

NEW SHIP'S SERVICE OPENS



Enlarged Lunchroom Handles More Customers With Faster Service

Meeting the crying need for additional floor space and facilities, a glistening Super-Ship's Service opened its doors late last week for the convenience of all hospital Naval personnel.

Remodeled and modernized beyond expectations, the lunch counter alone serves more than 3 times its former capacity. With everything from ice cream to potato chips on the menu, appetites are consistently teased by fragrant coffee and tasty homemade sandwiches that are prepared throughout the day in a compact sandwich galley adjacent to the counter.

Cafeteria Service Bar

In addition to the regular fountain counter, a new cafeteria style service bar now serves customers who wish to enjoy their snack at one of the 20 tables in the lunchroom. The new bar speeds up serving considerably by handling all table customers.

Two fountains hold 90 gallons of ice cream and feature 4 coca cola machines in addition to 2 coffee urns together with 2 silex units that make 75 gallons of coffee a day. For ice cream enthusiasts the Ship's

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ABOVE—Cokes, coffee and sandwiches keep the new Ship's Service tables and counter bustling with activity throughout the day.

CENTER—Designed for speedy service, the cafeteria snack bar features home-made sandwiches.

BELOW — Management of Ship's Service activities are ably handled by Lt. R. Osborn, left, and Pharmacist S. Curtis, right.



SHIP'S SERVICE SELLS TRAVELERS' CHEQUES

American Express Travelers' Cheques are now on sale daily except Sunday between the hours of 1300 and 1500 at the Ship's Service Department.

Cheques are issued in denominations of \$10, \$20 and \$50. A service of 75c is charged for each one hundred dollars' worth of cheques written.

All hands are advised that this is considered a safe way to carry money due to the guarantee that in case of loss or theft of the cheques a refund will be made by the Express Company in due time after receiving notice of the said loss or theft of the cheques.

LIEUT. M. E. KEIZUR RETURNS FOR DUTY

Back as Personnel Officer at this hospital is Lt. M. E. Keizur, who left here 2 months ago for Washington, D. C., to complete a course of instruction in civil rehabilitation. He returned on Monday, 18 September, and will organize a civil readjustment division to operate in the Personnel Office.

SHIP'S SERVICE HOURS

Monday-Tuesday	
Friday-Saturday0845 to 1700
Wednesday0845 to 1500
Thursday1100 to 1700
Sunday1100 to 1630
Cigarette counter open 'till 1800	on weekdays.

Chief of Naval Personnel Visits Hospital

Vice Admiral Randall Jacobs, U. S. Navy, honored the hospital with a visit on the morning of 19th September. As Chief of the Bureau of Naval Personnel, Admiral Jacobs is the advisor to the Secretary of the Navy on all personnel affairs and is the directive head of its activities. He has a rich background for the position he now occupies as he has served in varied and sundry positions in the Bureau of Naval Personnel, which formerly was the Bureau of Navigation. He possibly has been on more tours of duty in that Bureau than any other Naval officer. His last two assignments before assuming his present position was as the Assistant Chief of



Vice Admiral Randall Jacobs

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The tribute paid to me by your Commanding Officer and printed in the Stethoscope, is undeserved.

My tour of duty at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Seattle, Washington, has been a very pleasant one of indoctrination and training.

Any inefficiency or failure of an Army is laid at the "doorstep" of the Commanding General. Any Sea Disaster to a fleet is likewise attributed to the Commanding Admiral. The reverse is also true.

The Seattle Naval Hospital is an outstanding one and the credit for its reputation is justly attributed to Captain Joel T. Boone.

Farewells are difficult to express. My thanks to Captain Boone for the many valuable lessons and examples. Many thanks to the staff for their remarkable work and a fond hope that in the future any organization to which I may be attached will be able to carry out its mission as smoothly, efficiently and happily as the U. S. Naval Hospital, Seattle, Washington, is carrying out hers.

J. P. BRADY,
 Captain (MC) USN.

FROM YOUR SKIPPER

The U. S. Military Forces have reason for great elation with the progress of the war. On all fronts we are carrying the attack to the shores and even the doorsteps of the enemy. The Army, Navy and Marine Corps, with its varied branches, by combined effort, are surely bringing victory to our Arms. This war has demonstrated the dependency of one military branch upon the other and has pointedly proven that one branch is not self-sufficient or alone able to accomplish wholesale combat operations. Our military procedures are definitely dependent upon careful coordination. Coordination reflects timing and military success is dependent, to a large measure, upon the factor of timing. We are seeing daily the beneficial results of a well organized and functioning team. We must carry on as a team unmindful whether we belong to the Army, the Navy, the Marine Corps or the Coast Guard, by holding to the conviction that we are a part of the National effort to win the war.

We can rightly glory in battles won but we should not in any sense entertain an idea of the war having been won until our declared enemies have been conquered. We are fighting World War II because we did not finish World War I. We must not regard the defeat of any one enemy or group of enemies as the termination of the war. Final victory for us with its earned right to celebration, will only come with the complete capitulation of every nation which has declared itself as an enemy of the United States of America.

J. T. BOONE, Captain (MC) U. S. Navy
 Medical Officer in Command.

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the Bureau of Naval Personnel and then in command of the Service Force, Atlantic Fleet. The scope of Admiral Jacobs' administrative responsibilities can readily be appreciated as among the most far-reaching of any Naval officer. It is well that he has had such a broad experience in handling the problems of his office in subordinate positions with the number of officers and enlisted men of the Navy many times greater now than ever in its history. He is the first Chief of the Bureau of Naval Personnel to have the position recognized with Vice Admiralty rank.

While his visit to the hospital unfortunately of necessity was brief, his grasp of personnel problems permitted him to quickly recognize the administrative problems of the Command of this hospital. The hospital will be benefited by his having visited it and is grateful for his having come here.

SHIP'S SERVICE RE-OPENS

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Service department orders daily 400 brick pints and 600 ice cream bars.

An enlarged stock room and ship's store now sell countless novelties, essentials and gifts to Navy customers. A continuous flow of traffic can be seen that results in the sale of over 5,000 packs of cigarettes daily, plus other tobacco and candy.

Game Room Enlarged

Attached to the Ship's Service rooms, though not affiliated, is the enlarged game room, which is operated under the jurisdiction of the Welfare and Recreation department. Included in the new roomy recreation center are 4 pool tables, a snooker table, a ping pong table, plus assorted pinball machines and a juke box that features the latest in popular recordings.

STAFF PhM3c LEAVES FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL

Assigned to Hahnman Medical School in Philadelphia, Wallace R. LeBourdais, PhM3c, left the hospital last Thursday, September 21



W. LeBourdais

to complete his Navy sponsored medical education. He arrived here early last July after completing his "pre-med" course at Gonzaga College. Before that, LeBourdais spent two years in the Second Medical Division with the First Marines overseas.

Previous to the war, he lived in Honolulu although he was born in Berkeley, California.

Chaplain's Corner

DIVINE SERVICES

Recreation Hall	
CATHOLIC	
Chaplain.....Oliver P. Zinnen	
Sunday Masses.....0630 and 0930	
Weekday Mass.....0620	
Confessions: Before all Masses in the Recreation Hall. Saturday afternoons from 1530 to 1700, in the Chaplain's office.	
PROTESTANT	
Chaplain.....G. W. J. Hartzel	
Holy Communion.....0830	
Morning Prayer and Sermon.....1030	
Choir Rehearsal.....Wednesdays 1700	

Push Yourself

People are much like cars. If your battery is dying, your lights go dim. When a friend gives you a push so that your car starts going, your lights become bright again.

How can we hope for vision when our hearts are dead, and when we have no intention of following whatever vision we receive?

What are the animals with the best vision? Those who have developed the greatest speed: certain insects, and, above all, certain birds. And as man has artificially and mechanically increased his physical speed, so he has speeded up his need to see.

The Mediterranean squid, when it is young, is a free swimming animal with eyes. As it matures, it fastens itself permanently to some object and its body absorbs the eyes and much of the nervous system.

You and I are the same way. Unless we are going somewhere, unless we plan to do something with the vision we have, it will never develop; or if it has developed, it will degenerate.

NURSES' NOTES

Dispatch orders took popular Lt. (jg) F. G. Platis to Farragut, Idaho, last week. While here, Miss Platis became known as the "Twin" of Nurse J. Buchanan.

To Bambridge, Maryland, went Lt. (jg's) F. Alwyn M. Bivens, L. Gellert and N. Cellini. Also on the farewell list are Ensigns W. Kipp, L. Lammers and C. Landrey who were sent to Miramar, California.

PATIENTS DEFEAT WAVES IN ARCHERY TOURNAMENT

Male archers pulled the more accurate bow at an Archery contest held last Monday, September 18, at the Waves' Archery range. Final tallies found the Patient foursome shooting 756 points against a 658 for the Waves.

Members of the winning team were Conley, Allen, Hogan and Luca. Wave team members were Ensign Butterfield, PhM2c Moser, PhM3c Freund and H.A.1c Sievking.

Buy War Bonds



By

G. SWIFT and H. TAYLOR, WAVES

Glad tidings from BuPers for five staff WAVES: Tillie Dillon, PhM2c; Mary Blain, PhM3c; Roberta McNall, PhM3c; Esther Guinn, HA1c, and Leona Martindale, HA1c, are off to Chicago for a new tour of duty. And it is very good duty if my memory isn't wrong. Good luck to all of you.

We were happy to see Bob Jenkins, PhM2c, formerly with the NP department here, back for a visit. Bob's now stationed at Shoemaker, California, and that part of the country seems to agree with him; looked mighty fine, didn't he, "Pistol"?

A bouquet of beautiful flowers from Dick Riebow in California put that happy smile and starry-eyed look on Joan Jelinek's face . . . And a certain air corps major is responsible for Gloria Henkleman's vivacity and pep.

Wave Merker has been heard to say that the best Golfer in her estimation, is a corpsman on Ward 37 who spends most of his time on night duty.

FLOWER BOY CHEERS WARDS



"Pat" Brennan

Looking the part of a little potted plant, 9-year-old "Pat" Brennan puffs to and fro the hospital almost every day carrying flowers to the Red Cross Gray Ladies for distribution among the patients. Most of the floral bouquets come from Pat's own back yard in Woodway Park, Edmonds, Washington.

NOTICE

Marines from the 4th Marine Division, 14th Regiment Btrg. F, 2nd Bat., please contact Miss Pfeiffer in her Red Cross office.

Ex-Seafarer Services Refrigeration at Hospital

Sixteen years at sea spotlight the colorful past of J. B. "Tex" Dunlap, civilian refrigerator expert at this hospital. His salty past as an engineer in the Merchant Marine reveals that he has weighed anchor in practically every port throughout the world. Formerly from Houston, Texas, Dunlap is one of the few Texans on record, to state that he loves the Puget Sound climate. This affection had led him to make his permanent home only a mile from the hospital.



"Tex" Dunlap

Before coming to this station, Mr. Dunlap was service manager of a refrigeration division of the Carnation Company. His duties here keep things freezing, for it is Dunlap's responsibility to maintain smooth functioning of all refrigeration units on the compound. That job involves all ward refrigerators, commissary freezing rooms and other frigid machinery.

"Tex" Dunlap also doubles as an electrician for the Maintenance department which account for his appearance at almost any corner in the hospital repairing a motor or checking fuse boxes.

Ship's Service Store Has 32 Employes . . .

Ship's Service activities in the Recreation building employ 32 people. Of this number, 15 are enlisted Navy personnel while the remainder are civilians:

Navy employees are: Ivan Barker, PhM1c; W. Ritchie, HA1c; L. Weisenstein, HA1c; R. B. Woodvine, PhM3c; C. O. Crabbe, S1c; C. Ralph, Jr., Tech. Sgt; Ted Verhey, S1c; R. L. Roberts, Cox; J. Warakowski, AMM2c; P. G. Lehan, PhM3c; L. R. Wilson, PhM1c; R. Marmolejo, S1c; A. F. Alzinger, Pr.3c; L. B. Shawl, Pfc.; R. L. Foster, MM1c.

Civilian employees are: Elizabeth Tangney, Shirley Burns, Marie Shields, Norma Graybill, Mildred Wahl, Hyyette Greenhalgh, Mary Coyle, Isabel Fritts, Lyla Phillips, Pearl Bradford, Marie Edmonds, Frances Rivera, Iva Mae Williams, Esther Ellis, John Mylly, H. A. Nixon and J. H. Josephson.

Hospital Library Handles Record-Breaking Volume of Book Business Since Opening

Since the library opened in August, 1942, it has served ten thousand book borrowers (the population of a good-sized town) with 60,000 books, about a fifth of them in answer to specific requests from personnel. In addition it has supplied countless others with reading materials and with access to classical music on records. A comparison of the library services for the three Septembers of its history shows a tremendous growth in this activity; in fact, each year, by an odd coincidence, the number of books, the number of magazines, the number of borrowers, and the number of books issued has usually doubled over the preceding year.

September, 1942, Saw Start

One thousand, five hundred books, all in bright new jackets, gleamed on the almost empty shelves of a library only two-thirds its present size. (These had been prepared by the first librarian, Miss Jane Mills, during the months of July and August). September brought our present librarian, Miss Rose McGlennon. Although a grateful patient was soon to contribute the five dollars that began our collection of phonograph records, the music room was still in the future. Less than 15 different magazines graced the periodical rack. There were no newspapers. Equipment was very limited; bulletin boards, filing cabinets, and card catalogues were only requisitions. A large dictionary was almost the only book of reference. Radiators were not yet installed and on damp days the cold was abysmal. Miss Farr was the sole Red Cross worker in the hospital and in her office held the only telephone for the entire recreation building.

September, 1943, Featured Revises

The library was just emerging from the throes of an expansion to half again its size. Dust had drifted over books and papers and tables. While the auditorium was closed for carpentry, its furniture, shrouded in canvas, was pushed against the bookshelves, making access difficult; the library tables were occupied each afternoon by the craft work of the Gray Ladies. Church was held in the library on Sundays. The vigorous vibrations of crooners and choirs and pianists and organ players mingled with the racket of the hammers and drills and trucks of the construction company. Patients made phonograph recordings in the corners and on Captain J. T. Boone's birthday an elaborate program was recorded. Detachments of marines filled the room on their pay-days. The newly built music room became temporarily a storeroom for the 3,000 books donated to us by the Victory Book Drive. Traditional library order and quiet were for two months completely superseded by chaos, carpentry, and clamor, but in the midst of the turmoil, customers sat in chairs



Wave Gladys Hanson, PhM3c, loads ward book cart.

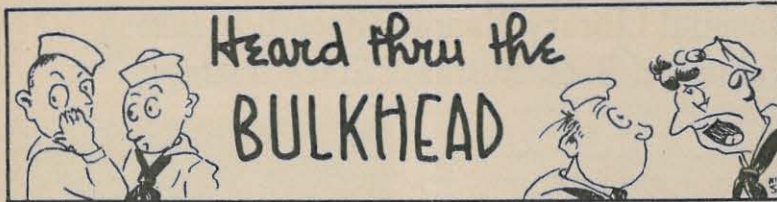
and read on undisturbed or listened to classical records playing on a phonograph in a corner. Two thousand six hundred eighty books were issued in August, 1943; book borrowers had increased to 716 active users on September first. Books on the shelves now numbered 3,275, double the number of the preceding year; until the new shelves were ready the old ones bulged at the seams. A complete card catalogue made it possible to find what books the library had on any subject or by any author and to look for any remembered title.

In the month of July an inter-library loan system had been established with other Seattle libraries in order to supply patients with books not in our own collection. To supplement the books sent us by the Naval Supply Depot a fund of \$25.00 monthly had been allotted the library from Welfare funds; this guaranteed, for the first time, an adequate supply of best sellers.

September, 1944, Tops Everything

Now open 12 hours a day, the enlarged library room has drapes at the windows and comfortable new furniture. The Red Cross supplies weekly bouquets of flowers, and a current Newsmap is displayed on a bulletin board. A filing cabinet houses a collection of much-used maps of all states and countries plus pamphlets on jobs and other subjects. Once again the bookshelves sag with their loads of books . . . 5,000 on September 15. The book budget has increased to \$50.00 monthly. The music room, no longer a step-child, has sixty albums of classical music, a \$10.00 monthly budget, and as many as fifty listeners daily.

Each ward is now regularly visited twice a week. In addition, many extra trips are made to deliver books especially requested by individual patients. The number of active customers on September 1st was 1,529, almost double that of a year ago.



MEDICINE BY WIRE WANTED
The phone rang and our operator answered . . . soon a mature feminine voice inquired: "Is this the Seattle Naval Hospital . . . it is? Well, I've got a pain in my side and I want you to tell me what's the matter."

PhM2c: "Do you approve of tight skirts?"

PhM1c: "No, I think women should leave liquor alone."

There was a young lady named Carol

Who loved to play stud for apparel.

Her opponent's straight flush Brought a maidenly blush, And a quick journey home in a barrel.

In a certain extremely near Naval Hospital one nurse warned another one: "These are the dangerous cases . . . they're almost well!"

Her dress was tight,
She scarce could breathe.
She sneezed aloud
And there stood Eve.

Ward Doctor: "Do you have to whistle while you work?"

HA2c: "I wasn't working, sir. I was just whistling."

"Louie" Realini, official bouncer of the new Ship's Service lunch-room, greets customers daily with the salutation, "Remove your 'Speed cone,' Mac!" To the "Reserves Louie means remove your hat in this eating establishment.

I'm done with dames!
They cheat and lie,
They prey on Males
To the day we die.
They tease and torment us
And drive us to sin,
Say, look at that blonde
Who just ankled in!

Our Butchers Clip 'de Boid



My! My! How absoid . . . looks the boid . . . when butchers, O. W. Sams, SC1c, right, and J. A. Schwartz, SC1c, left, start swinging cleavers as part of their weekly ritual in preparing over one ton of Grade A roasters for each Tuesday's chicken dinner. Brother Sams started butchering on the USS Pennsylvania back in 1919 while Schwartz was a Los Angeles butcher for 13 years before the war.

The Best Sea Story This Week . . .

This story is about one of the Navy's oldest "Leading Seaman," a rare character, indeed, whom all the old "salts" knew or had heard of as "Kelly" at some time or other in their Navy career.

"Kelly" was a seaman first class back in 1936 and at that time had held his rate for eighteen years. He had served on a total of ten ships of the line before we met him.

One day "Kelly" was detailed to paint the top of a gun turret. With paint pot in hand, he proceeded to

ascend the iron ladder on the side of the turret, balancing himself a second on each rung while his free hand grasped the next rung. About three-fourths of the way up as he was about to reach for the rung above, "Kelly" was greeted by a cheery "Hello!" from below. Turning to wave at his friend he lost his balance and fell to the deck. True he was jostled a bit, but this did not stop him from ascending the ladder and finishing his job.

Another memorable time for "Kelly" was on a heavy cruiser when she was in drydock. In the old Navy "all hands" evolution of scraping the side, he was sitting on a painter's stage about half way down the side and chipping away with a chipping hammer. Deciding to come up for a drink of water and maybe a cigarette, he called to the seamen above to hoist him up. Having done so, "Kelly" sauntered off and got his drink of water. Returning to his post of duty, he was accosted by some shipmates who wanted to tell him some of the latest "scuttlebutt." The seamen seeing "Kelly" chatting with his friends and assuming that he was finished with his "spot" thereupon moved the painter's stage down the deck to a new location. Unassuming, lovable "Kelly," laughing at the jokes of his friends swung himself over the side to land on the painter's stage. Alas! No stage, and poor "Kelly" once more took a beating, landing on the bottom of the drydock. The next day "Kelly" put in for a transfer and was sent to a destroyer for duty.

Italian and Poggie Club Sponsored Fish Fest

By A. Brantman

Prize winning catches highlighted a fishing party for 30 hospital members on Sunday, 17 September, in Puget Sound's Elliot Bay. The fishermen "shoved off" from the hospital as guests of the Italian Club and Poggie Club at 0400 Sunday morning and breakfasted in Clark's restaurant.

Largest fish caught was a 21 lb. 13 oz. Hooknose Silver Salmon by Arthur Ashner, S2c, which netted him a cash prize of \$10. Second prize was won by Mike Sitiko, PhM1c, who landed a 21 lb. 10 oz. salmon. P. C. Brown, HA1c, grabbed third honors by catching a 21 lb. 8 oz. beauty. Not a winner, but a fish was caught by Chief (Muscles) LeMasters after countless tries and a lot of ribbing . . . his fish, a hooknose silver salmon, weighed 9 lbs. 8 oz. Booby prize was cornered by your scribe who failed to notice even a nibble.

Despite drenching rain and foul weather, not a boat put into shore until a sizeable catch was hoisted aboard the boats. A tasty spaghetti dinner completed the day in the clubroom of The Italian Club.

FOUR BROTHERS STATIONED HERE AS CORPSMEN



Smiling their approval of being assigned here together are: Front row, Cecil D. Speas, Wd. 42, and Wendell B. Speas, Wd. 2. Back row, Dale O. Speas, Wd. 45, and Kenneth J. Speas, Wd. 45.

Arriving from the Hospital Corps school at Farragut, Idaho, the four Speas brothers, Wendell B., age 34, HA1c; Kenneth J., age 37, HA1c; Dale O., age 31, HA1c, and Cecil D., age 29, HA2c, have taken up their respective duties on the wards of this Naval hospital.

This is the first time in the history of this activity that four brothers have been here for duty.

Throughout their Naval career so far, the number four (4) has more or less been coincidental with the Speas brothers. In "Boot" Camp they were put in company 444-44 during the 4th month of the year. They were also in camp number 4,

Camp Hill, in the 4th regiment in the 4th area of zone 4.

After "boot" leave they returned to be put in section 4 of the Outgoing Unit. Still clinging to their lucky number, they left on June 24th for Hospital Corps School, their draft order being numbered 14S-44E, where they were quartered in barracks 64.

Upon leaving Hospital Corps School, the number four (4) ceased to haunt them, although at the present time 3 of the brothers are working in wards 45 and 42.

The 4 brothers hail from Marshalltown, Iowa, and all 4 men are happily married.

Contributed by Chief A. Christian-sen.