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Contributions from all departments are eagerly sought. Department heads are urged to appoint reporters from their departments to submit material for Flight magazine.

## Shore Liberty

WHEN the history for this fight for freedom has been written we can be sure that not many of our names will be written there. The history books haven't room for the legions of unnamed, unknown heroes who will make the grand, winning strategy work. But our nation where the little man can be, and is the great man, does not forget its heroes. To it, every mother's son is a brave fighting man! On these men, the United States Navy depends, and pins its hope for victory.

No matter how humble his post, how seemingly unimportant, remember that teamwork alone wins battles. Let one fumble the ball or foul up his job and a game is lost, a battle decided. Is it not important then, that we have men we can depend on?

To have men realize they are not playing for marbles, men that can be trusted when the chips are down and the ship is fighting for its life? Unless each man realizes now that he is important, an indispensable part, we may as well allow Tojo to dictate peace from the White House.

The Navy trusts each man to do his part. It trusts men so much that when its battle wagons drop their hooks near a liberty port, it sends boatloads ashore to relax and enjoy themselves; sends as many as possible these grim days of war.

We have a great deal of liberty granted us here at Grosse Ile, but liberty is a privilege, granted on proved reliability, and the man who flouts that liberty shows the confidence was misplaced—shows he cannot be trusted! Into our hands the Navy has placed the best equipment possible. Into our hands the folks at home have placed their lives and fortunes and their sacred honor. We are the best paid, the best fed, the best clothed fighting men in the world. Navy Relief, Red Cross, pay increases, insurance—all to protect mothers, wives and children against want, suffering and sickness.

We all belong to a good outfit. Don't let it down!

## State of The Nation

As you look out of your window, you can feel the pulse of the nation. The traffic is slowed down to thirty-five miles an hour. You can see the truckloads of scrap, the defense workers' cars decorated with 10% stickers and V-for-Victory slogans, motor-bikes and scooters putt-putting along, the schoolchildren walking along with war stamp books peeking out of their weatherbeaten textbooks. The out-of-State jalopies loaded down with tired men and with old tires on here and there, sorrowful looking travelers jerking their cars to the side of the road and gazing hopelessly at a rear tire suddenly gone flat.

Yes, a look through your own window gives you more eloquently than words, than the radio, your daily report on the state of the Nation.

That window brings you the sight of jeeps, Army trucks and Army ambulances rolling by with that distinctive swish-swish of Army equipment, and you begin to wonder at the number of them that are piloted by colored soldiers. America at War—Jew and Gentile, Catholic and Protestant, Negro and White, American born and foreign born, and giving the same effort and shedding the same red blood for the right to be free.

Your window shows you the happy-go-lucky sailor as he walks along with that jaunty air of complete unconcern. The pilot flying his plane in aerial maneuvers, zooming over tree-tops as he practices his circle landings.

We've been promised that out of this war will come greater machines, greater science, greater medicine. Would it be asking too much, to expect also that out of this war will come a greater understanding of the religious, racial and social problems of all the men who are giving their lives to make living possible?



# Chief Melvin

A SEA GOING BANDMASTER

Bandmaster William O. Melvin was born in the quaint and small old town of Elizabethtown, North Carolina, August 1, 1894. There he received his early training in music with local teachers, while in High School he turned his attention to band work, and has been connected with bands ever since. The Chief spent many years studying with several of the best teachers in the United States, including several years with Austin Conradi of the Peabody Conservatory, Baltimore, Maryland. He studied harmony-counterpoint with instrumentation for two years under the renowned Arturo Tragenia, arranger of the famous Marine Hymn.

Bandmaster Melvin volunteered for the Navy in 1917 and was sworn in as Landsman for Musician at the Naval Recruiting Station in Raleigh, N. C. From there he was sent to the old St. Helena, Training Station at Norfolk, Va. After finishing "boot training" he was assigned to the band aboard the old Cruiser, San Francisco, then flagship of the mine-laying division, which went across early in 1918 and assisted in planting the North Sea Mine Barrier. This Barrier extended from Scotland to Norway. He was aboard when the German Fleet surrendered at Scapa Flow.

After returning to the United States in 1919 he was transferred to the Cruiser Baltimore and was aboard when she carried gasoline and oil to Halifax N. S. to refuel the N.C. Planes on their first stop on the "across the Atlantic Flight."

Bandmaster Melvin often tells this little incident which happened while aboard the flagship Pennsylvania laying at anchor in Cuba.



W. O. Melvin, Bdmstr. (PA), who has seen 26 years of active service with the Navy, was one of the original members of the now famous U. S. Navy Band.

"Our band had been rehearsing a special number diligently for several days, and thought it polished enough and so proceeded to play it at the noon concert. After finishing this particular number, Admiral Henry B. Wilson (who was Admiral of the Atlantic Fleet at that time) walked up to me and inquired, 'Bandmaster, what was the name of that piece you just played?' to which I replied, that it was William Tell Overture, sir. The Admiral then said very firmly, 'Bandmaster, as long as you are aboard this ship, never play that tune again. It is rotten and I don't like it!'"

Bandmaster Melvin has the honor of being one of the first original members of the now famous United

States Navy Band when it was organized in Washington, D. C. While with this band some of the first radio concerts ever broadcast were put on the air. They were broadcast over the Naval Air Station Radio at Anacostia, D. C. After his hitch in the Navy Band in Washington, the Chief shipped over with the Naval Academy band at Annapolis, Md., and stayed there fifteen years. (never graduating.)

In June 1942, Chief Melvin was ordered to Detroit, Michigan to recruit a band for the Naval Air Station, Grosse Ile, Michigan, arriving at Grosse Ile with the band August 19, 1942.

The Chief was married in Baltimore, Maryland on January 14, 1926 to Miss Louise A. Shepherd. They have one son, Melvin, Jr. who is 16 years of age and plays the same band instrument as his father, clarinet.

A firm believer in good Naval Bands, the Chief exercises every energy to provide plenty of inspiring and stirring music for the men on all occasions.

A destroyer lengthens itself from six to eight inches when it increases its speed to 30 knots. This is due to the pressure of water against the sides of the ship.

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If the United States Fleet were assembled in one ocean it would be impossible to see every ship at one time. The fleet would not be completely visible even from a great altitude, for it would occupy many hundreds of square miles.

# ABOARD THE U.S.S. *Grosse Ile*

Spring is definitely in the air, the robins are chirping away, the men swing out with a lighter, brighter step, the "keep off the grass" signs will soon be a reality . . . longer days and balmy weather will make the "Ile" very charming. Chief Mason, reports aboard from duty in the Pacific wearing the ribbons of the Marine Corps Expeditionary Ribbon for Haiti, the Second Nicaraguan Campaign, the Defense Medal with Star, and Good Conduct. Jax Air News from U. S. Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Florida reports that Captain Ernest W. Litch, former C.O. at this activity is the new chief of staff of the Naval Air Operational Training Command and had quite a gunnery record back in 1931 with 59 hits out of 60 shots on a towed sleeve target.

Congratulations to the officers who were recently promoted.

Name	To
Atkinson, C. S. Lt. (jg)	
Barnes, M. G. Lt. (jg)	
Burgeson, J. A. Lt. (jg)	
Byrd, J. J. Lt. (jg)	
Coonrod, E. E. Lt.	
Costley, D. S. Lt. (jg)	
Gallagher, R. F. Lt.	
Gockel, B. N. Lt. (jg)	
Howard, J. O. Lt. (jg)	
Jacob, B. C. Lt.	
Jones, C. O. Lt. (jg)	
Kilgore, M. H. Lt. (jg)	
Klein, M. Lt. (jg)	

Open house was held by Comdr. and Mrs. R. G. Armstrong for officers of the station on March 26. Among those attending were (left to right) Lt. Comdr. C. L. Edwards, Lt. Comdr. G. A. Brough, Mrs. H. W. Wicks, Mrs. C. L. Edwards, Lt. Comdr. H. W. Wicks, Mrs. R. G. Armstrong, Mrs. G. A. Brough and Comdr. R. G. Armstrong.



Kovreg, L. A. Lt. (jg)  
Lamprecht, W. H. Lt.  
Larson, E. A. Lt.  
Mans, P. A. Lt.  
Mason, J. R. Lt. (jg)  
Mills, J. C. Lt. (jg)  
Moffett, P. B. Lt. (jg)  
Norwood, H. K. Lt. (jg)  
O'Toole, C. W. Lt.  
Pedersen, H. C. Lt. (jg)  
Pisani, A. Lt.  
Rotz, J. S. Lt. (jg)  
Rounds, B. L. Lt.  
Zeno, C. V. Lt.

The treasury department has decreed that all purchases of War Bonds during the calendar year 1943 are deductible from your Victory Tax of that year. That ought to be quite an attractive investment.

Maybe the WAAC and the WAVES may get a bit more publicity, but the Navy nurses sure get around. Navy nurses are at every naval base hospital, however far-flung and are getting to see plenty of action. The four Navy nurses at this activity are sent here to supervise the corpsmen, to run the wards, operating rooms and diet kitchens. Details such as keeping the charts, counting linen, supervising medication, making sick calls with the medical officers and general nursing in S.O.Q. (Sick officers' quarters.) Soft job? Well . . . You might expect the seamen to resent female authority, but they don't seem to.

## WORSHIP

At the end of a long busy day have you ever wished for a quiet spot to which you might retire for a brief period of rest or meditation? Most of us do at times definitely feel such a need!

We are therefore very happy to announce that this need has at last been provided for in the conversion of the former reading room of the library to a tiny chapel. Now entirely separate from the main library, the chapel may be reached through a newly cut entrance at the end of the companionway of the Chaplain's office. This place of worship will be ideal for small weddings, infant or adult baptisms, special mid-week services, and Bible study classes. Here also may be held Catholic Confessionals, and if a desire is indicated, an early morning celebration of the Holy Communion will be observed for Episcopalians and Church of England Communicants.

In time it is hoped that various refinements will provide additional beauty and atmosphere. The Chapel is non-sectarian and is yours in every sense. Feel free to drop in at any hour of the day for a few moments of quiet rest, prayer, and meditation.

Good shooting is never out of season for A. J. Spina, PhoM1c and P. C. Brooksmith, PhoM2c, both members of the photography department.



# Good Shooting



By J. E. Weber

If the telephone in the Photographic Lab could speak (without someone pushing it), it might repeat something like this:

"Send a camera right away to Field 643321 for a nose-over". Another call: "Send a photographer to A and R for pictures of six broken parts". "This is Ground School. We need about twenty copies of some identification chart right away". "This is Buildings and Grounds. We need fifteen plots of the base by noon tomorrow".

Because the photo lab is largely kept in the dark (ugh) it is not generally known what an accumulation of work files through that department. Only in time of war does the real significance of the photo departments of the Navy come into prominence. It is then that the departments go into the fore as means of instructing, explaining, giving proof of damage and encouraging the home front.

The Photographic Department at Grosse Ile is headed by Ensign James E. Weber A-V(S), USNR, who recently relieved Captain E. S. Roberts, USMCR, in order that he might devote his full time to flying duties. Ens. Weber, who arrived at Grosse Ile early in January, was a newspaper reporter and photographer in civilian life.

The chief in the department is

J. G. Rice, C.Sp.(P), formerly of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Before he enlisted, he operated his own photographic studio for eight years. He spent a six-year enlistment in the Field Artillery emerging as a sergeant.

A. J. Spina, Pho.M.1/c for ten years was newspaper photographer, having worked for the New York Globe and other news agencies as well as having done work for Life, Look, and other picture magazines.

P. C. Brooksmith, Pho.M.2c has the distinction of being the oldest man of the staff in time of service at Grosse Ile, having been stationed here since before Pearl Harbor. His civilian work was also photographic, but from the sales standpoint. This has redounded to the Navy's benefit, for Brooksmith did not need to become familiar with any type camera. He is the most experienced aerial photographer.

P. J. Dilworth, Pho.M.3c, a native Detroit, his only connec-

tion with cameras before the war was that of an amateur lensman. He is the oldest man in the department in point of total service, having enlisted as an Apprentice Seaman in 1937. He will leave shortly for assignment to the Photographic School at Pensacola.

E. R. Siefert, Pho.M.3c, is "the old reliable" in the department. Quiet, soft-spoken, he nevertheless gets things done unobtrusively and efficiently. He too was a lensman before the war and received good training for his varied duties as a Naval photographer by working for a commercial photo house which, as he says, "took pictures of everything from three-legged chickens to society weddings". His home is in Webster Groves, Mo., near St. Louis.

J. E. Marshall, Pho.M.3c, is the "lady's man" of the department. Thoroughly grounded in all types of work, he specialized in fashion photography before the war. His photos have appeared in such magazines of repute as Harper's Bazaar, Vogue, and Mademoiselle. He came originally from Port Huron.

They like to "kid" R. P. Wallace, Pho.M.3c, about being "The Hurrell of the Identification Camera" because, being the junior man of the department, this comparatively onerous task has been his lot more than anyone else's.

Left: J. E. Marshall, PhoM3c and R. P. Wallace, PhoM3c hard at work on enlargements in the photo lab.

Center: Ens. J. E. Weber, officer now in charge of photography.

Right: P. J. Dillworth, PhoM3c, J. G. Rice, CSP (P) and E. R. Siefert PhoM3c, members of the photo dept. get last minute instructions on aerial shots.



# Lucky Bag

## OPEN HOUSE

On Friday, March 26, Commander Mrs. R. G. Armstrong held "open house" for all Station Officers during the hours of 1700 to 1900. The Commanding Officer and his wife extended a personal invitation to all officers and their wives to call informally whenever they wished to do so.

## WINGS

Though an airplane has wings, it needs other wings to help it out in a pinch. For example, pilots of the R.A.F. carry homing pigeons with them. They need them for carrying messages back to the home base when other means break down or may not be used. When an airplane is forced down at sea the homing pigeon is usually the only link with the plane base, and the means of calling for help. But the pigeons are delicate creatures. If they get wet feet they easily catch cold and die. For that reason every airplane that carries pigeons is provided with a special buoyant, water-tight receptacle to keep the pigeons warm and dry for the hour when their service will be required.

"I don't care if your mother would have sent you fifty valets, Van Thurman, it just isn't navy."



## NAVY AGES

How old are men in the Navy? The answer to this one was given at a recent survey taken at the beginning of the current fiscal year. This tabulation showed that 19 percent of the personnel are under the age of 20 years. Two percent are 17 years of age, eight percent 18, nine percent are over 20 years old.

The largest single group are those over 21 years of age, they account for 11 percent. The next largest are the 22 year olds, they comprise ten percent. Five percent are 25; 2.5 percent are 30; one percent are 35; one percent are 40; and only .1 percent are 45 years or older.

## DID YOU KNOW?

That the Educational Office has:

1. Given over 3,000 Progress Tests since the first of January?

2. Given nearly 400 final written examinations since the first of January?

3. Distributed over 800 Naval Training Course Manuals via Divisional Officers since the first of January?

4. Information concerning more than 60 courses offered by correspondence by the Navy-Army Institute. Cost for each course only two dollars.

5. Information concerning hundreds of courses offered by over 70 leading colleges and universities and the Navy pays half the cost in most instances?

6. Received nearly one-hundred applications for the Naval College Training Program V-12?

If you are interested in any of the above mentioned items call at the Educational Office.

## NAVY RELIEF

There are times when it is necessary to secure a loan for the hospitalization of your dependents. In order to meet such financial burdens, the Navy Relief Society has made it possible that a loan be granted in such cases. A long expected hospitalization should be planned for in advance. There are, however, cases in which an emergency loan is needed immediately. In any event you are invited to talk over your problem with the Chaplain who with the help of Navy Relief see you through any legitimate financial crisis, domestic or medical. Remember too, the special arrangements that have been made by the Medical Department with the Wyandotte General Hospital for the care of dependents of the enlisted personnel at this Station. Full particulars may be had by calling at the Dispensary, or at the Chaplain's Office.

## V-MAIL

It might be well for all hands to consider the advantages of V-Mail who write to men overseas, and who someday will be on the receiving end as well. V-Mail is speedy and reliable. It has priority over all other types of mail, and is also flown overseas. Photographed on microfilm, if the V-Mail film is lost enroute, another copy is routed. In a few short months over ten million V-Mail letters have been delivered. As a V-Mail letter weighs only a small fraction of a regular letter, tone of cargo space is reserved for food, ammunition and supplies when this method of mailing letters is used. The original letters are kept, it might be of interest to note, in New York or San Francisco.

## LEAVES FOR BRITAIN



LT. COMDR. H. E. B. ROSE, R.N.

Lieut. Commander R. E. B. Rose, R.N., Royal Navy Liaison officer and Senior British officer at this station for the past year leaves for Britain sometime in the near future.

There could be no better evidence of his popularity with base personnel and students alike than the assembly of so many well-wishers at the Grosse Ile U.S.O. on Sunday afternoon, April 4th, when he was presented with a handsome wrist watch by L.N.A. Bill Brewer, senior course wing leader, on behalf of Royal Navy students.

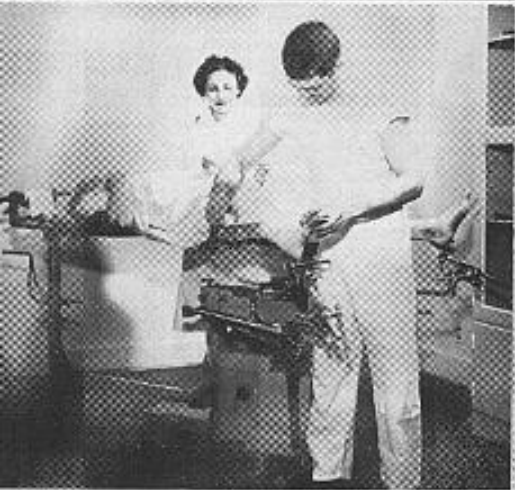
Witnessing the presentation were Commander and Mrs. R. G. Armstrong, Lieut. Commander Leif. S. Melsom, officer in charge of the Cadet Regiment, Flight Lieut. C. R. P. Cullum, R.A.F., U.S.O. dignitaries and their guests as well as members of the Down River U.S.O. committee.

Later, during a conversation with a "Flight" representative he chuckled over the amusing incidents which he recollected from the past year. One such followed a "controversy" with his friend Lieut. j.g. R. G. Waters, officer in charge of Utilities who arranged that on one of the hottest days last summer the radiators should be turned on exclusively in the Commander's room with the result that he nearly reported to sick bay with fever!



The following advancements and changes in ratings were effected this month:

<b>PR1c to CPR (AA)</b> Tingley, L. S.	Nicholes, C. A.	<b>AM2c to SF2c</b> Beshear, J. M.
<b>AMM1c to ACMM (AA)</b> Anderson, J.	Nichols, B. E.	<b>AMM2c to MoMM2c</b> Roy, W. C.
<b>AMM2c to AMM1c</b> Blackman, W. C.	Pate, W. C.	<b>ARM3c to AMM3c</b> Luton, J. H.
Elrich, C. H.	Peterson, J. R.	<b>F2c to F1c</b> Roberts, E. C.
Roberts, F. M.	Sierecki, S. S.	<b>F3c to F2c</b> Lueck, F. J.
Watts, O. R.	Short, G. R.	Stora, C. M.
<b>AMM3c to AMM2c</b> Barratt, R. J.	Soular, G. H.	Tugen, G. (3/1/43)
Dorow, W. J.	Thomas, G. D.	<b>S2c to F3c</b> Lueck, F. J. (3/20/43)
Gynn, W. H.	Timmons, C. W.	<b>MA2c to MA1c</b> Cathey, R. H.
Henris, H. J.	Wills, C. R.	<b>MA3c to MA2c</b> Thomas, C. L.
Hess, A. A.	Zelenak, J.	Wilson, W.
Hilliker, J. L.	<b>AM2c to AM1c</b> Tiongeo, M. T.	<b>S2c to S1c</b> Abbott, F. C.
Hoot, H. C.	<b>AM3c to AM2c</b> Datson, K. W.	Andrews, E. W.
Nichols, J. L.	<b>S1c to AM33c</b> Acitelli, P. H.	Armstrong T. L.
Pasomer, D. E.	Barron, Q. A.	Barnett, E. A.
Purool, J. M.	<b>Cox to BM2c</b> Kellum, A. M.	Beddow, W. T.
Ramsay, S. O.	McNabb, W. B.	Bedlow, P. A.
Van Cura, J. J.	<b>CM3c to CM2c</b> Fulcher, J. L.	Berger, D. G.
Wellsand, F. F.	<b>PhM2c to PhM1c</b> Holden, J. T.	Binder, R.
Wharton, D. J.	Schmittdiel, J. C.	Bitterberg, Q. L.
<b>S1c to AMM3c</b> Alber, D. G.	<b>Ptr3c to Ptr2c</b> Porter, L. K. D.	Box, G.
Anderson, I. F.	<b>PhoM2c to PhoM1c</b> Spina, A. J.	Bunting, R. E.
Bednerek, W. C.	<b>PhM3c to PhM2c</b> Webber, A. G.	Burand, R. L.
Brusca, A. A.	<b>Bkr3c to Bkr2c</b> Cook, L. C.	Cash, E. F.
Carlisle, H. C.	Mansour, H.	Cash, E. F.
Chapman, C. L.	<b>S1c to Bkr3c</b> Drabbe, D.	Christensen, A. H.
Cicotte, E. V.	<b>SC3c to SC2c</b> Cootes, J. L.	Daron, W. R.
Durkee, C. W.	<b>S1c to SC3c</b> Babiarz, H. F.	De May, W. A.
Faust, L. B.	<b>S1c to AOM3c</b> Olgin, S.	Doll, W. E.
Ferdinand, A. J.	<b>S1c to SM3c</b> Brooks, L.	Drakos, R. H.
Fleszar, C. J.	<b>S2c to AerM3c</b> Van Buskirk, L.	Egland, S. E.
Grzincic, J.	<b>SK2c to SK1c</b> Clancy, T. M.	Egland, W. R.
Harbison, W. D.	<b>SK3c to SK2c</b> Armstrong, J. M.	Eikey, J. E.
Harkins, F. C.	Lamoine, D. J.	Emmons, J. E.
Harrison, D. L.		Farina, J.
Huston, A. E.		Gardner, R. W.
Iller, F.		Geffe, W. E.
Kohler, J. T.		Gessner, J. J.
Kubitskey, L.		Govern, L. B.
Kujat, L. E.		Haines, E. J.
Levine, N.		Imbrunone, D. P.
Lindley, J. P.		Jackson, D.
Lossing, B. E.		Jackson, P. P.
Magon, C. J.		Jeffrey, R. F.
Maletzke, A. J.		(Continued on page 16)
Mallette, T. B.		
Mason, R. J.		
Neal, R. D.		
Newman, D. F.		



SENIOR MEDICAL OFFICER

Lieutenant Commander Glen A. Brough was born at Birmingham, Illinois, on August 19, 1896. He was educated at Knox College where he received General Scholastic Honors in 1916; Northwestern University, and the University of Illinois where he received his A.B. in 1920, his B.Sc. in 1922, and his M.D. in 1924. After receiving the B.Sc., he was at the U. of I. as instructor in Materia Medica, Pharmacology, and Therapeutics, 1922 to 1924. He interned at the Henry Ford Hospital from 1924 to 1926. In 1926 he became an Instructor in Orthopedic Surgery at Wayne University in Detroit. He entered private practice in 1926 where he remained until coming on active duty at Grosse Ile in February, 1942.

Dr. Brough was married in 1923 at Chicago to Vesta Linnea Maria Calvin. He has two sons, Amos Joseph, 14, and James William, 13.

On June 4, 1918, Dr. Brough enlisted in the Naval Reserve as a Seaman, Second Class, and was discharged September 30, 1921. During this time he was attached to the N.T.S., Great Lakes, Illinois. On June 3, 1928, he was commissioned Lieutenant Commander,

Top to bottom: John Schmittiel, PhM1c and John Morris, PhM2c are active lab workers.

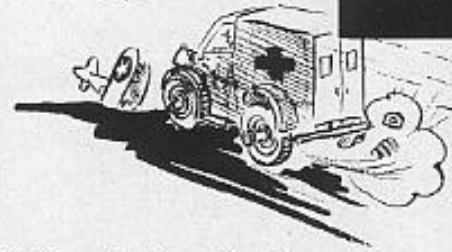
Ed. Minich, S2c, receives first aid from Dr. Paul Henstridge, Lt. USNR, assisted by Mary Lou Kenyon, Ens. H. C. USN.

Dr. C. A. Smith, Lt. USNR, examines patient during sick call.

Ward "B" Surgical Ward.

Joe Shear, PhM2c and Peter J. Kochinski, PhM2c on Pharmacy duty.

# MED



MC-V(S), (Orthopedic Surgery), U.S.N.R.

Among the societies to which he belongs are Sigma Xi and Alpha Omega Alpha, honorary organizations, and to Nu Sigma Nu and Alpha Chi Sigma, professional fraternities. Phi Kappa Sigma is his social fraternity. He is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Chemical Society, the New York Academy of Science, the Association of Military Surgeons, the American Medical Association, the Wayne County Medical Association, the Michigan State Medical Society. He belongs to the Detroit Athletic Club and the Masonic Lodge.

Before entering the service he was Assistant in Orthopedic Surgery at Grace Hospital in Detroit, and Medical Examiner for the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co., the Philadelphia Life Insurance Co., and the U. S. Civil Service Commission.

One year ago the Medical Department at the Naval Air Station consisted of two medical officers and a few hospital corpsmen who cared for the health of the base personnel with the then available equipment. The increase in size and importance of the Air Station is well reflected by the Department which has grown accordingly.

The staff is headed by Lieut. Comdr. Glen A. Brough, Senior Medical Officer, and Lieut. Comdr. Herman D. Scarney, Executive Medical Officer and Chief Flight Surgeon. Lieut. Comdr. A. Keith Droz is the Chief of Surgery, ably assisted by Lieut. Ralph E. Wetzel. The medical service is in charge of Lieuts. Clyde A. Smith, and Wil-



# TAL



liam J. McKeever, both Flight Surgeons who are also connected with the Aviation Medicine Section. Lieut. Paul Henstridge heads the Orthopedic Service and is also a Flight Surgeon. Pharmacist William S. Salter directs operations of the Record Office and the Property and Accounting Division.

The dental clinic is in charge of Lieut. Orren A. Bolt, Senior Dental Officer. He is assisted by Lieut. Ernest A. Thayer and Lieut. (jg) Lysle D. Ance.

Ensign L. R. Gaiennie is the Base Psychologist who works closely with the Medical Department.

Lieut. (jg) Ruby M. Hill is Chief of Nursing with capable assistants in Ensigns Mary Lou Kenyon, Mary Parnell, and Etta Meredith.

Sick Call is the department most frequently seen by the base personnel and students. Sick Call is held three times per day. Base personnel are serviced by Medical Officers and students by Flight Surgeons. In connection with the Sick Call section is the family Clinic. Here out-patient service is rendered to dependents of naval personnel. This department has grown to large proportions in the last few months and has gained the esteem of the families of navy men who use it.

Patients in need of hospitalization are placed in one of two wards, either medical or surgical. The wards are modern in every respect and are equipped with the latest in hospital supplies and equipment. Each ward is supervised by a Navy nurse assisted by hospital corpsmen. Diets are prepared in the modern diet kitchens. Food is brought from the mess hall in electrically heated food wagons with a

Top to Bottom Chow time finds Mary Parnell, Ens. USW, and Jack Pruner, HA1c, serving.

Dr. Oren A. Bolt, Lt. USNR, assisted by J. E. Spears, PhM2c,—and they're not drilling for oil.

Dr. W. J. McKeever, Lt. USNR, and Etta Meredith, Ens. NNC, USN, getting ExRay shots.

Operating room scene.

Mary Lou Kenyon, Ens. NCUSN; Ruby Hill, Lt. (jg) USN; Etta Meredith, Ens. USN, and Mary Parnell, Ens. USN are now a part of the hospital staff.

minimum of effort and time, and can be served directly to patients from the wagons. Clean linen is dispensed to the ward from its own linen room and two quiet rooms are available on each ward for treatment of critical patients or patients with contagious or infectious diseases. Medical officers maintain offices in the wards to be readily available for treatment of patients. Everything has been planned to give personnel hospitalized in the ward the maximum of care with a minimum number of sick days.

In addition to the wards there is the Sick Officers' Quarters. All rooms are private with connecting bath. Considerable effort and thought were expended to make these rooms as comfortable and practical as can be found in any hospital. One outstanding feature of the S.O.Q. is its solarium with large south and west windows. In the solarium is a new radio-phonograph combination presented to the Medical Department in memory of Ensign Oswald A. Powers who was lost in the Battle of Midway. S.O.Q. also has its own linen supply room, large diet kitchen, medical officer's office, and the various work and utility rooms.

Nearly a dozen special departments are operated by the Dispensary. The largest of these is the surgery where any and all operations can be performed. Elective surgery is performed during working hours, and the operating room held in readiness during secure for any emergency.

The emergency room is maintained in connection with the surgery. The room is manned 24 hours per day for the immediate reception and treatment of injured personnel. The Medical Officer of the Day has his station directly across the corridor as does the Master at Arms.

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## MEDICAL

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A complete supply of surgical equipment, drugs, and instruments are maintained in Emergency. One interesting item is a modern recusitator which gives artificial respiration mechanically, freeing the operator for other care of the patient.

A complete clinical laboratory is maintained with the latest equipment. Two incubators make possible the culture of bacteria and pathological research. There is a complete stock of rare and valuable chemicals for analysis and a stock of glassware of all types. Everything in the laboratory is designed to meet the needs of thorough and precise analysis so that clinical diagnosis can be early established and treatment begun.

A department which is very popular with the base personnel is physiotherapy. Diathermy, ultraviolet, and radiant heat are available. Hydrotherapy is possible with the sitz bath, the continuous tub bath, and the whirlpool baths. Muscular aches and pains are readily eliminated by the training technicians in charge. It has been found that hospitalization of personnel has been considerably shortened through the use of the physio department.

X-ray is another valuable aid to clinical diagnosis. The permanent X-ray equipment has not been installed as yet, but has been shipped from the manufacturer. In the meanwhile, a mobile unit is being used. The unit can be used anywhere in the hospital, and is especially valuable for bedside work and reducing of fractures in the plaster cast room. In connection with the X-ray department are the electrocardiograph and basal metabolism machines.

The plaster cast room is interesting for its new and modern fracture table received a short time ago. Any fracture of any part of the body can be reduced with speed and finesse with little or no discomfort to the patient.

Because their work is closely correlated, the Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat Clinic and the Aviation Examining Section are united in one department. All physical examination are done here and ear, nose,



Dr. H. D. Scarney, Lt. Comdr. USNR

Lieutenant Commander Herman D. Scarney was born in Paterson, New Jersey on January 22, 1901. He was educated at the University of Michigan where he received his B.S. in 1924 and his M.D. in 1925. He then took post graduate work at the Harvard Medical School in Cambridge, Mass., where he specialized in diseases and surgery of the eye.

Dr. Scarney first became interested in Aviation Medicine in 1925 while he was a Lieut. (jg) in the Medical Corps of the regular Navy. After resigning from the regulars, he maintained his interest by associating himself with the Reserves.

Prior to being called to active duty, Dr. Scarney was Ophthalmic Surgeon to Harper Hospital, Consulting Ophthalmologist to Woman's Hospital, Consulting Ophthalmologist to the Michigan Mutual Hospital, Consultant for General Motors Corporation on Ocular Injuries.

Dr. Scarney is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology, Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Diplomate of the American Board of Ophthalmology, Fellow of the Association of Military Surgeons, and a member of the Aero Medical Association of the U. S.

He belongs to the Detroit Ophthalmological Society, the Wayne County Medical Society, the Michigan State Medical Society, the American Medical Association.

Dr. Scarney is married and has one daughter, Shelley Ann.



Dr. A. K. Droz, Lt. Comdr. USNR

Lieutenant Commander A. Keith Droz was born in Iowa on June 24, 1902. He was educated at the University of Iowa where he received his B.S. in 1924 and his M.D. in 1928. Upon receiving his M.D. degree, he interned at the Augustana Hospital in Chicago and remained there as Resident Surgeon during 1930, '31, and '32.

Dr. Droz was married in 1932 to Ruth Anderson. They have two boys, 3½ and 1 years old.

Previous to his service at Grosse Ile, Dr. Droz was on the surgical staff at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, Illinois. At present he is chief of surgery at the Grosse Ile dispensary.

Among Dr. Droz' honors are: Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Member of the Iowa State Fracture Committee, Consulting Surgeon, Iowa State Hospital, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, Surgeon for the Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad, Past President of the Southern Iowa Medical Society, Past President of the Washington County Medical Society, Chief of Staff, Washington County Hospital.

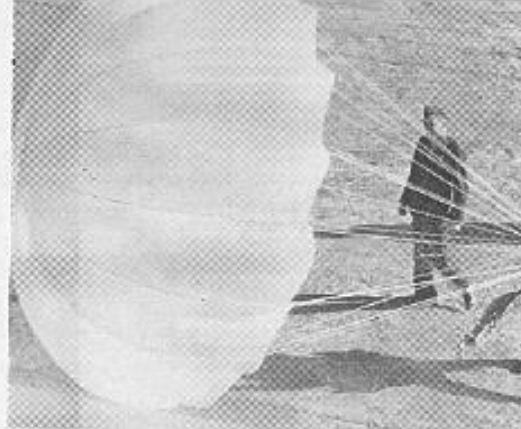
and throat patients are treated. Two phorometer rooms are completely equipped for the refraction of eyes and an audiometer is available for the testing of hearing.

A modern pharmacy is maintained under the direction of graduate pharmacists who hold degrees from major universities. The drug stock is complete in every detail and is manned 24 hours per day for the filling of special or emergency prescriptions.



# Through THE LENS

Capt. W. L. Bachelor, USMC and Lt. (jg) R. K. Wines are getting the feel of a nine-foot chute in heavy wind.



F.A.A. and R.A.F. students march to the hangar with their flight gear in preparation for training periods scheduled.



A group of British flight students with the Station Mascot.



Cadets' ready room, topside in the hangar. Here students assemble to await their scheduled flights.



Seamen Guard find time between watches to whip up a tune. There's nothing like music to soothe the troubled soul.



Trunk inspection takes place on leaving the main gate, where a check is made to determine the property being carried. This is also a security measure. Seaman Guard R. B. Murphy, S2c, is making the inspection.



The Coca Cola "Parade of Spotlight Bands" featured Jan Savitt and his orchestra at a broadcast presented in the auditorium here Saturday, April 3.



British students leaving the main gate by bus for liberty ashore. Note the happy expressions.



At the mike—Lt. Gerry Melvin, Lt. Betty Stojak and the Mascot. Navy Anchorettes commanded by Comdr. Pruddy Butterfield, did a swell job of entertaining the boys at this base.

# THE CHAPLAIN'S *Page*

R. A. LUNDQUIST

## The Message of Easter

Plymouth, England was once a busy city of 250,000 population. Today, its down-town section has utterly vanished. Bradford, Whimble, Old Town, George, Westwell and Russell streets were once lined with fine buildings. One can recall Yoho's, Spooner's and other familiar business houses of a few years ago. Today, not one wall is standing.

But strange as it may seem, there is one grand tower, forty feet square that still stands amid the rubble and the ruin. Today that majestic tower of St. Andrew's Church is the only thing in downtown Plymouth that survives. The church's four aisled nave and the chancel with its three eastern gables is a burned out shell. Across the street the rambling Guild Hall, with its grand old Willis organ, lies in ruins. Beyond the church, blackened and ruined walls stretch as far as Plymouth Hoe, where Sir Francis Drake was bowling on the green when the Spanish Armada hove into sight.

Now that Plymouth is gone, that majestic tower seems enormous. It stands as it once did in all its once mediaeval splendor, as it must have in the fifteenth century. Drake left it behind him when he went to meet the Armada. The Pilgrim fathers gazed at it sadly as the Mayflowers set sail for Sutton Pool, and then for America.

That Tower, surviving as by some miracle, the hail of bombs and the fierce fire of a year ago, is a cheering omen of things to come. The fair city that was once Plymouth has been blasted out of existence, its streets are completely empty, the great church is gone, but its tower still stands with twelve pinnacles pointing heavenward. There is something terrible, yet comforting about it, for that tower seemed to be spared to teach men the lesson that religion is the one thing that has come through unscathed. Civilization as we knew it has collapsed, religion of pre-war type may collapse, yet the inner truths of Christianity will come through it all, unscathed. "The power of God, unto Salvation!"



*"I am the resurrection and the life; saith the Lord."*  
Jn. 11:25

### "As Thy Faith"

The suspense of wartime is filled with peril, but also with possibilities. Loved ones are away, sons and husbands are riding the high seas in inky darkness, others are waiting orders. College careers are interrupted and plans for the future have to be postponed. Families hug the radio for news, battles are pending and the air is filled with tension.

A break from home brings loneliness, a break in business brings hardship, a break in health brings pain. One of the secrets of successful living is to see through the breaks of life to the things that abide.

And the first fact we see is that the great fundamentals of life will go on. It is heartening to remember what James Russell Lowell said in previous period of our nation's peril. God, he declared, would never have allowed man to get at the world's matchbox if He had not known that the framework of this universe is fireproof. The conflagration of war will burn itself out. But the ultimate values—beauty, truth, goodness, faith in God—are the pillars of the universe. These will stand. Goodness crucified today will have a resurrection tomorrow.

It would be well to read a Psalm each morning, before reading the morning newspaper. And each of us needs a faith adequate to furnish a pattern for a world that is now jumbled like jig-saw puzzles. Everyone should know what kind of a person he desires to be tomorrow, and twenty years from now. However the war, it has not changed the goals of a good and worthwhile life.

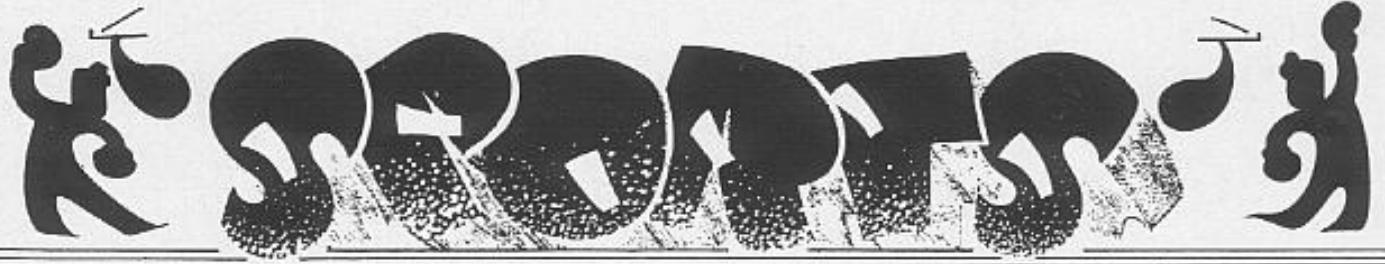
#### DIVINE WORSHIP

0910—Catholic Confessions

0930—Catholic Mass

1030—Protestant Services

Communion the first Sunday of the month.



## BASKETBALL

In the first Championship play-off in the history of the Enlisted Men's Intramural League a highly vaunted Commissary five, coached by Lt. (jg) Malcolm Klein, defeated the Disbursing quint in three out of five games. It was the same strong Commissary aggregation that had swept through the first round for ten straight wins. In the second round the Messmen dropped a couple of encounters but rallied to pull the series and the Station championship out of the fire..

In one of the most thrilling tussles of the play-off series, the first one, the high-flying store keepers of Disbursing edged out the Messmen by a 32-30 count. In the second game of the play-off series the Messmen came back with a burst of offensive power and downed Disbursing, 29-21. The Disbursing five started their third game in brilliant style and ere the smoke of battle had cleared away the Storekeepers had throttled Commissary, 39-30.

With Commissary trailing Disbursing two games in the series, the Messmen began an uphill battle that carried them through the next two games to the Station Crown. The Messmen led all through the fourth games as they felled the Storekeepers, 36-31. With the count knotted at two-all the two contingents buckled down for the championship fray. There was no question of Commissary supremacy in the fifth and final game as

## BASEBALL

As brother Groundhog comes out of hibernation and the long wintry nights shorten into longer spring days we hear the familiar post-winter cry "Play Ball!" What sounds are so traditionally more nostalgic to every American boy than the crack of the bat and the thud of the baseball in the heavily padded mit? Elaborate plans are currently under way here at Grosse Ile to have one of the finest baseball teams in the State. All interested Station personnel are urged to try-out for the Station team which is a member of the Michigan State Servicemen's League. These League games are to be played in Briggs Stadium, the Detroit Tigers' home ball grounds, with official American League umpires officiating.

The destinies of the Navigators' fungo-chasers is vested in the coaching ability of three men. Lt. Charles V. Zeno, athletic officer, is to be the team manager with Chief Specialist Russ Polonus, former first baseman in the Mid-Atlantic League, and portly "Jamie Boy" Mains as coaches.

This is your team—the success of it depends upon your support; so, if you have had any previous experience and would care to share in a spring and summer full of fun drop in at the Athletic Gear Locker and sign up for the Station team!

the Messmen humbled Disbursing by a 40-24 count. It was a championship justly deserved.

## BOXING

Ensign Daniel DeMarino's Navigator boxers were extremely active during the past month winning two matches while dropping one. The vanquisher of the Navigator horde was the powerful Michigan State Brewster A. C. of Detroit. Bringing down an array of colored amateur punchers the likes of which hadn't been seen at Grosse Ile to date, the Brewster outfit annexed five bouts while dropping two.

For the Sailors along Cauliflower Row it's Orchids to such a set of classy punchers as: Howard Van Meter, Navy's 118-pounder who fought his first bout against Brewster and met a much more experienced opponent; Johnny Trader, youthful 118-pounder who was injured in one of his first fights and had to hang up his gloves for the season; Roy Warrick, Fightin' Devil Dog, whose 135 pounds were well-used on several occasions as Warrick came through with wins.

One of the most impressive fighters in the small-weight class was iron Ray Kulka who lost his only bout of the season while boxing an opponent out of his weight class. Les Cussans and lanky Willie Fitzpatrick, both lightweights, gave good accounts of themselves each time they entered the squared ring. Lebert Elliott, Navigator welterweight, proved himself to be

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### CONGRATULATIONS!

Commissary Basketball team displays the station department trophy which fell into their possession by virtue of their successful season. Members are: back row (left to right) W. E. Samples, S2c, W. R. Daron, S1c, G. B. Thomas, S1c, R. L. Hodson, S1c. Front row: (left to right) R. H. McFarland, CSP (A), P. D. Jurica, S1c, S. P. Scafuri, SC3c.

George Deigel, former professional at Beverly Hills Golf Club, Detroit, Mich., giving Al Fiorello a few valuable pointers on tee shots.





D. H. HOARD, USNR.



CHIEF MASON

"The itinerary of the ship was laid out with a vengeance; we went North in the winter, and South in the summer. And anyone who takes a pleasure trip into the North Atlantic in the wintertime, has, to say the least, a peculiar idea of fun.

I remember on one trip when we were up there, the black gang left the main engines warmed up for five days and nights, during most of that time keeping the wheel turning over to take the strain off the anchor chain, and yet we made our way out on schedule having discharged the cargoes during the bad weather.

When we left this "shelter" we ran into the heavy weather for three more days—one day making the grand total of seven miles advance on the course."

So goes an anecdote from the personal history of one of Grosse Ile's new officers, Lieut. D. H. Hoard, SC-V(G) USNR. Lieut. Hoard comes to Grosse Ile well versed in nautical experiences and well qualified for his post of Supply Officer.

Lieut. Hoard first saw the light of day on March 31, 1910 in Detroit, Michigan. His early youth was engrossed in the idolatry of the saga of the seas. Lieut Hoard entered the University of Michigan and he graduated from there in 1932 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and the degree of Law in 1935.

He was commissioned an Ensign in the Supply Branch of the Naval Reserve in July of 1936 and shortly thereafter he was ordered to active duty by the Adjutant General of the State of Michigan and attached to the staff of the Commanding Officer, Michigan Naval Reserve, Naval Armory, Detroit. On November 1, 1936, he was ordered to active duty by the Com-

mandant of the Ninth Naval District.

Lieut. Hoard's active sea duty career began on June 1, 1937 at which time he reported aboard the U.S.S. Dubuque. He served until September, 1940. On that date he was transferred to the staff of the Officer in Charge of Naval Reserve Recruiting in Detroit where he served until January of 1941. After leaving Detroit he reported aboard the U.S.S. Kilauea until his detachment from this activity in February, 1943. During this time the U.S.S. Kilauea was attached to the Atlantic Fleet. In March of 1943 he reported aboard here at the Naval Air Station to relieve Commander Max Schwitzer as Supply Officer.

To write the story of Chief Mason is roughly comparable to doing a history of the Fighting 69th. He enlisted in the Marines in September, 1921, and took boot training at Parris Island. Fresh out of boot camp, he was with the Expeditionary Force in Haiti. Here he got the idea that the Hospital Corps might be a good thing, and forthwith was transferred to the Corps School at Portsmouth, Va. During his tour of duty at Portsmouth, there was another dashing hospital apprentice there named Bill Salter, now Pharamist Salter of the Medical Department.

From Corps School Mason was sent to the U.S.S. Mercy and then to the U.S.S. Antares for detached duty with Squadron VJ-2. Back to shore again in 1928 he went to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery and the Naval Medical School in Washington, D. C. From here he went to the Nicaragua campaign where everything went along fine until an earthquake killed 2,200 people and injured 1,500. Some-

what shaken by this experience, he returned to Anacostia, D. C., where he met a young lieutenant named Ernest W. Litch. (Now Captain Litch.)

From Anacostia he went aboard the U.S.S. Wyoming which cruised progressively to Maderia, Funchal, England, France, Italy, and North Africa. Leaving the Wyoming, Mason went aboard the U.S.S. Ranger, Captain John S. McCain, now Chief of BurAero, Commanding. Cruises were made to Hawaii, Peru, Panama, Cuba, Haiti, Santo Domingo, and Barbados. When the U.S.S. Solace was commissioned he sailed in October 1941 for Hawaii. Sometime after this, he went four piper, and left Pearl Harbor on December 5, 1941 and got to Johnston Island where they were caught a bit short.

"It wasn't a case of getting caught with our pants down," says the Chief; "just a case of where things happened so fast we didn't have time to put them on." Then back to the U.S.S. Solace, and via the U.S.N. Hospital, Pearl Harbor and the U.S.S. California to Grosse Ile.

The Chief says that there is a lot of mud at Grosse Ile but no swimming, no sharks, no tin fish or Japs. "I am doing my best here in hopes that I can stick around for a while. I might even get to where I like it."

Mason has the following distinctions: Marine Corps Expeditionary Ribbon for Haiti, the Second Nicaraguan Campaign, the Defense Medal with star, and Good Conduct ("What I got away with," he says).



A smart, military salute rendered properly is as satisfying as a firm, warm handclasp! All men salute the Commanding Officer and the Executive Officer both in and outside of buildings, upon all occasions, when covered. When not covered, stand at attention when either passes.

All men will salute officers upon the first meeting of the day. Accompany your salute with a "Good Morning, Sir!" The officer is expected to return the salute in a smart, military manner.

At other times, unless working, be alert to stand at attention and yield gangway when an officer passes.

It should always be remembered that saluting a superior officer does not suggest inferiority, but is rather the mark of respect that is paid to the uniform of the country.

You will not salute when uncovered, or when the senior is uncovered. (Such is not the case in the Army). All salutes in passing or approaching should be begun by

the junior at six paces distant. Look the other man squarely in the eye and salute correctly, in a smart military-like manner. Nothing is worse than a salute grudgingly given.

All juniors salute when beginning and ending a conversation with an officer. When entering a senior's office, remove your cap and stand respectfully at attention until recognized. Do not interrupt any conversations. Don't come barging into any office. Then, if in doubt, it is better to err on the side of courtesy.

# BACK LOG

## SPORTS

### RED CROSS

The Red Cross War Fund at this Station was brought to a highly successful close several weeks ago. The campaign, conducted under the supervision of the Chaplain, began on March 4, and continued for approximately two weeks. During this period, contributions amounting to \$668.00 were received from the officers along with \$787.23 from the enlisted men and civilian works, a SUM TOTAL of \$1,455.23. Every department attained its prescribed quota 100%!

The Red Cross truly deserves the support of every fighting man and civilian of this land. It is the great coordinator between families and fighting men whether they be overseas or on Army Posts or Naval Stations. It locates the missing, confirms reports of sickness or death, extends financial aid to servicemen and their families, distributes war parcels to prisoners of war and, not the least of these many invaluable services, has supervised and collected well over 1,500,000 pints of blood. This last great service alone will undoubtedly save many thousands of lives. During 1942, 520,000,000 surgical dressings were shipped to the various fronts of the United Nations.

Wherever our fighting forces go the Red Cross goes with them. Twelve hundred workers are now serving duty overseas either in hospitals, canteens, or emergency depots. Certainly this great humanitarian organization has well earned and will continue to prove worthy of its most fitting and appropriate title, "THE GREATEST MOTHER IN THE WORLD".

We are very fortunate indeed to have here at our own Station, as an official representative of the Red Cross, Mr. David H. Hardie. His office is located on the first deck of the Recreation Building. A warm and sincere invitation is extended at all times to any men who may need the help or assistance which the Red Cross provides.

### STATION LOG

**SICK CALL**—Hours 0830-0930 1300-1400 Daily.

**MEDICAL EMERGENCIES**—24 hours a day—Line 268.

**SHIP'S SERVICE TAILOR SHOP**—Hours 0830-0930 1130-1300 1600-1800 Commissioned officers knock at anytime. Secure Sundays..

**SHIP'S SERVICE COBBLER SHOP** — Hours 1100-1300 1630-1730 Secure Sundays.

**SHIP'S SERVICE BARBER SHOP** — Hours 0745-1700 enlisted personnel) 170-2000 (All cadets)—ONLY Saturdays secured at 1700. Secure Sundays.

**BOWLING ALLEYS** — Hours 1200-2200 Daily. Thursday evenings 1900-2200 Officers and their guests only.

**POSTOFFICE** — Hours for Money Orders 0800-1600. For Stamps 0800-1730. Mail leaves postoffice for Grosse Ile postoffice 0930-1300-1700. Sundays 0900-1100.

**POOL ROOM** — Hours 1000-2200 Daily. Not open on Sundays until after Church Services.. This will be approximately 1130.

**SMALL STORES** — Hours 0900-1200 1300-1400. Secure Sundays.

**MESS** — Breakfast 0600; Dinner 1130; Supper 1730.

**SHIP'S SERVICE** — Clothing Store: Hours 0900-1800 Secure Sundays.—Store Hours 0900-1800 Secure Sundays.—Canteen Hours: 0900-2130 Daily. (Gasoline Pump 1200-1300 1700-1800). Secure Sundays.

**COMMISSARY STORE** — Hours 0900-1300. Secure Sundays.

**LIBRARY** — Hours 0930-1100 1230-1630 Daily. Library is closed at all other times.

**CHURCH SERVICES**—Catholic 0930. Protestant 1030 on Sundry.

Sailor: "What kind of pie is this, apple or peach?"

Ship's Service Waitress: "What does it taste like?"

Sailor: "Glue."

Ship's Service Waitress: "That's the apple. The peach tastes like putty."

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one of the finest fighters ever to enter the ring at Grosse Ile. On repeated occasions Elliott badly outpointed his foe and the only mark on his otherwise clean record was a defeat he suffered in a very close bout against Brewster A. C. Despite the fact that he dropped two out of three bouts middleweight Hank Shea loomed as one of the quick comers on the Naviator boxing squad.. Hank carts dynamite in either hand and once he gets that all-important experience he will be a hard boy to stop..

Undoubtedly the most polished boxer on the Naviator squad was stocky, ebony-skinned Rufus Knighton. It was difficult to get opponents for Knighton but each time he stepped into the ring with a foe he usually retired victorious. For a sure point on each fight card the Naviators banked on reliable Rufus Knighton. The team's aggressive young light-heavyweight was ex-footballer Don Thurman. It was Thurman's first season in the fight game and he exceeded expectations. Quick to learn, Thurman met many tough comers in his respective weight class and each time gave an admirable account of himself. Another novice in the Naviators' ranks was RAF leather-tosser Albert Teal. Never having been in a ring before in his life Teal did remarkably well against more experienced foes.

### HOW DO YOU RATE?

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Juterbock, A. R.	Rapaport, H.
Kazar, J. E.	Schultz, M. L.
Keys, O. N.	Schuster, E. N.
Lebeis, W. E.	Seewald, C. W.
Loucks, R. G.	Shaw, V. C.
McLellan, P. E.	Smithh, M. L.
McGreevy, R. J.	Stanley, C. D.
McGuire, A. J.	Steffes, C. L.
McLaughlin, L. K.	Stephenson, J. R.
Merrill, J. H.	Stolte, R. C.
Neill, W. J.	Topham, J. P.
Palmer, W. G.	Trobley, R. H.
PePltonen, W. J.	Valentine, L. J.
Peters, E. M.	Williams, M. J.
Pruitt, F. R.	Witschi, R. W.
Randall, C. E.	Zielinski, C.