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The Base Personnel

GREETS CAPT. ERNEST W. LITCH



In order to be a Commanding Officer of a United States Naval Air Base, a man must possess many qualities. It takes many years of experience, proven ability and unquestioned character. There is no doubt in your mind, once you have seen and spoken to Captain Ernest W. Litch, but that he qualifies for his assignment as the new Commanding Officer at Grosse Ile. The leadership of this Base is in good hands.

Captain Litch was born in Boston, Massachusetts, but he calls South Wayman, Massachusetts, his home town. He attended the Boston English High School and from there went to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. He served on the cruiser St. Louis, the destroyer Whipple and various other Naval fighting units for several years. During the years 1929 and 1930 he served on the Lexington with Squadron No. 3. From 1930 to 1932 he was on the Langley. From the Langley, he went to act as Flight Test Officer at Anacostia where he stayed from 1932 to 1935. For the next two years he was the commanding officer of a Bombing Squadron on the Saratoga. The next two years were spent at Pensacola, Florida, and Langley Field, Virginia. Part of 1939 and 1940 found him holding an important post as Navigator on the Ranger. Later he became Air Officer of the Ranger.

In 1941, he became the Staff Commander of a Support Force, and the same year served in Northern Ireland. Getting some very recent experience in this War, when in January of this year, he served as Naval Attache in London. He returned to America in August of this year and on September 21st, was put in command of this Base, relieving Commander R. C. Young.

With 26 years in the service, 14 of which were spent at sea, Captain Litch is well qualified for the duty as Commanding Officer of an important and growing Naval Air Base. It is interesting to note that Captain Litch has always been assigned to a single-seater fighter type plane, Carrier based.

Captain Litch is interested in baseball, golf and amateur photography. Married in 1937, he is the father of one child, affectionately called "Mike." The lad will be allowed to make his own choice of career, but one can readily imagine that young Captain Ernest W. Litch III will one day climb that well-known ladder behind his father.

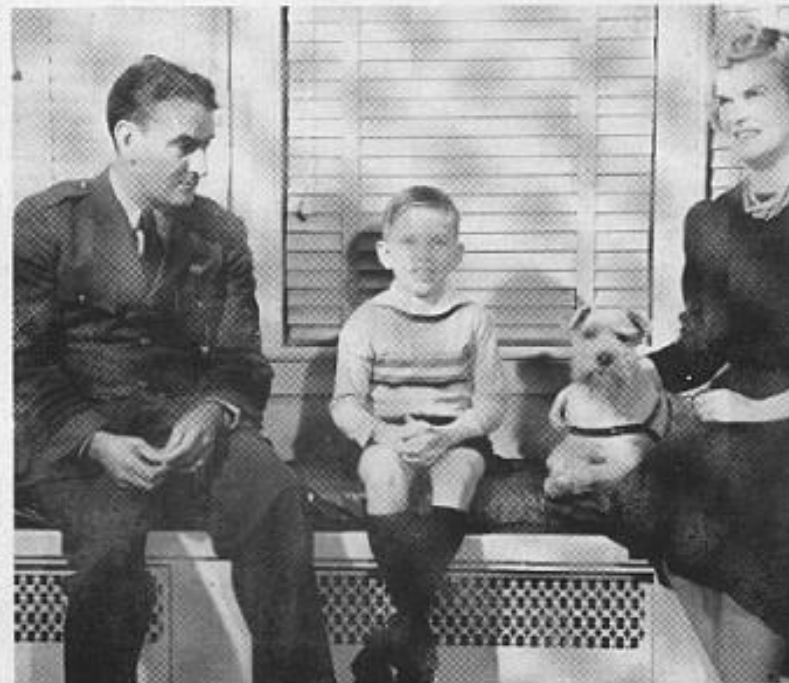
It hasn't taken Captain Litch long to realize the tremendous effort that Detroit is putting behind the winning of this war. His statement was, "the amount of work they are doing amazes me." Despite the fact that he has been at the Base but a few weeks, he thinks the morale of the men is good, and is especially well pleased with the growth of the Base.

Welcome, Captain Litch!



Captain Ernest W. Litch, U. S. N.

Captain and Mrs. Ernest W. Litch enjoy the companionship of their son "Mike" and the family pet.



Captain Litch, with 26 years of service behind him, fills the office of commanding officer of the base with excellent qualifications.



Today and Tomorrow—

ON an Anniversary of the Armistice, representatives of the Allied Nations placed wreaths on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington. The last was the representative of the King of England, who said only these words:

As unknown and yet well known;

As dying and, behold, we live.

As we on this Armistice honor those who died, it is well to think of the words, "it is for us, the living, rather, to be dedicated . . . to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion . . . that government of the people, for the people, by the people, shall not perish from the earth."

Our dull grief and loss must again and again be translated in the years ahead into a will to work for a just and lasting peace. We must be willing to play our part in the government of the world. Loving people does not mean dying for them, but laying down life for them.

We must one day be willing to wage peace in memory of our dead as they waged war for us. When our most cherished ideals shall be partly realized through the winning of this War, then our lives must be dedicated toward a unified, integrated, brave new world brotherhood of peace and good-will to men.



Are We Truly Thankful?

THANKSGIVING, 1942 — all that we held so firmly, so securely, has slipped from our grasp, even the simple joy of planning the days. How can we be thankful in a world at war? Think of the homeless and the starving, the wounded and the dying. Or shall we be thankful for the green grass of our fields, still unreddened by blood? For blue skies still free of the enemy's wings? That we can still voice opinions with opened windows? Still read and hear the truth? Still kneel humbly in Church without fear?

Shall we be thankful we are better off than other peoples and so be haughty toward them? Enjoy the comfortable insulation from the world's needs? Pursue the blind selfishness of living behind our own four walls?

Rather should we not be thankful that the misery of these days reveals the things worth living and dying for? That we can give each day the best we are? That finds hope brightest when days are darkest? That we can be useful, with God's help to our fellow man!

Think it over!



Win This War EVERY Day!

IT IS always interesting to watch a large group of people. When they are together for a specific purpose it is more or less a known fact that part of them will divide themselves. Today when the country is up to its neck in a struggle that threatens to drown everyone in its ugliness, immensity, and fierceness, we still find that people are interesting to watch and some of them always ready to separate from the main group. We wouldn't be sane if we made a direct accusation toward any group of people, whether they be religious, military, political, or social. But there is nothing to keep us from printing stinging warnings to our own group.

Why are we justified in printing a harsh warning? Reason enough is that it should create an alert. In other words it is half an insult to everyone here for one to even insinuate that we will relax our efforts. We can also remember sorrowfully that everyone was cocksure about Japan. Overconfidence and smugness is what Hitler, Hirohito, and the rest of our enemies hope for.

Grosse Ile Naval Air Base is a brand new ship and every man and officer should do his utmost to keep her an efficient fighting ship. So while our men are out there giving blood, sweat and life itself, let's dig in and do our jobs so well that we'll know the Axis will never make a profit at our expense.

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In an effort to obtain original short stories from the officers and men on this base, *FLIGHT* will pay five dollars for each story that it prints from such contributions. A five dollar prize will be paid for cover designs that are used. These stories and cover designs must be in the Chaplain's Office not later than the 25th of each month.

OUR BASE

Has Its Place for Recreation and Relaxation

t ceremonies attended by
al Aviation Cadets from
e nations, officers and
omel of the Naval Re-
e Aviation Base, and by
t hundred uniformed
ghts Templar, officials of

roit Commandery, No. 1, as well as guests, there was formally
eated on Sunday, October 18th at 1500 a Hammond Electric
an and the furnishings of two reception rooms in the Recrea-
Building, newly erected at the Grosse Ile Base.

Rev. Dr. M. S. Rice, minister of the Metropolitan Methodist
eh made the dedicatory address. Mr. Morris G. Laramie,
mander of Detroit No. 1, made the official presentation to
Commander Henry W. Wickes, executive officer at the Base,
ause the illness of the Commanding Officer, Captain Ernest
Litch prevented his attendance.

The purpose of the gift of the Detroit Commandery is to
vide sensible furnishings for the personnel and students at
Base and also to provide a musical instrument with amplifiers
playing attachment for use at Divine Worship and for recre-
nal purposes. The gift represents an amount of ten thousand
ars.

Other material assistance will be furnished as the war emer-
y requires and whatever is done will not conflict with, nor
licate any other civilian efforts and will be done only after a
ful canvass of the entire situation.

Members of the Detroit Commandery War Effort Committee
Wilber M. Brucker, chairman; Morris G. Laramie; Albert
owrie; Alvin F. Knoblock; Fred B. Freeman; Charles E. Al-
er, and H. Eugene Webb.

The new recreation building houses the station library, wel-
e office, Chaplain's office, cadet regiment office, post office,
s service store, and athletic office.

Besides the two spacious lounges, there are two recreation
ns containing pool tables and table tennis equipment. The
itorium is used for various recreational activities, such as
ketball, badminton, gymnastics, and numerous other sports.
e auditorium is also used for movies, divine worship, and
cial functions.

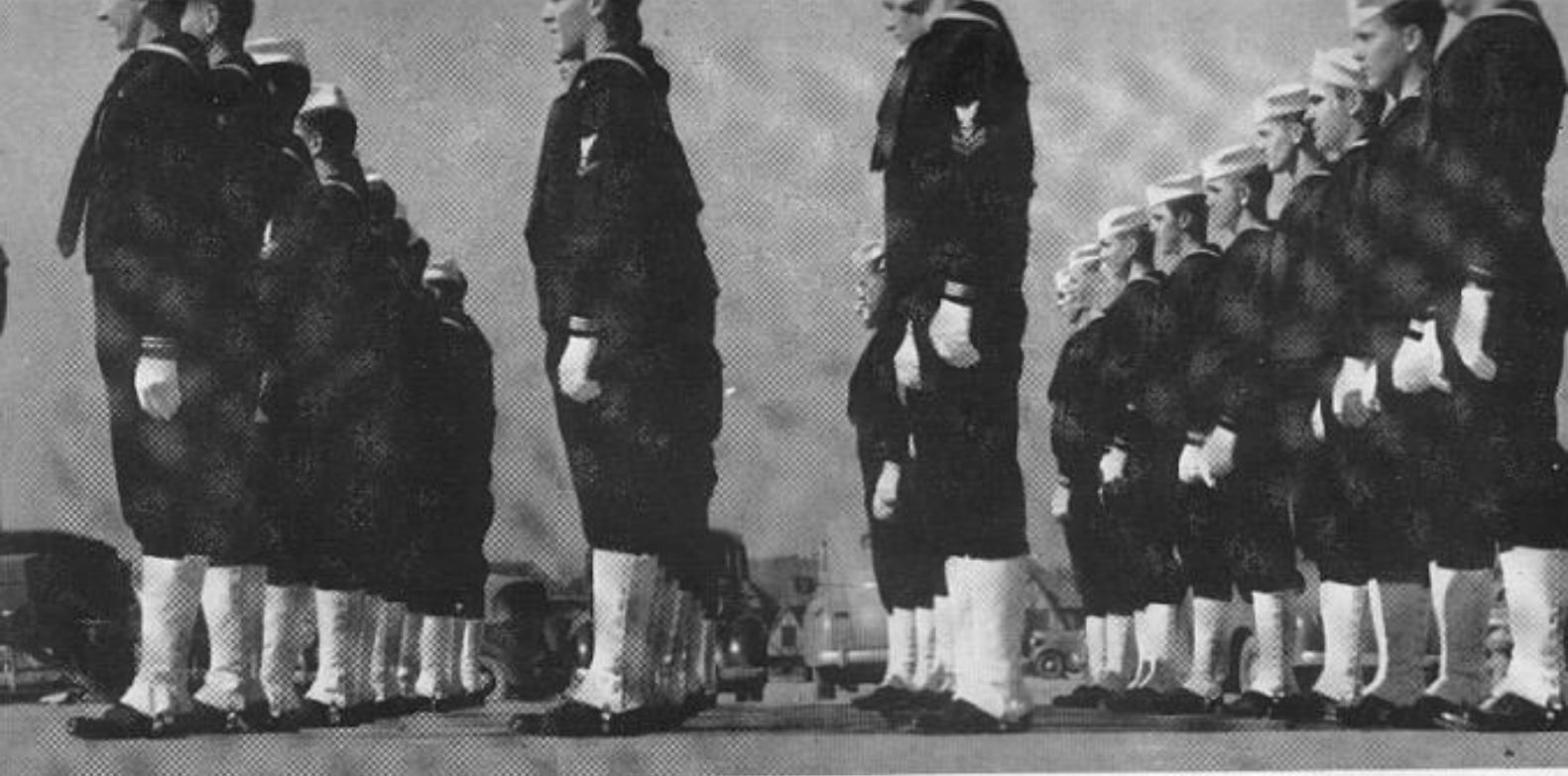


—Knights Templar, officials of Detroit Commandery No. 1 and
r guests gather to assist in the dedication of the new recreation
ding, seen in the background.

TER—The Knights Templar come to attention as the dedication
ices begin in the main auditorium of the recreation hall.

TOM—Base personnel enjoy a period of relaxation in one of the
ey 1. The friendly card game is
lged in by L. Watson, LNA, A. Hazelden, LAC, D. Luke, Av. Cad.,
an enlisted man who could not be identified at press time.





By the left flank, right flank, double to the rear—harch!

Accomplishing one of the finest jobs of publicizing our Base, the activities of the Grosse Ile Precision Drill Squad has established an enviable record in the short period since its formation about two months ago. An outstanding feature in the organization of this group is the fact that all enlistment was voluntary. The members have turned out for practice drill, as well as for public functions because they enjoyed precision drilling and were proud of the showing that could be made.

Within the past two months the drill squad, under the leadership of Jack Wesley, Cox., has performed at numer-

ous sport and civic functions, before thousands of people, and the response of the public has been very gratifying. The performances included Base football games at Ecorse and Detroit, the Michigan-Iowa game at Ann Arbor, the Lions game in Detroit and the War Shows in Pontiac. Requests for services of the group have been received from both state and out-of-state organizations.

The executive officer and the department heads have been very generous in their co-operation in relieving the members from their regular duties in order that they might attend functions for which they were scheduled.

Members of the group are as follows:

Leuchtman, F. W., McIntosh, J., Sugarman, J., Session, M., Goodsmith, C. W., Shahinian, P. H., Clarke, J. W., Simunich, P., Rupp, K. A., Waldorf, F. W., Bell, R. L., Brandon, R. E., Hackett, C. P., Kisa, J. J., Farina, J., Montgomery, W. R., Payette, A. C., Doherty, J. E., Clark, D. M., Christensen, A. H., Hunting, G. G., Robbins, R. G., Dunn, H. H., Eit, T. C., Manning, W. E., Mattison, H. D., Thomas, G. B., Florian, G. M., Overway, G., Rice, R. K., Bowers, C., Kozar, J. E., Tefs, E. H., Bowerize, W. J., Box, G. F., Daron, W. R., Armstrong, T. L., Anderson, K. A., Saubora, M. G., Wesley, J. H., and Trada.

JUST TO REMEMBER their buddies who went through training with them, this group of United States Coast Guard students gather for a group picture. TOP ROW: Thompson, AMM2c, Ferguson, Flc, DeFrest, RM1c, Webb, Slc, Nooteboom, B.M2c, Coler, AMM3c, Ward, RM1c, Vukic, RM1c, Weber, AMM1c,

Daughenbaugh, Cox, Flanagan, WT1c, Ahlswede, BM1c, Weitzel, RM2c, Coffee, F2c. BOTTOM ROW: Guidroz, AMM2c, Evans, Slc, S. Smith, Flc, Robe, Flc, Foley, Y1c, Causley, Slc, Mueller, CBM, Heckart, ACMM, Nesmith, AMM1c, Edgeon, Cox, Howell, BM2c, Lamping, AMM2c.



Every Inch a Sailor's Sailor

MEET—FRANK P. ERLEWEIN ACMM, USN.

"Ask Chief Erlewein" is a phrase heard many times a day at USNRAB, Grosse Ile, Mich. Meet Chief Erlewein, folks . . . an old time sailor, who sailed the seven seas in the days of coal ships and iron men. The Chief's official Service Record (which was used as the source of this article, the Chief being much too modest to divulge personal information for publication) lists his profession very succinctly: "Occupation; Mariner", and a more apt description of the good Chief could not be found. He is a big weather-beaten salt with a whopping pride in his years of service with the Navy. His record further discloses that he first enlisted in the naval service in Cincinnati, Ohio, the town of his birth, on March 27, 1905, as an Apprentice Seaman. His physical characteristics at that time (again the infallible records of the Navy Department are used as authority) were as follows: Height: 5' 9¼"; weight: 155 lbs.; eyes: light blue; hair, light brown; complexion: ruddy. This description with several minor alterations might be used today . . . his hair is a little thinner than it was back then and is flecked with grey . . . a little heavier perhaps, but not bulgy . . . his ruddiness of complexion is only enhanced after being battered for over 20 years by exposure to winds both crisp and gentle and blows furious and terrifying.

Young Erlewein began hitting the ratings along about November 1, 1910, when, aboard the USS MICHIGAN, he was graduated to the Petty Officer status. Needless to say he chose that saltiest of all ratings as his line of endeavour, the seaman branch, and became a coxswain. His career through the boatswain ratings found him aboard the USS MICHIGAN, the USS DELAWARE, and the Receiving Ship at New York, where on August 7, 1916, he was advanced to the rate of Chief Boatswain's Mate. He saw World War I in many aspects, from a training camp at Mare Island, California, and from the decks of fighting ships. His record shows that he spent a total of 14 years at sea . . . 6 years aboard the big battlewagons . . . 5 years aboard cruisers, and 3 years bouncing around on destroyers.

After the war in 1921 he found the Chief at the Naval Air Station at Cape May, New Jersey, and in 1921 at the Air

Station at Anacostia where he became interested in Aviation and changed his rate to Aviation Chief Rigger, a now non-existent rating in the Navy. In 1926 he spent some time at the Naval Hospital, Washington, D. C., as the result of a crack-up in an old time Douglas Bomber. Upon his release from the hospital he returned to Anacostia and saw his rating again changed from Rigger to Aviation Chief Machinist's Mate—(the Rigger rating was discontinued with the advent of metal framework airplanes). He remained at Anacostia till he transferred to the Fleet Reserve on inactive duty in February, 1926.

Upon his return to Civilian life he was as successful as he was in the Navy. He took employment with the Cincinnati and Suburban Bell Telephone Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, and rose to a position of trust and responsibility when the Navy called him back to active duty on July 15, 1941. During his years at Anacostia he took to himself a wife, Elizabeth Marie Thomas, who, the Chief avers, is the finest little gal in the world. They have their home in suburban Cincinnati, a little place away from the noise of the city, a place ablaze with bright flowers and surrounded by trees. Occasionally the Chief reminisces nostalgically of his tulips and his flower beds.

Today the Chief is back on active duty at Grosse Ile . . . still every inch a sailor's sailor. He now functions in the capacity of Chief Master at Arms . . . which in civilian parlance might mean anything from general housekeeper to advisor to the lovelorn. It was said of him, before the expansion of our base and the arrival of an official chaplain, that he even performed the duties of that office. He will still, when called upon, perform the duties of a chaplain, advising here, encouraging there, and chastising every-



where when necessary. He has no patience with anyone who refuses to do things the Navy's way and is a great believer in military discipline and constituted authority. He is the young sailor's best friend and will devote any amount of time required to put a lad straight, and will beam like a proud father when one of his erring charges takes to the straight and narrow path. He is an outstanding example of a Navy man, fearless, cool, respectful, and gentlemanly. It is a pleasure to see him going about the station in the performance of his duties . . . straight as a sapling, head erect, eyes gleaming, ready at all times to do anything necessary in the interest of the service.

"PAGING JOHNNY WITH THE BIG BLUE EYES"

Sergeant of the Guard Dan Mitrione threatens to take his troubles to the Chaplain. It seems as though our boys who are gifted with that certain something in the ways of wooing, leave their girl friends without sufficient identification of themselves and the next day we find them at the main gate addressing one of the guards! "Do you know Johnny? He has beautiful eyes, curly hair, the loveliest smile and he is just swell" - - - "No! I don't know his last name, or where he works or what section he is in, but he is so different. Surely you must know Johnny?"



THERE'S PLENTY OF ACTION during any navy game. These naviators hit the line hard to make every play count. C. Maag, No. 50, blocking; H. Seymour, No. 40, ball carrier; B. Cummings biting the dirt.

Shortly after the intermission the Broncos struck once again and on a series of passing and running plays paced by a beautiful 51 yard jaunt by Macioszzyk, Western speedster, which placed the oval on the Navy 5 yard stripe. On the next play Bard, Bronco quarterback, crashed through the middle of the Navy line on a split buck for the score. Mellen's attempted conversion was blocked partially by Don Heath, with the ball caroming off the goal post.

Late in the third stanza the Sailors threatened the Bronco goal only to have the attack slowed down by a Navy fumble on the Western seven. Two plays netted five yards and the Broncos chose to kick on third down. Heath crashed through a horde of Gold and Brown jerseyed paladins and blocked Mellen's kick, the ball rolling out of the Western Michigan end zone for an automatic safety. The Naviators tried desperately to score

via air in the closing minutes of the ball game but to no avail. All of the Sailors performed admirably with special merit going to diminutive Eddie Futrell for his excellent kicking.

On October 2nd, Lt. Clogston's Sailors thumped the Lancers of the University of Grand Rapids by a count of 29-0. The Turbulent Tars paced by speedster Jack Lorenz, who passed for two touchdowns and added a third himself, showed indications of rounding into a blue-ribbon squad. The squad was bolstered for this fray by the addition of Lt. (jg) Jack Brennan, former U. of Michigan star; Ensign Harlan Gustafson, All-America nominee from the U. of Pennsylvania; and C. P. O. Charley Maag, All-Big Ten Conference and All-America tackle from Ohio State U.

Playing before a sizeable crowd under the arcs at Ecorse High School Field the Naviators struck by land and by air

NAVIATORS COMPLETE SUCCESSFUL SEASON

After annexing four straight triumphs the Grosse Ile Naviators howed to the powerful Bronco aggregation of Western Michigan College at Waldo Stadium by a count of 13-2.

With the offensive attack somewhat bogged down by virtue of the loss of Hovey Seymour, bulky tailback, the Naviators threatened on six separate occasions but were unable to muster the punch needed to carry them into the Bronco promised land. Western Michigan scored its initial tally just before the halfway mark. Coleman, Bronco fullback, scampered around his own left end from the seven yard marker for the score and Mellen converted the extra point.

to amass 37 points to but 6 for the Oriole Trophy Club, State Semi-pro champions in 1941, in the second October battle. After a scoreless first stanza the Sailors rolled through the Oriole defenses for two scores before half time. Immediately following the half time intermission the Clogstonmen pushed over three more touchdowns before the official's horn ended the third period. In the final quarter the Orioles passed themselves into Navy promise land for their only tally and the Naviators scored another touchdown, making the final score: Navy 37, Oriole Trophy Club, 6. This 37-6 triumph and the addition of Hovey Seymour, three-ply fullback, and Roy Man-

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READY TO TAKE OVER these Navy men have lost only two games so far this season. Line—C. Maag, D. Thurman, Lt. J. Brennan, Cummings, J. Comoundorus, Heath, Brusca. Backs—Riorden, E. Futrell, H. Dugan, J. Lorenz.



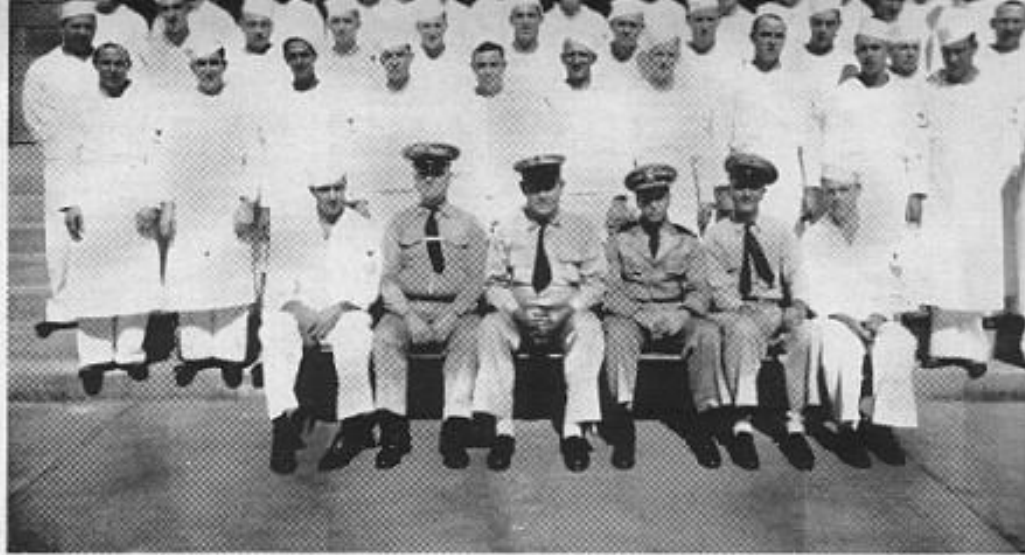
NAVIATORS SUCCESSFUL

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ny, sea-worthy center, riveted anew the good ship Grosse Ile for its ensuing battles against Otterbein College and Wayne University.

Striking with relentless fury the Grosse Ile Navigators rolled up fourteen points in the second quarter, vanquishing previously undefeated Otterbein College in their nocturnal tussle on October 23. Coach Clogston uncovered another surprise offensive threat in the person of short-shanked Barney Zamecki, the Wyandotte Walloper, who personally accounted for both of Navy's touchdowns. Zamecki dragged half of the Cardinal line into the end zone as he scored the Sailors' first T. D. early in the second quarter on a quarterback sneak. Lt. (jg) Jack Brennan split the uprights for the extra counter with leviathan Charley Maag holding the ball. With but a scant moment remaining in the first half Navy once again menaced the Cardinal goal. With the ball nestling on the 15 yard marker, Eddie Futrell, Navy wingback, tossed a forward pass into the avid arms of Barney Zamecki in the end zone. Before the echo of the touchdown cheers had died away Charley Maag had converted the extra point. The work of the "Seven Destroyers" was highly impressive in this tilt.

Trailing by a margin of a field goal at half time, a valiant bunch of sailors came from behind to down the Tartars of Wayne University, 7-3, before a Navy Day crowd of 5,139 at the U. of Detroit stadium. Early in the second stanza, Doug Rutherford, Tartar signal-caller, kicked a 16 yard field goal putting Wayne



TOP ROW—H. Morris, S3c, R. J. Stewart, S1c, E. L. Bieber, Bkr.3c, G. H. Fitch, Bkr.2c, J. J. Cootes, SC3c, H. R. Tibbel, Bkr.3c, G. H. Stadler, S1c, P. Spenoglio, SC3c, E. Cogdell, S2c, A. Owocki, Bkr.1c, 2ND ROW—T. L. Downey, SC2c, H. F. Babiarz, S1c, N. E. Lofy, SC3c, G. W. Baumberger, S1c, E. Klepper, SC3c, D. L. Short, SK, M. B. McQueen, SC3c, E. Scholz, SC3c, F. Van Schaik, SC3c, U. G. Baggett, SC3c, L. Annis, S1c, C. Walter, SC3c, W. Johnson, SC3c...3RD ROW—L. J. Sutter, S1c, J. A. Adams, S2c, E. J. Roberts, SC3c, K. Burgett, SC3c, J. DeSlover, SC3c, R. R. Geiger, S1c, W. Mogley, SC3c, G. W. Jones SC3c, L. C. Cook, Bkr.3c, W. Debordinis, SC3c, C. Willingham, SC3c. 4TH ROW—S. Scafari, SC3c, T. Graham, SC3c, H. Morrison, Bkr.3c, V. Falahee, S1c, T. Falakee, S1c, N. Hoodak, SC3c, T. O'Halloran, S53c. FRONT ROW—R. J. Beriton, CCStd, S. S. Syckowski, CCStd, M. Klein, Ens., A. N. Lassen, CCStd, F. R. Peterson, SC1c.

What's Cookin' In Commissary?

The American Navy has always been noted for its wholesome food, and to maintain that reputation, we in the Commissary Department are doing our utmost to see that the meals we serve are carefully planned and properly prepared.

Leading the parade in this department are Ensign Malcolm Klein, SC-V (G) USNR, and his more than capable chief John S. Syckowski, CCStd (PA) RET. USN, and A. N. Lassen CCStd (PA) RET. USN.

Briefly, the Commissary Department includes the following divisions; the Galley, the Bake Shop, the Butcher Shop, the Issue Room, the Spud Locker, and the Messmen Division. To J. A. Fouguth, CCStd (AA) RET. USN falls the job of instructing the new cooks, and standardizing procedure. The messmen branch of the Commissary is

in the lead. Rejuvenated by their half time rest the Navigators came back strong in the second half and commanded the play until the end of the game. The highlight of this fray was Jack Lorenz' 55 yard runback of Joe Magnatta's kick to put the Sailors out ahead of the Tartars, 6-3 Charley Maag's lengthy conversion added an extra counter making it 7-3, and that was the count when the final gun sounded. In this game the Sailors played minus the services of their stellar trainer aid, "Doc" Kushner, who was stricken by a heart ailment.

F. Kalder, S2c, D. R. Stever, S2c, W. Berehalik, S2c, Renaud, S2c, Diver, S2c, R. Manny Av. Cad. pass out that good food.

ruled over by the iron hand of F. Gordon CSp (A) (AA) USNR. The Cooks have two watches. W. Warren SC2c is in charge of the starboard watch, and J. Cootes SC3c is in charge of the portside watch. The Bake Shop watches are supervised by A. Owcki Bkr.1c and E. Caulified Bkr.1c who, along with their assistants are doing an excellent job of baking all the pies, cakes, rolls, and cookies, that are served at our meals. The Butcher Shop is the origin of our grand steaks, roasts, and chops, and is headed by F. Peterson SC1c and his crew. The Issue Room is supervised by the inimitable Jack O'Dust R. Dully SK3c, whose function it is to receive all the incoming stores, and to issue all the requirements of the galley. The messmen are doing a very good job in seeing to it that our equipment is kept immaculately clean.

John Paul Jones, the father of our Navy, would be surprised to know that food rationing has changed considerably since his day when sailors lived onhardtack and salt pork, along with a daily ration of rum to keep them happy. Today, sailors are fed steaks and apple pies to keep them happy aboard ship.

The John Paul Jones' of today are the sailors on the tiny United States Navy P. T. boats. These men live on sandwiches, coffee, and danger. Although the P. T. boats are equipped with electric galleys and refrigerators, it is very often that the cooks are unable to prepare meals because of heavy seas.





CHAPLAIN'S

Corner

CHAPLAIN R. A. LUNDQUIST

Sincerity and Devotion

Each Sunday morning whether at sea or ashore, on those ships or stations to which a Chaplain is attached, a definite period of the day is set aside for the public worship of Almighty God. First indication is the bugle sounding over the ship's or station's loud speaker system, followed by the voice of the boatswain's mate of the watch admonishing all that "The smoking lamp is out, knock off all card games, turn off all radios, keep silence about the decks during Divine Services." The National colors are then dipped and above is raised the church pennant — an elongated white triangle with a blue cross, superimposed. This is the only pennant or flag that is permitted to fly above our National Ensign.

The average American sailor and Marine worships his God in the same manner that he takes care of his other obligations. Attendance is voluntary and it must be creditably ventured that he is more frequently present than absent. Sincerity is the keynote of the successful sailor's life. He will advance in rating in proportion to the sincerity of his application to duty. He will develop into an outstanding athlete, if sincere in his conditioning and training. He is a serious minded man at heart, and although he may have a rough exterior that would indicate nothing of his spiritual life, for his inward devotion to God is founded on sincerity.

The Navy chaplain preaches always to a mixed congregation — men of varied faiths attend the same services — and although he is free to emphasize the salient points of his own faith, his

words will be remembered, since the most attentive congregation in the world is the gathering of men, voluntarily worshipping God. The full throated voices of sturdy men as they sing the hymns, the hushed silence that accentuates the solemn prayers, eager eyes following every move, and keen memories absorbing the message. Sincerity and devotion is to be found in the United States Navy.

Your Library

Your library is now open and doing business at its new location on the second deck of the new Recreation Building. The changes introduced have produced more than a face-lifting effect. This is a completely new Library, and what is more, it will be run to the satisfaction of the customers.

The reading room is open daily from 1230 to 1630 and from 1800 to 2100. During these hours, all hands are at liberty to make use of the facilities of this quiet, comfortable and well-lighted room. Here is the answer to a long-felt need as to an ideal place to study how to become a Petty Officer, or to write letters to the best girl, or the folks back home, or just to sit and relax with a current or popular magazine.

While the doors are open the Chaplain's assistants, Arthur P. Dudden S1c, Warren White Y2c and Leonard Brooks S1c will be on duty at various times at the circulation desk. Besides the direct appeal of an excellent fiction collection, there can be found other books to attract the reader's eye. Travel, adventure, history, general literature as well as many volumes on mathematics, chemistry and physics all have their proper niches on the shelves. Books may be drawn and kept out for a period of seven days.

The future plans of the Library call for an increase in its usefulness to every man at this Base. Bluejacket manuals, manuals for the First Class Seaman, as well as many of the manuals for Petty Officer ratings will be kept in the library, through the cooperation of Lt. Hodnett, education officer. A policy of keeping these manuals in the library for use during the spare time of the men will eliminate the present bottleneck of waiting for the availability of manuals. The Wayne County Library is also cooperating in furnishing the very latest of fiction and non-fiction books, so any requests will be promptly acted upon. Local home-town newspapers will be available, if you make a request for the same.

Remember this is your library. Why not enjoy it?

Officers Promotions

The following Officers have been promoted effective October 1, 1951

TO LIEUTENANT

Lt. (jg), Cronk	Lt. (jg) Lundquist
" Hornauer	" Earl
" Parsons	" McKee

TO LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)

Ens. Kurz	Ens. Sullivan
" Penner	" Fox
" Silverstein	" Forger
" Lillich	" West
" Baugher	" Maino
" Lindsay	" Marconi
" Clark	" Anderson
" Kline	" Crockett
" Johnson	" Wines
" Graham	" Swanson
" Hanson	" Stamm
" Melhuse	" Brown
" Gates	" Caldwell
" Madden	" Davis
" Fisher	" Friedman
" Gustafson	" Van Buren
" Sumi	" Gammons
" Sekulski	" Holleran
" Waters	" McKeon
" Love	" Burns
" King	" Walker
" Bininger	" Flanigan
" Baer	" Forrest
" Kennedy	" McNett
" Goodchild	" Sessions
" Ricker	

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW CHIEFS:

W. R. St. John, CCM
 Paul Barnes, ACMM
 J. A. Terry, ACMM
 Edward Musial, ACMM
 M. T. Woodcock, ACMM
 W. H. Brown, ACM
 H. M. Jackson, ACRM

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW OFFICERS:

De Witt C. Cregier, Lieut.
 Leo A. Brach, Lieut.
 Richard Bernheim, Lieut.
 Robert F. Blythe, Lieut.
 Wm. S. MacNamara, Ens.
 Wm. Christian, Lt. (jg)
 Richard Prim, Lt. (jg)
 Seth Poet, Lt. (jg)
 Edward Hodnett, Lieut.
 James A. Bernson, Lieut.
 Ambrose P. Gleason, Lieut.
 James C. Doyle, Lieut.
 Joseph J. O'Brien, Lt. (jg)
 Marvin S. Thomas, Lt. (jg)
 Charles W. Rex, Lieut.
 George E. Leh, Lieut.
 Harry M. Meyers, Lieut.
 Wm. S. Miles, Lt. (jg)



THAT'S C. Milczewski, RM2c behind the 8 ball with Don Maynard, RM2c watching so intently. The recreation hall houses this billiard room for enlisted men.



A MICHIGAN State Bridge champion is Sol Mogal, S1c, and here he displays the trophy to prove it.



HACKE, Davis, Bradburn, Balkell, Bovill, and Barter, Leading Air Craftsmen, get in a practice session on Morris Code.

A. F. BOONE, S1c, walking and training one of the dogs that are now housed on the base to aid in its protection. Tough looking customers, aren't they — the dogs, we mean!



LT. (jg) M. W. CLARK, Photographic officer, whose men take the swell pictures for this magazine.



LT. (jg) FIELD and Redfield, S1c, demonstrate a group of model airplanes that really fly. And they look like the real thing, too!



YOU CAN purchase most anything from the ships store located in the new recreation hall. Do your Christmas shopping early!



LEFT TO RIGHT—Hansen, Spence, Warner, W. Tracy, Meagher, Jennings, Peters, girls from a Detroit Club, McBride, Denzler and Champagne gather 'round to help distribute packages of cigarettes sent out from Detroit by the club patrons.



THIS ISN'T a studio setting, but the actual thing. Fleet Air Arm students

HOW do you RATE?

October 1, 1942

The following advancements in rating were made effective this date:

AMM1c to ACMM (AA)

Barnes, P.
Musial, E. F.
Terry, J. A.

AMM2c to AMM1c

Cordelius, S. J.
Sabo, K.

AMM2c to AMM1c

Gilford, R. N.
Mayville, W. H.
Meyers, W. D.
Pluznik, V.
Sherlock, G. H.
Slagle, M. F.
Snyder, J. E.
Wise, L. E.

S1c to AMM3c

Babala, M.
Dodd, H. L.
Duggins, R. E.
Holliday, D. B.
Honey, J. H.
Jordon, W. E.
Kwalton, R. E.
Malymeik, C. A.
Noden, J. T.
Placzek, J. P.
Simpson, F. J.
Stanislowski, H. J.

RM2c to ARM2c

Edginton, C. J.

RM3c to ARM3c

Ebert, R. R.

AOM2c to AOM1c

Jones, E. A.

AOM3c to AOM2c

St. Peter, A. J.

S1c to AOM3c

Dilworth, D. H.

CM1c to CCM (AA)

St. John, W. K.

S1c to CM3c

Diehl, H. J.
Lodemel O.

Cox to BM2c

Newport, B. V.

S1c to Cox

Goodsmith, C. W.

Kessinger, A. E.

Wesley, J. H.

S2c to S1c

Alban, J. W.

Almas, R. E.

Andris, F. A.

Banchak, O. J.

Battese, J. F.

Bednorek, W. C.

Boehne, L. A.

Brokering, W. G.

Burke, J. C.

Day, F.

Flemming, G. A.

Ford, M. L.

Jermeland, S. E.

Johnson, G.

Jones, R. M.

Kirsch, M. F.

Knabusch, M. J. H.

Lambert, C. E.

Lossing, B. E.

Loyd, D. J.

Mitchell, J. F.

Pahota, W. A.

Puckett, Jr., F.

Riker, R. P.

Smith, C. E.

Wiesen, J. M.

A.S. to S2c

Cronk, H. W.

Gayton, H. C.

Golden, E. E.

Gruich, L.

Hoagland, H. E.

Lendzion, L. A.

Mentel, A. B.

O'Brien, W. J.

Phillips, R. W.

Seewald, C. W.

Thompson, C. L.

Tschirhart, J. R.

Woolsey, B. C.

Yeck, J. F.

F3c to F2c

Crane, W. E.

S1c to Y3c

Hatos, E. S.

Milosch, J. W.

Pranger, E. L.

Simon, E. A.

S2c to Y3c

De Frain, H. J.

Le Blanc, F. E.

Y3c to Y2c

Eklund, C. B.

Lont, G.

SK3c to SK2c

Farnum, R. W.

Randel, L. A.

Spence, W. T.

S1c to SK3c

Grohne, F. W.

Letterman, G. N.

Neesley, N. G.

Russell, G. V.

CCS (AA) to CCS (PA)

Foguth, J. A.

AerM2c to AerM1c

Sonenfeld, H.

HA1c to PhM3c

Burney, C. T.

Miller, D. L.

Wanley, C. H.

The following changes in rating were made November 1 1942.

RM3c to ARM3c

Luton, J. H.

S2c to F3c

Bostock, A. R.

Keller, H. F.

Klingler, R. J.

The following advancements in rating were effected November 1, 1942.

AMM2c to AMM1c

Anderson, J.

Owensby, C. E.

AMM3c to AMM2c

Blalock, D. W.

Edwards, E. J.

Parks, L. E.

Scoggins, E.

Simpson, F. J.

Zaluski, J. P.

S1c to AMM3c

Andris, F. A.

Briney, L. A.

Chadwick, R. H.

Chase, D. G.

De Rudder, J. R.

Fehler, D. A.

Flemming, G. C.

Garl, P. L.

Huren, J. E.

Jans, A. J.

Jones, R. M.

Kahal, J. K.

Lambert, C. E.

Lewis, A. F.

Lossing, B. E.

Mace, J. R.

Michalik, J.

Murphy, T. P.

Payette, A. C.

Peters, J.

Pfeifle, J. R.

Rice, R. K.

Riker, R. P.

Riopelle, A. L.

S1c to F2c

Dunn, D. D.

SK3c to Y3c

Wehl, F. W.

Seewald, G. R.

Silagyi, D. V.

Smith, E. J.

Steinberger, N.

Underhill, G. H.

Van Vliet, A. E.

Weymouth, R. B.

ARM to ACRM (AA)

Jackson, H. M.

S1c to RM3c

Roossien, H. A.

Parker, M. D.

S2c to RM3c

Trigg, W. W.

S1c to ARM3c

Smokovitz, W. L.

PhoM3c to PhoM2c

Brooksmith, P. C.

S1c to CM3c

Almas, R. E.

S1c to AM3c

Czenkusch, C. H.

CM3c to CM2c

Burkybile, H. J.

McClellan, W. E.

S1c to Ptr3c

Thurman, D. L.

Wendekier, L. J.

SF3c to SF2c

Starr, W. P.

S2c to SF3c

Jackson, J. R.

S1c to Sp(V)2c

Camisa, V. W.



No, No, Albert! that isn't what we mean by "undress whites"

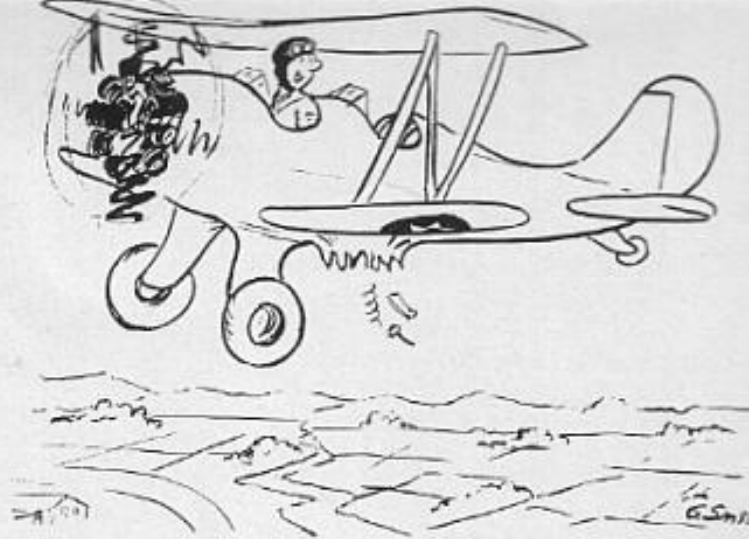
HOW DO YOU RATE?

PR3c to PR2c

Vargo, A. W.
SK3c to SK2c
 Cogdell, E.
 Hamilton, W. J.
F2c to F1c
 Davis, R. H.
 Labadie, H. J.
 Miller, L. W.
 Troutman, E. K.
 Wiseman, A. D.
F3c to F2c
 Bostock, A. R.
 Keller, H. F.
 Klingler, R. I.
 Pike, J. M.
 Roberts, E. C.
S1c to EM3c
 Fritz, S. A.
 Heyer, P. N.
S1c to Y3c
 Brown, L. E.
 Dina, J. J.
 Hutchins, W. H.
 Lillard, W. R.
 McCutchans, C. W.
 Simon, S. A.
S2c to Y3c
 Calka, B. A.
Y3c to Y2c

Kehl, F. W.
Y2c to Y1c
 Million, P.
 Stanley, C. V.
 Stewart, J. A.
PhM3c to PhM2c
 Clark, E. B.
 Howard, E. J.
 Spears, E. J.
HA1c to PhM3c
 Hesterly, J. M.
 Hughes, D. A.
 La Brosse, E. H.
HA2c to HA1c
 Franz, J. J.
 Harris, T. L.
 Holland, W. C.
 Reynolds, J. H.
S1c to SC3c
 De Sloover, J. A.
 Hoodak, N.
 Johnson, W. A.
 Scholz, E.
MA1c to OC3c
 Morris, A.
MA2c to MA1c
 Hill, R. H.
 Ford, W. R.
BM2c to BM1c
 Newport, B. V.

S1c to Cox
 Green, E. R.
 McIntosh, J.
S2c to S1c
 Abdo, L. M.
 Amos, G. L.
 Andrews, W. F.
 Bennett, V. D.
 Booth, R.
 Carroll, V. J.
 Donnelly, M. J.
 Drouillard, A. P.
 Fiorello, A. F.
 Fitzer, E. H.
 Grzincic, J.
 Gustke, J.
 Hodson, R. L.
 Jones, G. O.
 Lapp, P. N.
 Levick, F. M.
 Lindley, L. P.
 Merker, R. L.
 Nicho's, B. E.
 Novick, W. J.
 Reineke, F. W.
 Richburg, J.
 Strimple, G. W.
 Wyrobek, S. S.



"How's that for pulling out of a dive?"

Every month the list of eligible bachelors becomes short and shorter. The Supply Department seems to lead the list with 5 keepers of the keys embarking upon the sea of matrimony. Doug Irwin lead the parade, and in rapid succession Ed Summers, Carl Denzler, Richard McBride, and Anthony Picciuto. Personnel also has a name to add to the list of happily married men. Harry Ferris, Y3c.

Have you ever noticed that stub haircut on Jack West? Boot School Instructor. He says he was forced into it. "I can't control myself from tearing my hair during the course of the day but those Boots haunt me and after 8 hours of nightmare boot training I'd awake mornings, fists full of hair."

BASE PERSONNEL DONATE TO BLOOD BANK



Fulfilling another important public service, the personnel of this base the past month donated hundreds of pints of blood to the Red Cross blood bank. The donations were all voluntary and the response by the men of the base was proof of their cooperative spirit.

The fact that there were plenty of pretty nurses to assist and plenty of eats afterwards undoubtedly helped to swell the number of volunteers, but the final results were well worth the effort.

The mobile unit was brought directly to the base and set up in one wing of the new recreation building.



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Lieutenant Commander Rose, Royal Navy, is the senior British Officer at this base. He joined the British Navy in 1914 as a cadet. During World War I he saw service on board the HMS Barham, HMS Neptune, HMS Orford, and HMS Revenge. In 1924 he was released from duty with the Royal Navy for service with the RAF, where he served until 1931. During this tour of duty he rose to the rank of Lieutenant Commander. In 1931 he returned to the Royal Navy. He was the Executive Officer at the Royal Naval Air Station, Lee-on-Solent, England, an operating base similar to our Naval Operations Base, Norfolk, Virginia. During 1940 and 1941 the Commander was air gunnery officer on the Admiral's Staff, Dover, England, and saw the battle for which the Nazis and the British brought their big guns into action across the channel. As to air raids, they were too numerous to alley.



Lieutenant Commander Rose

Commander Rose arrived at Grosse Ile on June 24, 1942 to assume his present duties. He left his wife and one child in England. At the close of the interview, that old favorite question of reporters to foreign visitors was asked: "How do you like the United States?" The Commander seemed delighted at this, replying, "That is the one question I was hoping you would ask, because I like the States immensely and am grateful for the opportunity to be aiding in the development of your fliers and our own."

SHORTS

VIEWS

"Take off your hat."

"Why?" asked the sky pilot.

"Because according to my calculations, we are now entering the Cathedral."

SEAMAN GUARD

A new recruit took his first trial guard duty very seriously.

"Halt! Who goes there?" he challenged.

"Officer of the Day," came the reply.

"Halt! Who goes there?" he repeated.

"What's the big idea?" demanded the officer, emerging from the darkness.

"Nothing, sir, except that I have orders to challenge twice, then shoot."

SUCCESS STORY

A bluejacket after twenty years in the Navy went out with a comfortable fortune of \$60,000.00. He amassed a large sum through courage, the careful investment of his savings, enterprise, initiative, faithfulness, and the death of an uncle who left him \$59,000.00.

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TOOLS for the tools for the tools of war

We could add a few more "tools" to this headline if we had room. Arming Democracy is a complex business. Tracing back, tool by tool, from the tanks, ships and planes, we come to the first "tool" on the list: money. That's where we come in. There's a "Welcome" mat on our door and we invite your patronage. Checking accounts, savings accounts, safety deposit boxes. We are ready to serve you quickly, kindly, and conscientiously.

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