (23 Oct.)--Seabees outside the continental limits who have yet to see their first WAVE may meet with her soon as a result of newly-enacted legislation permitting members of the Navy's Women's Reserve to serve outside the United States within the American area and in Hawaii and in Alaska.

Methods of selection of WAVES for overseas duty have not yet been announced, but the Navy has stated that they will not be stationed outside the United States without their consent.

## BEER PARTIES CANCELED

"No beer parties this Sunday," was the word received from the Disbursing Office. The unexpected need of all trucks by the Transportation Department arose and all beer parties had to be cancelled.

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Headed by a former president of a roofing company (in civilian life) the Roofing Crew is covering a lot of space these days and making quite a name for itself.

The original crew consisted of four men who, with the exception of their leader, were green as far as jobs of this nature are concerned. The crew has swelled to sixteen members, and is composed of twelve Seamen and four rated men. Already they have completed jobs that would make more tempered men look to their roofing laurels.

Lack of experience was not the only difficulty. The ever increasing immensity of the jobs brought forth the need for more and better equipment. Needed machines were constructed by other departments of the 112th under direction of the roofing group foreman. The windy nature of this side of the Island also spawned its troubles to harass the crew's efforts. To lay the roofing properly, the pitch or asphalt has to be heated to a liquid state. In pouring this binder on the roof, the wind blows the hot watery substance about in such a way as to cause an ever present hazard to us workers.

The job of roofing is a task that requires constant effort to complete it properly and to the general satisfaction of all concerned. Once the pouring begins, the workers cannot slacken in their labor of pushing 25 pound mops around over the surface of the roof. If they should cease for as little as five minutes, the final result of the job might not meet the required specifications.

Although the men lacked needed experience at the beginning, they now all have a well grounded knowledge of the tasks and duties that make up the roofers job. This has been made possible by the foreman's rotation of the men from one phase of the work to another.

The men have completed and are completing many large and important jobs. Since the crew's first efforts at roofing, 170,000 sq. ft. of roofing paper, 360 tons of gravel and 85 tons of asphalt have been laid. This all adds up to a sizable job aptly called well done. SHOVEL SCOOPS points with pride to: D. Helmetzi, S1c; C. Shookman, S1c; R. Janda, S1c; R. Hoffman, S1c; R. Harling, S1c; R. Johnston, S1c; C. Klenk, S1c; J. Denney, S1c; E. West, S1c; H. McArdle, S1c; K. Thayer, S1c; J. Gifford, CM3c; T. Doolan, CM3c; P. Harn, EKR3c; and S. Galko, M1c; F. Soukup is Chief Carpenter in charge of the men.

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## JUNIOR SEABEES

All Junior Seabee Certificates have been completed. It is requested that all men having turned in names for JUNIOR SEABEES please call at the SHOVEL SCOOPS Office and pick them up. If your certificate is not in our files one will be made out for you immediately.

## SPECIAL DELIVERY FEES

That a new schedule of fees for special delivery services, postal money orders, and parcel post insurance would be effective as of 1 November was announced today by H.P. Dow, MAMlc, battalion Navy Mail Clerk.

Most important of these changes is that the fee for special delivery letters has been increased from ten to thirteen cents, while prices of money orders have been reduced to their former levels.

All hands are urged to make sure that their special delivery letters have the full postage prepaid, and there by avoid delay in the delivery of their mail at its destination.

## TRANSFERS

The recent transfers of John Keogan, CM1c, Harold Conner, EM1c and Leonard Chaney, EM1c will be noticed in the 112th. Best of luck to the three of you.

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What were the total number of Naval Personnel lost in World War I?

I.Q.

Including Officers and enlisted men, 871 were killed in action, lost at sea, or died of wounds. Seventy seven of these were Officers and 794 were enlisted men.

## EDITORIAL

### PROGRAM TOMORROW: BUILD AND REBUILD

(The following editorial was taken from the monthly Overseas Digest published by the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company)

Gliding down with bantam bulldozers to whittle an airstrip out of virgin jungle...slamming big graders up with the infantry to make tank attack roads...rebuilding a "demolished" seaport in days or a "blasted" bridge in hours...snip-to-shore roads of steel pontoons in minutes...new airfields in a day of coral, sand or whatever else comes to hand. These now familiar accomplishments of Army Engineers and Navy Seabees—matched by mass-production ships and buildings—portend a new era in Construction in America tomorrow.

Not so long ago, Construction was the industry with most hand work, the depression labor sponge, where economists advocate manpower with scoops (or teaspoons) instead of horsepower and machines.

But to build the \$16 billion worth of immediately needed American airports, roads, buildings, bridges, irrigation and power projects, waterworks and sewage-disposal plants already scheduled will take all the trained men and machines available, plus every bit of war-begotten "know-how." In addition, there will be major similar projects throughout our shrunken world, all clamoring for the methods and equipment that distinguish American work.

Thus, you construction men in the armed services are simultaneously building postwar skill and postwar markets.

These mean peacetime priorities on construction men and machines just as urgent as those that placed bulldozers above tanks in Normandy, or scrapers over planes in the South Pacific.

And Construction, though large, is but one of the industries waiting to absorb the skills of Service-trained specialists—a barometer of the activity waiting only on victory to start full blast. We are working now to assure long-term postwar jobs for all of you and all of us.

## PHILADELPHIA STORY

The arrival of Larry Sears, S2c, Station Catholic Choir Organist unwittingly meant the meeting of two Philadelphians. Attracted by the thought of an organ recital one day Francis X Murphy decided a bit of musical relaxation would help. It did, he met and renewed acquaintances with a home town buddy. They had known each other for two years.

When home the two men met while attending the same Church. Later Larry and Murphy entered the service approximately at the same time although Larry claims he came in first.

Their meeting here came nearly under the same circumstances as their first association. Francis X is singing in the Station Catholic Choir and Larry is the Choir organist. When presenting a personal organ recital last Sunday, before some 1,000 people in town, Murphy was also present with the choir.

**UNTIL CHRISTMAS.** Sometime this week Christmas cards will be ready for the men of the battalion. Keep your eyes on the Plan of the Day, as an announcement will appear as to the date when sales will begin.

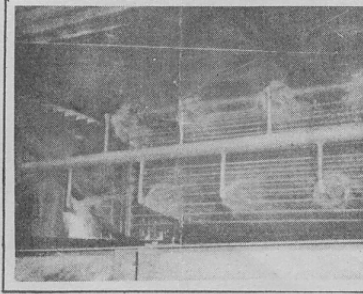


Comdr. D.Y. Taylor presents expert marksmanship medals to two of the four rifle men who qualified as experts. They are J. Stewart, GM2c, and P.T. Hawks, S1c.

## MEDALS PRESENTED

Recently qualifying as expert rifle men, four 112th men were presented medals for this attainment by Comdr. D.Y. Taylor. The qualifying shoot was held last April at a Naval Rifle Range.

The four men were, J.R. Stuart, GM2c; H.D. Conner, EMLc; P. T. Hawks, S1c; and C.M. McDonald, GM1c.



No matter from what angle you look this is still confusing. This outlay of pipes is the water cooler designed and constructed by 112th men, and is a part of the power plant which supplies electrical power for a large crane.

## 8 MEN VISIT NEAR-BY ISLAND

A four day leave brought fun and an interesting change of scenery to the eight man squad who visited a nearby Island. The trip was given as a reward to squad B-5-1 for placing highest in the Allot A Bond Drive held some time ago.

The hotel where the group bedded down, "looked like a regular home," explained one of the men. "It was the best hotel on the Island and had a splendid dining room and bar", he added.

Some of the men took advantage of a train tour which gave them a chance to view the topography of the Isle. The remainder visited a large volcano and even went into this hot box of mother nature. The volcano had not erupted for nearly a year so they felt comparatively safe.

The 420 foot Rainbow Falls, one of the Island beauty features, was also visited. The lack of servicemen on the Island was noted and a correspondingly greater friendliness on the part of the residents.

The common opinion seemed to be that the most interesting scenery on the Island was the women. The men claim there were proportionately more white girls on this Island than here.

The eight men who took the trip were:

E. J. Marsico, CCM (AA); W.J. Ducet, EMLc; R.K. Elliott, S1c; P. T. Bowden, S1c; L. H. Dobson, MM3c; R. J. Fangus, CM3c; L.A. Cripps, CM2c, L. Campbell, S1c; J.B. Censullo, MM3c.

## NEW COURT ROOM

A new court room to be presided over by the Skipper during Masts or Court Martials is being built in back of the OOD building.

Until recently the room was the location of the censors office. The new court will be complete with a newly painted floor, a flag, and of course the ominous judges stand.

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"Twas once that I was happy  
My life was filled with cheer  
I never had seen Texas  
Till the Army brought me here.

I've heard songs of her beauty,  
Pretty girls and big strong men  
Rolling plains, and majestic mountains  
Just heaven from end to end.

**E**

The one thing that is certain  
Of this there is no denying  
The guy who started that noise  
Did a hell of a lot of lying.

Deep in the Heart of Texas  
There is sand in all we eat  
The girls are all bowlegged  
The boys all have flatfeet.

**X**

That's why they have to send me  
here  
To sit in sad dejection  
Out on this lonely desert  
For this damn States protection.

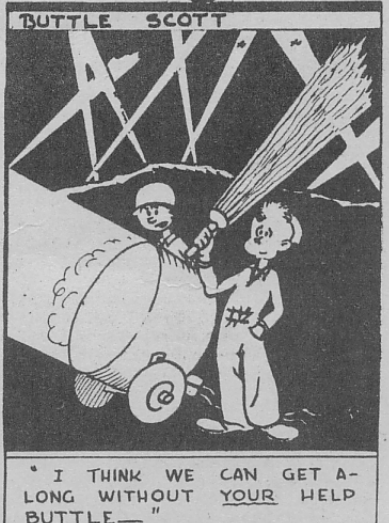
No longer are we Religious  
We drink, we fight, we curse  
No worry, about going to hell  
It can't be any worse.

**A**

Down here the sun is hotter  
Down here the rain is wetter  
They think its the best State  
But there are 47 better.

Still there's none to blame but me  
The Army never forgot it  
I asked for foreign duty, and  
Believe, me, By God I Got It.

**S**



" I THINK WE CAN GET A-  
LONG WITHOUT YOUR HELP  
BUTTLE — "



# The CHAPLAIN Says

## "money and collateral"

James C. Staker

Two Georgia Negroes were discussing the financial conditions of the country. They didn't agree. "You's all wrong," one vociferated. "Dey ain't no money sho'tage. Ah asked mah bankuh is he out o' money and he tuk me in de vault and showed me piles and piles o' money. An' I say could he let me have jes' a little. An' he says sho he could. Has Ah any collat'rul? An' Ah hasn't. How dat's what's de mattuh wif dis country. Dey's plenty o' money, but we'se jes' runnin' sho't on collat'rul.

Just as collat'rul or security stands behind money, so integrity of character and excellence in work stand behind success. There's plenty of success and achievement lying around loose in piles. Why not take a shovel and pick--figuratively and not necessarily literally--and start working on that pile. Some of it belongs to you. If you will put up the collateral you can get it! And remember that rerates are not the only achievement.

### MY PRAYER

Dear God, please take care of him,  
Wherever he may be;  
Watch over him and comfort him.  
And keep him safe for me.  
Please give him strength and courage. God  
To bear the aching pain  
That he must feel for all things here,  
He longs to see again.  
Thank You, dear God, for love like ours  
That reaches o'er the sea;  
Please keep him trusting, loving me.  
Until we meet again;  
And tell him every night how much  
I love him, God. Amen



### 112TH PROTESTANT SERVICES:

Sunday:  
0800 Sunday School Class at Rec. Hall  
0900 Worship at Rec. Hall  
Wednesday:  
1900 Bible Study Class at the Chief's Mess Hall

### STATION PROTESTANT SERVICES:

Sunday:  
0700 Communion, Sta. Library  
0930 Bible Class, Library  
1030 Worship, Sta. Auditorium  
1815 Vespers, Hippodrome  
1900 Mormons, Hut No.1 Tr. Area  
1900 Vespers, Hippodrome  
Monday and Wednesday:  
1930 Bible Class, Bomb Shelter 2.  
Tuesday:  
1930 Christian Science at Bomb Shelter 2.  
Friday:  
1930 Church History Class. Bomb Shelter 2.

### STATION CATHOLIC SERVICES:

Sunday:  
0700 Mass, Sta. Auditorium  
0900 Mass, Hippodrome  
1000 Mass, Hippodrome  
1215 Mass, Sta. Auditorium  
1700 Mass, Hippodrome  
Daily Masses 0630, Power Plant and Wing Chapel  
Friday:  
1900 Novena & Benediction

### JEWISH SERVICE:

Thursday:  
1830 Bomb Shelter, 2.

## ATTEND DIVINE SERVICES



Marcel P. Saulnier, awaiting transfer to the Mainland due to illness, in a letter to the Chaplain writes:

"Please tell all the officers and men that I enjoyed being with them and hope to see them again some day."

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Paul Harris, MM1c, received a letter from his wife in which this excerpt from his son, "Pat", now at a Jacksonville Florida Air Station, was enclosed:

"Today we were supposed to march a whole day, but they decided that they would be nice so they just marched us for two hours. They had tests until lunch. After lunch we had 3 shots (my first) then while my arm was hanging limp they took us back for two more tests. They took three hours. Right now I'm lying, flat on my back in my bunk looking at my dead arms and writing with my blistered toes."

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Remember Fred Cannataro, MM3c, transferred from 112th a while back. In his letter to John Buhr, S2c, Fred is quoted as saying.

"Finally reached our destination which happens to be somewhere in the Marianas. I am living, sleeping and eating in water and mud up to my knees.

Now to tell you a little of this place, there are plenty of dead Jap's in and around our area, but we are use to it by now. I procured some Jap money and other small items."

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This short but significant excerpt was taken from Pvt. Andrew Pastrick's letter to his sister Margret who in turn passed it along to Michael Pastrick, S1c, of the 112th:

"Havent time to write much. Too busy. Don't think the war can last much longer. Taking prisoners by the thousands."  
(Ed Note: Pvt. Pastrick is on MP duty in France.)

### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS to

J.L. Spittler, CY  
Eugene G. Banat, S1c  
Arthur T. Bell, CM1c  
George T. Benson, MM3c  
Homer G. Bice, MM3c  
Paul I. Buck, M2c  
Henry J. Bussmann, CM1c  
James W. Butler, MM3c  
Harry C. English, SF2c  
Roger O. Graves, S2c  
Robert R. Kislow, MM3c  
Olson W. Webb, SSMB3c

## CONGRATS

Last week and again this week the stork brought good news to a 112th man. This time we wish to congratulate William Ansel Jones, CM1c, and Mrs. Jones of Vicksburg, Miss., on the arrival of a 9 pound nine ounce baby boy into their family. The baby's name is William Ansel Jones, Jr., both mother and son are doing well.

## ANNIVERSARIES

Our Felicitations go to five men of the 112th this week. As they are celebrating wedding anniversaries. They are:

- George F. Cronin, S1c; and Mrs. Cronin of Mt. Sterling, Ill.
- Clifford E. Klenk, S1c; and Mrs. Klenk of Milan, Mich.
- Herbert H. Ramm, CM3c; and Mrs. Ramm of New York, N.Y.
- Robert W. Roberts, MM3c; and Mrs. Roberts of Fairplay, Colorado.
- William Szabo, CM3c; and Mrs. Szabo of Fairfield, Conn.

## 'A WISE WORD'

Sunday is in truth a day of rest and relaxation. Church, recreational facilities, the pleasures of the city and last but not least, sack duty all receive attention. A Sunday well spent dispels those Monday Blues.

# MOVIES

**SUNDAY--GANBLER'S CHOICE**----Ches-ter Morris, Russell Hayden, Lloyd Corrigan.

**MONDAY--THE INVISIBLE MAN'S RE-VENGE**---Jon Hall, Alan Curtis, Evelyn Ankers, Leon Errol, John Carradine.

**TUESDAY--THE GIRL IN THE CASE**----Edmund Lowe, Janis Carter, Robert Scott.

**WEDNESDAY--U-BOAT PRISONER**--Bruce Bennett, Erik Rolph, George Eldridge.

**THURSDAY--JONNY DOESN'T LIVE HERE ANYMORE**---Simone Simone James Ellison, Chick Chandler, William Terry.

**FRIDAY--THE MASK OF DIMITRIOS**----Peter Lorre, Sydney Greenstreet, Paye Emerson, Zachary Scott.

## RERATE

Pers. Off. (23 Oct.) Word was received here last week that Murcellus Bruington, Slc, has received his advancement to MaM3c(T). Congratulations, Bruington!

### FOR SALE

Ukelele, in good condition. If interested see Chief Spittler of the Personnel Office.



Ah, to be back in California, I wonder if Miss Roselyn Goldman of Los Angeles is thinking the same thing. At least we know she is waiting for Ernest Jacobs, Slc, because they are engaged.

## 40. MM. GUN CREW

Two nine men crews, all of whom are voluntary workers, have been hard at work the last few months. These are our 40 M.M. Gun crews who took second place during a recent shoot. They were competing against nine other station crews.

The men are operating under the Station Armory. Chief R. P. Haas, and Chief C. R. James are each in charge of a crew. To date 27 men have taken advantage of this training.

At present the crews are holding down two gun posts and hold practice two hours a week.

Members of the gun crew are: R.G. Dennison, Slc; J.F. Osmond, EM3c; R. Ingles, MM2c; K.G. Toll, Slc; D.M. Simmons, SF3c; J.A. Grandler, CSF; H.W. Krol, Slc; C.B. Roe, S2c; B.G. Gregory, MM2c; J.J. Clifford, CM3c; W. Szalo, CM3c; J.E. Howell, CM2c; G.S. Pinkham, Slc; C.E. Jones, MM3c; A.J. Hickey, CM3c; J.P. Censullo, MM3c; J. Andresen, Slc; C.T. Riley, S2c.

## Junior Seabee



This week we give you two JUNIOR SEABEE because we just couldn't help ourselves. On the left is Herbert Frederick Miles, 23 months old on the right is Wilson O'Neal Miles, 10 months old. Both are sons of H.E. Miles, Prjco.

## 7<sup>th</sup> OF DECEMBER BOND DRIVE

Disb. Off. (23 Oct.) Although the period 1 December to 7 December, 1944, inclusive, has been designated for the Navy's Extra Cash War Bond Sale, the 112th will not put on any concerted drive.

Since the Batt. has just completed a bond drive, the Officer in Charge and the Bond Officers feel that another drive would be too much of a good thing. The 112th will, however, be given credit for any bonds purchased through the Station Bond Booth.



**SMALL** - - - - - **TALK**  
...The scarcity of ice cream around the chow hall, and the dreams of when it was more than a Sunday special...the difference in prices at the commissary store and ship's service.....the new laundry prices; five cents a handkerchief, five cents a pair of pants. The Song of Bernadette. The early arrival of Xmas packages with plenty of fruit cake.....all the "old-timers" marching into the personnel office for interviews.

**STRAIGHT** - - - - - **-DOPE**  
Then there is always someone who knows that we are leaving; he claims to have gotten it straight from the personnel chief. That's just so much stuff; Chief Spittler usually greets one with a "What's the latest dope on when we're leaving?" It's the best way to break the ice and squelch the idle rumors.

**TCH** - - - - - **-TCH**  
The topic of discussion among the officers is the identity of the Toreador. Seems that some of the J's took the "nickle plated ensign" crack to heart, but there weren't two fellows who tried to claim the title of "Handsome Harry."

**TALL** - - - - - **-TALES**  
I.K.'s doings are always good for some comments. Some of the tales are rather tall, but no one knows of anyone who has taken him up. It's always so and so knows someone else who heard..

**WASH** - - - - - **-HOURS**  
With the change in the weather, thoughts and talk turned to the odor of burning leaves and other Stateside attractions. The added rain also brought local problems to the front with fellows asking when the restrictions on washing hours would be lifted.

## 112<sup>th</sup> SAFETY ASSISTANTS NAMED

Safety Officer (23 Oct.) The 112th Safety Organization has been responsible for the various posters and safety slogans decorating the Bulletin boards and the Plan of the Day.

Containing eleven safety assistants, covering nearly every department in the Batt., the 112th safety program is headed by Lt. J.M. Rathburn. His assistants are; Ch. Carp, Edgerton, Ch. Carp Kerfoot, Chief McClung, Chief Norris, Chief Zvonar, Chief Lauderdale, Chief Hyde, Chief Fosset, Chief Zeni and CMlc Galko.



**INSATIABLE DESIRE** - to be roving on that old home stamping grounds right now! **SOMETHING NEW** - last Monday night there was a "community sing" at the open air theater. The 112th orchestra supplied the music while the words to the songs were flashed on the screen. **CORRECTION** - 15,000 cokes per week consumed at the Rec Hall -- not just 1500. **CONGRATS** - to Marcellus Bruington on receiving his rerate to M&M3c. **NOT SCUTTLEBUT** - From a fairly good source comes the information that the winner of the amateur title was not a winner in any previous show. Also he was a union man who happened to fill in with "T. D." for a day. (That makes a couple of punches below the belt to the other contestants **ODDS AND ENDS** - Both Lt.(jg) Miller and Chaplain Stokes could well qualify as "pilots" of jeeps -- a word of praise to the Navy Chaplains who filled civilian pulpits last Sunday # Navy Day. **LET'S GET TOGETHER** - **HOUSE-CLEANING TO BE DONE**, IT SHOULD START FROM THE TOP AND PROCEED TO THE BOTTOM!

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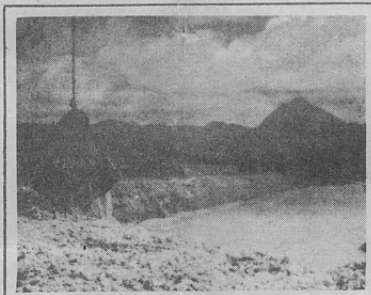
## OVERSEAS TELEPHONE RATES REDUCED

The Federal Communications Commission announced a substantial reduction in charges for overseas telephone calls between the Mainland and Hawaii.

The reductions will become effective Nov. 1.

Under the new tariffs, a three-minute weekday call from Washington to Hawaii will cost \$12 against the former \$13.50.

She: "I'm learning to be a hula dancer."  
 Him: "You'll never make it."  
 She: "Why?"  
 Him: "You're hustle bound."



The clam shell shown in action above, is being utilized in construction of the water filled dike. This is a scene taken on the site of the 112th's largest construction job on this base.

### ACROSS

1. Private.
6. A kind of cheese.
7. To help.
8. Football position (ab).
9. Right (ab).
10. Completely.
11. To cause to stick.
12. A Shakespearian tragedy.

### DOWN

1. To seek.
2. To revise and prepare for publication.
3. A boulder.
4. Ream (ab).
5. A flat thin slab.
8. A barb.
10. The whole of.
11. Gram (ab).

## DEMobilization PLAN

"The Navy's final demobilization plan will depend on the kind of post-war Navy this country decides to have", said Vice Admiral Randall Jacobs, USN, Chief of the Navy's Bureau of Naval Personnel. The Admiral made this statement over a March-of-Time broadcast given recently.

In his speech which came as a post-statement to the Army's announced demobilization program, the Admiral pointed out that an authorization of 190,000 more men to be added to the Naval Personnel has been completed for 1945. It is anticipated, that these additional men added to the present Naval strength might possibly shorten the war by six months.

When Japan is defeated and large scale demobilization is eminent the Navy will, however, follow the Army's point priority plan.

A larger peace time Navy is foreseen for future protection of world peace implied the Admiral. Never again will the U.S. hit its pre-Pearl Harbor nadir of 325,000 men and less than 400 fighting ships.

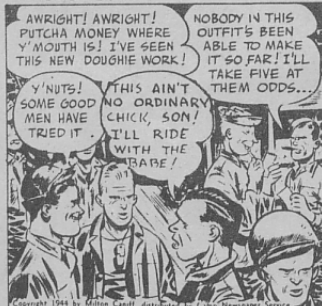
## A-E BATTALIONS

Aviation engineer battalions, AAF, trained primarily to construct and maintain airfields, are also combat units--thus being the Army equivalent of the Seabees. Airborne units among them use light-weight midget equipment, including a 20-hp Crawler Tractor, 23-hp rubber-tired tractor, 1½-yd. scraper, 1-ton 2-wheel dump trailer, 1-ton cargo trailer, small smooth roller with detachable lugs (to make a sheep's foot), midget grader pulled by jeep, 1-ton truck, trailer-mounted asphalt kettle, towed roter, soil-stabilization mixer, tractor-drawn mower, and 11/8-k2. power plant.

Among special materials and structures used are steel or aluminum pierced plank landing mats (with a strightening machine for them), pipelines with speed joints, bolted gasoline tanks, portable combat hangers with canvas or steel covering, prefabricated wood or metal buildings.

## Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



## Plain Identification

W.A. Tolle, SK2c

Frank Dalby, 1lc

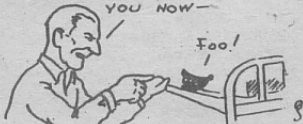
"Smokey" Smolen, 1lc

G.C. Boudreau has taken over the duties of supervising the battalion Laundry. We know he'll do a good job.

We are glad to welcome W.E. Fetla SK3c, into our Company this week. He is from Indiana.

WITH THE BOYS ON THE STOOP: L.O. Reed, amazed at discovering he received an eatable orange at the chow hall. He was lavish with promises to shake the K.P.'s hand that gave it to him... Tony Carter wanting to give the Island back to the natives in exchange for a piece of the mainland... Everybody expressing their disappointment, in various ways, over the Klipper football game. However they were impressed with big J. Owens outstanding play behind the line....

NO BACK TALK FROM YOU NOW



Jess Fields of Material Control expects his new teeth any day now.

The men want to send a message to Harry Frank Even, CM1c, who has been in the Hospital for quite a while, "Harry" they want to know if you are going to stay there from now on or what, let us know will you. I guess Harry has found a home there fellows.

W.D. Crites and R.A. Fetick, are still Canadian land lovers. OH what they wouldn't give to get back to St. Stephens.

Sam DiSabato, Rummy Champ of Barracks 28, is making "believers" out of the boys.

Now since the Christmas mail has begun to come in, J.L. Cowley Co. mail clerk has his hands really full. Yes Santa is being really good to the fellows.

W.H. Burgess recently located his brother John A. Burgess, PHM2c, USN. It was their first meeting in two years.

Garland Pingley, 1lc, pride football player of Co. "B" says the game is really getting tough.

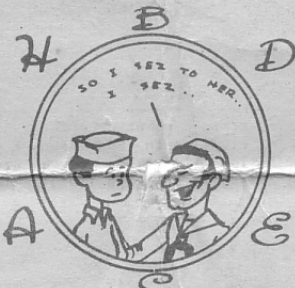
"Red" McLay also visited his brother Wallace D. McLay, PHM3c, on Sunday.

J.J. Hayes, MM2c, has been voted the hardest worker in Company B.

L.F. Wallace laundry executive of Barracks 28 is now on the 8-4 shift.

William Sidwell, SF1c

Joe Yaria of Barracks 26 is that way about a certain "Island" gal.



The boys in Barracks 26 are mourning the loss of their faithful mascot "Seabag" who was run over.

...Speedy Spishock returning to his former haunts because of housing difficulties.. and acquaintances... B. Cooper's recent rejection of the Merry Xmas Salutation... discouraged? Our boy Griffin promisn' to employ arm breaking maneuvers, in retaliation of course, it's basketball.. we hear.. Flash Munoz's sudden desire to purchase nice Xmas gifts. We'd say it's about time.. McMurray's pleading eyes when he asks if his Jr. Seabees are completed. You aren't alone.. The D.Co. quartet that sat up to TWO in the mornin', Ho Hum.. teaching one of the four to play pinochle.....

C.M. Barrett, EM3c

All of the friends of Dennison are glad to hear that he is not expected to lose that finger he smashed. He should be out of the hospital any day now.

"Wild Bill" Hickok, 1lc

Some compliments were flying around our company last week. The blood donors liked the way Bastien handles a bus. A few after breakfast regulars were overheard voting Moffitt the most efficient Captain of the Head.

Jack Ginn, SF3c, after so many months at the Hospital has now been given a soft job--just what the "Doc" ordered--He now rides a bicycle all day!!!

A lad who handled the Company mail for a day was loud in his praise of Dexter's endeavors. Vern's triple check methods of passing out mail usually brings more exasperation from us than praise, but even though we hate to admit it, he's on the ball.

Given much more time on this "Pacific Isle," Carpenter "Palani" Soukup will have a date-book big enough for the use of the whole batt. (How's that "F.E.")

NOTE OF THE WEEK!!! It was a different audience that watched "The Song of Bernadette" (does ya good! doesn't it, fellas?)

NOW I KNOW WHAT THEY MEAN BY ROOM AND BOARD

AW KNOTS SHUT AND GO TO SLEEP



Busman and Hurvitz have found the Navy mattresses too hard and have tried putting boards on the springs. While we have heard of "soft pine", we would prefer to let someone else experiment with it.

Back in Hueneme it was always Bob Hartnell who was "the last one to bed". But, out here it's his voice you hear---"Turn-off that RADIO!!" (The worm turns)

Leave it to Ralph Leake, 1lc, to get one soft job after another. From Carpentry Clerk to Life Guard to Plumbing Clerk; Ah Me!!!

What a lot of the guys would like to know is---Why was F.R. Harvey following Bob Hartnell around so "earnestly" the other night?---Ha!

...And last but not least.. A. Reams's goodnite greeting..turn that d\*\*\* light off.

The "Hot St..." in under Prez Luken's guiding hand has passed a number of startling resolutions. Meetings are held whenever deemed necessary. Order is maintained by volume of speech. Offices are held by the same token. An Auxiliary known as Courts-Side Coaches may be joined after mettle has been proven in barracks banter. Only four bottle men or better are considered.



"Sleepy" Seiger plans a recording of his voice to be used in answering A.M. muster.

DEAR DOTTY: DOTTY SEABEE I am 17 years of age but my mates say I'm too young to go with them on liberty. This makes me very lonely and I'm indeed a Sad Sack. Are they right? Please answer soon as I'm very upset. Fabian Q. Founthorpe. N.R. (N.R. No Rate)

DEAR N.R.: I certainly think your mates are meanies! Of course you are old enough to go to town on liberty. Why when I was your age---but enough. Get loaded dice and win their pay-checks and they'll be forced to take you. HASTA SEMENA, MATES.



# SPORTS



## GOLF TOURNAMENT

The following twenty men have qualified for the 112NCR Handicap Golf Tournament. This was announced by Lt. (jg) Miller.

Lt. McDavid, Ch. Carp, Fullerton, R.L. Morgal, R.H. Schafer, V. Zahorcho, J.T. Seuberth, J.A. Fekete, Ch. Carp, Burrows, S.A. Paine, G. Davis, F.S. Budd, C.W. Bell, D.C. Warner, M. Metrick, D.W. Goldsmith, R.R. Marcus, K. Fushelman, S.B. Wingfield, P.F. Stoker and G.S. Hammond.

All matches will be posted on the tournament chart on the wall in the Ordnance and Training Office. See Lt. (jg) Miller for further information and check with the Plan of the Day for your next match.

## BOWLING STANDINGS

TEAMS	W	L	Pct.
#5 Mars	8	4	.667
#1 Lens	8	4	.667
#3 Wrens	7	5	.583
#2 Rights	6	6	.500
#4 Skins	4	8	.333
#6 Paytias	3	9	.250

SCHEDULE--Oct. 28  
Team 1 vs 4 2 vs 5 3 vs 5

## FOOT-BALL TEAM TIES CBMU, WA LOPS MAAS

Over the weekend, coaches Nascenke and Steele's Touch-Football charges tied one game and won one. Playing CBMU, the boys dropped too many chances and had to be content with a tie, 19-19. Marcello threw touchdown passes to Jerling and Ledwon, and an extra point to Larson. G. Pingley lined a beauty to Walt Kinney for the other. In the other game, against the MAA's, the Stingers unleashed all their power to gain a 32-13 victory. Marcello passed twice successfully to both Larson and Kuffel and Mike Zurawsky tossed another to Larson. "Smokey" Smolen passed to Larson for a point after touchdown, and Ledwon converted another.



Enough credit cannot be given to the 74th Gismos for the hospitality given to our Softball team, who eat at their chow-hall before every game on the Ridge... To all you "doubting Thomases" we now have proof of the ferocity involved in a touch football game. "STRINGBEAN" Kotlarek has a slightly fractured wrist and just ask Chief Della Vedova if he can get some work out of Kuffel's right arm (as if he ever could??)

## NURSES 7-2-2 BRAID 0

Give the weather a bowling ball and the 112th Officers as opponents and see what happens. The other evening the Station Nurses defeated a group of 112th Officers in a bowling match. The

... A new leader in the bowling league is seen as Johnny Fekete rolled a 562 last week, for a 170.1 average. But look out, those boys Neshitt and Lenke are hot on his trail... Have you ever noticed the crowd gather when diminutive "Tex" Jacobi is playing ping-pong? Those grimaces and accompanying epithets are quite harsh for a little boy... The guardians of the coke bottles, Gadd, Hoss, Koszowski, are getting adept at billiards and ping-pong. CLOSED UNTIL TEN O'CLOCK, BOYS.... Having "one too many" is the only reason Cheesy "Bluebird" Larson can give. Have him take his shirt off for you, boys....

## TILLMAN STARS AS STINGERS WIN 5-3

Combining fine defensive play, long ball hitting, and Bob Tillman's clutch pitching; the 112th STINGERS Softball team defeated the 74th Gismos 5-3, at a civilian softball stadium. Tillman was at his best with men on bases and repeatedly stopped budding rallies. "Kanaki" Munoz shone in the field, while MacCormack and Hulka banged out two hits apiece, one of MacCormack's was a long double. Fricano, Greenberg, and Hanneke pounded out the other hits. In this round, the Stingers have won 1 and lost 1, with a tie game to play over.

	R	H	E
GISMOS	3	3	2
STINGERS	5	7	3

And what happened to the butter in the Chow Hall yesterday morning. Was someone trying to give the men a square deal?

PENNING THE BEES  
by  
C. Smolen

RELAXATION

SOME SPEND THEIR HOURS RELAXING IN THE MOST PECULIAR WAYS—

THEN THERE ARE THE JOES THAT BURY THEIR EYES IN A BOOK WHEN THEIR LEISURE TIME ROLLS AROUND—

BUT THERE'S NOTHING THAT BEATS THE SACK FOR GOOD, REAL RELAXATION

SOME MAKE THEIR HOURS PROFITABLE.

2-2-KA-ZOP!