

# STAFF SURGEON RECEIVES MEDAL



Commander Fred Shapiro (MC), USNR, staff surgeon, is shown receiving the Legion of Merit medal from Commanding Officer Captain F. C. Hill, with staff officers who attended the ceremony, in the background witnessing the presentation. The ceremony took place in front of the administration building on 17 March, following a staff conference.

## Legion of Merit To Cmd. Shapiro

As a regimental surgeon assigned to a Marine Artillery regiment in the South Pacific, Commander Fred Shapiro (MC) USNR, displayed a tireless energy in the saving of hundreds of lives and for his exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services he has been awarded the Legion of Merit medal and citation.

On 17 March officers of the Seattle Naval Hospital staff gathered in front of the administration building to see presented to Cmdr. Shapiro the high honor from the Commanding General of the Pacific Fleet Marine Force. Coming as a complete surprise to the staff surgeon, the medal was presented by Commanding Officer Captain F. C. Hill, who also read the citation, which was signed by Lt. Gen H. M. Smith, USMC.

Said the citation: "For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services to the Government of the United States while serving with a Marine Artillery Regiment as regimental surgeon from March 1943 to August 1944, and in the Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, and Saipan and Tinian, Marianas Islands operations. During this entire period Commander Shapiro by his organizational ability, devotion to duty and tireless energy organized and trained the medical sections of the regiment to a high state of efficiency and readiness for combat. During the Tarawa operation he performed numerous operations on the wounded under adverse conditions on board ship prior to the time his unit was ordered ashore. During the initial stages of the Saipan operation, when the regimental headquarters area was heavily shelled on several occasions, he unhesitatingly and with total disregard for personal safety administered aid to the wounded under heavy fire. Later in the Saipan operation, while serving on the staff at the division hospital his skill as a surgeon contributed greatly to the saving of many lives. During this period he

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## Red Cross Fund Amounts to \$1,072; Drive to Continue Through March

A total of \$1,072 had been collected up to 22 March in the hospital's American Red Cross War Fund drive, according to a report made by the local committee. The drive will continue through the remainder of the month of March.

Commissioned officers on the station are high donors to the annual drive with \$608.50. Civilian employees have contributed \$375, of which \$100 was given by 17 members of the Red Cross staff. Enlisted personnel have so far given \$89.62.

All persons on the compound who have not already donated to the War Fund and wish to do so may contact members of the committee: Cmdr. F. H. Wanamaker, Lt. W. B. Brookover, Lt. (jg) Corinne Way, Mrs. Gladys Cooney or H. W. Hawker.

## Seven Patients Receive Purple Heart Awards

Purple Heart medals and citations were awarded here last week to seven patients, three of whom received them in the office of the executive officer on 19 March. Acting Executive Officer Commander A. M. French presented the medals to Roy J. McDonald, Chief PhM, USNR, Ward 1; Pfc. Charles William Lombardi, Jr., USMCR, Ward 4; and Normand Noggle, SK2c, Ward 2.

At Ward inspection on Friday, 23 March, the following received the decoration: Corp. Clarence E. Mock, USMCR, Ward 2; Pfc. Merton R. Jensen, USMCR, Ward 2; and Pfc. John E. O'Leary, Jr., USMCR, Ward 21.

Also receiving the Purple Heart was Nick Marakis, Bugler 2c, USN.

## Welcome New Patients, Farewell Staff Members

The Seattle Naval Hospital welcomes with great pleasure all new patients and staff members who have come to it since the last publication of The Stethoscope.

It is with regret that during the past two weeks farewell was bid to a large group of staff members including a number of corpsmen who have been on the station for a number of months; several Waves, transferred to other stations and to groups of nurses transferred to other hospitals, dispensaries and to sea duty.

## LIBRARY MUSIC ROOM OPENED TO PERSONNEL

The recording machine in the Library Music room has been repaired and the music room is again open to the hospital personnel for their enjoyment.

Contained in the musical library are 65 volumes of classical and semi-classical selections.



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## Handicaps Versus Happiness

Recently, several articles have appeared in popular magazines, describing remarkable success achieved by certain individuals in overcoming physical handicaps.

Men who have lost both hands, or both legs, or have become totally blind, have learned to perform useful work and become self-sustaining and to take their places in society and be happy. In the past there have been many such notable examples, outstanding among them being the case of Helen Keller, who was both deaf and blind.

To compensate for a physical handicap, the person must develop unusual type and degrees of skill unknown to the normal individual. This requires prolonged, laborious and often tedious practice and hard work. Individuals differ in their ability to acquire new skills, and for some the task is tremendous.

Remarkable as the various physical accomplishments may be, there is a still more notable part of the picture. These individuals do not resign themselves to a life of invalidism. The spirit, the will to do, is what sets these individuals apart. The determination to overcome deficiencies and to compensate for weaknesses makes the difference between invalidism with emotional maladjustment and independence with happiness.

It is true that some handicaps cannot be completely, or even measurably overcome. In such cases, happiness depends on acceptance of the inevitable and mental adjustment to it.

In a much smaller way, the same factors apply to many of us in everyday life. Most of us have minor discomforts not associated with serious diseases, from time to time. If we become introspective and give up because of fear, or lack of moral fiber, or the desire to escape unpleasant tasks, our prospect of maintaining a proper place in society is remote. And at the same time, loss of self-respect will contribute to future failure in life.

C. E. WATTS (MC), USNR,  
Chief of Medicine.

## JEWISH PASSOVER IS OBSERVED THIS WEEK

The Jewish Passover Festival, known as the feast of the unleavened bread, begins at sundown, Wednesday, 28 March, and lasts for eight days. On the days of 29 March and 30 March, the Jewish Welfare Board in the Seattle USO Club, 1011 2nd Ave., is making plans in cooperation with the entire Seattle Jewish Community to extend hospitality of the Synagogue and the homes in the city to all the service personnel who can attend the Passover celebration.

Special liberty will be granted to

Chicago (CNS)—Henry Larson, the cop who inherited \$125,000 two years ago from a wealthy widow who liked the way he patrolled his beat in front of her house, will return to the same beat as soon as he leaves the Navy with a medical discharge "Pounding a beat is what I do best," says he.

Jewish patients from 1300 28 March to 0745 30 March. Patients must submit a special liberty chit. Staff members of the Jewish faith will be granted special liberty by the executive officer as far as circumstances permit.

## STAFF SURGEON

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personally took care of two hundred sixty-six compound fractures, displaying outstanding skill and untiring effort in the care of the wounded. Commander Shapiro continued his meritorious work throughout the Tinian operation. His tireless energy and outstanding devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

On the staff of the local hospital since 12 September, 1944, Cmdr. Shapiro lives at 1849 North 51st Street with his wife and two children, Thomas Michael and Melva Ann. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois Medical School and was on the faculty of Rush Medical College from 1931 to 1941.

Entering the Naval service in March, 1942, Cmdr. Shapiro served as medical officer at Navy Pier, Chicago, for ten months before leaving for duty with the Second Marine Division, Tenth Marines, in December, 1942.

He wears the Presidential Unit Citation and Pacific Theatre ribbons. Said Comdr. Shapiro, "I consider it an honor to have served with the Marine Corps, but the boys who deserve the medals are still over there."

## Easter Services Planned At Chapel

The dawn of a new day in Christian churches is celebrated with coming of Easter Sunday which will be observed on the Seattle Naval hospital compound with special services in the Chapel on the Hill, 1 April.

With the preceding days of Holy Week as a time of prayer and meditation, Chaplains on the hospital station have prepared a schedule of observances to meet the religious needs of the various creeds.

Protestant services during Holy Week will include a special candle-light communion service with special music to be held Maundy Thursday evening at 2000 at the chapel. On Good Friday, the Chapel on the Hill will be open to patients and staff from 1200 to 1500 for prayer and meditation with short sermons to be given on the hour. Easter Sunday services at the regular time will feature special music by the choir and soloists.

Services for Catholic personnel during Holy Week will feature repository of the most Blessed Sacrament from 1100 to 1900 on Holy Thursday; mass of the presanctified on Good Friday at 0620; Stations of the Cross at 1530; and sermon and veneration of the cross at 1800; Holy Saturday services will be held at 0620 and Easter Sunday masses will be celebrated at the regular hours, 0620 and 0930.

Richmond, Va. (CNS)—Highbutton shoes, "for men 25 to 45," have gone on sale here as a result of an OPA ruling that they may be sold without shoe ration coupons.



## Chaplains Corner

### DIVINE SERVICES

Hospital Chapel  
CATHOLIC

Chaplain .....John Lane  
Sunday Masses.....0620 and 0930  
Weekday Mass .....0620 Daily  
Novena Service.....Tuesday 1800  
Confessions: Heard before all masses.

### PROTESTANT

Chaplains.....W. Boyd Thrift  
Lloyd A. Doty  
Divine Services.....1030  
Choir Rehearsal.....Wednesdays, 1700

## TIME FOR THOUGHT

"Americans as a rule are motor-minded and find their chief satisfactions in action . . . "Heart disease and nervous disorders are mounting at an alarming pace and physical breakdowns are commonplace." (Kirby Page, Living Creatively, page 36).

This is Holy Week and the Wednesday of Holy Week which is called the Day of Silence because there is no record of the events of the day. "The Gospels are silent. It is thought Jesus spent the day with friends at Bethany."

The statements above are not mutually exclusive for each indicates the great need for silence and solitude. We can transform our lives by using even fifteen minutes or half an hour daily spent in silence, if this practice is continued for an extended period of weeks.

Perhaps the one reason we find our lives so frustrated and without creative results is our lack of relaxation and meditation. As we read great biographies one of the great impressions in common is the sense of need for "silent brooding." Sir Isaac Newton, Sir Humphrey Davy, Bishop Phillips Brooks, Michael Angelo, Abraham Lincoln, are just a few of the many great personalities whose life stories indicate this need for brooding and thinking in silence. Even Jesus of Nazareth spent time alone in a desert place, on a mountain, by the sea by himself and each time recorded, a great decision was made or was followed by an outstanding event in his life.

At this hospital there is a chapel that is open at all hours of the day for just such a retreat for all hands. Why not try a daily pilgrimage to its quiet sanctuary, relax and be receptive, and discover powers and resources that many have never experienced before. "Be still and know . . ."

"To fear the silence is an admission of guilt. It is a confession that one is not living in harmony with the purpose of life. It is a confession that one is wilfully retarding and delaying one's inner self on its way to perfection."—Benjamin F. Woodcox, The Silence.

—L.A.D.



## No. 1 Blind Man Visits Hospital Wards



Ward 24 patients were recently treated to a visit from Dr. W. D. Kallenbach, No. 1 blind man in America. Photographed with the distinguished visitor who spoke informally to the patients were, first row, left to right: R. A. Madison, AM3c; C. O. Elliott, S2c; Dr. Kallenbach; R. R. Tunis, F2c. Second row, left to right: Pfc. G. Chakalis; L. F. Crofton, F1c; E. R. Mynar, CM2c; C. R. Earl, MM2c; D. Black, S1c; C. R. Rollins, B1c; J. R. McCarthy, S2c; E. T. Legere, ARM2c; Fld. Ck. H. E. Shaw; H. C. Ross, EM2c; H. Gille, S2c; A. M. Watt, AMM3c; Sgt. M. A. Olson; E. Craig, SKV2c; N. W. Thomas, MM3c; L. M. Magnuson, AMM3c; H. E. Hay, S1c; G. E. Childress, GM1c; L. W. Snell, SK3c; Pfc. G. Panosian, and G. T. Lang, BM1c.

"Just because we've lost our sight does not mean we're not normal," Dr. Walter D. Kallenbach told patients on Ward 24 during a recent visit to the ward, at which time he was introduced to the patients by Lt. Cmdr. Carl Jensen. Dr. Kallenbach, "No. 1 Blind Man in America," who heads the government's program for the blind, is a dynamic individual. He has not let the fact that he lost his sight while still a young man alter his way of living to any great extent.

Traveling alone, without the aid of a guide dog, or even the use of a white cane, Dr. Kallenbach, who is also an evangelist, goes about on his tour of hospitals and blind institutions spreading optimism and sincere advice.

Explaining the five-point program of the government's service to aid the sightless to become self-sufficient, the speaker explained the aid being given at various hospitals. Number one on the program of rehabilitation is the physical aspect, followed closely by the psychological, which he explained, "puts a person over the hump in adjustment to his new way of living." Third point on the program is the vocational, which includes the use of Braille reading, writing, typewriting, use of tools and learning of new occupations. The personal program stresses learning to dress properly, shave, handle money and the other necessities of personal living, and the fifth is recreational. "We're normal people and there is no reason why we can't enjoy golf, swimming and other active sports."

In commenting on guide dogs, Dr. Kallenbach stated that there are

seven guide dog institutions in America, and boys losing their sight may have the advantage of a guide dog if they so desire and if they are temperamentally suited. "For myself, I'd kill a dog trying to keep up with me. I travel so fast," said the speaker. "Some boys want a dog and some can't get adjusted to them." According to Dr. Kallenbach, the Veterans Administration will handle the arrangements for those wishing to secure one. He also told the patients that they may secure Braille typewriters.

An interesting fact brought out by the No. 1 Blind Man was the fact that according to a recent report from Washington, the war blind comprise only one per cent of the blind in the United States. "The morale of our boys is magnificent," he said. "Better than that of the civilians. There are less than 1,000 blind in all branches of the services."

Dr. Kallenbach concluded his informal speech with a resume of the work being done at the Naval Hospital in Philadelphia, center for work with the sightless.

**Brooklyn (CNS)**— William Moore tossed a little party for 72 friends in his 2-room Brooklyn apartment. The Soiree broke up at 2 a.m. on the complaints of neighbors when police arrested all the guests on charges of disturbing the peace and held Host Moore in \$500 on a charge of violating the alcoholic beverage control law. "All I did," he complained with righteous indignation, "was charge my guests 25 cents admission and 25 cents for a bottle of my home-made blackberry wine."

## Father of Hospital Gardener Was Famous Danish Artist

While looking aboard for prominent figures, let's pause and look at the man who superintends the planting of our gardens. For the past three years Oscar Matthiesen has been in charge of our USNH garden crew. This is the latest of his several landscaping feats in Seattle where he has resided for the past 20 years. His migration to America in 1922 from Denmark brought him to a locale similar in climate, with the exception of fog and milder winters that he experienced in his home land. Mr. Matthiesen's background in his field has been broad and interesting, having studied landscaping in France, Italy, Germany, Norway, Sweden, and Denmark, and attended the Danish College of Agriculture.

**His artistic ability dates back to an early age, for he tells us how as a child apprentice he assisted in the decoration of the suite in the King's palace occupied by Teddy Roosevelt at the time of his visit to Copenhagen.**

The most prominent influence of a great painter on his son is evident in the Matthiesen family. Oscar Matthiesen, Sr., well known throughout Europe for his painting, was instrumental in reviving the al fresco form of painting, forgotten since the Renaissance period Italian masters.

**He spent ten years in Italy studying and working on his experiment. Al fresco is the method of painting on a wet plaster, outlasting any-**

## CONGRATULATIONS FOR WAR BOND CAMPAIGN

Congratulations to Captain R. C. Lounsberry (MC) USNR, War Bond Officer, and Chief Pharmacist S. W. Curtis, USN, assistant War Bond Officer, and to all hands were extended this past week by Rear Admiral R. M. Griffin, Commandant of the Thirteenth Naval District, for the fine showing made by the hospital in the recent War Bond Allotment campaign.

According to the Commandant's letter, "Among those activities having a complement of 1,000 or more military personnel, the Naval Hospital, Seattle showed the second highest participation increase on a percentage basis—from 52.1 per cent to 70.4 per cent."

The letter stated, "The final result of the subject program showed an increase of 9 per cent participation by military personnel attached to activities within the Thirteenth Naval District.

**New York (CNS)**— Someone swiped \$500,000 of cash from a department store window here. Only trouble was the money was printed on only one side. It had been placed in the window as a come-on for bond sales.

**thing but earthquake, soot, or deliberate destruction. A coat of paraffin eliminates casualty from soot. In some instances he has used canvas, but most of his larger paintings are of the al fresco type.**

Members of royalty, including the Danish king and crown prince, the Danish president, a prominent government engineer and various other officials sat for their portraits at the hand of Mr. Matthiesen, Sr.

Mr. Matthiesen, Jr., has a catalogue of his father's paintings, including several miniature reproductions. They include scenes of government bodies, street and country scenes of several European countries, folklore, and his conception of Bible sequences. Examples of his fine work may be found in many of the European palaces and houses of art.

## Smoking Regs for Bed Patients Modified

Good news for the bed patients with the modifications of hospital orders No. 49 and 55 in regards to smoking in bed.

Smoking for bed patients will be limited to the following hours: 0700 to 0800; 0930 to 1000; 1200 to 1300; 1500 to 1530; 1700 to 1800; 2100 to 2130. Smoking is allowed in the solariums for up patients from 0700 to 2200 only.

**Dedham, Mass. (CNS)**—Grounds for divorce: Mrs. Laura Grimm sent her husband out to look for a job. He found one, all right—for her.



## Silver Star Given Officer Patient

Performing his duties heroically under enemy fire and displaying courageous action while serving aboard a landing ship won for Boatswain Robert H. Edwards, USN, patient on SOQ F, the Silver Star medal and citation here last week. The citation was read by Lt. Cmdr. Austin Friend and the medal was presented by Commanding Officer Captain F. C. Hill before a group of officer patients, Acting Executive Officer Commander A. M. French and Captain R. C. Lounsberry.

Boatswain Edwards has, since his heroic act, advanced in rank from Chief Boatswain's Mate to the rank of a warrant officer. He is the son of Mrs. Marguerite H. Edwards of Los Angeles, Calif.

The citation, by command of Major General Huebner from the Headquarters of the First U. S. Infantry Division reads: "During landing operations chains supporting the ramp of a landing ship were broken because of an unusually rough sea. Despite an enemy bombing attack, Chief Boatswain's Mate Edwards unmindful of his own safety, plunged into the choppy waters, secured the ends of the broken chains and this permitted the continuation of unloading. His courageous action saved several hours of unloading time and permitted a field artillery battalion to reach shore in time to repulse an enemy attack."

The honored officer has been a patient at the local hospital since 30 January.

## CAPT. R. C. LOUNSBERRY LEAVES FOR SEA DUTY

A reluctant farewell to Captain Ray C. Lounsberry (MC) USNR, who left the station in answer to orders received last week. Captain Lounsberry, popular member of the staff who had his office on Ward 35, was hospital dermatologist and became well known to the personnel through his work as hospital War Bond Officer. Orders for Capt. Lounsberry took him to San Bruno, Calif., for further transfer to duty outside the Continental Limits.

A resident of B.O.Q. since his arrival here 11 September 1944, Captain Lounsberry served in the Navy during the last World War, then holding the rank of Lt. (jg). Before entering the service Capt. Lounsberry practiced at the Mayo Clinic, the Skin Cancer Hospital in St. Louis and in Paris and Stockholm.

Westfield, N. J. (CNS)—A local resident saw bear tracks. His hair stood up, his eyes bugged out, his blood froze, he screamed "Cop!" Police organized a posse, tracked their quarry three days, finally cornered it in a cave. Then out walked the "bear"—a great big, sleepy-eyed mild mannered English shepherd dog with shaggy paws.



BOATSWAIN R. H. EDWARDS

Boatswain Robert H. Edwards, USN, patient on SOQ-F, proudly wears his new Silver Star medal which tops his triple row of service ribbons and decorations.

## Quartermaster Designs New Grenade Carrier

Washington (CNS)—A new pocket carrier for hand grenades has been developed by the Quartermaster Corps. It is made of No. 10 olive drab hard texture duck with 3 pockets in a vertical line, each fastening with 2 bronze-finish brass snap fasteners. The carrier is attached to a soldier's cartridge belt with a bronze finish brass hook. Two lengths of webbing are sewed to the bottom end of the carrier and may be tied around the thigh to keep it from flapping. The duck and webbing have been treated for water repellency and resistance to mildew.

The 3 pockets are large enough to carry 6 "pineapple" type grenades, or 3 large-size explosive grenades or 3 smoke grenades.

## GI Is Discharged: He Can't Wear ODs

Camp Maxey, Tex. (CNS)—Men have been discharged from the Army for many reasons—some good and some bad—but the discharge of Pvt. Albert L. Van Derscheuren, of this post, is one of the strangest of all. Pvt. Van Derscheuren was returned to civvies because he is allergic to wearing OD's. After exhaustive tests, Army doctors were convinced that he developed a severe rash whenever OD's got close to his skin. The rash cleared up quickly when the OD's were taken away.

Indianapolis (CNS)—Local police had a field day on a recent Sunday. They raided a local hotel, broke up several card games, arrested 15 men on gambling charges, hauled five sleeping couples out of bed and to the jug, seized some liquor, and cracked a few skulls. Then they returned to headquarters, beaming happily.

## AMERICAN NEGRO TROOPS FIGHT ON ALL WAR FRONTS

By Camp Newspaper Service

Whether it's building B-29 bases in India, pushing the vitally-needed Ledo Road through the jungles of Burma, "Red-Balling" supplies across France, or engaging the enemy in deadly combat, the Negro soldier in this war is proving his mettle, as he has in every war in which America has been a participant, beginning with the War for Independence.

More than 700,000 Negro soldiers were on the Army's rolls at the end of 1944. Almost 6000 were commissioned officers. Although many Negroes are doing the tough, unglamorous jobs of service and supply, others are distinguishing themselves in combat in every theater of war. Nine per cent of all U. S. soldiers who participated in the Normandy invasion were Negroes.

There are Negro air fighter squadrons, Negro infantry divisions, Negro paratroopers, Negro "medics," Negro tank men, and anti-tank men, Negro mine-sappers, Negro artillerymen, ordnance men, etc. The Army's top generals say all are doing a bang up job.

A Negro fighter pilot, Lt. Lee A. Archer, of New York City, has 10 enemy planes to his credit, 4 in the air and 6 on the ground. He is a member of the 332nd Fighter Group in Italy, and has completed 138 missions.

Another Negro, Capt. Albert H. Manning Jr., 27, a P-51 pilot, flew 123 missions with the 99th Fighter Squadron, and was awarded the DFC and the Air Medal with 3 oak leaf clusters. They are only 2 of many.

The Army has no breakdown on how many Negroes have won citations and commendations for heroism or exceptional service, just as it has no breakdown on the number of Irish-Americans or Polish-Americans who have been so honored. But, culled from War Department releases, here are a few of the things for which Negroes have been cited:

A Negro Field Artillery Battalion, the 969th, participated in the heroic defense of Bastogne, where the back of Field Marshal Von Rundstedt's winter offensive was broken, firing their 155 mm howitzers under a rain of mortar fire and beating off German attacks "infantry style."

A Negro Ordnance Group, the 71st, saved 3 ammunition supply points, following the German breakthrough on the 1st Army front, evacuating them under fire.

Negro and White MPs working in teams, smashed a black market ring in Cherbourg.

The 93rd Infantry Division, a Negro outfit, fought the Japs at Bougainville.

Negro enlisted men of the Engineer General Service Regiment of Peninsular Base Section in Italy cleared more the 10,000 mines from the vitally important Leghorn port

area. A Negro service unit was the first to win the 5th Army Plaque for providing a smoke screen under heavy air attack at another important harbor.

A Negro anti-aircraft balloon battalion and a Negro Quartermaster Truck Company were specially commended by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Allied Commander, for meritorious service in the invasion of France. And every member of the "Red Ball Express,"—60 percent Negroes—was honored by Gen. Eisenhower for tireless devotion to duty in keeping supplies abreast of our fast-advancing armies following the break-through in France.

## In The Library

How active a role will the United States play in international affairs of the future? The fact that our country is gradually emerging from the apathy of isolationism to assume a decidedly positive position in foreign affairs can be seen in the following books available in the hospital library, located in the Recreation Building:

Dexter Perkins, in his AMERICA AND TWO WARS, gives a picture of U. S. foreign policy from 1898 to the present in which he discusses the need in the future for a most active and positive program to maintain peace.

ENVOY UNEXTRAORDINARY is Donald C. Dunham's account of his eight years as a vice-consul in the Foreign Service. His thesis concerns the short-sightedness of the State Department in refusing to place experienced career men in strategic positions of authority where they might implement our foreign policy.

Walter Lippman's U. S. FOREIGN POLICY: SHIELD OF THE REPUBLIC actually defines foreign policy of the future in relation to Great Britain, Russia, China and Latin America.

Of particular interest to those who believe that the future welfare depends largely on relations with Russia is THE ROAD TO TEHRAN by Foster Rhea Dulles. It is a concise account of American relations with Russia from 1781 to 1943.

### Further Readings

Thomas A. Bailey: A Diplomatic History of the American People.

Herbert C. Hoover and Hugh Gibson: The Problems of Lasting Peace.

William F. Sands: Our Jungle Diplomacy.

Robert A. Smith: Your Foreign Policy, How, What, Why.

Los Angeles (CNS) — They're granting air priorities to mice these days. Fifty thousand miserable mice have been shipped by air from Los Angeles to Indianapolis where they will be used by a laboratory to develop a serum for a serious tropical disease, according to the Navy.

## Chief Pharmacist Day Has a Birthday



It was Happy Birthday, Mr. Day, on 16 March, and the returns of the day were expressed in a surprise birthday cake presented to the executive officer's assistant by his office helpers, Peggy and Bill. Chief Pharm. Day, who is one of the best known officers on the station, is shown above cutting his large cake which contained (42) candles. Visitors to his office that morning (including the inspection party) sampled the token of esteem. Mrs. Day, who is also employed on the compound, was a guest of honor at the party. The Stethoscope joins with the staff and patients of the hospital in wishing him belated happy returns of the DAY.

## STILL TIME TO ENTER TALL-TALE CONTEST

There is still time to enter the Kate Smith Tall Tales contest. A total of \$350 cash prizes are being offered to the servicemen in the Army, Navy and Marine hospitals in the United States who submit the winning Tall Tales of the week. The biggest whopper wins \$250, and is read on the Kate Smith Hour over KIRO Sunday afternoons at 1600.

In addition to the first prize, Kate offers runner-up awards of \$10 each for Tall Tales from hospitalized servicemen. On the final Kate Smith Hour of the season, 10 June, a grand prize of \$1000 will be presented to the writer who submits the tallest Tall Tale of all weekly winners.

Servicemen wishing to try for these cash prizes should send their story (300 words is a good average length) to Kate Smith, Columbia Broadcasting System, 485 Madison Avenue, New York, 17, New York.

**Bronx, N. Y. (CNS)**—When Tony Carretto, a war worker, saw a young man beating a girl in the street, he ran to her rescue, chased the youth into an alley and caught him. Meantime the girl's father, a burly policeman, heard the struggle, dashed into the alley himself, and started to pummel Carretto, mistaking him for the assailant. The whole affair ended unhappily when the real assailant broke free of Carretto's grasp, kicked Father in the eye and dashed away to safety.

**Concord, N. H. (CNS)**—A bill filed in the New Hampshire state legislature would make goats taxable.

## Servicemen Warned Of Farm Chisel

**Kansas City (CNS)**—The case of a wounded veteran of World War II who paid \$12,000 for a farm he could have bought for \$8,000—putting up his entire life savings of \$4,000 as the initial payment—was revealed by I. W. Duggan, governor of the Farm Credit Administration.

Even worse, Mr. Duggan said, the "normal productive value of the farm, judged on its ability to afford the owner a living and pay taxes and indebtedness, was only \$5,000."

Mr. Duggan issued an urgent appeal to all servicemen and women who plan to become farmers after the war to consult with their county agricultural advisory committees before buying farms with their savings. If the wounded veteran had sought the advice of the county agricultural advisory committee, he said, the chances are he would not have paid a price in excess of the agricultural value of the farm. So far in the present war, he added, the percentage of rise in land prices is about equal to the comparative period of the last war. Most of the 2,000,000 farm foreclosures of the last 25 years stemmed from indebtedness incurred to buy land in and following World War I.

## Five Hospital Corpsmen 'Cover' Pacific War

**Washington, D. C. (HCQNS)**—Five hospital corpsmen with newspaper experience in civilian life have been selected to join a large number of writers attached to the staff of Admiral Nimitz to "cover" the war in the Pacific. The assignments are part of an ambitious public relations plan to keep the home folks posted.

The hospital corpsmen selected are: Sol Winter, PhM1c; Ralph D. Aylesworth, PhM3c; Paul D. Milford, HA1c; Sam G. Harris, HA1c, and Marcel J. Erminio, HA1c.

## Bill Asks Continued Pay for 12 Months

**Washington, D. C. (HCQNS)**—A bill introduced into the Senate on 7 March, 1945, asks that pay of members of the armed forces be continued for a period of 12 months following discharge from the service.

The Farm Credit Administration has published a booklet, "About That Farm You're Going to Buy," which is available on request. The FCA can be addressed at Kansas City 8, Missouri.

## NEW COURSES OFFERED MARINE CORPS MEMBERS

The Marine Corps Institute has recently announced the addition of three new courses to their curriculum. The courses are Psychology, Applied Business Law and The Pacific World. The latter course, Pacific World, is a new course designed to be of interest to Marines who have visited many parts of the South Pacific or those who expect to visit there.

All of the necessary textbook material and workbooks are provided. The above mentioned courses would probably be acceptable for high school credit, which fact should interest all Marines who have not finished high school training.

The courses are for Marine Corps personnel only and any Marine interested in more information about them may see Capt. W. D. Anderson in the Education building.

## NAVY'S NEW SB2C-4 PACKS MIGHTY WALLOP

**Pacific (CNS)**—The SB2C-4—the Navy's newest carrier plane which participated in the recent raids on Tokyo—packs the biggest punch ever carried by a single-engined aircraft. In addition to the "more-than-1000-pound" bomb load carried in the belly, as in predecessors of this type, the new plane mounts 20 mm cannon on each wing, carries another 1000 pounds of bombs in wing racks and shoots 8 5-in. rockets from similar positions.

## KNOW YOUR STATION OFFICERS



Lt. Johnson Interviews a Patient

Among the officers recently added to the staff of the Naval hospital here is Lt. L. R. Johnson, benefits and insurance officer. Lt. Johnson of Arkansas City, Kan., formerly served with the Armed Guard and was on sea duty until last January. He completed the course at the new training school for insurance officers in Washington, D. C. Before entering the service, Lt. Johnson was connected with an insurance company for five years and with the General Motors company as territorial manager for eight and one-half years.

## Warn Personnel On Laxity In Saluting

There has been a general laxity in regard to saluting on the hospital reservation and patients and staff are hereby advised to take note of a recent executive officer's order concerning that fact. All officers are to be saluted on the compound and according to the executive officer's order all officers are to enforce the proper salutes.

Also included in the order is a modification of the Order No. 28 in regards to saluting which considers passageways of the hospital covered or below decks for the purpose of saluting.



## If You've Just Returned Stateside— Read the Rules for Gracious Living

Just in case you haven't already read it, there is going around the compound a ditty entitled, "A Short Indoctrination Course for Men Returning to the United States." Below is printed a revised edition of the paper which it states is "in compliance with current policies of rotation of armed forces overseas."

"The following will be emphasized in the subject indoctrination:

"In the United States, there are many beautiful girls. These young ladies have not been liberated and many are gainfully employed as stenographers, salesgirls and beauty operators, welders or aircraft workers. Contrary to current practices, they should not be greeted with a resounding wolf-howl, hound-dog bay, or great Dane bark. A proper greeting is, "Isn't It a Lovely Day?" or "Have you ever been to Chicago?" This should be stated in a controlled, well-modulated voice. It is not considered good form to address each beautiful creature with the remark, "Hi-Yah Babe!" Such remarks are generally associated with First Avenue (Market Street—Vine Street) Commandos and no self-respecting sailor would claim kinship with these lost souls.

### What to Eat

"A typical American breakfast consists of such strange food as cantaloupes, fresh eggs, milk, ham, etc. These are highly palatable and though strange in appearance, are extremely tasty. Butter, made from cream, is served, at times. If you wish some butter, you turn to the person nearest it, and quietly say, 'Please pass the butter,' you do not say, 'Throw me the XX grease.'

"American dinners in most cases consist of several items, each served in a separate dish. The common practice of mixing various items, such as corned beef and pudding, or lima beans and peaches, to make it more palatable, will be refrained from. In time, the separate dishes will become enjoyable. It is only a matter of becoming accustomed to these new ideas.

"Americans have a strange taste for stimulants. Such drinks as are common in the Pacific, such as under-ripe coconut juice, torpedo juice, pineapple 'swipe,' or just gasoline, bitters and kerosene, are not ordinarily acceptable in civilian circles. These drinks should not be served under any circumstances. It is well known that such drinks as have been available in the Pacific tend to distort one's discrimination but within a short time, the American drinks will be taken with gusto and a deep sense of delight.

### How To Travel

"In traveling in the U.S. particularly in a strange city, it is often necessary to spend the night. Hotels are provided for this purpose. These are comfortable structures and are maintained by the Americans for the aid and comfort of travelers. Here, for a small sum, one may register and obtain a room where he may sleep for the night. Most any person in the U. S. will be

able to direct you to one of these hotels. The practice of entering the nearest house, throwing out the occupants into the yard and taking over the premises will be discouraged. Americans are sometimes sensitive about this practice.

"Whiskey, a common American drink, may be offered by a host to a visiting American Sailor upon some social occasion. It is considered a reflection on the uniform to snatch the bottle from the hostess or host to drain the bottle, cork and all. All individuals are cautioned to exercise the greatest restraint in this respect.

### What to Do

"In motion picture theatres, which exist in large numbers in some localities, seats are provided. It is not necessary to bring your helmet. It is not considered good form to whistle, stamp, yell or emit wolf-howls every time a female over eight and under ninety appears on the screen. If your vision is impaired by the person in the seat ahead of you, there are many other seats that may be occupied by you. Do not hit this person across the neck and say, 'Move your head, jerk, I can't see a thing.'

### How to Dress

"Upon retiring, one will often find a pair of pajamas laid out on the bed. (Pajamas, it should be explained, are two pieces of clothing that are donned after all other clothing has been removed.) The sailor confronted with these garments, should assume an air of familiarity and act as though he were accustomed to them. A casual remark, such as, "My what a lovely shade," will usually suffice. Under no circumstances should one say, 'How in hell do you expect me to sleep in a lash-up of that sort?'

"The U.S. is not troubled with air-raids. It is, therefore, not considered good form to wear the helmet in church or at social gatherings. It is not considered at all necessary to have a lethal weapon handy, loaded and locked, when talking to a civilian. This practice is frowned upon, except in certain parts of Chicago. Sailors will do well to avoid this section of the U.S. In case it becomes necessary, full warfare precautions should be observed. Briefing may be obtained as to other dangerous sections of New York, Philadelphia and other troublesome spots (such as Seattle) that are not yet under control of the U.S. forces.

### Please Conform

"All individuals upon returning to the U.S. will make every effort to conform to the customs and habits of the regions visited and to make themselves as inconspicuous

## NEW WESTERN UNION OFFICE



Shown above is a view of the new Western Union office opened recently on the station. It is located north of the telephone lounge, across from Ward 8. Mrs. Raymond Kline, who manages the station, is shown in the picture while the sailor in the foreground is endeavoring to make up his message. According to Mrs. Kline the station averages from 75 to 100 outgoing messages a day and a like number are received. About 50 per cent of the incoming messages are in the form of money orders.

## Patient Pays Tribute To Staff For Care

The following letter to The Stethoscope was unsolicited and deserves publication in order that staff personnel may know that their acts of kindness to our patients do not go unheeded.

G. Niel Lusch, Y1c, a patient here for quite some duration stated:

"The Stethoscope is a very informative and live media for the use, enlightenment and enjoyment of the staff of this hospital, and for the patients as well.

"At the risk of being accused of 'banging ears' or merely 'beating my gums' in offering my flowers to those who deserve them while they can still smell, I cannot now leave here for duty without first extending my sincere thanks to all for the kindness, care, consideration, and efficient treatment received during my several months stay as a patient.

"The fellowship of the entire staff, officers, enlisted personnel, civilian employees, and also fellow patients, all combined to make it as pleasant and painless as possible.

"Special consideration must be given to the interest shown in a patient by the staff; they want to know where you are each morning

as is possible, consistent with pleasure. Any actions which reflect upon the dignity of the uniform will be promptly dealt with. Attention is invited to the Navy regulations, concerning the observance of customs and traditions of other nations"

## Nazis Raid Radium Bank; Now They Will Die

Rome (CNS)—Somewhere in the north of Italy there are SS troopers with ugly black burns on their hands—stains that will never go away. They are the looters of Pisa's radium bank, victims of their own greed.

These men raided the University of Pisa, one of the oldest educational institutes in the world, and stole its priceless radium store. But they made one mistake. No one had told them how to handle the radium. They opened the safes and took out the radium vials in their bare hands.

Burns from radium are deep, incurable and deadly. The SS troopers will die slowly and horribly—of radium poisoning.

and night, etc., and where you are while on '72'. Think how carefully they check you out and send you off on liberty after seeing you haven't forgotten any of your uniform, and then, each and every time you return to the compound there is a special member of the staff—"the official greeter"—right at the gate to greet you and give you an affectionate hug, come rain or shine (of course, he incidentally finds out what you have on your person while he's about it).

"All in all, I want to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the treatment I received and unashamedly state it is with a pang of regret I leave such good company, although I am overjoyed at being returned to duty. To all of you, thanks, and I hope I can return the favor some day."





# Wave LINES

Add dunking notes . . . Waves continue to swim weekly (or weakly) and on 14 March seven qualified for the third class test and six for second class. Keep paddling gals.

A few of the girls got a glimpse of the flower prints painted by Nancy Ferguson PhM2c formerly of the staff who is now stationed at Astoria. She sent them to Fitz and they really looked like store stuff. What we want to see is her portrait of our Chief Wave M. A.

Parties the past two weeks in the form of farewells were evident about the place and hitting a new high was the one bidding Jasper adieu.

Farewell to the Female Farmicist Maids who have left us for duty beyond stateside. Bon Voyage to Stevens, Walljasper, Jacobs and Stone (nee Pennington). By the way, it was a double goodbye for Penny and her new husband, both of whom shipped within a couple of days of each other.

Happy is the gal that gets a letter like Mary Chandler received from her 'to be'. He's coming home after 21 months across and that tinkle you hear may be wedding bells in the not too far distant future.

A house-warming seems to be in order now that Lt. (jg) Padovan, Ensign Hussey and Lt. (jg) Kendall have moved into their new abode. They tell us that the alarm clock rings early for the Wave officers.

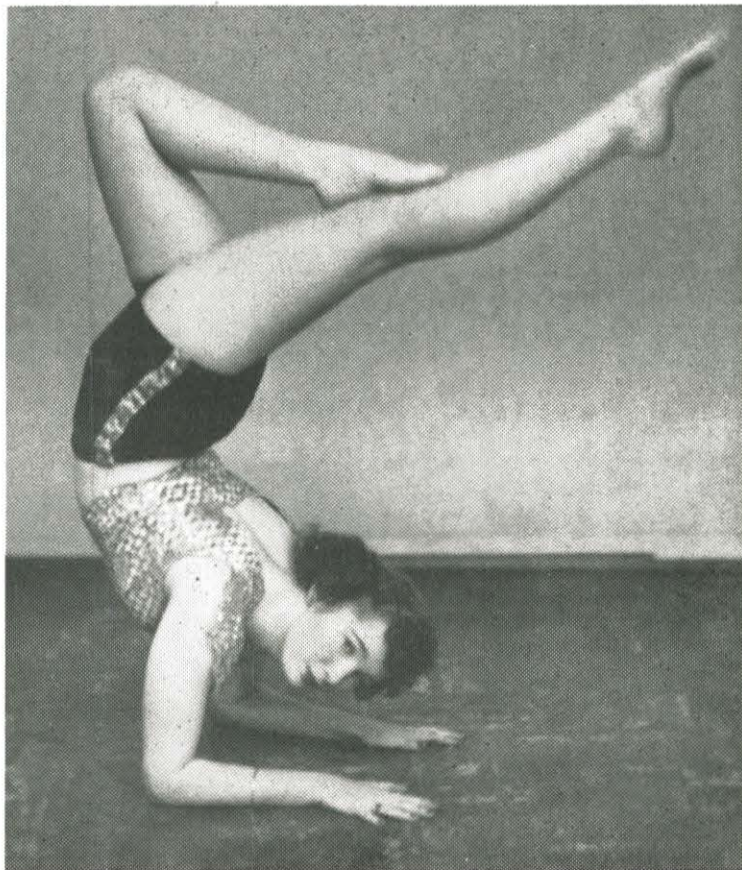
They're getting younger all the time, these new Waves. Welcome aboard to the last draft from Bethesda which includes: Gloria Coran, Margaret Brassell, Martha Harris, Eva Andersen, Charlotte Dondero, Priscilla Sabattis, Barbara Eldred, Viola Taylor, Doris Faulkner, Jean Knablien, Eunice Kibbe, June Kagelmacher, Regina Kayden, Indella Cooper, Geraldine Browne, Laura Burnham, and Ruth Porter, all H.A.'s.

## Novena To Be Started At Hospital Chapel

Catholic members of the hospital staff and patient personnel will have the opportunity to begin a perpetual Novena of the Miraculous Medal, on Tuesday 3 April, according to announcement made by Chaplain Lane.

The Novena services will be held every Tuesday evening at 1800 in the Chapel on the Hill. Novena books will be given out at the service.

## Stage Show to Be Given Friday Eve.



NATALENE CRANDALL

Natalene Crandall, acrobatic dance star, will be among those featured in the "M. T. Varieties of 1945," which plays in the recreation hall auditorium Friday, 29 March, at 1930.

Save Friday night on your calendar of events for the big show, the "Margaret Tapping Varieties of 1945," which will play on the stage of the recreation hall auditorium at 1930. Appearing with the Varieties will be such well known artists as Harry Schontell with his "Magic, As You Like It," and Miss Margaret Tapping, well known Seattle and Hollywood dancing teacher, who will appear personally with the troupe.

Also featured on the program will be Pat Coplen, University of Washington co-ed, doing a tap dance on toe shoes. Miss Coplen stays on her toes during her entire number. She will also be seen in the "pony" line-up.

Peggy Sayre, radio singer, and "Zack," Swiss accordionist, will perform, as will Natalene Crandall, acrobatic dancer; The Swingsters, Anthony and Helen Scrima, 8 and 10-year-old jive babies, and the Three Knudtson Sisters, singing hill-billy songs and rounding out the program will be the Can-Can and Russian production numbers.

## LT. BEAM LEAVES FOR DUTY IN LONG BEACH

Orders last week came to Lt. J. M. Beam who has served on the Rehabilitation staff since 28 January, to report to the U. S. Naval Hospital at Long Beach. Lt. Beam came to the compound from Sampson, N. Y.

## NURSES' NOTES

LT. (jg) ROSE THORNTON, N. C.

Fort Knox, Kentucky, has nothing on the USNH Seattle nursing contingent. When anyone says, "There's gold in that thar hill," he must mean on the shoulders and sleeves of the ensigns who recently made Lt. (jg) and the Lt. (jg's) who recently "made" Lieutenant senior grade. These girls were promoted as of 1 March. Congratulations.

We're glad to see our Chief Nurse, Lieutenant Commander Ida Netter, back on duty after a week on the sick list in S.O.Q.

As far as seeing friends whom you haven't seen for awhile, you can't beat the South Pacific these days. Many of the girls who are in the South Pacific report that in this respect it is becoming more and more like Main Street every day. They are meeting friends there whom they haven't heard from in years. The ones at Base No. 18 were surprised and pleased to see Lt. (jg) E. Purvis land on the Island. Guam is her base, though she is in the Flight Evacuation Unit. You may remember Miss Purvis as the cute little J.G. of the perpetual smile, who assisted Miss Netter in the Chief Nurse's office from August, 1943, when she arrived on this station, until December, 1944. Miss Purvis received orders to the enviable Flight Evacuation Unit at that time.

Another welcome aboard to: Ensigns J. Nobles, R. Hammond, M. Kraft, and F. Anderson, all from the U. S. Naval Dispensary, Mojave, Calif. Ensign M. Baxter came to us from Mare Island, Calif.; Ensign R. Stumpf from the U. S. Naval Dispensary at McAlester, Okla.; Ensigns S. Alongi, J. Grant, C. Bailey and C. Spurgin are greeted by us from San Diego, Calif., while Ensign F. Lund has come from Shoemaker.

Irish blarney has it that St. Patrick's Day is a very lucky one. Many of the girls who recently left in the Pearl Harbor draft left Seattle on that day, so perhaps they'll have smooth weather ahead. We hope so.

## Certificate of Merit Awarded All Hands

Received last week from the Thirteenth Naval District was a framed Certificate of Merit, awarded to All Hands of the U. S. Naval Hospital for their purchase of extra War Bonds during the period December 1 to 7. The Certificate has been hung in the hospital library in the recreation hall. It is signed by the former Commandant of the Thirteenth Naval District, Rear Admiral S. A. Taffinder.

## WAVES INVITED TO ATTEND OPENING OF SERVICE CLUB

Enlisted Waves at the hospital have received an invitation to attend the opening of the new Enlisted Women's Service club, 214 University Street, which will be held 1 April. The club has been organized and will be operated by a committee of Seattle women in cooperation with the Civilian War Commission and the USO. It offers sleeping accommodations in dormitories and in small rooms (for four) and has a capacity of approximately 70 beds. There are large lounges, showers, powder room and check room, food bar, information service, etc.

Enlisted women may use the club day and night, for furloughs and leaves. It will be open for social uses until 2400 and a member of the staff will be on duty all night to receive late dormitory guests.

On Sunday evening, 1 April, a complimentary supper will be served to enlisted women from 1800 to 2000 and the club will be dedicated.

Mrs. A. Scott Bullitt of Seattle is chairman of the board of trustees governing the club.





Seems like John Patrick won out over "Damon the Demon," in the household of Lt. W. A. McMahon for the moniker of the Lt.'s new son, thanks to Mrs. McMahon. Better luck next time, doctor.

St. Patrick's Day brought a bit of unintentional Irish wit to the front in the form of request telegrams received by the communications office: One patient wired, "Requesting 20 days extended leave. It is urgent that I be home for that many days to assist my mother with her income tax." (what an income). The other telegram which was chalked up as one for the books was the following, addressed to the nurse on Ward 49: "Forgot gear under pillow. Would you please send COD." Now they have us wondering what it was.

There's a Wave on the compound, who is always good for a bit of copy and she came through with the crack of the week when describing a local chief: "Yeah, he's a gay blade with a dull edge."

**TIPS ON THE PIX**

Recreation Auditorium

Shows at 1730 and 1930  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28**—  
 No Show.  
**THURSDAY, MARCH 29**—  
 "HAVING A WONDERFUL CRIME," George Murphy and Pat O'Brien.  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 30**—  
 "HE STAYED FOR BREAKFAST," Melvin Douglas and Loretta Young.  
 "M. T. Varieties of 1945."  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 31**—  
 "HOUSE OF FEAR," Basil Rathbone and Nigel Bruce.

**'Sware Box' Is Big Business Venture**

Don't Say It . . . that is if you don't want to pay the "Sware Box" which is an added attraction to the Patients' Personnel Office. Marked as the "property of the M&S Dept." The Sware Box is fair to one and all because it has ceiling prices, such as: All cuss words .05; other bad words .10; prices on real bad words will be decided by a board of survey. Says the notice—There Are No Exceptions. The word Feather Merchant costs the sayer .15—on account of so many Feather Merchants working in the department. In a six-weeks period the Sware Box has collected in the neighbor-

**WOULD YOU?**  
 My mama told me not to smoke—I don't.  
 Nor listen to risque joke—I don't. She made it clear I must not wink at handsome men.  
 Or even think about intoxicating drink—I don't.  
 To dance and flirt is very wrong—I don't.  
 Wild girls choose men, both wine and song—I don't.  
 You wouldn't think I have much fun. I don't!

TPR, Fort Eustis, Va.

**CIGARETTE SHORTAGE BAD**  
 Then there was the inspection officer who said sternly to the H. A.: "Is that your cigarette butt on the deck?" And the H. A. replied politely: "It's yours if you want it, sir; you saw it first."

Passed around the Adm. Bldg. recently was a copy of the Ford Islander, USNAS Pearl Harbor sheet, which featured the arrival of the first group of Waves to reach that station. Big as life and twice as cute were the pictures of Alice Black PhM3c formerly of our staff who hails from Salt Lake City. Blackie writes that she is enjoying her work in the station dispensary and is in the process of becoming an X-Ray technician.

Patient: "Well, Doc, seeing as how we went through high school together and have been pals for a long time, you don't need to send me a bill. I've remembered you in my will."  
 Doctor: "That's fine, pal. By the way, let me see that prescription I just wrote for you."

*Ads 'n Stuff*

**FOUND:** Gold band man's ring engraved with "From Leona to Jack." Owner may claim the ring by giving the date engraved in the band. The ring was found in the mess hall. Inquire in Discharge Office. See Ensign Mason.

**WANTED:** Fountain workers in Ship's Service fountain. Navy wives preferred.

**DRUMMER WANTED:** Patient or hospital corpsman to play with hospital dance band. Contact Slings or Stevert at HCQ, Ext. 238.

hood of \$7.54. Could be someone forgot or maybe the straw that broke the camel's back flew through the window.



"Now Let's Make Ourselves Comfy"

*Kadette Kapers*

Gracing the Cadet Quarters these days is a brand new piano and the little lady with all the talent (?) is Betty Andrews. The fact that she plays only "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen" is a trivial matter.

And can't that Lucille Rooker jitterbug! Takes an All Hands dance to bring out a shy little creature like Masie.

H'm, Dorothy Redmond hums the Wedding March in a gay light tone of late. Rumor has it that her man is due here any day.

Edna Poe keeps the Current Events class well informed as to just what's happening with the seventh army and after all shouldn't she know?

Amid mixed feelings, the older Cadet Class packs for that journey home. (Home, it has been decided,

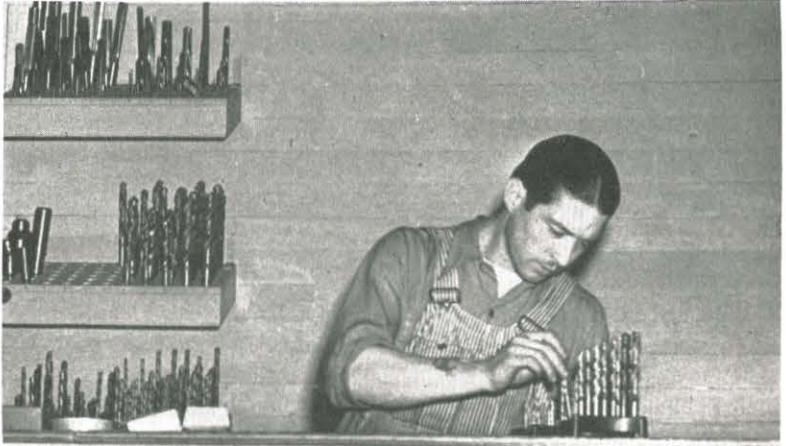
is the best word in Webster's Dictionary.)

You know it must be something to fall so hard that you think you know every time his plane goes over. How's about it?

"College Songs," a short at the kee Hall caused quite a stir in the Cadet row. We could understand it when Jacobs cheered for Ohio and when Roberts applauded for Michigan and it was easy to figure out why Tugend heaved a sigh at the sight of New York but why we ask, did Nanette Tucker cheer madly for George Tech. Honest Tucker, Georgia Tech isn't in South Carolina.

Spokane, Wash. (CNS)—Patty Bruening, 2, toddled onto an icy fish pond, fell through the thin ice, swallowed half the pond. Police revived him with a respirator. His first request: "Gimme a glass of water."

**New Maintenance Tool Issue Room**



Shown above is a view of the new tool issue room which has been opened as a part of the Maintenance building. Ellis Guyor, civilian employe on the hospital compound, is the custodian. All of the tools used in maintaining the various hospital departments are stored in the new storeroom and are issued upon request. The selection runs from drills to blasters.