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Theresa Has Retired



Theresa Duarte, who helped keep Oak Knoll shipshape for 22 years, retired 30 December. As a laborer-cleaner Theresa worked hard and at least once received the Meritorious Service Award for outstanding service. Now, her only definite plan for the future is to take it easy—if she can learn how. And maybe some day she will travel to Italy to visit her relatives. In the meantime she will be able to spend more time with her local relatives, including her daughter and son-in-law, four grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Theresa's first assignment was at Navy Exchange. She later served at BOQ, the Administration Building, Outpatient Clinic, Wards 73A and B, and for the past 15 years she kept Ward 56 shining.

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Nimitz Room Being Established at U.C.

A "Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz Room" is being established at the University of California campus. It will be used as a midshipmen's gathering place and study hall, as well as for conferences, meetings, and ceremonies.

Donations to this most worthy cause are encouraged and may be mailed to the NROTC Unit at the University. Checks should be made payable to the Regents of U. C.

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Richard Allen Davis First Baby of 1966

Oak Knoll's first baby of the New Year (and the East Bay's second) was Richard Allen Davis, born at 0054, 1 January 1966.

Richard weighed 7 lbs., 8 oz. on arrival. He is the son of ET3 Richard H. Davis, a student at the ET "B" School at TI. His mother's name is Sandra Lee.

Old Year Rings Out With Many Happy Memories

The New Year found Knollites celebrating at gala parties at the Officers' Club, CPO Club, and the EM Club, at hotels, and in private homes throughout the East Bay.

As the strains of Auld Lang Syne rang the old year out, all looked forward to a new year with a clean calendar and high hopes of good things to come.

As the OAK LEAF looked forward, resolving to give broader, livelier coverage in 1966, it also looked back, as is the custom of all newspapers as they write "30" to another year.

The big story of 1965 was the 7 December ground-breaking at which S/SGT Raymond Thibodeaux turned the symbolic spadeful of earth to mark beginning of construction of the new hospital. Related headlines had previously told of patients moving to interim wards and of Admiral Cokely manning the bulldozer—first step in clearing the building site.

Bringing the largest following of press aboard was Governor Brown, when he arrived at Oak Knoll the morning of 11 November to visit Vietnam casualties.

And in early December the visit of Hollywood celebrities—Edgar Bergen, Jim Nabors (Gomer Pyle), Yvette Mimieux, and others—got top billing in the OAK LEAF and in its rival publication, THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE.

Ensigns George Silver and Israel Miller made headlines here and throughout the nation when they joined the 2000-woman Navy Nurse Corps and reported to Oak Knoll for duty.

Another first was ENS Anne Kazmierski, MSC, the first woman optometrist in the U.S. Navy.

Way back in June a special 8-page OAK LEAF honored Hospi-

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Red Cross Water Safety Programs Begin Soon at the Oak Knoll Pool

Two Red Cross water safety programs open to staff personnel will be conducted at the Oak Knoll pool in coming weeks.

Senior Life-Saving training classes will meet Mondays and Wednesdays, 17 January through 16 February, from 1900 to 2100.

Water Safety Instructor training (Parts I and II) will be offered

Tots' Teeth To Get Attention During Dental Health Program in February

For the second straight year, the Dental Service will present a program of preventive dentistry for children of Oak Knoll's military staff. In making the announcement, CAPT R. A. Middleton, Chief of Dental Service, noted that the local effort will be part of National Children's Dental Health Week, 6-12 February. The observance is sponsored by the American Dental Association.

Last year's program received national recognition. Staff dental officers and technicians provided preventive services for 300 of 359 eligible children, those between four and 16 years of age. This year, as an added feature, the children of personnel assigned to USS REPOSE (AH-16) will be included. Oak Knoll's new hospital ship "sister" is en route to Vietnam.

Information forms are being distributed to all military personnel this week. Parents may call the Dental Service now for appointments on the Saturdays in February. Each child will be examined and have bite-wing x-rays, and any oral disease will be recorded. Then the teeth will be cleaned with a stannous fluoride paste, followed by topical application of a protective stannous fluoride solution.

In addition, each child will receive individual instruction in new toothbrushing techniques, with the parent watching. Consultation regarding special dental problems and diet control will also be provided, and prescriptions for fluoride tablets will be given.

Naval dental research has shown that annual application of stannous fluoride to teeth, and daily use of a fluoride-containing dentifrice, can reduce new decay by up to 70 per cent. All military personnel at the hospital routinely receive the preventive measures.

The Oak Knoll Officers' Wives Club has again provided funds to aid the children's program, as it did in 1965.

Legion of Merit For Colonel Tunnell



LTCOL Robert J. Tunnell, USMC, has received the Legion of Merit for service in Vietnam. The presentation was made recently by COL Elliott Wilson, Commanding Officer of the Treasure Island Marine Barracks.

The medal and accompanying citation signed by LTGEN Victor H. Krulak, Commanding General Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, came in recognition of COL Tunnell's performance of duty as CO of the 3rd Battalion, 9th Marines. It referred specifically to his work in preparing the defense order for Da Nang Airfield, his participation in combat and reconnaissance patrols, his excellent leadership and devotion to duty.

COL Tunnell has served in the Marine Corps for 23 years. His home is in Fallbrook, Calif.

The 42-year-old officer had been in Vietnam only a month and a half when he was hit by an exploding land mine. His wounds necessitated amputation of the right leg.

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Volleyball and ping pong players are requested to call Coach Moffett at Extension 593.

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

THE SUSTAINING POWER

In the entrance of the harbor of one of our ports in the Western Pacific lies an island which once guarded this haven for ships. The massive fortification here was built in 1910 and armed with ten-inch guns which overlooked every approach to the bay. At one time this was a proud and shining facility, but today it stands in rust and decay. It is obsolete and all the effectiveness of it is gone.

This presents a lesson to us. The influence of the individual life that has lost its spark and shine becomes obsolete and ineffective. It becomes but a rusty ruin of bygone strength. Can we find a power that will sustain the influence of our life?

As a young man, the bishop of a large denomination was one day reading the Epistle of First Peter. When he came upon the words, "kept by the power of God through faith," (1:5) he decided to make this verse his life text. He wrote it on the first page of his diary each year thereafter. Through the years, in all the changing circumstances of life, he clung to its truth, and made it his guide and assurance. The idea of this thought is that the life is guarded as in a fortress or castle.

Yes, here is that sustaining power. The power of God which is ours by faith in Him. Make this verse your guide and assurance and you may face this New Year with confidence. No other power or strength is equal to it. It will sustain you and prove adequate in every test.

"Lord, increase our faith and guide us in every thought, word and act throughout this New Year. Amen."

—LT MARVIN L. CHAMBERLIN, CHC, USN

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SNIP WENT THE CO'S SCIS-SORS, and the new package store at the Commissioned Officers' Mess (closed) was open. Among those on hand for the ribbon cutting were, from left, CWO F. H. Stauffer, club treasurer; LT Mary Rooney, HMI Delbert L. Dittenhauser, club manager; and LCDR E. A. Ambrose

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Two Knollites Get Cash For Ideas

Two civilians have earned Benny Sugg checks in recent weeks. Mrs. Clara Johnson, nursing assistant, received a 25-dollar award for a safety idea involving bathtub handrails, and Ralph Dilbeck, head electrician, was awarded \$50 (less tax) for an improved method of identifying electrical rails and circuits.

Foreign Trainees Travel To East Coast

Oak Knoll's three foreign officer trainees came down to earth the day before Christmas after a flight that took them to Washington, D.C., and New York City.

They are CDR AN Tae-Su, MC, ROKN, trainee in the Medical Service; LT Hwang In-Kyu, MSC, trainee in the Medical Supply Division; and LTJG Haydee T. Silverio, NC, Philippine Navy, here for training in nursing administration.

They were among 22 foreign trainees from the 12ND who made the trip. In Washington they were joined by a group from Great Lakes, Ill., for tours of the White House, the monuments, National Naval Medical Center, and many other points of interest. In New York they enjoyed a bus tour of the city and visits to the United Nations, Radio City Music Hall, and St. Patrick's Cathedral.

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Three X-Ray Techs Receive Certification

Three local X-ray techs—HMC Alex E. Garcia, HM2 J. C. Overton, and HM3 W. L. Dixon—have received the good news that they have been certified by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

Their certification is the result of having successfully passed the nationwide examinations given at San Francisco General Hospital on 5 November.



TWO MORE MAKE IT TO 20—They are Emory King, head washer in the laundry, and Raul Rodriguez, truck driver, to whom Admiral Cokely presented pins and certificates in his December meeting with civilian supervisors. Mr. King served a three-year hitch in the Navy, was on duty as a civilian at TI for a short time before coming to Oak Knoll in 1948. Mr. Rodriguez is a comparative newcomer to Oak Knoll. VJ Day came 90 days after he entered the Army. He joined the San Diego Naval Station staff and served there for nearly 18 years before reporting to Oak Knoll 18 months ago.



HOME FOR CHRISTMAS with a letter of appreciation for his service as senior corpsman on 70B — That's the story of HN Donald E. Ritt, Reservist Ritt "displayed superior nursing ability, leadership qualities and great aptitude for teaching younger corpsmen." The CO's letter presented by Captain Arje, also spoke of Ritt's "rare ability of being able to turn a ward problem into a teaching situation, of his quick wit and gentle sense of humor—which helped lighten the workload of an active and difficult ward." Ritt left 23 December for a visit with relatives in the state of Washington. He expects eventually to work in Oklahoma City and take pre-med courses on the side. Attending the presentation were LT Janet Scott and LCDR Margaret C. Donoghue.

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Hospital Cited for Participation In Federal Fund Campaign

Oak Knoll personnel have received the Combined Federal Campaign Certificate of Achievement in recognition of distinguished participation and cooperation in the first combined Federal fund-raising effort conducted during the month of October.

The certificate came with an added "well done" from Rear Admiral John E. Clark, USN, Commandant, 12ND, who stated that the award was made only to units whose recent contribution to the three agencies—United Crusade, National Health Agencies, and International Service Agencies—exceeded by a minimum of 21 per cent the contribution made in 1964.

Your contribution "attests to the spirited leadership of those responsible for conducting the cam-

aign as well as to the generous response to community needs by all contributors, civilian and military," Admiral Clark wrote.

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Hail-Farewell

OFFICERS DETACHED:
LT W. L. Blankenship, MSC, USN to NAS Moffett Field.
LCDR R. D. Alexander, MSC, USN to USNH San Diego.
LCDR J. W. Curtis, MC, USN to NAVSUPACT DANANG, VIETNAM.
LT E. S. Kostuk, MC, USNR COMPEARL NAVSHIPYD, Pearl Harbor.
LT R. W. James, Jr., MC, USNR to inactive duty.
LT A. J. Belton, USNR, to inactive duty.

OFFICERS REPORTING:
LTJG W. E. Collins, MSC, USNR from 3rd Med Bn, 3rd MarDiv (Reinf) FMF PAC as Clinical Psychologist.
LT B. E. Taylor, MC, USN from USNH Annapolis, Md, 1st yr Res in OB&GYN.

Pacific Telephone Gives Vietnam Vets Visits Home by Phone

Telephones rang in St. Louis, Mo.; Natchez, Miss.; Charleston, S.C.; Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Hyattsville, Md.; Dallas, Tex.; Little Rock, Ark.; and points between on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. At this end were Vietnam casualties, eager to greet their loved ones.

The free calls were made possible through the courtesy of the Pacific Telephone Co., with John F. Doyle and Mrs. Margie Lough aboard to help place them.

Local telephone operators and those in patients' home towns spared no effort in getting calls through. A family in Lima, Ohio, had no phone. The operator located a neighbor some distance away, who happily brought patient and parent together via long distance. The barrier of an unpublished number was overcome to put a call through. On one call the operator was still reporting no answer when the patient's family walked into the ward.

Twenty-nine free calls were completed here. The same courtesy was extended to Letterman and Travis patients, who completed a total of 67 calls.

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Twenty Years Ago In the OAK LEAF

A recent announcement by LTJG E. H. Kershner, ship's service officer, is final proof that the war is over. A stock of nylon hose large enough to adorn every Grable-like leg at Oak Knoll will soon appear on the shelves.

A satisfying and gratifying answer to the tonsorial call of Oak Knoll patients unable to travel to the barber shop is provided by the Oakland Post of the Disabled Veterans of World War I. The barbers come to the hospital the first Sunday of each month. Some come out the third Sunday, too, to accommodate patients whose hair mushrooms to the extent that it becomes uncomfortable.

If you're at Oak Knoll and you smoke, you know Mrs. Veda Clarkson. If you're at Oak Knoll and don't smoke, it's worth forming the habit just to meet her. (Ed. note—This under photo of our Veda.)

After last week's unavoidable cancellation, the OAK LEAF is pleased to graft itself firmly to the limb and say definitely that Mr. Jose Iturbe will appear here tomorrow.

All Hands and All Feet to Shake Twice Monthly — Arrangements have been made to guarantee hospital patients and staff hands dances every month. They will be sponsored by the Oakland Navy Mothers' Club.

Sailor: What shape is a kiss?
WAVE: I don't know.
Sailor: Well, give me one and we'll call it square.



When Admiral Cokely looks across his desk, he looks right out to sea, for in his office hangs Violet Parkhurst's beautiful painting, "Blue Pacific." The seascape, (above) presented by Jeannie Wilson during her December visit, is one of the many benefits of Mrs. Wilson's 1965 "Operation Art for the Armed Forces." Another may be seen at right—the fine likeness of LTCOL Robert Tunnell by Earl Moran, noted pin-up and portrait artist. (The real COL Tunnell is at left.) LT G. I. Soule, Special Services Officer, looks on as Jeannie displays the portrait.



Operation Art 1965

Artists and Models Had a Good Time Too—During Jeannie Wilson's Annual Visit

Once again Jeannie Wilson brought her "Operation Art for the Armed Forces" to Oak Knoll as a part of the Christmas activities, and once again the artists worked their way through the wards, leaving in their wake many a valuable portrait and clever cartoon.

Violet Parkhurst, unable to come, nevertheless made a most substantial contribution to the success of the operation—her beautiful seascape "Blue Pacific," which hangs in the CO's Office, where many will enjoy it. According to

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"Hats and History" Is Theme For O' Wives' Luncheon

"Hats and History" is the theme for the 12 January luncheon meeting of the Oak Knoll Officers' Wives' Club. The luncheon will take place at the Treasure Island Officers' Club beginning at 1130.

The program will feature a collection of hats from 1896 to 1965, presented by the S. and H Green Stamp Company. The hats are reproductions of those currently on display in the Costume Institute of the Metropolitan Museum, New York City. Fashions of the day and events in American and local history that took place when the hats were worn will round out the program.

Members of the club will model. Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. M. L. Petway at 562-8671.

Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Parkhurst now ranks as the top seascape artist in the nation.

Of interest to members of the staff is the fact that the artist's husband, Dr. Donald W. Parkhurst, heads the biological laboratory at the Veterans Administration Hospital at Sawtelle.

Earl Moran came again to do patients' portraits, as did Johnnie Johnson, senior member of the group in years and number of trips to Oak Knoll. Earl is a well-known portrait and pin-up artist, Johnnie a retired background artist for MGM's Tom & Jerry cartoons.

Maureen McCully, portrait artist, was back to produce fine like-

nesses such as the one seen on this page.

Janet Brown came through the courtesy of Hanna Barbera Studios, whose "Flintstones" are well known, and Disney Studios sent John Ewing and Chuck Williams.

Janet, working swiftly, did pastel portraits of many patients and wished for time to do more. Ewing and Williams entertained by drawing Disney cartoon characters.

George Coblenz came back to do many beautiful little desert and mountain scapes to give to the patients.

Young Judy Clark—a first-timer this year—came from Mayfair Studios. She did portraits, as did Mary Benz, who was back after several years' absence.

Then there was Pete Alvarado from UPA, producers of Mr. Magoo. Pete sketched patients and showed cartoons on the wards.

Ray Young, Murray McClelland, and Bill Carney from Hanna and Barbera studios completed the group.

While the two-day operation was in progress, Jeannie gave away scores of original cells used in animating "The Flintstones."

Arrangements for the artists' visit were made by Oak Knoll and 12ND Special Services, with Red Cross providing Gray Lady escorts.

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Navy bridegroom: With all my worldly goods I thee endow.

Father (aside): There goes his seabag and fountain pen.



PFC Dale Lemmons, USMC, had his portrait painted by Maureen McCully.

MEMORIES OF HAPPY HOLIDAYS



Behind those silken whiskers (1) beats the heart of HMC William Fanning—every little girl's dream of Santa. And if you can tell us this little girl's name, we'll print it in the next LEAF. (2) Again pupils from Miss Pennie's School of Dance in Castro Valley performed beautifully at the staff children's party. And so (3) did Stu Scott, ventriloquist (alias Waldo the Clown) who shared the spotlight with two friends. (4) Nothing like being nonchalant when Santa and the cameraman arrive—that apparently was the thought of Connie Lackey, daughter of FM2 William F. Lackey. (5) It must have made Santa happy to get this warm welcome from Jeanne Churchill, daughter of AMSC Arthur F. Churchill, USN, Ret. (6) Beautiful songstress Marianne Kent was one of the many attractions brought to the Oak Knoll stage for the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee show on 21 December. (7) Santa looked a little doubtful about the procedure as HN Lance B. Baird gave the red sock treatment to Catherine Miller—daughter of BM3 Donald R. Miller, USCG. (8) "Oh, the wonder of it all," Mark Perkins seems to be saying as Santa brings him another gift. Mark is the son of ADJ1 Ivan F. Perkins of NAS, Lemoore. (9) Bob Haskell and assistant Laverne made magic with rings and other things. (10) The Duane Darlings were dynamic. (11) Always polite Santa Waited quietly for ADJ1 Sam Akel to finish his telephone call before completing his mission. Unaware of the whiskered gentleman's approach was L/CPL Roy Souderes, USMC. (12) Gifts and attentions—large and small—were showered on Oak Knoll during the holidays. This large one—a color TV set, complete with regular servicing, was presented Ward 76B by employees of Montgomery Ward of Richmond. Accepting it for the hospital were CAPT S. L. Arje, Executive Officer, and LT Soule. Mrs. Louise Prentice (welcomed aboard by ENS Mary Ann Rowland), made the presentation. Montgomery Ward of San Leandro installed antennae and 10 outlets so the set can be used in various locations on the ward. (13) Here's Santa again with his buddy, CPL Earl L. Bush, USMC. Santas (try to tell who's who) were HMI Morris Nicholson and Mr. Emil P. Mary and Mr. Angus MacIver of the Christmas Committee.



LT O. C. Langston, MSC, left, and LCDR J. R. Brennan, MC, receive from Admiral Cokely the SecNav's authorization to wear the Navy Unit Commendation ribbon awarded to members of the crew of USS CORAL SEA (CVA-43).

Dept. of Veteran Affairs Offers Bedside Counsel

Bedside counseling service for hospitalized wounded veterans of Vietnam service, furnished by the California Department of Veterans Affairs, Joseph M. Farber, came to the bedside of SGT Bud Hurst, USMC, of 76B, to formally begin the service.

Hurst, 27 and the father of four children, was told about the availability of the Cal-Vet Farm and ability of the Cal-Vet Farm and Home Loan Program and educational assistance, both made possible for Vietnam veterans by legislation introduced at the last session of the Legislature by State Senator J. Eugene McAteer of San Francisco, and the special representation service available through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

McAteer's Senate Bill 511 of last session redefined a California war veteran to include those men who had served in a campaign or expedition for which a medal was authorized by the Government of the United States. This includes veterans of the Vietnam action back to 1958.

Under the program, representatives of the Department of Veterans Affairs will acquaint the wounded veterans of benefits available to them under both state and federal law once their service is concluded. They will be told further that special representation is available to assist them in obtaining the benefits.

The counseling service will continue as long and as often as it is needed, according to Farber.

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So you think Dora's face is her fortune.

I'm sure of it. It runs into a nice little figure.

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WAVE: You remind me of the ocean.

Corpsman: Wild, romantic and restless?

WAVE: No, you make me sick.

Two Staffers Earn Unit Commendations For CORAL SEA Duty

Two Oak Knoll staff officers—LCDR J. R. Brennan of the Surgical Service and LT O. C. Langston, Permanent OOD—are now authorized to wear the Navy Unit Commendation ribbon awarded members of the crew of the aircraft carrier USS CORAL SEA.

Their identical citations were "for exceptionally meritorious service during the period 7 February to 18 October 1965, while participating in combat operations in Southeast Asia in support of United States national policy."

According to the citation, signed by Secretary of the Navy Paul H. Nitze, the "CORAL SEA carried out over 10,000 combat sorties during a single cruise, and her embarked air wing executed a series of devastating air strikes against military and logistic facilities in North Vietnam, contributing immeasurably to the efforts of the United States in restoring peace and political freedom in the area."

The two Knollites and others of the carrier crew also received the 1965 Admiral James H. Flatley Memorial Award in recognition of outstanding achievement in accident prevention during attack carrier operations. "The accomplishment of this record is the result of competent leadership, superior technical skill, and outstanding sea and airmanship and is a direct reflection on the effort which was required of her crew." This citation came from Admiral David L. McDonald, Chief of Naval Operations.

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First Marine vet, bragging: When we presented arms, all you could hear was slap, slap, click.

Second Marine vet: With us, it was slap, slap, jingle.

First: Jingle? What was that?
Second: Our medals.

—usn—
Some men are born great, some achieve greatness. Some just grate upon you.

Scuttlebutt

WEDDING BELLS rang on 29 December when LTJG Carolyn M. Webb of the Nursing Service exchanged vows with LT Donald P. Zambori of the USS ORISKANY. The ceremony took place at 12 noon in nearby St. Cuthbert's Episcopal Church, with ENS Mary D. Holden serving as maid of honor and the groom's brother, ENS Richard Zambori, acting as best man. A reception at the O' Club followed... Mrs. Lorraine Tesio, position classification specialist in CivPers, on 12 December became Mrs. Angelo P. Ratto, Jr. The wedding took place in the small chapel of Oakland's First Congregational Church in the presence of family and close friends... And way back there on the 17th HN Barbara Bradley said "I do" to JO2 Joel Jacobs, your OAK LEAF editor. The wedding was held in the hospital chapel, with LT M. L. Chamberlin officiating, and a reception in the couple's San Leandro apartment followed. HM2 Jo Puckell and HMI Jim Turner (another promising two-some) had the maid of honor and best man assignments.

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SCENES FROM THE PASSAGEWAY PARADE: Painters covering the ramps behind the Ad Building with a coat of gleaming white... Heavy equipment working at the new building site—patches of red and yellow against the dark brown soil (mud?) reminding us that some day... we won't have to leap across the puddles to get to the mess hall or to our dental appointment... Henry Bourdase and Mr. MacCracken discussing the beauty of holidays at Tahoe where both were snowed in, with only (??) an occasional icicle to drink... Betty Winsby returning from a visit to her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Dowling of Ann Arbor, Mich... Everywhere people wearing Christmas gifts... or exchanging them... an unidentified WAVE wondering how many frog-legs 'hopped' onto the plates of Knollites who enjoyed the Christmas dinner here.

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OAKNOLLUMNI: CAPT Harold A. Streit, a former Chief of Orthopedics here, has assumed command of USNH, Chelsea, Mass.

LIFE BEGAN on 16 December for Jonathan Michael Broderick, 7 lb., 6 oz., son of LT Joseph T. Broderick (Female Medical Clinic) and his wife Simone... On 18 December for Stephanie Marie Marcellus, 7 lb., 6 oz., daughter of HN Robert H. Marcellus (Patient Affairs) and his wife Kathleen... On 19 December for Ronald James Tracy, 6 lb., 14 oz., son of HA Ronald O. Tracy (Surgery II) and wife Sandra.

... On 29 December for Kelly Sherwood, 7 pound, 1½ ounce daughter of LT Frank M. Ennix (who'll soon report aboard as Legal Officer) and wife Constance.

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Prof: What did you find out about the salivary gland?
Student: Couldn't find out a thing; they're too darn secretive.

Socketed In



A LITTLE SOMETHING for a serviceman's stocking! She's seven-pound Noreen Ann Sibley, born 22 December, just in time to help LT Jo Ann Barcott check the size and shape of the bright red (sterile) socks that were used to wrap all the Oak Knoll Yuletide babies in.

The socks were a combined project of the Pet Milk Company and the hospital staff.

Noreen Ann is the daughter of AMSC Herschel Sibley of Naval Air Station, Alameda, and his wife Frances. She is the couple's sixth child.

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OB-GYN Doctors Making Headlines

Oak Knoll doctors received considerable attention in the December issue of U. S. MEDICINE in connection with reports of the Fourteenth Annual meeting of the Armed Forces Chapter of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

CAPT James Semmens was pictured monitoring an exhibit titled "Prenatal Abdominal Contour as an Aid to the Diagnosis of Uterine Anomalies," the exhibit involving patients from this hospital and USNH, Philadelphia.

CDR Billy D. Viele made headlines with his discussion of caesarean hysterectomy.

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LT Belton a Civilian —Will See the World

LT Augustine J. Belton, USNR, checked out Wednesday to return to civilian life and see the world. He and his wife, the former Miss Vida Kia of Teheran, Iran, will spend the next six months traveling.

They started West via Pam Am Airways for Hawaii and will visit Japan, Hong Kong, India, and other points of interest en route to Iran, where they will enjoy a visit with relatives before flying on around the globe.

Mr. Belton, legal officer for the hospital since March 1963, plans to locate either in New York or San Francisco.

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A girl's promise to be on time carries a lot of wait.



DECEMBER 16 was the big day for John H. Mullen, X-Ray School Instructor, when Admiral Cokely presented him the advancement in rate certificate that promoted him to **CHIEF HOSPITALCORPSMAN**. Chief Mullen, a former Air Force Sergeant, has 16 years military service, and has been attached to the Knoll for two years. He lives in San Leandro with his wife Barbara and three children.

Preventive Medicine Specialist Transferred to San Diego PMT Unit

After a five-year tour of duty as an instructor at the Preventive Medicine Technician Course, LCDR Ross D. Alexander transferred to the Navy's Preventive Medicine Unit No. 5, San Diego, 3 January.

Mr. Alexander had his first tour of duty at Oak Knoll in 1944-45, as a trainee in the Navy V-12 program. From here he went to the University of Utah Medical School where he had completed just one semester when the Navy discontinued its program. After two years of medical school, he found it financially impossible to continue.

After a couple of years in San Francisco with the Upjohn Co., he went to UC School of Public Health with a scholarship from the State. He had worked just six months as a sanitarian for the City of Modesto when he was drafted by the Army. But, just prior to entering Fort Ord for basic training, he applied for a Navy commission.

He had completed Field Medical Basic at Fort Sam Houston and

was working as a record clerk in General Heaton's office at Letterman Army Hospital as a PFC when his commission came through in August 1951.

He subsequently served at Preventive Medicine Unit No. 4, Great Lakes; Camp Pendleton; with the First Marine Division in Korea, in charge of the Preventive Medicine Unit; and at Camp LeJeune.

At Harvard University he received his Masters degree in Public Health. There also he met and married Dr. Doris Autry, who was also studying for her Masters degree in Public Health. Although Dr. Doris maintains her interest in Veterinary Medicine and Public Health, she hasn't had much time to practice since seven little Alexanders have arrived during the past twelve years.

Mr. Alexander was stationed at Preventive Medicine Units at Norfolk, Va., and San Diego, before coming to Oak Knoll.

The Alexanders want it known the welcome mat will always be out for friends from Oakland who may visit San Diego.

Navy News Roundup

VIET COSTS BRING BIG CUTBACKS—Because of the rising cost of the war in Vietnam, Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara has postponed \$620 million worth of Congressionally authorized military construction including this year's entire housing program of 8500 units. Included in the deferrals are millions of dollars worth of military dispensaries, barracks, BOQs, messes, theaters, swimming pools, shops, chapels, recreational and training facilities. The McNamara action virtually scraps the five-year family housing construction program which was already badly stretched out of shape. In addition to postponing the home building authorized this fiscal year, McNamara is threatening to cut or eliminate the fiscal 1967 program, as was reported earlier. He plans, instead of building homes, to ask Congress to permit him to lease more houses than the 7,000 now authorized. He said he doubted that in the short run the cutbacks would hurt recruitment or retention.

COMBAT VET BENEFITS SET IN GI BILL—A peacetime GI Bill with extra benefits for combat veterans will be recommended to President Johnson in a White House study report now awaiting final approval from committee members. The report will also recommend educational benefits for military personnel to encourage them to stay in to get their educational benefits rather than get out to take advantage of any peacetime veterans benefit program.

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tal Corpsemen on the 67th Birthday of their corps, and an unforgettable birthday ball was held in the newly decorated EM Club, where a beautiful mosaic was unveiled to tell the story of the corps on land, sea, under the sea, and in the air.

In May CAPT Ruth A. Erickson, Director of the Navy Nurse Corps, was here for a gala celebration of the 57th Anniversary of the founding of her corps.

In November another big birthday was observed—the 190th of the Marine Corps—where the Marine Corps Drum and Bugle Corps provided the pomp and where United Air Line stewardesses prettily served the cake provided by their company and where Admiral Cokely presented Purple Hearts to a group of Marine and Navy patients.

Admiral John McNay Taylor, Commander, Western Sea Frontier, came out to address the 1965 graduating intern class.

LT Richard R. Shultz received the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in Vietnam, and LCDR C. R. Hamlin earned the Navy Commendation Medal for meritorious service at the Station Hospital, Headquarters Support Activity, Saigon.

CAPT Frank L. Golbranson was commended by the Surgeon General for his contributions to the field of amputee rehabilitation.

The Radioisotope Laboratory acquired a new photoscanner.

Mrs. Earl D. Sneary received the Navy Relief 1000-hour pin.

Mary Rulon was named JANGO of the YEAR. Deborah Van Lanningham of Hunters Point and Noel Goldthwaite, son of CAPT Dana Goldthwaite, received the Officers' Wives Club Scholarships. And 300 staff children had appointments at Oak Knoll's Dental Service during National Children's Dental Health Week observance.

Staff members gave blood, were promoted, detached, commended, retired, certified, and Paul Jouan, the officers' barber, became a U.S. citizen.

Patients picnicked, went on a pheasant hunt, to the Salinas Rodeo, and on many other excursions.

HN Art Randle, who has since been to Vietnam and back, was selected by 12ND officials as one of the finest basketball players in the area.

Red Cross, though little publicized, served with distinction throughout the year. And Navy Relief, to which Knollites gave \$2,465, has helped Navy personnel handle family emergencies.

Mary swears she's never been kissed by a man.

Well, isn't that enough to make any girl swear?

Coach Moffett Still Wants Hoopsters

Coach Moffett has put out the word that more basketball players are needed to finish out the season, and that the 12ND Wrestling Finals are coming up soon. All personnel interested in the competition should contact him as soon as possible at Extension 593.

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It's Not a Code It's Promotions

The Knoll had a bumper crop of advancements on 16 December due to second increment advancements and the new advancement list. Promoted at the Knoll were:

To Chief: J. A. Camp and J. H. Mullen.

To HM1: J. D. Butcher, H. S. Paja, and Z. E. Parkinson.

To HM2: K. D. Bogart, M. S. Brown, A. L. Callo, J. W. Crawford, C. L. Dehart, W. E. Flannery, G. H. Heide, R. R. Jones, R. C. McPherson, J. I. Merrill, C. D. Ott, R. E. Ritz, W. T. Slade, C. L. Vanmeter, D. W. Vanharn, C. T. Wilson, R. J. Wood.

To HM3: D. G. Arnold, C. J. Baker, W. A. Borchardt, V. P. Browning, C. A. Bush, J. F. Carson, K. B. Coolidge, C. (n) Cordova, M. K. Cowan, D. L. Cox, B. G. Cross, J. F. Elliott, G. B. Falconer, B. G. Fields, L. C. Galbraith, D. L. Harding, J. R. Harris, G. L. Holdren, J. W. Karstens, G. D. King, D. R. Kopetski, J. (n) Lamon, T. C. Lehman, R. A. Lolley, H. J. Lucas, T. G. Luther, A. D. McKay, J. D. McRee, J. M. Mekkers, J. D. Moore, C. R. Morrill, B. M. Norfolk, G. T. Ockerman, T. P. Oliver, D. J. Patton, D. A. Perry.

B. L. Pierce, T. B. Price, W. A. Quesada, D. S. Quinlan, G. R. Raef, H. C. Richter, D. E. Ritt, S. K. Rossiter, T. A. Rowe, M. W. Russell, G. K. Sharkey, F. A. Slusser, A. B. Sorensen, S. L. Spring, J. D. Stecher, J. D. Stillman, W. R. Thayer, H. D. Thomas, A. C. Town, R. Truby, C. C. Vogel, S. L. Walaski, W. P. Ward, C. B. Williams.

Total number of advancements for the Knoll was 86 with some departments on station having 100% advancements (meaning that of all in the department who took the exam, 100% passed and were advanced).

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Promotions! Promotions!



YARDS OF SHINY GOLD-BRAID and many hand shakes were the order of the day when promotions came through for staff officers. Doctors who've made lieutenant commander are, from left, H. D. Wilkes, ENT resident; M. J. Goldberg, Chief of Physical Medicine; J. G. Luehrs, Surgical Service; G. H. Wald and E. E. Morgan of NP Service; H. L. Bassham, resident, Radiology Service; R. N. Conrad, resident, Surgical Service; and R. R. Shultz, resident, Internal Medicine Service.



Here we have new LT Colleen R. Watts, LCDR Jacqueline Edwards, LTs Josephine B. Dye, Patricia K. McDonald, Mary E. Dooley, Joyce M. Dion, Lona A. Wallace, LCDR Ann M. Hamill, LT Columba F. Barter, LCDRs Joan G. Babbin, A'Natalie P. Hudson, Jacquelin C. Gillespie, Eileen C. Walsh, and Frances M. Frazier.



Two MSC officers moved up a notch. They are G. J. Palmer, Jr., of Fiscal & Supply who made lieutenant, and Mary L. Rooney of Occupational Therapy, who is a lieutenant commander now—receiving warm congratulations from their CO.

Calling All Fishermen!

A deep sea fishing trip is scheduled for Saturday, 5 February, leaving the Berkeley pier at around 0530.

The chartered PRIVATEER will take fishermen out beyond the Golden Gate after rock cod and bass.

Special Services is arranging the trip and providing lunch and refreshments. Fishermen must purchase their own licenses, and there will be a fee of \$2.50 each to cover the cost of chartering the boat.

Call Ext. 593 or 595 if you are interested in going.

Mrs. Marian R. Conklin Reports For Duty as ARC Field Director

Native Californian, U.C. graduate, teacher, wife, mother, and long-time Red Cross Executive—that's the story of Mrs. Marian R. Conklin, who reported aboard last week as Red Cross Field Director. She succeeds Miss Joan Mathews, who departed Friday for a new post at Western Area Office.

Mrs. Conklin's assignment to Oak Knoll culminates 23 years of widely varied service with Red Cross.

Six months after Pearl Harbor, Mrs. Conklin, widow of Attorney Harold W. Conklin, was persuaded to accept the post of Executive Director of Berkeley Red Cross Chapter. She stayed 19 years.

From 1961-63 the hospital's new ARC Field Director worked out of the Western Area Red Cross office in San Francisco as assistant director of personnel in charge of recruitment. In this capacity she visited colleges and universities in eight western states seeking—and finding—candidates for Red Cross professional service.

"This was a most satisfying job since as a former English teacher (in Brentwood, Piedmont, and Berkeley High Schools) as well as a Red Cross worker, I had a built-in interest in schools and young people.

"I was reluctant to leave that assignment, but in Red Cross as in the military we go where we are (Continued on Page 2)



Mrs. Marian R. Conklin

Miss Mathews Has New Assignment —Will Travel the Western States

When Miss Joan Mathews, Red Cross Field Director for the past three years, was transferred across the bay to Western Area Office of Red Cross, she didn't need to say goodbye, for Oak Knoll is still part of her "beat."

In her new assignment as Assistant Director of Service in Military and Veteran Hospitals Miss Mathews will visit hospitals in 12 Western States including Alaska. She will consult with staff members on program and training.

Prior to her departure last Friday Miss Mathews received the CO's letter of appreciation for "the exemplary manner in which she performed each of the many facets of her assignment here . . . for her superior administrative ability, and her understanding of the needs of patients and their families."

Since Miss Vera Wilkeson's retirement last March, Miss Mathews has handled the duties of case supervisor in addition to directing the work of her professional staff and the many volunteers who

serve the hospital. She "absorbed those duties without sacrificing the efficiency that characterized her regime as Field Director," accord— (Continued on Page 2)



Miss Joan Mathews

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

During WWII entertainers were generous with their services at Naval Hospitals. Ampura Iturbi, the sister of Jose Iturbi, was entertaining the patients at USNH, Corona, when a Marine from Merrill's Marauders, with an empty sleeve, approached her. After telling her how much he enjoyed the music, he said: "I used to play the violin!" With no hesitation Miss Iturbi said: "Oh! But now you are a conductor!"

Such tact is as rare as it is wonderful! How often we dwell on the defects of others instead of drawing their attention to the assets they possess. It is much kinder to mention the glorious plumage of a peacock than to dwell on the raucous cacophony that comes from his throat.

Courtesy is contagious. If you can get through life with the reputation of having spoken only kindly of others you can be sure that you will have had courtesy and kindness from others. To have a good neighbor you must be a good neighbor. And to have others speak of you with respect and admiration you must be unfailing in your kind words and deeds to others.

CDR BRIAN D. MAHEDY, CHC, USNR
 Catholic Chaplain

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Sunday: 1030 Divine Worship
 Communion First Sunday of
 Month
 Thursday: 1900 Choir Rehearsal
 and Fellowship Hour

Mrs. Conklin

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sent. And of course being sent to Japan was not a hardship."

The new Oak Knoll Field Director spent two years as Director of Personnel for the Far East Area Red Cross. She was 35 miles outside Tokyo at Camp Zama, headquarters for both ARC in the Far East and U.S. Army, Japan.

Mrs. Conklin returned last June to the Personnel Division of Western Area—only to be loaned to Oakland chapter for four months just prior to reporting to her "challenging new assignment" at Oak Knoll, where she heads a professional staff of 14 and directs the work of scores of volunteers.

In 1956 Mrs. Conklin attended the Red Cross Executive Development School in Lansing, Mich. The following year she served on the faculty of the school, which was held for the first time at the ARC National Training Center in Charlottesville, Va. She was a member of the National Red Cross Training Council during three of her 19 years at Berkeley Chapter.

Mrs. Conklin has a daughter Joyce, who teaches in San Mateo. Her son Warren is an attorney in San Luis Obispo.

Teacher: Did your father help you with this problem?

Tommy: No, I got it wrong all by myself.



LT HWANG In-Kyu of the Korean Navy checked out last Friday, receiving from the CO his BuMed Certificate indicating completion of three-months' training in the Fiscal and Supply Division. During his stay here he "learned many things and took many pictures." After a ten-day leave to see more of the Bay Area, he will fly home to his wife and two children in Chin-hae and his duties at Chin-hae Naval Medical Center.

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WAVE: Do you indulge in terpsichorean art?

Sailor: Oh, why bother about such things. Let's dance!

And did you hear what the necktie said to the hat . . . "You go on ahead. I'll hang around."

Dental Appointments Still Available For Staff Children

A few appointments are still available for the annual Oak Knoll Children's Preventive Dentistry Program.

"Although many staff families have signed up youngsters from four to 16, many eligible children will be denied this service if the parents don't contact us soon," says Captain R. A. Middleton, Chief of Dental Service. At press time, only 200 children had been scheduled.

Oak Knoll's preventive program is part of National Children's Dental Health Week, Feb. 6-12. A complete examination and topical application of stannous fluoride will be provided on each Saturday in February. Evidence continues to accumulate showing the effectiveness of the Navy Preventive Dentistry Program in reducing dental disease.

Parents desiring further information about preventive dentistry are referred to a comprehensive article, "New Miracles to Fight Tooth Decay," appearing in the February, 1966 *Good Housekeeping* magazine.

Cash & Congratulations To Four Civilians

Wilson Carter, truck driver, and George Johnson, laborer (heavy), have each received 100-dollar awards for superior performance of their duties.

Benny Sugg awards have been delivered to Willie Adams, whose idea resulted in walkie-talkies for ambulance drivers, and Philip Scott, who suggested side signals for additional safety on buses. Mr. Adams received \$15, Mr. Scott \$25.

Toastmasters Club May Organize Here

All male officers interested in organizing a Toastmasters Club at Oak Knoll are invited to meet for lunch at 1200 Monday, 31 January, in the breakfast room of the Officers' Club.

Ray A. Sharp of San Leandro, a representative of Toastmasters International, will be on hand to explain the organization and its aims.

Once the club is established, it will meet every Monday at the hour and place mentioned above.

Miss Mathews

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ing to the admiral's letter.

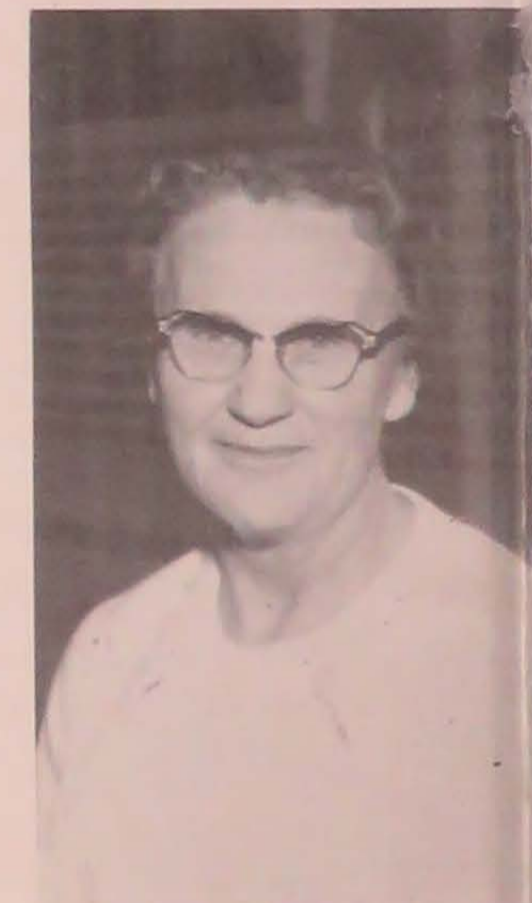
Miss Mathews, a native of Moore, Mont., and a graduate of the University of Montana with a Master of Social Sciences degree from the University of California, came to Oak Knoll from the Army's Second General Hospital in Landstuhl, Germany.

Her service with Red Cross has also taken her to military hospitals in Japan and Guam, as well as in Washington and California.

Success: Getting what you want.
 Happiness: Wanting what you get.



HN Kathleen J. Ritz, USN, checked out of Oak Knoll and the Navy with the CO's Letter of Appreciation for her services on the Intensive Care Unit. On that behalf the pretty young HN's "dependability, thorough knowledge of ward procedures, and constant concern for the physical and emotional needs of each patient were noteworthy." Furthermore she used initiative and excellent judgment in emergencies, helped the less experienced corpsmen, took pride in her work and her appearance. "Your kindness and gentle sense of humor served to lighten the load of all," the CO's letter stated.



Alta Godwin, laborer cleaner in the Operating Services Division received her 20-year pin and certificate last week when Admiral Cokely met with civilian supervisors. Mrs. Godwin worked at the Army Quartermaster Depot, Oakland, from May 1943 to September 1945. The rest of her service has been here at Oak Knoll, where she starts cleaning the Administration Building at the crack of dawn each day.

Charlie Rhymes, mess attendant (heavy), unable to be present for the photo, has also reached the 20-year mark in his Civil Service career. He began at Camp Stone man in Pittsburg and served a NSC, Oakland, before reporting to Oak Knoll in November 1948.



(1.) Surrounded by the supplies they dispense to various divisions of the hospital are Kenneth McClay, head of the materiel section, with Al Lekos, stockman, LT Hwang In-Kyu, observer-trainee from the Korean Navy, and Robert Peterson, acting head of the receiving section (while Clois Forester was on leave). Photo (2) shows LCDR E. A. Ambrose, Chief of Fiscal and Supply Division, who oversees this major operation. (3) Harold Hitz, head of the fiscal branch, with Ruth Mecchi (left), Eleanor Avila, and Mitsuo Murakami, head, budget and accounting section, previews and reviews financial plans for the hospital. (4) Fern Rogers and Ida Fahey of civilian payroll know how much co-workers earn and how much leave they take! (5) Ruth Sperry, Bertha McCoy, and Barbara Fuller post receipts and issues. They are the first to know when stocks get low. (6) This good-natured trio in the materiel section includes, left, Isaac "Pop" Fisher, Frank Quezada, and Lloyd Marshall. Surrounded by the navy stores that are their stock in trade, they review an issue request. (7) And here is able Aubry Scheid, head, purchasing section, checking a contract bid with Jane Boehme, purchaser. Members of the fiscal and supply staff not pictured are LT G. J. Palmer, head of supply, HMC Julian Sabenorio, HM1s Delbert Dittenhouser and Bill Kuzma, and HN Ronald Davern, Dorothy Dixon, Josephine Simmons, Mae Mullen, Helen Simmons, Tony Quezada, Delos Welch, Albert Brownlow, Lester Allen, Cato Mason, Bill Mainieri, and Jerry Davis.

LCDR Ambrose & Crew Know Where Money Comes From—Where It Goes

10 Military, 33 Civilians Perform Big Fiscal & Supply Operation

Some of the most important procedures in direct support of the hospital's mission stem from the lower deck of Building 133. In this busy headquarters of the Fiscal and Supply Division, 10 military and 33 civilian employees transact the many vital functions so necessary to a smooth-running medical facility.

LCDR E. A. Ambrose, MSC, directs the operation with all the skill of a managerial whiz. A Navy man since 1940, LCDR Ambrose has served at several naval hospitals. His most recent assignment was at the Naval Postgraduate School at Monterey. He holds a B.S. degree in management and is continuing his work toward a master's degree in business administration. As Chief, Fiscal and Supply Division, LCDR Ambrose is designated as the Allotment Ad-

ministrator by the commanding officer and is responsible for maintaining records and reports concerning the expenditure of all appropriated funds assigned to this hospital.

The Fiscal and Supply Division is divided into two areas of responsibility. The Fiscal Branch, headed by Mr. Harold Hitz, is primarily concerned with translating the many hospital requirements into the hard facts of budget and financial planning. Accounting for the five million dollars recorded annually to maintain and operate Oak Knoll is done within this branch, as are the time-keeping and payroll functions for the 521 civilian employees of this hospital. In addition, the over 10 million dollars of property assets at this base come under the supervision

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Technicians who carry on the important work of the medical repair section are HM1 Richard J. Balam, HMC Wilbert S. Jones, HM1 James S. Gulbrandson, and HM2 Oliver T. Jones.

(Photos by Jacobs)



Hard at work in the budget and accounting section are Arles Boden, plant account clerk, and Betty Darriman, accountant.

(Story by LT G. E. Pritchard, MSC, USN.)

Champ Bowler Bill Srock Coming 29 January

Bill Srock, one of the country's top-flight bowlers, will be aboard Saturday, 29 January to show local bowlers the techniques that have made him a champion.

Srock has an enviable tenpin record. His championships include Michigan State Singles—1958; Red Run Invitational Doubles—1959; and South Central Team—1959.

In addition to his accomplishments on the bowling lane, Srock has authored a bowling instruction book, "Fundamentals of Bowling," and prepared a slide film instruction presentation. Not only that, he was formerly a professional softball pitcher with 60 no-hit games.

He will come to Oak Knoll as a member of the Brunswick staff. This will be his second visit to the local bowling center.

New at Nearby Knowland Park—The Baby Zoo

New in the neighborhood! The Oakland Baby Zoo at Knowland State Park sponsored by the Oakland Park Commission and the East Bay Botanical and Zoological Society, is a creation of Ruhe Brothers, Inc.

The new baby zoo features exotic animals from around the world and many small domestic animals young enough for visitors to touch, feed, and play with.

For children 2 through 12 the admission is 25 cents. For adults 13 to 65 the fee is 50 cents. "Senior adults" are admitted for 25 cents.

The zoo is open from 1000 to 1630.

San Leandro Mothers Present a Radio To Contagion Ward

Patients on the contagion ward have a fine new AM/FM portable radio for their listening pleasure.

The new instrument—a gift of San Leandro Navy Mothers Club #845—was delivered this week by Mrs. Violet Sorenson.

Members of the club assist the hospital in many ways throughout the year—and on Christmas Day they assisted Santa Claus as he made his rounds.

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How was the geology lecture?
Fine, I was rocked to sleep.

Prof: Name two pronouns.
Student: Who, me?

An expert is someone called in at the last minute to share the blame.

Diaper Derby

LIFE BEGAN on 3 January for Mary Belle Raley, 6 lb. 1½ oz. daughter of Benjamin H. Raley, HMC, (Lab.) and his wife Gloria . . . on 16 January for Gretchen Knudson, 5 lb. 9½ oz. daughter of LT Robert D. Knudson, Intern, and his wife Jeanne.

Know Your Staff



HM2 Kenneth L. Mantle—at that age where life begins—is nevertheless well along in his 21st year in the Navy. He reenlisted the other day for four more, and he plans to make it 30.

The ruggedly good-looking corpsman from Salt Lake City went to the now defunct boot camp at Faragut, Idaho, and saw action in the Philippines during World War II. He recalls with greatest interest his assignment to the Amphibious Forces, Far East, in '55, where care of patients in a ship's sickbay kept him busy. Another exciting job was at NAS, North Island, where he served as an ambulance attendant on emergency runs to the airstrip.

Mantle reported to Oak Knoll last April for his second tour of duty and is now serving as Mail Petty Officer for Operating Services.

No relation to Mickey, he lists pool and bowling as his favorite sports.

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Fiscal & Supply

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and control of the Fiscal Branch.

The collection agent in Building 101 also serves under this branch.

The Supply Branch is headed by LT G. J. Palmer, MSC. This branch procures, reviews, stores, issues, controls and maintains all materials required to carry out the mission of this hospital. Nearly 6,000 different items ranging from aspirin to nuts and bolts can be found on the stock room shelves. The wide variety of items must be inventoried periodically and accounted for at all times. The Medical Repair Section, a special function of the Supply Branch, installs, repairs and maintains all medical equipment not only at this hospital, but for all other ships and stations within the 12th Naval District.

When questioned about the amazing efficiency of his department, LCDR Ambrose stated. "We have an outstanding group of personnel in this department. Although our work is complicated and often arduous, I feel the entire staff is dedicated to serving the needs of the hospital."

Hail-Farewell

OFFICERS REPORTING:

LT D. E. Parsons, MC, USN from Commander Carrier Anti-Submarine Air Group FIFTY-FIVE for residency training in anesthesia.

ENS E. L. Wilson, MSC, USN from USNavSch HospAdmin NNMC Bethesda, Md.

LT J. W. Knox, MC, USNR from inactive for duty in the Neurology Service.

LCDR W. A. Elliot, MC, USN from MCAS Iwakuni, Japan, for residency training in orthopedics.

ENLISTED DETACHED:

DTC Joe H. Martin to NavMarCor Res-Tracen, Alameda.

HM1 Stephen P. Szilagy to USNH Guam.

HM2 Manuel R. Villaroman to HCS (B) San Diego.

HM3 Donald W. Phillips, Jr., to ComStsPacMilDept., Fort Mason.

HN's Rodney B. Slade, Donald R. Ellis, and Gary L. Lynch to USNH Guam; Wallace J. Lebeck, Mark (n) Lemachen, John D. Stephenson and Vernon E. North, Jr., Dennis L. Robinson and (HM3) Thomas B. Rice to NavSupPact, Da Nang, Republic of Vietnam.

HA Merrill D. Leasure to USNH Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

ENLISTED REPORTING:

HMCS Samuel G. Petris from NavSta, T. I.

HMC Jesus J. Armas from USS AGERHOLM (DD-820).

HMI's Oliver (n) Johnson, Jr., and James L. Duranceau from NavMed-AdminU USATG and NavMobile Construction Battalion Five (MCB-5), Da Nang, Vietnam, respectively.

HM2 "J P" Daniels, Jr., from NavAir-Fac, Sigonella, Sicily.

MM2 Richard (n) Sonnenberg from USS COLLETT (DD-730).

SD3 Ernesto E. Jucutan from NavSup-Pact, Naples, Italy.

HM3's Virgil R. Pryor, Michael D. Martin and John E. Anderson from HCS San Diego; Allen K. Robbins from NavSta, T. I.; and Germaine C. Bourne from Nav-AdmCom USNTC Great Lakes.

HN's Thomas W. Lundy, Robert M.



Roth, Delbert D. Duncan, Stephen M. Oestrich, Carl E. Nickell, and Richard L. Selzler from NavSta, T. I.; Anne C. Toland and Patricia S. Muse from HCS Great Lakes; Paul P. Harris, Wayne (n) Inansi, Michael H. Lamb, Leo A. Michard, Willis R. Smith, Theodore R. Knox, Victor P. Perez, and Wayne L. Patterson from HCS San Diego.

HA's Gerald S. Nunnally, Robert L. Hinchman, Jr., Steve C. Cordova, Kenneth C. Dykes, Ronald G. Brash, Ricard P. Castro, Dorsey L. Dewitt, Serge J. Mellen, Charles C. Coleman, Gary "L" Fuller, Genovebo (n) Guzman, Jr., Robert J. Franko, Elmer A. Crain, Walter J. Pidgion, Jr., Robert P. Feeley and Gregory J. Luna from HCS San Diego.

Navy News Roundup

FAMILIES WOULD PAY PARTIAL COST UNDER DEFENSE MEDICARE PLANS—All three of the new military medicare proposals drawn up by the Defense Department carry deductible features so that military families will help defray the cost of the new care. For active-duty families using civilian outpatient care under new proposals the charge will be 20 per cent of the doctor's bill but no more than \$25 for each procedure. This means that the wife of a serviceman, for example, who is treated by a civilian doctor in his office, and who is charged \$100 by the doctor, will pay \$20, for a \$10.00 charge the sponsor would pay \$2. The proposal which will provide care, education and training for handicapped children has a similar rule. The sponsor will pay ten per cent of the cost, but no more than \$25 a month . . . **NEW DEFENSE REG**

TO COVER SOME JUSTICE BILL CHANGES—Defense is going to put into effect by regulation some of the changes in military justice proposed by 18 bills on which the Senate Armed Services Committee will start hearings 18 Jan. While supporting several of the 18 bills, Defense has told Congress it opposes most of them. The hearings, to be headed by Sen. Sam Ervin (D., N.C.), will take testimony from the top legal officers of the services, judges of the Court of Military Appeals, and some of the nation's leading legal experts . . . **COMPTROLLER SAYS**

BONUS IS A RIGHT—He who gets the variable re-enlistment bonus, even a first installment of it, is generally going to keep it, regardless of what happens. And he's going to be able to pass unpaid portions on to survivors. That's the word passed by the Comptroller General in a series of classifications of the 1964 pay act provisions creating the bonus . . .

EXTENDED MEN BEGIN LEAVING—Navy and Marine Corps enlistees have started heading for the exits for the first time in four months as their involuntary extensions begin to expire. Personnel officials continue to have "no comment" comments on whether or not there will be any easement of the 4-month extension . . . **CIVILIAN MALE NURSI**

TOTAL 14; 141 HMs APPLY—The total of civilian male nurses selected has now reached 14 with the first five of them at their duty stations. The first hospital corpsmen will be chosen*by the selection board which meets in January. There are, so far, 141 applications from both male and female hospital corpsmen who are anxious to begin the nursing program. The Navy Nurse Corps will not say how many are males. On the civilian side, six more males who applied for the program did not qualify, either because they were over the age limit or had insufficient training. . . . **TAXATION RATE GOES UP**—Two things will be happening to increase the bite on military pay checks in January. The rate of taxation goes up from the present 3.625 percent to a new high of 4.5 per cent. That's all that happens to you if your pay is \$4,800 or less; if it is more than \$6200 you get an additional raise in Social Security taxes.



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A Progress Report on the New Oak Knoll . . .



BEFORE A HOSPITAL GOES UP, contractors must go down—That's what's going on here as Huber, Hunt, and Nichols of Santa Clara proceed with the new building project. In the center of the scene a pier-drilling rig prepares the way for concrete pier foundations. Farther on, the first wall forms around the crawl space under the second floor may be seen. At extreme lower left, deeper diggings are visible. This is a small corner of the crawl space under the first floor.

The contractor's portable offices may be seen at right, and in the center above the excavation are tool sheds and yard for prefabricating forms.

"Structural excavation is virtually completed, and we are generally on schedule," LCDR Jack Wright, CEC, Resident Officer in Charge of Construction, reported this week. "As soon as the rain stops, we'll start excavation of a trench for the hospital's permanent electrical service. This will be alongside Building 129."

Admiral Nimitz Honored by USO For His Role in Its Founding

America's ranking Naval officer and World War II commander, Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, received the top award of the Bay Area USO at a dinner commemorating the USO's 25th Anniversary on 2 February at Treasure Island.

Though unable to be present, because of the severe illness that brought him to Oak Knoll several weeks ago, Admiral Nimitz designated Rear Admiral John E. Clark, Commander of the Twelfth Naval District, to accept the USO Silver Medallion from Allen L. Chickering, Jr., Western Regional Chairman and member of the Board of Governors of National USO.

According to James A. Bacigalupi, Jr., outgoing Bay Area USO president, "this Silver Medallion

Award with Citation was presented in recognition of Admiral Nimitz' interest in the efforts for USO in peace and war." Admiral Nimitz is credited with an important role in the conceiving and founding of the federation of agencies which became USO officially on February 4, 1941.

HM1 Joseph Johnson Reenlists for Four

HM1 Joseph F. Johnson reenlisted yesterday for four, which will take him up to 14. It was the second Oak Knoll reenlistment for the good-looking Food Service Corpsman. What's more he happily states that this is his favorite of the six duty stations where he has served.

Coming 19 February

Mardi Gras Ball At the EM Club

Have you dreamed of going to New Orleans for Mardi Gras?

No need to make that long trip. Mardi Gras—complete with the atmosphere of old Bourbon Street—is coming to Oak Knoll Saturday, 19 February.

The party, a ball in the EM Club, will be a costume affair with prizes going to wearers of the most original and the most beautiful.

The party will begin at 1930 and continue until 0100. It will feature a delicious dinner with the New Orleans flavor, a floor show, and live music for dancing.

Baby sitters will be available at the nursery to enable married staff members to come to the ball.

Advancement Exam For Pay Grade E-4 To Be Given 24 May

BUPERS Notice 1418 of 21 January 1966 advises that a special exam for advancement to pay grade E-4 (HM3) will be held 24 May. Those who fail or are PNA'd as a result of February 1966 exams may compete, as well as those who will become eligible by having acquired 6 months in grade. If you made E-3 on or before 16 February 1966 you may be eligible.

Course and Practical Factors requirements remain the same and must be completed by 24 April 1966. Questions?? Stop in at Education and Training Building 25-A.



HM2's Oscar M. Navarrete (far left) and Ernest B. Copas (center) reenlisted last week for six years each. Navarrete, a native of Chile, is attached to the staff of the Occupational Therapy Department, where he has worked since reporting to the Knoll in 1965. Copas, attached to Main X-Ray, reported aboard in 1963 as a student in X-Ray, and after completion of studies became a staff member. The third man, Francisco Asis Santos, Steward at the BOQ, reenlisted for four years on January 28. He reported to Oak Knoll in December of 1965, and hails from Paluig, Zambales, Philippines.

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At a time of year notoriously bad for the appearance of new and exciting books, Truman Capote's *IN COLD BLOOD* stands out like a shining light. Called by its author a non-fiction novel, the book appears as a new type of literary experiment. The book was first published, or part of it, in slightly different form in the *New Yorker Magazine* and deals with the savage murder of the four members of the Clutter family, who were found on November 15, 1959, brutally murdered by blasts from a shotgun held a few inches from their faces. With the help of Harper Lee, author of *TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD*, Truman Capote follows the crime clinically, and yet with great compassion and understanding until on April 14, 1965, Richard Eugene Hickock and Perry Edward Smith are hanged on the gallows of a Kansas penitentiary. The book deals with the lives and death of all six people involved and is a masterpiece of fine writing and honest reporting.

Two other books of merit, both novels which deserve special mention are John Updike's *OF THE FARM*, which concerns itself with the ground where people chose to locate their lives and is laid in southeastern Pennsylvania in the present day; and John O'Hara's *LOCKWOOD CONCERN* which by coincidence is also laid in Pennsylvania. John O'Hara is always a masterful storyteller, and this novel which spans four generations of the Lockwood family and deals with the vanity of human wishes, is a major work by the man many critics feel is the major fiction writer in America today.

For those of us still seeking a successor to James Bond, there has appeared a new thriller by the author of *THE IPCRESS FILE* and *FUNERAL IN BERLIN*. This new book *THE BILLION DOLLAR BRAIN* follows the formula of its two predecessors, but something is missing. The nameless, tired, cynical and witty hero of the earlier books is here, with a few new characters, and while something is lacking in the formula, it still makes for better than average reading enjoyment. Helen MacInnes, the author of *ABOVE SUSPICION* and *THE VENETIAN AFFAIR* is back again with a very fine novel of suspense *THE DOUBLE IMAGE*.

—Emmy Berger,
Crew's Librarian

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Waiter! What is this?
It's bean soup, sir.
I don't care what it's been. What is it now?

Tell me the story of the police raiding your fraternity.
Oh, that's a closed chapter now.

Corpsman: Am I the only man you have ever kissed?
Wave: Yes, and by far the best looking.

A college boy's definition of a male parent: The KIN you love to touch.



HM3 David S. Quinlan and Sadie P. Rowell received, from Captain Arje, certificates for completion of On the Job Training Cardiology in EKG/BMR Thursday, January 27. Both Quinlan and Rowell have worked Cardiology for the past year.

Unit Commendation For LT Pritchard & MIDWAY Crew

LT G. E. Pritchard, MSC, USN of the Outpatient Service, has received the Navy Unit Commendation awarded to personnel of the USS MIDWAY (CVA-41) and ATTACK CARRIER AIR WING TWO (CVW-2).

The commendation is for "exceptionally meritorious service from 16 April to 4 November 1965 while participating in combat operations in Southeast Asia in support of U.S. national policy. Carrying out over 11,900 combat sorties during this period of intense operations, USS MIDWAY and her embarked air wing conducted a sustained series of devastating airstrikes against enemy military targets and logistics installations in North and South Vietnam."

Additionally, in airborne encounters, MIDWAY-based aircraft succeeded in destroying the first three MIG interceptors to be credited to U.S. forces in Southeast Asia. The courage, fighting spirit and selfless dedication to duty displayed by officers and men of MIDWAY and embarked ATTACK CARRIER AIR WING TWO were in keeping with the highest traditions of the U.S. Naval Service.

The citation was signed by Secretary of the Navy Paul H. Nitze.

Mr. Pritchard returned to Oakland from the MIDWAY last August. During a previous tour of duty he was Administrative Assistant to the Chief of the NP Service.

Hail-Farewell

OFFICERS REPORTING ABOARD:
ENS D. D. Thorson, MSC, USN, from NNMC, Bethesda, Md., for duty in Force Service Division.

ENLISTED DETACHED:
HMC William D. Fanning to USMERRICK (AKA-97) at Long Beach.
HN's Henry D. Lopez, Edwin B. Pedersen, Robert C. Holloway, William A. Quisada, Jonnie D. Topper, and Michael Gribble to 3rd MarDiv Rein FMF Vietnam.

ENLISTED REPORTING:
HM3 Joan M. Mekkers from USN San Diego.

HN's Miles L. Langley, Robert Howard, Richard H. Savelli, Larry Lowdermilk, and Timothy R. Letourneau from HCS San Diego.

HN's Henry J. Fast, Martha S. Day and Teena P. Day from HCS Great Lake.
HN Franklin D. Reese reports from Naval Station at T.I.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

"Games People Play" is a witty and interesting book written by Dr. Eric Berne, a California psychiatrist. One of the games he mentions that we often play is "Indigence." The thesis of this game is stated by a character in a play who says: "The event must have taken place during the year when I was looking for a job without the slightest intention of taking one. It reminded me that, desperate as I thought myself to be, I had not even bothered to look through the columns at the want ads."

You see, we can really kid ourselves about the depth and consistency of our motivation. This can apply to every part of our living—from the highest moral and religious to the most routine action. We can think we are trying, but actually be "dragging our feet."

The good old "college try" is surely one way to find consistency in our living. If we are to be people of integrity let us give the right actions an honest try. The Boy Scout's Oath begins: "On my honor I will do my best." Let that be a guiding principle of our lives.

LT DWIGHT A. NEUENSCHWANDER, CHC, USNR-R
Protestant Chaplain

Inspection



WAVES AND CORPSMEN LOOKED sharp at inspection last Friday—the first for 1966. CAPT S. L. Arje, Executive Officer, conducted the inspection, aided here by LTJG L. W. Rice, MSC.



CDR Al Schwab's painting of an old sailing vessel (above) was like the weather. Everyone talked about it, but nobody did anything about it until . . . the AO took leave last week. CDR W. H. Jones, acting AO, took one more look at the painting, decided it was time for action.



Imagine Commander Schwab's surprise when he looked up from his desk Monday morning and discovered the situation pictured above — only the schooner's keel above water and the whole thing going down fast.

A veil of secrecy surrounds the sinking. However, there may be a clue in CDR Jones' sotto voce comment to Captain Arje, XO: "Well, Helen of Troy's face LAUNCHED a thousand ships, but your right hand . . ."

ARC Spent \$39 Million For Military Service During Past Year

The American Red Cross last year spent more than \$39 million on services for U.S. military men around the world, according to its annual report for fiscal 1965. The total expenditure on the military was \$39,090,221, its largest single outlay of the more than \$108 million spent.

At 400 major military installations in the U.S. and 30 foreign countries, staff workers and volunteers helped an average of 77,000 servicemen and women each month.

Other work included assistance to nearly 87,000 service families each month. In military hospitals 8300 patients a month were assisted with family emergencies.

In VA medical facilities an average of 155,400 patients were served each month by 65,000 volunteers, with 27,000 veterans and their families receiving assistance every month in local chapters.

The greatest spur to the ARC program in 1965 was the rapid buildup in Vietnam.

When units moved there last summer, Red Cross field directors shipped with them. Red Cross officials report that more than 100 staff workers now serve in Vietnam, including 20 girls who operate three clubmobile centers.

Scuttlebutt

NUPTIAL NOTES: HN Bobbie Ashe of 73A is the newest bride aboard. She exchanged vows with CT2 John A. Billingsly of Skaggs Island Navy Communications Station last Saturday afternoon at her brother's home in Sonoma — the place where they met. Bobbie's brother is a navy chief stationed at Skaggs. HN's Eileen Smith and Bonnie Sexton of Oak Knoll attended the bride. . . . On 15 January HN Arla Hokanson of PT and HM3 Roland A. Cooper slipped away to Reno and exchanged "I do's." Cooper graduates from Lab School today and will be assigned to duty at Treasure Island—a convenient commute from their San Leandro apartment. . . . And in Civil Readjustment Pat Wenstrom's smile is as bright as her brand new diamond engagement ring, gift of her former—and future—husband, Hal A. Wenstrom. The two will remarry soon and in late April will move to Alaska. Mr. Wenstrom will serve as superintendent of the Geodetic Survey Construction Unit at Palmer, and they expect to live in Anchorage.

RANDOM NOTES: The next Hail and Farewell Party at the Officers' Club will be held 19 February, buffet beginning at 1900 . . . A welcome visitor last week was former AO, CDR L. H. Joslin, MSC. The Commander, now AO at USNH, Memphis, came west to see his son Leslie graduate with honors from San Jose State College . . . Staff officers who wish to brush up on their public speaking before a congenial audience may join the local Toastmasters Club. The time is every Monday at 1200; the place is the O'Club breakfast room . . .

AN ACORN Cluster to THE FIG LEAF, which invites officers' wives to "Cumin' over—we'll have a great 'thyme' and get some 'sage ideas' when a representative from Spice Islands speaks at next Wednesday's luncheon."

DID YOU KNOW — That Mr. Dalton, dashing Assistant AO and Aide to the CO, advanced from Seaman Recruit to MSC Ensign in 6 years, 4 months — the shortest time on record in this program . . . That OT's Linda Davis was commissioned at the age of 20 and that she is a member of the NAS, Alameda, Sailing Association? . . . That LCDR Georgie Simpson in civilian life served as a junior engineer for Gruman Aircraft Corporation and as an instructor in the College of Veterinary Medicine, Washington State University?

LIFE BEGAN on 21 January for Leslie Michael Morrison, 8 pound son of Robert Morrison, HN, X-Ray School, and his wife Charlene.

Supply Corps Officers Celebrating Birthday

Active, retired and reserve Supply Corps officers will rendezvous at the Treasure Island Officers' Club Annex 23 February from 1830 to 2030 to celebrate the 171st Birthday of their Corps.

LTJG R. G. Rightmeyer, of Naval Supply Center, Oakland, is ticket coordinator. He may be reached by telephone at 466-6911.



LCDR Mildred C. Henry, NC, USNR, received the CO's Letter of Appreciation as she departed 21 January for a visit to her home in Seaside Park, N.J., and a new assignment at USNH, San Diego.

Twenty Years Ago In the OAK LEAF

Fresh from the laurels of the San Francisco Open, four of the world's leading golfers appeared at Oak Knoll's driving range early this week. Leading the list of top-flight professional demonstrators was Byron Nelson, recognized by most critics as the greatest golfer on the links today.

Gone are the snappy Marines of the Security Guard who for over two years have stood silent sentinel at the main gate. In their place now stands a newly-organized crew of pharmacists' mates. The task of guarding the hospital during the nocturnal watches is handled by the same corps of civilian night watchmen who did this job before.

The post office at Oak Knoll, crowded scene of ecstatic joy and bitter sorrow, will be disbanded as a Navy unit soon to become part of the U.S. Post Office department and a branch of the U.S. Post Office at Oakland.

The welfare and rec department has received 100 beautifully-bound service record scrapbooks, which when filled out tell the complete story of a GI's life in the service. The books are a gift of William P. Kyne, general manager of Bay Meadows racetrack.

Sailor: I don't know what's the matter. I never danced so poorly before.

WAVE: Oh, then you have danced before?

Spicy Program for O' Wives' Club

Perhaps you will notice a wonderful aroma coming from the Officers' Club Wednesday, February 9, as Miss Neva Gove, a Spice Island Company representative, will be tantalizing the Officers' Wives' Club with her program. With her lecture she will furnish recipes and prizes, and may even cook quite a stew.

LCDRs Mullin & Henry Depart for Duty at USNH San Diego

LCDRs Mildred C. Henry and Dorothy Mullin, who were classmates at St. John's University, where each earned her BS Degree in nursing education and her MS in nursing service administration, once again have received orders to the same station.

Both reported from St. John's to USNH, St. Albans, in 1958. Oak Knoll was their next assignment. Both will report to San Diego on 11 February.

Miss Mullin has served as OBGYN supervisor during much of her stay at Oak Knoll, her work in that assignment being rudely interrupted a year ago when she required hospitalization following a heart attack. The attack, incidentally, interrupted a ski trip to Lake Tahoe.

Miss Henry was Nursing Service Inservice Educational Coordinator, and for her consistently high level of performance, she received the CO's Letter of Appreciation at departure.

"Your attitude toward your job was one of warm concern and personal consideration for all. You were never too busy or harassed to assist in the personal and professional or technical development of all levels of personnel on the Nursing Service. . . . Your congenial relations with other departments contributed to a better understanding of mutual problems. . . . As chairman of numerous nursing committees, your contacts with representatives of agencies in the community served to enhance the reputation of the Nurse Corps and this hospital," Admiral Cokely's letter read in part.

The Spice Island Company is the maker of fine spices, herbs, vinegars, teas, and coffees.

The luncheon beginning at 1230, will be hosted by wives of officers in the Pathology, Medical and Dental intern departments. Mrs. D. B. Rulon is general chairman.



Millhiser



Lamon



Holden



Stillman



Carson



Cook

Veteran Players Warming Up for 12ND Baseball Season

Basketball Team Travels Today To Moffett Field

Oak Knoll's basketball team will travel to Moffett Field this afternoon to play Hunters Point.

If the Hilltoppers beat Hunters Point today, they can vie tomorrow for the 12ND Title in the Basketball Finals, also to be held at Moffett Field.

Game time this afternoon is 1400, and all who can possibly attend are encouraged to go and support the team.

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Volleyball Teams Now Forming

The volleyball season is upon us!

Men's and women's teams are being formed now, for 12ND play. As of now, only a few people have signed up for either team, and it is imperative that full teams are made up before the middle of the month. If you are interested in playing or merely want more information concerning the volleyball teams, contact Special Services at Ext 593.

—usn—

When they pulled the professor, half drowned, from the water, he sputtered, "How exasperating! I've just recalled the fact that I can swim."

—usn—

1st HN: I woke up last night with the feeling my watch was gone; so I got up and looked for it.

2nd HN: Well, was it gone?

1st: No, but it was going!

Coach Moffett Still Rounding Up Players

There will be some familiar faces on the ball diamond this year. Bill Holden (NP) and Bob Cook (67B) will be back playing in the outfield; John Carson (PT) will be in centerfield; J. D. Stillman (Admission Room) in left field; Jack Lamon (Orthopedic X-Ray) will be behind the batter (catching); and that tall lanky figure who'll appear on the pitcher's mound is Cliff Millhiser (X-Ray).

This is Carson's, Cook's, Stillman's and Holden's second year with the Hilltoppers. Millhiser and Lamon are out for the third consecutive year.

Coach Moffett is looking toward another good season in baseball; providing he can round up a few more players. There are still openings left on the team, and for the baseball-minded, it should be a good year, with other 12ND activities readying their squads to provide stiff and lively competition.

Practice is being held at the athletic field in the afternoons from 1600 until dark, and all are invited to try out for the team.

The first practice game will be played on 24 February. The first regular game of the season is scheduled for early April (date is still not set).

If you are interested in joining the team, contact Coach Moffett at Ext 593, or drop down to the athletic field in the afternoon after work.

Do You Wrestle? Run? Jump, Play Pingpong? Then You're Needed for 12ND Competition

Do you enjoy competition? If so, Coach Moffett at Special Services has a position for you; on either the track and field teams, or the wrestling team. If you prefer the milder type sports, then you are needed for table tennis (women only).

Twelfth Naval District Track and Field Events, wrestling, and table tennis play are coming up in the latter part of this month and in March.

Avoid the last minute rush. Join up now—call Coach Moffett at Ext 593.

Navy News Roundup

THE NAVY'S BUDGET: NO PAY RAISE, BUT MORE MEN, SHIPS, PROMOTIONS—While there may not be any money for a pay raise in President Johnson's fiscal 1967 budget, the \$12.3 billion supplementary Vietnam request contains something almost as good for enlisted men.

The manpower increases asked for in the supplementary request mean **BIG** promotion possibilities.

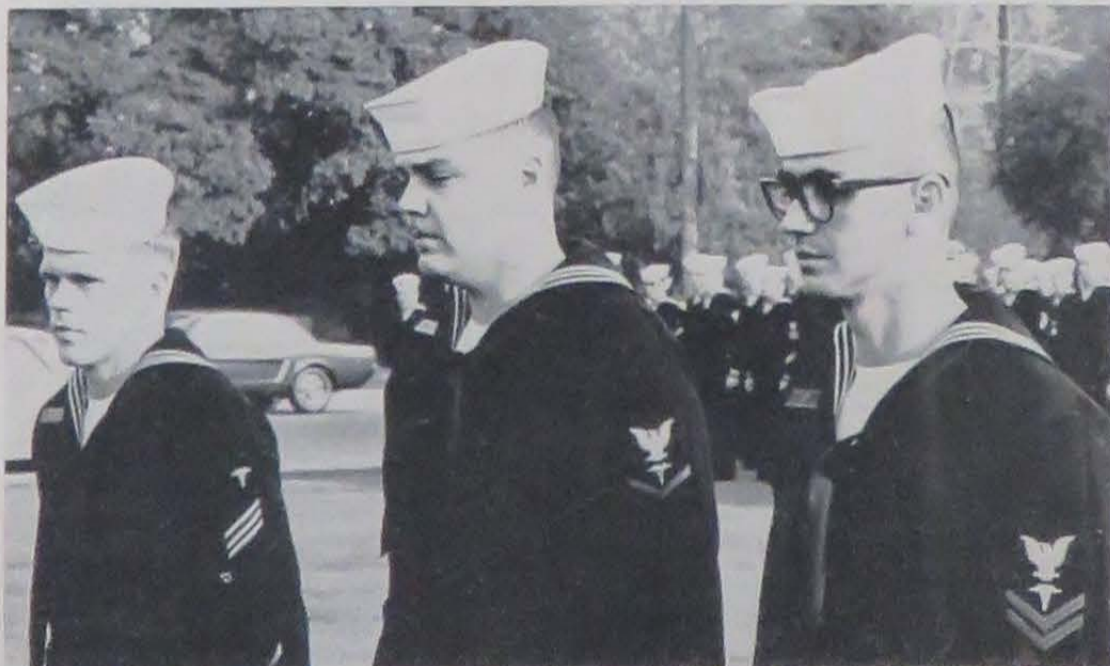
Because of the big buildup, personnel planners have already started moves geared to support a much bigger military force. Within the past week:

The President asked for 113,000 additional men.

Defense officials have announced revised enlisted ceilings.

The Navy, which right now is holding its regular midwinter examinations for promotions, has announced a special test to get more third class petty officers. The special test is slated for May 23 . . . **2nd NUCLEAR CARRIER TOPS SHIP PROGRAM**—A second nuclear carrier has the number one spot in the Navy portion of the Federal budget just submitted for congressional approval. The requested carrier is part of a 51-ship construction and conversion program for 1967 . . . **FIRST OF MALE HM's SOON TO BE NURSES**—The first hospital corpsmen to become members of the Nurse Corps will be chosen during the first week in February. The selection board had been slated to meet in January, but the meeting was postponed.

The final total of applications from corpsmen was 146—only five of them from women . . . **DEFENSE ASKS LEGAL CONTROL OF O'SEAS KIN**—The Defense Department wants to bring overseas dependents and civilian employees back under military law—for minor infractions. It wants to subject such dependents and employees accused of serious crimes to trial in regular federal courts.



HN John L. Decore, NP Service (far left), HM3 Jon W. Karstens, Sr., of Security (center), and HM2 Charles Ott, CO's driver, stand at attention prior to receiving their Good Conduct Medals and Certificates from Captain Arje, XO, during last week's Personnel Inspection.





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O' Wives' Club Offers Two \$300 Scholarships

The Oak Knoll Officers' Wives' Club, for the third consecutive year, will award two 300-dollar scholarships, according to Mrs. David B. Rulon, the club's 1966 scholarship chairman.

Applicants for the grants must be dependent children, legally adopted children, or stepchildren of an officer (CWO or above) in the Medical, Dental, Medical Service, or Chaplain Corps of the Navy. If the officer is on active duty, he must be serving in the Twelfth Naval District at the time the application is submitted. If the officer is retired or deceased, his last duty station must have been within this area.

The grants are to be used at an academic institution of higher learning or at an accredited school of nursing. High school graduating seniors and students now engaged in undergraduate study at the college level are eligible. Former applicants may reapply in subsequent years.

Selections will be made on the basis of scholarship and merit.

Application forms may be obtained by writing:

Scholarship Chairman,
Officers' Wives' Club
% Administrative Officer
U.S. Naval Hospital
Oakland, California 94627

Deadline for mailing applications is 15 April.

The awards will be announced in May.

LCDR Gerald Sierchio Passes His Boards

Congratulations are in order for LCDR Gerald P. Sierchio of the Orthopedic Service.

Doctor Sierchio has been notified that he passed his board examinations and is now a Diplomat of the Board of Orthopedic Surgery.

VIPs—Movie and MarCorps—Visit Oak Knoll

Debbie Dishes Out Music and Mirth

"I Like the Likes of You," a beautiful blue-eyed blonde sang to the young patient immobilized in a Stryker frame. He liked the likes of her, too. The young lady was Debbie Reynolds. The patient was L/CPL Chris Cline, USMC, one of many the screen star greeted personally ("My name's Debbie Reynolds, what's yours?") during her visit here Saturday afternoon.

With her came comedian Johnny Grant and a new set of wisecracks collected since his visit here in December, and Carol Wells, Hollywood actress, who chatted with the patients. Miss Wells played in "Come Blow Your Horn" with Frank Sinatra, "The Absent-Minded Professor," and "The Lively Set," and for three years in the "National Velvet" TV series.

But it was Debbie's show.

"I just dropped in to say hello," the Texas-born actress told her ward audiences, "but they went out and rented a piano; so I don't want to blow the money — any requests?"

There were: "The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You," "They Say I've Found Somebody New," "I Want to Be Happy," "Pennies from Heaven," "I Left My Heart in San Francisco," and the ever-popular "Tammy." And she ad-libbed songs to fit the occasion, with Rudy Render accompanying.

When HA Charlie Cooper wheeled 8-year-old Tommy Ford into the ward, Debbie sang out "I'm Just Wild About Tommy" and Johnnie Grant said, "Man, they're drafting 'em young these days."

When CPL Dan Vallegos, USMC, said he was from Colorado, Debbie told of being there to make "Where the West Was Won."

"That is the most beautiful state. It was fall, and everything was pure gold."

Finding AN John Bacon with a thermometer in his mouth, she removed it and read: "Only 90—Young man, you are in trouble!"

A group of teen-age girls from the First Southern Baptist Church in Hayward trooped in bringing cookies for the ward. Debbie, munching one, said: "It was lovely of you to bring me these cookies, but where are the chocolate chip?"

When she approached MM2 Brooks H. Baldwin, Johnny Grant told him, "Tiger, with that mustache you can kiss her and brush her off at the same time."

Giving the star a breather Johnny reported: "In Vietnam they

(Continued on page 3)



Oakland Tribune Photo

On Ward 70A Debbie clowned and sang for a delighted audience. That's Rudy Render at the piano.



COL Michael Yunck of 69A received a greeting by very special delivery when MAJGEN Frank C. Tharin, Commanding General of El Toro Marine Corps Air Base and MAJGEN Raymond L. Murray, Inspector General of the Marine Corps, visited him recently. The parchment scroll was signed by his many friends at El Toro. Other distinguished visitors to Marine patients at Oak Knoll have included MAJGEN John H. Masters, Commanding General, MarCorp Supply Center, Barstow, MAJGEN Richard G. Weede, MarCorps Director of Personnel, and retired generals Oliver P. Smith, C. W. Bank, and John T. Walker.

Come to the

MARDI GRAS BALL

Dinner Floor Show Dancing

Prizes for Best Costumes

1930 to 0100 Saturday night
at the EM Club

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INTERRUPTIONS

How many times have you started the day full of energy, with a cup of coffee in hand, and a "go-get-it" spirit, only to be interrupted by numerous people, meetings, and those "rush or action" jobs that need your personal attention? Then you find at the close of the day that you never accomplished the things you started to do. Story of your life? We all face annoying interruptions. Jesus also found it happening to Him almost every day: someone out of the crowd would interrupt Him, or people would interrupt His rest. How often in the Gospels do we meet this: "While He spoke these things unto them, behold, there came a certain ruler saying . . ." or "Behold, two blind men . . . cried out, saying . . ." or "Behold, a woman . . . cried unto Him saying . . . Lord . . . my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil." Interruptions!

When they happen to you, how do you handle them? Well, some people take them resentfully, and get mad, and feel sorry for themselves. Others try the "Stoic" approach—like turtles they pull back into their shells where there is security. However, these two ways really don't solve the problem.

May I suggest that we handle life's interruptions the Christian way: Creatively. That means that when the storms of life strike us, we soar above them like the mighty eagle.

Dr. Boreham of Australia tells the story of a man who lived in a comfortable house by a river; under the house he had a light, airy cellar, in which he kept his prize hens. One night the river overflowed its banks, flooded the cellar, and drowned the hens. Early the next morning he was off to his landlord to complain about the house and give notice of his intention to move. "But why?" asked the landlord, "I thought you liked the house?" "I do," said the tenant, "very much, but the river has flooded the cellar and all my hens have drowned." "Oh," said the landlord, "don't move on account of that. Try ducks."

The Christian rises above interruptions—how about you?

LT EDWARD E. JAYNE, CHC, USNR

Divine Services in the Chapel

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Sunday: 0830 Mass
 1215 Mass
 Confessions before each Mass
 Monday through Saturday:
 1200 Mass, preceded by
 Rosary

PROTESTANT

Sunday: 1030 Divine Worship
 Communion First Sunday of
 Month
 Thursday: 1900 Choir Rehearsal
 and Fellowship Hour

Free Literature Available in the Chapel or in the Chaplain's Office, 67A



CDR A. J. SCHWAB, AO, delivered the address to the graduating class of OR Students on Friday, 4 February. The graduates are, from left, front row: Ralph Driggs, Arthur McKay, Carol Murray, John Tulp, and Fredrick Slusser. In back row are HM2 Jess Salinas, OR Enlisted Instructor, CDR Barbara Ellis, NC, OR Supervisor Instructor, CAPT Arje and CAPT Robinson.

Page From the Oak Knoll Family Album



Meet young Glen Ellis of the Dothan, Ala., Ellises—a handsome 18-year-old recruit at NTC, San Diego, and bridegroom-to-be of Nina Jo Carrol, his boyhood sweetheart.

Corps School at San Diego, and then this young man was on his way. He has served aboard USS ROCHESTER, USS LOFBERG, USS WILTSIE, USS HAMUL, and USS FREMONT and in hospitals from Yokosuka, Japan, to Beaufort, S. C. He achieved officer status in November 1957 and in June 1960 was graduated from the Naval School of Hospital Administration, Bethesda. After serving on the staff of ComServGroup One, as Medical Administrative Officer, Medical Representative for Service Force, Pacific Fleet, West Coast, and Group Special Services Officer, he reported to Oak Knoll in August 1964.



The Glen Ellis of today—LT, MSC — has a more purposeful look as he goes about his duties as Security Officer at Oak Knoll. That job keeps him busy by day. And this was true when, as Administrative Assistant to the Chief of the Outpatient Service, he established the Central Appointment System that is now functioning so effectively. Two nights a week he takes Chabot College courses that will ultimately lead to a BA Degree.

Other major interests for the gray-haired, brown-eyed Mr. Ellis? That same Nina Jo Carrol he married 21 years ago and their 19-year-old daughter Jo Carol, who is also studying for her BA at Chabot and working here as a JANGO. And there's Buffie, a cocker, "the last dog in the world who would be of any assistance in the Security Division."

The EENT Student—What He Learns

The problem of meeting the requirements for technicians in our clinics and services is a pressing one. To meet this requirement the Navy conducts formal schools to train technicians. Oak Knoll has nine of these schools. By publishing from time to time an outline of the curriculum taught, we will offer an opportunity for those interested to evaluate the various schools. If you should decide to attend one of these "C" schools there is much to gain, a more thorough knowledge of the HM rating, as well as increase your earning capability when you leave the service.

THE EENT TECHNICIAN

The EENT Tech acquires specialized knowledge of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. The value of an EENT Technician to the Navy is that he provides skilled help for the doctors and better care for the patients.

Students spend the first four weeks in the Operating Room School learning the principles of sterile technique, then return to EENT for rotation within the department for the remaining twen-

ty-two weeks of school. Regular classes are held during these weeks on the Anatomy and Physiology of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat and familiarization with the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat instruments, Audiology, Optical shop, and both eye and otolaryngology clinics.

The knowledge and skills learned by the EENT Technician provides the background for employment in many fields of civilian life. The practical experience gained in the EENT division may enable him to acquire a well paid position with civilian doctors and hospitals, optical companies and departments of audiology in schools.

If you are interested in EENT school, inquire at Education and Training Building 25-A.

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Suitor: I would like to marry your daughter.

Businessman: Well, sir, you may leave your name and address and if nothing better turns up, we'll notify you.

Scuttlebutt

OUR TAIWAN CORRESPONDENT, CAPT Ray Watten, CO of NAMRU 2 and former Director of CIC, sends one for the SMALL WORLD DEPT: While Doctor Watten was in Hongkong he ran into LT and Mrs. A. G. Belton strolling along Nathan Road in Kowloon. The Beltons were spending a week in the British Crown Colony while en route around the world before he settles down to a civilian law practice. Of course Dr. Watten wasn't too surprised since he had read in THE OAK LEAF that the former Oak Knoll Legal Officer and his wife were passing through his neighborhood.

SCENES FROM THE PAS-SAGEWAY PARADE: CDR and Mrs. Schwab celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary 9 February at dinner at the House of Lee . . . James Lingenfelter, Arnold Pettit, and Clifford Mitchell donating their blood to the Civilian Employees Blood Bank . . . CAPT Gary Cooper, USMC, looking handsome in his dress blues as he escorted Debbie Reynolds during her Saturday tour . . . The Civilian Employees Bulletin reporting that opportunity won't knock if you're not worth and wrap . . . Valentine's Day passing almost unnoticed . . . Dorothy Solaro, the CO's secretary taking her turn at jury duty . . . Admiral and Mrs. Cokely returning from a Honolulu holiday . . .

OAKNOLLUMNUS: HMC Dale E. Bradford, graduate of the Lab School here, is now an ensign in the Medical Service Corps, according to a press release from 13ND Headquarters, Seattle.

DO YOU KNOW — That work was actually begun on the original Oak Knoll on 23 February 1942 . . . that tomorrow night is the Mardi Gras Ball at the EM Club and that YOU are invited?

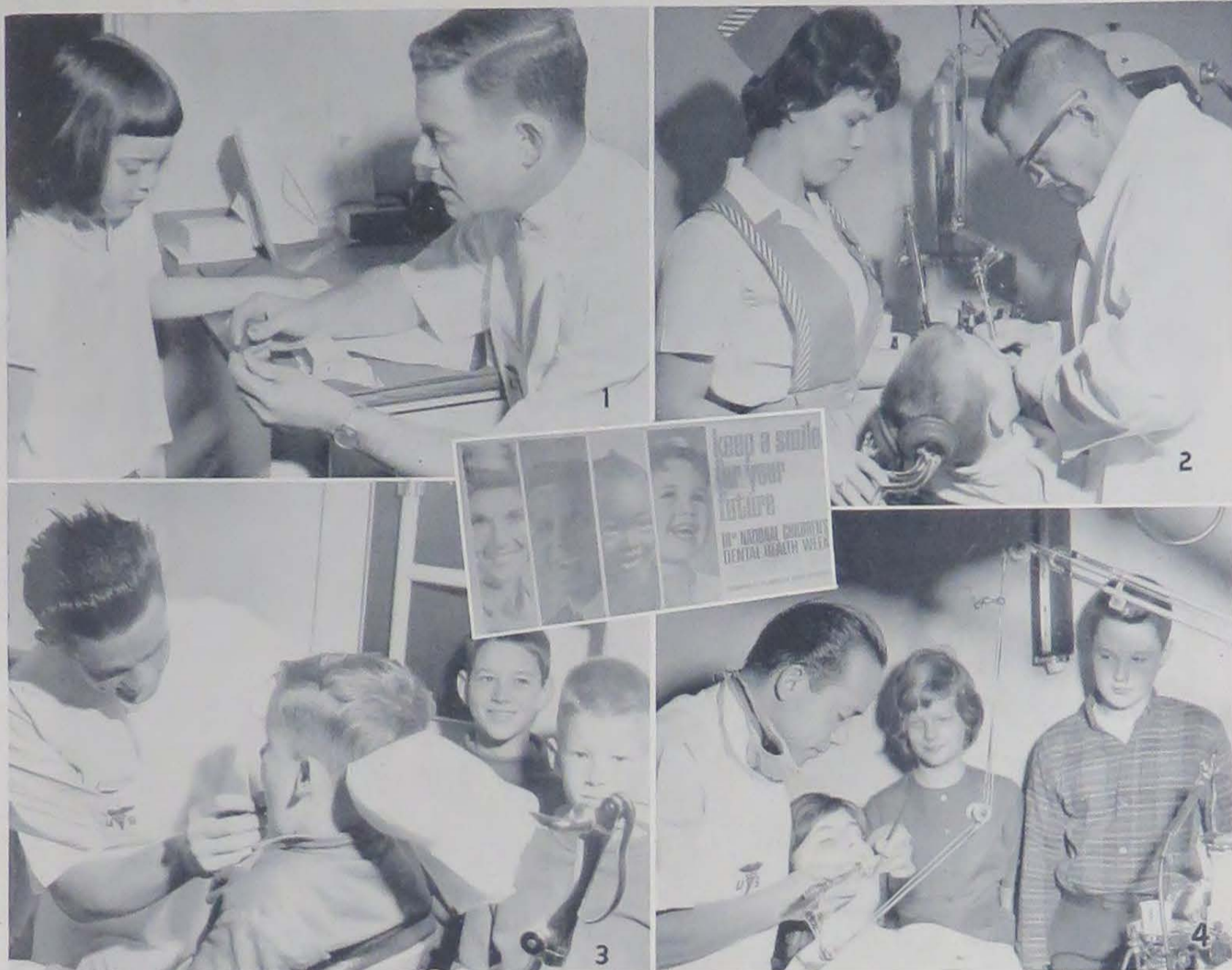
LIFE BEGAN on 9 February for Charles Russell King, 7-pound son of CDR L. M. King, Jr., Ophthalmology President, and his wife Miriam.

Maintenance Projects Renewing Old Knoll

CDR E. L. Eustis, Public Works Officer, reports that the contract was awarded this week for much-needed repair of roofs of the Laboratory, Orthopedic Surgery, and Food Service Building.

The project follows the Administration Building face-lifting, accomplished by application of weatherproof cement asbestos shingle siding.

That Ounce of Prevention . . .



SATURDAYS ARE BUSY DAYS IN THE DENTAL SERVICE this month as staff children receive special preventive care—Oak Knoll's way of observing National Dental Health Week. In Photo (1) Kathy Chamberlin receives personalized instruction in tooth-brushing procedures from an expert—CDR J. F. Hardin. In (2) JANGO Jo Carol Ellis assists while LT Charles E. Schutt applies fluoride paste to his young patient's pearly whites. (4) DT1 Art Quintong makes a young lady's teeth sparkle, and Michelle Benoit and Stephen Viele seem to anticipate the procedure with pleasure. (3) Bite-wing X-Rays are part of the program. The biter here unfortunately was not identified, but the two gentlemen waiting their turn are Bob and Jim Viele. The technician is DN Gary Critser.

More About Debbie's Tour of The Wards

(Continued from page 1) called me 'Old Silversides' (smoothing the hair under his big hat, which was heavy with service insignia collected on his recent trip with Bob Hope). That hurt—why I've got a big chest — hard stomach . . . Well, that's all behind me now."

EM3 Bill Larance cleverly whipped out a movie magazine with a full page portrait of Debbie under a caption Favorite Faces and had her autograph it for him.

And suddenly the afternoon was over, and it was hard to tell who regretted it most — the patients or Debbie. Johnny Grant too was reluctant to leave. Looking back over his shoulder he said for the tenth time: "The nurses here are admirable."

Hail-Farewell

- OFFICERS REPORTING:
 LT W. I. COTTEL, MC, USNR from inactive to serve as Chief of Dermatology.
 LT F. M. ENNIX, USNR, from COM 12ND to serve as Legal Officer.
- OFFICERS DETACHED:
 LT J. D. DE VRIES, MC, USNR, to CG 1st MarDiv.
- ENLISTED TRANSFERRED:
 HM2 Warren T. Slade to USS PROTEUS (AS-19), at Guam, M. I.
 HM3's Paul (n) Soza and Hughie J. Lucas to USS FRONTIER (AD-25) at Long Beach, and USNAS Lemoore, respectively.
- ENLISTED RECEIVED:
 HMCS John A. Roberts from NavSta T. I.
 HM3 Cassandra D. Smith from USNH Bethesda.
 HN's Joseph A. Kruff, John E. Plante, and Raymond G. Morgan from NavSta, T. I.
 HN's Lowell G. Hart, Peter T. Hurd, Warren W. Myers, Garth T. Hudelson, Nancy R. Lang, Charles O. Matteson, Leopoldo (n) Reyes, Jr., Calvin L. Lindley, Reid A. Isler, Lester J. Long, James W. Evans, John C. Lowery, Robert E. Hochl, Terry J. McVay, and Gary R. Upton from HCS San Diego.

Dental Service Sees 160 Staff Children; JANGOs Assisting

As Oak Knoll's annual Children's Dental Health Program rolled into its third week, more than 160 children had received preventive dental services. This included everything from instruction in proper use of a toothbrush to application of stannous fluoride to prevent decay.

Participation of JANGOs — a new feature of this year's program — has increased the efficiency of the Saturday operation. The girls have assisted dental officers with their patients, helped with administrative matters, and helped dispense the dental care supplies provided through the courtesy of the Officers' Wives' Club.

As a timely "reward" for her valuable help, each JANGO has received the preventive routine. This includes polishing her teeth with stannous fluoride paste and an application of a topical solution of 10 per cent stannous fluoride to her teeth.

JANGOs participating in the program so far are Cathy Kackley, Jo Anna Lain, Jo Carol Ellis, Mary Jo Realy, Judy Fluitt, and Rebecca Rulon.

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Absent-minded Prof: I forgot to take my umbrella this morning.
 Wife: When did you miss it?
 Prof: When I reached up to close it after the rain had stopped.



"THE WARDROOM" was the scene of the graduation ceremonies of the Lab Technician class, which graduated Friday, 4 February. CAPT Arje, XO, presented the graduates their certificates at the 9:30 ceremony. From left are CAPT Arje, XO, HM3's Gilbert Frazier, Richard McCauley, Ronald Cooper, Clifford Jackson, Timothy Taylor, Ted Oliver, Robert Thronton, HMC Arnold Franz, Lab Tech School Instructor, and LCDR A. D. Hoekzema, Officer-in-Charge Lab Tech School.



CLASS 45 of the Neuropsychiatric Technician School, graduated on Friday, 11 February. Graduating at the ceremonies held in building 54 of NP School were: (Back row left to right): HN John P. Hyland, HM3 Mark H. Mascho, HN Michael V. Larson, HN Hubert O. Whitehurst, HN Martin L. Marrujo, HN Edwin C. Castleman, HN Willie F. Pride, HN Timothy M. Urbanowicz, HN Eugene G. Kargleder, HM3 Barry Johnson, HN Kenyon J. Williams, HN Gary (n) McHenry, HN Barry W. Silverman, HN Raymond M. Cook (honorman), and HN James Taylor. In the front row from left to right are: Chaplain C. T. Healer, assigned to the NP Section; LCDR E. E. Morgan, Medical Officer Charge of the School; CAPT S. L. Arje, XO, Gary M. Olson, Director of Adult Services, Belmont Hills Psychiatric Hospital, who was guest speaker, CAPT J. E. Hamill, Chief NP Service, LCDR E. E. Heston, Instructor, NP School, CDR A. J. Chelf, NP Nursing Supervisor.

A Champion



DT3 James L. (Champ) Logan of the Dental Service, slugged his way to a split-decision at Kezar Pavilion in San Francisco last Thursday.

Logan fought Woodrow Haney of Hamilton Air Force Base to win the Golden Gloves of Northern California Championship. The fight was sponsored by the San Francisco Examiner and was for the Senior 119 lb. Championship.

Haney, last year's National AAU Champion, was expected to breeze to a win over Logan; but at the end of the three-two round bouts, Logan won with a split decision.

The Champ, for his win, won a plaque, a red blazer, a fight gear tote bag, and a pair of fight trunks.

Last year, Logan won the title of Outstanding Boxer of the Pacific Coast. He was last year's all-Navy runnerup for All-Navy Bantamweight.

The Champ is scheduled to fight again at Kezar Pavilion on March 4, when he vies for the Golden Gloves Regional Championship.

McHenry Earns CO's Letter

HN Gary McHenry received the CO's Letter of Appreciation along with his diploma when he graduated from NP Technician's School last Friday.

The letter was presented in recognition of McHenry's "maturity, leadership ability and high scholastic attainments." He was a close runner-up to the honorman HN R. M. Cook, and his quarterly marks were consistently 4.0, indicating the high esteem in which he was held by officer personnel.

"Your knowledge of nursing technique and procedure is outstanding, and your keen interest in providing the best possible patient care has been a source of satisfaction to all your associates," Admiral Cokely's letter read in part.

McHenry left after graduation for his new assignment at USNH San Diego.



CAPT Arje, XO, congratulates HNs David A. Cox and Thomas Griffin upon their graduation from EENT School on 4 February. Griffin has gone to USNH San Diego for duty; and Cox traveled to Long Beach for duty aboard the USS HAVEN.

Help Wanted in the Athletic Department!

BASEBALL

You are needed to play baseball! Though response from Coach Moffett's request for players has been good, more players are needed.

As stated last issue, many old Hilltoppers will play again this year, and many new personnel have signed up, but all positions are open.

Contact Coach Moffett at Special Services today. Help the Knoll to have another good baseball season.

VOLLEYBALL

Men's and women's volleyball teams are being formed now for 12ND play; and it is imperative that full teams are made up prior to the end of the month. If you are interested in playing, or you merely want more information, call Special Services, Ext. 593.

TRACK AND . . .

Wrestlers, track and field men and ping pong players are needed—needed now!

Twelfth Naval District play commences in the very near future, and Coach Moffett has several vacancies to fill. Call Ext. 593.

Navy News Roundup

NEW GI BILL TO OFFER PERMANENT EDUCATION AID—A new GI Bill similar to the WWII and Korean bills has been passed by the House of Representatives, providing a permanent program of education assistance to servicemen discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable after 31 Jan. 1955.

If the bill is enacted, eligible veterans could obtain one month of training for one month of service, not to exceed 36 months total.

Unless an individual is discharged for a service-connected disability, 180 days active duty service is the minimum qualifying period to be eligible to receive benefits.

Besides educational benefits, the bill provides guaranteed and direct home loans, non-service connected medical care in VA hospitals, employment preferences in Federal Service, and job counseling and placement assistance by the Department of Labor.

The bill also amends "The Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act" to increase protection for individuals who are renting homes when they are called to active service. The amount of rental covered is increased from \$80 to \$150 monthly. . . . **MILITARY PAY RAISE WON'T LAG**—Chairman L. Mendel Rivers (D-S.C.) of the House Armed Services Committee has introduced a bill to raise military pay if civil service pay is raised.

Rivers' Bill would have the effect of raising military pay scales one month earlier than civilian pay would go up.

And Defense, which three weeks ago saw no military pay-raise, was seen as having second thoughts and may well ask for a raise if the administration proposes one for civilians. . . . **NAVY PICKS ORLANDO FOR BOOT CAMP**—Orlando, Fla. has been picked for the site of a third Navy boot camp. The new training center, to be built at the Air Force Base, will be ready for recruits in early 1968.

Construction of the boot camp will cost \$30 million. Plans call for barracks, a mess hall and training facilities for 4,000 recruits. Construction will be such that it can be expanded to accommodate an additional 4,000 men.

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—S.F. Chronicle Photo

Admiral Nimitz

Taps sounded for Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz on 20 February at his home on Yerba Buena Island, and on 24 February—his 81st birthday—he was buried at Golden Gate National Cemetery near the men who lost their lives in World War II.

One of the greatest heroes of naval history, Admiral Nimitz will be remembered throughout the world as the Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet who ultimately commanded more than 6,000 ships and 2,000,000 men, fighting Japan's navy to defeat in the air and on 65 million square miles of water in a series of epochal battles—Guadalcanal, Coral Sea, Midway, Tarawa, the Marianas, Iwo Jima, Okinawa.

Even in those days Admiral Nimitz, whose home was in Berkeley, was close to Oak Knoll, for Mrs. Nimitz was in charge of the hospital's Navy Relief office.

Since a Fleet Admiral never retires, Admiral Nimitz was in active duty status until the time of his death. As a special assistant to the Secretary of the Navy, he maintained an office in San Francisco and was a frequent visitor to Oak Knoll.

All hands who had the privilege of knowing Admiral Nimitz will remember his brilliant military achievement. They will also remember him for his quiet dignity, the twinkle in his blue eyes as he told a joke at a party, his soft-spoken, carefully chosen words directed to young interns when he spoke at their graduation, the pleasure he took in winning a game of horseshoes from the Oak Knoll champion, his generosity in autographing the famous photo of the signing of the articles of Japanese surrender for corpsmen who had the opportunity to assist with his care during brief periods of hospitalization.

New Parking Plan Soon to Go into Effect

LT Glen Ellis, Security Officer, reports that blocks of parking spaces will soon be allotted to Chief of Divisions, who will in turn assign spaces within their own divisions.

Painting of parking strips will

begin the latter part of March.

Some relief from the congestion is expected to result from a ruling that will require corpsmen living in quarters to leave their cars there during the day.

Adams, Dimond Cited for Service

Two members of the Neuropsychiatric Service staff departed for civilian life during the past week, each taking with him the CO's Letter of Appreciation for work well done.

They are HM3 Charles F. Adams and HN Dennis R. Dimond.

Adams, as senior corpsman on Ward 49B for the past nine months, "displayed mature judgement in handling stressful situations, provided excellent instruction for junior technicians and student technicians." The letter also praised him for his thoughtfulness, integrity, and the keen sense of humor, which enhanced his dealings with patients and staff.

Dimond was cited for his service to the psychology branch of the NP Service, where he "displayed superior intelligence and mature judgement . . . gave freely of his own time to assemble data needed by his superiors and at all times showed exceptional awareness of the needs of his patients."

Both corpsmen's quarterly marks were consistently 4.0.

Adams and his wife Dixie will remain in Oakland through the summer, and he will work at Camp Parks Job Corps Center until time to enter Lewis-Clark Normal School in Idaho.

Dimond will visit his parents in Ypsilanti, Mich., while making plans to continue his education.

Special Bargains At Bowling Alley

Coming every Saturday and Sunday—family bowling at the local bowling center, with the price reduced to 25 cents per person—a saving of 10 cents a game.

Also new at the local alleys are movie ticket nights. They are on Monday and Friday evenings when anyone playing three games will receive a free ticket to the movie.

Another Fishing Trip Coming Up 26 March

Special Services urges all fishermen to save Saturday, 26 March, the date for the next fishing trip. Again the PRIVATEER will be chartered for the trip, leaving from Berkeley pier—the hour still to be announced.



He'll take care of your legal problems.

LT Ennix Reports As Legal Officer

LT Frank M. Ennix, USNR, has reported aboard as Legal Officer, bringing to his new job the benefits of an excellent education, which includes the Bachelor of Arts degree from Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., the Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Tennessee, the Navy's Officer Candidate School, and the School of Naval Justice—and five and a half years' experience in the Navy.

The North Carolina-born law specialist now calls Nashville, Tenn., home. His first and what may be his most interesting assignment for some time took him to sea as Legal Officer aboard the USS LAKE CHAMPLAIN. He was on board when the carrier picked up Astronaut Alan B. Shepherd, the first man in space, and when she participated in the Cuban blockade.

From August 1963 to June 1965 the good-looking, good-natured Legal Officer was Trial/Defense Counsel for the Treasure Island Receiving Station. He served as Com12 Defense Counsel just before joining the Oak Knoll staff in mid-February.

Mr. Ennix and his wife Constance have two daughters—Kimberly Arlene, age 4, and Kelly Sherwood, born at Oak Knoll two months ago.

**St. Patrick's Party
at the O' Club
Saturday, 19 March
Hosted by NP Service**

The Oak Leaf

U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California.

RADM H. J. Cokely, MC, USN, Commanding Officer.
 CAPT S. L. Arje, MC, USN, Executive Officer.
 CDR A. J. Schwab, MSC, Administrative Officer.
 LT G. I. Soule, MSC, USN, Chief, Special Services Division.
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THE MEANING OF LENT

Shortly after the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the meaning of His death became clear to His disciples. They saw that God had blessed humanity in a special way. In the man Jesus of Nazareth, who was the Christ of God, there was to be found the Lord of Life.

The full impact of this knowledge transformed the disciples. Easter became a precious and meaningful observance. So precious indeed did it become that in order to observe Easter properly it seemed important to the disciples that some special, personal preparation should be employed to make one's self worthy of the Father's blessing. Thus, in earliest Christianity, preparation for the blessing of Easter took the form of fasting and self-denial for a period of forty hours, symbolizing the length of time Jesus was entombed between Friday's crucifixion and Sunday's Easter resurrection. Gradually the length of time devoted to this personal preparation for Easter was extended until finally forty days before Easter, exclusive of Sundays, became the accepted length for this period which we now call Lent.

The observance of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and continues through Holy Week, to Easter morning. This year Lent began on 23 February and will continue to 10 April.

Lent's purpose is to set aside a season for personal, spiritual re-examination to prepare Christians to receive the blessing of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and to apply its full meaning to their lives. Traditionally it is the season of prayer, fasting and self-denial. But the true meaning is not to be found in self-denial for self-denial's sake. Nor is it found in self-immolation or debasing humility, or even in penitential concentration upon one's wickedness. Rather, the true value and meaning comes in making one's self spiritually responsive to the abiding presence of the Risen Lord.

The Oak Knoll chaplains encourage each of you to spend this special season in special preparation for God's Easter blessing. Plan now to attend the chapel or a church in the community every Sunday in Lent!

CHAPLAIN M. L. CHAMBERLIN

Scholarships Available For Children of Civilian Personnel

Competition for scholarships to be granted by the Federal Personnel Council of Northern California (co-sponsored by the Federal Executive Board and Employee Organizations) is open to children of career employees and deceased or retired employees. At least three awards, the minimum of which will be \$350, are available to outstanding high school seniors graduating in June 1966.

Selections are based on three factors:

Scholastic ability—based on high school record and results of scholastic aptitude tests of the College Entrance Examination Board.

Leadership potential—based on autobiography and letters of endorsement from references and teachers.

An Essay entitled "The Federal Government's Impact on Life in My Community."

Application forms and further information are available in Civilian Personnel. Applications must reach the Scholarship Committee by 15 March.

Brunch—with Perfume For Officers' Wives

"The Essence of Fragrance" is the subject for a talk to be given at the Officers' Wives' Club brunch Wednesday, 9 March, at 1000.

W. Eelyn Dunstan of Perfumes of California (Dunstan-Campbell Co.) will speak. There will be samples of perfume so each lady may choose the one she thinks best suits her personality.

Hostesses, headed by Mrs. A. J. Schwab, will include wives of Medical Service Corps officers, the Legal Officer, and male Nurse Corps officers.

Reservations should reach Mrs. M. L. Petway no later than Monday noon.

CAPT Semmens' Article In Nursing Journal

CAPT James P. Semmens' article "Fourteen Thousand Teen-Age Pregnancies"—a review of obstetric experiences in 22 cooperating military hospitals—appears in the February issue of the American Journal of Nursing.

For Those Not in the Know—Here's What It's Like to Be a JANGO



On JANGO DAYS girls have lunch together—as (See photo above) Joan Realy, Catherine Kackley, Cheryl Lieurance, Susan Lind, Jo Anna Lain, Shelley Lloyd, and Jo Carol Ellis did on this occasion. They work on the wards—maybe making beds—as Judy Fluitt and Linda Olson were when the photographer came along. Or, they comfort, cheer, and care for dependents, as Jo Carol Ellis (right) did—this day on the children's ward.



New Class Convening 4 April

A new class of JANGOs, open to teen-age daughters of Oak Knoll officers (and other officers of the armed forces) will convene here 4 April, and applications must be in by 15 March, according to word from the office of the Chief of the Nursing Service.

JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization), founded in Washington, D. C., in 1942, is a service organization that provides opportunity for girls to acquaint themselves with the nursing profession and gives them a feeling for community service.

The girls will receive 24 hours of classroom work, with LCDR Harriett Lanaghan, NC, as their

instructor. This will be followed by 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent wards.

JANGOs wearing attractive blue pinafores trimmed with red and white are a familiar sight on the compound, where 21 are currently serving as school schedules allow. Their duties include bed making, giving bed baths, taking temperatures, assisting with admission and discharge of patients, running errands for patients, and aiding in many other ways to make the patients' hospital stay pleasant.

JANGOs recently broadened their experience by assisting with the children's dental health program conducted by the Dental Service.

Scuttlebutt

SIGNS OF THE SEASONS: Aztec blossoms transforming the road to the O' Club into a path of gold (ka... choo!)... everywhere hills turning green almost as if they knew St. Patrick's Day is just around the corner... a broken toaster in the visitors' lounge chirping away on a Saturday afternoon... rain canceling last Friday's inspection at the very last minute... the heretofore unobtrusive perimeter fence suddenly looking forbidding—all because of a protective coat of red paint... Mr. Dalton tearing along with a very large piggy bank under each arm... LCDR Mary Rooney serving on the USO 25th Anniversary Ball committee.

WELL, THAT'S TAKEN CARE OF NOW! When Jim Groszer, Oakland Tribune reporter, returned recently to see how Oak Knoll has progressed since he spent 18 months here 21 years ago after being wounded at Iwo Jima, he asked if there would be a record of his hospitalization. Archivist John Miller quickly found his card, complete with some misspelled ground! It's been corrected.

HAPPY NEW GRANDMOTHER—That's NPEL's Esther-Ann. Esther's daughter Janice (Mrs. Theodore) Schultz of Berkeley has a baby daughter Jill Marie, born 20 February.

LATEST DONORS to the civilian blood bank were Lynn Hubbard, Don Frasier, and Paul Skultz.

CWO MARION CRAMER left her duties at PT a couple of weeks ago to go to the CO's office to receive her Certificate of Retirement, then rushed back to work—for another six months—after which she'll really retire. The Navy extended her tour in view of the need for her services here.

GAENOLLUMNI JOG Bob Williams, late of the OAK LEAF, visited friends here last week. He's asked to read proof on USS HORNET's cruise book—his job since he left the LEAF a year ago... **WHEN USNH JACKSONVILLE** broke ground for its new building 1 Feb., the photos looked like something that should have appeared in the OAK LEAF. RADM R. O. Canada, Deputy SO and former Oak Knoll Chief of Medicine, turned the first spadeful of earth. CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., CO of Jacksonville and former XO of Oak Knoll, and CAPT Reginald V. Berry, XO at Jacksonville and former Chief of NP here, were in charge.

LIFE BEGAN on 16 February for Ann Marie Tsatalistasi, 8 lb., 8½ oz. daughter of HM2 Taivali Tsatalistasi, (Main Lab.) and wife Felicina... On 20 February for Julie Marie Porter, 6 lb. daughter of USN Roger Porter, (Intensive Care) and wife Linda... On 20 February for Scott Mitchell Klock, 8 lb. son of LT Jan G. Klock, MC, (NP Service) and wife Rubina.

The nation's death toll last year from all types of accidents was 107,000, the National Safety Council has reported. Forty-six percent of the deaths were the result of motor vehicle accidents.



Enlisted Staff Frolics At Mardi Gras Ball

COSTUMES WERE COLORFUL, the food was delicious, entertainment excellent, and the company great—In other words a good time was had by all at the Mardi Gras Ball. Photo (1) caught HM2 Tony Manella swinging onto the dance floor with his wife Rose Marie (Antoinette??). In (2) HM3 John Boultinghouse and his wife Jane (center) enjoy a quiet moment with Barbara Jacobs, wife of JO2 Joel, who was, as usual, behind the camera. Photo (3) shows SGT Francis X. Winnett, USMC, and guests sharing a table with HM1 Paul Huttenhower. (4) Entangled in a serpentine are HM3 David Quinlan as King Rex, HM3 Terry Cooper looking piratical, and INs Elaine Weber and Donna Patton.

LT G. J. Palmer, Jr., MSC, livewire head of the supply branch of the Fiscal and Supply Division, is the new treasurer of the Commissioned Officers' Mess, replacing Mr. Stauffer, who retired Monday.

Mr. Stauffer Retires After 30—With CO's Letter of Appreciation

Chief Medical Service Warrant Frederick H. Stauffer's 30-year Navy career ended with a flourish Monday morning when he re-

ceived a letter of appreciation from Admiral Cokely after just six months' service to Oak Knoll.

Mr. Stauffer reported aboard 1 August 1965 to serve as Assistant Chief of the Food Service Division and treasurer of the Commissioned Officers' Mess. He raised the status of the club to a financially solvent, readily available, and popular social and recreational center for the command, according to the CO's letter.

Mr. Stauffer enlisted several months after graduating from high school in Howell, Mich. His sea duty included USS ATLANTA ("sunk from under us off Guadalcanal Friday, the 13th of November, 1942"), USS ACOEN 14 and 35, and USS BENEVOLENCE. He served in hospitals at Guam, Mare Island, Great Lakes, Philadelphia, Quantico, Corpus Christi, and San Diego and had duty with the First Marines at Camp Pendleton.

The retiring officer made warrant rank in May 1944 and advanced to Chief Medical Service Warrant in October 1946.

He and his wife Jean (his hometown girl) and their 12-year-old son Brian will continue to live in Hayward, but as yet Mr. Stauffer has not accepted a civilian job.



Chief Medical Service Warrant Frederick H. Stauffer happily accepts from Admiral Cokely the BuMed Certificate of Retirement, a plaque from the staff, and a letter of appreciation for his service to Oak Knoll.

Success First Try

The Hilltoppers, in their first game of the season, beat out Castlemont High School, on the Castlemont ball diamond, 2-0, Tuesday afternoon. With last year's combination of Millhiser pitching, and Cook catching, the game sped to an end in five innings. Gallegos and Robbins were the scoring players for the afternoon.

Though the season has started well, Coach Moffett is still in need of players for this season. The season's outlook is bright, and any and all are encouraged to play on the team. Contact Special Services at Ext. 593.

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Competition News

Twelfth Naval District Track and Field Events, and wrestling competition are coming up this month. Coach Moffett at Special Services notified the Oak Leaf that he has several participants signed up, but the teams could use more personnel. If you are interested in Track and Field or in Wrestling, contact Coach Moffett at Special Services, Ext. 593.

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RE-ENLISTMENT

HM3 Joe (n) Avila, Admission Room, re-enlisted on 18 February for six years. During Avila's ten years of service, he has been assigned to the Knoll three times. His first tour here was in 1959; he returned a second time in 1963, and arrived for his third tour in August 1965. Avila hails from Austin, Texas.



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Hail-Farewell

OFFICERS REPORTING:

LCDR J. N. Kennedy, MC, USNR, from civilian life for duty in the Medical Service.

OFFICERS DETACHED:

CDR R. N. Easterday, MC, USN, to USNH, NNMC, Bethesda, Md.
LCDR J. T. Boone, MC, USN, to 1st MarDiv (Reinf), FMF, PAC.
CWO F. H. Stauffer, MSC, to civilian life.



MEET OAK KNOLL'S THREE NEWEST LTJGs (NC): They are, from left, Colleen A. Phelan, Carol A. Nowakowski, and Elena Prosperini. LTJG Phelan is from Fall River, Mass. She earned her RN at St. Elizabeth's Hospital School of Nursing, Boston, Mass. Miss Nowakowski's alma mater is University of Tennessee Memorial Hospital and Research Center in Knoxville, her home town. Miss Prosperini, who comes from Ellwood City, Pa. received her RN at Providence Hospital School of Nursing, Beaver Falls, Pa. All three have been on the Oak Knoll staff for a little more than a year.



SAFE DRIVERS: When Admiral Cokely recently presented pins to his safe drivers, ten had driven a total of 120 accident-free years for the hospital. George Hunter, at left, has driven 14 years without an accident—a record matched by Wilson Carter, second from left. Glarence LaFleur has rounded out a dozen years safely. Henry Stuart, a comparative newcomer, received his one-year pin. Willie Adams has made it to 10, and Henry Bourdase tops all others with 17. Unfortunately several drivers were out adding to their records and could not be present for the picture. They are Irving Coombs—15; Jay Jackson—10; Logan Walton—14; and Charles Dyson—13.

All are attached to Public Works except Mr. Bourdase, who drives for Pharmacy, and George Hunter of Operating Services.

Navy's Funny Side To Get Working Over

The funny side of Navy life is about to get its annual working-over. Between now and 1 July, Navy personnel and their dependents may submit original cartoons to the 11th annual All-Navy Comic Cartoon Contest under rules set up by BuPers Notice 1700 of 27 January.

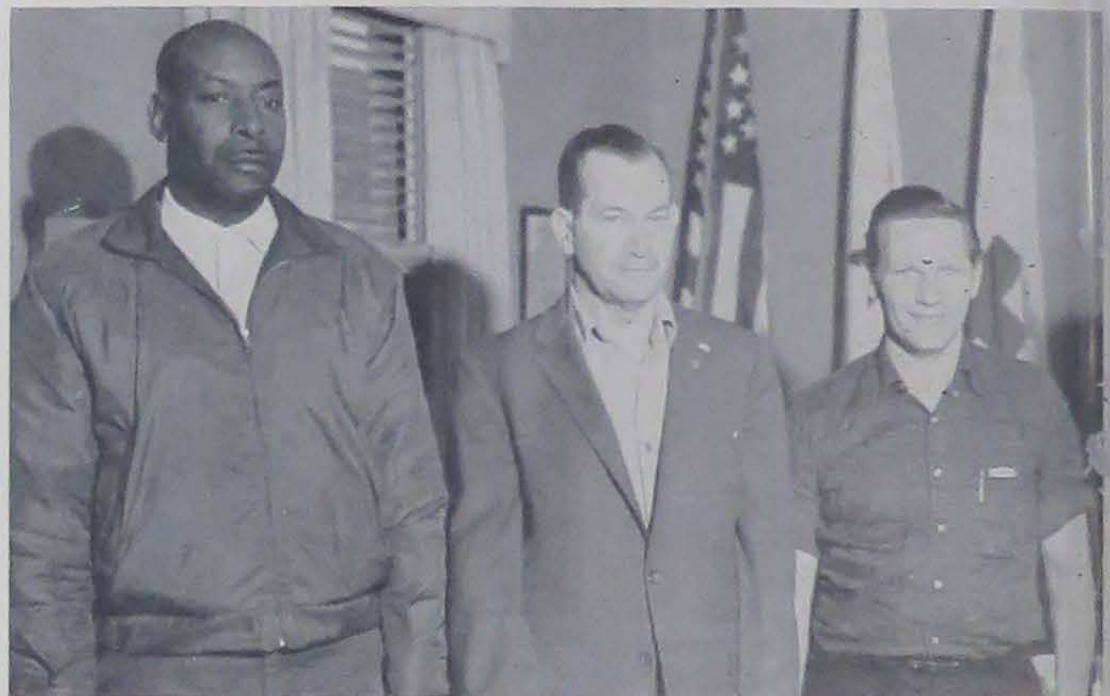
The top five winners, which must have a Navy theme, will get championship awards, and there will be a number of honorable mentions.

Drawings must be in black ink on 8 by 10½ inch white paper or illustration board. All entries become the property of the Navy and may be published in *All Hands*.

Permanente Doctor Talks on Computer In Outpatient Clinic

Dr. Morris F. Collen, Director, Medical Methods Research for the Permanente Medical Group spoke last Friday to staff officers on "The Computer and the Outpatient Clinic."

Dr. Collen has degrees in both electrical engineering and medicine. He is a member of the American College of Physicians, American College of Cardiology, American College of Chest Physicians, and the American Geriatric Association.



TWENTY-YEAR MEN are these three who received their pins and certificates from Admiral Cokely last week. They are, from left, Sam Horton, laborer in the Maintenance Division; George Wyness, who paints the neat blue and gold signs seen about the compound; and Lewis Whittington, leadingman laborer cleaner for Operating Services.

Mr. Horton served in the Army and as a civilian at Oakland Army Base and NAS, Alameda, before coming to Oak Knoll in 1958. Mr. Wyness did a hitch in the Army, worked at MarCorps Supply Depot, San Francisco, and came to Oak Knoll in November 1949. Mr. Whittington began his Federal Service at Patterson Field, Dayton, Ohio. He served in the Navy three years, then reported to NSC, Oakland, as a civilian. He has been on duty at Oak Knoll for the past 14 years.

Navy News Roundup

PAY SLIP TO SHOW VALUE OF BENEFITS—Defense is considering including with each man's pay a slip listing the dollar value of all his pay, allowances and fringe benefits, so he'll know how much real income he's getting. This attempt to put a dollar value on such benefits as retirement equity, exchange and commissary privileges, medicare and other benefits, is just in the examining stage. . . . **DEFENSE MAY ASK FOR PAY RAISE**—Definitely further advanced is the statistical background on which Defense will base a decision whether to ask for a military pay raise this year or not. Defense must present the material to Congress this month. . . . **LIBERALIZED RULES ASKED FOR FAMILY ANNUITY PLAN**—Defense officials are planning a major revamping and liberalization of the rules of the Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan—the annuity system under which retired men can leave funds to care for their families. The Joint Board on RSFP has recommended to the Department of Defense that it propose legislation this session of Congress to change the rules. . . . **U. S. HOSPITAL PUSH BEGUN IN FAR EAST**—The United States is embarked on a huge hospital building program throughout southeast Asia. Present plans call for construction of 5,000 new hospital beds on Okinawa plus new medical facilities at 27 different locations in Vietnam alone. The medics will be spending \$76 million in Vietnam. Additional hospitals are being built at Subic Bay in the Philippines at a cost of \$2.8 million, at Tokyo, Yokohama, and two air bases in Japan at a cost of \$3 million, and Guam's medical facilities are to get a \$1.4 million expansion. . . . **AIR DELIVERY SOUGHT FOR ALL GI MAIL**—Letters and most packages mailed between the United States and overseas military post offices would be sent by air instead of by ship, under a Congressional proposal endorsed by DOD.

The bill, HR 12205, would authorize air shipment of the mail although the sender would pay surface rates. It would fly the mail in both directions, as long as it is sent to or from an overseas military post office.



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Dr. Clark Elected President of S.F. Neurological Society



CAPT Gale Clark on 5 March was elected President of the San Francisco Neurological Society—a singular honor in that he is the first armed forces medical officer chosen to head the group of civilian specialists.

In 1962 Dr. Clark returned to Oak Knoll for his third tour of duty as Chief of the Neurosurgical Service after serving in the same capacity at USNH, Chelsea, for four years. He was Chief of Neurosurgery aboard the USS CONSOLATION in Korea from 1950-51.

Captain Clark earned his BA degree at the University of Wisconsin in 1938 and his MD at the University of Cincinnati in 1942. He interned at Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago and had residency training in general surgery at USNH, Bethesda. He had his residency training in neurological surgery at Huntington Memorial Hospital, Pasadena, and the University of California.

He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Neurological Surgery (1956), a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and a member of the Harvey Cushing Society and the Western Neurosurgical Society.

In addition to heading neurosurgery at Oak Knoll from 1953 to 1958, Dr. Clark was a clinical assistant in neurological surgery at the University of California Medical School. He is now a lecturer in neuroanatomy at UC, as he was at Harvard Medical School during his tour of duty at USNH, Chelsea.

Sign up for Salmon!

The PRIVATEER will leave Berkeley pier at 0500, 26 March. The fee is \$2.50. Get your name on the list at Special Services today.

Knollites Invited To Sunrise Service

All hands at the hospital are invited to the annual Easter Sunrise Service to be held at the Sidney Snow Building Plaza in nearby Knowland Park.

Park gates open at 0545, and the service will begin at 0630 rain or shine. Castlemont High School Choir will provide Easter Music, and the sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Rodney R. Romney of the Lakeshore Avenue Baptist Church.

Easter breakfast will be served continuously from 0700 for \$1.50 per person.

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Viet Casualty Upped To Staff Sergeant

SGT Darwin F. Rogers of Ward 74B, has received word from MarCorps Headquarters of his promotion to Staff Sergeant.

The 31-year-old Leatherneck from Belleville, Ill., arrived at Oak Knoll 15 February from Da Nang, Vietnam. He was wounded when his AmTrack ran over a 100-lb. land mine.

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7 Staffers Promoted In February Exams

As a result of the examination given on 28 February 1966, the following personnel were promoted to HN: D. R. Gallie, M. K. Fredrick, D. P. Day, L. D. Loudermilk, G. T. Hudelson, J. R. Rogers, and R. R. Weeks.

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7 More Staffers Complete GED Tests

Satisfactorily completing their High School General Educational Development (GED's) during the past month were HN's Andrew Crain, Bryan Lukaszewski, Ronald Lee Howard, Paul Harris, Raymond M. Galli, Regonald G. Brush, and HM1 Joseph Iosefa.

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O' Wives Starting Current Events Group

A discussion group on Current Events is being started by Oak Knoll Officers' Wives. If interested in active participation, please call Mrs. C. E. Schutt at 638-2898.



PROUD MOMENT: Admiral Cokely presents the Joint Service Commendation Medal to LCDR Edgar W. Pollum, USN, while Mrs. Pollum, Deborah, and David look on. This was the first time the Joint Service Medal has been presented at Oak Knoll.

LCDR Pollum Earns Joint Service Commendation for Duty in Burma

LCDR Edgar W. Pollum, USN, has received the Joint Service Commendation Medal in recognition of meritorious service in Burma from 8 October 1963 to 19 November 1965.

As Chief of the Navy Section of a Military Equipment Delivery Team in Rangoon, Lieutenant Commander Pollum was one of 22 U.S. Armed Services personnel (four of them Navy), who assisted in readying for use a patrol ship turned over to the Burmese Navy by the U.S. Government.

"In all undertakings LCDR Pollum displayed the utmost loyalty and devotion to duty and performed in a commendable manner under circumstances which did not at any time lend themselves to easy accomplishment," the citation stated.

Mr. Pollum started an effective program for systematic advance ordering of spare parts and helped to educate the Burmese to the value of this type of advance planning. The team also obtained numerous training aids for the Burmese Navy.

"Lieutenant Commander Pollum's outstanding achievement reflects the utmost credit upon himself and the military service," the citation, signed by Admiral U. S. G. Sharp, Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Fleet, concluded.

"Living conditions in Burma were pleasant, the good-looking 37-year-old officer recalls. We had a two-story house with four air conditioners to keep us comfortable in the 90 to 100-degree weather. 'We' included my wife Helen Jean

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"I'm real proud to be able to do this, son. There's only one place that you could have won this medal and that's on a battlefield," MAJ-GEN Lewis W. Walt, USMC, told SGT Lyge R. Trotter, when he presented the young patient his Purple Heart during a 6 March visit to the hospital. The much-decorated General is the top U.S. Marine Commander in Vietnam.

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FAIR NOTICE

The slow but steady disappearance of tableware from a restaurant in Brookfield, Indiana, was becoming a rather expensive proposition. Finally the owner posted the following sign in a spot where everybody could see it:

"Notice to customers: Knives, forks, spoons, ash trays, salt and pepper shakers are not medicine. Please do not take them after meals."

Nearly everybody needs a reminder about honesty from time to time. Although the majority will never make a business out of thievery, graft, fraud or corruption, there's a constant temptation to indulge in small falsehoods and other forms of dishonesty.

One of the easiest ways to be habitually honest is to remember that God sees all we do, and hears all we say. He expects each one of us to be honest with ourselves and others.

"Put away lying and speak the truth each one with his neighbor, because we are members of one another." (Ephesians 4:25)

O heavenly Father, help me to learn that by being ever true to thee, I will be true to others and to myself.

CDR PETER J. MARRON, CHC, USN

Chief Axworthy Warms to Cold Subject —His Two Years on Ice in Antarctic

If you want to know what it's like to be CPO in charge of a nine-man station 800 miles from any other station, to live on the ice, where temperatures vary from 20 to 35 above zero (this is summer!), to suddenly be surrounded by 40 penguins looking like so many Charlie Chaplins out of a silent movie, ask HMC Charles Axworthy.

Now assigned to Security, Chief Axworthy is back for his fourth tour of duty at Oak Knoll. The accompanying photo came ahead to herald his approach.

"Chief Ax" volunteered for Antarctic duty two years ago. After training at Davisville, R.I., Headquarters, Antarctic Support Activ-

ity, he headed for the world's largest and least-known continent.

"Our work at Palmer Station, which we established ourselves, was to support that of the civilian scientists, of whom we had five in our party. While they conducted their glaciology and marine biology studies, we 'kept house' in a pre-constructed T-5 building set on aluminum struts to let the snow blow under. The other Navy men were a commissary steward, a radioman, and a construction electrician.

Chief Axworthy of course ran the sickbay. A tooth extraction was his most difficult operation.

"Melting ice for water to wash clothes was one of our most time-consuming jobs, but to counteract that 'hardship,' we had a fine electric drier.

"For recreation? We played chess and cribbage or watched one of the 265 movies we had along. And once we had company! A Chilean ship arrived on 30 December 1965, and the crew (first people we'd seen since the USS EDISTO left us on the ice in February 1964) helped us celebrate New Years. Then we were alone again until the Coast Guard icebreaker arrived, bringing the party to relieve us. We returned via icebreaker to Punta Arenas, Chile, thence by commercial flight to Davisville."

After debriefing, the Chief stopped off in Camden, N.J., for a happy reunion with his wife Virginia, a former DN at Oak Knoll, and their four-year-old daughter Leah.



Chief Axworthy before his beard got the ax.



HMCN JACK E. EDWARDS received a Letter of Appreciation from the CO when he "piped ashore" 9 March.

Chief Edwards Goes Ashore—With CO's Letter of Appreciation

HMCN Jack E. Edwards, Special Administrative Assistant to the Chief, Patient Affairs Division, for the past year and a half has returned to the Fleet Reserve and civilian life, and for his contributions here he received a glowing Letter of Appreciation from the CO.

"You have been responsible for the administrative functioning of a large and complex office and for supervision of a large number of military and civilian personnel. As senior enlisted man in the division you were responsible for maintaining liaison with the professional and military staff of this hospital

as well as with those of other commands. Your performance in this demanding billet has been outstanding in all respects," the letter stated. Admiral Cokely also referred to Chief Edwards' outstanding leadership, his thorough knowledge of medical administration, meticulous attention to detail, his affable personality, and the fine personal example he set for all with whom he came in contact.

Chief Edwards, his wife Betty Jane, and their two children — John, 15, and Kathleen, 12 — will continue to live in San Jose, their home for the past eight years.



IT WAS GOODBYE & SMOOTH SAILING for CDR Marion Bates, MSC, last week when she headed for Camp Lejeune with a Letter of Appreciation from Admiral Cokely in her hand. The letter came in recognition of her contributions during five and a half years in the Physical Medicine Service. It spoke of her "deep personal interest in each physical therapy patient, of the high quality of patient care provided in the physical therapy unit under her supervision, and of her participation in on-the-job training of technicians."

Most service wives accompany their husbands to new assignments. In this case the tradition was reversed. Mrs. Bates' husband, LCDR Earl Bates, USCG, who retired 1 March, accompanied her to Camp Lejeune.

Scuttlebutt

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Chief Edwards panting up the front steps with his family as sideboys assembled for his retirement ceremony—his last day at Oak Knoll: I've driven here from San Jose 500 times. TODAY I have a blow-out!

AND SPEAKING of Chief Edwards. He not only inspired respect. He also inspired his boss to produce a masterpiece of persiflage the like of which has never before been read at a farewell gathering here and which will NOT be made a part of his official record. A few of the printable phrases: "You have demonstrated your devotion to duty by showing up every day. . . . It should be of interest to you to know that we have requested replacement for you on a weight-to-weight basis, and we expect two chiefs in the near future. . . . You may rest assured that your fan club will visit you if I am ever in the area." It was signed by CDR W. H. Jones, MSC.

QUOTE OF LAST WEEK: Gladstone, the talking mynah bird, to CDR Schwab: "I think YOU'RE cute!" Watch for more about Gladstone in a later issue.

LIFE BEGAN on 9 March for Kevin Patrick Callies, 8 lb., 7½ oz. son for Gary V. Callies, HM2, Security Division, and his wife Pauline.

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Q: Do you know what Batman does the first thing every morning?

A: He goes to the Bathroom.

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Q: Know why Batman doesn't have a Batwoman?

A: Cause he has Bat breath.

More About LCDR Pollum

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and children—David, now 10, Deborah, 9, Julie, 3, and eventually Jeffrey, who was born in Rangoon a year ago."

Admitted to Ward 66A the day after his return late last November, Lieutenant Commander Pollum has had plenty of time to reflect on the fringe benefits of his Burma tour.

"We enjoyed trips up country to Mandalay and the Shan States (near the Thai border) and visits to Thailand, Malaysia, the Philippines, Taiwan, and Hong Kong.

"We were also pleased that the older children could go to an international school to study from American textbooks with boys and girls from 17 different countries."

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Hail-Farewell

OFFICERS DETACHED:
LCDR M. L. ROONEY, MSC, USN to USNH Bethesda, Md.
CDR M. D. BATES, MSC, USN to USNH Camp Lejeune, N.C.

ENLISTED DETACHED:
HM3 Romeo P. Balane to USS MANATEE (AO-58)
HN's Jerry C. Hayes, James S. Lange, Philip W. Osborn, Joseph A. Kosak, James P. Hamilton, James H. Strong, Randle C. Dove, Andrew V. Crain, Keith E. Carter, and Gerald C. McKeen, 3rd MarDiv Rein FMF Viet Nam.

ENLISTED REPORTING:
HMC Charles S. Axworthy from Antarctic Support Activity, Davisville, R. I.
HN's William M. Dunning and Walter P. Moore from US NavSta Treasure Island.
HN's Ronald L. Davidson, Gregory S. Nichols, Richard R. Walker, Lee H. Kato, Joel W. Backus, Donald D. Hervey, George G. Guinn, John E. Upton, Louis S. Sanchez, Ernest F. Murdock II, Thomas L. Mantey, Robert A. Ferguson, Jr., Gary L. Martin, Ronald A. Russell, James R. Rickards, Randy R. Weeks, Michael (n) Lum, Douglas J. Wethor, and George E. Barling from HCS San Diego.



MANNING THE SWITCHBOARD on a busy day are Barbara Budesilich, left, and Catherine Hermanns. (Barbara's whiplash was not a result of her activity here!)

Rain or Shine—Oak Knoll Telephone Operators Are Always on the Line

Long gone are the days when we "rang-up" someone called "Central" to put through a static-punctuated telephone call. Gone the days when Central knew everyone on the line and was happy to tell anyone what she knew. Thank goodness!

But despite automation, a telephone operator, particularly in a hospital like Oak Knoll, must still take a personal, sympathetic interest in the people she serves but never sees. Besides knowing how to handle the intricate mechanical part of her job, she must be an expert in public relations; for her voice and manner give thousands of callers their first impression of the hospital.

Behind that door in Building 1 marked "Telephone Office—Keep Out" two operators handle 250 to 300 calls an hour on a busy day.

Dorothy Higgins, supervisor, has been on the staff for 10 years. In addition to handling administrative and clerical duties, she serves as relief operator and takes care of the Autovon calls. (Autovon is the Federal Communication Line—very official and handy unless you are cut off by a priority call.)

Manning the board during the day shift are Barbara Budesilich (also here for more than 10 years) and Vera Aldrich. Other operators serving the hospital are Catherine Hermanns, Fay McDonald, Anita Alteri, who works the lonely hours from 2300 to 0700, and Marcella De Freze, who fills in when a regular operator takes leave.

Calls come to and go from Oak Knoll to far away places such as Alaska, Honolulu, and England. And once the operator got a military installation in Germany on the Autovon—by mistake!

Asked the most difficult name for callers to handle, Mrs. Higgins didn't have to think twice.

"It's Dr. Avitable—sometimes it takes a long time to recognize it." (In case the problem exists here, it's A-vee-tah-bi-le with a short A and the accent on tah.)

"Sometimes when we answer 'Naval Hospital' the caller starts telling his symptoms, like: 'I just eat incessantly,' 'I feel miserable all over.' It takes several tries to interrupt politely and refer these people to the proper number."

Often when the appointment



The voice called Dorothy Higgins.

desk line is busy, a caller will try the hospital number—and "once they get through to us it seems as though they'd rather fight than switch to 638-5317."

The other day someone asked for the Eye Clinic. Since glaucoma patients go direct to the clinic without an appointment, the operator asked politely, "Is it for glaucoma?" Came the reply: "No, I'm from San Mateo."

"With Centrex—the new set-up that does away with asking for extensions and gives every office at a place like TI a number to be dialed instead of asked for, we feel like robots," said the pleasant voice named Dorothy Higgins.

And so it goes—around the clock—rain or shine—the telephone operators are on the line. And should YOU ever feel impatient with the service, remember that the operator may be taking a little extra time to help locate a doctor or a loved one.



IF THE FACES LOOK FAMILIAR, IT'S BECAUSE TWO OF THEM ARE. HMCM Bill James of Staff Pers is watching son Richard and his friend, Thomas Fowler, being sworn into the Navy by CDR Richard Williams of the 12ND Recruiting Office. Richard served as lifeguard at the Knoll pool for two years, and he resembles his brother Ronny, who went through the same routine for an OAK LEAF photo exactly two years ago.

The recruits, both 19, live two doors apart and were attending Oakland City College when they decided to "join up" under the "buddy system."

Chief James (and wife Nila) have three more—maybe four—prospective sailors at home: Greg, 13; Michael, 10; Patrick, 8—and Kelley, a 6-year-old daughter.

The above mentioned Ronny, a Communications Technician, is now at Norfolk after a cruise to South America aboard the USS GEORGETOWN.



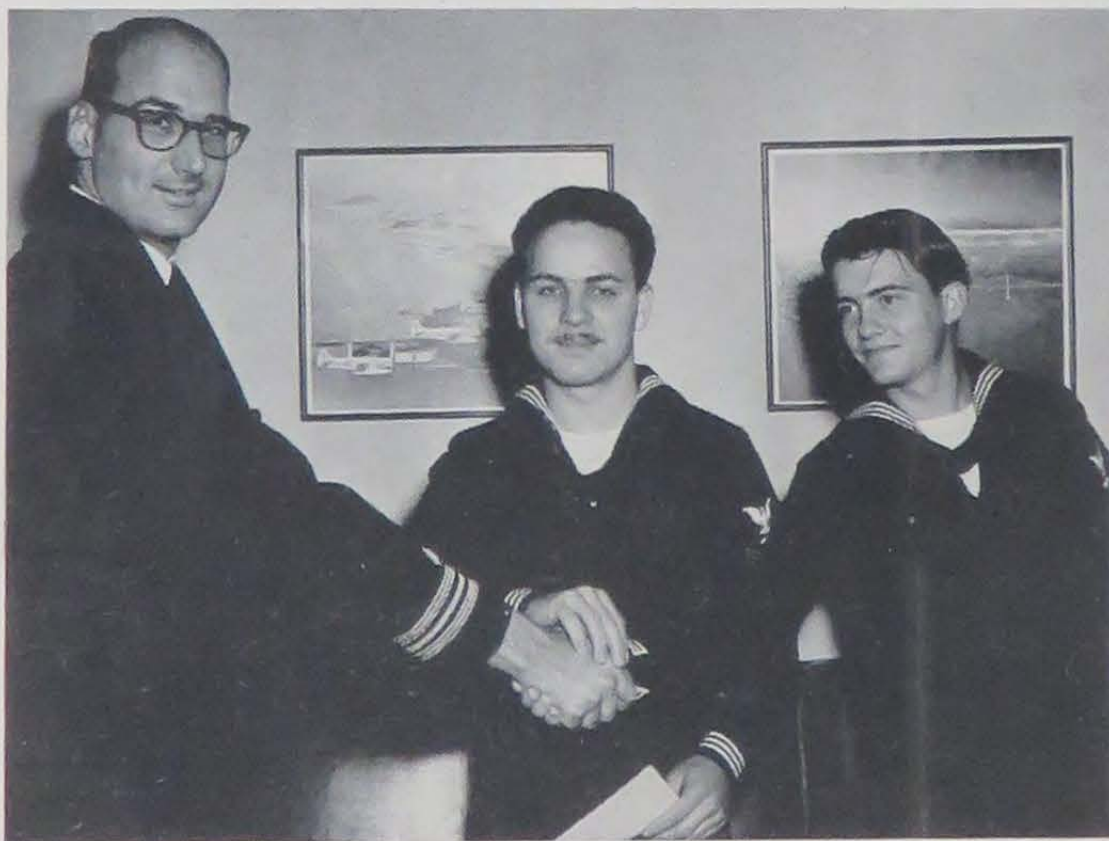
OAK KNOLL MEN WITH IDEAS—from left, Earl Lockwood, Harold F. Hitz, and Louis Cola.

Three Civil Service workers are a little richer, and so is Oak Knoll as a result of their ideas.

Earl Lockwood, management analyst in the Administrative Division, suggested relocation of a dumpster which had caused a serious traffic hazard. He received an award of \$15.

Harold F. Hitz, budget and accounting officer for the Fiscal and Supply Division, suggested changing procedures for transportation of deceased personnel. The new method provides for processing bills of lading at the hospital instead of at NSC, Oakland, thereby saving approximately \$1107 annually in labor and transportation costs. In addition to his check for \$60 Mr. Hitz received a certificate of merit in recognition of his achievement in cost reduction.

Louis Cola, gardener, received \$15 for suggesting directional signs resulting in improved safety.



NO, THEY'RE NOT MAKING A PACT — It's LCDR J. R. Warmols, Head, Neurology Branch, congratulating HM2 Carl H. Lock and HM3 Harless B. Marcom upon completion of training in Electroencephalography (EEG). The two men received their certificates last Monday morning. Lock is being transferred to the NP Research Center at San Diego, and Marcom is going to the NP Service at USNH San Diego.

Five Stanford Coeds Complete NP Training

Five Stanford University nursing students recently completed their psychiatric nursing experience at Oak Knoll.

Coming in every Tuesday and Thursday from 8 February to 8 March, the coeds observed and participated in the work of the Neuropsychiatry Service. Supervising

their training were Mrs. Florence M. McDonald, Assistant Professor of Nursing (Psychiatry) at Stanford, and CDR Ann Chelf, NP Nursing Supervisor here.

The students were Mrs. Barbara Cordes and the Misses Eleanor McCalla, Carolyn Owens, Patricia Parks, and Gwen Shumway.

Knoll Bowlers Win Class B Competition

12ND Bowling League Competition ended last week with Oak Knoll's men's team in first place in their class.

The Knoll, because of its size, bowls in Class B Competition; Class A is for larger commands (i.e. Treasure Island, etc.).

HM2 George Cartmell and HN Randy Dove held down the top averages on the team, with Cartmell maintaining a 187 average, and Dove a 181. Cartmell also took high average in the 12ND and will receive a trophy at a later date.

Next month, there will be an 18-game roll-off to decide who will represent the 12ND in the regionals, and then go on to the finals in the All-Navy Bowling Tournament.

Anyone with an average of 170 or more can enter. Check with HM2 Cartmell at Ext. 483 to see if you qualify.

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Spring Bowling Leagues Forming

New bowling leagues will form the first week in April, according to latest word from the local alleys.

On Tuesday nights there will be a men's league—mixed military and civilian, and on Thursday nights mixed military and civilian league for men and women. Any questions? Call George Cartmell.

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Classes in Judo Available to Staff

Coming up in the next issue is a feature on the Judo Classes being held in the gymnasium.

Vic Perez, who holds a Brown Belt in Judo, is conducting the class. At present, the turn out is good with about 20 Knollities participating—male and female.

If anyone is interested in joining the classes, contact Special Services for additional information.

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Navy Prep School Requirements Told

Are you an enlisted man interested in become an Officer of the United States Navy, and attaining a college degree? Then the Navy Preparatory School offers you an opportunity to prepare for these goals.

The mission of the Naval Preparatory School is to provide intensive instruction, to prepare enlisted personnel for the Entrance Exams, and for the military and academic curricula of the U.S. Naval Academy. The Secretary of the Navy appoints 85 candidates from the regular Navy and Marine Corps to the U.S. Naval Academy annually from the Naval Preparatory School.

Listed below you will find the basic requirements that you must meet to apply for admission to the Naval Preparatory School:

(1) Age: Not less than 17 or over 20 by 1 July of the year entering Naval Preparatory School.

(2) High school graduate or enough credits that Naval Preparatory School credits added to previous education will meet high school graduation requirements.

(3) GCT/ARI 118 (No waivers)

(4) Meet medical and physical requirements.

(5) Obligated service 24 months (Extension may be executed).

(6) Score acceptably on Navy Preparatory School test.

(7) Single.

Most important along with the basic qualifications above is that you must be highly motivated for a Naval Career. If you are interested and qualified and wish to become an Officer of the U.S. Navy, see your Career Counselor, Building 25-A (Education and Training).

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Herb: "I had some tough luck in court this morning."

Kent: "How's that?"

Herb: "I got arrested for kissing a woman, and then the judge saw the woman and fined me 10 dollars for being drunk."

Navy News Roundup

MILITARY PAY RAISE LIKELY AS CIVILIAN HIKE IS ASKED—President Johnson asked Congress to raise Civil Service pay and benefits, and the immediate reaction of key congressional aides was that the armed forces are likely to get the same kind of raise.

At the Pentagon, personnel officials were actively considering whether to recommend a military pay raise for this year. Their deadline for a recommendation is 31 March.

The President suggested raising the pay of government workers an average of 2.8 percent, well within his guidelines for pay raises. Increases in fringe benefits would boost the total compensation increase to 3.2 percent, at a cost of \$485 million a year. The salary increases would range from as little as one percent for the lowest grades to as much as 4.5 percent for GS-15s **25 ENLISTEDS SELECTED FOR NURSE CORPS**—The list of the first hospital corpsmen to be selected for training as nurses has been released. A corps Wave and a dental technician are among the 25 selected.

The original applications numbered 146 of which five were women **GI BENEFITS BILL SIGNED BY PRESIDENT**—A GI Bill package that goes much further than the Administration was originally willing has been signed into law by President Johnson. All the new benefits, with the exception of the educational assistance program, went into effect immediately upon the President's signing of the bill. The educational benefits go into effect 1 June. A summary of benefits in the new GI Bill is available from Navy Times Service Center, 2201 M St., N.W., Washington, D.C. Merely include a stamped, self-addressed No. 10 envelope to obtain the report.



The OAK LEAF



With CDR Bulshefski (fourth from right, front row) when she reported to Admiral Cokely's office to receive his Letter of Commendation were supervisors who could be spared from their duties and at left, front, LTJG Haydee Silverio, observer-trainee from the Philippine Navy. Others, from left, front row, are LCDR Catherine McHenry, LT Mary Estell, LCDR Ina Belle Doolan, CDR Marcella Smith, Assistant Chief of the Nursing Service, LCDRs Nancy MacDowell, and Kathryn Lopartz. Visible in the back row: LT Janet Allen, LCDR Harriett Lanaghan, CDR Frances Jacobson, LCDR Leona Erdt, LCDR Margaret Donoghue, CDR Barbara Ellis, LCDR Josephine Mellor, CDR Anne Chelf, and LCDR Ruth Pampush.

Modern Warfare's Medical Aspects—Symposium Topic

"Medical Aspects of Modern Warfare" is the subject of a two-day symposium to be held 14-15 April at the Navy Radiological Defense Laboratory, San Francisco. It has been planned for inactive Naval Reserve officers in the 2ND, Medical Department officers of the Armed Forces in the Bay Area, and local physicians engaged in disaster medicine.

Admiral Cokely, as 12ND Medical Officer, will welcome the guests aboard and five members of the Oak Knoll staff will be on the program for the Friday afternoon session on "Medical Problems in Vietnam."

LCDR C. R. Hamlin, MC, will moderate the discussion. LCDRs R. C. Colgrove and H. W. S. Husey, MC, and LCDR Harriett M. Lanaghan, NC, will discuss "Surgical and Medical Care." LT G. J. Palmer, MSC, of the Fiscal and Supply Division will discuss "Organization, Logistics, and Patient Evacuation."

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CDR Hardin Speaks To County Dentists

CDR J. F. Hardin addressed members of the Southern Alameda County Dental Society at their 15 March meeting at Holiday Bowl in Hayward. His subject was "Navy Preventive Dentistry and Private Practice."

Doctor Hardin was introduced by CAPT R. A. Middleton, Chief of Oak Knoll's Dental Service, after the latter had been presented by his Oak Knoll predecessor, CAPT Paul Sutor, DC, USN, Ret., a member of the society who is now practicing oral surgery in San Leandro.

Approximately 85 civilian dentists attended the meeting.

CDR Veronica Bulshefski Leaving Oak Knoll To Assume Duties of Nurse Corps Director



The Navy Nurse Corps' New Director

Four Staff Doctors Promoted to LCDR

Promotions to lieutenant commander came through this week for four staff doctors. They are Sid Mauk of Radiology Service; G. W. Philip, third-year resident in the Orthopedic Service; J. C. Meador, first-year resident in the Ophthalmology Service; and K. D. Rashid of the Neuropsychiatry staff.

COMING
to the auditorium
Thursday, 14 April
1966
The Weldonian Starliters

CDR Veronica Bulshefski has been appointed Director of the Navy Nurse Corps and will report to her desk in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery 1 May. She will relieve CAPT Ruth A. Erickson, whose retirement is effective that date.

Recently selected for captain, she will automatically be promoted as she takes over her new duties.

The good news came to Oak Knoll's Chief Nurse early last week, and she leaves tomorrow morning. In the interim she has been busy telling patients and members of the staff goodbye, shipping her household goods, and being feted at farewell parties—including a dinner party given by Admiral and Mrs. Cokely and the Nurse Corps tea scheduled for this afternoon in the courtyard of the Officers' Club.

Wednesday morning she received a Letter of Commendation from the CO "for truly outstanding performance of duty as Chief of the Nursing Service from 20 April 1964 to the present time.

"Throughout this entire period, Commander Bulshefski demonstrated superb qualities of leadership, management, loyalty, and initiative. Under her guidance, the Nursing Service functioned smoothly and efficiently despite serious problems occasioned by relocation of patients incident to new construction and by the sizable influx of Vietnam casualties."

The letter referred to the Chief Nurse's calm and mature judgment, her leadership and fine personal example, the consistently high morale within her service—all of which served to motivate many young Navy nurses to choose a service career.

"The Command's sincere regret at her departure is tempered only by its pride in her accession to the Navy Nurse Corps' highest post. With Commander Bulshefski go the deep admiration, esteem, and respect of all who have associated with her," the Admiral's letter stated.

Although CDR Bulshefski is the first Oak Knoll Navy nurse selected for captain and appointed Director of the Corps while serving here, the fact that she should be so honored did not come as a surprise to those who knew her.

In her new post, she will guide the activities of more than 2000 Navy nurses serving throughout the world. She takes to the job a wide background of education and experience.

Born in Ashley, Pa., CDR Bulshefski attended schools there and went to the University of Pennsylvania for her nurses' training. Later, under Navy auspices she earned her Bachelor of Science degree in nursing administration from Indiana University. In 1962 she became the first Navy nurse to receive the Master of Science degree in management at the Navy Postgraduate School, Monterey. She is a registered occupational therapist and a member of the American Occupational Therapy Association as well as of the American Nurses' Association.

Overseas assignments have taken the new Nurse Corps Director to Hawaii, where she served at U.S. Navy Hospital Base 8 during World War II and to USNH, Guam. Oak Knoll is the fourth hospital at which she was Chief of the Nursing Service. She held that post at Jacksonville, Fla., Beaufort, S.C., and just before reporting here—at Pensacola, Fla.

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

THE CHRISTIAN IN CRISIS

A few years past a cartoon appeared depicting two bearded men in long robes walking back and forth on the streets of New York carrying signs which read: "The time of doom has come!" and, "The end is at hand!" As they studied the faces of pedestrians who read their signs, one of the bearded men said to the other, "Do you notice—they are not laughing at us anymore."

It is true that we live in a day and time of crisis: Cuba, Berlin, the Congo, the Dominican Republic, South-East Asia to name only a few. For the Christian it is hard to think clearly and pray forthrightly in an age when the destructive power of a 20-megaton bomb could be tomorrow's possibility.

One important thing is good for us to remember. Most of the Bible was hammered out in the midst of tension, oppression, and threat of annihilation. It carries a gospel for men who lived in times which tried their souls to the depth. What are some of the foundations and guideposts to which we must look in this troubled day? We must begin with one simple fundamental which we are so prone to forget—namely that every creature on the face of this earth is one of God's children. Asked the prophet as he pleaded for justice and righteousness, "Have we not all one father?" The fatherhood of God is the very keystone of our Lord's life. When He looked on a crowd, He did not see Jew and Gentile, rich and poor, or any political or religious affiliation. He had compassion on all. Do we forget so often that "God so loved the world that He sent His only son?" Now you may not like it, but I believe that that includes communists and capitalists, white and black, those who starve and those who have to diet. Are not the pains of starvation and disease just as real to the heart of God, whether a child be suffering in Cuba, in China or in America? And how can we, in the name of Christ, who gave himself for all mankind, who expressly taught, "If thine enemy hunger, feed him," sit on millions of tons of stored and rotting food and self-righteously claim to be His disciples? This is food for thought! Food for the starving!

It is the responsibility of every Christian to speak out clearly the word of hope and courage, justice and love, for which this troubled world hungers.

Empowered by Almighty God we are called to take the Christian offensive. We need to pray as though nothing else counted: for enemies as well as self. It takes time to read the Bible—but read it! It is unpopular to speak out for peace—but do it! It is work to give a helping hand to a down-trodden brother—but we should do it in the name of Christ!

The eyes of faith will never discount the Church of Jesus Christ. It is good to remember that in times of crisis we have a sanctuary, and "The Lord shall preserve thy soul."

LT EDWARD E. JAYNE, CHC, USNR

Attention! All Easter Egg Hunters

Want to join the Frontier Wonderland Club at Frontier Village, San Jose?

Membership cards are available at Special Services. They are good for Easter season activities at the amusement park from 2-10 April—including a big Easter Egg hunt at 1100 Saturday, 9 April. More than 3000 colored eggs will be hidden throughout the park and youngsters finding gold and silver eggs will receive valuable merchandise prizes. The hunt is divided into various age groups so everyone has a chance to win.

Among the attractions in the 32-acre park are the ferris wheel, merry-go-round, antique autos, Frontier Village-Southern Pacific railway train, stagecoach, and a live burro pack train.

O' Wives To Have A Wine-tasting

"Ah, oui," may be heard from the "O" Club 13 April, when the Officers' Wives enjoy a wine-tasting party. The Almaden Winery of Los Gatos will be supplying the wines along with cheese from the Kraft Cheese Company.

Wives of the Orthopedic and Neuropsychiatry Services will be hostesses with Mrs. D. D. Goldthwaite and Mrs. J. E. Hamill, chairmen. Reservations (deadline 11 April) may be made by calling Mrs. M. L. Petway, 562-8671.

Door prizes and other special gifts from the sponsoring companies will highlight the afternoon's activities.

Navy Relief pins will be awarded by Admiral Cokely.



WEDDING BELLS RANG 19 March for HM2 Jo Puckle and HM1 James Turner. The ceremony took place in the Oak Knoll Chapel, with Chaplain Chamberlin officiating. HM3 Cathy Petke served Jo as maid of honor, and HN Elaine Weber was her bridesmaid. JO2 Joel Jacobs was the best man—as Turner was for him just a few months ago. HM1 Gene Parkinson was the groomsman. HM1 Don Pickinpaugh and HM3 John Shouse ushered. A reception at the CPO Club followed the ceremony.



HN CAROLYN BAKER was homeward bound 22 March, with a Letter of Appreciation from the CO to remind her of her tour of duty at Oak Knoll. CAPT S. L. Arje presented the letter, which came in recognition of the Corps Wave's service in the Women's Medical Clinic.

"Your exceptional knowledge and tact in caring for patients, your warm personality, professional aptitude, and genuine concern for the many patients seen here reflect your training and humanity and serve to enhance the hospital's reputation," Admiral Cokely's letter stated.

Miss Baker plans to continue her education at Moorhead State College, in her home town—Moorhead, Minn.

Chaplains List Services For Holy Week

The days between Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday—this year the dates are 3 to 10 April—are aside as a time of special preparation for God's Easter Blessing. Knollites are invited to pause each day during this week to think of Him Who is our Saviour, and the source of all Power, Peace and Goodness. A few moments of directed meditation each day will bring fresh understanding of the meaning, purpose, and goal of life. To assist you in your preparation for the Easter Blessing, chaplains encourage you to take advantage of the following opportunities for meditation and ship during Holy Week.

ROMAN CATHOLIC SERVICES

Palm Sunday, 3 April
 0800—Confessions (Main Chapel)
 0830—Sacrifice of the Mass, Distribution of Palms
 1200—Confessions
 1215—Sacrifice of the Mass, Distribution of Palms

Monday, 4 April
 1130—Confessions
 1150—Rosary
 1200—Sacrifice of the Mass

Tuesday, 5 April
 1130—Confessions
 1150—Rosary
 1200—Sacrifice of the Mass

Wednesday, 6 April
 1130—Confessions
 1150—Rosary
 1200—Sacrifice of the Mass

Thursday, 7 April
 1150—Rosary
 1200—Confessions and Sacrifice of the Mass

1630—Confessions
 1640—Sacrifice of the Mass
Friday, 8 April
 1150—Rosary
 1200—Distribution of Holy Communion, Adoration of the Cross

1500-1600—Confessions
Saturday, 9 April
 1900-2000—Confessions

Easter Sunday, 10 April
 0800—Confessions
 0830—Sacrifice of the Mass
 1200—Confessions
 1215—Sacrifice of the Mass

PROTESTANT SERVICES

Palm Sunday, 3 April
 1030—Morning Worship and Holy Communion
Monday - Thursday, 4 - 7 April
 1200—Daily Devotions (Main Chapel)

Thursday Evening, 7 April
 2000—Service of Holy Communion
Good Friday, 8 April
 1200—Service of Devotion
Easter Sunday, 10 April
 0930—Service of Communion
 1030—Morning Worship

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LT Healer Completes Year of NP Training

LT Carl T. Healer, CHC, USN, completed his year of clinical pastoral training in the Neuropsychiatry Service on 18 March and is now en route to a new assignment at the Marine Corps Schools Command in Quantico, Va.



IN THE SPRING SOME PEOPLE'S FANCY turns to gardening; and patients are always delighted when members of the Oak Knoll Garden Club arrive with plants, garden tools, plant food, and "green thumbs." Here Mrs. Irwin Stevens tells PVT James Olson how to get the best results from his gardening operation. Members of the club come to Oak Knoll every spring and summer. They also provide holiday flower arrangements for the wards.

Navy Exchange System To Celebrate 20th Birthday With Worldwide Sale

To commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Navy Resale System, Exchanges around the world, including Oak Knoll's, will stage a two-week sale beginning 14 April.

The sale was announced by Rear Admiral Charles A. Blick, SC, USN, who is Commanding Officer of the system's central office, the Navy Ship's Store Office (NSSO). During the sale period, customers may obtain a variety of merchandise and services at special prices, according to Admiral Blick—and A. L. Smedberg, manager of the local Navy Exchange.

In the two decades of the Navy Resale System's operation, Ship's Service Stores and Ship's Stores Ashore have been converted into a world-wide system of Navy Ex-

changes under the management of the system's central office.

As the central managerial head of the Navy Resale System, NSSO has for two decades aided Navy Exchanges, MSTs Exchanges, Commissary Stores, and Ship's Stores Afloat to expand and modernize their facilities so that authorized customers may shop in greater comfort and find a wider range of goods and services.

Currently, NSSO serves 168 Navy Exchanges, 72 MSTs Exchanges, approximately 675 ship-board stores and 89 Commissary Stores.

NSSO "keeps the books" for the world-wide chain of Navy Exchanges, paying their employees and their vendor bills and returning them a majority of their profits in a check for each Station Command's recreation fund. NSSO also advances loans to Exchanges for the expansion and renovation of their stores and other facilities.

"The 20th Anniversary Sale," said Admiral Blick, "was organized so that Navy Personnel and their families may share in the system-wide celebration. It is another way of expressing thanks to Navy men and their families for their continued patronage."

Hail-Farewell

OFFICERS REPORTING:

LT E. M. Barreras, Jr., MC, USNR, from USS COLUMBUS (CG-12) for duty in the Medical Service.

LCDR F. M. McGovern, CHC, USN, from USS MIDWAY (CVA-41) for clinical pastoral training.

OFFICERS DETACHED:

CAPT L. C. Rohrs, MC, USN, to 3rd MarDiv (Reinf) FME, Pacific.

CDR J. T. Vincent, MC, USN, to 3rd MarDiv (Reinf) FME, Pacific.

LTJG W. A. Brown, MSC, USN, to HDSUPACT, Taipei, Taiwan.

LT C. T. Healer, CHC, USN, to Mar-CorpSch, Quantico, Va.

Scuttlebutt

DID YOU KNOW? That Mrs. Achsa Carter was a Texas school teacher for 25 years before she came west and became a file clerk in Patient Affairs 15 years ago and that she's going on 68 and proud of it. . . . That the good-looking fellow whose multi-colored plaid shirts brighten the scene at the Navy Exchange cafeteria these lunch hours is John Jacobson, civilian lab technician. . . . That Chaplain Jayne, as an enlisted man, served for 18 months as chaplain's assistant aboard the USS MIDWAY. . . . That the young man who reads his book while walking from the Main Gate to the Ad Bldg. and back again is David Joachim, assistant to Miss Clare Hegele, medical librarian. That HM3 Jerry Bourne slipped in from Great Lakes the other day and went back to her old job at Exam&Trt. This is Jerry's third tour of duty at Oak Knoll, and this time she expects to stay until time to retire—next August. . . . That 25 March was the birthday of both CAPT Gary Cooper and SGT Winnett of the Marine Liaison Office. . . . That Larry Busby, who drives the laundry truck, is a night club musician. . . .

NUPTIAL NOTE: LTJG Joanna Meyer of the nursing staff became the bride, of 2nd LT Bernd McConnell USAF, on 19 March. The ceremony took place in the Indianola Presbyterian Church in Columbus, Ohio—her hometown.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: CDR Jones at Patient Affairs' farewell luncheon for Pat Wenstrom: "It's going to be mighty hard to fill Pat's fur-lined boots." Incidentally, the luncheon was topped off by a cake decorated with igloos and wishes for happiness and good luck to popular Pat and her husband Hal, who will make their home in Anchorage.

OAKNOLLUMNI: LCDR Althea Algeier, the only Navy nurse in Korea, reigned as Seabee Queen at the 24th anniversary dinner-dance given by the Seabees and Public Works personnel at Naval Advisory Group detachment in Chinhae.

LIFE BEGAN on 23 March for Weslee Ann Sheldon, 5 lb. 3½ oz. daughter of HM3 Wesley Sheldon, Surg. II, and his wife Carol. . . . On 27 March for Susan Renee Jenkins, 6 lb., 9¾ oz. daughter of HM3 Neil Jenkins, X-ray, and his wife Joan.



JANGO No. 3 for the Rulons

Becky Rulon Gets Her Cap and Pin

Rebecca Rulon, daughter of CAPT and Mrs. David B. Rulon, was summoned to the CO's office last week to receive her JANGO certificate from Admiral Cokely. At the same time she was capped and "pinned" by CDR Veronica Bulshefski, Chief of the Nursing Service.

Rebecca, 15 and a sophomore at Canyon High School, Hayward, has given 158 hours' service to the dependent wards during the past eight months and will continue to serve as her school schedule allows.

Her capping was of more than passing interest since she is the third JANGO in the Rulon family, and their volunteer service to date totals 1150 hours!

Twenty-one-year-old Connie, who will graduate in June from the University of Washington School of Nursing, enrolled in the JANGO program at USNH, Key West, Fla., and transferred to Oak Knoll when her father reported here as Chief of the Laboratory Service in August 1960. Before going away to school Connie gave 417 hours to JANGO.

Mary, 18 and in her first year at Johns Hopkins School of Nursing in Baltimore, Md., gave 576 hours at Oak Knoll and was JANGO of the YEAR for 1965.

Becky too plans to become a nurse, following in the footsteps of her sisters and her mother, Jean, who is a registered nurse.

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Captain Lawlor Heads Local Toastmasters

Oak Knoll's prospective Toastmasters' Club is organized but still looking for members.

CAPT W. K. Lawlor is president, CDR J. F. Hardin, administrative vice-president; CWO W. S. Adams is educational vice-president; CAPT R. A. Middleton is secretary-treasurer.

The group has been meeting Monday noons in the breakfast room at the Officers' Club, but a more convenient time is being sought so that more members of the staff can participate.



A DISTINGUISHED DOCTOR known as "Daddy" to former students and fellow OB-GYN specialists from coast to coast recently made rounds with CAPT J. P. Semmens and his OB-GYN staff. He is RADM Robert A. Ross, MC, USNR, Ret. (center) Admiral Ross was instrumental in organizing the Departments of OB-GYN at both Duke University Medical Center and the University of North Carolina School of Medicine and served as chairman of each. He has served as consultant to the Surgeon General and is an Associate Examiner for the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Pictured with him are, from left, front row: Captain Semmens, CDR B. D. Viele, CDR J. F. Wurzel, and LCDR N. K. Takaki; back row: LTs J. M. Casey, R. W. Melton, J. A. Olsen, and F. H. Gerber. Doctor Ross came to Oak Knoll to visit Captain Semmens after filling speaking engagements at the University of Oklahoma and UCLA.

New Judo Club Invites Members

When you hear those screams, howls, thuds, and groans in the gymnasium, don't be alarmed. The Oak Knoll Judo Club is in session.

The club, organized by HN Victor R. Perez, corpsman on 76B, now has more than 25 active members, male and female.

Morning sessions of one to two hours are arranged for members of the night and p.m. crew, afternoon sessions for the night and day crews. Practice is rigidly supervised by Perez or by HM3 Jerry McBeth, laboratory. Both hold the Third Degree Brown Belt.

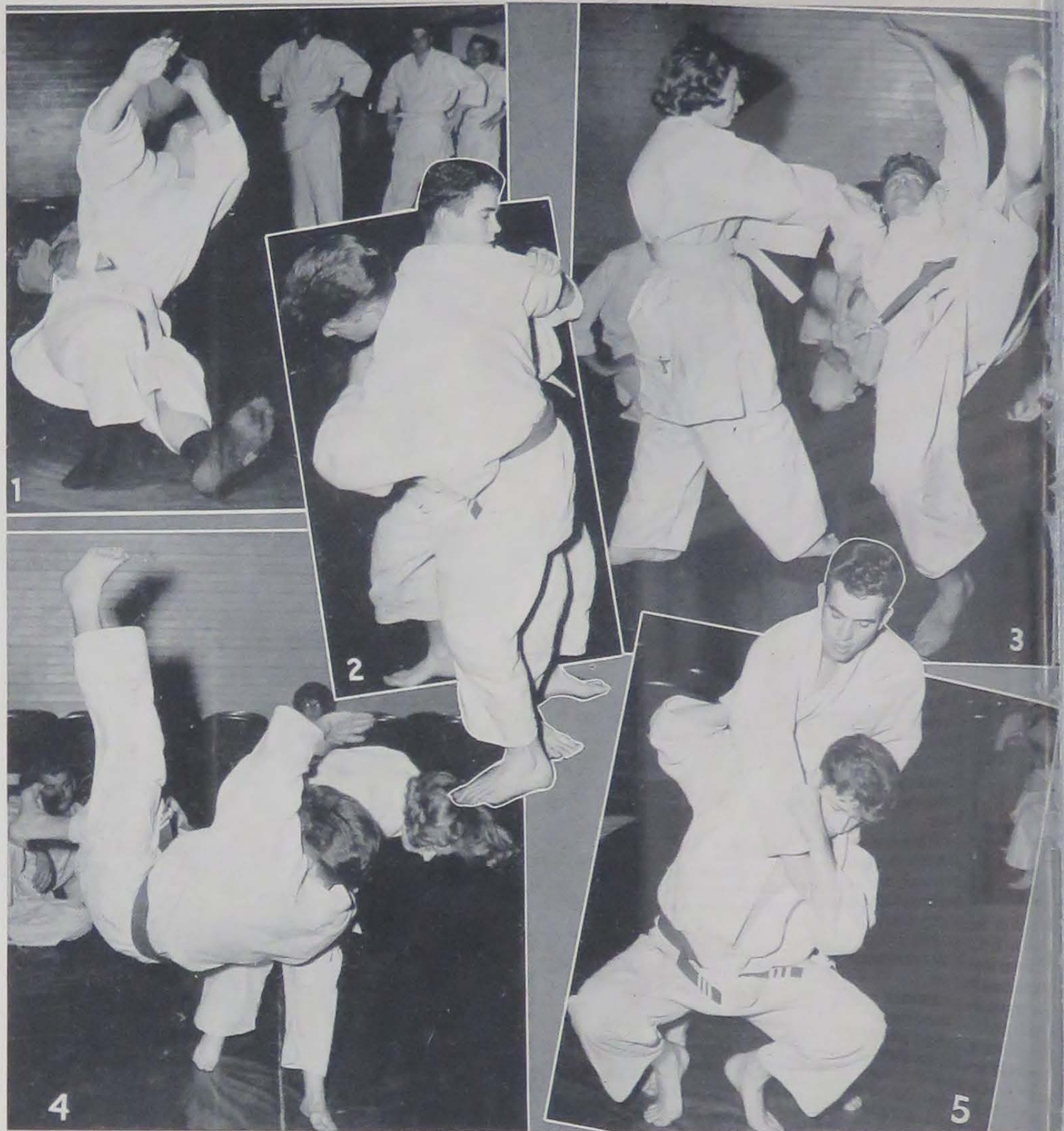
"This is strictly the competitive sport of judo, not the combat type. In combat judo, one learns to hurt, maim, or even kill to overcome an opponent," said soft-spoken, mild-mannered Vic, who also has a fair degree of skill in aikido and karate.

In Competitive Judo, one learns to throw his opponent with skill, and his opponent, by studying learns how to fall in order that when he is thrown, he doesn't tense and hurt himself.

"The kind of judo we teach is designed to arouse competitive spirit and to teach coordination of mind and body. This attained, it is no longer necessary to stop and say, 'If I do this and this, this will happen.' Movements become automatic and instinctive."

Vic, a former Airman First Class in the USAF, was attached to the Strategic Air Command (SAC)—great believer in the martial arts. He became interested in judo and started his training while assigned to Goose Bay, Labrador. Since then, he has continued to develop his skill and the self-confidence, which is a valuable by-product of the sport.

As Vic puts it, "Judo trains one to be confident and sure but not aggressive; for one skilled in the sport knows what he can do and doesn't have to prove it."



THROWS AND SPILLS, THRILLS AND . . . Members of the Knoll judo class practice falling and slamming the mat in picture (1). (2) Perez demonstrates to class "the how" of a foot sweep prior to "dumping" his opponent on the mat. In (3) we have Bea Foley demonstrating judo technique by throwing Brown Belt Holder (and instructor of class) Vic Perez. (4) Once again Perez prepares to bite the mat as Foley throws him in more demonstration of judo technique (note Perez's raised hand. This hand, when slammed on the mat, acts as a shock absorber). (5) Instructor Perez demonstrates proper position and holding of opponent prior to following through to complete the throw.

If Track, Softball, Golf, Bowling Or Ping Pong Is Your Game—

The Twelfth Naval District Track and Field Events will be held 27 April at Moffett Field. Coach Moffett needs participants, and interested personnel are urged to call Special Services at Ext. 593.

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Players are needed to form softball teams for Intramural play. Coach Moffett is interested in A.M. and P.M. ward corpsmen coming out, and arrangements are being made concerning hours for play and practice for those whose hours conflict with games and practice. Interested? Contact Special Services at earliest convenience.

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Twelfth Naval District Golf Season starts 12 April, with Captain E. A. Blakey acting as Oak Knoll team captain. If you are interested in 12ND play, contact Captain Blakey at Ext 529 or 393, or Special Services at Ext 593.

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Ping Pong Players! Twelfth Naval District Tournaments in Table

Tennis will be held 19-20 April for men, and 26-27 April for women. The men's tournament will be held at the Coast Guard Station at Alameda, the women's at NAS Alameda. Play time starts at 1900 for both the men's and women's tournaments.

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Futurama Bowl in San Jose will be the site of the 12ND Bowling Championships. The tournament starts April 19, and runs through April 21. To find out if you are qualified to participate in the tournament, contact Coach Moffett at Special Services, Ext. 593.

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In the art of living, one seldom stays on a plateau for long; one either moves forward or backward
—GRACE R. FOWLER, R.N.,
in Nursing Forum

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We always like those who admire us; we do not always like those whom we admire.
—LA ROCHEFOUCAULD

Navy News Roundup

DOD MAY INTRODUCE OWN PAY BILL—Not only is Defense going along with a military pay raise this year, but chances are good that it will actually recommend a bill itself. What's more, the bill Defense officials are thinking of would closely parallel the bill of the Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, which would give military personnel the same percentage increase as the average increase civil servants get. . . .

IF MESS HALL MEALS GET SMALLER, BLAME INFLATION, NOT THE COOKS—Don't blame the cook. Meals in the mess hall may get smaller and there will be cheaper cuts of meat and less fancy canned goods. It's part of the administration's fight against inflation. Defense had decided that it can keep food prices down by buying different kinds of food. The Navy has already directed its messes to cut the servings of pork products, particularly bacon. Navy messes will serve bacon two or three times a week instead of five and substitute poultry, eggs, seafood, and selected beef products. Purchase of canned peaches, pears, cherries and fruit cocktail over the next six months are to be but a fourth of the former amounts. Apricots, apple slices, apple sauce, pineapple and grapefruit sections will substitute. . . .

HEARINGS DUE ON BIG CHANGES IN MEDICARE—Congressional hearings opened on a series of proposals that will affect the medical care of the military community for the next generation. A House Armed Services subcommittee, under Rep. F. Edward Hubert (D. La.), started hearings on three proposals that would:

Provide medical care in civilian facilities for retirees and their dependents, with the patient paying about a quarter of the cost.

Provide outpatient medical care for dependents of men on active duty, with the patient paying a fifth of the cost.

Establish a program for the care, training, rehabilitation and special education of mentally retarded and physically handicapped children of servicemen. . . .



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JANGO-of-the-Year Award for Jo Carol



JO CAROL ELLIS has been named JANGO-of-the-YEAR at Oak Knoll. The choice was not difficult since she has contributed 792 hours' service on the wards here and at USNH, San Diego.

"And I'm going right on, at least until I reach the 1000-hour mark," said attractive Jo Carol, 19-year-old daughter of LT Glen M. Ellis, Chief of the Security Division.

Jo Carol, a humanities major at Habot College, is Oak Knoll's second JANGO-of-the-Year. The award, presented last year for the first time in guilds throughout the nation to the most deserving JANGO, is a gold charm bearing the crossed flags of the JANGO emblem.

READ

National Library Week is being held this year between 17 and 23 April.

Librarians like to feel that reading gives pleasure throughout the year. But like most well-beloved friends, reading is apt to be taken for granted by many and neglected by the rest. It is good therefore, to have a reminder each year that a book is a faithful, rewarding, and most undemanding companion. Your book is waiting to please you when the mood is right, ready to open the doorways of your mind to new ideas, eager to offer you the infinite riches of great minds. Yet it is content to be put aside when other, more active occupations present themselves. For whatever reason you choose a book, you will be happier and wiser and richer for it. Keep growing and read!

Gifts, Gimmicks, Bargains Galore At Big B-Day Sale

Navy Exchange's big 20th Birthday Sale is now in progress. It will continue through 30 April, keeping pace with the world-wide observance of the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the Navy Exchange re-sale system.

Hundreds of big bargains will be available in every department of the retail store throughout the two-week sale, according to A. L. Smedberg, veteran Navy Exchange manager.

At the service station patrons will be greeted with special gifts and gimmicks. For example, if the pump stops on 4.44, 3.33, or some other magic number—FREE gasoline. There'll be free gifts for those who buy \$2 worth of gasoline or more.

In the restaurant anyone buying a 60-cent lunch may have dessert "on the house." Bring a sweater to be dry cleaned at the regular price and have another cleaned free. Purchase a pair of glasses at the optical shop and get another pair for half price.

On special days to be announced on the spur of the moment, haircuts will be available at the unheard of fee of 20 cents. Doors will positively close at 1630, and anyone remaining in line will have to go home unshorn and try his luck another day. On special days shoe shines will be 10 cents.

The beauty shop is making its special days known in advance. Next Monday and Tuesday and the the same days of the following week the charge for all hairdo's including permanents will be exactly half the usual price.

"We hope all who are eligible to buy at Navy Exchange will join in the fun and watch for the specials," said Mr. Smedberg.

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Posthumous Award to Ex-Knoll Patient

This week's NAVY TIMES reports the posthumous award of the Navy Cross to LT Edward A. Dickson, a young flier who was treated at Oak Knoll in 1964 after falling 1000 feet into a snowbank when his chute failed to open—his only injury was a broken ankle.

Last week, LT Dickson was on a bombing mission in Vietnam and his plane was hit by enemy ground fire. LT Dickson continued his bombing run, released the bomb load on target and headed toward the open sea where he ejected—but too late.



LT Glen M. Ellis, Chief of the Security Division, and Fire Chief E. R. Meier proudly accept from Admiral Cokely the Certificate the Oak Knoll Fire Department earned in the National Fire Protection Association's 1965 fire prevention contest.

Knoll Earns an Honorable Mention In 1965 Fire Prevention Contest

Oak Knoll has earned Honorable Mention for outstanding activity in fire prevention for FY 1965. A handsome certificate testifying to the fact hangs in an honored spot in the Fire Department.

The award from the National Fire Protection Association was accepted in behalf of the Department of the Navy at a recent ceremony in Washington, D.C., before being sent on to this command,

where Admiral Cokely presented it, with his personal "well done" to Fire Chief E. R. Meier and LT Glen Ellis, Chief of the Security Division.

An accompanying letter from the Chief of Naval Material commended the hospital (only military medical activity to receive an award) "for its high standing among the 95 Navy and Marine (Continued on Page 3)



The trees and shrubs in the Officers' Club were in full bloom. The silver services gleamed in the sunshine. The nurse's cap with four gold stripes artistically placed in a centerpiece of pink flowers reminded the guests that on 1 May CDR Veronica Bulshefski, Chief of the Nursing Service at this naval hospital, will become CAPT Veronica Bulshefski, Director of the Navy Nurse Corps.

Among the scores of staff members who turned out to wish her "smooth sailing" were, from left, Ensigns Mary Dietzel, Doreen Spotts, and Edwina Robinson. The tea was one of a number of social events planned for Commander Bulshefski before her departure 1 April.

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Where can we go in time of need, seeking comfort? There is only one who can give the serenity and peace that the world cannot give. It is He who said that He would refresh us when heavily burdened. He also drove the money lenders from the temple and informed them that it was a house of prayer. How many times have we visited a church, the house of prayer, yet failed to realize that it is first of all a place of consolation. In our difficulties, afflictions and desolations, we shall find true consolation only in the house of prayer where we can lay open to God the bitterness of our heart, which He will sweeten with His grace. All other consolation is in vain.

It is a place of propitiation. When we have offended God and when, through fear of His judgment, our conscience reproaches us, we go to the house of prayer to entreat forgiveness and by true contrition to appease the anger of God.

It is a place of illumination. It is there that God enlightens our mind with His grace and discloses to us what we should do in order to acquire the virtues of our state of life and to make sure of that most urgent of all matters, our eternal salvation.

Have you visited the house of God lately? Try it, and our prayer, if devout, is worth much and can draw down God's choicest blessings.

LCDR L. C. MATTIELLO, CHC, USN

Refund of Car Fee For Non-Californians

Non-resident servicemen who registered a motor vehicle in California during the past three years are now entitled to a refund.

A recent court decision ruled, under the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act, non-resident military personnel in California do not have to pay a two percent fee on the value of the vehicle when registering it. The state has now announced it will refund any fees paid within the last three years and accept for consideration claims for fees paid before that time.

Servicemen who have left California may obtain an application form by writing: California Department of Motor Vehicles, P.O. Box 1319, Sacramento, Calif., 95806.

San Diego To Be Site Of 25th Wave Reunion

San Diego has been selected as the site for the 25th Wave Reunion to be held 20-23 July. More than 1500 active duty, retired, reserve, and former Waves are expected to attend—as are Navy Yeomanettes, who will be celebrating their 50th anniversary.

Of special interest here is the fact that Mrs. Norma (Brown) Batchelder, a former Oak Knoll Disbursing Officer, will be chairman. A Naval Reserve lieutenant commander, she is the wife of retired VADM Robert R. Batchelder.

For further information and reservations, write to LCDR Norma Batchelder, USNR, P.O. Box 1468, La Jolla, Calif.



NEW STRIPES for FOUR—Promotions came through last week for four happy staff members. From left, they are LCDRs Gordon W. Philip, third-year resident in the Orthopedic Service; Kenneth D. Rashid of the Neuropsychiatry staff, James C. Meador, first-year resident in the Ophthalmology Service, and LT Margaret McGinn of the Nursing Service.

All Aboard for Travel Temptations!



WOMEN DISCUSSING FASHIONS is not news, but when the fashions (from Permans of Southland in Hayward and the Expectation Show in San Francisco) are to be modeled by members of the Oak Knoll Officers' Wives Club at an 18 May luncheon at Castlewood Country Club that's a different story.

Here Mrs. Augustus B. Scott, club president; Mrs. James E. Hamill, chairman of arrangements and decorations; and Mrs. Harold J. Cokely, who will be among the models, firm up plans for the club's biggest spring event. The theme is "Travel Temptations." The charge is \$3.25.

Mrs. Robert C. Colgrove will direct the models; Mrs. James F. Rosborough is in charge of favors; and Mrs. John C. DeVries is hospitality chairman. Mrs. Albert J. Schwab is in charge of tickets.

Navy News Roundup

ALL EXTENSIONS END IN FALL FOR ENLISTEDS—The Navy and Marine Corps will have ended all involuntary extensions of enlistments by this fall. For Navy enlisteds, phase out of extensions—whether of enlistment or of transfer to the Fleet Reserve—will proceed on the same schedule. If enlistment normally would expire or transfer to the Fleet Reserve be due between March 1 and April 30, there will be a three-month extension instead of the earlier four-month one.

For those personnel whose time is up after 31 August, no extensions are planned. . . . **NAVY ENLISTEDS DUE MORE, EARLIER HIKES**—A boost of nearly 8,000 petty officer slots in allowable Navy strength just okayed by the Defense Department is probably going to increase the number of promotions to be made off last February's enlisted advancement exams and give thousands of sailors their new crowns up to four months early. The biggest impact of the newly-approved petty officer ceilings will be felt at the first class level, where an additional 4598 slots have been okayed. Most of these extra promotions will probably be made in April. . . . **COMRATS HIKED TO \$1.17 DAILY FOR EVERYONE**—Enlisted men will get a \$20 million pay raise of their own beginning this month as Defense raises the commuted ration rate worldwide to \$1.17 a day. This up from \$1.10 stateside and \$1.14 overseas. . . .

OVERSEAS AUTO FINANCING OKAYED—The Navy Federal Credit Union has extended its membership to enlisted men and civilians serving outside the United States and is going into the business of financing U.S. manufactured automobiles for servicemen overseas. Car buyers overseas do not have to be members beforehand to use the new credit. They can apply simultaneously for membership and loan.

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The Coast Guard aviation center in Elizabeth City, N.C., is scheduled to begin construction this year of a round barracks, a "first" in the construction of military barracks.

The term "crow's nest" was derived from the cage which housed ravens at the top of the mast of Norse ships. When the Norsemen lost sight of land, a raven was released and followed.

Re-enlistments



HMC Don L. Hansen has re-enlisted for another four years. The chief, on the PMT School staff for four of his 15 years in the Navy, is from Auburn, Calif. Previous assignments have taken him to the USS BEN-

NER and USS ANTIETAM on the East Coast, to Air Transportation Squadron 7 and the Naval Advisory Group, Korea. He has orders to return to Korea in July. His wife Carole and their six children will wait for him at their home in Hayward.



HM2 Warren L. Shepherd of X-ray has re-enlisted for another six years. His first active duty was in the crucial years from 1943 to 1946. Between periods of active duty in the USNR he worked at Oregon State Hospital, Salem,

Ore. He reported for his present tour of active duty last September.

Married and the father of four children, he is especially proud of his 19-year-old son James, who just returned from Vietnam, where he served with the Second Battalion, Third Marine Division. An HM3, James is now assigned to the light cruiser USS GALVESTON. Shepherd's other children are Michael, 13, William, 10, and Janice, 2.

Fire Prevention

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Corps activities participating in the contest. The awards are provided to recognize Naval and Marine Corps activities for superior performance in year-round fire prevention education and training. These efforts contribute materially to the over-all low fire loss record of the Navy Department.

A letter from RADM R. B. Brown, Surgeon General, praised "the dedication and outstanding efforts of the military and civilian personnel at the Naval Hospital in the fire prevention program."

"This is the first time we've earned such an award," said Chief Meier, "and we're mighty proud of it."

The Fire Chief has been at Oak Knoll 20 years, working up from hoseman to top job in his department. He was in the Navy in WWII and worked at NAS, Alameda, for a couple of years before coming here.

Chief Meier gave special credit to Fire Inspector Raymond Merrill—"the backbone of our fire prevention program."

A dozen other members of the fire department give their best efforts around the clock around the year to prevent fire—"a constant danger in these frame buildings."

A Word About Leadership

Have you ever considered what it means to be a petty officer? Have you ever wondered what some of your responsibilities as a petty officer are? If you have given this some thought and have not arrived at any clear-cut conclusions, read the following appointment from the petty officer rating certificate:

To the Appointee

Your appointment as a petty officer in the United States Navy carries with it the obligation that you exercise additional authority and willingly accept greater responsibility.

You have not only the authority, but the responsibility to ensure that subordinates comply with the provisions of United States Navy Regulations, General Orders, and supporting orders and directives. You have the obligation to report to proper authority all offenses committed by persons in the naval service which you may observe, and have the authority, as delineated in the Uniform Code of Military Justice, to apprehend known offenders. These responsibilities apply whether you are in a duty or liberty status.

You are legally and morally obligated to show in yourself a good example of subordination, courage, zeal, sobriety, neatness and attention to duty. Your every action must be governed by a strong sense of personal moral responsibility in order that this personal leadership will strengthen the character of subordinates so that they will contribute their utmost to the effectiveness and efficiency of the United States Navy.

To those of you who will become petty officers, these words take on a special meaning for with your "crow" you will wear responsibilities not previously required of you. Those of us who already have our "crow" would do well to remember what our responsibilities are and if a laxness in our attitudes has developed, make whatever corrections are necessary that we may live up to our appointment.

Before anyone accepts his or her petty officer status, it should further be remembered you must sign the following pledge of faith at the bottom of your rating certificate. This pledge should be given careful consideration and thought and should not be signed frivolously.

"I acknowledge receipt of the above appointment and do hereby pledge that I shall, in all my actions, faithfully discharge the duties and responsibilities of this office."

HM1 J. R. WILDEY

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USS SANCTUARY To Be Reactivated

The Secretary of the Navy has announced reactivation of the hospital ship USS SANCTUARY. The second hospital ship to be reactivated, it is scheduled for completion late this year.



CDR William H. Jones, Chief of the Patient Affairs Division, some time ago described his 24 years in the service as "a normal Navy life tinged by war and transfers, colored by assignments, and saturated by promotions, good Navy food and occasional pay raises." He did not know at the time that the variety of his Navy life was to be further spiced by a unique award created especially for him—The Order of the Bleeding Heart. It was an emotion-packed moment (note the bowed head, the trembling hand) as the Commander accepted the Bleeding Heart from the CO before a large assemblage of his fellow MSC officers, his pretty wife Barbara, and Captain Arje. The award and accompanying citation (which was not made available to the press) as well as a glowing letter of appreciation from the command were presented on the eve of Commander Jones' transfer to the USS REPOSE.

Page From the Oak Knoll Family Album



MEET THE MOSBAUGH TWINS—Ronald C., left, and Donald R.

Besides having the same birthday (25 February 1944), the same rate (HN), and the same rugged good looks, they have twin interests and ambitions. Each lettered in football, basketball, and track at Noel High, not far from their home in Joplin, Mo. Each had his turn serving as captain of his football and basketball team. Each made all-conference in these sports. Ron placed fifth in broad and high jump in the state high school track meet. Each had a year and a half at Joplin J.C., where Ron threw the javelin 196 feet for the junior college record, which he still holds.

If Ron was ahead of Don in track and field events, Don isn't too concerned. He excels where it counts! He'll sew on his crow 16 May—a month ahead of Ron.

The two corpsmen joined the NR in '62 and reported to active duty at Oak Knoll last October. Ron is currently driving for the CO and Don serves on 70B.

One day last week Don got orders to the Fleet Marines, and it looked as though the brothers were to be separated. A few hours later the Navy offered Ron his choice of duty aboard ship or with FMF. He chose the latter. "Our three older brothers served in the Army, Air Force, and Navy—I guess we should have a couple of Marines in the family," said Ron.

After 18 more months of active duty, the Mosbaughs will enroll at the University of Missouri—on athletic scholarships—as physical education majors.

"Being a twin can be a little confusing," the boys admit. "In basketball, sometimes a player from the opposing team would find himself guarding the wrong Mosbaugh. Once when we were small boys, Don stubbed his toe and went crying to mother to have it bandaged. I followed suit and was being soundly scolded for 'pulling off the bandage.' Then mother saw us together," Ron recalled.

During their soph year at Joplin High Ron and Don were one of 13 sets of twins. They double-dated a pair for the prom.



Friday, 8 April, was the big day for OR Students when they graduated from the four-month course of instruction in operating room procedure and techniques. From the left, in the front row, the graduates and guests: CDR Barbara Ellis, instructor; CAPT G. G. Clark, Chief Neurosurgery Service, guest speaker; HN's Steve Tedford, Ronald Kraus, Ramon Olivas, Charlie Davis; HM3 Ronald Tracy, and HM2 J. Q. Salinas, enlisted instructor. In the back row, from left to right: HN's John De Leon, Richard McKinstry, Steve Roos, Kent Chaffin, Carl Ebert and Michael Fallovo (Honorman) and CAPT D. W. Robinson, Chief of Surgery.

12ND Track Meet Set for 27 April

Twelfth Naval District Track and Field Events will be held 27 April. These events are the first of the Track and Field Season, and anyone interested in participating is urged to contact Coach Moffett at Special Services, Ext 593.

Hilltoppers Play Here 19 April

The Hilltoppers will play their first baseball game of the season on Tuesday, 19 April, at 1500 on the Knoll diamond. The Toppers will meet Coast Guard Station Alameda. All who can possibly attend the game are urged to do so to lend our team support.

Rest for Bowlers

The bowling alley will remain closed through next week for repainting and installation of new pin-spotters.

Hail-Farewell

ENLISTED DETACHED:
 HM1 Charles R. Moore to Inshore Undersea Warfare Grp One, Long Beach.
 MM2 James A. Katzdorn to USS VEGA (AF-59).
 HM3's Dennis R. Moore to ComBatCen, Pt. Hueneme, Ca.; Peter L. Cooper to NavShipYd San Francisco; Harold E. Pettigrew to FMFPac 3rd FSR, Okinawa.
 HN's Richard D. Parker, Gary R. Oates and William D. Peterson to NavAirSta, Lemoore; Lester G. Bollinger to NavShipYd, San Francisco; Leonard W. Harris, Jr., to USNH Yokosuka; David C. Ferrer, Jr., to USS DIAMOND HEAD; James R. Bell, Jr., to NAS Moffett Field; Kenneth J. Peacock, Douglas W. Gillet, Stephen L. Culbertson, Phillip F. Hearnberger, Lyman D. Harms, Michael C. Priest, Ronald C. Brooks, William R. Dougherty, Jr., and Ronald J. Mitch to 3rd FSR, Okinawa.

ENLISTED REPORTING:
 HMC George O. Canning from NavSta T.I.
 HM2's Kenneth N. Umland and Thomas R. Kennedy from USS MAHOPAC (ATA-196) and MarCorpRec Depot, San Diego.
 HM3's David C. James from USS WASHBURN (AKA-108); Peter G. Nicholas and Marshall R. Baker from NavSta, T.I.
 HN's Phillip (N) Corder, Mary E. Dromgoole, Doris Whitehead, and Rebecca G. Packard from HCS Great Lakes; Thomas F. Newell, Chris J. Halvey, Monte R. Woodard, John E. Lambert, Jack A. Levene, Carl L. Anderson, William H. Hamilton, Robert B. Waggoner, Jerry L. Bartchek, Jerald R. Toovey, Jerry J. Boice, John F. Meyers, Thomas J. Richter, and Orville E. Reynolds from HCS San Diego.



Graduating from the Orthopedic Appliance Technician course on 25 March were: front row (left to right): Specialist Fifth Class Tom Martin, USA; Airman Third Class Wood Alger, USAF; HM2 Donald G. Groom; HN D. B. Abbot, Sick Berth Assistant; Mohammed Khan, Pakistan Navy; and Airman Third Class Andrew Parmley, USAF. In the back row, from left to right: CAPT F. L. Golbranson, CAPT S. L. Arje, XO; HMCS Samuel Petris, Instructor and Donald Strand, Civilian Instructor.



AFTER THE HUNT everyone looked happy except the pheasants. Recognizable in the group are PFC Ralph Traford, L/CPL Robert Hansen, RMSN Granville Sprayberry, 2ndLT George A. Lancaster, PFC Sammy L. MacDonald, HMCM William James, MAJ Victor DeSchuytner, and PVT Richard B. Messick. Others are members of East Oakland American Legion Post 471.

The hunt at Cache Slew Pheasant Club in Fairfield was planned by the Legion Post, with Ed Pugh as chairman.

Besides bagging 36 birds and consuming quantities of barbecued chicken and spareribs, the patients thoroughly enjoyed the fresh country air and the hospitality of their hosts.

HMCM W. C. James of StaffPers and HM1 Cliff Bassett of Photo Arts accompanied the patients.

Veteran Counselor

Arthur E. Hills from the State of California Department of Veterans Affairs is aboard every Wednesday to counsel patients concerning all benefits available to veterans.

Ask your ward nurse to call the Marine Liaison Office and leave your name and ward number, and Mr. Hills will call on you.

Holders of the new low-cost Servicemen's Group Life Insurance are reminded that before discharge, VA Form 29-8284, "Certification of SGLI," should be completed in order to facilitate conversion when in civilian status. Forms can be obtained at personnel offices.

Quote of the Week

CDR Jones at farewell luncheon: "This was my first time in Patient Affairs, and with the grace of God and Betty (Winsby)—notice I put God first—and the understanding and cooperation of the entire crew I was able to keep my fitness reports and portions of my anatomy intact."



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Friday, 29 April, 1966



THE BIG HOLE—first step toward the new Oak Knoll—becomes more interesting each day as workmen from Huber, Hunt, and Nichols of Santa Clara go about their gigantic task. This overall view shows, in left foreground, the crawl space under the first floor. Here, in addition to the steel-reinforced concrete piers now clearly visible, the heating and plumbing ducts and pipes for the nine-story building will be located. At right, the crawl space under the second floor may be seen. Barely visible in the right lower corner are forms for the foundation of the new cobalt therapy unit, whose walls will be 23½ inches thick.

Cocktail Cruise for Nurses' 58th Birthday

Unlike many a party scheduled between the hours of 1900 and 2230, the Navy Nurse Corps' 58th Anniversary Party Friday, 13 May, will not be one at which the guests may come and go at will; for this year the nurses will celebrate in true Navy style with a birthday cruise.

Two hundred guests are expected to board a harbor cruise ship at Port of Oakland for the cocktail-buffet and cake-cutting. CDR Ann Chelf and LCDR Delma Linville are co-chairmen of party arrangements. LCDR Nancy MacDowell is in charge of decorations. The Weatherman will be asked to assist.



NAVY RELIEF AWARDS were on the agenda at the April meeting of the Officers' Wives' Club, with Admiral Cokely there to do the honors. Mrs. A. J. Schwab, whose nimble fingers have stitched up many a layette for presentation to Navy newborns, received the 600-hour pin. Her service was given at USNH, San Diego, and Oak Knoll. Mrs. W. K. Lawlor, center, received her pin for 100 hours of Navy Relief interviewing at this hospital. Mrs. Glen M. Ellis, right, earned hers for 100 hours of sewing.

CONSTRUCTION What's New At the Site

Work on the new hospital is proceeding smoothly and almost on schedule, according to latest word from LCDR Jack Wright, CEC, Resident Officer in Charge of Construction.

"In another two weeks the perimeter outline of the building will be clearly visible," Mr. Wright observed as he stood at the brink of the excavation surveying the scene where 80 skilled workmen from Huber, Hunt, and Nichols are on the job.

Forms for concrete for the first floor are being set, and this week the pit for the foundation of the elevator shaft in the center of the building is being excavated, according to Mr. Wright.

Work has also been started on a big climbing crane in the middle of the hospital. This crane will "telescope up" as the building progresses. It will be used for carrying steel, concrete, precast panels—all the materials that go into a modern structure. A separate cage will carry the workmen to various levels.

Eventually more than 150 men will be working daily at the site. (More photos on Page 2)

SMALL MIRACLE

Hospital Team Saves Baby Boy

A very anxious expectant mother was transferred by air evac from Kodiak, Alaska, to Oak Knoll on 17 January.

Mrs. Marcella Doyle, wife of Leo D. Doyle, ADRC, was expecting her fifth baby, and she had reason for concern for she had a severe Rh blood incompatibility. She had three living children, two of whom received exchange transfusions after birth, and her fourth pregnancy had ended unhappily with a still birth because of the Rh problem.

Laboratory tests at Kodiak revealed that the baby she was expecting was also severely affected and without help would probably not survive.

After arrival here an amniocentesis was performed, and the amniotic fluid in which the baby is bathed revealed that the baby was severely affected. During the first eight weeks after arrival the unborn baby was given three intra-uterine transfusions—a process whereby a needle is passed through the mother's abdomen and uterus and blood is placed in the baby's abdominal cavity. This tricky maneuver was accomplished by CDR J. F. Wurzel and LCDR Alan Erde of the Obstetrical Service.

On 8 March a 4-pound, 9-ounce boy was delivered. Laboratory tests revealed that 95 percent of

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Young Daniel Doyle—a small miracle — with his mother Marcella.

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DOES IT MATTER?

Does it matter—if I never join a church? Of course it does. You may think you are just as good a Christian being a "lone-wolf" and that only God can judge. But you are not too effective a Christian as far as the community goes, any more than an educated man who never joins a college, or a doctor who never goes near a hospital, or a businessman who has nothing to do with other businessmen. When we really believe in something, we usually join with others who believe the same thing, don't we? Is Christianity any different?

Does it matter—if I stay home on Sundays and rest up? Certainly there's nothing wrong with resting up after a busy week. Indeed, it was Judaism and Christianity that first stressed the need of every one of us having one day in seven to relax from work; you can thank religion for the Sunday you are having off. But have you ever thought that the best way to rest may not be to be lazy at home but to do something different, more personal, more creative than what you do the other six days? Sunday is your one chance to worship God in the beauty of holiness. Don't miss it.

Does it matter—if I let my family get my religion for me? Sure, it doesn't matter if you're the sort of person who wants to get all the best things in life second-hand. Or if you want to be part of your family in all the lighter moments of its life, such as eating or playing, but never part of its deepest moments, such as worship. Or if you want your children to feel that you are always sending them to church but never bothering to go with them yourself. No, think it over! Religion is something you can never get second-hand and have it mean much. And as they get older, your children will size you up for the half-hearted Christian you really are.

Does it matter—if I keep quiet about what I believe? Shipmate, this is no time in history to be silent about your Christian faith. The Communists, the secularists, the atheists, the "free-speechers," all of them are advertising their ways of life and their beliefs via every media of communication made available to them. By keeping quiet you betray yourself, because the telling of others about your religion is the best way to get it clearly in your own mind. Also, you betray the cause of Christ around the world. People today never buy a product they never hear about, even in religion; therefore, if you keep quiet about your Christian faith it is just presumed that the non-Christians have the only articles for sale. For the Christian, there are times when silence is not golden!

Does it matter? Of course it matters, it matters very much, that you be the very best Christian you can possibly be . . . starting today!

—CHAPLAIN CHAMBERLIN



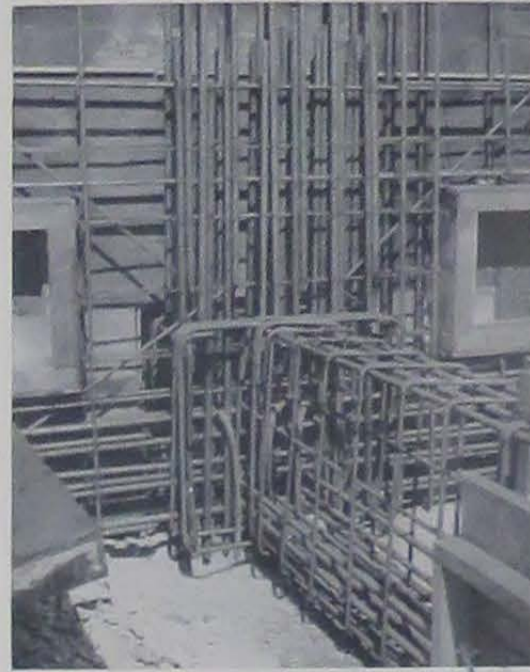
Personnel Retention Board Recommends:

SECNAVNOTE 5420 of 14 Feb 1966 lists the recommendations, made by the Navy and Marine Corps Personnel Retention Board, that have been approved and are to be implemented as expeditiously as practical. There were 82 basic recommendations made and approved, some of which have sub-recommendations.

Some of the basic recommendations affecting enlisted personnel deal with increasing educational opportunities and strengthening leadership by requiring more prestige attendant to a petty officer. Listed below are a few of the recommendations to be implemented as a result of this notice.

1. Increase emphasis on Tuition Aid Programs (75% cost of off

Construction Close-Ups



Reinforcing steel makes an interesting pattern for the camera's eye. Take a look now. Eventually this important part of the structure will be buried in concrete.



Here, reinforcing steel for concrete pier is being set in place. More than 200 piers are already in. The deepest will be 77½ feet.



In this picture workmen are pumping concrete into the wall form, much as one squeezes toothpaste from a tube. The man at right helps position the tube.



The tremie method of placing concrete under water in piers employs upright pipe into which concrete is poured. The workman lifted high above the excavation, his bucket loaded with concrete, makes many trips before form is filled.

duty studies paid by the Navy).

2. Increase the Educational Services Counseling.

3. Develop the concept of the Enlisted Career Education Plan.

4. Establish an Associate Degree as a desirable educational objective for Navy Career Enlisted Personnel.

5. Require oral administration of Petty Officer promotional form to emphasize responsibility with promotion.

6. Establish a billet for the leading CPO of the Navy and Senior Chief Petty Officer billets for Fleet, Type, and Command Units.

7. Revise the custom for formal address, to include introduction of enlisted personnel, by "PETTY OFFICER _____" and non-rated personnel as "HOSPITALMAN _____" rather than addressing a person by his last name only.

The SECNAVNOTE lists many more significant recommendations, affecting the careers of both officers and enlisted personnel, that should be considered when weighing your plans for the future.

The Career Counseling office has compiled a list of the recommendations mentioned above. For your copy, drop by the Education and Training Office, Building 25A.

—J. R. STEINER
 Career Counselor

More About Baby

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his blood was that given him in the intrauterine transfusions. Only 5 percent of his own blood remained. During the first three days of life, the baby received six exchange transfusions, his entire blood being changed each time. The care of the baby and the exchange transfusions were performed by CDR J. W. Hayes and LT W. L. Gill of the Pediatric Service.

A large part of the credit for the baby's survival must go to the Laboratory Service under supervision of CAPT D. B. Rulon, who performed a tremendous number of laboratory tests on both baby and mother and provided the huge amounts of blood needed for the transfusions. The blood was supplied so fresh it was still warm from the donors when it was given to the baby.

Mrs. Doyle and her baby (who incidentally was given the name Daniel Leo) departed Saturday for Kodiak, with fond memories of the Oak Knoll team that served them so well.

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The black silk neckerchief worn about a sailor's neck commemorates the death of Lord Nelson, an early leader in the British Navy.



LAST OF ITS KIND—15 April was the graduation day for the 60-week Blood Bank and Clinical Laboratory Technician School; this was the last class to have the 8417 job code number. The graduates and instructors are, from left to right, front row: LCDR G. I. Simpson, MSC, Instructor, HM3 Clark Ferrel, HM2 Charles Daniels, HM2 Jerry McBeth, HM2 Bruce Wilson, and HM3 Roger Cotton. In the second row: LT W. H. Bromann, MSC, Instructor, LCDR Arnold Hoekzema, MC, HM3 Dean Pritchett, HM2 John Morrow, HM2 Robert Wood, HM1 Ralph Hainesworth, and HM2 Mario Minnella; at rear is LCDR J. J. Biemer, MC. All future classes will be designated 8412 and will be only 12 weeks.



AWARDED LETTERS OF APPRECIATION for work accomplished while attached to the staff of Oak Knoll were (center left) HM3 Richard A. Lolly, Operating Services, and HN Ronald V. Misik, of Physical Therapy. On hand for the ceremony were the two men's department heads and division chiefs. They are, from left: HMCM E. D. Gasson, Operating Services, LT J. R. Mulvey, MSC, Chief, Operating Services Division, LCDR J. W. Bromley, MC, Medical Service, LCDR M. J. Goldberg, Chief, Physical Medicine Service, and CAPT S. L. Arje, XO.

Scuttlebutt

HONORS FOR DAUGHTER: CDR and Mrs. M. W. Olson's 15-year-old daughter Jane will spend six weeks studying German at the U. of Kansas in Lawrence this summer. She has had two years of German at King Junior High, and her summer scholarship will give her the equivalent of another full year before she enters Skyline High in September. Her selection for the honor was made on the recommendation of her teacher, Frau Stern. Not only is Jane a straight A student, she is also a violinist in the award-winning King Junior High orchestra and the only 9th grader in her Cadet Girl Scout Troop to make First Class. At the end of May she'll be confirmed in Our Saviour's Lutheran Church — after attending confirmation classes every Thursday night for the past three years.

The only sad thing about busy Jane's summer college course is that it means giving up a sightseeing trip to Washington, D.C. — a trip for which she and other members of her scout troop earned the money themselves!

HONORS FOR SON: SSG Wilbur M. Evans, son of Mrs. Edna M. Evans, RN, of the premature nursery, is serving in Vietnam — and serving well. In March he was named NCO of the Month by the

Second Air Division, USAF. A letter that brought the word to his young wife Susan, who lives in Castro Valley, referred to him as "a truly outstanding individual, dedicated and hard-working . . . His selection for this award is only partial recognition of his fine contributions to the war effort."

WEDDING BELLS RANG Saturday morning for Fern Rogers and HMC Lloyd Ellis, USN, Ret. The well-known Knollites exchanged vows at Hillside Presbyterian Church in the presence of relatives and close friends. A reception followed at the CPO Club, where more than a hundred guests joined the happy couple for a champagne-buffet and cutting of the beautifully-decorated wedding cake. After a Hawaiian honeymoon, the Ellises will be at home in their Oakland apartment. Fern will return to her job in Civilian Payroll and Lloyd to his work at NAS, Alameda.

LIFE BEGAN on 15 April for Michele Reneé Gallegos, 8 lb, daughter for Arthur Gallegos, HM3, of X-ray, and his wife Ila. . . . on 24 April for Grant Steven Hoekzema, 6 lb., 13½ oz. son for LCDR Arnold D. Hoekzema, MC, Laboratory Service, and his wife Marilyn.

HM3 Lubarsky Back From Vietnam With Medal -- The Purple Heart

Gary P. Lubarsky, formerly senior ward corpsman on 75-B, returned to the Knoll on 4 April; though this time, not as a staff member, but as a patient . . . a patient for wounds sustained in Viet Nam while engaged in battle with the Viet Cong.

Gary, attached to the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, 3rd Marine Division, was with the Marines on Operation Harvest Moon. His company (Golf 2/7) and another (Hotel 2/9) had been chasing the VC's (Viet Cong) for about two weeks when the VC caught them in an ambush in about 700 yards of open rice paddies.

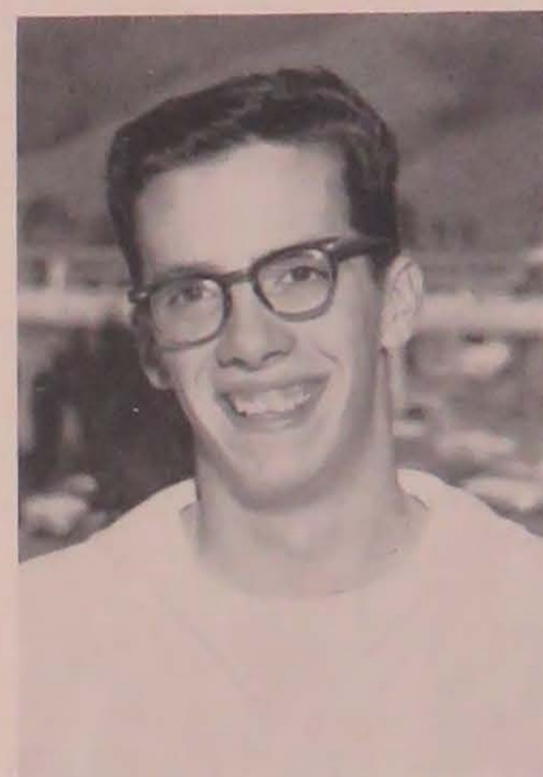
Here is his story in his own words:

"The VC opened up on us just as we entered this open rice paddy. They were using 81 and 60 mm mortars and .50 cal. (.50 caliber machine guns, the use of which are against the Geneva Convention when used against personnel). They were North Vietnamese Regulars, hard-core type, not the regular sneak-type VC.

"Right after we were attacked, we pulled back into a small village where the fighting got pretty thick. I was working on a marine that had taken a round through the leg, when the call for corpsman (Corpsman Up) came. The call came from the other side of this little church, and it was my plan to go up the steps of the church, through the door and through the church to the other side.

"Well, when I jumped up and started running, the VC's opened up on me with a .30 cal (.30 caliber machine gun) and two carbines. I made it to the top step, when a bullet knocked off my Unit One (First Aid Kit), one round entered my pack, hit a can of pears and ricocheted out of my pack, another round passed through my sleeve, and the last (I guess it was the last) got me in the arm.

"Well, with me running, it knocked me flat, I was bleeding through my nose and ears, and didn't really know just where I had been hit. Some Lieutenant (Navy) put a battle dressing on my arm, and later a helicopter



air evaced (evacuated) the wounded out.

"After being picked up by the chopper (helicopter) we were taken to Chu Lai, but we began to pick up some fire, so they took us to the VALLEY FORGE (LPH-8). From the VALLEY FORGE they took us to Da Nang, and later on to Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines. From there we went to USNH Yokosuka, and then I was transferred here.

"Did we win the fight?" "Yes, though we had been ambushed and our early losses were fairly heavy, we received air support from two Huey's (UH1-B Helicopters, equipped with rocket launchers and M-60 machine guns), and from then on, we progressed rapidly."

"Would I go back over there?" "Yes, definitely."

Hail-Farewell

ENLISTED DETACHED:
EO1 Gordon E. Ballard to NavAirSta, Alameda
SK3 Kent H. Henderson to NavSupp-Cen, Oakland
HN's Billy Tomlinson and Thomas Rowland to Com12 ComNavBase, S. F.; Strail E. Keyohara to USS CORAL SEA (CVA-43).

ENLISTED REPORTING:
HN's Kenneth Vaughn, Richard J. Sheldahl, Earl L. Schockley, Sylvia C. Kelly, Ronald R. Renbarger, David P. Huelsmann, and Raymond G. Menjou from HCS San Diego. Susan L. Olds reports from HCS Great Lakes.

Bowling Center Reopens— With \$36,120 Pinspotters

With the installation of its own pinspotters and complete refinishing of the alleys, bowling is back, bigger than ever at the local bowling center.

The new pinspotters, complete with lights and all the other refinements one sees in a televised professional match, were installed at a cost of \$36,120. Funds for the new equipment were loaned to the hospital by the Bureau of Personnel Central Recreation Fund and are to be repaid over a five-year period.

Pinspotters previously used were leased by the hospital.

The alleys have been completely refinished, and next month the battle-scarred walls of the center will be repainted.

"In the meantime, we are operating in full swing," said BT2 Ronald Ludolph, manager, and his assistant, BT2 Camillo Gamboa.

Saturdays and Sundays are family days at the bowling alley, with special prices (25 cents per person per game) in effect.

On Monday and Friday evenings the center offers another special—a free movie ticket for anyone who bowls three games.



ADMIRAL COKELY presented the 12ND Bowling Trophy for Highest Average to a Knollite last week. He is HM2 George Cartmell of Dermatology. To win the trophy, Cartmell maintained an average of 180.

Navy News Roundup

SURVEY WILL HELP DoD DETERMINE HOW RETIREMENT CAN BE IMPROVED—All retired officers and every fourth enlisted retiree will receive a survey form from the Department of Defense. The questionnaire is designed to gather information for the big Defense compensation, retention and retirement study being conducted by the Hubbell Pay Group. Among other things Defense wants to find out if there is any significant difference between voluntary and involuntary retirees in where they go, what they do, and how much money they make after retirement.

The survey will try to determine how their civilian occupations are related to their occupational group in the service, whether the services are losing people to retirement which they really should keep and, conversely, whether some are kept whom it would be better to retire . . .

Bag Check OUT for Top POs — An end to "junk-on-the-bunk" inspections for first and second class petty officers and the banishment of the officers' white tie from all but very formal affairs have been decreed by the Secretary of the Navy in just-approved changes to the uniform regulations.

Elimination of the bag inspections for all but those in pay grades E-1 through E-4 follows a recommendation of SecNav's retention task force which was approved in January. The change in uniform regulations ending bag inspection for first and second class petty officers is contained in BuPers Notice 1020 of April 11. . . .

BACHELOR-MARRIED PAY STUDIED—Should married military men get more pay than single men? Defense's Hubbell Pay Committee is studying this question and when it makes its report a month hence will discuss the problem in detail. . . .

PAY INCREASE SEEN AS 3.2%—Hearings got under way this week on a civilian pay raise which will affect military pay. Several sources have indicated that the Administration will go along with—and perhaps even recommend—a 3.2 percent increase for men in uniform. One House official has predicted that the military increase would be "at least 3.2."

Softball Season Coming Up

Softball season is only a short time away. All games will be played after 1700, and those interested are urged to contact Special Services as soon as possible. Also needed for the upcoming softball season are officials. Special Services would appreciate volunteers, but plans are being made to pay officials if necessary.

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Prospective Football Players Being Sought

Personnel interested in playing football during the coming season should notify Coach Moffett at Special Services, Ext 593. Plans are being made, and it is imperative that all interested players sign up now.

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Approximately 300 landings on foreign shores have been made by Marines since the Corps was established in 1775.

—usn—

Latest rumor going around is that HM2 Richard Wilson, of the Lab, and HM3 Elaine Weber, Lab School, are engaged.

Anyone for Track?

Track and Field participants are still urgently needed for 12ND Competition. If qualified, contact Coach Moffett.

Sports QUIPS

Considering the difficulty in getting the first game of the season started, Friday 15 April, things went pretty well.

The game started late, since sufficient players couldn't be rounded up until almost 1530.

There was no real cheering section for our team; the Admiral and Mr. Dalton were there (the Admiral threw out the first ball of the season). A few wives showed up the OAK LEAF was represented and that, Friends, was it!

But, on the Hilltoppers struggled to a final score of 7-2 in favor of the Coast Guard from Coast Guard Station, Alameda.

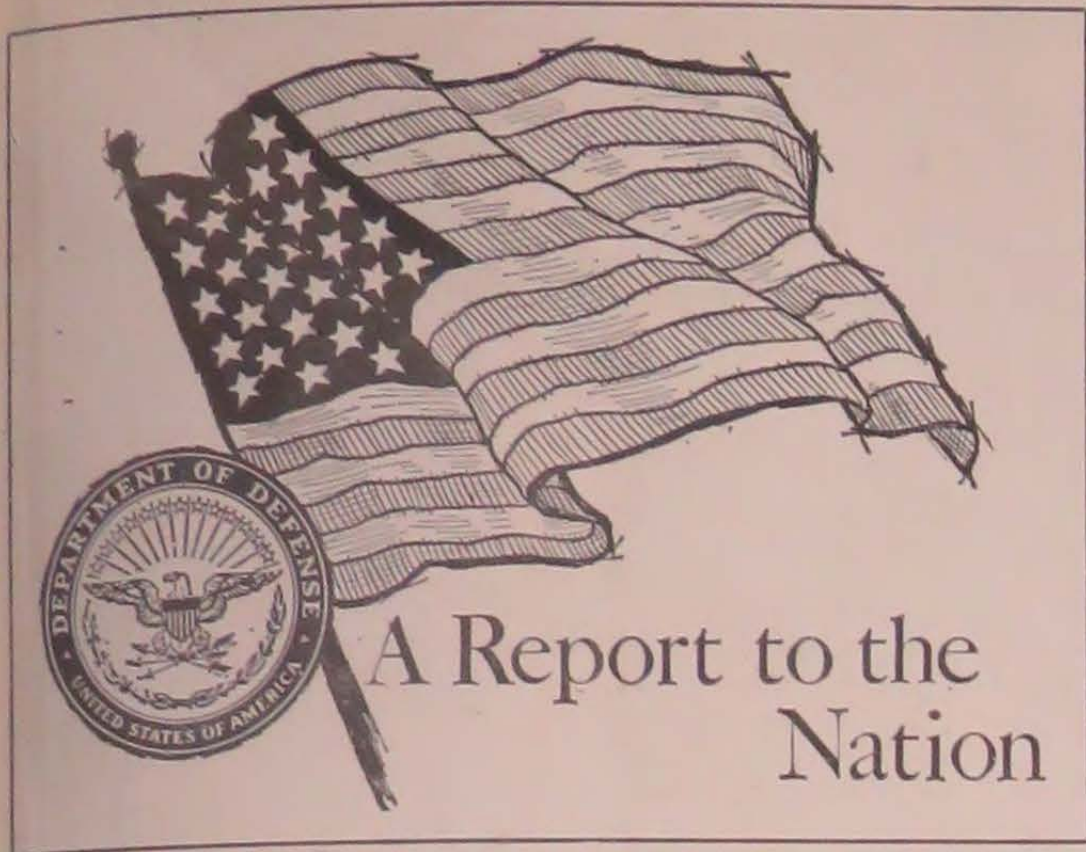
The next home game is slated for Tuesday, May 3 at 1500. Get out there and support our team.

—Jacobs

Knoll vs. USCG



In (1) we see HN Cliff Millhiser of X-Ray, out on the pitcher's mound for the third consecutive year, hurling a hard-fast one toward the batter's box; (2) Ready for the hit is a Coast Guardsman from Coast Guard Station, Alameda. Looks as if the ball is a little low and to the right (ball is right of center—blur in photo is back stop). (3) "Coastie" makes the run from third to home to sew up the game 7-2.



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Captain Arje Departing 25 May To Assume Command of St. Albans

After two busy years as Executive Officer at Oak Knoll, CAPT Sidney L. Arje has received orders to USNH, St. Albans, Long Island, N.Y., as Commanding Officer.

His promotion to a command post comes after 24 years in the Navy Medical Corps.

Doctor Arje will be on familiar ground when he reports to St. Albans, for he served there as Chief of OB-GYN from July 1952 to September 1955. He will also be returning to his home state.

A graduate of New York University, NYC, he earned his MD from New York University School of Medicine in 1938. He interned at Fordham Hospital and had begun his residency training when he was ordered to active duty in the Navy Medical Corps 1 December 1941.

After serving with the Marines during World War II, Doctor Arje was assigned to the Navy program which took over the Japanese Mandate in the Pacific and headed the medical unit assigned to the islands of Truk in the Caroline group. He spent two years in that post and then returned to Bethesda to complete the training in OB-GYN he had started before the war. He has since served as Chief of OB-GYN at the naval hospitals in Bainbridge, Md., and Camp Pendleton, Calif., as well as St. Albans.

For four years Doctor Arje was



CAPT Arje to command St. Albans

assigned to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery's Medical Corps Branch, which he headed from March 1962 to June 1963. He was also head of the OB-GYN section.

Just before coming to Oak Knoll, the departing Exec served for nine months in London, England, as Force Medical Officer on the staff

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Armed Forces Day, May 21

In the Proclamation for this year's Armed Forces Day, President Johnson wrote: "Our soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, and coastguardsmen, from whom we ask so much, are the cornerstone of our military might and richly deserve to have a special day set aside in their honor." He also invited the American people to "take part in observances planned by personnel of the Armed Forces as a report to the Nation which they are sworn to protect."

Thus, Armed Forces Day 1966, to be celebrated May 21, has a dual purpose. It is a day to pay tribute to Americans in military uniform. It is also a day when men and women in the armed forces can report directly to the American people on their state of readiness and dedication to the task at hand—protecting the nation.

The armed forces are like an investment in insurance made by the American people. Billions of dollars and hundreds of thousands of young men and women have been poured into this investment. The desired result of all this is a firm assurance that the nation which they built and are building will continue as a strong force working toward the betterment of man.

During Armed Forces Day 1966, the American people will be able to see the results of their investment. The armed forces, under the format, "A Report to the Nation," will present what will amount to a stockholders' report to the people.

It is the people from whom the men and women of the armed forces draw their responsibility, resources and support. As the people honor those in uniform, it is fitting they should be able to see that the trust of the nation's defense is being carried forward with energy and dedication.

Oak Knoll will observe Armed Forces Day by holding open house between the hours of 1000 and 1600. Tours will start from the Main Gate for all who wish to view the work being done at this activity, which is dedicated to the task of protecting the health of those who protect the nation.

Larry Dube, Corpsman-Patient-Recording Star to Bring His Famous Dawson Boys to EM Club Wednesday Night

Coming Wednesday night LIVE and FREE to the EM Club—The Dawson Boys of night club, Grand Old Opry, and juke box fame!

Lane Dawson, wanting to do something for Vietnam casualties at Oak Knoll, has arranged to present three hours of the western and rock and roll music that have made his combo famous. Appearing with him will be Allen McKenzie, Bill Williams, and Don Holden.

Dawson (possibly better known in Navy circles as HM2 Laurence Dube—since that's his name) will bring his show here between appearances at The Nugget in Sparks, Nev., and the Sahara in Las Vegas.

Dube himself doesn't have far to come for the EM Club performance. He is currently under treatment on Ward 45A.

The bespectacled corpsman-musician has been writing songs for some time. His biggest hit, "It's All So Wrong," a Cathay recording,

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HM2 Laurence Dube (Lane Dawson), center, with Dawson Boys Tommy Mason and Larry Waco playing for Grand Old Opry in the Civic Auditorium at Nashville, Tenn.

Navy Relief Drive Now Under Way

The 1966 fund-raising campaign for Navy Relief is now underway and will continue through 6 June, with LT Marvin L. Chamberlin, CHC, heading the committee in charge.

Voluntary contributions are earnestly solicited. Keymen will contact personnel for donations.

The Navy Relief Society's motto, "The Navy takes care of its own," indicates its purpose—to aid personnel of the Naval Service (Navy men and Marines) and their families in times of emergency.

Navy Relief was active here during the past year. Eighty-six loans and 25 gratuities were granted, amounting to \$5,759.58. Total contributions received during the same period amounted to \$2,465.15.

Support your Navy Relief.

The Oak Leaf

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WHAT IS YOUR RACE?

Recently in New York a man was asked to fill out a questionnaire. He came to the question: "What is your race?" He wrote: "Human."

Can't think of a better "one-word parable." Don't forget it! Your race is, first of all, the human race; the race for which Christ died. For sentimentality's sake only, there is nothing wrong about being happy about your Irish, Italian, German, or French ancestry. Such pride in nationality has been a vital factor in human progress.

However, that pride of nationality or color, which leads one race to hate another is a "vicious wicked thing." To hate people of another nationality is to hate Christ! We can despise their "ideas," but we may not hate "them." They are of our race—the "Human Race" which Christ died to redeem. He loves every one of them. We are not "One in Him" unless we do the same.

A radio announcer with a portable mike went about the streets of New York on V-J Day interviewing people. Stopping one elderly lady, he said, "I suppose you're relieved that it's all over?"

"Indeed I am," she replied.

"Did you have anyone in the war?"

The old lady hesitated, then said, "Yes, I did."

"Would you care to tell us who it was?"

"My Country," she answered.

No matter how little we are, we can think big. God put in each one of us a mind, heart and soul that can embrace the whole world and everybody in it. He gave us an infinite capacity for love, and He expects us to use it.

"By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one for another."

O Lord, Help me to remember that the world itself will be a little better or a little worse for my having been in it.

—CHAPLAIN PETER J. MARRON

Divine Services in the Chapel

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Sunday: 0830 Mass
 1215 Mass
 Confessions before each Mass
 Monday through Saturday:
 1200 Mass, preceded by
 Rosary

PROTESTANT

Sunday: 0930 Choir Rehearsal
 Sunday: 1030 Divine Worship
 Communion First Sunday of
 Month

Free Literature Available in the Chapel or in the Chaplain's Office, 67A



TOP OFFICIALS of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association paid a brief visit to Oak Knoll on 21 April. After being welcomed aboard by CAPT S. L. Arje, Acting CO, they visited the Eye Department, with CAPT Rudy Nadbath, Chief of Ophthalmology, (left) as their guide. They were particularly interested in the hospital's work in the field of keratoplasty. The visitors, from left, were Mrs. Margaret Dion, regional vice-president of the FRA Auxiliary; Mrs. E. Rose Allen Daily, national vice-president; and Mrs. Anele Robertson, National President. Mrs. Robertson lives in Brooklyn, N.Y.; Mrs. Dion and Mrs. Daily are Bay Area residents.

Scuttlebutt

SCENES FROM THE PAS-SAGEWAY PARADE: Roberta Maloney of CivPers driving a shiny new Volvo. . . . Admiral Cokely speaking at today's luncheon meeting of Aahmes Temple of the Shrine. . . . ENS Israel Miller being interviewed on the KPIX six o'clock news about life in the Navy Nurse Corps. . . . Doctor Bromley guest-speaking to members of the Alameda County Nursing Association at their April meeting at the O' Club. . . . A sparrow bringing snacks to her young—nested on a window sill in the Crew's Library. . . . Patients strumming their guitars—under instruction from Mrs. Fred Bennett, their Red Cross Gray Lady instructor. . . . Staff nurses making last-minute preparations for tonight's birthday (their 58th) cruise on the bay.

AND ON THE WASHINGTON SCENE: When the Cokelys left for the nation's capital to attend (among other events) the 21 April party honoring Nurse Corps Captains Bulshefski and Erickson, they expected to be the only Knollites there. Imagine their surprise when in strolled LCDRs Delma Linville, Inabelle Doolan, Jane Wathen, Jean Riley, and Katherine Doherty! They flew United to San Diego and joined others for the trip east via Navy plane. Former Knollites aboard were LCDRs Dorothy Mullen and Mildred Henry of USNH, San Diego, Margaret Ruppert of USS HAVEN, and Mary Montage of 29 Palms.

NOW AT LAST WE'VE MET AN OSCAR WINNER! Many a movie star has visited the Knoll in years past—Hope, Crosby, Benny, Bergen, Debbie Reynolds—but when the Oscars were given out, our visitors somehow were passed over. Not this year. Lee Marvin, star of CAT BALLOU and winner of this year's best actor award was here three years ago when the Menlo Park Players presented "People Need People." Marvin starred in the original TV version of the play depicting "therapeutic community" life on an Oak Knoll psychiatric ward.

OAKNOLLUMNI: CAPT Ray Watten, CO of NAMRU 2 in Taipei, Taiwan, dropped in Monday en route "home" from a Washington, D.C. visit. Among the former CIC Director's recent duties was setting up a detachment at the Station Hospital at Da Nang, South Vietnam, for study of infectious diseases such as malaria and the effects of environment on health.

LIFE BEGAN on 26 April for Carol Ann Ockerman, 8 lb., 3½ ounce daughter of HM3 Gerald Ockerman of Pharmacy, and his wife Suzann. . . . on 1 May for Jonathan Andrew Flagg, 8 lb., 7½ ounce son of LCDR Richard S. Flagg, MC, Surgical Service, and wife Patricia. . . . on 4 May for Karen Michelle Cowan, 6 lb., 5 ounce daughter of HN Michael Cowan, NP Service, and wife Aileen. . . . on 5 May for Susan Valentine, 6 lb., 12 ounce daughter of LT Fred J. Stucker, MC, ENT Service, and wife Ann.

The first lighthouse established in America was on Little Brewster Island in Boston Harbor. It was lit 13 September, 1716.

Know Your Staff



HMC Floyd Corgile, USN, has traveled far since he enlisted in the Navy, but he's right back where he started. This fact came to light when the good-looking chief re-enlisted the other day.

A lifelong Oakland resident and a graduate of McClymonds High School, Chief Corgile enlisted here. His first duty assignment brought him to Oak Knoll in early 1948 for service in the hospital's epidemiology unit. He was back in 1955 for PM School and is now on the PM School staff as instructor in sanitary sciences.

As highlights of his career he lists service as a platoon corpsman with the Marines in Korea and his tour of duty as a Preventive Medicine Technician with the 6th Fleet headquarters in Naples, Italy.

A Medical Administrative Technician, the Oaklander was assigned to Oak Knoll's Outpatient Service during the period when the central appointment system was being established.

Main interests for the chief after his day's work is done are his wife Gracie and daughters Sharon and Wendy, 12 and 11.

When the 1966 Savings Bond Campaign began early in the year, Service participation in the Payroll Savings Plan was as follows:

Service	Military	Civilian
Army	76.8%	64.1%
Navy	15.1%	68.7%
Air Force	41.15%	57.41%
Marine Corps	17.9%	55.6%

Want to Tape Your Letter Home?

If you're interested in speaking to your family "in person" or sending a personal singing "happy birthday," the Oakland Chapter of the American Red Cross has a service that can help you. The Chapter is currently providing facilities for taping a letter or greeting home available to patients and servicemen at Oak Knoll. The service is also provided for families of servicemen overseas.

The unit will be set up to operate on an appointment basis. Patients and servicemen interested in making tapes for their families may make arrangements by contacting the Red Cross at Extension 573, or checking with the Red Cross Information Office, Bldg. 38.



LTJG Richard L. Boyle, MSC, (seated) on 29 April assumed the duties of Special Services Officer—including custody of recreation funds. He traded assignments with LT George I. Soule, who is now Assistant Chief, Patient Affairs Division. Mr. Boyle moved to his new job just two days before he moved up from ENS to JG.

CO Urges All To Take National Drivers' Test 24 May

The Commanding Officer urges each automobile driver to take part in the New 1966 National Drivers Test. The test will be televised over the CBS network Tuesday, 24 May, at 2200.

The program is designed to familiarize licensed drivers with the techniques of defensive driving and the need to apply them.

Viewers at home will receive the correct answers immediately following each question. At the same time, test groups, representing a cross-section of the nation's drivers, will be taking the test at CBS studios. Their results will be computed and transmitted instantaneously to viewers, who may compare their scores with those of the sample.

The program is being presented just three days before the Memorial Day weekend in an effort to create greater awareness of holiday driving hazards and the need for special skills in avoiding them.

Official test forms will be printed and distributed at the main gate to personnel entering and leaving the station. The test will be produced by CBS News in cooperation with the National Safety Council and International Business Machines.

For more information about the program, call Security.

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On 16 February 1966, President Johnson announced an increase in the interest rate on U. S. Savings Bonds from 3.75 per cent to 4.15 per cent. In his statement, the President said, "The Savings Bond Program is both prudent and patriotic. It is prudent because it strengthens the economy of our country, it supports our fighting men in Vietnam, who need to be supported at this very hour, and it supports the cause of freedom everywhere in the world. It helps preserve the buying power of our American dollars."

Corpsman!

On a battlefield in Vietnam .30 and .50 caliber weapons sing a duet of death. Mortars and rockets are symbols in the cacophony. The scene appears to be one of complete pandemonium, and out of the din is heard the cry, "Corpsman!"

Everyone there who hears the cry knows, for certain, two facts. One is that a Marine is wounded; the other is that within moments a Navy hospital corpsman will come running across the explosive battlefield to tend the wounded man.

Affectionately called "Doc" by the Marines with whom he serves, the corpsman is a vital, integral part of every Marine infantry platoon in combat. "If I had to choose between the two," one case-hardened sergeant said, "I'd take the doc along and leave the ammo at home."

To his Marine platoon, the corpsman is Albert Schweitzer, the Mayo Clinic and Florence Nightingale, all rolled into one. Back at the base camp, he passes out aspirin, takes temperatures, and leads the patients into the doctor's office. But on patrol or other operations, he is a grizzly among bears.

For some inexplicable reason, he is presumed to be heroic . . . although that word would embarrass both him and his platoon. In the midst of a fire fight the Marine rifleman is firing from whatever protected position available or, if an advance is indicated, moves under the covering fire of others. Not so with the corpsman.

When the cry for a corpsman comes, he leaves his position instantly and dashes across the bullet-rent hill or rice paddy to find the wounded man. He kneels, coolly, and disregards the existing dangers while he tends the wounded man. He then passes the word back to radio for a Med-Evac helicopter, and picking up his medical kit, runs to the next casualty.

He is expected to disregard his personal safety, to expose himself to enemy fire in the pursuit of his profession. If he were less than heroic in combat he would be unwelcome in the outfit.

"Sure, the docs have a dangerous job," a rifleman said. "War ain't no game, you know! Matter of fact, they ought to give every one of them a decoration the first time he comes off a battlefield. It's for sure he's earned it."

But if all are not decorated, each is given something just as tangible and much more valuable: respect. If the corpsman thinks a man should be evacuated because of a wound or illness, the company or platoon commander usually says,

The word "admiral" comes from the Arabic phrase, Amir-al-Bahr, meaning "commander of the seas."

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Women Marines were established in 1942 as part of the Marine Corps Reserves. They were given permanent military status in 1948.

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During World War II the largest number of men training at Parris Island Marine Corps Recruit Depot at one time was 13,286.

"Well, if the doc thinks we should, we'll do it."

Any combat Marine in Vietnam is confident of several things, each immensely comforting to him. One is that if he gets hit he will not be left behind, no matter how pressing the circumstances. Another is that weather permitting, and regardless of dangers involved, a Med-Evac helicopter will soon be there to pick him up. And, finally, he knows that neither hell nor Viet Cong will prevent an immediate response to his cry of "Corpsman!"

HC 68th Birthday Ball 18 June

The Navy Hospital Corpsman will have his day on 18 June when the hospital celebrates the 68th Anniversary of the establishment of the Navy Hospital Corps. The Corpsman will be honored for his role in Vietnam and for the part he has played throughout the history of the Corps in helping to keep the free world free.

Plans for top-notch entertainment, elaborate decor, and a special tribute to Oak Knoll's Vietnam casualties are progressing.

Watch for further details.

Calling All Enlisted Personnel — Helping Hands and Ideas Needed

CALLING ALL HANDS: Dissatisfied with your recreation facilities? You can improve them and have a voice in their planning.

HERE'S HOW! Your Recreation Committee is composed of members in the rates of HN to HM1. Once monthly it meets to discuss your recreation needs and determine how to give you the very best value for each dollar of your recreation funds. The minutes of this meeting are submitted to the Recreation Council for approval. If recommendations have merit and are approved, they are submitted to the Commanding Officer. Once final approval is obtained, the committee can go to work.

There is publicity to get out and entertainment to hire. Decorations must be put up, menus planned. All this involves careful organization and hard work. A successful party does not just happen—it is made to happen. Coming up in June is our grandest affair of the year—the Hospital Corps Birthday Ball. The Recreation Committee is in dire need of helping hands. Especially needed are people to work on publicity, reservations, decorations and projects, and general preparations to insure a successful event.

Although the committee attempts to obtain opinions of past functions and suggestions for future ones, reaching everyone is difficult. If you are interested in taking an active part in the enlisted recreation program or if you have constructive criticism to offer, please get in touch with one of the Recreation Committee members. They are:

HM2 Terry Cooper, chairman, HM3 Bruce Wilson, co-chairman, HM1s Zeldon Parkinson and Jim Turner, HM2s Warren Shepherd, Jesse Crawford, Gerald Lakins, and Richard Halfhill, HM3s Thomas Hein, Kathy Petke, Donna Patton, and Dave Quinlan. Advisers are LTJG Richard L. Boyle, Special Services Officer, HMCs Edward D. Gasson and William G. James, and HM1 James R. Wildey.

HM2 Theresa A. Cooper

Castlewood Country Club To Be Scene Of O' Wives Fashion Show Wednesday

Castlewood Country Club will be the destination for members of the Officers Wives' Club when they take to the road Wednesday. The club, once the old Hearst Ranch, will provide a beautiful setting for a beautiful program—the club's annual fashion show luncheon, at which members will model.

Mrs. James E. Hamill is chairman of arrangements and decorations. Mrs. Robert C. Colgrove will serve as commentator.

Fashions will be from Perman's

at Southland Shopping Center in Hayward and the Expectation Shop in San Francisco.

Models will be Mesdames Wesley Boucher, Jay B. Butler, Ronald R. Cameron, Gale G. Clark, Harold J. Cokely, Raymond O. Davies, Edward M. Flaherty, Dennis D. Flynn, Dana D. Goldthwaite, Charles R. Hamlin, Richard M. Hofmann, Helmer W. S. Huseby, John E. Kemp, Carter W. Mathews, Augustus B. Scott, George M. Silver, James G. Wilcox, and David A. Zlotnick.



GRADUATION DAY—Their one-year course of X-Ray instruction over and certificates presented, the graduation class took out time for a class picture. From left, they are HN Thomas D. Rabjohn, HN Clifford Millhiser, HM3 Gael H. Schleuning, HM2 Robert L. Pierce, HM2 Earl D. Kjellberg, and HM3 Robert Truby, Jr., honorman. Capt S. L. Arje, XO, presented the certificates.



Sports Briefs

Intra-mural softball gets under way Tuesday when a team so far identified simply as "Mr. Palmer's Team" plays PMT School.

Four other teams will vie for the station championship while Coach Moffett looks over the material available for forming a team for 12ND competition. They are from the Lab, 67B, Dental, and the NP Service.

Games will be played Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays starting at 1700. All hands are invited to watch and root for their favorite.

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Anyone interested in competing in the 12ND Championship Tennis matches, please call Coach Moffett, Ext. 593, at earliest convenience.

Also wanted immediately—men to compete in track and field events in upcoming district competition.

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Coach Ken Moffett is eager to hear from personnel interested in playing football during the coming season. Plans are being made and equipment ordered soon, and it is imperative that he know what prospects are available.

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Naval Air Station has recently opened a new skeet range, which is open to members of the hospital staff. Anyone interested in forming an Oak Knoll skeet club, call LTJG J. T. Dalton at Ext. 401.

More About Captain Arje

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of the Commander-in-Chief, Naval Forces, Europe.

At Oak Knoll, in addition to handling the duties of Executive Officer, Captain Arje has acted as Chief of the Outpatient Service and has been active in planning the new hospital.

He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, a Fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and a Fellow of the American College of Surgery. He was the first chairman of the Armed Forces Chapter of the American College of OB-GYN.

Captain Arje and his attractive wife Eileen will be honored guests at the 21 May formal dinner dance at the Officers' Club. They will drive east, leaving 25 May, in time to attend their son Andrew's graduation from the Naval Academy at Annapolis. Also with them for this happy occasion will be their daughter Abigail, who works in New York City.

Navy News Roundup

DEFENSE WILL OKAY PAY HIKE OF 3.2%—Defense has agreed to go along with a Congressional proposal to raise military pay by 3.2 per cent this year. On the eve of a brief hearing on military pay, a House Armed Services Committee official predicted Defense would have no objection to a 3.2 per cent pay raise. Chief Pentagon witness at the House committee hearing was to be Assistant Defense Secretary Thomas Morris. . . . **NEW FBM SUB LAUNCHED**—The nuclear fleet ballistic missile submarine FRANCIS SCOTT KEY was launched at Groton, Conn., at the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics Corp., with Mrs. William T. Jarvis and Mrs. Marjory K. Thorne, direct descendants of Francis Scott Key, as co-sponsors. . . . **BROWN SHOES STILL ON LIST**—U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations, article 0610 for chief petty officers and article 0110 for officers, says you must have two pairs of brown shoes. Though dropped from the supply system, the article is still required for a complete bag. . . . **NEW GI BILL BARS ANOTHER U.S. GRANT**—Servicemen attending college under a government sponsored grant, scholarship or fellowship cannot draw GI Bill educational benefits for the period they're participating in the program. In addition, the Veteran's Administration pointed out that the time spent attending such a program doesn't count in computing a serviceman's eligibility for cold war GI Bill benefits. VA regulations also bar the payment of subsistence to servicemen's eligibility for cold war GI Bill benefits.

VA regulations also bar the payment of subsistence to servicemen attending a civilian institution at government expense for an advanced degree or for training in a specialty not offered in the military school system.

The non-duplication rule applies to any allowance designed to pay living expenses or tuition to the serviceman student.

Renewing Your Contract

Perhaps "renewing your contract" sounds better than the word reenlist. If so, let's examine what is involved in this contract renewal. You contracted to serve your country when you entered the service, to fulfill a duty. It wasn't all one way though. There was Hospital Corps School and for many a "C" School. The Navy trained you and in return, you served. Now that the contract nears its end, what next? Where do you go? College? Home to the farm? Certainly an education is one of the most important steps and the Naval Service is first to realize this. We have discussed education in previous articles, i.e. Tuition Aid (75% of cost for formal school), G. I. Bill (also for people on active duty), USAFI Extension Courses and Oh, Yes, what about your choice of duty stations on the first contract renewal (choice of fleet or type command or even shore duty)? These are only a few of the many incentives that can be negotiated at contract renewal time.

Having covered most of these in earlier articles, let's look at the bonus available when we renew this contract. It is often said that money is not everything and we often hear a man say "I would not reenlist for money"! Okay! This is fair but the Navy is hardly the first or likely to be the last organization to reward their personnel with a monetary allowance for agreeing to stay with the organization so they can retain a man trained to do a job and serve his employer. So it is a bonus you earn, not take, and along with the other incentives, it can be a most welcome reward. Let's examine what the bonus looks like for an E-4 (Hospital Corpsman Third Class) who, due to an extension, has over 4 years' service and elects to renew his contract for 6 more years with his naval employer, sometime within 3 months before his old contract expires.

Reenlistment Bonus	\$1398
UNUSED leave for 30 days	233
\$.70 a day plus subsistence	21
Travel Pay for 1500 miles (\$.06 mile)	90

SUBTOTAL	\$1742
20% income tax withheld from bonus & unused leave	326

TOTAL (CLEAR)	\$1416
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This should give you some idea why it pays to plan your contract incentive money. The average Navy man draws more than \$4000 in "Contract Renewal" (shipping over pay, unused leave and allowances) throughout his career. These are only a few of the incentives offered towards a career. Think it over, compare it. Your Navy employer wants to renew your contract. See your Career Counselor and negotiate!

—J. R. STEINER HMC USN
Career Counselor
Building 25a

Hail-Farewell

OFFICERS DETACHED
CDR L. M. KING, MC, USN to USNH CHELSEA, MASS.

OFFICERS REPORTING:
LT G. M. CERCHIO, MC, USNR to Medical Service from inactive duty.
LT W. R. APPELEGATE, MC, USNR from CRUITSTA Portland, Ore., as resident in Orthopedics.
LCDR Loretta Muhlenfeld, NC, from MarCorps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan.
LT Cynthia A. Snyder from USNH, Yokosuka, Japan.

ENLISTED DETACHED:
HM3's Jon W. Karstens, Woodie R. Thayer, and Bruce M. Norfolk released to Inactive duty. HM3's David R. Salinas and Ronald D. Tener to NavWepsSta, Concord, Calif. HM3's Allen K. Robbins, Max F. Hill, and Gary R. Raef to 5th Marine Division, Camp Pendleton.
HN's Clifford A. Haynard to NavSta, Treasure Island. HN's Michael J. Tassone, Randolph W. Blankenship, Perry D. Bramhall, and Derrill D. Cannon to 5th MarDiv, Camp Pendleton.

ENLISTED REPORTING:
HM3 Milton V. Carter from NavSta, Treasure Island.
HN's Henry F. Streitz and James S. Postley from NavSta, T.I., and HCS San Diego respectively.

Citizen Sayson



HM1 Ernesto M. Sayson, assistant manager of the CPO Club, has a new rate. On Tuesday he became Ernesto M. Sayson, U.S. Citizen. He was one of 800 happy people who took the citizenship oath at the Federal Office Building in San Francisco. The Philippine-born corpsman passed his naturalization tests 28 March. On hand to share his proud moment were his wife Aniceta and their three children—Ernesto Jr., Lyric Ann, and Samuel. Sayson enlisted in Sanley Point twelve years ago. He has been at Oak Knoll and in his present job since last September.

"Instant Songs" At the EM Club

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has been a top juke box selection in Michigan (his home state), Texas, Florida, Georgia, and upstate New York since it was released with "Long Long Road," another Dube composition. Fourteen of the 350 songs Dube has written in the past five years have been published, netting him the tidy sum of \$35,000.

Besides writing songs, the curly-haired vocalist plays piano, accordion, guitar, and a few other instruments. "Instant songs" are one of his specialties.

"There's happiness and tragedy in every person, and people give me the basis for a song," said the 24-year-old corpsman-composer. In fact, part of his act at the EM Club Wednesday night will be "instant" songs suggested by members of the audience.

Asked how he feels about his amazing success as a song writer and recording star, the HM2 said: "Don't pinch me. I might wake up and I like it like this. I started playing accordion when I was seven and have been at it ever since, but I never thought this would happen."

What of the future?

"As long as the songs and the cash keep coming I'll continue this activity, which I hope will eventually make it possible for me to open a child-care center for retarded children. That's what I really want to do," said Dube.

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The statue near Washington D.C., depicting the historic flag-raising on Iwo Jima, weighs 100 tons. The figures are 32 feet high.

The OAK LEAF



On Memorial Day, America unites in honoring the memory of the many gallant Americans who have laid down their lives in behalf of freedom. But the freedom they bequeathed to us can endure for posterity only so long as we cherish and defend it. When we help other free people remain free, we safeguard our own freedom. That is why Americans are fighting and dying in Vietnam today. As we honor the war dead on Memorial Day, we also commend the living guardians of freedom for the magnificent contribution they are making to our fine military tradition.

—Robert S. McNamara
Secretary of Defense

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ABOARD THE NEW MOBILE BLOOD UNIT HM3 John E. Anderson prepares a donor.

Efficient New "Blood-Mobile" Now Serving Local Blood Bank

Increased need for blood incident to the influx of Vietnam casualties has resulted in increased speed and efficiency in collecting it.

For many years Oak Knoll has sent a "mobile blood unit" to various stations where dispensary facilities were available for drawing the life-sustaining blood so important in the treatment of the critically ill and wounded.

The CO Writes . . .

Memorial Day—the holiday set aside to honor our war dead—unfortunately has become a dangerous day for us, the living. Since this year we have a double holiday, with beautiful weather luring us away to the mountains, the beaches, the visits with loved ones in distant places, traffic will be heavy. Drivers will be tired. Some will be reckless.

I urge all hands at Oak Knoll who feel they must drive this weekend to exercise every possible safety precaution. Your families need you. The hospital needs you. Your country needs you.

Have a happy holiday, but keep it safe.

—H. J. Cokely
Rear Admiral, MC, USN

Next LEAF 17 June

Coming 17 June—a special edition of THE OAK LEAF commemorating the 68th Anniversary of the establishment of the Hospital Corps. It will be a 6-8 page pictorial depicting the corpsman at work at Oak Knoll. It will trace the history of the Corps from the days of the "loblolly boy" to today's highly skilled technician.

Now, to match the mobility typical of the armed forces today, the hospital has a completely self-contained mobile unit that can draw up alongside a ship in port and start drawing blood within 15 minutes. The unit can handle approximately 40 donors during a morning visit without inconvenience to the host facility.

LTJG N. M. Hirsch, MSC, USNR, Officer in Charge of the Blood Bank, estimates that an hour and a half is saved per trip by drawing blood aboard the bus.

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Senior Technician HM1 Norman Woehrman and HN George Guinn do a hemoglobin test as part of the screening technique necessary before blood is drawn.

HC Party 18 June!

All eyes will be focused on THE HOSPITAL CORPSMAN Saturday night, 18 June, when Oak Knoll celebrates the 68th Anniversary of the founding of the Hospital Corps.

The Recreation Committee is working day and night to make this an event to remember.

The main auditorium will be transformed with murals and three-dimensional scenes depicting corpsmen in assignments around the world—including war-torn Vietnam. Suspended from a sky-blue ceiling the world will revolve, reflecting the colorful scene. Flags, floral decorations, and colorful souvenir programs will lend beauty and dignity to the occasion.

More than 500 are expected for the party, which will begin with a social hour at 1830. Dinner will be served at 1930.

Special ceremonies featuring a color guard, awards and tributes to Hospital Corps personnel, and presentation of a new mural that will ultimately be placed in the new hospital are scheduled for 2100.

Vietnam casualties now under treatment here will be honored guests at the ceremony.

A grand march led by Admiral and Mrs. Cokely and HMCM and Mrs. Edward D. Gasson will open the ball.

A top-flight stage show and dance music by the popular Sammy Blank and his band will round out the largest evening of the year for Oak Knoll enlisted personnel and their guests.

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New JANGO Class To Start 27 June

A New JANGO class will start Monday, 27 June, according to latest word from the office of CDR Marcella Smith, Chief of the Nursing Service.

Teen-age daughters of officers of the armed services—active duty, reserve, or retired—are eligible.

The nation-wide Junior Army Navy Guild Organization, now 24 years old, provides opportunity for service and acquaints members with the nursing profession.

Deadline for applying for the new class is 15 June. For further information, call Ext. 245 or 246.



Second Medal
For Service in Vietnam

Vietnam Gallantry Cross for Dr. Shultz

LCDR Richard R. Shultz has received the Vietnamese Gallantry Cross with Silver Star.

The medal, with accompanying citation, came in recognition of Doctor Shultz' service in Vietnam from 12 October 1963 to 1 July 1964—service for which he had already received the Bronze Star Medal.

"Doctor Shultz is a high-qualified and conscientious doctor," the Vietnamese citation read.

"With his Good-Will, he has devotedly helped the Armed Forces and the people of the Republic of Vietnam."

"Lieutenant Shultz has also sincerely and enthusiastically cooperated with the Vietnamese Navy in social activities during the weekends. He used to go to the remote coastal region and the far-away islands in order to take medical care of junkmen, their dependents and local people in spite of the danger which might occur to him.

"Three times escaping from the premeditated assassination of Viet Cong at Vam-Lang, Poulo Obi and Pim-Quoc Island, have proved indeed his gallantry and devotion for duty."

Doctor Shultz reported to Oak Knoll from the Station Hospital, Headquarters Support Activity, Saigon, nearly two years ago. He is now in his third year of residency training in internal medicine. A resident of Bayonne, N.J., he has his MD from Seton Hall College of Medicine, Jersey City. He has been on active duty in the Navy since 1962.

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WE REMEMBER

"Four score and seven years ago. . . ." The great words of Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg following the American Civil War still have meaning for us today. Just as he pledged that the honored dead should not have died in vain, so we re-call and re-echo the same cry today. We remember the bloody and dusty battlefields of yester-year that now lie still and quiet where young men gave their last full measure of devotion for the cause of freedom and justice!

We remember Dachau! We remember Pearl Harbor! We remember the thousands of men who lost their lives in the islands of the South Pacific and at sea! We remember Korea with its ice, snow, blood, sweat, tears, and death. And now Vietnam, where once again a godless people are attempting to take away the God-given rights and freedom of an underdeveloped nation.

As we stand watching a Memorial Day Parade, or listen to speeches made by dignitaries, let us remember our great heritage, as a people, as a nation under God, and let our fervent prayer be:

"O God, let me never forget Thy greatness. Thou who guided the hands of the men who brought our nation into existence and those who nurtured it to its present place in the councils of world government. Keep our motives ever true and our actions pure. Help us, O God, to place our faith in Thee, rather than in bombs, rockets, or our own strength. As we remember this day, those who gave their lives in time of war for the cause of freedom, let not these men or their cause have died in vain. Help us to find new and constructive ways to deal with Tyranny so that we may live and worship Thee in peace." Amen.

—CHAPLAIN EDWARD E. JAYNE



CIVILIAN STAFFERS HONORED at the Admiral's May meeting with supervisors were, from left, Anna Mae Taylor, Penny Popovich and Clarence Wheat. Mrs. Taylor received an award for superior performance while assigned to Patient Affairs before she became secretary to the Legal Officer. Mrs. Popovich received a \$15 Benny Sugg award for suggesting a more economical way of ordering chemicals and parts for electrophoresis. (If you wonder what that is, ask Penny. She is a chemist at CIC.) Mr. Wheat received a certificate instead of a check. He has been in Federal Service 20 years, serving with the Army during World War II and since then at Oak Knoll, where he is a firefighter.

Filming of "The Man Child" Brings Hollywood & Actor Flaherty Aboard

The NP Service "went Hollywood" last week as scenes for a training film titled "The Man Child" were filmed here by Jerry Warner Associates.

The film, sponsored by the Neuropsychiatry Branch of BuMed, documents an emotionally unstable personality from childhood through school and job experiences and into the military. Latest of a series of BuMed films on mental health and military effective-

ness, it will be used to aid naval medical personnel in identifying and dealing with the psychologically immature personality.

CDR Howard F. Noble, MSC, and F. E. Blake were here as BuMed advisers for the film. Scenes were shot on Wards 54 and 56, a NAS, Alameda, the TI Brig, Montgomery Ward warehouse, Clancy's—a bar on lower Broadway—and CDR R. J. MacCracken's apartment.

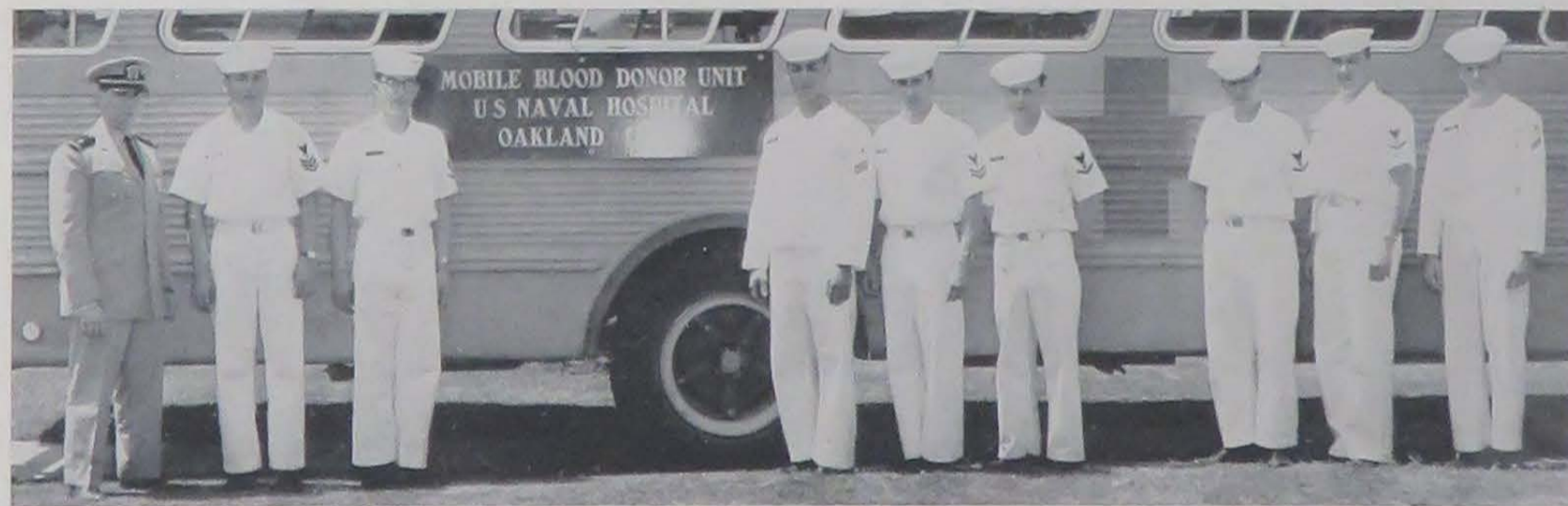
The lead—an 18-year-old navy airman under neuropsychiatric treatment—was played by Mark Evans of Hollywood. NP corpsmen acted as patients in group therapy and other staff members participated.

And should anyone watching the filming have thought Oak Knoll CDR Edward M. Flaherty was playing the role of the handsome Navy pilot who was constantly bearing the brunt of the "man child's" ineptness, the mistake is understandable. The clinical psychologist's 46-year-old brother, William C. Flaherty, Hollywood screen, TV actor, played the part.

"Bill has been acting since high school days when he spent his summers on the Chautauqua circuit. He has appeared in innumerable movies and television shows, done commercials, and is involved with production," Doctor Flaherty said.

"Since I knew he was associated with Jerry Warner, I wasn't surprised to learn that he was to have a part in the film."

But now—back to the scene in the MacCracken apartment. In flashback to childhood, Jimmy MacCracken, the Pharmacy Chief's 7-year-old son stood on a sandbag (to make him look 9) watching his actor parents argue, then went into a tantrum and fainted. Mr. Warner was so pleased with Jimmy's performance that he promised to send him an Oscar.



During 4 May Moffett Field "shake-down" cruise of the new Mobile Blood Unit LTJG N. M. Hirsch, MSC, USNR, (left) and his team posed for the photographer. In the usual order are HM1 Norman A. Woehrman, HM3 Peter G. Nicholas, HN George Guinn, HM3 John E. Anderson, HM3 Clark Ferrell, HM3 Fred Fisher, HM3 Bruce Wilson, and HN John E. Myers.

Blood Unit

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Very little time is required to set up the ambulance-bus to receive donors or to dismantle it on returning to the hospital.

More important than time is the fact that sterile conditions are easily maintained.

The unit required no special allotment of funds since the bus and all equipment required for converting it into a mobile blood unit were already in use or in storage at the hospital.

Assisting Mr. Hirsch in setting up the efficient new "bloodmobile"

were HM1 Norman A. Woehrman, senior blood bank technician; HM2 John Anderson, HM3 Fred J. Fisher, and HM3 Bruce Wilson.

The new unit has already received donations from personnel at Naval Air Stations, Moffett Field and Alameda; Naval Weapons Station, Concord; and Hunters Point Division of San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard. It will pay its first visit to Mare Island next Wednesday. Regular visits to each of these activities will continue.

Activities at Treasure Island, long a most dependable source of blood, continue to send 50 donors to the hospital every Friday.

U. S. Savings Bonds A Good Investment

America's Armed Forces have joined enthusiastically in observing 1966 as the 25th anniversary year for U. S. Savings Bonds.

As part of this observance, Service members and civilian employees will be urged to examine their savings programs with two thoughts in mind:

1. Those who have not joined the Bond Payroll Savings Plan should join NOW.
2. Those who have joined should consider increasing their bond purchases.

Every LITTLE Helps a LITTLE— Especially in Case of Emergency

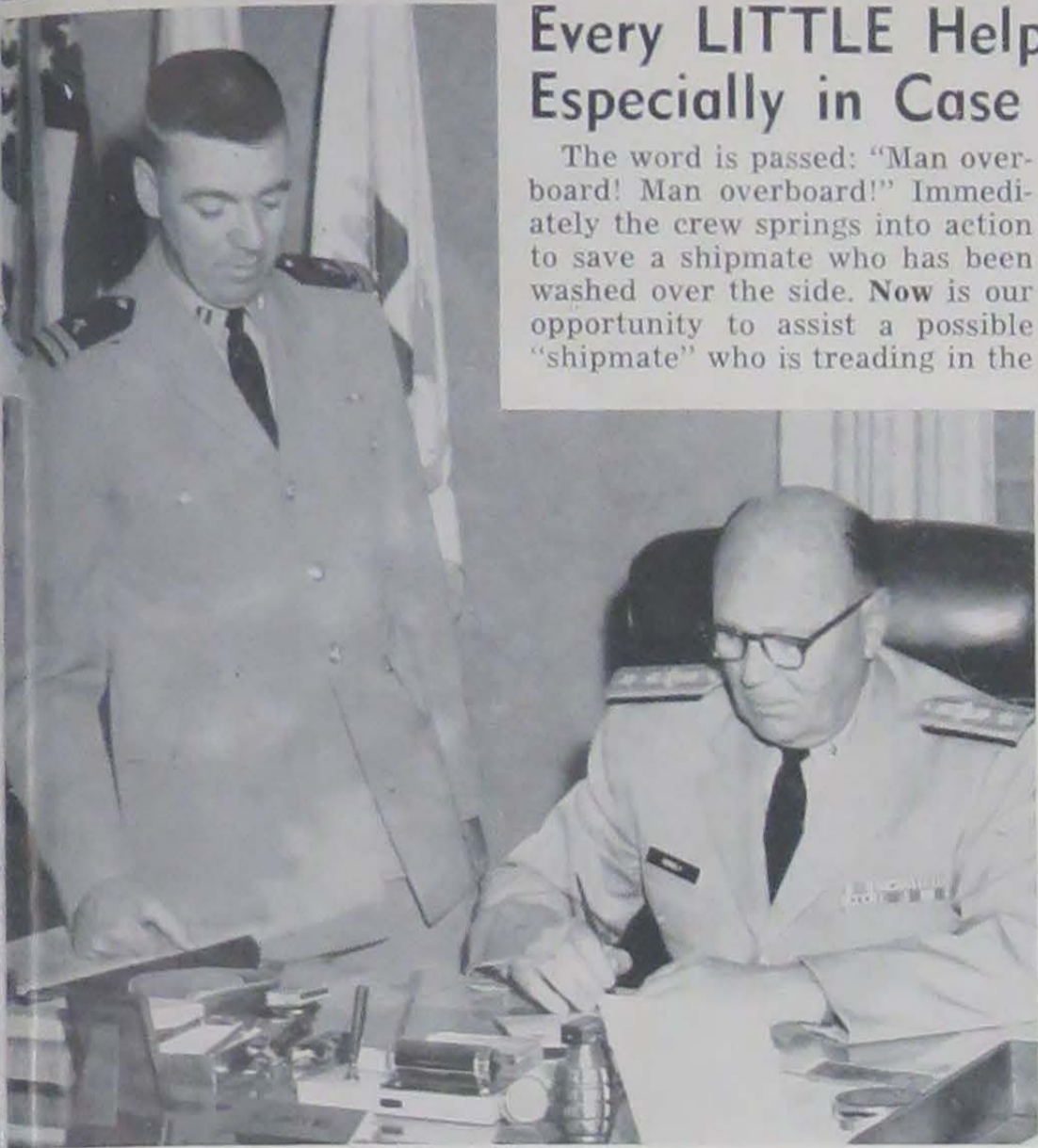
The word is passed: "Man overboard! Man overboard!" Immediately the crew springs into action to save a shipmate who has been washed over the side. Now is our opportunity to assist a possible "shipmate" who is treading in the

deep waters of financial need. The current Navy Relief fund drive is well underway. Each of us has received a donation envelope, and with that we have in hand the opportunity to contribute to this organization whose purpose is to assist "in times of need."

The story is told of a serviceman, named LITTLE, who had a large family. The entire family was regularly in attendance, on time, at every chapel service, and each child was immaculately dressed. When queried concerning this performance the serviceman said: "It is simple! Every LITTLE does a little." That is the goal of the Navy Relief fund raising campaign—each person contributing his share, i.e. "Every LITTLE doing a little."

Yes, there is no dollar sign goal set in this drive. Yet, the total amount we give certainly should reflect the typical concern of a hospital staff for the problems and needs of our fellow man.

Have you done your part?



Admiral Cokely makes his contribution to LT M. L. Chamberlin, CHC, chairman of this year's Navy Relief drive.



PRETTY, PLEASANT LT HAYDEE SILVERIO, NC, Philippine Navy, recently departed for home after spending six months at Oak Knoll as a trainee in nursing administration. CDR Barbara E. Ellis, operating room instructor, left, was one of the many with whom she worked during her stay here. Always eager to learn, Miss Silverio participated in every activity that offered professional advancement. She took an active part in social events at the hospital, and during her stay enjoyed a trip to New York and Washington, D.C., with other foreign navy trainees.

Top ARC Official Visits the Hospital

Miss Jane Betterly, National Director, Service in Military and Veterans Hospitals for American Red Cross, visited Oak Knoll 17 May.

Coming from Washington, D.C. primarily to attend the National Red Cross Convention in San Diego, Miss Betterly took the opportunity to visit hospitals in the Western Area. She was accompanied to Oak Knoll by Miss Helen Penhale, Director of Service in Military and Veterans Hospitals for Western Area of Red Cross.

Miss Betterly, a trained social worker, has moved up through various Red Cross assignments to her present position in which she has jurisdiction over hospitals not only in the states but also in the Far East and European theaters and the Caribbean Area.

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David Swartz Arrives!

LCDR Philip K. Swartz and his wife Janet are proud parents of a baby boy, David Robert, born 14 May. David weighed 8 lb., 13 oz. on arrival. His father is a 1st year resident in surgery.

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Hail-Farewell

OFFICERS REPORTING:
 LCDR A. T. Lindeland, MC, USNR, from Field Medicine School, Camp Pendleton, Calif., for duty in the Medical Service.
 LCDR K. G. Price, MC, USNR, from Field Medicine School, Camp Pendleton, Calif., for duty in the Neuropsychiatry Service.
 LCDR Gladys Madsen, NC, from USNH, Camp Lejeune, N.C.
 LCDR Dorothea Wheeler, MSC, from USNH, Philadelphia, for duty in Occupational Therapy.
 LCDR Muriel White, MSC, from USNH, Bremerton, for duty in Physical Therapy.

OFFICERS DETACHED:
 CAPT S. L. Arje, MC, USN, to USNH, St. Albans, N.Y., as CO.
 CDR L. M. King, MC, USN, to USNH, Chelsea, Mass.
 LT Patricia McDonald to University of Colorado, Denver.
 LTJG Elizabeth Dinkler to inactive duty.



THE DAY WAS SUNNY, the food delicious, and the "Travel Temptations" hard to resist (indeed some proved irresistible) when 225 members and guests of the Officers' Wives' Club held their annual fashion show and luncheon at Castlewood Country Club 18 May. Models included, from left above, Mmes Gale Clark, Harold J. Cokely, H. W. Huseby, Carter W. Mathews, and Augustus B. Scott, Dennis D. Flynn, George N. Silver, David A. Zlotnick, and Richard M. Hoffman. In the photos below, Mrs. R. O. Davies wears a ruffly short formal suggestive of styles in the '20s. In the center photo are Mmes. James G. Wilcox, Charles R. Hamlin, Ronald R. Cameron, and John E. Kemp. At right is Mrs. Robert C. Colgrove, the capable commentator. 'Round the clock fashions were shown. Perma's of Hayward supplied the apparel, except that worn by Mmes Mathews and Scott, who modeled things from The Expectation Shop in San Francisco.

Come Dance Tonight At EM Club

Nothing to do tonight?
Budget getting low?
The recreation committee has the answer to your problem! Come and enjoy music by the Chimney Sweeps. If you're a steak-eater, well, we have a real western steak dinner planned.
Nothing to wear, you say? Come in summer sports dress. You know—slacks, shorts. Just come and relax. Enjoy yourself.
Starting time is 1930 for dinner and 2030 for dancing.

Your recreation chairman,
Terry Cooper
P. S. For your thirst we have also provided a free keg of beer. Come early and stay late. See you there.



For those who like to bowl, we have on Oak Knoll's main street a beautiful bowling alley.
Special Services has just put in new pin spotters. For those who like to snack while pushing up their averages, hot sandwiches will be available for a small fee—also beer for authorized personnel.

If you bowl three games per week you receive a free movie ticket.
The cost is low—30 cents a line weekdays, 25 cents a line on weekends.

If you tire of bowling, try billiards at 10 cents per person.
Stop in and take a look. HM2 Ludolf tells your reporter that painting is under way and new carpet will soon be installed on the approach ways. Now, what more could anyone ask for?

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Dentists Demolish The Desk Jockeys

Hilarity and fun prevailed recently when the Dental and MSC Officers pitted their strengths in a softball game.

The young and energetic dentists overwhelmed the "desk jockeys" to the tune of 29-15. Even Captain Middleton, Senior Dental Officer, who admits to being 40 plus, displayed awesome talents at the plate and in the field.

The MSC Officers were saved from utter disaster by the stellar play of pitcher Jim Palmer and 3rd baseman Jim Dalton. An indication of the enjoyment experienced by both sides can be shown by the fact that a rematch has already been scheduled, and the chiefs are standing in line for a chance at the "sitting ducks." The MSC Officers are not to be scorned, however, as they practice diligently and should be in good shape for their next day in the arena.

Nurses 58, Choose Bay Cruise to Celebrate



WHEN THE NURSES SET SAIL on their 58th Birthday cruise 13 May, little time was given to remembrance of earlier days when skirts were longer, paychecks shorter, opportunities for advancement and adventure scarcer. Instead they enjoyed the here and now aboard the glassed-in harbor cruiser, where more than 200 staff nurses and their guests enjoyed cocktails, buffet, and the sights of San Francisco Bay. At left, Father Mattiello finds a receptive audience in ENS Doreen Spotts, LTJG Julia Crawford, ENS Edwina Robinson (barely visible), and ENS Susanna Weisberg. At right, CDR Marcella Smith, Chief of the Nursing Service, wields the sword at the cake-cutting with assistance from ENS Mary Hoffman, youngest NC officer aboard.



Among those who boarded the cruiser at Port of Oakland and relaxed at the sea-going anniversary party were LT Shirley E. Merrill and LCDR Eleanor Feeney and her husband Edward, naval aviator assigned to VR22, Naval Air Station, Moffett Field. Also on deck were LCDR Delma Linville, LTJG Marjorie Thompson, LCDR W. C. Boop, Jr., and LTJG Virginia Hughes. LCDR Nancy MacDowell took the pictures with her trusty Polaroid.

Dates Set for 12ND Tennis Matches

The 12ND Women's Tennis Championships will get under way at NAS, Alameda, at 0930 on 21 June.

The 12ND Senior Men's Tennis Championship matches (for those who will be 40 as of 1 August) will be played the same date, same place.

Entrants must sign up in advance.

All Knollites interested in playing for the glory of Oak Knoll, please call Special Services, Ext. 593 or 595.

Football Players Please Read

If you can block, tackle, pass, kick, or run with the pigskin, you are wanted by Coach Ken Moffett, and you are wanted now.

"The six-man football season is still three months away, but we need to know how many men will be out for the team, what size shoes they wear, and sundry other information that will enable us to have the necessary equipment available when the play begins," said the coach.



PFC Ralph Trafford and CPL Carlos Gallegos were the first patients to try out new wheelchairs recently presented to the hospital by representatives of FRA branches in the area. At left is their ward nurse ENS Sandra Kirkpatrick, at right, Admiral Cokely. FRA representatives are Glen Bargeon, Oscar Zeisz, and James McGuire, who arranged for the presentation. FRA organizations delivered three wheel chairs to the hospital last August. Each one is valued at approximately \$80.



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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

As a child, your conscience, if not your elders, probably kept at you to "say your prayers." From that beginning you may have progressed until you now have a real, and really enjoyable, prayer life. Or, you may still be in the stage where praying is like doing some kind of unpleasant exercise, like doing so many "push-ups."

When the friends of Jesus asked Him to teach them to pray, they may have wanted nothing more than some prayer they could "say" or recite. Evidently, they had noticed what prayer did for Him, and they wanted for themselves the same balanced poise, the same peace of mind. What He did was far better than to offer some set prayer; He taught them not to "say prayers," but He did show them how to let God into their lives so that prayer could become a means of conversation between two persons.

This is what prayer is: a conversation. If it seems at times to be wholly one-sided, let the following suggestions help you as you struggle with this whole business of prayer:

First, remember that much of what happens to us is our own responsibility. Think of some of the evils that have befallen you recently, and if you or someone you know was not the cause. We usually don't like to admit this so we blame God.

Second, remember that God's ways are not always our ways. What we pray for is often denied, not because God is wicked, but wise.

Third, remember that there is much that happens in our earthly experience, which we cannot explain. Some things happen for which science has no adequate answer. Miracles do happen and prayers are answered. And there are people to testify to this truth.

If you are in doubt about prayer, don't let those around you be your guide, let the words of the Gospel of Matthew direct your thinking and practice:

"When Jesus had sent the multitudes away, He went up into a mountain apart to pray; and when the evening was come, He was there alone."

(Matthew 14:23)

—CHAPLAIN MARVIN L. CHAMBERLIN



HOMER & JETHRO took time out from their appearance at Bimbo's 365 Theater Restaurant in San Francisco to dispense the mellow music and homespun humor for which they've long been noted. "Homer is so dumb—he won't even look into the dictionary because he thinks it's going to be made into a movie." To the tune of "Fascination"—"Mary had nine buttons on her nightgown, but she could only fasten eight" . . . and so on through a series of parodies and jokes, some old, some new, all punctuated by the happy sound of patients' laughter and applause.



Kathy Petke and Barbara Jacobs sewed up the ballroom sky on the trusty Singer—a job you might expect an astronaut to handle! Say the seamstresses: "It was fun—for the first 900 yards!"

Navy Relief Needs YOUR Help—Today

THE 1966 NAVY RELIEF CAMPAIGN needs your help today—the last day of the drive. Knollites have given just a little over \$1700 to date, as compared with last year's \$2465.00. This is the Navy's drive to help its own members in time of need.

Give today—help a "buddy" or maybe yourself tomorrow. All contributions will be gladly accepted at the Chaplains' offices, Bldg. 67A, or through your services or divisions. Let's make this drive a successful one.

—USN—

ComTwelve to Speak to 1966 Intern Class

RADM John E. Clark, USN, Commandant, Twelfth Naval District, will deliver the address when 17 medical and six dental interns complete their year of training here 30 June.

The graduation ceremonies, scheduled for 1530 that date, will be held in the auditorium of the Officers' Club.

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Captain Bulshefski Here for Brief Visit

CAPT Veronica M. Bulshefski, NC, USN, Director of the Navy Nurse Corps, paid a brief visit to the hospital Thursday morning.

Less than two months after being sworn in to her new rank and new duties, Oak Knoll's former Chief Nurse returned to the Bay Area to attend the American Nurse's Association convention at San Francisco's Civic Auditorium.

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New Wave Director Is CAPT Lenihan

CDR Rita Lenihan of Monroe, N.Y., has been appointed director of the WAVES. She will move up to captain's rank when she succeeds CAPT Viola B. Sanders, who retires this fall.

Aching Feet, Cheesecloth Sky—We'll Have a Ball

"1830, 18 June—at last," breathes the Recreation Committee with a heavy sigh and aching feet.

All the work done—now will it be a success? Only history will tell.

Kathy Petke and Jo Turner look up to the ceiling with strange disbelief. Did we really get it all together—1000 yards of cheesecloth dyed sky-blue, flameproofed, and sewn?

Jim Turner and Dave Quinlin cross over the entrance bridge with hands in pockets, a little the worse for wear—after handling hammer, nails, and shrubbery.

Donna Patton and Fred Fisher are still washing off paint, trying to get ready for the Ball.

Bee Foley is all tangled up in plaster and wire, but reports are she will make it.

Joel Jacobs is taking out another film pack and praying that somehow, sometime, this will all come to an end.

As for your chairman and co-chairman, just hand 'em a cool drink, and they're ready for anything and everything. So will you be tomorrow night as you walk into the four corners of the world.

See you there!

Your recreation chairman,
 HM2 Terry Cooper

Score Another Point For the Corpsmen!

In last Sunday's EXAMINER & CHRONICLE the question was asked: How effective are our military medical services in South Vietnam?

The answer follows: In World War I, 92 percent of American wounded survived after reaching medical care. In World War II the figure rose to 96.6 percent; in the Korean War to 97.8 percent. In Vietnam it is 98.8 percent.

A Corpsman's First Time Around at Oak Knoll . . .



(1) The brand new corpsman, arriving at Oak Knoll, checks in at Staff Personnel for his assignment. (2) On the ward the first day, he is "all thumbs," but this problem soon clears up as a senior corpsman gives the guidance he needs. (3) Every day he learns something new about his job. (4) He learns how to deal with patients and their problems.



(5) Eventually polished and proficient in the duties of his rate, he becomes senior ward corpsman. The command is proud of him, and he has every right to be proud of himself. (6) Then suddenly his orders arrive. They're for FMF! He assembles his gear and heads for Camp Pendleton—first step toward Vietnam.

"I See Things Daily That Make Me Glad We Are Here to Help"



Jim Page—On patrol. "We were forbidden to smoke because of the light—then some clown used a flash bulb!"

Last year at this time several hospital corpsmen who served with the hospital Recreation Committee were ordered to Vietnam—soon after the Hospital Corps Ball.

Dan Henry, who created the mosaic which now hangs in the EM Club, is in Da Nang.

He writes: "I see things daily which make me glad we are here to help. You use a stick of gum and a little sign language, and it works miracles. Soap and penicillin do things here you wouldn't believe. I thank God I can serve humanity in this way and yet sometimes it seems so little."

Dan has fixed up his tent with all the comforts of home—chair, desk, and a clump of bamboo out in front. That's Yankee ingenuity.

Jim Page is with C Medical Battalion in Vietnam. At present a young lady who is chairman of decorations for tomorrow night's ball is counting the days until his homecoming.

Jim writes: "Today was different. We took a six-man people-to-people tour. By this I mean two doctors and four corpsmen go to different villages to try to create good will by fixing cuts, giving cough medicine—actually giving people what they would get in a hospital if they had one. It's quite an experience. Of course we had six fully-armed marines protecting us." In another letter, Jim wrote: "Let's hope no one dies because of me—"

Jim Turner, who served in Vietnam when members of U.S. Armed Forces were still referred to as advisers, says of his FMF duty: "It is a rewarding duty and a different way of life. I'll always want to serve where the corpsman is needed with the troops."

Inspection and Purple Hearts . . .



PURPLE HEARTS WERE PRESENTED at the recent personnel inspection. Recipients, left to right, were PFC Richard J. Morales, PFC Michael P. Neely, CPL Carlos E. Gallegos, HN Alva L. Billings, PFC Edward T. Swain, PFC Michael J. Schroeder, CPL Primitivo T. Sanchez, and S/SGT Thaddeus Wiener.

HM3 Becker Is Cited For Vietnam Action



HM3 Samuel J. Becker receives the Navy Commendation Medal from Admiral Cokely.

Highlights of HC History

Soon after the Navy was established by Act of Congress, it was decided that there was definite need for provision to care for the sick and wounded; therefore in 1790 Congress provided that an area of each ship be set aside for such purpose and that members of the crew be assigned there for duty.

Until 1866 no special training was required for this duty. At this time the Navy realized its need for trained personnel, and it became a prerequisite that such personnel be previously trained in Pharmacy.

In 1873 the forerunner to Hospital Corps School was set up, requiring training before assignment to a sea-going vessel.

The Hospital Corps came into existence as an organized unit of the Medical Department 17 June 1898.

In the Boxer Rebellion of 1900 the first Medal of Honor was awarded to a member of the Corps—Robert Stanley, HA—for meritorious conduct in enemy action.

During World War I, the reputation of the Hospital Corps for performance of duty, especially in the field with the Marine Corps, was greatly enhanced. Many members were cited for valor and performance of duty under fire by both the United States and France.

Between World War I and World War II the Hospital Corps became one of the outstanding corps of the Military Service. During World War II, women were first brought into the Corps. On 12 January 1944 the first Hospital Corps School for WAVES was commissioned at USNH, Bethesda.

The present name—Hospital Corpsman—was adopted in 1948 and at that time, the red cross, so long familiar, was replaced by the caduceus.

The Corps has a record unequalled anywhere, anytime, by anyone.

In Korea, members of the Corps, individually and collectively, added a brilliant chapter to Hospital Corps history. During Inchon-Seoul operations, Medical Units attached to the First Marine Division cared for 2,844 casualties during the period from 15 September to 7 October 1950. Corpsmen were saving lives on the beaches and were at the forefront of all fighting as the Marines stormed in.

They performed on-the-spot emergency medical care and first aid treatment—as Secretary of the Navy Forrestal wrote in his commendation to the Corps—"while shell fragments ripped clothing from their bodies and shattered plasma bottles in their hands."

Another great tribute to the Corps is the fact that of the 15 Congressional Medals of Honor awarded to Navy men in WWII, seven were bestowed upon Hospital Corpsmen. During the Korean Conflict, 3 of the 7 Congressional Medals of Honor awarded to Navy men were earned by Hospital Corpsmen.

Today Corpsmen are serving in field hospitals and dodge snipers' bullets with the Marines in the Viet Cong infested jungles of Vietnam. Several have died trying to save the lives of others.

More than 25,000 Hospital Corpsmen are serving today throughout the world, and nearly 500 of them are serving at Oak Knoll.

Purple Heart First— Then a Commendation

HM3 Samuel J. Becker has received the Navy Commendation Medal in recognition of his heroic action in Vietnam on 18 August 1963.

"While serving with the Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, in the area of Chu Lai on a mission known as 'Operation Starline' Becker's platoon encountered heavy mortar, small arms, and automatic weapons fire," according to the citation accompanying the medal.

"Early in the encounter the other platoon corpsman became a casualty. From then on Becker had full responsibility for treating the steadily mounting casualties, fearlessly exposing himself to hostile fire. His action undoubtedly saved many lives and reduced the suffering of many of his comrades," the citation stated. It was signed by Lieutenant General V. H. Krulak, U. S. Marine Corps, Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific.

The Commendation Medal was not the only one Becker received during this action. The other was the Purple Heart. While saving the lives of others he was hit by shrapnel from a Viet Cong mortar round. He was hospitalized for three months in Vietnam before being flown back to Oak Knoll in patient status in December.

The 21-year-old corpsman, a graduate of Tracy Joint Union High School, served here for a year before being ordered to the Fleet Marines. He is now on duty in StaffPars.

A beautiful lady named Psyche
Is loved by a fellow named Yeh,
But one thing about Yeh
That the lady can't lyeh
Is his beard, which is dreadfully
apche.



Dozens of Marine patients turned out for the 27 May picnic, for which Southern Alameda County firms and individuals provided more than 200 steaks and other picnic foods, cases of liquid refreshments, hot hands, and a couple of go-go girls. It was a cold day, but hearts were warmed by the friendly gesture that resulted when S. SGT Robert Craft of the MarCorps Recruiting Office in Hayward spread the word that a picnic was in the making. This little group of picnickers included, from left, CPT Daniel G. Gallegos, PFC Michael P. Nooty, L. CPL John M. Dederick, SGT Shelley Halliburton.

Scuttlebutt

WEDDING BELLS WILL RING tomorrow at 1PM in the chapel when Miss Dolores Marie Martinez of Santa Madona becomes the bride of HM3 Carlos Cardona, Jr., of Parris Ave. A reception in the CPO Club will follow the ceremony.

DID YOU KNOW that the John Lowery's ID card actually describes his hair as "brown" and his eyes as "baby blue"? That when Ron Madhugh went to Disneyland 4 June, whom should he see there (to his complete surprise) but his twin brother Don, now serving on the destroyer tender USS ISLE ROYALE at Long Beach? That HM3 Richard Voth, has studied Chinese and continues to do so in his spare time? That had Chief Axworthy still been in Antarctica last Tuesday (as he was at this time last year) instead of Oak Knoll, the temperature would have been 113.1 degrees below zero. "Unusual," the weather man said—as he did here, where the thermometer shot up to 118.

WE WONDER why Paul Lewis took all its energy, some some laborious.

THE PHOTOGRAPHER who hovered precariously atop the Dempster-Dempster at the Marine picnic was none other than the CHRONICLE's Joe Rosenthal, who once before stood in a deep green plane to get a picture. It was he who took the famous picture "Flag Raising at Iwo Jima."

BELIEVE IT OR NOT: Captain Goldkuster gave Ward all the standing at inspection last Friday, adding the comment: "Ward's eyes radiate off. It can be done."

LIFE BEGAN on 25 May for Florence Katherine Young, 1 Dn, 14½, daughter of LT William D. Young, MC, Surgical Branch, and his wife Shirley. . . . On 5 June for Kimberly Ann Parris, 1 Dn, 8½, daughter of David Parris, HN, Surgery II, and his wife Kathryn. . . . On 9 June for Michael Everett Wilson, 1 Dn, 11, son of ENS Everett L. Wilson, MSC, F. E. Board, and his wife Judith.

Why Did You Choose The Hospital Corps? Knollites Answer the Question



(Right) HMC (SS) E. H. Collins, Food Services: Well, it's like this: The recruiter said that there would be clean sheets, good chow and no foxholes. That sounded like a good deal; so I joined up. Exactly a year later I was with FMF—but I'm definitely glad I'm in the Hospital Corps.



(Left) HN Thomas L. Mantey, NP School: I had worked in hospitals prior to military service; so I knew I was best suited for the Hospital Corps—There was just no other rate for me.



(Right) HMCS Russell S. Levy, Staff Personnel: When I first came into the Navy, I used to box, and I'd have to go down to sickbay to get my hands wrapped before a fight. One day the doctor asked me to stay on and work in the sickbay; so here I am. Oh yes, as far as I'm concerned it's "the best rate."



(Left) HM1 Marcelino Cadena, X-Ray: I didn't have any choice in the matter. They sent me from boot camp, but I'm certainly glad they did.



(Right) HA Sylvia C. Kelly, Intensive Care Unit 65B: I wanted to become a nurse, but I couldn't fund it. Now, I'm getting closer to my goal all the time.



(Left) HA Patricia Drotleff, 40B: Well, I want to be a nurse. I intend to try for the Navy Nurse Corps Program or use the GI Bill after I get out.



(Right) HM3 Ralph W. Driggs, Surgery: When I'm released from active duty, I want to study research biology, and I felt that the Hospital Corps would benefit me in my future endeavors. And I can be of assistance to people at the same time.



(Left) HM2 A. Jo Turner, Master at Arms at Waves' Quarters: I was working for a doctor in civilian life, and I enjoyed the work.



(Right) HM1 Charles E. Adams, Physical Evaluation Board: The Hospital Corps was the best choice of all the rates offered.



(Left) HM3 David S. Quinlan, EKG: Frankly I was drafted into the rate, but since then I've learned that it's "the only way to be." I'm going to teach biology someday, and I feel that the experience I've gained here in the Hospital Corps is going to be very beneficial in the future.



(Right) HM3 Harold C. Richter, Pharmacy: Frankly, I was selected out of boot camp to attend Corps School. I'm glad it happened—Working here in the Pharmacy, I've learned quite a lot about medicine as well as people.



(Left) HM3 Steve E. Waggoner, X-Ray Technician: Well, I was working as a boilerman (unhappily), and when I got the opportunity, I struck for Hospital Corpsman—the wisest choice of my life.



(Right) HM3 Jack Lamon, X-Ray Technician: I spent quite a bit of time in hospitals as a child, and somehow after that, hospital work appealed to me—also, it offers a good future.



(Left) HN Anthony Cisneros, Operating Services: Why did I pick the Hospital Corps? The answer to that is simple. I've always enjoyed helping people.



(Right) HN Kenneth W. Gillpatrick, Surgery: Me? I just wanted to help people.



(Left) HMC (SS) William D. Butler, Special Services: Because of my interests in the medical field, and now here I am checking out camping, hunting and fishing gear and enjoying it.



(Right) HM1 Maties I. Orque, Food Service: The Hospital Corps is a good field; besides I'm a registered nurse. What other rate could I have logically chosen.



(Left) HM2 David W. Van Horn, ENT Service: I've always been interested in scientific fields, particularly medicine, and I felt the Corps would further my interests.



The Gasson Story

Here's Lowdown on a High Up Chief

Once in a lifetime, a chief like HMCM Donald E. Gasson comes along. He'll tell you glumly that there's nothing interesting to say about his Navy career; yet if he inadvertently starts talking of his experiences, his brown eyes snap with excitement as vivid recollections of World War II pass through his mind—recollections of the invasion of North Africa, Salerno, Normandy—of the sights he has seen on navy travels around the world.

Come 2 July, it will be 26 years since the young Lebanese lad from Valentine, Nebr., enlisted in Omaha. He had the usual recruit and corps school training, moved from HA2 to HA1 at Chelsea, served aboard USS DICKMAN and USS THURSTON and LST 208 with the Atlantic Fleet.

He was aboard LST 266 for the Normandy Invasion. The ship's doctor developed tuberculosis, and suddenly Corpsman Gasson was the senior medic aboard. With Fox Crew, the first group to hit the beach, his job was to set up medical care for the wounded—and thousands were wounded despite the miraculous success of the invasion.

Although he had made CphM in four short years, one war, he thought, was enough for him.

In 1946 he and his beautiful bride Wilma established their home in Valentine, Nebr.

There, the now 45-year-old Master Chief became owner-manager of a small ice cream plant, where he undoubtedly developed some of the management skills that earn him a straight 4.0 in his present assignment in Operating Services.

But along came the Korean War, and he was recalled to active duty.

"Imagine having to sell an ice cream plant in Nebraska in the dead of winter!"

He served at USNH, Norman, Okla., at the Oriental Language School in Stillwater, Okla., among other places.

"I thought of returning to civilian life after the Korea hostilities ceased, but somehow the ice cream business had lost its appeal."

That's when and how Chief Gasson became a career Navy man. He made HMCS while serving in USNS BARRETT (T-AP 196) and moved up to HMCM while with Carrier Group Sixteen with the Pacific Fleet.

Though unwilling to talk about himself, he is happy to discuss the joys and problems of being father to Lea, 16, and Roberta, 10. He can even explain in detail what each daughter wore to her school party.

He is active in the work of his church but never mentions it at the office.

As senior member and adviser to the Enlisted Recreation Committee, he has smoothed the way to solution of many of its problems.

Chief Gasson doesn't know this is being written. He will probably sue the OAK LEAF for invasion of privacy. Or, more likely, he'll act as though he hasn't read it.



Gasson in the good old days.

HN Evadean Johnson Earns CO's Letter

HN Evadean Johnson, whose "quiet efficiency inspired the confidence and respect of patients and coworkers in this hospital's busy Outpatient Service" checked out quietly the other day after three years, four months in the Navy, nearly all of which were spent at Oak Knoll.

Evadean was "skillful in expediting care of Emergency Room patients because of her excellent knowledge of nursing fundamentals and her thorough understanding of equipment and procedures."

On hand to see her receive the CO's Letter of Appreciation from which the above quotes were taken was her husband, HM3 Norman Johnson of NP Service. The two met at the 1964 Hospital Corps Anniversary Ball and were married in the chapel 16 January 1965.

Evadean is from Sheyenne, N.D., and Norman from Seward, Nebr., but they hope to remain in this area, at least while Norman completes his education. He too will return to civilian life in July.

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Leathernecks

A close-fitting wide cravat of leather was worn around the neck by Marines until 1875 to create military bearing by forcing the wearer to carry his chin high.

In the early days of our Navy, when the seaman's bearing was still informal, the Marine guard gave a man-of-war its military character. To "Jack Tar" this leather stock seemed to typify the essential qualities of the Marine; hence the nickname "Leatherneck."



GRADUATING June 3, after more than five months of training in Preventive Medicine Techniques, were (front row, from left to right): LT R. P. Nevins, HMC's Tae Ty Pak, ROKN; H. F. Jirik, USCG; B. J. Buckley, A. B. Caisse, and E. H. Donaghy, USN; HM1 J. H. Noblitt, HM2 L. Lucas, HM2 D. L. Clem, and HMC Tong Un Pyon, ROKN. In the second row, from left to right: HM1 Yong Chol Chon, ROKN, HM2 P. I. Norman, HM1's H. E. Bass, J. R. Buffington, R. J. Martin, G. R. Scott, R. L. Jacobson, and M. M. Sumners. In the back row are the instructors and staff of PMT School, they are: HMC F. Corgile, HMCs W. P. Thomas, WO-3 J. V. Reische, LCDR W. H. Wells, MSC, CAPT W. K. Lawlor, MSC, LT E. E. Jenkins, MSC, WO-4 W. S. Adams, HMC D. L. Hansen, and HM1 D. D. Hofer.



FRIDAY, JUNE 10, was graduation day for NP Tech Class 46. Instructors and guest speaker are pictured, left to right (front), LCDR S. M. Blair, Dr. W. D. Dickerson, Head of the NP Department at Ross General Hospital, who was the speaker; CAPT J. E. Hamill, Chief, Neuropsychiatry Service; Admiral Cokely, LCDR E. E. Heston, NC, instructor, and HMC M. D. Nicholson. In the second row are HNs Terry S. Comer (Honorman), Lee A. Strait, Raymond M. Galli, Regonald G. Brush, John L. Chapman, Ronald L. Howard, HM3 Larry O. McEwen, and Roy E. Day. Back row: HNs Francis J. O'Hearn, Jr., Donald A. Rae, Woodrow H. Owenby, James P. Roeder, Richard M. Stupelli, HM3 Darryl B. Knox, HM3 Ronald E. Weber, and HN Robert J. Franko.

Hail-Farewell

OFFICERS DETACHED:

LCDR S. H. Avitabile, MC, USN, to inactive duty.
CWO M. L. Shannon to NSC, Oakland.
LCDR R. J. MacCracken, MSC, to USNH, Yokosuka.
LT D. C. Ziegler, MC, USN, to Pratt Clinic, New England Center Hospital, Boston, Mass.

OFFICERS REPORTING:

CDR L. C. M. Vosseler, CHC, USN, from 3rd Marine Air Wing, MarCorps Air Station, El Toro, Santa Ana, Calif.
CWO J. V. Reische from NAS Barber's Point, Hawaii, to Preventive Medicine staff.
CDR J. C. Boudreaux, MSC, from USNH, Annapolis, Md., as Chief, Pharmacy Service.
ENS R. R. Aldrich, MSC, USNR, from Naval School of Hospital Administration, NMMC, Bethesda, Md.

ENLISTED DETACHED:

HM1's Clifford B. Bassett, Jr., and Joseph F. Johnson to 5th Marine Division.
HM2 Bobby L. Crone to 3rd Marine Division.
HM3's Joe Avila, Jr., and Paul R. Ward, Jr., to USS REPOSE (AH-16) and 5th Marine Division respectively.
HN's Howard R. Hesselstine to USS MAUNA KEA (AE-22); Robert L. Hinchman, Jr., to MCB 3, Pt. Hueneme; and Jeffrey J. Fimian to 5th Marine Division.

ENLISTED REPORTING:

HM2 David L. Grogan from USS PROTEUS (AS-19).
HN's James M. Diaz, William M. Pratt, Theodore M. Ramlet, Barton B. Beecher, William A. La Jaunie, Richard R. Apelt, John K. Muller, Thomas C. Holsinger, Peter G. Stanton, Raymond L. Raible, David K. Lombardo, Peter R. B. Grattan, Theodore G. Hampton, Grant E. Turner and Romildo P. Fedele reporting from HCS San Diego.
HA Dorothy L. Jackson reports from HCS Great Lakes.



ADMIRAL COKELY presented the certificates to the graduating Lab Class on 27 May. Graduates and instructors are, from left to right: CAPT D. B. Rulon, MC, Chief, Laboratory Service; HM3 William Roberts, HM3 Vic Almaraz, HN Glen Mason, HM3 Dave Phillips, HM3 Elaine Weber, HM2 Mike Prewitt, Admiral Cokely, LCDR A. Hoekzema, MC, USN, and HMC A. R. Franz.

Frug, Watusi, Young Hostesses Featured at ARC Lounge

Doing the frug, the watusi, and the slow dances will continue to be an event in the Red Cross Lounge during the summer months. Dances arranged by Red Cross as an additional activity for patients, feature young hostesses from Hayward, Berkeley, Oakland, and Alameda, who volunteer through their local Red Cross chapters. An added attraction — lots of home-made cookies, hot

coffee, and punch.

The Musicians Union, Local No. 6, provides a band for one Tuesday night session each month. Other Tuesday nights high school combos and records provide the music. The dances are held every Tuesday night, beginning at 1900 and ending at 2045, for patients only.

Other lounge activities are being cancelled for the summer

months. The Sunday recreation worker will be on duty in Building 38 from 1300 to 1630. Guitars, records, record players and other items previously available in the lounge may be checked out from Room 214, Building 38.

If groups of patients wish to use the lounge facilities in an afternoon, this can be arranged by contacting any Red Cross recreation worker in advance.

Twenty Years Ago In the Oak Leaf

The 70-ton "Hawaii Mars," pride of the Naval Air Transport Service, set a world's record for the greatest single air evac in history. In addition to the 100 patients there was a crew of 10 and a medical staff of 11, totaling 121 people. The entire flight took but 14 hours and 42 minutes. The plane, as it landed at Alameda, resembled something between a barge, a cigar, and a motor torpedo boat with wings and tail assemblage.

Miss Helen Keller, perhaps the greatest of living humanitarians, spoke to patients and staff in the auditorium and in the wards.

The weather deck adjoining Navy Exchange fountain has blossomed into a place of scenic beauty which compromises (sic) all the appeal of an elite country club. Leather chairs with rainbow colorings are catching the eye of all travelers along Oak Knoll's "Main Street."

Doll: I want a shorter skirt than the ones you showed me.

Navy Exchange clerk: Try the collar department.

In accord with demobilization, the OAK LEAF has reduced itself to six pages.

Those voices you heard raised in a rousing slam bang rendition of "Rum and Coca Cola" Tuesday morning were none other than the Andrews Sisters in the flesh.

Playing at the movies tonight—"Up Goes Maisie" with Ann Southern and George Murphy.

PMT School Trains Corpomen to Fight Health Hazards

In the present era of rapid technological advances there is a pressing need for members of the Navy Medical Department to be thoroughly familiar with the health hazards that may result from newly-developed industrial processes.

To provide the necessary training in this area of preventive medicine, the Preventive Medicine Technician Course, headed by CAPT W. K. Lawlor, MSC, devotes many hours to the study of industrial hygiene.

This section of the PMT's training covers such matters as the use of hazardous chemicals, exposure to dangerous gases and fumes, excessive noise, and working conditions which might impair sight. Such surveillance includes the skilled use of a wide array of detection and measuring instruments and devices.

Among those providing the instruction is Oscar Sobol, industrial hygienist from NAS, Alameda. Mr. Sobol, with more than 20 years of service in the field of industrial hygiene with the Navy, is a principal guest lecturer for the PMT Course.



NAVY RELIEF AWARDS: Mrs. Arthur J. Draper (center) has earned her pin for 600 hours of Navy Relief interviewing—all accomplished during five years at Oak Knoll. Sharing honors at the 8 June luncheon meeting of the Officers' Wives' Club was Mrs. James C. Rosborough (left) who received the 100-hour pin for sewing and receptionist's duties at the Navy Relief Office. Admiral Cokely presented the pins, with the official thanks of the command. Mrs. Melvin J. Goldberg, unable to attend the meeting, has also earned her 100-hour pin for sewing and office work.

Daughters of DC, CHC Officers Win Wives' Club Scholarships for 1966

Louise Ann La Mothe and Jo Ann Bonner are Officers' Wives' Club scholarship winners for 1966. Each received a check for \$300 to further her education.

Louise, daughter of retired Dental Corps Captain and Mrs. Daniel E. La Mothe of Carmel, graduated from Santa Catalina High School, Monterey. She is a Stanford student and has had two academic quarters at the Florence, Italy, campus.

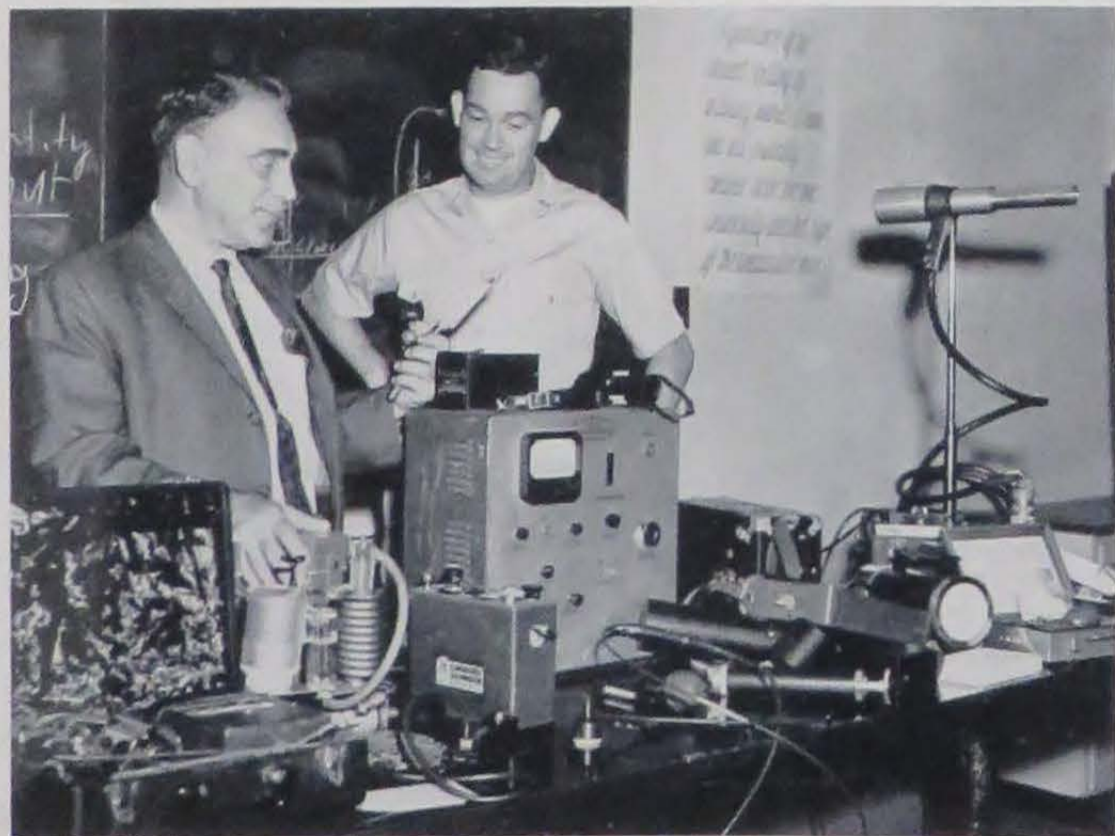
A history major, she hopes to enter either government or private service on an international basis. Her participation in a wide variety of activities is indicative of many talents. In addition to her school activities she worked as life guard at the USNPG School and Carmel High pools and as a Candy

Striper at Monterey Peninsula Community Hospital.

Jo Ann, daughter of Chaplain Corps Commander and Mrs. Robert A. Bonner of Novato, has just graduated from Novato High and will enter Westmont College, Santa Barbara, in September. She too was active in high school activities. Her father is stationed at Treasure Island.

This is the third year the Wives' Club has awarded two scholarships of \$300 each. Children of MC, DC, MSC, or CHC officers in the 12ND are eligible.

Mrs. David B. Rulon was scholarship chairman this year. Selections are made by a board composed of members of the corps concerned.



Shown with the instructor, HMC Whitney P. Thomas, USN, is Oscar Sobol, industrial hygienist from NAS, Alameda, and a principal guest lecturer in the PMT Course's Industrial Hygiene class, for which he demonstrates the use of detection and measuring equipment.

Nursing Education Requirements Explained

Subj: Navy Enlisted Nursing Education Program (NENEP); requirements

The Navy Enlisted Nursing Education Program (NENEP) is a college program for outstanding petty officers of the Hospital Corps on active duty which leads to appointment to commissioned grade as a Nurse Corps officer in the Naval Reserve. The primary consideration when recommending, interviewing, processing, and selecting candidates for this program is their ability and potential to succeed and pursue a career as a Nurse Corps officer. NENEP is a three or four year nursing program in a college or university designated by the Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, which leads to a baccalaureate degree in nursing. Upon receipt of a baccalaureate degree, selectees will take the required state board examinations for licensing as a registered nurse, be commissioned as Ensign, 2905, ordered to officer candidate training, and upon the successful completion thereof, ordered to duty in a selected naval hospital. Commissioned graduates of this program must serve on active duty for four years computed from date of commencing official travel to Officer Candidate School, Naval Schools Command, U.S. Naval Base, Newport, Rhode Island.

Requirements:

1. USN or USNR on active duty.
2. E-4 or above.
3. Not have reached 24th birthday by 1 July of the year in which the application is submitted.
4. Have a clear record for past two years of active Naval service.
5. No restrictions for marital status or sex except female candidates must be single at the time of entering the program.
6. Be a U.S. Citizen.
7. Be recommended by the Commanding Officer.

Education:

1. Have a high school education, with a C+ average or better.
2. Have GCT/ARI combination of 118.

These are the basic requirements of this program. Personnel who meet these requirements and desire more information, contact your Career Counselor, Education and Training, Building 25A.

—HMC J. R. STEINER, USN

HAIL AND FAREWELL

25 June

1900

Entertainment

by the Interns

Girl for Sharon Reid

Sharon (Mrs. Michael) Reid, former receptionist at Red Cross, has a new baby daughter, who has been named Diana Lynn. The baby weighed 7 lb., 11 3/4 oz. when she arrived 13 May.

Give me your wounded and weary . . .



"Give me your tired, your poor . . ."

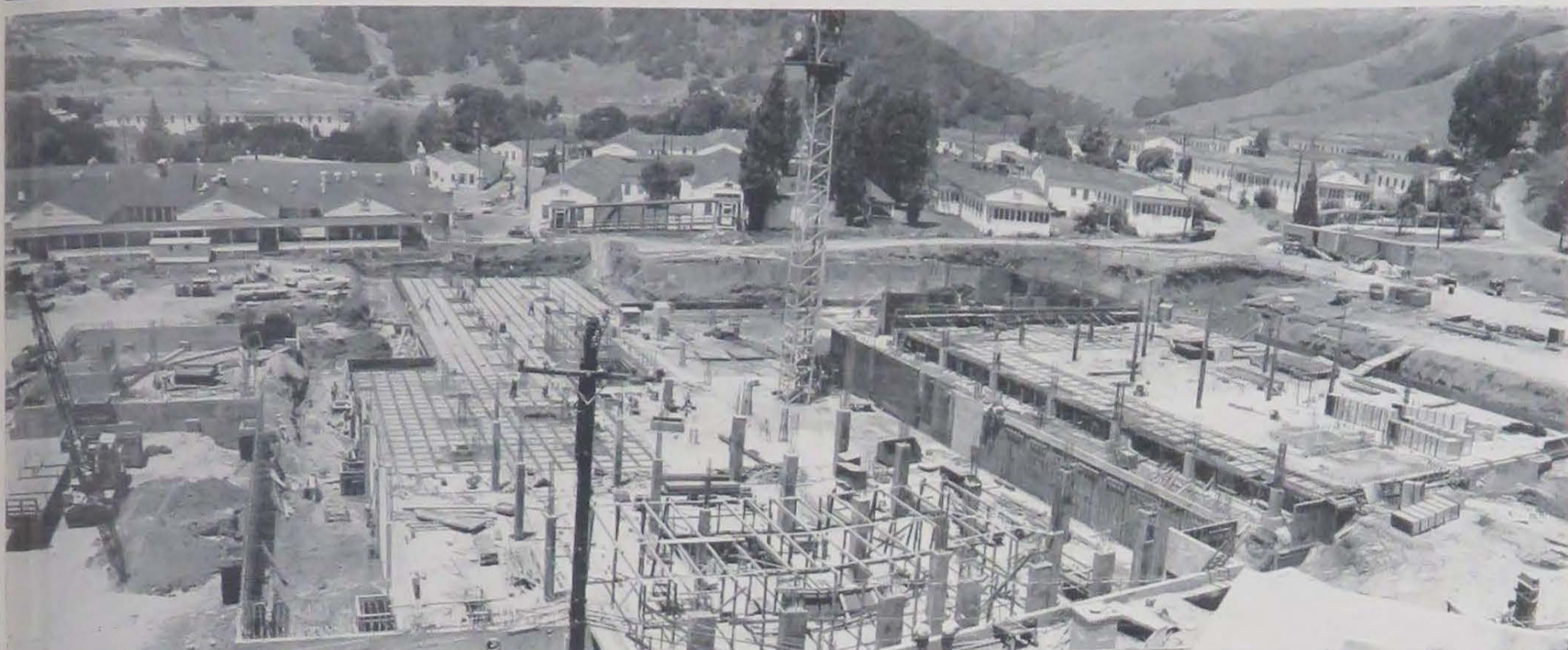


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THE HOLE THAT WAS is no more, as steel reinforcement, wooden forms, and concrete rise above ground level. This over-all view, taken Monday, shows, at left, the first floor. The main entrance will be in the L seen at the left of the elevator pit, just left of the center of the photo. The level area at right, 14 feet higher, is the second floor. The crane visible in the center—and from all parts of the compound—will lift materials skyward as the nine-story building progresses. Old structures around site contain Food Service, Eye and ENT, and Clinical Investigation Center.

Lubarsky and Plass To Monitor Exhibit

Oak Knoll and its Hospital Corpsmen will be in the public eye when Oakland celebrates 4 July with a military display at Lakeside Park.

An exhibit depicting the Navy Medical Department's contribution in Vietnam is being arranged under the direction of ENS Leonard Julius of Fiscal and Supply. HM3s Frank C. Plass and Gary P. Lubarsky, both veterans of the fighting in Vietnam, will monitor the exhibit.

Navy Films Scheduled Weekly on KPIX

KPIX, Channel 5, is featuring a "Navy Film of the Week" through the summer months. The films will be shown each Sunday from 1030-1100. Airing dates and film titles follow:

- 3 July Careers in Oceanography
 - 10 July The Missile Navy
 - 17 July Seapower
 - 24 July The Second Seat
 - 31 July Who Needs You Buchanan?
 - 7 August Goblin on the Doorstep
 - 14 August Nurse Corps—USN
- Don't forget to tune in!

Counseling Course for Chaplain Chamberlin

LT Marvin L. Chamberlin, CHC, is due back this weekend from Philadelphia, where he has had a four-week course in religious and adjustment counseling at the Marriage Council of Philadelphia, Inc.

Top 10 Corpsmen Named at 68th Anniversary Ball

Among the many special features of the gala 68th Hospital Corps Birthday celebration was the announcement of Oak Knoll's ten outstanding corpsmen. This was the first time in hospital history that such a selection has been made.

Called front and center to receive letters proclaiming their selection for this unusual honor were the following:

- HMC Don L. Hansen, Preventive Medicine Service
- HM1 J. P. Daniels, Navy Prosthetic Research Laboratory
- HM1 Richard D. Kline, Nursing Service
- HM1 Matias I. Orque, Food Service
- HM2 Theresa A. Cooper, Special Services
- HM2 Robert E. Lee, Physical Therapy
- HM2 Jo Turner, Wave Quarters
- HM3 Thomas R. Hein, Neuropsychiatry
- HM3 Harold C. Richter, Pharmacy Service
- HM3 Thomas A. Stoeckel, Nursing Service

Nominations were submitted by the chiefs of services and divisions, and a board consisting of all master and senior chief petty officers of the staff studied the nominations and made the final selection.

Admiral Cokely presented the

New Hospital Progressing On 24th Birthday of Old

On 1 July 1942 on the site where the new hospital is rising, Oak Knoll's first six wards, with 204 beds, opened to receive casualties from the South Pacific. Ceremonies were held on a knoll later leveled to make way for the Administration Building. The DMO, CAPT Edward U. Reed, gave the commissioning speech, in which he said: "There is an old saying in the Navy that there is nothing so permanent as a temporary Navy building, but eventually these temporary structures will be replaced by a permanent fireproof hospital building."

More significant and equally prophetic were his words: "This hospital

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WORK OF ART is HM2 Fred Fisher's painting depicting the Hospital Corpsman's role in Vietnam. The painting, presented to the command at the anniversary ball, will ultimately hang in the new hospital.

The Oak Leaf

U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California.

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

Where do we go from here? This is the question often asked by all men but seldom with the earnestness and depth of meaning that is found in a hospital such as this. To know the future is one of the deepest desires of every patient. We know that some will return to duty, to work again in a world we know and like. We know that some will go out into Civilian Life. We know that some will be transferred to another hospital. But who will go where? The future is always uncertain, but nowhere more so than in a hospital.

Still, even in the midst of uncertainty we can find peace and comfort. We can receive strength to endure. We can find the courage to be patient. Our Lord and God, Jesus Christ himself, left us with words that speak to our present needs. "It is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away the Counselor will not come to you." (John 16:7) "I have said to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulations; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." (John 16:33)

Where do we go from here? No man knows! But in Christ Jesus we can still be at peace for He sends the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, to guide and strengthen His people. "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of them." (Matthew 18:20) God, through Christ wants to help each man. God will help you if! If you can only open your heart to Him. Where do we go from here? No man knows! But if we can travel with God the journey will be made in peace—peace with God, peace with man, peace with ourselves. Amen.

CHAPLAIN ROBERT S. MEYER

4 July is More Than a Picnic

To some people, July 4 means only a day off from work, a lot of fireworks, picnics, and perhaps a long week-end for a trip. Such people don't think of the real meaning of our proudest secular holiday. On this day in 1776, the United States of America adopted the Declaration of Independence. Thus, the occasion truly warrants a holiday to commemorate the birth of our nation. The standards set forth in this statement of independence, signed by the Continental Congress, have been the foundation of our American way of life for the past 190 years. If our forefathers had failed to face the call for a free nation and had not introduced the Declaration of Independence, what sort of country would we be living in today? We can come very close to answering that question by asking another. What kind of country would we now live in if our leaders did not continually challenge the threat of Communism? What would happen to the world if the United States didn't actively further the cause of freedom, both for herself and for her allies? We need look no further than the nearest depressed, strife-torn nation under Communist domination for the answer.

On July 4, we should all take a moment off from our busy holiday activities and thank God we have had great leaders such as those who signed the Declaration of Independence and those who fight to preserve freedom today. It was an inspiring and solemn occasion when the founding fathers gave their pledge, evidenced by their signatures: "And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor." It is pledges such as these which have kept America a free and independent country.—(AFPS)

It's Official—Military May Now Get Cash for Money-saving Ideas

It's official. Navy personnel as well as Civil Service may now earn cash awards for beneficial suggestions, inventions, or scientific achievements.

Commanding Officers of Navy ships and stations, and Marine Corps activities have been authorized to pay from \$15 to \$300 for servicemen's ideas that save tax dollars.

The \$300 is not the maximum award. For ideas meriting more, top commands such as the Chief of

Naval Operations, Chief of Naval Material, etc., can now approve awards up to \$1,500.

Ideas that bring intangible benefits and promote safety as well as those that result in savings of labor and material are eligible for cash awards under the Navy Incentive Awards Program.

Further information and forms for submitting beneficial suggestions may be obtained at Military or Civilian Personnel offices, main deck, Administration Building.

Who Was Doing What When Oak Knoll Was Commissioned 1 July 1942

At 1100, 1 July, 1942, exactly 24 years ago, Oak Knoll was commissioned. Many of our present staff members had not even been born. Some were toddlers. Some teenagers. Others were scattered around the globe well on their way to success.

Admiral Cokely, then a LCDR, had just completed a year's training in urology at Brady Clinic, New York City. . . . ENS Donald Thompson was living on his grandparent's farm in DeForest, Wis., in the third grade at Pumpkin Hollow School. . . . Alex Lekos had his first Civil Service job at the district office of the Army Engineers, San Francisco. . . . Chief Levy was an HA1 at USNH, Newport, R.I. CDR Marcella Smith was working at Children's Memorial Hospital, Mooseheart, Ill., hadn't given a thought to a Navy career—in fact her parents disapproved of women in the service. . . . Oscar Navarette was in Osoro, Chile, learning his 2 plus 2s (in Spanish of course). . . . CDR Schwab was a POW living underneath the bleachers at the Osaka, Japan, athletic stadium. . . . Jesse Crawford was crying in his crib in Christobal, Panama, where his father was a railroad builder. . . . Dr. Willis' parents hadn't even met. . . . Helen Whitten of Red Cross was a social worker at the Dallas, Tex., Child Guidance Clinic. . . . V. Swofford was sending her husband Bill to work as Oak Knoll's first Food Service officer. . . . Richard Almos was going to kindergarten in La Crosse, Wis., lonesome for his father—a Seabee in the South Pacific. . . . LCDR Ramirez was an up-and-coming HA at USNH, Bremerton, "one of the most indispensable dishwashers aboard" . . . Joyce Braden had just graduated from Gilroy High and was working as a soda jerk to earn money for S. J. State. . . . HM1 Junious Josey had been drafted and was awaiting orders for induction in Kansas City, Mo. . . . Claire Martin was "frozen" at Moore Drydock but came back to Oak Knoll in November. Back because she "had helped K. E. Parker Construction Co. build the place" . . . CAPT Robinson was a junior medical student at Duke University, Durham, N.C. . . . Tommy Delahousse was a dietetics helper in Memorial Hospital, Houston, Tex. . . . CDR Boudreaux was an HA at Corps School in San Diego. . . . CDR Flickinger was a Navy Nurse working on the cardiac ward at USNH, Philadelphia. . . . Edna Bourdeau was thinking of applying for a job here. She did. Five weeks later she started work as a clerk typist in the Record Office in Bldg. 1. . . . Raymond Voigt was a Navy fireman aboard the destroyer USS LAFFER, heading for the South Pacific. (She went down at Guadalcanal 3 months later). . . . HM3 Dave Quinlan was being anticipated in Kansas City, Kan. . . . CAPT R. A. Middleton had just graduated from U.S. Dental School and was awaiting the results of his state board exams. . . . Chaplain Vosseler was associate pastor of the First Lutheran Church, Glendale, Calif., and awaiting his commission in the Navy Chaplain Corps. . . . Gerry Bourne was attending St. Mary's High in Boston. . . . Terrance Wright was secretary-treasurer of the Central Labor Council of San Luis Obispo County. . . . LCDR Margaret Donoghue had just started her training at San Antonio Hospital, San Antonio, Tex. . . . Gerard Miller was tussling with his long division in Morriston, Tenn. . . . HM1 Joseph Steiner was playing on his father's farm at Yates Center, Kan., and buying "liberty stamps" at school. . . . LCDR Delma Linville was at USNH, San Diego, on 1 July but arrived here shortly after for a month's TAD to care for casualties arriving from Guadalcanal. . . . Chief Gasson was aboard USS DICKMAN somewhere in the Caribbean. . . . A. L. Smedberg was in the accounting department of Tidewater Oil Co., San Francisco. . . . Rollin Gordon, in the Army at Fort Lewis, Wash., was preparing to leave for the South Pacific. . . . CAPT Nadbath was celebrating his graduation from Rochester School of Medicine, Rochester, N.Y. . . . Dorothy Dixon was a fuse inspector at Iowa Ordnance Plant in Burlington—"dangerous only if something exploded." . . . Captain Sweeney was between high school in Reading, Pa., and Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. . . . Jane Murphy was a secretary in the office of the Adjutant General of the State Guard in Sacramento. . . . Dick Burnham was a gangly four-year-old watching his Warren, N.H., neighbor milk his cow. . . . Eve Frostad was a pricer at Montgomery Ward's on East 14th. . . . Audrey Casal was working for the U. S. Engineers in Sacramento. . . . Judy Carabello hadn't arrived, but believes her parents might have given her a thought up there in Billings, Mont. . . . HMCS Robert Dant was at Corps School in San Diego and had listed Oak Knoll as his 1st choice of duty (he reported here that September). . . . Elsie Meredith was working for Western Union in Tampa, Fla. . . . Eileen Gardner was about to face life in Elmhurst, Ill., but probably didn't realize it. . . . Chief Butler was swimming in the Saint Claire River in Port Huron, Mich. . . . John Miller had just passed his state boards and opened a funeral home in Philadelphia, Pa. . . . LCDR Kathryn Lopartz was science instructor at St. Charles Hospital in Aurora, Ill. . . . LCDR Honish was a PhM2/c in the Food Service at the old USNH, Pearl Harbor. . . . CDR E. L. Eustis was assistant vice president in charge of operations at Ingalls Ship Building Corporation in Pascagoula, Miss.

Betty Winsby was at home in Alameda taking care of her year-old daughter Sandi, who is now in Ann Arbor, Mich., taking care of a 10-month-old son, William Laine Dowling, II, and his father, an Oakknoller now on the University of Michigan faculty.

All of which shows that time marches on for the hospital and members of its crew.



The cheesecloth ceiling is carefully folded and put away for another use another year. The 68th Hospital Corps Anniversary Ball is over—all but the happy memories, some of which are recorded here. In (1) HM2 Theresa Cooper, an able mistress of ceremonies, as well as Enlisted Recreation Committee chairman, presents lucky, lovely HN Olivia Horta the door prize (a TV set) in exchange for her lucky number. When it was time for the cake-cutting (2) HA Peter Stanton, fresh from Corps School in San Diego, and HCMC Edward D. Gasson, did the honors, with aid from Admiral Cokely. Among the many happy couples (3) who attended were HM3 Bruce Wilson, co-chairman of the committee, and Corpswife Elaine Weber, now of Camp Pendleton. Photo (4) caught HM1 Jim Turner admiring wife Jo, HM2. (5) Comedian Hank Bradford came from the Hungry I to talk about topless and other things. (I was happy when people rushed up and asked, 'May I have your autograph, Mr. Newhart?') (6) The Molinaris, father and son, delighted listeners and dancers with their lively accordion music, as did rising songstar Tommy Leonetti (7) who gave out with a wonderful "Moon River," and other numbers. Leonetti and his accompanist, Clyde Pound, with Hank Bradford came to the Knoll with CHP escort after KSFO's Jack Carney broadcast the corpsmen's need for entertainment, when a promised Hollywood star failed to materialize at the last minute. Not pictured but also contributing mellow music were the Vibranotes. With Del Courtney's orchestra, engaged for the dancing, the program was melodious—and martial—when colors were posted and the National Anthem was sung.

All About Navy Enlisted Scientific Program

The Navy Enlisted Scientific Education Program (NESEP) is a college training program for outstanding petty officers on active duty which leads to appointment to commissioned grade and a career as an unrestricted line officer of the U.S. Navy. Potential for a successful career as a commissioned officer is the primary consideration in the processing, interviewing, recommendation, and selection of candidates.

NESEP is an uninterrupted 4-year college education program, including summer sessions, in designated colleges and universities, which leads to a baccalaureate degree in the major fields of study approved by the Chief of Naval Personnel. Upon receipt of a baccalaureate degree, individuals will be ordered to officer candidate training and upon successful completion thereof, if otherwise qualified, shall be commissioned in the unrestricted line of the Regular Navy.

In practically every case, offi-

cers commissioned via NESEP may expect immediate assignment to 3 or 4 years of sea duty with the operating forces in the capacity of an unrestricted line officer. At an appropriate time subsequent to commissioning, each former NESEP student will be considered for graduate education. Commissioned graduates of this program must serve on active duty for a minimum period of 9 months for each 6 months of education, or fraction thereof, computed from date of original commission and date of reporting to preparatory school, but in no case shall this period of active duty be less than 4 years.

Requirements:

1. USN or USNR on active duty.
2. E-4 or above.
3. Have 6-years' obligated service as of 1 July of the year selected.
4. Not have reached 25th birthday by 1 July of the year selected.

5. Have clear record for past 2 years of active Naval service.
6. No restrictions for marital status or sex.
7. Be a U.S. Citizen.
8. Be recommended by the Commanding Officer.

Education:

1. Have a High School education or a GED equivalent.
2. Have GCT/ARI combination of 118.

These are the basic requirements of this program. Personnel who meet these requirements and desire more information, contact your Career Counselor, Education and Training, Building 25A.

—HMC J. R. STEINER, USN

Final Figure Shows Knoll Gave \$2,250 To Navy Relief

Final figures in the recent Navy Relief Drive show that Knollites gave \$2,250.95 to "help the Navy take care of its own."

Chaplains Marvin L. Chamberlin and Edward E. Jayne served as

A Melodious, Magnificent Ball

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letters, a copy of which will be placed in each staff member's official record.

HM2 Fred Fisher received the CO's Letter of Appreciation for his many contributions to the Recreation Committee and the command. He gave his time and talent to produce the commemorative design that appeared on the anniversary invitation, program, and the OAK LEAF, and the beautiful painting depicting the corpsman's role in Vietnam. This was the second year Fisher art has enhanced Oak Knoll's celebration of the Hospital Corps Birthday.

HMC Edward D. Gasson, who will retire before another Hospital Birthday rolls around, received a special letter of appreciation from the Enlisted Recreation Committee for his service as an advisor for that group.

chairmen of the fund drive at Oak Knoll.

Fire Chief Sez

Fire season is approaching and all hands are cautioned to be particularly careful in observing fire safety rules. A couple to remember:

- (1) Extinguish matches and cigarettes before discarding them, using ash trays for this purpose.
- (2) Close lids on dumpster dumpsters after emptying trash.

If we all cooperate, a major fire can be avoided.

Leisure World

by HM2 Theresa Cooper

Well, the ball is over, and your Recreation Committee is off and running into the month of July with all kinds of events at the EM Club. Friday, 8 July, we'll have a steak feed, with a 50 cent charge to help finance more activities at the club. Sunday, 17 July, will bring a band and dance, and 24 July there'll be a fish fry and a band.

Your Rec Committee is also planning the annual picnic to be held 6 August. For that we need people to help cook, plan games, pour beer (to the authorized consumer) etc. More information on this later. Watch for it.

Fish Story

0530 25 June: An intrepid group of seaworthy (???) sailors cast off from Berkeley pier. Water calm. Weather sunny. Hooks baited. Under the Golden Gate Bridge and out to sea. Jim and Jo Turner ready with sinkers and bait, Cooper to cabin, looking gray, feeling green. Jess Crawford and wife a little wet. Ditto Dr. Herringer. Several sick, sick, sick. The idea, friends, was to CATCH those fish. But down to business. Dave Quinlan reels in a 9-lb. salmon. Jim shouts to Jo: "Get the camera—I caught a red snapper!" Everybody turns to portside. There's the big one—CS1 Burke, struggling, brought in a 35-pound salmon—catch of the day. 0315 Back through the Golden Gate; crew not so seaworthy. Does land ever look good!

Pool Closed

The swimming pool will be closed for necessary repairs from 28 June until about 15 July.

Work will include sandblasting and repainting the pool interior to rid it of unsanitary and dangerous fungus.

All hands are urged to avoid the pool area during this period to permit completion of repairs as early as possible.

Tennis Courts

They're ready for play after being refinished.

Issue Room

Don't forget that here you may check out sports equipment and camping gear. Stop in and see the possibilities. USE YOUR FRINGE BENEFITS!!!

New Baby

LIFE BEGAN on 9 June for Marc Lourenze Hansen, 7 lb., 9 oz. son for Don L. Hansen, HMC, Preventive Medicine Technician School, and his wife Carole.

Softball Season Starts with Two Losses for Knoll

The 12ND Softball League got off to a rousing start 21 June, when the Hilltoppers suffered an honorable 4-3 defeat at the hands of the highly-touted Skaggs Island team.

Skaggs opened with a bang, getting all four runs in the first two innings on one hit and three miscues by the Hilltoppers. From then on, the hospital men settled down behind the strong pitching of Danny Velasquez. They allowed no more opponents to cross home-plate.

The Knollites scored all three of their runs in the fifth on a walk by De Shields, a single by Greg Willis, and a home run by Jim Dalton.

In each of the last two innings, the Hilltoppers had the potential winning run on base but couldn't come up with the key hit to drive them in.

Player	Game Totals			
	Po.	AB	H	R
Palmer	1b	2	0	0
Sharkey*	1b	2	1	0
De Shields	2b	3	0	1
Willis	ss	4	3	1
Dalton	3b	4	2	1
Cook	c	4	1	0
Randle	cf	4	1	0
Crawford	rf	1	0	0
Myrick*	rf	1	0	0
Carson	lf	2	0	0
Perry*	lf	1	0	0
Velasquez	p	3	0	0

*Relieved in 4th inning.

The team lost Tuesday, 6-1, to a superior team from the U.S. Coast Guard Station at Government Island.

The next league game will be at Moffett Field Tuesday afternoon.

HAIL-FAREWELL

OFFICERS DETACHED:
LCDR G. C. Kaplan, MC, USNR, to inactive duty.

CAPT A. J. Draper, MC, USN, to USNH San Diego, Calif.

CDR P. J. Marron, CHC, USNR—retirement.

CWO W. S. Adams, USN—retirement.

LT R. F. Preininger, MC, USNR, to inactive.

CDR V. D. Viede, MC, USN, to USNH Newport, Rhode Island.

OFFICERS REPORTING:
CAPT Dean Schufeldt, MC, USN, from USNH, Jacksonville, Fla., as Executive Officer.

CDR W. S. Myers, MC, USN from USNH San Diego, Calif., as Asst. Chief of Medicine.

LT E. R. Blount, MC, USN, from inactive duty for residency training in Pediatrics.

LT J. L. Thomas, MC, USN, from USNAS Pensacola, Fla., for residency in Surgery.

ENLISTED DETACHED:
HM3 James R. Bogstad to NavHosp-Phil.

HN's Ronald W. Lavigne and Michael R. Silva to MarCorpAir Sta., Kaneohe, Hawaii.

ENLISTED REPORTING:
HMC John M. Blaul from USS GLACIER (AGB-4).

HN's James L. Bentley, Marshall J. Mak, Harmon M. Blanch, Earl W. McEachern, Alan J. Schloss, Larry E. Burg, Jerry R. Pogue, Ronald M. Rockwell, Michael W. Yeast, Bennett R. Patrick, Lane H. Bowman, Michael S. Harper, Charles W. Youell, Peter P. Penner, Thomas L. Stevens, Ernest C. Culley, Dennis L. Pender, Shelby C. Bell, Richard W. Bell, and Michael J. Bricks from HCS San Diego.

HA Rose M. Morganti reports from HCS Great Lakes.

710,000 Visit USO

A welcome and challenging attendance explosion due to the military build-up in Vietnam boosted Bay Area USO attendances in 1965 to more than 710,000—an increase over the previous year of more than 45,000 servicemen.

Navy News Roundup

MONTHLY CLOTHING ALLOWANCES HIKED—Beginning July 1 enlisted clothing maintenance allowances go up an average of 16.7 percent, Defense officials announced. Actually the standard allowance will go up 20 percent and the basic allowance 15 percent.

The raises thus are more than the roughly 14 percent across the board Defense first considered and less than the raises of up to 30 percent proposed by one service for Defense consideration. . . . **3.2% HIKES IN PAY ON JULY 1 SET AS CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL NEARS**—Looks as if the 3.2 percent pay raise is going to make it on schedule (July 1). Our source (Navy Times) says that at their press time, congressional approval was just a short time away. . . . **MORE FEBRUARY EXAM HIKES DUE; NEW RATING SET; REGS EASED**—While Navy promotion officials are huddling at the Navy Examining Center at Great Lakes, Ill., where they are matching names with numbers to determine the final groups to be promoted off last February's exams, the Bureau of Naval Personnel has taken steps to make it easier for some to be promoted off future examinations. The new rating set for submarine qualified Fire Control Technicians, and it's their rating that will benefit by the new ease in regs. . . . **OFF BASE LIVING PLAN FOR BACHELORS STUDIED**—Defense officials are working on a directive which would permit men of any rank to live off base if their commander determines the housing available for them on post is inadequate and their duties permit.

Commissioning

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is here dedicated to the care of the sick and injured of our Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, and with God's help, it will serve our country well in relieving suffering, curing its patients, and returning as many of them as possible to active duty as rapidly as possible."

Uniform Prices: Some Up, Some Down

New prices will be in effect at the Retail Clothing Store, Bldg. 1, Treasure Island, when the store reopens 13 July after inventory. The following items have gone up:

	Old price	New price
Bag, Duffel	\$ 2.80	\$ 3.50
Belt, Trouser, without buckle	.34	.39
Buckle, Brass, belt	.11	.13
Cap, knit (watch)	1.00	1.50
Cap, working blue	.64	.78
Coat, Peacoat	24.50	28.00
Cover, Service cap, khaki cotton	1.25	1.30
Cover, Service cap, khaki wool	1.05	2.10
Frame, Service cap	2.00	3.10
Gloves, leather, black	3.60	3.70
Handkerchief	.09	.10
Hat, Service, white	.65	.75
Jumper, dress blue	8.40	10.70
Jumper, undress blue	7.50	8.50
Neckerchief	.74	.83
Necktie, four-in-hand	.62	.66
Raincoat, Navy blue	13.60	14.20
Shirt, white tropical, enlisted	1.60	1.80
Shirt, white tropical, officer	1.85	1.90
Shoes, black, low dress	5.70	8.30
Shoes, service, general purpose	7.00	9.80
Sweater, blue jersey	3.80	3.90
Towel, bath	.42	.46
Trousers, blue wool melton	7.40	8.40
Trunks, swim	.94	1.50
Undershirts, collen 1/2 sleeve	.46	.55
Uniform, Officer/CPO, dress blue	38.70	40.90
Uniform, Officer/CPO, dress khaki	37.90	41.00
Washcloth	.10	.11

Only four items have been reduced in price in the men's clothing department. White cotton service cap covers have dropped from \$1.80 to 1.70; blue working jackets from 7.60 to 7.40; gym shoes from 1.60 to 1.40; stretch socks are reduced from .31 to .30.

Changes in WAVES prices are as follows:

	Old price	New price
Cap, Garrison, blue serge	\$3.50	\$ 4.00
Cap, Garrison, light blue	1.75	3.90
Necktie, black	.72	.74
Raincoat, blue, lightweight	15.70	23.30
Shirt, blue chambray, 5 button	1.70	1.80
Shirt, white, cotton polyester	2.30	3.50
Shoes, dress oxford, black, new style	7.00	8.00
Skirt, blue serge	2.60	6.10
Skirt, light blue, cotton/dacron	3.80	4.90
Slacks, cotton/polyester, new style	5.05	5.30
Sweater, Cardigan, new style	5.30	7.10
Uniform, light blue, cotton/dacron	9.85	12.50
Gloves, black cloth, Navy	1.80	1.70
Gloves, white cloth, Navy	1.80	1.70
Handbag, black	13.00	11.70
Havelock, blue serge (winter)	1.60	1.30
Hood, rain, blue serge	3.60	2.30

Insignia, Service hat and cap	1.00	.80
Overcoat, blue serge with liner	40.80	36.40
Shoes, gymnasium	1.70	1.60
Slacks, blue serge, old style	5.05	4.90
Slacks, blue serge, new style	5.05	4.90
Uniform, Navy blue serge	25.20	24.60
Uniform, white Acetate	23.60	17.10

FRA Issues Invitation To Patients & Staff

Oak Knoll patients and staff are invited to attend the installation of officers of Branch and Unit #87 of the Fleet Reserve Association Saturday, 9 July, at the Veterans Memorial Building at Central and Walnut Streets, Alameda.

The time is 2000. Refreshments will be served following the installation.

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Adm. Clark Speaks to Graduating Interns

When members of Oak Knoll's 21st intern class were honored at graduation exercises 30 June, they received some excellent advice from RADM John E. Clark, USN, the veteran naval aviator and researcher currently serving as Commandant, Twelfth Naval District.

"After 40 years in the Navy, I feel qualified to give advice on the subject," Admiral Clark told the interns, their families, and friends assembled for the event in the Officers' Club Auditorium.

"The Navy is a very fulfilling

life. It gives you a sense of serving—a feeling of accomplishment. Doctors by their very nature are in the service of others—God knows, there is no service greater.

In addition, you will be giving service to your country—service that we need so very badly now."

Touching on the war, the admiral said: "We are at war now as surely as we have ever been. I don't mean that skirmish in Southeast Asia. I mean the war against international communism. The war for freedom is a never-ending

one. You never win it. You just keep from losing."

The Commandant spoke of the Navy as a fraternity—one great club.

He spoke of the fascination of navy life, with its many educational opportunities as well as opportunities for travel.

"Oh, you'll never get rich, but the monetary rewards are not inconsiderable. The security in itself is worth a great deal."

"Now, for the advice," said, the graying admiral. "1. Become naval officers. 2. Absorb ail you can. 3. Mix socially. 4. Be articulate—never turn down an opportunity to speak. 5. Help the image of the Navy and the Medical Department. Don't be critical of anything in public. I don't say to sweep things under the rug. Examine our weaknesses and faults. First try to straighten things out among ourselves. Damaging the Navy image does no good—it's a destroying process."

The Admiral concluded his speech with a light touch "May all your injections be effective and all your stitches hold!"

LT William W. Holm spoke for his class of the value of the intern program here.

CAPT Wendell Naish, District
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"It's a fascinating life."

Waves To Celebrate Birthday With Luau

The Navy's WAVES are 24 this year, and Oak Knoll's 49 will celebrate their birthday Saturday evening, 30 July, with a luau at the CPO Club.

Flowers from Hawaii, palm trees, sea shells, fire dancers, and girls in brightly-colored muu muus will transform the club into a little Hawaiian Island for the big occasion.

Captain Schufeldt Assumes Exec's Duties in Third Oak Knoll Tour

When CAPT Dean Schufeldt took over the duties of Executive Officer 30 June, reporting as relief for CAPT S. L. Arje, he had no difficulty finding his way around, for this is his third tour of duty at Oak Knoll.

The Nebraska-born surgeon, who came here this time from U. S. Naval Hospital, Jacksonville, had residency training here from September 1947 to October 1949 and from December 1951 to January 1954.

Doctor Schufeldt earned his Bachelor of Science Degree from Nebraska State College, Chadron, Nebr., and in 1942 received his MD from the University of Nebraska College of Medicine in Omaha.

Following completion of his internship at Columbia Hospital, Milwaukee, Wis., he reported to U. S. Naval Hospital, Farragut, Ida., for his first active duty with the Navy. Early in his career he had sea duty aboard the USS SOLOMONS.

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CAPT Dean Schufeldt,
Oak Knoll's new XO



THE GRADUATION CAKE was cut in the Officers' Club courtyard by LT William W. Holm, senior intern. At his side was his bride, the former Beverly Ann Scaccia, who was a LTJG in the Nurse Corps when they met here last summer. Others in the photo are, from left, LTs John M. Casey, Robert D. Knudson, Paul E. Cianci, Jonathan Titus, Kenneth D. German, Charles E. Schutt, and Jay B. V. Butler, Jr.



The CO handed out the diplomas, this one to LT Max Crigger, DC. That's CAPT Robert A. Middleton looking for the next name on the list. At right LT Kenneth D. German presents the plaque for outstanding resident to LT Stanley E. Donahoo of Orthopedics. Is that Dr. Crigger applauding again?

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

FOR GOODNESS SAKE!

All of us have some "sakes" for which we live. They are important. In times of decision, trial, difficulty, or temptation, they can keep us from the wrong way and hold us on course.

Success is no accident. It is planned. It is a journey and not luck. It is a direction; a careful reading of the road. The more time a man spends going nowhere, without aim or purpose, the more he gets nowhere. The difference between just a shooter and a sharpshooter is the carefulness and accuracy of the aim.

A "care-full" person takes enough time to care that in his performance he marks well. The "care-less" type just doesn't care and will be known for what he is—just plain careless. When the marks for proficiency, the report cards, commendations, honors and "well dones" are bestowed, it doesn't take much imagination to see who will get them.

It doesn't require much thought or imagination to see which type will get ahead, be promoted, and succeed. The answer is obvious. The quitters the drop-outs, and the careless, live for their own sake; certainly not for "Goodness sake" or they would be more "care-full."

The greatest of all "sakes" is "For God's sake," which means we will be careful.

L. C. M. VOSELER

Travis Renamed

Travis AFB Hospital has been renamed David Grant USAF Hospital in honor of the first air surgeon of the Army Air Forces. He is credited with pioneering the development of aeromedical evacuation. Travis hospital is the second largest in the Air Force.

Diaper Derby

LIFE BEGAN on 29 June for Lupe Joan Iosefa, 6 lb., 1 oz. daughter of Joe Iosefa, HMI, of the Lab., and his wife Aletia. . . . On 3 July for Melissa Purisima Quintong, 6 lb., 8½ oz. daughter of Artemio Quintong, DTI, Dental Service, and his wife Lucia.

Navy News Roundup

3.2% PAY RAISE IS ASSURED—It'll be a 3.2 percent across-the-board pay raise for all Regular and Reserve component military people, and it'll be effective from July 1. The pay situation became firm when Congressional leaders agreed on two separate, but intimately related, actions. . . . **FORMAL "HANDLE" FOR EMs**—The Navy is switching the way in which its enlisteds will be addressed when being formally introduced or at award ceremonies.

Their new "handle" will also be used in letters, orders and other correspondence BuPers notice 1000 of June 21 says.

Based on a recommendation of the Secretary of the Navy's Retention Task Force, the new form of address will give new recognition to enlisted rank status. E-8s and E-9's will no longer be addressed as plain "chiefs," nor will E-7s be called that except in informal usage.

E-9's will be addressed as "Master Chief Petty Officer Jones," for example, and E-8's will be addressed as "Senior Chief Petty Officer Brown."

All other petty officers will be introduced with the title "Petty Officer" in front of their last name. Non-rated men will be addressed with their designator and last name, such as: Hospitalman Jones, Seaman Collins, etc. . . .

NAV EM's SWEAT HIKE NEWS—More than 2600 Navy enlisteds who have been sweating out promotions since they took last February's advancement examinations will shortly get the word that they can sew on their new crowns on August 16. Included in the advancement are 1691 being promoted to second class, 664 to first class, and 253 to chief. . . . **DEXTER, NAVY HORSE, RETIRED**—After a 32-year, life-long military career, Dexter, the only horse in the Navy, has retired. Dexter, began his military career by keeping those caissons rolling along in field artillery. By 1945 when the artillery was mechanized, Dexter was transferred to the Navy to pull a two-wheeled trash cart for the maintenance department of the Naval Home for Retired Sailors in Philadelphia. Several years ago a tractor mechanized the maintenance job, too, and last January Dexter's groom, Samuel Short, 74, retired. . . .



CDR Peter J. Marron, CHC, USN, and CWO Wilson S. Adams shared a retirement cake and the good wishes of their many friends and shipmates at Oak Knoll when they returned to the civilian world 30 June. Father Marron, Senior Chaplain, plans to travel before he settles down in his home state of New York. Mr. Adams, Sanitation Officer and Administrative Assistant to the Chief, Preventative Medicine Service, departed for Washington, D.C., to train with the Agency for International Development for assignment in Southeast Asia. Each retiring officer was relieved by a former Knollite—Father Marron by CDR Lawrence C. M. Vosseler and Mr. Adams by CWO John V. Reische.

More About New Exec

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In June 1944 Doctor Schufeldt reported to the School of Aviation Medicine at Pensacola. Subsequent assignments took him to the Naval Air Station at Daytona Beach, Fla., and the Navy Auxiliary Air Station at Green Cove Springs, Fla., then to Saipan.

Between his two periods of residency training at Oak Knoll the new Exec served at Naval Air Base, Kodiak, Alaska. Assignments in recent years have been at USNH, St. Albans as Assistant Chief of Surgery, and at USNH, Beaufort, S. C., and the Station Hospital, Subic Bay, Philippine Islands as Chief of Surgery, the post he held at Jacksonville, where his CO was CAPT William S. Baker, former Oak Knoll Exec.

The captain's wife Phyllis, a prize-winning professional artist, and a story in herself, will be presented in a later issue of the OAK LEAF. They have three daughters. Sheila, 21, will be a senior in art education at Washington University, St. Louis, this fall and is taking art courses at U. C. this summer. Linda, who will be 18 this month, will enter the University of Vermont, Burlington, this fall. Dana, 12, will be a local eighth grader in September. Dana and Linda were both born at Oak Knoll.

Polaris Submarine GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER (SSBN-656) has been commissioned at Newport News, Va.

Vice-Chancellor Post For Doctor Harper

Dr. Harold A. Harper, for many years a consultant for the Clinical Investigation Center, has been named Vice Chancellor—Graduate Studies and Research Division at the University of California.

Twenty Years Ago In the Oak Leaf

Kleenex and Ponds tissue allotments to the hospital will be placed on the Ship's Service counter at three different sales periods monthly. Nurses exclusively will be allowed to purchase the scarce item at the first sale and Waves exclusively at the second. The third release will be for the general public.

Very rare delicacies, Washington navel oranges fresh from California orchards, were given out to all hands last week as a gift of the Texas Company.

Most popular activity on the compound since its reopening last week is Oak Knoll's outdoor swimming pool. Patients and staff by the hundreds are swimming and splashing in the coolness of its green depths, seeking relief from the heat of the present siege of near-tropical weather. Seekers of the body beautiful are using the sun deck to derive the fullest benefits from Soleus' rays.

How Come All the Station Wagons?

What are all those Red Cross station wagons doing on the hospital compound? Who drives them—and where do they come from? Ask patients. Ask families of the seriously ill. They know from experience.

Those station wagons—each driven by a Red Cross volunteer—serve travelers to Oak Knoll from communities around the Bay Area: Alameda, Berkeley, Concord, Hayward, Martinez, Oakland, Palo Alto, Pittsburg, Redwood City, Richmond, San Francisco, San Jose, San Mateo, San Rafael, Vallejo, Walnut Creek. In an average month volunteer drivers donate more than 300 hours (worth \$420 at the proposed new minimum hourly wage) to transport "service connected" passengers to and from this hospital. Why? Because their 100 plus patients each week have some definite (even if invisible) limit against using other transportation. Other passengers are the volunteers who serve patients on wards, in clinics, and in the Red Cross Recreation Lounge—another hundred every week who come to give a lift to the day or evening of a hospitalized serviceman.

"Any teenager will tell you "A car is necessary!" Red Cross often agrees when, for example, a non-English-speaking dependent must cross two unfamiliar cities with her three pre-school children; when a serviceman must rush to catch a plane on emergency leave; when a group of long-term patients need to break hospital monotony with a medically approved sight-seeing ride; when an expectant mother's clinic visits come more often just when hiking becomes more difficult; when luggage must be claimed from a terminal, or shoes found for a brace, or the neighbors can no longer bring Susie for therapy that "just might make the difference!"

No one can do the whole job? Sometimes there just isn't a volunteer driver available. But when there is, the volunteer's pay wouldn't fit in an envelope. His pay is that chest-swelling thought that putting wheels under the problem "just might make the difference."

AUGUST 1966 NAVY-WIDE EXAMS

It looks as though advancement opportunity will be good again in just about all ratings, especially in the lower grades. If you haven't already started preparing for the exams, get with it in a hurry! Time is running out! **YOU and YOU ALONE**—are the most important cog in all that advancement machinery. **YOU** are the guy or gal who must convince the commanding officer that you're qualified to be recommended—you are the guy or gal who must pass the exam in order to be in the final competition. You are the guy or gal who will wear that extra stripe and collect that extra pay. You're mighty important to yourself and **TO THE NAVY!!!! DO YOUR BEST TO PROVE IT!!!!**

—HMC J. R. STEINER



LINING UP FOR THEIR CLASS PICTURE were, front row, from left: LTs Holm, Cianci, Lachowicz, German, and Chandler (DC). Second row: LTs Casey, Butler, Dueker, Drake, Titus, and King (DC). Third row: LTs Reit, Crommelin, Lingousky, Frei (DC), Schutt (DC), and Oshinsky (DC).

Driving Champ To Speak Here

Oak Knoll personnel will have an opportunity 21 July to get some tips on safe driving from Chuck Stevenson, former national driving champion and a 10-time competitor in the Indianapolis "500."

The presentation in the Main Auditorium at 1030 and again at 1400 will combine a film and discussion based on Mr. Stevenson's personal experiences during a 20-year racing career.

Mr. Stevenson is one of eight racing stars presenting the safety program to student and adult groups and military audiences throughout the nation. The effectiveness of their message has won numerous awards for Champion Spark Plug Co., which originated the program in 1954.

All hands who can be spared from their duties are expected to attend one of Mr. Stevenson's appearances here on the 21st.

Recent Promotions

TO CDR:
HALL, O. V., Jr., DC, USN
HAMLIN, C. R., MC, USN
STEVENS, J. J., MC, USN
HONISH, J. E., MSC, USN

TO LCDR:
DAVIES, R. O., Jr., MC, USN
FULWYLER, R. L., MC, USN
AMBUR, R. F., MC, USN
GREGONIS, J. G., MC, USN
MELTON, R. W., MC, USN
WELCH, B. A., MC, USNR
OLSEN, J. A., MC, USN
ELLIS, G. M., MSC, USN
BRODERICK, J. T., MC, USNR
ROSENTHAL, M. S., MC USNR
MALUEG, T. J., MC, USNR
KLEIT, S. A., MC, USNR
SPINKA, R. B., MC, USNR
JOHNSON, F. C., MC, USNR
LANG, D. J., MC, USNR
HOFMANN, R. M., MC, USN
BAKER, W. E., NC, USN
STUCKER, F. J., MC, USN

TO LT:
RICE, L. W., MSC, USNR

TO LTJG:
DALTON, J. T., MSC, USNR
HIRSCH, N. M., MSC, USNR

Interns Scatter Around the Globe

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Dental Officer, expressed his thanks to the hospital for the fine instruction provided for dental interns at Oak Knoll, where one sixth of all Navy dental interns are trained each year.

Rear Admiral Cokely commented briefly on the medical intern training program and presented the diplomas, with assistance from CDR J. J. Stevens, substituting for CAPT A. J. Draper, Chairman of the Medical Intern Training Program, who departed for San Diego a few days before the graduation; and CAPT Robert A. Middleton, Chairman of the Dental Intern Training Program.

LCDR Lucien C. Mattiello gave the invocation and CDR Lawrence C. M. Vosseler the benediction.

Members of the graduating intern class came from 19 colleges in various parts of the United States. They will be much more widely scattered when they carry out their orders.

Six have gone or will go to the Navy School of Submarine Medicine, New London, Conn. They are LTs Clayton F. Drake, Jr., Christopher W. Dueker, Frederic H. Gerber, Robert D. Knudson, Russell J. Reit, and Gene A. Wallin. Three ordered to the Navy School of Aviation Medicine, Pensacola, Fla., are LTs John M. Casey, Kenneth D. German, and Jonathan Titus.

Other graduating medical interns and their new duty stations are LTs Jay V. B. Butler, Marine Corps Air Station, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii; Henry H. Crommelin, USS AUSTIN, LPD-4; Harvey A. Gilbert, Military Sea Transportation Service; Michael R. Lachowicz, Auxiliary Landing Field, Monterey; Arthur P. Lingousky, USS KRISHNA, ARL-38.

LT William W. Holm has reported to USNH, San Diego, for residency training in pediatrics.

LT Paul E. Cianci will remain at Oak Knoll for residency training in internal medicine and LT Edward G. Morhauser for residency training in psychiatry.

Dental intern grads and their

Orthopedists Earn Plaque for 1966

CAPT Dana D. Goldthwaite, Chief of Orthopedics, and his staff were awarded the Intern Plaque for 1966. This honor goes each year to the department whose teaching program is judged best by the graduating interns.

Individual plaques, presented this year for the first time, went to CDR David R. Buechel, Chief of Anesthesiology, whom the interns felt was the staff member who helped them most during their intern year. LT Stanley E. Donahoo got the interns' vote for best resident; and LCDR Jacquelin Gillespie earned the class vote for best Nurse Corps officer. Miss Florence Benigno, civilian nurse, received a surprise shower of flowers for having made work in the Emergency Room as pleasant as possible for all concerned.

assignments are John W. Chandler, USS PRAIRIE (AD-15); Max Z. Crigger, Camp Pendleton, Calif.; Newell R. Frei, Naval Air Station, Guam; Ronald C. King, Commander Fleet Activity, Sasebo, Japan; Stephen W. Oshinsky, USS TICONDEROGA (CVA-14); Charles E. Schutt, Camp Pendleton.

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Leisure World

by HM2 Theresa Cooper

Summer — warm days — happy days—and your Recreation Committee has planned a day for all staff to go with the season.

Coming 6 August is the Big Picnic for Mom, Dad, the kids, and you single guys and girls too.

Starting at 1100 we'll see HN Stan Miller heading the cooking detail, where steaks will be the big item. Jim Turner and Robert Lee will be pouring free soft drinks and beer.

Dave Quinlan will head the booths with a baseball pitch. Suzie Smith and Judy Draexlmaier will be handing out leis—at the fish pond.

Jo Turner and Kathy Petke will oversee games and fun on the ball field. Chief Butler and Mr. Boyle will run a hotrod ball game. (Anyone who wants to play should sign up at Special Services.)

At 1300 a clown will appear on the scene with balloons and lollypops for children—under 21!!

A band and floor show will be features of the afternoon.

There'll be a pitchpenny game with DK3 Jay Dresner to see that you get the correct amount of funds.

Of course the Emergency Room will be open—in case of cuts, bruises, and/or upset stomachs.

See you all there! (At the picnic, that is.)

On 24 July we'll have a jam session and fish fry at the EM Club—another event you won't want to miss.

Are you a newcomer? Perhaps you will be interested in working on the Recreation Committee. If you're artistic, musical, or just interested in planning events for the pleasure of others, give us a ring at Ext. 593.



Emmy Berger hiked many miles over the hills of Oak Knoll with the bookcart during her 14 years as crew's librarian. As of Monday morning she hiked along Little River to Wolf Creek Job Corps Conservation Center near Glide, Ore. to begin a new job as instructor of business machines.

Prior to her departure Friday Mrs. Berger received the CO's Letter of Appreciation for her "outstanding contribution to the welfare and morale of our patients and staff." LTJG R. L. Boyle, Special Services Officer, looked on.

"Your excellent professional qualifications—including a BA Degree in English from New York University and a BS in Library Science from Columbia University, New York City, and experience in Army, VA, and public libraries, enthusiasm for your work, and keen interest in supplying the needs of the individual reader have enabled the Special Services Division to provide outstanding library service for patients and staff," Admiral Cokely's letter stated.

Mrs. Berger arranged to transfer to her new post when she and her family purchased a new home in Southwestern Oregon. She and her husband, Gottfried, artist and builder, have two children—David, who will enter Oregon State College at Corvallis in September, and Jessica, who just graduated from Junior High School.



HMCM Isaac E. Ray of Patient Affairs has reenlisted for another four years, which will give him a total of 29 years, 7 months. He was sworn in by CAPT Dean Schufeldt, Executive Officer. The well-known Master Chief returned to Oak Knoll in March after a year with the 3rd Marine Division in Okinawa. He served as Chief-Master-at-Arms during his previous tour of duty here.

HAIL-FAREWELL

OFFICERS REPORTING:

- LCDR L. D. RIVERS, MC, USN Resident in Anesthesia from USNA, FAC Sigonella, Sicily.
- LT R. F. PRICE, MC, USNR inactive to Laboratory Service.
- LT R. H. ADLER, MC, USNR inactive to Resident in Neuropsychiatry.
- LT J. W. BATCHELLER, MC, USN from 3rd MAW, MCAS, EL TORO, SANTA ANA, to Resident in Ophthalmology.
- LT P. R. BURKETT, MC, USN from NAAS, FALLON, NEVADA to Resident in ENT Service.
- LT P. A. CAULFIELD, Jr. MC, USN from inactive to Neuropsychiatry Service.
- LT J. C. CHISHOLM, MC, USNR inactive to Medical Service.
- LCDR R. L. FULWYLER, MC, USN from NAFA, NAHA, Okinawa, to Resident in Ophthalmology.
- LT D. B. JARVIS, MC, USNR inactive to Neuropsychiatry.
- LT G. R. LOONEY, MC, USN from NAS ALAMEDA to Resident in Surgery.
- LT F. S. SEIFRIED, MC, USN from inactive to Neuropsychiatry Service.
- LT A. W. TRAUM, MC, USNR inactive to Medical Service.
- LCDR G. C. WILSON, MC, USN from inactive to Neuropsychiatry Service.
- LT G. A. WOLFF, MC, USNR inactive to Medical Service.

OFFICERS DETACHED:

- LT D. P. BURKE, MC, USNR to active.
- LCDR H. A. HERINGER, MC, USN to inactive.
- LCDR F. L. BARHAM, MC, USN to inactive.
- LCDR E. E. MORGAN, MC, USN to inactive.
- LCDR G. H. WALD, MC, USNR inactive.
- LT J. G. KLOEK, MC, USNR to active.
- LCDR M. J. GOLDBERG, MC, USN to inactive.
- LCDR J. R. BRENNAN, MC, USN to inactive.
- CDR C. R. HAMLIN, MC, USN NAVSUPACT TAIPEI, TAIWAN.
- LCDR M. L. PETWAY, MC, USN Highland Hospital, Oakland, Calif.
- CDR J. F. HARDIN, DC, USN to MarDiv (Rein) FMF.
- LTJG J. T. DALTON, MSC, USN to USS HORNET (CVS-12).

ENLISTED REPORTING:

- DA Maureen B. Estes, NavDenTechS San Diego.
- HN's & HA's Crescencia Valdez, Andres V. Gutierrez, Howard W. Wain, Carl R. Taylor, David A. Tucker, Bruce C. Moody, John P. Langland, James Eason, Michael T. O'Shaughnessy, John D. Brickell, Marvin G. Hardin, Thomas Olson, John T. Ochsner, Bruce Q. Boyer, Dennis E. Groaty, John W. Scott, Howard W. Flamm, John K. Martin, Dennis Quinlan, Connie L. Bales, Jr., James Fowler, Leonard J. Rozanski, Leonard Massey, Jerald W. Bailey, Leo F. Douglas, Thomas W. Jones, and Thomas Q. Kelly reporting from HCS San Diego.

ENLISTED DETACHED:

- HM1's Delbert L. Dittenhauser and Avin E. Wiley to 3rd MarDiv (Rein) FM and NavAirSta, Alameda, respectively.
- MM2 Richard Sonnenberg to NavWeap Sta, Concord.
- HM3's Elmer W. Blunk and Victor J. Perez to 3rd MarDiv (Rein) FMF.
- HM3's Ronald C. Mosbaugh and Tom "T" Reed to 1st MarDiv (Rein) FMF.
- HM3's Leo A. Michaud, and Paul Harris to USNavSta Sangley Pt., Philippines.
- HM3's Jesse P. Adams and David Forbes to USS MT. MCKINLEY (AGC-7), and USS HANCOCK (CVA-19) respectively.
- HN's Willis R. Smith, Wayne L. Peterson, Dorsey L. Dewitt, John A. Prang, Serge J. Mellon, Harry E. Mays, Gregory J. Luna, Larry D. Loudermilk, Richard Castro, Claire A. Cooper, David L. Cooper, Kenneth C. Dykes, Henry J. Faust, Genovebo Guzman, Jr., Robert G. Howard, Miles L. Langley, and Michael H. Lamb to 3rd MarDiv, (Rein) FMF, Viet Nam.

—USD—

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To the Women of the Navy

On the occasion of the 24th anniversary of women in the Navy, I send warm greetings to all of you.

This particular milestone, marking one of many years of dedicated and loyal service to the U.S. Navy by you and thousands of other fine young women who preceded you, is a most meaningful one to me. I shall soon voluntarily transfer to the retired list of the Navy.

Your performance of duty, your cooperation and loyal support have made this tour as your director a memorably gratifying experience. I have been sustained constantly by your pride in service and in yourselves.

Certainty in the knowledge that you have earned the right to be thoroughly integrated within the Naval Service is reward enough for all of you. In like manner, my certainty in the knowledge that you will continue ever to enhance your sense of belonging, your recognition of trust, and your great esprit de corps will be a continuing inspiration.

I wish you well.

CAPT Viola B. Sanders, USN
Assistant Chief for Women
Bureau of Naval Personnel

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Navy WAVES Celebrate Their 24th Birthday

MSC Officers To Celebrate 9th Birthday

Active and retired Medical Service Corps Officers from Bay Area Navy Medical installations will join those at Oak Knoll Saturday night, 6 August, in celebrating the 19th Anniversary of the founding of their Corps.

The formal party to be held at the hospital Officers' Club will begin with cocktails at 1830. Dinner will be served at 2000.

A brief program will feature introduction of guests, remarks by Admiral Cokely and CAPT W. C. Jenkins, MSC, USN (Ret.), former Chief of the Corps, and the traditional cake-cutting by the senior and junior MSC Officer attending.

Although the Corps has existed for so short a time in comparison with other organizations within the Navy Medical Department, it has come a long way since its establishment 6 August 1947.

In addition to those who have worked up through the Hospital Corps rates and ranks to handle many of the important administrative details involved in running a hospital, the Corps includes officers trained in professional specialties. Among these are pharmacy, psychology, optometry, dietetics, bacteriology, occupational and physical therapy.

The WAVE Story Then—and Now

7 December 1941. Pearl Harbor Bombed. Half of the Pacific Fleet Gone! Draft Call Up. Shortage of Men.

These were the headlines. Where was the power to come from? The answer was there loud and clear—WOMEN.

On 16 April 1942 the House Naval Affairs Committee reported favorably on proposed legislation that provided that the Naval Reserve Act of 1938 be amended to include an organization to be known as the "Women's Auxiliary Reserve." Finally the bill was sent to the White House, where it was signed by President Roosevelt on 30 July 1942.

While this surely was a "first," it was not without precedent, for both history and legend record incidents of women who took their place beside fighting men, and of course Navy Nurses had been on duty for many years.

In 1917 more than 11,000 yeomanettes were in the service.

Miss Mildred McAfee was selected to head the new Women's Reserve and was sworn in as lieutenant commander 3 August 1942.

It appeared inevitable that the Women's Reserve would be nicknamed, and the Navy decided to take matters into its own hands.

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Oak Knoll WAVES who lined up for the birthday photo above will celebrate tomorrow night at a luau and dance to be held in the CPO Club from 1900 to 2400. Dress whites and muu mus will be worn, and both decor and menu will be typically Hawaiian. Kathy Petke will be the official hostess, and Jo Turner will be mistress of ceremonies. Bebe Foley is in charge of the decorations.



SWITCHING FROM WHITE to HARD HAT last week were Donovan D. Hofer, PMT Course staff, and Norman A. Woehrman, Blood Bank. Admiral Cokely swore them in and was the first to offer congratulations. Chief Hofer enlisted in Sioux Falls, S. D., in 1952. At Oak Knoll for the past year, he expects to stay three more. He and his wife Suzie and 5-year-old daughter Sharon now live in Hayward. Chief Woehrman enlisted in North Ridgeville, Ohio, in May 1950. He has been on duty here for 21 months. He and wife June live in Concord. They have a son, Taddy, age 13.

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

"O Lord hear my prayer; and let my cry come to thee." A wonderful medium is prayer for it enables us in the twinkling of an eye to raise our minds to the very heights of God's eternal throne. He is there with all His power and we are far below with all our weakness. In between is that wonderous rope of gold, dangling before us, and if we will, we know how we can reach Him; what a thrilling thought!

The words of St. Vincent de Paul are not mere words, but contain this most comforting and assuring truth, "There is certainly nothing more useful than prayer." As we are told in many places in the Holy Writ, prayer is closely associated with grace and without it we are spiritually powerless.

The introduction to the Lord's prayer, "Our Father, who art in Heaven," expresses the piety of a child toward its parent. In the spiritual sense, piety is that virtue, which, leaning upon childlike confidence in the Divine, permeates the whole interior of a man and breaks out in his exterior as fervent prayer.

False piety, on the other hand, is exterior devotion without the interior, and is condemned as hypocrisy. The prayer is not in the mouth's utterances but in the heart's thoughts.

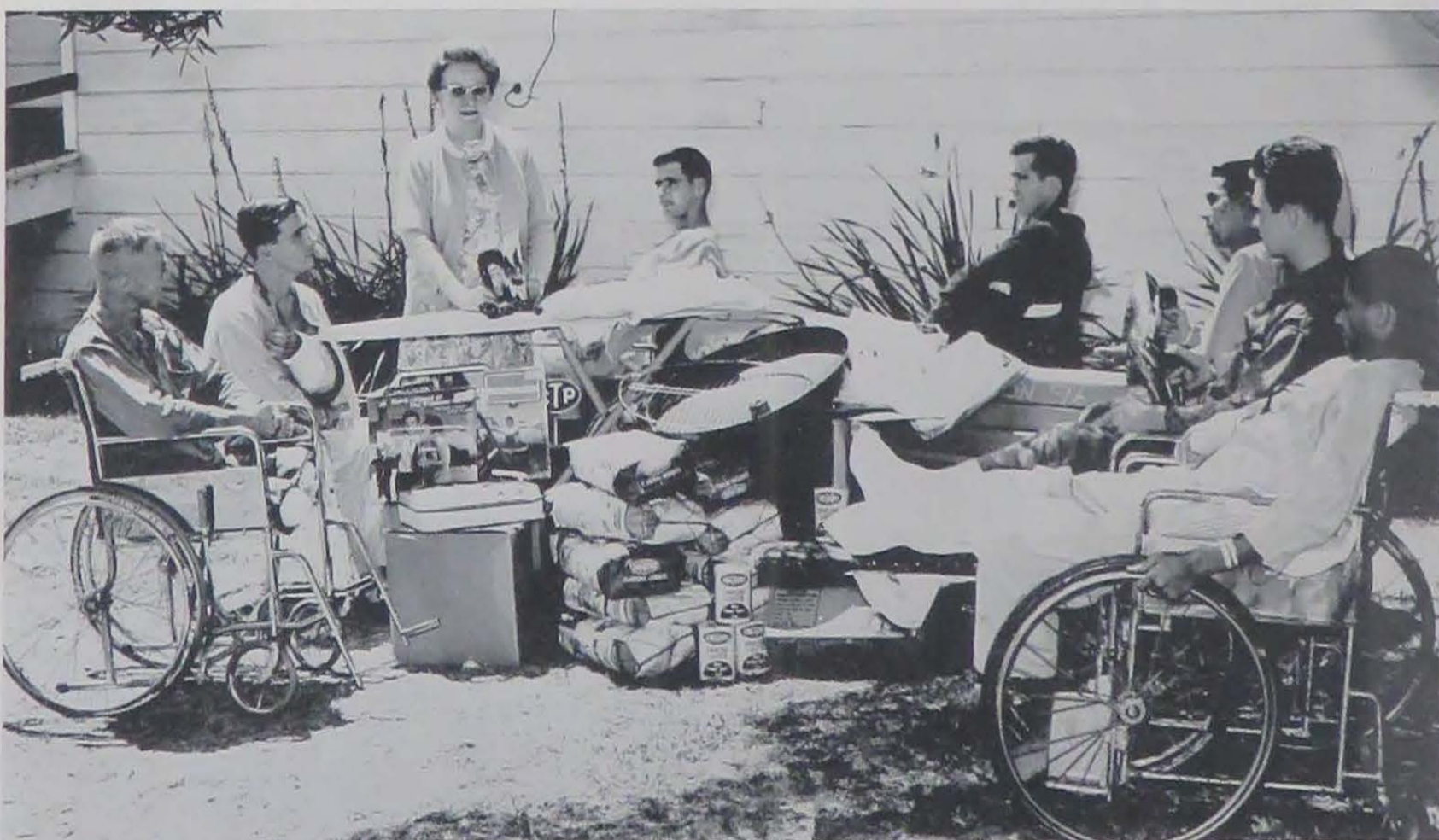
Prayer, if devout, is worth much and can draw down God's choicest blessings. By devout prayer a man gains every day more than the world is worth. Often then, let us privately and publicly allow the cry of our soul to ascend on high. It is the sign of our fidelity.

LCDR LUCIEN MATTIELLO, CHC, USN

Diaper Derby

LIFE BEGAN on 18 July for Jeanette Raylene Rogers, 8 lb. 1 oz. daughter of HN Jimmie Rogers and wife Billye . . . On 20 July for Timothy Michael Casey, 9 lb. 9 oz. son of LT John Casey, MC, and wife Cardynne; Stephen Bennett Jarvis, 8 lb. 4½ oz. son of LT

David Jarvis, MC, and wife Cynthia . . . On 23 July for Vincent Ira Prentice, 8 lb. 4½ oz. son of HM3 Isaac L. Prentice and wife Margo, and on 24 July for Robert Shawn Phelps, 9 lb. 1 oz. boy for LT Le Grande Phelps, MC, and wife Diane.



"These gifts are from my daughter, who wanted to show her admiration, appreciation, and deep feeling for the men who have suffered so much," Baroness van Heemstra of San Francisco told her new friends on Ward 76B. The Baroness' daughter is movie actress Audrey Hepburn. The gifts, some of which are displayed here, included electric steam irons, ironing boards, a record player, barbecue sets, supplies of charcoal, and an automatic coffee maker. On hand to receive them were, from left, SGT Marshall M. Dow, MM3 Rodney Fulkerson, L/CPL Philip Shipko, PFC Edgar R. Bowers, SGT Earl Guillory, PFC Edward Kowalczyk, and PFC Maurice Person. Since these gifts were delivered, more have arrived—20 lawn chairs, 200 coffee mugs, 3 electric razors, and 3 electric fans!



ONE HUNDRED YEARS IN FEDERAL SERVICE—That's the total of these five Knollites. From left, they are John Q. Gilbert, Roberta Maloney, Viola Hughes, William Mainieri, and Dave Beaver.



Admiral Cokely presented Edna Bourdase a cash award for sustained superior performance for the past year.

If you're in a 15 percent tax bracket, you'll only net 85 cents of every dollar in interest your savings earn each year. But if you buy Series E Savings Bonds, payment of that tax can be deferred until you cash the bonds. If that is after retirement, with less taxable income, it could mean you would net most or all of the 4.15 percent interest that Savings Bonds now pay.

Sam Horton of Maintenance received a \$25 check in recognition of a suggestion that will save the hospital nearly \$500 a year—a simple suggestion to improve the method for changing bed ends for painting.



CO Presents Cash, 20-Year Pins to Civilian Workers

Awards were the order of the day when Admiral Cokely met with his civilian supervisors 14 July.

Mrs. Edna Bourdase, long-time secretary to the Administrative Officer, received a check for \$125 (minus tax) for sustained superior performance from 1 April 1965 to 31 March 1966.

Sam Horton, laborer in the Maintenance Division, received a \$25 check for his suggestion to improve the method of changing bed ends for painting—a suggestion resulting in \$497 annual savings for the hospital.

Five staff members received their gold pins indicating completion of 20 years' service to the Federal Government.

Mrs. Viola Hughes, garment presser, began her career at Camp Gruber, Muskogee, Okla., served in the VA Hospital in the same city and the Marine Hospital, San Francisco, before coming to Oak Knoll in December 1950.

Mrs. Roberta Maloney, personnel staffing specialist, began her Civil Service career at NSC, Oakland, and moved to Oak Knoll in March 1959.

Dave Beaver, the man to call if your area is overrun with ants or other pests, was in the Army, with NSC, Oakland, and the Corps of Engineers in Huntington, West Va., before becoming a Knollite 20 years ago.

John Q. Gilbert, head painter, served at Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Ga., Marengo, Va., the VA Hospital in Palo Alto, Calif. He joined the Knoll staff two years ago.

William Mainieri, stockman, was in the Army and at NSC, Oakland, before reporting here in December 1956.

Who's Who Among the Knoll Waves

HN Martha Almaraz, was a registered X-ray tech in West Palm Beach and Hollywood, Fla., before she joined the Navy. Her husband, Vito, is an HM3 stationed at Pearl Harbor . . . DN Maureen Estes, assigned to oral surgery, was a swimming instructor, is enthusiastic about the Navy and the Oak Knoll pool . . .

HN Doris Whitehead comes from Pennsylvania, was an LVN, is interested in the Navy Nurse Corps program . . . SN Sandy White leaves today for TI after being assigned to Operating Services, but she'll keep in touch, for her fiancé, HM2 Ken Snyder, is on duty in Food Services. They'll be married 15 October in the Catholic Chapel in Alpine, Calif. — Sandy's hometown . . .

HN (and artist) Judy Bramhall, a New Yorker, married in the Navy, looks forward to homemaking when her husband returns from Vietnam . . . HN Bobbie Billingsly, Californian, works in the female medical clinic . . .

HM3 Willie Ward of OR (and New York) is a dancer, also enjoys bowling and pool . . . HM2 Jo Turner, reservist, has the demanding job of barracks MAA. She likes Oak Knoll, and why not? Here's where she met her husband Jim, an HM1 of Pharmacy . . .

Jo has the wings of an air crewman and has passed the survival test for pilots . . . HN Eileen Gardner sailed with MSTs and married in the service. Her husband is a corpsman at USNPG School, Monterey. Bebe Foley came in for adventure and travel, works on 56, where she is adventurously helping put in a putting course for patients . . .

HN Susan Kupczynski, whose home is in Massachusetts, has the hardest name to spell . . . DTC Evelyn O'Brien, a dental tech on the outside, came in from Washington, D.C., thinking the Navy looked a little more adventuresome. She married while serving here. Her husband is an HMC serving as administrative officer aboard USS COWELL (DD-547) . . .

HM3 Gerry Bourne of PT is here for her third tour, will retire this time around . . . HN Pat Peacock from Pennsylvania has the most colorful name, HA Karen Clink, Californian, the most musical . . .

And when HN Bonnie Sexton answers the telephone at OPD some wag always says "Why must we always talk about sex?" . . . DA Rosie Mooney is the freshest young WAVE aboard, coming from Eugene, Ore. via San Diego. She'll help cut the cake tomorrow night . . .

HM3 Penny Corbin was selected as one of the outstanding Corpswaves at the HC Ball. She



At the tender age of six a young lady put on her first pair of dancing shoes to begin a career that lasted until World War II. That young lady was HM2 Barbara Stevenson, Master-at-Arms at Wave Quarters.

Barbara was dancing with the San Francisco Ballet when the war broke and she felt she was needed. She enlisted in Sacramento in 1944.

After the war she went back to her dream, but along came Korea, and she was recalled. Somewhere along the line Barbara had a bad fall that tore the cartilage in her right knee, and her dancing days were over.

With 19 years in the Navy—Regular and Reserve, Barbara has served her country well. She plans to return to dancing—as a teacher—when she retires.

has a fiancée in Vietnam, and so has HM3 Kathy Petke, who hopes to marry Jim Page, former Knoll corpsman, when he returns and continue with a nursing career after her discharge in February . . .

HM3 Donna Patton, from Mississippi, is now in her second hitch, hopes to be assigned to the Lab . . . And since time and space are running out, here are the names of the rest of our staff waves. YOU interview them! Sandra Griffith, Ann Gholz, Mary Plesner, Dorothy Jackson, Tina Day, Elizabeth Glock, Freddie Frederick, Patricia Drotleff, Rose Morganti, Linda Cast, Olivia Horta, Mary Dromgoole, Cindy Smith, Julie Blackwell, Betty Dunham, Linda Hammaker, Nancy Lang, Jodie Mekkers, Carol Murray, Sylvia Olds, Dale Packard, Suzie Smith, Ann Tolan, Barbara Jacobs, Sylvia Kelley, Gaylene Dolan, and Terry Cooper!

This busy woman behind the scenes is a native Californian and a graduate of the University of Southern California School of Journalism. (The year was not given.) She earned her teaching credential at U.C. Berkeley, and taught journalism and English in Santa Clara County schools.

Then came the war. Dorothy was patriotic. Before enlisting, she had served as a Red Cross Nurses' Aide and knew she could serve her

Diets and WAVES—Double Duty For CDR Ruth Flickinger, MSC

A tall, slender, sharp-looking MSC officer is seen in two places quite often at Oak Knoll.

Her major assignment is the diet kitchen. Her second job—one she considers very important—is that of Wave Representative, and in that capacity she is a frequent visitor at Wave Quarters.

Perhaps you have met CDR Ruth Flickinger on your rounds. Certainly if you have, you cannot forget the quiet, ladylike dignity and calm manner that have enabled her to do so much for the WAVES.

The Commander asked to be the Wave Representative. It is not easy to be in charge of 50 women, but she felt it would be a great challenge. She has found much personal satisfaction in this ever-demanding job. Keenly interested in the welfare and morale of each Wave, she has tried to encourage each one in the performance of her day to day tasks and to solve satisfactorily the problems that arise in these times.

The Commander did not come

to this job without experience. A resident of Somerset, Pa., she received her RN from Conemaugh Valley Memorial Hospital in Johnstown, Pa. After seven months in a civilian hospital, she joined the Navy Nurse Corps. She received her dietetic degree from George Washington University, Washington, D.C., in 1944. Since then, she has served as dietician in many navy hospitals, including those aboard the USS BOUNTIFUL and USS REPOSE, and at the 1st Marine Division Hospital in Tientsin, China. She lists Guam as her most memorable assignment.

Commander Flickinger made the change from NC to MSC in 1957.

Asked for suggestions for getting the most from service as a Wave, Commander Flickinger was ready with this reply: "Keep in touch with your family. Never lose your religious contacts. Use every means to improve your education, and exercise your leadership responsibilities!"

WAVES Here to Stay

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The term WAVES was considered appropriate. Women Accepted for Voluntary Emergency Service made sense.

Smith College was selected as a training ground for Wave officers; Hunter College for basic training of enlisted women.

A newspaper account of the first officers reporting to Smith described them as "a purposeful and determined group of women."

Other universities trained enlisted women to serve in communications, as storekeepers and yeomen.

The first year's experiment far exceeded expectations.

Where a few years before, men had formed the entire staff of all shore establishments, women were manning control towers, serving in the nerve centers of communications, restoring health to the wounded in naval hospitals.

Waves on duty by 30 July 1943

country well in one of its naval hospitals. (Besides, she wanted to see Washington, D.C., and Bethesda.) So, upon completion of bootcamp at Hunter College, she chose Hospital Corps from among the many fields for which she was qualified and trained at the aforementioned Bethesda.

When the war was over Dorothy returned to the outside world and worked briefly for the State Chamber of Commerce in San Francisco. But soon, with the encouragement of Admiral Dearing, then CO, she returned to assume duties previously handled by the WAVE Public Information Officer with whom she had served during all but three weeks of her uniformed service at Oak Knoll.

Miss Thompson has seen many COs come and go and met many interesting personalities during her two decades at Oak Knoll.

totalled 27,000. By the end of the war this number had grown to 86,000.

In September 1944 Congress passed a bill making it possible for WAVES to volunteer for duty outside the continental United States.

The first large group of women marched down the gangplank of a transport in Pearl Harbor 6 January 1945.

About 13,000 Waves were in the Hospital Corps. Two Wave Pharmacists Mates ran the first all Wave dental prosthetic laboratory in the navy.

During the war years the women had proved their worth in many fields. Because of this the Navy was unwilling to give up its programs for women, and a relatively small number of officers and enlisted personnel were retained on active duty.

On 27 March 1946 the Navy sponsored legislation for consideration of the Congress to authorize the enlistment and appointment of women in the Regular Navy and in the Naval Reserve.

On 12 June 1948 the Women's Armed Services Integration Act was signed by President Truman.

Since that time Waves have continued to make history and fill the billets when the men are needed aboard ships and with the Fleet Marines.

In 1950 they again proved their worth in the Korean War. As time marched on, Waves have filled billets overseas, and aboard ships. They serve in 27 different rates.

On the 12th Anniversary the Waves were allowed to put on the valuable gold hash marks—another milestone in a brief but significant history.

Today, with this country facing war again, Waves are a very vital part of the Navy, serving with honor and pride—pride in the knowledge they are needed and valued by the Navy and by their country.

Dorothy Thompson, Civilian Public Affairs Officer, Was Once a WAVE (Enlisted)

Special events to be planned, news releases and letters to be written, questions to be answered. Papers stacked high and phones ringing. And behind the desk, Dorothy Thompson—patient, calm, and always ready to help.

How does Miss Thompson fit into this WAVE edition? From August 1944 to December 1945 she served as a hospital corpswave, mustering out at Oak Knoll as a Pharmacist's Mate Third.



ANOTHER CLASS OF OR GRADS, ready for service, includes, left to right, top row, HNs Dail Kyle, John Forestier, Dennis King, the honor man, and John Hinson, HM3 Dennis Nelis, HN Charles O'Donnell, and HM3 Daniel Velasquez. In the second row are HNs Gregory Willis and William Borum, HM3s Vernon Wilkie and William Granillo, and HN Willie Myrick. In the front row, CAPTs George E. Cruft, Assistant Chief of Surgery; Frank Golbranson, graduation speaker, and Dean Schufeldt, Executive Officer; CDR Marcella Smith, Chief of the Nursing Service; and CDR Barbara Ellis, OR instructor.

USN/NR Military Obligation Clarified

A great deal of misunderstanding exists regarding the total military obligation of USN/USNR personnel. The following information is published to insure that individuals are fully informed upon being released from active duty.

All men under 26 years of age acquire a total military obligation of six years under the provisions of the UMT&S Act. This service may be performed in the regular navy or as a combination of regular navy and naval reserve time. Regular navy personnel who are released upon the expiration of their first enlistment and USNR personnel released upon completion of the required 24 months active duty with the regular navy are transferred to the ready reserve to complete the remainder of their six-year obligation. Under certain conditions, the last year may be served in the standby reserve.

Personnel released from active duty will receive a letter from the Naval Reserve Manpower Center, Bainbridge, Md., shortly after release from active duty. This letter will inform them of the requirement to visit the nearest reserve training activity for an interview. During this interview they are advised of their remaining military obligation and of the reserve training programs available to them.

They are advised of the benefits to be derived from their active affiliation with a drilling unit at this time, classification as USNR-R (Ready Reserve) is assigned in any case. A ready reservist is eligible for transfer to the standby reserve after having completed a total of five years' active duty and ready reserve participation.

Upon completion of the six-year military obligation through active duty, active duty and ready reserve, or active duty, ready reserve, and standby reserve, the individual is granted a discharge from the naval establishment.

—HMC J. R. Steiner
From Career
Information Newsletter

Girl to date in night club: "I think I'll have another drink. It makes you so witty."

Football Practice Starts 8 August

It's that time again. The time for cleated shoes, shoulder pads and helmets; yes, football season is rapidly approaching, and those interested in playing this year should contact Coach Moffett at Special Services as soon as possible.

The practice season starts 8 August, with the first game of the season to be held 8 September; so if you're going to help the Knoll win, get out there, practice, and help bring home the trophy this year. Contact Coach Moffett today!

HAIL-FAREWELL

ENLISTED DETACHED:

SD1 Tomas De Leon to USS NEREUS (AS-17)

HM3's Neuman T. Webb, Jr., and John P. Tulp to 1st MarDiv FMF Vietnam.

HM3 John L. Lowery to NavSupAct Da Nang.

HN's Michael R. Short and John E. Plante to NavSupAct Da Nang.

HN Dennis J. Kubik to MarCorpMtn-WarPreTraCen, Bridgeport, Ca.

ENLISTED REPORTING:

HM3 Efren C. Andres from HCS Glakes.

HN's Roy D. Ballard, Wilbur E. Barker, Johnnie E. Lovelace, Richard R. Sul, Robert W. Lee, Hedley J. Mergauey, Stephen D. McLaughlin, Greg P. Ver-cruyse, Alfred A. K. K. Wong, Warren B. Johansen, David S. Palmer, and Richard C. Crabtree, Jr., from HCS San Diego.

OFFICERS DETACHED:

LT C. E. MAAS, MC, USN to 1st MARDIV, Vietnam.

LCDR D. M. GRAGG, MC, USN to NAVSUPACT Naples, Italy.

LT W. L. Gill, MC, USN, to NAS Jacksonville, Florida.

OFFICERS REPORTING:

CAPT H. A. SPARKS, MC USN from USNH Bethesda, Md. as Chief of Medicine.

LT W. V. R. VIEWEG, MC, USNR from USNH San Diego as resident in Medicine.

LT R. W. BURT, MC, USN from Nav-AdminUnit, Idaho Falls, Idaho, as resident in Pediatrics.

LT R. C. K. RIGGINS, MC, USNR from inactive to Internal Medicine.

CDR L. H. HUGHES, MC, USN from USNH GUAM, M.I. to Obstetrics & Gynecology.

LT O. D. WILSON, MC, USN from MSTSLANT, Brooklyn, N.Y. as resident in Radiology.

LT L. H. ADAMS, MC, USNR from 2nd Force Service Regiment, Force Troops, FMFLANT, Camp Lejeune, N.C. as resident in Radiology.

LT E. D. WILKEN, MC, USNR from NAVSTA, T.I., Calif., as resident in Radiology.

LCDR F. D. LEWIS, MC, USN from Stanford University, Stanford, Calif., as Head, Physical Medicine.

LCDR D. E. HAYES, DC, USN from NNMCM, Naval Dental School, Bethesda, Md. as resident in Oral Surgery.



Don Flannigan, the First Vice-President of the Rodeo Cowboys Association (RCA), and a top-hand in rodeo competition, answers questions put to him by patients and staff members who traveled south last Friday for the Annual Salinas Rodeo—one of the fourth biggest rodeos in the country. The patients and staff members with him, from left, are: Steward Conrado Durran, Airman Apprentice Ty C. Ohge, Builder Constructionman Herrell L. Goins, LCPL Larry Smith, Aviation Radarman Airman Dewey P. Cash, CPL Robert E. Solazar, PFC Richard Bruce, HM2 Warren Flannery, Staff NP, and PFC David Seeley. Others who traveled to Salinas, but not shown, are Chief Machine Accountant (MAC) Don Schneberger and CDR Tae Su An, MC, Republic of Korea, medical officer for the trip.

Navy News Roundup

FIRST PAY DAY - "MIXED"—The 3.2 percent military raise that became law on 13 July will mean a mixed pay day at first. The raise, which was accompanied by a similar boost for 1.8 million Civil Service workers came so late in the month that many military installations are hard put to meet the effective date of 1 July. Generally, officials say the pattern will depend on the size of the installation, with the smaller bases being in better shape to handle the new payrolls. Officials said those who don't get the new higher pay in their first July pay checks may pick it up in a supplementary pay a few days later, or it may be incorporated into their next regular pay period . . . **NINE MILITARY BILLS PASSED BY HOUSE**—The House of Representatives this week passed and sent to the Senate, nine military bills which would:

Establish a new savings plan for overseas servicemen, paying seven percent interest compounded quarterly.

Pay for the transportation of cars of overseas servicemen, who are suddenly transferred elsewhere, retroactive to 31 March, 1966.

Permit servicemen to retire in the highest grade held in any service.

Authorize constructive credit for pay purposes for up to three years of post-graduate study.

Limit revocation of a reservist's retirement once he is officially notified he has enough service to retire.

Open up extra appointments to the service academies to the sons of Reservists as well as Regulars, in addition to the sons of men who died while on active duty.

Provide gold star lapel button to the next-of-kin of men killed in Vietnam.

Authorize the services to pay for trophies and plaques to be awarded to individuals and units for military proficiency. The trophies would not be available for sports achievements.

Require the services to conduct a daily flag ceremony at the base of the Washington Monument in downtown Washington, D.C. . . .

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Marine Luau THE Event of the Year

There will be a crowd of people at the athletic-field picnic-grounds on Sunday, August 28, like Oak Knoll hasn't seen in years.

The occasion? An authentic Hawaiian Luau sponsored by the Marine Corps, arranged by the Hawaiian members of the community; the luau is for Vietnam combat casualties and their guests, other active duty patients, their doctors, nurses and corpsmen.

Combat casualties under treatment at Letterman Army Hospital are also invited. Between 500 and 600 patients and guests are expected.

Citizens of Hawaii and the Hawaiian National Guard are arranging for contributions of food such as poi, pineapple, and coconuts. Island flowers are to be flown in by Navy plane, made available by the office of Commander in-Chief, Pacific Fleet.

The menu for the day will include roast pig, chicken, fish, yams, poi, coconut pudding, cake and beverages.

Captain Gary Cooper, the Marine Corps Liaison Officer, notes that they still need "about a cord of firewood."

The idea is quickly catching on after Hawaiian members of the community initiated the luau, and all indications are that this will be one of the biggest morale-boosting events in the Knoll's history.

Marion Cramer Retires After 20

Chief Medical Service Warrant Officer Marion E. Cramer, at one time the only WAVE warrant officer in the Navy as well as at Oak Knoll, retired 1 August after 20 years in the service.

She traveled from the East Coast to the West Coast in the Navy. But now, as she returns to civilian life, she'll remain in her home in the Montclair area of Oakland. She will continue her work as a physical therapist at Medical Hill Convalescent Hospital in Oakland.

Miss Cramer trained at Junior College of Physical Therapy in New Haven, Conn., Mountinside Hospital School of Nursing, Montclair, N. J., and at the University of Minnesota, where she had the opportunity to study under Sister Kenny.

At the WAVE anniversary party last Saturday night Miss Cramer received a special tribute in a letter signed by the WAVES of Oak Knoll. They expressed their thanks for the assistance she has given the Enlisted Recreation Committee. Special mention was also made of her contribution to the patients—a contribution that has inspired others to go into Physical Therapy.

Eight of the retiring warrant officer's 20 years' service were spent here and seven at USNH, Beaufort, S. C.

OO? CONFRONTS HAZARDS

THE MAN FROM S. A. F. E. T. Y. in "The Vacation Affair"

Your vacation should be strictly a pleasure mission, but S.Q.U.E.L.C.H. (Silly Quixotic Undertakings Eventually Leading to Chaos) agents are out to foil you.

Before you leave Check security at headquarters. Tell police how long you're going to be gone. Stop all deliveries. Have post office hold mail. Ask a neighbor to keep an eye on the house. Leave shades up; make sure doors are locked.

Check your equipment No need to check the ejection seat and smoke-screen thrower, but you had better take a good look at tires, lights, wipers, steering and brakes. And no man on a mission is well equipped without a first-aid kit, flares and a flashlight.

Keep your rendezvous SQUELCH agents lie in wait on every highway. Fatigue, distraction, the trickiness of hauling a trailer—all have a license to kill. Change drivers or take a break every two hours or so. Darkness puts you in jeopardy, especially in strange locations. End your driving day early. Lodging is easier to find, too. Even an experienced operative has to read a map once in a while. To do anything that requires your attention, pull off the road and stop. Good agents travel light, but if you're going to pull a trailer, practice in an empty parking lot before you leave. Be sure cartop carrier is secure. Keep items off your back window shelf.

SQUELCH has an arsenal of misery makers . . . The Sun Ray—one of the oldest fun killers known. Too much sun too soon can ruin all chances of a successful vacation—even on overcast days. Sidestep misery by tanning gradually. The Muscle Maimer—In this one, SQUELCH subjects you to violent exercise, then cripples you with pain and stiffness. Muscles that have not tried to swim, row, or ride a horse all year will really let you know. The Hook—very painful and most effective in a crowded fishing boat. The best defense for this is to be sure there's plenty of room for casting. If you get the hook, cut the shank and push on through. Never pull barb out. The Water Torture—A favorite SQUELCH trick that can really water log a vacation. Never overload or stand up in a boat. If you do flip, hang onto the boat; most will float. A US Coast Guard-approved life vest or cushion is required for every passenger. The Tow-rope Twist—Even good swimmers may be goners if they get conked by a ski or get tangled up in a tow rope. Wear a life jacket, not just a belt. Be sure there are two in the tow boat—a steersman to look ahead and someone to watch the skier. The Kid Come On—A fiendish device that parents should be extra wary of at the beach. Children often wade after a floating toy into dangerously deep water—or they are carried out as they ride on one. Keep kids under close surveillance.

Staying Home? Make your home S.A.F.E.T.Y. headquarters. You won't need a bullet proof vest around the house, but safety glasses and safety shoes can thwart a SQUELCH attack. Wear them for hazardous do-it-yourself projects. Make sure that electrical power tools are grounded—especially if you use them outside. Keep workshop guard in place. You don't want to be known as "No-finger." A heavy lifting job? Don't try to make the play alone—call for help. A ruined back could put you out of action permanently. Don't let SQUELCH agents catch you off guard. Make sure your ladders are in good shape—no cracked rails or rungs. Don't over-reach. A gasoline spill while filling a hot mower engine could cause a bigger blast than a plastique bomb. For real security, buckle that seat belt every time you get into the car—even if you just run out on a local mission. A SQUELCH agent could be around the next corner.

Accidents can ruin your vacation plan—turn the tables on SQUELCH. Come home with "Mission Accomplished."

- S — — — Start out with car in good shape, trip well planned.
- A — — — As you travel, take frequent rest stops; drive with care.
- F — — — For every passenger in a boat, have a life preserver. It's the law.
- E — — — Eliminate post-vacation misery. Don't overdo it. Return to work refreshed.
- T — — — Take it easy even if you stay home. Accidents never take a vacation.
- Y — — — You'll have the best vacation ever when you work for S.A.F.E.T.Y.



THE MSC'S 19TH ANNIVERSARY BIRTHDAY PARTY held on Saturday, 6 August, was quite an affair. MSC's from all the 12ND made appearances, and some came from as far as the 11th and 13th Naval Districts. Admiral and Mrs. Cokely assisted Captain and Mrs. Willard C. Calkins, MSC, USN, Retired, in cutting the birthday cake. Captain Calkins was the first Chief of the Navy MSC. Four staff officers were cited by CAPT C. F. Johnson, master of ceremonies for their assistance with the birthday party, they were: Commander A. J. Schwab, AO, for arranging to use the O'Club here for the birthday party; Commander J. E. Honish, Food Services Officer, for arrangement of the menu; LT J. G. Palmer, O'Club Officer-in-Charge, for arrangements of the party; and LT Linda J. Davis, Occupational Therapy, for decorations.

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Are you one who likes to take a test to find out what makes you tick? It seems like a lot of people enjoy these kinds of tests because they are always showing up in our newspapers. The following questions first appeared in an article written by the Chaplain serving in the USS INTREPID (CVS-11), and are offered here for your consideration:

1. I have more than one tattoo.
2. To express myself I have to use profanity and off-color words.
3. The first place I stop on liberty is a bar.
4. I have been to Captain's Mast more than once in the last twelve months.
5. I have been divorced at least once.
6. People don't understand me.
7. I attend church less than once a month.
8. I write home to my parents (or family) less than once every two weeks.
9. In the last six months I have never discussed my work (or problems) with my supervisor.
10. As yet I have not decided what I want out of life.
11. On the job I believe there is no percentage in doing more than I have to.
12. I never pray.
13. I drink or eat or smoke too much.
14. The Navy is not interested in me.
15. I seek to blame others for my mistakes.

Now count the number of questions you have marked "yes." If you have ten or more you need to see one of the Chaplains NOW! If your score is between five and ten "yes" answers, you ought to get acquainted with the Chaplains. If you have a score of "0", you are either a saint or a liar, and in either case the Chaplains would like to meet you! Call 238 for an appointment.

MARVIN L. CHAMBERLIN

Divine Services in the Chapel

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Sunday: 0830 Mass
1215 Mass

Confessions before each Mass

Monday through Saturday:
1200 Mass, preceded by Rosary

PROTESTANT

Sunday: 0930 Choir Rehearsal
Sunday: 1030 Divine Worship
Communion First Sunday of Month

Free Literature Available in the Chapel or in the Chaplain's Office, 67A



Chief Hospital Corpsman Richard E. Hargan re-enlisted on 3 August for four years. Captain Dean Schufeldt, XO, gave Chief Hargan his oath of enlistment. This is Chief Hargan's second tour at Oak Knoll since 1960; during the interim he has served in USS RANGER and USS PYRO.

Interest Rate Climbs Maturity Date Drops

Are you aware of the fact that the interest rate of Savings Bonds climbs and the length of time for them to reach maturity drops? It's true, in 1941 Savings Bonds drew only 2.9 per cent and took 10 years to mature. In 1965, Savings Bonds drew 4.15 per cent interest and took only seven years to mature.

Savings Bonds are a wonderful way to make your financial future sound. There are many ways you can purchase Savings Bonds. The best one for military men is probably the Bond-a-Month Program where you take out an allotment for the purchase of a bond.

If you are interested in purchasing Savings Bonds or have any questions concerning them, contact LCDR E. A. Ambrose at Ext. 362 or 366.

HAIL - FAREWELL

ENLISTED DETACHED:

HM3's Kenneth B. Coolidge, Paul, (n) Nagel, Richard X. Ponce, James C. Williams, and Carlos (n) Cordova, Jr., to Mare Island Naval Shipyard, Vallejo.

HM3's Donald A. Warkentin and Leopoldo (n) Reyes, Jr., to USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2).

HM3's Robert E. Hochl and Robert H. Marcellus to 5th MarDiv FMF Camp Pendleton and USS REPOSE (AH-16).

HN's Franklin D. Reese, Raymond G. Morgan, Ernest F. Murdock II, and Joseph A. Kruit to 5th MarDiv FMF Camp Pendleton.

HN's Roger J. Porter and Kenneth W. Gillpatrick to USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2).

HN's Lester J. Long and Michael (n) Lum to MarCorpAirSta, Kaneohe, Hawaii and USNH GUAM respectively.

SN Sandra M. White to NavSta Treasure Island.

ENLISTED REPORTING:

HM1 Robert W. Bristol from USNH Yokosuka.

HM3 William S. Firestone from HCS San Diego.

HN's Mark P. Konkel, Thomas W. Young, Dennis M. Newington, James R. Rickards, Frank L. D. Bailey, and William L. Barber from HCS San Diego; HA Dorothy L. Jackson reports from HCS Great Lakes.

DA's Rosie L. Mooney and Stephen J. Baughman from NavDenTechScol, San Diego.

IN THE NEXT ISSUE

Feature on
Special Services
and what it has
to offer YOU

Navy News Roundup

NAVY CLOTHING DUE BIG HIKE IN PRICE; SOME ITEMS SHORT—July 1 prices went up at the small stores. But watch out, some items are in short supply. Some items to save on are underwear, raincoats (raincoats will go from \$13.60 to \$14.20). THE big hike will be on shoes, where the jump is from \$5.70 to \$8.30. . . . **MEDICARE OKAYED BY HOUSE**—A huge medical care program for more than six million military dependents and retirees was approved unanimously by the House of Representatives and sent to the Senate. The House vote was 356 to 0. Sponsors of the measure are hoping that the overwhelming House vote will reduce the likelihood that the Senate in approving medicare will trim many of the benefits. There have been close-to-the-source reports to that effect. . . . **"BUDDY BENEFICIARIES" ENDANGER INSURANCE**—Defense officials have warned again that the use of the "buddy system" for the new GI insurance may endanger the program. More and more cases are coming to light in which men killed in Vietnam have named service buddies as beneficiaries of their insurance rather than their own families. Law cases are pending in eight states as the result of such beneficiary selections. The families of the men killed can't understand why they should not be the recipients of the \$5,000 or \$10,000 insurance policy. Frivolous use of the right of naming the beneficiary could lead Congress to amend the law to limit the right. . . . **BUPERS CALLS FOR 700 DEEP FREEZE MEN**—One way to beat the summer heat and a tour in Vietnam is to volunteer for a tour in the Antarctic. Deadline for application is 15 September, and HM is one of the rates needed for the tour. . . .

REMOVE "CHICKEN" CNO TELLS SKIPPERS—The Chief of Naval Operations has told not only the Inspector General but also commanders of shore stations to make war on unnecessary "chicken" and on practices that degrade the dignity of people in the Navy.

The Notice (OpNav 5040) cited four examples of the kind of things that the task force found were causing needless resentment. They are:

"Regulations which bar men in working uniforms from Navy exchanges which are open only during working hours;

"Regulations which punish an entire command for the offenses of a few individuals;

"Regulations which require uniform of the day to be worn while engaged in heavy work which may soil the uniform;

"Restrictive leave or liberty policies without adequate explanation thereof."

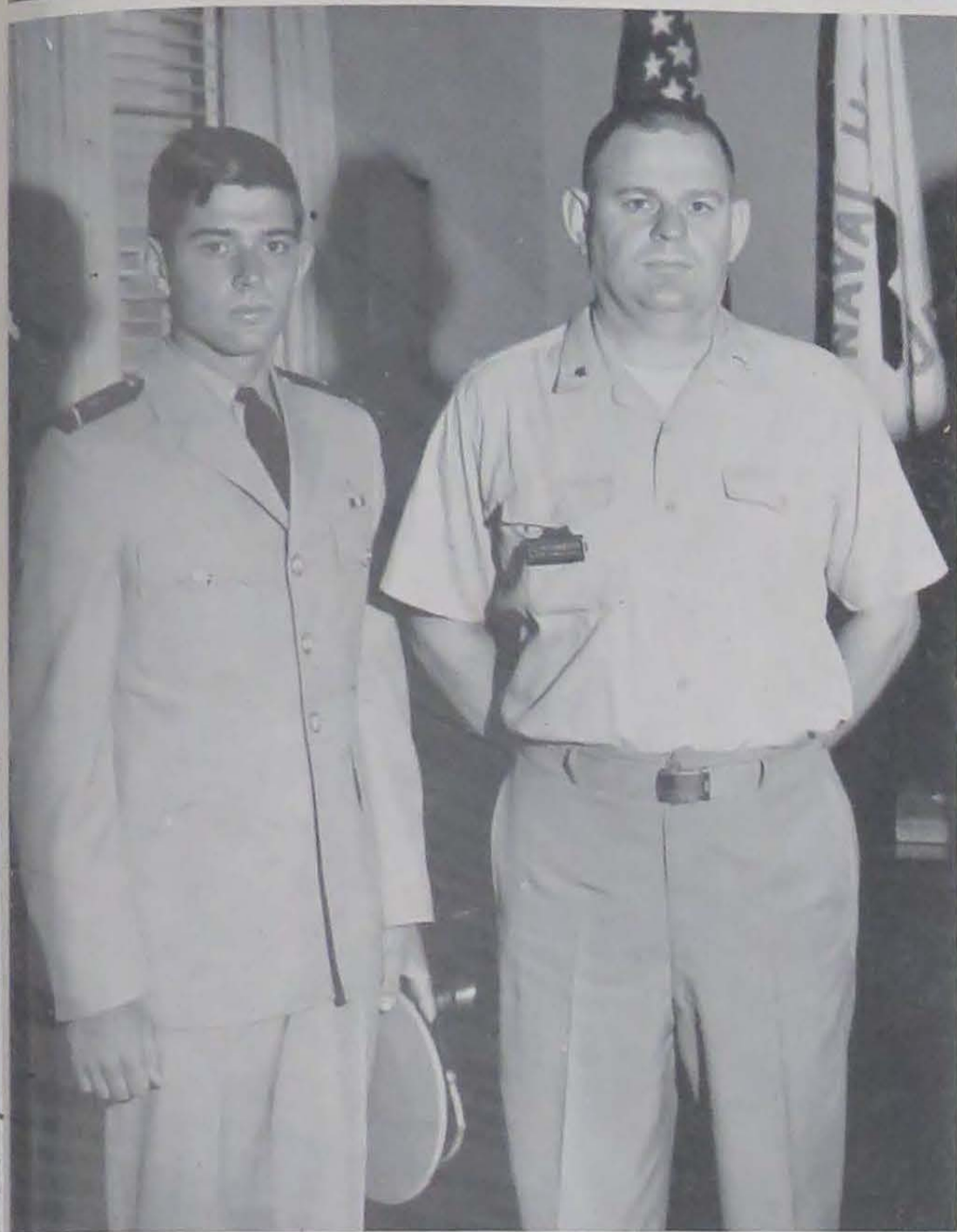
TWO-YEAR COURSE HAS ITS LIMITS—BuPers has issued a cautionary note on the amount of college credit an enlisted man may be able to get out of the two-year junior college program just announced.

They said some associate degrees do amount to about half of a bachelor's degree. But they added this would not be true of the ones arranged by the Navy for 75 enlisted men at junior colleges beginning next fall.

Only part of their courses, and in many cases probably a small part, will be college creditable; the other courses are strictly vocational.

The associate degree is not to be regarded, they said, as the start of a college education program for enlisteds, though it will help some men working toward that end in off-duty study. . . . **BILL OK'D TO AUTHORIZE REGULAR COMMISSIONS FOR MALE NURSES**—A

House Armed Services subcommittee has voted for equal rights for men in the armed forces. The subcommittee, under Rep. Phillip Philbin (D-Mass.), okayed a bill which would authorize Regular commissions for male nurses. The services now say that the male nurses have worked out so well that they ought to become Regulars; so the subcommittee acted on that recommendation, voted in the bill. . . .



CDR Boudreaux & Son Have Reunion

Father and son teams are always news in the Navy, but how about this:

When Midshipman Joseph C. Boudreaux, III, son of Oak Knoll's Pharmacy Division Chief, who is an MSC Commander, went on his summer cruise a short time ago, his grandfather, Joseph C., Sr., was also on his summer cruise.

The senior Boudreaux, a Chief Boatswain's Mate in the Naval Reserve, has a total of 43 years in the naval service, 25 of them active duty. Commander Boudreaux has had 26 years.

The young midshipman and his friend, Midshipman Third Class Thomas Sauntry of Minneapolis, Minn., drove Commander Boudreaux' car across country and are enjoying their summer leave visit here.

CDR and Mrs. Boudreaux have three other sons—Arthur, 16, Robert, 7, and Gerald Cleve, 5 weeks. They also have a daughter, Denise, 12.

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AO Wins Status in ACHA

CDR A. J. Schwab, MSC, Oak Knoll's Administrative Officer, will be admitted to Nomineeship status in the American College of Hospital Administrators on Sunday, 28 August, in Chicago.

The ACHA is a professional society of men and women whose life work is in the field of hospital administration. The membership comprises 6,900 administrators, assistant administrators and administrative assistants of hospitals in the United States and Canada.

Three Staffers to Receive Commissions

Three Knollites have been selected to receive commissions in the Medical Service Corps (MSC).

The three men, HMCS Whitney P. Thomas of PMT, HMC Joseph R. Steiner, E&T, and HM1 Michael B. LaMasters of Staff Personnel, will receive their commissions in early fall.

In order to be selected for commission in the MSC, an individual must first be recommended by his commanding officer. Then he is eligible to take the Officer Selection Battery Test (OSBT). Those passing this examination are then permitted to take the professional test, (about 50 per cent pass this exam). After completion of the above steps they must then go before a board of senior officers for an interview.

All of these results are reviewed in Washington by a Selection Board, and 30 men were selected out of 240 qualified applicants.

Congratulations are definitely in order for our three men selected to receive commissions as MSC.

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Doctors Kildare?

LCDRs Robert C. Colgrove and H. W. S. Huseby of the Orthopedic Service discussed "Medical Help for Our Boys in Vietnam" on Doctors' News Conference Saturday night.

Appearing with them on the KTVU program was LTCOL O'Neill Barrett Jr., MC, USA, from Letterman General Hospital. All three doctors have served in Vietnam.

NOW HEAR THIS: Great Value for ALL HANDS

Washington, New York, San Francisco: that shimmering promise of a "liberty to end them all" nestled in every sailor's heart can now be something more than a flight of fancy. Paralleling the half fare plan of the airlines, Sheraton hotels and motor inns now offer a 50 per cent discount on weekend accommodations for servicemen.

The discount is granted on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights throughout the Sheraton system of more than 100 hotels and motor inns in 85 cities. While the plan rests upon available space, reservations can be made through Sheraton's electronic reservations network. The discount becomes effective upon registering. Servicemen need not appear in uniform. An Armed Forces identification card is sufficient introduction.

In announcing the program, Ernest Henderson, III, president of the Sheraton Corporation of America, drew the parallel between this and the airlines' half price plan. He pointed out that, among all Americans, servicemen now enjoy a special advantage in "Discovering America" as President Johnson has urged.

Congratulations to the three men of the lab and blood bank who just received On-the-Job Lab Tech Certificates, they were HM3's Fred Fisher, Isaac Prentice and Kenneth Douglas.

WAVES 24th Birthday Celebrated by Luau Held at CPO Club

The forty-nine Hospital Corps WAVES on duty at the Knoll celebrated their 24th Birthday, Saturday night, July 30, with a luau and dance at the CPO Club.

Upon arrival, each guest was presented a fresh flower lei. Lively island entertainment included hula dancers and a vigorous knife thrower.

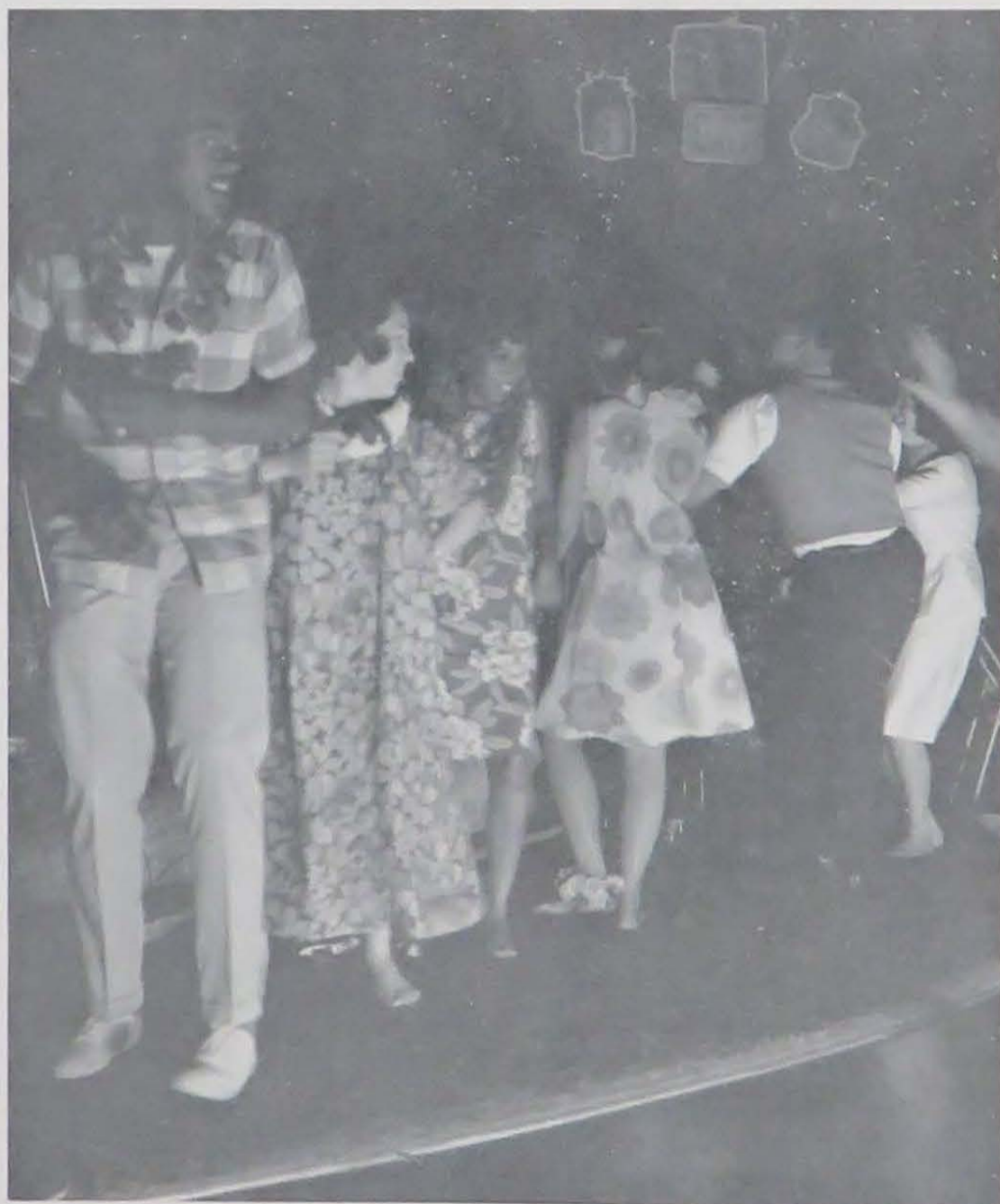
Fresh pineapples doubled as table decor and dessert, and all dishes served were Hawaiian.

Kathy Petke was the official hostess; Jo Turner was mistress of ceremonies; and Bebe Foley headed the decoration committee.

A huge birthday cake was wheeled in; and cut by Chief Dental Technician Evelyn O'Brien and Dental Apprentice Rosie Mooney, the senior and junior enlisted WAVES aboard, with assistance from Admiral Cokely.

Honor guests included Mrs. Agnes O'Brien Smith, Deputy Attorney for the City and County of San Francisco, who serves as Representative of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Service (DACOWITS); CDR Dorothy H. Francis, Director of Military Personnel, Twelfth Naval District, and LCDR Rosemary Walsh, Assistant for Women.

CDR Ruth L. Flickinger, MSC, the WAVE Representative at the hospital, was also present.



What are these people doing? No, not a snake dance; they're learning to do the hula at the WAVES' Birthday Party. The party, held at the CPO Club, was a huge success (see story for more details). Oh yes, that IS Julie Blackwell at the far end, and Barbara Jacobs (wife of the Editor) second from the left.

Leisure World

Summer is almost over, but this one at Oak Knoll has been a very exciting one, and if I might say, a very productive one for the Special Services Division.

LTJG Boyle has done a tremendous job in getting many new ideas across, and getting some much needed repairs done.

In July, we saw the Bowling Alley and the Swimming pool reopen after being done over. Walk into the Bowling Alley now, and your feet sink into rich red carpet; new drapes hang at all the windows, and although the colors didn't come out the way they were chosen, the place looks really sharp.



RE-OPENING of the bowling alley was a big event for the command; here, Admiral Cokely cuts the ribbon officially opening the bowling alley for use (CDR Al Schwab rolled the first ball down the alley). From left, in the front row, assisting Admiral Cokely are: HM2 Taivale Tautalatasi, HM3 Donna Patton, HM2 Barbara Stevenson, Admiral Cokely, CO, Captain D. Schufeldt, XO, and LTJG R. L. Boyle, Special Services Officer.

And now, there is a soon to be finished added attraction at the Bowling Alley; there is to be a slot car track. Thanks to MM2 Gamboa, they finally managed to figure the wide turn on the track and get it under way; and the slot cars can be purchased at the Bowling Alley. However, watch out for the little car with the two stars on it, it belongs to the Admiral. So, if you're looking for exercise, entertainment, or company, drop by the Bowling Alley, you'll find them all there.

And, about the swimming pool, the pool has been sandblasted and the building has been painted, including the locker rooms; and the patio has new furniture.



ADMIRAL COKELY cuts the ribbon officially reopening the swimming pool on Tuesday, July 26. CAPT D. Schufeldt assists while LTJG R. L. Boyle, Special Services Officer, looks on.

The recreation committee has been busy this season also, and with the end of summer in sight, the recreation committee is looking forward to the fall and winter season and all the holidays.

A **VERY IMPORTANT** item of interest, is that the recreation



ANNUAL ENLISTED MEN'S PICNIC HUGE SUCCESS—The annual staff enlisted picnic held last Saturday, August 6, was a blast for all. In (1) the "refreshment" crew sets about their task of getting things in order. (2) The food served was outstanding, and consisted of steak to order, hamburgers, hotdogs, potato salad, baked beans, etc. (3) "Kids", having a ball, await their turn to ride the ponies, there was also a car ride for the "kiddies", and from some of the looks the "grown-ups" gave, it looked as if they might have enjoyed a ride too. (4) Then, there was the dunking machine, a device which when a thrown softball hits the target plate dunks the hapless individual on the seat into a 200 gallon tank of water (as you can see, this thrower missed). (5) Showing his pet parakeet, the clown furnished much amusement for all. (6) HN Warren W. Meyers, of OR Tech School, won the pie eating contest by consuming five cream pies—with hands behind his back; this was done to the astonishment of all onlookers (catch the look on the girl's face to the left). The pretty lass in (7) is Vickie Ryder, the "Maid of Alameda". Vickie made a special guest appearance at the picnic Saturday and danced with many of the staffers present. Music was furnished by the Vibranotes (they were obtained for the picnic by Special Services) and played country and western music as well as rock n' roll.

committee needs **NEW MEMBERS!** Anyone is eligible to join the ranks of the recreation committee, from HA to HM1. Anyone who is interested can participate, make decisions and contribute ideas for parties, and contribute to the welfare of the command.

The next meeting of the recreation committee is 19 August at 1500 in Education and Training, Building 25A.

If you are curious what the recreation committee does, look at the large photo (cluster of photos) on

this page of the Annual Staff Picnic.

The picnic was quite an event, there were clowns, ponies, games and prizes for all; food for every palate, and plenty of liquid refreshment.

REMEMBER, If you are interested in the recreation committee, you can become a member on August 19—the committee needs you and wants your opinion!

That's all for now, watch the column for coming events.

HM2 Teresa A. Cooper

Swim Classes Slated 16 August

Oak Knoll Swim Classes begin Tuesday, August 16, and will run until September 1. The classes will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, with the beginner's classes being held at 0830 and 0930.

The advanced beginner's class will be held at 1030; and all classes will be on a first come, first served basis, if you are interested call MILLER at Ext. 578.

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New Intern Class Well On Its Way

Seventeen young medical officers and six dental officers who make up the intern class of 1967 are nearing the end of their second month of a rigorous year's training. They represent medical and dental colleges from coast to coast.

Medical interns are LTs Roger A. Bell from University of Washington; William A. Binder, University of California at Los Angeles; John T. Chambers, University of Iowa; Frank L. Dwinnell, Jr., University of California at Berkeley; Donald E. Golladay and William O. Harrison from University of Maryland; William R. Kammerer, University of Colorado; William F. Kosch, III, University of Pennsylvania; Leonard W. Mulbry, University of Kentucky; Ellison C. Palmer, Jr., Emory University, Atlanta, Ga.; William H. Peloquin, Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa.

Joel A. Reisman, University of Tennessee; Robert H. Rozendal, University of Oregon; Piere F. Sandri, St. Louis University Medical School, St. Louis, Mo.; Edward S. Tucker, Tulane University, New Orleans, La.; James A. Waltermire, University of Oklahoma; Reginald P. Wray, Jr., Temple University, Philadelphia.

Dental interns and their schools are LTs Thomas P. Baglio, University of Southern California; Kenneth O. Carneiro, University of Oregon; Michael J. Erickson, University of Iowa College of Dentistry, Iowa City; John E. Grubb, Georgetown University, Washington, D. C.; Allan L. Van Ness, University of Washington and John D. Yavorsky, Ohio State College of Dentistry.

All but five of the new interns are married. The class brought a total of 12 children to Oak Knoll, Dr. Mulbry leading with his four.

The bachelors? They are LTs Bell, Kosch, Palmer, Carneiro, and Erickson.

(See photos on page 3)

Car Rental Service

Navy Exchange is now operating a car rental service. Its "fleet" of cars includes a Falcon, a Fairlane, a Galaxy, and two Mustangs—all 1966 models. They may be rented by the hour, day, weekend, week, or month.

Anyone who has Navy Exchange privileges and is over 21 may rent a car. Call 386 for further information.

HELE MAI—Come to the Luau!

More than 700 patients and staff personnel at Oak Knoll and combat casualties from Letterman Army Hospital in San Francisco are expected to attend the Sunday afternoon luau at the hospital recreation area.

The event—biggest of its kind ever held at Oak Knoll—is sched-

uled from 1400 to 1800. However, refreshments will be available from noon on for those who wish to come early and see the pigs lifted from the pit at 1230.

Many hands are at work preparing the traditional Hawaiian feast.

The emu (pit) is dug. Five hogs have been slaughtered.

Six thousand carnations will be made into leis tonight by patients and airline hostesses who have volunteered for the job.

A Navy plane from Hawaii is due at Naval Air Station, Alameda at 0800 tomorrow bringing 4,000 orchids, pineapples, coconuts, poi, coconut milk, and other foods donated by generous islanders.

Tomorrow at midnight, the "main dish" for the luau will be lowered into the pit and the fire lit. Marines who saw enemy fires burning in the jungles of Vietnam will stand guard all night, watching this friendly fire.

More than 100 Hawaiian cooks and waitresses will donate their services for the luau, for which local merchants and individuals have contributed large quantities of food and beverages.

Some 40 Hawaiian dancers and musicians have volunteered entertainment, and Kailane, former emcee of the Bora Bora Club in San Francisco will be master-of-ceremonies.

Tables will be decorated with Hawaiian flowers and ti leaves. Ladies attending will receive orchids and gardenias.

Marine patients will wear aloha shirts, 150 of which are among the many contributions that have poured in since the luau was publicized by news media here and in Hawaii.

"The fine response of Bay Area firms and individuals is a heart-warming experience for the entire command," Admiral Cokely said of the event as he congratulated CAPT Gary Cooper, Marine Liaison Officer, on its organization.

"The idea for the luau came from a group of Hawaiian residents of the community who asked what they might do for our Vietnam casualties," Captain Cooper said. "It really caught on."

All patients who can walk, go in wheelchairs or on gurneys will attend. Transportation from the wards will be provided as needed. Food will be taken to the wards for those who can't go to the recreation area, according to Captain Cooper.

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Special Stamp

A special stamp will be issued 29 August to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Marine Corps Reserve. Collectors desiring first day cancellations may send addressed envelopes, together with remittance to cover cost of stamps to be affixed (5 cents each) to Postmaster, Washington, D. C. 20013.



PINEAPPLE PREVIEW: CPL James F. Gaylord (standing) and L/CPL Dayle D. Alvey, both of 74A, got an advance sample of the luau food and declared: "It tastes like more." They'll be among the many attending the Sunday event at the hospital recreation area.



DISTINGUISHED VISITOR: Dr. Hunter C. Shelden (third from left), Neurological Surgery Consultant to the Surgeon General of the Navy, was here from Pasadena last Friday to take part in a symposium on peripheral nerve surgery presented at last Friday's staff conference. Before the conference he was a luncheon guest at the Officers' Club, where he is pictured with Dr. Nathan Norcross, Oakland neurosurgeon who for many years has been on Oak Knoll's consulting staff; Admiral Cokely, and CAPT Gale Clark, Chief of the Neurosurgical Service.

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WHERE DO YOU PUT YOUR VALUES IN LIFE? "What profit is it for a man to gain the whole world and to forfeit his life?" (Mark 8:37)

It is possible for a man or woman to put his values on the wrong things, only to discover it too late. For instance, a man may sacrifice honor for profit. He may desire material things and not be over-particular how he gets them. The world is full of temptations toward profitable dishonesty. The real question, the question which sooner or later will have to be answered is, "How does life's balance sheet look in the sight of God?" After all, God is the auditor whom, in the end, all men must face.

A man may sacrifice principle for popularity. It may happen that the easy-going, agreeable, pliable man will save himself a lot of trouble, and likewise, it may happen that the man inflexibly devoted to principle will find himself disliked. The final question here is not, "What does man think of it?" It is not the verdict of public opinion, but the verdict of God that settles destiny.

Lastly, a man may sacrifice the lasting things for the cheap things. It is always easier to have a cheap success than to work hard for something that is lasting and more valuable. A man may choose a job which will bring him more money and more comfort and turn his back on a job where he could render more service to his fellowmen. A man may spend his life in little things and let the big things go. But life has a way of revealing the true values and condemning the false as years pass on. A cheap thing never lasts.

I think we can sum it up by saying—that a man may sacrifice eternity for the moment. The man who sees things as God sees them will never spend his life on the things that will cause him to lose his soul.

—CHAPLAIN JAYNE



30-YEAR MAN: James Reams, firefighter, received warm congratulations and thanks from Admiral Cokely when he recently reached the 30-year milestone in his Federal career. Mr. Reams served in the Navy for six years and in the Army for three. In August 1945 he joined the staff of the short-lived San Leandro Hospital. He came down the hill in December 1946 when that facility was decommissioned and has been a Knollite ever since.

Safe Driving Awards

Six staff members recently received safe-driving awards.

Each had driven for the last 12 months without a preventable accident, an accident causing more than \$50 damage, or without a moving traffic or safety rule vio-

lation.

Alexander Lekos' latest award brought his total years of safe driving to 19. Leslie Spect has driven safely for 14 years, Philip Scott for 13, Gus Matalas, 10, Walter Carter, 7, and Lucious Moore, 5.



Navy Fireman Mike Hammer of Gladwater, Tex. and 76A collected the autographs of a few Southern Alameda County beauty queens during their recent visit to the hospital. They are, at left, Miss Livermore Valley—Pat Woodward, who did a precision drill for the patients; Maid of Dublin—Georgia Thomas; Maid of Alameda County and Maid of Livermore—Sandy Graver; and Maid of Pleasanton—Christine Phillips.

Miss Woodward, who has been visiting the wards regularly for several months, learned her authentic precision drill from her father, a former Navy man, who took his prize-winning drill team to the All-Navy Talent Contest and the Ed Sullivan Show in 1958.

Safety Lesson for Today

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT ELECTRIC SHOCK . . . AT HOME . . . AND AT WORK!

Electricity is part of our life . . . every day — Electric power helps us in many ways—but if misused—it can be a hazard. Take time to know about accidental grounding and electric shock.

As water flows downhill, naturally . . . Electricity flows naturally from the voltage pressure to the "GROUND". Metal is one of the best electrical conductors; rubber and plastic are two of the WORST electrical conductors making them good insulation to cover electrical parts. Wood and porcelain are also good insulators.

Oh, Oh . . . one problem . . . Electricity flows through WATER. That makes YOU a good conductor . . . because you are 98% water . . . Remember?

Suppose an electric tool gets damaged and breaks through the insulation? Even the best can get damaged . . . And do. Now you turn on that broken drill. But loose electricity is now leaking to the tool's metal outer casing. You may feel no shock if you are standing on a dry wooden floor but later, if you use the same tool while standing on a damp basement floor—DISASTER! Now the electricity finds another easy path to GROUND—through the man—into the damp floor . . . A FATAL ELECTRIC SHOCK.

You've seen how lightning (high voltage) is attracted to the GROUND; remember electricity looks for an EASY PATH to GROUND . . . normally through wiring but by accident—"leaking" electricity can find an accidental path to the ground . . . through metal or water—for example—through radiator pipes or across wet floor to pipes or simply by direct contact with damp ground or basement floor.

There is nothing electrical about a bathtub . . . but see how easily it makes a complete path from "leaking" electricity to the ACCIDENTAL GROUND.

TO THE RESCUE—Your electrical guardian—the three wire plug. That third wire is connected to the tool's or appliance's metal outer casing to drain off safely "leaking" electricity by providing another easy path to ground.

Now . . . if the inner insulation gets damaged . . . the "leaking" electricity will take the easy path . . . safely back along that 3rd WIRE. Instead of through you or your wife to the ground.

Three wire plugs are most often found on motor-driven electrical devices that are exposed to hard abuse, wet areas, or dangerous accidental grounding conditions. BUT . . . can you imagine "clipping the wings" of your 3-WIRE "Electrical Guardian"? Without realizing it, some people do just that . . . and risk electrical disaster. They clipped off the third prong to fit two hole outlets . . . or they use a two prong adapter . . . then forget to fasten the third wire to the middle screw holding the outlet plate. This screw normally leads safely to low-resistance GROUND through the house wiring. Electricians must be sure it does.

- Fact #1: Severity of shock is determined by: A. Total amount of current taken (not just voltage). B. and part of body exposed.
 - Fact #2: 115 Volt electricity is used in homes and factories. Be able to recognize and guard against its shock hazards.
 - Fact #3: You get a shock only when electricity can FLOW by making a complete path to the ground.
 - Fact #4: The path of electricity through a person makes a big difference: A. Just through a limb can burn tissue. B. Through vital organs can be fatal.
 - Fact #5: Dry skin tends to RESIST electricity flow . . . but wet, sweaty or broken skin lets electricity enter the body much easier.
 - Fact #6: Water and electricity never mix.
 - Fact #7: Ever get a "little shock"? . . . LUCKY! Another time, accidental GROUND conditions could make a BIG Electrical shock difference. Get it fixed or replace right away.
- Don't get caught between voltage pressure and GROUND

Scuttlebutt

WE'RE IN THE LIMELIGHT: CAPT Frank Golbranson and his work at NPRL are the subject of a feature in the 29 August issue of NEWSWEEK. . . . CAPT Gary Cooper, USMC starred in a Monday night TV feature publicizing the luau. Also featured was Hodey the Hog—gift of Leisure World—who arrived at SF Airport via Flying Tiger Air Lines to participate (??) in the big event.

FRINGE BENEFIT: Oakknollum- at CDR John L. Young, Administrative Officer for NavHosp, Guam, flew in awhile back to participate in the West Coast Navy Regional tennis tournament, only, to find it had been canceled because of the airline strike. What could have been handier? One of his five daughters—Digna Silva, a former Oak Knoll nurse, and her family—live in Hayward.

HISTORICAL NOTE: LT William Binder has his picture in the OAK LEAF today, but his wife Kathleen was way ahead of him. Her photo appeared in the 20 June 1953 issue. There she stood in a frilly white dress beside her father, CDR Hugh V. O'Connell, Chief of the Pathology Service. Doctor O'Connell was featured on Father's Day because his family was one of the largest—he had five children!

CONGRATULATIONS to Doctors Richard F. Price of the Laboratory Service and Frank S. Seifried of Neuropsychiatry. Both have been promoted to Lieutenant Commander.

MALE OFFICERS interested in forming a local hospital Toastmasters Club are invited to meet for lunch in the breakfast room of the Officers' Club Monday noon.

HOLIDAY COMING: Yes, it's true. Next weekend we'll have a double holiday. Remember—Double holiday. Double danger. If you must drive at all, drive carefully.

Diaper Derby

LIFE BEGAN on 20 July for Raymond Evan Closson, 9 lb. son for ENS David Closson, MSC, Permanent OOD, and his wife Cynthia . . . on 3 August for Eric Burks Vieweg, 7 lb., 13 oz. son for LT Walter V. R. Vieweg, resident on the Medical Service, and his wife Nina . . . on 13 August for Caughr Ruth Scott, 3 lb. 8 3/4 oz. daughter of LCDR Augustus B. Scott of Surgical Service and wife May . . . on 22 August for Steven Dean, 6 lbs., 10 oz. son of CDR Harold Dean of Anesthesiology and wife Marsha . . . Also on the 22nd for Jeffrey Lawrence Traad, 5 lb., 14 1/2 oz. son of LCDR Ernest Traad, Thoracic Surgery, and wife Nancy.

Scholarships

Scholarships to preparatory schools are awarded by the Society of Sponsors of the United States Navy to enable young men to prepare for the Naval Academy. Eligible are high school seniors who are sons of active duty, retired, and deceased Navy, Marine Corps, Army, and Air Force personnel and civilians.

Application blanks are available by addressing requests to Mrs. Roy S. Benson, Quarters O, Navy Yard, Washington, D.C. 20390.



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INTERNS

Class of 1966

Brunch With Spanish Theme to Welcome Officers' Wives

Bienvenidas! That—for the information of readers who don't know their Spanish—means Welcome Ladies!

And the ladies will indeed be welcomed when the first meeting of the Oak Knoll Officers' Wives Club is held Wednesday, 14 September, at 1100. The event—a sit-

down brunch with a Spanish theme—will honor wives of officers who have reported aboard since the club recessed for the summer.

Underscoring the beauty of the recently decorated Spanish-style clubhouse, the head table will have a black velvet cloth with arrangements of gold chrysanthemums.

Other tables will have cloths of gold.

Mrs. James E. Hamill is in charge of the decorations.

Wives of the hospital's chiefs of services will be hostesses.

Mrs. Dana D. Goldthwaite is president of the club, Mrs. Harold J. Cokely, honorary president.

HAIL-FAREWELL

ENLISTED DETACHED:

HM2 Warren E. Flannery to NavPhi-Base Coronado, Calif.
 HM3's Richard E. James and Paul E. Woods to AuxLanField, Monterey, Calif.
 HM3 Harvey H. MacDonald to 5th MarDiv FMF.
 HN's Joseph A. Redfern and John Huller to NAS Alameda.
 HN's Ronald D. Hervey, Jerald R. Toovey, Jerry C. Baltachek, Chris J. Harvey, Robert P. Heisler, Lee H. Kato, Paul R. Kerr, John E. Lambert, Walter P. Moore, Dustin L. Zoblir, Robert A. Ferguson, Jr., Lance F. Huntley, Gregory S. Nichols, to FMSSCOL MCB CampPen, Calif.
 HN Howard L. Bloom to ServScols-Comm, Rainbridge, Md.

ENLISTED REPORTING:

HM3 Carl F. Davis from NavAmmun-Depot, McAlester, Oklahoma.
 HN's Michael M. Lagen and David Luc-kow from NavSta, T.I. and HCS San Diego respectively.
 HA's Caroline M. Jarman and Charlene D. Metrano from HCS Great Lakes.

OFFICERS REPORTING:

BILLINGS, W. E., LT MC USNR from USNH Subic Bay, Luzon, P.I. as resident in Orthopedics.
 ECHOLS, William B., LT MC USNR from USS AMPHION (AR-13) as resident in ENT.
 GRABER, A. L., LT MC USNR from

inactive to Medical Service.

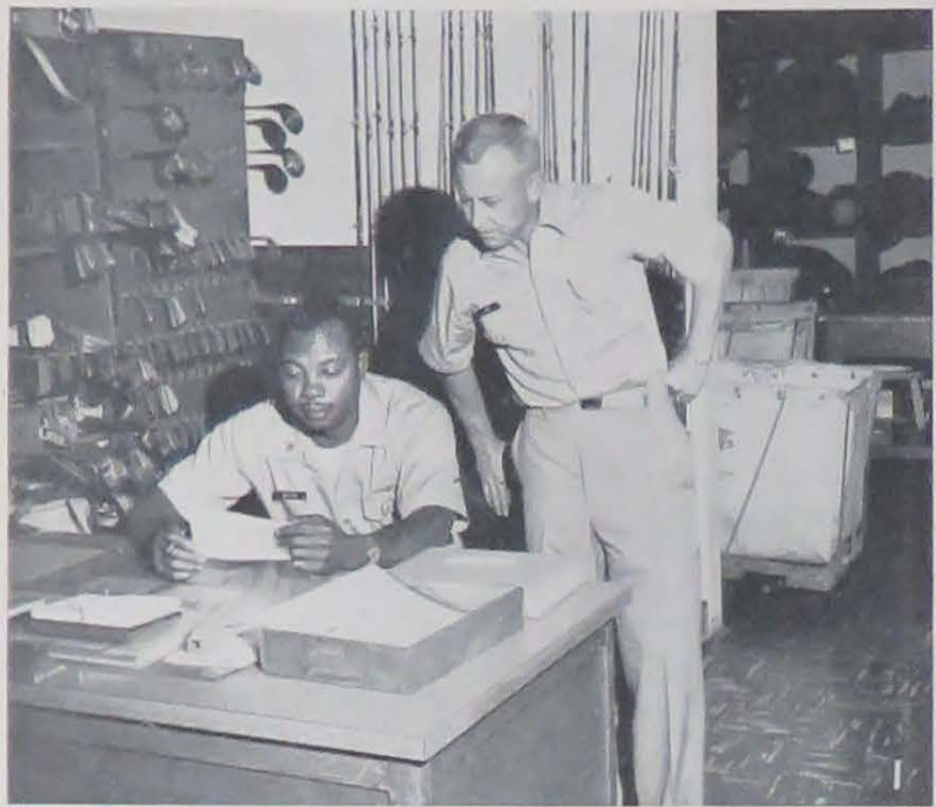
HADDAD, J. B., LT MC USNR from FltMedServSch, MCB, Cp Pendleton to Surgery.
 HAYES, J. W., CDR MC USN from Children's Hospital, Oakland to Pediatrics.
 INMAN, C. E., LCDR MC USN from USNH, Guam to Pediatrics.
 JURCZAK, D. M., LT MC USNR from USNH, Charleston, S. C. as resident in Neuropsychiatry.
 KAMEN, Jr., C. J., LT MC USNR from MSTs, PAC to Medical Service.
 LANGEVIN, J. A., LCDR MC USN from USS ENTERPRISE (CVA(N)-65) to Surgery.
 LIPMAN, K. M., LT MC USNR from MSTs, PAC to Medical Service.
 PEABODY, A. M., LT MC USNR from COM12 to Medical Service.
 PISCATELLI, R. L., LCDR MC USN from NNMCMC, Bethesda, Md., to Medical Service.
 RAPHAELY, R. C., LT MC USNR from inactive to Anesthesiology.
 REEB, P. R., LT MC USN from Auxiliary Landing Field, Monterey, Calif., as resident in Ophthalmology.
 SCHEETZ, D. G., LCDR MC USNR from inactive to Neurosurgery.
 VOGT, P. J. W., LT MC USNR from USNH Jacksonville, Fla., as resident in Laboratory Service.
 WEBER, I. J., Jr., CDR DC USN from

USS PRAIRIE (AD-15) as Asst. Dental Officer.

YORK, J. L., LCDR MC USNR from 1st MarDiv (Reinf) FMF to Neuropsychiatry.

OFFICERS DETACHED:

HOFMANN, R. M., LCDR MC USN to Field Medical School, San Diego.
 BEAUCHAMP, J. L., MC USNR to inactive.
 SHULTZ, R. R., LCDR MC USN to USNH, Yokosuka, Japan.
 WALLIN, J. D., LT MC USN to NavSta, Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico.
 MCCREEDY, J. E., LT MC USN to NavSta, Kodiak, Alaska.
 COLLINS, W. E., LTJG MSC USNR to inactive.
 ERDE, Alan, LCDR MC USN to NavHosp, Camp Pendleton, Calif.
 WRIGHT, P. J., LTJG MSC USNR to inactive.
 ROBINSON, D. W., CAPT MC USN to NavHosp, Philadelphia, Pa., as Executive Officer.
 WILKES, H. D., LCDR MC USN to NavHosp, Great Lakes, Ill.
 ANDERSON, J. T., CDR DC USN to NavDent Clinic, MarCorps Base, Camp Pendleton.
 LAWLOR, W. K. A., CAPT MSC USN to Public Health Facility, Medical Sciences, American University of Beirut, Lebanon.



(1) HMC's William Butler and Mike Kriz, in the Special Services issue room, go over invoices for newly purchased equipment. In (2) the young lady bowling is giving it all she's got at the Knoll lanes, but as you can see from the inset, she left pins. (3) HM3 Bob Bell and AN John Wheels of NAS Moffett Field take time out to enjoy a game of pool at Bldg. 38 (he didn't make the shot). (4) CDR Al Schwab, AO, (near center of picture) was among those enjoying the Chief's Annual picnic held at the athletic field and picnic grounds, which may be reserved through Special Services for weekend gatherings. (5) MM2 Camilo Gamboa, Special Services, and ET1 Terry D. McKenney, 62A, put some of the slot cars through their paces at the newly-opened track located in the Bowling Center. (6) Staffers, patients and dependents take advantage of the indoor heated pool. The pool, recently sandblasted and painted is one of the largest in the area.

Special Services Offers Men New Fun and Entertainment

What is there to do around here? That question is frequently asked when one reports to a new duty station. The answer, though often ignored, is obvious. SEE SPECIAL SERVICES.

Special Services at Oak Knoll, headed by LTJG Richard L. Boyle, MSC, has much to offer.

There are picnic grounds (where the luau will be held Sunday), nightly movies, some shown here before the public sees them; an excellent library where more than 12,000 books and periodicals are available.

Organized athletics, directed by Coach Ken Moffett, include football, basketball, volleyball, track, and other sports. A swimming pool, tennis court, and a handball court are available.

A newly decorated and re-equipped bowling alley with carpet, soft and even lighting, and automatic pin setters is one of the best in the area. In the billiard room are three pool tables, a snooker table, and the Knoll's latest attraction—a slot car track.

The race course, with five tracks, has a straight-away, high bank, curves, and a modified loop and figure eight. Here, where Admiral

Cokely recently cut the ribbon and became one of the first slot-car owners aboard, is a chance to experience the thrill of race driving without fear of hospital bills or the need for insurance. You may rent a car at the track and race it at scale speeds of up to 190 mph!

Then there is the Special Services gear locker containing baseball, football, tennis and golf equipment, fishing tackle, and camping equipment such as tents, sleeping bags, lanterns, stoves, ice chests, and camp stools.

If you like to go to the theater or to musical or athletic events, Special Services offers free tickets or discount passes—You may even check out a ticket book that enables you to eat out—two for the price of one!

What to do?? Try one of the many things that Special Services has to offer. There to serve you are HMCs William Butler and Mike Kriz, CPOs in charge; HM2 Terry Cooper, who is responsible for the issue room; MM2 Camillo Gamboa and BT2 Ronald Ludolph, who preside at the bowling lanes; HM2 Stan Miller, swimming pool; Marilyn Newfield, library; and Edna Rowan, secretary.

NAVY NEWS ROUNDUP

SAVINGS PLAN WILL PAY 10%—It is going to be 10 per cent interest for that new uniformed services savings deposits program. When President Johnson signs the bill making the new program law, he is expected to sign an executive order at the same time which sets the rate to be paid on deposits of men stationed overseas at 10 per cent. Originally, Defense officials said that the rate would be seven per cent though they were asking for 10. Now, they have decided that the 10 per cent would draw more funds than the less competitive seven per cent and that's the way it will be . . .

BAN ON DEPENDENTS O'SEA MAY BE UNDER SECRET STUDY—A high-level, classified study which could lead to elimination of military dependents from overseas military stations is being conducted by the administration, according to unconfirmed reports.

If such a dependent-ban is approved it could affect dependents of civilian employees as well and might even include dependents of State Department officials. The survey is being made, sources indicated, to determine what savings in gold-flow could be accomplished if dependents were returned from overseas. If the ban is approved, all overseas tours might be shortened to around one year. Some accompanied tours now being served are for as high as three years. Defense manpower officials said they had no knowledge of such a study, but that problems regarding military men, their dependents and the gold flow were under constant review . . .

BETTER EM ASSIGNMENTS GOAL OF STUDY GROUP—One of the Navy's toughest personnel jobs—that of improving the distribution and management of enlisted men—is due to get a thorough work-over during the next four months by a top-level study group which has been told by the Chief of Naval Personnel to get down to brass tacks in the fight to better enlisted assignments.

Various study plans are under way, and the Chief of Naval Personnel wants the answers by the end of this year.

Hail and Farewell at the O'Club
September 15—Receiving Line at 1900
Buffet — Dancing

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AT THE LUAU: This happy group includes, from left, L/CPL Don Bush, USMC; HN Frank N. Sheridan, LTJG Carolyn Mellon of the Nurse Corps, PFC Jerry Olives, USA, and Edith Kanakaole of Hilo, Hawaii. Photo by SGT A. O. Flagg, USMC.

Luau Pau—All But The Happy Memory

THE LUAU is pau. That, in Hawaiian, means "finished." But it will never be forgotten. Not by the patients who came on foot, in wheelchairs, and gurneys. Not by the patients in traction whose beds were lifted onto trucks to be parked within view of the entertainment. Not by anyone who sat in the sunshine eating kalua pig, fresh pineapple, long rice, chicken, yams, omi lomi salmon, coconut pudding, and poi.

Not one but two planeloads of food, 4500 pounds of food and servers were flown in from the mainland state.

The stage built over a flatbed truck was a thing of beauty even before the hula dancers and mu-

sicians arrived; for it was covered with ti leaves and hundreds of anthuriums fresh from Hawaii. Flowers from local nurseries were used on the tables and in hundreds of leis.

The entertainment began while the feast was taking place and continued throughout the afternoon, with one volunteer group replacing another. Hula dancers followed hula dancers. Knife and flame dancers followed hula girls. Naughty Abbie, professional and plump, was a favorite. She flew over by commercial airline to join the party at the invitation of her friend Nicki Hines of Fremont, who was one of CAPT Gary Cooper's principal advisers for the luau.

Volunteer cooks and waiters, colorful in Hawaiian garb, obviously enjoyed the occasion as much as the patients did.

Admiral Cokely wore a colorful aloha shirt, one of the hundreds that lent color to the event. Patients—150 to be exact—wore aloha shirts given by a San Lorenzo department store and a philanthropic dentist from Fremont.

Captain Cooper, Marine Liaison Officer, was here, there, and everywhere checking the details, as he had done during the weeks and days preceding the big event.

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MOTHER-DAUGHTER TEAM SERVES AT OAK KNOLL: Michele Thompson and her mother Lily both worked for Oak Knoll this summer, only Michele didn't get a paycheck. Michele worked in the chart room sorting records. Lily worked in the Medical Records Librarian Section, where she is a coding clerk. This is Michele's second summer as Red Cross Volunteer at Oak Knoll. It was Lily's thirteenth as Civil Service employee.

IG to Conduct Annual Survey

RADM E. P. Irons, MC, USN, Inspector General, Medical, will arrive from the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery Monday morning to conduct a four-day survey of the hospital.

Accompanying him will be his professional assistant, CAPT Roy G. Brown, MC, who will be remembered as a former member of the Oak Knoll staff; CAPT's W. H. Shepherd and George Sabbag, MSC, executive assistants, and CDR Angelica Vitillo, NC, assistant for nursing. Commander Vitillo is also a former member of the staff.

Admiral Irons and his party will be guests of honor at the Hail and Farewell planned for Thursday to coincide with their visit. The party starts at 1900. Cocktails and buffet will be followed by dancing from 2100 to 2400.

LT Mulvey to Head Combined Campaign

LT Joseph R. Mulvey, MSC, has been named chairman of this year's Combined Federal Campaign, which has a three-fold purpose—to help fight disease, help the community, and help build a better world.

LT Mulvey places Boy Scouts high on the list of organizations that help the community and help build a better world.

Active in scouting since 1962, he firmly believes that "scouting programs are major stepping stones in building today's boys into tomorrow's solid citizens." Three of

Triplets—Two Boys And a Girl—Born To Mrs. Arnold

Triplets—two boys and a girl—were born to Mary Helen Arnold, wife of Marine Sergeant Charles W. Arnold in the early morning hours of 31 August. They are the fifth set of triplets born at Oak Knoll in its 24-year history.

The babies—born in a span of five minutes—are Rodney Eli, who weighed 5 lbs., 2½ oz. on arrival; Mary Alma, who weighed 4 lbs. 11 oz., and Jerome Edward, 4 lbs. 12½ oz.

LCDR Norman Takaki delivered the babies, with assistance from LTs C. W. Mathews and R. P. Wray.

According to Doctor Takaki (and statistics) triplets occur once in approximately 7800 births.

Sergeant Arnold, a 37-year-old career Marine, has been in the Marine Corps 17 years. A member of the crew of USS CORAL SEA, he was given TAD ashore for three months when it was known that he was to be the father of triplets.

The Arnolds have four other children—Carolyn, 18, Mollie, 13, Joseph, 4, and Randolph, 14 months.

these future solid citizens are Mr. Mulvey's sons.

"Knowing the value of this program, I can't picture myself NOT giving to support it and the many other equally worthy agencies that benefit from the Combined Federal Campaign," Mr. Mulvey said.

The drive will get under way at Oak Knoll 26 September.



A SCOUTING FAMILY: LT J. R. Mulvey, MSC, is Chief of Operating Services at Oak Knoll. At home he's better known as Cubmaster of Pack 614, Hayward Boy Scouts. Here his sons, Dennis, 9, at left, Michael, 12, and Patrick, 10, have a lesson in flag etiquette.

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

TO TELL THE TRUTH

The need for always speaking the truth is that there are those who depend upon and trust us. To tell a lie, to deceive, or to be false in any way is to break down a relationship that faith and trust depend upon.

If and when that happens, expect that the right relationship will suffer. Right relationships can only exist in a climate of faith and trust. There must be a continuing dedication to the truth which resists the temptation to lie, trick, or deceive. The latter is usually attempted when there is cause to cover up a mistake.

We need to feel and know, in order to have any sense of security, that we can depend upon the ones we deal with in any relationship or transaction. Likewise, others need to know that we speak the truth, that our word can be depended upon. That when a word is spoken that's it. It isn't something else. Our word to each other is a most sacred matter.

If "the truth shall make you free" as the Lord says, and in the deepest sense it really does, then we can not afford to speak anything but the truth. Any other kind of word is a trap we set to catch ourselves somewhere sometime. That is the time when we are forced to recognize the importance and necessity for speaking only the truth. "The truth shall make you free." Let us dedicate ourselves to that freedom!

—L. C. M. VOSSELER, Senior Chaplain

Navy Relief Training Course Will Be Given Here Beginning 3 October

Officers' wives, please note. A Navy Relief training course will be conducted here and at Naval Air Station, Alameda, beginning 3 October.

Miss Elaine Scammahorn will come from Navy Relief Society Headquarters in Washington, D.C., to give the course.

It will be conducted at the Oak Knoll Officers' Club Mondays and Wednesdays from 0900 to 1200. On Tuesdays and Thursdays from 0900 to 1200 starting 4 October the course will be given at the

Officers' Club at Alameda. A class missed here may be made up the following day at the Air Station.

Free baby-sitting service will be available at day nurseries at both stations for young mothers taking the course.

All officers' wives are urged to take the training that will enable them to help the Navy "take care of its own." Please call Mrs. Marshall Olson, 562-0768, Mrs. H. J. Cokely, 569-8032, or Mrs. A. J. Schwab, 562-7183 by 15 September, or sign up at the Officers' Wives' brunch Wednesday.

Commendation from SecNav Reminds Maxine Wilson of Days in Vietnam

Maxine Wilson, civilian nurse on Ward 72A, has received the SecNav's Commendation awarded to Headquarters Support Activity, Saigon.

The citation was for "exceptionally meritorious service in providing vitally needed logistic support to growing numbers of United States and Allied military personnel in a new and strange environment for the build-up of U.S. counterinsurgency forces in the Republic of Vietnam from 1 July 1962 to 15 March 1966. The notable record achieved by Headquarters Support Activity, Saigon, has been a strong contributing factor in the success of the United States effort in the Republic of Vietnam, and attests to the skill, teamwork, diligence, and perseverance of the individual members of the activity."

Mrs. Wilson declined to be photographed and emphasized the

fact that she was only one of many to receive the commendation.

She is this hospital's only civilian Vietnam veteran. She returned last spring after spending a year as a nurse in the Support Activity Hospital in Saigon.

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Dr. Huseby to Present Program for ACCMA

Oak Knoll will be the meeting place for more than 200 Navy and civilian doctors Monday evening, 19 September, when the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association holds its annual dinner meeting at the Officers' Club.

LCDR H. W. S. Huseby of the Orthopedic Service will present a program on "A Physicians View of Medical Activities in Vietnam."

The program will begin at 1830. Cocktails and a prime rib roast beef dinner will follow.

43 ARC Volunteers Return to School After 650 Hours Service Here

Forty-three "Volunteers" from Alameda, Berkeley, and Oakland Red Cross chapters gave a total of 650 hours' service at Oak Knoll during the summer months.

They worked in the pediatric ward, immunization clinic, central supply, occupational therapy, chart room, and libraries, helping with a wide variety of tasks that do not require technical skill yet must be done to keep the hospital running smoothly. They also assisted with ward recreation activities and Red Cross personal service such as shopping for patients.

The teen-agers and their parents were guests at tea at the Officers' Club before they left to return to school. Mrs. Marian Conklin, Red Cross Field Director, spoke of their fine contribution to the hospital, and Admiral Cokely and CDR Marcella E. Smith, Chief of the Nursing Service, were there to deliver their thanks and a "well done."

Volunteers from Alameda Chapter were June Amaya, Cindy Bryant, Anna Butler, Barbara Dickson, Sharon Ferreira, Cornelia Haynes, Deborah Keenan, Velma Littlejohn, Carolyn Minot, Susan Moss, Candy Richardson, Mary Rush, Sally Stang, Carmencita Valerio, Sherry Walter, Jim Jensen, Brian McDonald, and Bob Stenberg.

From Berkeley came Sue Lofness, Donna Mann, Andrea Mayer, Randee Renfro, Nora Rios, Christine Tucker, Ellen Tucker, Esther Yue, and Anna Yu.

From Oakland: Linda Beasley, Margie Fraga, Jane Freitas, Audrey Hibel, Debby Joseph, Mary O'Connell, Eileen O'Keefe, Joan Randono, Maureen Sirhall, Michele Thompson, Donna Titus, Theresa Tobin, Betty Turner, June Willis, Mike Bickley, and Larry Salvador.

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Airlines Reduce Fares For Military on Leave

A number of airlines have announced reductions in air fares for military personnel on leave or emergency leave.

The following lines will permit military personnel who surrender a document from their CO or Red Cross certifying the authorized leave is an emergency, to make a confirmed reservation upon payment of the applicable standby fare: These are American, Braniff, Continental, Trans World, United, and Western.

Frontier Airlines has established a rule whereby a military standby passenger who has missed the first flight of his choice may make a confirmed reservation on the next flight without payment of additional fare.

Bonanza Air Lines has a furlough fare which is 60 percent, subject to a \$5 minimum, of the adult one-way local first-class fare with confirmed reservations.

Allegheny Airlines has established a military furlough fare with confirmed reservations equal to 66 2/3 percent of the one-way first-class adult fare. Ozark Air Lines has a similar policy, but its fare is subject to a minimum of \$8 one way and \$16 round trip.



It was obvious that Mary Lynn had complete confidence in her traveling companion.

Doctor and Patient Take a Trip

Mary Lynn McCutcheon has traveled before—from Iwakura and Yokosuka, Japan, to Oakland via Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines. But her departure by ambulance at 0500 29 August for Travis AFB and a flight to Naval Hospital, Bremerton, Wash., was a very special trip.

She was escorted by CAPT Deemer J. Pascoe, Oak Knoll Chief of Pediatrics, and she was well on the way to becoming a normal, healthy child.

The tiny girl, born 13 March, arrived here 27 May with a diagnosis of congestive heart failure. Arrangements were made for her to enter Presbyterian Medical Center in San Francisco for repair of a coarctation or narrowing of the aorta. The delicate operation—an aorta graft—was performed 7 June.

A month later Mary Lynn returned to Ward 72B, where Doctor Pascoe and his staff continued to provide the expert care she needed. She gained from 5 lbs. 9 3/4 oz., to her traveling weight of 7 lbs., 7 1/2 oz. in six weeks.

At Bremerton the baby girl and the four-striper carrying formula bottles and diapers in his black bag received a warm welcome from her grateful parents, LT and Mrs. Robert McCutcheon.

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Quinlan Reenlists

Dave Quinlan, HM3, reenlisted for six on 26 August. The Hospital Station corpsman, who earned his EKG Technician's rating through on the job training here, is from Portland, Ore.

He has been at Oak Knoll three and a half years, in the Navy for years.

The Biggest Luau

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"Just picking up the donated food and refreshments was a gigantic chore, but we made it," said the energetic Marine officer.

The captain doesn't want to organize another luau next week. "But if the men had a good time, it was well worth the effort."

And as SGT Shelley Halliburton said, "It was nice of them to go to all this trouble. It sure broke the routine."

A list of the major donors follows: To all go the heartfelt thanks of all hands at Oak Knoll.

Alameda County Board of Supervisors—its members declared three hogs at Santa Rita Rehabilitation Center surplus so they could be sold, promptly bought them for a dollar each, and presented them to Oak Knoll.

Leisure World Foundation—a hog. Flying Tiger Air Lines—the hog's flight. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pittman, Dixon, Calif.—a hog.

James Allan & Sons, San Francisco—slaughter of the five hogs.

Mayfair Market—100 chickens.

U-SAVE Market of Pleasant Hill and Lucky Stores of San Leandro—yams.

McCormick-Schilling and Co., Inc. of San Francisco—spices.

United Fruit Company—bananas.

California Packing Corporation—Del Monte drinks.

Pepsi-Cola and Shasta Beverages—soft drinks.

Falstaff Brewing Company—beer.

Trader Vic's Restaurant gave 500 ceramic mugs shaped like coconut shells.

Blake, Moffitt & Towne—paper plates, napkins, etc.

Mr. Lewis Kohler of Castro Valley—cord of wood.

Mt. Eden Nursery of Mt. Eden, Green Leaf Nursery of Union City, Avansino-Mortenson Co. of San Francisco, and Rod McClellan of South San Francisco—all gave flowers.

MERVYN'S Department Stores of San Lorenzo and Fremont, and Hugh A. Block, D.D.S. of Fremont—aloha shirts.

Mr. Harlan Peterman, an employee of Naval Supply Center, Oakland, and his Hui-o-Holo-Holo Club of Fremont, arranged for volunteer services of cooks and waitresses.

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LOOKING AROUND AT THE LUAU: In (1) PFC Jerry A. Halfhill enjoys a cigarette and a chat with Red Cross volunteer Mrs. L. P. Adcock and her husband. In (2) believe it or not, Joan Canning, daughter of HMC Canning, is giving L/CPL Richard Iverson a hula lesson. (3) Chow time was a busy time for the volunteer cooks and waiters. (4) Naughty Abbey, almost lost in the crowd, presents a lei to PFC Kenneth Wilkerson, USMC, while L/CPL John Schnars looks on expectantly. The coconut cup Corporal Schnars holds is one of the 500 given by Trader Vic. (5) Again the busy chowline. (6) Entertainment was continuous and delightful. At the far right is Kailane, emcee, whose antics kept the crowd laughing. (7) Tables were neatly set when the guests began to arrive.

Diaper Derby

Twin boys were welcomed aboard by the Bouchers on 28 August. Brett Guy weighed 4 pounds, 1/2 ounce, and Blake Edward, 3 pounds, 15 ounces. The parents are LCDR Wesley Boucher, MC, and wife Sally.

Other staff newcomers are: Sandra Jean Ott, 7 lb. 15 1/2 oz. daughter of HM2 Charles Ott and wife Jacqueline, born 1 September. Kimberly Michele Brown, 8 lb. 14 1/2 oz. daughter of HM2 Michael S. Brown of Pharmacy and wife

Roberta, 5 September. Raymond William Allen, III, 7 lb. 5 oz. son of HN Raymond W. Allen, Jr., and wife Christy, born 4 September. William Martin Tobin, 6 lb. 4 1/2 oz. son of HN Richard Tobin and wife Margaret, born 6 September.

HAIL-FAREWELL

OFFICERS REPORTING:
 LT R. B. Carley, MC, USNR, from FMS, MarCorBase, Camp Pendleton, to ENT Service.
 LT M. J. Chalick, MC, USNR, from MarCorBase, Camp Pendleton, to Neuro-psychiatry Service.
 LT J. B. Edwards, III, MC, USN, from Staff, COMDESRON FIFTEEN for residency in OB-GYN.
 ENS S. B. Haberkorn, MSC, USNR, from NavSchCom, Newport, R. I., to Physical Therapy.
 ENS T. R. Hammer, MSC, USNR, from NavSchCom, Newport, R. I., to Physical Therapy.
 LT J. T. Johnson, MC, USNR, from FMS, MarCorBase, Camp Pendleton, to Surgical Service.
 CDR A. N. King, MSC, USN, from FM UNIT #7, Naples, Italy, as Chief, Preventive Medicine.
 LT P. A. Sollaccio, MC, USNR, from FMS, MarCorBase, Camp Pendleton, to Medical Service.
 LT W. A. Stocker, MC, USNR, from FMS, MarCorBase, Camp Pendleton, to Anesthesiology Service.
 LT J. W. Tomlinson, MC, USNR, from FMS, MarCorBase, Camp Pendleton, to Ophthalmology Service.

OFFICERS DETACHED:
 LT J. E. Kemp, MC, USN, to 1st MarDiv (Rein) FMF.
 CAPT J. E. Hamill, MC, USN, to NavHoop, Charleston, S. C.

NURSE CORPS OFFICERS REPORTING:
 CDR Romaine Mentzer from Nursing Division of BuMed to serve as Chief Nurse;
 LCDR M. J. Weisend, LCDR H. Simmons, LTJG B. J. Collins, E. L. Stenhouse, C. A. Mellon, Thomas Neyens; Ensigns P. A. McCullough, M. A. Alderson, C. A. Sklar, P. E. Homan, J. K. Ayott, B. J. Farrow, C. A. Quast, P. A. Hoth, M. McCarthy, N. L. Jarvis, S. E. Eddy, and P. A. Mohler.

Leisure World

By Theresa Cooper

Hello from the daytime life at Oak Knoll. I'm truly sorry we didn't give you the round-up last issue, BUT WE'LL MAKE UP DOUBLE this issue.

The fall season will officially open 24 September at 2000 with the grand old tradition of the SHIPWRECK PARTY taking place at the EM CLUB. There'll be a fish fry, music, and entertainment just from the crowd. Don't be a prude. Come and enjoy the fun.

Of course there will be a band every Friday at the EM Club, along with happy hour (and cold cuts). If you wish to get to know the crowd at the Knoll, just join them at the club. There's Dave James for funning, Robert Lee to tell you about the "old Navy," and of course Rick Halfhill to take your money—which comes back to you through the recreation fund.

The Oak Knoll football team is out for practice, and there you can build up your muscles. Why not go out for it and help bring the CHAMPIONSHIP HOME THIS YEAR as we have in the past?

Now for you women who want to keep in shape, Barbara Stevenson (Stevie to her friends) will be heading the women's bowling team this year. This is the one that will compete for the 12th Naval District Trophy. Anyone who wishes to join and try for the championship may bowl for free on Tuesday nights at 1930. This will help bring up your average. The only way that bowling shirts will be issued will be to those who show up for practice and take an interest. The first big game comes in October, with Waves and nurses bowling for the glory of the Knoll. Come on, girls, let's show them ours is not a lost command.

For those who have just reported aboard, there are many things to do.

In the bowling center building are pool tables and slot cars.

Special Services is always there with something in the bag, and the Recreation Committee is not a closed project. We NEED PEOPLE to help bring off the schedule this season. We need all the talent we can get for the big surprise in November. Curious????? Just ask the chairman, and watch THE OAK LEAF.

THERE's a beautiful swimming pool to keep your figure trim. I have it on good authority this is the good overall exercise. Of course if you're really looking for a physical fitness program for those leisure hours, Sergeant Winnett will be glad to put you back into shape.

Then there are many off-base attractions nearby. Try Carmel by the sea, a little town out of a picture book. There are many state parks. There is Fort Bragg for the scenery and driftwood set. There's Hearst Castle below beautiful Big Sur.

And for those who enjoy the night life there's San Francisco's Chinatown. Or wonderful Fisherman's Wharf. The opera house. The theaters. I could write a book, but we can't publish it here.

We'll see you all on 24 Septem-



CAPPED, PINNED & CHEVRONED: That's the story of these six JANGOs, who were honored at graduation exercises 2 September. Pictured with Mrs. George E. Cruft, JANGO chairman, and LCDR Ruth G. Pampush, JANGO nursing instructor, they are from left, Patricia Nachin, Jan Mullarky, Lynne Tiffany, Christine Sutton, Jo Gregory, and Margaret Fenton.

Jango Pat Nachin Serves 322 Hours

There was no question about who headed the class when six young JANGOs were graduated last Friday morning.

Patricia Nachin served the hospital 322 hours during her summer vacation. In addition to her cap and certificate for which 24 hours of classroom instruction and 76 hours' supervised ward work are required, she earned her pin for an additional 50 hours. Then she went on to earn a chevron marking completion of 200 hours and another for 300. She is still going strong, according to word from the office of Chief of the Nursing Service.

Jan Mullarky earned her pin and one chevron, and Lynne Tiffany received her pin and cap simultaneously.

Others graduating were Jo Gregory, Margaret Fenton, and Christine Sutton.

The girls were capped by CDR Marcella Smith, Chief of the Nursing Service. Admiral Cokely presented the certificates and thanked the girls for their contribution to the hospital, their parents for sparing them from home duties.

Football Uncertain At This Writing

The Knoll may have to cancel this year's football season, unless more players can be encouraged to participate.

In view of the fact that there are three-hundred men aboard the station it is rather unlikely that there are fewer than 10 football players on the compound.

The Knoll has always had a football team and has always made a good showing in 12th Naval District competition.

Don't let the hospital down. Sign up with Coach Moffett at Special Services today, or call Ext. 593.

ber at the season opener. Dress "shipwreck." Come and enjoy a good time, good friends, good food!!!!

P.S. You'll also meet your roving cameraman, Joel Jacobs. He always has an interesting story to tell. Why not? He's from Texas.



LCDR James G. Wilcox, Head of the Optometric Section from 1 February 1962 to 23 August, departed on the latter date for post-graduate study at the University of California, Berkeley. Prior to his departure he received a letter of appreciation for his services to the hospital. The letter spoke of the increased outpatient workload—a challenge he met effectively. It also referred to his active program for renovating optometric equipment. "In addition to handling your major assignment most efficiently, you served with distinction as Division Officer for the Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology Services and as an instructor in the EENT Technician School," the Admiral's letter stated.

Navy News Roundup

AIRLINES WORK ON IMPROVING LEAVE TRAVEL—Two dozen of the nation's major airlines have announced plans to standardize and improve the standby-half fare plan for servicemen on leave. They are taking action to make military travel at reduced rates more attractive to servicemen . . .

THREE RATINGS SOUGHT FOR RECRUITING DUTY—Navy enginemen, boilermen and electricians' mates are being asked to come ashore as volunteer recruiters to help fill the increased recruit quotas the Navy will need to fight the war in Vietnam . . .

VA BURIAL GRANT IS RULED TAXABLE—The Internal Revenue Service has ruled that the portion of funeral expenses of a veteran which are paid by the Veterans Administration cannot be deducted from Federal estate taxes. The VA normally pays \$250 . . .

PAY PANEL BARES RETIREE FINDINGS—The Military Pay Study Group has released some of its preliminary findings and nearly all were predictable. The group which is winding up the first, or fact-finding phase of its operation came to the following conclusions: Men who had professional and technical military occupations tended to cluster in similar civilian occupations when they leave the service; Men who had non-technical jobs went to a more varied group of civilian occupations; Officers moved mainly into civilian professional and technical work, while enlisted men gravitated toward the crafts and operative jobs. The term operative jobs means such occupations as bus or truck driver, meat cutter, welder, and so on; Veterans in general make about ten per cent better income than non-vets . . .

RETIREES TO GET THREE PERCENT HIK **EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1**—There will be at least a three percent retired pay increase for the hundreds of thousands on the military retired lists effective from 1 December if the Consumer Price Index holds its present level of rises more . . .



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CDR ROMAINE MENTZER

CDR Mentzer Is New Chief Nurse

Oak Knoll looked familiar to CDR Romaine Mentzer when she reported for duty as Chief of the Nursing Service 26 August, though many changes had taken place since she was last here.

During World War II the Ephrata, Pa. girl who became a nurse so that she could come into the navy, spent five weeks at Oak Knoll.

"I taught fever therapy—long enough to graduate one class," the Commander recalled. That brief stay followed a busy 14 months aboard the USS RELIEF in the South Pacific, when the casualties were numerous and severe.

This time Commander Mentzer arrived from the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in Washington, D.C., where she has just spent four busy years as Personnel Actions Officer for the Nurse Corps.

During 24 years in the Navy, she has had the usual variety of assignments—at MarCorps Air Station, Goleta, where "the Dispensary was three miles from the Main Gate and I had no car." At Hospital Corps School, San Diego, as Senior Nurse Corps Officer, at Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, where she began her navy career, and Naval Hospitals, St. Albans, N.Y.; Corpus Christi, Tex., and Jacksonville, Fla. At Jacksonville she was Assistant Chief of the Nursing Service, when CDR Veronica Bulshefski was Chief Nurse.

Commander Mentzer had her nurse's training at Lancaster General Hospital, Lancaster, Pa. She earned her BE Degree with a major in Nursing Service Admin-

FMF Drum, Bugle Corps to Perform Here Thursday

The Fleet Marine Force Pacific Drum and Bugle Team will play in Gendreau Circle at 1130 Thursday, 29 September.

Since its formation in San Diego in December 1952, the 25-man team has visited Australia, Thailand, Japan, and the Philippines, and most of the places between, as well as the Western United States.

The group has performed for the Emperor of Japan, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, King Hussein of Jordan, and the late President Ramon Magsaysay of the Philippines. During one Far East tour it performed at the wedding procession of Crown Prince Akhito and Princess Michiko of Japan.

Although the team lists 25 members, only 21 musicians and the drum major take part in the precision drill. The other men are on stand-by, in case of illness of one of the regular team members.

The brasses include nine soprano bugles, two French horns, two baritone bugles, two bass baritone bugles. The drums include two snares, two tenors, and a Scotch drum. A cymbal brings the instrument count to 21.

The team's repertoire ranges from marches through musical comedy airs. All are played from memory because the intricacies of their precision drill makes it impossible to carry sheet music.

Patients and staff members who can be spared from their duties are invited to hear the 20-minute program Thursday.



THIS LITTLE GIRL and thousands like her will be helped by your gift to the Combined Federal Campaign, which includes three major charity drives. The campaign starts Monday. It will give military personnel and Federal employees an opportunity to give once to support all the local, national, health, welfare, and youth agencies of the United Crusade, the National Health Agencies, and International Service Agencies.



The Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, Drum and Bugle Team executes the "V" formation.

istration at Indiana University and her MA in Personnel Management from San Diego State College.

Her hobbies are painting (in

oils), cooking, reading, and sight-seeing. She drove here via the Black Hills, Yellowstone, Reno, and Lake Tahoe.

Kickoff Monday

Combined Campaign Needs Your Support

The Combined Federal Campaign will get under way at Oak Knoll Monday, when keymen give their co-workers the opportunity to give once and for all.

"Our goal is 100 percent participation and fair share giving," said LT Joseph R. Mulvey, MSC, chairman of the campaign.

"One hour's pay per month is the guide for fair share giving. However, the amount you give must be your personal decision, reflecting your own financial circumstances and your individual sense of involvement with your community," said Mr. Mulvey.

This year, as last, military and civilian employees are encouraged to contribute the easy way, with regular payroll deductions.

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THE BIRTH PROCESS

This summer I conducted a clinical training program for a group of pastors and seminarians at Presbyterian Medical Center, San Francisco. Clinical training is a program designed to introduce clergy to the drama of life through encounter with people in moments of personal crisis. One seminarian at the hospital watched the birth of a child. And this is what he recorded afterward: "This afternoon I saw a baby born; it was wonderful . . . The child was induced; the mother was locally anesthetized. Dr. A. and the nurse kept up a steady conversation with the mother who never showed a sign that she might have been in the least bit of pain. Finally when all was in readiness and the forceps were in place, Dr. A began to pull gently. It became apparent that the orifice would not be large enough and so a cut was made to enlarge the opening. Once the head was through, the rest of the body with the limbs folded in, followed almost as an after-thought. The child was a boy—rather gangly and with large feet. The mother was informed of this fact and laughed; she said that her feet were larger than those of her husband. He'd be interested to hear about the feet.

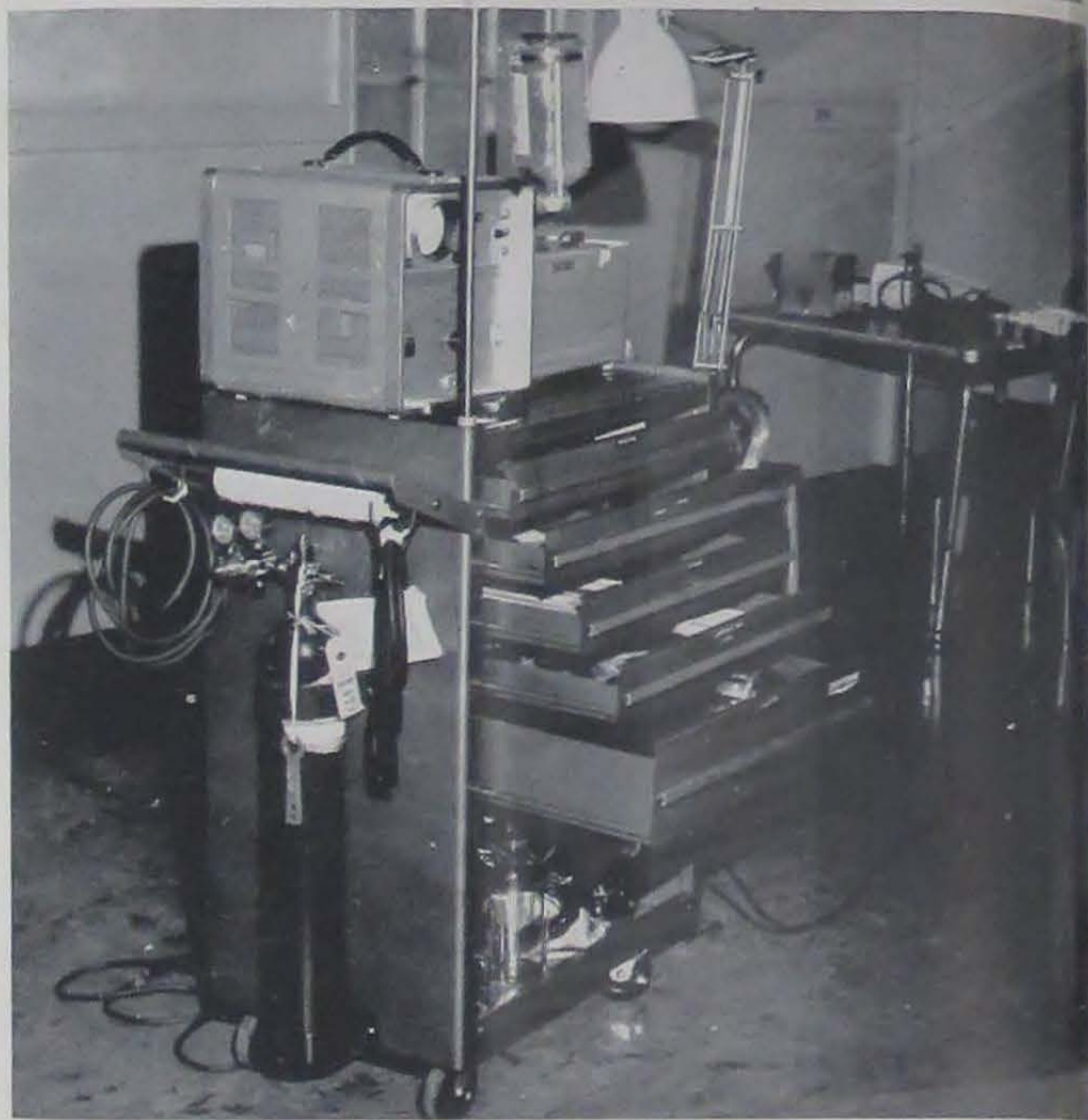
The child began to cry. All of a sudden, there were six in the room where a moment before there had been five. I felt a tingling fan out through my back from the base of my spine and closed my eyes and prayed. I thanked God for the birth of this child and I was grinning the whole while as though it were too good to be true. I thought of what a miracle life is and then I prayed that not only would the child live a good life but far more important, a vital and full life. I hoped that he would not be cheated of his humanness. And then I prayed that he would have eternal life (something I've never been able to ask for myself with any zest or real belief); I thought about myself and the parallels—the possibilities of rebirth, and I wanted a new life and eternal life as well."

Perhaps this chaplain intern expresses in this incident something we all want and at deep moments, pray for too.

—LCDR ROGER S. JOHNSON, CHC, USNR



Among the many newcomers enjoying the brunch at the Officers' Club last week were, from left, Mrs. Donald Golladay, Mrs. William R. Kammerer, and Mrs. Joel A. Reisman, all wives of interns.



EMERGENCY UNITS like this will soon be in use on the wards of Oak Knoll.

Yom Kippur Service Tonight at TI Chapel

LTJG Alvin K. Berkun, CHC, USNR, Jewish Chaplain, Twelfth Naval District, will hold Yom Kippur Services tonight (Friday) at 1930 in the East Chapel, Bldg. 215, Naval Station, Treasure Island, and tomorrow from 1000 to 1300 and 1700 to 2000. The services will be followed by a break-fast.

Jewish services will be held every Friday at the East Chapel at TI at 1930 beginning 30 September.

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Officers' Wives Are Welcomed at Brunch

More than 140 wives were told "Bienvenidas, Senoras" (Welcome, Ladies) at the Officers' Wives' Club brunch 14 September.

Mrs. Harold J. Cokely, wife of the Commanding Officer, was chairman for the opening meeting of the year, and Mrs. Dana Goldthwaite, club president, welcomed everyone and introduced the club's other officers and chairmen.

Hostesses were the wives of Chiefs of Services.

The newly-painted club was colorfully decorated by Mrs. James Hamill. Multi-colored straw flowers in terra cotta water jugs were on the bright striped tablecloths. Mrs. Zeldia King of the What-Not Shop, a nearby Mexican import shop, obtained the jugs and flowers on special order for the party. Cocktails were by courtesy of the Calvert Company.

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Officers' Wives to Hear George Mardikian

George Mardikian, the Armenian immigrant whose success and happiness in this country inspired him to write "Song of America," will be the speaker for the 5 October meeting of the Officers' Wives' Club.

For Mr. Mardikian, owner of the famed Omar Khayyam's res-

Mobile Emergency Units Soon to Appear On Oak Knoll Wards

Crash carts will soon appear on the wards of Oak Knoll.

Development of these specially designed mobile emergency units was spearheaded by LCDR Jess W. Bromley of the Medical Service, chief architect of the Hospital's Code 4 Resuscitation Program.

Each cart is a self-contained emergency treatment unit equipped with drugs, oxygen, suction apparatus, a miniature operating lamp, respiratory-assisting devices, self-retracting 25-foot extension cord and power outlet bar, and other gear needed to carry out resuscitation, tracheotomy, and similar urgent disaster treatment.

Doctor Bromley has expressed confidence that on-the-scene availability of complete emergency gear will greatly speed the work of the Code 4 Team and will give immediate availability of supplies for most ward emergency situations.

Assembly of the carts was greatly facilitated by LT Gerald A. Wolff, HMC George Canning, HN Michael Berniklau, and other members of the Department of Cardiology staff.

Great assistance was also provided by CDR D. R. Buechel, who heads the Code 4 Committee. LCDRs Ruth Pampush, and Gladys Madsen of Nursing Service, LCDR E. A. Ambrose, Chief, Fiscal and Supply Division, and CDR E. L. Eustis, Public Works Officer.

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restaurant in San Francisco, the club has planned a luncheon strictly American in decor and menu. The menu will include fried chicken, French fries, tossed green salad, hot rolls, and cherry pie.

Wives of officers in the Medical and Ophthalmology Services and Clinical Investigation Center will be hostesses.



CAPT Cooper Is Cited by CO

CAPT Gary Cooper, USMC, who has guided non-medical aspects of Marine patient activities for the past year, has received the CO's Letter of Appreciation for "functioning in a truly exemplary manner."

Presentation of the letter coincided with the Marine Liaison Officer's detachment to the 12ND Physical Evaluation Board as Marine Counsel.

"You demonstrated a sincere interest in the patient's welfare and contributed materially to their morale and that of their friends and relatives," the letter stated.

It took special note of the spectacular Hawaiian Luau that climaxed the captain's tour of duty here. "The event reflected your great organizational and coordinating ability. . . . The enthusiasm, industry, and conscientious effort you have displayed in all your undertakings have set a fine example for all to follow," the CO's letter concluded.

CAPT Cooper's stay at the PEB will be brief. He has orders to WestPac Ground Forces and will depart in late November.

His wife, Gail, and their young sons, Greg and Kevin, will continue to live in Hayward.

Serviceman's Family Aided by ARC—A Crusade Agency

A servicewife, her two-month-old baby, and her mother-in-law were in the East Bay en route from Arizona, where the serviceman is stationed, to the Pacific Northwest where their families live.

The baby became ill and seemed to be choking. A civilian hospital referred him to Oak Knoll, where the examining doctor admitted him for treatment of pneumonitis. The baby's mother and grandmother, strangers here, were shaken by this unexpected development.

After being assured that the

Here's What Your Campaign Gift Will Provide

\$12—2 home calls by a visiting nurse so that a sick or injured person can stay at home instead of requiring more expensive care.

—3 dental visits at Children's Hospital Clinic.

—2 pairs of shoes for Salvation Army to give youngsters who could not otherwise attend school.

—A self-help set of farm tools sent by CARE to Asia, the Middle East, Africa, or Latin America.

\$24—1 pair of special crutches for teaching a patient to walk after a crippling accident or illness.

—1 month's care in a United Cerebral Palsy pre-nursery program to enable a child to enter school and eventually become self-supporting.

1—diagnostic examination for an adult with hearing loss.

\$36—1 wrist support or brace to help an arthritic help himself.

—A 12-session lip reading course for a hard-of-hearing or deaf person.

—1 pair of prescription eyeglasses for a child whose parents cannot pay.

\$48 — 2 months' homemaker service (basic housekeeping help and shopping) for a sick or old

baby's condition was expected to clear up with several days' treatment, the two women wondered how to plan. They went to the Red Cross office for assistance.

The servicewife would remain in the area, but her mother-in-law had to return home. Finances would be a problem if the servicewife had to remain here very long. With information about local resources and help in getting a place to stay in a private home on the busline to the hospital, the servicewife planned to remain here and her mother-in-law resumed her trip home the next day.

Scuttlebutt

SIGHTS & SOUNDS FROM THE PASSAGEWAY PARADE: Workmen gouging a deep hole to get at a broken gas main—right at the Ad Bldg. steps when the Inspector General was here. . . . A racoon begging for a handout at 69A. . . . Edwin Glenn Powers, Jr. of 49A being promoted to EN3. . . . People wondering why it is "The Sick Officers' Dining Room" but still the "Handicap Mess" . . . Chief Butler posting beautiful color pictures of Special Services Recreation facilities about the compound. . . . Joel Jacobs prowling around in the darkness to get a series of night photos likely to appear any edition. . . . ENS Thorson taking over from LTJG Boyle as Special Services Officer. . . . Those two wanting it known that when entertainers came over from *The Condor Club*, *El Cid*, and *the Peppermint Tree*, they were NOT, repeat, NOT toppers.

SMALL WORLD DEPT. Tom Brokaw, NBC News, Los Angeles, flew up to work to get a story from Dr. Cameron on treatment of burns. As they talked, someone said, "Hi, Tom." Happy Reunion. Mr. Brokaw and LT Lynn Frary, who had just arrived at the Knoll, were classmates at the University of South Dakota a few years ago.

OAKNOLLUMNI: Raymond Allen, formerly of ENT looks like a young edition of Dr. Kildare as he tests ladies' hearing at Kaiser Hospital by night, after his daytime pre-med studies at Oakland City College.

S/SGT MARTY DOW accepted the Raiders' Booster Club's invitation to ride in a motorcade last weekend—and who wouldn't? He was to share a flashy convertible with Miss Oakland, not to mention the Mayor of the City. Motorcade postponed. Sob.

person to enable him to live on his own.

—Five days' maintenance for a deserted woman and her baby by Traveler's Aid Society.

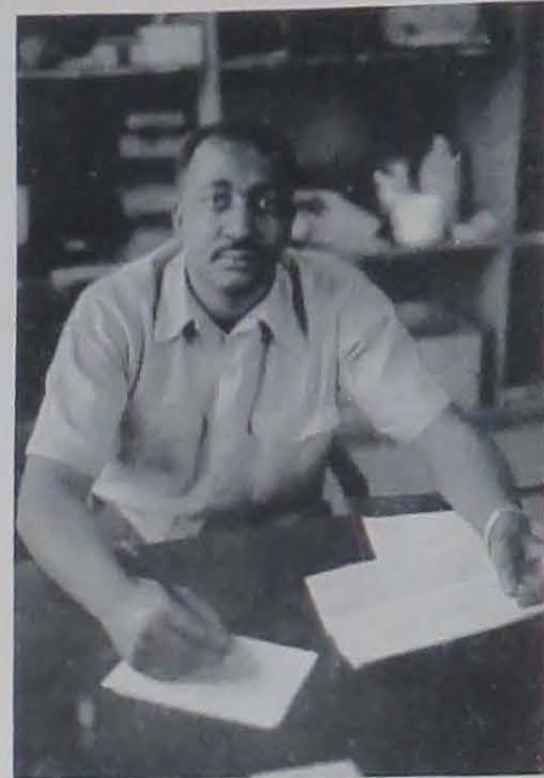
—2 complete outfits of clothing from Red Cross for disaster victims.

\$60—An adenoid-tonsillectomy for a child in need.

—1 month's counselling for a street gang by a trained worker from a Crusade Neighborhood Center.

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One gift works many wonders, but think of what two could do. Join your neighbor and give generously to the Combined Federal Campaign.



SGT Gerard Miller, USAF, Ret., mans the bag room. He is one of 25 handicapped persons employed at Oak Knoll. He doesn't believe MILLER is handicapped!

Bag Room "a Breeze" For Gerard Miller Despite Loss of Leg

By some standards Gerard Miller may be handicapped. Not by his. Not by hospital officials who know it's ability that counts, not disability.

Mr. Miller, who has manned the hospital bag room since 31 March, lost his left leg below the knee as the result of a welding explosion. He was a sergeant in the Air Force serving on Okinawa at the time. That was in 1962.

Months, years passed before the decision was made to amputate. The operation was performed at Travis, and he came to Oak Knoll for stump revision, fitting of an artificial limb, and rehabilitation. Not that the 36-year-old veteran of 13 years in the Air Force needed much rehabilitation. He knew he had the best possible treatment available anywhere, and he had Kazuko, his Japanese wife, whom he met in Okinawa. Not to mention Gerard, Jr., 9, Stanford, 7, Geraldine, 5, twin daughters Shelia and Shezuet, 4, and Tammi, 2.

Last December Mr. Miller was retired from the Air Force. A few weeks later he was notified of the opening here, applied, got the job, and plans to keep it.

Asked if he has difficulty lifting the personal effects that arrive daily from Vietnam, Italy — all over the world—Mr. Miller cheerfully replied, "I have no problem at all. My prosthesis is fitted properly. I can do anything I could when I had my own leg."

Mr. Miller enjoyed his travels with the Air Force, but he's content right now to travel between Oak Knoll and his home in Hayward, "and if you'll excuse me, I'll get back to these government bills of lading."

"O yes, I'm pleased to help publicize National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week 2-8 October. That's one way to make the OAK LEAF!"

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Once a Scout always a Scout. Why not be one again this year and give generous support to the Federal Joint Crusade. It supports the Scouts too.



Class #4 of 8412 Laboratory Technicians graduated on 16 September. The graduates, instructors, and commanding officer are from left: HN Anthony Cisneros, Admiral Cokely, HN John E. Angle, HN Charles Bowen, HM3 Robert J. Heidemann, HM2 Edward Forney, HM3 Thomas H. Brown, HN Martin L. Belknap, LCDR A. D. Hoekzema and HMC Arnold Franz, instructors.



HMCs Myron Kriz, center, and Julian Sabenorio have been placed on the temporary disability retired list. Chief Kriz earned the CO's Letter of Appreciation for his contributions to Special Services, Chief "Sab" for his work as medical equipment coordinator in Fiscal & Supply. Chief Kriz has joined his wife and two children in Hawaii, where he has a job as an insurance claims adjuster. Chief Sab will continue to live in Hayward with his wife and six children.

Bears vs. Michigan At U. C. Stadium Tomorrow Afternoon

This year, as in the past, the Associated Students of University of California have invited Oak Knoll patients to attend all home games played by the Golden Bears.

The first game in U.C. Stadium is tomorrow afternoon, when U.C. meets Michigan.

- 1 October—Pittsburgh
- 2 October—San Jose State
- 22 October—UCLA
- 12 November—Army
- 19 November—Stanford

Patients and staff wishing to attend the games are asked to sign up in advance with Special Services. The bus leaves from the entrance of Building 38. Boarding time is 1200, departure 1215. Uniform is required.

HAIL-FAREWELL

ENLISTED DETACHED:
 HMCM's Edward D. Gasson and William G. James to Fleet Reserve.
 HM3's Ralph W. Driggs and Charles F. Lowther to 1st MarDiv FMF and CmpPen respectively.
 HN's Larry E. Burg, David E. Townsend, and Raymond L. Riable to MarCorp-Bases Camp Pendleton and 29 Palms respectively.
 HN Raymond V. Jeffries to NavWeps-Sta Concord.
ENLISTED REPORTING:
 HMCM James W. Bull from 3rd MarDiv FMF.
 HM1 Roger S. Labonte from USS RANKIN (AKA-103).
 HM2's John D. Ray and Frank A. Lony from NavDisp 50 Fell St., SF and USNH Yokosuka respectively.
 HM3 Edward J. Scheidegger from NavSta T. I.
 HN's Robert S. Gage, Lubock M. Rice, Marvis L. Cobb, Donald Dugas, Thomas C. Jacobs, Edward J. Bowen, Richard R.

Knoll Golfers Win 12ND Championship

Hospital Places Third In Athletic Excellence

Oak Knoll's golf team, captained by CAPT Ernest A. Blakey, has won the 12ND Class B Golf Championship.

League play ended with Oak Knoll tying NSC, Oakland, for first place. Doctor Blakey's team grabbed the championship from NSCO at the recent play-off at Lake Chabot Golf Course.

Members of Captain Blakey's team who played all or part of the season were CAPT Rudy Nadbath, LCDRs Wesley W. Boucher and Stephen E. Howery, and LTs Walter H. Snider and John E. Grubb.

In the race for the Commandant's Trophy for Athletic Excellence, Oak Knoll came out third—not bad in view of the difficulties Coach Ken Moffett encountered in fielding teams when many of the players involved in patient care have difficulty getting off work to practice.

The Hilltoppers placed second in bowling and track, third in basketball, tennis, swimming, and boxing; fourth in football and baseball.

The Group "B" (smaller commands) trophy for over-all athletic excellence went to the Coast Guard Base, Alameda, which won nine firsts. San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard, Hunters Point Division, earned second place.

Trailing behind the Hilltoppers were Naval Security Group Activity, Skaggs Island, fourth; Naval Supply Center, Oakland, fifth; Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, sixth; Naval Auxiliary Landing Field, Monterey, seventh; and Naval Weapons Station, Concord, eighth; Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Fallon, Nev., ninth; Naval Radio Station, Dixon, tenth; and Naval Communication Station, San Francisco, eleventh.

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Diaper Derby

William Alber Bromann was welcomed aboard 10 September by LT William Bromann of the Laboratory and his wife, Diane. He weighed 8 lbs. 1½ oz. on arrival.

Kelly Catherine Hatcher was born 14 September to the wife of HM1 George Hatcher of PMT School. She weighed an even 8 pounds, and she and her mother, Celeste, are both doing nicely, thank you.

Sanders, Thomas P. Mooneyham, Terrance L. Thomas, Larry K. Ledbetter, Max R. Lett, Russell (n) Nakatsuka, Robert V. Butler and Michael D. Hill from HCS San Diego.



OVER THE SIDE 1 September went HMCM Edward D. Gasson, Chief in Charge of the CO's Mailroom. Waiting his turn to be piped down the steps and into the Fleet Reserve is HMCM William G. James, StaffPers. and CPO Club manager. Each retiring chief received the CO's Letter of Appreciation for outstanding service. Among the sideboys were Senior Chiefs Whitney P. Thomas, John A. Roberts, and Robert L. Dant, and Master Chief Isaac E. Ray. At the top of the steps are Admiral Cokely and, barely recognizable, HMC Charles Axworthy. At far left is HM3 Joseph F. Elliott, with his bo's'n's pipe. The well-known, well-liked retirees will remain in this area. Chief James looked forward to an interlude of fishing before taking a civilian job. Chief Gasson has already started a new career as a Ciba Drug Co. salesman.

Tomorrow, Saturday night, at the EM Club—Shipwreck Party. Dinner, beverage, dancing, fun for all starting at 2000. Come dressed as you were when the "abandon ship" was sounded.

Navy News Roundup

BILL PROPOSES FULL VET BENEFITS, PENSION FOR "VIET ERA" TROOPS—"Vietnam Era" servicemen would be extended the full realm of wartime veterans benefits—including pensions for non-service-connected disabilities—under legislation endorsed by the Veterans Administration. The package is expected to win quick Congressional approval. The Senate Finance Committee, which is studying the proposal, plans to approve the legislation as an amendment to a pension bill already approved by the House Veterans Affairs Committee. The measure calls for extending full wartime disability rates, pensions, \$250 burial allowance, various medical care benefits, and \$1600 automobile grants to "Vietnam Era" veterans. The Administration estimates the total cost of the bill during the first five years at \$79.9 million.

DEFENSE HOUSING POLICY HIT—Vigorously criticizing the Defense Department's housing policies, the House Appropriations Committee has approved a billion-dollar spending program for the current year's military construction. This is \$95.6 million below President Johnson's original request. The 1967 appropriation bill contains no money for new family housing (although it provides money for 800 leased units in housing-short Hawaii), and it has very little money for new personnel facilities. The committee said some existing barracks are below the standards set for the inmates of federal prisons.

MORE ATOMIC CHOW IN PROSPECT—There's going to be more atomic chow in your future. The services plan a sharp increase in the amounts and kinds of irradiated foods (food that is processed by atomic radiation, which sterilizes and pasturizes food without producing heat) served to servicemen.



MEET THE FIREMEN whose vigilance night and day protects Oak Knoll from fire. They are from left, Horace B. Jones, Fire Chief E. R. Meier, Clarence Wheat, R. A. Zobel, J. L. Reams, S. G. Beck, L. A. Moschetti, R. J. Delgado, B. J. Carr, R. V. Voigt, and Raymond Merrill, fire inspector. Not present for the photo, but always on the job—Isaac Fishman, E. M. Campbell.

Fire Prevention Week

On a warm Sunday evening of October 1871 a brief lapse in carefulness sparked a fire at a modest mid-west home. It didn't seem particularly threatening or uncontrollable.

But it was.

Thirty hours later 2,100 acres of Chicago were blackened, smoldering waste. More than 200 of its citizens had perished; 100,000 were homeless; almost 17,500 buildings were in ruins.

Direct losses were \$168,000,000, the indirect costs incalculable.

Fire Prevention Week is observed annually during the week containing October 9, anniversary date of the Chicago conflagration. A reminder of the needless tragedy and waste by fire, the observance originated in 1911 as Fire Prevention Day. Fire Prevention Week was first officially proclaimed in 1925 by President Coolidge.

Its message is this: fires are not deplorable accidents, but the consequences of neglect and carelessness. Fire Prevention Week is a time to check defenses against fire in our homes and places of work.

REMEMBER, FIRE PREVENTION IS YOUR JOB, TOO.

Knoll Observance Features Movies, Fire Prevention Demonstrations

During Fiscal Year 1966 Oak Knoll fire loss amounted to only \$225 with one minor injury — a creditable record for any large organization and particularly for one housed in wooden buildings surrounded by grass-covered hills.

Oak Knoll's vigilant fire-fighters work throughout the year drilling, inspecting — taking every possible precaution against fire and keeping fire losses to a minimum. National Fire Prevention Week, 9 to 14 October, is their opportunity to remind patients and staff once again that fire prevention is an all hands job.

Two films — "Until the Fire De-

partment Arrives" and "I'm No Fool With Fire" will be shown on wards throughout the hospital Monday through Friday.

An exhibit of home fire hazards will be on display in the lobby of the Community Services Building.

Timely printed materials containing fire prevention suggestions will be given out by Fire Department members during working hours Monday through Friday.

Lectures and demonstrations by Oak Knoll's fire prevention experts will be presented for personnel of various departments in the hospital at intervals during the week.

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All Hands Participation Urged in Campaign

"What greater bargain can we get in these times at any price than good health for ourselves and our families, a fine community in which to live, a better world? These are the things our gift to the Combined Federal Campaign can buy," Admiral Cokely said as he made his fair share contribution on the first day of the annual drive.

"We ask every member of the staff to give as much as he can, for the many individual causes included in the campaign are worthy. We hope for 100 per cent participation in every department," the CO said.

Giving the combined way has worked many wonders in the past. It is the convenient way to contribute—once for all. Giving has become easier than ever before since Federal employees may request payroll deductions as low as 50 cents a paycheck. Add it up—26 paychecks a year at that rate, and you make a gift of \$13. Some employees should and will give more. Some will feel they cannot spare even this much.

Fair-share giving is defined as one hour's pay per month for 12 months. However, no one will be pressured to give more than he can afford.

- A gift to the Combined Federal Campaign will help support the voluntary national health agencies in the fight for better health. Included are the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, Muscular Dystrophy, Mental Health, and Retarded Children's Associations, Cystic Fibrosis Research Foundation, National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, and the United Cerebral Palsy Association.

- A gift to CFC will help support the international service agencies—American-Korean Foundation, Inc., CARE, Project Hope, and Radio Free Europe.

- A gift to CFC will help support approximately 200 welfare and recreational services included in the United Bay Area Crusade—American National Red Cross, USO, Boy and Girl Scouts, YMCA and

YWCA, Travelers Aid, Salvation Army, and many other equally worthy community organizations.



Admiral Cokely writes his fair share check for the Combined Federal Campaign. His keyman is LT Joseph R. Mulvey, MSC, over-all chairman for the campaign.

11 Get the Good Word-Selection!

An ALNAV of 3 October brought good news to eleven Oak Knoll staff officers.

Selected for promotion to captain, according to the message, were Drs. Marshall W. Olson, Chief of Radiology, and Donald R. Buechel, Chief of Anesthesiology.

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TAKING BABIES HOME from the hospital is not a new experience for SGT Charles W. Arnold, USMC, and his wife Mary Helen of Alameda. But three at once was an exciting event, as anyone can plainly see. The babies—Rodney Eli, Jerome Edward, and Mary Alma—were born 31 August and went home to Alameda 21 September. They have two brothers and two sisters ranging in age from 14 months to 18 years. A member of the crew of the USS RANGER, the sergeant was given three months' duty ashore to help care for the children.

The Oak Leaf

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A large portion of the unrest, confusion, rebellion against life into which people fall is due to their failure to concentrate on using just one day of their lives at a time. That is, use each day properly, applying talents that accomplish this feat.

Naturally man should and will think of the future. Every man is bound to think seriously of death, the future, events that will affect him. He must have his hopes, his dreams, his plans.

Yet with all the dreams it is possible to live each day by carrying out orders, accepting responsibilities, and concentrating on what has to be done here and now.

Think of how easily God and the world can do without you and will do without you some day. The world will continue on long after you are gone. Think of the thanks you owe to God, especially for all the fine and good things He has given you up to today. Think of one important thing required of you for one day—to live without offending God. Think of the smallness of the trials, temptations and sorrows in comparison with the sufferings of Christ.

Yet it is possible for man to heed the advice of living one day at a time and that is simply because there is always the hope that things can and will be better tomorrow.

—CHAPLAIN MATTIELLO

Twenty Years Ago In the Oak Leaf

San Leandro Naval Hospital, for two years Oak Knoll's closest neighbor, has closed its doors of healing and signed its name on the list of war-time decommissioned activities.

For the past few weeks, busloads and ambulances with staff and patients have arrived at Oak Knoll from San Leandro in the slow process of decommissioning. There are now no patients remaining and but a handful of staff members to secure the final wards and departments.

More Selections

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The following were selected for commander: Dr. Victor M. Holm, Chief of Neuropsychiatry; Drs. Helmer W. S. Huseby, William A. Elliott, Gerald P. Sierchio, and Robert C. Colgrove, all of the Orthopedic Service, Dr. Warren C. Boop of the Neurosurgical Service, and Dr. Daniel E. Hayes.

LCDR J. A. Wright, CEC, resident officer in charge of the new construction, was selected for commander.

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In the camp fire's glow the little girl is safe, warm, happy. Keep her that way. Support the United Bay Area Crusade. It supports Camp Fire Girls.



"Well Done" and "Smooth Sailing" for Commander Smith.



CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER: PFC Ronnie Saterfiel, USMC, and GMGSN Paul A. Turnbull, USN, recently passed the USAFI high school GED (General Educational Development) test at Education and Training. Admiral Cokely presented their certificates and his personal congratulations. AN John E. Creighton, USN, received his certificate but was not present for the picture. All three are patients on Ward 49A.

CDR Smith Departs For Duty Aboard USS SANCTUARY

CDR Marcella E. Smith, NC, USN, left 19 September after receiving orders to the USS SANCTUARY to serve as Chief Nurse. She will visit her family in Aurora, Ill., and report to the hospital ship at New Orleans 15 October.

Commander Smith had been at Oak Knoll since 15 January 1965, serving as Assistant Chief of the Nursing Service. On 1 April of this year, when CAPT Veronica Bulshefski became Director of the Navy Nurse Corps, Commander Smith assumed the duties of Chief Nurse.

The CO's letter referred to the diminutive Nurse Corps Officer's sincere dedication to the nursing profession and her tireless efforts in behalf of the patients' welfare.

"Worthy of particular note was your superb performance during your short tenure as Chief, Nursing Service. In this capacity you willingly assumed heavy responsibilities and administered the affairs of a very busy and understaffed professional service in an expert and most effective manner," Admiral Cokely's letter stated.

Commander Smith didn't need to say goodbye since the SANCTUARY will dock at San Francisco in December to take on supplies before heading for Vietnam.

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U.C. Students Here For Social Work Study

Four second-year graduate social work students from U. C. Berkeley, reported to the "Oak Knoll campus" today for observation and supervised work in the neuropsychiatric wards, child guidance clinic, and adult out-patient neuropsychiatric clinic.

They are the Misses Cynthia Abma, Carol Kay, Nancy Rose, and Mr. Lee Tonner. They will be aboard three days a week during the coming school year.

Misses Helen Cupper and Ruth Gilmore, NP social workers, will supervise their training.

This is the fourth year U.C. social work students have received part of their training at Oak Knoll.



GRADUATION DAY for 11 new OR Techs came on 16 September. CAPT G. E. Cruft, Chief of Surgery, (seated third from left) presented certificates to HN's William Meyers, William Shields, Peter Hurd, Don Rodgers, Ronald Russell, Lawrence Cherrison, Ronald Braaten, Randall Miles, Joel Backus, Carl Grant and Jack Mossman. In the front row are: LCDR S. N. Blair, Acting Chief of NP Service, who was guest speaker, CAPT Dean Schufeldt, XO, Captain Cruft, and CDR Frances J. Jacobson, OR Supervisor.

ACCMA Annual Meeting



SPECIAL GUESTS of the CO were Dr. J. Brandon Bassett, President of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association, left, and Dr. Stanley Truman, Vice-President. More than 300 doctors turned out on the balmy evening of 19 September for the 21st annual Oak Knoll meeting of the ACCMA. A hickory-smoked prime rib roast beef dinner followed the program.

MA in Management For LCDR Simmons Of the Nurse Corps

LCDR Harriett A. Simmons, NC, USN, recently reported for duty in the Nursing Service, after earning her Master's Degree in management at the Navy Postgraduate School, Monterey.

CAPT Veronica Bulshefski was the first woman to achieve this distinction and Lieutenant Commander Simmons is the only nurse now aboard who holds this degree. She is currently serving as Administrative Assistant to the Dependents' Service Supervisor.



LCDR H. W. S. Huseby of the Orthopedic Service presented the program—"A Physician's View of Medical Activities in Vietnam."

Navy Relief—in Triplicate



"THEY'RE JUST BEAUTIFUL," Mrs. Charles Arnold said of the tiny garments delivered to her by Mrs. Harold J. Cokely, right, and Mrs. Morris W. Olson. Three complete layettes made by volunteer seamstresses were the Navy Relief Society's gift to the triplets' mother. This help was particularly welcome since Mrs. Arnold was hospitalized for the last three months of her pregnancy and had no opportunity to prepare for the sudden increase in her family. Mrs. Cokely is chairman of Navy Relief volunteers for Oak Knoll. Mrs. Olson is chairman of interviewers. Mrs. A. J. Schwab, chairman of seamstresses, stayed home to make more layettes.

Scuttlebutt

SIGNS OF THE SEASON: Keyman Bristol turning in contributions from every military member of the Security Division staff immediately after the keymen's pre-campaign meeting . . . dark mornings . . . beautiful sunsets over the bay . . . HM2 Ron Marsh, currently a patient in 49A, reenlisting for another six . . . another link of Warren Boulevard opening so that commuters from the north no longer cross OAK LEAF Street. . . Navy Exchange putting up the Toyland signs to suggest that Christmas is just around the corner. . . Marge Leer back from a European holiday. . . Officers' wives listening intently as captivating Elaine Scammahorn from Navy Relief headquarters in Washington, D.C., conducts the training course for volunteer interviewers. . . Dr. Pascoe speaking to the Valley Memorial Hospital Women's Auxiliary . . . workmen hoisting pre-cast panels into place in the rapidly progressing new building. . .

LITTLE KNOWN FACTS re WELL KNOWN FOLK: ENS Whitney Thomas graduated from Merritt College during his tour of duty at Oak Knoll, ENS Joseph Steiner from Oakland City College.

DID YOU KNOW that 20 years ago every movie shown in the auditorium was repeated the following night in the Officers' Club? That on 23 October THE OAK LEAF will have been published regularly for 24 years? That Ted Williams was once a patient at Oak Knoll? That in the good old days the hospital had its own riding stable and golf driving range? That you can give your fair share to the Combined Federal Campaign through painless payroll deductions? That Chief Kristy is the new CPO Club manager?

OAKNOLLUMNI: CDR Angeli-co Vitillo, NC, who was here recently with the IG's party is the new Deputy Director of the Navy Nurse Corps. . . CDR Aline Morin, former Assistant Chief Nurse, has been cited for meritorious achievement while serving as Chief of Nursing Service at the Station Hospital, Headquarters Support Activity, Saigon, during the period from 18 February 1965. She received the award (from CINCPACFLT in the name of the Secretary of the Navy) at Naval Hospital, Newport, R.I., where she is now Chief Nurse.

LIFE BEGAN on 23 September for Pamela Tyree Mathews, 7 lb. 7½ oz. daughter of LT Carter Mathews (OB-GYN) and his wife Frances. . . on 26 September for Stacy Marie Snider, 8 lb. 3 oz. daughter of LT Walter Snider (Anesthesiology) and wife Elizabeth. . . and on 1 October for Philip Andrew Bassham, 6 lb. 12¼ oz. son for LCDR Harold Bassham (Radiology) and his wife Joyce.

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Stepped-up military service has increased demands on Red Cross and USO. USO in the Bay Area is now serving over 50,000 servicemen per month. More clubs are needed in Vietnam. Red Cross handled 34,300 cases at 9 military bases and hospitals in the Bay Area, giving over a million dollars in financial help.

Three Knollites Make Ensign, MSC



Commissioned an ensign in the Medical Service Corps 21 September, Joseph R. Steiner, long a mainstay of Education and Training, departed 23 September for Bethesda for four weeks of officer indoctrination. Naval Hospital Bremerton, will be his first assignment as a commissioned officer. The former HMC's wife Diana was with him when the change from rate to rank took place.



Michael B. La Masters, who made the switch from HM1 to ensign while assigned to StaffPers, will go to Naval Hospital, San Diego, after indoctrination at Bethesda. His wife Sharon was with him for the commissioning ceremony.

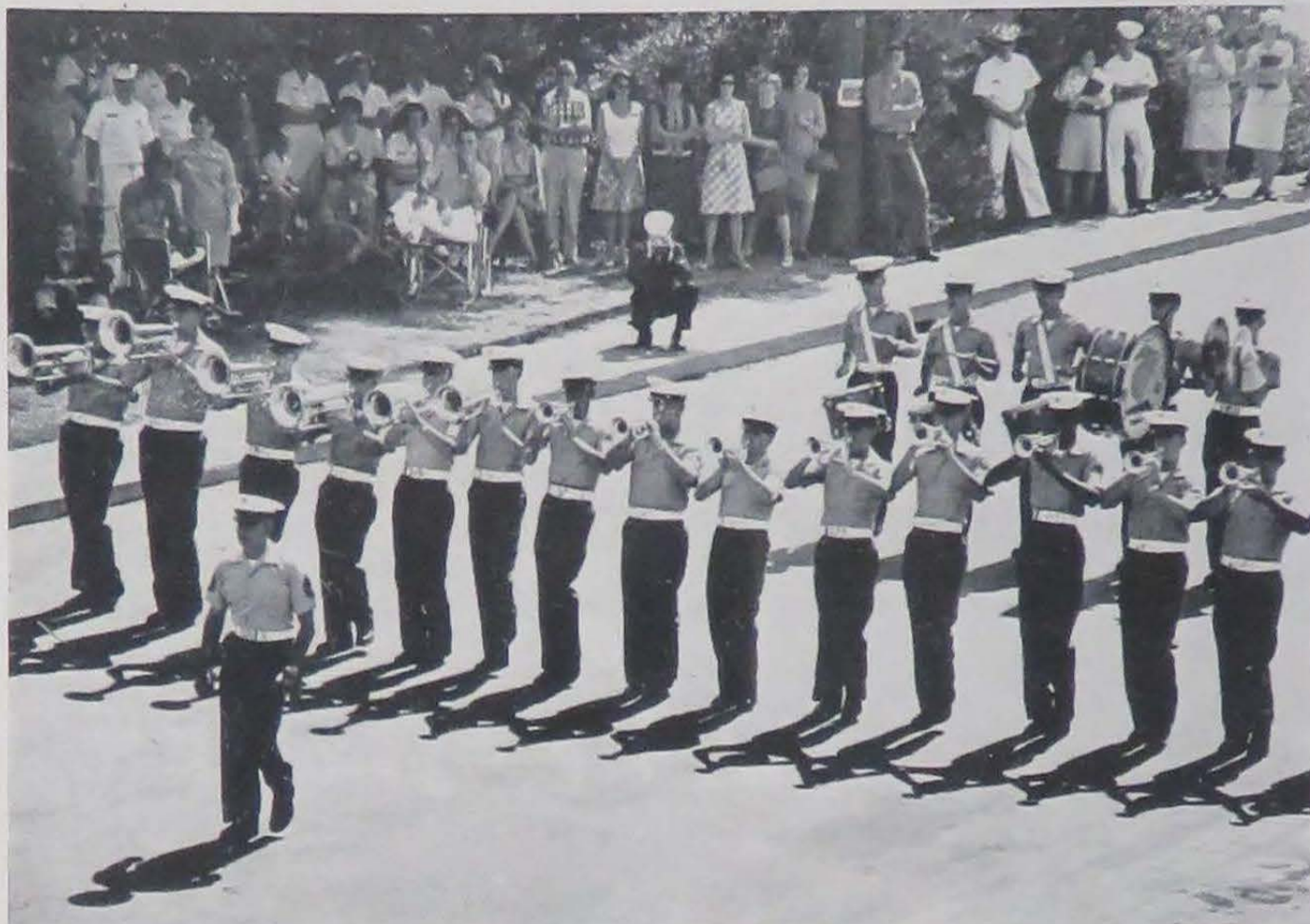


PMT instructor, Whitney P. Thomas, will be assigned to Naval Air Station, Lemoore, following completion of his officer indoctrination. Among those on hand to celebrate his promotion from HMCS to the rank of ensign were his wife Rae and daughters Terry and Vicki.

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Did you ever think the child at the bottom of that pool might be yours? The Red Cross teaches lifesaving and saves lives. The United Bay Area Crusade supports Red Cross.

Drum and Bugle Team Serenade



Members of the Fleet Marine Force Pacific Drum and Bugle Corps cast an interesting shadow as they serenaded Oak Knoll patients last Thursday morning. The program included something for everyone—from "Everything's Coming Up Roses" to "Semper Fidelis." The precision team led by GY/SGT Donald B. Farmer, USMC, is home based in Hawaii. It has performed for heads of state and audiences throughout the Pacific area for the past 13 years, but probably no group has enjoyed its music and drill work more than the one assembled in Gendreau Circle.

Sailing Anyone? NAS Alameda Has the Boats

The Boat House at NAS Alameda was a flurry of activity over the September 24-25 weekend as 70 sailboats, comprising eleven classes, took part in the Small Yacht Racing Association of San Francisco Bay Regatta. The event sponsored by the NAS Alameda Sailing Club in conjunction with the Encinal Yacht Club, was part of the regularly scheduled summer racing series of the Bay Area.

Representing Navy were four Pac's 21 from Alameda and two Rhodes 19 from Treasure Island. The former are 21-foot fiberglass sloops which comprise part of the NAS sailboat fleet. In addition the club has four Lido 14 and several El Toros for beginners or those who do not mind a little salt spray.

The San Francisco Bay is one of the world's greatest sailing areas. All hands at Oak Knoll, beginners or experts, are cordially invited to take part in this Special Service Activity. Boat rentals are only 25 cents an hour.

LT E. M. Barreras of the Medical Service is an enthusiastic sailor and member of the NAS Alameda Sailing Club. For further information, call him at Ext. 398 or call the club president, LT D. W. Johnson, USN, at 523-2200, Ext. 4305.



A PLEASANT DUTY for Admiral Cokely when he met with civilian supervisors was to present checks to, from left, Mrs. Edna L. Hudson, clerk typist at the Pediatric Service; Willie Adams, truck driver, and Sam Horton, laborer in the Maintenance Division; Victor Pardoe, and George Stamp, painters. Mrs. Hudson received \$15 for her idea for punched name plates, which result in more efficient filing. Mr. Adams earned \$25 for suggesting a stabilized rack to carry I.V. bottles in a secure position in ambulances, relieving the need of an attendant to maintain the position of the bottle while transporting stretcher patients. Mr. Horton earned \$15 for his suggestion of an improved way to reduce litter throughout the compound through better signs on trash cans.

Mr. Pardoe and Mr. Stamp shared a \$160 superior achievement award for their combined efforts in achieving a simplified and less costly method of refinishing hospital beds. Their initiative and teamwork resulted in highly efficient and economical completion of the project and attainment of a record of production not previously accomplished. Their efforts resulted in a savings of approximately \$3,165.



THE CO PRESENTED sustained superior performance award checks of \$100 to Mrs. Geneva Tuggles (left) and Mrs. Ophelia Majors, laborer cleaners in the Nursing Service; and Clois Forester, Fiscal and Supply stockman.

Navy News Roundup

EIGHT-YEAR SERVICE RULE PUT ON ELIGIBILITY FOR CPO—The Navy has set an eight-year minimum time in service requirement for first class petty officers going up for chief, effective with those who will be taking the advancement exams next February. It will not affect those now being selected for CPO off the August 1966 exams. The new exam dates and regulations are contained in BuPers Notice 1418 of 26 September.

RETIRED PAY HIKE MAY REACH 4%—The retired pay raise to come in December will be at least 3.5%, Defense officials said this week; it may even reach four per cent. Men entitled to retired pay on 30 November and earlier would benefit if the raise becomes effective 1 December, as expected. Those who retire for non-disability on 30 November, however, will have their retirement date set at 1 December, and will probably not qualify for the raise because of an old law which says men retiring on any day of a month will automatically go on the retirement rolls the first day of the following month and will be paid according to the rate in effect for that day.

MILITARY MUSEUM PARK PLANNED IN WASHINGTON—A military park is planned on a 610-acre site on Maryland's shoreline of the Potomac River by the Smithsonian Institution. It would be called the Armed Forces Museum Park and cost about \$40 million.

RIVERS SAYS, "FRANCE SHOULD PAY FOR PULL-OUT"—Chairman L. Mendel Rivers and a special House Armed Services subcommittee recommended a hard line in dickering with France on the withdrawal of 71,000 American servicemen and their families. Rivers said France should pay our expenses, as a result of our being asked to move out of France by next April 1. In addition, said Rivers, American equipment should be recaptured from the French services, spare parts should be withheld, no more intelligence information should be supplied, and France should be made to pay its almost \$7-billion war debt to the U.S.

HAIL-FAREWELL

ENLISTED DETACHED:

HMC George O. Canning to FMSS MCB Camp Pendleton, Ca.
HM3 Ralph W. Driggs to 1st MarDiv.
HN's Richard R. Apelt, Raymond D. Smith, Clayton C. Pape, and Zane P. Miller to FMSS Camp Pendleton, Ca.
HN's Dennis M. Newington, David L. Elliott, Richard W. Bell, George R. Guinn, John W. Scott, and David B. Prescott to Mare Island Naval Shipyard, Vallejo, Ca.

ENLISTED REPORTING:

HM1 Efen T. Tatad from ATKON 145 NAS Alameda.
HN's Benjamin C. Apilado and Virgil D. Barnes from HCS Great Lakes.
HN's John W. Paffler, Jack L. Barritt, Stephen H. Scholl, Steven "J" Lloyd,

Kenneth M. White, Alvin D. Reittig, Timothy A. Vandyne, Roy A. Ladner, Samuel (n) Guerrero, James L. Schulte, and George S. Braun from HCS San Diego.

OFFICERS DETACHED:

LCDR D. R. WALK MC USN to NavHosp Cp Pendleton.
LCDR W. T. VEST CHC USN to USS REPOSE (AH-16).
LDR N. H. PARKER MC USN to civilian life.
CAPT R. P. NADBATH MC USN to USS REPOSE (AH-16).
CAPT J. K. HALL DC USN to RepNav Support Activity, Taipei, Republic of China.
LT M. L. CHAMBERLIN CHC USN to ComNavSupport Activity, Saigon, Vietnam.

COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN REPORT

We're lagging in the Combined Federal Campaign. At presstime hospital personnel had given only \$6,258 or 44.7 per cent of the goal of \$14,000. The average gift to date has been \$10.21, but only 613 or 19.5 per cent of us out of a possible 1,550 have participated. LT Joseph R. Mulvey, chairman, expects these figures to mount today when keymen bring in their reports, but we still have a long way to go. Our gift is to be divided among nearly 200 United Bay Area Crusade agencies (including Red Cross and USO), the National Health Agencies, and International Service Agencies—CARE, Project HOPE, Radio Free Europe, and the American-Korean Foundation, etc. Each of these agencies needs our help. Each insures a better, healthier life for ourselves and our loved ones, and besides we want our command to be listed among the 100 percenters. Don't forget that you may give through painless payroll deductions. Sign up today.

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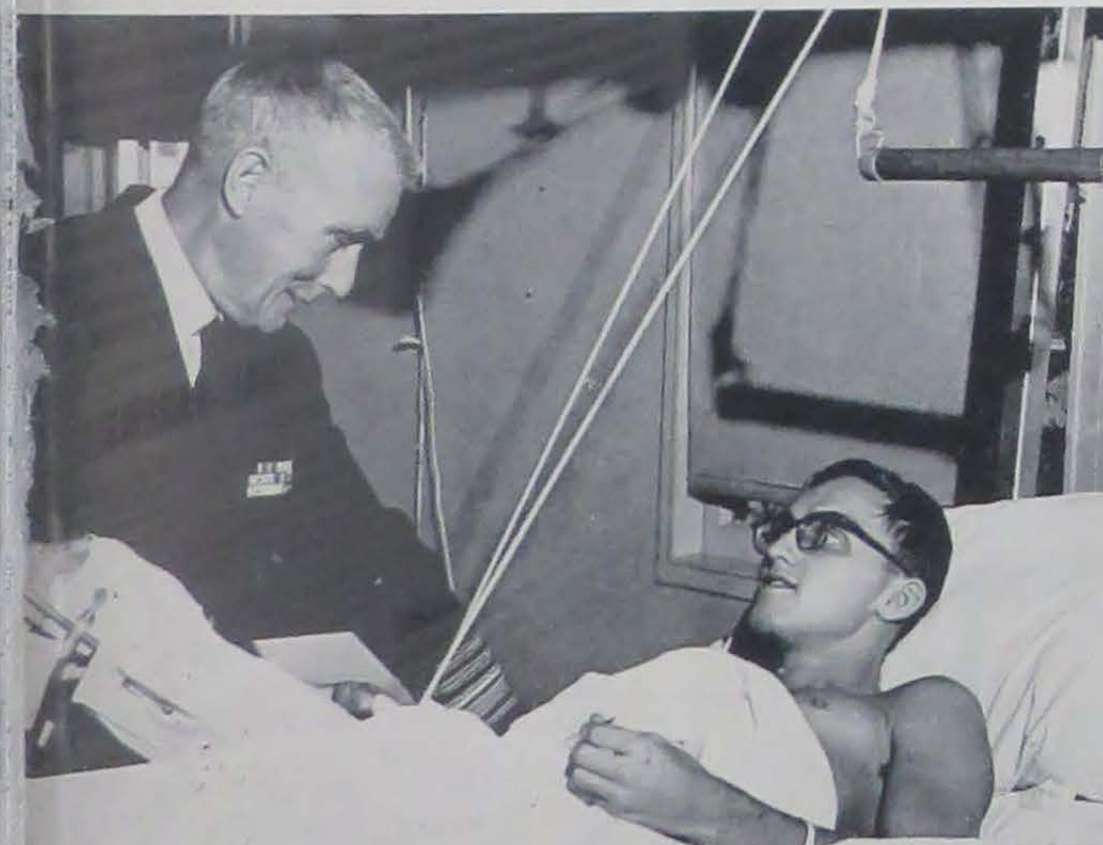
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The OAK LEAF

SG Checks Progress of New Hospital, Speaks to Staff



Vice Admiral Robert B. Brown (center) toured the new construction with CDR Jack Wright, ROICC, and Admiral Cokely.



During his tour of the wards the Surgeon General paused for a chat with HN Terry C. Long of 76A. Long is one of the many hospital corpsmen wounded in Viet Nam. He is from Siletz, Ore.

Personnel Shortages Key Problem for Navy's Top Doctor

Vice Admiral Robert B. Brown, MC, USN, Surgeon General of the Navy and Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, visited Oak Knoll 12 October, coming across the Bay from the American College of Surgeons 52nd Annual Clinical Congress, which brought him to San Francisco at this time.

This was the top-ranking Navy doctor's first official visit to Oak Knoll since he assumed the duties of Surgeon General in March 1965. He had previously visited the hospital while serving as Deputy Surgeon General.

The Admiral was most interested in observing progress at the construction site. He also toured the Navy Prosthetic Research Laboratory and visited patients in the Orthopedic wards, where Oak Knoll has its greatest concentration of Vietnam casualties.

At 1100 the Surgeon General spoke to a capacity crowd in the auditorium.

He referred with great pride to the accomplishments of members of the Medical Department in Vietnam.

In his talk, he included something for everyone as he outlined future plans affecting members of the Medical Corps, Dental Corps, Nurse Corps, Medical Service Corps, and Hospital Corps.

"We are taking measures to relieve personnel shortages—our key problem—and to improve conditions for all branches of the Medical Department," Admiral Brown said. "The corpsman situation is the most critical."

He spoke with deep concern of the necessity of sending corpsmen to Vietnam as early as two months after they complete Hospital Corps School but indicated that measures are being taken to alleviate this necessity.

The Surgeon General was highly complimentary in his remarks about Oak Knoll, indicating his comments were based on observations made from his vantage point in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery as well as from his brief visit.

After being introduced by Admiral Cokely as the busiest man in the Navy, the Surgeon General pleased his audience by saying he was willing to bet the auditorium was filled with people who could honestly argue this point.

A noon luncheon attended by the Chiefs of Services concluded the Surgeon General's visit.



"The key problem is personnel."

Cornstalks and Pumpkins At the EM Club

Cornstalks, pumpkins, and witches on broomsticks will decorate the EM Club for the Halloween dinner dance 29 October. A steak dinner at 2000 will begin the festivities. A four-piece orchestra will play for the dancing. There'll be prizes for the best costumes of course.

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Gay Nineties Theme For November Gala

On the EM social calendar for Saturday night, 26 November, is a gala event with a Gay 90's theme.

According to HM2 Terry Cooper, Chairman of the Enlisted Recreation Committee, the "quiet charm of yesteryear" will prevail at this, the first big ball of the season.

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Want Culture? Sports? See Special Services

Special Services has tickets for various Bay Area cultural and sporting events for distribution to staff and patients either free or at special rates.

Watch the Orders of the Day for events and dates, and call Ext. 593 to reserve your tickets.

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Yule Party Chits Must Come In!

Final day to turn in chits for the Staff Children's Christmas Party is 15 November.

These chits must be returned to Special Services so your child will receive a gift from Santa on 19 December. Exceptions will be made only in the case of families reporting aboard after the 19 November deadline.

The Oak Leaf

Naval Hospital, Oakland, California

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

The first chapters of Genesis in the Bible tells us the story of Creation. God creates all things, placing man at the top of Creation and giving him "dominion" over all things. So it is that God established between the first human couple a personal relationship. It is a relationship which distinguishes man from the animal creation: God speaks to him; God entrusts him with a responsibility. Thus God makes man a free being: man alone in all the creation can say "yes" or "no" to his Creator. But God reserved an area which is for Himself alone—for God alone knows what is good and evil: He alone knows all things. Man (you and I) must recognize and accept his limitations as creatures. It is in obeying his vocation as MAN, in not trying to go beyond it, that he will know true liberty, that he will be able to taste the fruits of the Tree of Life.

Like that first couple, who tried in effect to "play God," humanity (ourselves included) is going to become a world of spinning tops: each man thinks first of all of himself; little tops which prevent the creation of any real community. Big tops: one clan up in arms against the other; one power against another power. And all these turning round and round themselves in a closed circle. In detaching ourselves from God we have destroyed love; we have destroyed all true liberty in human relationships.

The Bible shows us what happens when we allow this attitude to grip our lives—destruction ensues. Yet God speaks to each of us—calling us to a new relationship of love in the fellowship of the Christian Church. Here we can strip off the masks of prejudice, fear, inferiority and others—and become the free man or woman for which we were created. If we will but give God a chance! Your Chaplains are available to talk with you about this if you so desire.

—CHAPLAIN JAYNE

O' Wives Hear George Mardikian; Give Cookies

George Mardikian, famed San Francisco restaurateur, author, and patriot, received a standing ovation at the close of his 5 October talk to the Officers' Wives' Club.

Mr. Mardikian, the Armenian immigrant whose San Francisco restaurant, Omar Khayyam's brought him fame and fortune, spoke of his joy at living in America.

"The most beautiful gift I ever received was my citizenship paper."

He spoke of the importance of close family ties, strongly advocating parents having dinner regularly with their children. TV dinners he deprecates not only for their taste but as a sure way to destroy family unity.

Mr. Mardikian declined an honorarium since he was speaking to the wives of naval officers, and in return the club made a contribution to the Boy Scouts, his favorite organization. An autographed copy of Mr. Mardikian's book, "Song of America," one of the door prizes, was won by Mrs. H. A. Sparks.

A special guest at the luncheon was Mrs. Marian Conklin, ARC Field Director, to whom the club presented a station wagon load of homemade cookies for distribution to the patients.

TI Setting for Club's November Luncheon

Casa de la Vista on Treasure Island will be the meeting place for the Oak Knoll Officers' Wives' Club Wednesday, 9 November, when Mrs. Barbara Thyberg speaks about "Do-it-Yourself Decorations for Christmas." Active in the annual Christmas decoration



George Mardikian posed happily with Mrs. H. J. Cokely (left), Mrs. J. C. Rosborough (program chairman), and his book, "Song of America."

Know Your Staff



Brown-eyed, dimple-cheeked, 20-year-old Olivia Horta, an HM3 as of Monday, was born and schooled in Globe, Ariz. She joined the Navy—"Well, because there was so much to see and do . . ." She saw Bainbridge, Md., and Great Lakes, Ill., then came to Oakland. The Allergy Clinic was her first assignment, Outpatient Clinic her second.

Olivia loves Oak Knoll, but she looks forward to leaving next summer when her fiancé, HM2 Warren Graton (former Knollite) returns from Naval Hospital, Guam. They'll be married soon after his discharge 4 June and will make their home in his home state of Minnesota, where he plans to continue his education.

Writing letters to Warren and to her brother, who is with the USAF in Thailand, keeps Olivia busy after working hours. But she also finds time for sewing and art needlework. Her drawings and decorations have added beauty to enlisted personnel social events.

Oh yes. That well-dressed poodle in Olivia's arms (lucky dog) is the pet of Jean Aitken, LVN, of 40B.

show at the Oakland Auditorium, Mrs. Thyberg has many ideas to share with the local ladies.

Write Right Now—Your Letter May Be a Winner

"I know when my country calls I must go. For each time the aggressor stalks the weak and goes unchallenged, the hobnailed boots of oppression tread one step closer to me and mine."

S/SGT Gerard R. Eder, USAF, wrote the above lines. They were part of his 500-word letter to Freedoms Foundation last year. He received \$1,000 for his letter on "I Am an American."

You, as a serviceman or woman on active duty, may win a cash prize and a trip to Valley Forge, Pa. The subject this year is "Defending Freedom Safeguards America." Write or type no more than 500 words on this subject, using only one side of the paper. Be sure to print or type your name, rank, military address and home address. Mail entries to Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pa., 19481. But do it NOW. The deadline is 1 November.

In addition to the top award of \$1,000, there are 50 awards of \$100, 50 more of \$50. Runners-up will receive the George Washington Honor Medal or Honor Certificate.

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Red Cross Sponsors Christmas Stocking Project for Vietnam

You can be a Santa overseas via the American Red Cross "Operation Shop Early" project. The object of the operation is to provide Christmas "stocking bags" for the servicemen stationed in Viet Nam. Under Red Cross sponsorship, military personnel may prepare the gift bags for servicemen to be distributed by Red Cross overseas. The Red Cross will provide the postage, address and mail the parcels.

The gift bags should be drawing type, size 12" x 13", of red or green materials and filled with small gift items. Some suggestions are stationery, ball point pens, playing cards, games, plastic cigarette boxes, etc. The contents of the bags should be as uniform as possible and should not exceed \$2.00 to \$2.50 in value. After the gifts are wrapped for mailing they may be brought to Red Cross office #220 in Building 38.

Groups are encouraged to make the bags and fill them or to make a monetary contribution to Red Cross designated for Project Operation Shop Early. The deadline for parcels is November 1 to insure delivery before Christmas.

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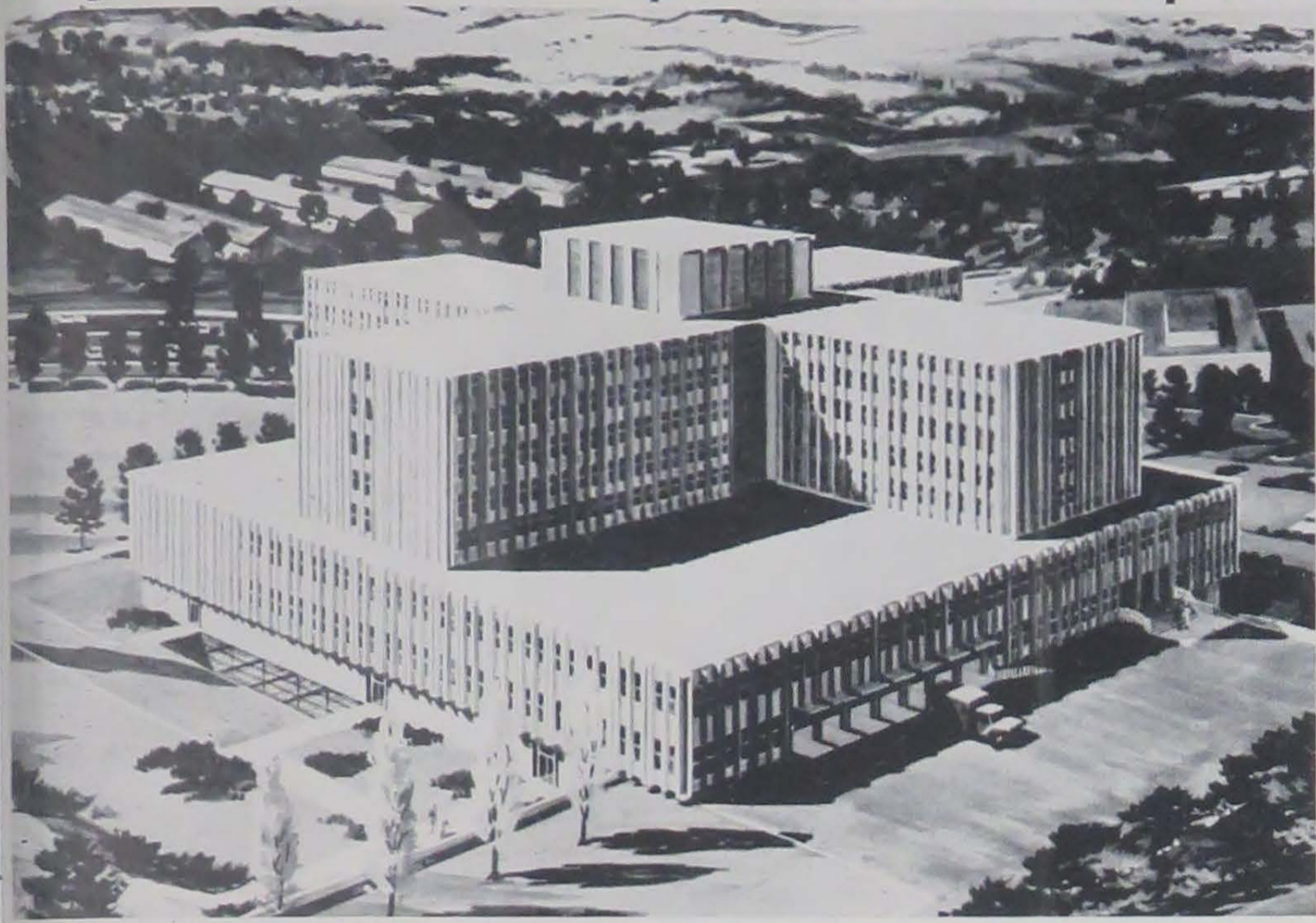
Chocolate Bar Barrage From St. Elizabeth's

The yellow school bus that came through the main gate Monday and rolled into a parking spot near the Orthopedic Service was from St. Elizabeth's High School. Besides 30 members of the school's sophomore class, it was loaded with hundreds of almond-filled chocolate bars, which were delivered to the patients.

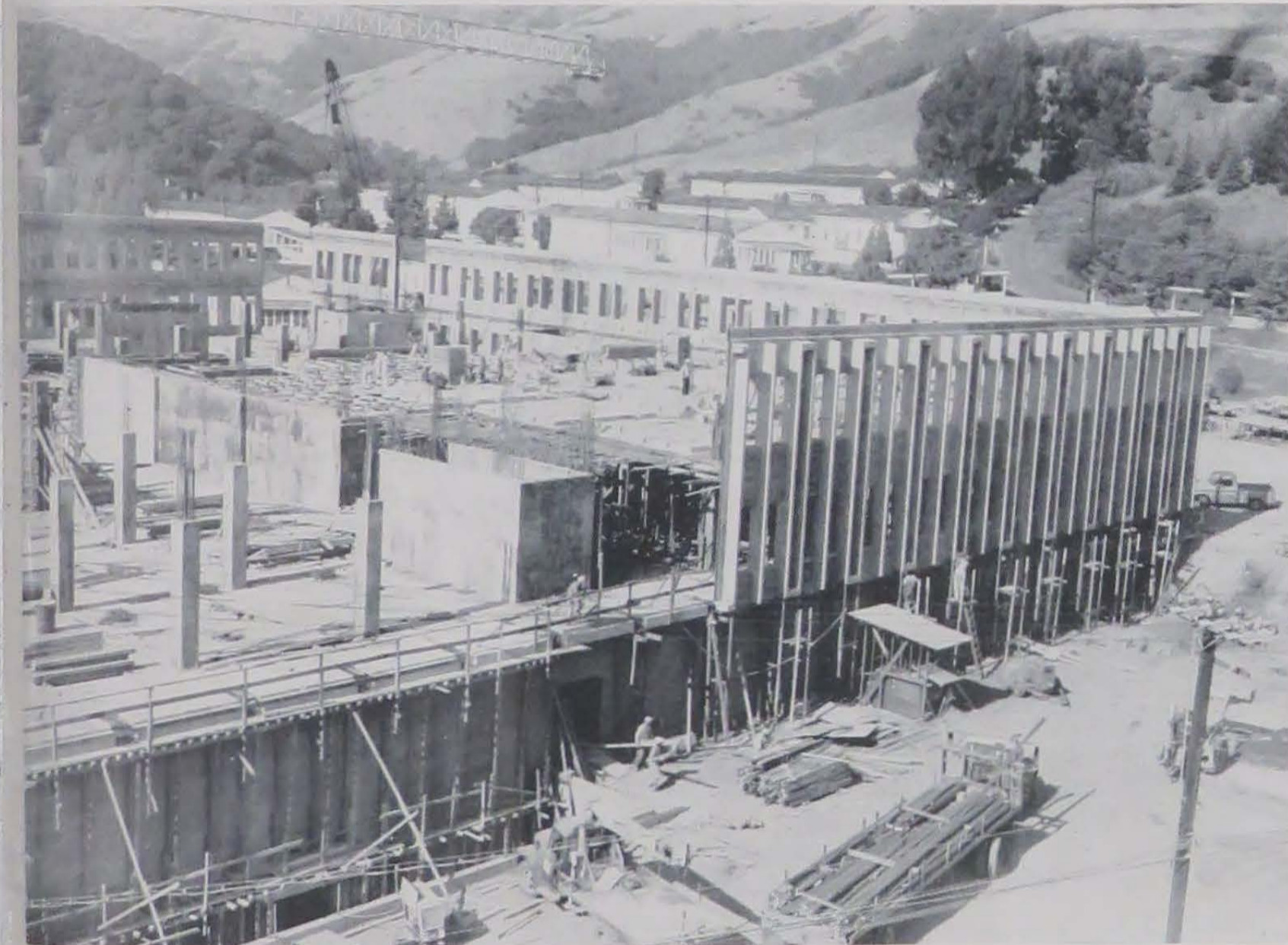
The class conducted a "chocolate drive" in which they raised money—and chocolate—to make their gift possible.

Progress Report: New Hospital 26 Percent Complete

Scuttlebutt



This is the artist's rendition of the new hospital as it will appear from a point above and behind the present Preventive Medicine Technician School. An exercise area for patients is on the roof in the foreground.



This view shows the same corner of the new hospital as it appeared from Barracks 129 early this month. At the left is the third floor. Forms are being erected for the fourth floor at right. Two-story precast concrete wall panels are in place on the near and far sides and on the rear of the building. One is being set in place at the far corner. The patients' exercise area so plainly shown in the artist's view above will be at the level of the top of these two-story panels which also show the level of the fifth floor. The box-like structure in center foreground is a stairwell. At the lower center, workmen coming out the door are dwarfed by the size of the building. The door leads to refrigerated and dry storage spaces for the galley. The truck shown in lower center is delivering a load of reinforcing steel for the fourth-floor slab.

Work on the new building is 26 percent complete, according to CDR Jack A. Wright, CEC, Resident Officer in Charge of Construction.

RANDOM NOTES: HMI Donald Pickinpaugh of the Laboratory has reenlisted for another 4. . . . Lorraine Ratto, Oak Knoll's position classifier, has shed her casts. She fractured both elbows in a fall on the steps of Bldg. 105. . . . Former staffer HM3 Sergio Noriega will claim Miss Louise Rose Mary Nobriga as his bride Saturday, 29 October. Oak Knoll friends are invited to the Nuptial Mass at 1200 in St. Bernard's Catholic Church, East 17th St. and 62nd Avenue, Oakland. . . . Even before PFC Bobby Gutierrez, USMC, arrived from Vietnam, he caused something of a stir. Mrs. Smith in Frank Sinatra's Hollywood Office called the OOD, and asked that Gutierrez telephone her the minute he arrived. Considerable speculation here. Simple solution. The young Marine had written Mid's husband from Vietnam saying he'd like to take in his show sometime. The urgent call was to let Gutierrez know two tickets are being held for him for the 9 November show at the Sands Hotel, Las Vegas! . . . At the recent job fair downtown Oak Knoll's exhibit featured large photos of (1) The new hospital as it will appear in 1968, (2) Mary Fuller, medical technician on the job in the Laboratory Service, and (3) Alice McGough, nursing assistant, with a plump young pediatric patient.

OAKNOLLUMNI: CDR Leslie H. Joslin, MSC, former Oak Knoll AO, has been selected for promotion to captain's rank. The commander is presently serving as AO at Naval Hospital, Memphis, Tenn.

NAVY EXCHANGE HAS EVERYTHING NOW! The beauty salon carries all colors and sizes of wigs. Prices range from \$39 to \$100, says beauty operator Joyce Overstreet, who will help the ladies decide whether to be brunettes, blondes, or red-heads, and reset the wigs for a nominal fee.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: What star bowler's ball was taken from the bowling center and by whom returned?????

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Mr. Wilson: The Administrative Assistant to the Chief, Outpatient Service, was honored at a luncheon complete with crab salad and a candle-lit cake on 2 October. Said the happy honoree, "I couldn't have been more surprised if you'd had it on my BIRTHDAY—20 October." Needless to say, members of his staff were even more surprised than he. They had requested his birthdate from an office which shall remain unidentified but in which that important zero key on the typewriter had been touched too lightly.

LIFE BEGAN on 5 October for Tina Marie Lakins, 6 lb. 13½ oz. daughter of Security's HM2 Gerald Lakins and his wife Joan . . . on 6 October for Alicia Marie Jurczak, 6 lb. 13 oz. daughter of LT Dennis Jurczak, MC, of Neuropsychiatry Service, and wife Diane . . . on 11 October for Bruce Allen Bristol, 6 lb. 3 oz. son of Security's HM1 Robert Bristol and his wife Georgia . . . on 13 October for Lisa Ann Sayre, 6 lb. 12¼ oz. daughter of HM2 David Sayre of PT and wife Marjorie.

Yule Gifts for Overseas Should be Mailed Before 10 November

Families and friends of Armed Forces overseas should mail their Christmas gifts early to facilitate their arriving on time. Senders utilizing regular postage rates should mail their gifts between 21

October and 10 November. Air mail gifts should be on their way no later than 10 December.

Parcels for Vietnam that weigh no more than five pounds and mea-

sure no more than 60 inches in length and girth combined may be mailed at the ordinary postage rate and be transported by air on a space-available basis between San Francisco and Vietnam.



Firemen Ed Campbell and Clarence Wheat show civilian employees from Building 133 the proper way to extinguish a gasoline fire. This was one of a series of demonstrations conducted by the Oak Knoll Fire Department during Fire Prevention Week. More than 250 members of the staff received practical instruction in the choice of the proper extinguishing agent for fighting different classes of fire. Fire Chief E. R. Meier was in charge of the local Fire Prevention Week observance, which included films shown on the wards and a cleverly-presented exhibit calling attention to fire hazards in the home. This display was seen by hundreds of military personnel, dependents, and civilians who passed through the Navy Exchange lobby during the week.

Know Your Staff



Meet Mike Moses of the Northwest. Born in Longview, Wash., and schooled in Newport and Portland, Ore., Mike enlisted 7 November 1963. He arrived at EENT School via San Diego (Boot & Corps School) and Lemoore Station Hospital. Upon graduation from EENT School he received all the honors—in fact, he was the entire class. Now he scrubs in surgery in the Eye Operating Room, has an understudy, and is enthusiastic about his work! "We're like a happy family here, and every day one can learn something new."

Not that all is work for the six-foot, dark and handsome corpsman, who'll sew on his crow 16 November. After hours he loads his poppy-red '65 Mustang with patients and takes them for excursions around the area. And he enjoys bowling.

The future for Mike will be closely related to the present. He is interested in the Navy Nurse Corps program, and he occasionally considers the possibility of becoming an MD.

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Father: The man who marries my daughter will get a prize.
Corpsman, eagerly: May I see it, please?

Hilltoppers Play At MI Thursday

With QB Charles Deshields the only veteran football player back this year, the Hilltoppers are not the well-knit organization that Ken Moffett has coached to victory in years past.

"But we are gradually showing improvement, and you may tell your readers that a good rooting section could give us the push we need to get onto the winning side of the scoreboard," the coach said.

The "Toppers" to date have played three games and lost three. They were scheduled to play Coast Guard here yesterday.

Local gridders will play at Mare Island 27 October against the powerful shipyard team. On 3 November they will pit their strength against Hunters Point on the local field. They play Naval Weapons Station, Concord, there 10 November and Hunters Point there 17 November.

All games are played Thursday afternoons—at 1600 while Daylight Saving is in effect, at 1500 after 29 October.

Practice is daily from 1600 until dark.

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Coach Seeks Players For 12ND Badminton, Handball, Basketball

Attention all badminton players! Twelfth Naval District competitions for both men and women are coming up in November. The exact dates have not been announced, but Treasure Island has tentatively been chosen as the location for the women's tournament and Alameda for the men's.

A district handball tournament will be held in the near future.

Coach Moffett is also looking for basketball players to form a team for league play.

Please call Ext. 593 to sign up for these sports.



Fire Captain Byron Harrison delivers a packet of fire prevention tips to Mrs. Glenn Ellis at Quarters O. Thousands of leaflets containing practical fire safety suggestions for home and work areas were delivered to all wards, departments, and quarters on the compound during Fire Prevention Week.

HAIL-FAREWELL

- OFFICERS REPORTING:
- CDR C. C. Atkins, MC, from Naval Station, Kodiak, Alaska, for duty in Surgical Service.
 - CDR E. R. Black, DC, from Navy Dental Clinic, Pearl Harbor.
 - LT R. S. Chan, MSC, from Naval Station, Treasure Island, for duty as optometrist.
 - CAPT R. P. Dobbie, Jr., MC, from Naval Hospital, Memphis, Tenn., for duty as Chief, Surgical Service.
 - LT L. R. Frary, MC, from USS BRYCE CANYON (AD-36) for residency training in the Urology Service.
 - LCDR G. M. Hinderer, CHC, from 1st Marine Division, FMF.
 - LCDR V. M. Holm, MC, from Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, Ill., as Chief of Neuropsychiatry.
 - LT J. E. Jones, MC, from 3rd Marine Division, REINF, FMF, as a resident in Anesthesiology.
 - LCDR C. D. Lufkin from Commander, Fleet Activities, Sasebo, Japan, to Pediatric Service.
 - LCDR C. R. Morris, MSC, from BuMed as Chief of the Personnel Division.
 - LT M. A. O'Keefe, MC, from 3rd Medical Battalion, 3rd MarDiv, REINF, as resident in Orthopedics.
 - LT W. D. Roche, Jr., MC, from USS ISLE ROYAL (AD-29) as Resident in OB-GYN.
 - LCDR R. L. Tenney, MC, from NAS, LeMoore, Calif., as resident in Urology.
 - LT H. A. Wells, MC, USNR, from 3rd MarDiv REIN, FMF, for duty in the Medical Service.
 - CDR A. E. Wiggs, II, MC, from Naval

Men's Bowling Team Almost Wins Over Last Year's Champs

—by HM2 G. E. Cartmell

The hospital bowling team lost all three games to Mare Island—last year's 12ND champs on 10 October, but two of the games were decided in the last frame.

Leading the Mare Island team was Brewster, with a 222 game and 588 series. Tautalatasi of the hospital team took top honors with a 201 game and 559 series. Total pin fall was 2689 for Mare Island and 2575 for Oak Knoll.

Individual scores:

Vosseler	175	156	145	—476
Franz	159	157	190	—506
Dixon	215	134	174	—523
Tautalatasi	179	179	201	—559
Cartmell	158	183	170	—511

The Knollites won one and lost two when they bowled at Naval Weapons Station, Concord, Monday night.

Bowlers and their scores:

Jacuean	155	166	155	—476
Franz	201	147	134	—482
Dixon	158	103	160	—421
Tautalatasi	129	148	182	—459
Cartmell	?	?	?	—?

Hospital, Charleston, S. C., to Ophthalmology Service.

CDR J. M. Young, MC, from Bureau of Medicine and Surgery for duty in the Medical Service.

ENS J. R. BENE, MSC, USNR from NavMed Sch, NMMC, Bethesda to Laboratory Service.

LTJG Christina H. de la Pena, Philippine Navy Observer, Nursing Administration.

LCDR F. J. KLEEMAN, MC, USNR from inactive to Urology Service.

LCDR H. L. SCHNICK, CHC, USN as a Staff Chaplain from MST5 PAC.

OFFICERS DETACHED:

LCDR T. J. MALUEG, MC, USNR to NavSta, Treasure Island, San Francisco.

LCDR W. C. BOOP, MC, USN to Nav Hosp, Great Lakes, Ill.

CDR Tae-Sue AN, MC, USN to Republic of Korea.

CDR J. J. STEVENS, MC, USN to active.

LCDR J. R. CASTRO, MC, USN to active.

ENLISTED DETACHED:

HM1 Clifford R. Woods to AntaSurv ActRep NCBC, Davisville, R.I.

HM3 Fred Fisher to Inactive Duty in the NavRes.

ENLISTED REPORTING:

HM2 John F. Losey from NavAuxLd Fld, Monterey.

HN's Robert W. Baird, Carlos Rodriguez, and Fred E. Turner, and Gregory Glasby from HCS San Diego.

Marine Corps 191st Birthday

Marines at Oak Knoll and throughout the world will observe the 191st Birthday of their corps Thursday, 10 November. Martial music and a cake-cutting in the auditorium at 1245 will mark the birthday for members of the corps under treatment or on duty here. In accordance with tradition, the cake, to be baked at Treasure Island, will be cut by the youngest and oldest Marines in attendance. They will be assisted by Capt. Dean Schufeldt, Oak Knoll Executive Officer. General R. O. Bear, USMC, Retired, will be here to represent the Commandant of the Corps. Following the anniversary observance, cake will be served in the wards to Marine patients unable to get to the auditorium. Wives of officers at the TI Marine Barracks are making birthday cakes to make sure the supply fills the demand.

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Friday, 4 November, 1966



HOLLYWOOD COMEDIAN JOHNNY GRANT flew up from the south Saturday to entertain the patients—and who wouldn't if he were accompanied, as Johnny was, by seven lovely young models often seen on television in bit parts and commercials. Photo (1) shows jovial Johnny with L/CPL Bryant Foster, USMC. Photo (2) records a happy meeting between L/CPL Charles Lear of Big Rapids, Mich., and Karen Crumbaker—Miss Michigan of 1959. In (3) CPL Richard Inks, USMC, is happily surrounded by Tippi Hedron and Thordis Brandt, but in (4) CPL Raymond Lopez, USMC, seems somewhat shy as Chris Noel stops to chat. All photos are by personnel of 49A. See story, Page 2.

Anyone for 12ND Talent Contest?

Talented hospital patients and/or staff members are wanted for the Twelfth Naval District Annual Talent Contest.

Singing, dancing, instrumental music, comedy, impersonations, drama, and variety acts are eligible. An act will consist of an individual performer or group of performers able to present a performance in good taste and of an entertaining nature. Such groups will consist of not more than four performers. Acts should be limited to six minutes.

Auditions will be held in the Oak Knoll auditorium at 1300 2 December. Semi-finals will be held at Rawlings Theater, San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard, Hunters Point at 1000 5 December. Finals will be held at the same location at 2000 6 December.

Suitable awards will be presented to the winner, runner-up, and third and fourth places.

Call Special Services NOW if you wish to sing, dance, or act for the glory of Oak Knoll—and for fun!

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Tickets for Opening of Coliseum-Complex

A gift to Special Services—150 tickets for the opening night of Oakland's new coliseum-complex Sunday, 20 November at 2000!

The program will feature a galaxy of stars—Gaylord and Holiday, the Righteous Brothers, April Stevens and her brother, Nino Tempo, and many others.

Tickets not used by patients will be available to staff.

Jacobs Departs



JO2 Joel Jacobs reported to the CO's office, camera in hand, the morning of 21 October, but this time the picture was to be of him. Jacobs was detached to Mare Island that date. He took with him a letter of appreciation from Admiral Cokely for his contributions as staff photographer. "You have covered hundreds of events for the OAK LEAF. Many of your photographs have appeared in Bay Area publications and in NAVY TIMES. Your work has served to boost the morale of patients and staff and to enhance the hospital's reputation in the community." The CO's letter further noted that many of Jacob's assignments were after regular working hours and that on many occasions he gave his own time to meet OAK LEAF deadlines.

It wasn't "goodbye" when Jacobs checked out, for he'll be coming back frequently. His wife, Barbara, is a Corps Wave on duty here.

Captain Sparks, Chief of Medicine, Glad to Be Back in Native State

"With enthusiasm we are rediscovering California," said CAPT Henry A. Sparks, a native who entered the Navy from Sacramento and is now serving his first tour of duty in the Twelfth Naval District.

Doctor Sparks, Oak Knoll's new Chief of Medicine, grew up in Placer County and went to the University of Southern California Medical School, Los Angeles, earning his MD in 1948. He interned at Naval Hospital, Long Beach, and had residency training at Bethesda, served on the staff of Commander, Naval Forces, Far East, in Korea, with Mobile Surgical Team No. 1 in the Pacific, at San Diego, Camp Pendleton, and Bethesda, where he was Chief of Medicine just before coming to Oak Knoll.

But the highlight of his years in the service is a 30-month tour of duty at Tripler Army Hospital, Hawaii.

"We had ample opportunity to travel through the islands. We were there to observe the statehood ceremonies and to witness one of Kilauea's most spectacular eruptions. We saw the ravages of a typhoon and a tidal wave or tsunami," the Captain reported as though the scene were right before his eyes.

Doctor Sparks met his wife, Betty May, at USC while she was preparing for a teaching career. They now have a family of five. Mark, 18, is in his first year at Laney College and assists as lifeguard at the Oak Knoll pool. Nelson, 13, goes to King Junior High. Sandra, 10, goes to Howard Elementary, as does Hawaii-born Matthew *Makaala, 7. Theresa, 3, stays home.

*"The name Makaala means



CAPT Henry A. Sparks, Oak Knoll's new chief of medicine—certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine in June 1958 and a Fellow of the American College of Physicians.

'alert eye.' It was given him by Hawaiian friends," the Doctor explained, while the OAK LEAF reporter decided this boy probably looks very much like his father.

Asked about his hobbies, Doctor Sparks revealed that for 30 years, off and on, he has been an enthusiastic builder of radio-controlled model aircraft. He looks forward to getting back to flying them whenever he can find a suitable field. Another favorite pastime for the busy doctor is "diggin' and plantin'" vegetables and flowers.

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Naval Hospital, Oakland, California

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

HIT OR MISS

Life is much like the game of bowling. Practice makes perfect! We spare ourselves for the best and become the striking type when we are on the ball and the straight and narrow. This means staying out of the gutters. To stray into the gutter inevitably brings defeat; we end up in the pit. Possible victory thus becomes sure defeat.

We can never be a striking personality and a split one at the same time. We are either striking, sparing, splitting or missing. To succeed we should be striking; the only way to get a turkey. How nice it is to eat turkey!

Aim to be a striking personality not a split one. Victory depends upon it. Spare yourself the pain of a split. Never miss! This is best accomplished by knowing the right angle as you stay on the straight and narrow; the sure way to success in bowling or living.

Abraham Lincoln may have succeeded after splitting and George Washington after chopping, but they later triumphed with striking success and consistent performances. The moral is—Don't let a little old split or miss foul you up, for you can still score well by getting a turkey with a striking performance.

—L. C. M. VOSELER
Senior Chaplain

Johnny Grant and Bevy of Beauties Invade the Wards of Oak Knoll

Lively, laughter-producing Johnny Grant came up from Hollywood Saturday for a leisurely visit to the wards. He brought along a movie showing his visit to the troops in Vietnam. It was produced and directed by—Johnny Grant.

Not only did he bring the film; he also brought girls—Tippi Hedren, Chris Noel, Claudia Brack, Sharon Huguency, Thordis Brandt, Rita Thiel, and Karen Crumbaker. If they looked familiar, it was because they frequently appear on television, advertising everything from beau-

ty products to the 1967 Mustang.

They autographed casts, chatted quietly, or assisted the less quiet Mr. Grant as he let loose with the levity. They were dressed in white lace, black silk, striped blue wool dresses—short, shorter, and mini.

They met the CO, who presented Mr. Grant a Letter of Appreciation for his three morale-boosting visits to the hospital in less than a year. After being entertained at luncheon at the Officers' Club, they continued ward rounds until time to board the Special Services station wagon for the trip back to the airport.



COMPLETING X-RAY TECH SCHOOL last week were, second from left, HNs Robert M. Morrison and Norman G. Adkins, HM3s Anthony Martin and Steven E. Waggoner, HM2 Aaron C. Ferguson, and HM3 David L. Kase. Ferguson, honorman of the class, and Adkins will remain at Oak Knoll. Morrison was ordered to USS ISLE ROYALE (AD 29), Martin to Okinawa, Waggoner to Formosa, and Kase to nearby Mare Island. Photographed with the class—CAPT Dean Schufeldt, XO, who presented the certificates; CDR M. W. Olson, Chief of Radiology, and HMC William H. Case.



NEW AT THE RED CROSS LOUNGE—a Seeburg Discotheque Junior Phonograph, stocked with the latest tunes! No coin is needed to order one's favorite record—the player responds to the press of a button. The sparkly Discotheque will provide music for regular Tuesday evening dances and other parties at the lounge. Harrison M. Terry, right, Oakland representative for the Seeburg Sales Corporation of Chicago, came out to make the official presentation to Admiral Cokely. The Discotheque is one of 10 presented by Seeburg to naval hospitals and hospital ships where Vietnam wounded convalesce.

According to a letter from the Chief of Naval Personnel, Seeburg's generous gift is "to express appreciation for the outstanding manner in which Naval Personnel execute their assigned tasks and to help our hospitalized shipmates enjoy another source of entertainment so as to enhance their spirit and ability to relax."

Naval Institute Announces Maritime Photo Contest

All photographers—amateur or professional, military or civilian—are invited to submit entries in the U.S. Naval Institute's maritime photo contest. Entries must be received by 31 December. A prize of \$100 will be awarded to each of the 10 winners, and each winner will be published in a special pictorial section of the March 1967 Naval Institute PROCEEDINGS.

Any photograph of naval or maritime subjects may be submitted, providing it was taken in 1965 or 1966. As many photographs as desired may be entered. They may be either black-and-white prints or color transparencies. Minimum size for prints is 5 x 7. Minimum transparency size is 35mm.

The contestant's name and address must be printed or typed on a separate sheet of paper and attached to the back of each print or printed on the transparency mount.

Photos not awarded prizes may be purchased by the Naval Institute, with payment at the normal rates. Those not purchased will be returned after the judging.

Mail entries to Photo Contest Editor, Naval Institute, Annapolis, Md., 21402.

Among winning entries last year were a Gulf Stream seascape and shots of the Navy's Blue Angels, a Polaris submarine crew member greeting his wife on his return from a cruise, the SS UNITED STATES, and a Marine Corps color guard.

Know Your Staff



Jo Ann Lawrence, 23-year-old LVN, has lots of likes—the Navy ("I'd still be in if rates had been open."), the outdoors, football, the Dodgers, "people watching," the basketball trophy she earned at Oak Knoll (by default), her pixie haircut. ("It's easy to manage and doesn't get in the way when I'm caring for my patients on 65B.")

"The most unusual thing about me is that I graduated from the American Dependents' High School in Madrid, Spain, while my father was in Civil Service there with the USAF. We traveled through Europe, mostly camping—my parents, two brothers, and I. It was wonderful."

As a staff Wave, the blue-eyed blonde served in the Intensive Care Unit from June '62 to November '64; so she needed no introduction to Oak Knoll when she returned last April as a Licensed Vocational Nurse.



L/CPL Cecil J. Wyatt, USMC, 21, is wearing a new decoration. He is one of 39 Vietnam casualties recently initiated into Oakland Chapter 7, Disabled American Veterans. Past State Commander John Engberg presented the corporal his membership pin, and CAPT Dean Schufeldt offered congratulations. The ceremony was repeated as Mr. Engberg and the XO passed through the ward.

American flags—gift of the local DAV Chapter—flew over each bed for the occasion. Following the ceremony, which was attended by state and local DAV officials, Mrs. Helen Sparrow, Oakland DAV Chapter chaplain, served refreshments to the new members and their guests. She was assisted by wives and fiancées of the patients.

Wyatt's wife Linda, a frequent visitor, lives in Santa Rosa.

New Crows and Chevrons for Corpsmen As Result of August Examinations

Many Knollites moved up or will move up a rung on the ladder toward success as a result of their marks in August exams.

Sewing on their crows 16 October were Ernest Culley, Olivia Horta, David Huelsmann, Alan Schloss, Michael Spinella, and Thomas Stevens. Moving up 16 November will be Martha Almaraz, Michael Moses, Louis Sanchez, Bonnie Sexton, Gerald Shepherd, and James Taylor. Those who'll make HM3 on 16 December are Stephen Luster, Eddie Murray, John Myers, Francis O'Hearn, Gordon Smith, and Larry Witheer. January and February promotions to HM3 will include

Calvin Lindley, Thomas Mantey, Richard McMurray, Roger Weiher, and Tina Day.

Already wearing bright new HM2 chevrons are Efrem Andres, Steven Crittenden, William Dixon, Anthony Graham. Going up on 16 November will be Julia Blackwell, David Debella, and John Potts. Donna Patton will make HM2 in mid-January and Arthur Town in mid-February.

Francisco Melchor and Charlie Williams look forward eagerly to 16 January when they'll make HM1, and on that date Richard Burnham will trade in his white hat for the hard hat of an HMC.

Happy 78th Birthday Mrs. Ella Rose!

Ramp-tramping. This is what Mrs. Ella Rose, Red Cross recreation volunteer, calls her twice-weekly trips to Wards 76 and 74 to visit and play the piano for the patients.

Mrs. Rose, who recently celebrated her 78th birthday, has been a Red Cross volunteer at Oak Knoll for the past 16 years. With her daughter, Mrs. Gloria Hewitt, she has served the patients in various ways—from hostessing at the Red Cross lounge to teaching piano lessons. As she demonstrates a new puzzle, passes out punch, or expresses her opinion with a typical twinkle, it seems appropriate to wish her a very happy birthday and thank her for the many delightful years she has shared with Oak Knoll. And of course wish her a great many more years of happy ramp-tramping.

A "Well Done" for HMCS Levy (Ret.)

When HMCS Russell S. Levy returned to civilian life 3 October after 23 years in the Navy, he took with him the CO's letter of appreciation for work well done. The chief was at one time a member of the PMT Course staff. During his last 18 months of active duty, he was Leading CPO of Staff Enlisted Personnel, where his "excellent leadership, initiative, devotion to duty, and pleasant manner contributed a great deal to the successful operation of a busy department and the entire hospital."

Chief Levy has accepted a position with East Bay Municipal Utility District but maintains a close relationship with Oak Knoll. His wife, Katharine, an Oak Knoll WAVE during World War II, is the ENT receptionist. They have two sons—Richard, 19, a junior at the new U. C. Santa Cruz campus, and Bob, 16, a student at Bishop O'Dowd High.

Scuttlebutt

IT TOOK US A LONG TIME, but we finally got the word. On 30 July LT Martha Jean McMasters of NP Service became the bride of Charles B. Curtis, a reservist now working at Camp Parks Job Corps Center, Pleasanton. They were married at Church of the Wayfarer in Carmel, and upon their arrival at Highlands Inn, they were greeted with the news that they were that internationally-known resort's 25,000th honeymoon couple. They were given a whirlwind tour of the Peninsula, were honored guests of the inn for three days, and are the subject of a two-page spread in the October issue of GAME & GOSSIP, a Monterey Peninsula resort magazine.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES: WAVES shopping for galoshes at Navy Exchange. . . . All hands looking forward to 11 Nov.—a holiday dedicated to veterans and enjoyed by everyone. . . . Corpsmen consulting the palm reading expert (??) on duty at the EM CLUB. . . . The Special Services crew celebrating Halloween by saying Happy Birthday with cake and ice cream to their boss, ENS Don Thorson. . . . Officers' wives looking forward to learning some holiday decorating tricks when they hear Mrs. Barbara Thyberg speak at their TI luncheon meeting next Wednesday. . . .

OAKNOLLUMNI: CDR John L. Young, MSC, former Knoll Legal Officer now serving as AO at Naval Hospital, Guam, has been selected for promotion to captain.

LIFE BEGAN on 19 October for Britton Payne Taylor, II, 5 lb. 12¾ oz., son of LT Britton Taylor, MC, OB-GYN Service, and wife Harriette. . . . on 20 October for Erik DuPen Price, 6 lb. 12 oz., son of LCDR Richard Price, MC, Pathology Service, and wife Karen. . . . on 24 October for Laura Diane Peloquin, 5 lb. 7¼ oz. daughter of LT William Peloquin, MC, intern, and wife Joyce. . . . on 26 October for Marc Piero Sandri, 6 lb. 12¾ oz., son of LT Piero Sandri, MC, intern, and wife, Angela. . . . on 28 October for Karen Jean Huelsmann, 7 lb. 14¼ oz., son of Laboratory's HM3 David Huelsmann and his wife Kathryn.



LCDR Jess W. Bromley, MC, USN, was detached Monday, taking with him the best wishes of his many friends at Oak Knoll, where he interned, had his residency training in internal medicine, and served since May 1963. He also took with him the CO's Letter of Appreciation for outstanding performance of duty as Head of the Cardiology Branch, Medical Service, and as Head, Outpatients Medical Clinics since April. Doctor Bromley "effected many improvements which enhanced the level of patient care and increased the hospital's capability of accomplishing its mission," Admiral Cokely's letter stated.

The letter took special note of the Code IV Emergency Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Unit Dr. Bromley designed and put into use. "Much of the effort in designing and creating this unit was done on your own time and at your own expense," the CO wrote.

A former Utah resident, Dr. Bromley is a graduate of Brigham Young University and University of Utah Medical School, where he received his MD in 1958. He will practice internal medicine in San Leandro, and he and his wife Elaine will continue to live in Hayward with their four children—David 7, Lynn, 6, Richard, 4, and Susan, 3.



DISTINGUISHED VISITORS to the Navy Prosthetic Research Laboratory on 25 October were COL Bu Ngoc HOAN, Chief Surgeon, Republic of Vietnam, right, and MAJ Le Thuoc THIEN, Commanding Officer, Thu Duc Hospital, Vietnam. Their escort officer was COL George T. Britton, USA, from Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco. Charles Asbelle was their guide at NPRL, where they were much interested in new procedures and rehabilitation methods.

Know Your Staff



"The Navy is a very interesting and educational experience, and I'm proud to be a part of it," said HM1 Junious Rubenstiene Josey, Jr. "All the same, you might say the highlight of my career was getting this." His eyes twinkling, he took from his pocket a well-worn piece of paper—his letter from the Chief of Personnel approving his release from the service 11 December 1967.

The soft-spoken North Carolina-born PO in charge of the CO's mailroom was raised in Kansas City, Mo., graduated from Lincoln High ("That's where I found my wife, Juanita"), and Lincoln JC. He had one semester at Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Mo., before he was drafted. In 18 years he's had assignments too numerous to mention, but his greatest claim to fame, he volunteered with a chuckle, is that "I've never had duty aboard ship."

At boot school at Great Lakes Josey became a GM striker, but an explosion at the Ammo Depot at Portsmouth, Va., and a long stay in the Naval Hospital there led to his becoming a corpsman. In the interval between release to inactive duty in 1946 and recall during the Korean War, Josey worked in the Post Office in Kansas City. (No wonder he handles his job here with ease and efficiency.) In recent years his service has been almost entirely with the Marines. He reported to Oak Knoll 7 December 1965.

A job is waiting for Josey at the VA Hospital in Kansas City. Also waiting for him are his daughters—Maxine and June Ramona—and five grandchildren ranging from 5 months to 10 years. His retirement plans also include more time to read, more time to watch the sports in which he was once a participant.

HAIL-FAREWELL

OFFICERS REPORTING:
LT C. F. Glover, MC, USNR, from inactive duty to Medical Service.
LT A.C. Borawski, LTJG A. L. Carnes, and Ensigns B. A. Krzewinski, P. A. Durban, M. E. Byrnes, M. P. Duffy, E. B. Greene, S. E. Elrod, C. A. Kloecker, M. M. McKenzie, and C. A. Wear of the Nurse Corps, reported from Navy School of Indoctination, Newport, R.I.

OFFICERS DETACHED:
CDR D. R. Buechel, MC, to Naval Hospital, San Diego.
LT J. N. Allen, NC, to USS SANC-TUARY.
LTJG R. L. Boyle, MSC, to 5th MarDiv (Reinf) FMF PAC.
LCDRs F. L. Benoit, J. W. Bromley, B. H. Lloyd, and W. W. Boucher, MC, USN, to inactive duty.
LT L. W. Rice, MSC, LT P. B. Menges, DC, LTs C. M. Conger, NC, and LTJGs M. D. Holden, A. H. Zdziarski, and E. A. Prosperini, NC, to inactive duty.

Leisure World

by HM2 Theresa Cooper

This is your enlisted roving reporter back again.

The Halloween Party at the EM Club was a huge success. Ski Lubarsky took first prize with his mummy costume. Bee Foley, as a scarecrow with a sign "The Great Pumpkin is coming," took second.

Dave James, new club manager, is proving his ability to handle the assignment. He knows how to be diplomatic and at the same time get the job done. You will enjoy the things he plans for the future. Watch for the announcement of a Waves' night at the club.

And now—about the GALA the night of 26 November. This will be a night to remember. You'll see the return of Ted Lewis, Sofie Tucker, Louis Armstrong, and of course Mr. America himself—George M. Cohan. Can you guess who will appear in these old familiar roles? Come and see. Our Oak Knoll Drill Team will make its debut. Team leaders are HM1 Jim Turner and HM2 Jo Turner. LT Palmer is the drill instructor. Local talent will be supplemented by professional—all this and dinner and dancing too.

Baby sitters will be available. Mark the date—26 November—a night to remember. And remember you are wanted and needed on the recreation committee. NOW!

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Sports Report

Basketball practice starts Monday in the gym at 1630, and the first 12ND League game will be played here 29 November at 2030. Coach Ken Moffett's Hilltoppers will play NWS, Concord, on that date. He's certain it will help if Knollites turn out to root for their team. "Crawford and DeShields are back from last year, and we hope to have a good turnout of newcomers.

The coach sadly reports that because of lack of players, Oak Knoll has dropped out of 12ND football.

Badminton players are still needed for 12ND competition. The men's tournament is scheduled for 16, 17, and 18 November at NAS, Moffet Field. The women will compete at TI 29 and 30 November.

Call the coach at Ext. 593 for further information.

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Knoll on TV —In San Diego

The KOGO-TV Special, "If It Isn't War," will be aired on Channel 10 Saturday, 5 November from 8 to 8:30 in KOGO color.

Extensive footage taken at Oak Knoll, San Diego, and Travis will be shown. Films of rescuing of wounded in Viet Nam are being supplied by the Navy and Marine Corps.

The program was written and narrated by KOGO Newsman Barry Simmons, who incidentally, is the son of Helen Simmons of the hospital staff. It was filmed by KOGO Director of Documentaries Ed Precourt.

Bowling Champion "Whitey" Harris Heading This Way

Jerome "Whitey" Harris will be aboard 19 November to show Knollites the techniques that have made him one of the country's top-flight bowlers.

Mr. Harris, for many years captain of the famous Budweiser team, introduced bowling in the Far East, Australia, England, and other countries.

He will meet patients and staff, their dependents and guests, at the local Bowling Center Saturday, 19 November beginning at 1300.

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Big Game Tickets Still Available

Tickets are still available at Special Services for the U.C.-Stanford Big Game in Berkeley the afternoon of 19 November. Regular \$6 tickets are half price to hospital personnel.

40-Year Men



CHARLES FOREMAN, leading man in Public Works, and Paul Drukenbrod, power plant controlman, were called front and center at the CO's October meeting with civilian supervisors to receive their 40-year pins in recognition of faithful service. In addition, each received a letter of appreciation from the Navy Surgeon General and from the CO. Mr. Foreman served nearly 21 years in the Navy, retired with the rating of Chief Metalsmith, and a month later—on 17 March 1947—joined the hospital staff. Mr. Drukenbrod served more than two decades in the Navy, coming out as a LTJG on 17 March 1947. He became a civilian employee the following day. Both men have worked up to their present positions and in doing so have received more than one superior performance award.



Francisco Celada of Food Service has made it to the 30-year milestone. Boyd Conyers of Food Service, Dan Freitas, Maintenance, and Ophelia Majors, Nursing Service, have received their 20-year awards. Paul Shumate of Food Service has reached the 30-year mark but missed the picture, as did James Barnes of Food Service, who has completed 20 years' Federal Service.



Vosseler, Tautalatasi High Scorers As Knoll Beats NSC, USCG

—By HM2 G. E. Cartmell

The Oak Knoll Men's Bowling team took three games from the Coast Guard 24 October, and Monday of this week again were victors, this time taking three games from Naval Supply Center Oakland.

In the Coast Guard match Chaplain Vosseler took top honors with 225, 237, 144 for a 606 series. Looking like contenders for the 12ND trophy, each bowler put together some good scores, with Dixon low man with a 525 series. Team average was a 183. (Would you believe there were no missing bowling balls?)

The scores follow:			
Vosseler	225	237	144—606
Dixon	146	179	200—525
Franz	170	181	184—535
Jucutan	189	175	192—556
Tautalatasi	186	183	167—536

Monday night found Tautalatasi in the lead with a 514 series. Total for the Oak Knoll Five was 2510, which averages out to a 167.

As of now the team is over the .500 mark with 7 wins and 5 losses. And NSC is complaining about having a 6-member team—They think "someone up there" is helping, what with Oak Knoll's senior chaplain being a member of the team.

The scores this week were:			
Vosseler	176	166	166—508
Jucutan	142	180	173—495
Snider	204	135	156—495
Tautalatasi	169	191	154—514
Cartmell	171	156	171—498

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It's Fun to Be A Slot-Car Fan!

Slot car enthusiasts say you haven't lived until you've tried this fascinating sport. Patients and staff may buy or rent cars at the local track (located in the Bowling Center building). The charge for use of the track is 25 cents per half hour, 45 cents if you rent a car. Cars may be purchased for as little as \$4.50, as much as \$9. Models are made for every taste.

Thanksgiving



CAPT James P. Semmens congratulates his prize-winning resident, LCDR Norman K. Takaki, and LT Carter W. Mathews, who assisted in studies that led to the award.

Dr. Takaki Wins Award for Best OB-GYN Resident Paper—Again

LCDR Norman K. Takaki, third-year resident in Obstetrics and Gynecology, won the Lloyd Brothers Award for the best resident's paper on a clinical research subject by an OB-GYN resident. He received the award at the annual meeting of the Armed Forces Chapter of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists held recently at Fitzsimmons Army Hospital, Denver.

This was the second consecutive year Dr. Takaki has earned the award and the fourth consecutive year it has been earned by an Oak Knoll resident. Previous awards went to LT Robert C. Cefalo and LCDR A. C. Rolan.

Title of Dr. Takaki's winning paper was "Indocyanine Green Liver Function Studies on Women Taking Oral Progestins." His 1965 paper was titled "Electronic Monitoring of Cervical Dilatations during the First Stage of Labor." Both papers were based on studies made at Oak Knoll.

LT Carter W. Mathews, second-year OB-GYN resident, assisted with the study that led to the winning award this year. The award consisted of \$250 and a suitably engraved plaque.

Three of the award-winning resident's Oak Knoll colleagues were in Denver to applaud his achievement. They were CAPT J. P. Semmens, Chief of OB-GYN, CDR J. F. Wurzel, and LCDR J. A. Olsen.

Dr. Takaki, a native of Hawaii, attended the University of Hawaii, earned his BA at the University of North Dakota, and his MD at the University of Kansas. He interned in Miller Hospital, St. Paul, Minn., and had a year of general practice in Monterey, Calif., before being commissioned in the Navy six and a half years ago. Since then he has served at Naval Hospital, Guam, with MSTs, Pacific, and at the Oakland Recruiting Station.

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Bronze Star for Dr. Huseby

CDR H. W. S. Huseby of the Orthopedic Service has received the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in Vietnam, where he was CO of Company B, Third Medical Battalion, Third Marine Division, from 7 May 1965 to 20 February 1966. The citation, signed by LTGEN V. H. Krulak, USMC, Commander FMF Pacific, covered that entire period. It spoke of Dr. Huseby's service in providing medical attention for Regimental Landing Team Four.

"Within hours, the medical facilities were in operation and supporting the land units in their operations to secure an area for the construction of Chu Lai Air Base. After initial operations were secured, a difficult project was launched to build a cantonment to provide adequate medical care, including facilities for the most recently developed surgical techniques.

"Working tirelessly under aus-
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Meritorious service in Vietnam.

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All Systems GO for 26 November EM Gala



WARMING UP for the can-can, which is sure to be one of the hits of the November Gala, are, from left, HN Grant Turner, HN Kurt Reith, HM3 Ski Lubarsky, and L/CPL Robin Seibert. Graceful?? Well, they're working on it.

Sounds of marching, singing, and "one-two-three-four kick!" are heard nightly at the EM Club, as members of the Recreation Committee prepare for the November Gala Saturday, 26 November.

Invitations, printed in silver on red, announce that the gala will begin with happy hour at 1830 and continue with an evening going back to the turn of the century and that attire will be formal or turn-of-the-century costume. There will be dinner, dancing to the music of Sammy Blanke, and a floor show featuring professional as well as local talent, and a finale that will be a big surprise.

HM2 Terry Cooper, who has master-minded many successful parties for enlisted personnel here during the past two years, is soon to leave for a new assignment in New Orleans. Asked for a preview of this one, which will be her "swan song," she seemed a little disorganized—a sure sign that everything will be shipshape the
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RADM H. J. Cokely, MC, USN, Commanding Officer.
 CAPT Dean Schufeldt, MC, USN, Executive Officer
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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

POWER FAILURE AT OAK KNOLL

I can recall when I was a boy in Ireland going to visit my grandmother who lived far out in the country. How well I remember thinking that my grandmother was not quite "with it," because in spite of the fact that she had every modern electrical convenience in her house, she was cooking her dinner on an old pot-bellied wood-burning stove. She must have read my mind by the look on my face because she soon informed me that although she had all this modern equipment, the electrical power had not yet been extended as far as her cottage, and so the equipment was useless.

Is this not a parable of many of our lives; we certainly have all the equipment; we are the best educated, best fed, best clothed people that the world has ever known and yet there is such a lack of power for the proper use of this equipment in the quest for contentment and success in our daily lives.

Perhaps part of the answer is provided by one of the world's greatest psychiatrists, Carl Jung. "During the past 30 years, people from all the civilized countries of the world have consulted me. Among all my patients in the second half of life—that is to say over thirty-five—there has not been one whose problem in the last resort was not that of finding a religious outlook on life. It is safe to say that every one of them fell ill because he had lost that which the living religions of all ages have given to their followers, and none of them has been really healed who did not regain his religious outlook." "To as many as received Him, He gave the power to become . . ." JOHN I:12

—Chaplain John Dalaghan

LT Rice Returns to Civilian Life — With CO's Letter of Appreciation

LT Loren W. Rice, MSC, USNR, returned to civilian life 25 October and the following week reported to Join Muir Hospital, Walnut Creek, as assistant administrator.

During nearly four years at Oak Knoll, Mr. Rice served as Chief of the Data Processing Division, where his "excellent leadership enhanced the reputation of the hospital."

The quote is from a Letter of Appreciation Admiral Cokely presented the young reservist the day of his departure.

"Your willingness to assist the chiefs of the clinical services and administrative divisions by providing statistical data necessary to the effective management of the hospital and the support of quality patient care has won you the respect and admiration of the entire staff," the CO's letter stated. The Admiral also commended Lieutenant Rice's significant research project, which required many months of effort, culminating in a proposal for a hospital information system applicable to naval hospitals.

"This research demonstrated your unique organizational ability and reflected your desire to make a lasting contribution to naval hospital administration," Admiral Cokely's letter stated.

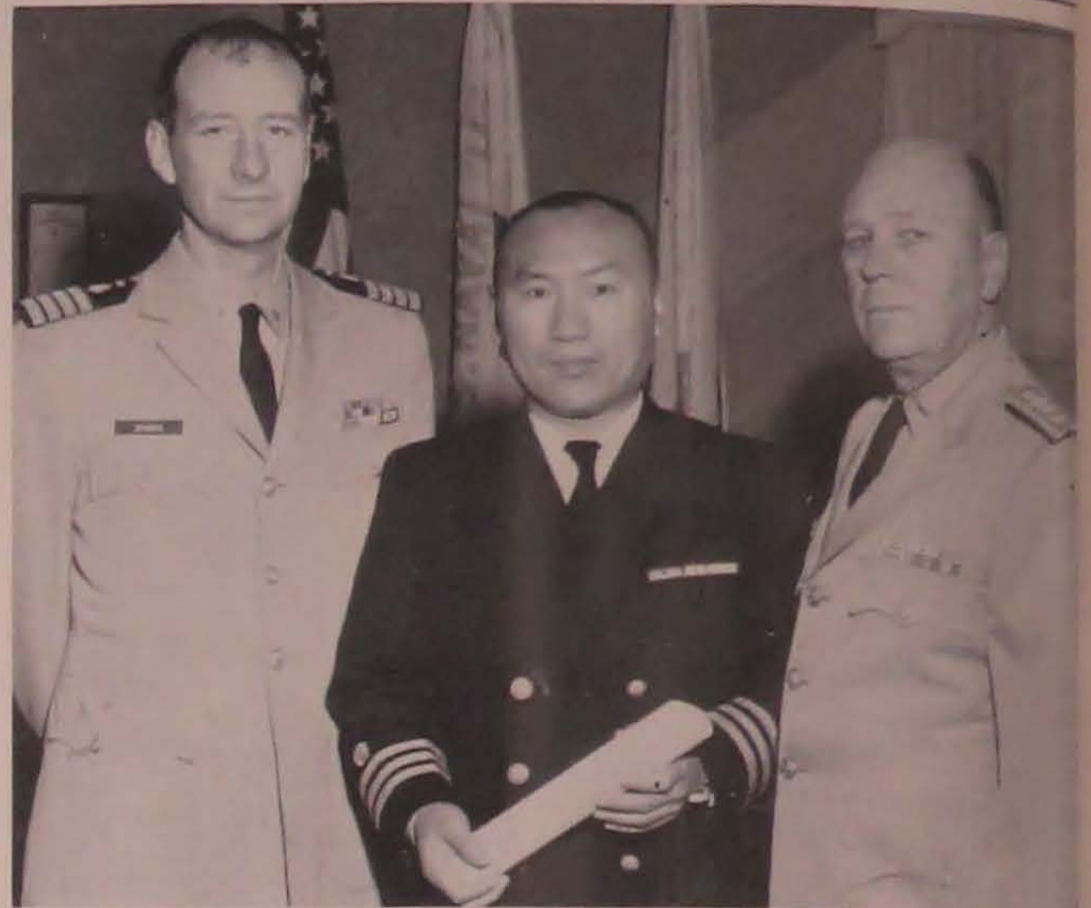
Mr. Rice earned both his BS and BA Degrees from Lewis and Clark College, Portland, Ore. (his home state) and his MA in Health and



For Mr. Rice—
a new job at John Muir.

Hospital Administration from the State University of Iowa, Iowa City. Following residency training at Virginia Mason Hospital, Seattle, he received his commission and orders to the Navy School of Hospital Administration, Bethesda.

Lieutenant Rice and his wife Barbara, residents of Oakland during his tour of duty here, will make their future home in Walnut Creek.



CDR AN Tae Su departed recently to resume his duties in the Korean Navy. He had been an observer-trainee in the Medical Service for the past year. With him when he received his BuMed Certificate from Admiral Cokely was CAPT Henry Sparks, Chief of the Medical Service. Although he enjoyed his stay here and "saw many sights in California, New York, and Washington, D.C." he was eager to rejoin his family in Chon-Nam, Korea, and to make use of knowledge gained during his stay here.

Christmas and Cookies On O' Wives' Agenda

The Casa de la Vista at Treasure Island was dressed in gay autumn colors for the 9 November luncheon of the Officers' Wives' Club. Wives of the Dental, Neurosurgery, and Orthopedic departments used fall leaves, chrysanthemums, and pyracantha berries as well as huge orange paper flowers in golden pots to decorate the tables. Mrs. R. A. Middleton was in charge of the decorations.

The program for the afternoon was a highly amusing and informative decorating demonstration by Mrs. Martinson, who, with some ordinary household items, and some unusual imagination, put together several centerpieces, flower arrangements, and door decorations.

Many, many cookies for the patients were brought to the meeting. They were donated by the hospital Nurses as well as the officers' Wives. These were distributed after the meeting.

Holiday activities for the Club will include a Christmas gift wrapping service for patients and enlisted personnel, located across from the Special Services office on the second floor of the Exchange Building. It will be open daily from 1000 until 1600 starting Monday, 28 November. The gift wrapping materials are furnished by Special Services, and the Officers' Wives will work under the direction of Mrs. H. A. Sparks.

Surgeon General to Spend Thanksgiving In Antarctica — Coldest Spot on Earth

The Navy Surgeon General, VADM Robert B. Brown, will be eating Thanksgiving dinner at the coldest spot on earth. He leaves for Antarctica today and will spend three days on the ice visiting medical officers and having his first look at the kind of medicine practiced at the polar continent.

Here's the Menu For Thanksgiving

If you're feeling famished, cast your eye on the Thanksgiving menu planned by CDR J. E. Honish, MSC, and members of his Food Service crew. Seafood cocktail heads the list, which also includes items such as vichyssoise, roast western turkey, giblet gravy, cornbread dressing, cranberry sauce, grilled New York steak, baked pineapple duckling, broiled frogs' legs provencale, snowflake potatoes, candied yams, lyonnaise green beans, buttered corn niblets, green garden salad, and dinner rolls. For dessert Oak Knoll diners may have pumpkin pie, ice cream, and/or mince pie.

Special services is providing mixed nuts, candy, and a colorful souvenir menu, the design for which was provided by former staff corpsman Fred J. Fisher.

O' Wives Bake Sale Coming 2 December

Home-made cakes, cookies, candies, and Christmas novelties, will be sold Friday, 2 December from nine until three in the lobby of the Community Services building. The sale is sponsored by the Officers' Wives' Club for their annual scholarship fund.

Mrs. L. C. M. Vosseler is the chairman for this sale.

On his return trip, he will stop off at Sydney, Australia, to attend the international meeting on aerospace sponsored by the Aviation Medical Society of Australia. He will also stop at Honolulu for conferences with Pacific Fleet Surgeon RADM John Cowan before returning to the states around 8 December.

112 Persons Attend PMT Course Seminar Here 4 November

One hundred twelve Navy and civilian medical personnel attended an all-day training conference dealing with preventive medicine here 4 November. Admiral Cokely welcomed the guests aboard and spoke of the renewed importance of preventive medicine to the armed forces in Southeast Asia. CDR Arthur N. King, MSC, Head of the Preventive Medicine Course, presided at the seminar.

The conference was sponsored by the Preventive Medicine Technician Course at Oak Knoll and the Disease Vector Control Center, Naval Air Station, Alameda.

Those attending were privileged to hear the following speakers:

CAPT Jack Millar, MC, Director, Preventive Medicine Division, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery; CAPT G. S. Stains, MSC, Officer in Charge, Disease Vector Control Center, NAS, Alameda; CDR Thomas Akers, MSC, Naval Medical Research Unit #1, Berkeley; LCDR D. W. Johnson, MC, Officer in Charge, Preventive Medicine Unit #6, Pearl Harbor; LCDR W. E. Frazier, MC, Officer in Charge, Preventive Medicine Unit #2, Norfolk, Va.; LCDR S. H. Barboo, Jr., MSC, Head, Sanitation Section, Preventive Medicine Division, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, and LT F. A. Santana, MSC, Disease Vector Control Center, NAS, Alameda.

Naval and Marine Corps activities in the 12ND were well-represented by Environmental Sanitation Officers and Preventive Medicine Technicians.

Symphony Box Seats Available Through 12ND Recreation

A recent ComTwelve Notice brings good news to Knollites who like music.

The 12ND Command Recreation Fund this year purchased a box (8 seats) for the 1966-67 season—a total of twenty programs.

The Symphony tickets are available to all active duty Navy and Marine Corps personnel in the 12ND and will be distributed on a first-come, first-served, basis.

A maximum of four tickets for one performance only will be available to any authorized participant. Each ticket will cost two dollars.

Each request for tickets will be accompanied by a check or money order payable to the Command Recreation Fund, Twelfth Naval District, Federal Office Building, San Francisco 94102, and will indicate the date of performance desired and an alternate date, the name, duty station, and telephone number where the participant may be reached.

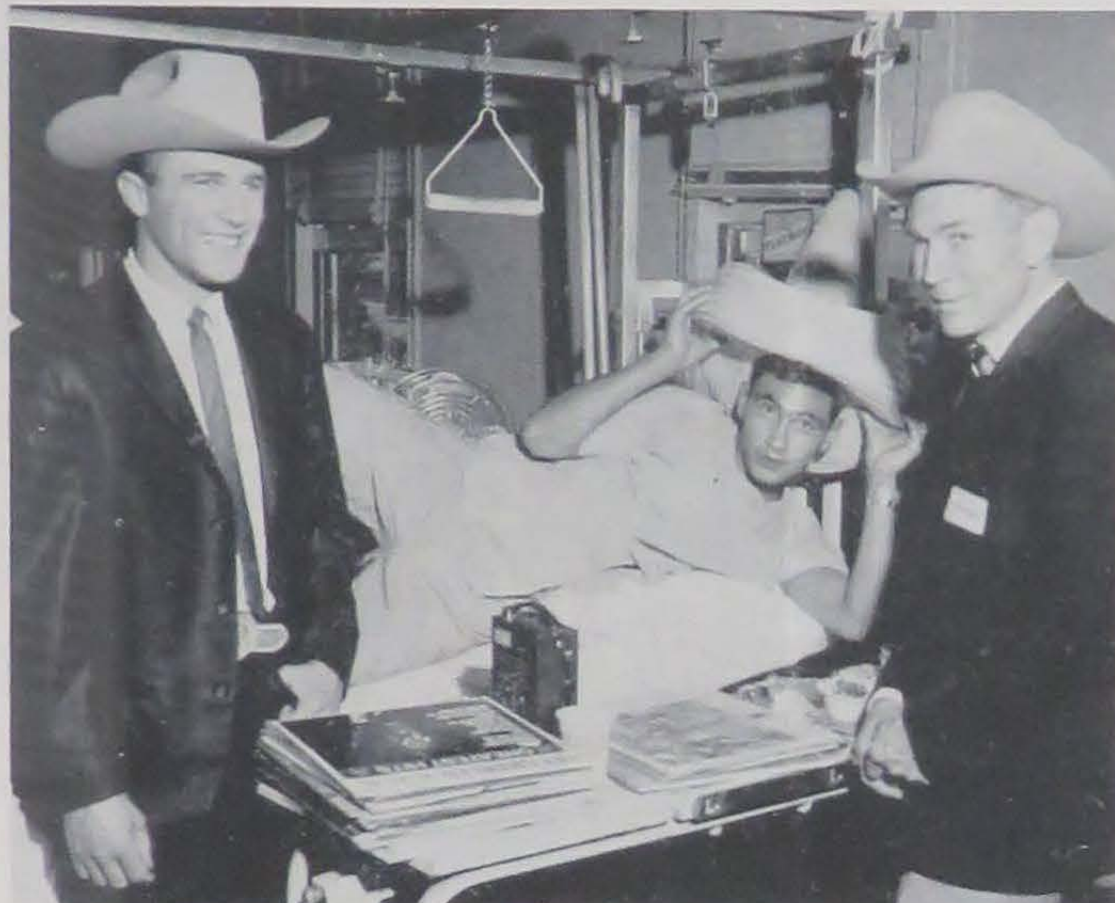
Deadline is two weeks prior to date of performance. A standby list will be established for each performance.

Although the prescribed uniform is preferred, appropriate civilian attire may be worn.

Concerts are on Friday nights



OVER FROM THE COW PALACE—Horsewomen Margo Robinson, Linda Rosser, and Karen Sanders; and rodeo stars Cotton Rosser, Larry Mahan, Wick Peth, Freckles Brown, Wilbur Flugger, and Shawn Davis. The cowboy in Navy uniform is MAC Don Schneberger.



Not to be outdone by champion cowboys Larry Mahan, left, and Freckles Brown, CPL Robert Garcia donned HIS broad-brimmed hat for the meeting.

Cowboys and Queens Visit the Patients

An all-star team of cowboys and horsewomen rode into Oak Knoll 4 November—in a station wagon—to cheer the wounded. Wearing boots, jeans, fancy shirts, and cowboy hats, they were a refreshing sight as they met the Admiral and then toured the wards chatting and autographing casts. They also toured NPRL.

In the group were:

Margo Robinson, queen of the 1966 Grand National Horse Show and Rodeo at San Francisco's Cow Palace.

Karen Sanders, queen of the English division of the horse show.

Cotton and Linda Rosser, owners of the Flying U Ranch Rodeo Company. Mr. Rosser was producer of the rodeo at this year's Grand National.

Larry Mahan, last year's champion bull rider and leading contender for the title of world's champion all-round cowboy.

Wick Peth, clown bullfighter—best in the business.

Freckles Brown, top bull rider in the country.

Wilbur Flugger, star of the Disney movie "Run, Appaloosa, Run."

Shawn Davis, last year's saddle bronc champion.

Their appearance here was arranged by MAC Don Schneberger, of Oak Knoll's Data Processing Division, who in his off duty time often functions as a rodeo and horse show announcer.

from 2 December through 26 May. Soloists include Yehudi Menuhin and Zino Francescatti, violinists, Robert Casadesus and Rudolph Serkin, pianists, and many other fine instrumental and vocal soloists. The complete program is posted in Oak Knoll's Special Services Division.

Promotions for Six

Six staff officers received word this week of their promotion to commander. The new three-strippers are: V. M. Holm, Chief, Neuropsychiatry Service; Daniel E. Hayes, Dental Service; and R. C. Colgrove, W. A. Elliot, H. W. S. Huseby, and G. P. Sierchio—all of the Orthopedic Service.



ETI Leslie Stults has autographs to remind him of the visit of two charming young ladies—Margo Robertson, queen of the 1966 Grand National Horse Show and Rodeo, and Karen Sanders, queen of the English division of the horseshow.



FN Charles Cox enjoyed a visit from Cotton Rosser.

Want to Go Places? Special Services Has the Tickets

Tickets—either free or at greatly reduced rates—are available at Special Services for a variety of events.

A few are still available free for the opening of Oakland's new Coliseum-Complex Sunday night at 2000.

Fifty tickets are available for the 22 November performance of the Ice Capades at the San Francisco Civic Auditorium.

In early December half-price coupons for the California Seals ice hockey games in the Coliseum-Complex will arrive for Knollites' use.

Also in December, Special Services will have tickets for the San Francisco Warriors' Basketball games at the Cow Palace.

Tonight and tomorrow night the Armed Services YMCA in San Francisco is presenting "You Ain't Seen Nothin' Yet." For those wishing to see this sparkling variety show, Special Services has tickets.

Frontier Village, San Jose, is having "family fun days" on Thanksgiving weekend. Twenty turkeys will be given away. Club cards available at Special Services for \$1.75 are good for admission and unlimited rides. Children under 4 are admitted free.



Here Tomorrow! Whitey Harris

One of bowling's most colorful competitors and instructors will roll into Oak Knoll tomorrow. He is Brunswick Star Jerome "Whitey" Harris, well-known for his antics as well as his accomplishments on the lanes. His appearance at the bowling center is scheduled for 1300, and all patients, staff members, their dependents and guests are invited.

Along with his reputation for mirth-making, Harris is recognized as one of the country's top bowlers and instructors. He's been at the game for more than 35 years and has a record of 31 perfect games, 27 consecutive ABC Tournaments and many championships.

His big years were as captain of the famed Budweiser team of St. Louis, which he organized in 1954. They took a host of national honors before Whitey resigned after the 1957-58 season.

Nowadays Harris is what might be termed an "international bowler," rolling exhibitions in England, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Alaska, Japan, Korea, Okinawa, Hawaii, and Canada.

Bowling will be free for all who come to watch Mr. Harris in action and to learn from him some of the techniques that have made him a champion.

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Knoll to Travel To Concord for Basketball Opener

Twelfth Naval District Basketball play will get under way 29 November at Naval Weapons Station, Concord (contrary to the announcement in the last OL, which indicated the game would be here).

"I'm happy to say we've had a good turnout for practice, but we are still looking for tall men," said Coach Ken Moffett.

Among those out for the team are Monte Woodard, Tom Mooneyhan, Charles Deshields, Raymond Galli, John Martin, Greg Welch, James Poirier, Dennis Groth, Jesse Crawford, and Francis O'Hearn. Other names were not available at presstime.

The schedule in coming weeks follows:

- 1 December—Hunters Point there
- *6 December—USCG here
- *8 December—Mare Island here
- 13 December—Moffett Field there
- *5 January—Concord here
- *10 January—Hunters Point here

*Home games. All will be played in the auditorium beginning at 2030. Mark the dates on your calendar now and give the Hilltoppers your support.

Men's Bowling Team Rolling Right Along With 11-7 Record

Monday, 7 November, found the hospital team taking three games from TI, Dr. W. H. Snider knocking down the wood with a 549 series. Franz took high game of the night with a 210. This made 10 straight wins for the Knollites and tied them for second place with TI and Moffett Field. The team average was 174. The individual scores:

Vosseler	158	165	158—481
Franz	180	143	210—533
Snider	193	175	181—549
Tautalatasi	157	175	197—529
Cartmell	147	203	180—530

The long run to Skaggs Island last Monday night proved to be a wash-out, what with rain seeping into the back of the station wagon to make all the balls slippery (it says here). The Islanders took two games from the Knollites. Jucutan was high with a 520 series.

The team now has an 11-7 record, and Monday night will find the Alameda team visiting the local bowling center. If you're nearby, stop in and see some good bowling, while you support the team.

—By HM2 G. E. Cartmell
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Dr. Huseby

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tere conditions, LCDR Huseby strove to improve his basic facilities. His establishment and operation of a blood bank near combat troops provided a service which undoubtedly saved the lives of many wounded Marines."

The citation also spoke of Doctor Huseby's service during Operation Starlite, when he "rapidly and efficiently processed 130 casualties who were screened, resuscitated, and treated or evacuated to more refined surgical hospitals. He personally performed all orthopedic surgery, trained junior medical officers, and contributed recommendations for numerous operations. His foresight in the establishment and layout of medical facilities eliminated unnecessary movement of patients while processing them from the helicopter landing zone to surgery.

The 36-year-old staff doctor, a graduate of the University of Minnesota and University of Minnesota Medical School, was ordered to Vietnam from Oak Knoll. Since his return he has spoken to community groups and once appeared on KTVU's Doctor's News Conference.

Dr. Huseby and his wife Patricia have two children—Dana, 5, and John Scott, nearly 3.

HAIL-FAREWELL

OFFICERS REPORTING:

LCDR George C. Bonertz, MC, and LTJG Donald Biland, MSC, from inactive duty; LCDR Dorothea M. Tracy from 29 Palms, LCDR S. Fay Johnson from Naval Hospital, San Diego, LT Geraldine J. Hudak from Naval Hospital, Yokosuka.

OFFICERS DETACHED:

LCDR Jacquelin Gillespie to Taiwan. ENS Allen M. Thrall to Commanding General, First Marine Air Wing.

ENLISTED PERSONNEL REPORTING:

HAs C. F. Myers, D. L. Walker, T. M. Drew, A. L. Greunke, R. O. Bergeron, J. E. Land, D. M. Dowell, J. H. Green, S. J. Sykes (W), J. M. Rohrs, D. W. Nickless, J. M. Cleberg, L. P. Luff, L. D. Phillips, T. M. Hast, M. A. Voss, D. R.



RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SUCCESS of the Gala doesn't seem to weigh too heavily on the shoulders of these committee members—although they are working on it far into the night. That's HM2 Theresa Cooper, Recreation Committee Chairman, resting in the foreground. Others, front row, left to right—HN Sandy Griffith, HM3 Cathy Petke, and HNs Bebe Foley, Judy Bramhall, Janis Grant. Still able to stand—HNs Keith Meyers and Kurt Reith, L/CPL Robin Seibert, HM3 Ski Lubarsky, HN Grant Turner, HM2's Jo Turner and Dave James.

Carson and Scarlata Sign Up for 12ND Talent Contest

Two staff corpsmen who teamed up to win fourth place in the 1965 12ND Talent Contest will try to top that record this year. They are HM2 James E. Scarlata and HM3 John Carson, vocalists.

The two also sang together in the Straw Hat Pizzeria talent show in Berkley last year and placed third.

More entries are wanted to represent Oak Knoll in the 12ND Contest to be held at Hunters Point 6 December.

Auditions will be held in the auditorium 2 December at 1300. Call Special Services, Ext. 593, if you wish to enter.

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10 Marine Patients In Vets' Day Parade

Ten Oak Knoll Marine patients, all wearers of at least one Purple Heart, rode in the Veteran's Day parade in downtown Oakland.

They were L/CPLs John Dederich, Stonie Huber, Robert H. Coffey, Jr., and Rodger Miles; PFCs Terrance Snyder, Edward Quintana, Juan A. Martinez, Clarence H. Lewis, and Robert H. Morphis, and PVT David Munroe.

Sparling; HNs J. A. Frame, R. W. Whitmire, W. E. Wade, L. A. Scott, all from HCS, San Diego.

HMC W. L. Frizzell from FMF, Vietnam; HMC H. N. Hughes from USS BAUSELL; HM1 D. J. Bailey, Sangley Point, P. I.; HM2 S. C. Spencer, HM3 M. E. Bailey, and HN James R. Fowler from Treasure Island; HM3 B. A. Clift (W) from NH Great Lakes, M. H. Herana, TA, from San Diego.

ENLISTED PERSONNEL DEPARTING:

A total of 43 Knoll corpsmen have detached recently to FMF. They are HMCS J. Kristy, HMC H. W. Case, HNs R. D. Ballard, G. Smith, S. O. Chambers, L. J. Rozanski, J. E. Tune, R. W. Lee, J. P. Langland, R. J. Fung, J. E. Lovelace, R. R. Sul, W. E. Barker, H. J. Mergauey, R. M. Rockwell, T. O. Keller, J. T. Ochsen, D. R. Quintana, A. V. Gutierrez, T.

More on Gala

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night of the party.

"Well, Olivia Horta, Judy Bramhall, Janice Grant, Cindy Smith, Sandra Griffith, and Bebe Foley are spit-shining their shoes and soaking their feet in cold water every night . . . Jon Carson is busy with his breathing lessons and padding his trick knee so it will survive the can-can . . . Ski Lubarsky, cane in hand, is practicing up on that old soft shoe and helping yours truly hold up the piano for the Sofie Tucker routine.

"There's a lot of talk from Reith, Turner, and Keely about how to get false eyelashes off," Terry went on. "—and Dave James tears his hair every time we have to move another piece of furniture. Jo Turner is lining up wigs and make-up and wondering if she's in the Navy or on Broadway. And of course Kathy Petke and Bebe Foley are measuring yardage for ceilings and draperies, while 20 TI Marines come in for drill.

"But please assure your readers that everything will be ready when the clock strikes the magic hour of 1830, 26 November."

Reservations are necessary because of limited space at the club. Make them by calling Cooper at Ext. 569.

E. Stevens, T. W. Moore, K. E. Kniskern, S. C. Bell, T. M. Rogers, D. B. Hill, L. H. Bowman, R. L. Hall, D. C. Moody, D. A. Tucker, J. A. Muller, C. R. Taylor, R. C. Crabtree, F. L. Bailey, J. L. Eason, HM3s C. A. Bush, G. S. Nunally, H. E. Brooks, B. T. Kukaszewski, M. D. Wilcox, D. L. Cox, J. Lamon, and M. Roeborn.

HM2 R. J. Flink was detached to USS REPOSE, HN W. L. Albright to USS SANCTUARY.

HNs M. G. Hardon and J. M. Escobar are now on duty at Hunters Point, HM1 J. A. Jellison and HN W. M. Robinson at Navy Auxiliary Landing Field, Monterey. FN J. H. Nielsen to the Philippines; HM1 T. A. Stockel and E. J. Shiedegker and HN D. L. Randall to RadLab, San Francisco.

Released from active duty were HNs V. L. Cromwell, and W. F. Pickering, HM1 J. E. Simon and D. M. Grussing.

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Christmas Committee To Bring Holiday Decor, Santa Claus

With Christmas only three weeks away, plans to insure a merry one at Oak Knoll have been made by the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee, 43-year-old philanthropic organization dedicated to making the holidays happy for hospitalized servicemen and veterans. The committee is backed by the OAKLAND TRIBUNE, which yesterday reported that townspeople had already contributed \$14,300 to be spent at Oak Knoll and the Livermore VA Hospital.

The committee will be aboard 17 and 18 December to decorate Oak Knoll inside and out. The evening of 20 December, the committee will present a top-flight stage

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Hollywood Artists To Sketch Patients

FLASH! Jeannie Wilson and her "Operation Art for the Armed Forces" will fly up from Hollywood 14 December to spend two days on the wards sketching patients and entertaining them with cartoons and sketches—in charcoal, pencil, water colors, and oils.

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Command Gets Fan Letter From FRA

Dear Admiral:

At our last business meeting, 2 November 1966, Oakland-San Leandro Branch 10, the Fleet Reserve Association, by unanimous vote, directed that a letter of gratitude be written to you and your staff for all of the fine services that have been rendered by the Oakland Naval Hospital, throughout its long history.

We would like to let you know that there are those who have quietly accepted the fine services that have been rendered with a grateful heart. It is too bad that the ones who complain are generally the only ones heard. We who are satisfied and feel that your Doctors and the services that they render to us are peerless, take this opportunity to make some noise of our own.

We want you to know that we feel that you and your staff should be very proud of the fine services you are rendering to the men of the Navy and to their dependents.

We hope that Naval Hospital will be in the future, as it has been in the past, a haven for us in the service, for us who are retired, and for our dependents. If any one has ever earned a "Hearty Well Done," it is the Medical Corps of the United States Navy in general and Navy Hospitals like yours in particular.

Respectfully yours,
CIRILO BASAS, President

show in the auditorium, and on Christmas Day Santa Claus will be aboard with a carefully selected gift for every patient. Entertainers will stroll through the wards on Christmas afternoon dispensing mirth and music.



COMING 20 December to the auditorium! Sleight-of-hand artist Bobby Clark will be among the entertainers at the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee show coming to the local stage the evening of 20 December. He does the impossible in magic routines—even producing the six beautiful white doves you see here. Tops in his field, Bobby has appeared on the leading TV shows in New York and Hollywood. All military and civilian staff members and their families are invited to the show. The curtain will go up at 1930.

Medical Legal Expert To Speak to Staff

Attorney Leighton M. Bledsoe of San Francisco will speak at the general staff conference scheduled for 1300 Friday, 16 December, in the main auditorium.

Mr. Bledsoe, who holds the degree of JD (Juris Doctor) from Stanford University, has been in practice in San Francisco since 1929. He is engaged in trial work, defending doctors and hospitals in negligence cases and malpractice actions. He is a member of the Medical Legal Committee of the State of California, a member of the Negligence Committee of the State Bar, and a member of the Insurance and Negligence Section of the American Bar.

His discussion at the 16 December meeting will concern the legal implications of medical and hospital procedures in malpractice litigation.



"It's been a real privilege," Chaplain L. C. M. Vosseler told Admiral Cokely on the 25th anniversary of his ordination. Mr. George Dunn (center) was among those who greeted the Senior Chaplain on this happy occasion. Mr. Dunn's wife is the chapel organist.

Chaplain Vosseler Honored on 25th Anniversary of Ordination

CDR Lawrence C. M. Vosseler, CHC, USN, Oak Knoll's senior chaplain, was happily surprised after the morning worship service Sunday when his fellow chaplains and members of the congregation joined in honoring him at an informal reception. The event marked the 25th anniversary of his ordination as a Lutheran minister.

Chaplain Vosseler was graduated from Midland College, Fremont, Neb., and received his Bachelor of Divinity Degree at North Western Theological Seminary, Minneapolis, Minn.

He was ordained 23 November 1941 at First Lutheran Church, Glendale, Calif., where he was associate pastor.

A year later he was commissioned in the Navy Chaplain Corps.

"I rejoice at having reached this milestone, and if I had it to do over, I would go by the same road," Chaplain Vosseler told friends at the reception.

That road has stretched from Guantanamo Bay to Kwajalein and Iceland, to the decks of the USS MANILA BAY (CVE 61) and USS TOLEDO (CA-133). Among the ribbons he wears are the Asiatic Pacific campaign ribbon with six stars, Philippine Liberation with two stars, and the Korean Defense ribbon with four stars.

Chaplain Vosseler served at Oak Knoll from September 1952 to July 1954 and returned as senior chaplain 1 June of this year.

It was during his Glendale pastorate that Commander Vosseler met his wife Mary Jean. They were married 2 May 1942. They have four sons—Lawrence, Jr., 23, Paul, 20, James, 16, and Mark 9.

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Special Services Stocking "Oz" Tickets

Watch the Orders of the Day for definite information concerning tickets for "The Wizard of Oz" at the Circle Star Theater. Special Services expects to have enough so a number of families may attend during Christmas week.

Coming!



GORGEOUS GIRL — That's Diane Lucas, beautiful and talented young song stylist. She does songs that are known and liked by all and has been a featured attraction in Reno supper clubs, has just closed the Hyatt House circuit. Diane will be among the many top-flight professional entertainers appearing on the Oak Knoll stage the evening of Tuesday, 20 December, through the courtesy of the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee. All hands—military and civilian—and their families are invited. The show begins at 1930.

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

"CHEER UP!"

"A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance . . . He that is of a merry heart hath a continual feast. Better is little with the fear of the Lord than great treasure and trouble therewith. Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith."

(Proverbs 15:13, 15-17)

What does it take to make man happy? What really brings lasting satisfaction?

A grumpy individual tires quickly because he is pouring the wrong kind of fuel into his system. Even though it takes more effort to frown or scowl, many make it a regular habit. Born in the objective case and the kickative mood, they color the atmosphere about them with their negative thoughts, words and actions. Humor is a waste of time for such people. The drab, somber pessimism with which they are immersed possesses them like a disease. That is just what it is: a disease, spelled DIS-EASE. They are not at ease. They are on edge continually. People are out to get them. They have crawled back in their shells so far that all they hear is the moaning of their own self-pity. People who are all wrapped up in themselves make mighty small packages.

This negative, can't-oo, attitude makes it appear that the world is an unpredictable, hostile place. Jungle rule reigns in such a heart. "I've got mine, Buddy. You get yours the best way you can," is the attitude of such a person. The idea of helpfulness and sharing is completely foreign to such a self-centered person. Everyone has an "angle" according to this little, self-appointed god. The only good is gold, and service is a one-way street, flowing toward him.

It is not strange that we have so much war, crime, disease and so many accidents when so many people are basically unhappy. When the aching dissatisfaction breaks out in grasps for power, attention and security, a great many of the world's and the individual's problems are seen in clear relief.

Contrary to the opinion of some, there is love in the world. Simple happiness with the ordinary provisions of food, clothing and shelter remain. Some have had to learn how to be grateful the hard way: that is, they lost everything (materially) but gained everything (spiritually). The Bible says: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding." (Proverbs 9:1)

A good place to start on the road to happiness is at meal time. As a small boy I learned the prayer for meal time that went like this: "For all we eat, for all we wear, for all we have, everywhere, we thank Thee, Father. Amen." When we give thanks to God, a measure of happiness is ours. (And, incidentally, the food may taste better!)

The next place to try out this new way of living is to go out of your way to do something for someone else when you do not have to do so because it is not your job. Jesus said, "Give, and it shall be given unto you, good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give unto your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete, withal it shall be measured to you again." (Luke 6:38)

God has given to us this day. Yesterday is past. "Lost, yesterday, between sunrise and sunset; one golden hour. No reward is offered, because it is gone forever." Tomorrow is not yet here. (It may not arrive for some of us.) In our home we have a plaque that reads: "Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday."

"This is the day that the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it." (Psalms 118:24)

Take advantage of the services of worship this Sunday. Catholic Masses are at 0830 and 1215. Protestant Worship Service is at 1030. These services are conducted at the Chapel near the main gate. You will feel better if you look out of yourself to God, who can help and bless you.

—CHAPLAIN SCHNICK

Knoll's Contribution To CFC—\$9,535

Oak Knoll's total gift to the Combined Federal Campaign totaled \$9,535.27, according to LT Joseph R. Mulvey, MSC, who served as chairman. The total number of donors was 990, making the average gift \$9.60.

Nylons Needed at NPRL

Discarded nylons are desperately needed at the Navy Prosthetic Research Laboratory. They may be placed in paper bags for that purpose in the Nursing Service Office, Patient Affairs, or NPRL. Clean of course.



GRADUATION DAY came 10 November for nine OR tech students. They are, beginning second from left, standing, HN Lewis Sanchez, HM3 Marion Field, HM3 Gary Martin, and HNs Stephen Luster, Steven Archibald, Larry Sanich, Robert Balken, Michael Kent, and Jerrel Thompson. At the extreme left is HM2 J. Q. Salinas, and seated—CAPT R. P. Dobbie, Jr., Chief, Surgical Service, who spoke to the grads and presented their diplomas, CDR Frances Jacobson, OR Supervisor, and CDR Romaine Mentzer, Chief, Nursing Service.

Field was honorman of his class. He, Sanich, and Thompson will remain here for duty; Sanchez goes to Pensacola, Martin and Kent to Lemoore, Luster to TI, Archibald to Bremerton, and Balken to Corpus Christi.

Know Your Staff



You have to hunt for Mary Fuller. She works in the Parasitology Laboratory above the Post Office, using lab techniques she learned at Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Va. A graduate of a Junior College in Rock Hill, S.C., she attended business college in Baltimore, Md., for a year, worked as a nursing assistant at Johns Hopkins, Baltimore, then served four years as a WAVE. Right now she's in the process of being admitted to UC Extension Division under the new Veterans Act (for those who served since 1955).

"I want to become a bacteriologist," said the lovely-eyed, soft-spoken Mary.

Mrs. Fuller is a trophy-winning bowler, as is her husband, Dorsey, a fork-lift operator at NSC, Oakland. Her highest game so far is a 205. "My ambition is to bowl a 500 series," she said, still peering through her microscope.

"And please don't forget to mention our MAJOR interest. He's 8-month-old Dorsey Fuller III."

HAIL - FAREWELL

OFFICERS REPORTING:

ENS D. T. Romine, MSC, USN, from Naval School of Hospital Administration, NNMC, Bethesda, Md., to Patient Affairs; LCDR Julia Pickering, NC, from Naval Hospital, Corpus Christi, Tex.; LTJG Nancy Looney, NC, from Navy School of Indoctrination, Newport, R.I.

OFFICERS DETACHED:

LCDR G. W. Philip, USN, to duty under instruction as a resident in Children's Orthopedics at Orthopedic Hospital, Los Angeles; LT Anne Craig, NC, to inactive duty; LT Columba Barter, NC, to Naval Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla.; LTJG Doreen Shanteau to Naval Hospital, San Diego.

ENLISTED PERSONNEL REPORTING:

HM2 Barry E. Nielson from Sasebo, Japan; HM2 R. C. Smith from Naval Support Activity, Danang, South Vietnam; HM3 Jack D. Hall from Naval Hospital, San Diego, and the following from Hospital Corps School, San Diego:

HNs Harry N. Jenkins, W. H. Taylor, and J. R. MacKabee.

HAs Scott R. Swager, Ronald J. Beavers, Anthony Campagna, Danny R. Shelton, William A. Vogt, Danny L. Kerby, Robert J. Jones, F. A. Stevenson, G. L. Carsen, R. J. Breazile, G. K. Wilson, L. E. Rushing, A. E. Conyers, B. R. Robbins, C. J. Williams, and M. J. Rosetko.

ENLISTED PERSONNEL DEPARTING:

HM2 J. F. Haldiman to Nuclear Power School, New London, Conn., HM3s A. L. Graham and A. C. Town, HNs James M. Holmes and George F. Marshall, and HA M. E. Markland, all to inactive duty.

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Statistics Show Highways Deadlier Than Vietnam

"The second most important concern in America today is traffic safety," Tom Bright, California Director of Motor Vehicles, said recently at an annual safety conference held at Camp Pendleton.

The 20-year motor vehicle expert's reasoning was tragically simple—California highway traffic deaths for 1965 were just under the total number of American deaths recorded in five-and-a-half years of fighting in Vietnam.

"From 1 January 1961 through August 1966," said Mr. Bright, "5,000 Americans have died in Vietnam. During 1965 alone 4,706 highway traffic fatalities were reported on California's streets and highways."

Scuttlebutt

LITTLE KNOWN FACTS RE WELL-KNOWN FOLK: LT Glenn Pritchard of Fiscal and Supply, is making his hobby pay. He has recently had three humorous articles published in THE NATIONAL OBSERVER, and over the past ten years several of his short stories and poems have appeared in national magazines.

SIGNS-OF THE SEASON: ENS Larson, Special Services Officer, reminding all hands concerned that his, ski boots, and ski poles are available at the issue room. . . . Edna Rowan tearing her hair because so many of the 450 tickets for the Staff Children's Party (19 December) are still to be picked up by parents. The line seems familiar, but we say it again—No tickie, NO giftie. . . . Officers' wives getting off to a flying start with the Christmas wrapping service for patients and enlisted personnel. The booth is located across from SpecServ, second deck, Navy Exchange Bldg., and lots of men have already found it!

RECENT REINLISTMENTS: HM1 Matias Orque of Food Service and HM2 James F. Haldiman of Biochemistry have reenlisted for four, HM2 John D. Ray of DEENT and HM3 Gilbert G. Andrews of Security for six.

DEPENDENTS WHO'VE MADE GOOD DEPT.: Lily Thompson's daughter Michele was one of seven Oakland high school students selected as finalists in the National Achievement Scholarship program for outstanding students. Nationwide there were 1,150 finalists selected from 5,500 nominees. About one quarter of the finalists will win four-year college scholarships.

LIFE BEGAN on 2 November for Christopher McLeod Riggins, 9 lb. 1/2 oz., son of LT Robert Riggins, MC, Medical Service, and wife Virginia. . . . on 4 November for Michelle Elaine Losey, 8 lb. 12 oz., daughter of HM2 John Losey, Chart Room, and his wife Carolyn.

on 13 November for Lisa Susan Graber, 7 lb. 2 oz., daughter of LT Allan Graber, MC, Medical Service and his wife Edith. . . . on 13 November for Christina Louise Wray, 5 lb. 7 1/2 oz., daughter of LT Reginald Wray, MC, Intern, and wife Josephine. . . . on 13 November for Peter Michael Bloom, 7 lb. 14 oz., son of LCDR Joseph Bloom, MC, Medical Service, and wife Mary. . . . on 3 November for James Douglas Wilson, 8 lb. 1 1/2 oz., son of LT Orville Wilson, MC, Pediatrics, and wife Helen. . . . on 7 November for Claudia Dianne Young, 7 lb., daughter of CDR James Young, MC, Medical Service, and wife Bettylu. . . . on 16 November for Tanya Viola Lett, 7 lb. 1 oz., daughter of MA2 Leo Holsen, Data Processing, and wife Jane Marie. . . . on 7 November for Mark Henry Baker, 8 lb. 5 1/2 oz., son of LT Fred Baker, MC, Neuropsychiatry, and wife Elizabeth. . . . on 23 November for James Scott-Raphaely, 7 lb., son of LT Russell Raphaely, Anesthesiology, and wife Marianne. . . . on 26 November for Lorrie Gaye Johnson, 7 lb. 9 oz., daughter of HM1 Oliver Johnson, Main Laboratory, and wife Dorothy. . . . on 28 November for Jerry Robert Bellen, Jr., 6 lb. 9 oz., son of DT Jerry Bellen, Dental,



3500 HOURS FOR NAVY RELIEF—That's the total time these Oak Knoll officers' wives have contributed to interviewing, receptionist services, and sewing for Navy Relief. They were honored at recent ceremonies at Alameda and "pinned" at Oak Knoll by Admiral Cokely. Mrs. Cokely and Mrs. A. J. Schwab headed the list with 1000 hours each. Six-hundred-hour pins went to Mrs. R. P. Dobbie and Mrs. M. W. Olson. Earning the 100-hour pin were Mrs. C. W. Shaeffer, Mrs. H. W. S. Huseby, and Mrs. Gale Ramirez.

In addition to her 1000-hour pin Mrs. Cokely, chairman of volunteers at Oak Knoll, also wears the Navy Relief Meritorious Service Pin—highest award that can be earned by a Navy Relief volunteer. The award was presented in recognition of her outstanding service as chairman of volunteers in the San Diego area during Admiral Cokely's tour of duty as CO of Naval Hospital, San Diego, and DMO, Eleventh Naval District.

31 Officers' Wives Trained for Service To Navy Relief

When a class of 112 graduated from the Navy Relief Society volunteer training course conducted recently at Oak Knoll and Naval Air Station, Alameda, 31 of the diplomas went to wives of hospital staff officers. Of this number 22 arrived this year, eight are interns' wives, and two are here while their husbands serve in Vietnam.

In the group specially trained to serve in the Navy Relief office interviewing Navy men seeking help in family emergencies are Mmes. W. A. Binder, P. R. Burkett, P. A. Caulfield, G. M. Cerchio, J. C. Chisholm, D. E. Closson, J. C. DeVries, F. L. Dwinnell, J. B. Haddad, W. O. Harrison, J. E. Honish, H. W. S. Huseby, L. J. Julius,

W. R. Kammerer, Warden King, F. D. Lewis, M. J. Millard, G. L. Nail, J. A. Reisman, C. E. Schutt, D. G. Scheetz, R. R. Skoglund, H. A. Sparks, P. S. Swartz, F. G. Sweeney, A. W. Traum, E. S. Tucker, A. L. Van Ness, O. D. Wilson, R. P. Wray, and J. A. Wright.

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Christmas Tea Planned By Officers' Wives

A Christmas Tea is on the Officers' Wives' calendar for Wednesday, 14 December, from 1300 to 1500, in the Officers' Club.

Mrs. A. J. Schwab is chairman. She will be assisted by wives of Medical Service Corps and Plastic Surgery staff officers.

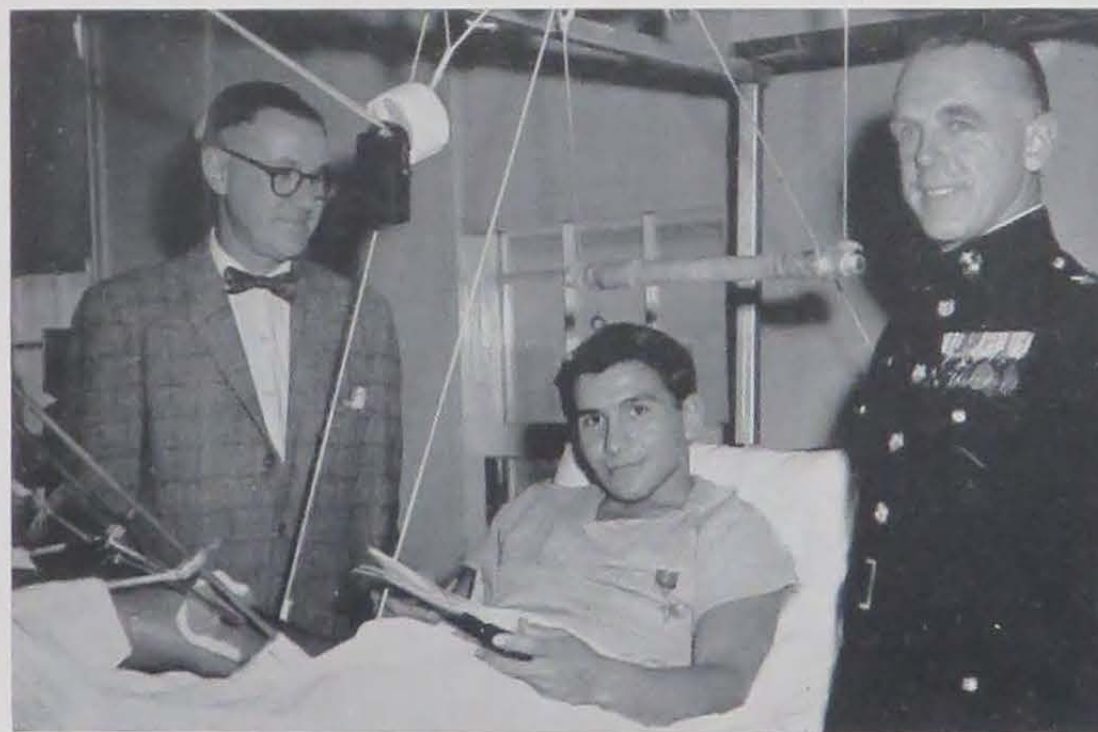
Each person attending will bring—and receive—a gift, maximum value \$2, please. Reservations should reach Mrs. R. W. Melton before noon Monday, 12 December.

and wife Bonnie. . . . on 28 November for Kyle David Vogt, 7 lb. 7 oz., son of LT Philip Vogt, MC, Pathology, and wife Carol.

Memories of MarCorps' Birthday



IT TOOK REAL COURAGE TO CUT INTO THE BEAUTIFUL Marine Corps Emblem that topped the birthday cake at the Marines' 191st anniversary party, but G/SGT J. R. Davis, the senior Marine present, and PFC T. B. Walker, junior Marine aboard, were equal to the task.



During their visit here 10 November, LT GEN R. O. Bare, USMC, Ret., left, and COL H. C. Park, CO of the Marine Barracks at Treasure Island, presented the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement to CPL Raymond C. Lopez, USMC.

Lack of space precludes description of the "uncommon courage" Corporal Lopez displayed in Vietnam, according to his citation, which was signed by LTGEN V. H. Krulak, USMC, Commander, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific. SGT David J. Anderson also received his Bronze Star during the birthday celebration. L/CPL Bryant K. Foster's Bronze Star came later since he went to surgery on 10 November.



THE NEWS IS OLD, THE TROPHY'S NEW—CAPT Ernest A. Blakey, who led Oak Knoll to the 12ND Class B Golf Championship, delivers the team trophy to Admiral Cokely. With him for the presentation were LTs Walter H. Snider and John E. Grubb. Others who helped earn the championship were LCDRs Stephen E. Howery and former staffers, CAPT Rudy Nadbath and LCDR Wesley W. Boucher.



Chaplain Vosseler High Man as Knoll Out-Bowls Alameda

By Tautalatasi

The Men's Bowling Team took a half game from Hunter's Point 21 November—lowest total pins since the league started—maybe because our team captain George Cartmell was on leave. But we bounced back Monday night, taking two games from Naval Air Station, Alameda, and losing one.

I hate to print the scores of the Hunters Point game; so I won't. But I believe we needed more support from our local rooters—We might have taken three games if you had been there!

Monday night found Chaplain Vosseler taking top honors at Alameda. His scores and those of other team members follow:

Vosseler	206	193	150—549
Franz	184	143	164—491
Jucutan	157	129	155—441
Snider	182	197	151—530
Tautalatasi	159	159	186—504

Next week we will travel to Moffett Field. Let's all hope we move our team up to first place this year?????

Know Your Staff



"It's ALL been highlights," HMCN James W. 'El Toro' Bull says of his nearly 25-year Navy career, which has been divided about 50-50 between sea and land. Much of the time he has been where the action was.

Enlisting in Columbia, S. C., in January 1942, Chief Bull within a year was caring for the wounded at Fleet Hospital 108 on Guadalcanal. He later served on LCT's in the New Georgia Islands.

In Korea he was on duty with Carrier Air Group 14 aboard the USS KEARSARGE.

Before reporting to Oak Knoll in September Chief Bull spent a year as leading chief of the Third Medical Battalion, Third Marine Division in Da Nang, South Vietnam.

"I've enjoyed every minute of my time in the Navy," said the graying chief. "And about that 'El Toro'—I had a tour of duty at the Marine Corps Air Station by that name. They wouldn't believe I was serious when I answered the phone, 'El Toro—Chief Bull'."

The HMCN, whose official title is Enlisted Administrative Assistant to the Chief, Personnel Division, met his wife Sara at Bainbridge, where she too served as a Navy Pharmacist's Mate. They have a 19-year-old daughter Andrea studying elementary education at San Jose State College.

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Is There a Wrestler In the House?

Coach Ken Moffett is hunting for wrestlers to compete in the first match of the year Wednesday, 7 December, at the Coast Guard Base, Government Island. Call him at Ext. 593 immediately if you can represent the Knoll in this sport.

Volleyball Season Is Here Again

Intramural Volleyball teams are forming for play in the auditorium during the noon hour. Any department wishing to enter a six-man team may do so by calling Coach Moffett at Special Services.

"The more teams the merrier," said the coach.



GALA WAS ITS NAME, and that it was. Subtitled "A Time of the Past," the program for the November party at the EM Club featured: Bebe Foley (1) as "Only a Bird in a Gilded Cage," with the singing twins, John & Orlando; HM3 Terry Cooper, (2) who not only wrote and directed the show but also appeared as Sophie Tucker; and Ski Lubarsky (3) and Judy Bramhall in "Me and My Shadow," taking the audience back to the days of Ted Lewis. There was a captivating can-can by Kurt Reith, John Carson, Lubarsky, Grant Turner, and Levering Keely (4), and an unforgettable finale, with words, music, and a smooth drill number (5) in which six Oak Knoll Waves participated with a Marine Drill Team, Drum and Bugle Corps, Colors Detail, and Sergeant-at-Arms from the Marine Barracks, Treasure Island. The Molinares, father and son, played their accordions. The party that had started with happy hour and buffet dinner continued, with all hands dancing to the music of Sammy Blanke's orchestra. Some 350 corpsmen and guests attended the party, which was presented by the Enlisted Recreation Committee, whose chairman, Terry Cooper, turned over her gavel that night to her co-chairman, HM1 Charles E. Adams. Cooper left this week for a new assignment in New Orleans, La.

Knoll Bows to NWS In First League Basketball Game

The Hilltoppers came out at the short end of a 78-59 score when they met Naval Weapons Station, Concord, in the season opener Tuesday night.

John Martin was high man for the Knoll, scoring 16 points, and Ray Galli followed with 15.

The team traveled to Hunters Point Thursday night, too late for coverage here.

Knollites will have a chance to root for the Hilltoppers when they play Coast Guard here Tuesday night, 6 December. They meet Mare Island here Thursday, 8 December. Games are scheduled to the auditorium at 2030 immediately after the movie. (Remember the movie is shown at 1830 on game nights.)

Coach Moffett can still use more basketball players. Call him today if you are interested.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

I wish it were possible to greet and express my personal gratitude to all who have served our hospital during the past year. Our many fine Red Cross volunteers merit special thanks, for they serve faithfully without thought of reward other than the satisfaction that comes from helping others. Navy Mothers Clubs, veterans' organizations, innumerable other groups and individuals have given us their time and talent, their gifts, and their friendship. Tomorrow the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee will decorate the wards for the 24th consecutive year. This is but a small part of their annual holiday contribution.

We are deeply grateful for the many kindnesses of friends near and far. To them our heartfelt thanks.

To our fine staff, military and civilian, my deep gratitude for work well done.

To our patients, whose courage is a daily inspiration, best wishes for a complete recovery.

May the holidays bring to you and your families the joys associated with the true meaning of Christmas.

H. J. COKELY
Rear Admiral, MC, USN
Commanding Officer

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We have traveled the road to Bethlehem so often that it is for us a familiar journey. But we can never exhaust its meaning. Though it is unlikely that we shall see anything along the way which until now has escaped our notice, yet the things we see are so basic that we do well to keep them always in view. There is a familiarity that breeds contempt. Never is this true of the Christmas story. This is a familiarity that awakens interest, heightens hope, and strengthens faith. May our journey this year be guided by the words of the prophet Isaiah: "For unto us a Child is born."

We are impressed with the fact that so extraordinary a life as that of Jesus could have come to us in such an ordinary fashion. Jesus' birth reminds us of the unpredictable possibilities that may be hidden in the most unpromising circumstances. This child was born to remind us how much can come from so little, and what unpredictable possibilities may lie in the most unlikely places or people. This should help us to correct our judgments. Too often we are impressed by earthquake, wind and fire, the noisy, the boisterous, the big and bizarre; but miss the still small voice, the sound of gentle stillness. Yet often than not, as history shows, events which have seemed too trivial or unimportant to be mentioned have been freighted with world-shaking possibilities of which we never dreamed.

Christmas, then, reminds us that we may be woefully misled if we evaluate life by its size, its noise, its pomp. We are wont to forget this. It seems to us that the important matters today are related to bombs and guided missiles, and atomic warships; or to some spectacular social event that sends news-hungry cameramen hurrying from all parts of the world; or to some atrocious and shocking crime that makes newsboys yell their heads off as they display their headlines. These are the big, important events. So we think! Meanwhile there may be some babe lying in a manger, or some movement, some idea, some vision that stirs men's souls—unnoticed and unpublicized—that will live on and do its creative work when the tumult and the shouting dies.

Only a babe in a manger. Ah, we cannot predict what might happen when a child is born. We can never calculate the spiritual possibilities which comes from God. The hand of the Lord is upon every child born into the world. The Lord-of-Life is concerned for you and me. What will our lives witness for the Christ Child this Christmas? Will we be able to join the chorus of Christians around the world who sing: "O Come to my heart, Lord, Jesus, there is room in my heart for Thee?"

—EDWARD E. JAYNE
Protestant Chaplain

Come Join the Band In Gendreau Circle

The Salvation Army Citadel Band, oldest Salvation Army band on the West Coast, will play for patients and staff Sunday morning.

The 40-piece band will play carols and hymns in Gendreau Circle beginning at 0930 and march to the chapel, where the musical treat will continue.

Hot coffee will be served at the chapel at the conclusion of the program.

Arrangements for the band's appearance here were made by Chaplain H. L. Schnick.

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Volunteers At Work

DID YOU KNOW that during the month of November 194 Red Cross volunteers served the hospital a total of 1,995 hours and that 201 non-Red Cross volunteers served a total of 404 hours?

Christmas Services In the Chapel

Protestant

Christmas Eve, 24 Dec. 2000
(Holy Communion) 2100
Christmas Day, 25 Dec. 1030

Catholic

Confessions, 24 Dec. 1000-1130
(Small Chapel) 1800-2000
Midnight Mass 2400
Christmas Day Masses 0830
1215



James G. McGuire, center, hospital visitation chairman for Post 9919, Veterans of Foreign Wars, center, and William C. Coles, post commander, delivered two wheelchairs to Ward 76B recently. While Admiral Cokely looked on, AO1 (DV) James K. Johnston of Corpus Christi, Tex., tried one out, and PFC Donald R. Jackson, USMC, accepted the second. The knitted laprobe and shawl Johnston is wearing are red, white and blue. They were made by Mrs. Myrtle Campbell.

History, Who-Done-Its & What Have You Among New Books at Crew's Library

In the past two months the library has acquired many new books. Some best-sellers in fiction are Crichton's *Secret of Santa Victoria*, Waltari's *The Roman*, Davidson's *The Menorah Men* and Malamud's *The Fixer*.

For followers of who-done-its, Ellery Queen has come out with a new *Crime Carousel*, Creasy has continued his London series and Gardner has a new one, *Case of the Worried Waitress*. *The Boston Strangler* (non-fiction) describes in depth a series of murders involving women and the strange assortment of characters suspected by the police.

Clarke's *Time Probe: The Sciences in Science Fiction* has been added, along with Hoyle's *October the First is Too Late*, *Nebula Award Stories*, Schmitz's *Witches of Karres* and Silverberg's *Earthmen and Strangers*.

Recent non-fiction additions in history are Oldenbourg's *The Crusades*, and Goddard's *Formosa, A Study in Chinese History*. In the West Eugene White recounts his adventures in *Experiences of a Special Indian Agent*.

Current events are covered in Duncan's *A Businessman Looks at Red China* and Portisch's *Red China Today*, both of which are well regarded. Southeast Asian guerrilla warfare is covered in Thompson's *Defeating Communist Insurgency*. On the other side of the world Campbell discusses foreign policy in *American Policy Toward Eastern Europe*.

New biographies include Trujillo of the Dominican Republic and Mosley's *Hirohito, Emperor of Japan*. Congressman Weltner of Georgia talks about his life and his aspirations for the South in *Southerner*. Briand writes of the Nordhoff-Hall literary relationship in *In Search of Paradise*.

Of professional interest there is

Marshall's *The Officer as a Leader* and Dale's *Modern Management Methods*.

The juvenile collection also has some recent additions which we hope will be to the liking of young dependents.

These are only a few recent acquisitions. If you do not see what you like listed here, come to the Crew's Library, Bldg. 39, and ask for what suits your fancy.

The library has resumed its noon hour concerts from 12:15 to 1:15.

—James Deering
Crew's Librarian

Coming Tuesday!



Georgette Twain—lovely lady of the banjo—TV, radio, and recording star referred to by the Oakland Tribune as the greatest woman banjoist in the world, will entertain Knollites, their friends, and families Tuesday night in the auditorium. She is one of the many top-notch professional entertainers being brought to the local stage by the Veteran Hospital's Christmas Committee.



Three Knoll corpsmen received the CO's Letter of Appreciation on 30 November as they prepared to carry out orders to new duty stations. They are, from left, HM3 Michael Cowan, DT2 Philip W. Waugh, and HM3 Gerald R. Marceau. Cowan and Marceau were cited for their outstanding work in the Neuropsychiatry Service, and Waugh for his contribution to the prosthetic laboratory of the Dental Service. Cowan and Marceau have been detached to the Fleet Marine Force, and Waugh will soon be departing for Subic Bay, Philippines.

Civilians Get Cash, 30, 20-Year Awards

Mrs. Elee B. Cross, laborer cleaner in the Nursing Service, was an extra \$100 (less tax) for Christmas. Admiral Cokely presented the Sustained Superior Performance Award check with his congratulations during the supervisors' meeting last Thursday.

Also honored at the meeting were two 30-year men—Paul Shumate, cook, and John D. Winter, power plant controlman. Mr. Shumate has been an Oak Knoll employee for 16 years. His previous Federal Service was with the Army and as a civilian at Naval Hospital, Mare Island. Mr. Winter spent his first 20 in the Navy. He began his civilian service at NSC Oakland and transferred to this hospital nearly a decade ago.

Three staff members received pins and certificates to mark completion of 20 years in Federal Service. They were Audrey Casal, clerk-stenographer in the Orthopedic Service, James L. Barnes, cook, and Emile J. DuBois, up-sterer. Mrs. Casal came here from the Presidio of San Francisco in 1963. Mr. Barnes served at the VA Hospital, Livermore, and at Oak Knoll, then joined the Army for a two-year hitch. He returned to the hospital in 1956.

Mr. DuBois had service in the Army and at Naval Air Station, Alameda, before coming to the hospital in February 1949.

New Chairman For DACOWITS

Dr. Minnie C. Miles of Tuscaloosa, Ala., has been appointed Chairman of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS), succeeding Mrs. Agnes O'Brien Smith of San Francisco. She will assume her duties 1 January. Dr. Miles, a past president of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, is Professor of Management, School of Commerce and Business Administration, at the University of Alabama.

DACOWITS is composed of 50 prominent women throughout the United States selected on the basis of their outstanding reputation in civic or professional fields.

New Journal Club For MSC Officers

Oak Knoll MSC Officers have formed a journal club for discussion of current articles of interest to all who are working in the field of hospital administration.

The club meets at 1630 the first Tuesday of each month in the breakfast room of the Commissioned Officers' Mess.

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Dr. Clark Reappointed To U.C. Faculty

CAPT Gale Clark, Chief of the Neurological Surgery Service, has been notified that he has been reappointed to the faculty of the University of California Medical School in San Francisco as a Lecturer in neuroanatomy.

Flu Shot—With Gun



Nearly 600 members of the staff, including LT W. H. Bromann, MSC biochemist, had their flu shots on 8 December. The pneumatic gun was "fired" by HM1 Milton J. Benson of Navy Preventive Medicine Unit Five, Naval Hospital, San Diego. Benson accomplished his mission between 0830 and 1500, probably the speediest mass immunization in hospital history. Now—if someone would just invent a painless shot . . .

CAPT ROBERT P. DOBBIE

Twice Certified Surgeon, Traveler, Pilot, Archer

CAPT Robert P. Dobbie, Oak Knoll's new Chief of Surgery, feels that he has had a charmed career in the Navy. He has traveled west to Japan and Korea and east to Greece and Turkey. "It was great to pass the Parthenon every day as I went to work as Senior Medical Officer of the Naval Station Hospital in Athens," he recalled.

A glance at the doctor's curriculum vitae suggests that the good fortune he has had in the Navy may have begun at a very early age.

The son of a surgeon, he was born and reared in Buffalo, N.Y. His father was Professor of Surgery at the University of Buffalo.

"This print used to hang in his office," said Doctor Dobbie, looking up at a large picture of two fine bearded faces obviously studying a patient. "It's from Rembrandt's painting 'The Physicians'."

Doctor Dobbie was 17 when he entered the University of Michigan.

"It took me 13 years to get out."

During those years he earned his MD (cum laude) in 1946, interned and had residency training in general surgery at University Hospital, Ann Arbor, remained there as junior clinical instructor in surgery, and later became senior clinical instructor.

His stay at Ann Arbor was interrupted in 1950 by orders to Oak Knoll! "I went to lunch at the Officers' Club the first day," Captain Dobbie remembered. "As I was about to sit down some one said, 'You don't want to sit in THAT chair—the last three fellows who did got orders to Korea.' I took a chance and three days later was on my way—as Senior Medical Officer of Surgical Team #8."

"I enjoyed my combat experience—but I think we all enjoy it most after we get back."

From 1958-1960 Doctor Dobbie had residency training in cardiovascular surgery at the Glover Clinic, Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia, and since then his service has been all-Navy.

A tour of duty at Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, was followed by his assignment in Athens, Greece. The next eight years he served at Bethesda, Maryland, on the General



New Surgery Chief

& Cardio-Thoracic Surgical Services and was Assistant Chief of Surgery from 1960 to 1962. He reported to Oak Knoll 13 September from Naval Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee, where he had double duty as Chief of Surgery and Executive Officer.

Doctor Dobbie was certified by the American Board of Surgery in 1953 and by the American Board of Thoracic Surgery in 1961. He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

The tall, athletic-looking Surgery Chief is a licensed pilot. His wife Barbara, who was head nurse in the Urology Service at the University of Michigan Hospital when they met, likes to fly with him, as do their children—Scott, 8, and Sally, nearly 6.

The captain's other extra-curricular activities include skin diving, water and snow skiing, archery and bow hunting. "But the animals are quite safe—I'm mainly interested in tramping through the woods."

Jet Flight Takes Tiny Dependent To Toronto for Heart Surgery

The Navy, Air Force, and Medicare teamed up to send a five-year-old Oak Knoll patient to Toronto, Canada, Tuesday for a life-saving heart operation. She is Allyson Burleson, daughter of AE2 George Burleson of Moffett Field.

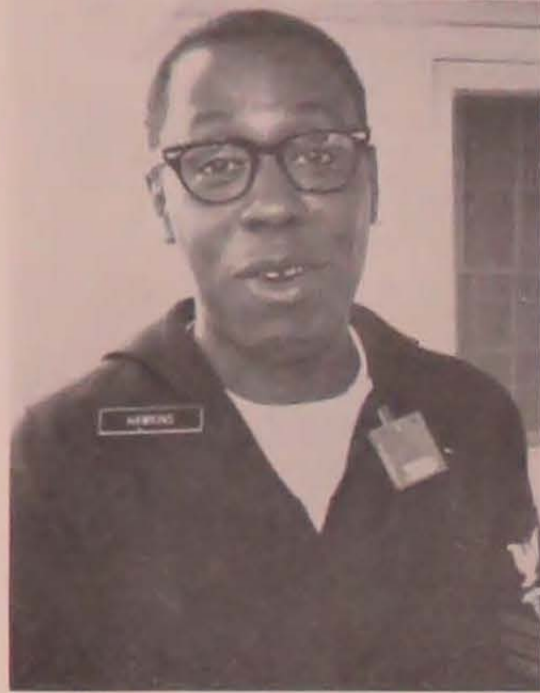
Accompanied by her parents, Allyson traveled from Travis Air Force Base to Toronto on a specially scheduled non-stop jet flight. Allyson was born with a heart defect known as transposition of the great vessels. Because of it the supply of oxygen to her blood is inadequate. It results in progressive thickening of the blood, leading to blue skin color, increasing disability, and early death. Without surgery, Allyson might not have lived more than a year, according to LT David Zlotnick of

the Pediatric Cardiology Clinic. In the past there was no surgical procedure to correct this problem. A year or two ago Dr. William Mustard of Toronto developed a procedure for shunting more of the blood returning from the body circulation to the lungs for oxygenation. The operation has been done by relatively few surgeons in the United States, and since Doctor Mustard has had the longest experience with the procedure, Captain Delmer J. Pascoe, Chief of Pediatrics, sought his services for Allyson.

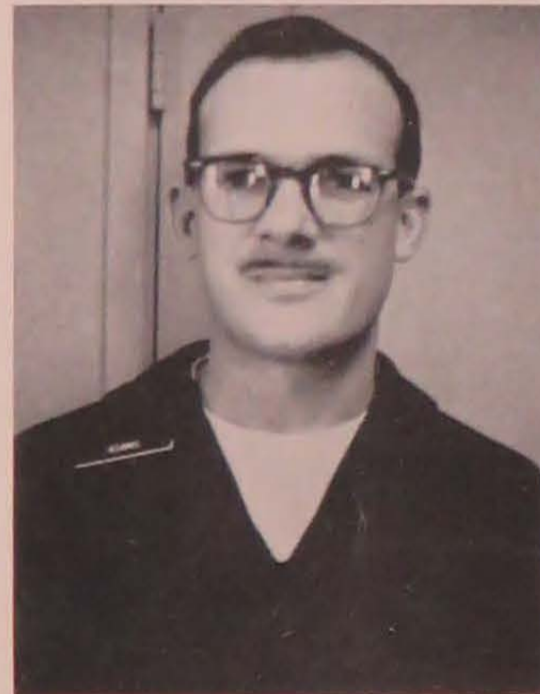
The open-heart operation employing a heart-lung machine is to be performed at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto.

Burleson and his wife Frankie, who live in San Jose, have four other children.

Hawkins and Adams Now at the Helm Of Enlisted Recreation Committee



HMI Wayne Hawkins of the Radioisotope Laboratory is the new Recreation Committee Chairman, succeeding HM2 Theresa Cooper. Hawkins was with the FMF in Kanohe Bay, Hawaii, before coming to Oak Knoll 18 months ago. Lawrenceburg, Ind., is his home, and he has been in the Navy nine years.



HMI Charles E. Adams, co-chairman of the Rec Committee, is a career counselor at Education and Training, having moved up the hill recently from the Physical Evaluation Board, where he has been on duty for the past 18 months. In the Navy 9½ years, he hails from Napa, Calif. He is a graduate of the Medical Administrative Technician School at San Diego.

Sanctuary Readied For Vietnam Service

The hospital ship USS SANCTUARY has been recommissioned in New Orleans after a decade of inactivity. The ship, which saw service in the Pacific at the close of WWII, underwent extensive modernization and refurbishing at a cost of \$10 million. It will dock in San Francisco early next year before heading out to Vietnam.



HMI Wayne Hawkins, new chairman of the Enlisted Recreation Committee, and his co-chairman HMI Charles Adams, dropped in at the OAK LEAF office this week to make known the committee's plans and reveal the names of members of their committee.

"We both volunteered for these jobs. We are new at this sort of thing, and we're going to do our best," said Hawkins.

The first project of the committee under new leadership will be an Egnog Party and Sing-along Friday 23 December, from 1700 to 1900. Besides the egnog, there'll be a band, and attractive Christmas decorations.

Hawkins also revealed plans for a big New Year's Eve dance, with orchestra and floor show, a steak dinner at 1930, and breakfast at 0200. Flowers for the ladies will be among the niceties planned to celebrate the arrival of 1967.

Committee advisers are HMCs Bull and Ray. Other members of the committee are HMC Carlin, HM1s David R. Pennington and Mattias Orque, HM2s Norman Fuqua, Godwin, Bruce Wilson, Jess Salinas, Kenneth Umland, and Wallace Stenblom, HM3s Gary Lubarski, John Carson, and George Kirk, HNs Gene R. Genest, John Pfaler, Douglas Chrisman, CPL John Siebert of the Mar-Corps, and DN Maureen Estes.

The committee meets the first Thursday of every month in Building 25A at 1500.

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Army-Navy Museum In Philadelphia

The National Park Service recently signed an agreement with the Association of the U.S. Army and the Navy League of the United States to accept \$460,000 of donated funds to establish an Army-Navy Museum in Independence National Historical Park, Philadelphia.

The funds will be used to reconstruct Pemberton House on Carpenter's Court adjacent to the Historic Carpenters Hall and the reconstructed New Hall, the latter housing an exhibit related to the origin and early history of the Marine Corps. The museum will contain artifacts and exhibits telling the story of the Army and Navy and their role in winning independence. The Park Service will ultimately operate the museum as part of the historical park.

Ships, stations, and individuals who desire to give further help to this worthwhile project may do so by sending contributions to:

National Treasurer,
Army-Navy Museum Fund
Mr. James M. Large,
Chairman of the Board
Provident National Bank
Broad & Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, Pa. 19101

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Corpsman: This coffee tastes like mud.

Cook: Well, it was ground this morning.

First Military BeneSugg Award



HMC Fred Taylor of the OOD's Office last week received from Admiral Cokely the first Beneficial Suggestion Award earned by a member of the military staff at Oak Knoll.

His suggestion that the hospital procure and equip a cab-over metro ambulance for handling of more patients in less time, at lower cost, resulted in a \$75 award.

"The idea came to me when I had the duty and had to send two ambulances for two patients," said the chief.

"A metro-ambulance can carry four stretcher patients. It has folding ramps at side doors so wheelchair patients can be wheeled aboard in their chairs. This causes them less discomfort. Maintenance of such a bus is only a third of the cost of maintenance of a regular ambulance, and they are easy to park."

As the result of Chief Taylor's suggestion a cab-over metro-ambulance is now being tried out.



CDR J. F. Ouellette, SC, USN, Commanding Officer of the Navy Regional Finance Center, with Mrs. Dorothy Mantineo (left) and Miss Vivian Howe of his staff, posed with the seven brand new TV sets and AO1 (DV) James K. Johnston, USN, of Corpus Christi, Tex., and L/CPL Robert H. Morphis, USMC, of Russellville, Ark., and 76B. Johnston and Morphis are among the many for whom television makes a long hospital stay seem shorter.

Santa Claus Comes Early—From NSC

Folks over at Naval Supply Center, Oakland, made like Santa Claus last week and presented the hospital seven brand new Emerson portable TV sets which cost approximately \$100 each.

Mrs. Dorothy Mantineo, employee of the Naval Regional Finance Center and president of the NSC Association of Women Supervisors, made known her concern for amputee patients through the NSC OAK LEAF (That's correct). Her thoughtfulness started a wave of giving that has spread through the Center and elsewhere in the community.

Miss Vivian Howe, a young redhead employed at the Finance Center promptly gave \$10. One gift led to another. The NSC Purchase Department and Office of Counsel contributed money for two TV sets, the Regional Finance Center one, the Association of Women Supervisors one and money toward a second. Donors from other departments gave the cash needed to complete payment for a fifth set.

The other two were the gifts of San Francisco Chapter of the American Society of Military (Continued on page 6)

Christmas Will Be Merry for All Hands Aboard NH Oak Knoll



The ACCORDION MUSIC of Lou Jacklich—composer, band leader and Capitol recording artist will fill the auditorium when the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee presents its annual stage show in the auditorium the evening of 20 December. Lou is the first exponent of the newest rage in the musical instrument field—the Lovell organ attachment for the accordion. All military and civilian staff members are invited to this star-studded show on which the curtain will rise at 1930.

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Twenty Years Ago In the OAK LEAF

Something new has hit the social structure of Oak Knoll. No longer is one greeted by the question—"Got two nickels for a dime so I can buy a coke?" A new-fangled machine in the bowling alley has taken care of that. It looks like any ordinary coke machine only a little taller. A coin slot is located exactly in the middle. Pennies run right through it. A nickel brings only a coke. A dime brings a coke and amazingly a nickel also. A quarter causes four buffalo heads to come tumbling out followed by one of those refreshing pauses.

Once again the Ward Corpsmen are behind the sickle cutting the grass of Oak Knoll. Starting on the ninth, they will muster at 1300 on their liberty days for outside details.

The man who hides behind a woman's skirt today is no coward. He's a magician.

The Navy's oldest hospital ship, USS RELIEF, was recently decommissioned and assigned to the mothball fleet. Since the keel was laid in 1917, the ship has hospitalized thousands of navy men.

The hospital library claims it is amphibious, first because it is a Navy library ashore, and second, because its floating libraries reach the wards afloat or ashore—that is, rain or shine. Canvas covers keep book carts dry, and the librarians pretend to be mermaids when California's liquid sunshine is in the air.

The Navy's new plan permitting wives to join their husbands overseas applies for the present only to the Caribbean area, South

Committee Decorates Tomorrow & Sunday

Tomorrow morning members of the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee will be aboard with dozens of helpers—all with a single thought in mind: To make the old Knoll sparkle anew for Christmas. When they finish their job Sunday, each ward and department, the Chapel, the Main Gate, the Administration and Community Services Buildings will be ready for the holiest, happiest day of the year.

Throughout the week, special activities are planned for the patients, including the gala Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee stage show in the auditorium to which all hands and their families are invited.

Versatile Ed Hennessy—acclaimed one of the best all-round story tellers in this story-telling land—will emcee the show, which is guaranteed to be loaded with laughter, music, and dancing.

Red Cross volunteers have planned special activities on all the wards for Christmas Eve.

And THEN—Christmas Day. The Christmas committee will bring Santa Claus aboard to empty his pack with a "ho-ho-ho."

A beautifully-wrapped gift of value will be presented to each patient from funds raised by the Christmas Committee with the aid of the OAKLAND TRIBUNE. In the afternoon, troupes of entertainers will stroll through the wards dispelling any gloom that might have survived the barrage of gifts and attentions that are part of Christmas at Oak Knoll.

The Christmas dinner, a culin-



Among the many attractions at the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee show Tuesday night will be the Coralene Duane Dancers—prominent young song and dance group. They have appeared with Bob Hope, Frank Sinatra, and many others. Now, they're coming LIVE to the Oak Knoll stage. All hands, military and civilian, are invited to come and bring their families. Curtain time is 1930.

ary masterpiece cooked up by CDR Joseph Honish and his Food Service Crew, will offer a choice of

four entrees with all the trimmings, including candy, nuts, and a souvenir menu.

Kid Stuff



LUMAC'S ALSATIANS are coming to the stage for the Staff Children's party Monday! These beautiful and extremely intelligent Alsatian Shepherds provide the utmost in entertainment value for audiences of all ages, says their press agent. Their performance features "Count Eric," largest dog in the world to accomplish a full and complete back sommersault.

America, Newfoundland, Pearl Harbor, Samoa, Alaska, Kodiak, and the Aleutians. To qualify, the

husband must be an officer or an enlisted man in one of the top three pay grades.



WHO EVER HEARD of a clown named Lola? Well there is one, and she'll be just one of the many attractions planned to delight staff children Monday. The doors will open on the party at 1230. Other attractions are organ music by Marie Stingle, cartoons, a variety show by Los Ayres Dance Studio—and of course Santa Claus—Chief Nicholson and Chief Blaul, who'll take his pack to Pediatrics.



MEMBERS of CLASS 44 of the Preventive Medicine Technician Course are, from left, front row: HMIs George W. Hatcher, Robert Frasure, and Richard B. Wallace, HMC James B. Cockrum; HMI Franklin M. Sharit; HMI Rudolph Jones, HM2 Charlie Williams, HM2 Albert A. Ronneberg, and HM2 Earle M. Rafuse. Back row: HM2 David H. McGarvey, HMIs Bobby E. Bowman, Glenman B. Eaton, Billy B. McCarver, Hugh W. Cook, Jr., and Edward R. Buige. CAPT Calvin F. Johnson, MSC, USN, 12ND Medical Administrative Officer, was the speaker.

Scuttlebutt

WHAT NEXT? L/CPL Charles "Kat" Belue was about ready to check out when some feminine friends called to ask what he'd like for Christmas. "A German shepherd" he quickly replied. Apparently that's just what the girls had in mind, for they soon arrived with a 4-week-old puppy of the desired breed. Belue and fellow amputees promptly christened the ball of fluff Brutus, using BRUTE aftershave lotion. Now that Belue and Brutus are safely en route home to Los Angeles, it can be told. Brutus spent two nights on Ward 75A—in a hatbox.

CONGRATULATIONS to LTJG Susan Haberkorn of OT. Until 13 December she was a mere ensign.

FUN FOR EVERYONE. The decorating party, for Christmas and New Years at the Club Tradewinds, was a great success. Everyone pitched in and in no time at all the work for the evening was completed. All that was left to do was to sing along to the fine piano playing of "Poki" and for those who dared, to line up and have their pictures taken on Santa's (Ralph Hainsworth) knee by Ski Lubarsky.

LIFE BEGAN on 10 December for Stephen Wayne Thompson, 6 lb. 3½ oz., son of HN Jerrel Thompson, Surgery II, and his wife Barbara.

NO ONE COULD HAVE BEEN MORE SURPRISED than PFC Frank Ramirez was when someone bought his collage at the NAS Alameda Art Show recently. For \$17.50. His teacher, Mrs. Louis French, who likes to refer to herself as a "Hey, Lady!" taught the young amputee the art of collage—sembling pieces of paper to form a picture or pattern and finishing it with shellac. Oh, and Bob Coffee's water colors were also on display at the show.

JOHN VANDEN BOS, retired MMC, who has served as a journeyman machinist here for the past three years, was installed last Saturday night as Worshipful Master of Lorenzo Masonic Lodge No. 709.

Talented!



HM2 James Scarlata of NPRL (left) and HM3 John Carson of PT sang their way to fourth place in the recent 12ND Talent Contest. Each sang a solo, but it was as a team that they placed.

That old favorite, "Five Foot Two" and a folksong—"In the Early Morning Rain"—were their winning numbers. Scarlata provided guitar accompaniment.

So far, there is only one trophy, but a duplicate will be provided in the near future.

The two Knollites will be invited to participate in the West Coast Talent Contest scheduled at Naval Air Station, Seattle, 25 and 26 January.

HM3 Barbara Jacobs sang "Climbing to the Moon," "Bossa Nova," and "Birth of the Blues," but did not place.

It is interesting to note that four of the nine acts that made it to the finals at Hunters Point were from Oak Knoll.

Moffett Field took first place with a rock 'n roll duet.

Mr. Vanden Bos became a Mason in 1957, is now a 32nd Degree Mason, a member of Aahmes Shrine Temple, Southern Alameda County Shrine Club, and Order of the Eastern Star.

HAVE YOU HEARD THIS ONE:

1st Corpsman: What is CO₂?

2nd Corpsman: I suppose it's the man in charge when the Commanding Officer goes ashore.

Coach Still Hunting Basketball Players

In the wake of two defeats, Coach Ken Moffett is not too discouraged about his basketball team.

"We were beaten by Mare Island and Moffett Field, but they were honorable defeats," the coach said.

The score in the MI game was 80-67, with Martin making 27 of the 67.

Moffett Field piled up 130 to the Hilltoppers' 91. Campagna was high with 29 points; Martin scored 25, Sheldon 18, Deshields 13, and Grothe 6.

"Moffett Field had 16 men to our 6," Coach Moffett lamented. "We have the potential, but we need a little help."

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A Few Safety Rules for Smokers

Each year thoughtless smokers are responsible for more than 200,000 fires, and about 1,200 people die in these fires, according to Fire Chief Meier. And, says the Chief, the sad part of it is that we almost always mistakenly blame the match and cigarette rather than the unthinking person who used them.

For thinking persons who would be smart and safe smokers, Chief Meier recommends observing these simple rules:

1. If you smoke in bed, break this deadly habit at once. It is one of the most common causes of fire deaths and one of the easiest to correct.

2. Make certain your matches and cigarettes are completely out before disposing of them.

3. Have plenty of safe ash trays around your house and office. The safe ones are large, deep and designed to hold a burning cigarette entirely within the tray so it can't fall out.

4. When driving, discard your matches and cigarettes in the car's ash tray and see that your passengers do the same.

5. Every night before retiring—especially after parties—look beneath sofa cushions and around the crevices of upholstered chairs. Any still-hot cigarettes which have lodged in these spots can cause a deadly, smoldering nighttime fire.

HAIL - FAREWELL

OFFICERS DETACHED:

LCDR R. F. Ambur, MC, USN, to Children's Orthopedics training at Saint Charles Hospital, Brooklyn, N.Y.

ENLISTED REPORTING:

HM1 Mary H. Donaghue from Naval SuppAct, London, England; HM1 Leroy Bryant from Naval Support Activity, Saigon; HM1 Andrew J. Murray from USS MARKAB; HA Johanne Grilane from HCS, Great Lakes, and the following from HCS, San Diego:

HNs Ronald A. Dahl, Earl C. Isom, Charles Jefferson, Willard Tolliver, Kenneth Gideon, Richard Pence, John Lewis, Vernon Peters, Jeffrey Morris,

HAs Larry N. Person, Dennis L. Dooley, Gary A. Daugherty.

ENLISTED DETACHED:

HM3 Jack Barnes to Naval Hospital, Yokosuka, Japan; and HM3 Kenneth Douglas, to inactive duty.

HNs Alfred A. K. Wong to Naval Weapons Station, Concord; Leo C. Hardie to Naval Supply Center, Oakland, Lamar E. Creel and HA Mark P. Konkel to Treasure Island.

HNs William H. Cook, Louis Harley, Michael Eagen, Davis S. Palmer, and George D. Sirmon to Naval Air Station, Alameda.

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Busy Year for Bay Area USO

More than 2,500 volunteers worked a total of 70,812 hours in all USO units in the Bay Area during the past year.

During the last six months of the year, theaters, movies, sports events, etc. provided 14,500 free or discount tickets to servicemen and their dependents.

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More About NSC Gift

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Comptrollers, San Francisco, of which MAJGEN J. J. Binns, USA, Ret., is president. CDR J. F. Ouellette, SC, USN, Commanding Officer of the Navy Regional Finance Center, and COL R. L. Haffen, USAF, Ret., are vice-presidents. All three were on hand for the TV presentation, as was Mrs. Mildred Silcox, Special Project Chairman for the NSC Association of Women Supervisors, who passed out home-made cookies—another phase of NSC's "Operation Oak Knoll."