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The Bureau requests that this Bulletin be given free circulation among officers and that items of interests be published to the Enlisted Personnel. This bulletin is not confidential and may be destroyed at the discretion of the commanding officers. Constructive suggestions for improvement will be appreciated.

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1. Confirmation of Orders - not necessary. When despatch orders are issued to an officer, it is not necessary for the officer to request confirmation orders, as it is routine procedure to issue them. The confirmation orders are mailed to the officer's new station in order to be there on his arrival.

2. Circulating Library for Officers. The extent to which use has been made of the Circulating Library for officers wherever they may be stationed has been very gratifying. The demand continues to increase as new titles are added to the collection from time to time. Frequently more requests for specific titles are received than anticipated and this means delay in filling requests - - as for instance, the demand for Neon's "The great delusion" has exceeded anticipations. Additional copies have been ordered and as soon as they are received it will be possible to supply a larger number of the requests. This book is most opportune, coming at a time when the limitations of aviation are being discussed in the press every day.

Next in popularity to "The great delusion" are Bywater's "Navies and Nations" and Lawrence's "Revolt in the Desert".

A short time ago it was impossible to supply all requests for Norton's "China and the Powers". Now the great demand has subsided, but the book is still of interest and it is considered one of the two or three best books available on this subject for naval officers, giving as it does a clear cut, concise statement of the factors, both internal and external, which account for the present troubled situation in China.

For the officers on detached duty who do not have access to ship or station libraries, the Bureau has copies of the text books needed for those studying for examinations and is glad to loan them upon request.

It is contemplated expanding the collection in the near future to include technical books as well as those on policy, strategy, history and biography.

3. Flight Training at Pensacola. The next class for flight training which will convene at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. 1 January 1928, will consist entirely of enlisted men. Approximately 85 men will be selected for this class from applications on file in the Bureau of Navigation. At present there are only thirty applications on file and it is urged that wide publicity be given to the bureau's circular letter 68-27 of 22 September, 1927 (Subject: Aviation Pilot Training -- Enlisted Personnel - Candidates for), in order that a sufficient number of candidates may be obtained to fill the January class. It is also requested that commanding officers call the attention of the enlisted men to the great advantages which flight training offers to them; i.e., rapid promotion to petty officer first class and chief petty officer, and the fifty percent addition to their pay that men receive when they have become qualified and employed as a pilot.

4. Motion Pictures. The Bureau has purchased the following feature motion pictures for exhibition on naval ships and stations taking Navy Film Service:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>STAR</u>
Turkish Delight	R. Schildkraut-J. Faye
Underworld	G. Bancroft-E. Brent
Woman on Trial	E. Hansen-P. Negri
Open Range	B. Bronson-L. Chandler
She's A Shiek	Bebe Daniels-R. Arlen
The City Gone Wild	T. Meighan-M. Millner
The Spotlight (Tent. Title)	E. Kalston-N. Hamilton
The Last Waltz	Special Cast
Spring Fever	Wm. Haines-J. Crawford
Quality Street	Marion Davies
Loves of Carmen	D. del Rio-V. McLaglen
One Round Hogan	M. Blue-L. Hyams-J. Feffries
French Dressing	E. Lyon-C. Colbert
The Gorilla	C. Murray-D. Revier
The Private Life of Helen of Troy	L. Stone-M. O'Day
The Valley of the Giants	Milton Sills
Gun Gospel	Ken Maynard

TITLE

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Road to Romance	Ramon Navarro
My Best Girl	Mary Pickford
The Joy Girl	O.Borden-N.Hamilton
East Side, West Side	G.O'Brien-V.Valli
The Small Bachelor	B.Kent-A.Beranger
Sally in Our Alley	S.Mason-A.B.Francis
The Gay Retreat	R.McNamara-S.Cohen
The Garden of Eden	Corrine Griffith
The Arabian Knights	Wm.Boyd-M.Astor
Man Crazy	D.Mackaill-J.Mulhall
Becky	S.O'Neill-O.Moore
The Fair Co-Ed	Marion Davies
The College Hero	R.Agnew-P.Garon

The Receiving Ship at San Francisco, Calif. receives a considerable volume of mail intended for the Navy Motion Picture Exchange, San Diego, Calif. This mistake in address probably is the result of the matter printed in the instructions on the back of form Nav.530-A of 1 July 1923. It is requested that all mail intended for the West Coast Exchange be addressed to Naval Operating Base, San Diego, Calif., as indicated on form N-Nav-530 of October 1926.

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It is the intention of the Bureau to take a two or three reel picture of the Army and Navy Football Game this year, and to provide sufficient prints so that all exhibiting units will be able to witness the picture very soon after the game. The picture will be completed by Tuesday after the game and most of the ships and stations will be able to get this picture sometime during the week following the game. It is intended that it will cover all phases of the game, including action pictures of the game itself, play by play, and all interesting features of the game both at the Naval Academy and the Polo Grounds.

5. Acting Pay Clerks - Applicants for Appointment. In response to the call for applicants for appointment as Acting Pay Clerk in the Bureau's Circular Letter number 71-27, a number of petty officers first class have been recommended. That such applicants must be chief petty officers, as well as have the other qualifications laid down in the Bureau's Manual, is specified in the Act of Congress approved 3 March 1915. It being therefore a matter of law, the Navy Department is without authority to effect waivers of these requirements and all nominations of enlisted men other than chief petty officers, must be disapproved.

In reply to inquiry as to the status of an Acting Pay Clerk, the Bureau has stated that an enlisted man so appointed relinquishes his enlisted status and should his appointment later be forfeited, his connections with the Navy are completely severed. The records of the Bureau however, disclose

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but few cases of Acting Pay Clerks, at the end of a year's service, failing to pass the examination for pay clerk. These few were suspended for six months and then reexamined. There is no recent record of a failure on the reexamination.

It is the Bureau's desire to avoid any extreme penalty for failure in this respect. Therefore, any Acting Pay Clerk who is dropped for failure to qualify as pay clerk and who applies for re-enlistment within three months from the time he is dropped, will be re-enlisted in the rating from which he was appointed, provided he is in all respects qualified.

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