



# The OAK LEAF

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UNITED STATES NAVAL HOSPITAL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

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## A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL HANDS



**NEW UNIFORM, NEW JOB FOR CAPTAIN TANDY**—A sterile gown is the usual garb, delivering babies the usual assignment for CAPT Roy W. "Coach" Tandy, Chief of the Dependents Service, but he seems just as comfortable in a Santa Claus suit delivering gifts to staff children. He played Santa Claus to 350 tots from 6 months to 10 years at the annual Special Services Children's Party on 22 December, among them this group that "just happens to" include two belonging to Staff Photographer Carl Stevenson.

### MSC Wives Bringing Hawaiian Film, Speaker For First Luncheon Meeting of New Year

January's luncheon for the Officers' Wives Club will be held 14 January, with cocktails served at 12:30 preceding the luncheon. The setting for this gala party will be Hawaiian, and for those ladies who wish to wear them—muu muus will be very much in order. Mr. Dan Crocker, representative for the California-Hawaiian Sugar Refining Corporation, will be the emcee. Wives of Medical Service Corps officers are in charge of this luncheon with Mrs. M. P. Huber acting as Chairman and Mrs. F. C. Johnson as her assistant.

### First Baby Born Here 30 Seconds After 1959

While the traditional sirens were still shrieking and horns tooting in downtown Oakland, the first baby born in the Eastbay in 1959 arrived on Oak Knoll's maternity ward.

The bouncing baby girl, born 30 seconds after midnight, is the daughter of Mrs. Patsy Dille, whose husband, Donald, is an AN on duty at Naval Air Station, Alameda. She weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces.

### Knollites Give \$5,875 To United Bay Crusade

Oak Knoll contributed \$5,875 to the Bay Area United Crusade.

This report came from Douglas Aiken, General Campaign Chairman for Alameda County, who stated that although the hospital did not reach its goal, this total was \$1,674 more than was collected in 1957.

Other figures showed that the average gift was \$6.73 and that 58.5 percent of Oak Knoll's staff participated.

### Six Civilian Staffers Rated Outstanding

The Performance Rating Board wound up its year's work by approving outstanding for six civilian employees.

They are Vivian Swofford, secretary to the Training Committee; Lorraine Carly, accounts maintenance clerk in Finance; Elizabeth Tsai, stenographer in the Legal Office; Albert Lee, machinist, Public Works; Kenneth McClay, head stockman, Supply Division; and John H. Johnson, laborer-cleaner.

**Basketball—NAF Monterey There, 7 January**



CLASS 13 of the Lab School completed its 14-month course on 19 December, when its members received their diplomas from CAPT Fitz-John Weddell, Executive Officer. In the back row, left to right, are Lane Ellis, Richard Anderson, Oran Sage, Eugene Bliss, Donald Sutherland, Jerald McCloskey, Samuel Pack, and Jack Messinger, MAA of the school. In the front row: Jon Winter, honorman; LCDR R. C. Hastedt, the Exec, CAPT H. V. O'Connell, CDR Lila E. Suiter, and Jerry Due.

### "Gone" Year Now Only a Memory

Oak Knoll said goodbye quietly to 1958, and that was the kind of year it was. "Auld Lang Syne" brought tears to a few eyes, and celebrations brought aches to a few heads, but on the whole 31 December looked like any other night on the compound, except perhaps at the Officers' Club, where people shouted Happy New Year as 1 January loomed. Then everyone had breakfast, and that is news, for it's the first time breakfast has been served at the club since last 1 January.

Quiet year or not, the OAK LEAF, like all other newspapers, flips through its files to see just what did happen in the past 12 months.

In January everyone was reading "Please Don't Eat the Daisies" . . . the DAV was still helping Mr. Murphy furnish the Tot's Nursery . . . The EM Club changed from pool to pizza room . . . It was the year of the hula hoop, but Anne Gerber and Hugh McNutt were the only ones with the courage enough to twirl them on the compound . . . Herman Perkins was selected for the 12ND All-Star football team . . . CDR Monahan relieved CDR Warner as Chief Nurse . . . Students continued to graduate from Urology, OR, and all the other Tech schools . . . Bowlers bowled . . . Nurses celebrated their Golden Anniversary . . . The Honorable Richard Jackson, Assistant SecNav, visited the hospital and so did top brass from the Navies of Peru, Brazil, and Argentina . . . Admiral Russell spoke when 25 interns graduated in July . . . Dr. Dwight Murray, former AMA president, and Dr. Malcolm Merrill, state health director, spoke at EST graduations, and Dr. Jacob Geiger, EST School consultant, received a letter of appreciation from the Surgeon General . . . Test Exercise Star, big civil defense drill, headed by Captain Gerber, filled the auditorium with "casualties" . . . The 12ND Talent Show drew a capacity crowd, with Dr. Crary and Dick McDonald, a patient, taking first and third to go on to the N. Y. finals and the Ed Sullivan Show . . . Hugh O'Brian (Wyatt Earp) visited Oak Knoll during the fatal illness of his father, a retired Marine Corps Captain . . . Waves were sweet 16 . . . A bigger and better recovery room was built to serve post-op patients . . . The men's softball team topped the Oakland Recreation League . . . 20 new Interns arrived . . . The post office started charging four cents for stamps . . . The skeet team won third in an international telegraphic meet . . . A little

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## ++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++

### OUR GOAL

Every artist has an ambition to create a masterpiece. At least, he aspires to create something that would express all of the talent his soul possesses.

One such artist has made several creative attempts; but each time he fell far short of his own goal. Like many artists, he was barely able to earn the necessities of life. He lived in an unheated attic room, and cooked his own meals, whenever he had any food.

One day during the height of a cold spell, he was gripped with an inspiration to do something in clay. Without food or heat in his room, he went to work and laboriously shaped the statue he knew would make him famous.

During the night, however, the winter's cold increased and threatened to damage his masterpiece. Fearing the clay would crack, he wrapped his statue with the only blanket he possessed. As the night drew out the weather became more bitter. In desperation, the artist removed first his coat and then his vest and even his shirt in order to save his masterpiece from the destructive fangs of winter.

The next morning when his friends arrived to view his work they found the artist dead from exposure and privation. But the masterpiece he created is now on display in one of the famous museums in Europe.

And so it is with life. Everything that is worthwhile is accomplished only with effort and sacrifice required. We must pay, in one way or another, for everything we achieve, and the price we pay depends upon the value of our goal.

In this New Year may our goals not be as high as those of our artist friend above, but neither, O Lord, may they be too low.

—LT CARL E. RUUD, CHC, USN, Protestant Chaplain

## There's Danger—In a Drippy Ice Cream Cone

(NAVNEWS)—Death on the highway takes strange shapes—a dropped cigarette, a back-seat tussle among the kids, a drippy ice cream cone, and a shape of another kind—a pretty girl walking down the street.

Unrelated, you say! Not so, the National Safety Council points out. They're all potential accident causes. How?

Well, the Council says that while no official figures are available, many auto accidents are caused by just such things as cigarettes, children, ice cream cones, and shapely females.

"Distractions contribute to a great percentage of the Nation's motor vehicle mishaps," the Council says.

Let's suppose you're cruising down the highway at 60 m.p.h. and drop your cigarette. Take only four seconds to pick it up and you've gone the length of a football field—and then some!

Same thing with a back-seat squabble. Turn around to break it up and you may find yourself welded to the rear of another car that stopped suddenly in front of you.

Same thing with ice cream cones. Drop one in your lap, and then watch the fun start.

Same thing with a woman. Concentrating on her curves and not those on the road causes you to zig when you should've zagged, and away you go!

"The tales of woe of persons who've been victims of distractions," the Council says, "are usually good for a laugh—until an accident occurs. Then it's not so funny."

## Divine Services

**PROTESTANT**  
SUNDAY WORSHIP—1030  
Communion 1030 on First Sunday  
of Each Month  
Bible Study, Tuesdays, 1215-1245,  
Bldg. 133  
Main Chapel, Tuesday

**NAVY RELIEF OFFICE**  
IN 67A

Bus to and from Chapel on Sundays  
1015

**CATHOLIC**  
SUNDAY MASSES  
0600, 0830  
DAILY MASS and ROSARY at 1145  
Confessions before Mass  
Saturday—1900  
Any other time upon request  
Catholic Oratory in Back of Chapel  
Choir Practice 1930, Main Chapel  
Wednesday

**JEWISH SERVICES**  
Thursday 1200  
Small Chapel, 2nd Deck, Bldg. 133



By now, the chances are you have worked your way through the welter of Christmas wrapping, stepped on enough plastic toys to make the house habitable again, and sunk tired but content into the armchair (the red leather one you got last Christmas) with the lovely and promising books you found under this year's tree. But for the poor unfortunates who found aftershave lotion where the books should have been, we would like to offer the services of the library, and the following new and exciting books recently received.

First, and probably foremost among the fiction is John O'Hara's FROM THE TERRACE—a long, rich, social history of the United States from 1900 to the present day. It is the kind of book which will be picked up a hundred years from now, when the reader will be able to say "This is the way it was."

In many ways, the new novel of Ignazio Silone THE SECRET OF LUCA will remind readers of Hemingway's OLD MAN AND THE SEA. It is a book of great strength and great tenderness, and like the book of Hemingway is in praise of man.

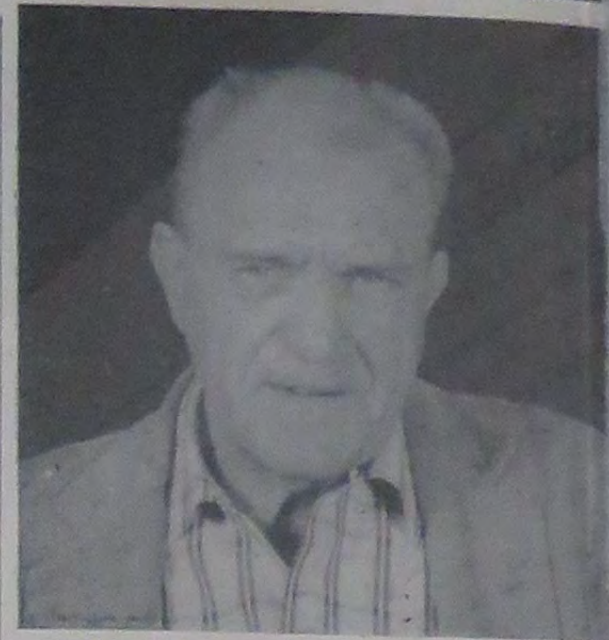
THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN is by Pierre Boulle, author of THE BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER KWAI. It is concerned with the story of three persons, Bernard DeLavigne, French resident director of a large plantation, his American wife, and Ling, a young girl Chinese Communist soldier. Against the exotic background of Malaya these three become involved in a course of action determined by their innate personalities as well as their cultural backgrounds.

The new novel of E. Arnot Robertson JUSTICE OF THE HEART is colorful and gay, bursting with vitality and enveloped in an aura of romance and adventure. But beneath its light-hearted surface, Miss Robertson has developed a serious and deeply-felt central theme concerning the problem of guilt, both conscious and unconscious, as it applies to individuals and to society.

A delightfully mad holiday offering by Art Buchwald, reminiscent of Max Shulman at his best, is entitled A GIFT FROM THE BOYS. It is a riotous story about Frank Bartlett, Sicilian born, who forgets to pay his yearly respects to the Income Tax Department, and they, in a fit of pique, manage to get him thrown out of the country. Also going to Italy for the ride, is a beautiful showgirl from the road company of MY FAIR LADY, who Bartlett's faithful bodyguard feels would be a fitting gift from "the boys." It is, in any case, a fitting contribution to your holiday merriment.

A new book, either about, or by H. L. Mencken, is always an occasion for cheers. The book just published THE BATHTUB HOAX AND OTHER BLASTS AND BRAVOS FROM THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE are gleanings from his column from the years 1924 to 1927. It is, according to its editor "chemically pure Mencken, both the acid and the balm." We need say no more.

Be careful. See the world first—Heaven can wait.



"THE BULL" is what they called Melvin Butterfield, QMC, of 62A, in his younger days, and no wonder. While the USS PITTSBURGH was moored at Le Havre on 10 September 1924, he acquired his title in less than 36 hours. Here's how:

0815—Pulled two miles in a whale boat race—second place.

1415—Pitched 15-innings of baseball vs American Legion team from Paris. Lost 2 to 1.

1915—Fought British light heavy-weight "Ted" Burney from the HMS SPLENDID—KO'd him in the sixth round.

Beginning at 0530 next morning coaled the ship all day.

This all came about by a mistake of the athletic officer who made out the schedule, but "THE BULL" survived, still answers to that name, and treasures a bronze plaque he received for setting a record for endurance and outstanding athletic achievement. Not that he brags about it—this information came in a letter from an old shipmate to the Chief MAA, who passed it on to the OAK LEAF.

A Miami man, questioned by police because he was wearing four shirts, four pairs of pants, two jackets, an overcoat and three hats, explained that he traveled a good deal and did not like suitcases.

## Leni Quant Writes Hello From Holland

Leiden, Holland  
December 14, 1958

Dear Admiral Hays,

Now, that I just have returned to Holland, I would like to thank you again for your kindness and courtesy.

You really made my visit to your Hospital one, that I will always remember.

Especially, thank you for accepting the gift of bulbs and for the wonderful luncheon, you offered us. We were also very honored, that you would give us so much of your time.

I can not tell you how much I liked talking to the men in the Hospital. I certainly did enjoy it from the first minute to the last and I still remember vividly how much I hated to leave.

I do hope, I will have the chance to come back to the United States, and if so, I definitely do my best to visit you again.

For the Dutch Bulb Growers and myself, I thank you once again and hope you will do me the favour to say "Hello" to all the men I talked to, while being with you, and I give you once more my sincere feelings of gratitude and respect,

sincerely,  
Leni Quant

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# Scuttlebutt

**SIGNS OF THE SEASON** — Needles falling as Douglas firs are untrimmed and carried away to the Dempster Dumpsters or wherever tired Christmas trees are laid to rest . . . the dull smashing of another New Year's Resolution . . . Lloyd Lassere wearing a sprig of mistletoe over one ear as casually as some people wear pencils . . . ENS Theresa Hillegass of the Nurse Corps sewing on her JG stripes . . . Bob Pruett, HM3, re-enlisting for another 6 . . . NP patients naming their gift canaries Thunderbird and Tweetie.

**SABOTAGE — THAT'S WHAT!** Back in August of '55 an eager 13½-year-old San Leandro boy called asking about wearing his uncle's discarded Navy uniform on the compound and about buying campaign bars for it at Navy Exchange, at the same time announcing his intention of becoming "a 30-year-man—Gunner's Mate probably." Finally, after going through the Commandant's Office, he embroidered "Junior Navy" on his sleeve to make himself legal and set about recruiting more young seamen. "I've three and a half more years to wait," he used to moan. Well, Tuesday Bob Pette—that was his name—stopped by to report that he has reached the age of 17. And come June and graduation from San Leandro Hi, he plans to enlist IN THE ARMY for three years.

**KNOLLITEMS:** Corpsmen living on the base are mighty pleased with their new quarters, where they now live in rooms instead of "cubes" . . . Shipmates of Frank Edmundson, HN, seriously injured in an automobile accident two days after Christmas wish him a speedy recovery . . . The same good wishes go to HMC Raymond Nations, flown in from overseas with a serious illness. Chief Nations was long-time member of the artificial limb shop staff . . . Myrtle Ferguson at her Record Office farewell claimed to be the first civilian worker whose retirement and marriage coincided. She probably is, and they did, on 20 December . . . "Sal" Saldana, DT2, beat out rhythms like a professional at the Record Office Yule party—which at last gives us a chance to mention the pidgin English for piano (picked up on a tour of duty in the New Hebrides)—"Him big fella box—you fightum teeth—he sing out." Too bad nobody was there with a "You push him, he go—You pull him, he come—Byemby he bite off." This gem from the pidgin dictionary is a synonym for "saw," you see.

**BETTER LUCK NEXT YEAR!** At press time there appeared little likelihood that Oak Knoll would produce a winner in the Eleventh Annual Toni Twin Baby Derby. For those who may wish to enter next year: Toni will give \$500 in prizes to parents of twin girls arriving between midnight and noon 1 January. The gifts include food, toys, furniture, and three-piece sleep-and-play Nappies ensembles, etc., etc. In the 10-year history of the nation-wide Derby, 160 sets of twins have collected \$85,000 worth of gifts. The twins came from 41 states, but Calif. was one of the five most prolific twin-producing states. Minnesota tops the competition so far.



**Patients Must Have Been Good,** for Santa was everywhere, and so were the entertainers of paint for his bed. 2. Helping make decorations ("Have we enough?") was fun for the patients, for Gray Ladies merriment and a new fire(less) place in the Red Cross Lounge. 3. There was music and settia plants for indoors this year, outdoors next. 4. Oak Knoll Ladies' Garden Club brought poin- 6. Behind THIS beard lurks Doctor Tandy, who lost his audience to the photographer—but not for long. 7. Pretty clothes basket to carry their gifts—and another Gray Lady was on hand to help.

# Previews

Tonight, 2 January  
**THE HUNTERS** — Robert Mitchum, Robert Wagner, May Britt. An interesting film about three jet pilots downed behind the lines in Korea.

Saturday, 3 January  
**GUNMAN'S WALK**—Tab Hunter, Van Heflin. Much rather watch Marilyn Monroe's walk.

Sunday, 4 January  
**BRIDGE ON THE RIVER KWAI** — William Holden, Alec Guinness, Academy Award winning picture with Academy Award winning actor Guinness.

Monday, 5 January  
**MEET ME IN LAS VEGAS**—Cyd Charisse, Dan Dailey. Nice musical. Has a terrific "Frankie and Johnny" dance number.

Tuesday, 6 January  
**SAYONARA**—Marlon Brando, Red Buttons. Don't say good-bye to this picture, just hope for some more of the same caliber.

Wednesday, 7 January  
**COWBOY**—Glenn Ford, Jack Lemmon. An excellent Western . . . and that's saying quite a bit.

Thursday, 8 January  
**NAKED EARTH**—Richard Todd, Juliette Greco. Listed as an adult picture, so let's hope the Earth is all that's naked.

Friday, 9 January  
**THE BADLANDERS**—Alan Ladd, Ernest Borgnine. A not so excellent Western . . . but then, not so bad either.

Saturday, 10 January  
**ANOTHER TIME, ANOTHER PLACE** —Lana Turner, Barry Sullivan. Sound advice.

## And So Went 1958

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girl named Linda McGarity was saved by an exchange transfusion after eating poison pills she thought were candy . . . An ultramodern dishwashing machine was installed at Food Service . . . civilians kept getting cash for outstanding service and bene suggs . . . Gray Ladies were capped and corpsmen commende . . . Operation \$\$\$\$Stretch was in full swing . . . Monsoons delayed opening of spring baseball and softball . . . Admiral Hays took command on 1 July as Admiral Owsley left for the DMO's Office across the Bay . . . The Therapeutic Community drew many visitors and made the SatEvePost . . . A crocodile earned nation-wide publicity for Oak Knoll and Corpsman Gerry Sasser . . . The traditional ACCMA dinner meeting was held at the Club . . . A Mexican newspaper publisher and rehab leader tested and took home PRL's new "swim-limb" . . . Skip Greenlee replaced Chris Eckl as OL Editor . . . Leni Quant of Holland brought bulbs and friendship from Holland . . . Dr. Canada made his TV debut . . . Dr. Canty spoke in Australia . . . Dr. Tandy and 24 patients brought back 100 pheasants from the annual Knight's Landing hunt . . . The 300,000th patient came and went.

Those were the days at Oak Knoll —365 of them.

## Four Tax Exemptions Arrive Just In Time

Four small tax deductions for members of the staff arrived just in time!

The welcome newcomers are John Paul Hastedt, a 7 lb. 13 oz. son born 19 December to LCDR Robert C. Hastedt of Pathology and his wife Julie; Tracy Elizabeth Moorhead, 7 lb. 15 oz. daughter born on 21 December to Frederick E. Moorhead, Jr., HM2, and wife Diane; Debra Lynn McMichael, 8 lb. 10 oz. daughter born on 21 December to Jerry L. McMichael, HM3 and wife Joyce; Richard Wayne McGillis, 7 lb. 3 oz. son born on 27 December to LT Thomas J. McGillis and wife Barbara.



**Christmas Was Merry**, thanks to the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee and many other good friends. 1. Presents to the right of him, presents to the left of him—also ENS Abbie Forney & Santa. 2. When Betty Regan and George Alexander strolled through the wards, these children had a front seat—on their mother's bed. 3. If you want to see this monocyclist's face, just look at No. 7. Henri the Clown and Laughter-on-mother's bed. 4. This Christmas-mobile must have been wind-propelled. 5. Bluebirds sang carols. Wheels are one and the same. 6. Girl Scouts brought scrapbooks. 7. Santa interviews Frenchi at the Special Services Children's party. Beverly Claire's dances made a fine "stocking present." 9. Red Cross Gray Ladies and young friends brought holiday cheer (and cookies) to Pediatrics. 10. Broken bones were forgotten on Christmas.



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## Jeannie Wilson Brings Artists From Hollywood

Jeannie Wilson's Hollywood artists sketched their way through the wards last Thursday and Friday, leaving in their wake scores of portraits, caricatures, and cartoons whose total value would have reached a fabulous figure—had they not been given as gifts to the patients.

It was the eighth visit of Jeannie's "Operation Art For the Armed Forces," a 15-year-old project that boosted servicemen's morale in the Korean combat zone and has entertained them at hospitals and other military installations throughout the United States.

In the group this trip were Johnny Johnson, portrait artist and background man for MGM's "Tom and Jerry" cartoons; Bill Mahood, portrait artist and background effects man for Disney Studios; Benjamin Duer, nationally-known artist, illustrator, and teacher; Mary Benson, who does scientific drawings for the Smithsonian Institute and National Museum in Washington, D.C.; Lloyd Baker, whose cartoons appear in the "slicks;" Pete Alvarado, top cartoonist and caricaturist currently doing "Rough and Ready" for TV; and Mike Miller, young newcomer to Oak Knoll, who did caricatures here and works regularly for Disney Studios.



THE ARTIST (above) IS JOHNNY JOHNSON, the model, Burnham Kimball, BMC, Retired. The lady is Jeannie Wilson, who brought "Operation Art For the Armed Forces" to Oak Knoll last Thursday and Friday. The audience—left to right, Richard B. Hartman, HN; PFC Jesus A. Rocha, USMC; Walter J. Grunberg, Wayne Brown, and Monroe Williams all HN's; and Pat Edwards, BTFN. Below, the artists pose for their own picture before scattering to the wards to make pictures of the patients. In the group, left to right, are Johnnie Johnson, Jeannie Wilson, Pete Alvarado, Mike Miller, Mary Benson, Bill Mahood, Benjamin Duer, and Lloyd Baker.

## All Hands' Opportunity To Give In Federal Drive For Health Agencies, CARE, Freedom Crusade, AKF

CDR Anton Tratar, Jr., MC, and LT A. C. Harris, MSC, had new assignments this week as the Federal Service Joint Crusade got underway at Oak Knoll.

CDR Tratar will head the campaign for funds to support ten national agencies that do much for the health and well-being of citizens throughout the country.

### Donors May Designate

The agencies (and donors may designate certain ones to which they wish to give) are as follows: American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, The Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation, Muscular Dystrophy Associations of America, National Association for Mental Health, National Multiple Sclerosis Society, National Society for Crippled Chil-

dren and Adults, National Society for Prevention of Blindness, National Tuberculosis Association, and United

### Staffers Limbering Up For "Hop" at EM Club

Enlisted men are limbering up to trip the light fantastic on Friday, 23 January.

The place will be the EM Club. The music will be furnished by the seven-piece Marine Band from Treasure Island. The hostesses will come from Kaiser Foundation School of Nursing. The hours will be from 2000 to 2400. The pizza room will be open.

Arrangements for the dance are being handled by Ed Tuxbury, HM1, president of the Enlisted Recreation Committee.

Cerebral Palsy Associations.

LT Harris has been named chairman of the Joint Crusade for CARE—the crusade to send food packages to hungry millions around the world; Crusade for Freedom—which supports Radio Free Europe, the private American broadcasting network that fights Communism with its broadcasts into the Iron Curtain countries; and The American Korean Foundation that shelters homeless orphans, trains helpless war widows for self-support, trains teachers, doctors, technicians, rehabilitates the sick and strengthens a new republic to fight Communism.

### No Gift Too Small

Although the two drives will run concurrently, extending through Feb-

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Douglas E. White, HM3, was commended on the day of his separation from the service for his work as Master-at-Arms of the Neuropsychiatric Service for the past eight months. In that capacity his "excellent organizational ability contributed greatly to the efficient utilization of neuropsychiatric corpsmen in a manner to best support a therapeutic atmosphere on the wards." White had been at Oak Knoll since October 1956, when he reported as an NP Technician student.

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The wife rushed breathlessly into the police station, gun still smoking in her hand.

"Sergeant," she said, "please tell me what department I go to to apologize for killing my husband."

Some damage we do in life can hardly be repaired by all the sorrow in the world.

That is often true of the way in which we hurt people by our words and actions. We often say things without thinking—cruel things that cut deep. We ridicule, not realizing how we are hurting the butt of our ridicule. We lose our temper and let words fly that we can never call back. Think before you speak. Think twice as long before you act—if there is any danger whatever that anyone will be hurt by what you say or do. Just getting a laugh is never worth hurting anyone. Just blowing off steam is never worth the lifetime damage you may do to a friendship. Kind words destroy our enemies by making them our friends. Kind actions can only make you sorry that you haven't done more of them.

LCDR John L. Wissing, Catholic Chaplain

## From the Chief of Naval Operations

New steps are being taken by the Department of Defense in behalf of military leadership. In the Navy, payments to petty officers for proficiency and effectiveness in performing their skills started November 16. On this same date, a small group of master and senior chief petty officers started drawing their top-supervisory pay for the first time.

This does not mean that the military establishment has found a magic formula for leadership. It does mean that the Armed Forces are always seeking ways to improve the atmosphere of leadership. Proficiency pay and the creation of E-8 and E-9 petty officer grades are merely incentives. Incentives alone do not make leaders, but they do cast a spotlight of recognition on those selected for positions deserving greater responsibility and respect.

Before he earns leadership status, the potential leader must master the art of followership, the ability to work within the command. Responsible followership prompts the individual to do his best with the brains and energy and degree of authority he has.

Good followership is a prerequisite to leadership. A good leader has demonstrated his genuine desire to become Number One, the very best. Although he may be a part of the smallest operating unit, he is the man who has confidence in himself, the man who accepts the challenge of his job because he knows in his heart that when he reaches the top rung of the organizational ladder he will do his best to make a better record, to set new standards of performance, and set new marks for others to shoot for. This is the vital ingredient of progress, and it comes down to the energy, enterprise, and initiative of individuals. The new pay system is intended to give recognition to those who best demonstrate these qualities.

ARLEIGH BURKE

## HELP! We Want to Turn Over a New (Oak) Leaf

In order to get better coverage and greater variety of material of interest to more readers, the OAK LEAF invites contributions and/or suggestions from any member of the staff with a "nose for news." Please call items in to Skip Greenlee at Ext. 413, Miss Thompson at 203, or jot them down and bring them to the OAK LEAF office in 67A.

## Wanted--More EM's For Navy Scientific Education Program

(NAVNEWS) — The Navy's Advisory Board on Scientific Education is asking for more students for the Navy Enlisted Scientific Education Program (NESEP). The program gives Navy and Marine Corps enlisted men an opportunity to seek bachelor of science degrees in civilian schools.

Last fall 135 students began studies under NESEP. The program is designed to accommodate as many as 500 students a year in the 19 colleges and universities participating.

Students selected for NESEP receive the pay and allowances of their rates while attending college, and the Navy Department pays the cost of their education. The students are also candidates for officer commissions after completing the program, according to a Board spokesman.

Information on applying for the program can be found in BUPERS Instruction 1510.69C.

## Aliens Reminded—Must Report Addresses Now

Aliens serving with the U.S. Navy are reminded that they must report their addresses to the Immigration and Naturalization Service during the month of January, in accordance with the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952.

Reporting forms may be obtained from any U.S. Post Office or Immigration Office.

## President Eisenhower Endorses Joint Crusade

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ruary, the two chairmen will act independently, asking heads of the various departments to assume responsibility for participation of personnel in their charge.

"No definite amount will be suggested—any gift, however small, will help. What we would like to see is 100 per cent participation," Dr. Tratar said as he got into action mid-week.

The joint campaign has the official endorsement of the Federal Government and President Eisenhower, who wrote in a recent memo:

"Knowing the great needs and capabilities of these agencies, I am sure Federal and military personnel will again respond to their annual appeals with generosity."

TOMORROW—today's greatest labor-saving device.

## Know Your Staff



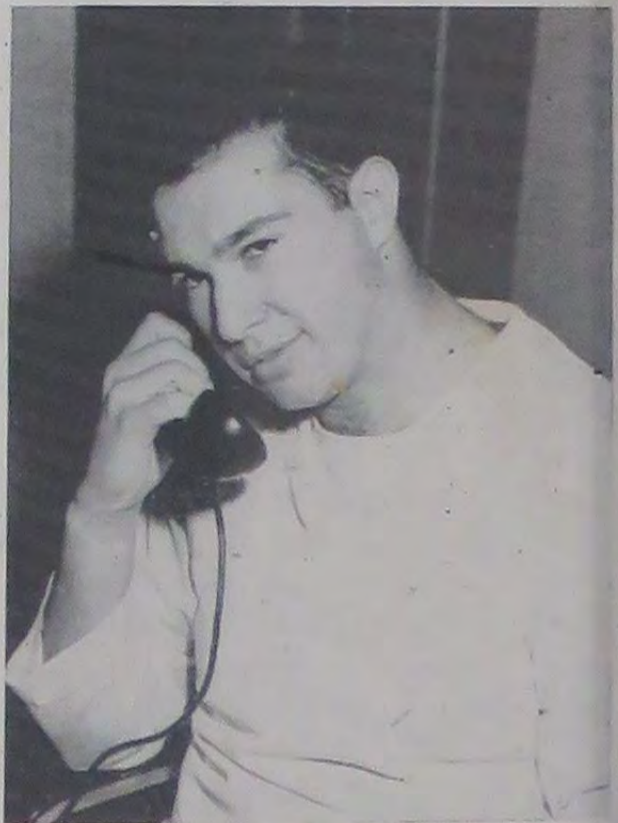
George Cartmell, HM3, the Anesthesia Corpsman in Surgery II, is from the "Brotherhood City," Philadelphia, Pa.

George entered the service in December of 1954 and served two years sea duty aboard the U.S.S. COLUMBUS CA-74, out of Boston and Long Beach. With the COLUMBUS, he made one Mediterranean Cruise and one Far East Cruise.

He left the COLUMBUS in November of 1956 for corps school, and upon completion, reported aboard Oak Knoll.

George is another of the Knollite bowlers. He bowls on both the Tuesday and Thursday night Tap Teams and is also on the Oak Knoll traveling team, which competes in the 12th Naval District League.

He plans to ship over in June.



Larry Kubik, an N.P. Tech on Ward 51 B&C, is from Hollywood, where he was graduated from Fairfax High.

Prior to going on active duty in August of 1956, Larry was active in theatre in and around Hollywood and has studied at the Dahl Playhouse and under Harold Klurman. Upon release from active duty he plans to attend the University of Southern California as a pre-law student, with drama as his minor.

Sports fans may remember Larry as being a member of Oak Knoll's excellent football team of last fall.

I love love and all its foibles.

Hugs and kisses? Sure.

Pats and pinches are enjoyables—

It's you I can't endure.



ANOTHER CLASS OF NP TECHNICIANS is ready for service at Oak Knoll and other hospitals where neuro-psychiatric patients are under treatment. Grads of 9 January are Kenneth Gerken, James Berry, Robert Davis, Charles Marsh, Frank Coutinho, Ted Farner (the honor student), Hugh Rocha, Dennis Smith, Sylvester Frison. All are HN's except Berry and Frison, who are HM3's.

Friday, 16 January 1959

# Scuttlebutt

**WEDDING OF THE WEEK END** will take place at First Congregational Church, Oakland, tomorrow, the 17th at 1400 when ENS Josephine Hulst exchanges vows with Wesley Schmer, Key System Transportation employee. ENS Beverly Norcutt will be the maid of honor.

**HEAR-ABOUTS:** LTJG Nancy Donnelly, staff nurse, started the New Year with a new name. Since 1200, 27 December, when Father Talty celebrated the nuptial mass in the hospital chapel, she has been Mrs. Alexander T. Sciarba . . . If THE OAK LEAF looks slightly different this week, it's probably because ye editor is languishing in 60A—hopes to be back in his office by mid-week . . . McCudden, life guard at the pool, knows who sent him the box of calcified marshmallows, but four local ladies named Adams, Bensley, Silva, and Heimerdinger are wondering who sent them the cracked plate taped together with Scotch. It wasn't McCudden . . . Pathology's Belle Street is flashing a new diamond engagement ring, gift of Ralph Blair, local contractor, but hasn't set the date . . . Ed Bourdase, son of the Oak Knoll Bourdases, is not only a champ bowler in these parts. He was quoted—four columns wide—in the Wednesday San Francisco News column TEN-PIN TIPS on proper grip . . . Ed Tuxbury was once editor of the USNH, Philadelphia, paper . . . Dr. Hopwood is a gourmet, a devotee of classical music . . . Dr. Thompson of sports cars (who isn't) and Dr. Cannard of bridge, bowling, and astronomy . . . Speaking of cars, Dr. Shimojyo of the Japanese Navy cuts quite a figure, cruising the compound in his Messerschmitt . . . Larry Noll, HN, of 74-B and Tom Noll, HM3, of Staff Pers don't look alike, but they sound exactly alike when they answer the telephone—and Kenneth Knoll, HN of 63A, sounds just like them—and all sound like a good telephone answerer should.

**HOPE IT DIDN'T MEAN ONE OF OUR GIRLS**—when the Tribune headline boldly announced "Victim of Giant Wave Hospitalized."

**LIFE BEGAN on 1 January** for David Evans Bromley, 8 lb. 3½ oz. son for LT Jess W. Bromley and wife Hazel . . . on 7 January for James R. Holmboe, 6 lb. 5½ oz. son for LT Arthur H. Holmboe and wife, Sallyann. Both new fathers are interns.

**WE WONDER**—Why nobody who musters in at Muster Inn calls it that.

**HELP STAMP OUT CAR STICKERS** is the new sign-decorating rear windows about town—We're glad they weren't stamped out before sign painter George Wyness decorated his old car, (make undistinguishable) with "Made in Reno From Old Slot Machine Parts."

Two men sitting at the bar:  
"Neal, after you drink a lot, does your tongue burn?"

"I don't know, Jack, I've never been drunk enough to light it."

## Pay Schedule

Monday, 2 February—All officers, staff, enlisted personnel.

Tuesday, 3 February—Enlisted patient personnel.

Monday, 16 February—All officers, staff, enlisted personnel.

Tuesday, 17 February—Enlisted patient personnel.



**MEN AT WORK:** In (1) HMC's W. J. Laden and F. W. Smith check the timer for an X-Ray Unit. Photo (2) shows HMI's J. L. Jones and G. K. Renshaw testing an anesthesia unit to make sure it works properly. In (3) a red-headed HMI named Patrick Scanlan, and his partner, HMI F. H. Kelly, consider how they'll repair a scintiscaler (radiation counter). In the line-up (4) "They'll think I'm the only one who does any work around here," said Chief Laden. Those who remembered to dress up for the OL are, left to right, Chief Smith, Jones, Scanlan, Renshaw, and Kelly. Not aboard when the photographer came—HMC E. J. McClure.

## X-Ray Machine Need Repairs? Safe Opening at Odd Hours? Electro-Medical, Dental Repairmen Will Come to the Rescue

When the ECG technician records your heartbeat—when the dentist drills into your molar—when an incubator keeps a premature baby breathing—there's a good possibility that Oak Knoll's Electro-Medical and Dental Repair Unit has played some part in the "operation."

For sooner or later the unit's work touches every department of the hospital.

Last September, when the Twelfth Naval District closed its No. 1 Electro-Medical and Dental Repair Unit at Naval Supply Center, Oakland, this hospital absorbed its personnel and equipment and assumed full responsibility for keeping equipment shipshape at all activities from Fallon, Nev., to Monterey, and aboard Navy ships that dock inside the Golden Gate.

The largest on the West Coast, it is headed by LCDR Leonard W. Burr, Chief of the Finance Division. It includes three HMC's—F. W. Smith, W. J. Laden, and E. J. McClure, and four HMI's—G. K. Renshaw, J. L. Jones, F. H. Kelley, and Patrick J. Scanlan—all experts in this highly specialized field.

Experts? If there's any doubt in your mind, just take apart an X-ray machine (Oak Knoll alone has ten of these in constant use), an electroencephalograph, or a scintiscaler (that's right—its a radiation counter in the radioisotope lab). Then try to put it together again.

How did these seven become experts?

"We were all X-ray technicians at one time," said gen'ral Chief Smith, spokesman for the group. "Then, to

qualify for this type of work we attended the 11-month Armed Services Medical Equipment Maintenance Course at the U. S. Army Medical Supply Depot, St. Louis, Mo."

"There may also be a little native ability involved," according to Lieutenant Commander Burr, who is particularly proud (and what Finance Officer wouldn't be?) of the fact that



The "Oak Leaf" draws this month's Sweetheart from Waupun, Wisconsin. Her name is Alice Jean Nugent, and she is presently attending Airline Hostess School in Kansas City, Missouri. Alice Jean was submitted by Jon R. Winter, a lab tech in the Out-patient Lab. (Submitted to the Oak Leaf, that is.)

Scanlan installed the new deep therapy machine in X-ray last June, saving the Navy an estimated \$1300.

Fifty per cent of the repairmen's work is done "on location," the other half in the large shop adjoining the Finance Office, where the walls are lined with drawers full of spare parts whose use the average person couldn't guess if his life depended on it.

The unit installs X-ray machines and other equipment on MSTs ships and at the US Coast Guard Station on Government Island.

Another important function is evaluating equipment in sickbays of ships to be "mothballed" and at shore activities to be deactivated, in order to determine whether gear should be surveyed or transferred for use to another activity.

To date, no job has been too large for these champion do-it-yourselfers, some of whom must be on call 24 hours of the day in case of emergency.

And no job is too small. A couple of weeks ago an X-ray machine at a nearby dispensary was "on the blink" and Scanlan got the job. He sized up the situation, turned two screws and headed back to headquarters. Deviating from the medical, they repair ailing time clocks, change locks on an occasional safe "and we could even 'fix' parking meters—though this is a little out of our line."

"Oh, yes—one thing more while you're writing us up," Chief Smith called after the reporter. "You've heard that X-ray radiation sometimes causes sterility? Well (all seven smiling proudly), we'd like you to know that we have a total of 18 children—so far."

# Knoll Quintet Drops First League Game to NAS, Monterey, 45-46

The Oak Knoll quintet traveled to Monterey 7 January for their first league game. They dropped it 45-46 in the last seconds of the game when a Monterey player sank a free throw after being fouled by Brayfield.

Brayfield was dribbling down court in an attempt at a last-second shot when the foul was called.

Oak Knoll had a cold first half—garnering only 13 points to Monterey's 26. But in the second half they started clicking and, led by Brayfield's five field goals, were able to make up the deficit and tie the score in the last minute. Unfortunately, this wasn't enough, and the final score stood Monterey 46-Oak Knoll 45.

### BOX SCORE

Player	F.G.	F.T.	F.	Pts.
Oak Knoll				
Dorsey	2	1	1	5
Johnson, H.	1	2	2	4
Kubik	2	0	0	4
Williams	3	1	3	7
Smith	1	0	2	2
Johnson, R.	0	0	3	0
Brayfield	6	2	2	14
Sickwell	0	1	1	1
Bates	3	2	2	8
Totals	18	9	17	45
Monterey				
Jensen	2	3	1	7
Vandenburg	4	2	1	10
Stowe	1	0	0	2
Ward	0	0	1	0
Robison	7	0	2	14
Torlina	0	0	2	0
Tomisser	6	0	2	12
Dickerson	0	1	2	1
Totals	20	6	11	46

## 2 Bills Named Mahood Have Reunion on 41A

"Do you happen to know a William H. Mahood, Disney Studios artist?" William A. Mahood, AO3, asked Mike Miller, Disney artist-at-work on 41A last Thursday.

"Sure do—he's doing portraits somewhere around here right now."

Sooo—the two Bills (they're cousins) got together for the first time since they met at a funeral in Los Angeles nearly five years ago. The patient's wife Patricia and sister Sharon, up from Santa Clara, also enjoyed a visit with their Hollywood relative.

Oak Knoll's Bill Mahood, victim of an automobile accident in Patuxent River, Md., was transferred here from Bethesda on 7 December.

## Basketball Schedule

- 21 January  
Naval Supply Center—here
- 23 January  
NAVCOMSTA (There)
- 28 January  
S.F. Marines (There)
- 30 January  
S.F. Marines (Here)
- 4 February  
NAF Monterey (Here)
- 6 February  
Coast Guard (There)
- 11 February  
NAD Concord (There)
- 13 February  
NAS Oakland (Here)
- 18 February  
Naval Supply Center (There)
- 20 February  
NAVCOMSTA (Here)

## USCG Champs Win Again

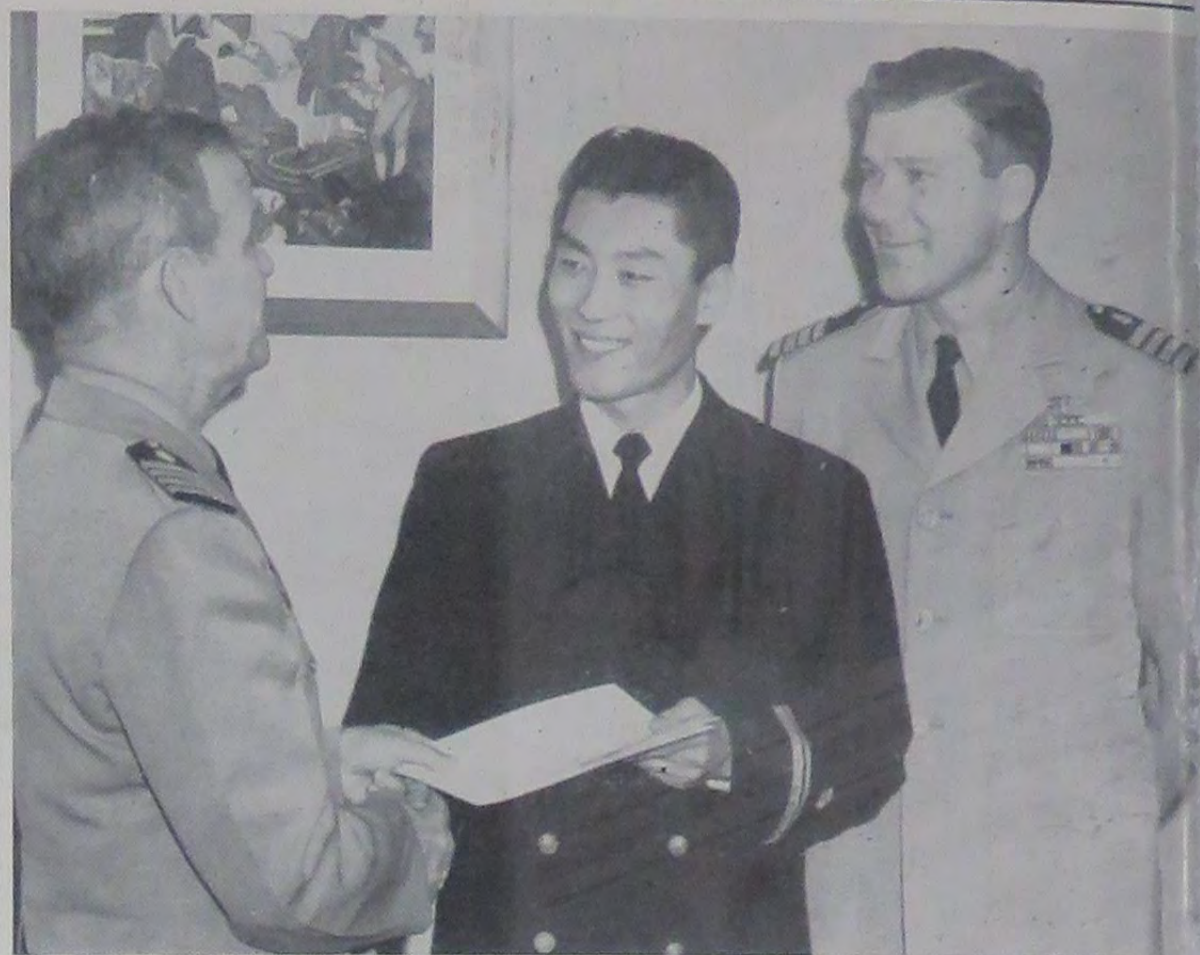
In their second league game of the season Oak Knoll came up against the defending champion Coast Guard team. The champs were in top shape and coasted to an 80-47 victory. However, Knollite fans should not be too discouraged, as the Coast Guard team is romping over all its rivals.

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Dorsey	1	0	0	2
Johnson, H.	4	1	3	9
Williams	1	0	1	2
Smith	2	3	3	7
Perkins	1	1	1	3
Bates	6	3	0	15
Brayfield	3	3	0	9
Total	18	11	8	47
Coast Guard				
Ebeling	7	1	1	15
Ouihuiz	0	0	1	0
Tolbert	3	2	0	8
Poet	1	0	3	2
Jacques	0	0	4	0
Haney	15	1	1	31
Stretzoff	0	0	1	0
Harper	3	0	0	6
Goodwin	2	0	1	4
Penner	5	0	0	10
Brown	2	0	2	4
Total	38	4	14	80

## Previews

- Tonight, 16 January  
GOOD DAY FOR HANGING — Fred McMurray (Family).
- Saturday, 17 January  
THE SUN ALSO RISES—Tyrone Power, Ava Gardner (Adult).
- Sunday, 18 January  
RELUCTANT DEBUTANTE — Rex Harrison, Kay Kendall (Family).
- Monday, 19 January  
NEVER LOVE A STRANGER—John Drew Barrymore, Lita Milan (Adult).
- Tuesday, 20 January  
WIND ACROSS THE EVERGLADES —Burl Ives, Christopher Plummer (Family).
- Wednesday, 21 January  
DON'T GO NEAR THE WATER — Glenn Ford, Gia Scala (Family).
- Thursday, 22 January  
TOKYO AFTER DARK—Richard Long, Plus Cartoon.
- Friday, 23 January  
HARRY BLACK AND THE TIGER—Stewart Granger, Barbara Rush (Family).
- Saturday, 24 January  
LES GIRLS—Mitzi Gaynor, Gene Kelley (Family).



HEADING HOME: LT KiWan Chang, MC, ROKN, recently completed his year's work as a resident observer in Orthopedic Surgery and is now en route back to his home in Seoul, Korea, and his job on the Orthopedic Service at Chinhae Naval Hospital. At the office of CAPT F. J. Weddell to say goodbye, he received a warm handshake and a letter of commendation for his work under CAPT Harold A. Streit, Chief of the Orthopedic Service (right). The handsome Korean doctor repeatedly showed himself to be a "capable and industrious doctor, a valuable surgical assistant, and an untiring student of clinical and surgical orthopedics, earning the respect of his colleagues in orthopedics and associated specialties," the letter stated.

## How Fast Is Too Fast?

How fast is too fast? Generally speaking, you're driving too fast if you lack control in case of emergency.

- Slow down before you get to curves and intersections.
- At night, drive at the speed which will let you stop within the range of your headlights.
- On sand, gravel, or wet roads, drive so there is no sway, no sudden braking.
- Drive at the speed of the vehicle ahead, (and stay well behind) until you can pass.
- Where children are playing, be able to stop in a car length or less.
- When you're tired or inattentive—STOP.
- At 30 m.p.h. a car will travel 33 feet before you can even apply the brakes. 80 feet before you can stop.

## Taps Top Hookers To Lead League

The Power-packed Taps regained the Men's Handicap League lead in the eighteenth week by drubbing the Hookers, who now occupy the second spot. Big guns for the winners were George Cartmell, who bowled a 220-567 and Tom Fowler 215-565. High for the losers was Gene Lucas with 532 and "Red" Tinnel with 507.

The Dental Team bumped the Kebobs twice to maintain their hold on third place. Leading the Dental Squad was Willie Williams with a 564 series and Jerry Curry with 205-535. High for the Kebobs was "Satch" Sage with 213-538 and John Lalla with 519.

In their battle to vacate the cellar, the 7-11 Five won two from the X-Ray Gang, but because of alley conditions and unmatched wood used in the 7-11 Five-X-Ray match their scores will not be mentioned.

### Standings

Team	Won	Lost
Taps	34	20
Hookers	32	22
Dental	29½	24½
Kebobs	24	30
X-Ray	24	30
7-11 Five	18½	35½

"What did the ocean say to the airplane as it flew over?"  
"Didn't say anything. Just waved."

## Slack Hours Best Time to "Gas Up"

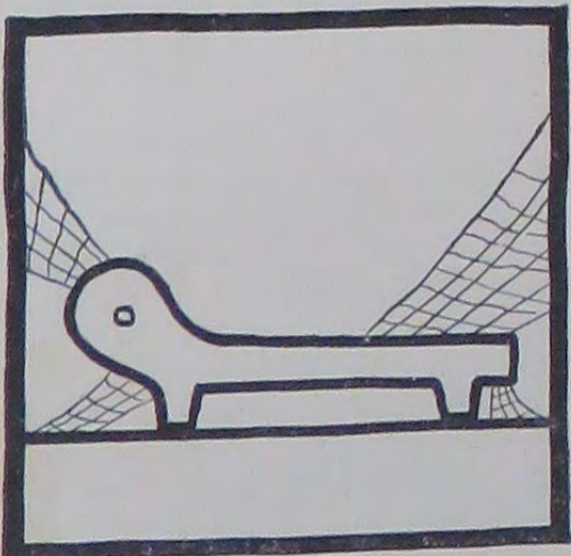
During peak hours of business many patrons are required to wait an undue length of time for gasoline. Remember that during the "slack hours"—0930 to 1100 and 1400 to 1500—you will be promptly served.

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U. S. Naval Hospital  
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## Greek Champion Now An SNQN, USN "Grounded" on 74A With Back Injury

It's bad enough to have an injured back when walking is your primary means of locomotion, but when you're the champion high jumper of Greece and a former member of the University of Southern California track team, it's even less fun. That's the way it is with Jacovus "Jim" Biskinis, SNQN, who is now under treatment on 74A.

To make things worse, Biskinis, 24, 6 ft. 1, dark, and handsome, has received an invitation to participate in next year's Olympic Games, but

as a result of a 15-foot fall aboard the USS CHARRA, he is grounded, and right now it looks as though the answer will probably have to be negative. Besides the fact that he hasn't fully recovered from his injury, there's the problem of working out.

The young champion as a small boy was "very weak."

"My mother arranged to have me excused from physical education because she felt it would be too hard for me. This gave me a complex, and I decided to overcome it," the soft-spoken athlete said. "I went to a gymnasium and worked out alone every day. I got pretty good; so I begged the coach to let me try out with the other boys for the High School championships. He was surprised. I won."

That was just the beginning. At 17 (in 1952) Biskinis was registered in the National Athletic Association of Greece as an athlete. In 1953 he was named champion of the Balkans when he cleared the bar at 6 ft. 7

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Invited to Olympics

## Nine Staffers At Orthopedic Meet

Three amputees, three rehabilitation experts, and three orthopedists represented Oak Knoll at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons in Chicago during the past week.

CAPT T. J. Canty, CAPT R. C. Doolittle, and Dr. E. E. Bleck, former staff doctor now serving as consultant in amputee surgery and rehabilitation, appeared on the program and monitored an exhibit of new Navy plastic legs. Assisting were civilian employees Vernon Plummer, William Weisgerber, and Al Wenger, who assembled prosthetic legs, put them on, and showed their audience how they function.

One feature of the exhibit was the new waterproof, rustproof, nonskid "swim-limb" displayed in a plexi-glass aquarium complete with bubbler.

Local orthopedists attending the sessions were CAPT H. A. Streit, Chief of the Orthopedic Service, LCDR H. W. Lagerquist, and LT E. L. Bingham.

## Anyone For A Combo?

Can you play an instrument? Are you an EM? A perfect combination for the Hospital Combo to play for staff dances. All interested, please call Ed Tewksbury, HM1, at Ext. 555, for details.



CAPT George M. Davis



CAPT Robert O. Canada

## Dr. Canada Leaving For Bethesda; Dr. Davis New Chief of Medicine

Oak Knoll said goodbye this week to CAPT Robert O. "Jiggs" Canada and welcomed aboard his relief, CAPT George M. Davis, Jr., from U.S. Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, Ill.

Since July, 1955, when Dr. Canada reported here from USNH, Charleston, as Chief of the Medical Service, patients have been beating a path to his door. When word came that he was ordered to Bethesda, patients came from far and near—all wanting "the good doctor to take another look" before he checked out for his new assignment.

In addition to the responsibility of administering the busy Medical Service and personally caring for many patients, Dr. Canada has been in charge of the intern training program. Nearly a hundred young doctors have started their medical careers under his guidance, and many have transferred to the regular Navy as the result of their association with him.

During his 21 years in the Navy, Dr. Canada, a Virginian by birth and education, "has been around." He was aboard the tanker USS SALINAS

when she was torpedoed off Iceland in October, 1941. He was aboard the USS PASADENA in Ulithe Lagoon and in Tokyo Bay for the Japanese surrender in September, 1945. Early in his career he spent three years at Fitzsimmons Army Hospital, Denver, Colo., concentrating on diseases of the chest. He had further advanced work in internal medicine at Cornell University, New York City, and spent 35 months as head of the Tuberculosis Control Section of BuMed's Preventive Medicine Division. And he had a tour of duty as Assistant Chief of Medicine at Bethesda.

Though Dr. Canada and his wife, (Continued on Page 2)



Cesar Martinez Garza, mechanic, classical violinist, and graduate of Oak Knoll's Orthopedic Appliance Mechanic's School, played for the press here last week. Cesar, born with only one hand, used airplane parts to make this device to hold his bow. Interested listeners are Luis L. Solares, Dr. Luis Nicanor Hernandez-Gonzales, and Mario Martinez, members of the amputee rehabilitation team now en route back to Mexico City to serve their country's new rehabilitation institute. (See story, Page 3.)

## Basketball Tonight!

All hands are urged to turn out for tonight's do-or-die contest between the Hilltop Hoopsters and the San Francisco Marines. The game starts at 1930 in the auditorium-gymnasium.

The Marines are one of the top teams in the league, and if we can just get past them, we should have clear sailing from here on in, according to Chief Kenneth Moffett, who is coaching.

"It'll help a lot if we can hear a little cheering from shipmates in the stands," the chief said.

# The Oak Leaf

U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California.

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CAPT Fitz-John Weddell, Jr., MC, USN, Executive Officer.  
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## ++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++

### FOR TIME OR ETERNITY?

Not too long ago I read an article in which the architect of a beautiful Chicago skyscraper was interviewed. He stated therein that it had been one of the greatest thrills in his life to design this famous building. However, he ended with this note of sadness: "But I feel a deep melancholy as I look at the building. I know that after 25 or 35 years it might be torn down. It seems that nothing is permanent any more."

Here was the greatest accomplishment of this man, and he knew that it could not be permanent. We have all stood by while the old was being torn down to make way for the new. "It seems that nothing is permanent any more." What a tragedy, and yet to many this is only too true. Why the number of suicides? Not always because of poor finances. Too often it is despair over life. They come to the point where there seems to be nothing which is permanent. There is nothing around which to build a life.

There is something permanent in life, however. Christ said, "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away." (Luke 21:33) He is the same One who said, "I am come that they might have life, and that more abundantly." What are you doing with your life? Are you erecting something that will be torn down immediately upon your passing by—or are you building for eternity?

*Only one life 'twill soon be past,  
Only what's done for Christ will last.*

LTJG GERALD W. COX, Protestant Chaplain

### Prayer For the Road

Lord, impress upon me the great responsibility that is mine as I take the wheel of my automobile. As I need thy guidance in all things, so now especially do I when I have life and death in my hands.

Give me always a deep reverence for and a desire to protect human life. When I would be careless, remind me of homes where there is sorrow and loneliness, of the hospitals where broken, suffering bodies lie in anguish because someone forgot.

Write indelibly on my conscience that each time I take the wheel of my car I am a potential murderer; that in a few careless moments I could be face to face with dire tragedy for my own family as well as for others.

Give me grace to practice the Christian virtues of patience and thoughtfulness at all times. Help me to show the same courtesy and kindness to other motorists that I want to expect from them.

When others exceed the speed limit or otherwise break the law, let me not be tempted to do the same. Forgive my stupidity if I ever think it is permissible to violate traffic laws so long as I do not get caught.

Remind me often that I am responsible to Thee as well as to the state to obey the ordinance of the highway, and that when I do not, I sin against Thee as well as against my fellow men, even though nobody else may be watching and no accident may result.

Lord, grant me control of my car and of myself at all times. Help me to live lawfully and peaceably, to save life and not destroy it; and so by example lead others to do the same. Amen.

(Reprinted from National Safety News)

### Eager to Return to Duty, Studies, Track

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inches, and he ran the 200 in 21.5 ("That's seconds," he explained).

Biskinis had a year of political science and two years of pre-med in Greece and then, with the aid of the American Consul and by qualifying through a competitive examination, he came as an exchange student to USC. All went well until he learned that he was to be drafted for the

Greek Navy. That's when he decided to join the United States Navy so that he could stay here and complete his education.

After boot camp in San Diego, he was ordered to Japan aboard the CHARRA.

He wants very much to get back to duty and complete his Naval Service so that he can resume his studies and his life on the cinderpath.

### Captain Davis Comes From Great Lakes

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Judy, are reluctant to leave their many good friends at Oak Knoll, they are looking forward to their new assignment and to being near their only son, Bob, a sophomore at the University of Virginia.

Captain Davis comes to Oak Knoll after serving as Chief of Medicine at U.S. Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, for two and a half years.

Born and reared in the small town of Bixby, Okla., Oak Knoll's new Chief of Medicine speaks with a southern accent almost as marked as that of his predecessor.

Dr. Davis received both his BA and his MD from the University of Oklahoma, interned at USNH, San Diego, and was commissioned in the Medical Corps in 1940.

Early in his career he chose internal medicine as his specialty and took post-graduate training at Northwestern University and residency training at San Diego Naval Hospital. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine.

Captain Davis wears the Commendation Ribbon and Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon for service with the Fleet Marines at Kwajalein, Siapan, Tinian, and Iwo Jima, and during the Korean War was Chief of Medicine aboard the USS HAVEN. Other important assignments have taken him to the Naval Hospital at Annapolis as Chief of Medicine and to USNH, San Diego, as Assistant Chief of Medicine.

The new Chief of Medicine and his wife, Helen, will make their home in Quarters B on the compound. They have one daughter, Jeanne, 18, a student at William Woods College, Fulton, Mo.

Unlike Captain Canada (an avid quail hunter, whose liver-spotted pointer named Pete was almost as well-known on the compound as his master), Captain Davis has no special hobbies, but he does have a distinction that is certain to cause comment. He is almost a "dead ringer" for Bob Hope and is often mistaken for the comedian.

"They never make this mistake at the bank, though," he told the OAK LEAF reporter.



**COMMENDED**—On the day of his departure for civilian life, Arvor Roland, HM2, received the CO's Commendation for his work as senior corpsman in surgery. "Your interest in and capacity for the type of work to which you have been assigned have contributed to the efficiency of a three surgeries, and your pleasant cooperative manner have earned the respect and admiration of all your associates," the commendation read in part. Roland left last Friday for his home in Marshall, Tex. He plans to attend Texas Southern and hopes eventually to become a doctor.

### Dental Care Provided At 417 Facilities

Dental care was provided to Navy and Marine Corps personnel during Fiscal Year 1958 at 417 dental facilities ashore and afloat. In addition, dental care was provided to personnel in many areas of the United States where no permanent dental facilities are available, by dental officers attached to Navy mobile dental units. Approximately eight million dental examinations, treatments, and operations were done in all branches of dentistry, except orthodontics, for military personnel and their dependents.

Last year was the first in which dependents outside the continental United States and at specifically designated "remote areas" within the continental limits of the U. S. received dental care under the Dependents Medical Care Act. During this period, some three hundred and thirty thousand dental procedures were accomplished for approximately ninety thousand dependents.

### Previews

Tonight, 30 January  
BELL, BOOK and CANDLE — James Stewart, Kim Novak (Adult).  
Saturday, 31 January  
RIDE A CROOKED TRAIL — Audie Murphy, Gia Scala (Family).  
Sunday, 1 February  
NO NAME ON THE BULLET — Audie Murphy, Joan Evans.  
FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS.  
Monday, 2 February  
PAJAMA GAME — Doris Day, John Raitt, Carol Haney (Family).  
Tuesday, 3 February  
VERTIGO — Kim Novak, James Stewart (Adult).  
Wednesday, 4 February  
BASKETBALL — Oak Knoll vs. Monterey.  
Thursday, 5 February  
GIDEON OF SCOTLAND YARD — Jack Hawkins.  
Friday, 6 February  
IN LOVE AND WAR — Robert Wagner, Dana Wynter (Adult).  
Saturday, 7 February  
MARJORIE MORNINGSTAR — Natalie Wood, Gene Kelly (Adult).



**Robert J. Jordan of the Dermatology Clinic, has contributed his fiancée as "Sweetheart" for this issue of the Oak Leaf. She is Miss Elizabeth Heineman of Philadelphia. They plan to be married 9 May in the bride's home town. So, good luck to you both!**

# Scuttlebutt

**BOYS WILL BE BOYS DEPT—** Among recent registrants at Crew's library were Dr. Penguin, civilian, from Antarctica; Tyrannosaurus, Rex, XT, (that's what we thought) address, prehistorica; I.H. (I for I and H for we, Mrs. Berger interprets) Hepatitis, and on the same evening Ernest Hemingway. The last two did not list their dresses.

**SIGHTS & SOUNDS:** Katy Presson helping hubby Bob sweep down the EM Club at closing time. We need more wives like her! . . . "O" Chuck Izler and Mary Ann Nigro in frequent tete-a-tetes . . . ENS Elsie Butcher of the Nurse Corps sewing on a new JG stripe . . . SAGE of Lab planning to carry a fire extinguisher, filled with Falstaff, for eating pizzas at the EM Club (adv.) . . . Fresh air enthusiasts Fuller and Nackishima playing drums in front of the EM Club . . . Dr. Klingson of Orthopedics strengthening his quadriceps for skiing by walking in a "Groucho crouch" . . . Dennis Ashman of Personnel and Records hobnobbing around with one foot in a cast. ("Yep, I stumbled on it in the parking lot back of Navy Exchange, and everybody roared with laughter.") . . . Friends of EST School's carrier wondering what attraction takes him to San Francisco so frequently . . . Jim Curry of MarDet arranging for a sports review movie at the EM Club every other Monday (adv.) . . . Cook of Lab happily confirming hopes for another tax exemption . . . Sam Scott, HMI, shipping her for another six . . . CDR Charlesughton in Salt Lake City giving physical exams to NROTC students Williams of PT turning in on 41A some of his own medicine after a strenuous week end . . . Officers' wives "cutting figures" in muu muus at the EM Club luncheon.

**MOST MUSICAL TELEPHONE** PRIZE of the week belongs to Manuel Villaroman, Jr., HN, of Photo Arts. When his name sounds like a song.

**OAK KNOLL GETS AROUND** — Clipping from Margaret I. Black, Brunswick Rd., Brunswick N. 10, Victoria, Australia, announced that she had just watched the Navy Log sequence "Not a Leg to Stand On" filmed here exactly two years ago. Invented by Miss Black (who writes a very nice letter) and friends, 19-22, would like pen pals, 19-26. Object: exchange information about respective countries. If you qualify and would like to write, there's her address.

**OFFICERS, CPO's PLEASE NOTE:** John has been left holding the clips too many times.

His Navy Exchange barber shop for officers and CPO's is operated entirely on an appointment basis. Once appointments have been made, it is only basic courtesy and common sense to keep them.

## Captain Engelfried Back for Official Visit

CAPT John J. Engelfried, MSC, Director of the Department of Disease Blood program and head of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery Blood Bank program, paid an official visit to Oak Knoll this week. While here, he renewed acquaintances made during his tour of duty as medical pathologist here from 1950-53.

# Tech Graduations Order of the Fortnight Here



**THREE NEW OPERATING TECHS** received diplomas and ate cake last Friday to celebrate completion of their course. They are Paul D. Gates, HM3, who has orders to Mare Island; Frank D. Robinette, HN, who goes to Navy Postgraduate School, Monterey, and James R. Flowers, HM3, who will join the crew of the USS MIDWAY. In the background are CDR Jean Collins and CAPT Marvin Gerber, who shared responsibility for their instruction, and assorted members of the OR staff.



**FOUR ORTHOPEDIC APPLIANCE** Mechanics received their diplomas last week and are now on duty in their new specialty. The grads, left to right, are Kenneth N. Umland and Donald G. Tyson, HM2's; Sam B. Scott, HMI, and Marvin M. Shaw, HM2. Umland and Tyson (honorman of the class) will remain at Oak Knoll; Scott is heading for San Diego, and Shaw for Hunter's Point. In the back row are W. E. Bates, CHMEDSRWT, administrative assistant to the Chief of the Amputee Service; Donald D. Strand, HMC; and LT J. B. Knight, supervisor of the artificial limb shop, who instructed the technicians.



**AMPUTEE REHABILITATION TEAM:** Trained by CAPT T. J. Canty (left) and members of his staff were (front row) Luis L. Solares, Graciela Enriquez-Cazares, Dr. Luis Nicanor Hernandez-Gonzalez, and Irma Gomez-Marquez; second row, Mario Martinez, Humberto Virgen Solis, Cesar Martinez Garza, and Raul Velasquez.

**UROLOGY TECHS** James R. Smith, HM3, left, and Josiah Lucier, HN, have completed their six months' course on the Urology Service here and are en route to new assignments.

Smith will go to the USS HAVEN at Long Beach, Lucier to the Naval Hospital at Great Lakes, Ill. CAPT Mark S. Curtis, Chief of the Urology Service, escorted members of his "class" to the CO's office last Friday when they received their diplomas from Admiral Hays.



## PRL Graduation Had An International Flavor

A graduation with an international flavor was held at PRL last week when eight citizens of Old Mexico lined up with four U. S. Navy men to receive diplomas signifying that they are ready to serve as an amputee rehabilitation team at Mexico City's new Instituto Mexicana de Rehabilitacion.

Five of the trainees have gone through a six-month orthopedic appliance mechanic's course and are qualified to make artificial limbs.

Senior member of the group is Luis L. Solares, restaurant and auto repair shop owner, winner of International Stock Car and Pan-American Auto Races, and commander of a motorcycle team that rode across the Bay Bridge on its opening day in 1936.

Others are Cesar Martinez Garza, mechanic, who studied violin at the Conservatorio Nacional de Musica, Mexico City, and plays in fine form despite a congenital absence of one hand; Humberto Virgen Solis, electro-magnetic devices technician, furniture maker; Mario Martinez, photo-finishing technician, first-year architecture student at the University of Mexico; Raul Velasquez, mechanic, University of Mexico medical student.

Here for three months for a concentrated course in amputee rehabilitation were Dr. Luis Nicanor Hernandez-Gonzalez, who will serve as chief of physical medicine at the new institute; Irma Gomez-Marquez and Graciela Enriquez-Cazares, physical therapists.

Their trip to this country was financed by the International Cooperation Administration, as were their English lessons. Arrangements for their training were made by U. S. Ambassador Robert C. Hill of Mexico City, and correlated by the state departments of the two countries, with the approval of the president of Mexico.

They were trained at Oak Knoll with the approval of Admiral Arleigh Burke, Chief of Naval Operations; Rear Admiral Bartholomew W. Hogan, Surgeon General of the Navy, and Dr. Frank B. Berry, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health and Medical Affairs.

The amputee center has had trainees from Australia, Austria, Denmark, England, France, Finland, Formosa, Germany, Italy, India, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, The Philippines, Sweden, Thailand, Uruguay, and Colombia.

## 1100 Packs of Camels And Not a Mile to Walk

It wasn't necessary to "walk a mile for a Camel" last Monday. A package was delivered to each patient in the hospital.

The cigarettes — 1100 packages — came as a gift from the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and with them a nationwide television salute to Oak Knoll.

Last summer at a Wyoming dude ranch a guest from the city came upon Jack shaving in the open air behind the bunkhouse:

Guest: "Do you always shave outside?"

Jack: "Of course . . . do you think I'm fur lined?"

# Hilltopper Hoopsters On Their Way—Win Last 4 Games

## Battling Russ Bates Stacks Up 204 Points To Top Season Scoring; "Perk," Dorsey High

The Hilltoppers, after dropping their first two league games, have bounced into the winning column in their last four outings. They defeated the NAD Concord Marines 74-51, NSC Oakland 76-52, NAS Oakland 80-58, NavCom-Sta 65-55.



That's Floyd Smith going up for a rebound.

Russ Bates led the Knollites to victory over the Concord Marines on 14 January, blistering the nets for a total of 30 points. Bob Johnson was next in line with 15. Because of an inexperienced scorekeeper, the Marines played the game under protest. At that time the score stood 44 to 39 in favor of Oak Knoll. The final score was 74-51, Oak Knoll.

In their game with NAS Oakland, Bob Johnson and Herm Perkins combined their talents for 16 points apiece as Oak Knoll rolled to victory. Bates scored 13 and Brayfield garnered 10. Final score: Oak Knoll 76, NAS Oakland 52.

Against the Naval Supply Center, Bates and Smith racked up 20 points each as Oak Knoll coasted to an 80-58 victory.

On 23 January, Oak Knoll traveled to Treasure Island, where they conquered the Naval Communication Station quintet. Bates was again high-point man, scoring 27 of Oak Knoll's 65 points. This brought his season mark to 204 points in 11 outings, for an 18.6 point average per game.

Individual scoring chart for 11 games reads:

Bates	204
Perkins	76
Dorsey	73
Smith	69
Johnson, R.	67
Brayfield	53
Johnson, H.	40
Williams	37



Robert Johnson goes up for a jump shot good for two points at the N game here on 21 January.

## Taps Still Leading; Gene Lucas Hits The Pins For High Series of 645

After 20 weeks of bowling, the Taps maintain their slim margin over the second-place Hookers to lead the Men's Handicap League. Their victim this week was the X-ray squad, as they easily won three games. High for the winners was Tom Fowler with 283-560, George Cartmell, 534, Al Line, 524. Bernie Campbell mustered high series for the losers with 423.

The Hookers lost ground by win-

ning only two from the defending champion Kebobs. High for the Hookers was Gene Lucas with 20-426. High for the losers was "Satch" Sage with 492. The third place Dent team gained on second place by abounding the 7-11 Five three times. High for the winners was Dr. Super with 202-569, and Willie Williams 501. "Slim" Sklinchar was high for the losers with 477.

In the most recent action at the local lanes the Taps continued to lead the loop by defeating the Dent team three times. High for the Taps were Tom Fowler's 506 and George Cartmell's 504. High man for the losers was Willie Williams with 492.

The Hookers won three from the X-ray squad via the forfeit route their second place spot. In the three-games Gene Lucas of the Hookers mustered high series for the season thus far with 220-222-203 for 645. In their effort to vacate the cellar the 7-11 Five bumped the Kebobs twice. High for the winners was Jack Wynn with 200-522 and John Erpenbach with 506. "Satch" Sage was high for the losers with 504.

## Captain Doolittle Speaks To Oakland Service Club

CAPT R. C. Doolittle, Assistant Chief of the Amputee Service Spoke to the Oakland Service Club on 21 January. His subject—"Rehabilitation of the Amputee." Al Wenger, quadruple amputee, accompanied the doctor and demonstrated his Navy-made limbs.

Daffynition: Conference—a meeting of the bored.

## Pay Schedule

Monday, 2 February—All officers, enlisted personnel.  
 Tuesday, 3 February—Enlisted personnel.  
 Monday, 16 February—All officers, enlisted personnel.  
 Tuesday, 17 February—Enlisted personnel.

## Lady Keglers Rolling Along in 12ND Competition With Wins from Alameda, Moffett, and Lady Marines

The Lady Keglers are really rolling in the 12th Naval District competition, having won 9 games straight in the past three weeks, knocking off the Alameda Tenpinners, Moffett Field, and the Marines, to bring them within 1/2 game of the league-leading Treasure Island Waves.

Every week seems to bring a different bowler to the scoring fore; to start off the winning streak 15 December, Anne Tierney paced the team with 173-482, closely followed by Ethel Eusebio with 193-477, Dottie Effner 178-458, Jeanie Gerber 154-443, and Ann Gee 173-423, while Lue Haas rolled 157-419 for the losing Alameda Hell Kittens. That night the team rolled its highest game of

the season (792) and compiled a new high in total pins (2283).

On 12 January Oak Knoll rolled over Moffett Field for another three with Dorothy Effner paralyzing the pins for a sizzling 187-503, with able assistance from Ethel Eusebio 167-440.

19 January found the Keglers on their home alleys—the team would like to offer orchids to alley manager "Red" Tinnel for prompt "Pins Down" replacement of pencils at frequent intervals, and between-games approach cleaning . . . Also the comment that our pinsetters are far and away the best in the district . . . Every little thing helped as the Knollites, led by Dorothy Ryder (185-468), Dot-

tie Effner (151-439) and Ethel Eusebio (157-431), and cheered on by Mrs. Gee, rolled over the Marines to continue their 3-out-of-3 streak.

Next week should tell a tale, as the team meets the league leaders, Treasure Island, at Moffett Field. Captain Anne Tierney thinks the two teams are a toss-up in skill, but that spirit and consistency are on our side.

Standings as of 19 January:

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Treasure Island	21.5	8.5	.717
Oak Knoll	21	9	.700
S. F. Marines	15.5	17.5	.478
NAS Alameda	14	19	.424
NAS Moffett Field	6	24	.200

## Powerful Hookers In First Place Yet

The powerful Hookers did it again . . . beat the Taps in position week to retain the hold on first place which has been theirs for 15 weeks.

The margin of winning was slim, as Al Line paced the losing Taps with 449, followed closely by Dorothy Ryder (437), Dottie Effner (423), and Gloria Stipe (422); but the Hookers, after dropping the first game, came back for the last two, as Jeanie Gerber uncorked a pin-pounding 172-470, ably assisted by Fred Moorhead, 161-456.

Ed Bush led the Bush Macs with 189-490 for two out of three from the

Splits to keep the Bush Macs in third place, while Mel Fowler (473) and Charlie Peralta (468) shared honors in sparking the Ketchup to bump the Sports two out of three.

Jane McCrory rolled her highest series of the season for the losing sports (176-451).

### STANDINGS

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Hookers	32	16	.667
Taps	23	20	.583
Bush Macs	27	21	.563
Ketchup	20	28	.417
Splits	20	28	.417
Sports	18	30	.375

## Here's Good News For Laundry Patrons

Ten thousand dollars' worth of improvements have been made in the Navy Exchange laundry facilities at TI, where Oak Knoll laundry patrons' work is sent.

Improvements will result in speedier service, improved quality of work, and even the sewing on of missing buttons, according to latest word from mid-Bay.

Daffynition: Family—a group of people who own keys to the same house.



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## Captain Schiff Selected For Highest Award Given By Triological Society

CAPT Maurice Schiff, Chief of the EENT Service, has been notified of his selection as the 1959 recipient of the Harris P. Moser Memorial Award, an honor that comes in connection with his election to active Fellowship in the American Laryngological, Rhinological and Otological Society, Inc., "The Triological Society."

The society confers this honor each year upon the candidate for membership whose thesis is "worthy of the distinguished teacher for whom it is named and whose treatise exceeds in excellence those of all other candidates in his Triological class," according to the communique that brought the good news.

"Juvenile Nasopharyngeal Angiofibroma," was the title of Captain Schiff's candidate's thesis, which was rated "A Plus" by the examining committee.

As a result of his selection, the EENT Chief has been invited to give a 20-minute presentation of his paper at the annual program of the society to be held at The Homestead in Hot Springs, Va., on 12 March.

The honor carries with it a Harris P. Mosher Memorial Award Certificate, listing of the recipient's name on the scroll published each year in the annual program of the society, 100 complimentary copies of the prize thesis, its publication in a forthcoming issue of THE LARYNGOSCOPE, and "the approbation of the entire fellowship."

Dr. Schiff has been at Oak Knoll since October 1955, when he reported in from the NATO organization in (Continued on Page 2)



CAPT Maurice Schiff

## Waves'll Dine, Dance 'Mid Hearts & Darts

Hearts and cupid's darts will decorate the CPO Club tomorrow night when WAVES and their guests celebrate Valentine's Day from 2000 to 2400.

Buffet dinner and dancing to the music of Emile Lemoine's popular Bay Area orchestra will be on the program.

Jerry Bourne is chairman of arrangements for the party. Assisting her are Mary Donahue, Carol Detwiler, Dorothy Williams, Carmen Rodriguez, and Lois Martin.



IT TOOK A LITTLE PERSUASION, but Jessie Starkey, HA, and Barney Epoch, HN, agreed to pose for the OAK LEAF'S valentine picture just a week after Barney gave Jessie her diamond engagement ring. They're thinking of a June wedding.

## Dr. Kazmann Inspects Hospital Facilities

Dr. Harold A. Kazmann represented the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals and served as field representative for the American College of Surgeons when he visited Oak Knoll on 3 February.

Member organizations of the Joint Commission whose overall purpose is to keep minimal standards of treatment up and costs down are the American Medical Association, American Hospital Association, American College of Surgeons, and American College of Physicians. As the College of Surgeons' representative, Dr. Kazman inspected the Tumor Board.

## TI Combo To Play For EM Dance Tonight

There'll be dancing and dining (buffet) tonight at the EM Club in honor of St. Valentine.

The Treasure Island band will furnish the music, and students at Kaiser Foundation Hospital School of Nursing will be guests of the corpsmen.

Men attending shall be in proper attire, which includes ties and coats.

## Dr. Losno Guides Peruvian Shipmates on Tour

LCDR Juan Losno, here to learn how to operate the artificial kidney, took four Peruvian shipmates on a tour of Oak Knoll on 6 February.

They were his friend and classmate, LT Carlos de la FLOR Otero, an EENT specialist; LT Cesar LEZA-

META, line officer; LTJG Carlos MONTES de Oca, dentist; and ENS Cesar Perales, chaplain—all from the Peruvian Navy Auxiliary Training ship PAITA, which stopped in San Francisco briefly during a training cruise.



THEY'RE GETTING LONGER EVERY YEAR—This sleek brown '59 Oldsmobile 88, complete with driving aids for amputees and others who have lost the use of one or more limbs, has been provided by Oldsmobile Division of General Motors for use in the rehabilitation program. Here Corbitt Ray, amputee driving instructor, and CAPT R. C. Doolittle, look on, while Al Wenger, quadruple amputee, tries out the special equipment. This is the twelfth year Oak Knoll has had the use of the latest model Oldsmobile. Arrangements for the car's delivery were made by H. C. Gepp, Zone Manager.

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

We have no doubt been hearing of the machines that perform stupendous figuring. They are the so-called "human brains" which some scientists believe will more and more replace the mind and reduce thinking to a selected few. Such talk is indicative of the trend of the times. Increasingly, we are basing our lives on unstable principles which make reason "the marionette of the subconscious." Increasingly we are unable to say: "The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars but in ourselves."

To be sure, there are certain things that will be and must be, and over which we have no control. The cycle of the seasons, the ebb and flow of the tides, the movement of the planets in their orbits—all these are irrevocable. This fact, however, does not prove that human experience of health and sickness, love and tragedy, happiness and misery, success and failure, peace and war, are also pre-ordained. If that were so, we would all be robots and there would be no point in any human attempt to master our destiny. Any theory which makes man the plaything of forces, either within or without ourselves, robs progress of a goal.

Man is a mortal being. His life is not the tracing of an inevitable doom but rather the outlining of a blueprint for blessing. Life may be marred by all manner of sin and evil. But essentially, it is good and progressive, depending on our personal efforts. It is, therefore, not enough simply to accept God's will. We must seek to translate it into our lives. If we do not succeed, let us not sigh and say the world is a prison house, but trustingly try again and take comfort in the thought that in the light of the number of years of man's existence on earth, we are merely bewildered children in a kind of spiritual kindergarten, trying to spell God with wrong blocks.

—LCDR Garson Goodman, Jewish Chaplain

## More About Honors For Chief of EENT

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Naples, Italy. For the past two years he has served on the teaching staff of the University of California Medical Center. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and Boston University School of Medicine, where he received his M.D. in 1942. Later, under Navy auspices, he had post-graduate training in Otolaryngology

at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School. He has been in the Navy for 17 years.

He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and the International College of Surgeons, a member of the American Board of Otolaryngology, the American Academy of Otolaryngology, and the American Medical Association.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY JIM** was the theme song on 41A on 5 February when James Muhs, EM2, was 21. Muhs' parents in Flushing, N. Y., provided the cake, and Mrs. F. C. Stadelhofer, Gray Lady, presented it to him at the birthday party arranged by the Red Cross Recreation staff.

## Scuttlebutt

**RANDOM SIGHTS & SOUNDS:** Corpsmen slaving at I & E over rate advancement exams . . . thunder . . . lightning . . . Phil Harfoush wondering how soon he should begin looking for a check from PLAYBOY. What's his story about? "Wait and read it in the magazine (I hope)," says he. It's his first try with fiction, but he's sold a couple of poems for \$25 each. . . . Saldano of Dental still looking for experienced musicians to complete the combo that had its first jam session this week. . . . LTJG Lillian Peart, MSC, sewing on a new stripe signifying her promotion to LT. . . . Davis of CO's Mailroom recalling other days when he was known as "taksan doc," . . . Record Office personnel saying goodbye (with a cake baked by Fran LeCoq) to Hugh McNutt, who left Friday for duty with Third Marine Air Wing, El Toro. . . . Barney Stoltman of Staff Pers giving a dissertation on tattoos, a subject he's well qualified to discuss. Of the pain, he says: "Ever been stung by a bee? It's like 32 bees slugging you at once." . . . Charles McCuddin, HN, still trying to get a letter down under to the Australia girl whose name appeared in this column last issue. He's mailed three, but all have bounced back for more postage. . . . Chaplain Shelton of MSTs carrying on for Chaplain Ruud while he takes his family on a 21-day holiday in old Mexico, Carlsbad Caverns, and the Grand Canyon. . . . Olejewski, asked his rate, quickly replying "200," which proves he is more weight than rate conscious.

**LOOK, MOMMY—A FIREMAN!** That's what Karen Asbelle says when her dad dons his uniform to report to the Naval Reserve Officers' Unit at Alameda. But this item is to report that the local rehab specialist is currently teaching a class in logistics—took the course a few months ago and has since been drafted as instructor for the unit.

**LIFE BEGAN** on 17 January for Sandra Gayle Westbrook, 5 lb. 4½ oz. daughter for Exell Westbrook, HM3, (X-ray) and wife Rosetta . . . on 28 January for Marc Alan Wiggins, 5 lb. 12 oz. son for LT R. A. Wiggins (Clinical Investigation Center) and wife Jeanne . . . on 30 January for Erik Frank Sederstrom, 7 lb. 11 oz. son for CDR Leslie W. Sederstrom (Pediatrics) and wife Helen . . . on 1 February for Thomas Patrick Willcutts, 8 lb. 8½ oz. son for LT Morton D. Willcutts (medical resident) and wife Jane . . . on 4 February for Wendell Phillip Brown, II, 6 lb. 5½ oz. son of Wendell P. Brown, HM3 (Lab) and wife Vera . . . on 6 February for Stephen Courtney Godfrey, 7 lb. 11 oz. son for William Courtney Godfrey, Jr., HM3, (Orthopedic Surgery) and wife Joan . . . on 9 February for Sharon Lee Defiebre, 5 lb. 13 oz. daughter for LT Bruce K. Defiebre (surgical resident) and wife Carolyn.

**OAKNOLLUMNI:** Dr. Carrie Chapman, consultant in Physical Medicine, is among the Bay Area women listed in the 1958-1959 Who's WHO of America for women. Dr. Chapman is Chief of Physical Medicine at the VA Hospital . . . same post she previously held here . . .

## Know Your Staff



Carol Detwiler, HN, of Audubon, Iowa, is the senior corpswave on 40A, the Dependents Surgical Ward.

Carol is a Class of 1956 graduate of Audubon High School, where she played clarinet in the band.

Besides playing the clarinet, Carol plays the piano and likes sewing and swimming. A sort of cross between the artistic, domestic, and athletic type girl. Could one ask for more?



Allan M. Moorhead, corpsman on Ward 60-A, is an average red-blooded, hot-dog eating American, who is a native of Lakewood, Colorado, where he attended Lakewood High. He entered the service in October of 1957, and was graduated from Hospital Corps School in San Diego, and reported aboard Oak Knoll in May 1958.

Upon release from active duty, Allan plans to attend the Colorado Highway Patrol School, in preparation for a police career.

He likes, among other things, to hold marathon telephone conversations with someone named "Penny." The other things he likes to do, is to hold marathon telephone conversations with "Marge" and "Judy." In fact, marathon telephone conversations seem to be his main ambition . . . outside his hospital corps work, of course.

## Officers' Wives Hear Civil Defense Talk

Officers' Wives met at the Club Wednesday to hear LT Stanley Peterson, Assistant Director of Civil Defense in Alameda County, speak on "Survival in Your Community."

Wives of doctors in the Amputee, Dermatology, Radiology, and Urology Services were in charge of the luncheon meeting, with Mrs. T. J. Canty acting as chairman.

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## Oh Say, Can You Ski? Then This is For You

Ever thought of going skiing—of gliding down snowy slopes through beautiful scenery, or meeting new and interesting people in the friendly atmosphere of a ski lodge?

It's all possible now that Oak Knoll has its own ski club, with membership open to any interested staff member. According to latest count, the club roster is already nearing the 100 mark.

Squaw Valley will be the destination for some thirty skiers taking off after work today. There'll be opportunity for beginners to learn, experts to improve, and for all to obtain special rates for instruction, rope tow, and ski lift.

Twenty-one members made the first trip on a January week end to Beacon Hill Lodge near the Sugar Bowl and Soda Springs, and since then enthusiasm has been at a high pitch.

Officers elected at a recent meeting are Mike Mickleberry, HN, president; Ken Knoll, HN, vice-president; Jodi Hawkins, HN, secretary. The Advisory Committee includes LT Dave Willcutts, MC; ENS Lu Ann Lynn, NC; Jerri Kopp, HN, representing the WAVES, and Chuck Stowe, HA, representing the corpsmen.

## Tom Fowler Cracks 600 As Hookers Close In

Three cheers are in order for "Slim" Sklinchar's 7-11 Five, as they snapped the Taps' win-streak at 17 games by winning the third game, thereby narrowing their hold on first place to two games over the second-place Hookers. Big gun in the Taps' victories was Tom Fowler, who rolled games of 238-192-178-608. Also high for the winners were Al Line 210-556 and George Cartmell 222-509. High scorer for the losers was John Erpenbach 201-526.

The Hookers closed in on first place by defeating the Dental team three times. High for the Hookers were Carl Ruud 518, Gene Lucas 512 and "Red" Tinnel 202-507. Willie Williams had 478 for the losers. The defending champion Kebobs set their sights on third place, as they won two games from the X-ray squad. High for the Kebobs were John Lalla's 496 and Ed Bush's 203-482. A newcomer to Tuesday night bowling, Cliff Craig, was high for the losers with 459.

### 22nd WEEK STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost
Taps	45	21
Hookers	43	23
Dental	35½	30½
Kebobs	28	38
X-ray	25	41
7-11 Five	21½	44½

## ARC Recreation Heads Off To State Confab

Miss Winifrid Eley, Recreation Supervisor, and Miss Marie Tully, Head Recreation Worker, will attend the Eleventh Annual California Recreation Society Conference in Santa Monica this weekend. Miss Eley is Chairman of the hospital recreation section, which consists of 100 members from military, state and Veterans Administration hospital recreation staffs. Miss Tully will participate in one of the hospital recreation panels.



HERE'S A SAMPLE of what goes on at Orthopaedics. In (1) Stanley Ricks, HN, sets up traction for his patient, John A. Ahlquist, AN2, while Joseph Hara, HN, takes an X-ray that serves as a progress report for doctors. (2) Doctors in X-ray conference. (3) The Chief Orthopedist, CAPT H. A. Streit. (4) Behind the masks in surgery are Drs. Perry Ah-Tye, Glenn King, Harold Streit, Duane Seig, and Corpsman Joseph Dixon. (5) In the cast room are Dr. King, and plaster artists Bill Godfrey, Gene Entreken, and Bill Ferris. The patient is PFC Willie Williams.

## 1200 Patients a Month Pass Through Knoll's "Grand Central" Where Deformed, Diseased, or Damaged Bones Are the Ticket

The Greeks had two words for it:  
*Ortho*—straight  
*Paidos*—child

From these came our word *orthopaedic*.

It follows that CAPT H. A. Streit, Chief of the Orthopaedic Service, and members of his staff are dedicated to the task of making children (of all ages) straight. Deformed, diseased, or injured bones and joints are their specialty.

The Orthopaedic Clinic is a sort of Grand Central Station, except that here more people are wearing casts and more arrive by ambulance. One mother carries her little girl, perfect except for a congenital club foot. A young sailor with multiple fractures is wheeled in from the ambulance that picked him up on the freeway. A retired officer who had a fractured hip comes in for a checkup. For him the doctors have constructed a new hip joint with a vitallium prosthesis.

### Round-the-Clock Service

LT Mary Jane Wathen, who keeps tab on the patients, reports that 1200 are seen at the clinic in an average month. More than half this number are dependents. Although Monday through Friday crowds dwindle at the end of the day, the clinic maintains round-the-clock service; for accidents are no respecter of sleep.

One of the first steps in caring for the orthopaedic patient is the X-ray, which helps the doctors with diagnosis and treatment. That's where Ed Tewksbury, HM1, comes in. His brisk "Take a deep breath. Hold it.

Thank you," and other appropriate instructions punctuate the day.

A few steps down the passageway is the conference room, where doctors interpret X-rays and together decide what to do for each patient.

"We're extremely fortunate that through Dr. Barber's cooperation, we have an X-ray branch on our own service—an unusual feature that is most helpful," Dr. Streit said.

### Here's Where to Get Plastered

Down the passageway in the plaster room, Bill Ferris, HM3, Terry Ferguson, and Gene Entreken, HN's, are busy applying or removing plain and fancy casts—most common device for immobilizing broken bones. Also well established here is Leroy Ellingson, HM3, in patient status for more than a year. At Bethesda, with his own foot in a cast, he learned to mix and mold plaster and has carried on here since his arrival in October.

"In civilian hospitals, doctors apply the casts, and I'd like to see better ones than our corpsmen turn out here," said Dr. Streit.

The "orthopods" perform major and minor operations in two completely-equipped surgical suites—the domain of ENS Marie Statkiewicz, OR nurse. Her crew includes OR techs Ed Wojewski, William Godfrey, Joseph Johnson, and Eldon Oxley, HM3's.

### Field Day Every Day

OR techs are early risers. "We're on the job at 0700, set up instruments readied the day before, scrub in, and work beside the surgeons, handing them the instruments they need.

And we have the never-ending job of cleaning up—every day is field day for us," said Wojewski, husky athlete who obviously has as much enthusiasm for this "game" as for football.

At Wards 41A and 43A are the orthopaedic in-patients. On 41A are acute trauma cases, many in traction, ordered by the medical officer and set up by the corpsmen, to hold fractures in proper alignment. Ward 43A houses patients with uncomfortable problems such as bone tumors, backaches, and flat feet.

### Training An Important Function

Training is an important and continuous part of the service.

For doctors specializing in orthopaedics, Oak Knoll offers three years of residency training, provided by Captain Streit, LCDR H. W. Lagerquist, and six civilian consultants, all well-known specialists. They are Drs. R. K. Ghormley, W. F. Holcomb, Arthur Holstein, L. D. Howard, L. J. Kriessl, and Douglas Toffelmier.

Currently under training are LT's E. L. Bingham and D. L. Seig (3rd year residents); LCDR H. S. Browne, LT's A. R. Ellingson, R. I. Sorenson, J. E. Jensen, Jr., and G. L. King, 2nd year residents.

Interns, OR and X-ray techs rotate through the service in order to complete their training requirements.

One civilian, Anna May Taylor, completes the staff, taking doctors' dictation and acting as "Girl Friday" for the whole department. Luckily she knows how to get along with boys—she's the mother of four.



Bohannon reaches high for a rebound at a crucial point in the game against the SF Marines. Waiting hopefully are teammates Howard Johnson and Dorsey.

## Johnson, Bates, Dorsey Lead Scoring As Hospital Hoopsters Win 2, Lose 2

In the Hilltoppers' last four outings on the hardwood, they split the honors, winning two and dropping two. The victories were over the S.F. Marines, 62-42, and NAF Monterey 68-54. Losses were to the S.F. Marines 90-74, and the Coast Guard,

Oak Knoll lost to the S.F. Marines on the Marines' court but avenged themselves at home with a 62-42 count. Howard Johnson was the top scorer in the losing match with 22 points, and Russ Bates topped the

scoring column with 15 in the victory game.

Oak Knoll continued on the revenge path by downing NAF Monterey 68-54. They had lost to Monterey in the opening league game of the season. Dorsey was the big scorer for Oak Knoll with 15 counters.

The Coast Guard romped to another easy victory when Oak Knoll visited them. However, the Knollites did hold the big center, Haney, to 11 points in the first half. Haney scored 23 points in the first half the last time Oak Knoll met them. Perkins was top scorer for the Hilltoppers with 13 points.

**BASKETBALL**  
**OAK KNOLL vs. NSC, Oakland**  
**There, 18 February, 1950**

## Lady Hoopsters Purring Over Kittens' Defeat

Oak Knoll's Women's Basketball team ended the season in a blaze of glory by taming the heretofore unbeaten NAS Alameda Hell Kittens, 39-34.

The first quarter was uneventful, but the Knoll girls started purring in the second quarter, outscoring the Not-So-Hellish Kittens and maintaining their lead to the end of the game.

Oak Knoll guards, Joan Beckwith, Dottie Effner, Lois Martin, and Lois Eckdahl, deserve a lot of credit for this win, according to those who watched the fray. Leading scorer for the Knoll was Elizabeth Lorch, with 22 points.

This was the third encounter with the Hell Kittens this season, but the first two were a different story. In the first the local lady hoopsters were downed 71 to 48, and the second resulted in a 37-52 score with Oak Knoll on the short end.

Miss Lorch and Mary Donahue, co-captains for the game, have also been the leading scorers for the season. Mary averaged 16 points per game, and Miss Lorch 13.

### Season summary:

Oak Knoll	59	TI	16
Oak Knoll	48	NAS	71
Oak Knoll	34	TI	27
Oak Knoll	37	NAS	52
Oak Knoll	39	TI	44
Oak Knoll	39	NAS	34

Three top players—Beckwith, Effner, and Donahue are participating in the West Coast Regional Basketball Tournament at Alameda this week, having been selected to play with their rivals, the 12ND Champion Hell Kittens. Scores were not available at Press time. Lorch was named to play in the tournament but was unable to go because of injury in the last game.

## Pay Schedule

Monday, 16 February—All officers, staff enlisted personnel.  
 Tuesday, 17 February—Enlisted patient personnel.



IT'S NOT BALLET—IT'S VOLLEYBALL. Al Mitter slams the ball across for another point for dental while Joe Hara of X-ray defends the net (too well). At right, Jim Rupprecht, poised for action.

## Noon Volleyball Now In Full Swing

The Interdepartment Volleyball League got into full swing last week with each team losing one and winning one game. Standings for the first two weeks are as follows:

	Won	Lost
Dental	1	1
Special Services	1	1
X-ray	1	1
EST	1	1

Games are played on Wednesday and Thursday at 1215 in the auditorium, and all hands are invited to come out and root for their favorite team. The league schedule is as follows:

- 1st Round**  
 25 Feb.—X-ray vs. Special Services  
 26 Feb.—Dental vs. EST
- 2nd Round**  
 4 March—Special Services vs. Dental  
 5 March—EST vs. X-ray  
 11 March—X-ray vs. Dental  
 12 March—Special Services vs. EST  
 18 March—Special Services vs. X-ray  
 19 March—Dental vs. EST  
 26 March—X-ray vs. EST

## Previews

- Tonight, 13 February  
 THE BARBARIAN AND THE GEISHA—John Wayne, Sam Jaffe (Family).  
 Saturday, 14 February  
 SHE PLAYED WITH FIRE—Arlene Dahl, Jack Hawkins (Adult).  
 Sunday, 15 February  
 TORPEDO RUN—Glenn Ford, Ernest Borgnine (Family).  
 Monday, 16 February  
 TANK FORCE—Leo Genn, Victor Mature (Family).  
 Tuesday, 17 February  
 THE BIG COUNTRY—Gregory Peck, Jean Simmons (Family).  
 Wednesday, 18 February  
 TEACHER'S PET—Doris Day, Clark Gable (Family).  
 Thursday, 19 February  
 THE LOST MISSILE—Ellen Parker, Robert Loggia (Family).  
 Two Reel Comedy—TWO ROAMING CHUMPS—The Two Chips.  
 Friday, 20 February  
 VILLA—Caesar Romero, Brian Keith (Family).  
 Short—CLINT CLOBBERS CAT.  
 Saturday, 21 February  
 THE WHOLE TRUTH—Donna Reed, Stewart Granger (Family).



OAK KNOLL GRIDDERS recently received "Block N" jackets in recognition of their second-place standing in the 12ND six-man football league. Presentation was made by CAPT Fitz-John Weddell, Executive Officer, with whom they lined up for a picture. Others in the front row, left to right, are Ron Begley, Chief Kenneth Moffett (coach), ENS R. W. McDermott, Special Services Officer; Herm Perkins, J. C. Overton. Second row: Leo Mounce, Dave Landers, Marv Cords, Russ Bates, Larry Kubik; Third row: Bruce Byers, Ed Pollack, Jack Sidwell, Otis Hughs, Norm Hawker, and Bob Johnson.





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**600 HOURS FOR NAVY RELIEF.** That's the record of Mrs. Roy Tandy, volunteer interviewer and sewing chairman for Oak Knoll. She received her 600-hour pin from Admiral Hays at the February meeting of the Officers' Wives' Club.

## A 600-Hour Pin For Mrs. Tandy

Pins and diplomas were presented to sixteen Navy Relief workers at the February meeting of the Officers' Wives' Club.

Mrs. Roy W. Tandy, who serves as Oak Knoll chairman for the organization that helps the Navy take care of its own, received a 600-hour pin for service in interviewing applicants for Navy Relief assistance and in making layettes for needy Navy babies. Mrs. Albert C. Harris received a 100-hour pin for service in the Navy Relief office.

Mrs. Robert O. Canada received a 600-hour pin before departing a month ago for Bethesda.

Diplomas went to those who took the Navy Relief course given here in November and December by Miss Myrtle James, Navy Relief Field Representative from headquarters in Washington, D.C. They were Mesdames L. H. Barber, H. L. Baxter, R. H. Easterday, E. G. Goodman, R. E. Hillenbrand, H. L. Holderman, H. G. Hopwood, E. E. Parker, A. L. Schultz, H. R. Superko, W. F. West, R. A. Wetzel, and two Oak Knoll chaplains, LT C. E. Ruud and G. W. Cox.

## Steiners to Frolic

The Steiners and their guests will dance at the EM Club tonight to tunes played by a combo from the Treasure Island Band.

Dancing will begin at 2000 and continue until 2400. Food and drink will be provided by The Steiners.



**COMMENDED**—Upon his return to civilian life, Robert A. Iacini, DK2, USN, received the CO's commendation for outstanding work in the Military Pay Section of the Disbursing office. "Your knowledge of military pay and allowances, your unflinching cooperation, and your adaptability in working with both military and civilian personnel were of invaluable assistance to the Disbursing Officer," the letter said. In addition to his primary duty, Bob operated the Clothing and Small Stores salesroom, where his services also were "exemplary."

## Admiral Hogan Sworn In for Another Two-Year Term As Surgeon General

RADM Bartholomew W. Hogan, MC, USN, Surgeon General of the Navy and Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, has been sworn in for another two-year term. The reappointment will extend his tenure of office until February 15, 1961. Originally appointed on 15 February 1955, Admiral Hogan is the first Surgeon General of the Navy to hold office for more than a single four-year term since VADM Ross T. McIntire (1938-46).

Admiral Hogan's brilliant record both before and after assuming the top post in the Medical Corps is well known.

At Tufts College Medical School, Boston, where he received his MD in 1925, he was awarded the Phi Lambda Kappa Medal for highest achievement.

As a commander during the early months of World War II, he was serving as Senior Medical Officer of the USS WASP when she was torpedoed in the South Pacific by a Japanese submarine on 15 September 1942. After the ship was badly damaged by fire and explosion and all damage control measures had failed, the abandon ship order was given. For heroic service during that action, he was awarded the Silver Star Medal and later received the Navy and Marine Corps Medal while on board the destroyer USS DUNCAN. Also among his decorations is the Purple Heart Medal.

Admiral Hogan is well known in this area, having served as CO of the Naval Hospital at Mare Island. Other assignments he has held since World War II have included those of CO at USNH, Bethesda, Md., and Chief of Staff for Medical Matters to the Commander-in-Chief of Pacific areas at the end of the Korean War.

A specialist in neuropsychiatry, he has made numerous contributions to medical literature in that field. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, a member of the American Medical Association, American College of Physicians, American Psychiatric Association; and the American College of Hospital Administrators. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the American Hospital Association, and a member of the House of Delegates of the AMA, as well as an examiner for the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and an Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Georgetown University School of Medicine, Washington, D.C.

He has received honorary degrees from Mt. Saint Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Md., Villanova College, Boston College and Tufts University, and Marquette University.

**SEE HIM NOW** on Page 4—ACORN, gentle newcomer from the pen of Cartoonist Gene V. Ellis, HM2.



Reappointed for another two year term as Surgeon General and Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

## Civilians Receive \$800 In Awards

Admiral Hays, at his February meeting with supervisors, presented a total of \$800 (less tax) to six members of the civilian staff whose performance of duty has been outstanding during the past year.

Kenneth McClay, stockman in the Supply Division, and Albert F. Lee, Jr., Public Works machinist, received 200-dollar awards. Checks for \$100 went to Lorraine Carley, accounts maintenance clerk, Finance Division; Vivian Swofford, secretary to the Training Committee; Elizabeth Tsai, Security Division stenographer; John Johnson, laborer cleaner, Operating Services Division.

Five employees recently earned checks for beneficial suggestions. Robert Bailey, Public Works electrician, received \$35 for his idea for hot gas defrost. Receiving awards of \$15 were Patrick Lane, Security, for a cure for overflowing of gas tanks on cars; Gus Matalas, Public Works, for a suggestion to aid driver orientation and training; Arthur Kerby, Public Works, for a "reset" switch in the boiler room; Clara Johnson, for suggesting metal sheets for protection of walls in the treatment room on 40B.

**HERE MONDAY**

at 2000

12ND Wrestling Finals

All Hands Invited

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## ++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++

### ARE YOU A COMMUNIST?

Ask yourself this question and before you get offended, examine yourself to see if by deed and attitude you are not supporting the propaganda of the Red masters of the Kremlin.

They proclaim: "No true Marxist can believe in any religion," and "The church is an enemy of the working class and must be shown for what it is—an enemy of the people." They discourage people from attending church. Their propagandists around the world are committed to the destruction of Christian belief. They discourage worship of God and religious training and promote those pleasures (as bait) that would cause people to absent themselves from church.

Now it is realized that we may not consciously intend to assist the cause of Communism. By our attitude and lack of loyalty to Christ and His church we silently subscribe to the Communist line. By making Sunday a holiday instead of a Holy Day, by depriving our children of religious instruction because we want to have a picnic, by "sleeping in" on Sunday morning because that is the only day that we can, by neglecting our prayers and our Bibles, reveals us as being more devoted to the principles of Communism than the teachings of CHRIST.

Chaplain Paul C. Morton, Protestant Chaplain

## From the Chief of Naval Operations

### —SEAPOWER, MOBILITY AND FREEDOM—

It is becoming more generally recognized throughout the world that American seapower in the twentieth century is a powerful influence for peace and stability. Our ships and Navymen stand watch at sea in support of the cause of freedom under moral law and justice. Our operating fleets are evidence of our active partnership in the free world effort to create a stable world community in which men may live in freedom and in peace.

Standing astride man's path to progress in civilization is the concept of Communism—a concept of slavery and oppression. United States naval forces are deployed and constantly on the move throughout the world ready to extend the friendly hand of American support to any free nation whose independence is threatened by Communist force or violence.

The combined capabilities of American carrier striking forces, submarines, anti-submarine units, logistic support forces, and amphibious forces with Fleet Marines provide strength necessary to meet military aggression wherever it occurs.

Naval forces are more important in the missile age than ever before. Mobility is a primary capability of navies. Support of our free world allies depends upon the ability of the Navy to move, unhampered, to wherever it is needed to support American foreign policy. This is the great contribution of United States seapower toward the progress of free civilization.

ADMIRAL ARLEIGH BURKE, USN

## Officers' Wives To Hear Mexican Cooking Secrets

Elena Zelayeta, author of "Secrets of Mexican Cooking," will be the guest speaker at the 11 March luncheon meeting of the Officers' Wives' Club.

The author, despite her blindness, leads a unique and busy life. Auto-graphed copies of her book will be

available for those who wish to try her recipes.

Wives of interns are in charge of the luncheon, with Mrs. H. G. Hopwood acting as chairman.

Baby sitters will be available in the club nursery.

## Divine Services

### PROTESTANT

SUNDAY WORSHIP—1030  
Communion 1030 on First Sunday  
of Each Month  
Bible Study, Tuesdays, 1215-1245,  
Bldg. 133  
Main Chapel, Tuesday

### NAVY RELIEF OFFICE IN 67A

Bus to and from Chapel on Sundays  
1015

### CATHOLIC

SUNDAY MASSES  
0600, 0830  
DAILY MASS and ROSARY at 1145  
Confessions before Mass  
Saturday—1900  
Any other time upon request  
Catholic Oratory in Back of Chapel  
Choir Practice 1930, Main Chapel  
Wednesday

### JEWISH SERVICES

Thursday 1200  
Small Chapel, 2nd Deck, Bldg. 133



The critics of the modern scene, cultural and political, are as always, numerous and loud. A very heartening fact, in our considered opinion. Books that dare us to take a careful look at ourselves as a nation and as a civilization range from Thomas Griffith's *THE WAIST-HIGH CULTURE* to C. Wright Mills' *THE CAUSES OF WORLD WAR III*. The first book, written by a Times editor, blasts a culture that is satisfied with mediocrity that makes business success, conformity and comfort its great goals in life. The second book is a controversial appraisal of our foreign and world politics by the author of *THE POWER ELITE*. The author contends that peace and war lie in the hands of a few men and that the people should use all possible influence to reverse our drift toward war. Another book, and one that gives careful and critical scrutiny to our present penal system is by Curtis Bok and is entitled *STAR WORMWOOD*. The author, who has also written *I, TOO, NICODEMUS*, and *BACKBONE OF THE HERRING* makes an eloquent attack on capital punishment and the whole penal system insofar as it is founded on vengeance.

From childhood's hour, I have not been

As others were. I have not seen  
As others saw. I could not bring

My passions from a common spring.  
From the same source I have not taken

My sorrows. I could not awaken  
My heart to joy at the same tone.  
And all I loved, I loved alone.

This, in his own words, is the story of Edgar Allan Poe. This year, Poe, like Lincoln, has the 150th anniversary of his birth celebrated. Both men, brooding, unhappy and star-crossed, have never lacked for biographers. In this latest and undoubtedly best biography of Poe by Francis Winwar *THE HAUNTED PALACE* the author gives a warm and accurate picture, sifting the legends, the facts and the prejudices that have grown up around the author of some of our greatest romantic poetry, and our earliest examples of the classic horror story.

Another man, about whose life much legend has grown, is Heinrich Schliemann, the intense and perhaps mad genius who used Homer's *Illiad* as a treasurer map, and whose wish to discover fabled cities of the Homeric Age, led him to excavate not only Troy, but Mycenae as well. The new book by Robert Payne *THE GOLD OF TROY* is a wonderful book that should have wide appeal for armchair archaeologists.

## Know Your Staff



**ALL WRAPPED UP IN HIS WORK** is Manuel Villaroman, HN of Photographic Arts. "Mike," as the well-equipped cameraman is known by his many friends, entered the Navy in the Philippine Islands in 1953. Prior to attending corps school in San Diego, he served at NSC, Oakland, and aboard the USS *STODDARD* (DD-566). He reported aboard Oak Knoll in July, '57.

Upon completion of his active service, Mike plans to study business administration at San Francisco State College.

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**A RECENT ARIVEE** at Oak Knoll and Ward 60A is David L. Mantell, HN. A native of San Francisco, he attended and was graduated from Balboa High, where he was a varsity letterman in basketball, track, and football. He not only excelled in athletics but also served as president of his Junior Class.

Dave entered the service in June of '58, completed Hospital Corps School in San Diego, and reported aboard Oak Knoll in January.

## Miss Eley Named Head Of State Committee

At the California State Recreation Society Conference at Santa Monica, 15 February, Miss Winifrid Eley, Hospital Recreation Supervisor, American Red Cross, was elected and installed as Chairman for the Hospital Section of the Society for the coming year.

## 371 Civilians Saving For Rainy Day—Payroll Way

Oak Knoll has 371 payroll savers among its 609 civilian employees, according to the latest report from Savings Bond headquarters in Washington. This is 60.9% participation.

As of December, Twelfth Naval District civilians ranked fifth in percentage of participation throughout the Navy, with 31,428 bond buyers or 79.9% of its 39,339 civilian workers.

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## Scuttlebutt

**ANOTHER OAK KNOLL ROMANCE** (They met here in December) culminated in marriage on 16 February when Carol Wilson, HN, and Louis Barrier, HM2, were married in Oakland. Carol is on duty in ECG and Louis is an EST student.

**WHAT NEXT DEPT:** Yes, that was Chief Griffin in the Security truck "driving" a blonde on a horse down the hill from 71A. Some said the young lady came to visit a patient. Others said she was merely looking for a water tank so she could give her horse a drink . . . "Caution—Wet when slippery" the sign at the Ad Bldg. ramp said. . . . "Mastitis, chronic, acute" was the diagnosis noted on a recent admission card.

**RANDOM SIGHTS & SOUNDS:** Bayliss Wilbur of Public Works spreading tar on the Ad Building roof so it won't leak on Ysabel—"I don't know who Ysabel is," he said, "but we've got to keep her out of the rain." . . . 56 WAVES aboard wondering how many roommates they'll have when the new group arrives. . . . Seven of Oak Knoll's foreign Doctors visiting Mills College with their English teacher, Mrs. Claire Breuer, a Mills alumna. In the group were LTJG Sadatoma Shimojyo, Japanese Navy; LCDR CHI Chung-lo, LT CHEN Chun-nien, and LT CHOE Choe In, Chinese Navy; LCDR YI Nung Kyu, LTJG YU Hyong Kyu, LTJG HAN Ki Sun, Korean Navy; . . . The Gerbers back from Las Vegas where they were weathered in for an extra two days. . . . Billy Cheatwood, the Aviation Machinist's Mate scorched by the lightning bolt that dented a Neptune patrol bomber, nonchalantly studying an advancement in rate manual—while the press was still pursuing him. Chief R. E. McGinnis pointing with pride to his picture of Jim Biskinis (Greek high jumping champ now on 74A) in an Athens daily. The picture was recognizable, but the UPI story was all Greek to everybody but Biskinis.

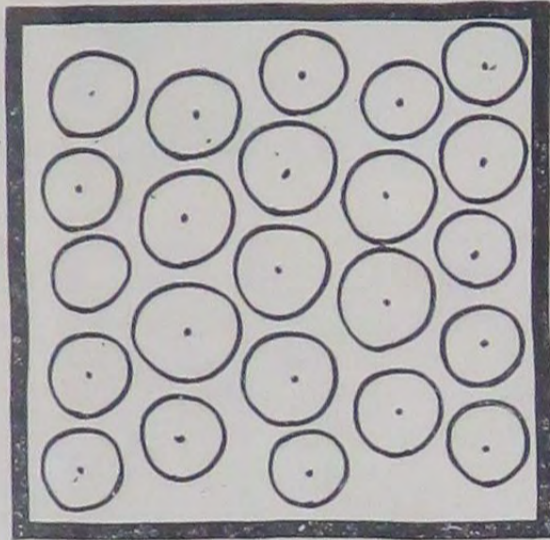
**SOMETIMES IT TAKES A KITTEN** to get one's name in THE OAK LEAF. That's the way it is with Miss Marjorie Larson, who arrived mid-January from Francis E. Warren AFB Hospital, Wyoming, to serve as Medical Records Librarian. The kitten is Purrboy, a 5½ month old, who took first place in the blue point Siamese male kitten class at the All-Breed Show sponsored by the San Francisco Cat Club in San Mateo Saturday and Sunday. Purrboy also won a red ribbon for best of color both sexes. Miss Larson has been raising Siamese cats since '49. Popoki (Hawaiian for cat) My My! is the name of her cattery (present population five).

**LIFE BEGAN** on 14 February for Patrick Joseph O'Connell, 8 lb. son for CAPT H. V. O'Connell (Pathology) and wife Dorothy . . . on 19 February for Robert Michael Cortez, 6 lb., 15 oz. son for Robert Cortez, HMI, (PRL) and wife Dorothy . . . on 20 February for a 9 lb., 2½ oz. daughter (still unnamed) for LCDR S. H. Martin (Medical Service) and wife Evelyn.

A girl was talking about her two boyfriends. "If I could combine them," she said, "I'd be the happiest girl in the world. Frank is gay, suave, rich, handsome, and witty; and Don wants to marry me."



A GOOD TIME WAS HAD by all who attended the Waves' Valentine party at the Chief Petty Officers' Club on 14 February. Among those present were (at left) CDR and Mrs. Melvin P. Huber, Jerlean Stark, HMC, CDR L. E. Suiter, and Gerry Bourne, HM3, who served as chairman for the party. After a buffet dinner, hostesses and their guests enjoyed dancing (right) until midnight.



"Bird's eye view of Payroll Savers having an outdoor celebration on the rainy day they put something aside for"

## Marine Corps League Cites Bill Sundin, Oak Knoll Movie Man

"Showing movies at Oak Knoll every Monday night has become a sort of hobby with me, and I wouldn't miss it for anything," William Sundin said when he and his assistant, Jules Chanteloup, were recently honored by the Oakland Detachment of the Marine Corps League. Both received citations for their unselfish service to the patients at U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland.

"A sort of hobby" is putting it mildly; for at last count, Mr. Sundin had shown 112,076 movies to Oak Knoll audiences.

A World War I veteran and Oakland resident, Mr. Sundin began his work in September 1942, when World War II and Oak Knoll were young. A professional projectionist at the Fox Oakland, he volunteered his services to the Commanding Officer, and soon the ward movie program was under way. DAV and American Legion were among the many veterans' organizations that provided funds and equipment to help with the project, which is still going strong.

A bowlegged man moved so slowly on the golf links that an irritated player deliberately shot a ball between his curved legs.

"Do you call that golf?" the offended man snapped.

"No," was the reply, "but it's darned good croquet."

## Korean War Citations Remind 4 Staffers Of Times They Wouldn't Want to Relive

Citations for action during the Korean War have been received by four Oak Knoll staff members.

LCDR John L. Wissing, Catholic Chaplain, and Kenneth Norman Umland, HM2, have each received the Presidential Unit Citation for extraordinary heroism against enemy aggressor forces while serving with the First Marine Air Craft Wing, Reinforced. The citation, covering three different periods in 1951, speaks of the unparalleled close air support provided for friendly ground forces, of operating continuously in the most advanced areas under fire. The record made by this group was "a lasting tribute to the courage and fighting spirit of all members of the unit," according to the citation.

LCDR Warren Decious, MSC, received the Navy Unit Commendation ribbon for exceptionally meritorious service with the crew of the USS

VALLEY FORGE during three periods when the crew and her embarked air groups "consistently maintained a high standard of combat readiness and inflicted extensive damage and destruction upon enemy lines of communication, installations, transportation facilities and troop concentrations."

Harry Eldon Ball, Jr., HM2, received a Presidential Unit Citation ribbon for extraordinary heroism in action in Korea while serving with the First Marine Division, Reinforced, in the mountainous center of Korea in "a brilliant series of actions unparalleled in the history of the Marine Corps, destroying and routing hostile forces with an unrelenting drive of 70 miles north from Wonju." Other actions for which the unit was cited were in the areas of Hwachon Reservoir and the "Punch Bowl."



\$50 WORTH OF ADVENTURE, HIGH FIDELITY, LIVING FOR YOUNG HOMEMAKERS, NATURE, OFFICIAL DETECTIVE, POPULAR PHOTOGRAPHY, PLAYBOY, PHOTOPLAY, REDBOOK, SAGA, SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, and TRUE STORY. That's what Mrs. Charles B. Hazen of Oakland Navy Mothers' Club No. 13 is handing ENS W. R. Eckerman, Special Services Officer. The Club gives \$50 a year for subscriptions to popular magazines for the Crew's Library, only one of many services it provides for the hospital regularly.



Smith stretches for a rebound in the Hilltoppers' game with NavComSta in which the Knollites were victorious, 67-55. Bohanan is No. 22.

### Hilltoppers Win Two, Lose One; Bates Averages 25 Points Per Game

In their last three ventures, the Hilltoppers came out victorious, two to one. They lost their game to NAD Concord, 63-58, but bounced back into the win column with victories over Naval Supply Center, 85-74, and Naval Communication Station, 67-55.

In losing to Concord at Mare Island on 11 February, Bates and Perkins led the Knollite scorers with 18 and 14 points respectively. The Hilltoppers led Concord at the half, 30-29, but weren't able to control Concord's sizzling trio of Pointer, Bryan, and Fischer, who scored 28 points between them in the second half and all but six points of their team's total count of 63.

At the Naval Supply Center on 18 February, Oak Knoll swung into action and beat out a victory to the tune of 85-74. Russ Bates, as usual, was the high scorer for the Hilltoppers, swishing the nets for a grand total of 28 points. However, three other Hilltoppers were banging the backboards with maddening accuracy too. Bohanan scored 18, Perkins 17, and Dorsey 12. Edmondson of NSC, tied Bates for game scoring honors with 28 counters.

### Pay Schedule

Monday, 2 March—All officers, staff enlisted personnel.

Tuesday, 3 March—Enlisted patient personnel.

Trailing 21-30 at half-time, Oak Knoll came romping back to stun NavComSta 67-55 on the local boards, 20 February. Bates, Oak Knoll's scoring whiz, led the locals with 29 counters, followed by Bohanan's 15 and Perkins' 10. Bates captured game scoring honors, as Nagle was high for NavCom with 24 points.

### Taps Still Lead; Hookers, Dental Trail

The League-Leading Taps widened their margin over the second-place Hookers by winning 2 out of 3 from them at the local lanes. Phil Meek stole the show with his 247 game. High for the Hookers was Gene Lucas with 501.

The Dental Dillies strengthened their hold on third place by trouncing the Kebobs three times. Jerry Curry's 512 and Dr. Superko's 507 led the victorious dental team. The Kebob's scores will not be mentioned, for the safety of the sports reporter covering these events. The 7-11 Five continued to bid to evacuate the cellar by defeating the fifth place X-ray squad twice. Slim Sklinchar was high for the winners with 494, while Jim Rupprecht mustered high series of 447 for X-ray.

In the most recent action the Taps took a commanding 4-point lead after winning 2 out of 3 from the second place Hookers.

High scorers for the Taps were Tom Fowler (209-566), Len Royal (526) Phil Meek (518) and George Cartmell (502). High for the Hookers were Don Rewalt (222-590) and Gene Lucas (203-545).

The Dental Dillies gained on the second spot by bumping the Kebobs twice. Leading the Dental team were Willie Williams (204-520) and Hal Hensle (511). John Lalla mustered high series for the losers with 508.

The X-ray squad made their bid for fourth place by defeating the 7-11 Five three times. High for the winners was B. T. Campbell with 473, while John Erpenbach was high for the losers with 489.

### "250 Club" Has One Lone Happy Member—Erpenbach

There's a shiny tenpin at the Bowling Alley decorated with the name of John Erpenbach, first to qualify for the newly-formed super-exclusive "250 Club."

By bowling a booming 267 on the local lanes last week, he became the first member of the club, whose membership is restricted to those who score the coveted 250 every bowler is trying to attain.

Phil Meek came close last week when he rolled a 247, just three pins shy of the magic mark.

### Indianapolis Winner Gives Driving Tips

When you take that next leave chances are you'll be traveling by car with two other people from your own base, and you'll probably be called upon to take a spell at the wheel.

Here's a word of good advice to relief drivers from Lee Wallard, winner of the 1951 Indianapolis 500-mile race.

"When you take the wheel of an unfamiliar car take a few minutes to learn the positions of the control—hand brake, wipers, lights and dimmer switch. Then, before attempting to bring the car up to highway cruising speed, get the 'feel of the wheel.' Try the steering, check the sensitivity of the brakes and learn a bit about the car's handling characteristics before accelerating to cruising speed. The most experienced of race drivers take this precaution and it is even more important on the highway."

Power brakes, power steering and different types of suspensions cause wide differences in the handling characteristics of today's cars. The factors, plus the tremendous speed potential make Lee Wallard's remarks especially appropriate. Heed his advice and have a safe trip.

### Previews

Tonight, 27 February MARDI GRAS—Pat Boone, Tommy Sands, Sheree North. An above average musical, with all members of the cast performing at their best.

Saturday, 28 February THE KING AND I—Yul Brynner, Deborah Kerr. Who hasn't seen it?

Sunday, 1 March WHITE WILDERNESS—True Life Adventure... It says here.

Monday, 2 March Movie cancelled for Twelfth Naval District Wrestling Matches. No movies will be shown 3, 4, 5 or 6 March while the auditorium deck is being re-surfaced.

Saturday, 7 March THE MATCHMAKER—Shirley Booth, Anthony Perkins. A top-notch comedy. Also listed as "Adult," and you know what THAT means.

The lady was having difficulty trying to board the train with her horse. "Are you out of your mind, lady?" exploded the conductor. "I can't help it," the woman replied, pushing her horse up the steps to the Pullman, "he gets sick on buses."



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CHIEF ROD & GUNNERS, elected to serve during the coming year, are LTJG Weldon R. Eckerman, manager; Acting GYSGT William E. Seitz, vice-president; CAPT Leo E. Potter, president; LT Thomas B. Beach, secretary; LTJG Ruth Walters, treasurer. SGT Seitz is from Marine Corps Department of Pacific. The other club officers are members of the Oak Knoll staff.

## Rod And Gun Club Starts "Shooting" Sportsmen Elect Dr. Potter To Serve As President

More than 50 turned out for the 2 March organization meeting of the Oak Knoll Rod and Gun Club, which has opened new and varied opportunities for officer and enlisted sportsmen throughout the Twelfth Naval District.

CAPT Leo E. Potter was elected president of the club for the coming year. Serving with him will be Acting GYSGT William E. Seitz, vice-president; LT Thomas B. Beach, secretary; LTJG Ruth Walters, treasurer; and LTJG W. R. Eckerman, manager.

Purpose of the club, according to its constitution, is "to promote recreational activities such as hunting, fishing, target shooting, skeet, appropriate discussion groups on these subjects, and social activities."

To date, the club has two honorary members—VADM Maurice E. Curtis, Commander, Western Sea Frontier; and RADM G. L. Russell, Commandant, 12ND, and 40 paid members (including 12 women—Waves, Nurses, and Marines).

Membership is open to all Navy and Marine Corps personnel in the district, their dependents, and active duty patients at Oak Knoll. Initiation fee is two dollars, annual dues \$6—payable in 50-cent monthly installments if the member prefers.

Committees, now being appointed by Captain Potter are: Membership, Publicity, Entertainment & Programs, Hunting, Fishing, Skeet, Rifle & Pistol.

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## Local Blood Bank Wins Certificate Of Accreditation

Oak Knoll's Blood Bank has been granted a Certificate of Accreditation by the American Association of Blood Banks, according to word from the association's central office in Chicago.

"Those to whom these certificates are issued should be proud of their achievement, of complying with the most stringent administrative and technical standards for blood bank operation that have been compiled to the present time," Dr. Ralph M. Hartwell, association president, wrote in a letter that accompanied the certificate.

Dr. Owen Thomas, official examiner for the association, inspected the local bank last November, and the certification reflects his findings.

CAPT Hugh V. O'Connell, Chief of the Pathology Service, has the overall responsibility for the blood bank. CDR Lila E. Suiter, MSC, is the officer immediately in charge, and LCDR Dorothy R. Boatright, NC, is in charge of the Donor Center. Also playing a large part in the successful operation of the bank is Thomas Faulkner, HM1, in charge of cross-matching procedures.

Dr. O'Connell believes the Oak Knoll Blood Bank is the first in the Navy to receive accreditation.

## Fish Fry, Square Dance At O'Club Tonight

Officers and their wives will circle up at the Club tonight for a fish fry and square dance. The party begins at 1900 and will last until 2400 or until the point when dancers lose their stamina (whichever comes earlier).

Howard Pick professional caller, and four couples known as the Keno Kids will be on hand to coach the inexperienced.

Tickets may be obtained at the door or from any member of the entertainment committee.

## What Goes On At the EM Club

Week of 12-20 March

Monday—Movie Night—1730-2030

Tuesday—Snack Night—1630—till snacks are gone.

Wednesday—Happy Hour—1630-2200

Thursday—Game Night—2000-2200

Friday—Station Dance with 7-piece orchestra, hostesses, refreshments (on sale)—2000-2400

## Captain Quick to Visit WAVES Here Monday

CAPT Winifred R. Quick, Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for Women, will pay an official visit to Oak Knoll Monday. She will be a luncheon guest of WAVE officers aboard, call on the Commanding Officer, and visit with enlisted WAVES at afternoon tea at their quarters.

## PUC Ribbons Received By Griffin & Helms

Two more Knollites have received the Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon for service with the First Marine Division, Reinforced, in Korea. They are Robert Leonard Griffin, HMC, Chief Master-at-Arms, and Paul Charles Helms, HM1, EST School student.

## BuMed Representatives Study Knoll Staffing

CAPT R. H. Fletcher, Assistant Chief for Personnel Control and Planning; LCDR H. A. Griswell, MSC, Top Secret Control and Personnel Security Clearance Officer, and Dr. W. R. Charter, Director of the Medical Statistics, were here from BuMed this week to study and discuss matters pertaining to personnel staffing, both military and civilian.

## Here's Good News For Music Lovers

Strauss, Offenbach, Greig and many other famous names in music are included in the fifteen brand new LP recordings of classical and light classical tunes now available for playing in the library.

The records, a gift from Hagstrom's Food Stores, were delivered personally by Warren Hagstrom, executive of the well-known Bay Area food firm.

The same day, the postman delivered a gift from Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein, II. They sent with their compliments, a recording of their newest Broadway success, "Flower Drum Song," which is based on the novel by C. Y. Lee of Sausalito.

These records and a new record player provided by Special Services are available for use in the Crew's Library solarium, and regular Thursday noon concerts are in the planning stage.



SEVEN NEW MSC LIEUTENANTS, JUNIOR GRADE, lined up for their picture after being sworn in to their new rank, sewing on a new stripe, and figuring out how much more pay they'll receive (approximately \$65). They are, front row, left to right, LTJG's Rowland W. McDermott, who is leaving Special Services for a new assignment aboard the USS INTREPID; George P. Kane, Chief of the Operating Services Division; Emery J. Hatch, Assistant Patient Personnel Officer; back row, Weldon R. Eckerman, new Special Services Officer; Richard E. Erwin, Assistant Patient Personnel Officer; Donald E. Hoover, Assistant Commissary Officer; and Harley L. Heaton, Information and Educational Services Officer.

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

In every age man's greatest endeavor has been for security and happiness. But his method of acquiring these depends on his recognition of the principles of truth and morality. Where truth and morality are not acknowledged, the individual, and of course, the nation of which he is a typical part, takes whatever course seems expedient; oppression, injustice, anything which will gain the desired selfish end. Wars have raged in the past and will rage in the future to secure and hold power. The oppressed are thus compelled to fight for the preservation of their true rights and liberties. Inhuman suffering has been forced upon many innocent people merely because the lust for security by power has grown in a few to monstrous proportions.

Past history is merely being repeated. Man left to himself will eventually destroy himself because man cannot live by and of himself alone: he can live only by his Creator. Man was created, not for an end in himself, but for God. Temporal power and security must rest therefore on the recognition of and obedience to moral principles.

CDR RAYMOND J. TALTY, Catholic Chaplain

## Mrs. Barr Builds Medical Library From 1100 to 11,500 Volumes in 12 Years

Few retiring staff members leave behind them as concrete a "monument" as an entire library, but that is the story of Louise F. Barr, who left 2 March after twelve years as medical librarian here.

When Mrs. Barr arrived from Treasure Island in January 1947, she took charge of 1100 books that until then had been the responsibility of a Wave or corpsman unschooled and unskilled in librarianship.

With Mrs. Barr, a Vassar graduate with an MA in librarianship from the University of California, "at the helm" the library expanded to more than 11,500 volumes. It ranks favorably with the libraries of the nearby University Medical Schools (with whom Mrs. Barr cultivated a fine borrowing and lending acquaintance), and is one of the outstanding medical libraries in the Navy.

Prior to her departure, Mrs. Barr received the CO's commendation for her "outstanding contribution to the growth and development of the library" and her "never-failing courtesy, energetic manner, and extensive knowledge of the library and other resources of medical literature."

The retiring librarian has no special plans for the future—except to enjoy spending more time with family and friends.

"It WILL be rather nice not to have to worry about whether the Guard Mail driver remembered to stop at U. C. to pick up the book Dr. ----- wanted. But I suppose I'll miss the doctors' demanding,

'Where've YOU been?'. Whenever I left my desk for a few minutes, someone was always sure to be in desperate need of help."

Oak Knoll's new medical librarian is Mrs. Alice Racicot, who served in the same capacity at Mare Island Naval Hospital for 13 years before coming to Oak Knoll as assistant crew's librarian early last year.

Mrs. Racicot received her librarianship training at the University of London and early in her career spent two years setting up technical libraries in China for the British government.

## Orthopaedic Surgeons Cite PRL Doctors

Another honor has come to the Prosthetic Research Laboratory, with receipt of citations from the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, Inc., for CAPT Thomas J. Canty, PRL director; CAPT Robert C. Doolittle, his assistant; and Dr. E. E. Bleck, civilian consultant.

The citations were given in recognition of their outstanding scientific exhibit at the 26th annual meeting of the academy in Chicago in late January. Participating in the demonstration that accompanied the exhibit were Vernon Plummer, William Weisgerber, and Al Wenger, civilian employees.

Dr. Canty is now in Mexico City to assist and advise heads of the new rehabilitation institute being established there.

## Scuttlebutt

### RANDOM SIGHTS & SOUNDS—

Jerry Due, HM2, s(up)porting a new canary yellow Jaguar . . . Bob Cassidy, HM3, lucky fellow, driving the student nurses back and forth from their respective schools to dances at the EM Club . . . Jack Martin, HM2, signing on the dotted line for another 6 . . . Dr. O'Connell flying a flag with a carp on it—a la Japanese custom—to tell folks his sixth-born was a boy . . . Contra Costa Jaycee Food Service students seeing the sights at the local food emporium . . . Jon Patterson, HM3, of EENT sadly admitting, "Yes, it's true. At home they call me 'Patty Pooh!'" (There was no use denying it after he took several friends to visit his grandmother at Stinson Beach last weekend) . . . The morgue's Sage Satch, HM2, complete with bow tie, making like Arthur Murray at the Corral Club (our spies failed to report with whom—just as they failed to name the Corps Wave B. T. Campbell, HM1, is taking here and there) . . . Ski Clubbers waxing their skis for next weekend's trip to Sugar Bowl . . . local golfers—not to be outdone by the hunters, fishermen, and skiers—attempting to organize yet another club . . . Chief Wogan, Cluckey, Cluny, and Co. saying goodbye (with cake) to retiring boss LCDR Warren Decious . . . LCDR Florence Frazier of PT declaring she never was "good at goodbyes" as she left for a new assignment at Bethesda.

CONGRATULATIONS . . . To LT Paul Nieberding on his engagement to Margaret Elizabeth McGuire of Berkeley. Pretty Peggy (we saw her picture in the papers) will receive her degree from Dominican College in May . . . To Chaplain Gerald W. Cox, who has been promoted to LT.

WORTH A SECOND (or third or fourth) GLANCE: The little girls' Easter bonnets at Navy Exchange . . . a Corps Wave named Mary Donahue.

LIFE BEGAN on 25 February—Debra Lynn Donald, a 7lb. 7oz. daughter for LT Robert H. Donald of Otolaryngology and his wife Bonnie . . . also on 25 February—Dale Edward Majur, 10 lb. 6 oz. son for Edward J. Majur, HM3, of OT and wife Bonnie . . . on the 26 February—Barbara Carol Walker, 6 lb. 8 oz. daughter for LCDR William R. Walker of EENT and wife Katie . . . on 3 March—Sandra Kay Wright, 5 lb. 6½ oz. daughter of HMC Warren F. Wright of the Officers' Club and wife Marylyn . . . on 4 March for Cynthia Lee Overton, 6 lb. 14 oz. daughter for Jerome C. Overton, HN, of the laundry, and his wife June.

OAKNOLLUMNI: Dr. Chet Issarangkool, Thai doctor here two years ago for residency training on the NP Service, writes that the hoola hoop has come to Bangkok.

## Dr. Tenney of Harvard Inspects OB-GYN

In his capacity as consultant to the Surgeon General, Dr. Benjamin Tenney, a rear admiral in the Medical Corps Reserve, spent Tuesday and Wednesday inspecting Oak Knoll's OB-GYN service and its residency training program. Dr. Tenney is Director of the Department of OB-GYN and Clinical Professor of Obstetrics at Harvard Medical School.

## Know Your Staff



This is LT Carol Andersen, who describes herself as "just a farm girl from Nebraska."

Miss Andersen is from Omaha where she was graduated from the Nebraska Methodist Hospital Nursing School. She entered the Navy in September, 1954, and upon completion of her tour of active duty plans to work for her degree at the University of Tennessee.

When asked about her hobbies, she said her favorite ones are dancing, singing (which she feels is more of a talent than a hobby . . . and who wants to disagree?), and horseback riding. She is also contemplating taking up ballet dancing and modeling. And she is going to continue nursing after earning her degree . . . we sick folks hope.

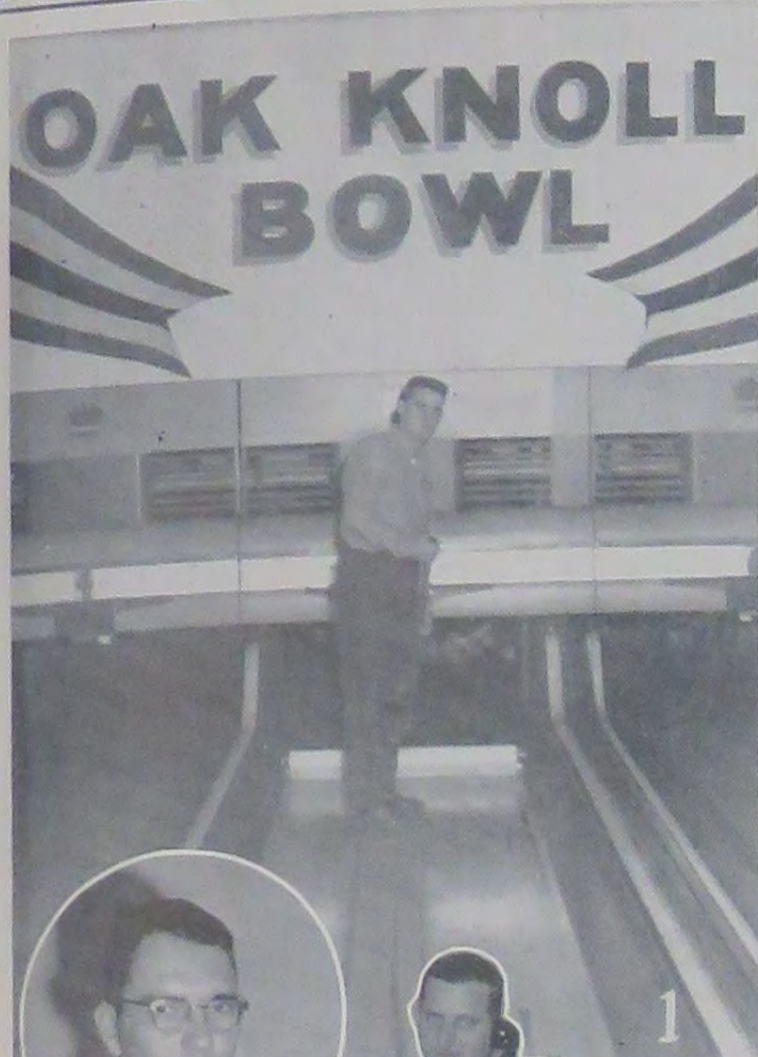


Meet corpswave Sheelah Stern of South Pasadena and Ward 66A. Sheelah, a graduate of South Pasadena High, entered the Navy in August of 1957.

Upon completion of her active duty she plans to attend the University of California, Berkeley, to major in history and literature. She plans to teach and wants to try her hand at writing historical novels.

Her hobbies include reading, painting, writing poetry, swimming and water skiing.

Sheelah says her only distinction since entering the Navy is being the first corpswave to be assigned duty on Ward 66A. We think she has many more obvious distinctions . . . eh?



**WHO'S WHERE in Special Services:** (1) Jack Wyatt's assignment is to keep the alleys in top condition. (2) Phil Harfoush gleefully takes your money for the movies. (3) At the lunch hour the photographer found these staffers congregating at Mrs. Berger's bailiwick to read or listen to good music. (4) Here's the boss—LTJG W. R. Eckerman. (5) Ken Moffett, Ed Bush, and Edna Rowan keep the office running smoothly—answer ever-jingling telephones. (6) Jay Fuller gives you a pleasant smile while you check out equipment. (Actually, he's smiling because he knows you want something he doesn't have.) (7) Russ Bates begins one of his major tasks—vacuuming the bottom of the pool.

## Bothered By Spring Fever? Then Let Special Services Treat You

In the Spring a young man's fancy turns to rest and recreation. Well, it does. And the department in charge of rest and recreation for the hospital is that versatile and prolific Special Services Division, under the capable direction of LTJG W. R. Eckerman. This division offers practically everything in the form of recreation. And rest. Such as the movies and the library. For a nominal fee of ten cents, patients, staff, dependents and guests can see top cinemas. And a few that aren't so top. The ten cents paid for admission helps supplement the cost of the films. And if you don't like the flick that's showing, there's a fine library at hand with a collection of over 14,000 books to browse through—or even to read. SS also provides the magazines delivered regularly to the wards.

For the more energetic, there's the bowling alley or pool hall or swimming pool. Money spent at the bowling alley and pool hall is used to help maintain the alleys and equipment. A fine swimming pool is available and included with it a spacious patio for sun-bathing.

Then, if you are the social type, there is the EM Club, which the recreation fund helps support. See activities sched., page 1, photo page 4.

If you are the athletic type, SS sponsors both intramural and "varsity" sports programs thru the year. For the rugged out-doorsy types, the division has gear for golf, tennis, fishing, or camping.

Some of the extracurricular activities, you might say, that are sponsored by the SS division are division parties or staff picnics throughout the summer season, the annual birthday party for the Hospital Corps, and

the Christmas party for staff children. The staff also works with the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas committee each year in decorating the hospital, and scheduling entertainment for the patients.

Last, but certainly not least, Special Services pays Oak Leaf's bills.

Some of the "ten per cent" might be wondering where SS gets the money to sponsor these activities. It all comes from proceeds from sales at Navy Exchange, and the money comprises the recreation fund which provides all Welfare and Recreation facilities, except those that come as gifts to the hospital.

The people presently responsible for the tremendous amount of work that goes with maintaining Oak Knoll's efficient SS department are: Philip S. Harfoush, jack-of-all-trades (according to him), Russ Bates, athletic director and lifeguard for the pool; Jay Fuller, property manager and lifeguard for the pool; David Landers, maintenance of EM Club and grounds; Jack Wyatt, bowling alley; Ed Bush and Ken Moffett, Division HMC's; and Edna Rowan, secretary. Mrs. Emma Berger, only Civil Service employee in the division, is Crew's Librarian.



**IT HAPPENED ONE NIGHT** on the local basketball courts, and it's no wonder, when Special Services has so many different activities going on simultaneously.

# Hilltoppers Close Season With Win

The Oak Knoll Hilltoppers finished out their season in a blaze of glory, defeating NAS Oakland 70-47, to capture second place in the 12th Naval District Class "B" league.

Bates again led the Hilltoppers to victory, scoring 22 points on nine field goals and four foul shots. He was followed by Perkins' 12 and Smith's 10.

The Hilltoppers led all the way, and there was never any real doubt as to what the outcome would be. The half-time score stood at 21 for NAS and 27 for Oak Knoll. Immediately after the intermission, Oak Knoll began a scoring spree that ended in victory by a comfortable margin of 23 points.

### BOX SCORE

Oak Knoll	F.G.	F.T.	F.	Pts.
Bohannan	1	2	3	4
Constant	3	0	0	6
Smith	4	2	1	10
Nelson	0	0	1	0
Williams	2	1	2	5
Perkins	4	4	0	12
Dorsey	4	1	2	9
Bates	9	4	1	22
Kubik	1	0	0	2
Totals	28	14	10	70

## Previews

- Tonight, 13 March  
SEPARATE TABLES — David Niven, Deborah Kerr, Rita Hayworth. An excellent movie, excellently acted.
- Saturday, 14 March  
CASE AGAINST BROOKLYN—Maggie Hayes, Darrel McGavin. Now what's Los Angeles going to take from them?
- Sunday, 15 March  
PLACE IN THE SUN—Elizabeth Taylor, Montgomery Clift. An academy award winning picture.
- Monday, 16 March  
APPOINTMENT WITH A SHADOW—George Nader, Joanne Moore. This is one appointment we could miss.
- Tuesday, 17 March  
TARZAN'S FIGHT FOR LIFE—Eve Brent, Gordon Scott. He loses? . . . Please!
- Wednesday, 18 March  
SADDLE THE WIND—Robert Taylor, Julie London. Back AGAIN.
- Thursday, 19 March  
I MARRIED A MONSTER FROM OUTER SPACE—Which one?
- Friday, 20 March  
NICE LITTLE BANK THAT SHOULD BE ROBBED—Tom Ewell, Mickey Rooney. So rob it.
- Saturday, 21 March  
THE OPPOSITE SEX—June Allyson, Ann Sheridan. Second time 'round and still funny.

### Miss Eusebio "Joins" "225 Club" (Ladies Only)

LCDR Ethel Eusebio of the Nurse Corps is the charter member of the "225 Club" at the local bowling lanes. She's the first and only woman aboard to bowl a 225 and qualify for the distinction of having her name emblazoned on a tenpin.

John Erpenbach is still the sole member of the "250 Club" for top bowling men.

# Red Cross Ramblings

### RED CROSS MOVIES ON WARDS:

March 16-22 THE RELUCTANT DEBUTANTE (Comedrama) Rex Harrison and Kay Kendall  
THE GUN RUNNERS (Drama) Audie Murphy, Eddie Albert

Easter Time again!! Red Cross Recreation Lounge—the annual Easter Bunny Hop is scheduled for Tuesday night, 24 March, with a live combo furnishing the music and Easter decorations put up by the Patient Dance Committee. There will be lots of new hostesses, and the dance promises to be as fun-filled as the St. Patrick's one.

Thursday night the University of California hostesses are planning an Easter party special for Easter week.

Easter Crafts—You may be hospitalized but you never had a better chance to impress your friends and family with your handicraft ability. As the saying goes, "Kill two birds with one stone"—make time go quickly and make welcome Easter gifts. The Red Cross Craft Shop, Building 31, is the place to do this. If you are a bed patient, talk with your Red Cross recreation worker and she will give you the "scoop" about making Easter presents.

Children on the Pediatrics Ward are looking forward to lots of fun Thursday, 26 March, when Red Cross recreation volunteers from the University of California are coming to the ward for an Easter egg dyeing party. These junior volunteers, posing as Easter bunnies, will leave favors and other Easter novelties made by Junior Red Cross members.

Entertainment—On 20 March, a new group of volunteers from the Oakland Blue Jacket's Haven will sponsor a ward party with Easter as the theme. Among other activities, members are distributing packets of Easter greeting cards for patients to mail to their families.

### Captain Roudebush To Speak to RAFT

CAPT Marion E. Roudebush, Chief of the Neuropsychiatric Service, will speak in the Oakland Public Library auditorium at 2000 Wednesday to RAFT (Relatives And Friends Together), an organization to help families and friends of mental patients give them the understanding and assistance they need.

His talk will be based on observations made during his three years as a resident of Oak Knoll's therapeutic community.



Some of the newly organized Steiners and their guests partying it up at their dance held in the EM Club 27 February. Recognizable in the crowd are Tommy Tompson, Roger Erpelding, Pete Sheridan, Doyle Williams, Charles Jones, Robert Preston, Mrs. Robert Lorenzi, Donald Greenslit, and Colonel Surrat. Insets include Ron McCalister, Mary Peters, Satch Sage, Charles Bockman and Norm Pritchard.

### LCDR Decious "Piped Out" on Thirty

LCDR Warren D. Decious was "piped out" of the Navy on 27 February after 30 years of active duty.

LCDR Decious, Chief of the Operating Services Division here since last July, enlisted in San Jose in December 1928 after attending schools in Lemoore, Calif.

As a hospital corpsman aboard the USS REFUGE in Ireland during the North Atlantic Invasion and in the Mediterranean during the invasion of Southern France, he assisted in bringing back casualties from the European theater. His change from hospital corpsman's rate to officer's rank came in 1943.

During the Korean War he served aboard the carrier USS VALLEY FORGE and for that action he wears the Korean Presidential Citation Ribbon and the U.S. Presidential Unit Citation.

The retiring officer has no plans for the immediate future except to continue his work with boy's baseball clubs in Vallejo, where he and his wife, Martha, make their home. They have two sons, Donald, 20, now serving in the army; and James 17, a senior at St. Vincent's High School, Vallejo.

### Another Honor For Captain Schiff

CAPT Maurice Schiff received another honor this week—an invitation to join the Northern California Biological Photographers' Association.

The invitation came as a follow-up of Dr. Schiff's presentation of a paper, "Photography of the Nasopharynx," at the Western Regional Meeting of the association at U.C. School of Public Health, Berkeley, on 21 February.

### Clubhouse, Pistol Range Being Readied

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Club organization will soon be complete. Meanwhile, with the assistance of Admiral Hays, Building 83A, a long-unused ward building, is being converted into a clubhouse. Blueprints have been approved for a rifle and pistol range; and members of the skeet-shooting division have purchased a reloading machine.

The club's next event begins at crack of dawn tomorrow when several carloads of members take off for Los Banos for a coot shoot.

### Pay Schedule

- Monday, 16 March—All officers, staff-enlisted personnel.
- Tuesday, 17 March—Enlisted patient personnel.
- Wednesday, 1 April—All officers, staff-enlisted personnel.
- Thursday, 2 April—Enlisted patient personnel.



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ENLISTED WAVES gave CAPT Winifred Quick, Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for Women, a special assignment when she inspected their quarters on 16 March. She cut the cake at the tea given in her honor. Gathering 'round were, first row, left to right, Martha Foulk, Jodi Hawkins, Mary Donahue, Chief Jearlean Stark, Jerry Bourne, Augusta Hill, Nancy Pierce, and Hazel Ball. Identifiable in the background are Gloria Holmes, Mary Smith, Marlene Heikkila, Dee DeMott, Elaine Ellis, Margaret Heinzman, Shirley Bradford, Pat Malone, Denise Decker, Pat Gascon, Gert Martin, Doris Campbell, Lee Eckdahl, Sylvia Crabb, and Margaret Tontolo.

## Easter Services

### CATHOLIC

#### Good Friday

1700—Solemn Adoration of Cross; Holy Communion; Stations of the Cross.

Confessions—1600 to 1700

#### Holy Saturday

2330—Solemn Easter Vigil; Blessing of New Fire; Pascal Candle; Procession; Litany of Saints; Renewal of Baptismal Vows; Easter Vigil Mass.

Confessions — 1900 to 2000  
2200 to 2300

#### Easter Sunday

Mass—0600 and 0830

### PROTESTANT

#### Good Friday

1200 - 1300—Good Friday Devotions.

#### Easter Sunday

1030—Easter Sunday Services.

## HM1 Hassey Trades Rate For MDSRWT Rank; Qualifies After 12 Years In Naval Service

Jasper T. Hassey of Personnel and Records now rates a salute, a "Mr." before his name, a new uniform, and a basic pay raise of \$80 a month. The switch from rate to rank came on 12 March when Hassey, a 33-year-old HM1 from Texas, was sworn in as a Medical Service Warrant Officer by Admiral Hays. He qualified for his new rank through competitive examination.

Before entering the service in February 1946, Mr. Hassey was graduated from Bonham High, Bonham, Tex., studied ag engineering at Texas A & M, and was employed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service.

During his 12 years in the Navy, Mr. Hassey has had tours of duty on Guam, aboard a Patrol Escort Control craft in and out of Japan and Korea during the POW Exchange, and spent two years at the Navy Medical Unit at Tripler. He completed the NP Technician's School at the NavMedUnit at the Public Health Hospital, Fort Worth, Tex., and the Medical Clerical School, Portsmouth,

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## Captain Quick Visits Waves

CAPT Winifred R. Quick, Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for Women, here on an official visit from Washington, inspected the Waves at Oak Knoll on 16 March. It was her first visit here since she became the top-ranking WAVE in the Navy in August 1957.

Arriving at noon, she was a guest of the WAVE Officers at a luncheon at the Officers' Club. Later, after a conference with Admiral Hays, she was honored at tea in the enlisted WAVE quarters, where she discussed new summer uniforms, the quarters, and the hours Corps WAVES are serving here. She expressed her approval of all three.

Captain Quick is not a stranger to this area. She holds an MA in education from Stanford University and served as Director of Naval Personnel for 12ND from June 1953 to February 1956.



From Rate to Rank

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

We remember how Saint Mark tells the story of what happened:

"And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away, for it was very great. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted. And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted; ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified; he is risen; he is not here; behold the place where they laid him. But go your way, tell your disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him, as he said unto you."

"Christ is risen" will be the joyful cry tomorrow, and with its glad response "He is indeed risen," the simple words express the concept of resurrection which is the very core of Christian faith.

So it is that Easter is the most beautiful of Christian festivals, a happy time, and one intimately associated with the symbols of beauty; a time to rejoice in the victory of life over death, of light over darkness, of hope over despair.

Easter too, coincides with the Festival of Passover, the Feast of Deliverance, the celebration of the liberation from bondage, a festival which joins the Christian celebration of what is also a deliverance.

To men and women everywhere Easter is a rediscovery of the miracle of spring, as the flowers which we associate with it symbolize the resurrection of natural life from the darkness of winter. It is the feast of mystical renewal and brings with it the message that disasters and losses can be transcended by the unconquerable power of new life.

It is at Easter, the dawning of the year, that we renew our belief that life itself riseth out of the shadow of death, that victory is wrested out of the appearance of defeat, and that the transfiguration of which nature is capable, is not a denial of our earthly disappearance but the revelation of its deepest meaning.

It is this sense of mystical renewal that is the true meaning of Easter.  
 LT C. E. RUUD, Protestant Chaplain

## Foreign Doctors To Be Honored At Club Party

Foreign Navy doctors will be guests of honor at the 3 April party at the Officers' Club. The party, sponsored by Dental and MSC Officers, will give all staff officers and their wives opportunity to become better acquainted with the nine resident-observers aboard. They are LCDR Nung Kyu Yi, LT Choe In Choe, LTJG's Hyong Kyu Yu and Ki Sun Han, Korean Navy; LCDR Chung-lo Chi and LT Chun-nien Chen, Chinese Nationalist Navy; LTJG Sadatoma Shimojo, Japanese Navy; LCDR Juan D. Losno, Peruvian Navy; and LT Tali Calbatur, Turkish Navy.

Incoming and departing staff

## Staff Saddened By Deaths Of Two Former Shipmates

Members of the staff were saddened to learn last week of deaths of two former Oak Knoll doctors.

CAPT Kenneth H. Vinnedge, Chief of the Radiology Service at Oak Knoll from 1946-50, died 5 March in Daytona Beach, Fla. He had been retired for several years.

LT James L. Okel, who completed his internship here last July, was killed in a plane crash on 4 March at Pensacola, while receiving flight instruction as part of the 23-week flight surgeon course.

members will also be honored at the party. Hours for cocktails and buffet will be from 1900 to 2400.



Receiving GED graduation certificates from acting Executive Officer, CAPT L. E. Potter are: (left to right), Adolph Minder, Robert Schultz, Jay Fuller, Dennis Sayre, Lewis Garlick, and Alton Millstead. These certificates indicate the men have completed the equivalent of high school education.

## Scuttlebutt

**WEDDING OF THE WEEKEND:** Ralph Jones, DK1, surprised Disbursing Monday morning with the news that he and Evelyn Trousdale were married Sunday at the Presbyterian Church in Carson City, Nev. The bride and groom, neighbors in Stockton, plan to buy a home near the hospital.

**ENGAGEMENTS, LIKE SPRING,** are busting out all over. Way back on Valentine's Day Roger Erpelding, HN, of StaffPers slipped a ring on the third finger, left hand, of Patsy Malone, HA, of 72A. No date has been set for the wedding since Roger'll be leaving in June for duty in Alaska. . . . Norman Pritchard, HM3, of Chemistry Lab is telling the news of his engagement to Carolyn Befort of Denver, Colo. They'll be married there on 25 July. . . . David Landers and Arlene Saurino, both HN's, won't tell the date, but they'll be married soon, as will Tony McAllister and Mary Peters, also HN's.

**IT'S TRUE.** Blonde and pretty Lee Eckdahl, HN, knows as much about autos as she does about autoclaves. Last Sunday she put a new speedometer in her 1955 Chevy, replaced a broken spring, and is wondering how soon she'll have to give it a complete overhaul.

**KNOLLITEMS:** Maybe the scuttlebutt scout who reported that Jerry Due has a canary yellow Jag doesn't know his canaries, and that's not all. Due's really driving a cream-colored MG. . . . The Red Cross wants a movie projectionist. Pay will be small, satisfaction great. Apply topside, Bldg. 38. . . . Tom Noll, HM3 of StaffPers, trying out his "new" maroon '51 Cadillac, filled it with almost as many WAVES as you could get into a telephone booth. . . . Shipmates are wondering where and why Mac of Dental goes on her long walks these spring evenings. . . . The playing of Colors at 0800 and sunset adds a pleasant note to life at the Knoll—usually. That wasn't a mouse in the horn the other morn. The disc jockey of the day, who prefers to remain anonymous, ran the record at the wrong speed. . . . Chief Lomax has relieved Chief Boyd as manager of the CPO Club. . . . Art Weise, YN2, of 43A, has cut his "Sayonara" cake at the Red Cross Lounge, where he served as chairman of the dance committee and did multiple other services for fellow patients before getting orders to Japan. . . . Utah Bartley, SN, of 50A, is from Oklahoma. . . . Thelma McNeil, NP Service secretary, recently made the best speech of the evening before Hayward-San Leandro Toastmistresses, and will appear in a council competition at the Claremont on 4 April. Her subject—she won't know till the night before. That's the way these toastmistresses operate. . . . George Harris FORGOT to take his pro pay exam.

**WORTH A SECOND GLANCE:** Mickey MacDonald, HN.

**LIFE BEGAN—**On 13 March for Ann Theresa Hensle, 7 lb. 8 oz. daughter for Harold R. Hensle, HMI, of Pharmacy, and wife Theresa. . . . On 19 March for Michael Eugene Farrar, 7 lb. 3½ oz. son for Eugene L. Farrar, HM2, of ALD and wife Doris. . . . On 20 March for James Michael Gonzales, 6 lb. 13½ oz. son for James Peter Gonzales, HM3, of ID and Pass Office, and wife Doris.

## Know Your Staff



May we introduce LT Dorothy J. Ryder of Westwood, Mass.? Well, we did.

Miss Ryder, who is originally from Rhode Island, was graduated from St. Mary's Academy in Providence and received her nurses' training at St. Joseph's Hospital, also of Providence. She entered the service in 1955 and plans to be a career nurse.

Prior to arriving aboard Oak Knoll in 1957, she had tours of duty in Portsmouth, Va., and Hawthorne, Nev. She hopes she will be able to stay here, for she "loves" California—Northern California particularly.

Among her hobbies, Miss Ryder lists golf, bowling, and tennis as her favorites. Her "get ohvah!" is famous among Knollite bowlers.



Meet Otis "Hugh" Hughes, disbursing clerk seaman, USN, born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma in the year 1937.

Although Hugh is an Oakie by birth, he was raised in Shelby, Ohio, and was graduated from Shiloh High in 1956. There he earned varsity letters in basketball and track. He entered the Navy one fateful day in February of 1958. From that day forward, his life has been dedicated to his country's Navy. . . . or something like that.

Hugh's hobbies include sports, money, and sleeping. He is also a member of that ever popular club, "The Steiners," and partakes in their favorite pastime.

Upon release from active duty, Hugh plans to attend Ohio State University.



FIFTY-TWO GRAY LADIES and two "Gray Men" (one was absent) completed their training course here last week and received their caps from CDR Dorothy Monahan of the Nurse Corps, their certificates and congratulations from Admiral Hays. Others appearing on the program were LCDR John L. Wissing, who delivered the invocation and benediction, Mrs. Irving Spiegelman, Chairman of Oakland Chapter volunteers, and Miss Grace Guilford, Oak Knoll Field Director.



The death of a great ship, like the death of a great man, fills the mind with a sense of tragedy and loss. The epitaphs of these gallant vessels may be found throughout literature. Walter Lord's A SHIP TO REMEMBER told the dramatic story of the sinking of the Titanic; and in Hoehling's book THE LAST VOYAGE OF THE LUSITANIA, we relived the last anguished hours of that famous ship. Now, in Alvin Moscow's book COLLISION COURSE, he recounts the story of the tragic collision between the Andrea Doria and the Stockholm, revealing many unpublished facts about the disaster. And in C. S. Forester's THE LAST NINE DAYS OF THE BISMARCK we are given a brilliant account of the nine days when the Bismarck, the supership to which Germany had pinned its hopes, came out proudly, sank the Hood and turned back The Prince of Wales, and at last was pounded to pieces and sunk by the British.

Frank Slaughter has never been a particular favorite in this department, but his large group of fans—and they are legion—will be happy to know of the publication of two new novels by this writer, THE THORN OF ARIMATHEA and THE CROWN AND THE CROSS. In the first he has blended religion and medicine in the story of Joseph of Arimathea, Veronica and Quintus Volusianus, who set forth for Britain together after the Crucifixion. In the second book THE CROWN AND THE CROSS the author has used his knowledge of the period, and his own narrative skill to write a colorful and imaginative biography of Christ. A far better book in our opinion, is the new Taylor Caldwell DEAR AND GLORIOUS PHYSICIAN, another religious novel, and one into which the author has put long and loving preparation. It is the story of Luke, or Lucanus the Greek, who was influenced toward medicine and religion by the death of the girl he loved. Here is the story of his youth in Antioch, his education, his love for Sara, his work as a doctor and his collection of the material for the Gospel according to Saint Luke.

## 52 New Gray Ladies, 2 Men Ready For Service

Fifty-two Gray Ladies and two "Gray Men" completed the Gray Lady training course here last week, received their certificates and caps (or armbands) Wednesday evening, and are now serving on the wards and in the Red Cross Lounge and Craft Shop.

The two men are James Beaty of Greater Mt. Diablo Chapter, and John Kudrna (Oakland Chapter). Mr. Beaty, chess specialist, comes in each week to teach and play chess, and Mr. Kudrna teaches fly tying. Their wives, Lois Beaty and Ida Kudrna (also among the new graduates) write letters, distribute comfort articles, shop, and provide the many personal services that mean so much to patients.

Other new Gray Ladies now ready to serve are:

**Alameda Chapter:** Marion Dababie, June La Grange, Phyllis Nelson, Gertrude Paulsen, Estelle Plotz, Frances Powlesland, Roberta Smith, Camille Thomas, Mildred Vachter, Harriet Zielinski.

**Berkeley Chapter:** Phyllis Kimball, Rose Leonhardt, Elaine Sanders, Florence Sellstrom, Shirley Stadelhofer.

**Greater Mt. Diablo:** Annie Berkes, Susan Ferguson, Antonette Greene, Marjorie Schmitz, Janet Walch.

**Oakland:** Amelia Avery, Marjorie Balmain, Jean Bowlin, Gayle Canda, whose mother, Mrs. O'Neill, is already serving as a Gray Lady; Rose De Servi, Helen Dunnagan, Louise Geernaert, Ruth Glenn, Opal Hall, Mabel Jasper, Lillian Kenney, Virginia Lenz, Lois Linklater, Luella Murray, Vanita Jones, Grace Mader, Neli O'Brien, Thelma Ostrand, Laurie Payne, Irene Patburg, Gay Rhein, Kathleen Richardson, Geraldine Ulrey, Evelyn Wilkins, Alva Zaiser.

**Richmond Chapter:** Irene Hays, Bernice Knowles, Anita Miller, Bernice Motter, Margaret Sheridan.

Mrs. Irene Hays, chairman of Oak Knoll's Gray Lady unit presided, and Mrs. Irving Spiegelman, chairman of Oakland Chapter office of volunteers,

welcomed families and friends of the graduates.

Miss Grace Guilford, hospital field director, presented the Gray Ladies to Admiral Hays, who in turn presented their certificates, with his congratulations. CDR Dorothy Monahan, Chief of the Nursing Service, capped the Gray Ladies.

West Contra Costa County Chapter coordinated the graduation program; Alameda provided the programs, Berkeley the refreshments, Greater Mt. Diablo the invitations, and Oakland the decorations. Chairmen of the various Gray Lady Units are Andrella Myers, Alameda; Martha Lawrence, Berkeley; Verna Dreggors, Greater Mt. Diablo; Stephanie Budjen, Oakland; and Irene Hayes, West Contra Costa.

Miss Guilford, Miss Vera Wilkeson, case work supervisor, Miss Winifred Eley, recreation supervisor, and her assistant, Miss Marie Tully, share responsibility for Gray Lady training at Oak Knoll.

## Doctors From JEANNE d'ARC, LA GRANDIERE, Tour Knoll

Seven French Medical Officers from the cruiser JEANNE d'ARC and the frigate LA GRANDIERE, in San Francisco Bay for a five-day visit last week, spent the morning of 17 March visiting Oak Knoll.

After a briefing by Admiral Hays, the doctors toured the Prosthetic Research Laboratory, Physical Therapy, Clinical Investigation Center, and the Cardiopulmonary Laboratory.

In the group were LCDR Jacques H. Brun, Senior Medical Officer for both ships, LT Jacques Andanson of the LA GRANDIERE, and LTJG's Gerard Tibermont, Dominique Masol, Robert Michel Palem, Pierre Falot, and Jean-Marie Rigal, all of the JEANNE d'ARC.

Serving as interpreter for the French visitors was LCDR Juan Losno of the Peruvian Navy, here under instruction in the Clinical Investigation Center.

He who hesitates is safe.



FRENCH DOCTORS inspect a chart that records patient's breathing and air capacity as shown by respiratory function studies done by the Collins respirometer. Their guide during tour of the Cardiopulmonary Laboratory was LCDR Marian Rolleri, their interpreter, LCDR Juan Losno.

## Hilltopper Nine Shows Promise In Pre-Season Play

If pre-season play is any yardstick, it looks as if the Oak Knoll diamond nine will measure up well.

In their three practice games the Hilltoppers emerged victorious 14-6 over Concordia Junior College, 2-1 over Castlemont High and 9-8 over NAS Oakland.

Manager Chief Robert Metcalf, after looking at last year's one win—many losses record, remarked, "The only way the team can go is up, and we're aiming for the league championship."

Chief Metcalf reports that his pitching staff may suffer from the loss of Richard Hasslett, due to be transferred, and the injury to Ron Perkins' pitching arm. How soon Perkins will be able to pitch again, is still a question; however, it is hoped that he will be ready for the NAS Oakland game on 9 April.

Metcalf went on to say that he has a good nucleus from last year's team and some promising new players. "We have an air-tight infield and a good outfield, and the hitting looked good in the practice games."

Members of the team are Outfielders Don Beagley, Tom Brown, Don Isaak, Leon Jordon, and Charles Alexander. Infielders include Ed Woejewski, Herman Perkins, Russ Bates, Melvin Shivers, Earl Hofman, Charles Hamilton, Don Williams, Larry Kubik, and Bill Cannon. Rounding out the team are pitchers Ron Perkins, Ezell Westbrook, Richard Hamilton, Sylvester Frison and Lloyd Laserre.

### Baseball Schedule

All Games Begin at 1500

- 2 April — Concord—There
- 9 April — NAS Oakland—Here
- 16 April — Moffett Field—There
- 23 April — S.F. Marines—There
- 30 April — Alameda—There
- 7 May — Coast Guard—There
- 14 May — Concord—Here
- 21 May — NAS Oakland—There
- 28 May — Moffett Field—Here
- 4 June — S.F. Marines—Here
- 11 June — Alameda—Here

## Officers' Wives Will Model Own Creations

A fashion show of clothes made and modeled by its own members will provide the program for the 8 April luncheon meeting of the Officers' Wives' Club.

Supplementing the sewing will be a display of arts and crafts made by the club members.

## Skeeters Bring Back Belmont Trophy



MEMBERS OF THE Oak Knoll Rod and Gun Club skeet team traveled to Belmont Sunday despite wind and rain to take first place in the 5-man military team event of the Pacific Coast Open Skeet Shoot. They were offered stiff competition by Castle Air Force marksmen, who won the runner-up trophy. Here, presenting their trophy to Admiral Hays, are, left to right, T/SGT W. E. Seitz, USMC, Chief E. R. Mustar, LTCOL R. L. Luckel, USMC, skeet team captain; CWO Ray Giles, who won the individual Class A trophy with a score of 97 x 100; and CAPT E. G. Goodman. Chief C. L. Bailie, who shot with the team, was not present for the photograph.

## Taps Are Champs; Hookers Second

The power-laden Taps of the Men's Handicap Bowling League are the new champions with the Hookers second, Dental third.

In the final night of competition the Taps continued to sparkle, Tom Fowler leading the pack with a brilliant 625 series. Tom put together games of 236-192-197. Also high for the Taps were Phil Meek (200-509) and Al Line (500). High for the Taps' victims, the 7-11 five, was Jack Wyatt with 510. The second-place Hookers laid it on the Dental team twice, with Gene Lucas high for the winners with 206-201-596 and "Red" Tinnel with 551. High for the Dental team was Doctor Superko with 231-548.

In the battle for fourth place the defending champion Kebobs eased by the X-ray squad, with John Coggins collecting high series honors with 489. In the race for individual trophies Gene Lucas copped high average with 178, Tom Fowler, high series of 625, and Phil Meek high game with 247.

Some men spend fifty dollars on a canary. Others spend twice as much on a lark.

Joe: "Milk is a great bone builder, so I drink lots of it."

Moe: "Yeah, and you've got the head to prove it."

## Knoll Lady Keglers Trounce TI To Take 12ND Championship

Lady keglers blasted the Treasure Island WAVES into second place as Jean Gerber rolled 189-499 to clinch the 12th Naval District title for Oak Knoll on 2 March . . . with still a week to go! Miss Gerber was given able assistance by Dorothy Effner (152-435), Dorothy Ryder (157-427) Anne Tierney, and Ann Gee.

The final week's bowling saw Oak Knoll take another three games from luckless Alameda . . . "Just to frost the cake." And it saw Jean Gerber successfully defend her high average honor, finishing with 147 to lead 12ND women for the season.

The girls were in fourth place the first four weeks of the season. They started on the road upward by taking Alameda for three games (Tierney 169-461 and Eusebio 177-452), Moffett Field, the Marines and T.I., 2 out of 3 (Gerber 175-478; 168-440 and Eusebio 150-418). Then they really poured it on, winning 14 in a row to push to first place, then taking all but two the balance of the season, rolling scores like: Eusebio 477, 440, 431, 450; Tierney 482, 440, 451; Gee 423, 439; Effner 503, 509 (highest team individual pins for Oak Knoll) 485, 487; Gerber 443, 446, 499 and Ryder 427, 425, 468.

Season's end found Oak Knoll with

## Ski Club In Action; Singing, Dancing and Flat Tires On Program

Twenty-four nappy people spent the weekend at Sugar Bowl and Beacon Hill Ski slopes—skiing, dancing, singing around the fireplace to ukulele accompaniment. They were members of the Oak Knoll Ski Club.

Even young Steve Berry, who will be three in April, worked out on the beginners' slopes, giving his "sitters"—LT Juanedd Berry and wife Juanita—a chance to appear together for a short time.

Other items of interest on the Special Services-backed trip: Dr. Ellingson tied himself and skis in a knot that had to be carefully undone by fellow skiers. Dianne Winton, civilian nurse, whose car was the only one without a man aboard, (1) had a flat (2) had a dead battery (3) lost her ignition key. And a good time was had by all.

## More About Hassey

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Va. Other assignments have taken him to the Naval Hospitals at Houston and Corpus Christi, Texas., and Mare Island, Calif.; to NSC, Oakland and Naval Station, Treasure Island.

Mr. Hassey and his wife Betty, have three children—Diane 6, Richard 3 and Dennis 2. His brother, LTJG Milam B. Hassey, USN, in communications work in Naples, Italy, qualified for ensign's rank a year ago by competitive examination after more than a dozen years as an enlisted man.

Dot: "Last night, Jack told me was the only one he ever loved."

Lil: "Yeah, and doesn't he say it beautifully?"

"Why is a date on a moonlight night like the third degree?"

"Because it makes a man want to say things he knows he is going to regret."

37 wins and 11 losses for a very respectable .771 percentage, holding Oak Knoll's first women's bowling championship.

## Previews

Tonight, 27 March  
THE DECKS RAN RED—James Mason, Broderick Crawford. Slip up in Surgery II.

Saturday, 28 March  
THE VIKINGS—Tony Curtis, Kirk Douglas, Janet Leigh. Surprisingly good film. Adult.

Sunday, 29 March  
JUKE BOX RHYTHM—Hans Conreid, Brian Donlevy. For Gee Dunkers' only.

Monday, 30 March  
HIGH SCHOOL CONFIDENTIAL—Russ Tamblyn, Jan Sterling, Mamie Van Doren. Back again, and still for Adults only. . . . no high school confidentials, please.

Tuesday, 31 March  
TUNNEL OF LOVE—Doris Day, Richard Widmark. An adult comedy. Really.

Wednesday, 1 April  
ONIONHEAD—Andy Griffith, Felicia Farr. An appropriate picture for All Fools' Day.

Thursday, 2 April  
SPEED CRAZY—Brett Halsey, Yvonne Lime. Listed as "adult" . . . must be a pretty fast picture.

Friday, 3 April  
ROBBERY UNDER ARMS—Peter Finch, Maureen Swanson. The case against Arrid?

Saturday, 4 April  
KINGS GO FORTH—Frank Sinatra, Tony Curtis, Natalie Woods. Adult and ju fair.



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## Tiniest Patient Graduates From Premie Nursery

Gwendolyn Brinkley, "star boarder" in the premature nursery, can't say a word, but she's an emphatic testimonial to the nursing care she has received during the past 12 weeks.

Born January 15, Gwendolyn weighed 2 lbs., 2 oz., and measured 14 in. Pediatricians shook their heads. The mortality rate for babies this small is 85 to 95 percent.

The tiny infant, more than three months premature, received oxygen for the first four hours. In the first days her weight dropped to 1 lb., 11 oz.; she was fed by eye dropper— $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon of glucose-water—every two hours for the first day; but "there've been no complications, and she has been scarcely any trouble at all," according to her pediatrician, LT C. D. Hawley.

Today Gwendolyn weighs 5 lbs., 7 oz., measures 18 in., is taking  $2\frac{1}{2}$  oz. of full-strength formula every four hours, and with slight encouragement flashes a dimpled smile at anyone who peers at her through the nursery window. Her head measurement has increased from 10 to  $13\frac{1}{2}$  in., her chest from  $8\frac{1}{2}$  to  $12\frac{1}{4}$  in., and her abdomen from 8 to 12 in.

Gwendolyn's father, formerly an SN at TI, was discharged from the service on 31 January, but his small dependent has been kept on in a civilian status. She will go home today to join her dad, her mother Sylvia, and sisters, Debra, who'll be 1 in May, and Acqualan, 2. Even after her prolonged stay here, she'll be home two weeks before she was expected to arrive.



Gwendolyn today, with LT Dorothy M. Cucka, one of many who helped her "make the grade."

IT WAS INTERNATIONAL NIGHT at the Officers' Club last Friday when doctors from five foreign countries were honored guests. Recognizable (photo 1) over the shoulders of CAPT and Mrs. Robert C. Doolittle and LT and Mrs. John P. Quinn are LT Chun-nien Chen, Chinese Navy; LTJG Sadatomo Shimojyo, Japanese Navy; and LTJG Ki Sun Han, Korean Navy; (2) LTJG Hyong Kyu Yu, Korean Navy, seems to be involved in a jewelry discussion with LTJG Nan Wright and Mrs. Marvin Gerber. (3) LT and Mrs. Robert Cordier exchange greetings with Drs. Shimojyo and Han. (4) The receiving line included LCDR Juan Losno, Peruvian Navy, here to learn how to operate the artificial kidney; LCDR Nung Kyu Yi, Korean Navy, resident observer in surgery; LCDR Chung-lo Chi, Chinese Navy, ophthalmology; LT Chun-nien Chen, Chinese Navy, surgery; LTJG Sadatoma Shimojyo, Japanese Navy, internal medicine; LTJG Ki Sun Han, Korean Navy, neuropsychiatry; LT Choe in Choe, Korean Navy, surgery; LTJG Hyong Kyu Yu, Korean Navy, Orthopedics.

## Dr. Canty Cited For Service to Mexico

CAPT Thomas J. Canty, Chief of the Amputee Service, has a new scroll to frame for his already well-decorated office wall. It was given to him during his recent trip to Mexico City "in official recognition of his great contribution to Mexico's rehabilitation program for the physically disabled."

The presentation was made by Mexico's Public Health Secretary, Dr. Jose Alvarez Amezcuita.

## What's Doing At the EM Club

Week of 13-17 April  
**Monday—Movie Night—1730-2030**  
**Tuesday—Snack Night—1630 till there are no more.**  
**Wednesday—Happy Hour—1630—2200**  
**Thursday—Game Night—2000—2200**  
**Friday—Station Dance with 6-piece orchestra and Kaiser hostesses.—2200-2400**

## Top Japanese Surgeon Aboard For Brief Visit

RADM Yukichi Abe, Surgeon General of the Japanese Navy, is a guest of Oak Knoll. He arrived last night, stopping en route home from Paris, France, where he attended a meeting of the International Committee of Military Medicine and Pharmacy.

During the Admiral's stay here, Dr. Sadatoma Shimojyo, resident observer, will act as his escort and interpreter. A tour of the hospital and luncheon at the Officers' Club are on his schedule for today.

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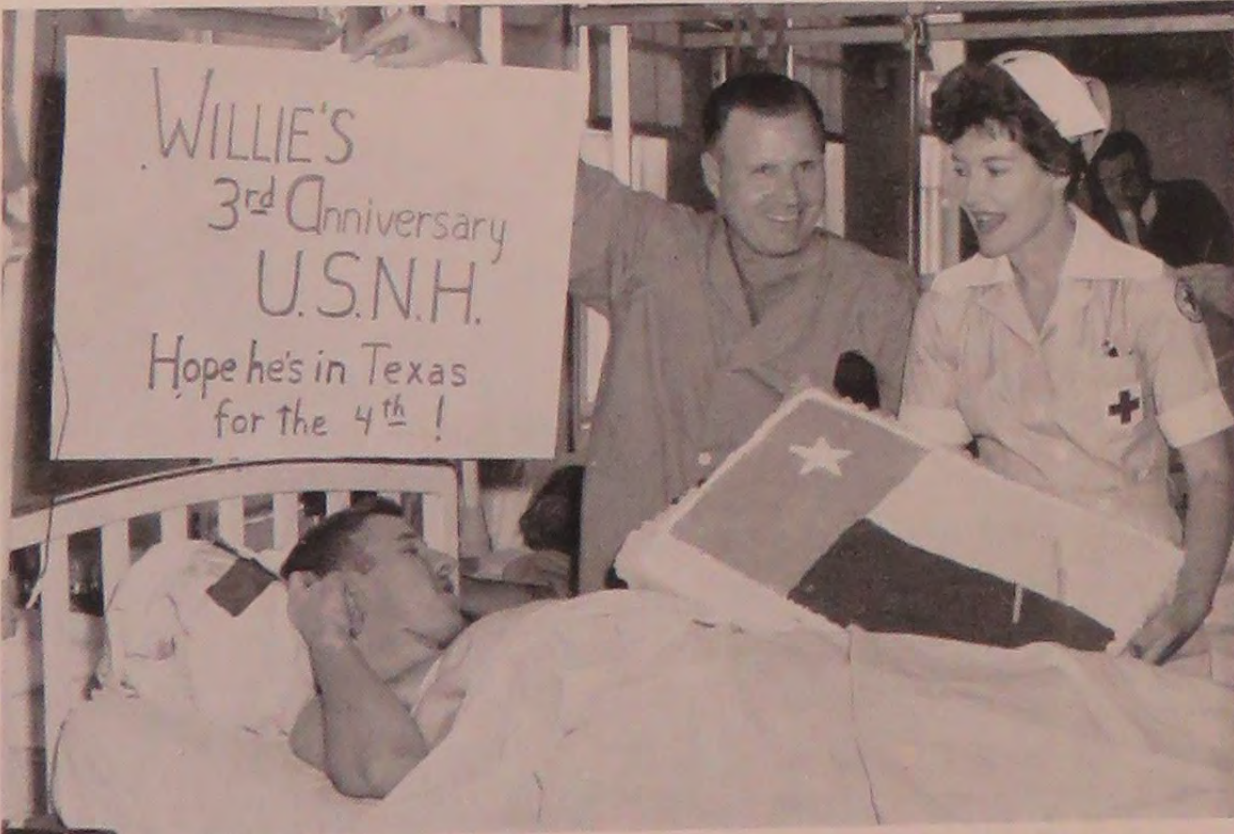
## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

Strange thing, how we can judge others so quickly, and excuse ourselves at the same time. Do you think the following list adds up?

- When the other fellow acts that way, he's ugly;
- When you do it, it's nerves.
- When he's set in his ways, he's stubborn;
- When you are, you're firm.
- When he doesn't like you, he's prejudiced;
- When you don't like him, you're a good judge of human nature.
- When he tries to be helpful, he's an apple polisher;
- When you try it, you're just kindhearted.
- When he takes a while to do something, he's lazy;
- When you take twice as long, you're careful and deliberate.
- When he finds flaws, he's a crank;
- When you do, you're just telling people something for their own good.

Putting the shoe on the other foot once in a while is a good habit. Reminds us that the toes we step on should be our own.

LCDR JOHN L. WISSING, CHC, Catholic Chaplain



PFC WILLIE WILLIAMS, USMC, of Livingston, Tex., celebrating the third anniversary of his arrival on 41A recuperating from a hip reconstruction procedure, was happily surprised when Mrs. Shirley Stadelhofer, Red Cross Gray Lady from Berkeley, delivered an edible replica of the Lone Star State's flag to his bedside. Miss Ann Roark, ward recreation worker, assisted with the party, and among the participants was Larry Mourning, BMI, USN, of Portland, Ore., supporting the sign (or vice versa).

## Blackwell Receives Commendation For X-Ray Tech Work

Before departing for a new assignment aboard the USS HENRICO, APA 45, James D. Blackwell, HM2, received the CO's commendation for his work as an X-ray technician in the Neurosurgical Service—a post he had held for the past two years.

"During this time you have become an expert in neurosurgical technique and have been of great assistance in improving the efficiency of the department. You have helped with problems in surgery, have willingly come in to take X-rays at any time of night, and on many occasions have voluntarily worked overtime in order to complete the day's work. Dr. Schultz, under whom you have served, refers to your performance of duty in this assignment as the best it has been his privilege to observe. . . .

"Your departure for sea duty is a real loss to Oak Knoll," Admiral Hays' letter said.

Blackwell is now on leave at home in Fort Worth, where his wife Sarah and their two children, James and Janet Sue, will live while he is at sea.

## Jewish Passover To Be Observed

A full schedule of religious services for the Jewish Passover Holiday, which begins at sundown 22 April, has been set up by Chaplain Goodman, the Jewish Chaplain who visits here every Thursday from Treasure Island.

In observance of this Holiday, a Passover Seder (festival dinner) for personnel of Jewish faith and their dependents, will be held Wednesday 22 April at 1800 at the Jewish Community Center, 3245 Sheffield Avenue (off MacArthur Blvd.), Oakland.

Reservations for this dinner must be made before Wednesday, 15 April. Call or write the USO-JWB office, San Francisco, or phone Market 1-0231.

The Passover Seder will be conducted by Chaplain Goodman. The Chaplain may be reached at his office for further information.

## PUC Ribbons Received By Six More Staffers

Presidential Unit Citation Ribbons for service with the First Marine Division, Reinforced, in Korea, have come through for six more Oak Knoll staffers—William R. Murphy, HMC, Thomas C. Thompson, Lionel G. Porter, Hayden E. Tewksbury, HM1's; Oran B. Sage and Berl J. Smith, HM2's.

The citations, like those already received by several members of the staff, came in recognition of the unit's extraordinary heroism in a mountainous center of Korea in "a brilliant series of action; unparalleled in the history of the Marine Corps."

## Ernest Edelhofer Dies

The many friends of Ernest Edelhofer were grieved to learn of his death on 24 March. Mr. Edelhofer, an engineering draftsman in the Prosthetic Research Laboratory died at Kaiser Foundation hospital after an illness of seven weeks.

He is survived by his wife, Henrietta, to whom sincerest sympathy is extended.

## Know Your Staff



Her name is Martha J. Foulk, and she is a corpswage from Vancouver, Washington. Marty was graduated from Vancouver High School in 1955 and entered the service in March of 1956.

Among her off duty activities are bowling, ice skating and dancing. Marty plans to be an airline hostess upon release from active duty. She is presently assigned to duty in the Care of The Dead office.



His name is Dennis P. Bushman, and he is a hospitalman from Danville, California. Dennis was graduated from Danville's San Ramon High School in 1956, and entered the service in October of the same year. While at San Ramon, he was on the Student Council, and was a member of the swimming team.

Upon release from active duty, Dennis plans to attend Diablo Valley College in Concord, where his major will be business administration.

Dennis and his wife, Berniece, will celebrate their 1st wedding anniversary the 12th of this month.

## Steiners Schedule Sukiyaki Supper

A sukiyaki party at the ballfield is on the Steiners schedule for Saturday evening, 25 April. In case of inclement weather, the members and guests will sit, instead, on the floor of the EM Club for their authentic Japanese dinner.

# Scuttlebutt

**WEDDING OF THE WEEK:** Carol Detweiler, HN, of Personnel and Records will exchange vows tonight at 7:30 with Jerry Dover, former Knoll corpsman now a sophomore at Reedly JC. It will be a candlelight ceremony in the First Lutheran Church in Dinuba, Jerry's home town. Their attendants will be Don and Penny Sharp, also former staffers.

**ENGAGEMENT:** Richard Darnielle HN, Physical Therapy went home to Grass Valley last week end and slipped a ring on the finger of Darlene Moore, senior at Grass Valley Hi. They'll be married on 6 September.

**HAVE YOU NOTICED—**That Red Tinnel's eyes are exactly the same auburn as his hair? That Dr. Richter had to buy a Volkswagen because his Olds wouldn't fit into his parking place? Russ Bates' chivalry when he takes Marty Foulk to breakfast at the chow hall? That Casanovas Fuller, Mickieberry, Sage, and Campbell have retired and turned their offices over to the younger generation? That LTJG Vera Harris has been promoted to LT, Ensigns Janice Raduenz and Marie Statkiewicz to LTJG? That Jerry Gines, HN, surrounded by Frenchmen, appeared in the last LEAF, completely unnoticed by the caption writer?

**RANDOM NOTES:** LT Tali Calbatur had the best possible excuse for not coming to the Friday night party in honor of our foreign doctors. His wife, Sevim, flew in from their home in Istanbul, Turkey, while the party was in full swing... William Williams, DT1, and Michael Cipriano, HM3, have re-enlisted for another 6, Chief Albert Skinner for 3... Thelma McNeil talked her way to first place in the Toastmistress competition at the Claremont Saturday night and on 9 May will compete in the interregional contest to be held either in Sacramento or Reno... Jack Holdeman, HMI, of Security, is insecure with kites. While flying a five-foot box kite with children of Agnes Corpus (who'll be his bride on 26 June) the kite got away from the Elmhurst schoolyard and he finally recaptured it blocks away... Chief Boyd's co-workers at CPO Club planned a little surprise for him before his impending transfer to Port Hueneme. The photographer dispatched to immortalize the day wasn't given the full story, met Chief Boyd, asked what goes on. Boyd, concerned, called CDR Huber, who couldn't shed any light on the subject. Putting 2 and 2 together, the Chief surmised that for some reason his domain was to be invaded by the French doctors aboard, hastily held field day and ordered conspiring co-workers to don ties, jackets, etc. It was a NICE party.

**IT'S NEWS:** When Dr. Canty DOESN'T make the OAK LEAF.

**LIFE BEGAN** on 26 March for Lisa Gay Jones, 5 lb. 13 oz. daughter for Johnny L. Jones, HMI of Medical Repair and wife Donna... On 1 April for Terry Allen Dines, 7 lb. 3 oz. son for Albert L. Dines, HN of NP Service and wife Helen... On 2 April for Debra Kay Newcomb, 6 lb. 4 oz. daughter for Jerry W. Newcomb, HM2, of Radioisotope Lab and wife Lottie.



1. Chuck Cluney prepares mimeo machine for duty. 2. Mr. Kane and Chief Wogan confer on newest hospital instruction. 3. Jim Cluckey distributes Officers' mail. 4. Chief Holt and Jerome Overton inventory laundry. 5. Mail clerk Farmer prepares for ward run. 6. Ted Vincent opens letters by machine.

## Everything From Mail & Mimeographing to Hanging Out Wash — That's Story of Oak Knoll's Operating Services Division

The mail, the mimeographing, the teletyping must go through! The washing must be washed, the decks polished. All these jobs—and who knows how many others — are included in a wide-spread operation known at Oak Knoll and other large naval hospitals as the Operating Services Division.

"Actually, we're a catch-all for every detail that doesn't fit logically into any of the other services," LTJG George P. Kane, MSC, said of the division of which he recently became chief.

Headquartered topside in the Ad Building, OpSerDiv spreads in every direction—

To the laundry, which handles more than 300,000 pieces of linen per month including everything from newborn babies' undershirts to size 44 pajamas, to say nothing of enough sheets (11,000) to sail the Navy.

To the duplicating room in 67B, where Chuck Cluney works alone to the tune of his mimeograph machine, grinding out hospital instructions, Plan-of-the-Day, the HILL-TOPPER (Rival of the OAK LEAF), and multiple copies of other notices and forms.

To the Nurses' Quarters, kept ship-shape by five OpSerDiv housekeepers, to SOQ, Finance, Supply, 67A, the Bank, the Chapel, the rest of the Ad Building—dusted and polished daily by 14 laborer cleaners.

To all the mail boxes on the compound, to the Post Office, to every ward. Jerry Farmer, HM3, leather mail bag on shoulder, collects outgoing mail from boxes and twice a day (with the aid of a pickup truck) carries mail to the wards for Oak

Knoll's 925 patients. Also located at the post office are Ida Hodge and Tommie Delahousse, who maintain an up-to-date directory service, in itself a big job because of the hospital's transient population.

James Cluckey, back at headquarters with his mail cart, distributes mail to staff officers and departments. Ted Vincent, with his electric letter opener, slits the command mail before it is turned over to the Administrative Officer across the passageway for routing. Gordon Wogan, HMC assists Mr. Kane and sees that official outgoing mail is properly serialized, dated, stamped, and sent on its way. He also shares responsibility for the many forms used throughout the hospital.

Though Mr. Kane is her supervisor, Fran LeCocq and her teletype service are located in the office of

LCDR Frank C. Johnson, Personnel and Records Officer, and she doesn't feel at all like a displaced person. This was her job long before there was an Operating Services Division.

The operator was about to close the door of her elevator when a very tipsy gent pushed his way in. As the car started up, he tried to turn himself around to face the door but was wedged in so tightly that he couldn't move. The other passengers stared at his bleary, bloodshot eyes with a growing embarrassment. Finally when the general strain became unbearable, the tipsy man cleared his throat and said, "I expect that all of you are wondering why I called this meeting."

## Previews

- Tonight, 10 April  
GIDGET—Sandra Dee, Cliff Robertson.
- Saturday, 11 April  
HIGH COST OF LOVING—Jose Ferrer. Been here before, and the price is still the same.
- Sunday, 12 April  
FROM EARTH TO THE MOON—Joseph Cotten, George Sanders. The Cape Canaveral Story.
- Monday, 13 April  
TENDER TRAP—Frank Sinatra, Debbie Reynolds. How tender?
- Tuesday, 14 April  
THUNDER IN THE SUN—Susan Hayward, Jeff Chandler. So that's where it comes from.
- Wednesday, 15 April  
HANDLE WITH CARE—Dean Jones, Thomas Mitchell.
- Thursday, 16 April  
THE BIG HEAT—Glenn Ford, Gloria Graham. Not exactly a family picture.
- Friday, 17 April  
SHANE—Alan Ladd. A rerelease?
- Saturday, 18 April  
LOVE ME OR LEAVE ME — Doris Day, James Cagney. At least you've got a choice.



FRANCES LeCOCQ seems to enjoy her work on the teletype.

### Knoll Nine Defeats Coast Guard, Concord In First League Games

The Oak Knoll Diamond Nine are whizzing along at top speed, having downed the Coast Guard 6-3, 26 March and NAD Concord 9-5, 2 April, in their first two league games of the season.

Wojewski pitched all the way in both games.

In the game against the Coast Guard, Russ Bates was the big gun, garnering three for three and batting in one player. The RBI category was well split, six men each batting in one run.

Against Concord, the big hitters were Perkins, 3-3 and Isaaks, 4-3. They were amply aided by pitcher Wojewski's three run triple.

**BOX SCORE:**

Oak Knoll vs Coast Guard		AB	R	H	RBI
Player	Pos.				
Begley	RF	2	2	0	0
Isaaks	LF	2	0	0	0
Brown	LF	2	0	1	0
Bates	SS	3	1	3	1
Jorden	CF	4	1	1	1
Perkins	2B	2	1	0	1
Williams	1B	2	0	0	1
Shivers	3B	2	1	1	1
Hoffman	C	2	0	0	1
Wojewski	P	3	0	0	0
Alexander	3B	0	0	0	0
Totals		22	6	6	6

Oak Knoll vs NAD Concord		AB	R	H	RBI
Player	Pos.				
Begley	RF	4	1	2	0
Perkins	2B	3	1	3	1
Shivers	3B	4	2	1	1
Bates	SS	4	1	1	1
Isaaks	LF	4	2	3	2
Williams	1B	4	1	2	1
Jorden	CF	1	1	0	0
Hoffman	C	4	0	0	0
Wojewski	P	4	0	1	3
Totals		32	9	13	9

### Skeeters Shoot Way To Another Trophy

Oak Knoll Rod & Gun Club's skeet team traveled to Fresno for the San Joaquin Open Sunday and snatched the military division trophy from the well-known El Toro Marines.

The local skeeters had a score of 474x500. (For the unschooled in skeet, this means they shot at 500 clay pigeons, hit 474.) The flashy Marines posted a score of 472x500.

Individual trophies were won by Chief E. R. Mustar, second in Class AA; Chief C. L. Bailie, first in Class A; LTCOL R. L. Luckel, first in Class B.

On a flight from Philadelphia to Washington, the stewardess, checking her passenger list, asked a handsome young Army corporal, "May I have your last name, sir?"

Surveying the attractive young woman, the corporal promptly retorted, "Just set the date, Honey!"



Trophy-winning lady keglers in the 12ND Tournament were, left to right, Alice Hyson (T.I.), placement and high game; Pat Matthews (T.I.); Lue Haas (Alameda); Mae Belletto (SF Marines); Dorothy Effner (USNH); Jean Gerber (USNH), high average and high series.

### Al Line Wins Traditional Sweepstakes Night Here; Bowls 579 H'cap Series

The men's handicap league wrapped things up for the winter bowling season with their traditional Sweepstakes Night.

Al Line of the league champion Taps was the winner, with a 579 (including handicap) series. Second was Jim Currie of the X-Ray team, with 569, and third was Les Relaford, with a 559. First place received a trophy, with 2nd and 3rd receiving cash awards.

The Bowling Alley management wishes to thank all members of this league for their promptness and cooperation throughout the season.

### Lucas Places In 12th ND Men's Bowling Tourney

Gene Lucas placed 13th in a field of approximately 75 bowlers who competed in the Twelfth Naval District Men's Bowling Tournament held at TI from 25-27 March.

All bowlers with averages of 170 or better were eligible to compete, and Lucas was one of nine who went from Oak Knoll. Others were John Lalla, "Red" Tinnel, Chaplain Carl Ruud, Tom Fowler, Les Relaford, Phil Meek, George Cartmell, and Satch Sage.

After many raw thumbs and sore fingers had developed, "Chuck" Cuthbert of NAS Oakland emerged on top with a total pinfall of 3,924 pins for 21 lines. The next four winners, in order, were E. Butts, NAS Alameda; Milt Schreck, NAS Moffett Field; Tracy, Treasure Island; and "Rube" Knopp, NAS Oakland.

"Some men itch for success when they should be scratching for it."  
—Old Peruvian Proverb



HAROLD A. SPENCER, HM3, received the CO's Commendation prior to his recent transfer to duty with Navy Medical Research Unit #1 on the University of California campus, Berkeley. Spencer was cited for his outstanding performance of duty as "rating yeoman" in Staff Personnel. In that capacity his "consideration of our corpsmen and their problems made him a valued shipmate and co-worker and contributed a great deal to the efficiency of the unit," according to Admiral Hays' letter. Spencer has been in the Navy since 1952, having enlisted after his graduation from Sedro Woolley High, Sedro Woolley, Wash.

### Special Party at O'Club

A special party will be held at the Officers' Club on Friday, 1 May, with dinner and dancing for a dollar.

"Stop, Look, and Miss 'Em" is the California Highway Patrol's slogan.

### Jean Gerber Gets Top Honors in 12th ND Bowling Tournament

Jean Gerber really pasted the pin as she took high average and high series honors to lead the field in the 12th Naval District 21-game tournament at the Oak Knoll alleys 23, 24 and 25 March.

The cream of the 12ND's crop of women bowlers participated in this yearly tournament with each district sending in the scores of their top four to be compared with others to determine the All-Navy top women bowlers.

Miss Gerber was 50 pins down the first day, bowling to Mae Belletto (Marines) and Dorothy Effner (Naval Hospital), in spite of a 180-510 trio, but the second day she put together games of 150-148-146-170-148-180-178 for a second 500 trio and pinfall high enough to lodge her in first place slot with a margin of 50 pins, ahead of Dorothy Effner, still in second; Pat Matthews (T.I.) in third, and Mae Belletto (Marines) in fourth.

The third and final day Jean maintained her leadership, Effner retained the second-place slot, Mae Belletto moved up to third, Lue Haas (Alameda) kept right on rollin' along to fourth, and Alice Hyson (12th ND) not only turned in the high game of the tournament (216) but moved up to fifth place.

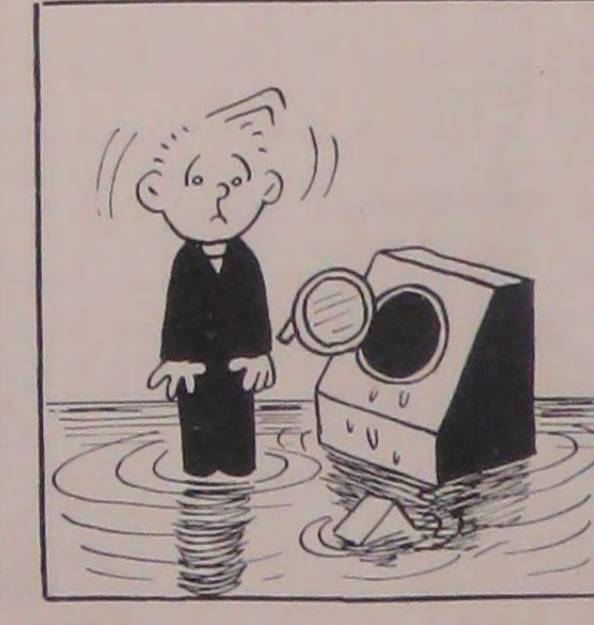
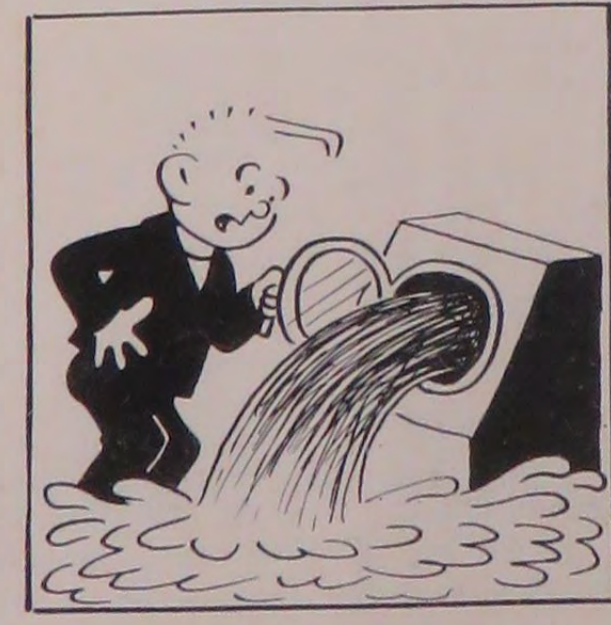
Miss Gerber finished the 21 games with an average of 164, and her 510 series stood high for another honor.

The final order of finish as follows, with averages . . .

Gerber (USNH)	164
Effner (USNH)	149
Belletto (SFM)	147
Haas (NAS)	144
Hyson (T.I.)	143
Matthews (T.I.)	143
Mackie (12ND)	141
Tierney (USNH)	137
Ryder (USNH)	137
Cronin (NAS)	137
McAvoy (SFM)	135
Jaynes (SFM)	134
Oney (T.I.)	134
Misner (12ND)	122

### Pay Schedule

15 April—All officers, staff enlisted personnel  
 16 April—Enlisted patient personnel  
 30 April—All officers, staff enlisted personnel  
 1 May—Enlisted patient personnel  
 15 May—ALL HANDS  
 1 June—All officers, staff enlisted personnel  
 2 June—Enlisted patient personnel  
 15 June—All officers, staff enlisted personnel







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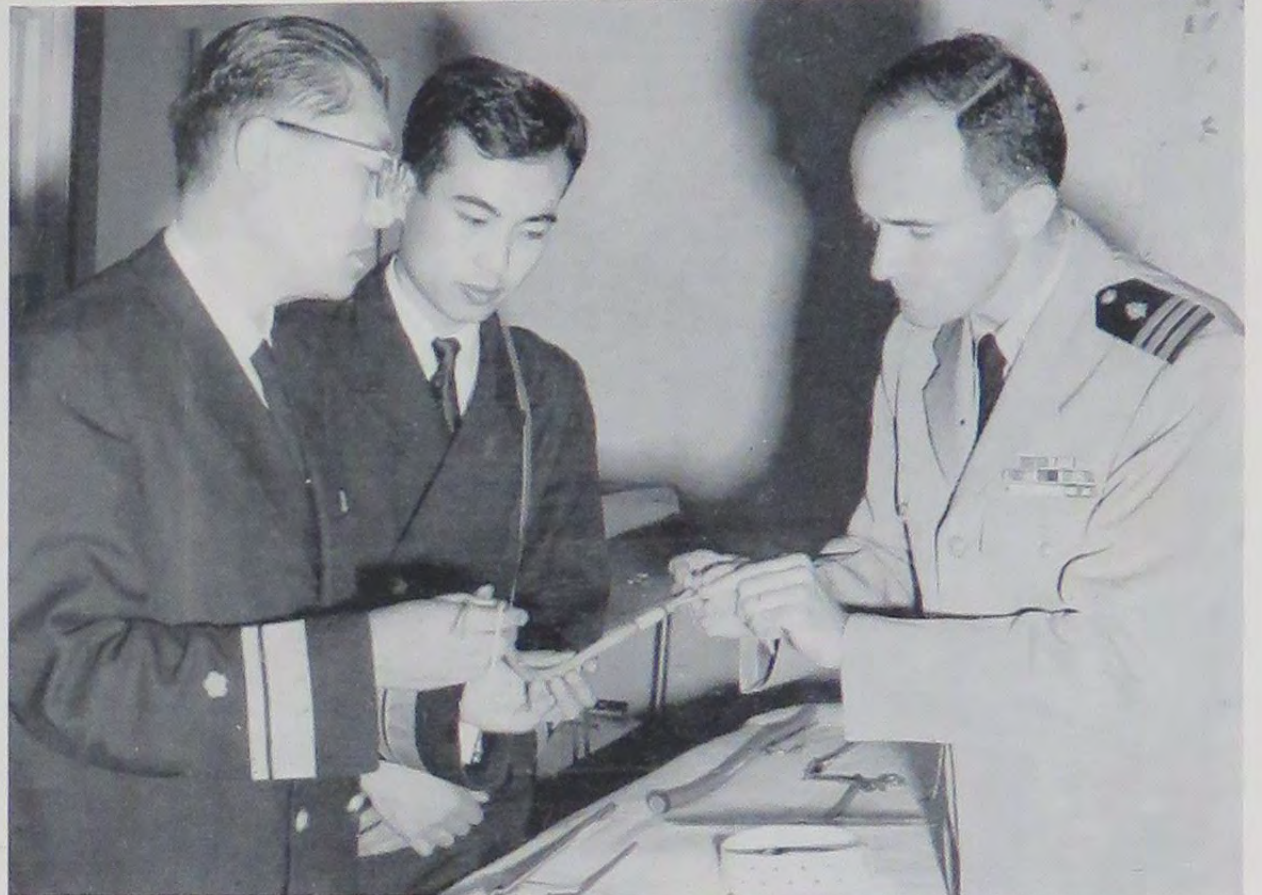
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CAPT Marion E. Roudebush, Chief of the Neuropsychiatric Service, welcomes CDR Per Jorem of the Royal Norwegian Navy aboard for a two-day visit to the "therapeutic community." With them are Dr. Harry A. Wilmer, Palo Alto psychiatrist, who started community type of treatment here in 1955 during a tour of active duty in the Naval Reserve and LT Leonard F. Krause, hospital psychologist.



During his recent visit to Oak Knoll, Rear Admiral Yukichi Abe, Surgeon General of the Japanese Navy, toured various departments of the hospital. Here CDR Theodore H. Wilson, Jr., explains how various pieces of equipment are used in the heart clinic. LTJG Sadatoma Shimojyo acted as aide and interpreter. Insignia on the admiral's sleeve (like the one on Dr. Shimojyo's) is a cherry blossom.

## Hilltopper Nine Leading 12ND Class "B"; To Play Jefferson Semipros Here 3 May

Oak Knoll's baseball team is leading the "B" Division of the 12ND League with three wins and no defeats in official league play.

Looking over the prospects this week, Chief Robert Metcalf, manager-coach, had a few things to say about the team: "This year's showing can be credited to a well-balanced team that has plenty of spirit. Good defensive play combined with timely hitting, excellent pitching and most important—the will to win—make this a very exciting team.

"We'll be playing away from home for the next three league games. We've a practice game here on Sunday, 3 May, with Jefferson Semipros at 1330. The next league game at home will be with NAD Concord on 14 May. And we can use a lot of support from the rest of the crew."



**N IS FOR NAVY** and for the second place winners in the 1958 12ND Basketball League. Wearing their new jackets are, front row, left to right, Larry Kubik, Chief Ken Moffett, Jack Sidwell, Ken Nelson, Ty Messersmith, and Floyd Smith. Back row, Bob Bohannon, Bob Dorsey, Johnnie Johnson, LTJG W. R. Eckerman, Special Services Officer; Russ Bates, Jim Jagous, Connie Constant, and Charles Alexander. Missing—Herm Perkins.

## Foreign Navy Dignitaries From Both Sides of Globe Are Knoll Visitors

### RADM Abe from Japan

Rear Admiral Yukichi Abe, Surgeon General of the Japanese Navy, was a recent visitor to Oak Knoll.

The top-ranking Japanese Navy doctor stopped here en route home from Paris, France, where he was sent as a national delegate to the 21st session of the International Committee on Military Medicine and Pharmacy. He came here following a two-day stay in the Washington, D.C., area.

During his stay here, the admiral toured various departments of the hospital and was honored at a luncheon at the Officers' Club, where senior medical officers from all the Bay Area Naval installations and chiefs of services at Oak Knoll had an opportunity to meet him.

Admiral Abe went sight-seeing in San Francisco with CAPT Fitz-John Weddell, Executive Officer, and LTJG Sadatoma Shimojyo (who acted as his aide and interpreter) before taking off for Tokyo.

### Promotions Loom For Chief Booth, Clayton

Promotions are on the way for two staffers who have qualified by hard work and competitive examination. They are Thomas G. Booth, HMC, who has been selected for Medical Service Warrant, and Keith S. Clayton, HM1, who'll make chief in mid-July.

Both are on duty in Staff Detail.

### CDR Jorem of Norway

CDR Per Jorem, a strapping Norwegian who has served for five years as chief psychologist for the Royal Navy of Norway, became a temporary member of Oak Knoll's "therapeutic community" last week, sitting in at group meetings where neuropsychiatric patients and staff members discuss their problems and look to each other for help in solving them.

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**ALL-STAR** Herm Perkins has it in writing. The lanky Hilltopper half-back was one of three named to the 12ND 1958 All-Star Six-Man Football Team. Selection was on the basis of outstanding athletic ability, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Other Knollites named to the All-Star team were Norman Hawker, defensive end; and Bob Johnson, halfback. That's LTJG W. R. Eckerman presenting "Perk" his award.

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## ++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++

There is an old saying which we have all heard: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." No doubt most of us are very happy to nod our heads wisely and agree with this statement. Yet when it comes right down to it, how many of us have not gotten to the point where we think everything should be given to us.

So often we go through school without ever really working for anything. We come into the Navy still expecting to receive a maximum of benefits while giving the minimum required. It gets to the point sometimes that we should look at our hand when we extend it to a person. Which way is the palm facing? Is it sideways, down—or it is up?

Christ is our perfect example in this area of giving. The Bible says that Jesus came to minister, not to be ministered unto. That is, He came to give, not to receive. This is very well expressed in the words of the song in which Jesus says:

I gave my life for thee, My precious blood I shed,  
 That thou might'st ransomed be, and quickened from the dead;  
 I gave my life for thee, What hast thou given for me?  
 I gave my life for thee, What hast thou given for me?

We might well ponder that last question. Christ gave all for you and me. What have we given to Him? The only thing He really wants you to give Him is yourself.

LTJG GERALD W. COX, Protestant Chaplain

### Letter Carriers' Band To Play in Gendreau

The Oakland Letter Carrier's Band will play in Gendreau Circle for patients, staff, and friends at 1500 Sunday afternoon, 10 May, according to latest word from Special Services.

The band, organized in 1932, has brought home prizes from Letter Carriers' Conventions throughout the United States. It makes music for parades from Fresno to Oregon.

### Three Civilians Rated Outstanding

Congratulations are in order for three civilian workers whose outstanding ratings were recently approved by the Performance Rating Board. They are Edna Bourdase, supervisory clerk in the Administrative Officer's office, Henry Moser, joiner, and Hershel Rose, sheetmetal worker, both of Public Works.

### Corpsmen Urged To Train For Technical Jobs

There is an urgent need for hospital corpsmen to apply for training in the technical specialties of Submarine Medicine Technic, Blood Bank and Clinical Laboratory Technic, Tissue Bank Technic, and Operating Room Technic according to Commander M. E. Keizur, MSC, USN, who is Director of the Hospital Corps Division of BuMed.

In revealing the necessity for personnel to apply for the courses, CDR Keizur said, "at the present time there are insufficient applications on file in the Bureau to fill training quotas."

Applications should be submitted in accordance with requirements contained in BuMed Instruction 1510.4.C.

"Applications received by the Bureau requesting waivers of eligibility requirements will be considered on an individual basis," Commander Keizur said.

### High Standards, Coffee Impress CDR Jorem

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The "therapeutic community" is not new to CDR Jorem.

"We are using this method to some extent in civilian hospitals in Norway—(These are the only ones we have—the government pays civilian hospitals to take care of military personnel.)"

Last May, at his country's request the U. S. Navy sent three officers from BuMed to Oslo to present a seminar in neuropsychiatry as practiced in the U. S. Navy. Officers of the Danish Navy joined the group for the three-week session. His current trip is a follow-up of those meetings.

Commander Jorem, in America for the first time, is impressed by "your high professional standards," "the wonderful hospitality everywhere," "the amount of coffee Americans drink (Now I can see Norwegians really don't touch it)" and by the fact that in America he never sees anyone walking. ("Won't you eventually become a race without feet?")

The Norwegian visitor arrived in the Washington, D.C., area early in March, and has since visited a number of Naval installations and the Public Health Service's National Institute of Mental Health at Bethesda, Md. He came to Oak Knoll from Evanston, Ill., after attending a meeting of the Navy Medical Department's Psychiatric Research Consultants at Northwestern University.

Accompanied by LCDR John E. Rasmussen, Medical Service Corp officer attached to the Neuropsychiatric Branch of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Commander Jorem left Oak Knoll on 14 April for the Navy's Retraining Command at Camp Elliott, San Diego.

### Dr. Doolan On Program At Atlantic City Meet

CDR Paul D. Doolan is back from Atlantic City, N. J., where he delivered a paper at the annual meeting of the American Society for Artificial Internal Organs.

The paper, titled "Acute Renal Insufficiency Following Aortic Surgery" was a joint effort of CDR Doolan, Dr. G. B. Theil, LT R. A. Wiggins, Dr. K. J. Lee, and E. Martinez, AB, all members of the staff of the Clinical Investigation Center.

### Know Your Staff

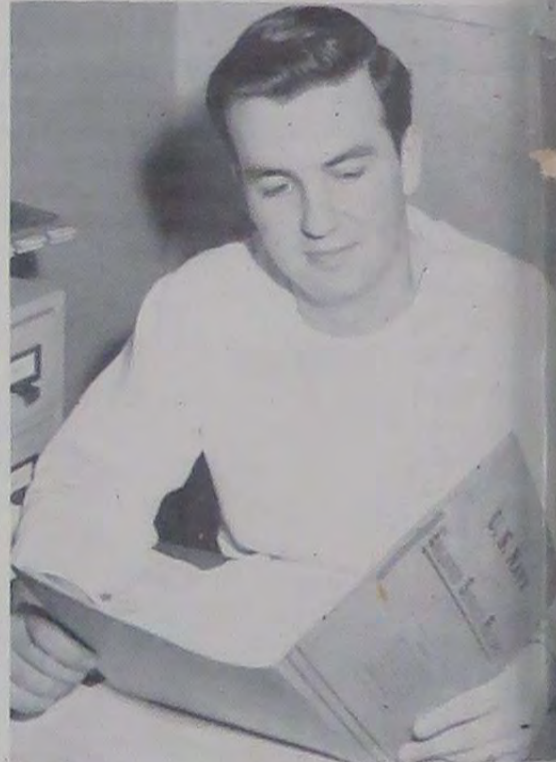


Here we have Norman Pritchard, HM3, pretending he knows how to use the microscope sitting in front of him. And maybe he does. With Norm, you can never tell. He works in the Main Laboratory, which is a pretty good place for a Laboratory Technician to work. Or should be anyway with Norm, you can never tell.

Norm hails (how about that?) from Denver, Colorado, where he was graduated from South High in 1956. He entered the service in December of the same year.

He lists as his hobbies, golfing and skiing, but he doesn't have much time for either these days, what with planning for his approaching marriage to Carol Befort of Denver on 25 July.

Upon release from active duty, Norm plans to attend Colorado U and major in Education.



If you don't like your duty, you can blame it on Tom McMahon, HN, of staff detail. At least, you might as well, because everyone does, according to him. He claims to be the most "disliked" person on the base . . . and all because of his job . . . which, by the way, he likes. The job, that is.

Tom is from Manson, Iowa, where he graduated from prep school in 1957 and almost immediately entered the service, thereafter. He attended and was graduated from corps school in San Diego, and reported aboard Oak Knoll in March of 1958.

He lists as his hobbies, rest and recreation. He refuses to be more definite . . . just rest and recreation. What do they do in Iowa for recreation?

Upon release from active duty, according to Chief Booth, Tom plans to re-enlist for 16 years. According to Tom, he plans to attend college with a Business Education major mind.



OAKLAND CHAPTER, ARC, brought seven Oakland City College Junior Red Cross volunteers to the pediatrics ward recently to train them for weekly "playtimes" on the ward—these to include such things as storytelling, playing records, reading, and coloring. Assisting with their indoctrination were LT R. G. Rizza, ward medical officer; Miss Dorothee Prentice, nurse in charge of the ward; Misses Marie Tully, and Ann Roark, ARC recreation workers, and Mrs. Louise Lombarda, Alameda Gray Lady. Trainees shown are Lula Mae Barnes, Lynnea Wallen, Thelma Mayers, Barbara Hudspeth, Gloria Brownlee, Helen Worthan.

# Scuttlebutt

**NEWLYWEDS:** Bob Jordan, HM3, is back at 60A after a coast-to-coast honeymoon. On 4 April he and Elizabeth Orr Heineman (whom he met while attending Navy Dermatology school) were married in Philadelphia. They spent several days in Atlantic City, drove west, and are now living in Berkeley. . . . HN's Juanita Value of OPD and Frank Davis of FMF, Camp Pendleton, exchanged vows at a quiet ceremony in nearby Richmond on 9 April. Frank, a former Knoll staffer, will soon be en route to Okinawa.

**NEWLYENGAGEDS:** Martha Carter, DN, is wearing a diamond and telling friends of her engagement to Bob "Whitey" Roberts, Weatherman Third Class at NAS, Alameda. They met when Martha was on duty at the Alameda Dispensary before coming to Oak Knoll.

**GOING STEADY?** HN Mickey McDonald and HM2 Chuck Wienkers. . . . HN Carmen Rodriguez and HM2 Chuck Fenne, though on their recent dinner date Chuck Wienkers (Where was Mickey?) and Larry Kubik went along!

**OJCH!** HN Max McCallister is wearing a cast—dropped the lid of a diesel truck motor on his hand.

**WHY** does Earl Hoffmann go to the Bal Theater so regularly?

**CONGRATULATIONS** to LTJG Leonard F. Krause, MSC, who has been promoted to LT, to ENS Ann Wolfe, a LTJG now; to LTJG A'Natalie Pat Hudson, who now wears a LT's stripe, to LT Bill D. Stout, who has completed his internship, is a full-fledged doctor and staff member (while awaiting orders to the Navy School of Aviation Medicine, Pensacola, Fla.)

**LIVING IT UP** in the European capitals as they say are Claire Martini and Pat Stanley, formerly of Disbursing. Last week end, with a letter of introduction to the mayor of Lisbon from Mayor Rishell of Oakland, they arrived in Portugal after a trans-Atlantic flight smooth as glass. After doing all the night (and day) spots in Lisbon, they spent Monday and Tuesday in Madrid, Wednesday and Thursday in Amsterdam, and today they're in Brussels.

**LIFE BEGAN** on 7 April for Mark Edward Hillenbrand, 7 lb. 8 oz. boy for LT Ronald E. Hillenbrand, dental intern, and wife Elaine . . . on 8 April for Michael Kevin, 7 lb. 5 oz. son for Paul Franklin McClure, HM3 Lab student, and wife Anna . . . on 11 April for Debra Ann Field, 6 lb. 15½ oz. daughter for LT Richard A. Field, anesthesiology resident, and wife Dolores . . . on 22 April for Brian Eckerman, 7 lb. son of LTJG Weldon R. Eckerman and wife Nelda.

**NOW WE'RE THE "ROYAL NAVAL HOSPITAL, OAKLAND"**—That's the inscription on three bound volumes of "ASHORE and AFLOAT—Official Journal of the Royal Sailors' Rests, and Matters Concerning the Navy That Flies, the Navy That Floats, and the Navy That Dives." The volumes came as a gift from Trustees of the Royal Sailors' Rests in the British Isles.

"Was he shocked over the death of his mother-in-law?"  
"Shocked? He was electrocuted."



**ARTISTS AND MODELS** provided the program and exhibit for the 8 April Officers' Wives' Club luncheon at which Surgical Service wives were the hostesses. Wearing their home-sewn clothing are (1) Mrs. D. F. Zak, (2) Five-months-old Lynne Diane Roser, who, with her mother, Mrs. D. M. Roser, is enjoying a seascape by Mrs. T. G. Hays. The other art lover is Linda Houghton, whose mother made her dress and another like it for herself. The needlepoint was done by Mrs. L. H. Barber. (3) Mrs. D. J. Gaeckle and son Jeff. (4) Kerry and Kent Daane, whose outfits were made by their mother, Mrs. T. A. Daane. (5) Mrs. C. E. Brodine, who made her own dress and those worn by Stephanie and Jennifer.

## Previews

- Tonight, 24 April  
**PARTY GIRL**—Robert Taylor, Cyd "Legs" Charisse, Lee J. Cobb. Title is very misleading.
- Saturday, 25 April  
**LONG HOT SUMMER**—Joanne Woodward, Paul Newman. Most of them are.
- Sunday, 26 April  
**THE NAKED MAJJA**—Ava Gardner, Anthony Franciosa. All about that famous nude painting, with Ava playing the nude. Doctor, the excitement may be too much!
- Monday, 27 April  
**THE BLOB**—Aneta Corseant, Steven McQueen. No comment.
- Tuesday, 28 April  
**FACE OF A FUGITIVE**—Fred MacMurray. The true story of the hospital corpsman.
- Wednesday, 29 April  
**UNDERWATER WARRIOR**—Dan Dailey, Clare Kelly. A new slant on westerns?
- Thursday, 30 April  
**SMILEY GETS A GUN**—Keith Calvert, "Chips" Rafferty. That Smiley . . . he gets everything!
- Friday, 1 May  
**HEY BOY, HEY GIRL**—Keely Smith, Louie Prima. Hey fever.
- Saturday, 2 May  
**MONEY, WOMEN AND GUNS**—Kim Hunter, Jock Mahoney. Who could ask for more?

Here lies the body of Jackson Blow. He died of a heart attack. His laundry was promised on Friday And Friday he got it back.

"I broke my husband of biting his nails."  
"How?"  
"Hid his teeth."

## Couturieres & Children Model at Wives' Club

The results of many hours spent with sewing machine, paint brush, loom and milliner's tools were in evidence when Officers' Wives held their April 8 luncheon meeting.

The decor at tables set for 85 in the Club dining room indicated that wives of the officers on the surgical service (they were hostesses) were among the gifted. Paper hats with flower crowns were the centerpieces, and miniature hats were the nutcups that marked each place.

In the ballroom of the clubhouse were exhibits of ceramics, weaving, needlepoint, painting, flower arrangement, shell craft, knitting, hooked rugs, embroidered baby things, and millinery. (In this division the most intriguing number was Mrs. W. C. Cooper's cocktail hat—covered with Spanish moss, so firmly packed that it looks like a fabric). More than thirty officers' wives exhibited their handicrafts.

A tulle-draped couturiere's form marked the spot where members of the club and their children modeled home-sewn garments.

Mrs. Leo Potter served as commentator.

"I'm fed up on that!" cried the baby, pointing to his highchair.



**George R. Baumgardner, BUC,** re-enlisted on 14 April for another six-year hitch and became, so far as he knows, the only Seabee on duty with an artificial leg. Injured in a construction accident at Cubi Point, P. I., he became an amputee in June '57. Since then he has gone through the Orthopedic Appliance Mechanic's course here and for a year and a half has been a member of the staff. Despite loss of his leg, the sturdy Seabee swims, plays tennis, water skis, enjoys hunting and fishing, and expects orders to a construction billet. CAPT Fitz-John Weddell administered the oath when the chief re-enlisted.



## 'Toppers Trample NAS Oakland 17-1

The Hilltopper baseball nine ran rampant over NAS Oakland 9 April on the home diamond, scoring 17 runs on 19 big hits. R. Perkins pitched all the way for the Knollites, allowing one run on four hits.

Nine Hilltoppers got into the hit column, and Brown and R. Perkins each got a round-trip ticket, while defeating hapless NAS, 17-1.

Box score:

	Pos	ab	r	h	rbi
Perkins, H.	2B	5	3	4	4
Shivers	3B	5	1	0	0
Brown	RF	4	3	3	4
Westbrook	RF	1	0	1	0
Bates	SS	5	1	3	1
Williams	1B	5	1	3	3
Isaaks	LF	5	1	1	0
Jorden	CF	4	2	1	0
Hoffman	C	2	3	1	2
Perkins, R.	P	4	2	2	3
Total		40	17	19	17

Oak Knoll traveled to Moffett Field 16 April, and suffered their first defeat of the season 8-3. Since NAS Moffett is in the A League, this loss will not affect the Hilltoppers' standing in the B League.

Box Score:

	Pos	ab	r	h	rbi
Perkins, H.	2B	3	1	1	0
Shivers	3B	3	0	0	0
Bates	SS	3	0	1	1
Wojewski	LF	4	0	1	0
Williams	1B	3	2	2	1
Begley	RF	3	0	0	0
Jorden	CF	3	0	0	0
Hoffman	C	2	0	2	1
Manning	C	1	0	0	0
Perkins, R.	P	2	0	0	0
Morris	P	1	0	0	0
Total		28	3	7	3

At the Coast Guard Gunner's Mate Training School in Groton, Conn., an instructor asked his class for a description of a gun. "Well, suh," drawled a student, "it's one of them damned things that bark ovah heah an' bites way ovah yondah."



A GOOD TIME was had by all who attended the Thursday Night Mixed League and Friday Night Foursome League banquet on 10 April. Highlight of the evening was presentation of trophies to the Hangovers, Foursome League winners (middle photo, left to right) Joe Contreras, Jack Hergenrader, Quintin Mitter, Jerry Curry, and Al Line—and to the Hookers, who won first in the Military-Civilian Mixed Handicap League, (lower photo) Ethel Eusebio, Oran Sage, Anne Tierney, Emcee Ed Bush, Jean Gerber. Not pictured, Fred Moorhead, Gene Lucas, Ann Gee.

## Hookers, Hangovers Receive League Trophies; Line, Ryder 'Most Improved' M-C 'Cap Bowlers

The Hookers, with a .666 winning percentage did it again . . . took first place in the Military-Civilian mixed Handicap Bowling League, Winter Season. Awards for the league, in conjunction with the Four-Man League were presented at a joint banquet at the Terrace Club, 3 April, with George Cartmell and Dr. A. G. Miller, league presidents, acting as hosts.

Right behind The Hookers with a .628 percentage, were the Taps, and in third place, the Bush Macs, .603.

Awards, presented by Ed Bush, Master of Ceremonies, were as follows:

High Average—Eugene Lucas and Ethel Eusebio.

High Series (scratch)—Oran Sage and Jean Gerber.

High Series (HCP)—George Cartmell and Gloria Stipe.

High Game (scratch)—Mel Fowler and Dorothy Ryder.

High Game—(HCP)—Charles Wienkers and Jane McCrory.

Improved Bowlers—Al Line and Dorothy Ryder.

1st Place Hookers—Satch Sage (Capt.), Fred Moorhead, Gene Lucas, Ethel Eusebio, Anne Tierney, Jean Gerber, and Ann Gee.

2nd Place Taps—George Cartmell (Capt.), Al Line, Skip Greenlee, Gloria Stipe, Dorothy Ryder, Dorothy Eflner, Erlene Williams.

3rd Place Bush Macs—Joe McFadden (Capt.), Ed Bush, Paul Germolis, Betty McFadden, Sara Bush and Lillian Meek.

The Sweepstakes, bowled the week following final league bowling, were won by Satch Sage and Dorothy Eflner with Joe McFadden and Anne Tierney placing second.

## Strikes and Spares From Oak Knoll Bowl

By Red Tinnel

The summer leagues are off to a fine start, with three leagues already in progress. A brief summary of the first week's activity is as follows:

### Men's Handicap

After the first weeks of bowling, three teams ended in a tie for first place with two wins and one defeat. The Sweepers swept two from the Strikers, with Chaplain Ruud leading the way with a 212-523 series, followed closely by John Erpenbach with a 205-503. The Muster Inn took two from the Spooks, with George Cartmell cutting the timber for a 173-515 series to lead the winners. The Spots won two from the Ranks with R. Dick leading the way with a 465 series.

At the end of the second week of bowling there is a two-way tie for first place with the Sweepers winning two from the Spooks, John Erpenbach leading the way with a 199-535 series followed by Chaplain Ruud's 175-513. The Spots continued their winning ways by taking two from the Strikers, with Ed Cannel firing a 193 game. The Muster Inn couldn't seem to muster enough something (?) and dropped two to the Ranks. Bernie Campbell fired a sizzling 223-590 series and George Cartmell a 213-577 series in losing cause: Tough league, men. By the way—dig those crazy team names.

### 480 Scratch Trio

There is also a three-way tie for first place in this league after the first week's activity. The Sandbaggers decided not to sand-bag very long and took two from the Beggars? BEGGARS? With Bernie Campbell toppling the pins for a 203-532 series Chaplain Ruud shot a 191-557 in the losing cause. The "480's", paced by "Ox" Curry (189-521), took two from the Taps. George Cartmell was high for the losers with a 200-548 series. The Bombers, led by Al Line (193-557) and Joe McFadden (206-523), bombed Team No. 5 for two games and then ran out of bombs in the third game. High for team No. 5 was John Erpenbach with a 187-535 series.

### Mixed Civilian-Military

This league started a little differently than the other two leagues inasmuch as the Taps No. 2 team swept all three games from the Sports. Al Line was high for the Taps with a 197-506 series, and Jean Gerber with a 177-478. The M-T-M's took two from the Spares with the Meek family dominating the high scoring. Phil Meek had a 189-544, and not to be outdone by hubby, Lil Meek fired a 177-461. The Orphans (Whaaaat), led by Paul Germolis (189-499), took two games from the Miners.

If you think it is easy to win a game in the daily noon-hour games between Oak Knoll's finest, ask John Lalla. John came in third the other day and was beaten out by scores of 214 (Tom Fowler) and 217 (Chaplain Ruud). John's score? Only a 212.

## Pay Schedule

- 30 April—All officers, staff enlisted personnel
- 1 May—Enlisted patient personnel
- 15 May—ALL HANDS
- 1 June—All officers, staff enlisted personnel
- 2 June—Enlisted patient personnel
- 15 June—All officers, staff enlisted personnel





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**EARLY GRAD:** There were no speeches when LT Bill D. Stout, USN, completed his internship and received his diploma from Admiral Hays last week. Because of the schedule at the University of Tennessee Medical School from which he was graduated, Dr. Stout began and finished ahead of the 1959 class. He will leave early in June for the Navy School of Aviation.

## Nurse Corps Has Another Birthday—It'll Be 51 on Wednesday, 13 July

The Navy Nurse Corps is having another birthday—its 51st—and plans are well under way to celebrate it at an Anniversary Tea in the Officers' Club courtyard from 1400 to 1600 Wednesday, 13 May.

LCDR Mary Martin is general chairman for the event, to which state and county nursing officials, directors of Bay Area nursing schools, chief nurses of Army and Air Force hospitals and nurses from other Navy activities in the area are invited, as are staff officers and their wives, and civilian employees.

LCDR Marietta Rogers, LT's Elizabeth Lorch and JoAnn Dihl are in charge of invitations. On the food committee are LCDR Katharine Goggin, chairman; LCDR Althea Allgeier, and LTJG Eva Stone.

The decorations and posters committee includes LTJG Eleanor Brusetti, chairman, and Ensigns Kathleen Smith and Abbie Forney.

Hostesses will be LT Lina Mura-sheff, chairman, CDR Marie Cheek, LCDR Marian Roller, LT Irene Broker, LTJG's June Brennan and Rosalie Uddenberg, Ensigns Julia Barnes and Beverly Norcutt.

## Admiral Owsley Retires, Will Travel; Admiral Hays To Have TAD as District Medical Officer

RADM John Q. Owsley, who left Oak Knoll last July to serve as District Medical Officer and Inspector of Pacific Coast Medical Activities, with additional duty as Medical Officer on the staff of ComWesSeaFron, retired 30 April after 35 years in the Navy Medical Corps. Again Admiral Hays

is relieving him but this time on a temporary additional duty basis until Admiral Owsley's relief arrives.

Admiral and Mrs. Owsley plan to remain in San Francisco through the summer months, travel in Europe, and eventually locate in California.

## Open House Slated On Armed Forces Day

While military installations throughout the world observe Armed Forces Day on Saturday, 16 May, with demonstrations of the newest ships, planes, missiles, and equipment, Oak Knoll will observe the day caring for its patients as usual. The gates will be open to visitors from 1300 to

1600.

"Power for Peace" will again be the slogan for this day to pay tribute to Americans in uniform and to give civilians an opportunity to see their accomplishments.

This will be the tenth annual observance of Armed Forces Day.

## Navy Relief Drive Now Under Way; Needs Your Help

The annual fund raising campaign for Navy Relief is on, and during the coming month all hands will have an opportunity to support the Navy's own charity.

CAPT H. R. Superko, DC, USN, has been appointed chairman of the drive at Oak Knoll, and it is hoped that the staff will contribute 100 per cent in order to help the Navy "take care of its own."

Admiral Arleigh Burke, CNO, who serves as president of NRS, has endorsed this year's drive, saying: "I am personally familiar with its activities both from the humanitarian viewpoint and from its contribution to high service morale."

In 1958 Navy Relief provided financial aid to Navy men and their families in 83,534 cases. Of these 7,700 were helped by the East Bay Auxiliary.

NRS employs 40 Navy Relief visiting nurses and 28 professional social workers qualified to assist with personal and family as well as financial difficulties. The loyal service of some 3,800 volunteers helps the society keep its overhead to a minimum.

At present there are 47 auxiliaries and 55 NRS branches throughout the world.

### BASEBALL

Here Today at 1400

OAK KNOLL vs. USS HANCOCK



Christine Ellen slept peacefully while mother talked.

## "It's A Girl," Wife Tells Dad At South Pole

While several expectant fathers paced the floor of the solarium on 73B, LT Joseph McNally paced the ice 8,800 miles away in the frozen Antarctic. But he got the word just a few hours after his wife Bonnie gave birth to their 8 lb. 11½ oz. baby daughter on 28 April.

Thanks to W. L. Townsley, local ham radio operator, who has made it possible for the two to talk each Sunday night since last December, the call went through like clockwork. Mr. Townsley, W6DG, established contact with short wave KC4USV at McMurdo Sound, then telephoned the ward, where a telecart was ready

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HMC R. E. McGinnis took his last picture for the OAK LEAF last week and was piped over the side (by A. E. Manis, BMI) after 21 years of active duty in the Naval Service. Sideboys were Chiefs Gunn, Holt, Sturdevant, Powers, Cannel, Griffin, Henney, Barbo, Franks, Booth, and Carpenter. CAPT Fitz-John Weddell read the orders transferring the chief to the Fleet Reserve and wishing him smooth sailing in civilian life.

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## ++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++

There was a woman in our town who had many beautiful trees in her yard. Early one spring she noticed how beautiful her willow tree was. Then she noticed in another part of her yard an old hickory tree that stood bleak and barren just as it had all winter. In thinking about the difference in the two trees she knew that the hickory just needed a little more warmth from the sun and some of the gentle spring rains, and then it would leaf out and be as beautiful as the willow.

The thought then came to her how much people are like the two trees. Some people seem to turn to God early and to come into full bloom, while others come more slowly. Those who come more slowly are not to be criticized and condemned, but rather loved and encouraged. Just as the hickory tree needed more warmth and the gentle rain; so these dear ones, who need God, will respond to the warmth of our love and the gentle encouragement that we can give them.

Do you know someone who is like the hickory tree? If so, why don't you try to bring this person out through love? When the love is warm enough and steady enough, then God will see that the person blooms, just as He sees that the hickory tree does.

LCDR Garson Goodman, Jewish Chaplain

## Does Your Family Know About Survivors' Benefits?

Are you hiding something from your family?

You are unless you have explained the many benefits provided for their welfare should you die while on active duty, while a member of the Fleet Reserve, or while on the retired list.

The prudent Navy man who desires to provide for the comfort of his family in case of his death will find that a simple listing of the procedures to follow to claim survivors' benefits is a personal necessity.

In time of bereavement, a widow or parent would find it difficult to go through the process of determining entitlement to benefits and how to claim them.

Such a listing can be a memorandum to your next of kin. It should include the following information:

Persons to be notified in case of your death. Provisions for notification of your command. Funeral arrangements available through the Navy. Death gratuity information. Exchange and commissary privileges. Insurance information. How to claim social security benefits. How to claim unpaid pay and allowances. How to claim Dependency and Indemnity Compensation through the Veterans Administration. Location of government bonds and other securities. Mortgage payments and installment payments obligated. Transportation and shipment of household goods.

To help you, further details are available in the July 1958 issue of the JAG Journal and All Hands of May 1957.

## Wives to Hear Reading From Broadway Hit, "J. B."

Officers' Wives will hold their monthly luncheon at the Club Wednesday at 1230, with Miss Julie Deutsch providing the program.

Miss Deutsch will give a dramatic reading from the current Broadway hit, "J. B." Representing her family's fourth generation in the theater, she is a professional of long standing, having been the leading lady in such plays as "The Lady's Not For Burning," "The Little Foxes," "The Women," "King Lear," and "Hamlet." Since retiring from the stage, she has devoted her time to Little Theater groups.

Wives of doctors in the Orthopedic and EENT Departments will be host-

esses, with Mrs. Maurice Schiff and Mrs. Harold A. Streit acting as co-chairmen.



"Sure-fire Tranquilizer"



**DIPLOMAS AND CAKE** were on the schedule for these HN's who finished their six-month course in OR Technic last Friday. They are, left to right, Duane R. Paxton, Joseph B. Dixon, Honor Student Bob Snider, Thomas A. McKnight, Cleon T. Printy, and George E. Hudson. Snider and Printy will remain here for duty. Paxton and Dixon have left for Bremerton; McKnight has joined the Fleet Marines at Camp Pendleton; Hudson is with the Marines at El Toro.



All books, in their jubilant new jackets (done, Vance Packard has told us in **THE HIDDEN PERSUADERS**, with a well calculated eye on the book sellers' market) fill us with a wonderful feeling of excitement and anticipation. This month the hidden persuaders have been working harder than usual, for the books passing across our cataloging desk seem full of particular promise. And in order to acquaint you with as many of them as possible, it will be best, we think, to name them very briefly.

First, among those bound to find their way to the Top Ten is the new Vance Packard **THE STATUS SEEKERS**, a book about class behavior in America. Alexander King's **MINE ENEMY GROWS OLDER** has already carved a niche for itself on the list of best sellers, and continues to appeal to an ever-growing audience. Max Eastman, known for his **ENJOYMENT OF LAUGHTER** and **ENJOYMENT OF POETRY**, gives us in **GREAT COMPANIONS** brief sketches of the famous and infamous friends of a crowded lifetime, from Trotsky to Pablo Cassals. In **SIGHT AND INSIGHT** Alexander Eliot, art editor of Time magazine has written a penetrating book on the philosophy of art. Adlai Stevenson's humorous but keenly analytic observations on modern Russia, **FRIENDS AND ENEMIES**, and NO MORE WAR! Nobel prize winner Linus Pawling's strong indictment of Atomic tests both present constructive appeals for a peaceful world.

Boris Pasternak has made a strong and permanent place for himself in the history of literature with **DOCTOR ZHIVAGO**. But he is justly known also for his work as a translator and a critic. In his new book **I REMEMBER**, which he has subtitled **SKETCH FOR AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY**, much of his work in this field is brought to light, particularly in the critical analysis of Shakespeare, which appears at the end of the work.

In fiction, Joan Vatssek's **THIS FIERY NIGHT** tells of the mingling of races in Egypt with resulting tensions and emotional storms. Leopold Tyrmand's **THE MAN WITH THE**

## He'll Get Her Photo —Next October

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at the new mother's bedside.

The phone rang; the couple exchanged greetings. She told him his daughter was a "smiling blue-eyed doll," and it was hard for listeners-in to tell who was happier—the supply officer half a world away or the mother, cradling Christine Ellen in one arm and holding the telephone in the other.

In accordance with the custom when new fathers are far away, the staff photographer took a picture of mother and baby, and the Commanding Officer sent it with his congratulations to LT McNally, via his CO.

"Christine will have changed a lot by the time he gets it. The mail won't be delivered until October," Mrs. McNally said, not caring in the least.

## MSC Officers To Host Tri-Service Party

Oak Knoll MSC Officers will be hosts at a tri-service Medical Service Corps Party to be held at the Officers' Club the evening of 23 May.

Approximately 250 Army, Navy, and Air Force officers and their wives are expected to attend the dinner that will begin with dips and hors d'oeuvres, continue with hickory-smoked prime ribs of beef, and conclude with peach pie a la mode.

**WHITE EYES**, translated from the Polish is a kind of modern Robin Hood Tale which has won tremendous popularity in Europe. **THE GREAT PRINCE DIED** by Bernard Wolfe is a fictional portrait of Trotsky (Rostov in this novel) and his last years in Mexico.

In the finest of cloak and dagger tradition Berkeley Mather has given us **THE ACHILLES AFFAIR** which ranks with the very best of the Eric Ambler novels. Katherine Wigmore Eyre, who wrote the charming and chilling **THE LUTE AND THE GLOVE** has now written an equally charming, if less chilling novel **THE CHINESE BOX**. And two of the best tales of horror we have come upon since Henry James' **TURN OF THE SCREW** are Nina Bawden's **DEVIL BY THE SEA** and Friedrich Duerrenmentt's **THE PLEDGE**.

—Emma Berger, Librarian

## Know Your Staff



If Dick Di Grazia, HM3, had joined the Navy to see the world, he'd be disappointed. So far, except for a detour to San Diego for boot camp and corps school, he has traveled a half mile up the road from Bishop O'Dowd High School. Once, though, he took a month's leave and went to Europe as a civilian to see the sights and visit his relatives in Italy.

And here at Oak Knoll, Dick travels from ward to ward in his work at the Collection Agent's Office. (That's a bookkeeping machine he's using in the picture.)

Off duty, he reads the classics, listens to all kinds of music on his lo-fi, wants a hi-fi; plans to write the Great American Novel, dabbles in poetry and the stock market, and will major in math and English when he goes to St. Mary's College in the fall. He'd had a year at University of San Francisco before his tour of active reserve duty.



Berl J. Smith, HM2, is another local man who's made good, but his success has come the hard way. A graduate of Berkeley Hi, Smith enlisted in '48. On the staff of Commander, Mine Squadrons 7 and 3, he was on duty in Korea aboard the USS PLEDGE when she went down in Korean waters and lost thirteen members of her crew. With a yeoman's rate, Smith served as assistant to the ship's corpsman. Returning in '51, he went to Corps School in San Diego. He was at Oak Knoll for 6 months, then went back to Korea with the Fleet Marines. Since then he has been assigned to the Dispensary at NAS, Lakehurst, N. H., to St. Albans, BUMED, to Bethesda as a tissue bank and/OR school instructor. Then he went with the Marines to Okinawa.

## Scuttlebutt

**RANDOM SIGHTS & SOUNDS:** Otis Hughes reporting that business at Small Stores has picked up considerably since corpsmen and Waves were put on report for being sans stripes and therefore out of uniform . . . LTJG Earlene Williams planning a month's leave in Europe . . . Tom Faulkner, the submariner, cruising around with a pair of shiny silver dolphins where the '54 Cadillac emblem used to be . . . Waves, filled with understandable indignation, composing a rebuttal to a letter titled "Down With the Waves!" printed in a recent issue of OUR NAVY . . . NP staffers saying farewell at a Redwood Regional Park picnic to Miss Carmack before her departure for NTC, Great Lakes . . . LT Lina Murasheff, Oak Knoll's one and only nuclear nurse, being interviewed on last Sunday morning's radio show, "Breakfast at the Claremont," . . . Pat Renstrom of CivReadjustment chuckling over veteran actor Everett Horton's lines and looks in "Not in The Book," recently playing in San Francisco . . . Brick "borrowers" quietly returning them to the amphitheater after learning they were not free for all . . . ENS Lakey of NP enthusiastically following the SF Giants . . . CDR Margaret Lindner pausing at her old stamping ground en route from Yokosuka to civilian life.

**QUOTES** from some who have viewed the new collection of Naval Hospital pictures in the CO's outer office: Mr. Gibbons pointing to a spot on the shore at Camp Lejeune, N.C.: "I used to kill alligators right over there." Carl Stevenson: "Guam is lots more beautiful than that—I'll show you MY pictures." LT Murphy of Beaufort, S.C.: "There's the hospital I love." Captain Weddell: "Where's Memphis?"

**LIFE BEGAN** on 23 April for Richard Glen Hamilton, Jr., 7 lb. 3½ oz. son of X-ray's HN by the same name and his wife Karen . . . on 29 April for Valerie Jane Wetzel, 6 lb. 11 oz. daughter of LT Richard A. Wetzel and wife Margaret . . . on 29 April for Drusilla Lynn Lirios, 7 lb. 12 oz. daughter for Nereo V. Lirios, HM2, of Lab School and wife Edita.

## Previews

Tonight, 8 May  
**FLOODS OF FEAR**—Howard Keel, Ann Haywood (Adult).  
 Saturday, 9 May  
**THE FLY**—Herbert Marshall, Vincent Price (Will frighten the children).  
 Sunday, 10 May  
**THE YOUNG PHILADELPHIANS**—Paul Newman, Barbara Rush (Adult).  
 Monday, 11 May  
**LIGHT IN THE FOREST**—Joanne Dru, Fess Parker (Family).  
 Tuesday, 12 May  
**THE ROOTS OF HEAVEN**—Errol Flynn, Orson Wells, Eddie Albert (Family).  
 Wednesday, 13 May  
**THE BRAVADOS**—Joan Collins, Gregory Peck (Adult).  
 Thursday, 14 May  
**GUNFIGHT AT DODGE CITY**—Joel McCrea (Family).  
 Friday, 15 May  
**MAN IN THE NET**—Allan Ladd and Carolyn Jones, Also of Mice and Magic, cartoon (Family).  
 Saturday, 16 May  
**MISSISSIPPI GAMBLER**—Tyrone Power (Adult).

An automobile accident in October 1957 put Smith out of commission, but despite fractures of skull and femur, he still hopes to go back to full duty. Meanwhile, in temporary duty status, he supervises the BuPers section of Patient Personnel and off duty, helps his wife Norma take care of their two-month-old twin boys, Norman and Victor.



That piece of myrtle wood in the hands of MAJ Kenneth L. Rasmussen, USAF, will soon be a Balinese girl like the slim model at left, and Leo Mounce, HM3, of the OT staff is on hand to watch developments. Driver of the miniature oxcart, like the woodcarver himself, has lost his left leg below the knee.

## Time and Chips Fly as MAJ Rasmussen Pursues Lifelong Hobby of Woodcarving

Whittling out a Balinese beauty, an oxcart, or a handsome lamp base is no trouble at all for MAJ Kenneth L. Rasmussen, USAF. Unfortunately, he now has more than enough time to pursue his lifelong hobby of woodcarving, and each day the results are viewed with pleasure by patients and staff.

"We can't teach him a thing," say occupational therapists and technicians. But the major insists that he has learned many of the finer points of woodcarving since his arrival at Oak Knoll on 11 February.

"And I haven't cut myself once," Major Rasmussen said.

The Air Force officer, who was serving as chief of military personnel, 93rd Bomb Wing, Castle Air Force Base, Merced, lost his left leg as the result of a hunting accident in mid-

December. He might have lost his life, had it not been for the strength and courage of his 12-year-old son, Alan.

Father and son were hunting in a canyon out of Merced when the major's shotgun, momentarily leaning against a bank, suddenly let out a blast that shattered his left leg.

"Alan had never driven the car, but he knew how to start and stop. I'll never know how he got all 180 pounds of me into the car. Though he could barely see over the steering wheel, he drove—70 miles an hour—to the nearest hospital 14 miles away. Otherwise I'd not be here to tell you about it."

The 43-year-old major, lives at 795 Juniper Street, Atwater, Calif. Besides Alan, his family includes his wife Ruth and their 16-year-old daughter Carolyn.



**QUEEN OF THE SUKIYAKI FEAST** that brought 45 Steiners and their guests to the EM club the night of 25 April was Katie (Mitsue) Preston, wife of Robert D. Preston, HMI, assistant manager of the club. The Japanese dish that includes bean sprouts, beef, noodles, onions, mushrooms, tofu (a soybean custard), and bamboo shoots—to mention a few of the ingredients—was a real treat. John Smith of Food Service, Ronald Begley of Finance, and Doyle Williams of PT were among those who made Katie feel her work (and her husband's) was worthwhile.

## Strikes and Spares From Oak Knoll Bowl

By Red Tinnel

### Men's Handicap

At the end of three weeks, the Sweepers and the Spots are still fighting for first place, each with a 7 won—2 lost record. The Spots had an easy time subduing the Spooks three times without utilizing their power. The Sweepers (John Erpenbach 234-596) found the range against the Muster Inn (George Cartmell 178-515) and dumped them three times. The Ranks, using their handicap, outranked the Strikers all three games.

At the end of four weeks, the Sweepers took over first spot by winning two from the Ranks, while the Spots were losing two to the Muster Inn. High for the Sweepers was Chaplain Carl Ruud with a 213-545 series. The big gun for the Muster Inn was George Cartmell (190-504). In other league action, the Spooks must have really scared the Strikers and ended by winning all three. Dr. Holm led the Spook attack with a 193-507 series.

### 480 Scratch Trio

After the second week of bowling in this league, we find the Bombers and the Sad Sacs in a tie for first. The Bombers (Joe McFadden 215-559) won two from the sandbaggin' Sandbaggers. The Sad Sacs kept pace with the Bombers by winning two from the 480's. Russ Bates led the way with a 180-513 series. In other league action, the Taps, led by George Cartmell's 176-504, dropped the Beggars twice.

At the end of the third week, it is still the Bombers and the Sad Sacs battling for first place. The Bombers unloaded their "bombs" to demolish the 480's twice. Al Line led the Bomber attack with a 211-542, while "Satch" Sage shot a 199-545 for the losers. John Erpenbach (216-549) led the Sad Sacs to two victories over the Beggars (Chaplain Carl Ruud 203-552). The Sandbaggers unleashed a display of power but could only win two from the Taps. Hal Hensle led the Beggar attack with a 191-536 series with George Cartmell pacing the losers with a 208-542. Highlight of this game was the Taps' Don Williams' just missing the 250 Club by firing a 246.

### Military-Civilian Mixed

At the end of the 2nd week we still find the Taps undefeated and leading the league. Jean Gerber (163-459) paced the Taps in taking three games from the Orphans. Paul Germolis rolled a 198-527 series in the losing cause. The M-T-M's kept right in the running by dropping the Niners twice. Joe McFadden had one of those nights when nothing could go wrong and shot a nice 235-601 series. The Five-Spares won two from the Sports, who can't seem to get going.

After three weeks, the M-T-M's (Joe McFadden 196-544 and Lil Meek 172-489) knocked the Taps (Al Line 204-519) out of the undefeated ranks by beating them twice. The Niners swept an 11-three from the Five Spares, Dr. Wallace leading with a 197-512 series. The Orphans (Charlie Peralta 182-463) dumped the Sports twice, winning one game by the narrow margin of 2 pins.

# Hilltoppers Defeat Jefferson Semi-Pros



Begley romps in to score a home run in the Jefferson Semi-Pro game Sunday, driving in Morris and Hoffman.

## Meet Hancock Today In Practice Game

Fresh from their 17-9 victory over the hefty Jefferson Semi-Pro team Sunday, the Hilltoppers tangled with the Coast Guard yesterday, (too late to make the OAK LEAF) in a game they had to win to keep their place on top of the B League.

Until then, the Toppers had won three league games and lost none. The Coast Guardsmen had won four and lost once to Oak Knoll.

Knollites will have a chance to see their team in action today at 1400 in a practice game with the USS HANCOCK nine. Tuesday they travel to San Francisco to play the S.F. Marines, and Thursday they have another home game, this one with the ammunition men from NA Concord.

"If the team is up to form, we should continue our winning streak," Coach Robert Metcalf said, keeping his fingers crossed for yesterday's Coast Guard game.

The team bounced back from the two defeats of the season—these at the hands of two Class A teams—the mighty Moffett fielders and the NA Alameda Hellcats—to smash the Jefferson team, coming up with 21 hits and 17 runs, while keeping the Semi-Pros to 7 hits and 9 runs.

	Pos	ab	r	h	po	A
Begley	LF	6	1	2	2	0
Perkins, H.	2B	5	3	3	2	2
Bates	SS	5	2	2	1	6
Perkins, R.	CF	5	1	0	1	0
Shivers	3B	4	4	4	2	3
Williams	1B	5	1	3	9	1
Wojewski	RF	6	1	3	4	0
Hoffman	C	2	2	2	5	0
Morris	P	4	2	2	0	1
Manning	C	1	0	0	1	0
Totals		43	17	21	27	13

	R	H	E
Oak Knoll	0	5	2
Jefferson	0	0	4

## Rod & Gunners Shoot Way To Flock Of Trophies in Fresno Competition

The Oak Knoll Rod and Gun Club entered two military (5-man) teams in the Northern California Championship Shoot at Fresno On Sunday 26 April. Seventy marksmen competed for the team trophies as well as individual honors.

In the highly competitive 5-man team shoot, there were 6 military and 4 civilian teams. Oak Knoll No. 1 took 1st place among both military and civilian teams with a sensational

485x500. Oak Knoll No. 2 made a creditable showing with a 422x500.

CWO Giles and Chief C. L. Bailie, Oak Knoll Rod and Gunners from NAS, Alameda, teamed up and won the 2-man military trophy as well as Class A 2-man team, military and civilian.

Shooting conditions were far from ideal. A strong cross wind made the fast-moving targets do tricks. As a result, the top individual and match-winning score was a 99x100 posted by veteran Andy Laird of Stockton. Only 1 point behind was Chief Eugene Mustar, Oak Knoll member from Moffett Field, with a 98x100, which won the Class AA trophy. Chief Bailie also shot 98x100 to win Class A, and CWO Giles was runner-up in Class A with a 97x100.

Chief M. W. Knutson, shooting for the first time with Oak Knoll, made a fine showing with 97x100, as did LTCOL R. L. Luckel, with 95x100.

Members of the B Team expect to take some individual trophies after a little more practice.

Associate member Terry Bailie, 13-year-old son of Chief Bailie, won the Junior Division and Class E with a sensational 95x100. Terry and his father won the parent-child trophy with a 193x200.



**IT CAN BE DONE and HN Delmer Dunning did it—He won this TV set and camera by collecting "coke" bottle caps that bore the letters that spell the magic words VALUE and LIFT. In gold the words spelled TELEVISION for Dunning; in black, CAMERA. He and his wife Sara are enjoying both at their Santa Cruz Island Village home.**

### Hits and Misses

Congratulations to "Satch" Sage for his entry to the "250" Club. Sage rolled a nice 253 in a noon-hour "fun" game. We don't blame you for "tipping" (?) the pin boy a quarter, Satch.

Welcome back to Jack Wyatt, new alley manager. Jack has just had a three-week course in maintenance and repair of AMF automatic pin-setters, which was held in Los Angeles.



**THE SANITARIANS FROM EST SCHOOL CLEANED UP on Special Services, X-ray, and Dental to win the interdepartmental noon-hour volleyball championship. On the team were Al Steele, Tom Thompson, Norm Allison, Bob Hazelton, Whitney Thomas, Paul Perry, and Bill Moore. Their closest brush was with Dental.**





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## Navy Relief Is A Charity That Begins at Home

Closest of all charities to the Navy man is Navy Relief.

In time of trouble the Navy Relief Society comes to his rescue. Navy Relief sends visiting nurses to help with child care problems. It employs professional social workers to assist with family problems and financial difficulties. It is the one organization that devotes itself exclusively to serving Navy personnel and their dependents. It helps the Navy take care of its own in times of emergency.

"So, if you believe in charity, in helping others in time of need, you will want to give. Whether it's a dime or a dollar, it will help to keep Navy Relief going, and we hope everyone will contribute between now and 4 June, when the drive ends," Captain H. R. Superko, chairman of the drive, said.

Actually, giving to Navy Relief is like buying insurance, and no Navy man can afford to be without it. The campaign is aimed at military members of the staff, but civilian contributions will be gratefully received.

**A HAPPY BIRTHDAY**—That's what it was when Oak Knoll nurses celebrated the 51st Anniversary of the Navy Nurse Corps at the Officers' Club on 13 May. In (1) two nurses who helped make Nurse Corps history admire the "new, modern" uniform worn by LTJG Elizabeth Ann Barker. Miss Sara B. Myer, (right) one of the original "Sacred Twenty" on duty when the corps was established by Act of Congress in 1908, and Miss Margaret M. Welch, who joined the corps in 1918, told members of the younger generation they enjoyed every minute of their more than 20-year careers. In (2) CDR Dorothy P. Monahan, Oak Knoll's senior Nurse Corps Officer, helps Miss Myer cut the birthday cake, while the two newest members of the nursing staff look on. They are Ensigns Catherine S. Owsley (in white) and Carol E. King, recent graduates of Stanford University School of Nursing. (3) ENS Julia Barnes (presiding at the tea table) had a 13 May birthday too. She arrived 29 years after the Nurse Corps was established. Others in the picture are: LTJG Barker, LT Virginia Trego, LCDR Harriett Nelson, Chaplain Paul C. Morton, LCDR Harriett McAlpin, and LCDR John L. Young. (4) Also among those enjoying the birthday tea were LTJG Grace Hendrick, Chaplain Carl E. Ruud, LT Irene Broker, LCDR Margaret Jenkins, LT Marietta Rogers, LT Esther Vought.



Admiral Hays gives his check for Navy Relief to CAPT Harold R. Superko, DC, who heads the drive at Oak Knoll.

## Two Qualify for HM2; 42 Staffers Will Sew on HM3 Crows in Mid-June

Two Knollites have qualified for HM2 stripes, and forty-two will sew on third class hospitalman crows, come 16 June. The two who made second class are Jimmie C. Cook and Howard "Giants" Johnson.

Leroy Wingo qualified for SD2, and Newman Fink and Gonzalo Andico made DT3.

Those who have qualified for HM3 class through examination and Bureau selection were Gary E. Schartz, Dallas H. Sexton, V. E. Scoles, Jerome D. Ullman, Silas J. Wellington, Grant M. Winn, Willard G. Caudell, Salvatore A. Campagna, II, David S. Curtis, Carolyn F. Clark, Robert O. DeCuir, Lois-Elaine Eckdahl, Terry D. Fry, Terry L. Farner, Howard E. Holcomb, Ronald L. Handy, Joseph P. Hara, James Isriel, Tillitson Key, Della M. McDonald, John W. Moody, Jack L. Morris, Michael E. Mickel-

berry, Thomas M. McMahon, John R. Naugle, Larry F. Noll, Jerome C. Overton, Fred D. Patterson, Jr., Russell L. Phillips, Larry M. Peterson, David A. Pearson, Stanley G. Ricks, Tommy Ricketson, Carmen Rodriguez, Ronald D. Rowland, Colonel O. Surratt, Bob D. Snider, John Bannister, Robert M. Bohanan, Bernell Brown, and Donald B. Bernard.

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

### TROUBLE

Job was a man who suffered frightful disasters in quick succession. Job felt these deeply as "he rent his robe, and shaved his head, and fell on the ground, and worshipped." He did not repress his troubles into the unconscious nor attempt to run away from them into drink or insanity. His troubles made him look more deeply into life, and he discovered how dependent he was upon God in all things. What God had given He had also taken away. Although Job could not understand why these troubles befell him, he clung to the faith that God was good; and in that faith blessed the name of the Lord.

It is true that Job became presumptuous under the goading of his associates and challenged God's righteousness in a rude manner. Yet in the end he was able to see God had good reasons for many things he considered trouble; then he repented his quick temper and rebellious attitude and reaffirmed his faith in God.

So with us if trouble forces us to discover God, then our lives can be richer because of trouble.

CDR P. C. Morton, Senior Chaplain

## Razing of Amphitheater Brings Memories Of Bing, Bergen, Hope, Sophie Tucker

The amphitheater is no more.

But if bricks and boards could talk, what stories "the remains" could tell of lively days they once knew!

They could tell how Russ Morgan and his band came from the Claremont to open the amphitheater on 27 July 1944, with such songs as "Does Your Heart Beat For Me?" and "Good Night, Wherever You Are." His 3500 listeners were the wounded from the South Pacific, the corpsmen, Waves, nurses, doctors, and civilians who cared for them.

The very next day Orson Welles acted on the floor boards that were to support so many other famous entertainers. Within a week Bing Crosby crooned to the crowd that appeared from all over the compound. In rapid succession came Bud Abbott and his partner, the late Lou Costello, Bob Hope and Frances Langford, Lionel Hampton ("Hot Day but Hampton Knocks 'em Cold," read the OAK LEAF headline), Freddy Martin and his "purveyors of suave jive."

CAPT A. H. Dearing, the Commanding Officer, sat in the front row for the boxing matches, and all hands were pleased at his enthusiasm.

In April 1945 Easter Sunrise services were held in the amphitheater, and bed patients on the "60 wards" were pleasantly roused by hymns of the season.

Sophie Tucker sang "You Can't Ration Passion," and "A Gentleman Named GI Joe." Martha Raye mouthed tunes that carried up and down the hillsides.

Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy put on a skit called "The Operation" three times in as many visits. Trained dogs from the Shrine circus daintily jumped rope, and a chimpanzee rode a monocycle round and round the little stage. John Charles Thomas made the knolls resound with "Oh, What a Beautiful Morning," and it was.

On the hospital's third anniversary—that was on 1 July 1945, just a few months before V-J Day—Kay Kyser "sliced a musical birthday cake," and the commissary served a real one. From somewhere came gallons of punch, the empty paper cups later blowing from the ramp rails to make new jobs for outside detail.

The old amphitheater is gone. None can dispute the fact that the rapidly deteriorating structure had lost any beauty it might have had and was more a hazard than a help to the hospital. Nor can anyone dispute General Sherman's famous line, "War is hell." But World War II did bring the finest entertainers in the land to Oak Knoll, which explains why old-timers are feeling nostalgic, some even going so far as to say, "Those were the good old days."

## Red Cross Ramblings

May 26-31 GIGI—award winning musical—Maurice Chevalier, Leslie Caron.

June 1-7 THE RESTLESS YEARS—drama—John Saxton, Sandra Dee  
 ONCE UPON A HORSE—comedy—Dan Rowan, Dick Martin.

June 8-14 TOKYO AFTER DARK—drama—Michi Kobi, Richard Long  
 FROM THE EARTH TO THE MOON—drama—Joseph Cotton, George Sanders.

HAIL & FAREWELL! Marie Tully, head recreation worker for the past year, leaves today for Travis Air Force Hospital, where she will be in charge of the ARC recreation program. Miss Tully, who had long experience in stateside hospitals (including Alaska) before coming to Oak Knoll, has made an outstanding contribution to the Red Cross program here. Jacqueline Dorrance is leaving to become director of the Junior Red Cross program for Berkeley Chapter. She has been recreation worker for the NP section and has had charge of the lounge program. While on a three-weeks vacation in Maplewood, N.Y., she will attend the National ARC convention in Atlantic City as a Junior Red Cross representative. Jackie will be coming back to Oak Knoll, bringing junior volunteers to help with the recreation program. Josephine Ryan, social worker was transferred to USNH, San Diego, last week. Shirley Silva, also a social worker, is leaving for Madigan Army Hospital, Tacoma, Wash., Jessie Prell, back in Red Cross social work since January after serving as a medical social worker with the Los Angeles City Health department, was transferred 15 May to the European area. Paula McKnight will report to the recreation staff 27 May after two and half years at Tripler Army Hospital, Honolulu. Paula, who comes from Seattle, had her hospital training here in 1955. Dorothy Raub, loaned to Travis for six weeks, will return Monday to resume direction of the craft program.

IOE FOLLIES—Tickets for this year's Ice Follies will be available through S.F. Chapter. See your recreation worker if you wish to go.

## RADM Pugh's Story Told in "Navy Surgeon"

Former shipmates of RADM Lamont Pugh, MC, USN (Ret.), former Surgeon General of the Navy, will be interested to know that his autobiography, titled NAVY SURGEON, has been published by J. B. Lippincott Co.

Admiral Pugh served as Surgeon General from 1951 to 1955. He retired from active service on 1 August 1956.

The blurb on the book jacket says: "In NAVY SURGEON, Lamont Pugh tells the story of his exciting, wide-ranging life—and an interesting story it is, full of action and shrewd observation of the sights and sounds of our world in peace and war.

"With affection, candor, and salty wit, Lamont Pugh tells of his boyhood, his years in medical school and his long, distinguished naval career.

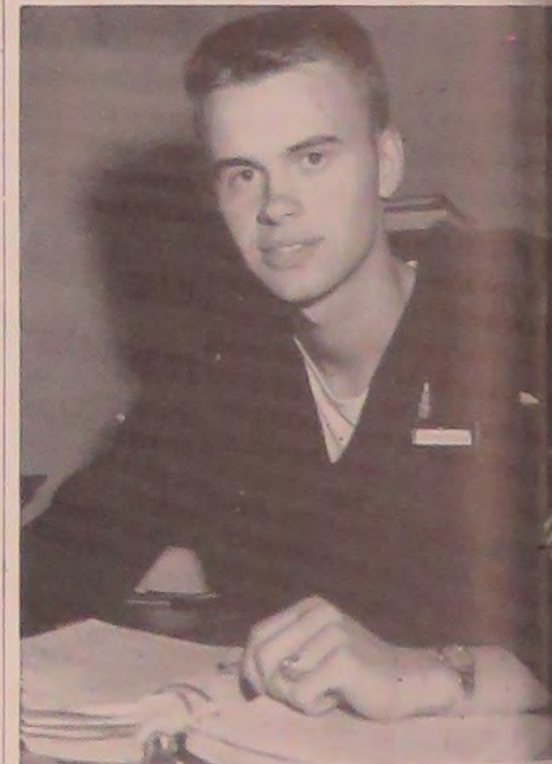
## Know Your Staff



Jon Winter, HM3, is a lab technician, presently assigned to the Outpatient Lab. He is from Nyssy, Ore. "a little ole berg in the backwoods of Oregon." "Berg," as defined in Webster's Collegiate, means a great mass of ice. And Jon sort of reminds one of something from the ice age (Gosh, maybe he meant "burg.")

He was a three-year letterman in football, basketball, and track at Nyssy high, was graduated in 1956 and immediately joined the Navy. Presumably to see the world. He has seen San Diego, where he was graduated from Corps School in the top ten per cent of his class, and Oak Knoll, where he was the honorman of his Lab School class.

Upon release from active duty, Jon plans to attend the University of Oregon as a pre-med student. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, and (ready?) . . . ballet.



Pictured above is Larry "Pete" Peterson, HN, of Manson, Iowa. He can be found, usually, during working hours in the Administrative Assistant's Office in the Outpatient Clinic.

Pete was graduated from Manson Community high school in 1957, and entered the service in July of the same year. Since entering the service, he has been graduated from Corps School in San Diego, and is presently serving time here at Oak Knoll. He will be among the "chosen" come 16 June, and will be sewing on his first crow.

Upon release from active duty, Pete plans to attend the University of Iowa as an accountant major. His hobbies include movies, swimming and music.

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# Scuttlebutt

FOR CADILLACS ONLY was what it said when Kenneth McClay (leadingman stockman) approached the parking area at the Supply Division. Garlands of flowers and tinsel were strung around the area, and a green rug (somewhat worn) covered the pavement. An MAA was waiting to open the lot at the proper moment. McClay hung back. What VIP was about to arrive? Mrs. Roosevelt? Princess Margaret? The MAA motioned for him to drive in. The light dawned. McClay pressed the accelerator gently and rolled onto the rug in his 1959 rose-colored hardtop convertible once-in-a-lifetime Cadillac while conferees cheered. The OAK LEAF failed to ask whether refreshments were served.

**KNOLLITEMS:** Barney Epoch is on the mend after an automobile accident that might have been tragic. . . . Doreen Sorenson is packing for a new assignment in Honolulu. . . . Ladine Burton has changed her name to Mrs. Reber McClimans and resigned after working as a presser in the laundry for sixteen years. . . . Tom Fowler, HM2, has shipped over for another six-year hitch. . . . People are wondering if Fred Demerritt ever got a demerit. . . . Mr. Murphy is checking last-hour details for the big tri-service MSC party to be held at the club tomorrow night. . . . Dr. Doolittle and Al Wenger told the PRL story to the Business and Professional Women of Auburn on 12 May. . . . Record Office friends said goodbye with luncheon and cake when Lynn Ryan left Friday for a new job at NSC. . . . The Schiffs opened their "Navy home" for a San Leandro house tour to benefit that city's symphony. . . . Dottie Williams, HN, and Chuck Weinkers, HM2, are looking happy at The Rainbow these days.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to ENS Josephine Schmer of the Nurse Corps, who is wearing a new JG stripe. . . . To LTJG Augustus B. Scott, MC, USNR, who has been promoted to LT.

**INCIDENTAL INTELLIGENCE:** USNH, Guam, Mariana Islands, calls its Officers' Club dining room "Top o' The Mar." . . . Rose-Marie Teresa Crazythunder was born at Oak Knoll on 7 May. Her dad, David F. Crazythunder, is an RMI with Commander Carrier Division 7.

**LIFE BEGAN** on 8 May for Craig Augustus Colbert, 8 lb., 2½ oz. son of John Augustus Colbert, HM2, USN, late of the Lab, and wife Velora. . . . on 7 May for Lisa Gayla Harfoush, 7 lb., 6½ oz. daughter for Phillip S. Harfoush, HN, of Special Services, and wife Mary Frances. . . . on 15 May for Carl Douglas Loew, 6 lb., 14 oz. son of LT A. G. Loew, of the Surgical Service, and wife Ann Marie. . . . on 16 May for James Oscar Ellingson, 8 lb. son of LT A. R. Ellingson, Orthopedic Service, and wife Ann Louise. First child for the Harfoushes, fifth for the Colberts and fourth for the Loews and Ellingsons.

**AUTHORS:** In the March-April Medical Technicians Bulletin the lead story is "Professional Problems of Neuropsychiatric Technicians." Written in dialogue form, it is by Evan Wolfe, staff psychologist, and former Oak Knoll HM3's Clyde Cook, Leonard Midkiff, Charles Quizenberry, and Norman Pendergraft, with an introductory note by Captain Roudebush.



**FIFTEEN NEW NP TECHS** completed their course here on 8 May. In the front row, left to right, are Victor C. Sabin, honor student; CAPT Robert Deen officer in charge of the school; LCDR Mary V. Finn, nursing instructor; Admiral Hays, who delivered diplomas and congratulations; CAPT Marion Roudebush, Chief of the NP Service; and Fred W. Demerritt. Back row: Jan M. Alcott, Richard R. Boulette, Marvin L. Gilpin, Richard D. Zimmerman, Carl E. Lisle, Carlton Martin, Richard D. Clark, James E. Diehl, Donald R. McKenny, William T. Brady, Clifford C. Craig, Alton G. Milstead, Robert F. Stockton. All are HN's. Sabin, Demerritt, Alcott, Boulette, Gilpin, Martin, and Milstead will remain at Oak Knoll. Diehl, McKenny, and Brady were ordered to USNH, Great Lakes; Lisle and Craig to Camp Pendleton; Zimmerman to NTC, Great Lakes; Stockton to San Diego, and Clark to Bremerton.

## Civilians Rewarded For Efficiency, Longevity

Awards were the order of the day when Admiral Hays met last week with civilian supervisors.

Superior performance award checks of \$100 and \$200 (depending on their Civil Service ratings) were presented to Edna Bourdase, Administrative Officer's office; Ella Bell and Artis Harrison, Operating Services; Bertha McCoy, Supply; Ethel Bruso, Disbursing; Claire Martini, OOD's Office; David Marrow, Food Service; Henry Moser, Hershel Rose and William Burns, Public Works.

Beneficial suggestion awards went to Albert Simmons, pipefitter—\$115 for a suggestion to conserve steam heat to radiators; Charlie Cathcart, electrician, \$30 for his suggestion to install an alarm system ground testing device. Smaller awards went to Paul Schultz, Bayliss Wilbur, Robert Bailey, and Carl Cherry, Public Works; Samuel Carson, Food Service; Kathleen Stevens, Personnel and Records; Hartha Caires, Nursing Service; and Dorothy Thompson, Office of Administrative Officer.

Longevity awards were recently presented to Joseph Concannon, clinical social worker, upon completion of 20 years government service, and to eight employees who have been on the job (at Oak Knoll and elsewhere) for ten years. They are Geraldine Warner, Emmy Ogami, and Bernice Lomax of the Nursing Service; Terrance Wright and Elisabeth Winsby, Personnel & Records; Burtie Rockwell, Operating Services; John Campbell and James Dunn, Food Service.

## Coming Wednesday Nite Comedy, Dancing, Music

Patricia's School of Dance, headed by Patricia Williams of Hayward, is bringing a Variety Revue to Oak Knoll Wednesday, 27 May, at 1900.

Included in the show will be novelty and comedy acts, dancing and singing, and lots of talented and beautiful girls.

## Dance Tonite at EM Club

Hostesses from the Kaiser and Merritt hospitals will be one of the attractive features of the EM Club dance tonight. Dance hours are from 2000 to 2400.

Other features are the Treasure Island dance combo and a free buffet.



**MILLIONTH DOLLAR'S WORTH OF LEATHER.** That was the milestone reached when Robert N. Traver, chairman of the Veterans Service Committee of the California Elks Association, recently delivered a new consignment of hides to Admiral Hays and CDR Phyllis Hanwell, Occupational Therapy supervisor.

## Elks Reach \$1,000,000 Mark in Leather For Hospitalized Veterans' Program

Robert N. Traver, chairman of the Veterans Service Committee of the California Elks Association, last week delivered a consignment of leather that represented the \$1,000,000 mark in the organization's "leather for veterans program."

The gift was one of hundreds Oak Knoll and other service and veteran hospitals have been receiving at regular intervals since the project was started in 1944.

"The interesting part about it is that all the hides are donated by BPOE members," Mr. Traver told the CO.

During the past year alone hunters and ranchers from the State of Montana have donated 8,675 hides; including deer, calf, steer, goat, and rabbit. Oregon Elks donated 7,576 hides; California, 5,304; New Mexico, 3,555; Nevada, 1,076; Arizona, 460; Wyoming, 350. The total number of hides—26,996—were valued at \$69,491 before tanning. The hides are shipped to a Los Angeles tannery, and the Elks pick up the bill. Last year the finished tanned leather was valued at \$243,129.

Service and veteran hospitals receiving the leather total 187, including one base hospital in Germany.

During World War II, Mr. Traver, a Purple Heart wearer from World War II, made a survey of service hospitals and learned that leather tooling was the most popular and one of the most expensive crafts included in the occupational therapy program.

That was all the Elks needed to know.

"Today, fifteen years later, we're still going strong—stronger than ever, and we think it's one of the best things we do," Traver said.

The busy and benevolent Elks also furnish metal patterns for wallets, purses, and moccasins of all sizes. They collect books, musical instruments, cameras, projectors, stamps, and many other gifts for hospitalized servicemen.

# Strikes and Spares

## From Oak Knoll Bowl

By Red Tinnel

### MEN'S HANDICAP

#### Fifth Week

The Sweepers fattened their lead by winning two from the second place Spots. High for the Sweepers was John Erpenbach (185-520), with Ed Cannell (177-498) leading the Spots in their losing battle. The Spooks, who are still using their name to win games, spooked the Ranks out of two games, neither team shooting anything high. Muster Inn had a rough time with the Strikers but managed to win two, one by 5 pins, the other by 7. George Cartmell was high for Muster Inn with a 182-546 series.

#### Position Week

The Sweepers again battled the second place Spots and tightened their hold on first place by winning two from them. Sweepers' high man was John Erpenbach (192-562). The Spooks spirited away two from the Muster Inners, who seem to be in a slump. The Ranks, led by Joe Avilla's 170-500 series, battled their way to a tie for second place by sweeping all three games from the hapless Strikers.

### 480 SCRATCH TRIO

#### Fourth Week

The Bombers took over first place by winning two, while the Sad Sacs were losing a pair. Joe McFadden (187-532) led his Bombers in the twin killing of the Beggars (Len Royal 188-526). The Taps, led by "Curly" Coggins (184-518), stopped the Sad Sacs (John Erpenbach 198-539) twice. The Sandbaggers dropped a load of sand on the 480's and swept all three games. High for the 'baggers was Bernie Campbell's 203-524.

#### Fifth Week

The Sandbaggers made it six in a row to take over first place by defeating the Sad Sacs three times. Hal Hensle (196-520) paced the Sandbaggers, with John Erpenbach (188-545) leading the losers. The Bombers took two from the Taps to drop into second place. High Bomber was Joe McFadden with a 191-539. George Cartmell fired a 224-520 for the Taps. The Beggars dropped the 480's twice, Carl Ruud leading the attack with a 216-524 series. Satch Sage was high for the 480's with a 192-541 series.

### MILITARY-CIVILIAN MIXED

#### Fourth Week

The Taps took all three from the 5-Spares. Al Line led the Taps' attack with a 207-538 series. The M-T-M's ran into trouble and lost two to the Orphans, whose high man was Mel Fowler with a 186-495. In other league action the Sports (C. Weinkers 144-419) won two from the Niners (Wallace 147-419).

#### Fifth Week

The Taps are continuing their winning ways unmolested, but it is this writer's opinion that members of the team are carrying rabbits' feet in their pockets. Their victim this time was the Niners, and the Taps' highest series was "Skip" Greenlee's 152-437. See what I mean about rabbits' feet? The M-T-M's tightened their hold on second by winning two from the Sports. High for the M-T-M's was Phil Meek with a 218-539 series. The Orphans and 5-Spares



**TOP-NOTCH HILLTOPPERS**, still going strong in league competition, are, front row, left to right: Coach Robert Metcalf, Jack Morris, Ron Perkins, Earl Hoffman, Ron Begley, Mel Shivers, Lloyd Lasserre, and Leo Jordan. Standing are Herm Perkins, Don Williams, John Manning, Russ Bates, Jim Cluckey, Larry Preston, Ed Wojewski, Syl Frison, and Chief Kenneth Moffett. The miniature member of the team is mascot Danny Metcalf.

## Previews

Tonight, 22 May

GEISHA BOY—Jerry Lewis. A typical Lewis film.

Saturday, 23 May

SING, BOY, SING—Tommy Sands, Edmund O'Brien. The autobiography of a stool pidgeon?

Sunday, 24 May

THE REMARKABLE MR. PENNY-PACKER—Clifton Webb, Dorothy McGuire. Supposedly a comedy.

Monday, 25 May

GUN RUNNERS—Audie Murphy, Eddie Albert. A run-of-the-mill Audie Murphy flick with loads of boring action.

Tuesday, 26 May

INN OF SIXTH HAPPINESS—Ingrid Bergman, Curt Jurgens. This time Miss Bergman is a missionary with many trials and tribulations, plus Jurgens.

Wednesday, 27 May

Movie cancelled for stage show.

Thursday, 28 May

THE H-MAN—Japanese cast.

Friday, 29 May

THE RESTLESS YEARS—Sandra Dee, John Saxon.

Saturday, 30 May

NO TIME FOR SERGEANTS—Andy Griffith. Here again. Worth seeing if you didn't see it the first two times it was here.

battled each other to a deadlock with each team winning one. Neither giving ground, they ended in a tie in the third game. Mel Fowler was high man with a 191-513.

### HITS AND MISSES

Remember the Alleys will be closed from 21-28 May for Operation Changeover. Personnel are reminded to please stay clear of the alleys so as not to interfere with the workers. Curiosity killed the cat and could kill our chances of bowling sooner.

Jack Wyatt, bowl manager, learned quite a bit while attending the AMF school in Los Angeles. We don't see quite so many "curve" ball bowlers any more since Jack has learned how to speed the alleys up.

## Hilltoppers Down S.F. Marines 12-2, NAD Concord 9-3, In Recent League Play

The Knollite nine rolled over the San Francisco Marines 12 May, 12 to 2, and kept on rolling with another win over NAD Concord, 9-3, 14 May.

As is usual with the well-balanced Hilltopper team, the hits and runs batted in were well spread during both games. Shivers was the big bat in the Marine game, bagging three hits and batting in two runs. Williams and Begley both garnered two hits.

In the Concord game, Shivers was again the big bat, being the only Hilltopper to get two hits. Five other teammates managed one hit apiece.

### OAK KNOLL

	ab	r	h	rbi	po	a
Begley, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Perkins, II., 2b	2	2	1	1	4	3
Shivers, 3b	4	2	2	1	1	2
Bates, ss	3	1	1	2	2	2
Perkins, R., cf	1	0	0	0	3	0
Williams, 1b	4	0	0	2	3	0
Jorden, lf	2	1	1	0	3	2
Hoffman, c	3	2	1	1	5	0
Wojewski, p	3	1	1	1	0	0
Totals	24	9	7	9	21	8

### NAD CONCORD

	ab	r	h	rbi	po	a
Robinson, ss	2	0	0	0	2	3
Stolworthy, 3b	3	1	0	0	2	1
Crabaugh, 1b	3	0	2	1	1	1
Jennings, rf	3	1	0	0	0	0
Souders, 2b	2	1	1	1	2	1
Bryan, cf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Pointer, lf	2	0	0	0	4	1
Cook, lf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ringle, c	2	0	0	0	5	0
Ferre, c	1	0	0	0	0	0
Manchester, p	3	0	1	0	2	0
Totals	23	3	4	3	18	7

### OAK KNOLL

	ab	r	h	rbi	po	a	e
Begley, rf	5	2	2	1	0	0	0
Perkins, II., 2b	5	0	1	0	2	4	0
Shivers, 3b	4	2	3	2	1	1	2
Bates, ss	4	2	1	1	0	2	0
Perkins, R., cf	2	2	0	0	3	0	0
Williams, 1b	3	1	2	3	8	0	0
Jorden, lf	2	1	1	1	0	0	0
Cluckey, c	3	0	1	0	4	0	1
Hoffman, c	1	1	1	2	2	0	0
Morris, p	4	1	1	0	1	3	0
Totals	32	12	13	10	21	10	3

### SAN FRANCISCO MARINES

	ab	r	h	rbi	po	a	e
Madrid, 2b	4	0	0	0	2	0	3
Ryan, cf	4	0	0	0	1	0	0
Tutt, 3b	3	1	0	0	0	0	1
Macha, p	3	1	2	0	0	4	1
Brand, 1b	3	0	1	2	4	2	1
Minor, ss	2	0	0	0	2	1	1
Barron, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Renninger, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yudico, c	3	0	0	0	11	1	0
Klydon, lf	2	0	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	26	2	3	2	21	8	8

	R	H	E
Oak Knoll	3	0	0
S.F. Marines	0	0	0

DP—Shiver and Williams. SO—Morris 6, Macha 11. BB—off Morris 4, off Macha 4. HBP—Perkins, R. and Jorden (by Macha) WP—Morris. LP—Macha. 2B hit—Brand. LOB—Oak Knoll 7, S.F. Marines 7.

### Good News For Kids

Beginning 23 May, there will be a Saturday matinee at the Oak Knoll cinema for children of all ages. Each Saturday, two episodes of "The Batman and Robin," thrilling serial, and four cartoons will be shown to dependent children and occasional guests.

The matinee will begin at 1430 and the admission price is 10 cents. Children under 5 will be admitted free.



**JACK AN' BILL**  
WENT UP THE HILL  
TO GET A CONSULTATION.  
BILL WAS ILL  
AN' TOOK A PILL;  
JACK GOT AN OPERATION.

**HEY DIDDLE-DIDDLE!**  
THE CAT AN' THE FIDDLE!  
THE COW JUMPED OVER THE BROOM!  
THE PATIENT LAUGHED  
TO SEE SUCH SPORT—  
THE DOCTOR PUT HIM  
IN THE QUIET ROOM!

**SING A SONG OF MEALPACK,**  
THE CARTS ARE FULL OF TRAYS!  
FOUR AN' TWENTY DIETS,  
THREE ENTREES.  
WHEN THE PACKS WERE OPENED,  
THE PATIENTS BEGAN TO EAT,  
SAYING "THIS IS DELICIOUS  
BUT I DIDN'T ORDER THIS MEAT!"

**LI'L JACK HORNER** SAT IN A CORNER  
STANDING A SPECIAL WATCH.  
HE STARTED I.V.s OF A THOUSAND C.C.s  
(YOU FINISH IT YOURSELF...)

-ELLIS-



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NAVY UNIFORMS INSTEAD OF CAPS AND GOWNS were worn by these six corpsmen when they received their "diplomas." Completing the equivalent of a high school education while serving in the Navy, they are, left to right: Lawrence T. Chick, Donald D. Colburn, Ross Williams, Billy J. Cox, Jackie Price, and John T. Alexy. Unable to be present for the picture—James L. Wolford and Ronald O. Williams. All are HN's, and all qualified for GED Certificates with the assistance of Educational Services.

## EM's Plan Another Suki-yaki Dinner

Staffers and their friends are polishing their chopsticks for another super sukiyaki dinner to be served at the EM Club Saturday, 27 June. The dinner will be served from 1730 to 1930.

Again the Prestons will prepare the authentic Japanese dish. Through courtesy of Special Services, the dinner will be served for only 25 cents—the price of a tip in the San Francisco sukiyaki houses. And no bridge or parking fees!

Tickets must be purchased prior to 20 June so Bob and Katie will know how many bamboo shoots, bean sprouts, and other ingredients they'll need. They may be obtained at the EM Club from duty managers Oran Sage, HM2, and John Erpenbach, HM1, and elsewhere on the compound from Preston at the Record Office; Kenneth Umland, HM2, ALD; Ted Vincent, HM2, CO's Mailroom; Boine Fuller, HM3, Security; and Mary Ann Nigro, HN, Allergy Clinic.

## Bargain "Adventure" For Men in Uniform

Arrangements have been made by the Orpheum Theater, San Francisco, for members of the Armed Forces to attend "Cinerama South Seas Adventure" for the special admission price of 90 cents each on Saturday morning, 6 June (tomorrow), 13, 20 or 27. Doors open at 1000.

Ticket applications and full information are available at Special Services for all who wish to go.

No seats are reserved, and it will be on a first come, first served basis. Those purchasing tickets must be in uniform or present ID cards at the box office.



CAPT D. J. Zaugg, USPHS

## EST Grads Will Hear Dr. Zaugg

CAPT David J. Zaugg, Medical Officer in Charge of the U. S. Public Health Service Hospital, San Francisco, will address graduating class No. 29 of the EST School when exercises are held here at 1400, 11 June.

Dr. Zaugg, a graduate of Heidelberg College, Heidelberg, Germany, in 1930, received his MD from Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, in 1934, two years before being commissioned in the Public Health Service in 1936. In 1950 he earned another degree—a Masters in Business Administration from the University of Chicago.

During World War II, Dr. Zaugg was Medical Officer of the USS BATH, PF-55; Chief Medical Officer of the USS BAYFIELD, PA-33, and Medical Officer on the staff of

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## Captain Weddell Leaving for New Assignment as CO at Memphis

CAPT Fitz-John Weddell, Jr., the brisk, Southern gentleman who has served Oak Knoll as executive officer since September 1956, has received orders to a new assignment as Commanding Officer of U.S. Naval Hospital, Memphis, Tenn.

When the Exec reports to his new post in mid-June, he will be in familiar territory. A native of Mississippi, he received his BS degree from Mississippi State, attended the University of Mississippi, and in 1931 completed work for his MD at Vanderbilt University, Memphis.

Captain Weddell has seen much of the world during his 28 years in the Navy. He was on duty at Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941 and later became Chief of Medicine at Mobile Hospital No. 2, established on Oahu to treat casualties arriving from other islands in the Pacific. In Plymouth, England, Dr. Weddell was the Medical Officer in Charge when a 300-bed hospital was set up just prior to the Normandy invasion. In London he spent 20 months as Medical Officer in Charge of a Navy Dispensary and later served as Staff Medical Officer for the Commander Naval Forces, Europe. During the Korea War, Captain Weddell was Exec at USNH, Yokosuka, Japan, at a time when the admission rate climbed to over 1000 casualties a day. From Yokosuka he was transferred to Naples, Italy, to establish a new station hospital, where he served for two years. He came to Oak Knoll from Quantico, Va., after a tour of duty as Executive Officer.

Captain Weddell wears Navy Unit citation ribbons in recognition of his outstanding work in treating casualties at Pearl Harbor and Yokosuka and a commendation ribbon for his services in the European Theater.

Internal medicine is Captain Weddell's specialty. He had post-graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania in 1938 and the following year was a Special Fellow at the Memorial Hospital for Cancer and Allied Diseases in New York City.

Throughout his stay at Oak Knoll he has maintained an active interest in all things medical while handling the many administrative du-

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CAPT Fitz-John Weddell, Jr., heading for Memphis.

## Staffers Quench Fire, Earn Commendation

George P. Kohler, HM3, Michael E. Mickelberry and James Isriel, HN's, have been commended by the Commanding Officer for their part in "reporting, controlling, and extinguishing the recent fire at the athletic locker house."

Their action minimized damage to the structure, which might easily have been totally destroyed, according to Admiral Hays' letters to the corpsmen.

## Dr. Engel Inspects Urology Training

Dr. William J. Engel, reserve consultant to the Surgeon General in the specialty of urology, inspected Oak Knoll's training program on 21 and 22 May.

During his stay here, Dr. Engel conferred with the Commanding Officer and with CAPT Mark S. Curtis, Chief of the Urology Service, LT F. E. Staggers and LT H. W. Waldstreicher, urology residents.

## Corpsmen of All Ages to Celebrate 61st Birthday at Barbecue and Dance

The 61st Anniversary of the Hospital Corps, which is 17 June, will be celebrated here on Saturday, 13 June.

The day, full of festivities for young and old, will begin with a Bar-B-Q patio party at the picnic area at the athletic field. Picnic time will be from 1300 to 1800. During the afternoon, organized games will be held for children, and the annual softball game between MSC Officers and hospital corpsmen will be staged.

The CPO Mess (Open) will hold Open House from 1300 on, with a

dance from 2000 to 0200. The highlight of the evening will be the Anniversary Cake Cutting Ceremony, featuring the youngest and oldest hospital corpsmen present.

All active duty Hospital Corpsmen and Medical Service Corps Officers are cordially invited to attend. All personnel planning to attend are requested to submit their names and number of guests (adults and children) to the Publicity Committee, Hospital Corps Birthday Party, Chief Booth, Staff Detail by 1630 Monday.

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

### WE ARE NOT ALONE

Admiral Byrd, on one of his trips to Little America, spent months alone, living apart from his party, living in a small cabin equipped with rough furnishings. Singlehanded, he cleaned his cabin, checked his instruments, prepared his meals.

One is tempted, reading this, to feel that Admiral Byrd was self-sufficient. A little thought will reveal how dependent he was on others. He needed others to get him to Antarctica; to build his cabin and to keep in touch by radio. When he was dangerously ill, his men brought him medical aid. He was dependent too on those who financed his project, on farmers who raised his food; on those who designed and manufactured his scientific instruments.

One weakness of our age is that of failing to recognize not only the social nature of man but even more, our dependence on God. Each can do his part to restore this recognition and bring others to the truth expressed by the Apostle Paul: "For none of us lives to himself." We have to realize that everything we do affects others for good or ill.

—CDR PAUL C. MORTON, CHC

### From the Chief of Naval Operations

The versatile capabilities of our Navy have made seapower an increasingly important part of the vital task of maintaining military strength adequate to meet the full spectrum of the Communist threat—cold, limited or general war. The Communist objective of world domination is inflexible, but their tactics are certainly flexible and our forces must remain ready to counter that flexibility.

The Navy is making rapid strides in applying the latest developments to enhance the strength of our forces at sea. These developments include operational and safety improvements in our new attack carriers, the POLARIS fleet ballistic missile system, improved methods of antisubmarine warfare, the SPARROW III, TALOS, and BULLPUP missiles.

When POLARIS becomes operational next year we will have one of the most important contributions to the retaliatory posture of the United States. POLARIS will give to the United States a weapon system unique in its effectiveness.

With this new capability, POLARIS, installed in FBM submarines and surface ships, will be a mighty partner to the attack aircraft carrier, the backbone of American naval power today. The carrier and POLARIS each have major roles to play in general war. POLARIS will be a deadly weapon against fixed area targets. Carrier aircraft will be able to deliver the heavy thermo-nuclear loads on those targets requiring precision delivery or requiring search and attack capability. In addition, the carriers will be able to supply the manned aircraft so necessary in limited wars, and which in many instances can be supplied only by carriers. The carriers will have an essential role in any type of conflict from general war to cold war.

Carriers provide the balance of power at sea and in overseas areas where we do not have bases or other forces. In many places where free world land bases are not available, the attack carrier task force is the only military force that can tip the balance of power scales in our favor.

The Navy has the responsibility of maintaining the freedom of the seas during peacetime and throughout the spectrum of war. Only by maintaining our seapower superiority will continued freedom of the seas and our national security be assured.

ARLEIGH BURKE

### Dr. Schiff Speaks at UC

"Deafness, Tinnitus, and Vertigo" was Dr. Maurice Schiff's subject when he participated in a recent ENT seminar at University of California Medical School.

Dr. Schiff is a clinical instructor in otorhinolaryngology at U.C.

### Pay Schedule

Monday, 15 June—All officers, staff enlisted personnel.  
 Tuesday, 16 June—Enlisted patient personnel.  
 Tuesday, 30 June—All Hands.  
 Wednesday, 15 July—All officers, staff enlisted personnel.  
 Thursday, 16 July—Enlisted patient personnel.



The old proverb that tells us "no prophet is without honor save in his own country" seems to hold true for books as well as for people, and no book seems ever to receive its full share of recognition until it appears as a movie, is made into a play, or is seen on television. GREEN MANSIONS by W. H. Hudson, until now almost the exclusive property of frantic teen-agers who choose it from their reading list in High School English because the print is large and the margins wide, finds itself, thanks to Audrey Hepburn, on the library's reserve waiting list. Glendon Swarthout's beautifully written novel about a punitive expedition sent to Mexico in 1916 against the rebel leader Pancho Villa, with the help of Rita Hayworth and Gary Cooper will soon find itself with the popularity it so richly deserves. THE SUNDOWNERS by Jon Cleary and Harold Sinclair's THE HORSE SOLDIERS made only a very small ripple in the publishing pond, but will undoubtedly receive a new lease on life when the movies appear. Collette's charming GIGI would have remained forever the property of the intellectuals, were it not for the award winning movie, which has made her as immortal as Shaw's Liza Doolittle.

Sometimes a book receives immediate popularity on its own merit as literature. Among these we may count Kathryn Hulme's THE NUN'S STORY, Nevil Shute's ON THE BEACH, Gerald Green's THE LAST ANGRY MAN, Meyer Levin's COMPULSION and Trevor's ANATOMY OF A MURDER. All of them have received, or will receive renewed popularity with the release of the film versions. A sort of "second time around" as it were.

Some few books seem to be hurt by the effort to translate them into any other medium. Chief among these authors is Ernest Hemingway, whose books THE OLD MAN AND THE SEA and FAREWELL TO ARMS failed completely as movies, and whose FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS was one of the disasters of the television industry. But these are isolated examples of a man whose talent, to his great credit, lies in the magic of his words. For the most part, a movie version may not insure success to a book—but it helps!

—EMMA BERGER, Librarian

### More About Graduation

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the Commanding Officer, Transport Squadron 15.

Before coming to San Francisco, he was in charge of outpatient clinics in New York City, and Public Health Service hospitals in Chicago and Baltimore.

Also on the program will be Thomas E. Stone, HM1, class president, and the valedictorian still to be named.

Twenty-five students, including a Chinese Marine Corps tech sergeant, will receive their diplomas from Admiral Hays.

CAPT J. M. Coppoletta, Chief, Preventive Medicine Service, will welcome the guests aboard; CDR Paul C. Morton will deliver the invocation and LCDR J. L. Wissing the benediction.

All hands are invited to the exercises in the Dental Clinic Auditorium and the open house to follow at the EST School.

### Know Your Staff



Robert Bohanan is a hospitalman from Sevierville, Tennessee, soon to be a hospitalman third class. Come 16 June, that is.

Bob was graduated from Pittman Center High School of Pittman, Tenn., in 1956 and entered the service in October of '57. Upon release from active duty, he plans to attend Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tenn., and major in chemistry and mathematics.

Bob's hobbies include tennis, swimming, baseball, basketball, etc. He is presently doing quite well in intramural tennis play and was a member of last year's second place Oak Knoll basketball team.



Lionel "Jim" Porter, HM1, hails from Beaumont, Texas. He is the husband of the former Miss Agnes Needham of Denver, having married her in San Francisco in March of 1957.

Jim, who is presently assigned to the Food Service Division, has not always had such relatively unexciting duty. During World War II he served aboard the U.S.S. JOHN D. ERICSSON, DD440, and was with the First Marine Division in the Korean Police Action in 1951. In October of 1951 he stepped on a land mine, causing the loss of a leg and earning him a Purple Heart, which was presented to him by General Shephard, who was the Commandant of the Marine Corps at that time. He is one of the few amputees on active duty.

Jim's hobbies include bowling and the Loyal Order of Moose, Oakland Lodge No. 324 of which he is an officer.

## Scuttlebutt

INTERNS are HAVING FUN over the Hail & Farewell party they'll host tonight. The invitation, in the form of a consultation report on one of their number, listed among physical findings: General—thin, emaciated, obviously overworked and poorly treated. Head—probably normal, felt by some to be microcephalic, by others to be macrocephalic. Eyes—on the ball. Mouth and Throat—atrophied (due to always listening to residents and never talking back). Nose—evidence of trauma from grindstone. Neck—multiple rope burns. Heart—big and soft.

**LOCAL DEPENDENT MAKES GOOD:** From authoritative sources comes word that Dorry Coppoletta will graduate with honors from U.C. on 11 June at the very hour her husband is conducting EST School graduation exercises here and on the very day of their 15th wedding anniversary. Furthermore, she has been awarded the Edna Kinard Prize in Journalism given each year by the Oakland Council of Parents and Teachers to the woman student registered from the East Bay region with highest scholarship in the field of journalism.

**RANDOM SIGHTS & SOUNDS:** Oak Knoll's chapel spire centered on a Sunday Tribune page of "Spires of Worship," . . . The Pharmacy staff wondering when CSR is going to deluge them again . . . The S. F. Examiner reporting the demise of the amphitheater . . . Ted Vincent recognizable again after a bout with poison oak . . . Nurses throwing a farewell party for Miss Weeks in the patio at Miss Wathen's home . . . ENSigns Cathering Owsley and Carol King, first Nurse Corps candidates to report to Oak Knoll following their graduation from Stanford School of Nursing and indoctrination at St. Albans, flew to Pearl Harbor for Memorial Day Services aboard the USS ARIZONA Saturday, were back on duty Monday morn . . . Special Services oh-ing and ah-ing over artist Lindsay's gigantic Sports Schedule that calendars everything from varsity baseball to horseshoes to intramural pistol and pool . . .

**LIFE BEGAN** on 15 May for Charles Ross, 6 lb. 9 oz. boy for Clifford R. Woods, HM2, of ECG and wife Morna . . . on 29 May for James Joseph Reynolds, 7 lb. 15 oz. son of LT John R. Reynolds, surgical resident, and wife Beverly . . . on 30 May for Kevin George Harris, 4 lb. 14 oz. son of George Harris, HM1, of Staff-Pers and wife Gayle.

## More About Captain Weddell

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ties included in the job of executive officer. During the past month he has been attending the ABC Warfare School at Treasure Island.

The captain and his wife Dorothy will be honored guests at the Hail and Farewell party at the Officers' Club tonight and will leave for their new station next weekend. Accompanying them will be their son Paul, who will graduate Friday from Castlemont High School.

CAPT Phillip J. McNamara will report as relief for Captain Weddell on 14 June, coming from USNH, Philadelphia, Pa., where he is currently serving as Chief of Surgery.

## Safety Awards Cited For Civilian Workers

That Oak Knoll is a safe place to work is indicated by the many shop safety awards and safe driving awards recently presented.

Receiving gold lapel pins for twelve consecutive months of supervision without a lost-time accident to personnel under them were Jesse Freudenthal, Ernie Sivertson, Ralph Thomas, Lawrence Boyles, Willie Drew, Ira Jones, Samuel Carson, Pinkie Orr, Boyd Conyers, Daniel Ross, Olga Hendicks, Cecil Lee, and Howard Field, all of Food Service; Dudley Britney, Charles Foreman, William P. Gross, Henry Preston, James Snawder, Earl Mountain, George Manchester and Bernard Garcia, Public Works; John Miller, Operating Services; Billie J. Carr, Ewald Meier, and Byron Harrison, Security. Certificates of commendation to the entire personnel of the various shops were also presented.

Safe driving lapel emblems and certificates have been presented to twenty-one civilians who have completed another twelve consecutive months of driving without a preventable accident or traffic violation. They went to Alexander Lekos, who has completed 12 years of accident free driving; Alick Bowater (11); Roy Landreth (11); Clarence Wheat (11); Henry Bourdase (10); Irving Coombs (8); Leslie Spect (8); Wilson Carter (7); O'Neal Stafford (7); Thomas Long (7); Clarence LaFleur (7); George Hunter (7); Philip Scott (7); Stewart Beck (7); Charles Dyson (6); Gene Riggs (5); Jerry Davis (5); Virgil McGrew (5); Sam Horton (3); and Ernest Ticknor (1).

## "Flowers" on Agenda Of Wives Club Meeting

"Saga of the Flower" is the fascinating subject for the 10 June meeting of the Officers' Wives' Club luncheon meeting.

Mrs. Geraldine Pember of San Leandro, the guest speaker, has won many prizes for her flower arrangements, having submitted entries in the 1958 California Garden Show, the 1958 Oakland Rose Show, and the 1959 Camellia Show. She is a member of the Oak Knoll Garden Club.

Installation of new officers is also on the agenda for the meeting. Mrs. E. E. Parker will be installed as president and Mrs. D. W. Edwards as vice-president. Other officers names will be announced at the meeting.

Responsible for this month's luncheon meeting are wives of officers in the Neuropsychiatric Service and the Chaplains Corps. Mrs. P. C. Morton and Mrs. R. R. Deen are co-chairmen, and Mrs. D. M. Roser is chairman of the decorating committee.

Baby sitters will be available in the Club nursery and reservations should be made by Monday.



Katie (Mitsue) Preston came to the rescue when Hisako Roland of 40A was lonesome and hungry for Japanese food. Here she serves osushi, Japanese tea, and other delicacies to her new friend. Sometimes it's sukiyaki, sometimes a pyramid of rice wrapped in seaweed. Whatever the menu, it tastes like home to the pretty wife of S/SGT Lawrence Roland, USAF.

## OAK LEAF Item Brings New Friend, Change of Chow to Patient on 40A

Once in a blue moon the OAK LEAF has a chance to be of service to some one, and this time it was Mrs. Hisako Roland, wife of S/SGT Lawrence Roland, USAF, stationed at AFB, Sunset, Utah. Not only was the young Japanese wife lonely for her husband and their three children—Johnny, Stormy (a girl), and Amy, 7, 5, and 4—who are staying with friends in Washington, she was hungry for Japanese food.

Her orthopedists, who have made her a new metal hip joint to relieve pain and limitation of motion resulting from a congenital dislocation, sensed her need.

So when the OAK LEAF carried a picture of Katie Preston making sukiyaki for an EM Club party, they called Bob Preston of the Record Office, and presto! The patient had a new friend, books, magazines, and newspapers in her native language, and delicious foods prepared just as they were in her home in Hiroshima.

"Everyone here so kind, make me very glad (glad)," Mrs. Roland said, as she shared her osushi with the OAK LEAF reporter and photographer. Osushi (for the information of the unschooled) is (or are) little rectangles of rice with a vinegar flavor, topped with your choice of fish, shrimp, egg, or cucumber slices.

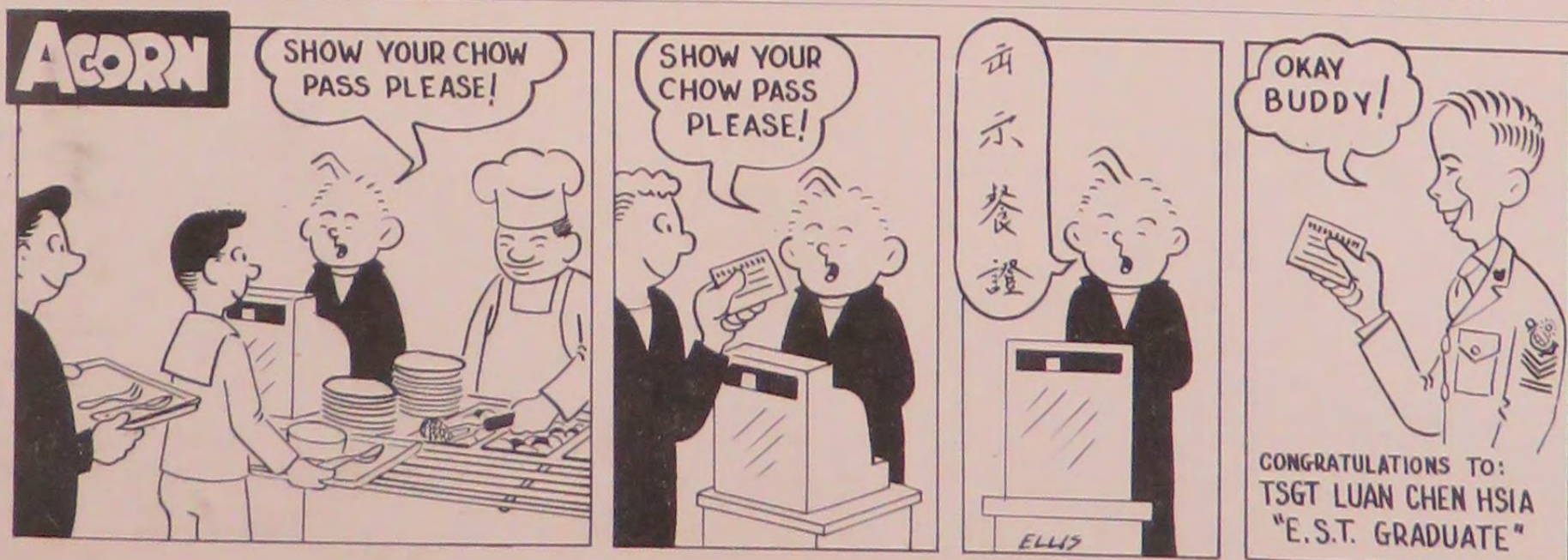
## Defensive Driving . . .

A recent analysis of accidents involving Navy vehicles indicates that unsafe driving practices—INATTENTION, FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY, UNSAFE BACKING, and SPEED TOO FAST FOR CONDITIONS—were the major causes of these accidents. They could have been prevented by DEFENSIVE DRIVING.

Here is our definition of a DEFENSIVE DRIVER:

"One who makes allowances for the lack of skill, knowledge, and/or experience on the part of the other fellow. The defensive driver recognizes that he has no control over the unpredictable actions of other operators or pedestrians, nor over conditions of weather and roads. He therefore develops a defense against all these hazards. He is ever on the alert—on the defensive—to avoid accident traps and hazards created by weather, roads, pedestrians, and other drivers."

—Safety Review



## Strikes and Spares

From Oak Knoll Bowl

By Red Tinnel

Due to operation changeover there isn't much to report on the various leagues this week, although there were a few games played.

### MEN'S HANDICAP

7th Week

The Spooks applied a little witchcraft and knocked off the first place Sweepers twice, with Dr. Roser applying the most "magic" by shooting a 182-501 series. Chaplain Carl Ruud, who shot the highest game of the league thus far, led the losers with a 235-542 series. In other league action, the Spots moved another notch toward first place by winning two from the hapless Strikers. R. Dick paced the winners with a 200-522 series. The Muster Inn broke into the win column by taking two from the Ranks, with George Cartmell leading the way with a 201-204-550 series.

The teams in this league are really showing a lot of competitive spirit. There are only three games separating the first place Sweepers and the fifth place team. There is a three-way tie for third place and it has all the earmarks of being a tough league.

### 480 SCRATCH TRIO

Position Week

The Sandbaggers lengthened their lead over the other teams by winning two from the second place Bombers. High man for the Sandbaggers was John Lalla with a 192-529 series, but Jack Wyatt fired a 212-530 series for the losers to lead both teams. The Taps dumped the Sad Sacs twice with R. Dick leading the way with a 234-534 series. The Beggars climbed into a tie for third place with the Taps by sweeping all three games from the "480's." Chaplain Carl Ruud was the big gun for the Beggars with a 188-556 series.

This league is one of the best leagues that we have had since my tour of duty began at Oak Knoll. There is no handicap, so you get just what you shoot. This league, also looks like it might be a close one.

### HIT AND MISSES

Seems rather funny to find bowlers shooting pool to pass the time during their noon hours, this during Operation Changeover. Some pretty good pool shooters, I might add. Maybe some of them are participating in the wrong sport?

I think at this time it is only fitting to say goodbye to the pinboys that we relied so much on for the past years. Some of them have been with us for quite a few years, and to name a few of the regulars, we would have to start with Bobby Malcolm, John Anderberg, Warren Simko, Jim Kennemore, and little Mike. We are sorry to see you go, boys, but you are now a chapter in the history of Oak Knoll.

### FLAG FOOTBALL

Anyone interested in playing intramural flag football is requested to contact Russ Bates at Special Services, Ext. 593 or 595. Flag football season will begin as soon as the intramural softball season ends.



THE DREAM OF MANY AN OAK KNOLL BOWLER CAME TRUE with the reopening of the Bowling Alley complete with AMF automatic pinsetters, lights that count balls, and all the latest gadgets to make bowling at Oak Knoll a strictly modern sport. Admiral Hays rolled the first ball ("right down the gutter") while LTJG W. R. Eckerman, Special Services Officer, and Red Tinnel, looked on. Tinnel left Special Services (and management of the bowling lanes) for EEG just after seeing the new equipment ordered. All hands are invited to try out the new equipment.

### Baseball Ends With O.K. Tied for First

The Hilltopper nine finished a highly successful baseball season, fulfilling Chief Metcalf's prediction of going all the way to the top. They tied the Coast Guard for first place in the "B" League.

Unfortunately the Hilltoppers lost the play-off game with the Coast Guard, in an extra-inning game, 3-2, at Alameda on 1 June. However, they still have an overall season win-loss record of 10-4 for an average of .700.

#### SEASON SCORES

Opponents	Oak Knoll
Coast Guard	3 6
NAD Concord	5 9
NAS Oakland	1 17
USS Ticonderoga	4 13
NAS Moffett	8 3
NAS Alameda	9 8
Jefferson	
(semi-pros)	9 17
Coast Guard	9 0
USS Hancock	12 13
S. F. Marines	2 12
NAD Concord	3 9
NAS Oakland	1 7
S. F. Marines	1 9
Coast Guard (play-off)	3 2
Totals	70 125

## Previews

Tonight 5 June

A STREET CAR NAMED DESIRE—Marlon Brando, Vivien Leigh. Miss Leigh won an academy award for her interpretation of Blanche. Well worth seeing.

Saturday, 6 June

KISS THEM FOR ME—Cary Grant, Jayne Mansfield, Suzy Parker. Find out who "Them" are . . . if they are who we think they are, we'll do our own kissing.

Sunday, 7 June

THE OLD MAN AND THE SEA—Spencer Tracy. Not doing so well at the box office, but supposedly a top notch film . . . and certainly Spencer Tracy does his usual job of fine acting.

Monday, 8 June

SENIOR PROM—Jill Corey. What happened to the Juniors?

Tuesday, 9 June

THIS EARTH IS MINE—Rock Hudson, Jean Simmons, Dorothy McGuire. May we have the moon?

Wednesday, 10 June

AN AFFAIR TO REMEMBER—Cary Grant, Deborah Kerr. As we said before, aren't they all?

Thursday, 11 June

ENCHANTED ISLAND—Jane Powell, Dana Andrews. They might get some argument from us, what with head-hunters running wild.

Friday, 12 June

SOME CAME RUNNING—Frank Sinatra, Shirley MacLaine, Dean Martin. Others drove or walked.

Saturday, 13 June

AWAY ALL BOATS—Jeff Chandler, Julie Adams. All rats desert a sinking ship.

### Intramural Softball

TEAM.	Win	Loss
Doctor's	4	1
Dental	4	1
Lab	3	3
X-Ray	1	4
ECG	0	5

#### NEXT GAMES

5 June	Doctor's vs. ECG
8 June	Lab vs. X-Ray
10 June	Dental vs. Doctor's

All game times are 1700.

### Track Team Places Sixth in 12ND Meet; Six Men Compete

The Hilltopper track squad, consisting of six men, traveled to Moffett Field 23 May and walked off with sixth place in the 12ND Track Meet. All six men contributed to the 17 points mustered by Oak Knoll.

As Chief Moffett says, "Everyone got a medal, with the exception of myself." The chief coached the track squad.

The six members of the team placed as follows: Ron Begley, 2nd in the 100-yard dash; Pierson 3rd in the shot put; Jerome Overton 4th in 120 high hurdles; Herm Perkins 4th in the broad jump, and Ron Begley, Herm Perkins, Alan Bedard and Robert Bowman made up the 880-yard relay team which managed a fifth.

### Tennis Tournament In Progress Here

The Men's hospital tennis tournament has begun with wins registered by Bob Bohanan over Tony Magnuson, 60-60, and Dave Bensler over Frank Davis 60-60. These were the only matches held so far. Others slated to compete are: Drs. Elmer Bingham, Robert Sorenson, Milton Orkin, Adam McNitzky and Corpsmen Jack Milner and Art Fullerton, and LCDR John Young.

No times had been set (when the Oak Leaf went to press) for the remaining matches.

In the women's division, only three have signed up for tournament intramural play. They are Nurses Jean Gerber and Ethyl Eusebio and hospital corpswaver Gerry Borne.

### VARSITY SOFTBALL GAMES

- 9 June—NAD Concord—There
- 11 June—NAS Oakland—There
- 16 June—NAF Monterey—Here
- 18 June—NAS Moffett—There

All games begin at 1700 hours.



TWO-WAY PRESENTATION: When Admiral Hays presented sweaters from the command to members of the winning 12ND Women's Traveling League, they presented him the perpetual trophy they captured for the command. The bowlers, all Navy nurses, are, left to right, Dorothy Ryder, Ethel Eusebio, Anne Tierney, Jean Gerber and Dorothy Effner.





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## Father's Day Feature



FATHER'S DAY was first celebrated on 19 June 1910. The idea originated with Mrs. John Bruce Dodd, a great admirer of her father; and the holiday was launched by the Ministerial Association and the YMCA of Spokane, Washington, all to the delight of CHSUPCLK-W4 John Coggins, who believes Father deserves his day. Particularly the fathers of five energetic girls. When people discover the fact that Mr. Coggins has five lovely daughters, they usually say, "Just like Eddie Cantor, huh?" To which he replies, "Yes, only Cantor has the money." Money or no, we're willing to bet that Father's Day, or any other day is a happy one in the Coggins' home. Seated, with their father, are Janice 6, Barbara 4½. Standing, Kathy 11, Susanne 8, and Madelyn 12. "I'm 39," Mr. Coggins volunteered.



ANOTHER MOST HAPPY FELLA on Father's Day will be Robert W. Malcolm, HMC. His attractive family of seven, as far as the OAK LEAF was able to determine, tops all others on the staff. That's the chief sitting in the middle. The children standing are Lynette 12, Christopher 7, Robert W. Jr. 15, and the dark-haired boy at right is John 13. Then there's Brian 5, Michelle, who'll be 3 in August, and Colleen 8. Although Chief Malcolm did not reveal his age, we have it on good authority—he's 44.

## ADM Hopwood to Address Intern Graduating Class

### All Hands Invited To Hear CINCPAC

Admiral Herbert G. Hopwood, USN, Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet, will deliver the address when 20 medical and three dental interns are honored at graduation exercises and a reception here Monday, 29 June.

Families of the interns, officer, enlisted, and civilian members of the staff, and hospital patients are invited to attend the program, which is scheduled for 1500 in the Community Services Building Auditorium.

Admiral Hopwood will fly here from his headquarters at Pearl Harbor for the ceremony.

A graduate of the Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1919, the four-star admiral has had a career as colorful as the ribbons he wears. He has served during three wars and twice received the Legion of Merit. The first was in recognition of his efficiency as Director of Planning and Control for the Bureau of Naval Personnel at the beginning of World War II, when he was responsible for initiating, coordinating, and executing the personnel program at the time of the wartime expansion of the Navy. The second was for his work as commander of the Cruiser CLEVELAND in the capture of Peleliu, Anguar, and Ngesebus Islands and in the later operations resulting in re-



Admiral Herbert G. Hopwood, USN

capture of Corregidor, Mariveles, and the central and southern Philippines.

He assumed his present duty and rank on 1 February 1958.

### Other Top-Brass

Other top-ranking Naval officers who will turn out in honor of the interns will be VADM Maurice E. Curts, USN, Commander, Western

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## CAPT P. J. McNamara Reports From Philadelphia As Executive Officer

CAPT Philip J. McNamara arrived on the compound Sunday and officially took over his duties as Executive Officer Monday morning. He comes to Oak Knoll from USNH, Philadelphia, where he has served as Chief of Surgery for the past four years.

The new exec was born in Massachusetts. He was graduated from Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass., in 1927. He received his M.S. in physiology from Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., in 1928 and remained on the staff as instructor and associate professor of biology until 1933. He received his M.D. from Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, in 1936. He returned to Georgetown for his internship and in August, 1937, was commissioned in the Navy Medical Corps.

Choosing surgery as his specialty,  
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CAPT Philip J. McNamara, MC, USN

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

### LEARNING TO RELAX

Every day we are harried by someone saying to us, "Relax, or you'll get an ulcer." A man writes a book about how to relieve nervous tensions, and thousands of people fight to purchase it. It is true that we are under a great deal of tension and strain, more so than our ancestors, because of the new "Mechanical Age." But what we fail to realize, is that tension itself is not new, but rather is as old as civilization itself.

The cure rests not in modern science, but rather in God's wisdom. Too many of us feel that God has left us, in this troubled world, when in reality, it is we who have left God. A poet once heard a conversation between two birds which went like this:

"Said the Robin to the Sparrow,  
 I would like to know  
 Why these anxious human beings  
 Rush about and worry so!"  
 Said the Sparrow to the Robin,  
 "Friend, I think that it might be  
 That they forget they have a Heavenly Father  
 Such as cares for you and me!"

Take your troubles to God, for His knowledge and understanding are far superior to man's and you can throw all books on relaxation out the window.  
 LT CARL E. RUUD, Protestant Chaplain



**TEN X-RAY STUDENTS** recently received diplomas indicating completion of a year's study that makes them full-fledged technicians. They are, front row, left to right, Paul Anderson, HM3; Ezell Westbrook, HM3; Richard Hamilton, HN; Luis Herrera, HM3; Gary L. Sumpter, HN, and Tommy Ricketson, HN. In the back row, "the faculty"—CAPT L. H. Barber, LT L. A. Harrison, and Esther Raehall, HM2; and Honorman Clyde Langworthy, HMI; David V. Toigo, HM3; Robert R. Lorenzi, HM3; Alfred J. Line, HN. Line and Sumpter will stay at Oak Knoll; Hamilton goes to SFNSY, Herrera to NAS Whidby Island, Toigo to USNH, Yokosuka, Langworthy and Lorenzi to Third MarDiv; Anderson to APA 237 out of San Diego; Westbrook to Squadron 94, Alameda; and Ricketson to MSTs, Fort Mason.

### Divine Services

**PROTESTANT**  
**SUNDAY WORSHIP**—1030  
 Communion 1030 on First Sunday  
 of Each Month  
 Bible Study, Tuesdays, 1215-1245,  
 Bldg. 133  
 Main Chapel, Tuesday

**NAVY RELIEF OFFICE**  
 IN 67A

Bus to and from Chapel on Sundays  
 1015

**CATHOLIC**  
**SUNDAY MASSES**  
 0600, 0830  
**DAILY MASS and ROSARY** at 1145  
 Confessions before Mass  
 Saturday—1900  
 Any other time upon request  
 Catholic Oratory in Back of Chapel  
 Choir Practice 1930, Main Chapel  
 Wednesday

**JEWISH SERVICES**  
 Thursday 1200  
 Small Chapel, 2nd Deck, Bldg. 133

## Know Your Staff

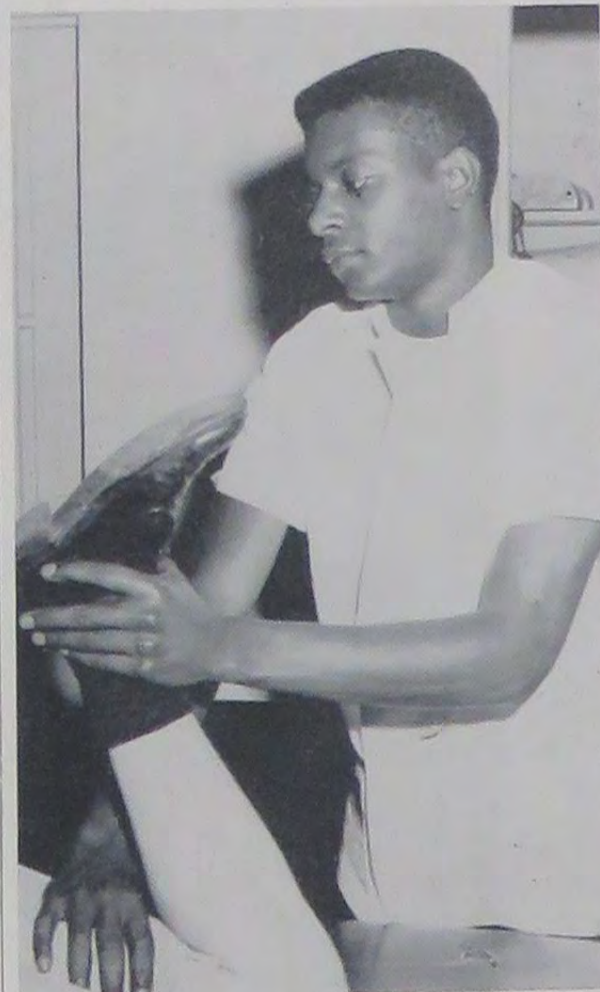


Did you know that Charlie Brown is from Miami, Arizona? (Alright, so you're nonintellectual and don't read "Peanuts"... so forget it.) Anyway, Charlie Brown, HN, USN, of the PT Department is from Miami, Arizona, where he was graduated from prep in 1956.

He lettered in varsity track twice, which got him in good enough condition to run down to the recruiting office and enter the Navy in September of 1956.

Upon release from active duty, Charlie Brown plans to attend Arizona State at Flagstaff as a PE major. While on active duty, he has been graduated from PT School in San Diego, and reported aboard Oak Knoll in March of '59.

His hobbies include drawing and cards. He has a girl friend named Lucy.



The sadist above, who is twisting off a patient's leg, is Aaron Ferguson, HN, of Pine Bluff, Arkansas. He is not really a sadist, and he is not twisting the patient's leg off. In fact, it is not even a patient... it's Charlie Brown. All right, Miss D. G.?

Aaron was graduated from Coleman High of Pine Bluff in 1955, where he was a varsity letterman in

## Richard the Lion Hearted Was Hard Hearted Too

WASHINGTON — (NAVNEWS) — Naval justice was a bit rugged in the days of Richard the Lion Hearted.

In 1190, he drew up these rules, the first made by an English king to apply specifically to discipline on naval ships.

"Anyone that should kill another on board ship should be tied to the dead body and thrown into the sea."

"Anyone that should kill another on land should be tied to the dead body and buried with it in the earth."

"Anyone lawfully convicted of drawing a knife or other weapon with intent to strike another, or of striking another so as to draw blood should lose his hand."

"Anyone striking with the hand, no blood being shed, should be dipped (sic) three times into the sea."

"Anyone uttering opprobrious or contumelious words to the insult or cursing of another should, on each occasion, pay one ounce of silver to the injured person."

"Anyone lawfully convicted of theft should have his head shaved and boiling pitch poured upon it, and feathers or down should then be strewn upon it, for the distinguishing of the offender; and upon the first occasion the offender should be put on shore."

Some of Richard's successors were equally ingenious. For example, a man guilty of sleeping on watch for the fourth time, during the reign of Henry VIII, was tied to the bowsprit and given a biscuit, a can of beer, and a knife, so he could make an interesting choice—starve to death or cut his bonds and fall into the sea.

## Service-wide Rate Exams Coming Up in August

Dates for the August service-wide examinations for advancement in rating to pay grades E-4 through E-6 and E-8/E-9 were announced this week by the Chief of Naval Personnel.

Examinations for senior and master chief petty officer will be given 4 August. Pay grade E-4 exams will be given 6 August, E-5 on 11 August and E-6 on 13 August, the announcement stated.

The selection board to make final selection of candidates for senior and master chief will convene about 22 September. The announcement pointed out that an enlisted evaluation report must be attached to the examination returns for each candidate for the E-8/E-9 grades.

BUPERSNOTE 1418 of 1 May, 1959, gives a list of rates for which examination booklets are available.

football and basketball. He entered the service in August of 1957.

Prior to entering the service, Aaron attended Arkansas State for a year as a math major. Upon release from active duty, he plans to continue his studies at the University of Omaha. That's in the Beef State, Nebraska.

His hobbies include bicycling, movies and cards.



**\$100 FOR NAVY RELIEF:** Mrs. Charles E. Brodine, president of the Officers' Wives' Club, presents a check for \$100 to CAPT Harold R. Superko, chairman of the hospital drive. The staff officers' wives raised the money for their favorite charity through bridge benefits, a theater party, and profit from club luncheons.

## Officers' Wives' Club Gives \$100 Check To Navy Relief To Climax Local Drive

Oak Knoll's Navy Relief drive was climaxed by a surprise gift of \$100 from the Officers' Wives' Club.

"Since many of our members serve as volunteer Navy Relief interviewers and participate in various sewing projects for needy families, we know the value of Navy Relief, the charity that helps the Navy take care of its own," Mrs. Charles E. Brodine, club president, told CAPT Harold Superko, chairman, as she delivered the check.

Captain Superko reports that numerically, many more members of the staff contributed to the drive this year than last.

"We have yet to receive the final tally from the East San Francisco Bay Auxiliary of the Navy Relief Society, but we have heard unofficially that Oak Knoll personnel gave considerably more this year than last. All gifts were made in sealed envelopes and turned over to headquarters in

Alameda, where results are being tabulated.

"Both the Commanding Officer and I wish to express our thanks to all who gave, and especially to the various department chairmen who helped in the conduct of the drive," Captain Superko said this week.

Serving as chairmen were CDR T. H. Wilson, Jr., CHMEDSRWT C. D. Speer, LTP H. Nieberding, CHMEDSRWT G. V. Johnson, LCDR J. L. Young, LTJG P. G. Kane, LT W. F. Spence, CDR P. C. Morton, LT G. F. Dobel, LT J. B. Knight, LT J. G. Harmeling, CAPT H. L. Baxter, K. S. Clayton, HM1, CDR E. E. Parker, LTJG W. R. Eckerman, CDR F. W. Swain, ENS D. E. Lakey, LCDR Dorothy Jannsen, G. I. Dunn, DTC, LT H. W. Waldstreicher, O. S. Hughes, DKSN, B. J. Jordan, HM3, CDR A. A. Tratar, A. A. Skinner, HMC, LCDR L. W. Burr, and Dorothy Barchus, Civ. Emp.

## A Tired Driver Is A Dangerous Driver

The problem of driver fatigue is one that crops up a lot. You want to make every minute count; so you're anxious to reach your destination just as fast as possible.

Freddy Agabashian, 11-time competitor of the Indianapolis "500," has this to say about the problem of driver fatigue:

"I know what it's like to drive over a long period of time. Take the '500,' for example. That's a tough race, and we do our best to stick it out. But if fatigue overtakes us, we let somebody else take over; we get a relief driver."

As a motorist you can stop your car at will—and should, every 2 hours or so. Pull off to the side . . . get out . . . stretch . . . take a walk around the car . . . have a cup of coffee.

Another way to beat fatigue is to vary the position of the front seat occasionally. Change your seating posture too, even though it may mean only redistributing the weight of your body slightly.

Driving fatigue is dangerous. It can take the form of sleepiness, general inertia, or weakness. It can appear as impatience, anger, frustration.

If you find yourself lacking alertness or courtesy on the highway, take a rest from the wheel. You'll arrive more relaxed and happy . . . and safe!

—New York Naval Shipyard SHIPWORKER

## Scuttlebutt

WEDDING BELLS will ring tomorrow for LT James G. Harmeling, pathology resident, when he and Miss Adele Raney exchange vows at an 1100 ceremony at St. Jarlath's Church, Oakland. The bride-to-be is a member of the Highland Hospital nursing staff. LT R. W. Stinely, also a path resident, will usher at the wedding and see the couple off on a two-week tour of scenic areas in California. . . . Wedding bells rang last Sunday for ENS Catherine Owsley, newcomer to the nursing staff, and Cooley Butler, II, third-year medical student at Stanford. Among the bride's attendants was ENS Carol King, her classmate at Stanford School of Nursing and shipmate at Indoctrination School at St. Albans as well as at Oak Knoll. The wedding took place in San Marino, the bride's home city.

**RANDOM NOTES:** Cannell (Ed) and Tinnel (Red), HMC and HM1, answer the same telephone at EEG. . . . Johnny Jones, HM1, William Tucker, HN, and Pedro Manido, DT2, have each signed on the dotted line and sworn they'll serve another six. . . . LCDR M. B. Sullivan, a Knollite not long ago, has since Monday been Chief of Surgery at the VA Hospital at Birmingham, Ala., and assistant professor of surgery at the U. of Alabama. . . . LT Pat Hudson is back from a holiday in Honolulu bringing greetings from CDR Ruth Mitchell of the NavMedUnit, Tripler Army Hospital, where she is now on duty.

**WORTH A SECOND GLANCE**—The deep blue Austin-Healy parked near the Ad Bldg. and its driver, Barbara Joan Ickes, DT1, here for her annual training duty. . . . Odette Cooley, HN.

**DEPENDENTS WHO'VE MADE GOOD:** Those who attended Castlemont High's graduation last Friday night were proud to know Paul Weddell, son of our recently detached Exec. Paul was graduated No. 7 in a class of 450. He ranked first in his class in science. He won a Bank of America Plaque for science and math for Castlemont. He won the United Nations Essay award and along with it a \$10 gift expressing the approval of the local Hadassah Club. He was one of eight in his class to win life membership in the California Scholarship Federation. Not only that, he was first in his group in Physical Education and took three first places in Junior Varsity swim team competition.

**LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS ABOUT WELL-KNOWN FOLK:** Civil Readjustment's Chief Calhoun was once on the St. Louis Cardinal's "farm team" but joined the Navy before waiting to find out if he had the stuff of which big leaguers are made.

**HERE'S ACORN'S UNFINISHED RHYME** of last week, complete with the best last line submitted:

*Li'l Jack Horner sat in a corner  
Standing (or sitting?) a special watch.*

*He was starting IV's of a thousand CC's*

*When his patient shouted, "I'd rather have scotch!"*

**LIFE BEGAN** on 5 June for Bradley Stephen Ford, 7 lb. 1½ oz. son of Thomas E. Ford, HN, of CSR and his wife Sharon. . . . on 14 June for Susan Marie Caudell, 7 lb. 6½ oz. daughter of Willard G. Caudell, HM3, of the



Heading for New Assignment in Japan

## Captain Roudebush Ordered To Duty At USNH, Yokosuka

CAPT Marion E. Roudebush, who has guided the activities of Oak Knoll's Therapeutic Community since 12 March, 1956, checked out on 1 June and after a cross-country motor trip will sail for his new assignment as Chief of the Neuropsychiatric Service at USNH, Yokosuka, Japan.

The soft-spoken psychiatrist, who came here from USNH, Mare Island, to head the Navy's West Coast Neuropsychiatric Center, will be missed from group meetings and from his office, where he was always ready to help both patients and staff. Under his leadership, the therapeutic community introduced in 1955 by CDR Harry Wilmer, MC, USNR, was extended to all wards in the NP section.

A major stop on the doctor's current trip will be in his home state of Indiana, where he received his BS degree at Indiana University, Bloomington, and his MD at Indiana University Medical School, Indianapolis. He trained in his specialty at New York State Psychiatric Institute in New York City.

The captain has been in the Medical Corps for 21 years.

During his tour of duty at Oak Knoll Captain Roudebush commuted in his green Volkswagen from San Francisco, where he and his wife Nina made their home.

## Ladrado Now Full-Fledged Citizen of United States

Henceforth, Severo Ladrado, HM2, will be strictly American; for last week he received his naturalization papers. He could have applied much earlier, but he has been "too busy taking care of sick people."

Born and reared in the Philippines, Ladrado enlisted in the U.S. Navy at Subic Bay in 1946 and a year later went to Corps School in San Diego.

The 35-year-old HM2 works in Photo Arts, looks 23, is entitled to wear three gold hash marks, speaks excellent English, and has no intention of returning to his native islands "except for a vacation maybe."

**UROLOGY CLINIC** and his wife Anna. . . . on 15 June for Herbert Gladstone Hopwood, III, 8 lb. 11½ oz. son of LT H. G. Hopwood, Jr., graduating intern, and his wife Elizabeth.

## Admiral Hogan Sends Greeting To Corpsmen on 61st Birthday



Doing the honors at the Hospital Corps Birthday Cake-cutting are CDR Thomas Sampsell, DC, USN, Ret., the senior Hospital Corpsman (ex) in the area, and Mike Hearst, HN, the youngest corpsman aboard.

Dr. Sampsell was a corpsman before he studied dentistry, and was a member of the 17th Hospital Corps School graduating class. The doctor who presently is a patient on Ward 43A, is from San Marino, California.

Mike is a native of Nafelle, Washington. He entered the service in November 1958 and reported aboard Oak Knoll on 11 June. He is 17 years young.

### Here's Ripple About WAVE Anniversary

The WAVES' 17th anniversary celebration will be held in Jacksonville, Fla., from 24-26 July.

More than 2,000 WAVES, ex-WAVES, WAVE Reservists, Yeomen F, Navy Nurses, ex-SPARS, and Women Marines are expected to attend the three-day conclave. Coordinator for the celebration is LCDR Eunice A. Horne, USNR, Box 665, Jacksonville 1, Fla.

*As Surgeon General of the United States Navy, I extend my hearty congratulations and best wishes to every Hospital Corpsman upon this anniversary of the founding of the Hospital Corps!*

*The Hospital Corps was created by Act of Congress on 17 June, 1898, for the purpose of assisting the Medical Corps in the care of the sick and injured. This infant Corps created 61 years ago has now grown to full maturity. It assumes a full share of communal responsibility in the Medico-Military family consisting of five Corps and known collectively as the Medical Department of the Navy.*

*The Medical Department is justly proud of its record of accomplishments, among the many being a remarkably low mortality rate for our wounded in two world wars and the Korean Conflict. A full share of credit for these accomplishments is due the Hospital Corps. Without the bravery and devotion to duty of the Hospital Corpsmen this record could not have been achieved.*

*The Hospital Corps is often referred to as the most decorated Corps in the Navy. In time of war the bravery of Hospital Corpsmen is legendary. In time of peace their long hours devoted to care of the sick and injured in hospitals and on board ships is equally meritorious, though less spectacular.*

*On this anniversary of the Hospital Corps, I wish to call attention to this less glamorous phase of the duties performed by Hospital Corpsmen and to commend them for their continuing devotion to duty during a period when reward through advancement in rating was very limited. I am very happy to report that in the immediate future opportunity for advancement in rating will be markedly improved. On behalf of the Medical Department of the Navy, I say to each Hospital Corpsman "Well done. Well done, indeed."*

B. W. HOGAN.

### Melody Kings To Play at EM Club 27 June

The Melody Kings from Hamilton Air Force Base will play for a dance to follow the sukiyaki dinner at the EM Club Saturday night, 27 June, according to latest word from the recreation committee.

Tomorrow is the deadline for pur-

chasing tickets to the sukiyaki dinner. They may be obtained for only 25 cents from Kenneth Umland, HM2, chairman of arrangements for the party; from Ted Vincent, HM2; Boine Fuller, HM3; Mary Ann Nigro, HN; Bob Preston, HM1; or from the duty managers at the EM Club.

### Navy Selects 234 For College Training

More than 230 Navy enlisted personnel have been selected this month for two and four year college training programs.

A selection board named 102 men for the two-year Navy Enlisted Advanced School Program (NEASP) and 132 candidates for the four-year

Wife: "I want to play. Make up a game."

Husband: "Okay. Let's play store. I'll be the boss and you shut up for the night."

Navy Enlisted Scientific Education Program (NESEP). The Marine Corps had earlier selected 50 enlisted personnel, including one woman, to take part in NESEP.

The college programs were initiated by the Navy because of the technical developments which have taken place during the past several years. The 234 selectees will begin their college training this fall.

### It's Salinas Rodeo Time; Patients Are Invited

Knoll patients are invited to the California Rodeo at Salinas on Friday, 17 July. The bronco bustin' and other events begin at 1300, and at the end of the day those who make the trip will be dinner guests of American Legion Post No. 13 at their clubhouse near the rodeo grounds.

Special Services will supply details to those interested. Call Ext. 593.

At a dance in San Antonio, a pretty girl had a little too much of the spiked punch, fell off the porch, and landed in a trash can. A young New York businessman, newly arrived in town, carried her to his room.

Next day, he wired his partner in New York: "Sell out everything and come to Texas. They throw away better stuff than you can find in New York."

Reminiscing Chief: "I'll never forget the night I met my wife at a dance."

Seaman: "Was it romantic?"

Chief: "No embarrassing. I thought she was home taking care of the kids."



Chief Donald D. Strand of ALD was recently (16 May) promoted to E-8, which, in effect, makes him senior chief hospital corpsman.

Chief Strand earned his promotion through Navy-wide competitive exams. He is the first Oak Knoll hospital corpsman to make this rate.

The Chief, who is originally from Brush Prairie, Washington, "a booming city of 300," entered the service in 1936. During World War II he served aboard the U.S.S. PINKNEY APH, an auxiliary hospital ship and was with the First Marine Division, 3rd Battalion, 5th Regiment, when they made the first landing at Guadalcanal.

Chief Strand, his wife Ellen, and their son, Carl, 18, presently make Hayward their home.

### More About Intern Graduation

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Sea Frontier; and RADM George L. Russell, USN, Commandant, Twelfth Naval District.

RADM Ralph W. Taylor, DC, USN, District Dental Officer, will comment on the dental intern program, and RADM Thomas G. Hays, Oak Knoll's Commanding Officer and acting 12ND Medical Officer, will comment on the medical intern program and present the diplomas.

LT Jess W. Bromley will speak for his class, which includes LT Benjamin L. Aaron, Juanehd Berry, Robert C. Black, Ralph J. Cannard, David L. Estrich, Donald M. Gragg, Henry L. Holderman, Arthur H. Holmboe, Herbert G. Hopwood, Jr., James A. Larson, Charles D. Lufkin, George F. Martin, Jr., Thomas J. McGillis, George F. Snell, Bill D. Stout, Philip K. Swartz, John A. Ungersma, William F. West, and Harrison D. Willcutts.

Dental interns graduating are Jesse T. Gentry, Ronald E. Hillenbrand, and Ferris P. Thompson.

Deft-nition. Juvenile delinquency is when a youngster stops asking his parents where he came from and starts telling them where to go.

Psychiatrist: "I wouldn't be too upset about your boy making mud pies. The fact that he sometimes tries to eat them is also quite normal."

Mother: "I'm not so sure about that, doctor, and neither is his wife."



Raymond Douglas Nations, HMC, was piped over the side on 31 May, with CDR M. P. Huber, Administrative Officer, reading the orders. The well-known chief who had served as Chief Master-at-Arms and PRL shop foreman during previous tours of duty at Oak Knoll went out on 19 years because of illness that interrupted his tour of duty aboard the USS EDMONDS (DE 406). Sideboys were Chiefs Powers, Holt, Boyd, Strand, Conrad, Frank, Murphy, Metcalf, Booth, and Malcolm. In charge of the ceremony was Robert L. Griffin, HMC, Chief MAA.

# Previews

**Tonight, 19 June**  
**INTENT TO KILL**—Betsy Drake, Richard Todd, Herbert Lem. And it probably will.

**Saturday, 20 June**  
**THE HUNTERS**—Robert Mitchum, May Britt, Robert Wagner. Courageous story of three men downed behind enemy lines. Gets you right below the shoulder on the left side.

**Sunday, 21 June**  
**TONKA**—Sal Mineo, Philip Carey. No tonk you.

**Monday, 22 June**  
**GUNMAN'S WALK**—Van Heflin, Tab Hunter. Not at all like MM's.

**Tuesday, 23 June**  
**A HOLE IN THE HEAD**—Frank Sinatra, Carolyn Jones, Edward G. Robinson. Top-notch comedy with Elinor Parker and Eddie Hodges.

**Wednesday, 24 June**  
**THE BADLANDERS**—Alan Ladd, Ernest Borgnine. A fishing story?

**Thursday, 25 June**  
**YOUR PAST IS SHOWING**—Dennis Price, Shirley Eaton. Listed as a family picture, so it must be a pretty dull past.

**Friday, 26 June**  
**BATTLE FLAME**—Scott Brady, Elaine Edwards. New term for a camp follower?

**Saturday, 27 June**  
**CAT ON A HOT TIN ROOF**—Elizabeth Taylor, Paul Newman, Burl Ives. An excellent Williams' drama.

## More About Captain McNamara

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Captain McNamara trained under Admiral Hays at USNH, Philadelphia, from '45 to '47 (when the Admiral was Chief of Surgery there) and later at USNH, Bethesda, and Lahey Clinic, Boston.

This is Captain McNamara's first tour of duty in California during his 22 years in the Navy.

During World War II the new Executive Officer was a Medical Officer aboard the USS WASP. He was Senior Medical Officer of the USS VIN-CENNES during the invasions of Palau, the Mariannas, Iwo Jima, and Okinawa, and the invasion and liberation of the Philippines.

Other important assignments have taken the captain from coast to coast. He was assistant Chief of Surgery at Bethesda from 1948 to 1950. He was the Medical Officer on the staff of the Commander, Sixth Fleet, from 1950 to 1952 and had a tour of duty as Chief of Surgery at USNH, Bremer-ton, from 1952 to 1955, just before going to Philadelphia.

Doctor McNamara is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and is certified by the American Board of Surgeons.

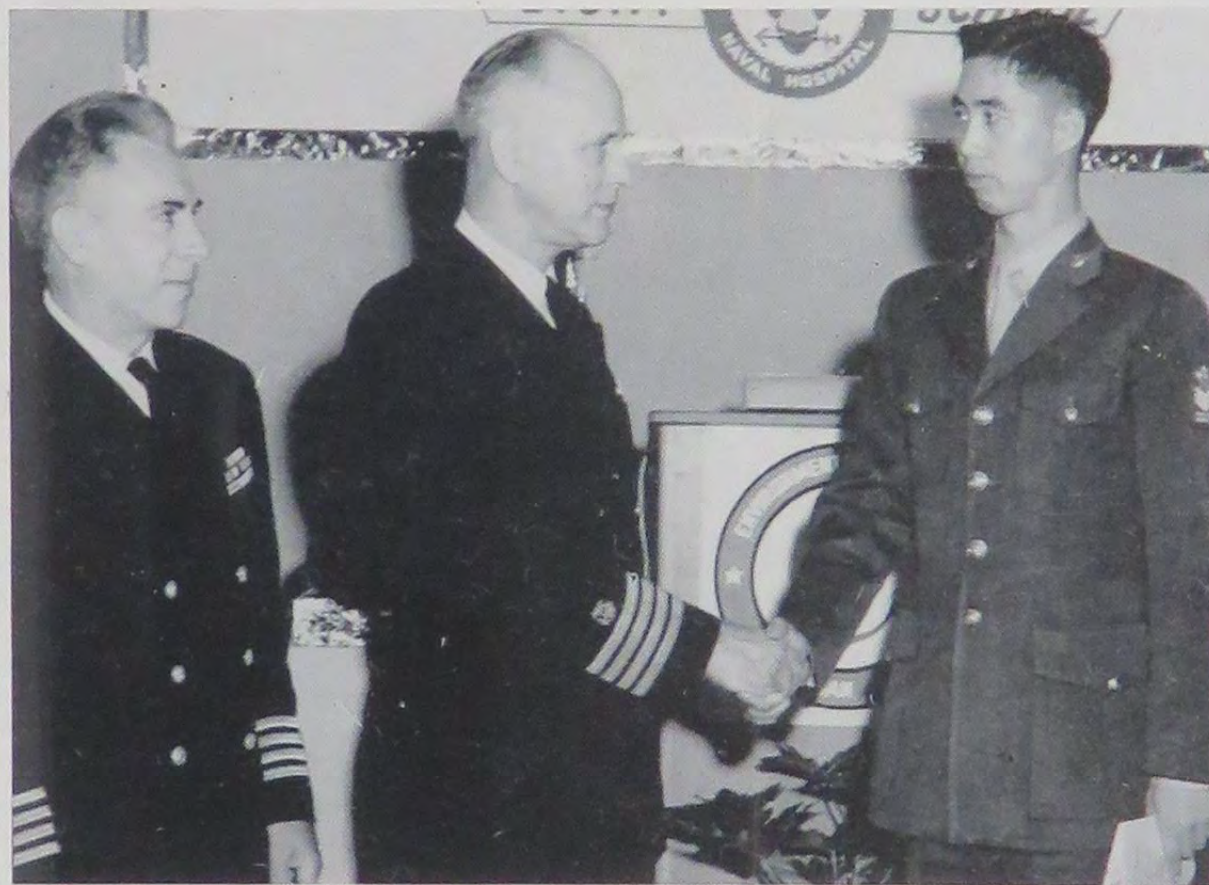
The Executive Officer and his wife Louise will make their home in Quarters E, overlooking the compound. They have two daughters—Ann Victry, 20, who will enter her junior year in college in September, and Mary Fontaine, 17, who will be a senior in high school this fall. Their son, Thomas Neal, a lawyer in San Francisco, is married and has two children.

Toothpaste manufacturer: "Our building has the latest thing in architecture. It doesn't have elevators. They just put you in a tube and squeeze you up."

Junior: "Papa just slipped on the ice on the front walk."  
 Mother: "What did he say?"  
 Junior: "Shall I leave out the naughty words?"  
 Mother: "Of course, dear."  
 Junior: "Nothing."



**CLASS 29 GRADS** were, front row, left to right, Thomas Stone, HMI, John H. Austin, James E. Blackburn, Charles L. Hammond, Joseph Gallina, HMC's; T/SGT Chen-Hsia Luan, Chinese Marine Corps; William R. Hughes, HMI. Second row: Paul L. Perry, Jr., Donald G. McAlpine, and Robert H. Hazelton, Jr., HM2's; Paul C. Helms, HMI; Grant A. Shaw, HM2; John S. Cannizzaro, Thomas G. Goldader, and Donovan K. Young, HMI's; Albert W. Steele, HM2. Third row: Sandy J. Smith, and Louis J. Barrier, Jr., HM2's; William G. Bransford, Malen W. Montney, and William L. Moore, HMI's; Donald A. Boisvert, Harold L. Verley, Norman R. Allison, and Francis E. Gibson, HM2's.



**CAPT David J. Zaugg, USPHS, congratulates T/SGT Chen-Hsia Luan, Chinese Marine Corps, who will take home to Formosa the preventive medicine and sanitation techniques he has learned during five months at Oak Knoll. Looking on is CAPT J. M. Coppoletta, head of the EST School.**



**Thomas Elliott Stone, HMI, class president and valedictorian, spoke to his classmates, sharing the spotlight with Dr. Zaugg.**

## CAPT Zaugg, USPHS, Speaks to EST School Graduating Class

Twenty-five newly trained sanitarians were honored at "commencement exercises" here on 11 June.

CAPT David J. Zaugg, USPHS, Commanding Officer of the U.S. Public Health Service in San Francisco, the principal speaker, told graduates:

"You have attained a certain degree of specialized knowledge and skill that is yours alone. It gives you a certain feeling of comfort, a certain sense of security because with this skill you are wanted and needed by other people. It gives you a certain feeling of independence or freedom because you now have this under your belt.

"... but I must warn you that as long as you are a member of society, you will be faced with administrative functions of some sort or other. To remain a pure specialist and to hold your feeling of security I am afraid does not mean that you have the independence or freedom to act as you please."

The speaker quoted Jim Farley as

saying in a recent magazine article: "I deplore the entrance into our language, particularly for the young, of the word security. If this means a safe-conduct pass through life, there is no such thing, and if there is, it is alien to the American spirit. It is time that the grand old colonial adage, 'Beaten paths are for beaten men,' be dusted off and placed before American youths. The fact is, the greater the responsibility and duty the less the security. After all, every man in a battle fleet knows exactly what he must do except the Admiral who must give the command. To him comes the agony of responsibility in constantly reviewing the calculated risks. Chance—and therefore insecurity—is the heavy price of command. Chance means challenge. A person who refuses the challenge of life has died without ever living."

Sharing the spotlight with Captain Zaugg were Thomas Elliott Stone, HMI, valedictorian, and William R. Hughes, HMI, class spokesman, who

thanked members of the staff for their help and expressed the hope that members of this class will successfully meet the challenge as their new rate sends them to all parts of the world.

CAPT Joseph M. Coppoletta welcomed the guests and read greetings from RADM B. W. Hogan, Surgeon General of the Navy, who wrote in part:

"Today, as you leave for your new role in the Medical Department, I urge each of you to carry out your individual duties with pride, dignity, and consideration of your fellow men.

"On behalf of the officers and men and women of the Medical Department, I congratulate each of you on this important day in your naval career and on a job 'well done'."

Admiral Hays presented diplomas to graduates with his congratulations.

CDR Paul C. Morton gave the invocation and LCDR J. L. Wissing the benediction.

## Strikes and Spares From Oak Knoll Bowl

By Red Tinnel

### MEN'S HANDICAP

#### 8th Week

The first, second, and third place teams swept all three games from their opponents this week to leave the standings unchanged. The first-place Sweepers handily disposed of the cellar-dwelling Strikers. High for the Sweepers were John Erpenbach (211-528), John Lalla (190-536) and Carl Ruud (194-547). The Spots dumped the Ranks three times with R. Dick (198-552) and Ed Cannell (192-508) leading the way. Muster Inn downed the Spooks three times, "Satch" Sage leading the way with a league high series of 224-603.

#### 9th Week

The Sweepers continued their winning ways by dumping the Ranks three times. Carl Ruud led the way with a 210-541 series. The second place Spots (Hedge 221-541 and R. Dick 189-531) kept pace with the Sweepers by winning three from the Muster Inn. George Cartmell led the losers with a 214-546 series. The Spooks are back to their mystifying tactics and proved it by beating the Strikers three times. High Spookman was Dr. Holm with a 173-487 series. See what I mean when I say mystifying tactics?

### 480 SCRATCH TRIO

#### 7th Week

The second place Bombers gained a game on the first place Sandbaggers by defeating them twice. High gun for the Bombers was Al Line (212-525) with John Lalla (213-535) pacing the Sandbaggers in the losing cause. The Beggars, who are starting to make their move, stopped the Taps three times to gain ground in their bid for first place. Carl Ruud fired the highest series of the league with a 220-200-590. Nice shooting, Chaplain Ruud. The Sad Sacs and the 480's forfeited three games to each other.

#### 8th Week

The Bombers, with Jack Wyatt's 203-559 series providing the big push, took over first place by defeating the Sad Sacs three times while the Sandbaggers were losing 2½ games to the fast-climbing Beggars. Leading the Beggars into a tie for second place were Carl Ruud (181-525) and Len Royal (204-521). Hal Hensle had a 186-537 for the losers. The 480's, for the second straight week, forfeited three as did the Taps. It seems as if the members of the 480 team have an obligation to fulfill not only to themselves but to the rest of the league. We can see forfeiting one week, but two in a row?

### MILITARY-CIVILIAN MIXED

#### 5th Week

The Taps lengthened their lead over second place M-T-M's, by winning two from the Orphans, while the M-T-M's were dropping two to the Niners. High gun for the Taps was Skip Greenlee with a 186-472 series. The Niners utilized their handicap to subdue the M-T-M's. The 5 Spares dumped the Sports twice, with Jerry Farmer shooting the highest series of the night with a 172-483. Most unusual.

#### Position Week

The M-T-M's and the Taps collided head on with the M-T-M's emerging with two victories over the league leaders. Phil Meek (209-573) and Joe



**THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME**, and Miss Dottie Ryder looks mighty happy to be returning home again. Miss Ryder's run was one of 15 as the Oak Knoll Waves swamped the Treasure Island Waves, 15 to 0, on the home diamond 11 June. Miss "Sissie" Lorch went the distance for her first shut-out of the season. The third base coach is also the team's coach, Miss "Lil" Peart.

## Doctors Tie Dental; Play-off On Monday

The Doctor's beat the Dental softballers last Monday 4-3, which throws the two teams into a tie for first place in the intramural softball league. Consequently, there will be a play-off game on Monday, 22 June, to determine which team is to be champion. Dental is the defending champion from last year.

McFadden (234-550) supplied the big spark for the winners. Joe's 234 game is high game thus far in the league. The Niners climbed into third place by defeating the Orphans twice with Dr. Wallace shooting a 490 series. Paul Germolis had a 194-515 series for the losers. The Sports buried the 5 Spares deeper in the cellar by beating them twice. Jane McCrory led the Sports with a 163-444 series.

### HITS AND MISSES

A crying towel to "Satch" Sage for losing in a noon hour "fun" game. Sage's score was 226. The winning score? 235. Maybe you should take up pool again "Satch."

Wouldn't it be nice if some industrious person would start a Scotch Doubles Tournament? This writer was seriously thinking about it, but due to circumstances beyond his control (orders), he had to give up the idea.

Hats off to the Outside Master-at-Arms Office. They have finally assigned a man to Oak Knoll Bowl for cleaning and general help.

### VARSVITY SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

- 23 June—Mare Island—Here
- 25 June—P.G. School Monterey—There
- 30 June—S.F. Naval Shipyard—There
- 2 July—Naval Supply Oakland—Here
- 7 July—Treasure Island—There
- 9 July—NAS Alameda—Here
- 14 July—Coast Guard Alameda—There
- 16 July—NAD Concord Marines—Here
- 21 July—NAS Oakland—Here
- 23 July—NAF Monterey—There
- 28 July—NAS Moffett Field—Here
- 30 July—Mare Island—There
- 4 Aug.—P.G. School Monterey—Here
- 11 Aug.—S.F. Naval Shipyard—Here
- 13 Aug.—Naval Supply Oakland—There
- 18 Aug.—Treasure Island—Here

Mother: "And what did you do while mother was out shopping, darling?"

Little Precious: "I played postman, Mommy. I put a letter in every mail box on the street. They were real letters, too. I found them in your dresser drawer tied up with a blue ribbon."

## O.K. to Participate In 12 ND Swim Meet

Oak Knoll will be well represented in the 12th Naval District Swimming Meet, slated for 24 and 25 June at the Treasure Island pool.

Hospital swimmers and the events in which they are to participate are: 100-meter free style—Jack Dakan, D. H. Gabbert and Jack Manning. 50-meter free style—Gabbert, Manning and Dick Simmons. 50-meter backstroke—Freeman, Sanders and Simmons. 50- and 100-meter breaststroke—Jim Gonzales. Diving—Sanders and Dakan. 200-meter relay—Dakan, Sanders and Gabbert. 200-meter medley relay—Manning, Simmons and Gonzales.

## Knoll Softballers Win Two; Drop One

Oak Knoll opened its varsity softball season 2 June, downing NAS Alameda, at Alameda, 7 to 4.

The Hilltoppers kept on rolling the victory path in their next two games, registering wins over their archrival Coast Guardsmen, 2-1, 4 June on the home diamond and then traveling to NAD, Concord, to swamp the Marines 18-3 on 9 June. The Marines quit after five innings of play.

In their last outing, 11 June, the Knollers got their first taste of defeat. NAS Oakland won a 7-3 decision on their home diamond.

## Tennis Players Active In Tourney

Oak Knoll tennis players have been busy lately playing in the Men's and Women's Intramural Tennis Tournament.

In the women's division, Jean Gerber and Mrs. Krammer will battle it out in the semifinals. The winner will be matched against Elizabeth Lee, who won over Jerry Bourne in the semifinals.

The men will move into the semifinals after Dr. Seig and Art Fullerton have it out. The winner will play Dr. McNitzky to determine who goes against Dr. Milton Orkin in the finals.

## Pay Schedule

- Tuesday, 30 June—All Hands.
- Wednesday, 15 July—All officers, staff and listed personnel.
- Thursday, 16 July—Enlisted patient personnel.



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## CINCPAC Addresses Intern Grads

Admiral Herbert G. Hopwood, Commander in Chief of the Pacific Fleet, delivered the principal address when 20 medical and three dental interns completed their training here Monday.

The Admiral told graduates that now they assume the responsibilities of both a physician and a Naval Officer.

"I need not remind you of the great respect held for the doctor by our society. He has become the source of physical well being and mental guidance for the nation.

"The Naval officer too has become a symbol in our society. He represents dedication to duty in both peace and war. He has the reputation of being able to do the job in spite of adversity. He is a leader and a doer—welcome everywhere in time of trouble.

"The Naval Medical Officer assumes the traditions of both professions when he puts on the insignia of his rank and the device of his corps. Your challenge is the future," Admiral Hopwood told the graduates. "But tradition must be part of our professional attitude. It is the spice in your day to day work—the challenge to accomplish the difficult and conquer the impossible."

Admiral Hopwood's address was richly spiced with examples of Naval heroism and medical skill. Of special interest was his reference to a clipping from a Tokyo paper that headlined a story: "Japanese Fisherman's Life Saved." The story told of an emergency operation performed by a Navy surgeon after a hurried 765-mile flight from Guam to the Bonin Islands. The surgeon was CDR R. L. Davis, a former member of Oak Knoll's surgical service.

Some of the new medical and dental officers will be assigned to ships of his own Pacific Fleet, the admiral said. In these assignments they will be charged with the responsibility for the health and well being of the ship's company and may often be called upon to act as psychiatrist and chaplain. They may be sent ashore in foreign lands to give aid in times of fire, famine, flood, or pestilence.

The admiral emphasized the importance of dependent care.

"A man 6,000 miles from home for periods of several months counts upon you to give his family the outstanding care for which the Navy is noted. A man who is confident that his wife and children are well cared

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IT WAS A GREAT DAY for the interns and their families, who turned out with members of the staff to help them celebrate this important milestone in their careers. (1) LT Jess W. Bromley and his wife Elaine cut the cake, complete with sugary white anchor on a "sea" of blue. (2) Admiral Herbert G. Hopwood had a dual assignment—addressing the graduates and presenting a diploma to his son, LT H. G. Hopwood, Jr. (3) CAPT Ferris P. Thompson, Senior Medical Officer at MSTTS, came over from Fort Mason to congratulate his son, LT Ferris P. Thompson, Jr., one of the three graduating dental interns. (4) LT Harrison D. Willcutts is the third Navy doctor in his family. The others are his brother, LT M. D. Willcutts, third-year resident in internal medicine here, and his father, VADM M. D. Willcutts, MC, USN, retired, who until recently served as Medical Director at San Quentin. The ladies are the two Mrs. M. D. Willcutts. (5) When the photographer called for handsome young interns to group themselves around the cake, these ten quickly responded. They are Drs. Charles D. Lufkin, George F. Martin, Jr., Donald M. Gragg, William F. West, Henry L. Holderman, Thomas J. McGillis, Benjamin L. Aaron, Philip K. Swartz, and Robert C. Black.

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## ++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++

Up in New England they tell the story about the two sailors who had both done thirty, were finally mustered out, and bought a bar room along the coast. After they'd been there a few days, customers began coming along, but always found the place locked. Finally, one day a whole crowd gathered outside, and began to bang on the windows. One of the sailors stuck his head out and asked what was wrong. "That's what we want to know," they said. "What's wrong? When are you going to open up?" "Open up!" the old salt yelled. "We bought this place for ourselves!"

Your money is yours to spend as you wish, of course, so long as you are handling your obligations at home, or wherever they may be. On the other hand, it's a foolish man who liquidates every penny he has, just to prove he can do it. A man can enjoy just so much. After a certain number of drinks he's merely wasting money, and it's just about that same point that he's becoming less a man. No matter how cheap liquor is, in any bar you happen to stop, you're still paying too much for a headache that you can get a lot cheaper by hitting yourself over the head with a hammer. Makes just as much sense, too.

CDR JOHN L. WISSING, Catholic Chaplain



CAPT B. F. Avery, National Coordinator for MEND, and COL R. L. Marks, British Army and Navy Medical Liaison Officer, talk over latest developments in prosthetic limb making with CAPT Thomas J. Canty, Chief of the Amputee Service and Director of PRL, and his assistant, CAPT Robert C. Doolittle.

## British Liaison Officer, Coordinator For MEND Here to Tour Research Facilities

COL R. L. Marks, British Army and Navy Medical Liaison Officer here to promote exchange of information between the medical services of his country and the United States, and CAPT B. F. Avery, National Coordinator for the government's Medical Education for National Defense Program, were Oak Knoll visitors Tuesday, 23 June.

Since both were interested in the research being conducted by the Clinical Investigation Center and at the Prosthetic Research Laboratory, they toured these facilities together, with CDR Joseph P. Duane, Administrative Officer from the DMO's Office, acting as Colonel Marks' aide.

### On 9000-Mile Tour

The British Officer, who has served in his present post in Washington for more than two years, will return to the British Isles in April, 1960. He and his wife and son came to the Bay Area on a business and pleasure

tour via New Orleans, "The Canyon," and Las Vegas—"a 9,000-mile trip—that will take us as far as to England and back and back again."

On his khaki uniformed shoulders the Colonel wears a ruby and gold crown and two stars—"pips," we call them." His account of how these are moved about with changes of rank sounded almost like a game of chess, "but in the Navy," he said, "it's very simple—we have 'rings' just like yours."

### CAPT Avery Has Important Task

Captain Avery visits universities and training hospitals throughout the country to review plans and budgets submitted by those participating in the MEND program, whose purpose is to promote the teaching of military and disaster medicine. While in this area he also visited the University of California and Stanford University Medical Schools.



THE LIFE OF SIR ALEXANDER FLEMING by André Maurois, is an important book written by an important man, and a book that is indispensable in any hospital library. It has been said that Maurois had been commissioned to write it by Lady Fleming. Whatever the reason, he has produced a magnificent biography, one that is warm, rich and rounded. Alexander Fleming was born in Scotland in 1881. Influenced by his teacher Sir Almroth Wright, he decided to dedicate his life to the struggle against infection. In 1921 came his first important discovery Lysozyme, a predecessor of penicillin, and in 1929 followed the miracle of penicillin itself, which won for Fleming world-wide acclaim and a share in the award of a Nobel prize for Medicine. To write the book, Maurois took a course in bacteriology at the Institute Pasteur, where he persuaded a scientist friend to perform for him all of Sir Alexander's principal experiments. The result of this patient and loving research, is a book that will be read for many years to come.

TAOS, the new novel by Irwin Blacker, deals, not with the languid city known to the tourist and the artist, but is an account of the struggle which took place there almost three centuries ago. As early as 1610, the Spanish had colonized New Mexico and there was a scattering of small, poverty-stricken villages along the Rio Grande. Santa Fe was, as it is now, the capital, but Taos, home of the Pueblo Indians for centuries was the stronghold of the redmen. In 1689, under the leadership of Popé, a medicine man, the Pueblos revolted against the Spanish and the missionaries. This is the story of the revolution. Based largely on records and legends, we are given an exciting account of the Indian uprising from which Spain never fully recovered.

Joseph Kessel's novel THE LION is a strange and beautiful book which is on the surface a very simple story. A young girl who has been raised in Africa nurses a young lion cub back to health. As the cub grows, the girl's love and power over the animal grows too, and when a young native tries to win her love she demands that he battle the lion to prove his strength. A strangely symbolic story, it has been compared to Romain Gary's THE ROOTS OF HEAVEN, but even more I feel, it has the quality of W. H. Hudson's GREEN MANSIONS.

To those who have read and re-read Charlotte Bronte's JANE EYRE, the novel NINE COACHES WAITING by Mary Stewart will come as a delightful surprise. While it lacks the element that makes JANE EYRE a great book, this story of a young woman who comes to a chateau in the Midi as governess to a young French Count, possesses the ingredient of suspense that is guaranteed to keep you reading far into the night.

EMMA BERGER, Librarian

## Admiral Nimitz Will Host NAVY LOG

Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz will appear as host on KRON'S NAVY LOG during thirteen dramatic episodes to be shown during the summer months.

## Know Your Staff



LT Lillian C. Peart, MSC, USNR, is currently in charge of the Occupational Therapy Department. Miss Peart, who claims she's "one of the few native Californians left," is from Monterey.

After she received her AA degree from Monterey Peninsula College and her BA degree from San Jose State, she entered the service in 1954 through the Navy's Internship Program for Graduate Occupational Therapists.

Since arriving aboard Oak Knoll in June 1957, Miss Peart has been the coach for the women's athletic teams. Her hobbies include bowling, water skiing, tennis, movie photography, art, and music (good progressive jazz to classical).



Meet Jerry Adams, HM3, from Austin, Texas. Jerry is with the Pharmacy Department.

Prior to entering the service in December of '56, Jerry was graduated from Austin's McCallum High and attended the University of Texas' Pharmacist School for two years. He plans to return to the University upon release from active duty.

Jerry's hobbies include sports and women. That's Texas for you.

"Jim, Jim," whispered the woman hoarsely to her sleeping husband. "there's a burglar in the dressing room going through your pockets!"  
 "Oh," grumbled Jim sleepily. "wh, don't you two just fight it out between yourselves!"



## Scuttlebutt

**NOTICE ANYTHING SPECIAL ABOUT WEDNESDAY?** Any ghosts of golfers lurking around the hills and hollows? Not only was it the beginning of a new fiscal year and three days before the Fourth, it was the 17th birthday of Oak Knoll. On 1 July 1942, a commissioning ceremony was held in Gendreau Circle, and the Oak Knoll Golf and Country Club became the Navy's 48th hospital. Ask Bernie Garcia, head gardener, or Bill Gross, Public Works pipefitter, how the Knoll looked in those days. They were among the nine civilians who started work on the day of the commissioning. Others have retired or gone to other positions.

**“THAT SINK WAS ABSOLUTELY THE BEST PLACE** to get a good shot of the artificial kidney. I'd been standing on it for years!” said Stevenson, while orthopedic technicians put his ankle in a cast. Some think our dynamic staff photographer had gained weight. Others believe any kitchen sink might have reacted the same way eventually. Anyway, the fixture broke from its moorings and left Stevenson sprawling at the feet of Colonel Marks of the British Army, with a fractured ego as well as a sprained ankle.

**ENGAGED:** William Burger, HN, ward corpsman on 63A, slipped a diamond ring on the finger of Linda Bryan on 12 June, the night she graduated from Placer Union High School.

**LITTLE KNOWN FACTS ABOUT WELL KNOWN FOLK:** LTJG Harley Heaton and his attractive wife Delfina met at Oak Knoll in '53 when he was an X-ray technician and she was a Marine patient. Her accent indicates she's a native of El Salvador.

**WORTH A SECOND GLANCE:** Bernadine Beatty.

**LIFE BEGAN** on 17 June for Robert Stephens Rizza, 8 lb. 5 oz. son of LT Robert G. Rizza of Pediatrics and his wife Katherine . . . on 20 June for Glendene Rogers, 9 lb. 7 oz. son of William H. Rogers, Jr., HM2, EST School student, and his wife Hisako . . . on 22 June for Lizbeth Cherie Cordier, 6 lb. 15½ oz. daughter of LT Robert D. Cordier of the Surgical Service, and his wife Gloria . . . on 22 June for Nicholette Norine Cannard, 7 lb. 15 oz. daughter of LT Ralph J. Cannard, graduating intern, and his wife Shirley . . . on 22 June for Robert Edward Erwin, 7 lb. ½ oz. son of LTJG Richard E. Erwin, Assistant Personnel Officer, and his wife Cleo . . . on 25 June for Matthew John Hargan, 6 lb. 8½ oz. son of Richard E. Hargan, HM1, of the Lab, and his wife Ethel . . . on 27 June for Joel Stephen Brown, 8 lb. 2½ oz. son of LT Leo R. Brown of the Surgical Service, and his wife Isabelle . . . on 29 June for Brian Kevin Salisbury, 8 lb. 11 oz. son of LT Edward M. Salisbury of the Medical Service, and his wife Genevieve.

### Staff Party To Honor CAPT. Mrs. McNamara

Captain and Mrs. Philip J. McNamara will be honored guests at an Officers' Club reception Friday evening, 10 July, from 1900 to 2100. Captain McNamara is Oak Knoll's new Executive Officer.



**TWENTY THREE MEDICAL AND DENTAL INTERNS** made up the Class of 1949. They were, left to right, first row: Lieutenants Charles D. Lufkin, Bill D. Stout, who graduated early and is now at the Naval School of Aviation Medicine, Pensacola; Jesse T. Gentry (DC), Ronald E. Hillenbrand (DC), Ralph J. Cannard, William F. West. Second row: Benjamin L. Aaron, Arthur H. Holmboe, Robert C. Black, Donald M. Gragg, George F. Snell. Third row: George F. Martin, Jr., Ferris P. Thompson (DC), Henry L. Holderman, Juanedd Berry, Philip K. Swartz, John A. Ungersma. Fourth row: Thomas J. McGillis, Harrison D. Willcutts, David L. Estrich, Jess W. Bromley, James A. Larson, Herbert G. Hopwood, Jr.



**Richard E. Digrazia, HM3,** checked out on 23 June, taking with him a commendation for his outstanding services in the Agent Cashier's office, where his "ability to assist in the many complex operations of the department and to meet the public in a cheerful and businesslike manner, reflected a high standard of efficiency." Dick, whose home is just a few blocks from Oak Knoll, was a student at the University of San Francisco before entering the service in July 1957. He plans to resume his education in September — at St. Mary's College in nearby Moraga.

### All But Fireworks On 4 July Menu

Practically everything but fire-crackers will be on the 4 July menu at Oak Knoll tomorrow, according to latest word from Food Services Division.

Here's the noon menu: consomme magenta with saltines, mixed sweet pickles, assorted olives, and stuffed celery; grilled New York steak with mushroom sauce, lobster newburg on patty shell, French fried potatoes, fresh corn-on-the-cob, buttered peas, hot poppyseed rolls, butter, head lettuce with assorted dressings, apple pie, cheese slices, ice cream, dutch cookies, coffee, milk, tea, or punch, cigars, and cigarettes.

Humility is like underwear—essential, but indecent if it shows.

### Varied Careers Await 20 Doctors, 3 Dentists

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for will be a much better sailor than one who is concerned about their well being.

Admiral Hopwood flew here from his headquarters at Pearl Harbor to speak to the group, including his son, LT Herbert G. Hopwood, Jr., and incidentally, to meet his first grandson, Herbert G. Hopwood, III, born two weeks before the graduation exercises.

LT Jess W. Bromley responded for his class, praising the quality of the training provided at Oak Knoll and thanking parents and wives for the sacrifices they had made "to make this day possible."

RADM T. G. Hays, Commanding Officer and Acting District Medical Officer, presided at the graduation and introduced those seated on the stage—VADM M. E. Curts, Commander Western Sea Frontier; RADM G. L. Russell, Commandant, 12ND; RADM R. W. Taylor, District Dental Officer; CAPT G. M. Davis, Chief of Medicine and Chairman of Intern Training; CAPT A. S. Turville, Chairman of the Dental Intern program; and Chaplains P. C. Morton and Kevin J. Keaney, who delivered the invocation and benediction.

The Navy Electronic School Band provided the ruffles and flourishes.



**Kurt L. Kalleberg, HM3,** has received a commendation from the Commanding Officer for the quick action, good judgment, and effective use of artificial respiration that resulted in saving the life of a patient, while making rounds as MAA on the Neuropsychiatric Service. The patient was in a parked car, unconscious, apparently as a result of carbon monoxide poisoning. As a result of Kalleberg's prompt action in breaking open the car, sending for a doctor, and persistently using artificial respiration, the patient has now fully recovered from the effects of the carbon monoxide.

### CO's Commendation For Chief Metcalf

**Robert A. Metcalf, HMC,** will soon be heading out to sea aboard the USS PERKINS (DDR 877) after two years outstanding service as instructor on the staff of the EST School.

His departure was the occasion for a commendation in recognition of the chief's outstanding service in teaching military sanitation, parasitology, effective study, public speaking, and leadership. "Your conscientious and earnest efforts in organizing and presenting lectures on technical subjects have been of great benefit to the students and staff of the school," the commendation read in part.

Admiral Hays' letter included a reference to the many hours Chief Metcalf spent in coaching a "highly successful baseball team."

### Previews

- Tonight, 3 July  
I BURY THE LIVING—Richard Boone, Adult.
- Saturday, 4 July  
LEGEND OF THE LOST—Sophia Loren, John Wayne, Adult.
- Sunday, 5 July  
THE JOURNEY—Yul Brynner, Deborah Kerr, Family.
- Monday, 6 July  
FORT MASSACRE—Joel McCrea, Forrest Tucker, Family.
- Tuesday, 7 July  
MAD LITTLE ISLAND—Jeannie Carson, Donald Sinden, Family.
- Wednesday, 8 July  
LA PARISIENNE—Brigitte Bardot, Charles Bover, Adult.
- Thursday, 9 July  
ARTISTS & MODELS—Dean Martin, Jerry Lewis, Family.
- Friday, 10 July  
KING OF THE WILD STALLIONS—George Montgomery, Dianne Brewster. Also SPRINGTIME FOR CLOBBER, Family.
- Saturday, 11 July  
RUN SILENT, RUN DEEP—Clark Gable, Burt Lancaster, Family.

### Strikes and Spares

#### From Oak Knoll Bowl

By Red Tinnel

#### MEN'S HANDICAP LEAGUE

##### 10th Week

The Sweepers widened their lead over the second-place Spots by defeating them twice. Big Gun for the Sweepers was John Lalla with a 226-560 series. The third place Muster Inn moved up to within two games of the Spots by winning all three of their games from the Strikers by forfeit. Satch Sage rolled a 210-201-591 series for the Muster Inn. The Spooks are still using their old tricks and took three from the Ranks. Dr. Deen was high for the winners with a 174-489 series.

##### 11th Week

The Sweepers beat the Muster Inn twice to stop that team's drive for first, as Chaplain Ruud fired a league high series of 232-205-629 with John Erpenbach shooting a supporting series of 198-550. High for the Muster Inn was George Cartmell (212-586) and Satch Sage (219-574). The Spots, lead by Ed Cannell's 178-495, kept pace with the Sweepers by taking two from the Spooks who just couldn't get their magic to work. The Strikers won three from the Ranks by forfeit, with Davis firing a 184-516 series.

#### 480 SCRATCH TRIO LEAGUE

##### 9th Week

The Bombers, led by Joe McFadden's 183-553 series, held onto first place by defeating the Beggars twice. The Sandbaggers beat the 480's three times to climb within half a game of the league leaders. High for the Sandbaggers was John Lalla with a 192-550 series. The Sad Sacs forfeited three to the Taps, with George Cartmell firing a 194-537 series for the Taps.

##### 10th Week

The Sandbaggers climbed back into first place by winning three, while the Bombers were losing two. The Sandbaggers made the Sad Sacs their victims, with John Lalla (195-534) and Hal Hensle (200-514) leading the way. The Bombers lost two to the Taps, with Jack Wyatt leading the losing Bombers with a 217-519 series, while George Cartmell led the winning Taps with a 174-503. The Beggars won three games the easy way as the 480's again failed to show up. Len Royal fired a 172-489 series for the lucky Beggars.

#### MILITARY-CIVILIAN MIXED

##### 7th Week

The league-leading Taps took all three games from the Sports, with Dottie Effner leading the way with a 478 series. Hall was high man for the Sports with a 197-528 series, but this was not enough to tame the Taps. The M-T-M's stayed within striking distance of the league leaders by defeating the Five-Spares three times. Phil Meek rolled a nice 218-575 series to lead the winners. Dr. Wallace led the Niners to three victories over the Orphans, with an even 500 series.

##### 8th Week

The Taps continued their winning ways by downing the Five-Spares twice, with Dottie Effner again leading the way with a 172-489 series. The Orphans upset the M-T-M's twice with Paul Germolis' 217-540 series doing the big damage. Joe McFadden had a 181-517 series for the losing cause. The Niners continued



One of CAPT Philip J. McNamara's first duties after reporting as Executive Officer was to present the Intra-mural Softball Trophy to the Dental team—to keep. For the third year in a row, the "dentists" have defeated all challengers, including the "doctors," who offered their stiffest competition. Receiving the trophy is Coach Joe Contreras. Others on the team were, left to right, N. W. Fink, John Erpenbach, Jerry "Ox" Curry, G. L. Bush, Oran Sage, Tom Fowler, John Lalla, Don Rewalt, Red Tinnel, Jack Hirgenrader, and LT F. P. Thompson.

## 'Toppers Throw Monterey Softball Team For 7-2 Loss

Oak Knoll's Varsity Softball team, fresh from a 7-2 victory over the Navy Post-Graduate School, Monterey, played NSC, Oakland, here last night to add victory or defeat to the season's five won, one lost record.

The next home game will be played

on 9 July, when the Hilltoppers meet the flyboys from NAS, Alameda.

Three staffers share pitching duties—Oran Sage, George Hall, and Joe Hara. Don Rewalt does the catcher's chores, Russ Bates the shortstop's. Don Williams plays first base-

man, Mel Shivers, third. Infielders are Phil Meek, Tommy Thompson and Herm Perkins. Outfielders are Larry Preston, Mike Cipriano, Howard Johnson, Donald Johnson, Earl Hoffman, William Cabe, Cliff Wood and Leo Saenz.

## Miss Lorch Pitches Way to Three Wins For Knoll Women

With three wins, a tie, and a loss on the scoreboard, the Women's Softball team is off to a good start.

In the first league game of the season, Liz Lorch pitched a shut-out game against Treasure Island, while the Knoll girls scored fifteen (15) runs.

Not so, when the gals met the Ala-

ameda Hellkittens and came back hanging their heads in shame after a 9-1 clobbering. But they recovered their equilibrium and took the Moffett Fielders 5-1, with Lorch pitching a no-hit game.

The girls have had two practice games with the Fort Mason WACS, tying them (7-7) once and winning (9-7), with Dottie Effner hitting two home runs.

The local ladies played TI Wednesday, too late to make the OAK LEAF. Next Wednesday they travel to Alameda, hoping this time to tame the hard-hitting Hellkittens. They meet

Moffett there on 15 July. The last games in the league series will be played on the home diamond.

LT Lillian Peart is coaching the team, whose roster lists Effner, catcher; Lorch, pitcher; Mary Donahue at 1st base; Dottie Ryder, 2nd base; Kay Douglass, 3rd base; Wanda Dean, shortstop; Lois Martin, left field; Mary Smith, center field; Elaine Malaqui, right field. Second stringers are Marlene Magie, Beth Lee, Lee Eckdahl, Marlene Heikkila. Chief Jearlean Stark is property manager for the team, and Dee Demott goes along to keep score.

### Pay Schedule

Wednesday, 15 July—All officers, staff enlisted personnel.

Thursday, 16 July—Enlisted patient personnel.

their climb to the top by winning three from the Sports. Dr. Wallace was once again the instigator with a 173-501 series.

#### HITS AND MISSES

Congratulations to John Lalla and Satch Sage for joining the "250" Club. Lalla fired a beautiful 268 game which is the highest game that this writer has seen at Oak Knoll bowl since his tour of duty began here, and that dates back to 1955. The very next game after Lalla fired his big game, Satch Sage came up with a 257 to become the club's only two-time winner thus far.

## Jean Gerber Wins 12ND Swim Title

LTJG Jean Gerber took first in the 50-meter breast stroke and third in the 50-meter freestyle to become the Women's Division champion in the recent Twelfth Naval District Swimming Meet at Treasure Island on 24 and 25 June.

Oak Knoll had three other finalists in the meet. LTJG Nan Wright took third place in the 50-meter backstroke; James Gonzales, HM3, placed fourth in the 100-meter breast stroke; and Dale Sanders, HN, took fourth in the 50-meter backstroke.

Others participating were James R.

Dakan, HN, Donald H. Gabbert, HN, John F. Manning, HN, Roland F. Simmons, HN.

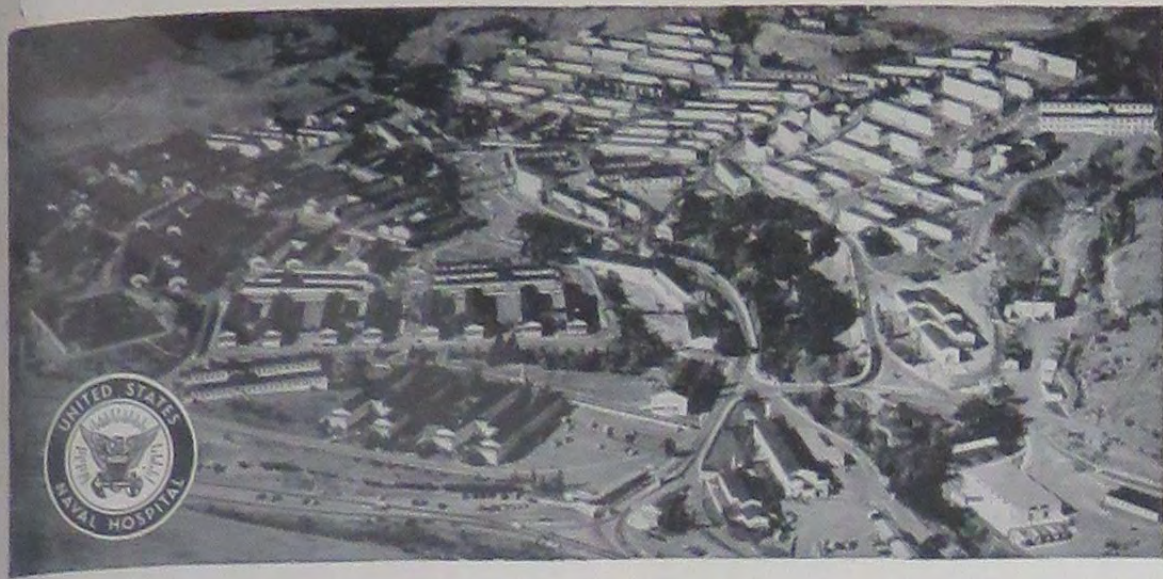
Participating were TI, Moffett, Alameda, the Coast Guard, and the Concord Marines.

The awards were presented by Sylvia Ruuska, internationally known teen-age swimming champion.

First Recruit: "What are you doing with your socks on wrong-side-out?"

Second Recruit: "My feet were so hot I decided to turn the hose on them."





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ON THE HOTTEST NIGHT IN OAK KNOLL HISTORY CAPT and Mrs. Phillip J. McNamara were honored at a party at the Officers' Club, where the mercury stood at 96 degrees at 1900 and people alternately nibbled potato chips and dips and blotted perspiration from their brows. Through it all the receiving line kept cool-looking and greeted more than two hundred guests. Receiving were LT John S. Murphy, Admiral Hays, the new Executive Officer and Mrs. McNamara, CDR Dorothy P. Monahan, and Mrs. Hays. Arriving when the photographer snapped this shot were the Bourdases and the Solaros. CDR L. E. Watters, recently appointed chairman of the Officers' Club Entertainment Committee, was in charge of arrangements for the party.

## Hospital WAVES Plan Seventeenth Anniversary Party—Buffet, Dance to be Held at CPO Club on 25 July

Navy WAVES will reach the age of seventeen on 30 July, and in honor of their birthday, Oak Knoll WAVES will celebrate with a buffet supper and dance at the Chief Petty Officers' Club on Saturday night, 25 July.

Supper will be served from 2000 to 2100, climaxed by the usual cake-cutting at which the senior and jun-

ior WAVE aboard will share honors. Music for dancing will be supplied by the popular Twelfth Naval District Band, which will play from 2100 to 0100.

Waves of blue and white streamers and balloons will decorate the club for the party.

Heading the planning committee for the anniversary party are Gerry

Bourne, HM3, chairman; Jearlean Stark, HMC, and Lois Martin, HN.

Other committee heads are Marlene Heikkila, HN, entertainment; Dorothy Williams, HN, invitations; Marty Foulk, HN, decorations; Juanita Value, Doris Campbell, and Bernadine Beatty, HN's, who will assist with decorations and direct the cleanup detail.

## EM'S May Apply Now For Science Program

Applications are now being accepted for the Navy Enlisted Scientific Education Program, which offers a full 4-year course in the sciences or engineering at 20 universities in the United States in return for four years of service to the Navy following graduation.

To be eligible one must not have reached the age of 25 by 1 July, 1960, and must be a high school graduate or GED equivalent. GCT/ARI test scores must be equal to 118. The applicant must be physically qualified and have no record of disciplinary action for the past two years of active naval service.

All who meet these requirements and are interested in a college education are urged to contact the I&E Office, Building 25, for further information.



CHAMP MERMAID of Oak Knoll and 12ND is LTJG Jean Gerber. She earned this trophy by taking first in two events in the Women's Division of the recent TI swimming meet.

## MAJ Stewart, USAF, Completes Year On Dental Service

MAJ Luie Dale Stewart, DC, USAF, has completed his first year of residency training in oral surgery and has been approved for a second year. He is one of the first two Air Force dentists accepted for training by the Navy.

Major Stewart, a graduate of Baylor University, served as an Air Force pilot during World War II. He returned to Baylor College of Dentistry, Dallas, completed work for his DDS in 1952 and was commissioned a lieutenant in the Air Force Dental Corps. He had postgraduate training in dentistry at the University of Maryland, Baltimore, Md. During the Korean War he was on duty at Osan and Seoul.

## Heroism Medal, SECNAV Citation For Knoll Patient

Heroism in time of war is expected, but even then only a few qualify for the Navy and Marine Corps Medal. To earn it in peacetime—as John E. Patterson has—is rare.

Patterson, a Boatswain's Mate, Second, was serving aboard the USS HOLLISTER (DD-788) last January. It was two days after New Year's. He was the petty officer in charge of the amidships capstan station when a target-sled wire tow cable came free of the capstan and started whipping through the amidships passageway. Patterson immediately pulled two shipmates clear of the cable and observed three other men who were still in the passageway and in extreme danger of being killed or injured by the free-running wire cable. Entering the passageway, he succeeded in helping two of the men to safety. While assisting a third, he caught his foot in a running bight of the wire cable. The resulting injury caused Patterson to lose his left leg below the knee.

Along with his medal, Patterson received the Secretary of the Navy's citation for "outstanding courage, quick initiative, and self-sacrificing efforts in behalf of his shipmates, thus upholding the finest traditions of the U. S. Naval Service."

Patterson was flown here from USNH, Guam, on 27 January and has since been fitted with an artificial leg. He will soon be retired from the Naval Service after 18 years' active duty. He and his wife, Michelle, plan to make Oakland their home, and he hopes to obtain a Civil Service position in this area.



He saved lives of five shipmates but lost his left leg.

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### FIRST IMPRESSIONS

You've heard the one about the new chaplain who reported for duty at his first station all spit and polish, and ready to go. He had recently had a haircut, his shoes had a real spit shine, and his new uniform was freshly cleaned and pressed. He was ready for his interview with the skipper and the XO. However, on his way to the Admiral's office he got lost, and so he thought he'd better ask the way. In a real brisk military voice he asked a chief where the office was. The chief answered the question and as the new LTJG turned away, the chief added, "You had better remove the laundry tag from your coat . . . sir."

First impressions, we are told, are often lasting impressions, and often if we "goof" they are hard to live down. However, we are always able to start afresh in our spiritual life. As the Lord told Peter, you must be willing to forgive your brother seventy times seven if he sin against you. So, we in our daily living can start afresh daily. We are renewed daily in our fight against sin, and the first impressions are not a mark against us. "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Thus we read in the scriptures, and thus it can be for each of us if we surrender our lives to the Lord.

My first impression of the Naval Hospital is one of grateful appreciation. If I can serve you, please let me know. The power of creation is promised us, for our every need.

LTJG JOHN A. PIIRTO, CHC, USN, Protestant Chaplain



LT and Mrs. Daniel Thomas Bridge leave the Oak Knoll Chapel through an arch of swords following their 3 July marriage at which LCDR J. L. Wissing, Catholic Chaplain, officiated. The bride is LT Josephine Daniel of the Oak Knoll nursing staff. Her husband has been commanding officer of the net tender, USS TEABURY, whose home port has been Treasure Island, but he has orders that will take him to Washington, D.C. Serving as maid of honor was the bride's friend, LT Joan Dill of the hospital staff. LT James Bridge came up from the Navy Post-Graduate School to serve his brother as best man, and his fellow officers from Treasure Island formed the arch of swords. CDR P. C. Morton, Senior Protestant Chaplain, gave the bride away. Following a reception at the Officers' Club, the couple honeymooned in the Northwest before returning to duty Monday.

## Read This—For Your Children's Sake

The chief cause of accidental death among children is the motor vehicle. Drive safely yourself, and teach traffic precautions to your children.

1. Drive on all city streets at moderate speed.
2. Watch carefully for children.
3. Keep brakes and tires in condition to stop quickly.
4. Park off the street if possible. A car parked at the curb may obscure the view of children and be the contributing cause of an accident.
5. Use the utmost care in backing and turning.
6. Instruct your children never to play in the street.
7. Explain to your children the need for looking both ways before starting across any street or car-track, and always to wait until the way is entirely clear before stepping off the curb.
8. Talk about traffic dangers in your home before the children; help them to become safety conscious.

## Red Cross Ramblings

### Red Cross Movies on Wards:

- 20-26 July TOM THUMB—Russ Tamblin, Alan Young.  
 STRANGER IN MY ARMS—June Allyson, Jeff Chandler.  
 27 July-2 August WESTBOUND—Randolph Scott, Virginia Mayo.  
 3-9 Aug. WATUSI—George Montgomery, Taina Elg.  
 THE MATING GAME—Debbie Reynolds, Tony Randall.

**Red Cross Lounge, Building 32:** Patients staying aboard for the week end, come on down to the Lounge. We are open Saturday morning and afternoon and Sunday afternoon. Bring your guests or come yourself and enjoy the recreation facilities.

**Ice Follies:** Tickets are available through San Francisco ARC Chapter for Tuesday and Thursday nights during July. See your recreation worker if you would like to go.

**Musicians' Union Band:** A commendation to the Musicians' Union for continuing to send out orchestras for Tuesday night dances in the lounge each month.

**Stamp Collectors:** Two members of the East Bay Stamp Collecting Club come every Monday eve to help you, whether you're a beginner or an experienced collector. See your recreation worker if you would like them to visit you.

**Crafts:** The Craft Shop is open every afternoon. Come in and enjoy making something for yourself or your friends at no cost. For those unable to leave the ward, Gray Ladies will bring craft materials to you. You can do leatherwork, Swedish weaving, copper tooling. Or you can make pyro cord belts and lanyards or felt toys for your children. Ask your Red Cross worker!

## Captain Fletcher Claims Bride in Chapel Rites

Of interest to their many friends throughout the Medical Corps was the marriage on 3 July of CAPT Richard H. Fletcher, MC, USN, and Mrs. Helen Louise Foster of Miami, Fla.

The ceremony took place in the Oak Knoll Chapel, with CDR Paul C. Morton officiating and Admiral and Mrs. Hays attending the couple.

Captain Fletcher, Commanding Officer at the Navy Dispensary at 50 Fell Street, San Francisco, and his bride are now at home at 750 Gonzales Drive, in the city by the Golden Gate.

Recruit waiting to see doctor: "May I go in first, please, I just swallowed a hand grenade."

## Know Your Staff



That's a small part of a huge X-ray therapy unit that Esther Raehal, HM2, is using to treat an abnormality on the arm of her patient.

Esther has been in the Navy nearly four years and at Oak Knoll since October '57. She trained at the University of Colorado Medical Center, Denver, and was working as an X-ray technician at a Greeley hospital when she decided to "join up." Since then she has had basic training and corps school at Bainbridge, Md., and duty at Mare Island and Oak Knoll.

In her spare time Esther reads everything in sight and walks here, there, and everywhere.



Bill Davis, HN, ward corpsman on 41A, wants to become an X-ray technician and will apply for training as soon as he's eligible.

Bill was graduated from Nevada Union High in Grass Valley, California, lettered in football and basketball, and reported to San Diego ten months ago for boot and corps school.

On liberty week ends he goes home to Grass Valley to hunt, fish, and visit his family and friends.



BEHIND THE (Chow) LINES at the Food Service Division: (1) Johnnie Medlock and Preston Hampton "eye" (or de-eye) and slice potatoes after they are machine-peeled. (2) Food is cold comfort for Larry Kubik—when it's in the freeze-room. (3) Whether steaks are thick or thin depends on John Penn, Joseph Romano, Ralph Williams, and Lawrence Barrick. (4) LT Harry C. Gibbons, Chief, Food Service Division, is responsible for the entire operation. (5) Dennis Bushman (in the distance) check chow passes in the enlisted mess hall, while Daniel McCloud and other attendants serve the customers. (6) Dave Morrow slides a delectable dish into the O'Club oven. (7) Mealtime at the Sick Officers' Mess Hall. (Well ones eat here, too.)

## Here's Inside Story on How Food Service Caters to "Inner Man"

**Hungry?** The Food Service Division furnishes approximately 3500 meals a day at an estimated cost of 1,100 dollars, in order to keep you from giving an affirmative answer to that question.

Headed by LT H. C. Gibbons, Jr., the Food Service Division is one of the largest in the hospital, with its million dollar a year operation going twenty-four hours a day.

Food Service not only feeds, all staff and patient personnel, but also services the Officers' Club, Chiefs' Open Mess, EM Club and supplies food for ward picnics and other activities.

On walking through FS on any normal working day—if such a thing exists—you would no doubt see Chief Bernie Barbo and Lionel Porter, HMI, busy with any of the numerous reports and requisitions that are needed daily for FS to maintain its smooth-running operation. You would also find secretary Marie Fulton making out the time card for the 132 civilians FS employs, and Chief Quarterman Jess Freudenthal making out the working sheet the cooks follow to serve three meals per day. Across from Mr. Freudenthal sits Asst. Chief Quarterman Ernie Sivertson, going over the daily menu and figuring the ration costs. After browsing around this activity, you might walk down the passageway and step into the cartroom where you would find Louis Barrier, HM2, busily checking ward nourishment requests. Of course, if you should step into the cartroom and find no Louis,

don't panic—once in awhile, say every three or four days, he takes a coffee break. In the diet kitchen CDR Mary E. Crenshaw is slaving away, seeing that the many diets that go to the various wards are properly made.

If you happen to eat at the Officers' Mess (sick officers—and there are a few you know—and civil service humans congregate here), you would probably see the smiling face of J. Isriel, HM3, or Jack Rogers, HM3 (the *Oak Leaf's* cartoonist), with outstretched hands, eagerly receiving your meal tickets, which you



If you're on a special diet, CDR M. E. Crenshaw knows all about you. She supervises the Special Diet Kitchen.

undoubtedly purchased from Dennis Bushman, HN, or J. T. Smith, HN. Maybe, if you are an officer, you would prefer to eat at the Officers' Club. You know—get away from it all for awhile? There you would find HN's K. D. Bradley or S. T. Troutman happily selling you a ticket for your meal. If you are unfortunate enough to be on night duty at the time of this publication, then Duane Winfrey, HN, will be unhappily (?) checking your chow pass.

And there you have them: a few of the people who serve your more basic needs.

Have you ever wondered how FS figures out how many people are going to eat in the mess halls on any given day? Well, they don't. Instead, they can only predict and hope for the best. But their predictions are usually accurate, and these are some of the things they use to base their predictions on: the weather, the proximity to pay day, and whether the day is a holiday or not. Of course, the number of personnel eating is not all they predict. They also try to predict what you like to eat best by keeping track of the selections you make. These predictions have to be accurate in order to save having leftovers. FS finds that patients and new, young, staff personnel go heavy on casserole dishes, while the older salts with more time in, go for the solid cuts. Officer personnel seem to favor fish and solid cuts. Always in the winner's circle in popularity are spaghetti, hamburgers and hot dogs. Sophisticated bunch, aren't we?

Well, that's it for now—chow time, you know.

Editor's Note: The *Oak Leaf* thanks FS's Larry Kubik, HN, for time spent in helping gather material for this article.



Vernon Bell is an expert at dishwashing (when he's not serving as an assistant baker.)

Foreman (to applicant of slight physique): "Do you think you are fit for really hard labor?"

Applicant: "Well, some of the best judges in the country thought so."

Tourist: "What does 'Fontaine-bleau' mean in French?"

Cab driver: "Bring money!"

# Scuttlebutt

It's ANOTHER GIRL for CDR John L. Young and wife Roberta. Lisa, who tipped the scales at 9 lb. 1 oz., when she arrived on 13 July, has four sisters to welcome her aboard—Diana 19, Kathy 13, Marian 5, and Jennifer 3. . . . Another newcomer is Lynne Marie Choquette, 8 lb. 5½ oz. daughter for LTJG Armand J. Choquette, Jr., new intern, and his wife Catherine. Lynne arrived on 5 July, has a 15-month-old brother Steven.

CONGRATULATIONS to LT's Samuel W. Singleton and Don L. McCord. Both doctors have been promoted to LCDR rank . . . to ENS Beverly Norcutt of the Nurse Corps, who is now a LTJG.

ENGAGEMENT NOTE: Ron Roland, HM3, of Central Supply and Jodi Hawkins, HN, who was on duty at Oak Knoll until her transfer to 50 Fell Street, are making plans for the future and joyfully showing friends her new diamond ring.

Little-Known Facts ABOUT WELL-KNOWN FOLK: Efren Reyes, HM3, lab student, is a graduate of Northern Bataan Institute, Bataan, P.I., and the University of Santo Tomas, Manila, where he received his Associate in Arts (Pre-Med) Degree before joining the Navy . . . LT Gibbons of Food Service is writing a novel about life in the Navy, has published several short stories, and has "a liberal collection of rejection slips." . . . Madeline Martin and Eileen Ritter of Disbursing and Dorothy Thompson of PubInfo, so far as anyone knows, are the only former WAVES on the civilian staff. Madeline was a YN1, when she mustered out in Washington DC after nearly four years in the service. Eileen, as a SKD1, spent three years at such places as the Notre Dame V12 Midshipman's School and NAS Corpus Christi. Dorothy was a PhM3 when she changed from service to civilian status after 14 months in the Public Information Office at Oak Knoll. They're all invited to the WAVE birthday party on 25 July.

WORTH A SECOND GLANCE: Marty Foulk's birthday bracelet and earrings . . . Dottie Williams . . .

RANDOM NOTES: LTJG Marie Patricia Statkiewics has changed her name to Mrs. Holt . . . LTJG Doris Ann Bond has changed hers to Mrs. Riese . . . Some cruel thief lifted the thermometer from the front of the AD Building, and the ladies within couldn't tell how much to suffer in the heat of last week . . . Chaplain Ruud and his family are vacationing in Yosemite—a last fling before he reports for his new assignment with MSTs, Pacific . . . Chaplain John Piirto has reported as relief for Chaplain Cox, who has gone to Landing Ship Sq. 11 . . . LT Donald R. Kelley is back from USNPG School, Monterey, to his old job as Officer of the Day, as CHMEDSRWT Thorne leaves the OOD's desk to go back to familiar ground at Hunters point.

Coed: "What would you say if I told you I didn't believe in kissing?" Fraternity Man: "Goodbye."

Pat Buttram, star of CBS Radio, observes: "America . . . It's a land where even the lowliest street cleaner can become a college professor if he's willing to make the financial sacrifice."



NEW JACKETS earned during the baseball season when they tied Coast Guard for first in the B League were recently presented to Ed Wojewski, Jack Morris, Herm Perkins, Lloyd LaSerre, Syl Frison, Russ Bates, Larry Preston, John Manning, and Chief Moffett. Jacket wearers not present for the picture: Jim Cluckey, Earl Hoffman, Don Williams, Mel Shivers, Ron Begley, Ron Perkins, Leon Jorden.

## Players Wanted As Varsity Grid Workouts Begin

Varsity football workouts began Monday with three veteran players and seven newcomers turning out.

Returning from last year's squad is Jim Wojewski, who played two years with the University of Detroit and two with the Dearborn All Stars and has played the last two seasons at Oak Knoll—last year as offensive center.

Another veteran of the Oak Knoll grid squad is J. C. Overton, who played halfback last year. Jerome began his football career at Rockhurst High in Kansas City, Mo., and played for Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kan., for two years before he joined the Navy.

And then there's hefty Russ Bates, who played for Pacific Grove High School and Pearl Harbor Naval Base before coming to the Knoll. He played offensive end for Oak Knoll last year.

Newcomers out thus far are Ron Perkins, Mel Shivers, John Manning, Ted Braun, R. E. Benjamin, John Froff, Don Rewalt, Mike Gnekow, and Floyd Smith.

The call is still out, and all men interested are asked to call Chief Moffett or Russ Bates at Special Services (Ext. 593) to get their names on the roster.

"Now's the time to get in shape if you expect to play—don't wait until it's too late," was Chief Moffett's warning to prospective gridgers.

A tall thin teen-ager had been sent to the principal's office for fighting. Asked why she was always getting into fights, she said, "As long as they call me 'Turnpike,' I'll fight."

"But why do they call you that?" exclaimed the principal.

"Not a curve in sight," said the girl sadly. —Hilltopper

**SOFTBALL**  
Here Tuesday, 1700  
Oak Knoll vs. NAS, Oakland

### Previews

Tonight, 17 July  
A NIGHT TO REMEMBER—Kenneth Moore. Family.

Saturday, 18 July  
BEAU JAMES—Bob Hope, Alexis Smith. Adult.

Sunday, 19 July  
THE BLACK ORCHID—Sophia Loren, Anthony Quinn. Family (It says here)

Monday, 20 July  
DAY OF THE BAD MAN—Fred MacMurray, Joan Weldon. Adult.

Tuesday, 21 July  
TEMPEST—Van Heflin, Silvano Mangano. Adult.

Wednesday, 22 July  
VERTIGO—Kim Novak, James Stewart. Adult.

Thursday, 23 July  
PARDNERS — Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis. Family.

Friday, 24 July  
UP PERISCOPE—James Garner. Family.

Saturday, 25 July  
THE TRAP—Lee Cobb, Richard Widmark, Tina Louise. Adult.

## Gerber, Eusebio Place in 12ND Tennis Finals

A second place in the singles for Jean Gerber, a second in the doubles for Miss Gerber and Ethel Eusebio, and a sprained ankle for Gerry Bourne that caused her and Beth Lee to forfeit their doubles match just about tells the story of Oak Knoll's participation in the 12ND Tennis Tournament at the Navy Post-Graduate School, Monterey, last Thursday and Friday.

But, regardless of minor defeats and misfortunes, Oak Knoll qualified for the Commandant's Class B trophy, which is awarded on the basis of total points earned by the command during tournament play.

Jean Harrington of NAS, Oakland habitual winner, again walked off with the singles honors, and teamed with Monterey's (once Oak Knoll's) Gretchen Hill, won the doubles.

The four women who represented Oak Knoll qualified in the 2 July eliminations held on the Oak Knoll courts.

Participating in intramural play that began late in May were LT's Milton Orkin and Adam McNitzky, and Bob Bohanan (Men's Singles); Mrs. J. C. Kramer, Beth Lee, and Miss Gerber (Women's Singles); and Dr. McNitzky and Miss Eusebio, Miss Gerber and Dick Davis (Mixed Doubles).

Wife: "I want to do some shopping tomorrow if the weather's good. What does the paper say?"

Husband: "Rain, hail, sleet, snow, thunder, lightning and fierce winds."

### Pay Schedule

Thursday, 30 July—Patients.  
Friday, 31 July—Staff.  
Monday, 17 August—Staff.  
Tuesday, 18 August—Patients.





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**HAPPY HAZING:** Boot Chiefs Cox and Clayton (wearing sign) seem as happy about their initiation as Chiefs Booth, Runyan, and Griffin, who helped administer the traditional "punishment," which included eating from a trough at the CPO Club celebration.

## FLASH! "Stars of Tomorrow"

—a famous Hollywood Musical Revue will bring songs, dance, comedy to the Oak Knoll Stage Tuesday, 11 August at 1330.

The company includes television, radio, screen, and recording discoveries.

## CAPT Riggs Selected For Rear Admiral

CAPT Cecil D. Riggs, EENT Chief at Oak Knoll from '53 to '55, was one of three captains named for promotion to rear admiral by the recent selection board that met in Washington. Others selected for flag rank are Captains Cecil L. Andrews, CO of USNH, St. Albans, and J. L. Holland, medical officer on the staff of ComAirPac. Captain Riggs is currently on duty as CO at USNH, Chelsea, Mass.

## Admiral Bradley CO Of NNM, Bethesda

RADM Bruce E. Bradley, who left Oak Knoll in January 1955 to serve as Deputy Surgeon General, recently assumed his new duties as CO of the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md. His relief at the Bureau is RADM Edward C. Kenney, former Assistant Chief of BuMed for Professional and Personnel Operations.

## Clayton And Cox Promoted to CPO

Two Oak Knoll HMI's have moved up to HMC as the result of their success in the service-wide competitive examinations of last February.

They are Keith S. Clayton of Staff Personnel and William E. Cox, a student at the EST School. They were sworn in by CAPT Philip J. McNamara, Executive Officer, on 16 July.

Chief Clayton's promotion comes after 21 years' service in many parts of the world. He has had tours of duty aboard the battleships USS CALIFORNIA and PENNSYLVANIA, the tug, USS PINOLA, and the transport USS NOBLE. He has served in Cuba, Bermuda, Guam, and Japan, and stateside assignments have taken him to Pensacola, Washington, D. C., and San Diego. He and his wife, Irene, have four children—Danny 12, David 8, Steven 3, and Judith 2.

Chief Cox has been in the Navy for 13 years and three months. From 1952 to 1955 he had duty in Germany with the Rhine River Patrol. He has served at various Navy dispensaries and just before reporting to Oak Knoll early this month was aboard the USS VALLEY FORGE. Helping him celebrate his promotion are his wife, Mary, and three children—Michael 9, Steven 5, and Dara Lynn 4.

The chiefs will receive pay raises of approximately \$60 a month.

## 12ND Talent Show Auditions Slated For 10 August

It's coming again—the 12ND Talent Contest!

Applications must be completed at Special Services no later than 7 August, and local auditions will be held in the auditorium on Monday, 10 August, at 1400. Semifinal eliminations will be held at 1330, 26 August and finals at 2000, 27 August, in the Main Theater, San Francisco Naval Shipyard.

Competitions will be conducted in the following categories: Instrumental—solo or group; Vocal—solo or group other than barbershop quartet; Barbershop Quartet; Drama—monologue, pantomime, etc.; Variety—dancing, comedy, impersonations, etc.

Participants may appear in any attire desired for their particular act. Individuals or groups will also be responsible for providing their own instruments and equipment except for piano.

Suitable awards will be presented to winners and runners-up in each type of competition.

LT Gerald Crary (then on the NP Service staff) and his ukulele placed first in the finals held on the Oak Knoll stage last year, and a patient, Richard P. McDonald, ACT3, came in third with his vocal number.



LT Frank S. Blumenthal, MC, USNR, checked out last week after two years' active duty, taking with him a letter of appreciation for his services to Oak Knoll. "Although you were frequently removed from your selected field of physiotherapy, you accepted willingly a number of important temporary assignments, discharging them in an exemplary manner. . . . Because of your tractability, loyalty, and devotion to duty, this command feels fortunate to have benefited from your services," the letter read in part. Dr. Blumenthal, who received both his BA and MD from the University of Michigan, will remain in this area for the coming year for residency training in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at U.C. Medical School, San Francisco.

## Hensle, Harris & Hassey on List For Ensign

From reliable sources comes the word that two present and one former staffer are on the list for promotion to the rank of ensign in the Medical Service Corps.

They are Harold R. Hensle of Pharmacy, George S. Harris of StaffPers, and Jasper Hassey, who made W-1 just before his recent transfer to Camp Pendleton.



A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL who attended the WAVES' Seventeenth Anniversary at the CPO Club Saturday night. Here, gathered 'round for the cake-cutting, are Frank Middleton, Elaine Malaqui, Arlene Petchnick, Chuck Fiene, Jearleen Stark, Carmen Rodriguez, CDR Lila Suiter, Bernadine Beatty, Cecelia Angel, Gary Stratton, Bernard Mullin, Jessie Starkey, and George Kohler.

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## ++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++

As we were cruising along the Formosa Straits one day last Fall on patrol, the Fleet Commander suddenly ordered our ship's captain to fire a 5-inch round as quickly as possible, just for drill. In a satisfactorily brief time, the sound was heard of the shell going off, and the admiral called the captain in to congratulate him. A few minutes later, however, the poor captain was again called in, this time to be "chewed out" by the admiral who had then been apprised of the following fact: The gun crew, in their haste to get the round off, neglected customary precautions, and the blast shattered three small boats—one of them the "admiral's barge"—that were carried on the fantail. The gunnery officer, whose name we shall call Jones, was from thence known as Commander "Away All Boats" Jones.

In the same manner, we often fire off an angry round from our lips without taking satisfactory safety precautions. The care of the sick and the infirm is often conducive to irritability and a sharpened temper, and before we think, someone gets a "blast" from our tongue, tempers are ignited, and dispositions are ruined. Certainly in the medical profession at least, a sense of charity should prevail; a sense of gentility and consideration that soothes not only the wounds of the body, but those of the mind and spirit as well—a safety precaution exercised before any shots are fired from angry lips.

LCDR K. J. KEANEY, CHC, USN, Catholic Chaplain

## From the Chief of Naval Operations

— Reaffirming Our Beliefs in Right Over Wrong —

Our constant struggle against Communism, where propaganda and psychological pressure are as great a danger as the threat of armed aggression, causes us to continually reaffirm our beliefs in the power of right over wrong—of justice over injustice—and of truth over falsehood.

Free men are ever being assailed by Communist advocates whose ground rules include treachery, deceit, and violence. The Red masters are dedicated to their task. We can counter with an equally dedicated conviction of the power of moral principles and ethical values by which we can offset the influences created by Sino-Soviet tactics. We must be willing to stand up for our principles. We must be willing to work hard to seize every opportunity to be outspoken advocates of our own way of life.

The free world must contend with Communist-created tensions for years to come. We have a responsibility to all humanity to support the principles that are basic to our thinking—among them: freedom of choice, service to country, and service to others. These fundamental considerations include the concepts by which we in the Navy are guided. These are basic to the tenets of seapower—the inherent advantages that such seapower offers to the free world.

Our ability to maintain freedom of the seas made it possible to do what had to be done in the Middle East and in the Taiwan Straits. Our actions there last year were clearly based on our beliefs in personal liberty and the right of self-determination. We still believe in those principles and we will not abandon them.

It is indeed the mission of the United States to strengthen and extend the concepts of human freedom, to enhance the dignity of the individual, and to be the champion of moral responsibility within the world family of nations. The Navy will continue to meet its obligations in carrying out this mission.

ARLEIGH BURKE

## Divine Services

### PROTESTANT

SUNDAY WORSHIP—1030  
 Communion 1030 on First Sunday  
 of Each Month  
 Bible Study, Tuesdays, 1215-1245,  
 Bldg. 133  
 Main Chapel, Tuesday

NAVY RELIEF OFFICE  
 IN 67A

Bus to and from Chapel on Sundays  
 1015

### CATHOLIC

SUNDAY MASSES  
 0600, 0830  
 DAILY MASS and ROSARY at 1145  
 Confessions before Mass  
 Any other time upon request  
 Catholic Oratory in Back of Chapel  
 Choir Practice 1930, Main Chapel  
 Wednesday

### JEWISH SERVICES

Thursday 1200  
 Small Chapel, 2nd Deck, Bldg. 133

## Know Your Staff



Frank G. Pemberton, HN, a native Californian, came into the Navy right out of Paso Robles Union High School, where he earned a diploma and a letter for each of the four years he played tackle on the football team.

In the Navy a year and ten months, he has become much interested in all things medical, including the audiometer on which he runs hearing tests in EENT. He hopes, after serving his three-year hitch, to attend a medical school somewhere in the East.

Pemberton's plans for the future also include marriage in September to his high school sweetheart, Judy Gates.

Off duty, with Judy (preferably) or without, he likes to hunt, fish, and water ski.



LTJG Nan Wright, MSC of OT, doesn't look very salty, but she comes from a family with a sea-going history of more than 200 years.

Her maternal grandfather, appropriately named CAPT William Seaman of the Navy Medical Corps, who died on active duty around 1920, was the first in the USN. Earlier sailing family members served with Great Britain's Royal Navy.

Miss Wright's father is RADM Richard H. Phillips, Deputy Chief of Staff (Intelligence) on the staff of CINCNELM. Her stepfather, CAPT Hal James Wright, recently surveyed from the inactive reserve, lives in Caracas, Venezuela. One uncle is retired CAPT Joseph W. Long, Shelburne Falls, Mass.; another is RADM Clifford H. Duerfeldt, Chief of Staff and Deputy CINC, Naval Forces, Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean, in London. Admiral Duerfeldt's son has just finished a tour of active duty and is now taking graduate work in college.

The occupational therapist uses her grandfather's original gold but-

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## Scuttlebutt

**NEWLYWEDS:** Judy Wilcox, HN, and Colonel Surratt, HM3, exchanged vows Sunday at Church of Annunciation, Stockton. Dottie Williams served as a bridesmaid, Les Lowry as best man, and Donald Burklee as an usher, and among the guests were LTJG J. A. Koicuba of the Nurse Corps, Jerry Kopp, Jessie Starkey, and Lois Martin Douglas Sperry, Tom Connally, and Jerry Adams. The well-known couple will return to their duties at Dependent Service and Pharmacy after a honeymoon in the Lake Tahoe Area... Mary Ann Slavin of the Collection Agent's Office, and Oscar Lowe, HM2, of 63B slipped away to Las Vegas and were married on Saturday, 18 July.

**NOMINATION FOR MOST LYRICAL NAME:** Nereo Lirios, HM2.

**LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS**

**Well-Known Folks:** Chief Skinner's son, Albert is a handsome young ensign aboard the USS BREMERTON, arriving there via NROTC at UC, where he was a top student... Elaine Bromley, attractive wife of LT Jess Bromley was once secretary to Dr. Peter Lindstrom... Peggy Striplin of Steno Pool spent 9 years in the WAVES, leaving home in Montana for places such as Baltimore, Md., Hunter College, NYC, Oakland; TI RecSta, & Hawaii, where she served as an SK1/C... Betty Darriman as a WAVE RM3/C, spent two years on duty at Whidbey Island, Wash., Miami University, Oxford, O., and Skaggs Island.

**SCENES FROM THE PASSAGEWAY PARADE:** LT Mary J. Wather of the Nurse Corps sewing on her LCDR stripes... Chaplain Piirto working out on the football field... Evan Wolfe's chest swelling as he gives out progress reports on his young son, Christopher... the lonely looking lower dentures on the table at the bank—will no one ever claim them?... Jim Meisel telling friends of his approaching fatherhood... Stella Bush showing friends the wedding pictures—her son Garrett Bush III was married in the USCG Memorial Chapel, New London, Conn. on 4 June immediately after his graduation from the academy... Jack Millner packing his seabag for a trip to Guam, Philip Magnuson for Yokosuka, and Charles Loftus for San Diego and wondering how the Urology Clinic will get along without them... LT Gibbons sporting a fine sunburn from watching the SF Giants...

**OAKNOLLUMNI:** Dr. John Q. Owsley, III, and wife Leslie of San Francisco are parents of a baby son born 23 June. He has been named John Q. IV, and will be known as "Jake." His father is now in residency training in plastic surgery at U. C. Hospital.

**LIFE BEGAN** on 21 July for Linda Louise Ball, 9 lb. 6½ oz. daughter for LT Ernest A. Ball, optometrist, and wife Annette... on 23 July for Linda Ann McCree, 7 lb. 1 oz. daughter of LT Douglas G. McCree of NP Service and wife Mary Elizabeth... on 24 July for Michael Mark, 7 lb. 12 oz. daughter of LT Marco Labudovich, OB-GYN resident, and wife Adella.

**Freshman:** "Could you give me a kiss?"

**Coed:** "I could, but I don't think it would be quite right."

**Freshman:** "Do your best. I'm not a perfectionist."





FIFTEEN NEW LAB GRADS received their diplomas on 17 July, with Wendel Brown, at left, front row, earning top honors. His classmates, standing, are Donald Johnson, Efrin Reyes, Oliver Johnson, Henry Tantalo, Paul McClure, George Hall, David Pearson, Vernon McIvor, Douglas Dicks, Kenneth Nelson, Norman Woehrman, Donald Russell, Nereo Lirios, and Norman Prichard. With the honorman in the front row are LCDR R. C. Hastedt, Clinical Pathologist; CAPT Philip J. McNamara, Executive Officer; CDR Lila E. Suiter, Laboratory Officer, and Jack Messinger, HMI, Lab. MAA.



Bernard F. Mullin, HN, has received the Commanding Officer's Commendation for outstanding performance of duty in Proctology Clinic during the past fifteen months. "On many occasions you have given your own time in order to complete the numerous details involved in caring for both military and dependent patients. Your superior officers have received many favorable comments from their patients, indicating that your efficiency, friendliness, and courtesy to all, regardless of rate or rank, have been a valuable asset to the clinic," the CO's letter read in part.

### Berkeley Wives Seeking Toys For Nursery

Berkeley Navy Wives' Club No. 16 is seeking toys and monetary contributions for the tot's nursery on 77A, which they sponsor as a service to mothers needing a safe place to "stow" their children while they see a doctor. Gifts may be turned in at the nursery, or Mrs. Rua Meddles (Thornwall 8-3682) will arrange to pick them up. The club is holding the second of two cake sales in the Navy Exchange Lobby today to raise funds for draperies, fencing for an outdoor playground, etc. At their first sale two weeks ago, they netted approximately \$28.

He: "My girl is a twin."  
 Him: "How do you tell them apart?"  
 He: "Her brother walks differently."

### Dr. Canty Lecturing At Copenhagen Meet

CAPT Thomas J. Canty, Chief of the Amputee Service and PRL Director, is on the faculty for the second international course in prosthetics, which opened yesterday at the University of Copenhagen, Denmark.

The ten-day course, sponsored by the International Society for the Welfare of Cripples, is being attended by approximately 80 doctors, therapists, and prosthetic technicians from 25 countries.

### Hospital Staff Gives \$1168 To Navy Relief

Oak Knoll gave \$1168.53 to Navy Relief in the recent drive, according to word from East San Francisco Bay Auxiliary headquarters at NAS, Alameda.

"This indicates a generous improvement over last year, when hospital personnel gave \$616.38, and we are very pleased with the response," CAPT H. R. Superko, chairman of the drive, said.

### The Daffyestnitions—Unless Y'all're From the Saowth

According to the NAD, Hawthorne, Nev., ROCKET, the following definitions were extracted from the Charleston, South Carolina, dictionary:

- ABODE—Wooden plank.
- A BOOT—Approximately.
- BALKS—A container for matches and the like.
- BONE—Blessed event, i. e., "I was bone a Charlestonian."
- FAINTS—A barricade of wood or bricks.
- FUSTRATE—Top ranking.
- HAIL—The place for some damyankees and other evil spirits.
- HELL—An elevation lower than a mountain.
- LAYMAN—A fruit from which bymarade is made.
- MINE EYES—Salad dressing.
- POET—To transfer a liquid, i. e., "Poet into the grass."
- SANE—Speaking, i. e., "I can hardly hear what he's sane."
- SEX—One less than seven, two less than eh-et.
- TARRED—Weary.
- WRETCHED—The long name for the nickname "Dick."



ANOTHER CLASS OF OPERATING ROOM TECHS graduated Friday after six months of rigorous training. In the group were, left to right: Honorman Dan M. Sanford, Robert W. Beers, Jerry L. Price, Loren F. Jay, Steven D. Toy, Wayne G. Boomer, and Earl G. Lunsford, all HN's. With them is LCDR Phyllis McAlpin, instructor. Albert G. Van Houten was unable to be present for the picture.



Jerome D. Ulman and Willard G. Caudell, HM3's, have completed their six-months' training in the Urology Clinic and are now full-fledged technicians, as their diplomas testify. CAPT Mark S. Curtis escorted them to the Exec's office, where CAPT Philip J. McNamara made the presentation on 17 July.

### Shirley Lives It Up —150 Feet Down

Until 10 July Shirley Bradford, HM3, hadn't really lived—under water, that is. On that day, on leave in San Diego, she descended into the briny on the USS ASPRO (SS 309) for a 4½-hour trip to the submarine training area. The only WAVE aboard, she took her turn at the helm, sighted ships, planes, and birds through the periscope, and dined on lobster tails at 150 feet below.

"It was fabulous!" said Shirley displaying the honorary submariner's card she received from the ASPRO'S commanding officer "in consequence of her dunking and initiation into the mysteries of the deep."

Not that submarines themselves are anything new to Shirley. She had already been aboard 32, including some of the Navy's most famous.

### 59.8 per cent of Knoll's Civilians Buying Bonds

Oak Knoll civilians rank second in payroll saving among BuMed-managed activities with 500 to 1,000 civilian employees, according to latest reports from Savings Bond headquarters in Washington. USNH, Portsmouth, Va., leads with 549 or 91.7 per cent of its 599 employees saving the easy way. Oak Knoll has 359 or 59.8 bond buyers among its 600 employees. USNH, San Diego, and NavMedCen, Bethesda, are third and fourth.

### More About Miss Wright

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 tons (to say nothing of his ivory-handled clothes brush) on her dress blues!

Miss Wright was the last person to get into the Navy's OT internship program, which closed 1 July, '57, and as part of her work at Mills College she came regularly to Oak Knoll to observe in the department where she has been on duty since June '58.



Pretty Barbara Jean McFadden, 13-year-old daughter of Joe McFadden of ALD, prepares to follow in her dad's footsteps as she gets a lesson from Champion Bowler John Gunther, during his recent visit to the local alleys. Gunther came as a representative of the American Bowling Congress.

### Chief "Cal" Calhoon Beats Pros To Medal

Chief "Cal" Calhoon beat two top pros to win a medal in the recent national golf day.

Playing at nearby Chabot golf course, the civil readjustment expert talked "them" out of a 30 handicap. Whereas, CDR F. W. Swain, LT S. W. Brown, Chief Cannell, and Jack Sidwell, HN, couldn't talk fast enough to get that kind of handicap and so were unable to bring home medals. (That's their story.)

Other news from the Oak Knoll golf club is that LT Alan Miller, CDR Swain, and LCDR J. W. Stephens represented the hospital at the 12ND tournament at Sharp Park last week.

Jack: "My girl laughed at me because I couldn't tear the telephone book in two, so I decided to do something about it. Now I can tear the phone book apart with ease."

Chuck: "What did you do, exercise?"

Jack: "No, I moved to a smaller town."

### Previews

Tonight, 31 July  
THE SOUND AND THE FURY — Yul Brynner, Joanne Woodward. Adult.

Saturday, 1 August  
MY MAN GODFREY — June Allyson, David Niven. Family.

Sunday, 2 August  
MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT — Kim Novak, Fredric March. Adult.

Monday, 3 August  
WIND ACROSS THE EVERGLADES — Burl Ives, Christopher Plummer. Adult.

Tuesday, 4 August  
THE SHAGGY DOG — Fred MacMurray, Tommy Kirk. Family.

Wednesday, 5 August  
RELUCTANT DEBUTANTE — Kay Kendall, Rex Harrison. Family.

Thursday, 6 August  
HOLLYWOOD OR BUST — Dean Martin, Jerry Lewis. Family.

Friday, 7 August  
FROM HERE TO ETERNITY — Frank Sinatra, Donna Reed, Burt Lancaster. Adult.

Saturday, 8 August  
BELL, BOOK & CANDLE — Kim Novak, James Stewart. Adult.

### Pay Schedule

Friday, 31 July — Staff.  
Monday, 17 August — Staff.  
Tuesday, 18 August — Patients.

### Calling All Football Players!

Any and all men interested in playing Varsity Football are asked to call Coach Moffett at Special Services immediately. Twenty have signed up for the squad, and workouts are every afternoon at 1630 on the local turf, but positions on the team are still wide open, according to Coach Moffett, firm believer in the necessity of getting in shape before the season opens.

### Softball Team Stymied By Player Shortage, Has Won 7, Lost 7

Oak Knoll's softball team has had more than its share of hard luck in recent weeks, their season record sinking to a new low of seven wins and seven losses.

Still smarting from their 23 July 5-3 defeat at the hands of NAF, Monterey, they played Moffett Field here Tuesday and suffered a smashing 15-3 defeat.

"We were sunk from the beginning," said Chief Moffett. "Only five regulars were able to get off their work to play, and we filled in with football players who were practicing nearby.

"We still hope to make a comeback, and it will help a lot if there are some rooters in the bleachers when we meet TI here on 6 August."

### Rod & Gunners Active At Lake Merced Shoot

A number of Oak Knoll Rod and Gun Club members attended the Ducks Unlimited Shoot at the Pacific Rod and Gun Club, Lake Merced, San Francisco, 18 and 19 July. An unusually large turnout from Northern California and adjacent states participated.

A variety of shooting made up the program to test ability in skeet, trap, duck tower, and micro skeet (short-range skeet with a .22 rifle and shot cartridges).

LTCOL R. L. Luckel, USMC, was among the top skeet shooters, with a perfect 50 x 50.

Associate members Ross and Richard Curtis won prizes in the amateur division. CAPT E. G. Goodman and CHMEDSRWT Ray Giles were lucky enough to win prizes (but not for skill).



IT WAS LCDR ETHEL EUSEBIO, not LTJG Jean Gerber, who took second in the 12ND tennis singles at Monterey early this month (which goes to show you can't always believe what you read in the newspapers). However, Miss Eusebio and Miss Gerber together won second in the doubles. Both victories and earlier points in the women's division of the tournament preliminaries added up to the Class B championship and the two trophies Miss Eusebio displays here.

### Tom Fowler Appointed ACBA Representative

For the second straight year we are honored to have the Military Representative of the Metropolitan Oakland Bowling Association stationed here at Oak Knoll. Tom Fowler, HML, ardent Oak Knoll bowler has been selected to succeed Gene Lucas who has been transferred to USNH, San Diego. Incidentally, Tom says that it is no longer called the MOBA. It has been officially changed to the ACBA (Alameda County Bowling Association). Congratulations on your appointment, Tom.



ALL HANDS ARE INVITED to hear Freddie Agabashian, 27-year veteran of automobile racing, present a special safety lecture and movie here Monday, 17 August. The program will be given in the Community Services Building Auditorium at 1000 and again at 1500. Agabashian is one of eight famous race drivers sponsored by the Champion Spark Plug Co., Toledo, Ohio, who tour the United States and its military bases abroad. Before retiring he made 11 appearances at the world-famed Indianapolis Speedway. Experience gained during those years has made a wise and wary man of Agabashian, and he relates it to highway driving in an informative and thought-provoking way.

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## Freddie Agabashian To Tell Rules For Highway Safety

Take it from Freddie Agabashian, 27-year veteran of automobile racing, safety on the highway is a serious problem and one that concerns everyone who drives a car or rides in one.

Knollites will have a chance to "take it" from the great race driver firsthand when he speaks here Monday and shows a film to illustrate his

suggestions.

Agabashian is one of eight famous race drivers who tour the United States and its military bases abroad as part of a highway safety program sponsored by the Champion Spark Plug Company of Toledo, Ohio. Before he hung up his goggles and retired in 1958 to devote all his time to

the program, he had made 11 appearances at the Indianapolis Speedway.

The lecture and movie will be presented in the main auditorium at 1000 and again at 1500 so all hands will have a chance to attend.

Arrangements for the program have been made by CDR F. W. Swain, CEC, Safety Officer.



A COMMENDATION and BEST WISHES for smooth sailing were on the agenda when Albert A Skinner, HMC, was summoned to the Exec's Office prior to his departure for Pearl Harbor. CAPT P. J. McNamara presented the commendation, while LT Katherine Keating, Chief of the Pharmacy Service, and ENS W. U. King, Staff Personnel Officer, stood by.

### Chief Skinner Earns CO's Commendation

Albert A. Skinner, HMC, who had served as chief petty officer in charge of pharmacy personnel for the past four years, left Oak Knoll on 31 July for a new assignment on the staff of Commander, Destroyer Flotilla 5, Pearl Harbor, taking with him the CO's commendation for work that was "exemplary in every respect."

"Not only have you shown exceptional skill as a pharmacy technician, you have also demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities. Your diplomacy in handling patients and in guiding pharmacy personnel has been a very definite asset to the division. In the handling of drugs and narcotic stores you have shown yourself to be of unimpeachable integrity. Your military bearing and your manner in dealing with all your associates have contributed to the dignity and harmony that exists in the Pharmacy Division." Admiral Hays' letter read in part.

Chief Skinner has been on duty in the Navy for 19½ years, has served at the Naval Hospitals at San Diego, Philadelphia, and Aiea Heights, and has had tours of duty aboard the USS LASSEN (AE-3) and USS APL 30.

### Another Honor Comes To Captain Schiff

CAPT Maurice Schiff, Chief of the EENT Service, has received word that he has been selected a member of the Pacific Coast Oto-Ophthalmological Society.

He is one of a very few Navy Medical Officers to be granted membership in this exclusive professional group.

### EM Wives Are Invited To Join Berkeley Club

Wives of enlisted men at Oak Knoll are cordially invited to join the Berkeley Navy Wives' Club #160, which meets the first and third Thursday of each month at Savo Island Village office, 1935 Derby Street, Berkeley.

This group, like others being organized throughout the nation, was formed to promote friendly social relationships among wives of enlisted men of the Navy and Marine Corps.

Members of the Berkeley club share many interesting projects, including sponsorship of the tot's nursery on 77A here at Oak Knoll.

For further information, call THornwall 5-7981, THornwall 5-4964, or Landscape 2-8764.

### Admiral Norman Now At Chase Manhattan Bank

RADM I. L. V. Norman, Oak Knoll's Exec from 5 April '51 to 5 September '52, retired 30 April and is now serving as medical director for Chase Manhattan Bank, New York City. He and Mrs. Norman and Anne Marie have moved from Bethesda to Tenafly, N.J.

Admiral Norman's last post in the Navy was that of Inspector General, Navy Medical Activities.

Go to Chapel Sunday — See ward bulletin boards or call Ext. 238 for schedule of services.



Heads NP Service

### CAPT Felix Ocko Reports Aboard

CAPT Felix H. Ocko reported aboard from USNH, St. Albans, Long Island, New York, on 28 July to serve as Chief of the Neuropsychiatric Service, bringing to the Navy's West Coast NP Center the benefit of 22 years of as varied Navy experience as the OAK LEAF has had the privilege to report.

Dr. Ocko was born in New York City, graduated from New York City College, received his MS in biology at Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., and his MD at the University of Chicago.

Commissioned in the Medical Corps in 1937, he interned at Philadelphia and was subsequently ordered to Panama to serve on the staff of Com 15, spending six months as medical officer on an aerial photography mission to the Galapagos Islands.

Completing flight surgeon training at Pensacola in the crucial year of 1941, he served aboard the USS HORNET throughout her lifetime, taking

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## Four Knoll Singers Tuning Up For 12ND Talent Contest

Four Oak Knoll corpsmen are hoping to warble their way into the 12ND Talent Contest finals to be held at 2000, 27 August, in the Main Theater, San Francisco Naval Shipyard, according to latest word from Special Services.

They are Ted L. Farner, HM3, on duty on 48A; Raymond Williams, HN (in patient status on 62A), Bobby Tidwell, HN, of the Surgical Clinic; and Willie Ward, HA, a student at NP School.

The four vocalists, selected at auditions held in the auditorium Monday afternoon, will "warm up" Tuesday at 1830 on the Oak Knoll stage, where hospital staff and patients will

have an opportunity to hear them perform just before the evening movie.

All four of the Oak Knoll contestants have appeared in public on numerous occasions.

Williams, who sang at Wilson Junior College in Chicago, was heard here last year when he sang with a quartet known as "The Isotopes" in the 1958 talent show. He sang at USNH, San Diego, and has appeared on USO and YMCA programs in the Bay Area.

Tidwell, who was originally from Paris, Tex., sang at Las Vegas High and Nevada Southern College. Las

Vegas. Ward, whose home is in Montgomery, Ala., had night club experience there and in Los Angeles.

Farner, who calls Towanda, Kan., home, has had TV and radio experience, has sung in night clubs in Southern California and the Bay Area and before entering the Navy won top honors in a classical music contest.

What numbers the quartet of soloists will sing has not been decided, but after their appearance here Tuesday they will choose the songs they feel are most likely to succeed in the semifinal eliminations to be held at SFNSY auditorium the day before the finals.

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

"Watch the grip" is one of the basic warnings of life. Bowlers, golfers, ballplayers, etc., all tend to consider the grip they use as one of the prime factors of success. In bowling, the grip determines the characteristic of the ball, strike, split, or gutter. In golf, the grip is all important as it means off putts, slices, tops, hooks, poor games and battered tempers. The grip or hold seems so unimportant, yet the success of the game is dependent in no small way on the type of grip used.

Life is like that also. We drive out of bounds, we gutter our ball, all because we fail to take a firm and secure grip before we step up to the front. We fail to take a full grip upon our resources, our talents, our emotions, and our desires. We all want to reach our goals, yet we fail to consider the cost, fail to get the grip.

If you are failing to score in life's game, examine your grip. See what you are gripped to. Take a firm grip on the hand of God—It is the only sure grip in the game of life.

LCDR GARSON GOODMAN, Jewish Chaplain.

## From The Chief of Naval Operations — The Value of the Individual —

As rapid technical progress is made by this wonderful Navy of ours in a nuclear and space age, we must not overlook the fact that these accomplishments are made possible by man, individual man. Our basic military capability is this man, armed with his imagination, judgment, courage, dignity, and pride.

Indeed, seapower itself, that quality that enables our nation to draw power and prosperity from beyond the seas, and to project power across the seas, is the direct result of men. They are the key. They provide the will, the drive, and the work, the product that is seapower.

Service in the Navy and Marine Corps, and the Army and Air Force too, demands the best that each one of us can give. Only by accepting individual responsibility as a full-time job can we assure the existence of our democratic way of life. Our American ideals are the strength of this nation's people, and seapower draws its strength from these people.

So, while greater accomplishments of our nuclear and space age Navy become a reality, let us remember that the unchanging values of faith, determination, purpose, and hard work by individual man mark the way to a goal of peace, today and tomorrow.

ARLEIGH BURKE



Miss Elaine Mobeley, Dean of Women at the University of Nevada, recently appointed to the Defense Advisory Council on Women in the Service (DACOWITS) by President Eisenhower, visited Oak Knoll on 30 July. The purpose of her visit here and at other military installations in the area was to gain insight into work and living situations of service women. At Quarters she chatted with WAVES (including Katherine Douglas, HM3, with whom she is pictured) and nurses, and was a luncheon guest at the Officers' Club. She was accompanied by LT Daisy Fisk, 12ND Nurse Procurement Officer.



An enforced stay as a hospital patient, and the season that is bounded by the summer solstice and the autumnal equinox, have in common the disquieting fact that friends, librarians and publishers alike seem to band determinedly together to keep the reading light. Why an added ten degrees Fahrenheit or the recumbent posture should necessarily stop the thinking processes dead in their tracks is difficult to understand.

The matter was brought forcibly home to us recently by a patient who pointed grimly to a towering pile of "Collected Best Humor" and wondered why her family thought that, because she had been put to bed, she had suddenly turned imbecile. But the fact remains that librarians and friends continue to deluge defenseless patients with "cheery little books" and publishers continue to offer them for "light summer reading."

Since this is so, we will warn you that many of the books added to our hospital library this month are "cheery little books for light summer reading." We will admit however, that of their kind, they are very good books indeed. First of all, there is Mark Harris' WAKE UP, STUPID, a zany correspondence from and to Lee Youngdahl, college professor, playwright, part owner of a prizefighter, novelist, ex-Mormon and father of an exuberant family.

Peter DeVries, long a contributor to the New Yorker, has given us THE TENTS OF WICKEDNESS, a witty tour-de-force concerning Charles Swallow of COMFORT ME WITH APPLES, and Sweetie Appleyard, whom her father describes as an Emily Dickinson without talent. Harry Golden, famous for his ONLY IN AMERICA and with a growing reputation as a sort of Jewish Will Rogers now gives us FOR 2c PLAIN. Like its predecessor, it is full of shrewd humor and hard-won wisdom. Ira Wallach gave us HOPALONG FREUD AND OTHER MODERN LITERARY CHARACTERS. Now he has written a novel of some of the muscle boys who inhabit the beaches of our southern neighbors. It is called, aptly enough, MUSCLE BEACH.

One of the wittiest of our local columnists, famous among other things for the shortest sentences ever penned in the English language, offers for our enjoyment AROUND THE WORLD WITH STANTON DELAPLANE. In DON'T GET PERSONAL WITH A CHICKEN, H. Allen Smith contributes some priceless gems of juvenile prose, among them the following letter from a small boy at camp. "Dear Mom and Dad: Please write more often. Even if its only a couple of dollars."

Hardly any of this, as we warned you, will make you more aware of the political situation here and abroad. They are cheery little books for light summer reading.

EMMA BERGER, Librarian

## Know Your Staff



Children love her, and who wouldn't? She's a green-eyed brownette with a radiant smile. She's Mary Donahue, HM3, who has worked in Pediatrics ever since her arrival at Oak Knoll in February 1957 and everyone (including Mary) is glad of it.

The Framingham, Mass., miss joined the Navy right out of high school, moved down the map to Bainbridge for boot and corps school, and thence to Oak Knoll.

Mary plays basketball and softball in season, loves to dance, is an enthusiastic movie-goer.

"But really, there's NOTHING to tell about me," she insists.



Robert "Ollie" Holmstrom, HM3, of NPOT in Building 53, is from Varna, Ill. If you look closely enough and long enough on a large enough map, you can find it, according to Ollie.

Prior to entering the service in November of 1955, Ollie was graduated from Midcounty Senior High. He reported aboard Oak Knoll in March of 1958.

His hobbies include Nash Ramblers, reading, classical music and movies. He will be released from active duty in November, but as yet has made no definite plans for the future.

UNPINNED? The owner of the fraternity pin found in the Commissary may claim same by calling Ext. 203 and reciting the Greek letters thereon.

## Pay Schedule

Monday, 17 August—Staff.

Tuesday, 18 August—Patients.

# Scuttlebutt

**SCENES FROM THE PASSAGEWAY PARADE**—Commissary's Jack Rogers back from a Yosemite scouting outing with a Hayward troop . . . Jerry Farmer, HM3, reenlisting for another six-year hitch . . . Chief Calhoon protesting that he REALLY had only a 24 handicap when he won that medal in the national golf day matches . . . Larry Preston, HN, lunching alone in the CO's mailroom with his algebra book . . . Carmen Rodriguez coming to the rescue when 11-year-old Gustavo Araujo of Uruguay and 7-year-old Maria Elena Calisto of Peru (to say nothing of Pediatrics personnel) need an interpreter . . . Skip Greelee, JO3, recently transferred to TI, reporting that he now edits the 12ND Reserve Bulletin and assists in the 12ND Info and Education Office . . . LTJG William L. Blankenship taking over as Chief, Operating Services Division, as LTJG G. P. Kane moves across the hall to become Assistant Administrative Officer and treasurer of the Commissioned Officers' Mess—jobs held by LT John Murphy before his transfer to the School of Hospital Administration at Bethesda . . . Knollites poring over exams for advancement in rate—from HM3 to Super and Master Chief—all hoping for the extra glory—and pay—that might be theirs in November.

**SOME PEOPLE WILL DO ANYTHING** to make the OAK LEAF. Last issue Shirley Bradford made it by submerging in a submarine. This week she has the mumps . . . Bob Coppin, age 12, with the help of three playmates, bagged a rabid skunk that bit him on the finger. Now receiving Pasteur treatment on 72B, Bob made the following statement for the press on the subject of skunks: "They smell."

**NEWLYWEDS:** Dr. Paul Nieberding claimed Margaret Elizabeth McGuire of Berkeley as his bride at a nuptial mass in Sacred Heart Church, Oakland, on Saturday, 25 July. The bride is a recent graduate of Dominican College, San Rafael. Dr. Nieberding's parents were here from Cincinnati for the ceremony, and his father served as best man. Dr. Frank Raash was among the ushers . . . Ron Rowland, HM3, exchanged vows with Jody Hawkins, HN, of MSTs, Fort Mason, at Chapel of the Flowers, San Francisco, on 31 July. Dottie Williams was their maid of honor, Joseph Lerma, corpsman from NAD, Concord, best man, and John Kroeger was among the guests.

**NEWLYENGAGEDS:** Carmen Rodriguez, HM3, of the Dependents Clinic, has a week-old diamond ring—gift of Chuck Fiene, HM2, of the NP staff.

**LIFE BEGAN** on 3 August for Michelle Annette Roche, 6 lb. 15 oz. daughter for Hugh Roche, HN, of NP service, and wife Carla . . . on 4 August for Douglas Neil Robertson, 7 lb. 15 oz. boy for LT James Bruce Robertson of the NP Service and wife Mildred . . . on 7 August for Silas Justice Wellington, III, 6 lb. 9 oz. son for Silas J. Wellington, II, of Lab School and wife Maxine . . . on 9 August for Christopher Eugene Chatman, 8 lb. 9 oz. son for James Charles Chatman, HM3, of NP Service and wife Mary. Christopher is the Chatman's third child. The others are firsts.



**MEET THE NEW INTERNS:** They are, left to right, front row, LT'S J. D. Riley, R. L. Brennan, R. L. Schweinefufus; J. C. Dodgen, W. W. Simmons; second row, C. F. Kesler, J. K. Chesnut, H. F. Lenartz, G. C. Griffin, D. R. James; third row, P. W. Connole (DC), L. R. Tennyson (DC), R. A. Preece (DC), A. J. Choquette, S. B. Bellinger, A. D. Walden, A. B. Scott. Missing when the picture was taken—D. S. Kerwin, R. A. Lee, J. D. Long, and R. F. Noble.

## New Interns—18 Medical, 3 Dental—Now Hard at Work; Represent Universities Throughout The United States

Members of the new intern class aboard since 1 July—eighteen medical, three dental—are rapidly becoming oriented to Oak Knoll and the rigors of the Navy intern training program.

Medical interns, who will rotate through the various services during their year here, represent medical schools throughout the country.

Three were classmates at Creighton University School of Medicine, Omaha, Neb. They are Richard L. Brennan, Armand J. Choquette, and Gerald C. Griffin. David R. James and Robert A. Lee received their MD's from State University of Iowa Medical School, Iowa City.

John K. Chesnut and James D. Long both received their training at University of Oklahoma Medical School, Oklahoma City; Kelvin F. Kesler and William W. Simmons are from the University of Colorado, Denver.

Sidney B. Bellinger, the only Californian among the medical interns, received his MD from Stanford University School of Medicine. Others are John C. Dodgen, University of Arkansas, Little Rock; David S. Kerwin, Loyola University Medical School, Chicago, Ill.; Henry F. Le-

nartz, Marquette University Medical School, Milwaukee, Wis.; Richard F. Noble, University of Washington Medical School, Seattle, Wash.; John D. Riley, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis; Augustus B. Scott, University of Tennessee, Memphis; Raymond L. Schweinefufus, University of Chicago; Archie D. Walden, University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston.

The new dental interns are LT's Peter W. Connole, who received his DDS at Marquette; Richard A. Preece, Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.; and Lloyd R. Tennyson, University of California.

For the information of those who may be interested, six members of the group—Drs. Brennan, Chesnut, Griffin, James, Riley, and Tennyson—are bachelors, so far.

## Medical Service Corps 12 Years Old 4 August; Admiral Hogan Sends Anniversary Greeting

On the occasion of the twelfth anniversary of the establishment of the Medical Service Corps of the Navy, I extend hearty congratulations to all members of the Corps, wherever you may be.

At such a milestone it is refreshing to look back and review the accomplishments of the many fine officers who individually and as a group have contributed so much to the renown of the Medical Department. In direct patient care, in administration, in environmental protection, in research—in the thousand and one tasks of increasing responsibility, Medical Service Corps officers have distinguished themselves and have richly earned a resounding "Well Done."

This is also an occasion for looking forward and for resolving to add to the lustre of your Corps' reputation. I have every confidence that you will do so and that by continuing self-improvement your varied skills will be brought to bear in full measure on the many and vital responsibilities we face. No matter what new demands confront us, I know that full reliance may be placed on your abiding loyalty, zeal and devotion.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** RADM B. W. HOGAN, MC, USN  
Surgeon General of the Navy



Five foreign resident observers said goodbye to friends at Oak Knoll last month and returned to their native countries to put into practice the new techniques they learned here. Before their departure each doctor received a certificate of special instruction from the CO. They are, left to right, LT Chun-Nien CHEN and LCDR Chung-lo CHI, Chinese Navy; and LT Choe In CHOE, LTJG Hyong Kyu YU, and LCDR Nung Kyu YI, Korean Navy. Drs. CHEN, CHOE, and YI spent their year observing in general surgery, Dr. YU in orthopedics, and Dr. CHI in ophthalmology.



Tommy Thompson, HMI, one of Oak Knoll's most substantial softball players stretches for first in the NAS Alameda game.

### Grid Squad Shaping Up But Still Weak In Backfield, Coach Reports

With the first football game to be played at Stockton on 24 September, Chief Moffett is still pacing the turf, hoping for more men to turn out. "Twenty-eight have signed up, but only four or five of them are backfield material, and we need a lot more strength in that department," the chief said this week, as his search for a top-notch team continued. "We practice at 1630 every day, and as yet none of the positions has been sewed up. It's great exercise, and you MIGHT make the team," the coach said, once again urging prospective players to communicate with him at Special Services, Ext. 593, at the first opportunity.

### Softball Story Still Sad One

The Hilltopper softball team wound up its regular season yesterday, playing NSC too late to make the deadline, but up to then their season record stood at a discouraging 8 wins, 8 losses. The game with NAF, Monterey, two weeks ago went into an extra inning, only to reach an unhappy ending, with a 9-8 score in favor of Monterey. TI, "victim" of an important inspection, forfeited to Oak Knoll last Thursday, which evened up the count of victories and defeats. Final action of the season will be on 18 August when the Hilltoppers compete in the Twelfth Naval District Softball tournament.

Two goats, eating their way through a cluttered alley, came upon a couple of rolls of film. Munching away, the first goat said to the other, "Well, how do you like the film?" Second goat: "It's good, but I think I liked the book better."

### A New Hand Is Signing Paychecks

As of 24 July, there's a new signature (albeit stamped) at the bottom of your paycheck. It belongs to LTJG G. L. Lyle, Supply Corps, USNR, who relieved LTJG Percy Palfreyman when he was released to inactive duty. For the new Disbursing Officer, coming to Oak Knoll was almost like coming home.

"Actually I've just gone around in a circle since coming into the Navy," said Mr. Lyle, who grew up in Vallejo and was graduated from the University of California in 1956. Since then he has been to Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I., to Supply Corps School in Georgia, and to sea aboard the destroyer-leader USS WILKINSON, whose home port is Long Beach.

Mr. Lyle's wife Sandra is likewise a local product. Her home town is Oakland, and they met at UC.

Mr Palfreyman, who had been paymaster here since 11 June, 1958, has taken an accounting position with Shell Oil Company in Mount Vernon, Wash., where he and his wife Karen are making their home.



LTJG G. L. Lyle, SC (left), takes over from LTJG Percy Palfreyman, the important assignment of Disbursing Officer—and helps him cut cake.

### More About Dr. Ocko

(Continued from page 1) part in the historic Tokyo raids. After the sinking, Dr. Ocko returned to Norfolk but was soon back in the South Pacific as SMO aboard the carrier USS COWPENS for the battles of Palau, the Mariannas, and Wake.

A psychiatric course at USNH, Philadelphia, qualified Dr. Ocko to serve as psychiatrist and flight surgeon for 13th Naval District Bases, with headquarters at Seattle. But again he was ordered to carrier duty, this time as SMO aboard the USS CROATAN, bringing men back from Europe at the close of the war. Following that experience, Oak Knoll's new NP Chief had a residency at the well-known Bellevue Psychiatric Hospital in New York in 1946-1957.

He was Assistant Chief of Neuropsychiatry at USNH, Philadelphia, when that hospital became the Navy's East Coast NP Center.

Just prior to his five-year tour of duty at St. Albans, Captain Ocko was Chief of the NP Service at USNH, Great Lakes and was in charge of the NP unit for the Service Recruit Camp and Service Schools Command there.

Dr. Ocko is a Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association, and Associate of the American College of Physicians, a graduate of the Division of Psychoanalytic Education of the State University of New York, a member of the Psychoanalytic Association of New York, the New York Society of Clinical Psychiatry, the New York Neurological Society. He served as Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the State University Medical School, Brooklyn, before being ordered to Oak Knoll.

The new doctor and his wife Ida will make their home in Piedmont. They have a daughter, Jo Ellen, 15, and a son, Jonathan Kevin, 13.

### Dog Bites Man — It Was Fatal

"Down, boy!" Photographer's Mate striker Roger B. Clapp, Jr., of Heavy Photographers Sq. 62, Jacksonville, Fla., wasn't kidding, either. Of course he didn't have to pet the mutt in the first place, but how was he to know his friendly gesture would be misunderstood?

Anyhow, the dog sank his teeth neatly into Clapp's hand. So it was dog and sailor off to the city pound. Tests showed the animal wasn't rabid; so Clapp wasn't much the worse for the encounter.

But the dog, now—the dog, after biting Clapp, seemed weak. The pound decided to keep him for observation.

Five days later Clapp's outfit got a call from the Jacksonville Health Dept. The dog had died. (AFPS)

### Previews

- Tonight, 14 August THESE THOUSAND HILLS—Don Murray, Richard Egan, Lee Remick. Adult. Saturday, 15 August IN LOVE AND WAR—Robert Wagner, Dana Wynter. Adult. Sunday, 16 August ANATOMY OF A MURDER—Lee Remick, James Stewart. Adult. Monday, 17 August HARRY BLACK AND THE TIGER—Barbara Rush, Stewart Granger. Family. Tuesday, 18 August SOME LIKE IT HOT—Marilyn Monroe, Jack Lemon, Tony Curtis. Adult. Wednesday, 19 August THE HANGING TREE—Gary Cooper, Maria Schell. Adult. Thursday, 20 August THE BAT—Vincent Price, Agnes Moorehead. Adult. Friday, 21 August ALIAS JESSE JAMES—Bob Hope, Rhonda Fleming, Wendell Corey. Family. Saturday, 22 August BARBARIAN AND THE GEISHA—John Wayne, Sam Jaffe. Family.

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CAPT Harry Wilmer, MC, USNR, here for two weeks' training duty, brought with him Dr. Maxwell Jones, noted British psychiatrist, whose "therapeutic community" in Belmont, England, inspired the Palo Alto psychiatrist to use the comparatively new type of patient management at Oak Knoll during his tour of active duty here in 1955-56. With CAPT Felix H. Oeko, Chief of the Neuropsychiatric Service (right), they were participant-observers in daily group meetings.

## Eminent British Psychiatrist Visits Oak Knoll's Therapeutic Community

Dr. Maxwell Jones said after his visit here last week that there is more "therapeutic community tradition and feeling" at the Neuropsychiatric Service here than he has seen anywhere else in his travels. And anywhere—for the noted British psychiatrist—includes a wide territory, for he has visited neuropsychiatric (Continued on Page 2)



**OUT THEY GO** after approximately 20 years' active duty in the Navy. The retiring chiefs are George E. Runyan (left) who is starting a new career with the Public Health Service, State of Oregon, with headquarters in Medford; and Wayland J. Dawson, who has retired to Concord—to sell vacuum cleaners. Chief Runyan was an instructor at EST School, and Chief Dawson worked in the hospital's Medical Repair Unit. Sideboys, left to right, are Chiefs Booth, Holt, Strand, Griffin, Sturdevant, Hambaugh, and Carpenter.

### COMING UP

## Three Trading Rates for Ranks

Three well-known staffers are happily making the switch from rate to rank, one already wearing the uniform of a MedSerWrnt Officer, two soon to leave for OCS to trade their white hats for ensigns' caps.

All three promotions are the result of service-wide competitive examinations.

If Thomas G. Booth should be referred to elsewhere in this publication as "Chief," it is all a mistake. As of 15 August, he became a MedSerWrnt, with all the privileges that accrue from officer status, including more pay and the right to be called "Mr."

Mr. Booth has been in the Navy since 1942 and at Oak Knoll since 1956. He came in from Stow High School, Stow, Ohio, and qualified for a diploma after he joined the service.

Outstanding tours of duty for the new officer have been aboard the USS ROCHAMBEAU, at MOB #5, New Caledonia, with the Third Seabees in New Guinea, and with Fighter Squadron 653 aboard the USS VALLEY FORGE during the Korean War.

Mr. Booth and his wife, Fern, have a 13-year-old daughter, Barbara.

### Off to Newport for OCS

HMIs George S. Harris of Staff Personnel and Harold R. Hensle of Pharmacy will go to Newport, R. I., for seven weeks of training, thence to new duty—Harris to USNH, Bremerton, Wash., Hensle to USNH, Yokosuka, Japan.

Harris joined the Navy fresh out of Miami, Okla., High School in August '51, served at the Dispensary, 50 Fell Street, San Francisco; with the Fleet Marines in Korea, and at Oak Knoll, where he returned for his second tour of duty two years ago this month, "advancing only five feet (across the StaffPers Office)." During the first tour here he was married in the historic little church at nearby Sunol. He and his wife Gayle have a five-year-old son, Mike, and daughters, Shannon and Tracy, 4 and 2.

Hensle entered the Naval Service in '45 after High School in Colfax, Wash. This is his third tour of duty at Oak Knoll, where this time he has been on the Pharmacy Staff since November 1956. Other major assignments have taken him aboard the destroyer, USS SHELTON, and the destroyer-tender USS HAMUL. During the Korean War he served with the Fleet Marines headquartered at Pearl Harbor. Almost-an-ensign Hensle is married, and he and his wife Theresa have two children—Richard, 2; and Ann, 6 mos.



Mr. Booth



George S. Harris



Harold R. Hensle

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### ENDURANCE

In many areas of California one is able to see the giant Sequoias, some of the largest and oldest trees in the world. It is estimated that many of these trees were standing before Jesus was born. A few we are told, date back to the time of Abraham. They are a wondrous and awe-inspiring sight which can create an atmosphere of worship if we but open our minds to the truth they would teach.

One such truth, as we see them so straight and tall, is the value of endurance. Through storm and lightning, the assaults of destructive insects, and the ravages of fire they have endured. While they are wounded and gnarled they continue to grow upward toward the heavens.

To each of us there often comes sorrow, disappointment, cruel injustice and malicious slander. Can we go on believing in and growing toward God?

We need to remember that we are followers of one who suffered—One who "was despised and rejected by men"—One who in his last moments on earth endured the agonies of the cross. Yes—but one who set his will steadfastly toward the "Will of God" and endured to gain for us eternal life.

CDR PAUL C. MORTON, Senior Chaplain.

### Cash Awards Presented To Eleven Civilian Workers

Congratulations are in order for eleven civilian staffers who have recently earned cash awards.

Ralph Williams, meatcutter, Paul Schultz, painter, Paul Drukenbrod, engineman, and Irving Coombs, truck driver, received checks for sustained

superior performance.

Rewarded for suggestions to promote safety, convenience, and savings on the job were Elizabeth Rooney, Sol Glick, Isadore Lore, Bayliss Wilbur, Robert Bailey, Irving Coombs, and Gene Riggs.



**THE TRUMPET TRIO** played a smooth version of "Bugler's Holiday," and lively Janey Sue Budworth danced and twirled her baton. These were but two of the polished numbers presented by the International Order of Foresters when they brought their 100-piece band and "Stars of Tomorrow" to the auditorium on 11 August. The talented group, including the Caperttes, who danced the can-can and Charleston, singers Anna Louise, The Honeycombs, and Michael De Stephano, and members of the band, range in age from 12 to 19. David Baskerville is the director.

### Freedoms Foundation Is Offering \$5000 in Prizes

Freedoms Foundation—a nonpolitical, nonpartisan, nonsectarian organization seeking to promote a better understanding of the American way of life—is again sponsoring a letter-writing program for members of the armed services.

The subject of this year's contest is "My Job: Protecting America's Freedoms."

The first-place award is \$1000, second \$500. There will be 50 awards of \$100 each and another 50 of \$50 each. Winners will receive George Washington Honor Medals, and the ten top winners will be invited to Valley Forge, Pa., for the awards ceremony on George Washington's Birthday, 22 February, 1960.

Here are the rules: (1) Submit an original letter no longer than 500 words. (2) Type or write legibly on one side of paper only. (3) Type or print name, rank, military and home addresses. (4) Deadline for entries is 1 November, 1959. (5) Mail letters to: Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pa., USA.

### More About Dr. Jones

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hospitals throughout this country and abroad.

Dr. Jones, here for a year as a visiting professor of psychiatry at Stanford University Medical School, spent the week as a participant-observer in Oak Knoll's therapeutic community, where the method he began to use in England during World War II has been working successfully since 1955.

"At Oak Knoll everyone takes the therapeutic community for granted—everyone knows what it is, and it seems to be going very successfully without any sacrifice of the discipline that is so necessary a part of military service," Dr. Jones said.

The British doctor was brought to the hospital by Dr. Harry Wilmer, Palo Alto psychiatrist and associate professor of clinical psychiatry at Stanford, who introduced the comparatively new method at Oak Knoll during a ten-month period when he was on active duty here from 1955-1956. Dr. Wilmer reported the results of his research at the National Naval Medical Research Institute in Bethesda, Md., and now is a regular member of the consulting staff. He is currently here on two weeks' annual Naval Reserve training duty.

The therapeutic community is a type of treatment in which mentally and emotionally disturbed patients and staff meet together daily in an atmosphere of mutual understanding and trust, talk about their problems and help each other understand them.

Dr. Jones and Dr. Wilmer and others familiar with this form of patient management believe that it helps prepare people for life "on the outside," that its benefits carry over into family life and to other social situations.

"The therapeutic community type of patient management aids social adjustment over and beyond anything we've had before," the British doctor said.

In addition to teaching at Stanford, Dr. Jones is serving as a consultant for various organizations, including the State Department of Corrections, San Mateo Hospital, and the VA Hospital in Palo Alto.

### Know Your Staff



Dottie Williams, HN, of Staff Detail comes from nearby Concord, where she was a secretarial major at Mt. Diablo High and worked in the credit office at Grant's Department Store before she signed on the dotted line 19 months ago.

The Navy has sent Dottie to Bainbridge, Great Lakes, and Oak Knoll, where she has worked her way into her present assignment via 40A, 63A, 69A, and 72A. After hours, she sews, goes to the movies with Chuck Wienkers, HM2, writes letters to her brother—a Navy radarman stationed at Pearl Harbor, and visits her family, which includes another brother, a Navy Reserve SN who'll be a senior at Diablo Hi this year. She's made the society columns by being bridesmaid for Judy Wilcoxon and Jodi Hawkins and the sports pages by being batboy for the girl's softball team.



Billy Joe Cox, HN, left Jordan Vocational Hi in Columbus, Ga., after his sophomore year to join the Navy. Since then he has graduated from boot and corps school at San Diego, served for 11 months on 70A & B, and earned his GED certificate.

For the past five months he has been using his clerical-administrative aptitudes to fill out forms and snap pictures in the ID Office. He also has an aptitude for electrical work and plans to go back to it when he gets out of the Navy—"or maybe into boat-making."

Another item of interest about Billy Joe is his attractive wife Barbara, with whom he lives at Santa Cruz Island Village. They were married two years ago when both had reached the ripe old age of 16.







**THE SWIM SET**—Oak Knoll's junior swimmers lined up at poolside, and although Water Safety Instructor Dale Sanders (at right) could not identify them all, he could testify to the fact that all of them can swim. The group includes both beginners and intermediate classes who completed the Red Cross Water Safety course this summer. Red Cross Water Safety Aides in the picture are Margie Middleton, Suzy Lehman, and Sharon Smith.

## Knollites Invited To Stamp Show

Patients and staff are cordially invited to attend the 12th Annual Outdoor Stamp Exhibition Sunday (August 30) from 1000 to 1700 at Lakeside Park, Oakland.

Sponsored by the East Bay Collectors Club of Oakland, it is the only outdoor stamp show in the world, but at 1400 patients may go inside the new Garden Center building to visit a meeting of the Council of Northern California Stamp Clubs.

Patients may contact their Red Cross representative for transportation.

All who are interested may write to Gerald Morris, P. O. Box 34, Oakland 2, for cachets of the show. Any questions? Call your Red Cross representative or LA 2-7246.

## Miss Ryder Second In 12ND Golf Match

LT Dorothy Ryder recently won another trophy for her collection by placing second in the 12ND Women's Golf Tournament.

Miss Ryder made it around the 18-hole course at Mare Island in 100, only to be outplayed by LCDR Mary Conner of NAS, Alameda, who shot a 93.

LTJG Jane Hinckley and LCDR Owedia Searcy also played for Oak Knoll.

## Previews

**Tonight, 28 August**  
**WOMAN OBSESSED**—Susan Hayward, Stephen Boyd. Family.

**Saturday, 29 August**  
**MARDI GRAS**—Pat Boone, Sheree North, Tommy Sands. Family.

**Sunday, 30 August**  
**WARLOCK**—Richard Widmark, Henry Fonda, Anthony Quinn, Dorthy Malone. Family.

**Monday, 31 August**  
**STRANGER IN MY ARMS**—June Allyson, Jeff Chandler, Sandra Dee. Family.

**Tuesday, 1 September**  
**COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS**—Deborah Kerr, Rosano Brazzi, Maurice Chevalier. Adult.

**Wednesday, 2 September**  
**BIG COUNTRY**—Gregory Peck, Jeanne Simmons. Family.

**Thursday, 3 September**  
**THE THIRTY FOOT BRIDE OF CANDY ROCK**—Lou Costello. Also a short subject—**UP IN DAISY'S PENTHOUSE**. Family.

**Friday, 4 September**  
**TEN SECONDS TO HELL**—Jeff Chandler, Jack Palance, Martine Carol. Another short subject—**CREEPS**. Adult.

**Saturday, 5 September**  
**WHITE WILDERNESS**—Another of Disney's True Life Adventures. Family.

## Rod & Gunners Will Meet 14 September

Because of the Labor Day holiday, Oak Knoll Rod and Gun Club members will meet at the clubhouse Monday night, 14 September, at 2000, rather than on their regular meeting night the first Monday of the month.

Slow Up and Show Up.

## Staff Juniors Learn To Swim

Forty-four beginning swimmers and eleven intermediates made the grade at the pool this summer under the tutelage of Dale Sanders, HM3, Water Safety Instructor, and Margie Middleton, Susie Lehman, and Sharon Smith, volunteer Red Cross Water Safety Aides.

In the beginning group were Denny Blankenship, Janet and Jerry Barbo, Terry Bolt, Gary Eckerman, Patricia Erpenbach, Tommy Fowler, Greg, Mary, Theresa Gibbons, Betsy and Randy Hastedt, Becky and Deborah Heinz, Mark Kane, Robert and Richard Levy, Patty Lomax, Susie Lagerquist, Betsy and Sue Moffett, Mike, Marice, Gregory, and Nanette Norell, John and Maureen O'Connell, Andy and Chris Quitallo, Kevin Relaford, Joseph and Kim Sederstrom, Tom, Pip, and Patsy Streit, Sylvia Sellers, Junior and Alan Sabenorio, Paul Smith, Linda Wright, Vickey and Sheryl Stevenson.

Some of the same group and a few others qualified as intermediate swimmers. Finishing in this classification were Richard Blankenship, Janet and Lorraine Barbo, Greg, Mary and Theresa Gibbons, Randy Hastedt, Kristin King, Richard Levy, Betsy Moffett, and Gregory Norell.

The Golden Gate Bridge has the world's tallest and most massive bridge towers—846 ft. high and weighing 88,800,000 lbs.

## Pay Schedule

Tuesday, 1 September—All officers, enlisted personnel.  
 Wednesday, 2 September—Enlisted personnel.  
 Tuesday, 15 September—Officers, enlisted staff.  
 Wednesday, 16 September—Enlisted, patient personnel.

## Here's An Item You Can Get Your Teeth Into

Simultaneously with the announcement that it was 47 years old, the Dental Corps this week published its annual report.

During fiscal year 1959, 7,285,400 dental procedures were performed by an average of 1,608 dental officers.

Operative dentistry, which included fillings and crown and bridge work, accounted for 2,998,258 procedures. In prosthodontics 13,495 complete dentures and 37,385 partial dentures were made. Extractions numbered 350,250, and X-rays totaled 602,325. Among other procedures were 235,453 prophylaxis (cleaning jobs), 204,431 scaling (periodontal), and 15,592 caries prevention treatments.

## Want To Go To The Ball Game?

Oakland Navy Mothers' Club No. 13 has invited a dozen patients to go to the S. F. Giants' game on Saturday, 12 September.

Check in with Special Services if you'd like to go.

## More About Bone Glue

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on a tooth that was extracted and glued in more than a year ago.

Dr. Canty stressed the fact that the product is still young and that much more testing will be necessary, but he feels that it may one day be useful in repairing fractures in humans. CAPT Arthur Turville, Chief of the Dental Service, also believes that it shows great promise of usefulness in various types of dentistry.

"We also feel that the adhesive will be a great boon to veterinarians and owners of pets since many injured animals are destroyed because of the difficulty of immobilizing fractures for healing and because of the expense involved," Dr. Canty said.

Dr. Canty's formula follows nature's process of healing.

Broken bones take months to heal—the reason for a plaster cast. In the natural healing process, a callous forms over the break. Dr. Canty's glue provides a synthetic callous and hardens in 15 minutes in contrast to many months and makes the bone as strong as it was before the break.

Working with Dr. Canty on the project are: his assistant, CAPT Robert C. Doolittle; Dr. Ralph C. Shuey, civilian consultant chemist; Riley Bobb, civilian lab technician; John Nenninger, HM3, and Howard N. Gaynor, HN, qualified operating room technicians. Animal keepers on the job are Lynn Arnold and Tony Keeling.

Henry took sick and was rushed to the hospital. Next day his boss called on him.

"Now Henry, don't worry about a thing. The men in the office are going to pitch in and do your work as soon as we can figure out what it is you've been doing."





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**HONORS FOR A HERO**—John J. Crippes, BM1, holds in his badly burned hand the plaque presented him by the Contra Costa Safety Council, Inc., in recognition of his heroism on the highway the night of August 6. Sharing the proud moment on 70A were the Crippes children: from left—Paul, 10; Shirley, 8; Janice, 6; and Marvin 5. Making the presentation were John Weil, president of the Contra Costa Safety Council, Inc., Kenneth Reed of the Martinez Police Department and member of the council (holding citation) and SGT A. M. Schutt of the State Highway Patrol—Story, page 3.

## ACCMA-Oak Knoll Dinner Meeting To Be Held at Club 21 September

Members of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association will come back Monday, 21 September, to the place where many of them got their exercise in the days when Oak Knoll meant golf instead of Navy medicine.

Approximately 400 civilian and Navy doctors are expected to attend the traditional annual dinner meeting of the two groups.

The evening's agenda will include cocktails at 1800, a barbecued hickory-smoked-prime-rib-roast-beef dinner at 1830, and a professional program at 2015.

Admiral Hays, official host for the evening will welcome civilian doctors aboard, and CAPT George M. Davis, Chief of the Medical Service, will serve as moderator for the professional meeting.

Papers to be presented by Oak Knoll staff members will be "Griseofulvin, a New Antifungal Agent"—LT Milton Orkin; "Experiences With

Percutaneous Renal Biopsy"—LT William C. Cooper; "Evaluation of Surgical Treatment of Acute Ligamentous Injuries to the Knee"—LT Abel R. Ellingson.

Dinner arrangements are being handled by LT Harry C. Gibbons, Chief of the Food Service division, and LTJG George P. Kane, Commissioned Officers' Mess treasurer.

## Every Good Guy Gives—to United Crusade

**EVERY GOOD GUY GIVES!** That's right. And more than 1500 good guys that make up the staff at Oak Knoll will have their chance when Oak Knoll tackles UBAC. The kick-off of the United Bay Area Crusade—our one big give—is timed to coincide with the first paydays in October.

Chaplain Paul C. Morton, chairman, is asking that all hands plan ahead so that Oak Knoll can reach

its goal with a minimum of effort.

"Our goal this year is for every person on the staff to participate. Last year when we fell far short of the monetary goal set for us, the gifts were generous. There just weren't enough of them. Only 123 out of 609 civilian staff members gave. Only 93 of 552 enlisted men participated," the chaplain reported.

"This year, we want to make it a hundred percent."

## Armed Forces Orthopaedists To Meet Here 23 September

Top orthopaedists from the Army, Navy, and Air Force, and their civilian consultants will check in at the Officers' Club on 23 September for the first Armed Services Orthopaedic Seminar.

Approximately 300 are expected to attend the three-day meeting, according to CAPT Robert C. Doolittle, who was appointed by the Surgeon General to act as Navy representative in organizing the seminar. Dr. Doolittle, Assistant Chief of the Amputee Service, and CAPT Harold A. Streit, Chief of the Orthopaedic Service, are co-chairmen.

RADM B. W. Hogan, Surgeon General of the Navy, will fly from Washington to deliver the opening address, and RADM Frank P. Kreuz, CO at USNH, Bethesda, will come west to moderate sessions in training and research.

Dr. Harold A. Sofield, President of the Academy of Orthopaedic Surgery and consultant to the Army Surgeon General will speak to the visiting doctors at the Wednesday morning meeting after they have been welcomed aboard by RADM George L. Russell, Commandant, 12ND, and Rear Admiral Hays, who serves both as Oak Knoll CO and DMO, 12ND.

Exhibits and demonstrations of the latest navy-made prosthetic limbs, a resume of the research program on bone adhesive developed at the Prosthetic Research Laboratory, and a demonstration of the artificial kidney, with discussion of renal shutdown as a complication in the orthopaedic patient, will be on the agenda the first morning.

Subsequent sessions will be devoted to military orthopaedic training, a symposium on knee injuries, orthopaedic research, cervical spine injuries, stereo-anatomy of the hand, and reconstructive surgery of the hand.

In addition to Dr. Sofield, a number of other nationally known orthopaedists will serve on the seminar faculty—Dr. Joseph S. Barr of Boston, civilian consultant to the Navy Surgeon General; Dr. Frank E. Stinchfield of New York, consultant to the Air Force Surgeon General; Dr. Don H. O'Donoghue of Oklahoma City; Dr. Verne T. Inman, Chairman of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Biomechanic Research (Continued on page 2)



To give address of welcome.

## Dinner To Honor Admiral Hogan

Admiral Hogan will be the guest of honor on 23 September at the major social event of the seminar—a chuck wagon dinner featuring New York cut steaks.

The cocktail hour begins at 1800. Dinner is at 1930. Dancing from 2100 to 0100. Baby sitters will be available at the club.

Medical, Dental, MSC, and Nurse Corps officers from medical installations in the Bay Area, as well as all staff officers at Oak Knoll, are invited.

In the United Crusade we give to local units of national organizations such as—American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, Mental Health Association, Cerebral Palsy Association, Arthritis & Rheumatism Foundation, Multiple Sclerosis Society, The Red Cross, and USO. We give to agencies that serve families and children, to recreation and citizenship programs for youth, com- (Continued on Page 4)

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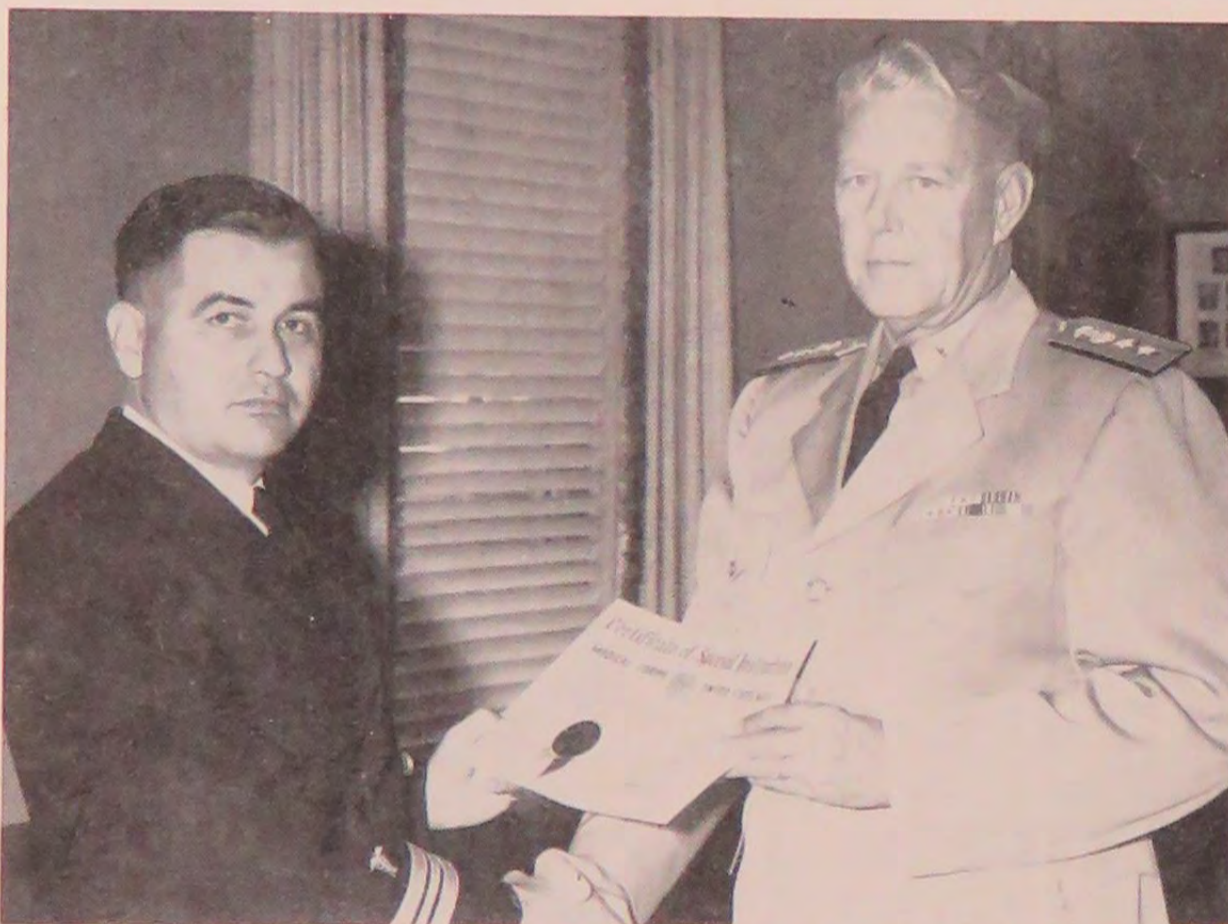
### FAITH—THE WILL TO BELIEVE

Through the magic of believing, a failure can become a success. This can happen because of the operation of one of the most powerful laws of the universe. It is a law recognized by religion and psychology; namely, change your mental habits so that you can believe, so that you can say "have faith," and at once bring everything into the realm of possibility.

Jesus said to a father of a sick son: "If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth." The son was healed through the operation of this law. Time and time again Jesus healed and performed miracles. These were made possible because people had faith.

Don't be a pessimist. William James, father of American psychology, said, "Our belief at the beginning of a doubtful undertaking is the one thing (now get that)—is the one thing—that assures the successful outcome of a venture." Learn to believe, and the primary factor of success is present in any undertaking.

LCDR CHARLES E. HILL, Protestant Chaplain



**HEADING HOME:** LCDR Juan Losno checked out on 28 August to return to his work at Lima, Peru, after nine months' study at Oak Knoll's Clinical Investigation Center. From Admiral Hays he received a certificate of special instruction, with best wishes for smooth sailing.

## Nation's Best On Faculty For Seminar

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Board, U. C. Medical School, San Francisco; and Dr. Lot D. Howard, Assistant Clinical Professor of Surgery at Stanford University Medical School and Oak Knoll consultant in hand surgery.

Others participating on the program are Dr. Donald R. Pratt, San Francisco hand surgeon; Dr. Harold P. Muller, Cowell Memorial Hospital, U. C., Berkeley; Dr. Eugene E. Bleck, San Mateo, a member of Oak Knoll's consultant staff; COL John D. Blair, Walter Reed Army Hospital; COL R. D. Anderson, Fitzsimmons Army Hospital, Denver, Colo.; LTCOL J. J. Brennan, William Beaumont Army Hospital, El Paso, Tex.; COL L. B. Taylor, and his orthopaedic staff—CAPTs George L. Dixon, J. K. Blincow, J. J. Schubert, and S. B. Mutz—from Letterman Army Hospital, San Francisco.

COL Irvin Rosen, Keeler Air Force

Base, Miss., COL Earl W. Brannon and MAJ Norman C. Bos, Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Texas, Dr. Frank A. Hartman, civilian field representative to the Air Force Surgeon General.

CAPT Malcolm W. Arnold, head, BuMed Training Division; CAPT Clifford A. Stevenson, USNH, Portsmouth, Va.; CAPT William S. Stryker, USNH, San Diego; CAPT Thomas J. Canty, CDRs Paul D. Doolan, and A. A. Tratar, LTs A. R. Ellingson, and J. E. Jensen, Oak Knoll.

### Pay Schedule

Tuesday, 15 September—Officers, enlisted staff.

Wednesday, 16 September—Enlisted patient personnel.

Thursday, 1 October—Officers, enlisted staff.

Friday, 2 October—Patients.

## Knoll "Dynamiters" Tie For Third In 12ND Talent Show

Two Oak Knoll staff members and a patient sang their way to a three-way tie for third place in the 12ND Talent Contest finals at SFNSY on 27 August, and a third was selected for the road show that will travel to various activities in the district.

The Dynamiters (they're Bobby J. Tidwell, HN, Willie Ward, HN, and Walter Broussard, SN) with their rhythmic versions of "Money Honey" and "Good Night Sweetheart" tied with Gary Webb, AN, Alameda drummer, and Dave Miller, ATAN, guitarist from Alameda, for third.

Ted Farner, HM3, sang "Birth of the Blues" for a berth on the road show troupe, but didn't place.

Virgil Young, HN, from Mare Island (he entered from Oak Knoll last year) placed first with his piano-vocal act. Ronald Shaw, FN, Mare Island vocalist, and Jack Reynolds, SN, SFNSY pantomimist tied for second place honors.

## Want a Lifetime Pass To USS Constellation?

Remember the USS CONSTELLATION? She was the first ship of the U. S. Navy to be commissioned, to engage and defeat an enemy and capture an enemy warship. From her great speed she gained the nickname, "Yankee Race Horse."

Launched in 1797, she's the oldest vessel still afloat. But the old girl has slowed down. She needs refurbishing.

That's the reason for the attractive commemorative coins you may have seen around the compound. CDR M. P. Huber, Administrative Officer, has one for each person who contributes a dollar to the restoration fund. They're made of metal from the CONSTELLATION's old copper spikes, and they will serve as a pass to visit the ship—whenever you're in Baltimore.

## Life Began at Oak Knoll

... on 26 August for Mark Edward Hahn, 10 lb. son for LT Walter R. Hahn of Anesthesiology, and wife Shirley ... on 26 August for Steward Eugene Tate, 2 lb., 15 oz., and Jeanette Renae, 2 lb., 8 oz., twin son and daughter for David E. Tate, CMACN, Transportation, and wife, Adrienne ... on 30 August for Cynthia Anne, 9 lb. 13½ oz. daughter for LT Robert C. Jones of Surgical Service, and wife Grace ... on 31 August for Julie Ann, 7 lb., 14 oz. daughter for Jimmie C. Cook, HM2, of the Lab, and wife, Marie ... on 4 September for Sheila Maureen, 8 lb., 8 oz. daughter for LT Robert N. Norton, of Pediatrics, and wife, Nita.

## Illustrators Needed

According to the latest BuMed News, there is an urgent need for hospital corpsmen to apply for training as Medical Illustration Technicians.

In an announcement issued late last month by CDR M. E. Keizur, MSC, USN, director of the Hospital Corps division, said that there were insufficient applications on file in the Bureau to meet training quotas.

Qualified personnel should submit their applications in accordance with BUMED INSTRUCTION 1510.4D, via Staff Pers.

## Know Your Staff



Edwin J. Wyatt, HM2, lettered in football and baseball in high school at Erwin, Tenn., was co-captain of the grid squad in his senior year, and is now the kingpin at the local bowling alley. Not that his score is the best—he's just the manager.

Wyatt joined the Navy in '53 and expects to stay in for 20. So far he's been to Bainbridge for boot and corps school, has had duty at the Naval Hospitals in Jacksonville, Fla., and Guam, and came here for NP Tech school two years ago.

Wyatt, his brunette wife Willa, 4-year-old son Johnnie, and 20-month-old daughter Jill, live at Santa Cruz Island Village.



Ask Wanda Sue Deen, HN, a year from now, and she'll tell you which she liked best—the army or the navy. She's had two years in the army (at Fort George G. Mead, Md.; Fort MeLellan, Ala., and at Camp Kilmer, N. J., where she helped with the paper work when the Hungarian refugees were brought to this country) and one in the navy. After two years as a clerical WAC, she took a year's vacation, then decided to see what life is like as a Hospital Corpswave. She plans eventually to enter a Catholic College in her hometown of Joplin, Mo.

The photographer caught her scrubbing a sink, one of the many large and small chores she does in the labor section of 73C.

Wanda played shortstop on the softball team. Her hobbies? Movies and hamburgers!

EVERY GOOD GUY GIVES



**ON HAND FOR THE CURTAIN HANGING** in the Tot's Nursery on 77A were Hazel Ferris, Mary Lane, Rua Meddles, Katherine Greene, and young Kelly Joe Ferris, whose dad, incidentally, is a castroom corpsman. The ladies are members of Navy Wives' Club 160—sponsor of the nursery. The new draperies were purchased from funds raised at the recent bake sales held in the Navy Exchange Lobby.

## Miss Eley Leaving For New Position At Senior Center

Miss Winifrid Eley, who returned to Oak Knoll two years ago for her second tour of duty as ARC recreation director, will leave 18 September for a new position as social group work consultant on the staff at San Francisco Senior Center at Aquatic Park. Her duties will include supervision of students from the U.C. Graduate School of Social Welfare who do field work at the Center.

Miss Eley, a graduate of Albion College, Michigan, with an MA in social science administration from Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, has been with Red Cross for 14 years.

Following her first Oak Knoll assignment, she was sent overseas as recreation consultant for the Far Eastern Area Red Cross, which included Japan, Korea, Okinawa, and the Philippines. Highlight of that assignment was her service at Freedom Village during the Korean War Prisoner exchange in 1953.

Upon returning to stateside she served as training supervisor for service in military hospitals at Pacific Area Red Cross, San Francisco.

Prior to reporting to her new post, Miss Eley will attend the 41st National Recreation Congress in Chicago from 28 September to 2 October, representing the California Recreation Society, Hospital Section, of which she is chairman, and the Senior Center.



Off to school.

## 'Mickey' McDonald To Train For NC

Della Mae Ann McDonald, HM3, left last week for the University of Colorado School of Nursing for four years training under a program sponsored by the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

After graduation she will apply for a commission in the Nurse Corps and serve four years. She was selected for the school on the basis of her GCT average, a battery of examinations, and personal interviews.

"Mickey" came into the Navy after graduating from Rose City High School, Rose City, Mich. At Oak Knoll for two years, she is the second local WAVE to qualify for the program. The first was Kay Hess, who "made the grade" and went to Golden two years ago.

## Patient Who Risked Life Trying To Save Another Is Honored For 'Incredible Valor'

John J. Crippes, BM1—as modest a fellow as you could find in this man's Navy—knew a proud moment on 2 September, when representatives of the Contra Costa Safety Council and the California Highway Patrol came to his bedside to present him an engraved plaque and two citations for heroism.

Crippes risked his own life on 6 August in a vain attempt to save the life of another.

State Highway Patrol Commissioner Bradford Crittenden's letter tells the story:

*Your incredible act of valor and bravery on the night of August 6 has been brought to my attention by awed members of the Patrol who were called to the scene of tragedy in Crockett.*

*The heroism you displayed in attempting to extricate the unfortunate driver from his overturned tank truck from which gasoline was gushing and surrounding you; your fearless persistence in continuing your efforts to rescue the driver after the gasoline caught fire and until the entire truck exploded, blowing you bodily away from the vehicle, are truly superhuman.*

*Your selflessness was further displayed after you had been "exploded" away from the burning truck and while en route to the hospital in your severely injured and burned condition, in that your only thought was for the unfortunate driver whom you had been unable to rescue.*

*The heroic conduct displayed by your fearless actions is an inspiration to all. The United States Navy should be extremely proud of such distinguished behavior. Your complete speedy recovery from your injuries is the very earnest wish of all of us in the California Highway Patrol.*

The letter was presented by Inspector F. A. Leber of the district office, San Francisco, who told Crippes it was the first time in 25 years the Highway Patrol has issued such a citation.

The Contra Costa Safety Council plaque was presented by John Weil, council president, and the accompanying Green Cross citation was read by Kenneth Reed, Martinez Police patrolman and member of the council. Others who came to honor Crippes were SGT A. M. Schutt of the California Highway Patrol, and William Dundas, assistant traffic engineer for Contra Costa County and vice-president of the council.

Among the interested spectators were the heroic man's wife, Lena, his mother, Mrs. Barbara K. Crippes Tuttle, his four children, and patients and staff of the ward.

## New Prices at Nursery

The Day nursery in Building 77A has a new price list—approved by the hospital and the nursery sponsor—Navy Wives' Club 160.

Rates are 25 cents per hour for one child, 10 cents per hour for each additional child between 0900 and 1600. After 1600 the price is 50 cents per child per half hour or less.

If any questions arise in regard to charges, please leave your name and telephone number with the attendant, and a board member will call you.

### WANTED—YOU!

to root for the Hilltoppers. The best way to put our boys on the V-I-C-T-O-R-Y road is to be there cheering. Watch them go at Concord Tuesday. Here a week from today. Both games start at 1500.



Charles F. Wienkers, HM2, checked out 28 August and headed for home in Montfort, Wis., and enrollment in a pre-dental course at Wisconsin State College. He took with him a commendation from the CO for his work in the Physical Therapy division from September 1957 to the date of his detachment. "In your most recent assignment as senior corpsman, you have skillfully coordinated the activities of hospital corps personnel and assisted your superiors in the efficient management and administration of the department . . . Without solicitation you have assisted many patients with their personal problems . . . Your conduct and military bearing have at all times been above reproach," the CO's letter read in part.



**MEN OF THE USS RANGER** didn't expect to be tapped for blood when their gigantic carrier drydocked at SFNSY but they're responding wholeheartedly to Oak Knoll's invitation to help the Navy "take care of its own." Here Robert Altis, HM2, draws blood from one of the 50 donors who lined up at the RANGER's sickbay to give. LCDR Dorothy Boatright and LT Dorothy Ryder, Blood Bank nurses, LT R. W. Stinely of Pathology, and eight lab corpsmen made the "blood run." CDR A. D. Nelson, Senior Medical Officer of the RANGER, assisted with the arrangements.

## Chaplain Morton Lists Keymen For Crusade

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munity health services, community services to combat problems such as alcoholism and juvenile delinquency. When you give, you will be helping 263 different agencies.

Even though Navy personnel move frequently, we are a part of the community, and it is only fair to help while it is our home.

Chaplain Morton and co-chairman Terry Wright have appointed the following key men to conduct the drive in various departments. Look at the list now. See who your keyman is, and when the time comes, be a good guy and give. Unless you are coping with some personal or family emergency, give your fair share. Give one day's pay to help keep our community a happy, healthy, wholesome place to live.

Here are your keymen: **Finance**—Mrs. Laverne Andrews; **Disbursing**—Mrs. Madeline Martin; **Maintenance**—Dudley Britney; **Radiology**—CDR D. H. Hosp, officer; J. R. Amerson, HM2, enlisted personnel; **Medicine**—LT M. R. Powell; **CIC**—LT M. R. Powell; **Surgery**—LT L. R. Brown; **Pathology**—LT J. G. Harmeling; **Orthopedics**—LT J. D. Lewis;

**Nurse Corps**—LCDR K. T. Goggin; **Dependents**—CHMDSRWT R. H. Giles; **EENT**—LT A. A. Nickel; **NP**—LT F. M. Patterson, officers; J. M. Beene, HM3, enlisted; **Admin. Offices**—LTJG W. L. Blankenship; **Security & Legal**—CHMEDSRWRNT—E. E. Bowker; B. J. Carr, Fire Chief; **Pharmacy**—M. A. Cuda, HMC; **Preventive Medicine**—LT J. P. Quinn;

**Physical Medicine**—CDR A. A. Tratar; **Amputee**—ENS A. P. Chipman, military, William Weiserger, civilians; **Special Services**—L. R. Whittle, HM2; **Anesthesia**—LT W. R. Hahn; **Personnel & Records**—J. D. Erpenbach, HM1; W. R. Murphy, HMC, J. P. Ables, HM2; Dorothy Metcalf, civilian employees; **Food Service**—Ira Jones, S. A. Carson, civilians; L. J. Barrier, HM2, military; **Dental**—LT P. W. Connole; G. L. Tribble, DTC; **Dermatology**—LT Milton Orkin; **Urology**—LT H. W. Waldstreicher; **Red Cross**—Miss Grace Guilford.

LT A. C. Harris will serve as Treasurer for the drive.

**Work Simplification**—A man walked into a drugstore and took a seat at the lunch counter. "Give me a ham sandwich," he ordered.

"A what?" asked the waitress.

"A ham sandwich," repeated the would-be customer.

"Ham sandwich isn't on the menu, but I can give you a sandwich with ham in it—like a midnight special."

"What's a midnight special?"

"A triple decker with ham, cheese, tongue, tomato, lettuce, onion, pickle, and mayonnaise, on raisin bread, toasted, with cole slaw on the side."

"Look, do you have any ham?"

"Yes, sir."

"Could you place a piece of ham between two slices of white bread and serve it to me on a plate?"

"I guess so!" Then, turning and addressing a short order cook, she sang out: "One midnight special. Make it one deck. Hold the cheese, tongue, tomato, lettuce, onion, pickle, mayonnaise and cole slaw, and make the raisin bread white, untoasted."

—Civilian Employee Bulletin



**OAK KNOLL'S GIRLS' SOFTBALL TEAM** came out third in 12ND competition, but their first baseman, Mary Donahue (circled) was adopted by the champion Alameda Hellkittens and went to San Diego for the San Diego Regional games and on to Norfolk, Va., to play in the All-Navy finals last week end. "All during my Navy career I've wanted to be all-Navy SOMETHING and here it is," said Mary, before she headed for the East Coast. Dottie Effner (third from right, back row) also had a bid from Alameda but was unable to play because of a fractured phalanx. Others who played for Oak Knoll: Standing—Lee Eckdahl, Marlene Magie, Kay Douglas, Dorothy Ryder, Elizabeth Lorch, and Jearleen Stark. Front row: Elaine Malaqui, Denise Decker, Wanda Dean, Mary Smith, Mary Donahue, Lois Martin. At left, Coach Lillian Peart.

## Hilltoppers To Kick Off Grid Season at NAD Concord Tuesday; Coach Moffett Has Hopes For Good Season

By Larry Preston, HN

The Oak Knoll Hilltoppers will kick off their 1959 football season Tuesday at 1500 when they meet NAD, Concord, on the NAD gridiron.

Coach Moffett, discussing the team's prospects, indicated he has hopes for a good season—even better than last year when the Hilltoppers finished in second place in the 12ND Class B division.

"Veterans from last year and newcomers who've turned out for the squad have put in many hours of hard work with the team, and we're hoping to make it one of the most exciting years in Oak Knoll's football

history," the coach said.

Veteran players on the squad are: **Bates**—offensive end. Russ made a good name for himself last season by catching many TD passes.

**Sidwell**—offensive quarterback. He is fast and handles his men with confidence.

**Overton**—offensive halfback. He hits the line. Regardless of how small

the hole, he makes it his size.

**Wojewski**—offensive center. He handles the ball as gently as a hemostat in OR—until the going gets rough. Then watch him.

**Bliss**—backfield artist. Shifty, dependable ball carrier.

New comers to be watched are Sheridan, F. Smith, R. Perkins, Keen, Cobb, M. Williams, McCartney, Stow, Hoffman, E. Johnson, Sudduth and Noll. Valuable and versatile men, they have yet to be assigned to definite positions.

## Previews

Tonight, 11 September  
CAST A LONG SHADOW—Audie Murphy. Adult.

Saturday, 12 September  
SIERRA BARON—Rita Gam, Brian Keith, Family.

Sunday, 13 September  
TO CATCH A THIEF—Cary Grant, Grace Kelly.

Monday, 14 September  
THE SHEEPMAN—Glenn Ford, Shirley MacLaine, Family.

Tuesday, 15 September  
THE HORSES MOUTH—Alec Guinness, Family.

Wednesday, 16 September  
NICE LITTLE BANK THAT SHOULD BE ROBBED—Tom Ewell, Mickey Rooney, Family.

Thursday, 17 September  
SHOWDOWN AT BOOT HILL—John Carradine, Charles Bronson. Also JUMPING HORSE, Family.

Friday, 18 September  
THE DELICATE DELINQUENT—Dean Martin, Jerry Lewis, Family.

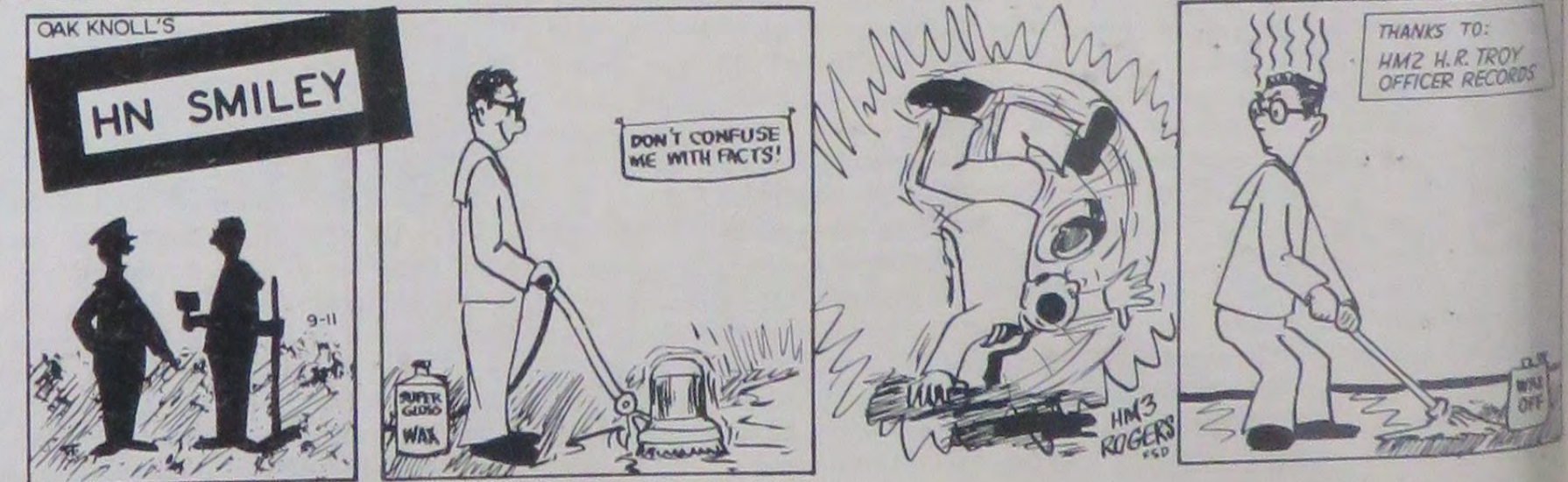
Saturday, 19 September  
THE VIKINGS—Kirk Douglas, Janet Leigh, Tony Curtis, Adult.

## Well Done For Hensle

Harold R. Hensle, HMI, who reports 24 September to OCS in Newport, R. I., for seven weeks' training in preparation for the rank of ensign, was commended on the eve of his departure for outstanding performance of duty in the Pharmacy Service.

"In this assignment you have had the sole responsibility for keeping up the stock and ordering all supplies for the Pharmacy Service—a task that requires ingenuity, foresight, and great flexibility. In addition, you have served admirably in every section of the Pharmacy Service," the commendation read in part.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE	
Home Games	
15 September	NAD, Concord
18 September	PAC Hunters from SFNSY
8 October	P. G. School, Monterey
5 November	Mare Island
12 November	NAS, Oakland
Games Away	
1 October	NSA, Stockton
17 October	NAD, Hawthorne
22 October	PAC Hunters, SFNSY
29 October	NAD, Concord





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## Every Good Guy To Have His Chance—Starting Thursday



VISIBLE THROUGH THE HICKORY SMOKE that flavored the prime ribs of beef served (and consumed) at the traditional ACCMA-Oak Knoll meeting are Dr. Dudley Bell, president of the ACCMA (extreme left), CAPT P. J. McNamara, Admiral Hays, CAPT E. G. Goodman, and Dr. Harold Kay, Oakland urologist and member of Oak Knoll's consulting staff. Visitors at right are unidentified.



ALSO AMONG THOSE ATTENDING were LTs F. E. Stagers, R. I. Sorenson, C. E. Brodine, C. D. Hawley, Dr. Gene Llewellyn of the Oakland VA Hospital staff, and LT R. D. Cordier. The three doctors at right provided the professional program. They are LTs Milton Orkin, A. R. Ellingson, and W. C. Cooper.

### Civilian-Navy Doctors Meet

The weather was just what the doctors ordered Monday night when nearly 400 turned out for the annual Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association-Oak Knoll meeting.

Following the barbecue dinner, guests and hosts moved into the Officers' Club Auditorium for a professional program moderated by CAPT George M. Davis, Chief of the Medical Service.

Papers were presented by LT Milton Orkin, whose subject was "Grisepofulvin, a New Antifungal Agent"; LT Abel R. Ellingson — "Evaluation of Surgical Treatment of Acute Ligamentous Injuries to the Knee"; and LT William C. Cooper—"Experiences With Percutaneous Renal Biopsy."

### CO Asks All To Be "Good Neighbors"

Each year we have an opportunity to help countless needy people by generously supporting the United Bay Area Crusade. This appeal is made during the month of October for the support of 263 health, welfare, and youth agencies.

It is my desire that all personnel, both military and civilian, support this Crusade that we may prove ourselves to be "good neighbors."

The personal status of each individual may vary. As individuals we may be well-established local citizens, proud of our community and with a desire to serve it; or we may be servicemen away from home, but still imbued with the true American spirit of helping others—a characteristic of the American serviceman which has become a tradition throughout the world. Whatever our motivation, I am certain we will all enjoy the personal satisfaction of being generous givers as well as the collective pride in seeing Oak Knoll emerge as an outstanding contributor.

"Good Guys Give." We have lots of Good Guys and Gals here. Let's all give and make this campaign a success.

RADMT G. HAYS, MC, USN  
Commanding Officer

### Many Good Causes Supported by UBAC In One Big Give

Oak Knoll's part in the ninth annual United Bay Area Crusade—the one big give for charity—will start Thursday, and continue through early October, when each member of the hospital's military and civilian staff will be asked to give his fair share to the 263 health, welfare, and youth agencies in five counties.

Chairman of this year's drive is CDR P. C. Morton, CHC, who will be assisted by a corps of keymen specially appointed for this important task.

Individual envelopes will be sent to every member of the staff, and contributions may be pledged on a quarterly or monthly basis. It is suggested that a fair share in most cases would be one day's pay.

Support of the crusade will provide funds for:

#### Family and Children's Services

These agencies include those sponsored by every religious faith, plus many nonsectarian organizations like Travelers Aid and the Salvation Army.

#### Youth

Sharing in these funds are the boys' and girls' clubs, scout troops, councils, centers, associations, and other facilities for youth.

#### Military and Disaster Services

Red Cross and the USO clubs in the Bay Area serve the men and women in uniform—helping them and their families with financial aid, counseling, emergency communications, and recreation facilities. Nine Red Cross chapters in the Area provide disaster relief, as well as free classes in first aid, water safety, and home nursing.

#### Community Health Services

To safeguard the community, the Crusade supports local health services. These include visiting nurses, a blood bank, hospitals and clinics providing free or part-pay service, and other health agencies.

#### National Health Organizations

These include certain chapters of the American Cancer Society, Heart Association, Cerebral Palsy and the Mental Health Society—plus the Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation and the Multiple Sclerosis Society. If no other Crusade cause seems to touch your life, medical research, which all of these support, directly affects the well-being and lifespan of every individual.

To provide the most efficient and forward-looking program of services in the Bay Area, Crusade social planning groups are constantly re-examining the agency programs to streamline the organization and to fit services to growing needs.

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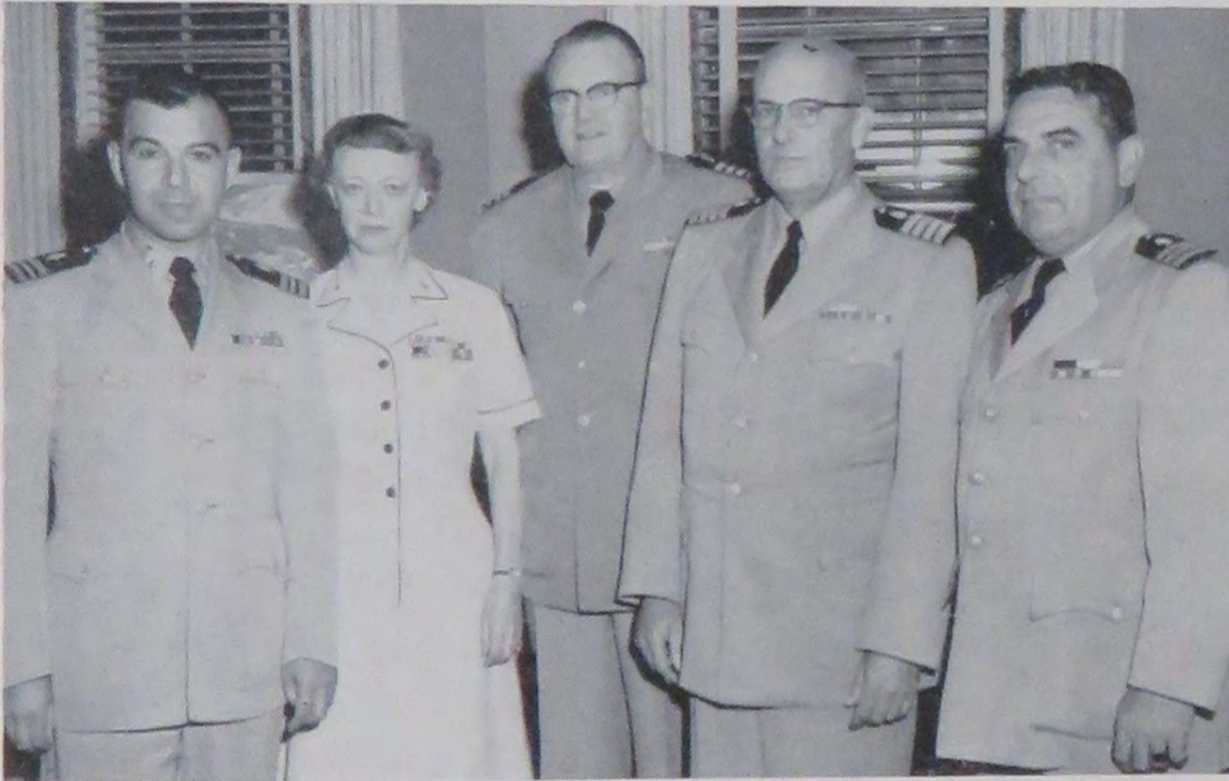
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## ++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++

One of the most famous warriors of all time, whose feats of military strength read like legends, was Prince Castriotto, generally called Skanderburg. He was feared far and wide for his bravery and strength, and it was said that he could wield his battlesword with such power that one blow would take off a man's head. The Sultan who ruled the East had heard so much of Skanderburg that he asked to see his sword. When it arrived, neither the Sultan or anyone else at his court could wield it. The Sultan was violently angry, and returned the sword with the message that he refused to believe this was the sword Skanderburg actually used in battle and that the Prince had sent it to him to ridicule him. Skanderburg replied very briefly: "I sent you my sword, but not my arm."

It is not our military weapons that make us a mighty nation, nor is it the number of our ships, the speed of our planes, the firing power of our guns, the quantity of our foot soldiers. Other nations can have all of these in far greater numbers and power than we. Our strength is in our American ideals, in the deep-rooted faith we have in ourselves under God, in our principles of fighting only for right, never for conquest, only for love of freedom, never for hatred of enemies. No sword is so strong that it cannot be broken. But the spirit of the people behind the sword—that is something that nothing can shatter.

LCDR JOHN L. WISSING, Catholic Chaplain



BUMED's ON-SITE SURVEY BOARD, here for the past week, included, left to right, LCDR S. C. Pflag, MSC, USN; CDR Alberta Burk, NC; CAPT Hilton W. Rose, MC; CAPT M. W. Arnold, MC; and CDR W. M. Dreitlein, MSC.

## On-Site Survey Board Here From BuMed For Week-Long Inspection of Hospital

Members of the On-Site Survey Board from the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery arrived at Oak Knoll on 17 September for an official week-long inspection.

Going about their work without disrupting regular work routine, they saw Oak Knoll in operation. At the Thursday morning critique that followed their visit, they made helpful suggestions and indicated general approval of what they had seen.

In the party were CAPT Hilton W. Rose, MC, USN, Inspector General, Navy Medical Activities; CAPT M. W. Arnold, MC, Head, Professional Training Division, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery; CDR W. M. Dreitlein, MSC, Executive Assistant to Captain Rose; CDR Alberta Burk, NC, Deputy Director of BuMed's Nursing Division; and LCDR S. C.

Pflag, MSC, Head Pharmacy Branch, BuMed, Assistant to the Director of MSC for Pharmacy Officers; and Chief of Career Planning and Training, Hospital Corps Division.

Dental Division inspectors in the party were CAPT R. S. Snyder, Jr., DC, Inspector General, Dental, and LCDR R. E. Ricker, MSC, Executive Assistant to Captain Snyder.

### EVERY GOOD GUY GIVES

## Admiral Clegg Visits Knoll

RADM Courtney G. Clegg, Medical Officer on the staff of the Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet, paid an orientation visit to Oak Knoll on 11 September, during his tour of Bay Coast Medical Activities.



It would be disloyal, and a little impertinent of this column to give precedence to any book over the recently received, and highly popular biography of Herbert Lamont Pugh NAVY SURGEON. Rear Admiral Pugh tells with vigor and charm, the story of his life from his boyhood in Virginia, through two wars to his retirement after serving this country as Surgeon General. Another biography, written also by an Admiral and due, no doubt, for instant acclaim, are the war memoirs of Karl Doenitz subtitled TEN YEARS AND TWENTY DAYS. Having served a ten-year sentence as a war criminal, Germany's brilliant naval strategist describes his disagreements with the German High Command, The "Laconia" incident, and the last days of the Third Reich. And, on the other side of the coin, we present the book KOGUN written by Saburo Hayashi in collaboration with Alvin D. Cook, and published by the Marine Corps Assn. which tells the story of the Japanese army in the Pacific war. All books by military men who know their subject and how to write of it.

A problem of never-ending interest to booksellers, librarians and authors (oh, especially to authors!) concerns the magic ingredients that go into the making of a best seller. Not only that elusive quality that puts it at the head of the best seller list above other books perhaps equally well written, but the unknown quantity that keeps it in popular demand month after month. In the case of LADY CHATTERLY'S LOVER, LOLITA and, going further back, PEYTON PLACE the answer is evident. DR. ZHIVAGO was helped perhaps by the Nobel Prize controversy that brought it to the attention of the reading public. But it is a long book, not easy to read and full of difficult Russian names. What, then, keeps it in continued demand a year after its publication? EXODUS had behind it the substantial success of Leon Uris' earlier and popular BATTLE CRY, but EXODUS, unlike the war novel which can always claim a certain success, deals with the subject of Zionism and the consecrated life of the kibbutz in modern Israel, not a subject calculated to hold the public interest for the more than fifty weeks the book has remained at the top of the best seller list. Eugene Burdick and William Lederer, both have in their own right, earned solid reputations as authors of ability. As co-authors of THE UGLY AMERICAN they have written a book showing the defeats and victories of men and women in contact with Communism in Southeast Asia, a novel that has stayed in orbit since it was published on October 1st of last year. What do these books have in common? What makes them great? Only perhaps the fact that each, in its own way deals with man's struggle for human dignity. On the other hand, it may be a significant fact that all three of the last named books were published within a few weeks of each other. Perhaps it has something to do with the stars.

—EMMA BERGER, Librarian

Old age is that period when your thoughts turn from passion to pension.

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## Know Your Staff



Photomicrography—(that's making a picture of a microscopic object—germ perhaps—magnified many times) is just one of the many chores done daily in the Photo Lab. And the photographer—that's Jack H. Timmerman, HMI, who came to Oak Knoll six weeks ago after graduating from a six-month course in medical photography at Children's Hospital, Boston.

Jack is one of those rare birds—a native Californian. He was born and schooled in San Bernardino, county seat of San Bernardino county (the world's largest), but now claims Garden Grove as his home. He has been in the Navy for 14 years, saw service with the 1st Battalion, 1st Regiment, 1st Marine Division at Inchon and Seoul. He and his wife Opal have two sons—Mike 13, and Hugh 6, who share his interest in fishing and other outdoor sports.

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Even the chaplain's office has to have a field day, and James E. Meisel, HN, USN, was holding it when the photographer surprised him in his dungarees. The usually well-dressed young chaplain's assistant was born and schooled in Lakin, Kan., where he went out for sports and in for dramatics. He collected letters in football (two), basketball (one), and track (one), and was in two class plays.

In the Navy for two years, Jim has been to corps school in San Diego and to Oak Knoll. Between the two he rushed back to Kansas and married his hometown sweetheart, Mary, with whom he lives in nearby San Leandro. The biggest event in their young lives was the arrival on 10 September of their first child, a 6 lb. 3 oz. girl whom they've named Kim Rene.



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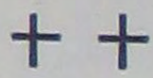
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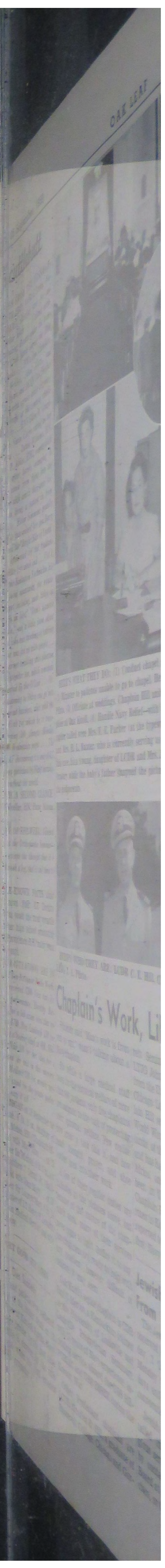
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# Scuttlebutt

SCENES FROM THE PASSAGE-WAY PARADE: Richard Leroy Anderson, HM3, shipping over for another 6-year hitch . . . Visiting orthopods dunking donuts under the trees at the O'Club patio during the 1000 coffee breaks . . . HN's Jim Chandler, Dennis McCoy, John Alexy, and Charles Stowe, and DKSN Otis Hughes (complete with spruce white leggings) directing traffic at the seminar chuckwagon party . . . ENS Ellen M. Gaughran of the Nurse Corps sewing on her JG stripes . . . Dottie Williams, HN, and John P. Ables, HM2, coming back unnerved after barely managing to keep the stork from flying into the ambulance with which they were dispatched to bring a patient in from Newark . . . Helen Simmons proudly admitting it was indeed her son Barry who emceed the "Bright Side of Youth" program sponsored by the Oakland Scottish Rite last week end . . . Vol 1, No. 1 of the Sanitation Technician hitting the local newstands, the educational sheet including such titles as "Health is an Idea," "Don't Gamble With Polio," and a little item about a cannibal who was thinking of retiring because he was fed up with people . . . Officers' wives recalling with pleasure their 9 September tea, which somehow was neglected by the O'Leaf . . . Mr. Kane threatening to retire and go into the restaurant business, what with the Officers' Club (of which he is treasurer) serving 300 dinners Monday night, 450 Wednesday night . . . The OAK LEAF discovering it is one of 437 newspapers published by Navy installations throughout the world.

WORTH A SECOND GLANCE: Marlys Mueller, HN, Patsy Malone, HN.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Admiral Russell at the Orthopaedic Seminar—"I can't escape the thought that if I have to break a leg, this is the time to do it."

LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS about Well-Known Folk: LT Dorothy Ryder was voted the most versatile girl in her high school graduating class at Providence, R. I. "many years ago," she says.

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER: Ben Nelson of Public Works recently received \$200 (less tax) for superior performance, Dorothy Barbus \$35 for a lab exam idea that resulted in \$700, Roy Landreth \$30 for suggesting a loading ramp at 40B, Milled McNaair \$10 for her idea for a compressed air unit in the nursery, Johnnie Medlock \$10 for merely suggesting a stand for the potato peeler. See how easy it is?

LIFE BEGAN on 10 September for Kim René, 6 lb. 3 oz. daughter of James E. Meisel, HN, (Chaplain's Office) and wife Mary Jane . . . on 12 September for Michael, 9 lb. 2 oz. son of LT Matthew J. Cerny, Jr., (Radiology) and wife Joan Mary . . . on 20 September for Lauren Mary, 5 lb. 14 oz. daughter of LT Henry F. Lenartz, (Interm on Medical Service) and wife Nona Mary.

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### Jeweler Dies Suddenly

Staff and patients were saddened to learn of the sudden death on 13 September of Kenneth Fawls, Navy Exchange jeweler for the past nine years. He is survived by his wife Terry, to whom the staff extends sincerest sympathy.



HERE'S WHAT THEY DO: (1) Conduct chapel services. The far-away figure in the pulpit is Chaplain Morton. (2) Minister to patients unable to go to chapel. Here Raymond Brown, FA, has a welcome visit from Chaplain Piirto. (3) Officiate at weddings. Chaplain Hill united these two couples in one of the few double weddings to take place at Oak Knoll. (4) Handle Navy Relief—with the aid of wives of staff officers. On duty the day the photographer called were Mrs. E. E. Parker (at the typewriter), Mrs. Malcolm Williams, who comes from TI to help out, and Mrs. H. L. Baxter, who is currently serving as chairman of volunteer interviewers. (5) Christen babies—in this case, Lisa Young, daughter of LCDR and Mrs. J. L. Young. Chaplain Wissing read the service in the Catholic Oratory while the baby's father snapped the picture with his Land camera. LTJG and Mrs. George L. Kane are the godparents.



HERE'S WHO THEY ARE: LCDR C. E. Hill, CDR P. C. Morton, LCDR J. L. Wissing, LCDR K. J. Keaney, and LTJG J. A. Piirto.

# Chaplain's Work, Like Woman's—Never Done

Whoever said "Man's work is from sun to sun," wasn't talking about a Navy chaplain.

For while a large medical staff cares for the physical welfare of more than 900 patients, only five chaplains are assigned to the task of protecting their spiritual welfare. Few realize how great a task this is, and how much thought, prayer, and shoe leather goes into their work.

A few of their regular duties are indicated in the pictures above, but because of the nature of the chaplain's work, many of their services never come to light. Suffice it to say, our chaplains are ready to help with any problem, however difficult or delicate it may seem.

Oak Knoll's senior chaplain is CDR Paul C. Morton, a Kentuckian trained at the University of Louisville and Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, with 17 years of Navy experience, including service aboard the USS REPUBLIC and USS ESSEX during the Korean War.

Other Protestant chaplains are LCDR Charles E. Hill, a graduate of Roosevelt College, Chicago and Gar-

rett Seminary, Evanston, Ill.; and LTJG John A. Piirto, who graduated from the University of California and Chicago Lutheran Seminary. Chaplain Hill served in the Army during World War II, was with MSTs, Atlantic, at the time of the Korean War and has had tours of duty in Europe, Africa, and the Mid East. He has been in the Navy for seven years. Chaplain Piirto served with the Marines in Korea as an enlisted man. He reported to Oak Knoll 10 July for his first Navy assignment.

## Jewish High Holy Days From 2-12 October

The Jewish High Holy Days will be observed beginning at sundown Friday, 2 October, through sundown, Monday 12 October. The first two days and last day are days of holy convocation for Jewish personnel.

Jewish personnel may obtain detailed information concerning religious services and home hospitality by contacting the Jewish Welfare Board at 1017 Market St., San Francisco, or Calling MA 1-0231.

This article was almost too late to include LCDR John L. Wissing, Catholic Chaplain, who has orders to Midway Island and will be detached from Oak Knoll early next week. Father Wissing received his education at St. Bede College, Peru, Ill.; his MED at St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo., and was ordained after training at St. Paul Seminary, St. Paul, Minn. He has served in the Navy for 14 years, during WWII in the USS MOUNT OLYMPUS and during Korea with the 1st Marine Division.

LCDR Kevin J. Keaney, who reported to Oak Knoll last May, has had 10 years of duty as a Catholic Chaplain in the Navy. He received his training at St. Joseph's Seminary, New York, and the Universite Laval, Quebec. During the Korean War he served with the 1st and 2nd Marine Divisions and wears the Purple Heart as a result of his experience there. He had a tour of duty in Quemoy, China, in 1958.

LCDR Garson Goodman, Jewish Chaplain stationed at Treasure Island, comes each Thursday to minister to patients of his faith.



Recent graduates of the NP Tech School are, left to right, Arthur Fullerton, Richard Haynes, John W. Fox, Michael W. Munde, James F. Cobb, Willie E. Westfall, Ted Zorn (honor man), Samuel Espurva, Gary E. Stratton, Dennis R. Delgreco, Jerald E. Sinsky, Ronald D. Perkins, Willie E. Ward, Arthur R. Keen—all HNs except Cobb, Westfall and Keen, who are HM3s. Admiral Hays presented the diplomas and Chaplain Hill (right) gave the invocation and benediction. Members of the staff who shared the responsibility for their instruction are Captain R. R. Deen, LCDR Mary Finn, CAPT F. H. Ocko, Chief of the Neuropsychiatric Service, and LCDR Dorothy Janssen.

### Football Score - 1 Lost, 1 Rained Out; First League Game Here 8 October

By LARRY PRESTON, HN

Oak Knoll's Hilltoppers got off to a slow start in the 1959 six-man football season by losing their opening game to NAD, Concord. The game was played 15 September on the NAD gridiron with Oak Knoll finishing on the small end of a 34 to 15 score.

The team seemed ready for the game but had trouble getting their old faithful plays clicking. Coach Moffett, realizing that members of the team were "rookies" to Navy football, was nevertheless pleased with the way they played for the first time. "They really started playing in the last quarter," he said.

Bates, a veteran from last year, punted the ball into the end-zone, making a safety possible. He also threw the pass to complete the extra point. Overton, another veteran, ran one of the TDs. F. Smith ran the other touchdown. Other men who got into the game were Sidwell, Manning, McCarty, E. Hoffman, Wojewski,

Keene, Johnson, R. Perkins, Storne, Shearden, and Esperno.

The first half of the game was somewhat of an experiment to see the team work. "The boys were in trouble at several points but stood up under fire very well for the first time," Coach Moffett said.

The second half was much better, in that the plays started working and the blocking was much better.

The first home game of the season—with PAC Hunters from San Francisco Naval Shipyard—was rained out last Friday and has not been rescheduled.

The first regular league game will be played here Thursday, 8 October, with the Post-Graduate School, Monterey.

All hands are urged to come out and root for the team. "We have a team that is capable of coming out first in the Twelfth Naval District if we only have the support of our shipmates," Coach Moffett said.

### Schnauzer Show Coming to Compound Sunday All Invited to See Little Pooches Perform

Every dog has his day, and Sunday will belong to the miniature schnauzer—a little long-headed, small-eared, heavy-eyebrowed and bearded terrier type not often seen in the west.

BUT—back to Sunday. A miniature schnauzer show will take place in the picnic area at 1330, when 50 or 60 of the rare little characters and their owners will hold an exhibition, to which all staff members and patients are invited.

On the program will be demonstrations of how to stack a schnauzer for conformation, how to gait and pace him, how to fault him. There'll be obedience, tracking, and utility dem-

onstrations, and a puppy match to show who's who among the really small schnauzers.

LT Harry C. Gibbons' schnauzer and LT Jane McCrory's are among those to be shown, both staffers being members of the Miniature Schnauzer Club of Northern Calif.—sponsor of the exhibition.

### Knollites Invited to UC Football Game

The Associated Students of the University of California have invited military personnel at Oak Knoll to attend all home games played by the Golden Bears, beginning with the Iowa game tomorrow afternoon in

### Previews

- Tonight, 25 September THE DOCTOR'S DILEMMA—Leslie Caron, Dirk Bogard. Adult.
- Saturday, 26 September I WANT TO LIVE — Susan Hayward. Adult.
- Sunday, 27 September HORSE SOLDIERS — John Wayne, William Holden. Family.
- Monday, 28 September ONIONHEAD—Felicia Farr, Andy Griffith. Adult.
- Tuesday, 29 September TIMBUKTU—Yvonne DeCarlo, Victor Mature. Family.
- Wednesday, 30 September TUNNEL OF LOVE—Doris Day, Richard Widmark. Adult.
- Thursday, 1 October FACE OF FIRE—James Whitmore, Cameron Mitchell. Adult.
- Friday, 2 October ANNA LUCASTA — Eartha Kitt, Sammie Davis, Jr. STRICTLY Adult.
- Saturday, 3 October THE AL CAPONE STORY — Fay Spain, Rod Steiger. Adult.

### Disneyland Bargain Books Available

Fall and winter vacationers may have for the asking the new Magic Kingdom Club membership card that entitles armed forces personnel to special bargain rates at Disneyland.

The cards, available at Special Services, make it possible to purchase Magic Key books at Disneyland for the following prices: \$3.50 for adults (\$6.25 value); \$3.00 for juniors (\$6.00 value) and \$2.50 for children (a \$4.00 value).

From the membership roster each month, three families will be selected for a complete all-expense paid holiday week end at Disneyland and Disneyland Hotel.

### Institute Sponsors Prize Essay Contest

Annapolis, Md. (AFPS)—The 1960 General Prize Essay contest of the U.S. Naval Institute, open to all members of the Navy and Marine Corps, will have no special category for enlisted personnel this year.

The contest, which closes 1 Dec., offers a first prize of \$1,500 for an essay of not more than 5,000 words on any naval subject; also a gold medal and life membership in the Institute.

Each essay should be typed double-spaced, and submitted in duplicate. It should not bear the writer's name, but instead a motto on the title page. The motto should also appear on the outside of a sealed envelope containing identification of the writer and his name and address.

Essay and envelope should be mailed in a large sealed envelope marked "General Prize Essay Contest" and addressed to Secretary-Treasurer, U.S. Naval Institute, Annapolis, Md., before 1 Dec.

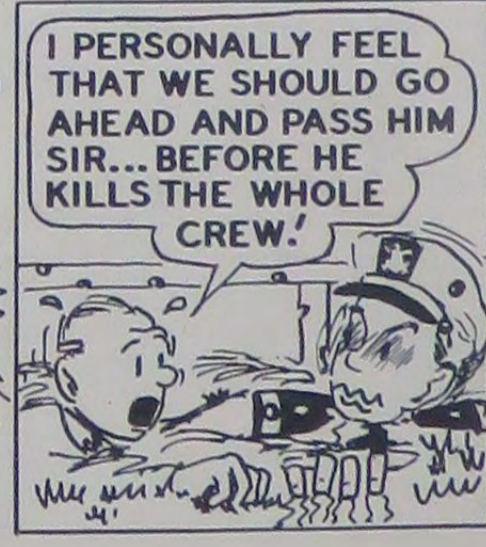
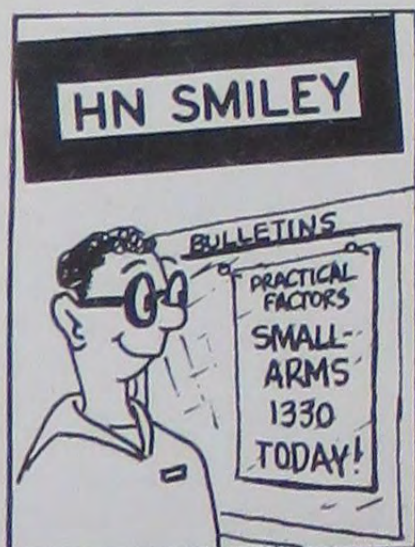
Essays submitted should be generally analytical or interpretive rather than merely expository or personal narrative. The first prize winner and runners-up will be chosen next February.

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## 225 Attend First Armed Services Orthopaedic Seminar



**FIRE FIGHTING WAS NEVER LIKE THIS** for Chief B. J. Carr, who happily took time out from his duties at the Oak Knoll firehouse to help Oakland's Miss Fire Prevention advertise the Oakland Fire Fair. She is Joyce Perdriau, Oakland City College student, and she invited Oak Knoll patients to the fair, which is to be held at Lakeshore Park tomorrow and Sunday.

### Pardon Our Split Paersonality!

When is an orthopaedist? Webster prefers orthopedist. Oxford Universal likes orthopaedist. Dr. Barr spells it with "e." Answering his letter, we say "e." Dr. Sofield writes "ae." We write him "ae." Dr. O'Donaghue writes it "e." To him, say "e." Dr. Stinchfield writes "ae." We — "ae." Dr. Streit arrived. Down with Orthopedic Clinic, up with Orthopaedic. Till last January, OAK LEAF was "e," but while doing a faecture on the department, reporter and editor (no backbone), suddenly went "ae." Where'll wae go from here?

### Tri-Service Unity Stressed at Meeting

Orthopaedists whose curriculum vitae would fill several pages in Who's Who, and others rapidly coming up in the field assembled 225 strong at the Officers' Club on 23 September for three days' concentration on their specialty.

They were here for the first Armed Services Orthopaedic Seminar, which brought new unity to Army, Navy, and Air Force specialists. As a result of the meeting, the group, henceforth to be known as the Society of Military Orthopaedic Surgeons, hopes to improve and coordinate a joint training program and sponsor joint research along clinical lines, thus leading to continuous improvement in care of the orthopaedic patient.

These aims have the support of the three surgeons general and their civilian consultants. Permanent committees were elected to guide the two programs and report to the organization at next year's seminar to be held at Walter Reed Army Hospital, Washington, D. C., and to the 1961 meeting at Lackland AFB Hospital, San Antonio, Tex.

The session opened with greetings from RADM Thomas G. Hays, CO and DMO, who introduced RADM George L. Russell, Commandant, 12ND, who welcomed visiting doctors to the area.

**Admiral Hogan Unable to Attend**  
Unable to attend, RADM B. W. Hogan, Surgeon General of the Navy, delegated RADM Frank P. Kreuz, CO of the Naval Hospital at Bethesda, Md., to deliver his address, the major one of the opening session.

The Surgeon General spoke of "the excellent tri-service spirit of unity and cooperation that carries out to the letter the Secretary of Defense policy," of the "intangible benefit that comes from a meeting of men of common interests."

"I am confident that the scheduled round table discussions and organizational meetings will insure long and productive existence of this seminar," Admiral Hogan said.

Dr. Harold A. Sofield, President of the Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons and consultant to the Army Surgeon General, spoke briefly at the opening session, and messages were read from LTGEN Leonard D. Heaton, Army Surgeon General, and MAJGEN O. K. Niess, Surgeon General of the Air Force.

CAPT H. A. Streit, Chief of Oak Knoll's Orthopaedic Service, and

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RADM Frank P. Kreuz, CO of USNH, Bethesda, Md., came "home" to Oak Knoll to deliver the Surgeon General's address and to moderate seminar sessions on military orthopaedic research and training.

### UBAC Needs Your Fair Share

No figures were available on the United Bay Area Crusade at presstime, but Chaplain Paul C. Morton, chairman, asks the OAK LEAF to urge good guys to be better guys.

"There has been good participation, but very few of those giving so far have given their fair share. Almost everyone, by giving up a few unnecessary expenditures, can contribute one day's pay for the 263 organizations, any one of which gives so much more per person to insure a happy, healthy community," the chaplain said. "Give not only because of the need but also for your own personal satisfaction and to help Oak Knoll make a worthy showing among other organizations in the community."



When RADM Luis Gomez Cevallos, Commander in Chief, Navy of Ecuador, and his party visited Oak Knoll on 25 September, one stop on their itinerary was Physical Therapy, where they observed the various types of treatment given. Here LCDR Lorraine Melvin, MSC, explains the benefits of Hubbard tank therapy to the visiting admiral, to CAPT Jorge Wolf, Armed Forces General Staff; Commander Carlos Monteverde, Chief of the Navy Staff; LCDR Hector A. Chiriboga, aide to Admiral Gomez, and CDR Charles H. Heinbockl, USNR, from 12ND Headquarters, who served as local aide to the South American admiral. The visitors also toured PRL, OT, CIC, and the heart clinic.

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

### THE WORLD SERIES . . . OF LIFE

This week excitement is in the air as many people's attention is focused on the World Series. The two top baseball teams in the nation compete for the championship of the baseball world. This year it is the Chicago White Sox against the Los Angeles Dodgers, and so far the action has been terrific. Many of us are stirred to an emotional peak as the fortunes of the two teams ebb and flow, and we wonder what the outcome will be.

There is another crown in which we should be interested, the crown of eternal life. Yet it seems that we cannot get excited about this. When our attention turns from secular matters to the realm of the spiritual, it appears that we cannot get excited. We are too indifferent, or too lazy or too ignorant to be stirred up by such things.

And yet which is of greater value, which in the ultimate sense is more important? It is fine that we can give loyal support to sports, to our country, to our friends and families, but in the last analysis it is our loyalty to our Creator and our faith in Him that will give us the most important crown.

Let us put first things first and not lose the most important crown in life. The apostle Paul tells us, "Do you not know that in a race all compete but only one wins the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable."

—LTJG JOHN A. PIIRTO, Protestant Chaplain.

## Fire Prevention Week Reminds Us . . .

With Fire Prevention Week being observed throughout the country, Oak Knoll personnel are asked once again to be particularly careful. In this setting, a small fire not only destroys government property, but what is much more serious, it endangers the lives of our patients.

Chief B. J. Carr reports that during the past year the fire department responded to 137 alarms on the compound. A majority of the fires were caused by carelessness in putting out cigarettes. Replacing a burnt mattress, a charred divan costs money. Money worth saving—and certainly our lives and those of our shipmates are worth protecting.

Though Oak Knoll's alert fire-fighting team is on the job within two to three minutes after an alarm is turned in, fire prevention is an ALL HANDS—ALL YEAR job.



**OFFICIALS VISIT**—Mrs. Dorothy Thompson (right), national president of the Fleet Reserve Auxiliary, and Mrs. Fern Bahrs (left), regional vice-president, toured the hospital recently with LT Lillian Peart, MSC, as their guide. That's George Patrick Helvy, SN, with whom they chatted on 41A. Mrs. Thompson, a resident of San Fernando, has covered 50,000 miles in visits to service and veteran hospitals this year. Outstanding among her accomplishments—the raising of \$150,000 for the USS ARIZONA Memorial Fund. Mrs. Bahrs, who lives in Oakland, looks after units from here to Denver, helping them decide how best to serve military personnel and their families. Local units sponsor ward parties at Oak Knoll.

## Many Hands Have Hand In Success Of Seminar

It takes many hands to "make" a seminar, and Admiral Hays and the co-chairmen wish to thank and commend all who had a share in the project:

LCDR R. H. Lagerquist, Assistant Chief of Orthopaedics, and LT J. L. Lewis, who kept the clinic going in full swing.

The residents — LCDR H. S. Browne, LTs G. L. King, A. R. Ellingson, R. I. Sorenson, J. E. Jensen, J. B. Burr, and S. H. James, who shared responsibility for housing, registration, and hosting "top-ranking" civilian guests from other sections of the country.

Staff wives, who gracefully "manned" the registration desk and acted as hostesses, with assistance from Mrs. Lloyd B. Taylor of Letterman and Anna Mae Taylor, staff secretary.

LT Jerry B. Kight, who handled transportation and dispatches.

LT Harry C. Gibbons and his Food Service Crew.

LTJG George P. Kane, who was responsible for all Officers' Club facilities.

Charles Asbelle, who recorded lectures and discussions and is editing them for later use.

LTJG W. R. Eckerman, Special Services Officer, for handling the PA system, projectors, etc.

Mike Arrigo, artist, who executed from Dr. Doolittle's suggestion the attractive cover for the program, reproduced on the opposite page.

Les Relaford, HMI, who acted as special assistant to Dr. Doolittle, and the entire crew at PRL.

David Weisgerber, Vernon Plummer, Gene Helmuth, Al Wenger, and Corbit Ray, amputee employees, Judy Dixon, teen-ager, and Maria Anne Hargan, small daughter of Richard E. Hargan, HMI, of Main Lab, patients, all of whom assisted with the demonstration of artificial limbs.

HMI's Carl Stevenson and Jack Timmerman, medical photographers who prepared slides used in the program and took the pictures seen on these pages.

Corpsmen who guided traffic and drove "shuttlebusses" the night of the chuck-wagon dinner.

## More About Visiting Orthopaedists

(Continued from Page 1)  
 CAPT R. C. Doolittle, Assistant Chief of the Amputee Service, were co-chairmen of the seminar.

Attending were 85 active duty orthopaedists from military installations in this area, 75 from other areas, coast to coast; seven reservists, eight retired. The Western Orthopaedic Society, which held its own meeting at the club the evening of 24 September with Dr. Sofield as speaker, brought 113.

The American visitor was gazing down into the crater of a famous old Greek volcano. Finally he said, "It sure looks like hell!"

"Oh, you Americans," his guide said, "you've been everywhere."

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Fresh from Navy Nurse Corps Indoctrination School, Newport, R. I., is ENS Kathleen Collins of Waynesboro, Pa., product of the Navy Nurse Candidate program through which she earned her BS in nursing at Villanova University.

Miss Collins was graduated in June and immediately received her commission. She played hockey and basketball back in her high school days at Covent of the Sacred Heart, Eden Hall, Philadelphia. Her current hobby, if any, is reading.

On duty Miss Collins works on 76B. Off duty she shares an apartment with Ensigns Joanne Zaremba and Ellen Stewart, classmates from Villanova, and Fredericka Altstaetter of Ohio State.

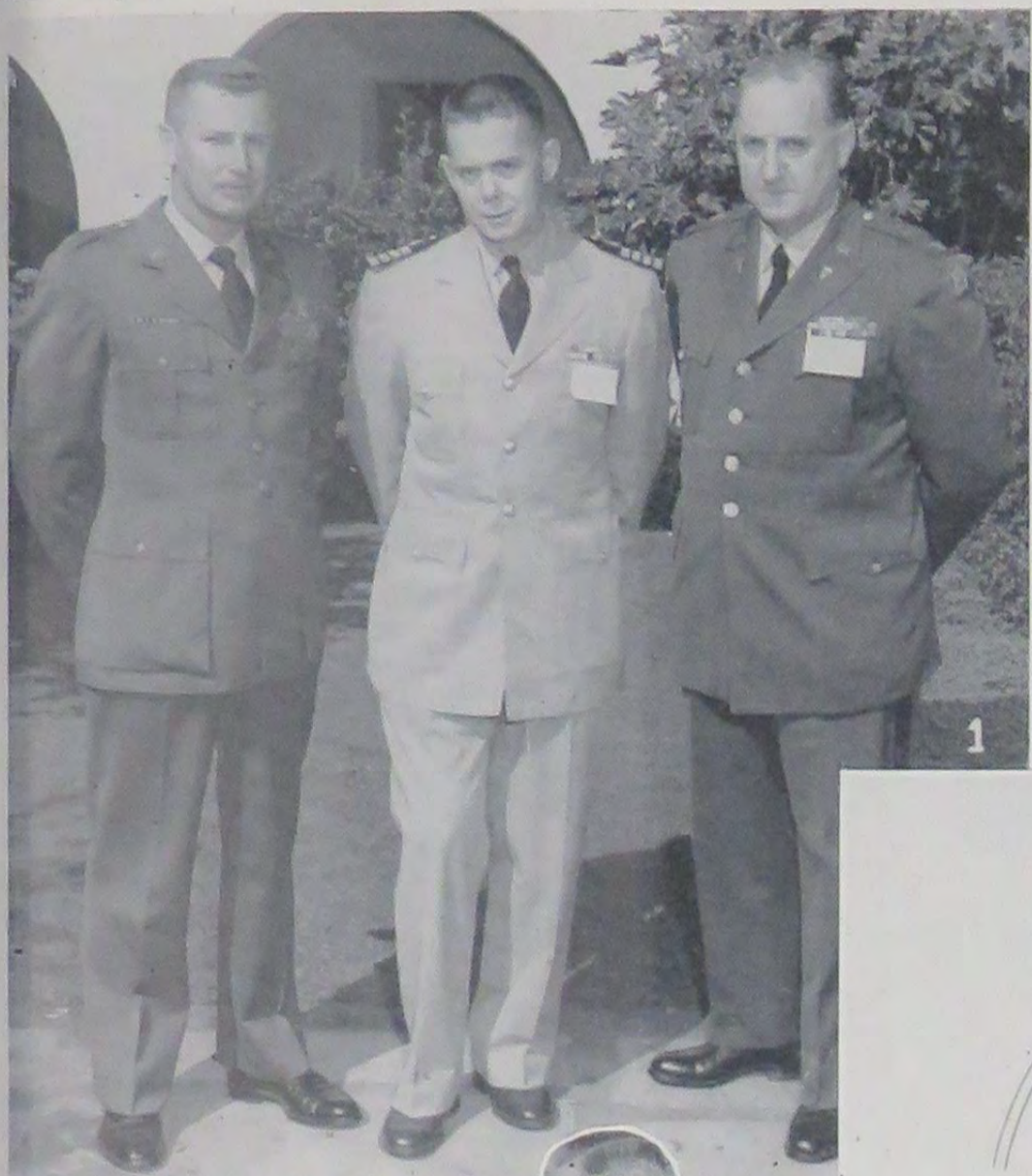
Can Miss Collins cook? "Oh THEY do that. I clean. Ugh!" That's what the green-eyed, brown-haired Miss Collins said, probably not expecting to be quoted by the press.



John Erpenbach, HMI, has spent 12 years in the Navy, thinks there's nothing like it for good living in interesting places. And no wonder. Just before coming to Oak Knoll for EST School in July 1958, the Glendive, Mont., man had a tour of duty at the DMO's Office, 3ND, New York City, and before that spent two years in Naples, Italy. While serving as flight corpsman at the Naval Air Facility there, he and his family lived in a penthouse (with maid service yet), and the various flights he made in line of duty enabled him to visit London, Paris, and other cities on the continent.

Erpenbach is assigned to Pat Pers, manages the EM Club, and expects orders to FMF. Married 10 years, he and his wife, Maureen, are parents of three.

If the name Erpenbach seems unduly familiar, it is because it has appeared many times in the bowling columns, its owner being one of the station's top bowlers.



**SEMINAR SNAPSHOTS** (1) COL Earl W. Brannon, Lackland AFB Hospital, San Antonio, Tex.; CAPT Robert C. Doolittle, Oak Knoll; and COL John D. Blair, Walter Reed Army Hospital, Washington, D.C., shared responsibility for planning the seminar—a three-year process. (2) At the Wednesday night party, CAPT and Mrs. Harold A. Streit greeted Mrs. Ralph K. Ghormley, widow of the eminent orthopaedist, who served as consultant here after locating in Carmel following his retirement from clinical and teaching posts at Mayo Clinic. With them, Dr. Harold A. Sofield of Oak Park, Ill., Admiral Hays, Dr. Joseph S. Barr of Boston. (3) Ginny Doolittle was among the staff wives who acted as hostesses and assisted with registration. Here she chats with CAPT Henry R. Ennis, former Oak Knoll staff member now

Chief of Orthopaedics, USNH, Charleston, S.C. (4) CDR and Mrs. L. E. Watters of Oak Knoll enjoy a visit with Admiral Kreuz. (5) At coffee break in the O' Club patio — MAJ E. O. Brackebusch, Fort Sill Army Hospital, Fort Sill, Okla; CAPT E. E. Kimbrough, III, and LTCOL A. O. Heldobler, Brooke Army Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Tex. (6) CDR Paul D. Doolan, Oak Knoll's artificial kidney expert, was only one of the many who spoke, but his picture turned out the best. (7) Mrs. Don H. O'Donoghue of Oklahoma City, Dr. Frank E. Stinchfield of New York City, and Mrs. Harold A. Sofield were among the many distinguished guests at evening social gatherings. (8) Here is a small segment of the long line that formed when the Wednesday night chuck-wagon dinner was served to a crowd of 450.

# All Business—Almost



**ROUND TABLES** in orthopaedic training and research squared off for this photo. Seated, left to right—Admiral Kreuz, who moderated both round tables; Dr. James Barr, Boston, civilian consultant to the Navy Surgeon General; Dr. Frank E. Stinchfield of New York, consultant to the Air Force Surgeon General; Dr. Harold A. Sofield, President, Academy of Orthopaedic Surgery and consultant to the Army Surgeon General, CAPT William S. Stryker, USNH, San Diego; Dr. Frank Hart-

man, coordinator of research, Office of the Air Force Surgeon General. Top row: CAPTs R. C. Doolittle and H. A. Streit, seminar co-chairmen; CAPT Clifford A. Stevenson, USNH, Portsmouth, Va.; COL Lloyd Taylor, Letterman Army Hospital, San Francisco; COL John D. Blair, Walter Reed Army Hospital, Washington, D.C.; COL Earl W. Brannon, Lachland AFB Hospital, San Antonio, Tex.; LTCOL Irvin Rosen, USAF Hospital, Keeler AFB, Mississippi.



There's the top-ranking Navy orthopedist again (at left), this time at morning coffee with Oak Knoll's LCDR H. W. Lagerquist and LCDR Martin C. Wilber of the NNMTC Tissue Bank. Top civilian orthopaedists scanning the seminar program as sessions opened are Dr. Don H. O'Donoghue of O'Donoghue Orthopaedic Clinic, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Drs. Sofield, Barr, and Stinchfield. Regrettably "uncovered" by OAK LEAF cameramen were Drs. Verne T. Inman and Lot D. Howard, also

nationally known members of the faculty. Dr. Inman, chairman of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Biomechanic Research Board, U.C. Medical School, discussed a plan of research project handling and cooperation. Dr. Howard, Assistant Clinical Professor of Surgery at Stanford and Oak Knoll consultant, spoke on his specialty — reconstructive surgery of the hand.



**THE** trio at left was elected to serve as a permanent research committee for the organization. They are COL J. J. Brennan, Army, representing LTCOL William Macdonald of the Army Medical Corps; COL H. E. Bloch, Air Force; and CAPT William S. Stryker, Navy. In the center is CAPT John J. Reider, Navy, who will replace Captain Doolittle

as Navy representative on the organization's planning committee. At right is the new permanent committee on training which includes COL John D. Blair, Army, CAPT Clifford A. Stevenson, Navy, and COL Earl W. Brannon, Air Force.



**IN ACTION**—the training round table with Dr. Sofield holding the "mike." All are identified above except CAPT Malcolm W. Arnold,

Head, Professional Training Division, of Navy Department's Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, at center.





When Howard Troy, HM2, checked out on 24 September, he received the good wishes of his many friends, a commendation from the CO, and a warm handshake from CAPT Philip J. McNamara, Executive Officer. The CO's letter was in recognition of Troy's service as supervisor of the military admission unit and later as petty officer in charge of the officer patient section. "In both jobs your careful attention to the many details involved, the courtesy and consideration you have shown to patients and staff personnel of all rates and ranks, and your innate ability to handle each new problem with intelligence have been of immeasurable value to your superiors." Troy completed three years at Grinnell College, Grinnell, Ia., before coming into the Navy. He has taken a position with the American Trust Co., and he and his wife Evelyn will continue to live in Oakland.

**No Chit—No Present, Special Service Reminder**

All staff parents who have not yet returned chits indicating whether their children will attend the Special Services Christmas party are asked to do so immediately. Only 50 percent of the chits sent out have been returned, and Spec-Serv wants to shop early. Also, if newcomers or others have not received the forms for listing number, sex, and age of their offspring, please call Ext. 593.

**Miss Peseley "On Point" When Not On The Job—Realizing Lifetime Ambition**

LCDR Frances Peseley had always wanted to study ballet, and since being on duty at Oak Knoll her schedule and nearness to Gibson School of the Dance in San Leandro have enabled her to do it.

Miss Peseley isn't sure whether hiking from ward to ward (she's now on 76B) has made her more graceful, but it has given her strength. "And you need plenty of that to be a ballet dancer," Miss Peseley said.

Four times a week she takes ballet, modern jazz dancing, and tap. "I'm the only adult in a class of children, but they've accepted me, and we get along very well."

In June, after two years' study, the Navy Nurse reached an important milestone — she received her toe-dancing shoes and is now "on point."

"It's just like getting one's cap. You've worked and worked for it. The teacher says the word—"Releve" (accent the final e)—to rise up. Everyone is watching, and suddenly you know you've made it. Then there's a party."

Because of her late start and possibly because there are other things to be accomplished, Miss Peseley hardly expects to become a professional, but her teacher, Billie Gibson, feels that her determination has enabled her to make remarkable progress in a field that usually requires many years of training.

And to make sure she maintains

a proper balance between mental and physical activity, Oak Knoll's ballerina is taking a course in abnormal psychology at College of Holy Names. And she has just enrolled in a conversational French class.



Oak Knoll ballerina

**Scuttlebutt**

**WEDDING NOTES:** Jim Beene and Kate Smith of the NP Service slipped away to Las Vegas, were married Friday night, and returned to duty at NP Service Tuesday . . . This morning at 1000 another Oak Knoll romance culminated in marriage at the hospital chapel when Marlene Heikkila and George Cartmell exchanged vows, with Chaplain J. A. Piirto officiating . . . Janice Staskel was maid of honor and Jim Moore best man . . . LT L. R. Tennyson, dental intern, will claim Miss Mina Joan Ball of El Segundo, Calif., as his bride on 17 October. The wedding will take place at St. Cross Episcopal Church, Hermosa Beach. The bride, a June '56 graduate of UCLA, has been a United Air Lines stewardess out of San Francisco for the past two and a half years. They met when she made a dental appointment at U. C. School of Dentistry, where Dr. Tennyson was in training.

**SIGHTS AND SOUNDS** around the grounds: Florence R. Jones, HMI, shipping over for another 6 . . . Miss Deegee (diGiambattista, that is) leaving for Key West after five years at Oak Knoll . . . LT James A. Larson transferring to USN. . . . Kenneth R. Giles and Patrick O'Donnell, HNs on 41A, being photographed with Miss Fire Prevention without batting an eyelash back at her . . . ditto patient: Charles Anderson, Franklin Southard, and Dr. Noble! . . . Mr. Eckerman bagging a deer on a recent hunting trip . . . A bearded beatnik coming from Photo Lab, looking for all the world like a resident of North Beach—all but the long key chain . . . Same character spotted later at Golden Gate Fields, giving name of Stevenson . . . Fishermen Umland, Timmerman, and McKnight bringing back a good catch from the Strait of Carquinez . . . Staffers remembering with pleasure the EM Club dance of the 25th, with Hamilton AFB furnishing the music, nearby nursing schools the hostesses . . . Dr. Streit doing a backward flip for Pip, from the diving board into the pool . . . Captain Gerber back from Atlantic City, where he attended the Annual Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons . . . CDR Edward E. Parker attending the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Anesthesiologists in Miami this week.

**FAVORITE PICTURE OF THE WEEK:** Katie Preston loves to fish, and husband Bob loves to watch her. She gets so excited when she catches something and sometimes when she doesn't. "I still have to laugh when I think of her throwing her fine saltwater outfit overboard while we were fishing in deep water at the mouth of the Napa River the other week end. It'll cost me \$25 to replace it, but it was worth it," said philosophical Bob.

**LIFE BEGAN** on 22 September for Jennie Luana, 8 lb. 5½ oz. daughter of Mayne Siaumau, HM2, of X-ray school and wife Marjorie . . . on 24 September for Keri Michele Gillard, 7 lb. 3 oz. daughter for Julius O. Gillard, MM2, of Operating Services, and wife Elizabeth Ann . . . on 28 September for Dawn Elizabeth Rice, 8 lb. 3 oz. daughter of S/SGT Donald D. Rice of the Marine Detachment and wife Lois . . . on 30 September for Dana Lee Dodgen, 7 lb. 5 oz. daughter for LT John C. Dodgen, intern, and wife Betty



To head Oak Knoll's Red Cross Recreation program.

**Miss Tully Heads ARC Recreation**

Miss Marie Tully has taken over her duties as Red Cross recreation supervisor, replacing Miss Winifrid Eley, who left mid-September for a new post at San Francisco's Senior Center.

Miss Tully is no stranger to Oak Knoll. She was a member of the recreation staff for a year before her transfer to Travis AFB Hospital last May.

Her training and experience make Miss Tully a "natural" for her new job here. She majored in Public School Music at the University of Iowa and has both her Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Music degrees from the University of Iowa (her native state), and her MA in fine arts from Northwestern University.

For fourteen years she was a supervisor of fine arts in the Cooke County, Ill., Schools, and just before coming into Red Cross she had special study in psychiatric recreation at Northwestern University under Dr. Jules Masserman.

Since coming into Red Cross in 1948, Miss Tully has had duty in sixteen armed services hospitals. Though she may tell you she has had one assignment outside the United States, this is no longer true. She spent two years as Hospital Field Director at Ladd AFB, Fairbanks, Alaska; and Elmendorf AFB Anchorage, before the 49th star was added to our flag.

**Previews**

- Tonight, 9 October  
IMITATION OF LIFE — Lana Turner, Sandra Dee, John Gavin. Family.
- Saturday, 10 October  
THE BUCCANEER — Yul Brunner, Clair Bloom. Family.
- Sunday, 11 October  
SAD SACK — Dean Martin, Jerry Lewis. Family.
- Monday, 12 October  
FROM EARTH TO THE MOON — Joseph Cotten, George Sanders. Family.
- Tuesday, 13 October  
SUBWAY IN THE SKY — Van Johnson, Hildegard Neff. Adult.
- Wednesday, 14 October  
SHOOT OUT AT MEDICINE BEND — Randolph Scott, Angie Dickinson. Family.
- Thursday, 15 October  
DOG'S BEST FRIEND — Bill Williams, Marsha Henderson. Family.
- Friday, 16 October  
4-D MAN — Lee Ann Merriweather, Robert Strauss. Family.
- Saturday, 17 October  
COMPULSION — Orson Wells, Dean Stockwell. Adult.
- Jean . . . on 2 October for Dawne Rhea Cipriano, 6 lb. 12 oz. daughter of Michael J. Cipriano, HM3 of Lab, and wife Pauline.

## Frisky Wave Foursome Forms Pep Team



**HOW CAN WE LOSE** with these four to cheer our team to victory? The lively foursome—so far as anyone knows, the first pep team in hospital history—includes: standing, left to right, Pat Malone, Cecelia Angel; kneeling, Nancy Pierce and Dottie Greening.

## Hilltopper Machine Defeats Stockton Supply Annex

By Larry Preston, HN

The Hilltoppers rolled over Naval Supply Annex, Stockton, on 1 October, for their first victory of football season. The score was 32 to 18.

The squad played together with confidence, and at no time did they seem to be in danger. The team, split into receiving, kicking, offense, and defense, gave the players better knowledge of their positions. However, Coach Moffett does not have the manpower for four complete teams and has some of his men doing double chores.

On the kicking team were Bates, Overton, Johnson, Keene, Perkins, and F. Smith. The same team did the receiving, with Gnekow replacing Bates.

On offense Perkins was at quarterback, Overton (who accounted for two TD's) was at halfback. F. Smith running the other back, made two touchdowns, with Hoffman and

Bates covering the ends. Bates grabbed a 50-yard pass for a TD.

Defensive players were Cobb, Johnson, Kenne, Stowe, Sheridan, Dean, Smith, and Overton. "These boys are all right on defense," the coach said with a mild glow of enthusiasm.

The boys had five-yard penalties called against them five times, but they showed good sportsmanship throughout the game.

### Tom Fowler Newest Member of 250 Club

Tom Fowler is the newest member of Oak Knoll's "250 Club."

Tom bowled a 257 to get into the exclusive organization, which now has five members.

First Knollite to have his name "pinned" to the wall at the local alley was John Erpenbach, with a 267. Highest scoring member is John Lalla with his 268. Oran Sage has the distinction of being the only triple winner. His "membership pins" list scores of 254, 257, and 253. Chaplain Carl E. Ruud, now with MSTs, Pacific, made it with a 256.

The "225 Club" for ladies only has three members, who "joined" in this order—LCDR Ethel Eusebio (225), LT Lillian Peart (236), and LTJG Dottie Effner (241).

The clubs were started a year ago.

We've Got the T-E-A-M  
That's On the B-E-A-M  
We've got the Team That's on the Beam,  
That's Really Hep to the Jive.  
So Come On, Oak Knoll—Skin 'Em Alive

With that, Oak Knoll's four frisky cheerleaders brought a new kind of spirit to the football field when the Hilltoppers tangled with Navy Post-Grad School, Monterey, here yesterday.

The four pretty HN's pranced through their routines like the veteran cheerleaders they are.

"But we do hope you'll excuse our lack of variety—we'll be adding new yells at each game," the girls said.

Except for a preview at the Wednesday night movie when the stamping yell (with audience participation) shook the auditorium timbers, yesterday was the girls' first appearance together.

Cecelia Angel, spokesman for the four, also wants it known that anyone with experience, talent, and interest in cheerleading will be welcome to tryout for the pep team. (Call Mr. Eckerman at Special Services—Ext. 593).

Cecelia was a member of the team that cheered Castlemont High teams to a string of all-Oakland championships, and she served as commissioner of girls' activities at the nearby high school.

Dottie Greening was a pompon girl at her high school in Flagstaff, Ariz., and a cheerleader at USNTC, Great Lakes, Ill.

Pat "Molly" Malone, was a member of the pep squad at her high school in Lenoir City, Tenn.

Nancy Pierce was on the pep squad at Sioux Falls High in Sioux Falls, S.D.

**So come on, Oak Knoll!**

**We've got a pep team that's hep to the jive.**

**With their help, we WILL skin 'em alive.**



All-star 12ND shortstop heading for a coaching career.

## Russ Bates Named 12ND All-Star

Brawny Russ Bates, who has probably tallied more points for Oak Knoll than any other athlete now aboard, will leave 23 October to enter Contra Costa Junior College with a view to eventually going into the coaching profession.

Just in time, he received his GED certificate, the equivalent of the high school diploma he would have earned at Pacific Grove High School had he not entered the service. At the same time, the XO presented him a certificate indicating he was one of nine chosen for the 12ND All-star Baseball Team. Named for shortstop, he was honored "for outstanding performance, ability and sportsmanship."

During his tour of duty at the Knoll Bates has been on the baseball team for two years, basketball two, and is now playing his third season of football. To say nothing of taking third place in the 12ND ping-pong tournament.

Bates naturally will major in physical education and has a couple of jobs lined up on the side. Not wanting to make the switch from Navy to civilian routine too suddenly, he will stand a regular watch with the Richmond Fire Department while living in quarters at one of the local firehouses.



**OVER THE SIDE** to a new career went Roy Everett Power, Jr., HMC, on 25 September. With him went the CO's commendation for outstanding work as chief petty officer in charge of the PRL storeroom, where he has demonstrated "ingenuity, foresight, flexibility, and a thorough knowledge of Navy procurement and stock control procedures." After 24 years active service aboard ships and at various Naval hospitals stateside and overseas, Chief Powers will join the crew of Laurence Radiation Laboratory, where atoms are smashed on a Berkeley hilltop. Staff chiefs were sideboys at the "retirement" ceremony, and Admiral Hays presented the commendation. The chief and his wife, Alice, and teen-age daughters, Darla and Doreen, will continue to live in San Leandro.

## Lifeguard Class Begins Tomorrow

Special Services is sponsoring a senior lifeguard class beginning tomorrow at 0800 with Dale Sanders, instructor.

In the class to date are Peter Rapp, EST student; Richard Simmons, NP student; David Mantell, Bag Room; Bill Noser, 78A; and Chief N.R. Grimes of EENT clinic.



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# The Oak Leaf

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

Once upon a time there lived in India a man named Achab. He was always worried about what people would think. He therefore went to the wise old Emperor, asking for advice. "I am always worrying about what people will think. I can hardly move lest I do something that people will disapprove of, or will deride. I am going almost crazy. Can you advise me?"

Said the Emperor, "You must do what I tell you. Take a vessel filled with oil and carry it through the streets of the city, and then back to me."

Then the Emperor summoned a slave with a huge sword and said, "If this man, Achab, spills a drop of oil on the way, chop his head off immediately."

Achab took the vessel of oil and walked through the streets followed by the slave with the huge sword. Finally he returned to the Emperor with not a drop spilled.

"Did you notice anyone looking at you as you walked along?" asked the Emperor.

"No," said Achab. "I was too worried lest I spill the oil and lose my head."

"There is your lesson," said the Emperor. "Keep your mind on what you are doing, do it well, and don't worry what people think of you."

Great men and women never worry about what people think; they do their tasks in the best possible manner, and let God judge them. In regard to moral obligations, the same holds true; if we are intent on doing what we are supposed to do and following a well-formed conscience, the derision or laughter of others will never deter us. God, not people, will be our judge.

—LCDR K. J. KEANEY, Catholic Chaplain

## From The Chief of Naval Operations

The recent successful firing of POLARIS from OBSERVATION ISLAND is another highly significant step in our program of putting "More Power at Sea." This POLARIS flight—the first time a ballistic missile has been launched from a ship at sea—was "hot, straight and normal." It was no more and no less than expected.

Our testing program, which has included 37 firings to date, is meeting the planned objectives in every way. Our first ballistic missile submarine, GEORGE WASHINGTON, has already been launched and should be ready for tests at sea with POLARIS in mid-1960. The second fleet ballistic missile submarine, PATRICK HENRY, will be launched this month. These achievements are indicative of the progress of the planned program which has the ultimate goal of providing an operational POLARIS submarine weapon system at sea.

POLARIS, a solid-fueled ballistic missile, initially of 1200 miles range, is an important contribution to our national posture. The marriage of POLARIS to the nuclear submarine will provide us with a mobile weapon system which is virtually invulnerable and completely independent of early warning and air defense systems. It will add immeasurably to our military readiness, and will continue to do so for years to come.

POLARIS is a great stride forward. Progress never comes without hard work and sacrifice whether in connection with the development of a new weapons system, or the refinement and improvement of our older and more proven systems. We are making advances in our capabilities for all phases of naval warfare. These include new developments in attack carriers, modernized amphibious forces, anti-submarine warfare improvements and space programs. The end result of all these efforts is to master the challenges we face.

ARLEIGH BURKE

## If The Chaplains Think They're Busy . . .

If the Chaplains think they are busy today, they can at least be thankful they have been relieved of a few of the responsibilities once relegated to their offices.

Note the following items from the OAK LEAF of 17 years ago:

Have you taken out your National Service Life Insurance? Chaplains office has all forms and will be glad

to assist you in filling them out correctly.

LOST—Billfold containing \$30. Please turn in at chaplain's office.

Oak Leaf deadline each week is Wednesday at 1200. Send all matter for the paper to the Chaplain's Office.

Calling all Wright brothers to get into the contest. Plane models are available at the Chaplain's Office.

## Know Your Staff



Carmen Rodriguez, HM3, probably traveled farther than any other Corpswave aboard to reach Oak Knoll. Born and reared in Aibonito, Puerto Rico, she enlisted at home in July '57. She arrived here 28 February '58 via Bainbridge and Great Lakes and is now on duty in the Dependents Service.

The snappy-eyed Carmen is a graduate of the University of Puerto Rico at San Juan, where she majored in the humanities, with history and languages as her specialities. Off duty Carmen loves to read and listen to classical music and jazz—especially when Chuck Fiene is around to listen with her. Chuck, well-known former staffer, is currently employed in the offices of Kahn's Department Store in downtown Oakland, but he plans to enroll at San Francisco State next semester.

As of today, Carmen is en route home on leave, and when she returns, they'll talk about their wedding date.



Jack Sidwell, HN, mans a desk in StaffPers, training ground for the Hospital Administration career, for which he will study following his discharge next October.

Jack was born and reared in Plainville, Kan., went to boot and corps school in San Diego, and worked on 62B for six months before being assigned to his present job. His athletic past includes three years of high school football, two of basketball, three golf, one in track, and two in baseball. A torn cartilage in his knee has kept him off the local grid squad this year.

## Red Cross Ramblings

COUNCIL MEETING: The civilian ladies seen at the ARC Lounge Monday weren't here for a fashion show but for the monthly meeting of the East Bay Coordinating Council. The Council, composed of five Red Cross chapters—Alameda, Berkeley, Oakland, Greater Mt. Diablo and West Contra Costa County (Richmond)—supplies Oak Knoll with prizes, craft materials, and refreshments for Red Cross activities.

During the past year the Council has supplied 310 lbs. sugar for use in coffee and punch, 527 bags of coffee, 144 cans of popcorn, and party prizes such as candy, ball-point pens, stationery, address books, etc. The Council also provided eight hides for leather work in the Craft Shop.

Once a year the Council meets at Oak Knoll, which holds a special interest for the members since they are filling supply requests for patients throughout the year. Patients supplied music, which was enjoyed and appreciated by the guests, who also admired the Halloween backdrop painted by a patient.

TICKETS TO THE GRAND NATIONAL at the Cow Palace are available to 100 patients and staff for the night of Friday, 30 October. Check with your ward recreation worker or the Red Cross recreation office if you are interested in attending this once-a-year event.

NEW GRAY LADIES COMING UP: More than 25 applicants have been interviewed and accepted for the Gray Lady training course to begin Thursday evening. Since the class will meet in the Red Cross Lounge that evening and on 5 November, the lounge will be closed to patients on those two dates. With the new workers supplementing the Red Cross program it will be possible to enlarge and improve on services to patients.

WELCOME & FAREWELL: Mrs. Helen Bickley recreation worker, has reported in from Letterman Army Hospital, San Francisco. Miss Lynne Schmitt has been transferred to USNH, Camp Pendleton.

The San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, 8 1/4 miles long (segmented by Yerba Buena Island), is the world's longest steel bridge and has the world's largest main bridge structure—22,760 feet long.

The martini—originally called the martinez—was invented in San Francisco's old Occidental Bar in the early 1860's, according to the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Van Reginald: From seven to eight, you are to stand at the ballroom entrance and call the guests' names as they arrive.

New maid: That will be great fun. I know a couple of lulus!

In June 1958 Jack married Sandra, his home town girl, and they make their home at Santa Cruz Island Village.

# Gifts—\$3,752; Goal—\$8,769 And UBAC Ends 3 November

We're lagging in the United Crusade—our one big give. As of Monday, the Crusade's downtown office reported to LT A. C. Harris, treasurer for Oak Knoll's campaign, that hospital personnel had contributed \$3,752. Our goal is \$8,769. And the drive ends Tuesday, 3 November.

The Monday report included the information that only 781 of the 1400 members of the working staff had been reached by keymen. Of this number, 658 had made contributions. The average gift was \$5.70.

Outstanding groups named were the Internal Medicine Service, 22 of whom gave a total of \$267 or an average of \$12.14 per gift. Finance and Supply's civilian and military personnel responded with 40 donations averaging \$6.81 per person.

The top individual keyman is LTJG W. L. Blankenship, who has reached 95 staff members, including workers in his Operating Services Division, and has found only four non-givers among this large group.

The drive gained new impetus this week with the appointment of additional keymen to cover areas heretofore neglected, and it is hoped that another week will bring about a marked change in the hospital's position, which currently is the bottom of the list among Alameda County Naval Activities. (NAS, Alameda, with 9,297 staff members has already overshot its goal of \$52,208 by nearly \$2,000. Across the Bay, 12ND Staff Headquarters had reached 95 percent of its goal by Monday, NavRadLab, Hunters Point, 101 percent.)

One day's pay has been suggested as a fair share for a "good guy" to give to this drive, which includes Red Cross, USO, YMCA—to name agencies most used by military personnel—boys' and girls' organizations, and the many health and welfare organizations that work to reduce crime and juvenile delinquency, prevent disease, and in general to help our state and nation produce better citizens.

Everyone must give if we are to reach our goal.

One day's pay for civilian personnel at Oak Knoll totals approximately \$12,000. One day's pay for military, excluding patients, is about \$15,000. Grand total: \$27,000. If each of us gave just a third of one day's pay, our quota would be reached.

Your keyman will see you once again after the coming paydays. If for some reason, you can't come across at this time, fill out a pledge card and give in convenient installments.

If you have not been approached by a keyman, you may make your gift through one of the co-chairmen—Chaplain Keaney at the chapel, who took over this week from Chaplain Morton, or Terry Wright at the Civilian Personnel Office.

## Dr. Rohrs Makes CDR; Dr. Staggers LCDR

Promotions have come through for two well-known staff doctors.

LCDR Lloyd C. Rohrs of the medical service has made commander; and LT Frank E. Staggers, third-year resident in urology, has been advanced to lieutenant commander.



AMONG HIS SOUVENIRS—Robert L. Holmstrom, HM3, left for home in Varna, Ill., on 9 October, taking with him the CO's commendation for outstanding performance of duty in his assignment as occupational therapy technician in the neuropsychiatric section, where his "reliability, initiative, alertness, co-operation, and industry contributed a great deal to the efficiency of the clinic and served as an inspiration to all his associates." Holmstrom "gave unstintingly of his own time in order to help our patients," Admiral Hays' letter said.

## This Young Man Said "Thank You" in Rhyme

Many patients write to say thank you, but it isn't every day that one writes in verse. So members of the Pediatrics Staff are smiling over this one, which came from the son of Richard Rushlow, RD1, of Nuclear FWR School at Mare Island. **To All of You**

Although I'm much too young to write,  
I knew just what to do.  
I had my mom and dad send  
A "Thank You" note to you.  
You kept me nice and clean and dry  
And came to love me when I'd cry.  
This made my parents and me glad  
'Cause sometimes I get a wee bit mad.  
I liked the dandy doctors, too.  
They knew exactly what to do.  
So I shall ask the Lord above  
To bless you all with his great love.

John Christopher Rushlow

John Christopher, age 3 months, was here for a hernioplasty on 13 October.

Navy Exchange TOYLAND is open again with a gala array of new and different toys for children of all ages. All are urged to shop early for best selections.



THESE ARE THE ACORNS from which the OAK LEAF grew. Exactly 17 years ago today a little mimeographed four-pager appeared under the title "You Name It." Two issues later some one did name it—THE OAK LEAF. The major change came in 1944, when the first printed edition appeared, making possible for the first time the reproduction of photographs, which are such an important part of the staff paper today.

## Who Was Where When OAK LEAF First Hit The Local Newsstands

Seventeen years ago, when the OAK LEAF was a tender sprout, so were many of our present staff members. Others were scattered over the globe. Chief Wogan was a PhM3 with the Marines in the Solomons . . . Bernette Davis was an SN in amphibious training at Roseneath, Scotland on the Firth of Forth . . . Dr. Walton was going out for frosh basketball at Kokomo, Indiana, High . . . Mr. Kelley was gassing and greasing planes for Southwest Airways Flying School in Phoenix . . . Dr. Holloway was a senior at the University of Texas Medical School at Galveston, Texas . . . Chief Lomax was a PhM2 at Mobile Hospital No. 6 in Wellington, New Zealand . . . Fred Taylor was managing a meat market for Safeway in North Hollywood . . . Dr. Tandy was practicing general surgery in Morning Sun, Iowa, and "fighting to get into the service" . . . Ed Wojewski was learning to ride a bicycle and had made the second grade in Detroit . . . Dr. Ocho was being sunk with the USS HORNET off the Solomon Islands . . . Chief Murphy was deer hunting in Modoc Forest and thinking of joining the Navy . . . Daphne Ann Balch was a toddler in Neah Bay, Washington . . . Mr. Kane was a freshman at Trinity High School, Sioux City, Iowa . . . Jack Ehlers was pedaling his trike around the yard in Richmond, California . . . Dorothy Metcalf was a riveter and skinfitter for Lockheed Aircraft in Burbank . . . Mr. Lyle was pulling little girls' pigtails in the second grade in Vallejo, while Mr. Giles was fighting for his very life—a chief aboard the USS MATTAGORDA helping lay an airstrip for carrier planes to land on Guadalcanal . . . Sam Santarelli, still a little wobbly on his

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## Who Else Was Doing What . . .

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pins, was in Denver playing with his teddybear . . . **Dr. Jensen:** "Gee. I was just starting high school in Huntington Park—hadn't even thought about going with girls yet." . . . **CDR Huber** was commissary officer at USNH, Philadelphia—"a good one too" . . . **Stirling Bowers** was a roly-poly fourth grader in Pickford, Michigan . . . **Chief Cannell** was aboard the Fleet Mine Sweeper YMS 23 heading for Casablanca . . . **Mr. Quinn** was a PhM3 toting bedpans on one of the wards at the brand new hospital at NNMC, Bethesda . . . **ENS Pat Squires** was learning her 2 x 2s in the second grade at Hardinsburg, Kentucky . . . **Mr. Smedberg** was helping Mr. Kaiser build ships in Richmond . . . **Mr. Eckerman** was an 8th-grader playing "jackass basketball" at Hess-Averitt Consolidated School near Eola, Texas . . . **Ida Mae Stevens**, civilian nurse in maternity, was a Navy Nurse on a plastic surgery ward at Oak Knoll . . . **Gerald Woodard** was dreaming of Kindergarten in Elmira, N.Y. . . . **Dave Haycock** was kicking crib-slats in Salt Lake City . . . **Mr. Walker** of CivPers was PFC with the Army Coast Artillery at Hilo, Hawaii . . . **Richard Squire**, like the Oak Leaf, was definitely in the diaper stage . . . **Chief Frank** was an HA deuce on night duty on the Dermatology ward at USNH, San Diego . . . **LT Florence Dineen**, fighting it out with algebra, was a high school freshman in Ogden, Utah . . . **Martha Foulk** was moving from Potwin to Wichita, Kansas, as her daddy changed oil refineries . . . **Edna Rowan** was renting her home to an Oak Knoll doctor and migrating to Tulsa, Oklahoma, to be with her husband, a M/SGT in the army infantry . . . **Edna Bourdase** was working at Oak Knoll . . . **Miss Keating** was at the University of Colorado majoring in pharmacy while waiting for a Navy recruiter to come to Denver to enlist her as a WAVE seaman recruit . . . **Jack Timmerman** was a senior at San Bernardino High . . . **Chief Calhoon** was aboard the troop transport TASKER H. BLISS in the North Atlantic heading for Africa . . . **Admiral Hayes** was a LCDR ordering equipment for the new Naval Hospital and Dispensaries at Bainbridge . . . **Dale Sanders** was a 7-year-old "living in the river" that circled his family's farm in Olmstead, Kentucky, and didn't know the U.S. had a Navy . . . **Rex Siepert** was learning his colors in kindergarten at Westwood, California . . . **Pat Wenstrom** was an auditor for the Navy's shipbuilding operation at Bethlehem Steel yards, San Francisco . . . **Eddie Johnson** was a Newnan, Georgia, toddler . . . **Satch Sage** was playing marbles in Coburg, Oregon . . . **Ida Hodge** was moving from Fort Sam Houston, Texas, to seek her fortune—at NSC, Oakland . . . **Leland Allred** was pulling his grandmother's apron strings in Provo, Utah . . . **Ivan Orr** was mastering long division at Park Street School in Hood River, Oregon . . . **LT Brown** was a PhM2 aboard the USS SOLACE in the Pacific . . . **Mr. Chipman** was an 8th grader at St. Michael's Parochial School . . . **Mr. Blankenship** was playing football at Fort Towson Consolidated High, Fort Towson, Oklahoma . . . **Bonnie Jean Stoll** was dreaming of starting school in Wadsworth, Ohio . . . **Father Keaney** was in his second year of theology at St. Joseph's Seminary in New York . . . **Mr. Bowker** was a PhM1 aboard the Navy's minesweeper USS RAVEN in the initial landings at Port Leote, Africa . . . **LCDR Olive Boyer** was at San Diego, picking up her mail—orders to Oak Knoll . . . **Chaplain Piirto** was playing "big ten" basketball in the sixth grade in Ishpening (This means heaven in Indian), Michigan . . . **Dr. Doolittle** was at Western Reserve U., Cleveland, Ohio, waiting for his status to be changed from Army Reserve so he could intern in the Navy . . . **Miss Guilford** was Director of Field Service for the State Public Welfare Commission in Portland, Oregon . . . **Whitney Thomas** was a bouncing Boston 8-year-old . . . **Jessie McNeal** was a toddler in Hempstead, Texas . . . **Captain Turville** was at San Pedro, a LT waiting for transportation to Guadalcanal and Mobile Hospital No. 8 . . . **CDR Swain** was a Warrant Carpenter building bases with the Seabees in Adak, Alaska . . . **Captain Gerber** was a medical officer aboard the Dutch Motor Ship BRASTAGI, somewhere between New Caledonia, New Hebrides, and Guadalcanal picking up survivors from the USS WASP . . . **Slim Sklinchar** was an HA in Class No. 4, Hospital Corps School, Great Lakes . . . **Captain Davis** was a two-striper en route from NAS, Dutch Harbor, Alaska, to NAS, Norman, Oklahoma, to "sit for two months" before going to sea . . . **Miss Mary Martin** was an ensign humming calypsos while she helped commission the long-since defunct Naval Hospital in Trinidad, British West Indies. . . . **Miss Peart** was starting sixth grade in Monterey, mortified because her right leg was in a cast—result of jumping from her tree house . . . **Betty Darrimon** was a bookkeeper for Standard Oil Co. in Des Moines, Iowa . . . **Chief Wright** was a PhM3 aboard the USS HORTON (P7) heading for Espirito de Santos in the New Hebrides . . . **Mullie Jack** was in Washington, D.C., deciding where to fight, having given up her job with the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture in Mexico City.

## Times & OAK LEAF Have Changed, But Not Everything

(Excerpts from early issues.)

### Coca-Cola BOTTLES !!!

Please return your coke bottles to the rack. Each bottle is worth 2 cents and our profit on each bottle is 1 cent—the loss of one bottle takes the profit of two. The Welfare Fund is used "for the sole benefit of Hospital Personnel." Our profit goes into this fund.

Hi Yah—all you new corpsmen. Welcome to our Country Club. Glad to have you with us. Lot's of Good Luck to You!

Dispensary—a place where everything from a broken arm to a broken head is painted with Mercurochrome and then marked "DUTY."

Thoughtout the nation different groups are advocating "meatless days." Uhm . . . How about having at least one "no beefing day" each week?

Ship's Service—Cleaning and pressing—36 hour service. Uniforms cleaned and pressed \$.50. Pressed only—\$.25.

Cooperation !! COME ON MATES! Let's watch those cigarette butts. They're not only fire hazards but mar the efforts of our CO in trying to keep our grounds attractive to our visitors. Follow the directions on what to do with butts and the kind of matches to use as posted on our compound.

### You are in the Navy Now

There are certain customs, terms, phrases and expressions which have become traditional in the Navy. We should know what they are and try to observe them. Example: (1) Naval Institutions are not named. This hospital is a Naval Institution—the UNITED STATES NAVAL HOSPITAL, Oakland, California. It is not the "Oak Knoll Hospital." There is no reason why we should perpetuate the name of a realty subdivision or of a golf course.

If you must tell it to somebody—Tell it to the Marines—or to your paper.

Library News—To date, 29 wards are receiving library service. The librarian is wearing sensible shoes and thinking of acquiring a motor scooter or maybe some roller skates.

Heading on sports column: ACEY DUECY A RARIN'.

At a nurses' dance. "Punch was served while dancing to the very excellent music of Lou Waters' Service Orchestra, USNR Air Station, Oakland, Airport."

At the corpsman's dance "The entire second deck of the Rec. Bldg. was gaily decorated and during the course of the evening different colored balloons were released to fall amongst the snatching hundreds. All kinds of sandwiches and

## 31 Days Has October—Also a Few Weeks

These national days and weeks are getting out of hand.

Tomorrow of course is United Nations Day—the fourteenth birthday of the great organization that encompasses 82 member nations—all working together to tackle the great social and political problems of our time. Every day should be UN Day.

Tuesday, 27 October, is Navy Day—in limbo at Navy installations since the rise of unification and establishment of Armed Forces Day. It is still kept very much alive by the Navy League, "civilian arm" of the Navy. It was the birthday of Teddy Roosevelt, "father of the American Navy."

Then of course there was 12 October, birthday of Chris Columbus—the greatest sailor of them all.

Halloween has been with us for a long time but is getting bigger every year with the ever-increasing popularity of trick-or-treating.

October 4-10 was National Newspaper Week, a time for America's 20,001 newspapers (counting OL) to talk of such things as freedom of the press. The second week was National Letter Writing Week, also Wine Week. Then came Pharmacy Week. We could have celebrated it, but it was all over before you could say Slim Sklinchar.

Probably before long someone will designate the last week of October as National Put-Up-Your-Christmas-Decorations Week.

## Freedom Letters Must Be In By 1 November

Valley Forge, Pa. (AFPS)—Officials of Freedoms Foundation here have emphasized that Nov. 1 is the absolute deadline for entries in the 1959 Letter Writing Program for members of the Armed Forces on active duty.

They also stressed that a letter submitted should not exceed 500 words; should be typed or written legibly on one side of paper only, and should bear the writer's typed or printed name, rank and military and home addresses.

Winning letters will be announced at the annual Awards Ceremony on Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22, 1960.

sweetly flavored punch comprised the chow and shipmates danced biting the ends of confetti horns and drinking the tops of their date's toy paper hats."

The doctors are passing up our beautiful nurses on Friday evening as they're on their way to Mills College, clad in boots and saddle ready for a bit of jock-spurring.

At the Movies: "You Belong to Me"—Henry Fonda and Barbara Stanwick.

"Shut My Big Mouth"—Joe E. Brown.

"Playmates"—John Barrymore. Lupe Velez.

## Divine Services

**PROTESTANT**  
SUNDAY WORSHIP—1030  
Communion 1030 on First Sunday  
of Each Month  
Bible Study, Tuesdays, 1215-1245,  
Bldg. 133  
Main Chapel, Tuesday

NAVY RELIEF OFFICE  
IN 67A

Bus to and from Chapel on Sundays  
1015

**CATHOLIC**  
SUNDAY MASSES  
0600, 0830  
DAILY MASS and ROSARY at 1145  
Confessions before Mass  
Any other time upon request  
Catholic Oratory in Back of Chapel  
Choir Practice 1930, Main Chapel  
Tuesday

**JEWISH SERVICES**  
Thursday 1200  
Small Chapel, 2nd Deck, Bldg. 133

## Scuttlebutt

**WEDDING OF THE WEEK:** Joyce Feltner became the bride of Ted Farner at a quiet ceremony last evening at 1900 in the hospital chapel, with Chaplain Piirto officiating. Mary Patricia Squires served as maid of honor and Gary Stratton was best man. The couple left after the ceremony on a five-day trip that will take them to Lake Tahoe, Las Vegas, and other points of interest along the border.

**RANDOM SIGHTS & SOUNDS:** Bonnie Jean Stoll, HM3, shipping over for another 6 . . . ditto Joe Avila, HN . . . Pearline Myers, who helps keep Building 101 shipshape, reporting to Mr. Blankenship to receive a certificate that indicates she's been in Civil Service for ten years . . . Ensigns Abbie Forney and Florine Lorberg completing a course in aviation psychology at NAS, Alameda. . . Mrs. Berger, crew's librarian, loping along on a cast that encases the ankle she fractured in slipping off the CURB near the library . . . CDR Ethel Eusebio trundling to and from nearby College of Holy Names, where she is working for her MA degree . . . CDR Huber reporting that he bagged a three-pointer at Sugar Pine Ridge, Modoc County, on a recent hunting expedition . . . Officers and their wives worrying about what to wear to the Harvest Fun Fest at the club tonight . . . Pete Sheridan's hamster disrupting Security Operations when he ambled into a typewriter and refused to budge (We suppose he has by this time) . . . People in Units 7 and 8 of Santa Cruz Island Village gloating over the new landscaping done by our fine gardeners . . . Edna and Henry Bourdase reaching for the morning paper to see what it says about East Bay bowling or Ed Bourdase, who last week end went on a rampage in the National Match Game eliminations in San Francisco and accounted for an 1853 total for eight games, bowled 80 perfect frames. . . yes, he's their son.

**THE NAME'S THE SAME—**Almost: F. E. Hill, HN, and F. E. Hill, HN, get each other's mail and telephone calls, and it's all very confusing. But Frank works in CSR, Fred is on 63A, nights.

**OAKNOLLUMNI: CAPT E. T. Knowles,** Chief of Oak Knoll's Dependents Service from '50-'54, has taken over his new duties as CO of USNH, Philadelphia, moving there from a similar post at USNH, Yokosuka . . . LT Norma Brown, who signed our paychecks from '51-'53, was married mid-August at Old South Church, Boston, to Vice Admiral Robert F. Batchelder, SC, USN, Ret.

**WELCOME ABOARD** to Beth Ann Wallace, 9 lb. 1½ oz. daughter for LT Ralph E. Wallace and his wife Iris. The new baby's dad is a third-year resident in OB-GYN.

**Hero:** "Did I tell you about when I was torpedoed on a destroyer and lived for 16 days on a can of sardines?"

**Gal:** "Goodness, weren't you scared of falling off?"

**Wife:** "I was a fool when I married you."

**Husband:** "I guess you were, but I was so infatuated at the time I didn't notice it."

# 30 Corpsmen Earn Rate Advancements

Thirty staff corpsmen are happily accepting congratulations and counting the extra cash they will receive along with their new rates, to become effective 16 December.

The promotions will come as a result of passing the Navy-wide competitive examination given in August. The Oak Knoll men are among 1200 corpsmen to be rated throughout the Navy.

Three staffers to make HM1 are

Robert G. Brown, Wilburn R. Michael, and Edward A. Roy.

Successfully completing the examination for HM2 are Richard L. Anderson, James P. Gonzales, Jesse R. Griffin, George O. Hall, Efren L. Reyes, Jon R. Winter, and Edward L. Wojewski.

Those who made HM3 are Richard F. Anderson, David P. Benseler, Carl F. Davis, Aaron C. Furguson, David S. Grant, Gloria A. Holmes,

David W. Haycock, Henry J. Kroeger, Manfredo Kirkconnell, Salvador R. Martinez, Bernard F. Mullin, William R. Parks, Frank D. Robi-nette, Harley D. Rakestraw, James R. Rush, Cleon R. Seipert, Manuel R. Villaroman, Lyle E. Walden, John Wong, and Joseph J. Contreras.

The promotions will mean pay raises from \$22 to \$30 a month.

## Motor Vehicle The Deadliest Weapon

**WASHINGTON — (NAVNEWS)**—Motor vehicle accidents took the lives of 565 Navy men and Marines during calendar 1958.

This grim statistic was released by the Chief of Naval Personnel with others showing that more deaths occurred during 1958 than during the previous two years. However, fewer personnel were involved in total motor vehicle accidents than during any of the five preceding years. Even with a hospital admission rate decline of 1.5 per cent, there were 6,543 injuries recorded last year among Navy and Marine Corps personnel.

The 1957-to-1958 decline in the motor vehicle accident rate occurred among all types of personnel except Marine Corps officers, who showed an increase in deaths and hospitalizations for the year. Enlisted men were involved in three times as many accidents as officers.

In brief the statistics paint this picture:

6,543 Navy and Marine Corps personnel injured in motor vehicle accidents.

565 died.  
273,279 sick days were accumulated.

749 were on the sick list each day of the year.

About 90 per cent were on leave or liberty at the time of their accident.

75 per cent were in passenger cars.

Estimated cost to the government was over 20 million dollars.

These facts are a harsh reminder that safety is everybody's business. Every individual must intensify his efforts to cut down the tragic loss of life and man hours caused by motor vehicle accidents.

## Rehab Team Serves Fairmont Workshop

CDR Anton Tratar, Chief of Physical Medicine, with the assistance of LCDR Lorraine Melvin, physical therapist, and Jack Bates, amputee employee of the U. C. Engineering department, gave a lecture and demonstration on amputee rehabilitation at Fairmont Hospital yesterday afternoon.

Their presentation was part of a rehabilitation workshop being put on for nurses at the hospital.

Nothing ages a woman faster than her birth certificate.



**DOUBLE PIPING—**Two more chiefs were piped out of the Navy into the Fleet Reserve on 15 October. The double ceremony involved HMC's Clarence L. Lansdell (left) and Kenneth P. Moffett. Chief Lansdell had served 19 years, 9 months, Chief Moffett 20, including a stretch as a prisoner of war of the Japanese. Chief Lansdell, whose last Navy assignment was that of master-at-arms at Hospital Corps Quarters, is returning to his home in Houston, Tex., for a civilian job. Chief Moffett will stay on as coach and athletic director at Oak Knoll, simply trading uniform for civilian clothes and the title "Chief" for "Mr." Admiral Hays read the retiring Chiefs' letters of thanks and "smooth sailing." Sideboys were Chiefs Sturdevant, Moore, Calhoun, Wright, Frank, and Hambaugh. Chief Cannell was in charge.

## Need Entertainment? Cash? Comfort Articles? Red Cross Has All On Tap

Those who may be reluctant to give to the United Crusade have but to look around them to see and feel the benefits that come from the one big give of the year; for Red Cross comes in for a substantial share of the funds now collected.

Take a look at the services of Oak Knoll's Red Cross organization during the past year.

Under casework services, 3,066 patients and staff personnel—including Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force, and dependents—were assisted through counseling service on personal and family matters and postdischarge planning, with transportation, and other miscellaneous services. Included were: 1,191 health and welfare communications with families, 288 leave and leave extension verifications, 218 loans and grants totaling \$7,782; and 2,186 other personal and family services.

Recreation services included 1,748 planned activities on wards, 450 planned activities in the lounge, 410 periods of craft instruction in the craft shop, 114 off-compound trips for patients, and 994 feature movies shown on bed patient and NP wards!

An average of 30 community groups brought entertainment for patients each month, and in addition 14 such groups came each

month through Red Cross chapters.

An average of 260 patients each month participated in individualized recreation.

Recreation facilities are available in the Red Cross Lounge, and the Red Cross Craft Shop, and off-compound activities include tours and trips to ball games, the Ice Follies, the opera, etc.

The work of the assigned Red Cross staff was supplemented by that of trained volunteers, approximately 375 coming each month to give a total of 29,388 hours during the year.

Volunteers include the ever-helpful Gray Ladies, Junior Red Cross hostesses, Nurses' Aides, who work on the Pediatric Service, and Motor Corps drivers.

## Pay Schedule

Friday, 30 October—Enlisted patient personnel.  
Monday, 2 November—All officers, staff enlisted personnel.

In case you find any mistakes in this issue, please remember that they were put there for a purpose. We try to get something in the paper for everybody, and some people are always looking for mistakes.

# Hilltoppers Defeat Monterey 46-36, Lose to Hawthorne

## Overton, Bates, F. Smith Score

By Larry Preston, HN

The hard-playing Hilltopper football team has won one and lost one game since the last writing.

Playing good ball all the way, they finished off the Navy Post-Graduate School, Monterey, with a score of 46 to 36 here Tuesday, 13 October.

"Our teamwork in handling the ball as well as the downfield blocking looked very good," Coach Moffett said of his boys after the game.

Credit for the scoring went to J. C. Overton, F. Smith, and Russ Bates. Floyd's blocking and Ski Wojewski's work in center position deserve an honorable mention, with the entire squad playing good ball.

Our boys had more gridiron action away from the old home field when they drove to Hawthorne, Nev., last Friday and played Saturday afternoon.

Although the Knoll team came out on the short end of the score, there was much action on both sides. Of the game Coach Moffett said, "We got off to a slow start but played a good game to the finish."

With a score of 32 to 27, the Hilltoppers made the men from Hawthorne sweat for every point.

Men who carried the pigskin over to score were Russ Bates, who made two touchdowns and scored with a place kick; Bliss, a lively young man from the morgue, who racked up a TD and ran over for an extra point; F. Smith, NP corpsman, who ran over another of the touchdowns.

The new cheerleaders went along to be sure the spirit stayed up for the game. In this group were Cecelia Angel, Dottie Green, Nancy Pierce. Pat Malone, anything but cheery, was in patient status and had to be left behind.

The team drove to Hawthorne Friday and made it back to the Knoll early Sunday morning.

The Hilltoppers met Hunters' Point across the bay yesterday afternoon. They will play NAD, Concord, there next Thursday.

After that, only two league games remain to be played—both of them on the home field. On 5 November the Hilltoppers will tangle with Mare Island, and on 12 November they'll face their final foe—NAS, Oakland.

Navy Exchange COBBLER SHOP is now open Monday through Friday, doing while-you-wait service, as well as less speedy repairs.



THERE GOES J. C. OVERTON galloping over the goal line for a touchdown in the game with Navy Post-Grad School, Monterey.

## Previews

- Tonight, 23 October  
SAY ONE FOR ME—Bing Crosby, Debbie Reynolds, Robert Wagner. Adult.
- Saturday, 24 October  
PARTY GIRL—Cyd Charisse, Robert Taylor. Adult.
- Sunday, 25 October  
ASK ANY GIRL — Gig Young, David Niven, Shirley MacLaine. Adult.
- Monday, 26 October  
THE McCONNELL STORY— Alan Ladd, June Allyson. Family.
- Tuesday, 27 October  
THE MYSTERIANS — All-Japanese cast. Family.
- Wednesday, 28 October  
THE NAKED MAJA — Ava Gardner, Anthony Francoisa. Adult.
- Thursday, 29 October  
CRIME and PUNISHMENT — U.S.A. — Mary Murphy, George Hamilton, Adult.
- Friday, 30 October  
THE WORLD, THE FLESH, and THE DEVIL—Harry Belafonte, Inger Stevens, Mel Ferrer. Adult.
- Saturday, 31 October  
THE MAN IN THE NET—Alan Ladd, Carolyn Jones. Family.

## Laughs

Once-a-bride: "John, tomorrow is our wedding anniversary. Shall I kill the turkey?"

Once-a-groom: "What for? He had nothing to do with it."

"Here comes a friend of mine who's a human dynamo."

"Really?"

"Yes, everything he has on is charged."

"They had to shoot poor Fido today."

"A mad dog?"

"Well, he wasn't any too pleased."

## Test Yourself—Do You Measure Up?

WASHINGTON—(NAVNEWS)—So you wear the "crow" and chevrons of a Navy petty officer. Chances are you're pretty proud of your rate. You should be; the Navy doesn't hand out ratings like raffle prizes.

But there's a hooker attached to each pay-grade jump. When you sew on the "crow" of a P.O., that's exactly what the Navy expects you to be—a petty officer. Or, translated, the Navy expects you to be a leader.

As machines and tasks in the modern Navy become increasingly complex the Navy has placed more and more emphasis on leadership. The following check-list is taken from "Effective Naval Leadership," NAVPERS 15913. There is always room for improvement. How do you measure up? Do you:

- (1) "Pass the buck" or do you accept responsibility for the performance of your men?
- (2) Know the duties and responsibilities of your immediate superior and try to anticipate events?
- (3) Maintain an optimistic attitude?
- (4) Avoid bursts of rage?
- (5) Share the dirty as well as the pleasant assignments?
- (6) Follow the chain of command and require others to do the same?
- (7) Know your men's rates, level of education, when each is due for advancement and how many are taking Navy Training Courses or Correspondence Courses?
- (8) Have the right answer for your men or do you have to refer them to another person?

How did you do? Perfect score? If not, think it over. It's just possible there is room for improvement. Remember, leadership is a full-time job for you, the Navy Petty Officer.

## Change in Pool Schedule

Until further notice the swimming pool will be open as follows:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday—1500-1630 — Patient and guests; 1800-2100 — Staff, dependents, and guests.

Tuesday, Friday — 1200-1400 — Open swimming; 1400-1630—Patients and guests; 1800-2100—Staff, dependents, and guests.

Week ends—No change.

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UNITED STATES NAVAL HOSPITAL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Friday, 6 November, 1959



NAVY DAY AT OAK KNOLL was marked by the opening of the Special Care Unit on 65B. Looking on as Admiral Hays snipped the ribbon were CAPT M. L. Gerber, who will have administrative responsibility for

the unit; CDR Dorothy P. Monahan, who will be in charge of staffing and management; CDR F. W. Swain, Public Works Officer, who "engineered" the job; CAPT P. J. McNamara, XO, staff members, and guests.

## Knollites Give \$5,326 To Bay Area Crusade

As of Wednesday morning Oak Knoll had given or pledged \$5,326 to the Bay Area United Crusade, according to figures from the Crusade's downtown office. A total of 934 members of the staff contributed.

Of the total staff of 1313 (591 civilians and 722 military, 1240 were solicited. A little simple arithmetic shows that the average gift was \$5.71 and that 71 per cent of the Oak Knoll population participated.

Although the hospital fell far short of its goal, the figure—which may still be augmented by last-hour contributions—compares favorably with that of 1958 when Oak Knoll, with a considerably larger staff, gave \$5,875 or an average gift of \$6.73 and had 58.5 per cent participation. In 1957 the total contribution was \$4,201.

The drive will continue for two weeks. Anyone who has not had an opportunity to contribute may make his gift or pledge to his keyman or Chaplain Keaney at his office in the Chapel or Terry Wright, Civilian Personnel Office.

## Hospital on Holiday Routine Wednesday

Wednesday, 11 November, is Veterans Day. Holiday routine will prevail for military staff and patients and for civilian employees who can be spared from their duties. See Plan of the Day for liberty schedule.

## Navy Day at Oak Knoll Marked by Opening Of New Special Care Unit in Building 65B

While rockets were fired and speeches made in honor of Navy Day, Oak Knoll celebrated by opening a new Special Care Unit which will result in improved patient care and more efficient use of trained nurses and corpsmen.

The new unit, converted from a long-unused ward building (65B), is

easily the most modern and most attractive ward on the compound. Considered a "plush assignment" by the nurses and corpsmen who staff it, it is also one of the most exacting; for each patient admitted will require continuous attention and special nursing procedures.

The purpose of the unit is to sepa-

rate from the regular wards those patients who require round-the-clock attention, thus eliminating the need for special watches. Here, the nurse, from her elevated station, can see up and down the ward and immediately detect the smallest irregularity. Glass-walled for visibility, the sixteen spacious cubicles have draw-draperies for privacy when needed. Indirect overhead lighting and rosy beige walls have a soothing effect on occupants of the ward. Acoustical tile ceilings, asphalt tile floors, and soundproofing of the pediatrics section, contribute to the pleasant atmosphere, as do two specially ventilated rooms for patients with conditions that produce disagreeable odors.

Each unit is equipped with oxygen and suction apparatus and wall sphygmomanometers. In addition there will be lumbar puncture sets, tracheotomy sets, paracentesis and thoracentesis trays, cut-down sets, airways, suction pumps, IV fluids, etc., readily available.

Ward personnel will be reliable and accurate observers and will be trained to draw blood, start IV's, do tracheal aspirations, irrigate suction tubes, etc.

Among the many attractive features of the unit is a well-furnished lounge for the convenience and com-



Captain Gerber and CDR T. H. Wilson, Jr., check the oxygen and suction apparatus controls. Note also the wall sphygmomanometer. Nurses are LT Mary Jane Wathen and LTJG Beverly Hodgman, the "patient"—Sam Santarelli, HN.

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# The Oak Leaf

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

### ARE YOU GROWING?

There is an old story about a man who was driving his horse and buggy along a road in California. He thought he was going up a long hill, but didn't seem to get to the top of it. Finally, he saw a native and asked him how much longer the hill was. "Hill," replied the native, "there ain't no hill here! You've lost your hind wheels and you're standing still!"

I suspect that story applies to many of us. For we're all interested in going up the Navy ladder. A higher rate or rank means more pay, greater privileges, and a sense of importance. Yet how many of us care about growing religiously? Isn't it true that most of us pigeonhole our religion during the week? That is to say, when it comes to the most fundamental thing in life, we've lost our hind wheels and we're standing still.

Someone has said, "If your religion is exactly the same today as it was ten years ago, either something is wrong with you or something is wrong with your religion." How true that is! For your religion is something that is never finished and is never perfect. Your religion is an integral part of your life and should enter all your activities as a challenge and an adventure. Ask yourself, therefore, today: Am I growing religiously, or have I lost my hind wheels?

—LCDR GARSON GOODMAN, Jewish Chaplain

## Red Cross Ramblings

With more than 25 new Gray Ladies completing the recent indoctrination classes, Red Cross services will soon be strengthened by the addition of these volunteers. Some will be working in the craft shop, while others will assist in personal services and the recreation program on the wards and in the lounge. All have been recruited through Alameda, Berkeley, Oakland, Greater Mt. Diablo and West Contra Costa County chapters.

**49 DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS**—It's not too soon to think about Christmas, and the Craft Shop is a good place to make gifts for friends and family. The Craft Shop is open daily from 1300 to 1630. Miss Paula McKnight, recreation worker, and skilled Gray Ladies are there to assist you. Whether it's a set of beer mugs for dad or a stuffed toy for the littlest member of the family, patterns and materials are available. Drop in some afternoon soon and see what you can make with a little skill and a lot of imagination.

**DANCE, ANYONE?**—The Tuesday night dances in the Red Cross Lounge are open to all patients. Uniform of the day is required after 1600. Red Cross hostesses are present, and refreshments are served by canteen workers. On Tuesday, 10 November, a band from Musicians' Union Local No. 6, will play music to suit all dancing tastes. Decorations and dance theme each week are planned by the Patient Committee.

The Red Cross Lounge is closed Monday nights and will also be closed on 11 November—Veterans Day.

## 'Fightingest' Outfit Having a Birthday; It's 184 Tuesday

One of the "fightingest" outfits in the Armed Forces—the U.S. Marines—celebrates its 184th anniversary next Tuesday.

It was on that date in 1775 that the Continental Congress authorized the raising of two battalions for service during the Revolution.

Since that time Leathernecks have figured prominently in actions both ashore and afloat, in war and "peace." They were in the bloody slugging match between the Bon Homme Richard and HMS Serapis in 1779. Marines took part in the daring raid by John Paul Jones on Whitehaven, England, in 1778.

With the end of the Revolution, the Marines were disestablished along with other Armed Forces. They were reorganized in 1798 to take part in the unofficial war against France. Not long afterwards they teamed up with Navymen in the Mediterranean against the Barbary pirates and conclusively proved to the maritime nations of the world that this upstart country was a force to be reckoned with.

This was only the beginning. During the war with Mexico, Marines captured several ports along the coast of that country. In addition, a special battalion served with the Army and stormed Mexico City. This put the Halls of Montezuma in the Marines' Hymn. They fought in the Civil War, captured a group of forts in Korea back in 1871, and were prominent in the war against Spain.

In World War I they turned back a German attack that had threaten-

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## Know Your Staff



Oak Knoll's new CMAA, Chief Ed Cannell, is a native of Vancouver, BC. He became a US citizen when his father was naturalized in 1927, grew up in Seattle, enlisted there in 1940. Asked to name the highlights of his colorful 19-year career, the chief chose his three years on independent duty in Casa Blanca ('42-'44) when he "had his hands full taking care of nine minesweepers."

Naturally his tour of duty as CO's secretary at USNH, Yokosuka ('53-'57) was even more important, because it was there he found his pretty wife Hitomi (The H is silent). They met at a dancing school where he was helping with the waltz and she was teaching tango. ("The Japanese have difficulty with the waltz, but they tango better than anyone else in the world—except the Spanish.")

This is Chief Cannell's third tour at Oak Knoll, and he expects to spend the rest of his life in the neighborhood, having bought a home nearby. He has a 10-year-old stepson, Katsumi, and a year-old daughter, Maumi, born at Oak Knoll.



Elaine Malaqui, born in Hana on the island of Maui, is one of the happy mixtures that come from the melting pot that is Hawaii, our newest state. Her mother is a Japanese-Hawaiian. Her father (who keeps the wheels turning at a Libby pineapple cannery) came from the Philippines.

Elaine is active in sports at Oak Knoll as she was at Maui High, where the school emblem was the silver sword, a flower ("shaped just like the swords the doctors carry at inspection") that grows only on the slopes and in the crater of nearby Haleakala—the largest volcanic cra-



This is the season for ghosties and ghoulies and things that go bump in the night, and there is no more fitting way to begin this column than with the new collection of that most estimable master of suspense Alfred Hitchcock. In MY FAVORITES IN SUSPENSE he has brought together spine-chilling selections of the genre he knows best, which will, he assures his readers "put an end to all loose talk about truth being stranger than fiction." The collection opens with Daphne duMaurier's THE BIRDS, and we defy anyone to read it, and ever again pass our little feathered friends without casting an uneasy glance in their direction. THE BIRDS appeared in an early collection of short stories of Miss duMaurier KISS ME AGAIN STRANGER. Now she offers THE BREAKING POINT a new collection in the same vein. Included in these nine strange tales is a terrifying account of a woman whose eye operation results in a strange sense of sight; two brilliant explorations of the minds of children, and the eerie story of a London businessman who turns to art with sinister results.

If the English Miss duMaurier has an American peer, there can be no question it is Shirley Jackson, author of HANGSAMAN AND THE LOTTERY. Of the short story that gives THE LOTTERY its name, Christopher Morley has written "I implore you not to read this story unless you can take a day or a week afterward to think about it. A great story, like a great vintage throws a crust of sediment which may destroy the bouquet and cause ulcers later. If you don't feel the tweak of the ulcers, you haven't really read this story." Now, for a chill November evening, Shirley Jackson has written with her usual skill THE HAUNTING OF HILL HOUSE, the tale of a ghost hunter, two girls and a young man, who defy the menace of Hill House with tragic results.

Last year St. Martin's Press, a newcomer in the publishing field, released a book that was to achieve spectacular success. ANATOMY OF A MURDER remained on the best-seller list for many months, and was later turned into an equally successful movie. Now St. Martin's Press, which seems to have a nose for a winner, has published William Pearson's A FEVER IN THE BLOOD, a book almost sure to rival ANATOMY in popularity. This too, is the story of a sensational murder trial, and is, in addition, the story of cut-throat politics as seen from the inside.

—EMMY BERGER,  
Crew's Librarian

ter in the world. "Thank goodness it's extinct!" exclaimed Elaine as she dashed off to put in for leave to celebrate Christmas at her parents' new home in Haiku, with three brothers and three sisters.

Here a year and a half, Elaine is now on duty in the Urology Clinic, conveniently next door to the Neurosurgical Clinic and her favorite HN—Frank Middleton.



"JUST MY SPEED" was probably what little Sherrie Davis thought of this lively locomotive—one of many gifts the N.O.W. Club of Alameda presented to the day nursery. Delivering the gifts, left to right, were Mrs. John W. Fairbanks, president of the Club, Mrs. Robert B. Whitegiver, nursery chairman, and Mrs. Murr E. Arnold, honorary president (holding Sherrie). The baby's father is a Chief Warrant Officer aboard the USS INTERDICTOR.

## NOW Club Brings Toys to Nursery

Christmas came early to the day nursery when members of the N.O.W. Club (Naval Officers' Wives at Naval Air Station, Alameda) played Santa Claus last week.

Their "pack" was a station wagon, its contents—a hobby horse, desk blackboards, baby dolls in bassinets, pull toys, push toys, and peg boards—all of which will help children pass the time happily while their mothers see their doctors.

Delivering the gifts were Mrs. Murr E. Arnold, wife of the Commander, Fleet Air, Alameda, honorary president of the N.O.W. Club; Mrs. John W. Fairbanks, president; and Mrs. Robert B. Whitegiver, nursery chairman.

The toys were purchased from funds raised at the club's annual Christmas fair and at its monthly luncheons.

The nursery, for the convenience of all Navy parents who come to the hospital for treatment, is sponsored by the Navy Wives' Club of Berkeley.

## Here's How to Get Part Of Navy's Oldest Ship

Commemorative coins made from old copper spikes that held the USS CONSTELLATION together when she was launched in 1797 are again available in the Administrative Office.

The first batch of 50 went like hotcakes, and a second order is going fast. The attractive souvenir coin, with picture of the Navy's first ship and suitable inscription, serves as a lifetime pass to visit the old "Yankee Race Horse," and the dollar you give for it will help keep her shipshape for another 162 years.

Eli Whitney's purported last words were: "Keep your cotton pickin' hands off my gin!"

—Hilltopper

## Scuttlebutt

A LITTLE LEAFLET is a DANGEROUS THING: That's what two doctors' wives learned when they decorated tables for the Wives' Club luncheon in radiant autumn foliage—as the society columnists would say. During the procedure some one raised the question—"Could these lovely pink and red leaves possibly be poison oak?"

"I'll get my husband to take a look," said one.

"Well, there is a similarity, but no it isn't poison oak—not even poison ivy," opined the doctor.

For professional reasons, the characters in this story will not be named, but if you see two rather heavily-calaminated ladies on the compound, chances are one of them is the wife of a very red-faced dermatologist.

LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS about WELL-KNOWN FOLK: LCDR H. S. Browne of Orthopaedics is a member of a Berkeley branch of the Canadian Legion Bagpipers. This came to light when he appeared in full regalia at the Hallowe'en party and declared, "This is no costume. This is the REAL ME."

SHOWING SWABBIES HOW TO SWAB (white gloves, TV cameras, and all) was fun for Arlene Petchnick, Lois Eckdahl, and Mary Tomson, when they cruised through the Golden Gate and out past the Farallones aboard the USS WATCHMAN, AGR, on 21 October. LTJG Nan Wright accompanied the WAVES on the patrol ship cruise, planned especially for dependents of crew members.

## Dr. Kurzrok Honored

CAPT Milton Kurzrok has been elected a charter member of the Section on Military Pediatrics of the American Academy of Pediatrics, according to word he received recently from the organization's executive director.

## CAPT M. L. Gerber In Charge of Unit

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fort of next of kin.

Not to be overlooked is the unit's great advantage to patients elsewhere on the compound. A very sick patient often monopolizes the attention of the ward staff, and activities associated with care of a seriously ill patient are often disturbing to others on the ward.

Oak Knoll is one of the first Navy hospitals to install such a unit.

CAPT Marvin Gerber, Chief of the Surgical Service, is the officer in charge of ward administration, but the responsibility for each patient's care will remain with the chief of the service from which he was transferred.

CDR Dorothy P. Monahan, Chief of the Nursing Service, is in charge of staffing and management.

LT Mary Jane Wathen is the first nurse assigned the responsibility for the nursing care on the ward. Assisting her is LTJG Beverly Hodgman. The p.m. nurse is LT Joan Dihl, the first night nurse LTJG Marian C. Brady. Corpsmen and Waves on the job from the opening day are Edward Welch, HM3, senior corpsman; and HN's Sam Santarelli, Bob Schultz, Cecelia Angel, Gertrude Martin, Marlene Magie, Wanda Sue Deen, and Thomas E. Updike.

The unit is the result of many months of careful planning by the Commanding Officer, members of the surgical, nursing, and public works staffs.

CDR F. W. Swain, Public Works Officer, was in charge of the remodeling project. LCDR L. W. Burr, Chief of Finance, and LCDR J. W. Stephens, Chief of the Supply Division, were responsible for procurement of the equipment.

Additional funds required for the project were approved by the Surgeon General.



Harry M. Thomas, BMI, of 62A became a deck swabber and handi-man first class in the days preceding the opening. Here he demonstrates the unique type of partitions of the ward. Also note shelf that folds down when not in use.



LT Mary Jane Wathen, supervisor, and LTJG Beverly Hodgman "man" the elevated nurses' station from which they can watch all patients. Light (button below telephone) replaces bell during night and quiet hours.

## Bates Commended by CO—Civilian Now

Russ Bates, whose picture appeared in the OAK LEAF last week when he received a certificate naming him all-star shortstop on the 12ND baseball team, received another honor on 23 October as he told shipmates goodbye and headed out the gate with his honorable discharge under his arm.

Bates, who will continue his athletic career at Contra Costa Junior College, Richmond, received the CO's commendation for outstanding performance of duty while assigned to the Special Services Division for the past year.

"During this period your dependability and exceptional performance of duty have earned for you the respect and admiration of your superi-

ors as well as your co-workers. Your contribution to the athletic program of this command has become almost legendary. Your selection as all-star by opponent athletes in the 12ND League is indicative of the fine sportsmanship and athletic ability you have displayed on each of the many occasions when you have represented Oak Knoll in an athletic event," Admiral Hays' letter read.

## Chaplains Used to Get Pay From Seamen

Chaplains were aboard the earliest warships of many nations. In those days they would receive fourpence from each seaman every month as their pay. In turn, they would give sixpence to those seamen who learned a psalm.

It is interesting to note that the name "chaplain" was derived from a French source. It seems that St. Martin shared his cloak with a poor beggar on a cold, windy day at Amiens, France. This cloak was "miraculously preserved" and became the sacred banner of the kings of France. The man charged with the coat's safekeeping was called the chapelain, from the French word chapele meaning short cloak. (Nav News)

## Dr. Waldstreicher At Brooke Seminar

LT H. W. Waldstreicher presented a paper at the James C. Kimbrough Urology Seminar at Brooke Army Hospital, San Antonio, Tex., on 3 November.

Title of the paper was "Bladder Neck Obstruction in Children and Young Adults." Co-authors with Dr. Waldstreicher were CAPT M. S. Curtis and LT F. C. Heidner.

# Hilltoppers Lose to Concord In Last 30 Seconds of Play

By Larry Preston, HN

The Hilltoppers lost a heartbreaker, 44-39, to NAD Concord in the last 20 seconds of play last Thursday. The most sensational six-man football battle seen in these parts since the season began, the game left Oak Knoll in second place, with Concord tied with Mare Island for first. (Oak Knoll met the mighty Mare Islanders here yesterday in the most crucial game of the season.)

From the beginning kickoff at Concord until the half-time whistle, it was a hard and fast game all the way, with good blocking and tackling on both sides. The half-time score was 7-8 in favor of Concord.

With good handling of the ball by R. Perkins and numerous head-on drives into the line, F. Smith plunged into the end zone for the first touchdown. The extra point was run over by J. C. Overton.

On the second half kickoff, Overton received and scampered 66 yards for the second TD, putting the Hilltoppers ahead, 13-8. Smith ran the extra point.

The Hilltoppers kicked to Concord and held them for several series of downs. After taking possession of the ball, Perkins connected with Bliss for TD passes for a total of 53 yards in the air. With 1½ minutes left to go, Overton made a 70-yard runback for the 'Toppers' last touchdown, making the score 39-36.

Receiving the kick with only 20 seconds remaining in the game, Concord took to the air as the only hope. After failing for three downs, they completed for a TD pass and kicked for another two points.

Final score: 44-39 in Concord's favor.

In the game were Monroe Williams and Jack Carman, defensive backs; Wojewski, who was used on both offensive and defensive in his center position Anthony Keen and James Cobb, defensive ends; Pete Sheridan, Ralph Dean, Gnekow, and Mantell, also in the defensive line-up.

Covering both defensive and offensive positions during most of the game were Manning, Overton, Perkins, Wojewski, Smith, and Bliss.

"Every man played an outstanding game," Coach Moffett said.

"They had us in manpower—out-numbering us two to one, but there was no doubt in my mind about who had the best team," said the coach.

"We fumbled three times. They recovered once. They fumbled four times. We recovered four times. It was heads-up ball all the way, and I just hope we can do as well against Mare Island."

## More About Marines

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ed to engulf Paris. After the War, Marines were involved in numerous landings in Haiti, the Dominican Republic and Nicaragua. And of course their part in World War II and Korea is a more familiar part of our fighting history.

The past 184 years have given the Marine Corps much of which to be proud. Whatever may face our country in the future, it will find the Marine Corps, with its renowned esprit de corps, ready to engage in deeds that will equal their past accomplishments.

—NAVNEWS

Money refuses to talk nowadays. It just goes without saying.—Hilltopper.

# Shades of Halloween . . .



MANY ATTRACTIVE (???) COUPLES gathered at the Officers' Club masquerade. Recognize LT and Mrs. B. K. Defiebre at upper left? Dracula and the headless creature (He took refreshments by skull-mouth) are LT and Mrs. R. E. Strange. In the line-up below are LT and Mrs. D. F. Zak, MAJ and Mrs. L. D. Stewart, CAPT and Mrs. H. R. Superko, and CAPT and Mrs. L. E. Potter.



AT THE EM CLUB Mouseketeers J. C. and June Overton danced their way to a first prize for couples. Runners-up were Jack and Hazel Rogers who came as devil and angel.



DID MODERN DRUGS produce this paleolithic pair? Did it take another dose to change them back to Pharmacy's Donald Keating and Colonel Suratt?? Whatever it was, we're glad they're gone.



HOW DID THE JUDGES get into the act? They are Marty Foulk, Daphne Balch, Don Tyson, and Yolanda Garcia of staff and Jane Bradley, a guest from Kaiser Hospital School of Nursing. They awarded prizes to Jim Dakan, who came as a Chinese coolie, and Mrs. Clifford Woods, a Southern belle. Runners-up were Jack and Hazel Rogers (devil and angel); Bill Godfrey (convict). The Continentals deserved the biggest prize of all, according to all reports. They played "terrific" music for the capacity crowd that came early and stayed late.

## Bang Tales & Back Lashes

By Nim and Rod

SIGHTING DOWN THE GUN-BARRELS we see Drs. Powell and Ellingson busily loading "magnum" loads for a week-end hunt near Williams . . . Duck hunting picking up with the arrival of cool, windy weather . . . Dr. Curtis and Mr. Giles taking a few birds in the Yuba County part of Beale AFB . . . Admiral Hays grooming three bird dogs for the coming quail and pheasant season . . . CAPTs Goodman and Curtis bringing back limits of choice ducks and three geese from Bang Lake . . . CAPT Tandy still fretting about the shortage of hulls for re-loading . . . skeet jackets in moth-balls.

Overheard in the marsh: "Captain Curtis takes pride in dressing properly for ducks—often takes two outfits, one for morning and another for the afternoon shoot."

"Gosh, when Goodman packs, he packs for a safari."

Quail season opened last Saturday, and though the dry fall makes hunting difficult there seems to be a good crop of birds this year. Dogs have difficulty locating them as they are sticking close to water and heavy cover and are flushing wild.

Reports received by your correspondents thus far indicate the pheasant crop is a bit on the light side this year in most areas. The late hatch was almost a total loss because of the extremely dry summer and low humidity.

Tip for duck hunters: Remove oil from gun and coat with a protective plastic to prevent rust. The combination of alkaline or salt water plus mud and heat will cause rust in a matter of hours.

## Previews

Tonight, 6 November THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK—Millie Perkins, Shelley Winters. Family.

Saturday, 7 November THUNDER IN THE SUN—Jeff Chandler, Susan Hayward. Family.

Sunday, 8 November THE ANGRY HILLS—Gia Scala, Robert Mitchum. Family.

Monday, 9 November GUN DUEL IN DURANGO — George Montgomery. Family.

Tuesday, 10 November REVOLT IN THE BIG HOUSE—Gene Evans, Robert Blake. Adult.

Wednesday, 11 November YOUNG PHILADELPHIANS — Paul Newman, Barbara Rush. Adult.

Thursday, 12 November THE SAD HORSE — David Ladd, Chill Wills. Also, SICK, SICK SIDNEY. Family.

Friday, 13 November LOOK BACK IN ANGER—Clair Bloom, Richard Burton. Adult.

Saturday, 14 November THE ROOTS OF HEAVEN—Errol Flynn, Orson Wells. Family.



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## Committee Previews Holiday Decorations



**TINSEL TREES** and Christmas gifts passed Admiral Hays' inspection when members of the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee met recently at the Officers' Club. At left is Elmer P. Zollner, one of the original members and a past-president of the committee, who is now chairman of hospital planning; at right, Mrs. A. Lee Oder, who is responsible for buying and wrapping gifts to be distributed to each patient on Christmas morning.



The Santa Claus and reindeer will be part of the holiday decor on Oak Knoll wards. (The decorative ladies will not.) They are Mrs. Bryant King, wife of the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee public relations chairman and Mrs. Larry Rodriggs, whose husband assists Mr. King. The gentlemen are LTJG W. R. Eckerman, Oak Knoll's Special Services Officer, and William J. Stephens, president of the committee.

### To Provide Gifts, Entertainment

Members of the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee, whose members have played Santa Claus to Oak Knoll for 17 years, met recently at the Officers' Club for their annual dinner party and preview of Christmas.

Joseph R. Knowland, editor and publisher of the Oakland Tribune, traditionally the dinner speaker and honored guest, was unable to be present because of illness, and he and Mrs. Knowland were greatly missed.

Began in 1924

Composed of prominent Eastbay citizens, the committee is more than twice as old as Oak Knoll. It began its work at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Livermore, in 1924, added Oak Knoll in 1942, and in turn took over the Christmas celebrations for Oakland VA Hospital and Parks Air Force Base as they were opened.

Mr. Knowland, through the columns of the Tribune, has backed the

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### Dr. Main of London Visits NP Service

Dr. Thomas Main, Director of The Cassel Hospital in the suburbs of London, visited the Neuropsychiatric Service on 9 November.

The Cassel Hospital is the only psycho-analytic hospital in England, and its director, while serving as a colonel in the British Army was the first to adopt group therapy and to publish a paper on the therapeutic community.

In this country on a lecture tour, Dr. Main is visiting the major universities. He was interested in this hospital since he had previously been in the states at the invitation of the Surgeon General and as consultant to Dr. Harry Wilmer in the writing of his book, "Social Psychiatry in Action," based on his experience with the therapeutic community here.

Dr. Main told members of the staff he felt very well-acquainted with Oak Knoll after his association with the book and its author.

### Dr. Schiff Elected To Top Office

CAPT Maurice Schiff, Chief of the EENT Service, has been elected president of the American Society of Military Otolaryngologists.

The honor came to Dr. Schiff while he was in Chicago for the American Academy of Otolaryngologists' October meeting.

### All This And -----\* Too

With Thanksgiving less than a week away, the members of the Food Service staff are looking over their recipe books and checking supplies to make sure everything is available for the traditional Thanksgiving feast.

There'll be a choice of roast tom turkey with -----\*\* sauce, sage dressing and giblet gravy or baked Virginia ham with raisin sauce, mashed potatoes, baked sweet potatoes.

There'll be cream of tomato soup and saltines, the usual relishes, corn on the cob, buttered peas, assorted breads and rolls, butter, hot mince pie, pound cake, ice cream, coffee, milk, tea, punch. Then, cigars and cigarettes.

\* cranberries  
\*\* cranberry

### Berkeley EM Wives Affiliate With Knoll

Berkeley Navy Wives' Club No. 16, now affiliated with Oak Knoll and open to all staff enlisted wives, held its first social meeting in its new clubhouse in Building 25 Monday night.

The club is making plans for a bake sale to be held in the Navy Exchange lobby on 4 December, and the next meeting will be held the first Monday evening in December.

Officers of the club are Mrs. Jack Meddles, president; Mrs. Charles Firebaugh, vice-president; Mrs. Mary Lane, secretary; Mrs. William Green, treasurer; Mrs. Howard Burley, recording-secretary; and Mrs. William Ferris, chaplain.

### East Bay Eye Society Holds Meeting Here

Members of the East Bay Eye Society held their annual dinner meeting at the Officers' Club Monday evening, 9 November.

CDR Wayne Erdbrink handled arrangements for the meeting, at which Dr. Samuel J. Kimura, associate professor of ophthalmology at U.C. Medical School and a member of Oak Knoll's consulting staff, spoke on "Viruses in Ophthalmology."

### STAFF DANCE TONIGHT

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**THE CONTINENTALS**  
2000 - 2400 at the EM Club

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In the homes of polite society "Thank You" is one of the first things mothers teach their children to say. It is one of the basic courtesies of life. Generally speaking, we say it when we ought to and count it as a badge of good breeding.

It may be timely to remind ourselves that saying "Thank You" to God is plain good manners. Each morning we should say "Thank You, God" for the rest we received during the night and for the opportunities of the day. At mealtime we should say "Thank You" for our food. When the day's work is done, is it too much to expect one to say "Thank You" to God, who has given us the strength to do our daily task?

The ancient Jews had this proverb: "He who partakes of anything without giving thanks acts as if he were stealing from God."

Our annual Thanksgiving Day which we observe by Presidential Proclamation in this country is sort of a National monument established to remind us of the Goodness of God and to encourage us to say "Thank You" to Him.

CDR Paul C. Morton, CHC, USN, Senior Chaplain

## Thanksgiving in Homes Offered Through USO

Each year USO sponsors a Home Hospitality Program. Through USO, servicemen are sent out to homes in the Bay Area to enjoy a Thanksgiving Dinner.

To qualify for hospitality, a serviceman must register in the club at 1017 Market St., San Francisco, by 1030 Thursday morning, November 26. For those who don't want to go to homes, the Club will have a buffet supper Thanksgiving evening, featuring the well-known turkey and trimmings.

For further information, call Market 1-6480.

## Protestant Choir Note

Protestant Christmas choir organization and rehearsals started Monday evening, and more voices are needed. Please call Ext. 240 or 238 to sign up for this activity.

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"IT'S HEALED SO WELL... I HATE TO CHANGE IT!!"

## Red Cross Ramblings

**NEW HOSTESSES:** This week marked the first hospital visit of more than 35 attractive young ladies trained as Red Cross hostesses. The group consists of young business women and college girls from Berkeley, Oakland, and Walnut Creek.

The new hostesses are divided into three groups. Some will be coming regularly to the Tuesday night dances at the Red Cross Lounge; others to Thursday night parties and programs in the lounge; and others to the Thursday night ward activities.

With the addition of these new hostesses and the new Gray Ladies, the Red Cross program in all phases will expand, and there will be many new additions to the recreation activities.

**THANKSGIVING DANCE:** After being closed for two weeks for a paint job, the lounge will reopen Tuesday, 24 November at 1830 in time for the festive Thanksgiving dance. This will be an especially gala affair since the new hostesses will be present. Special decorations and refreshments are being planned.

The lounge will be open from the 24th at its usual hours—Monday through Friday afternoons, 1300 to 1700; Saturday, 0900 to 1700; and Sunday, 1300 to 1700. Program nights are Tuesday nights when the weekly dance is scheduled, and Thursday nights when there will be hostess parties.

The lounge will be open all day Thanksgiving, starting with a coffee hour at 0900 and continuing with open house until closing time at 1700. Before—or after—that Thanksgiving turkey, drop in the lounge for a cup of coffee and some relaxation.

## Nursing Students From Stanford Training Here

Eight nursing students from Stanford University began their clinical psychiatric nursing experience in Oak Knoll's Neuropsychiatric Service on 10 November.

The students will be aboard two days a week for the next five weeks, participating in group staff meetings as part of their clinical psychiatric nursing experience. The program, approved by the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, will be a continuing one, with a new group coming from Stanford each quarter.

Students in the first group are Doris Behnemen, Gwinine Bennett, Barbara Blake, Shirley Brodeur, Margo Glatt, Lois Honks, Sharlene Spaans, and Betsy Sunblad.

Mrs. Florence McDonald, assistant professor in nursing (psychiatry) from Stanford, and LCDR Helen Fannan, neuropsychiatric nursing supervisor here, are in charge of the program.

## Five Oak Knoll Doctors Selected for CDR

Congratulations are in order for five Oak Knoll doctors whose selection for the rank of commander was recently announced.

They are LCDRs H. W. Brown, third year resident, Orthopaedic Service; A. J. Guida, Ophthalmology; R. C. Hastedt, Pathology; S. G. Kramer, Surgical Service; and C. B. Sigel, OB-GYN.

## Dr. Holloway Speaks To Kiwanis Club

CAPT Charles K. Holloway was the guest speaker when the San Leandro Kiwanis Club observed Veterans' Day at their luncheon meeting at Onstad's on 10 November.

Dr. Holloway spoke of his experiences in Korea and illustrated his talk with Kodachrome slides.

## Read This If You're From Pennsylvania

Legal residents of the State of Pennsylvania are eligible for a Korean War Bonus—if they were on active duty between 25 June 1950 and 27 January 1954. For further information, call ENS William U. King, Education and Information Officer, at Ext. 277.

"By whom?" asked the man who was told that his wife was outspoken.

Scotchman (at riding academy)—

"I wish to rent a horse."

Groom—"How long?"

Scot—"The longest you've got; there will be five of us going."

Bowers: "Looks like rain, Mr. Blankenship."

Mr. B.: "It sure does, Bowers. But I asked for coffee."

What's the difference between unlawful and illegal? That's easy. Unlawful is against the law; Illegal is a sick bird.

## Know Your Staff



A native of Waterloo, Ia., Chief L. J. Henney has traveled far during his 19 years in the Navy. A surprising amount of his time has been spent at Oak Knoll, where he is now on duty in the Examination and Treatment Room. This is the husky Chief's fourth tour of duty here, and apparently he has no complaints, for he and his wife Dorothy have bought a home in San Leandro and plan to make it their permanent home.

During World War II, Chief Henney was on duty at Base Hospital No. 6, Espirito de Santo, in the New Hebrides and during the last months of the war served aboard the battleship, NEW JERSEY.

The Chief and his wife have two daughters—Kathie Lee, who was born at Oak Knoll on 11 December, 1950 (while her dad was heading for Chosen Reservoir with First Marines), and Deborah Sue, who is 4½.



Kay Douglass, HM3, in the Navy for seven years, has decided to make it her career.

Born and reared in Pittsburgh, Pa., the genial MAA of the Wave Barracks trained at Bainbridge, Md., had a tour of duty at Camp Lejeune, N.C., and spent the next three years cruising the Mediterranean and the Caribbean aboard MSTs Ships.

"We had some wonderful liberty in Spain and other European ports," Kay recalled, "and making dependents' sick call—to say nothing of baby formula—was good duty."

Off duty, Kay reads and listens to some of her 300 recordings of classical music. She likes California and hopes to stay on this coast.

# Scuttlebutt

COMPLAINTS & COMMENTS following distribution of the last LEAF:

"You goofed—Miss Wathen is a LCDR!" Sorry.

"Why can't the OL have jokes of its own instead of always using the Hill-toppers? We thought it had good ones. Do you like today's better?"

"Is this REALLY the season of ghosties and ghoulies?" That's what Mrs. Berger said, and she's as well-informed as anyone we know.

"You didn't mention MY poison oak." We did the last time you had it, and besides, you haven't a husband.

"Where's Smiley?" Couldn't squeeze him in.

INCIDENTAL INFORMATION: Mr. Ayotte, permanent Officer of the Day has appropriate initials—O.D. . . . Ed Wojewski's daughters were both born on 17 November—Barbara Ann two years ago, Carolyn three days ago. (See Life Began).

DID YOU KNOW that the Hubers celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary Saturday? That Ensigns Joyce Feltner and Mary Squires have both made JG . . . That I&E has a new library of books on technical and vocational material such as carpentry, farming, radio, electrical work, math in mechanics, etc., which can be checked out for ten days, subject to renewal . . . That Doctors Orkin and Long and Corpsman Joe Hara represented Oak Knoll in the 12ND pingpong championships held at the Coast Guard Base, Alameda, last night . . . That Miss Dohl, Miss Brusetti, and WAVES Shirley Bradford (the submariner), Dottie Williams, and Mary Thompson cruised beyond the Golden Gate aboard the USS

ANGER when the giant carrier took 2,000 dependents for a ride . . . That we now have resident observers from six foreign navies—Japan, Korea, Nationalist China, Turkey, Pakistan, and Thailand? . . . That Dr. and Mrs. Streit are on a Honolulu holiday? That the Continentals, who'll play at the EM Club tonight are the greatest?

LIFE BEGAN on 5 November for Anne Marie, 6 lb. 11 oz. daughter of LT William E. Kemp, anesthesiologist, and wife Stella . . . on 7 November for John Robert, 7 lb. 11 oz., son of LT Alvin L. Nickel, otolaryngology resident, and wife, Mary . . . and on 17 November for Carolyn Sue, 7 lb. 1½ oz. daughter of, Edmond L. J. Wojewski, HM2, of Surgery II, and wife, Patricia.

WAY BACK WHEN—"CROW'S NEST"—With radar in the Navy the importance of the crow's nest has dwindled, but no mechanical apparatus will ever completely take its place.

The little nest up there in the mast has, in times past, saved many a ship from collision or running aground. It has also been a good place to acquire a nice sun tan. Strangely enough the term has its origin in the fact that ravens and crows once were actually carried in nests on the mast.

Norsemen, in ye real old Navy, carried crows and ravens in a cage on the mast as navigational aids. Whenever they lost sight of land, they would release one of the birds and follow its flight shoreward. A bit crude—but it worked.



LAY THE PAGES OF THEIR SERVICE RECORDS END TO END AND THEY'D REACH a mighty long way; for these six officers have served in the Navy a total of 184 years. They are, from left, LCDR J. W. Stephens (28½ years), CHMEDSRWT O. D. Ayotte (29), LCDR F. C. Johnson (30), CDR M. P. Huber (39), CHMEDSRWT R. H. Giles (29), and LCDR L. W. Burr (28½).

## These Six "Old Sailors" Still Going Strong After Serving Navy for Nearly Two Centuries

"Old sailors never die. They just come to Oak Knoll and keep on working," said CDR Melvin P. Huber, Administrative Officer, as he celebrated his 39th anniversary in the Navy last Saturday, noting at the same time that his service and that of five other "old sailors" on the compound adds up to the surprising total of 184 years.

The others are LCDR Frank C. Johnson, Chief of Personnel and Records, with 30 years in; CHMEDSRWTs R. H. Giles, AO to the Chief of Dependents Service; and O. D. Ayotte, Officer of the Day, 29 each; and LCDR John W. Stephens, Chief of the Supply Division; and LCDR Leonard W. Burr, Finance Officer, each with 28½.

Each "old-timer" was asked to name his most memorable assignment to date.

CDR Huber chose his tour of duty with the Amphibious Group that trained in England and later took part in the invasion of Southern France beginning in June 1944.

LCDR Johnson recalled his tour with the Civil Administration Unit at Majuro, Marshall Islands, from 1950-1951, when he was in charge of the dispensary where he helped train health aides and nurses, was in charge of medical materiel, was vital statistics officer, census taker, and banker for the Marshallese people.

Oak Knoll is tops with Mr. Giles. "There's just something about it—an over-all atmosphere of cooperation and fraternity I've never en-

countered anywhere else. I'm ready to fight if anyone says anything against Oak Knoll."

Mr. Ayotte named Hospital Corps School, San Diego, from 1940-1942 his most memorable tour.

LCDR Stephens lists his cruise aboard the USS ENTERPRISE as the most exciting.

LCDR Burr remembers the USS WEST VIRGINIA with greatest affection. "She was the newest in the world. She cost \$32,000,000, weighed 32,000 tons, and drew 32 feet of water. Now she's not only obsolete; she is being made into razor blades." (Spoken like a Finance Officer).

All six would choose a Navy career if they had it to do over, but probably each would "try a different approach," with a view to switching from rate to rank earlier in life.

If and when they retire?

Huber: I'll do some travelling. (He didn't say when—Maybe he is just going to keep on working.)

Johnson: No "if" for me, and the "when" will come 31 January 1960.

Have strings out and hope to enter business shortly after.

Giles: I believe the Navy Dept. plans to retire me about July or August 1961—Then I'll give skeet-trap, fish, quail, ducks, and pheasants the works.

Ayotte: Retiring in 1960. Will buy a rocking chair.

Stephens: Must retire on completion of 30. Will probably spend the following years resenting the public law responsible.

Burr: I've decided to make the Navy a career. Have no plans or intentions concerning retirement.

The average girl would rather have beauty than brains, because the average man can see better than he can think.

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ANOTHER CLASS of Operating Technicians completed their 26-week course here 6 November, and all except one are heading for new assignments. In the front row, from left, are honorman Donald Gabbert, Manfredo B. Kirkconnell, and Robert Anderson; second row: Bernard T. Younkman, Herman West, David Grant, and Elizabeth Lee. Gabbert will go to Bremerton, Kirkconnell to Yokosuka, Anderson to Barber's Point, Hawaii; Younkman to the USS DEXTER, West to 50 Fell St., San Francisco; Grant to Kodiak, Alaska. Lee will remain here. In the background—LCDR Phyllis McAlpin, instructor; ENS Julia Barnes, and old grads Akemon, Printy, Van Houten, Hoffman, Snider.

### Jokes

The absent-minded professor walked into the village barber shop, sat down in the chair and requested a haircut.

"Certainly, sir," said the barber. "Would you mind taking off your hat?"

The professor hurriedly complied. "I'm sorry," he apologized. "I didn't know there were ladies present."

Speaking of his wife, the weatherman said: "She speaks about 150 words per minute with gusts up to 190."



**SOMETHING FOR HIS HOPE CHEST**—That's how LCDR R. C. Hastedt of Pathology must treat his new hat—presented by members of the pathology staff in honor of his recent selection for commander. He'll put on the scrambled eggs whenever his promotion comes through. With Dr. Hastedt the camera caught, left to right, LT Leo Brown of the Surgical Service, LT J. G. Harmeling (almost), LT R. W. Stinely, LT F. O. Raasch, Jack E. Buchanan, HM2, and David S. Curtis, HM3, all of Pathology.

### Community Helps in Yule Celebration

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committee from its beginning, and as a result, gifts ranging from 25 cents to \$1,000 are contributed by individuals and organizations throughout the community, each eager to make the holidays as happy as possible for servicemen and veterans who cannot be at home with their families because of illness or injury. The goal for this year is \$25,500.

#### Decorations on Display

Preceding the dinner the newest in sparkling tinsel trees, reindeer, rotund Santas, and a variety of valuable gifts were displayed as the Tribune photographer snapped pictures to help the cause as Christmas approaches.

Admiral and Mrs. Hays and Captain and Mrs. P. J. McNamara welcomed aboard some sixty guests. Seated with them at the head table were William J. Stephens, president of the committee, who presided as members of the committee and representatives from the two Livermore and Oakland VA Hospitals were introduced; Mrs. Stephens; Miss Mary Valle, permanent secretary and treasurer; Arthur Daniels, first vice-president; and Mrs. Daniels.

Oak Knoll's coordinator for this year is Ralph B. Church; his assistant, Joseph A. Johnson.

Committee members and assisting organizations will be back 19-20 December to decorate the hospital from stem to stern. On Christmas Day they will bring Santa Claus (in quadruplicate) aboard to deliver carefully selected gifts to every patient. And they will bring professional entertainment to wards and mess halls.

### Previews

- Tonight, 20 November  
IT HAPPENED IN ROME—June Laverick, Isabel Corey, Vittorio de Sica. Family.
- Saturday, 21 November  
GIGANTIS THE FIRE MONSTER—Cast of thousands. Family.
- Sunday, 22 November  
THE FIVE PENNIES—Danny Kaye, Barbara Bel Geddes. Family.
- Monday, 23 November  
I DIED A THOUSAND TIMES—Shelley Winters, Jack Palance. Family.
- Tuesday, 24 November  
THE WARRIOR AND THE SLAVE GIRL—Cast of thousands. Family.
- Wednesday, 25 November  
INN OF THE SIXTH HAPPINESS—Ingrid Bergman, Curt Jergens. Family.
- Thursday, 26 November  
BATTLE OF THE CORAL SEA—Gia Scala, Cliff Robertson. Family.
- Friday, 27 November  
HOUSE OF INTRIGUE—Dawn Adams, Curt Jergens. Adult.
- Saturday, 28 November  
THE REMARKABLE MR. PENNYPACKER—Clifton Webb, Dorothy McGuire. Family.

## 'Toppers Beat NAS, Oakland; Finish Season in Third Place

With a tragic 42-24 loss to Mare Island on 5 November and a 19-16 victory over NAS, Oakland, the day after Veterans Day, Oak Knoll finished the season in third place.

In the NAS Oakland game, Jack Carman received two touchdown passes and Earl Hoffman received the third. Smith ran over the extra point for a total of 19. All this in the third quarter.

NAS, Oakland, scored their 16 points in the first quarter but were unable to do anything against the Hilltoppers from then on in.

The Mare Island game was a different story. Overton caught the ball in the end zone at the kickoff and ran the full distance to a touchdown, to keep up his average of one run-back per game for a TD throughout the season. Overton accounted for another TD against the Islanders, and Smith made the other two.

The team was greatly hampered because of injuries sustained previous to the game. Jack Manning was out with injuries, as was Eddie Johnson, mainstay on the defensive team. R. Perkins was injured in the game and unable to play the last half.

"We actually didn't have enough

to throw against Mare Island who brought 27 men along. They had more in reserve than we had all together," Coach Moffett lamented.

Actually the season has been a sort of three-way race—Mare Island, Concord, and Oak Knoll—all the way.

It's interesting to note that Oak Knoll is the only hospital in the Navy that has a tackle football team.

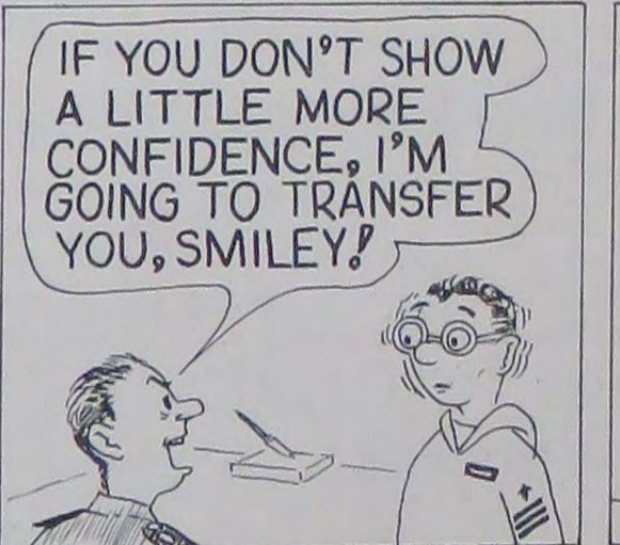
### Cage Outlook Good, Coach Says

With 30 men out for practice, basketball prospects looked good to Coach Moffett this week.

"And we hope the rest of you will come out and see how they look Monday when we have our first practice game here at 1700 with NAS, Alameda in the auditorium gym," said the husky coach.

The first regular game will be played with the SF Marines there on 1 December, the first regular home game here on 3 December.

Positions are still open, and anyone who wants to try for a spot on the squad is still welcome. Call the coach at Special Services, Ext. 593.



## Bang Tales & Back Lashes

By Nim and Rod

**SIGHTING DOWN THE GUN-BARRELS** we see little to report this time. The duck season drags along, with no improvement in shooting. Summer weather is not good weather for ducks.

Over at Dos Palos, where a group of Oak Knoll Rod and Gun Club members opened the pheasant season last Saturday, there were plenty of birds and the shooting was magnificent. But after the first two hours the humidity and dust in the air made it hard for the dogs to locate the birds. The group took limits both Saturday and Sunday, but the hunting Sunday was slower and birds more difficult to put up because of Saturday's sun pressure and the birds seeking heavy cover.

**LIKE MASTER. LIKE DOG**—That's the way it looked to your correspondents when a certain Britany Spaniel developed a sore leg Saturday as the going got tough. It worked. HE didn't have to.

**AS THIS IS WRITTEN**, our patients are living it up in the pheasant country to the north of us. Twenty-four left Tuesday for Auburn, and another group set out for Knight's Landing Wednesday. Fifty-two in all—a number of them amputees—were expecting to go at last count, and if they have the good luck our patients have had when the sportsmen and townspeople of these areas have entertained them, each man will bag a limit of birds.

**ANGLERS** will have to concentrate on striped bass since salmon trolling ended a month ago. Our scouts report that both sides of San Pablo Bay were good the past week end. Mission Rock Area and Red Rock-California City areas furnished the largest fish, running 10 to 12 pounds.

Are you sure your wife knows I'm going home to dinner with you?

Knows? I should say so! I argued with her about it this morning for half an hour.

Send Your Copy of THE OAK LEAF HOME!

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From \_\_\_\_\_

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(Fold in half and then in thirds and staple.)

BY H.M.S. J. ROGERS 11-7-59





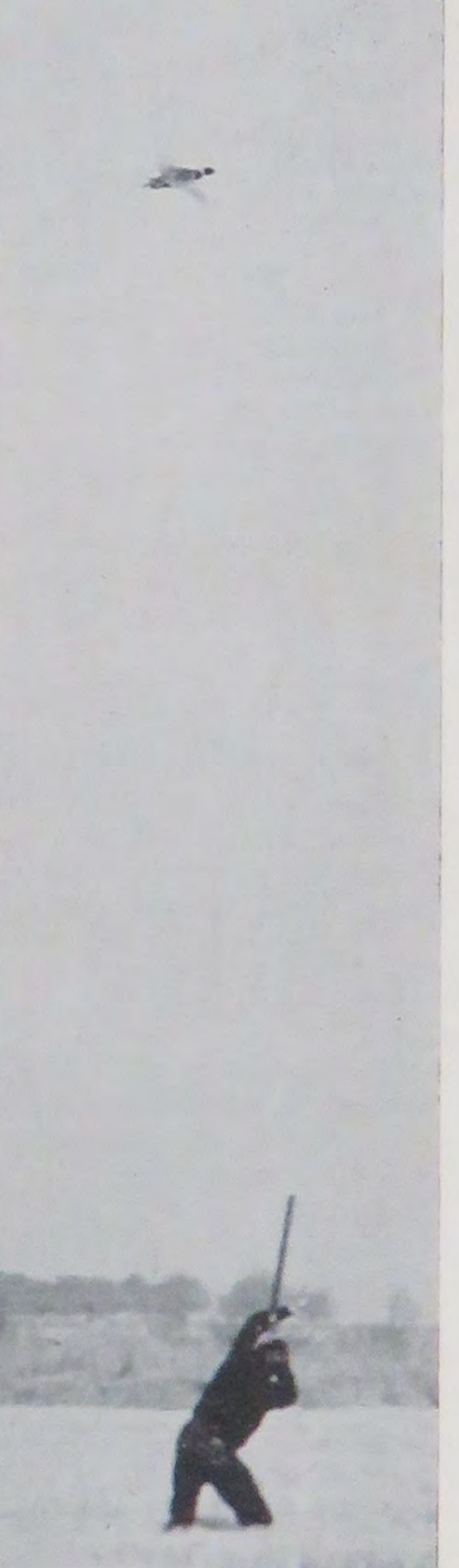
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HUNTERS AND HOSTS found equal pleasure in their favorite sport during the recent outings planned especially for Oak Knoll patients.

The group-shot above obviously records the happy conclusion of the Auburn hunt. The second scene—a hunter's dilemma.

## 14 to 18 November Was the Huntingest Week of the Year

Fifty Oak Knoll hunters enjoyed the fabulous hospitality and hunting of two Northern California communities the week before Thanks-

giving, each man bringing back his limit of pheasant and pleasant memories. The first group went to Auburn

as guests of the Auburn 20-30 Club, Placer Sportsmen, and various organizations, business firms, and individuals, who spared neither effort

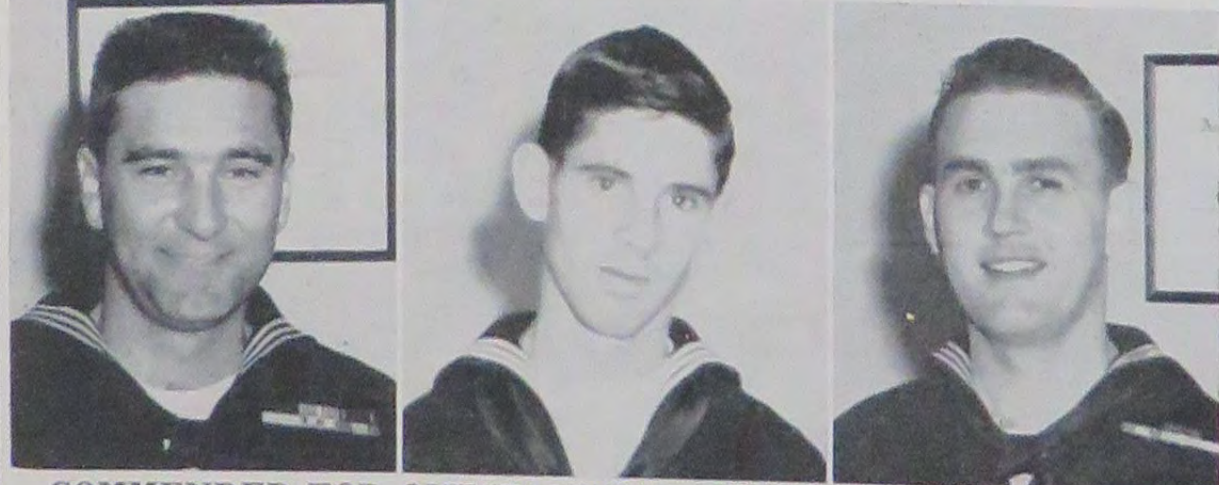
nor expense in giving the hunters the time of their lives.

The second group hunted as guests of the 20-30 Club of Woodland and Knights Landing Sportsmen's Club—co-sponsors of such outings held annually since the first amputees from the Korean War began to try out their new hunting limbs.

## Relaford, Lindsey, Holdeman Cited for Outstanding Service

Three corpsmen received the Commanding Officer's commendation during the past fortnight.

Lester H. Relaford, HM2, earned his letter from Admiral Hays for outstanding service to the command in connection with the Orthopaedic Seminar. "As assistant to CAPT R. C. Doolittle, chairman of the Joint Planning Committee, you demonstrated outstanding organizational ability . . . Your initiative, reliability, efficiency, willingness to work during off-duty hours, and your per-



COMMENDED FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE—Lester H. Relaford, HM2, Ronald G. Lindsey, HN, and John D. Holdeman, HM1.

It would take more adjectives and space than the Oak Leaf has at its command, to describe each event separately, and the two outings had much in common.

The hosts wine, dined, and housed the patients as if they were royalty, provided special evening entertainment, supplied licenses, guns, shells, and jeeps for transportation to the hunting areas. Then

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

### "GOLD AND FRANKINCENSE AND MYRRH"

A danger that faces us today is that in bowing before the mind of many you and I may forget God, the giver of the mind. Reverence before God is the condition upon which you and I are capable of using every fresh truth in a right way.

This is the pull of Christmas Day. On this day God ascends the throne of our thought and becomes the greatest wonder. You and I stand in spirit beside the manger of the Holy Child and a voice whispers, "Son or daughter of mine, here is the bridge of truth between thy mind and mine. Here mystery ends. Here light begins. Look into the manger and worship the Child."

Whatever the explanation of the gifts of the Magi, the Christmas challenge is, what are your gifts and mine to the Saviour King? We cannot reply, "There is no room!—No room in my life for Thee."

LCDR Charles E. Hill, CHC, USN  
Protestant Chaplain

## Berkeley Wives Meet Monday Eve

Wives of Oak Knoll enlisted staffers are invited to attend the Monday night meeting of the Berkeley Navy Wives' Club No. 16.

The time is 2000. The place—The Clubroom, Building 25.

Purpose of the meeting — Business.

The club is holding a bake sale in the Navy Exchange lobby today—a benefit for the tot's nursery which they sponsor.

## Four Civilians Earn Outstanding Rate

Four civilian workers have received outstanding performance ratings for service to the command during their past year's employment.

They are Helen Simmons, Disbursing; Henry Moser, Public Works; John H. Johnson and Theresa Duarte, Operating Services.

## Previews

Tonight, 4 December  
THE MUMMY—Peter Cushing (Too frightening for small children!)

Saturday, 5 December  
NEVER STEAL ANYTHING SMALL—James Cagney, Shirley Jones. Family.

Sunday, 6 December  
THE HANGMAN—Tina Louise, Robert Taylor, Fess Parker. Family.

Monday, 7 December  
THE OLD MAN AND THE SEA—Spencer Tracy. Family.

Tuesday, 8 December  
THE NUN'S STORY—Audrey Hepburn, Peter Finch, Dean Jagger. Family.

Wednesday, 9 December  
SOME CAME RUNNING—Frank Sinatra, Shirley McLaine, Dean Martin. Adult.

Thursday, 10 December  
JUMPING JACK—Dean Martin, Jerry Lewis. Family.

Friday, 11 December  
1001 ARABIAN NIGHTS—A full-length Magoo. (Voices of Cathy Grant and Hans Conreid.) Family.

Saturday, 12 December  
THIS EARTH IS MINE—Rock Hudson, Jean Simmons, Dorothy MacGuire. Adult.

The lazy lioness opened her eyes one day and saw her little offspring chasing a hunter around a tree.

"Junior," she said sharply, "stop playing with your dinner!"

## Want Pretty Packages? Here's the Easy Way!

All thumbs? Need help with your Christmas packages? Are you either patient or single staff man? Then the wrapping service is for you.

Special Services will provide the paper and ribbon, and the work will be done by members of the Oak Knoll Officers' Wives' Club, Red Cross Gray Ladies, and Berkeley Navy Wives' Club, which now includes Oak Knoll enlisted wives.

Mrs. M. L. Gerber, Miss Marie Tully, and Mrs. Rua Meddles are lining up volunteers from their respective groups.

The service (in the Navy Exchange Lobby) will be available from 1000 to 1630 six days a week from now until Christmas Eve.

## Red Cross Ramblings

**Monday's Night for Philately:** Any would-be stamp collectors or expert philatelists are reminded that the East Bay Stamp Club, under the direction of Mr. Hertzberg, visits Oak Knoll every Monday night. Although these stamp enthusiasts are regularly scheduled for Wards 63 and 76 they will also visit collectors or interested patients on other wards. If you have been finding the time becoming longer and longer each day it might be a good chance to look into a fascinating hobby under the leadership and assistance of stamp experts.

**Parties and Pizzas:** With the reopening of the Red Cross Lounge, the Tuesday night dances are once again being held in this building. For the 8 December dance there will be "live" music provided by a dance combo from the Musicians Union Local No. 6. For the other December dances Mr. Andrew Rasmussen from Oakland will bring his excellent collection of dance records and the PA system. Mr. Rasmussen is a Motor Corps driver for the Oakland Red Cross Chapter, but on his own initiative has been bringing the complete set-up for dances for several months.

Also, on Thursday nights in the Lounge there are hostess parties with games, contests, prizes and refreshments. These hostesses are from the new group which were trained early in November. Others from this training group are attending the Tuesday night dances and a third unit will be visiting various wards for Thursday night ward parties.

Coming up soon in the Rec Hall is a pizza-making night; so all paissanos and pizza lovers are reminded to watch the Red Cross recreation program for THE night and then come over and try their skill.

**Welcome Aboard** — Miss Kay Smith has reported in at Oak Knoll as a new member of the recreation staff. Miss Smith has most recently been stationed at the U.S. Naval Hospital in San Diego and has also served overseas and in many other stateside hospitals with the Red Cross. Her assignment here will be as the recreation worker on the NP Service and in charge of the Lounge.

## Know Your Staff



Gloria Parodi, HM3, has seen much of the world since she "sailed" down the Columbia River from her home and high school in The Dalles, Ore.

Enlisting six years ago, she went to boot camp at Bainbridge and Corps School at Great Lakes. After two years at St. Albans, she was assigned to MSTS, and took care of dependents between Japan, Okinawa, Korea, Formosa, Hawaii, the Philippines, Guam, and the mainland.

Assigned yeoman duty in the neurology service when she came to Oak Knoll, she became interested in EEG work and is now in on-the-job training, likes it, and plans to make a career of this specialty, either Navy or civilian.

Other pertinent information—Gloria has "reddish" hair, brown eyes, and is 5 ft. 1½ in. tall.



"Sometimes I even FEEL like a chart," said Ronald E. Leslie, HN, to the photographer, who found him all wrapped up in his work.

Leslie enlisted in 1956 in Oklahoma City, went to boot and corps school in San Diego, rotated through the premie and main nurseries and pediatrics for three months and then found his niche in the Dependents Service chart room.

Off duty, the young salt lives a quiet life, reading and watching TV, and has no plans for the civilian future, which is coming up in seven months. Though he has handled charts of thousands of dependents, he has none of his own, and he seems glad of it. At any rate, when asked, he announced firmly "I'm STRICTLY a bachelor!"



OAK KNOLL LOST ANOTHER HMC to the Fleet Reserve in mid-November when Roscoe C. Hambaugh, Jr., was piped over the side. Admiral Hays read the orders, and H. L. Withers, BMC, was on hand with his bo's'n's pipe. Sideboys were Chiefs Carpenter, Clayton, Wogan, Wilcox, Cannell, Gunn, Henney, Wright, and Grimes. The well-known Record Office chief plans to locate in Elizabeth City, N.C., and go into public health and sanitation work.

## Scuttlebutt

**DEPENDENTS WHO ARE MAKING GOOD**—Michael Johnson, 21-year-old son of LCDR F. C. Johnson, Chief of Personnel, has been selected to receive the Stanford University Junior College Graduate Scholarship for '59. The award is based on grades of at least B plus average in prior college work and student government activities. The award is an "open" scholarship for one year, includes full tuition, books, room and board, and will be renewed for a second year, providing Mike maintains a B average. Currently completing his second year at College of San Mateo, Mike is majoring in econ, minoring in political science, serving as president of the Associated Men's Students and business manager of the yearbook. Besides, he is president of the Peninsula Young Republicans of San Mateo . . . Linda Schultz' essay on "The Role of the School in the Sputnik Age," judged best at Castlemont High, is entered in an essay contest sponsored by the Oakland Real Estate Board and The Tribune in competition with entries from other local high schools. Linda is the daughter of CAPT A. L. Schultz, Head of Neurosurgery.

**NEWLYWEDS:** *Walter J. Grunberg, HN, claimed Sharon Stites of Chico as his bride in a 20 November ceremony at Bidwell Memorial Presbyterian Church, Chico. They motored to Southern California and are now back at work, Walter at the Urology Clinic, Sharon at the telephone office in San Francisco . . . LTJG Anne Tierney has changed her name to Mrs. Rein-schmiedt . . . ENS Kathleen Smith is now Mrs. Beene.*

**INCIDENTAL INFORMATION:** A nursing supervisor, clocking her rounds with a pedometer, found she hiked 6 miles a day . . . Those who sent get well cards to Sam Santarelli after his picture appeared on Page 1 at the opening of the Special Care Unit will be happy to know he made a speedy recovery—jumped out of bed fully clothed as soon as the photographer was out of range . . . Kroeger, the CO, or the hospital must be well known in these parts. Kroeger's Auburn Journal is addressed simply "Henry Kroeger, HN, CO's Office, Oakland, Calif." The first few issues were marked "Try Hospital," but now they come through without "trying." . . . Bashful Jim Wolford's face was rosy red on a windy Wednesday evening. He and his girl paused to admire the view from Skyline and if he'd tried, he couldn't have wedged his car tighter between the two trees. They both walked home . . . The Jensens and the Brodines are among those who have recently sailed across the channel for vacations in our 50th State . . . Carl and Marvin January were admitted to Pediatrics on 30 November . . .

**IT'S SEVEN AND ONE for the MUMMAS**—*Jane Lenore, seventh daughter for LT John Mumma and wife Jacqueline arrived on 28 November, tipping the scales at 6 lbs. 9oz. The new baby has one brother . . .*

**LIFE ALSO BEGAN . . .** on 19 November for Mark Allen, 8 lb. son for Marvin L. Gilpin, HN, of NP Service and wife Sharon . . . on 23 November for Marsden Wells, 8 lb.

## Sixteen More HNs Get the Good Word — PROMOTION

Sixteen more HNs got the word this week that they will be advanced to HM3 on 16 December, along with those whose names were previously announced.

All set to sew on their crowns are James E. Botkin, Albert T. Chandler, Orella L. Demott, Thomas E. Ford, Joseph L. Kazaal, Nancy A. Kowalczyk, Lester L. Lowry, Elizabeth F. Lee, Lois J. Martin, Edward H. Miller, John T. Smith, Robert F. Schultz, Peter F. Sheridan, Donald C. Williams, Robert L. Barton, and Harold L. Smith.

## Checks, A Pin, and A Pat on the Back for Civilian Workers

Five civilian staffers recently received awards—one for 20 years service, two for superior performance, and two for beneficial suggestions.

Admiral Hays, at his meeting with civilian supervisors, presented Mrs. Minnie F. Jack, publications editor, a lapel pin and letter of appreciation in recognition of her completion of two decades of Federal Service.

Mrs. Jack's original appointment was with the War Industries Department, Washington, D. C. From March 1936 to June 1942, she was a secretary for the Department of Agriculture in Mexico City, leaving that post to "get into the fighting" at Camp Callan and the Marine Corps Base, San Diego. Mrs. Jack came to Oak Knoll as an employee of the University of California Metabolic Research Unit in 1947. In February 1950, her job was changed to Civil Service status under the Navy, and since then, she has progressed from Clerk Steno to her present position as Publications Editor, GS-8, at the Clinical Investigation Center.

### OTHER AWARDS

Monetary awards for outstanding performance during the past year were presented to Jewel B. Severs, NP Service secretary; and Dorothy Thompson, information officer.

Claire Martini (now on leave from her work in the decedent affairs office) and Robert C. Bailey, refrigerator and air conditioning mechanic, received beneficial suggestion awards from their division chiefs.

## Dr. Canty To Speak To Research Group

CAPT T. J. Canty, Chief of the Amputee Service and Prosthetic Research Laboratory, will leave Tuesday for Chicago to deliver a paper on "The Physiological Adhesive for Bone" at a meeting of the Orthopaedic Research Society.

5 oz. son for LT William W. Simmons and wife Barbara . . . and on 1 December for a 6 lb., 15 oz. baby girl for LT Stephen H. James and wife, Marjorie Anne. The baby was unnamed as the paper went to press.



**ANOTHER DISTINGUISHED FOREIGN VISITOR** toured the hospital on 27 November. He was RADM Sanshi Tsukada, MC, Japanese Navy, Deputy Commander, Self Defense Force Central Hospital, in Tokyo. Admiral Tsukada visited with Admiral Hays and, with LTJG Sadatoma Shimojyo as his guide and interpreter, spent several hours visiting the various departments of the hospital. Dr. Shimojyo, also of the Japanese Navy Medical Corps, is a resident observer in internal medicine.

## Dr. Ellis Sox To Address EST Grads

Dr. Ellis D. Sox, Director of Public Health, San Francisco, will be the speaker when Class 30 graduates from EST School here Tuesday at 1400.

Dr. Sox has made numerous contributions to the public health field.

In addition to his city and county health post, Dr. Sox serves as Clinical Professor of Preventive Medicine at both the University of California School of Medicine and Stanford University School of Medicine. He is vice-president of the Health Officer Section of the Ameri-

can Public Health Association.

All hands are invited to the graduation exercises and the reception for the graduates and their families to be held in the EST School immediately following.

## Another Honor For Captain Kurzrok

CAPT Milton Kurzrok, Head of the Pediatric Branch, has just been notified of his acceptance as an Associate Member of the American College of Physicians.



**OAK KNOLL'S FIRST TRAINEE FROM PAKISTAN** arrived recently and was welcomed to the Neuropsychiatric Service by CAPT Felix Ocho. He is LCDR Muhammad Ashraf, who is here for four months training in neuropsychiatric and encephalography techniques. Dr. Ashraf, a 1950 graduate of Punjab University, had two years' residency training in neuropsychiatry at the Armed Forces Medical College, Rawalpindi. As is the custom in his country, where the armed forces are integrated, he served first as an army doctor. He was transferred to the Navy in 1956.



THIS WAS THE FINALE at Knights Landing as the party prepared to board the bus for Oak Knoll with the 104 birds they had knocked down out of the sky. Thirty-six of those released for the hunt got away (at least from the Oak Knoll hunters).

## Veteran Cagers, Newcomers Shaping Up Well in Practice

Coach Ken Moffett's rapidly shaping-up basketball squad lost 52-56 to the San Francisco Marines Tuesday evening, Dorsey starring with 25 points.

"We have the material, but we've got to work," the coach said as he continued to put the men through their paces at practice sessions held daily at 1700.

Returning from last year's squad are forwards Bohannon (who also plays center), Dorsey, Howard, Johnson, Don Williams, and Floyd Smith, who plays center—all top-notch players in anyone's league, according to the coach.

Otis Hughes, and Anthony Keen are playing forward, and Middleton,

Nutter, H. L. Smith are out for center.

At guard for the Hilltopper hoopers are Jim Jagosh, Jack Carman, Chaplain Piirto, Mantell, Mullins, Gnekow, F. N. Smith, F. E. Hill, and J. C. Martin.

The next game for the Hilltoppers will be Tuesday at 1930 with the San Francisco Naval Communications Station in the YBI gym. On Thursday the team plays Harbor Defense team at Presidio Jr. High, 30th and Clement, San Francisco.

The first league game will be played here 15 December against NAS, Oakland, and on 17 December the 'Toppers will travel to NSC, Oakland. The schedule will resume in early January.

## Nurses Corps Bowlers Way Out Front In 12ND League Race; Waves Fourth

With the Twelfth Naval District Bowling season only one third completed, the Naval Hospital Nurses team is setting a scorching pace for their competitors from other district activities.

The team composed of Dottie Ryder, Sissie Lorch, Ann Gee, Dottie Effner, Jean Gerber, Pat Portz, and Ethel Eusebio has won twenty games and lost one.

Also entered from the hospital and known as Team No. 2, is a team

that includes MSC officers Lil Peart, Jane Hinckley, Marj Bender, Jane McCrory, and Corps Waves Jeri Stark, Cecelia Angel, and Kay Douglas. This team is a new entry this year and is currently running fourth in the league with six wins and fifteen losses.

The season is young, but let's pull for the Nurses to keep up their winning abilities and bring the district championship back to Oak Knoll for the second consecutive year.

## More About Commendations for Corpsmen

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sonal interest in accomplishing complex assignments added materially to the over-all success of the seminar," the CO's letter read.

Ronald G. Lindsey, HN, received his official "pat on the back" in recognition of outstanding performance of duty in the Photo Arts Department from 13 January 1958 to 19 November 1959. Lindsey's work as medical illustrator was "of the highest quality, and in addition to handling the consistently heavy workload in his specialty, he was always willing to assist with other tasks in the department, thus contributing a great deal to its efficiency," according to the citation. Lindsey's commendation was pre-

sented as he departed for civilian life to continue his art studies.

The third commendation was for John D. Holdeman, HM1, who left for Camp Pendleton's field medicine school and eventual transfer to the First Marine Air Wing.

Holdeman, "as assistant to the Discipline Officer in investigating and preparing most cases, demonstrated superior intelligence, initiative, and sound judgment . . . and his conduct, devotion to duty, military bearing, and pleasant personality earned for him the confidence and respect of all his associates," the Admiral's letter read.

The commendations were presented by CAPT P. J. McNamara, Executive Officer.

## More on the Hunt

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the pheasants were turned loose especially for the Oak Knoll nimrods so that other hunters would have no cause for complaint that the Navy was cruising in their territory. Well-trained dogs spotted the birds. Even the game warden turned out to watch the Oak Knoll amputees happily pulling the trigger.

The Auburn hunters and their escorts included Richard K. Adams, Michael Ahearn, Jerome K. Brown, D. J. Owens, MAJ Kenneth Rasmusen (who lost his leg in a hunting accident), Joseph E. Thomas, Richard McCullah, Les Relaford, Corbitt Ray, K. C. Sartain, F. W. Hundley, W. Daniels, G. R. Maxfield, R. L. Chase, J. Thomas, L. Spect, B. Barbo, CAPT R. C. Doolittle, and LTJG W. R. Eckerman, Special Services Officer, who acted as liaison between the host organizations and the hospital in arranging both trips.

Making the trip to Knights Landing were Al Wenger, Larry Campbell, F. J. Carson, A. L. Kressel, T. F. Lynch, Norman Noe, L. N. Sommariba, N. Webb, Vernon Xeopoulos, Willie Gaskill, W. G. Immenhausen, M. J. Short, Vernon Watler, Donald Tyson, C. C. Ragadio, S. D. Twidale, J. I. Johnson, L. G. Jarvis, C. R. Bennett, J. B. Bell, H. L. Withers, J. H. Fisher, Ron Landreth, Carl Stevenson, B. W. Hines, J. S. Clayton, LCDR C. B. Sigel, CHMEDSRWT R. H. Giles, CAPT R. W. Tamby, Sr.

## Jokes

CPO: "Are you really independent in the Army?"

Sergeant: "Certainly. You can go to work any time you like before seven in the morning and quit any time you choose after seven in the evening."

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Customer: "I'll buy one of those golf balls."

Clerk: "Shall I wrap it, sir?"  
Customer: "No, I'll drive it home."

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Son: "Dad, I want to go to college and learn to be a doctor. I want to study obstetrics."

Father: "You'll be wasting your time, son. Soon as you learn about this obstetrics, they'll find a cure for it."

## Eusebio, Effner Now 2-Timers in 225 Club

LCDR Ethel Eusebio and LTJG Dottie Effner each has a new ten-pin on the bowling alley wall signifying she has again cracked the 225 barrier to earn membership in the hospital's exclusive "225 Club" for women bowlers.

Miss Eusebio made it with a 236, Miss Effner with a 225.

The club has one other member—Lillian Peart, a one-time winner.

Tonight at 1900  
HAIL and FAREWELL  
At the Officers' Club

Dancing to the music of  
THE TOLLESON COMBO

Sponsored by  
Surgery and Urology Dept.

NCO: "How long have you been working here, Private?"

Private: "Ever since I heard you coming down the hall."

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## All Hands Looking Forward to Joyous Christmas

### Navy, MarCorps Medal Awarded To John Crippes

John J. Crippes, BM1, has received the Navy and Marine Corps medal for the heroism he displayed in a vain attempt to save the life of the driver of a gasoline tank truck and trailer that plunged off an elevated highway in Crockett on 6 August.

Admiral Hays presented the medal and accompanying citation at a special ceremony in his office on 1 December, while news and television cameras clicked.

The citation, signed by the Secretary of the Navy, tells the story of the 36-year-old bo's'n's mate's heroism:

"Crippes, upon determining from onlookers that the driver was still in the cab, immediately rushed down the embankment and, while standing in a pool of gasoline, single-handedly tried to extricate the trapped victim from the wreckage. When the gasoline ignited, he vainly continued his rescue efforts until the truck literally exploded, hurling him away from the conflagration and inflicting severe burns on his body.

"By his courageous and selfless attempts to save a life at the risk of his own, Crippes upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

Crippes had previously been cited by the Contra Costa Safety Council and the California Highway Patrol.

Present for the ceremony were Mrs. Crippes, their four children, a shipmate from the PARACUTIN, a representative from the staff of MINSY, where Crippes was being transferred at the time of his accident, Crippes' doctors from Ward 70 B, where he is still under treatment, and other members of the Oak Knoll staff.

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### Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee Moves In Tomorrow To Decorate The Knoll

Happy sound of Christmas carols, smell of pine and fir boughs, Santa gliding over the roof of Navy Exchange, lighted cross on the hilltop, gay good wishes as friends part—All these remind us that Christmas, the

world's favorite holiday, is just a week away.

The festivities began early this week when Jeannie Wilson's Hollywood artists flew in to sketch patients and entertain them with cartoons and caricatures.

Gifts have been arriving daily from friends near and far, many already in use, some marked "Do not open." Gray Ladies and Navy wives continue busily gift-wrapping packages for patients.

Tonight the EM Club will have its Christmas party, with the popular Continentals furnishing the music for dancing.

#### Ward Decorations Tomorrow

Tomorrow and Sunday members of the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee that has played Santa Claus to Oak Knoll since the hospital's first Christmas celebration seventeen years ago will move in to decorate the wards and departments, with patients helping to hang the tinsel and greenery.

Monday at 1300, some 400 boys and girls will swarm into the auditorium for the annual Special Services children's party.

Throughout the week various community organizations will be giving parties on the wards through arrangements with Red Cross, and on Christmas Eve each ward on the compound will have a party. This is the night when Gray Ladies bring their husbands to help with the carol singing, corn-popping, and general merry-making.

#### Divine Services

Special Divine Services will be held in the Chapel on Christmas Eve and Christmas morning to commemorate the birth of Christ.

On Christmas morning the Committee will again take over, bringing professional entertainment to all the wards, and Christmas music to the mess halls. Multiple copies of Santa Claus will tour the compound, delivering gifts to each patient aboard.

Christmas dinner at the mess halls will be another special treat of the season with Food Service providing a choice of roast tom turkey or grilled sirloin steak, with ALL the trimmings.

Then a week of peace, quiet, and thank you letters before the year is over. Only one more major event remains on the social calendar for 1959—the annual New Year's Eve party at the Officers' Club, with dinner at 2100, breakfast at 0100, and dancing in between.



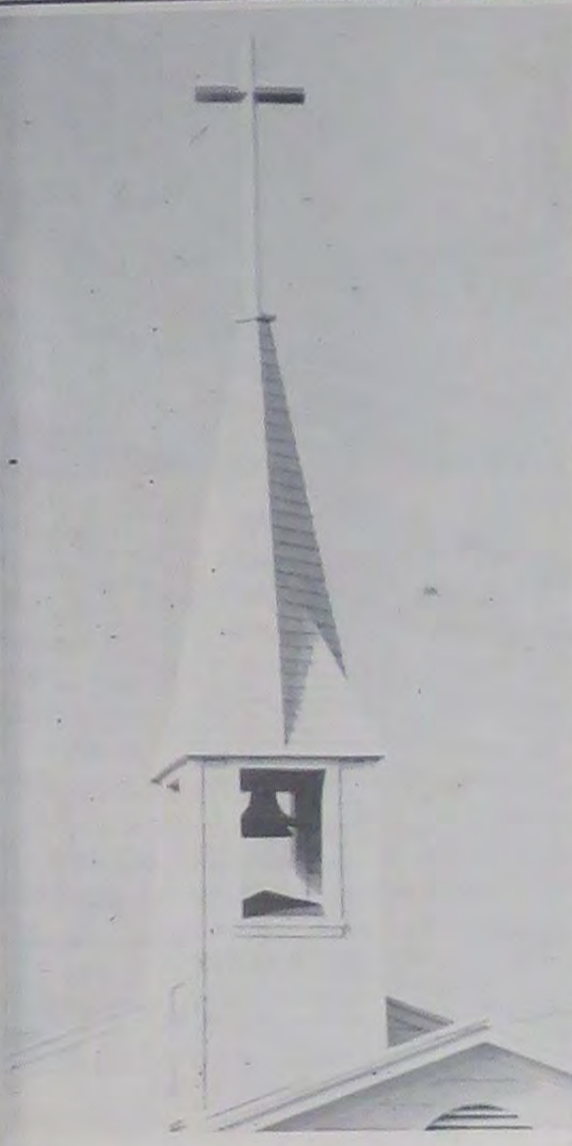
Dr. Ellis D. Sox, Director of the San Francisco Department of Public Health, was the guest speaker at graduation and cake cutter at the reception that followed. With him is CAPT J. M. Coppoletta, head of the school.

### Dr. Sox Addresses EST Class No. 30

Dr. Ellis D. Sox, Director of the Department of Public Health, San Francisco, was the guest speaker when Class No. 30 graduated from the EST School here Thursday, 10 December.

Sharing the limelight with Dr. Sox were Bruce B. Gardner, HM1, class valedictorian, and Robert G. Brown, HM2, class president, who spoke of graduation as a door opening to a new and vital field and of the advances made in the public health field in recent years.

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### "Oh Come, All Ye Faithful"

Special Christmas services will be held in the chapel for Protestant and Catholic patients and staff members.

#### PROTESTANT

Christmas Eve—2200—Worship service in the main chapel with Holy Communion and special Christmas music.

#### CATHOLIC

Confessions: Christmas Eve in the small chapel: 1115-1200, 1600-1645, and 2100-2300.

Masses: Main chapel—Midnight Solemn High Mass, Christmas morning—0600, 0830.

### CAPT Davis on Medical Staff at UC Hospital

CAPT George M. Davis, Chief of the Medical Service, has received notice that as of 4 December, he was named an associate physician on the medical staff of the University of California Hospital, San Francisco.

### \$5,478—Oak Knoll's Gift to Crusade

Oak Knoll's total gift to the Bay Area United Crusade was \$5,478, according to final count from the Crusade office.

### Commanding Officer's Holiday Message

As this year draws to a close, I am very conscious of and grateful for the high degree of loyalty and cooperation given me by the civilian and military members of the staff. By your fine performance you have reflected much credit upon this hospital. To you all, I say "well done" and "thank you."

To all members of the staff, patients, and members of your families, I wish a Very Merry Christmas and a Most Happy and Successful New Year.

T. G. HAYS  
RADM, MC, USN

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## + + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

### "BE NOT SOLICITOUS"

Joy, freedom, lightheartedness and buoyancy of spirit—this is the atmosphere in which we should strive to live. No strain, no fear, no disquietude, no trepidation of soul must enslave or even cast a shadow upon our short span of life. This is the will of God. He would have us as the birds of the air, the gayhearted sparrows, or as the richly adorned lilies of the field. He will have us thus, despite the difficulties of the way, despite the fogs and tempests.

This task may seem impossible yet it is not. All that one has to do is love God and secondly, possess singleness of purpose in our life-work.

Be not anxious and troubled—*anxious* as to the outcome of some undertaking, or troubled lest failure abide with us. To the onlooker we may appear to fail, but in the eyes of Christ we are always a success, if we have worked to please Him.

Be not concerned about making friends, although there is nothing sweeter on this earth than friendship. But Christ again bids us not to be concerned about the acquisition of friends. Friends are a solace. Their comradeship and sympathy lift loads and enlighten pressure. But they cannot always understand, for they cannot always get our viewpoint. It seems odd that we should look for so much help and guidance from creatures, since we have so competent a Guide as the Divine Counsellor. Much of our distress in life is due to our lack of intimacy with Christ.

Be not fearful. Fear is a destructive force. Christ said—"fear not men." Fear not the opinion of men. This heroism of mind is not achieved in a day. Neither should we fear sin. After all, it is nearly entirely within our power to have no part in it. The fear of sin torments many souls, and this fear follows them like a spectre, although they know that there can be no sin unless the will welcomes it.

The Master says: "Come to Me and I will refresh you." This should be enough to settle us in faith. Faith must carry us through the trials of life—faith and love. Not always like brave warriors do we face the firing line, but at least like children, clinging to Our Father's hand—screaming with pain and struggling for relief—we drag ourselves to victory.

—LTJG Bartholomew F. Brewer, Catholic Chaplain

## Technicians Wanted For Project HOPE

CAPT Paul Spangler, MC, USN, Ret., selected from more than 1,000 applicants to head PROJECT HOPE, has announced that there will be openings aboard for X-ray technicians, medical technologists, physical therapy, laboratory, ECG, and BMR technicians, medical store-room clerks, and a medical photographer with movie projection and closed TV circuit operation experience.

The project, staffed and financed

through private philanthropies, will be for one year's duration and will begin next March. The first stop will be off Indonesia. The traveling hospital and training school for medical personnel will move to a new location every three months.

Captain Spangler has asked LCDR Leonard W. Burr, Chief of the Finance Division of this hospital, to take applications for the jobs listed above. Anyone interested should apply in writing.



If Moss Hart had given us nothing but his best-selling autobiography ACT ONE, it would have been enough. If LADY IN THE DARK and YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU had never happened; if under his direction MY FAIR LADY had failed to reach its well-earned acclaim, this book, one of the best ever written of show business in our country and in our time, would still insure him a high place in the world of literature and the theatre. But such an hypothesis is futile, since the book is compounded of these many colorful episodes in his career and would doubtless be impossible without them. He writes, says S. N. Behrman "with the objectivity of an outsider, and of course he can do it only because he is the insider of the insiders." Candid human, poignant, and at the same time hilariously funny, his book is one of the milestones of American theatre history.

It is an odd and happy coincidence that within a few months of the publication of the Moss Hart biography, another important book dealing also with the world of the theatre should appear. This work, A LIFE IN THE THEATRE is by Mr. Hart's Scotch-Irish counterpart TYRONE GUTHRIE. This, however, is a strictly professional autobiography, limiting itself to its author's career rather than his personal life. But it's an important contribution to the history of the stage, compared by one reviewer in significance to Stanislavski's MY LIFE IN ART.

It would seem that greatness in one field would be enough to satisfy the ambition of most mortals, but like the two men mentioned above, Leonard Bernstein already secure in his reputation as conductor, pianist and composer, has ventured forth into the realm of the printed word with his book THE JOY OF MUSIC. Last year's comprehensive world tour, a series of highly successful television broadcasts, and his present book seem to sit lightly on the shoulders of this amazingly talented young man. It is his aim to strike a medium between the superficialities of what passes for "music appreciation" and the rigors of uncompromising technical discussion. He is, moreover, the champion of good music whether it is jazz or the symphony.



Silas J. Sturtevant received a letter of commendation and a warm handshake from Admiral Hays as he recently transferred to the Fleet Reserve after more than 20 years of active duty. The well-known chief was commended for his work in the patient personnel branch for Personnel and Records, where his "organizational ability and leadership qualities have contributed immeasurably to the efficiency of the division." Chief Sturtevant, his wife Waymeth, and daughters Susan Marie and Nancy Jane will make their home in Chico, Calif.

## CAPT C. C. SHAW Dies in Philadelphia

Friends and former shipmates of CAPT Christopher C. Shaw were saddened this week to learn of his death on 6 December at the Naval Hospital in Philadelphia.

Captain Shaw was Chief of the Medical Service at Oak Knoll from 1952 to 1954, and it was largely through his efforts that the first artificial kidney was installed at Oak Knoll.

Since leaving this hospital, Captain Shaw has served as Medical Officer at the Philadelphia Naval Base and Shipyard.

## BuPers Leadership Team Speaks to Staff

LCDR J. M. Gammon, USN, and A. J. Medley, SFC, members of the BuPers leadership teams sent out to assist the various commands in implementing their leadership programs (in accordance with General Order 21), were here last week to speak to the staff.

LCDR Gammon spoke to all staff officers during his visit and Chief Medley to senior petty officers.

The two BuPers representatives, whose headquarters are in San Diego, are speaking to personnel in various West Coast fleet and shore activities.

Sput nik, sput nik. First sput I've seen t'night.

—L.A. News via Hilltopper.



CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER for six new X-ray technicians who completed their twelve-month course on 4 December. They are Joseph Hara, Jesse McNeal (honorman), Charles Sellers, and Jack Martin, HM3s; Joseph Kazaal and Richard McQuade, HNs. At left is their instructor, LT Q. E. Crews, and at right, CDR D. H. Hosp, Assistant Chief of Radiology. Sellers has already checked out and will report to MarCorps Air Base, Santa Ana, for duty, and other members of the class are expecting orders any day.

# Scuttlebutt

**CHRISTMAS ITEM**—CAPT and Mrs. Gerber's Christmas Cards were all postmarked "Gerber, Calif." The flying Chief of Surgery landed in that small northern California town, went to the post office, and made Page 1 of the local newspaper.

**SOMETHING NEW WAS ADDED** one day this week to Chief Cannell, John Smith, and Pete Sheridan of Security—and quickly subtracted. They rescued a fawn, badly crippled when attacked by stray dogs that ran it into the ravine back of the power house. The SPCA was summoned to care for the wounded deer, and a fumigating crew to de-flea the security men—including Fred Taylor, who didn't even go on the mission. "Those little insects are sure contagious," said Fred.

**LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS RE WELL-KNOWN FOLK:** Ed Roy, HM2, brand new EST School grad, speaks Korean, Canuk, and Canadian—all with a Southern accent . . . CAPT Coppoletta, amateur painter, had two pictures in the October number of the Harvard Medical Bulletin.

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** "The OAK LEAF is getting more like a real newspaper every day."—this from CDR Huber after we (1) referred to the Dependent Service Chief as Captain TAMBY, (2) erroneously reported that Dr. Canty was going to Chicago when he wasn't going anywhere at all (3) said EST graduation was to be Tuesday instead of Thursday! Apologies to all concerned.

**RANDOM SIGHTS & SOUNDS:** Corpsmen sewing on their new crowns and chevrons, some—like new fathers—happily passing cigars and candy . . . LTJG Sybil White sewing on her LT's stripe . . . Christmas shoppers frantically fumbling through the merchandise at Navy Exchange . . . Nim and Rod, short of Bang-Tales, asking Scuttlebutt to report that Captain Goodman is now known as "The Goose Slayer." (Readers may ask him for particulars.) . . . Dr. Doolan breaking into print on the Oakland Tribune Sports Page! . . . Patients posing for their portraits as Jeannie Wilson's Hollywood artists paid their annual visit to the hospital Monday and Tuesday (Full coverage of this event in the next OAK LEAF) . . . Ronald Lindsey, recently discharged, hard at work painting murals on the EM Club walls—pleasant change from the medical illustrations he did at Photo Arts.

**NO POETRY** has been almost a rule with the OAK LEAF, but since this one is seasonal (and who is to say it IS POETRY?), here goes:

Dear Santa:  
 Thirty days' leave is my biggest request.  
 For this is the gift I'd like to have best.  
 To the east, to the west, wherever you roam,  
 Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home.  
 Over the hills and valleys we go,  
 Slipping and sliding in the gleaming white snow.  
 This is nice country with all its sunshine,  
 But for me, I'd rather have the snowy wintertime.  
 Of course, a case of vodka will do for the start,  
 To bring in the New Year, the old to depart.  
 These gifts aren't expensive,  
 But no doubt you can see,  
 This would be a fabulous Christmas  
 If these things could be.  
 Merry Christmas  
 "The Fabulous Five"

**LIFE BEGAN** on 7 December for John Duane Holdeman, Jr., 8 lb. 11 oz. son for John Holdeman, HM1, formerly of Security, and wife Augustine . . . on 9 December for Ken-



**THIRTY-THREE MORE FULL-FLEDGED SANITARIANS**—members of the EST School's Class No. 30—are now ready to serve the Navy aboard ship and at shore stations throughout the world. They are, front row, left to right: Aubrey S. Callaham, HM2; Bruce B. Gardner, HM1 (valedictorian); Russell S. Levy, HMC; William E. Cox, HMC; Wilburn R. Michael, HM2; Gene F. Renfro, HM2; second row: Sherman G. McGill, HM2; Robert G. Brown, HM2 (class president); Kenneth R. Creamer, HM2; Edmond A. Roy, HM2; John M. Finks, HM1; Burl L. Young, HM1; Frank H. DeLeon, HM1; Raymond K. Wilshere, HM1; David L. Bass, HM2; third row: Daiwun Lee, HM2; Donald L. Williams, HM2; Peter Rapp, HM2; Lorentz A. Semple, HM2; William H. Woodford, HM2; Donald H. Stiles, HM2; Carl R. Ostrand, HM2; Tommy L. Cook, HM2.

## Red Cross Ramblings

The twelve days of Christmas are almost upon us and everywhere on the compound there are happy plans for happy holidays. Nowhere is the holiday spirit more evident than in the Red Cross Lounge which has been decorated for the holidays by the Red Cross Patient Planning Committee. To get a look at some clever and colorful decorating done by patients, drop in a the Lounge one of these afternoons. Have a cup of coffee while you are there and if it's a Monday or Friday, you might even join in the music session conducted by Mrs. Rose, Gray Lady.

Special Christmas parties and programs on the wards will run through the month of December. Many of the groups which come faithfully throughout the year to entertain the patients have scheduled special Christmas events and are bringing gifts and "goodies" for the patients. On Christmas Eve, every ward in the hospital will have a Christmas party with games, prizes and refreshments. These parties will be conducted by Red Cross Gray Ladies, and refreshments will be served by Canteen Workers.

The Red Cross movie program on the wards needs more projectionists in order to keep to the schedule of showings weekly. Any patients or station personnel who are interested in showing movies on a regular basis are requested to contact Miss Ann Roark of the Red Cross. There are afternoon and evening showings and also movies on the week ends. Anyone interested should have had experience in running a 16-mm movie projector.

neth Chauncey Rose, 6 lb. 10 oz. son for Richard M. Rose, HM2, of Special Services and wife Marilyn . . . on 9 December for Aaron Lamar Brown, 6 lb. 11 oz. son for Bernell Brown, HM3, Lab School student and wife Marie . . . on 11 December for Victoria Joan Fulps, 7 lb. 5 oz. daughter for Walter E. Fulps, HM3, X-ray School student and wife Colleen.

## Dr. Sox Speaks of Changing Environment

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Dr. Sox immediately won over his audience by complimenting the two previous speakers on summing up so well what he had planned to say. However, Dr. Sox spoke further of our rapidly changing environment, which has not only prolonged life but made it more enjoyable. These advances have been brought about through improved sanitation methods and modern inventions. He mentioned refrigeration as one of the comparatively modern developments that have helped to reduce infant mortality and lessened the danger of food poisoning.

The public health expert spoke of the importance of understanding different cultural backgrounds and illustrated this point by telling of his experiences with migrant work-

ers in the San Joaquin Valley early in his career.

"You have learned a great deal here, these past five months, but you don't have to have all the answers now, for you have been selected for this work because you have the type of mind that can readily size up each situation as it comes and decide on the proper course to follow," Dr. Sox told the graduates.

CAPT J. M. Coppoletta, head of the school, read a congratulatory message to the graduates from the Surgeon General, welcomed the guests, and introduced the speakers.

Admiral Hays presented the certificates. CDR P. C. Morton delivered the invocation, and LCDR K. J. Keaney the benediction.



**THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS MEDAL** has been awarded to John J. Crippes, BM1, in recognition of his heroic action on 6 August when he risked his own life in a vain attempt to save another. Admiral Hays presented the medal and read the accompanying citation.

# Cagers Win Three Games Straight

The Hilltopper cagers, outnumbered two to one, nevertheless romped over NAS, Oakland, Tuesday night for their third straight win in league competition. The score was 85-56.

Coach Moffett made no effort to conceal his enthusiasm over the Hilltoppers' playing.

Jack Carman and Lanky Larry Barnes sank 23 points each, and Chaplain Piirto scored 15. Mantell with 10, Floyd Smith with 6, Jagosh and Hughes with 4 apiece accounted for the rest of the scoring.

Starring for Oakland was Davis, their tremendous defensive player, who tallied 22 points.

Temporarily discouraged by the loss of Dorsey and Williams, Coach Moffett is greatly cheered by the work of latecomer Barnes, whose 6 ft. 4 inches previously came in handy in the team's first victory—over NavComSta, San Francisco. In that game he scored 27 of Oak Knoll's 57 points.

After losing to the San Francisco Marines, 52-56, and Skaggs Island, 45-46, the Toppers won over the Communications team, 57-38. Their next encounter was with the Harbor Defense cagers across the Bay. The score there was 60 to the opponent's 43.

"This steady climb, climaxed by Tuesday night's decisive victory, indicates what kind of a team we have," the Coach said, commenting on the steadily improving teamwork his players have demonstrated since the season began.

The Toppers played NSC, Oakland, last night, too late to make today's paper.

## Twenty-Year Awards For Two Civilians

Two more civilian workers recently completed 20 years' service and were presented lapel pins and letters from the Commanding Officer.

They are Dorothy S. Hyman, Clerk Steno for the Preventive Medicine Service; and Bayliss Wilbur, carpenter for Public Works.

A new invention for bachelors: An electric blanket that snores.

# DWIGHT MOORE'S MONGREL REVUE



COMING MONDAY—Dwight Moore's Mongrel Revue will share the spotlight with Santa Claus at the annual Special Services Children's Party to be held Monday afternoon.

## Nurses Go Bowlin' Along—26 Wins!

The Nurses' Bowling team is continuing its winning streak in the Twelfth Naval District Women's traveling bowling league, with 26 games won and only one lost (this one by four pins). They are leading their closest competitor by eight games.

The team is leading the district not only in games won but in all the other divisions as well—high team game—801; high team average—726; high team series—2320. In individual honors Dottie Effner has high average—163; Dottie Ryder has the high game—212; and Dottie Effner the high series—543.

Other team members with their high game and series are Sissy Lorch (189-471); Jean Gerber (182-469); Anne Gee (170-438); and Pat Portz (154-393). Alternate Ethel Eusebio has only been able to bowl one game with the team thus far.

The second half of the season begins after the holidays, with the Twelfth Naval District tournament coming up in March. If our gals continue this type of bowling, they will bring many honors to the Naval Hospital at the end of the season.

It's middle age when after you go all out you end up all in.

## Previews

Tonight, 18 December  
OPERATION PETTICOAT—Cary Grant, Tony Curtis. Family.

Saturday, 19 December  
SHAKE HANDS WITH THE DEVIL—James Cagney, Don Murray, Dana Wynter. Adult.

Sunday, 20 December  
HOLIDAY FOR LOVERS—Jane Wyman, Gary Crosby, Clifton Webb. Family.

Monday, 21 December  
ME AND THE COLONEL—Danny Kaye, Curt Jergens. Adult.

Tuesday, 22 December  
THE MOUSE THAT ROARED—Jean Seberg, Peter Sellers. Family.

Wednesday, 23 December  
HOLE IN THE HEAD—Frank Sinatra, Carolyn Jones, Edward G. Robinson. Family.

Thursday, 24 December  
SAMSON AND DELILAH—Hedy Lamarr, Victor Mature. Family.

Friday, 25 December  
NORTH BY NORTHWEST—Cary Grant, Eva Marie Saint, James Mason. Adult.

Saturday, 26 December  
TONKA—Sal Mineo, Phillip Carey. Family.

## Pay Schedule

- Wednesday, 30 December—Patients.
- Thursday, 31 December—Staff enlisted, all officers.
- Tuesday, 5 January—Transients coming in after Christmas.
- Thursday, 24 December—Per diem civilians.
- Thursday, 31 December—All civilians.

## For Kids' Party—Mutts, Music, and Visit From Santa

Music, mongrels, movies, and Santa Claus will all be on the program for the annual Special Services children's party to be held Monday afternoon.

Auditorium doors will open at 1300.

Animated cartoons will open the show, and Christmas Carols will be played by Marie Stingle, well-known organist.

Dwight Moore's Mongrel Revue, which is sure to delight all comers, will be on stage at 1330, and Santa Claus will arrive at 1400.

Santa will have a gift in his pack for every girl and boy whose parents have made the necessary reservations. All children are welcome to attend the party, but Santa wants it known, that if he hasn't had advance word, he'll have to leave his gift under the tree at home on Christmas morning!

## The Fire Chief Sez—

he wishes for all hands at Oak Knoll to have a fire-free holiday.

1. All Christmas trees must be sprayed with a fire retardent chemical.
2. All trees will have to be inspected by the fire protection division of the security department.
3. Trees shall be set up in the coolest part of the building away from radiators or space heaters.
4. Use fire-proofed decorations of glass or metal, never cotton or paper decorations unless flame proofed.
5. Use proper electric lights. Do not use candles for lighting.
6. In placing decorations, do not use sprinkler heads or piping.
7. Do not leave lights burning. Secure them at taps.
8. From time to time check the tree to see if the needles have started to turn brown. If so, you should change the location of lights on the tree.

—B. J. CARR.



NEWCOMER FROM BANGKOK: LT Pramukh Sankamnoed, MC Royal Thai Navy, recently reported aboard for a one-year course as a resident observer in neuropsychiatry. Here Dr. Pramukh (in Thailand first names are used) tells of customs in his own country. With the Thai doctor are LTs Robert E. Strange and Paul E. Parker, CAPT Felix Ocko, Chief of the Neuropsychiatric Service, and at right, LT Sidney Blair. Drs. Strange, Parker, and Blair are residents on the NP Service.

Professor Jones rapped on his desk and yelled: "Order!" All the class shouted: "Ice Cream!"