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CANOPUS 'WINS' INTRAMURAL TOURNEY

CANOPUS' basketball team capped a highly successful season in the Naval Station Intramural League by winning the end of season double elimination tournament. During the first week of February the top four league finishers participated in a double elimination toumey to determine an overall league champion. CANOPUS' second place standing put them into the tournament which the AMD/OPS/WEPS team of NavSta Rota was favored to win. The submariners fought their way past Fleet Weather Central, 63-62, and AMD/OPS/WEPS,

56-52, to stay in the winners bracket. CANOPUS later lost to the AMD/OPS/WEPS team (which finished first in the regular season) but came back to defeat them, 64-56, and receive top honors. The toumey games featured some fine playing and provided the spectators with some exciting moments.

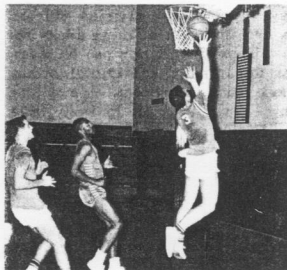
CANOPUS players were: Larry GROSS, Bob TARKANY, Bob KLINGSI-ESEN, Tim WISSLER, Doug GHARST, Pat FARNSWORTH, Ralph NIXON, Mike HINDMAN, Mario MONTI, and Howie GIBBONS.



Larry GROSS from CSS-16 looks on as CHATFIELD of AMD/OPS/WEPS shoots for two points.



Introducing Captain TRUEBLOOD and Lieutenant (jg) GIBBONS is Frank DUFFY (far right) as Mr. GIBBONS accepts the championship trophy.



Scoring two easy points for CSS-16 is Mike HINDMAN.

COMMAND COLUMN



by

Captain H. J. Trueblood

The Engineering Officer together with all Department Heads are now preparing work requests for repairs and improvements to be accomplished in connection with the upcoming scheduled overhaul. Although this overhaul is many months away, now is the time to look around for ideas for bettering the ship. In particular, betterments which permit more efficient operations, easier maintenance and cleaning, and make the ship safer to operate. All of these items which will permit us to provide better service to the SSBNs and therefore better enable us to carry out our basic mission. I encourage all hands, in particular the Petty Officers, to submit ideas for betterment of CANOPUS to your division officers. I have directed the division officers to note the best of these ideas so that proper recognition can be given for the industry and initiative that these ideas represent. Appropriate entries will be made in Petty Officer Evaluations and Service Records of those personnel who contribute significantly to the betterment of CANOPUS.

Another subject which has been brought to my attention lately is the relative inactivity of the CANOPUS Recreation Committee. I would like to see more recommendations for an improved welfare and recreation pro-

gram to meet your needs and desires. Suggestions at the monthly recreation committee meeting are useful to me in learning what your desires are. If you would like a more varied sports program, if you would like more tours, or if you have any ideas which would benefit the crew, bring them to your recreation committee representative so that I can hear about them. For information, the fund for financing tours has already been augmented as a result of a comment from one of the crew. The recreation fund has been set up for just this type of activity and it should benefit all hands in the best way possible. Currently the balance in our recreation fund permits some expansion of the recreation program. Now is a good time to get your ideas in.



CROSS — CURRENTS

by Chaplain F. E. Whitaker

February is the month of the year in which we enter the season of Lent. To be exact, on the 23rd we open this Holy period by observing Ash Wednesday. The Lenten season is a time of preparation and anticipation for the coming of Holy Week and Easter. This is rightfully a time to reflect and give attention to the most celebrated period in the Christian Year of the Church. Traditionally, Lent has been a time of sacrifice and Christians have used this as a means of denying themselves some thing or some activity that will serve as a discipline to remind one of the greater sacrifice of our Lord. In many cases people choose to give-up or deny themselves something that they could really do without anyway so the element of sacrifice has little or no meaning.

This year, I would like to offer a suggestion for everyone. Instead of giving up some food, some drink or some activity, I would like to see everyone take on something and make a sacrifice that has real meaning. First, take a vow to sacrifice some of your time each day and read a por-

In closing I would like to pass along to you the compliments of several flag officers of all services, both U. S. and Allied, as well as the distinguished guests who have been aboard CANOPUS during the past few weeks. Without exception, they have been extremely complimentary to you for your performance, appearance, and conduct. These type compliments have also been received along with thanks from the visiting ships to whom we provided assistance. The fine reputation of CANOPUS is being added to, not only in the submarine force but throughout the fleet, as a result of your fine performance. Be assured that your hard work and attention to duty is recognized and appreciated at all levels. To these compliments I add my own personal "Well Done!"

tion of the Gospels and then implement this with a dedicated effort to attend Divine Services every Sunday through Easter.

This will accomplish two things. One is the sacrifice of some time that will be well spent, and the other will be the development of a habit that will enrich your life in such a way that when the Lenten Season is over you will want to continue the practice as a regular part of life.

It is not often we have the opportunity to use a method of taking away while we are adding to the things we do each day. If this suggestion is tried faithfully, then sacrifice is made without concentrating on giving but rather losing something expendable while gaining something of real value.

Why not try it -- you have a lot to lose but look how much you have to gain in return. If you need a guide or help in establishing this program, stop by the office and we will give you instant help.

See you in church? Why not?

FAMOUS QUOTATIONS

Who said these famous quotations?

1. I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!
2. All I know is just what I read in the papers.
3. I have not yet begun to fight.
4. These are the times that try men's souls.
5. Don't give up the ship!

(Answers on page 8)

Toti's Career Corner

In the past month I have heard men say to each other, at least a hundred times, "Good Luck on your Exam". Yes Luck may play a very small part in passing your advancement examination, but if a man thinks he can pass it on only luck, I can tell you the word we will get back from the examination center at least 99 times out of a 100, if you haven't guessed it by now, it's "FAILED".

The Navy today has the fastest and fairest system to advance men. But just like everything else in life, the Navy is no Santa Claus. If a man wants to get ahead, the Navy will give him the opportunity but it is up to each man to order his Correspondence Courses. After he has them, it is again up to him to read his course book and do his own correspondence courses. Getting a set of answers from a shipmate may be an easy way to finish a course, but when you sit down at that table on the Mess Decks for the Big Exam, that shipmate isn't going to be there to slip you the answers. In my 23 years in this Navy, I have never seen or heard of any man going blind from reading any Navy Correspondence Course. I can show any man on the CANOPUS a list of names of men right here that did want to get ahead in this mans Navy and have the Rate to prove it can be done. One E-9 on board comes to mind real fast. We had just one man on the August Exam make E-7 with 8 years and 10 days in the Navy. We also have at least 2 or 3 more E-7's on board that didn't have 8 years in the Navy when they made the "Hat". But the Navy has gotten harder, now you've got to have 8 years in before you can get the "Hat". Soooo! To all



Pictured above is the USS Canopus Intramural basketball team. Coached by LTJG GIBBONS, the CANOPUS squad breezed through the intramural playoffs to win the championship. Front row, left to right, LTJG GIBBONS, Doug GHARST, Dave LAIR, Tim WISSLER, "Ski" RUDZINSKI, Capt. TRUEBLOOD. Second row, left to right, Pat FARNSWORTH, Bob TARKANY, Larry GROSS, Mike CHINDMAN, Mario MONTE, and Robert KLINGEISEN.

the men on CANOPUS that hit the books and kept hitting them, I hope to see the word, "ADVANCED", next to your name in early April. To all the men that get "Passed but not advanced" and "Failed", a big old sorry about that, (I may be in that group myself). Just make up your mind

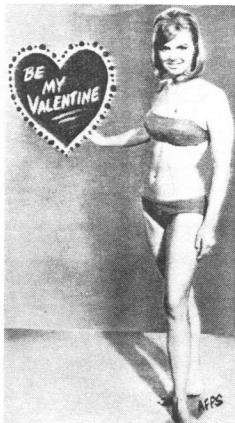
that you've got to hit those books more than you did. Don't depend on Luck. You can keep this in mind for Luck is a peculiar thing; the harder you work the more of it you have. Make your own Luck as you get nothing for nothing anywhere you go.

The Educational Services Office has let the Supply Officer know that we expect to have a large advancement percentage on CANOPUS. This way the Ship's Store will have a large cigar supply on hand. Also, the Small Stores will have plenty of new crows. Everyone on the ship knows where my office is but just in case you've forgotten, it is on the Port Mess Deck (2-52-6). Stop in if you have a question.

I have all the latest information on the Duty Assignment Options for first-term re-enlistment incentive. Under this option a man can ask for specific ships and know before he reenlists if he can get it. We will try to get you the duty you want. But when some guys come up wanting to be stationed on the Joint Chiefs of Staff for a two-year tour, this isn't one of the re-enlistment incentives

the Navy has to offer. I will be glad to go over the Duty Stations that are open for a man to put in for. Sure wish I was a first-term man—I know what Duty I would ask for.

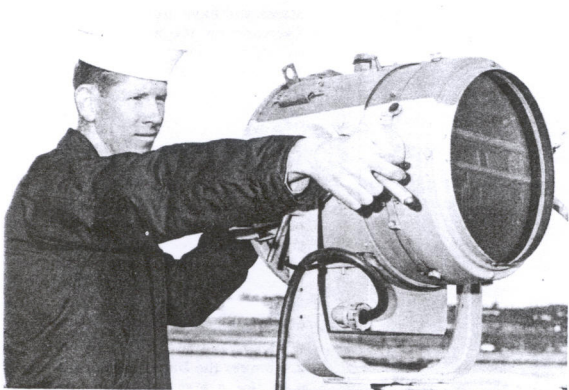
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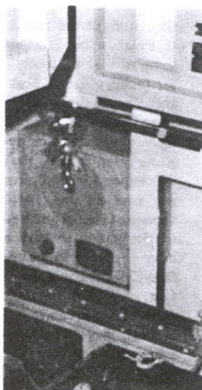
MALE CALL — Luree Holmes passes along her own special Valentine's Day greeting to our readers between pictures for American International.



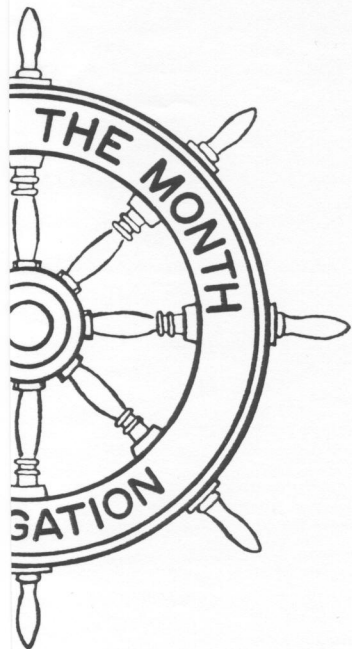
Navigational "Pub" corrections are made by QM2 SMITH.



A flashing light message is being sent by SM3 "Red" GRINDSTAFF. Does the light work "Red"???



QM3 STEVENS compares chronometers with WWV in



QM1 STEWART passing the daily 0900 "Time Check".
Better make sure your watch is right "Stu".



the daily rate of the ship's
Denver, Colorado.



Honors to ships like the USS Little Rock in the background
by SN SNIFFEN.

SEE BREEZE

A DIVISION!

Few people aboard CANOPUS realize the importance of the AUXILIARIES Division. "A" Division is responsible for the maintenance of all auxiliary equipment outside of the main engineering spaces (i.e. Engine-room-Fireroom). There are very few spaces aboard CANOPUS that do not have equipment in them that "A" Division would be called upon to repair. The Division also supplies services to SSBN's such as air conditioning chilled water, liquid oxygen and nitrogen, high pressure air, and steam.

On board CANOPUS, "A" Division is responsible for the maintenance of all air conditioning and refrigeration, laundry and galley equipment, liquid oxygen and nitrogen (O2N2), high and low pressure air systems, the ships cranes, elevators and conveyors, steering gear, anchor windlasses, warping capstans, ships boats and the emergency diesel generator.

It is a full time job keeping all this machinery in operating condition, but the men of "A" Division tackle their jobs with enthusiasm and never fail to do their job quickly and efficiently.



CANOPUS saw four new Chief's on January 16th. Captain TRUEBLOOD advanced (left to right) SFC MURRAY, SFC SWEENEY, EMC GLASGOW, and MRC DeCHAND.



On January 26th., Captain TRUEBLOOD presented Commendations to SK2 Harry O. WILES and SD2 Armando K. SURIO.

WILES received his commendation for outstanding performance of liaison duties between the CANOPUS Submarine Supply Assistance Team and USS James Madison during the period September - October 1967.



SURIO was commended for keeping S-6 Division at its usual high level of performance and maintaining the smooth operation of the Wardroom Mess during the Change of Command when the Division Chief was on emergency leave.

SEA BREEZE



MARINE DETACHMENT

With the true spirit of the Navy, on January 27, 1968, the Detachment's Gunnery Sergeant, Staff Sergeant COLLINS, was piped off the ship. Staff Sergeant COLLINS received orders to FMF Pac, West Pac, GndFor, with a reporting date of February 26, 1968 at Camp Pendleton, California. All that can be said to the topless waitresses in California is STANDRY - HE IS ON HIS WAY!

The Detachment is now awaiting the arrival of our new Gunnery Sergeant, Staff Sergeant A. T. HEMINGWAY and his family. SSgt HEMINGWAY is joining us from the 5th Military Police Battalion, 5th Marine Division, Camp Pendleton.

Two members of the Detachment are enjoying the absence of a Gunnery Sergeant. Sergeant BARTEL as the temporary senior enlisted Marine; he was voted out of the First Class Mess and given the choice of eating in the Chief Petty Officers Mess. The other is Corporal McDONALD who has taken over as temporary gun mount captain. He hopes to show his capabilities during our forthcoming underway period.

It is evident that the Detachment has studied their Squad Tactics by

successfully maneuvering and accomplishing their missions in Rota without notice of Captain BOWDEN's Shore Patrol Duty days. A failure on such days could prove fatal.



On February 9th., CANOPUS was host to Brigadier General Tobias R. PHILBIN, Jr. U.S.A.

General PHILBIN is Chief, National Security Agency, Europe. Also visiting CANOPUS with the General were Rear Admiral James C. LONGINO, USN, Deputy/J2, United States European Unified Command Staff and Captain John A. SKINNER, USN, Director, Naval Security Group, Europe.

SEE BREEZE

R-3 DIVISION

R-3 Division is happy to announce the arrival of a new star in the Division; EMC WHITE is now EMCS WHITE. Congratulations from your fellow skaters.

The Division would also like to extend a welcome to a few new faces. The following men arrived in the past few weeks; ICFN KUDER, ICFN CAUFIELD, ICFN SAMPSON, EMFN KAYE (currently in S-2 Division), EMFN BRUNTON, and EMFN HUMPHERY. EM3 THEIS arrived just in time to make Third Class - congrats to him. There were also a couple of new PO's in, EM2 LAMP, EM2 GARNER, EM2 FOURNIER along with IC2 JACKSON. We have lost several "OLD HANDS" recently also. We would also like to pass along a "Good Luck in CivLant" to IC3 BISKE, and FN ULRICH. A good-by to PM2 KELCHNER and hello to PM3 SCHROEDER - fair trade???

Word has it that we may have a new Lieutenant in our Division. Everyone sure hopes so.

A hardy welcome to Mrs. David FRITZ and Mrs. David SAMPSON along with Mrs. R. FOURNIER upon their arrival to this Spanish Paradise. We hope they enjoy it here.



INTRIGUING—Suzy Kendall is as American as can be, but gives the impression of being an international spy, trenchcoat and all. Wonder who she's waiting for?



COMMODORE SIMS and DR. URBANC present HMCS FICKLE with mementos in appreciation of his outstanding service to SUBRON SIXTEEN. Chief FICKLE left the staff for duty on board USS Fulton (AS 11) on January 20th.



Presented to Captain BOWDEN, USMC, by Lt. COOK, Safety Officer, is the monthly "EL ASNO DE CANOPUS" award. This award was presented to the Marine Detachment for the "Safety Minded" men of the Detachment who injured themselves, not in the line of duty, during the month of January. Captain BOWDEN's comment upon receiving the award was that he was certain Cpl. GILLESPIE and LCpl. CRISP would take good care of "EL ASNO DE CANOPUS". An interesting fact about Captain BOWDEN was that he owned two horses in Chipiona, Spain until just before receiving the award. I wonder if there is any connection???



Receiving Second Class Diver Qualification Certificates after the completion of a twelve week course are left to right; SFC SULLIVAN, SF1 LASKEY, SF3 RVAN, BM3 FIVES, and EM2 STEEBER.

Also present at the ceremonies on February 10th in the Captain's Cabin were LT WHITAKER, Diving Officer, and SFC(DV) DRISCOLL, CANOPUS Master Diver.

Instructors for the course were LT WHITAKER, SFC(DV) DRISCOLL, BMC(DV) CASART, and HMC(DV) EDGERTON.

Overseas Military Banking Programs

Programs offering higher interest rates on servicemen's accounts at overseas military banking facilities were expanded upon in two year-end moves designed to make banking more attractive to military personnel and help reduce gold flow.

The Treasury Department, in cooperation with the Department of Defense, authorized military banking facilities to pay four percent interest on servicemen's individual savings accounts anywhere overseas beginning Feb. 1.

Pentagon officials said AMEXCO, Bank of America, Guarantee Trust, Chase Manhattan and First National City Banks were given this new authority to make interest rates on savings accounts the same in all overseas areas.

In a second action, Treasury made the program for paying interest on checking accounts available to servicemen in Taiwan, effective Jan. 1. The program was previously limited to men serving in Thailand and Vietnam.

ANSWERS to Famous Quotations

1. Patrick Henry
2. Will Rogers
3. John Paul Jones
4. Thomas Paine
5. Captain James Lawrence

Officials stressed that the Taiwan program was a test, marking the first time interest on checking accounts had been extended from a war zone to a peaceful area. Thailand and Vietnam checking accounts at five percent are permanent programs and have been in effect since banks opened there.

All overseas banking programs are intended as companion pieces to the Uniformed Services Savings Deposit Program, and are not competitive with it, officials said. They pointed out that the overseas deposits program, paying 10 percent interest, is strictly a savings program and that servicemen cannot withdraw money from accounts until their return from overseas.

The programs for overseas savings and checking accounts are designed to provide servicemen with attractive interest rates in accounts with the same flexibility offered in banks at home.

The responsibility of every American is to be well informed about local, national and international affairs. This responsibility of good citizenship is vital.

SEE BREEZE

SECOND DIVISION

To the best of our knowledge, all of us here in Second Division know what the term "Security" means. Therefore, the best message we can bring to you this month can be simplified by the use of this term. It is our job at Pier Sentry Post One to assure that the maximum security and safety standards of our ship are being exercised. To illustrate the importance of our task would mean the use of the entire "Helmsman". However, we hope all CANOPUS personnel properly show their I.D. Cards to the sentry on duty and answer any questions asked by him.

Did you know that BURNS has finally left???????? Oh and FROST went to join the "Hippies" back home...four years and now the fun begins.

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