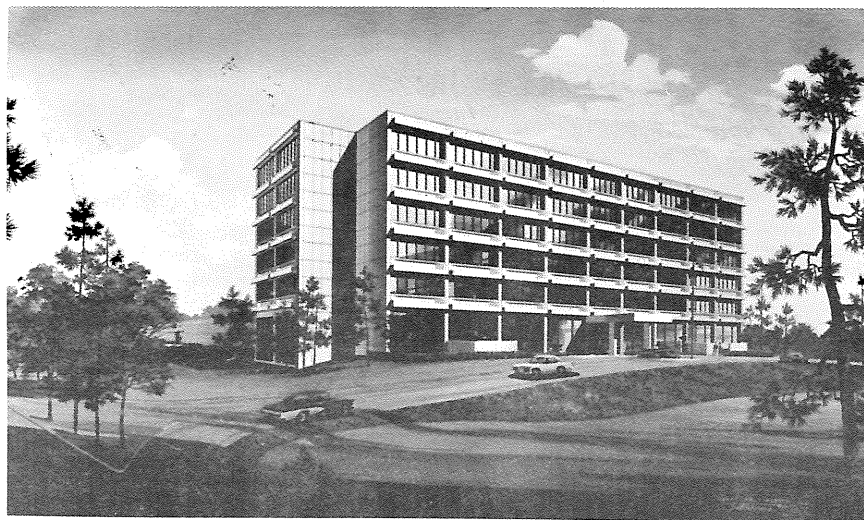


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C. O. PROMOTED TO REAR ADMIRAL



RADM. R.D. NAUMAN

Naval Hospital Memphis' Commanding Officer, R. D. Nauman joined the ranks of the Naval flag officers upon his promotion to Rear Admiral on 1 April 1972. Rear Admiral Nauman received his promotion in Washington during ceremonies held 3 April 1972,

Admiral Nauman, a native of Richmond, Virginia, graduated from the University of Virginia Medical School in 1945. After a year's internship at the Naval Hospital in Charleston, S. C., he reported to the Charleston Receiving Station.

In February 1947, the Admiral started his first tour of sea duty aboard the U. S. S. Catamount, operating with the Atlantic Fleet Amphibious Force.

In 1948, Admiral Nauman became a flight surgeon upon completion of the Navy's School of Aviation Medicine and Research in Pensacola.

Admiral Nauman participated in the Berlin airlift while stationed in Rhein Main, Germany in 1949. For that outstanding service he was awarded the Air Force Commendation Ribbon and the Humane Ribbon.

He later served in the Korean airlift and medical evacuation during that conflict.

During his 27 years of active Naval service, RAdm. Nauman's duties have taken him to Naval Air Stations at Patuxent River, Md., Cecil Field, Florida, and Annapolis, Md.

In 1960, he was promoted to Captain while serving aboard the aircraft carrier Independence in the Atlantic Fleet.

Prior to assuming his duties as Commanding Officer of NHMFS in August 1970 RAdm. Nauman served as the Commanding Officer of the Naval Hospital at Patuxent River. Admiral Nauman anticipates re-assignment to a new duty station later this spring.

REAR ADMIRAL R. D. NAUMAN, MC, USN.....COMMANDING OFFICER
CAPTAIN C. R. HAMLIN, MC, USN.....EXECUTIVE OFFICER
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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

by Cdr. Don C. Alexander, CHC, USN

PRAY FOR RATTLESNAKES

I read the following and pass it on with but one comment.

"Once upon a time there was a family of wayward church members who had once been active, but had lost all interest and fallen away. There was the father and three sons, Jim, John, and Sam. Man had talked to them about their sad condition- the minister had visited them, prayers had been offered but it all served to be of no avail.

"One day while walking in the pasture a rattlesnake bit John and he became very ill. The physician, upon examination, pronounced John to be critically ill. 'About all you can do now is wait and pray,' were the physician's words. The father called the minister and told him of John's condition. He asked the minister to pray for John's recovery and this was what he said:

"Oh wise and righteous Father, we thank thee for thou has in thy wisdom, sent this rattlesnake to bite John, in order to bring him to his senses. He has not been inside the church for years and it's doubtful that he has in all that time felt the need for prayers. Now we trust that this will prove a valuable lesson to him, and that it will lead to a genuine repentance. And now, O Father wilt thou send another snake to bite Sam, and another to bite Jim, and another one to bite the old man. We have all been doing everything we know for years to restore them, but to no avail. It seems therefore that all our combined efforts could not do what this snake has done. We thus conclude that the only thing left that will do this family any good is rattlesnakes. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen."

From the looks of Chapel attendance here at the hospital perhaps we could use a few rattlesnakes.

NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

New Non-Fiction

National Geographic Society, GREAT RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD.
Cotlow, L., THE TWILIGHT OF THE PRIMITIVE.
Margolius, S., INNOCENT INVESTOR AND THE SHAKY GROUND FLOOR.
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Adhemar, J., TWENTIETH CENTURY GRAPHICS
Sidran, Ben, BLACK TALK.
Heilbut, Tony, GOSPEL SOUND: GOOD NEWS AND BAD TIMES.
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Ace, Goodman, THE BETTER OF GOODMAN ACE.
Fodor, Eugene, FODOR'S GUIDE TO EUROPE.
Fodor, Eugene, SOUTH AMERICA.
Metcalf, George R., UP FROM WITHIN: TODAY'S NEW BLACK LEADERS.
McLuhan, T. C., TOUCH THE EARTH: A SELF PORTRAIT OF INDIAN EXISTENCE.
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Bassett, James, CMDR. PRINCE, USN. A Navy Commander finds himself haunted by the fear that he may lack courage.
Corman, Avery, OH GOD. To prove that he is not dead, God decides to reappear on earth and chooses a playwright as his intermediary.
Fair, Ronald, WE CAN'T BREATHE. An autobiographical novel about Ernie, growing up in a Chicago ghetto, and his agonizing struggle to find himself.
Garvin, R. M., THE MIDNIGHT SPECIAL. The life and times of the legendary Lead-belly have been recreated in a blend of fact and fabrication.
Hailey, Arthur, WHEELS. A picture of the American automobile industry and its effect on individual lives and American life in general. Best seller.
Kent, Alexander, THE FLAG CAPTAIN. Action and adventure in the best cannon and cutlass tradition sail again with Captain Richard Bolitho.
Knight, Damon, ed., POCKETFUL OF STARS. Science fiction.
Lieberman, Gerald F., THE SEA LEPERS. The story of a merchant vessel pressed into service during World War II and her wild, assorted crew.
McConnell, Malcolm, MATATA. Matata means trouble in Swahili, and this novel set in the Congo, during a single week is rife with it.
Maclean, Alistair, BEAR ISLAND. Terror and death accompany a movie crew on location to a deserted island north of the Arctic Circle.
Moore, Robin, THE KHAKI MAFIA. About the corruption and scandal uncovered in the U. S. Army messes in Vietnam.
Solmsen, Arthur R. G., ALEXANDER'S FEAST. An elderly shaken Graham Anders is confronted by unsettling memories as he attends a law conference in Salzburg.
Wouk, Herman, THE WINDS OF WAR. A best-selling novel of World War II.

Navy Battles Pollution

WASHINGTON, D. C. (NAVNEWS) The Navy, declaring all-out war against pollution has opened a computer attack against the enemy on a new front.

A multi-million dollar Environmental Protection Data Base Program was established during Fiscal Year 1972. The Chief of Naval Material assigned the overall responsibility of the Program to the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC). In turn, the Naval Civil Engineering Laboratory (NCEL), Port Hueneme, Calif., was appointed deputy program manager.

NCEL is charged with compiling data on pollution involving ships, aircraft and shore installations, as well as arriving at recommendations leading to constructive action.

When compiled, a central data bank will be available to all levels of Navy management. Through computers, specialists in pollution control and systems analysis will analyze information collected in the field. This analysis will suggest corrective measures that may be taken and will provide planning data and requirements.

As deputy program manager NCEL is organizing a group of outstanding specialists in all fields of ecological science and engineering to probe air pollution, water pollution, oil spills, waste disposal and noise abatement.

The Navy's accelerated fight against pollution started in January 1971 when the Assistant Secretary of the Navy Research and Development) directed the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Development) to establish a "program to gather data to show the extent to which the Environment is affected by Naval ships, aircraft, and shore installations."

The new program will establish a "data base" for environmental factors at selected Navy activities world wide.

HOSPITAL CLAIMS BASE CAGE TITLE

Hospital #1's basketball squad maintained its championship form and captured the second straight Navy Memphis basketball title for the Naval Hospital. The team clinched the championship with two victories on the same day against a determined quintet from CNARF. Hospital #1 defeated CNARF, the only team to up-end the hospital team, by scores of 54-48 and 57-55, to nail down the title.

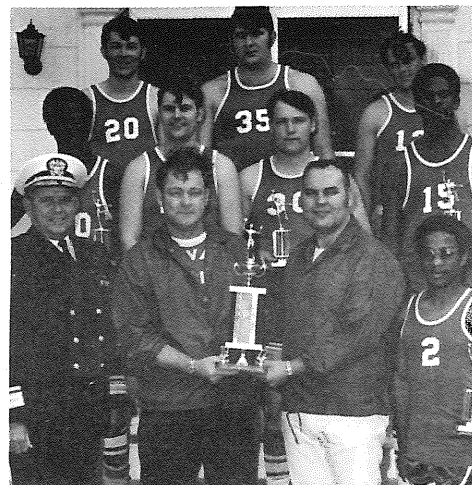
The corpsmen, led by Terry Jennings and John Reuter fought off a fourth quarter surge by CNARF to hold on to a 6-point triumph. Reuter hit on 10 of 15 from the floor for 20 points while Jennings sunk 8 of 12 and a free throw for 17 points.

The victory tied the double-elimination play-off series for the two teams thus forcing the championship finale.

The hospital squad, riding high on its opening game victory, jumped to a 31-20 halftime bulge. But the fighting reserves from CNARF were not out of the picture yet. Taking advantage of a cold third quarter, the reserves tied the score late in the stanza but remained down 38-36 at the period ending buzzer.

The fourth quarter became a real seesaw battle with the score remaining tied with less than two minutes to play. CNARF, maintaining the momentum established in the third quarter, took the lead for the first time 55-54. Hospital brought the ball down court and passed off to Reuter, who drilled in a 20-footer to put the hospital five on top 56-55. Careless ball handling by CNARF gave the ball to the corpsmen with only 20 seconds remaining.

Pictured at right is RAdm. R. D. Nauman with the 1972 Hospital #1 basketball team. From left to right, front row, are RAdm. Nauman, coaches K. W. Baker and C. Mason, and T. M. Carter; second row, S. C. McCants, C. J. Adams, T. L. Jennings, and W. L. Bean; last row, R. D. Lamme, J. R. Reuter, and C. S. Ramsey. Not shown- W. Dendy.



With the corpsmen trying to kill the clock, the reserves intentionally fouled Sid Ramsey in a last ditch effort to regain possession. Ramsey hit the first foul shot but missed the second. Reuter, playing clutch basketball, pulled the ball off the boards and passed out to Tim Carter. The hospital squad simply ran out the clock on CNARF to secure the base basketball crown.

Steve McCants led the hospital scoring parade in the second game with 18 points, while Jennings had 14 and Bob Lamme pumped in an even dozen.

C.O.'s Daughter Named Navy Princess

Navy Memphis' Cotton Carnival Princess Kathleen Leslie Nauman will be especially honored on 22 April at a reception and dinner dance at the NAS Officers Club.

The Memphis Council of the Navy League recently selected Miss Nauman as the Navy Memphis Princess to the 1972 Cotton Carnival. Kathy is the daughter of Rear Admiral and Mrs. Richard D. Nauman, commanding officer of the Naval Hospital.

Miss Nauman, a senior at Millington Central High School, is president of the National Honor Society, a member of the Beta Club, Quill and Scroll and acts as feature editor for the school paper. She was recently selected as a finalist in the National Council of Teachers of English Achievement Awards and will be listed in the Who's Who Among American High School Students for 1971-72.

Princess Kathy's interests range from swimming and all sports to music and the arts. As a swimmer, Miss Nauman has won over 200 honors and awards.

Next fall, Princess Kathy will enter the School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University.

The Navy and the Memphis Council of the Navy League will honor Miss Nauman at the annual Navy Cotton Carnival Ball May 5 at the Officers Club. During the Cotton Carnival events the princess will be escorted by First Lieutenant Earl Hacker, a student in the Aviation Maintenance Officer School. Lt. Hacker, the first Marine ever to escort a Navy Princess to the event, is attached to MATSG-90.

Exam Results Posted

Results of the February 1972 Navy-wide advancement tests have arrived. Once again, Navy Hospital Memphis showed a high percentage of advancements, with a total of nearly 76% of those tested making new rates.

Heading the list of men to be promoted will be one man, HML W. D. Winfrey, being advanced to HMC, and two men making HML.

The first increment of corpsmen being advanced will be in July 1972, when a total of twelve men currently stationed at NHMFS are scheduled for advancement. Seventeen corpsmen and corpswives will advance in August 1972 while the remainder of those having passed the exam have been designated selectees.

Those people in a selectee status can expect dates of advancement to be published sometime late in July.

A complete breakdown of the exam results for corpsmen follows:

RATE	% ADVANCED	% FAILED	% PNA'd
HM3	87	13	0
HM2	81	19	0
HML	40	60	0
HMC	17	67	17
TOTAL	76	23	1

Congratulations to those who successfully passed the rating exams.

The time for preparing for the next rating exams is now. The deadline for qualifying for the August exams has been set as 30 June 1970. Eligibility requirements should be checked with the I&E Office at the earliest convenience.



Take stock in America '72

DEPARTMENTAL SPOTLIGHT ON DENTAL SERVICES

As members of the Armed Forces on active duty, one of the regular check-ups all personnel can count on is the annual or semi-annual visit to the dentist. Most personnel seldom consider the services rendered by the Dental Department until they need emergency treatment for dental problems.

While the primary mission is the rendering of routine and oral surgical dental care to staff and in-patients at Naval Hospital Memphis, the Dental Services is often called upon to aid in diagnosis and treatment of oral conditions associated with medical disorders.

At Naval Hospital Memphis, Cdr. D. D. Albers serves as Chief of Dental Services and is also the oral surgeon for the command. Lt. J. S. Soteris assists Dr. Albers in the diagnosis and treatment of dental patients. DTL G. D. Barger acts as leading petty officer while DT3 V. L. Dotson, DT3 M. E. Graham, DN J. F. Welch and C. E. Evins, a certified civilian, serve as dental assistants.

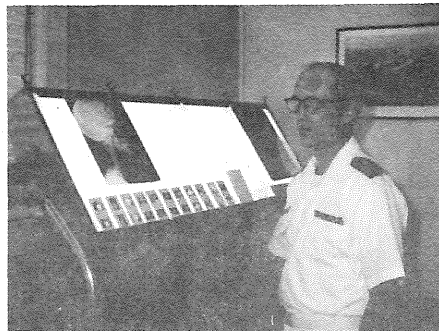
All Dental Department personnel are fully trained in the services rendered by the department. This training puts special emphasis on surgical assistance and operating room procedures.

In addition to providing diagnostic and therapeutic assistance to various departments in the hospital, the Dental Services provide consultations to NAS dispensary, Blythville AFB, the VA Hospital and Public Health facilities in Memphis.

Retired personnel whose physical health may require prompt medical attention during dental treatment, also receive dental care from the department.



DT3 M. E. Graham, right, assists Lt. J. S. Soteris in preparation for a root canal operation.



Cdr. Albers, Chief of Dental Services, examines a set of dental x-rays.

Though most of its work is of a routine nature, the Dental Service work load involves a large portion of treatment of maxillo-facial fractures and other injuries. The bulk of the work in the department involves routine prophylaxis and fluoride treatment and the routine management of dental caries, endodontics and periodontics. As the Navy places special emphasis on preventive dental care, routine prophylaxis and fluoride treatment is provided for dependents of staff personnel on an appointment basis. Finally, orthodontic surgery is provided for selected active duty personnel.

Through a concerted, conscientious, and cooperative effort of all its personnel, the Dental Department attempts to offer its patients the finest care possible. By keeping abreast of recent developments in the field of dentistry and utilizing new techniques, the department continues its war on dental problems.

Faulder Named Escort

HM3 Richard H. Faulder has been selected to serve as an escort for this year's Cotton Carnival. Faulder was chosen by Lady-in-Waiting Jean Reid, of the Fort Knightner Society, to act as her escort throughout the Cotton Carnival events. Miss Reid, 20, is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William T. Reid and is currently a nursing student at Memphis State University.

Faulder, who entered the Navy in March, 1969 at Fort Worth, Texas, has been active in the Navy Memphis intramural and varsity sports program while stationed at the Navy Hospital. A place-kicking specialist on the championship Hospital touch football squad Faulder is currently a member of the Navy Memphis Hellcats softball team. Prior to his entry in the Navy, Faulder attended Terrant County Junior College in Fort Worth.

USAFI Offers Study Programs

MADISON, Wisc., (NAVNEWS) The United States Armed Forces Institute (USAFI) provides several opportunities for college level study.

USAFI correspondence courses offer a wide selection of subjects: English, business, foreign languages, mathematics, science and social studies. The initial fee for course enrollment is \$10. Successful completion of the course entitles the student to a free enrollment in another course. The Commission on Accreditation of Service Experiences makes recommendations concerning college credit for USAFI courses.

The major opportunity for college study is provided by a program entitled "Correspondence Courses Offered by Participating Colleges and Universities."

Under this program, 45 well-known colleges and universities offer 6,000 college-credit correspondence courses at both the undergraduate and graduate level. Enrollment is accomplished directly with the institution concerned. The courses are provided at reasonable rates to military personnel.

USAFI college courses may also be conducted by Navy commands. USAFI provides textbooks and instructional materials on a loan basis.

Instructors may be voluntary military personnel or qualified civilians who are paid under the Navy Instructor Hire Program.

For further information on available courses, contact HMC Taylor in the Education and Training Office.

WIVES CLUB NEWS

At their last meeting the Hospital Enlisted Wives Club elected new officers for the next six months. Chosen to serve as the new officers were Shirley Santoro, President; Sue Haden, Vice-President; Pat Jimerfield, Secretary; Melanie Tabor, Treasurer; and, Charleen Koonce, Club Representative.

The club is sponsoring a "Monte Carlo" night in the Red Cross recreation room, once a month for the hospital patients. The Club will furnish prizes, refreshments, and hostesses for the evening.

Earlier this month the club sponsored an Easter Egg Hunt for all hospital staff children at the hospital pool. Prizes were given to winners in each age group.

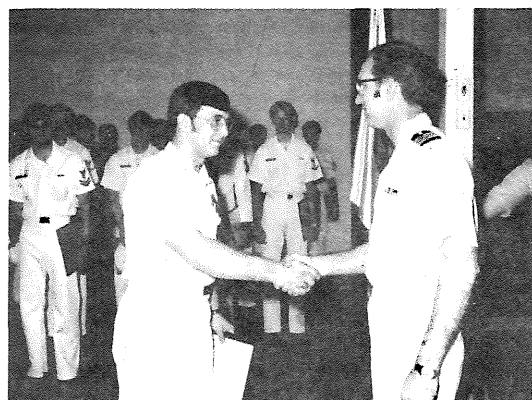
The Enlisted Wives Club meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month in the enlisted mess hall of the hospital.



RAdm. R. D. Nauman and Capt. A. L. Davis look on as Lt. B. J. Moore, NC, USN, signs papers promoting him to his present rank.



Above HMCN M. L. Henry signs a two-year re-enlistment contract as RAAdm. R. D. Nauman, Commanding Officer, and Lt. T. A. Braitsch, Supply Officer, look on.

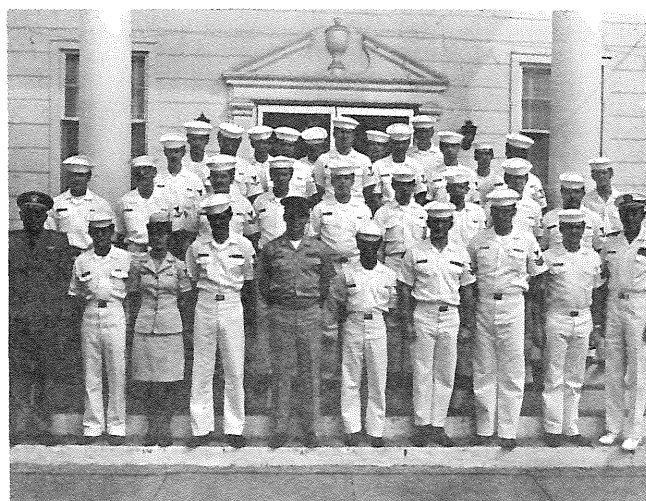


Capt. C. R. Hamlin congratulates HM2 R. E. Polly after presenting him with his first Good Conduct Award.



Capt. E. M. Hemness presents HM3 Ralph Simmons with a certificate designating him as a cast-room technician, as RAAdm. Nauman looks on. Simmons recently completed OJT training to qualify for the NEC.

ADVANCEMENTS



Pictured above are the enlisted personnel who were advanced to new rates on 1 April 1972. From left to right, first row, RAAdm. R. D. Nauman, HM3 D. R. Watkins, HM3 C. E. Thomas, HML W.M. Young, HMC C. A. Jimerfield, HM3 T. M. Carter, HM2 R. E. Polly, HML P. B. Powers, HML S. E. Piner, and Cdr. J. W. Young; second row, HM3 T. L. Graham, HM3 J. G. Huntington, HM2 J. R. Richards, HM3 S. J. Mandell, HM3 M. S. Smith, HM3 D. W. Palmer, HM3 O. M. Taylor, HM3 S.R. Doyen, HM3 L. T. Kirby, and HM2 G. E. Sivertsen; third row, HM3 T. K. Ingram, HM3 D. J. Wilson, HM3 J. W. Mullins, HM3 G. E. Wells, HM3 T. L. Gideon, HM3 D. V. Evans, and HM3 A.R. Cobin; last row, HM3 B. C. Vinyard, HM3 K. E. Foston, HM3 D. C. Walters, HM3 V. A. Cooper, HM2 J.D. Lumpkin, and HM2 M. J. Evers. Not shown are DT3 M. E. Graham, HM3 R. A. Mikish, HM3 D. L. Moore, HM3 W. Dendy, HM3 D. W. Cannon, and HM3 J. D. Stewart.

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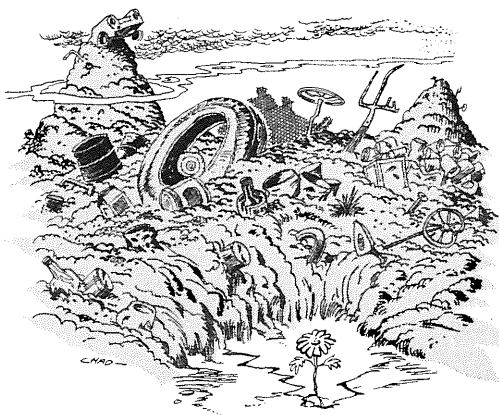
Arbor Day — A New Concept

Arbor Day, observed on varying dates—usually in early Spring—by the different states, has traditionally been a show of American concern for the environment with the emphasis on tree conservation.

However, with the recent realization that America's environmental problems do not end with tree conservation matters, this holiday has taken on a broader scope. To many people, Arbor Day has become a sort of "Earth Day" devoted to overcoming the complete realm of environmental problems—air, water, noise, and land pollution, as well as the problem of wastage of natural resources.

You may believe that many of these problems are too big for any single individual to tackle, but environmentalists disagree. They offer the following list of things you can easily do to help improve the environment:

- Keep your automobile engine well-tuned. A well-tuned engine burns fuel cleanly so that fewer pollutants are released in exhaust emissions.
- Check automobile anti-pollution devices regularly.
- Use only gasoline of the proper octane level in your car. The use of premium gasoline in a car designed to run on regular can result in greater pollutant exhaust emissions.
- Replace the muffler on your automobile at regular intervals to insure that noise levels are kept at a minimum.



- Refrain from open burning. Outdoor burning not only puts smoke into the air, but wastes resources (paper, sawdust, wood) that may be reusable.

- Refrain from wasting water and electricity around the house.
- Report all instances of pollution you observe, whether the polluter is an individual or a large industrial firm.

Environmentalists also note that one simple way to help improve the environment is to refrain from unconscious (or conscious) littering. According to the National Geographic Society, Americans throw away an estimated 50 billion empty cans,

30 billion glass containers, and 4 million tons of plastics each year. An unknown (but undoubtedly significant) percentage of this trash could be classified as litter. Simply by using the proper trash receptacles, and encouraging others to do the same, you could help alleviate this problem.

By practicing all of these suggestions throughout the year, environmentalists believe you could help insure a cleaner world in the future. Arbor Day—a day which commemorates American concern for the environment—is a fitting time to commit yourself to the task.

HERE COMES Squash!

To many people, squash is a hard rubber ball, not a vegetable.

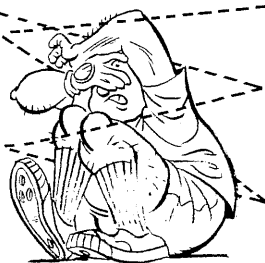
Squash, a game played with rackets on a small court enclosed by four walls, is taking England and the United States by storm.

In the past few years, the number of courts in the United States has doubled to more than 2,000. Harried executives value the sport because it offers maximum exercise in minimum time. A fiercely contested match can bring a player to a panting, perspiring, exhausted halt in just half an hour, the National Geographic Society says.

Government officials and military officers often compete at the Pentagon Officers Athletic Club. One U.S. Navy officer took to the game with such enthusiasm that he had a court installed on a submarine tender for his crew.

Bounces Over Loft

In England squash is replacing golf as the country's fastest growing sport. About 500 new courts have been built in the



past five years, attracting everyone from bricklayers to millionaires.

A tour through Japan of top players from England and elsewhere stirred wide interest in the game. The Japanese reportedly will have 7,000 courts by the end of 1975, more than the total in the rest of the world.

Squash supposedly originated in 19th-century London's sinister Fleet Prison, where prisoners shaped rag balls and batted them against the walls with crude rackets to pass the time.

Amused the Wealthy

Somehow the game graduated to the exclusive Harrow School about 1880. The wealthy soon began building courts on their



1. A sharp-shooting guard from Notre Dame was the first draft pick of pro-basketball's Cleveland Cavaliers in 1971. Name him.

2. In ice hockey, what is it called when a person scores three goals in a single game?

3. The only man to ever win the heavyweight championship of professional boxing twice, lost the crown in 1962 to Sonny Liston. Name him.

4. What horse was the last winner of the triple crown of racing? Who was the jockey?

5. The UCLA Bruins have compiled an amazing record in college basketball competition, winning 5 straight NCAA championships. Who is the coach of the UCLA basketball team?

ANSWERS

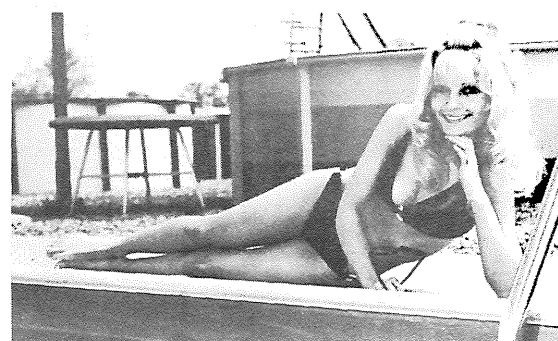
- 1) Austin Carr 2) Hat trick 3) Floyd Patterson 4) Citation in 1948, Eddie Arcaro 5) John Wooden

what's the bright IDEA? new techniques & innovations

A moisture barrier bag that protects 152mm ammunition from moisture damage has been developed by scientists at the U.S. Army Weapons Command Laboratory, Rock Island, Ill.

Work began on a project to create such a bag in February 1970. The breakthrough came when Army scientists designed an elastomeric (rubber) bag that fully met the requirements for ammunition protection.

Current barrier bag production levels (around 6,000 per month) have been sufficient to prevent the shut down of 152mm ammunition production at the Iowa Army Ammunition Plant, Burlington, Iowa.



VAMPIRES can be a pain in the neck, as actress Trisha Welles discovered in her latest flick "Grave of a Vampire." Being a real-life victim of shady consumer credit practices can also be a pain—in the pocketbook. Before you buy on credit, make sure you understand the contract.

country estates as added entertainment for weekend guests.

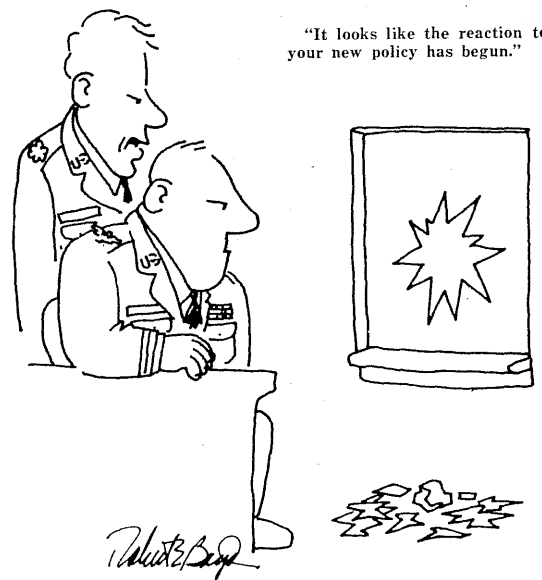
The sport took its name from the soft "squashy" sound the ball made when it hit the wall.

The hard rubber balls now used in play sometimes hit the walls at a hundred miles an hour and carom off at almost impossible angles.

Two or four players battle it out by ricocheting the ball off the walls. The ball may hit any number of walls going to or returning from the frontwall, even during service, but a player must make a return before his opponent's shot hits the floor twice.

A good player can stand at mid-court and run an inexperienced opponent's legs off. The difficult "boast" shot caroms sharply off one side wall to the other, then drops dead after glancing off the front one.

A close match can leave even a well-conditioned player weak as a kitten. "But you hardly ever see players drop dead on the court," said one enthusiast, tongue in cheek. "Usually they do it after the match."



"It looks like the reaction to your new policy has begun."