

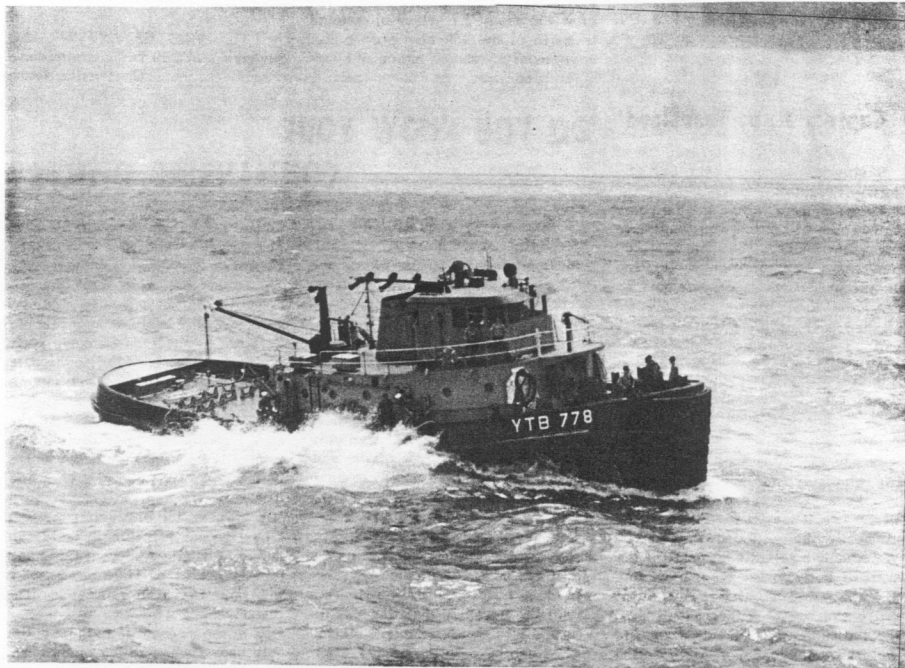


The HELMSMAN

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The APOPKA (YTB 778) is a tug that is not too well known by many of the CANOPUS crewmembers. The APOPKA, staffed by a crew of 15 men; two of which are supplied by CANOPUS, arrived in Rota during February 1966. She provides torpedo recovery and other services to both CANOPUS and ComSubRon SIXTEEN with occasional assistance to Port Services when

needed. She can generally be seen moving submarines in and out of the Rota Harbor area.

The APOPKA is powered by a 2,000 horse-powered diesel, 10 cylinder engine. She is skippered by tug master, BMC Thomas C. ARRIOLA of Yuma, Arizona. ARRIOLA now resides with his wife and their two children in Rota, Spain.

COMMAND COLUMN



by

Captain H. J. Trueblood

Having just completed my first underway operations aboard CANOPUS it is appropriate for me at this point to compliment you on your outstanding performance. The entire evolution was smooth, quiet, and efficient as the unmooring, the operations at sea, and the mooring were accomplished without incident. My observations are substantiated by the remarks of the pilot who remarked that this was one of the fastest and smoothest mooring operations he had seen by any FBM Tender in Rota. I compliment the Deck Force for the safe and speedy unmooring and mooring which, if not handled properly, can be a dangerous evolution. The First Lieutenant and Ship's Bosn along with the petty officers and men did a superb job. As a result of the type of service we were providing the submarine as well as the many drills that were conducted all during the underway, many frequent and violent speed changes were called for. I was impressed with the speed and facility with which the engine-room answered all bells.

In the area of Operations, this was the first underway in which our communications system was completely satisfactory and all messages were passed without incident. The Communications Officer and his staff are to be complimented on

their expert planning and hard work which made this performance possible. Because our operations were conducted in the local shipping lanes and in addition because of the large number of fishing boats in the area, the surface contact picture was complex and fluid. Without exception the Combat Information Center maintained continuous and accurate plots which greatly assisted the Officer of the Deck and myself in safely maneuvering the ship. Such performance in spite of our infrequent underways deserves special credit.

In summary, the entire operation proved again that CANOPUS and her crew are ready for at-sea operations in spite of the 150 new people who have reported aboard since our previous underway. As for myself, I

really enjoyed going to sea again after so many months and was further impressed by your professional skill. Well Done.

CHURCH CALL

Divine Services are conducted aboard the CANOPUS each week and all are invited to attend and participate.

CATHOLIC

Wednesdays 1100 Confessions
1115 Mass - Crew's Lounge
Sundays 0900 Confessions
0930 Mass - Conference Room

PROTESTANT

Sundays 1100 Divine Services - Conference Room

'DO YOU KNOW YOUR COMMANDING OFFICER?'

By SN Mark L. Roby, USN

Recently Captain TRUEBLOOD and Commander KRAUS joined the crew in a steak dinner on the mess decks in celebration of the completion of CANOPUS' 51st refit in Rota.

I was present in the mess hall enjoying my dinner when I overheard two crewmembers talking. One man made this statement and I quote: "Who is that Captain and Commander sitting over there?" He was told by his friend that the Captain and Commander in question were none other than Captain TRUEBLOOD and Commander KRAUS.

It appears that there is a laxity in a man when he does not even know who is in command of the very vessel on which he is stationed. This is not the first time that this has taken place lately. Neither is this the way it has been in the past. CANOPUS takes pride in its Commanding Officer and Executive Officer and every man should know them on sight. He should not have to ask his friend who they are nor turn his head in the other direction when he sees them coming.

I recommend you, the members of this command that do not know the Captain or X.O. on sight, brouse

around the ship until you find a photograph of them and take a good look. Memorize them so you will know what they look like when you see them. If you have trouble finding a picture then I suggest you just trot on down to the forward mess decks on the port side and look on the bulkhead by the fan room. If you can not find the photos of the Commodore, Captain, and Executive Officer, then I am certain your Division Officer will be more than happy to see that you are shown what they look like.

In closing, the only other comment I have to make is that it is just as bad not knowing who your Commanding Officer is as it is not knowing who your Division Officer is. The reason being that you will have to follow the orders of both and God only knows when an emergency may arise and it will be the Captain or Executive Officer who will tell you what to do. Remember, you are a part of a crew on a ship that vitally serves a much needed service in a foreign country. Who knows when you might be called upon to do a vital service for your country or answer the question: "Who is that Captain and Commander sitting over there?"

SEA BREEZE



W-1 DIVISION

Over the whine of the torpedo main motors comes the "Torpedo Tattler".

The month of February has been another surprising month for W-1 Division. Let us turn to some of the specific shops and see what has been happening.

MK. 14/16 Steam Laboratory

On February 25th, the 14/16 shop was the scene of one of the greatest square dances in W-1 history. Promenading to and fro, TM3 PARTRIDGE, TM3 REED, TMSN LAMPKINS, and TMSA FARLEIGH were definitely a sight to see!

Congratulations to two more torpedomen who made rate during the month of February - TM3 REED and TM2 BOYCE. Well done to you both. We also had another man who made a rate around the end of February but we won't talk about that.

MK. 37 Shop

TM1 RYAN received orders for instructor duty at Key West, Florida, It took him quite awhile to make up his mind whether or not to accept the orders--the "Tattler" would like to express his regrets to those personnel who were run down by RYAN on his way to the Personnel Office shortly after that mail call.

With TM2 RABER's wife returning to Spain soon, we are certain that he will no longer be coming to work mornings with a headache.

TM3 HOAGE has finally gotten a middle rack but it doesn't do him any good because he still prefers to sleep on the deck.

MK. 45 Shop

A welcome aboard to TM1 NEWELL who is anxious to get things going in the shop. Also TM1 POMROY, who is taking care of the berthing compartment. There are bets going around W-1 Division with pretty good odds as to where TM2 VAUGHN will strike next....

SUBROC

The SubRoc Division is really starting to roll. With the recent addition of TM3 LEATHERWOOD and TM3 GUGLIAMO, Chief WALTZ says, "Now that I have the manpower, how can I go wrong?"

W-1 Division Sports Action

Intramural Basketball League

During the month of February the W-1 Basketball Team acquired four victories against no defeats. W-1 beat S-1, OPS/NAV, W-5, and X Division. The most satisfying of these games was the one with X Division which was won in an overtime period, 66-65. X Division played an outstanding game behind the rooting of TCMC GARCIA.....deep in his heart we know who he was really rooting for!!

Department Volleyball Tournament

From Lt. YOUNG, W-1 Division Officer, the "Tattler" found out that W-1 has something going but that was all the comment he would offer.

The "Torpedo Tattler" will now go back into hiding until next month and I leave you with this thought, "Coherence can be thought of and determined but only if strict diligence is enforced at all times". **Editors Note-Whatever that means!?**

SEA BREEZE

X DIVISION

The Admin Division has long been noted for its prowess in the field of athletics and this year has proved to be no exception. In January we newly defeated a highly rated SSBN Pulaski team (2nd place in Charleston), only to lose by a meager eight point margin. It seems inevitable that we should score well enough in the ship's intramural basketball play to win a berth in the seasons end tournament. Soon we will set our sights on the softball league and RS Division has chosen to be our first 1968 victims via a challenge issued from WO 1 JORDAN, RS Division Officer.

Switching over to better thoughts, we would like to extend a belated congratulations to YNC and Mrs. HERRICK on the birth of their fourth son. In a few years we will no doubt see the rise of an "ALL-HERRICK" bowling team. Mrs. HERRICK had no reply when asked if the Chief had been thinking of some day having his own baseball team.

We bid a fond farewell to PC3 OLSON, one of our "flower children" as he has departed for Florida and the guise of a civilian.

SEA BREEZE

CREW'S LIBRARY

The Crew's Library is continuing to add to its selection of new books as the latest additions from BuPers include "Taking Command", by Col Samuel H. HAYS and Lt Col William N. THOMAS; "A Different Kind of War", by VAdm Milton E. MILES; "Last Reflections on a
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SEA BREEZE



MARINE DETACHMENT

The Detachment is over par again with the arrival of SSGt HEMINGWAY and his family. The new Gunny, after completing a day of watching over his warriors like a hawk, has, as all new-comers, such additional duties as carrying home the ice and a daily stop at the quick-stop. After a short delay in California, the Gunny joined us from Viet-Nam, having participated in six major operations among other things.

The last issue of the 'HELMSMAN' showed our Commanding Officer receiving the 'EL ASNO DE CANOPUS' Award. We regret to say that we have won the award again this month. The first award was received for Cpl GILLESPIE's easy attempt to get out of Physical Training and LCpl CRISP's charming maneuver in falling off his kitchen table while painting the ceiling. The Change of Command ceremony for the detail assigned to the needs of our, shall we say DONKEY, was conducted formally in the Marine Detachment compartment, turning over the res-

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Toti's Career Corner



The Veterans Re-adjustment Benefits Act approved as Public Law 89-358 on March 3, 1966, and the Veterans Pension and re-adjustment Assistance Act of 1967 are two major laws to benefit every man on active duty if they are eligible. Now just who is eligible? Lots of men think you have to be in the Navy for two years to get any GI benefits. Let's set the record straight.

Any person who has at least 181 days of continuous active duty, any part of which occurred after January 31, 1955, or who was released from active duty after January 31, 1955, for service-connected disability is eligible.

Now you know if you are eligible or not. Do you know the benefits that you can get from the G.I. Bill? Let's look at some of them. First of all is the educational benefits. A veteran gets one month of educational benefits for each month of active service not to exceed 36 months. So if a man is on active duty for only nine months and gets out of the service under honorable conditions, he has nine months of educational benefits coming to him. If a man's service is 21 months he has 21 months benefits, and if a veteran has 10 years service he still will get 36 months benefits.

The amount of monthly payments available to the veteran depends on two things: (1) number of dependents; and (2) is the veteran going to school full time, three quarter time or half time. Let's say a veteran wants to go full time to school and has no dependents. This veteran will get \$130.00 per month. Another veteran wants to go full time to school and has two dependents. This veteran will get \$175.00 per month and for each dependent over two he will receive an additional \$10.00 per month.

A veteran can also use his G.I. Bill for training in other things such as farm cooperative training, apprenticeship or other on-the-job training or even flight training. He may also receive home loan guarantee benefits, loans for farm or farming purposes, Veterans Administration medical care, service-disabled veterans insurance, reimbursement of burial expenses, burial flag, civil service preference, and even job counseling and employment placement. These are just a part of the G.I. benefits your government offers you. Just like everything else in the service, a veteran must be eligible for each benefit that he puts in for.

The Career Counselor's Office is on the after port mess deck (2-52-6) and I will be glad to be over the Veterans Benefits or any other question that you may have. If you have a question I can't answer, I will do all I can to find the answer. Now if one of my shipmates comes in with some off-the-wall question, like asking me to give him the answers to the next advancement test, I will give him just one answer -- "Get Out". As for myself, I am still trying to find the answers to the last E-8 exam but I can't remember the questions.

Another service I will be glad to give the first term men on CANOPUS is all the latest information on schools the Navy has to offer, and all the latest reenlistment benefits one would receive in reenlistment on-board CANOPUS. We have just put one more Personnelman here in our office so we can do our reenlistments faster. Come on you men, don't stand back and wait until it's too late, all you have to do is put in your request and tell us you want to stay. Reenlist now before the summer rush. Oh yes! we are also accepting requests from career Navy men that want to reenlist, but I can't tell you about that thing called VRB --- they give that in most of the rates if you are a first term man. Sure wish I could, but I'll tell you what I will do, come into my office any way and we can both have a good cry about it. I never received any VRB either.

For those men that are not going to stay in our Navy, please stop by

my office too. I won't tell you that you are making a big mistake. You will find that out soon enough for yourself.

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New Opportunities Offered to Eligible Veterans

Men now leaving the service will get first crack at some 10,000 to 15,000 government jobs in GS-1 through 5 and their equivalents.

The special job program--signed as an executive order by President Johnson--is designed to help veterans further their education while working in the public interest.

In this program, men who have served on active duty since August 5, 1964, will be eligible to enter federal employment--in "transitional appointments"--at the five lowest civil service levels without taking a competitive examination.

This new program is limited to men who have less than one year of education beyond high school and who meet all other civil service standards. The veteran must agree to pursue an approved part-time or full-time education program under the GI Bill. His continued performance will depend on satisfactory job performance and educational progress, the President said.

Officials of the program explained that under the program regulations, veterans must apply for acceptance within one year after separation from the armed services. Veterans hospitalized in military or veterans hospitals have one year from release of hospitalization or treatment to apply.

An employee must complete one continuous year of employment in transitional status to be eligible for "career conditional" or career employment status.

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Table 1. Military Basic Pay, Effective October 1, 1967, Provided in the Uniformed Services Pay Act of 1967

OFFICERS																	
Pay grade	2 or less	Over 2	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 6	Over 7	Over 8	Over 9	Over 10	Over 12	Over 14	Over 16	Over 18	Over 20	Over 22	Over 26
O-10 ¹	\$1,503.90	\$1,557.00	\$1,557.00	\$1,557.00	\$1,557.00	\$1,557.00	\$1,616.40	\$1,616.40	\$1,740.60	\$1,740.60	\$1,885.10	\$1,885.10	\$1,885.10	\$1,885.10	\$1,989.30	\$1,989.30	\$2,113.80
O-9	1,332.90	1,367.70	1,397.40	1,397.40	1,397.40	1,397.40	1,432.50	1,432.50	1,491.90	1,491.90	1,616.40	1,616.40	1,616.40	1,616.40	1,740.60	1,740.60	1,865.10
O-8	1,207.70	1,242.50	1,272.90	1,272.90	1,272.90	1,272.90	1,367.70	1,367.70	1,432.50	1,432.50	1,491.90	1,491.90	1,491.90	1,491.90	1,557.00	1,557.00	1,681.50
O-7	1,004.70	1,071.60	1,071.60	1,071.60	1,119.30	1,119.30	1,184.10	1,184.10	1,243.50	1,243.50	1,367.70	1,367.70	1,367.70	1,367.70	1,462.20	1,462.20	1,462.20
O-6	743.10	816.90	870.30	870.30	870.30	870.30	870.30	870.30	900.00	900.00	1,041.90	1,041.90	1,041.90	1,041.90	1,119.30	1,119.30	1,284.60
O-5	594.30	651.40	746.10	746.10	746.10	746.10	746.10	746.10	768.50	768.50	864.60	864.60	864.60	864.60	929.40	929.40	1,047.90
O-4	501.60	610.20	651.30	651.30	651.30	663.00	692.70	739.80	781.20	816.90	852.60	852.60	852.60	876.30	876.30	876.30	876.30
O-3 ¹	466.20	520.80	556.20	556.20	615.90	645.30	668.70	704.70	739.80	757.80	757.80	757.80	757.80	757.80	757.80	757.80	757.80
O-2 ¹	373.50	443.70	532.80	532.80	550.50	562.20	562.20	562.20	562.20	562.20	562.20	562.20	562.20	562.20	562.20	562.20	562.20
O-1 ¹	321.00	355.20	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70	443.70

¹While serving as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Chief of Staff of the Army, Chief of Naval Operations, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, or Commandant of the Marine Corps, basic pay for this grade is \$2,332.20 regardless of cumulative years of service.

²Does not apply to commissioned officers who have been credited with over 4 years' active service as enlisted members.

OFFICERS CREDITED WITH OVER 4 YEARS' ACTIVE SERVICE AS ENLISTED MEMBERS												
Pay grade	Over 4	Over 6	Over 8	Over 10	Over 12	Over 14	Over 16	Over 18	Over 20	Over 22	Over 26	
O-3	\$615.90	\$645.30	\$668.70	\$704.70	\$739.80	\$769.50	\$769.50	\$769.50	\$769.50	\$769.50	\$769.50	
O-2	550.50	562.20	562.20	610.20	633.00	651.30	651.30	651.30	651.30	651.30	651.30	
O-1	443.70	473.70	491.40	509.10	526.80	550.50	550.50	550.50	550.50	550.50	550.50	

WARRANT OFFICERS																	
Pay grade	2 or less	Over 2	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 6	Over 7	Over 8	Over 9	Over 10	Over 12	Over 14	Over 16	Over 18	Over 20	Over 22	Over 26
W-4	\$474.60	\$509.10	\$509.10	\$520.80	\$544.50	\$568.20	\$591.90	\$633.60	\$663.00	\$663.00	\$686.70	\$704.70	\$728.10	\$752.10	\$752.10	\$816.60	
W-3	431.40	468.00	468.00	473.70	479.70	514.80	544.50	562.20	580.20	597.60	615.90	633.60	663.00	686.70	686.70	686.70	
W-2	377.70	408.60	408.60	420.30	443.70	468.00	485.70	503.10	520.80	538.80	556.20	573.90	597.60	597.60	597.60		
W-1	315.00	361.20	361.20	390.90	408.60	426.30	443.70	462.00	479.70	497.40	514.80	532.80	532.80	532.80			

ENLISTED MEMBERS																	
Pay grade	2 or less	Over 2	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 6	Over 7	Over 8	Over 9	Over 10	Over 12	Over 14	Over 16	Over 18	Over 20	Over 22	Over 26
E-9 ¹										\$539.10	\$551.40	\$564.30	\$576.80	\$599.20	\$601.20	\$632.70	\$694.20
E-8										465.00	477.30	489.90	502.20	514.50	527.10	558.30	620.10
E-7	\$284.40	\$340.80	\$353.40	\$366.00	\$378.30	\$390.30	402.60	415.50	434.10	448.40	458.70	465.00	465.00	465.00	465.00	465.00	465.00
E-6	245.10	297.60	309.90	322.50	335.10	347.10	359.70	378.30	390.30	402.60	409.20	409.20	409.20	409.20	409.20	409.20	409.20
E-5	211.50	260.70	273.00	285.00	303.90	316.20	328.50	340.80	347.10	347.10	347.10	347.10	347.10	347.10	347.10	347.10	347.10
E-4	177.90	223.20	235.50	254.10	266.70	266.70	266.70	266.70	266.70	266.70	266.70	266.70	266.70	266.70	266.70	266.70	266.70
E-3	136.70	179.70	192.30	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60	204.60
E-2	106.20	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80	148.80
E-1	102.30	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20	136.20
E-1 (under 4 months)	95.70																

¹While serving as Sergeant Major of the Army, Senior Enlisted Advisor of the Navy, Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, or Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, basic pay for this grade is \$844.20 regardless of cumulative years of service.

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War', by Bernard B. FALLS and "Great Elephant" by Alan SCHOLEFIELD.

FALLS was known as the United States' most generally esteemed Viet-Nam authority before he met his death in South Viet-Nam in February, 1967. His book has been near the top of stateside bestseller lists for the last six months, according to BuPers.

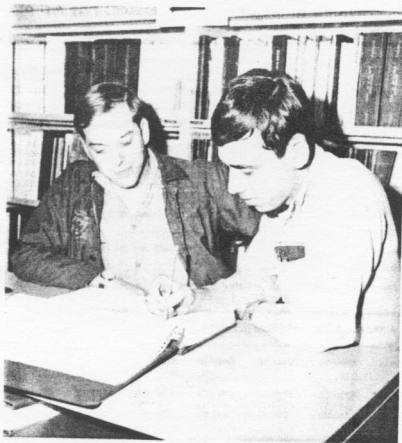
"Great Elephant" is a novel of a young boy growing up in exotic Africa during the early 19th century. An earlier SCHOLEFIELD novel -- "A View of Vultures" -- is part of his series along with "Great Elephant" that depicts the watersheds of southern African history.

The paperback book exchange in the library has been moving good reading material in and out in rapid succession in the past, according to librarians. Any crewmen having

old paperbacks in their locker they no longer desire to keep are reminded that they can exchange them in the library on a one for one basis.

The library is still missing a large number of books that are from three to six months overdue. Crewmen are urged to cooperate and return any overdue books they might have tucked away in their lockers or working spaces so that the library can offer a wider selection of books to the crew.

Division of TECH LIB



SN Mike ENGLETT and FN Warren CHANDLER, USNR-R, Ready Reserve in action, maintain the technical publications



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EN3 Jim McKEE tries to balance a scale that can be offered is to start

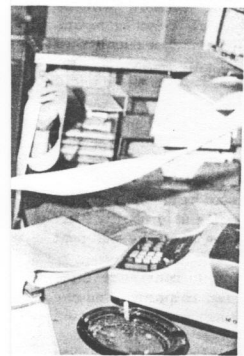
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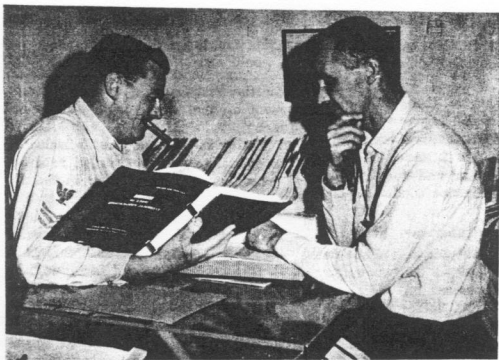
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EN1 Carl EKSTEIN instructs SK1 Jim HARVEY on how to find the stock number for "stoggy" ci gars

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Sea Breeze

SECOND DIVISION

Congratulations are in order this month to EM2 and Mrs. Richard STEEBER who were married on March 9th at St. Michael's church in Jerez. The 9 A.M. wedding was followed by a reception attended by many of their friends. Happy honeymooning to you both! Also March has seemed to be a month for engagements. SA DOTY is now on his way to the altar!

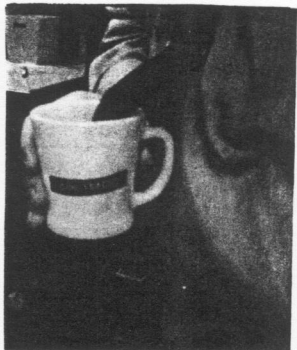
This month, we would like to send our thanks to SFC DRISCOLL who left the CANOPUS to assume diving duties at New London, Conn. Chief DRISCOLL, as you all know, was our Master Diver. His long hours of instruction in all phases of diving will always be remembered by the divers. Adios Amigo!!!

Three new mess cooks have reported to Spain recently to join the staff of

an ever increasing group in the Rota area. Welcome to Spain Mrs. Ronald FAZZALARO, Mrs. Andrew LaPORTA, and Mrs. Robert SCHELKE. We hope that your stay proves rewarding. Speaking of mess cooks, five new men have reported to Second Division and only two got the chow hall -- SA GILES and SA KEITH. SN BROWN, SA KOHNEN, and SA 'OLSTON got the paint bucket! If they make the grade soon, Second Division should have five new crane operators to fill the shoes of our recently discharged personnel.

Chief DIAZ finally received his 1A card and will probably end up in Greenland "on the Atlantic" in April. The chief was soon followed by our old "faithful" leader BM1 BEHLING. He also received his 1A card and he will probably have his own command soon! (NAS San Diego)??? We will be sure and let you know next month what has happened to both of our fearless leaders.

HEY CHIEF --- YOUR TIE IS IN
YOUR SOUP !?!



The epitomy of poise and confidence is demonstrated by one of our stalwart "Backbone of the Navy" CPO's. Caught by our candid camera around W-5 Division, the chief was unidentified but we can't imagine anyone else using Senior Chief Electronics Technician's SCHLIEPER's coffee cup.

DOD Testimony Supports Bill On Harassing Phone Calls

The Department of Defense is continuing its support of legislation to protect servicemen and their families from obscene and harassing telephone calls.

The bill (S.375) would make such calls "in interstate or foreign commerce" a federal offense. Its provisions would also apply to the District of Columbia.

"The impact of these acts on the morale and well-being of each service member and his family directly affected is obvious," a DOD witness told a House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Subcommittee conducting hearings Jan. 30.

The DOD witness gave these facts:

- From about May 1965 to date, DOD has identified 205 known incidents of harassment.

- Not all the incidents were by telephone (the bill is limited to this form of public communications) and came through a variety of means such as letters, post cards, telegrams, and even face-to-face visits.

- Incidents were generally related to military operations in Vietnam and elsewhere.

- Their nature "has included everything from false reports of death or injury to threats, demands for money

for the Viet Cong, and gloating comment on the actual death of servicemen."

Noting the volume of such incidents is not large and has tended to drop, the witness said one factor in the decline is "the publicity given to the nation's outrage at these acts by Congressional consideration of remedial legislation during the 89th and 90th Congresses." A second factor is "the excellent cooperation we have received from the commercial telephone companies," the witness testified.

DOD recognizes the overall problem of obscene and harassing communications goes beyond service families, the witness said, and therefore "defers to the wisdom of the Congress on the content of the specific legislation and to the views of the Department of Justice and the Federal Communications Commission on the technical merits of particular proposals."

SA DONALD DUCK JOINS THE NAVY

More than one eyebrow will be raised when a new crewman reports aboard the Navy's picket escort ship FALGOUT at Pearl Harbor shortly. The new crewman's name -- Donald DUCK.

Seaman Apprentice DUCK recently completed his basic training at San Diego, California and has been assigned to the FALGOUT.

DUCK, 20, said he has quite a time with his name. He said shortly after his arrival in San Diego he was sent to the naval hospital.

He said he had to convince three staff nurses, two corpsmen, and one doctor that his name really is Donald DUCK.

He also tells of trouble in San Francisco with an airline ticket agent. The agent said, "Sure, we have Mickey Mouse aboard, too".

DUCK said his name is not a total deficit. He said it starts a conversation on the light humorous side and that it is a name that has its advantages in making friends.

'Don't Read This Story'

You're not following instructions very well -- are you?

There's really no use reading on -- this article is about nothing -- nothing at all.

So -- please don't read any further.

If you had been following signs in a mine field, you'd have been dead by now.

Just can't follow instructions -- can you?

We spend hours writing news copy for the Helmsman and you never read it, but take 10 minutes to write nothing and you can't resist it.

Why?

Stupid or something?

If you aren't stupid, you won't read the next line.

Now don't get any ideas about suing us for libel, because if you're this far, you've already admitted that you'll do anything you're told not to do.

What's with you anyway?

Well, since you've gotten this far, you might as well go ahead and finish.

But as I said before, there's nothing to read about. You might as well be reading the telephone book.

If you can't resist reading, though, why not read the rest of the Helmsman?

It's not nearly so insulting.

Smart Salute

The manner of executing the salute is an outward demonstration of an individual's attitude toward his duties and his unit. A sloppy, grudging salute indicates neglect of duties and lack of confidence in the military team of which he is a member. A smartly executed salute denotes pride and ability to perform.

More profoundly, the salute is a declaration of loyalty to the United States and the principles of liberty and justice upon which the nation was founded. So next time, make it smart!



"Good day Sir, this is the Consolidated Technical Publications Library, COSAL section, Electronics Calibration Technician Petty Officer

Third Class Emet Walter SCHLIC, United States Navy speaking Sir, may I be of some assistance to you, Sir...Sir?...Hello?...Sir?..."

TECHNICAL LIBRARY

The Technical Publications Library (TPL) provides the following services to SSBN's and the CANOPUS. It maintains a library of Technical Maintenance Publications, microfilm blueprints, machinery parts lists (COSALS), and a complete range of Naval Supply catalogs. TPL is assisted by the Data Processing Department and provides a listing of publications located at various maintenance shops and supply subsidiary libraries.

TPL co-ordinates on the horizontal staff level with the Submarine Assistance team (SAT), stock control, ship alterations program, and SSSN maintenance shop repair parts petty officer's.

SUB ASS'T TEAM

SAT teams use TPL resources in identification of SSBN re-supply problems and with liason of SSSN division leading petty officer's.

SHIP ALTERATION CONTROL

Ship Alterations are defined as modifications to hull, mechanical, electrical, or piping components or equipment.

TPL co-ordinates with Squadron Material in the procurement of com-

plete Alteration packages which contain parts, plans, and procedures.

SSBN Alteration Quality Control is assured thru joint package inventory by TPL Staff members and designated installation shop petty officers.

TALENT

TPL is staffed by Weapons, Electronic, Engineering, and Supply ratings under the Repair Services Division Officer's supervision. Supply Department liason is provided by the Stock Control Officer.

The cross trained TPL Staff provides a 3-M Manual system of a Intermediate Level Maintenance Library. They conduct specialized area training for 65 Maintenance shop repair part petty officer's.

The Maintenance petty officer's, assisted by the TPL Staff, have the capacity to provide plans, repair procedures, and parts lists within one hour after receipt of the job order from the assigned repair shop. Many of the outstanding repair part petty officer's are former HOLLAND crewmembers or CANOPIUS Plank Owners.

TPL encourages you to schedule new people for library indoctrinations applicable to your shop or divisions.

SEA BREEZE



DC DIVISION

Cigar anybody? Although DC Division is known for celebrating just about anything, this month we have just cause. Well earned congratulations go to our Division Officer, Mr. COOK, upon his promotion to Lieutenant. Advancement cheers are also in store for our "Sea Daddy", Richard MURRAY, who has hung up his dungarees for good upon making Chief. Well wishes also go to D. FITTS, A. BARTER, F. COX, and R. MENDEZ as they sew on their Third Class Crowns. Naturally MENDEZ passed out Tortillas instead of Cigars.

Farewell Toasts have gone (or are they still going on) to our Short Timers, J. PECHINKO, P. CHERBERT, and P. BURNS (Better known as Johnny come Lately).

Last but not least, if you have never seen a 200 pound duck do a "Dead Snoopy Dog", then drop by the DC Shipfitter Shop during visiting hours.

MORE FROM SEA BREEZE

W-2 DIVISION

We welcome back our TAD personnel with open arms. What with several W-2 troops leaving and other manpower commitments, we can use them. The division also extends a cordial welcome to FTBC BOWMAN who reported aboard from Charleston. "Welcome aboard, Chief". While the Chief was checking in, Ray WARD, Jim VICE and Lou VONA were checking out. VICE is being transferred to Charleston while the other two are being discharged somewhere in the States. We wish them all success in their endeavors, whatever they might be.

Our "Indy 500" drivers are still speeding away with the trophies for various events in the Rota Sports Car Club. Perhaps you heard some of them during an interview on Rota's AFRS Tuesday morning, February 19th. In other sporting events we fully intend to bowl our way to the Weapons Department Championship, striking out our hottest competition from W-4 Division. As far as basketball is concerned, well, enough said about that!

A DIVISION

New crows were seen flying around A Division during January and February and more came this month. McINTOSH was advanced to EN1 on January 16th and "Pokey" SAUCER was advanced to EN1 on February 16th. GREISCH became MR3 and "Moose" WHEELER became EN3 February 16th. March 16th saw JUDEN and WILHITE being advanced to EN3. Congratulations men.

Sad farewells were bid to four men from A Division during January and February. January saw "Stretch SIMPSON and Joe (Jose Gomez Civilian) GUTHRIE returning to the states for separation. "Loss" KANE and D.E. GRANT flew back for separation in February. Reverent prayers are being said by the Division that replacements for these men will arrive soon.

Getting back to advancements, Mr. COOK, our Division Officer, has pinned on his second silver bar. The Division congratulates you sir.

SEA BREEZE

W-4 DIVISION

The Missile Grotto Whisperer offers sincere congratulations to TMC and Mrs. MANESS upon the birth of a baby girl. The girl is a doll and must take after her mother in beauty (Geritol will do it every time)!!! February has brought good fortune to the division in sports competition. Winning the Department Bowling Tournament after a few close games with W-2 Division, W-4 retained the Department Sports Trophy. McINNIS, NESTER, HOWER, KILLIAN, BRAINERD, and WESTON are to be congratulated. Defeating Deck Department 51-46, we captured the CANOPUS Intramural Basketball Championship. Well Done to SKARP, WESTON, RITTERBUSCH, BASTABLE, MAURER, BRAINERD, VIOLETTE, RICHARD, and McCOMBS. (I wonder if the W-1 Division Officer would allow us some space for the trophy storage)!!?

The Whisperer is sorry to see Mr. HAFNER and his "Warrant Officer Block" in such a state of shock after the recent election in the wardroom. Take heart W.O.B.A., all is not lost. Send your crying towels to the laundry, you may need them again soon!!!

The advancement exams over, everyone is anxiously awaiting the results with the following comments being overheard:

MT1 KILLIAN - "If BURNWELL makes Chief and I don't, I am going to jump over the side."
MT1 MAURER - "I am going to kill him if BURNWELL makes it and I don't."

Chief's MANESS, NESTER, and EDWARDS: "My God! Where can I find a book on basic physics???" But we all hope that everyone made it so we can have a grande party.

Now that MT1 McARTOR has received permission to get married the Whisperer wonders when he is going to "POP" the question to the lucky girl?

Well time has run out so I must get back to the Grotto, that is if I can sneak past the "Jungle Bunnies". It's usually pretty simple to snow simple people.



EYE APPEAL — Shapely, blonde Joy Wilkerson has sent more than 4,000 pictures and 50,000 letters in answer to requests from servicemen in Vietnam. She also toured Vietnam with a USO show and has made numerous TV appearances.

FAMOUS QUOTATIONS

Who said these Famous Quotations?

1. Knowledge is power.
2. I would rather be right than be president.
3. Liberty and Union, now and forever, one and inseparable.
4. To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual means of preserving peace.
5. Where liberty dwells, there is my country.

(Answers on page 12)



Salty Sam Sez

Dear Salty Sam,

Why does the crew have to be inconvenienced with torpedo movements on the forward mess decks during the noon meal. This seems to happen quite often. Either the TM's are not finished by the time noon meal starts or they start handling before the noon meal is secured.

SN Mark L. ROBY, OPS Office

A funny thing happened on the way to the office this morning -- a torpedoman asked me the same thing! Seriously -- it really isn't scheduled that way. Occasionally it just becomes necessary to either start during chow because something is happening later or the AM evolution is delayed. Grin and bear ROBY - as my lead in said - the TM's don't like it either.

Dear Salty Sam,

Why not have swimming qualifications every quarter instead of P.T.?

Most sailors are only required to qualify for swimming and life saving while they are in boot camp.

If the ship sinks I'll be worried about how good I can swim, not how fast I can run.

SML S. W. SKINNER, Nav. Div.

Sounds logical enough. How about that, C.O., MarDet?

Dear Salty Sam,

Can't we do something about our barbers? It seems they usually put the "Haircut List" up at 7:30a.m. when most of the divisions are at quarters. I would like to get a haircut and NOT a "Speeding Ticket".

Ringo STARR

The problem seems to be a shortage of barbers. S-6 Division is doing their best but they say that with only three barbers in the shop instead of four they can't keep up -- How about it Mr. Personnel Officer?

Ship-Mate-of-the-Month



IN FINE SHAPE — Showgirl Jeanne Carroll, who really believes in sweaters, spends her time in Las Vegas, Nev., appearing in musical comedy spectacles at a big nightclub.

30,000 Graduates

Washington (AFPS) — More than 30,000 students attended classes at the U.S. Army Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, Va., in 1967. They included enlisted men and officers, active duty personnel and reservists, representatives of all major military services, and even students from allied foreign nations.

Sea Breeze



SUPPLY DEPARTMENT

As spring weather is turning the corner again in Rota, so is our division afresh with new individuals and ideas ready for Sub Service.

We have started the difficult job of retrograding our storerooms, and of course the fearless leader in the storeroom, moving boxes to and fro is, SK3 TRIMBLE. Slated to enter "C" school soon, TRIMBLE is showing everyone how the job should be done.

Turning to a lighter point, "Our Man Flint" is "Our Man SMIT". Although now TAD to the base hospital, he can take on the whole ship at anything--you just name the game. What an umpire! He is the best!

Number three and number four will have a visitor now that the coat and tie has been lifted. Bring out the girls, beer, and of course the basketballs.

SMITH, come here! SMITH, come here! Oh! I thought sure that you were SMITTY, LANCASTER. You do look somewhat like him with the slightly rounded stomach and short haircut.

The division would like to congratulate SKC MILLER upon making Chief.

On the list for departing soon we have SK2 HONEYCUTT who will enter civilian life after spending many years with Uncle Sam.

Chief JARRELL will enter college at Iowa State to enrich himself. SN WITHERELL will enter "A" school for some enriching and some rest and relaxation. Jerry EUP will be transferred to the Franklin D. Roosevelt. To these men we wish Good Luck and Smooth Sailing.

SEA BREEZE



FIRST DIVISION

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome aboard SN J.R. DEMING, FA D.E. SHAW, SN J.L. JAMES, FA F.B. CAMACHO, and say Hasta Luego to FM3's C.A. BLACKWELL, C.S. EVANS, T.W. NELSON, D.K. DIXON, and SN R.E. PETERSON.

The Deck Department basketball team is undefeated with a 7-0 record. We are presently tied with W-4 for the first place position, so look out W-4. We know we are the "Greatest" but we are open for all challenges.

MORE FROM SEA BREEZE

RT DIVISION

Since our last get together we have had quite a bit of excitement in the division. It seems we have some speleologists who specialize in the art of getting wet, along with their nice new cameras. How does the ol' saying go, "Watch the bouncing Camera"?

ET2 HOGAN is finally getting to come back to the division after spending the last three glorious months down on the Mess Decks as one of their "Trusty" Master-at-Arms. Now maybe we can get some work out of him after his vacation.

RT Division held its annual divisional party, along with RC Division, on February 10th. Music was supplied by the Anchomen, who did a very fine job of entertaining. A good time was had by all in attendance as was proven by all the large heads the next day. One question that was asked at the party, and still is unanswered, is why does BEAUCHAMP wear a beard? Anyone have any answers? From all indications Chief HEWES was using LSD, as he was seen floating here and there all evening long.

EN2 GEORGE has finally returned to the ship after taking a few days leave to "Study for the First Class Exam". Did it do any good??

Overseas Serviceman K 1

Offered New Service on Parcel Shipment

Military personnel who are serving outside the continental U. S. are now able to mail parcels weighing up to 30 pounds via airmail at rates nearly as low as those for surface mail. This new service is now in effect.

Provided for in the Postal Rate Bill signed into law December 16th, the new airdift service is in addition to the present Surface-Airmail (SAM) regulation. Under SAM, packages weighing five pounds or less are airdifted at parcel post surface rates to U. S. ports of entry and then go by surface transportation to their destination.

Under this new program, parcels weighing 30 pounds or less and not exceeding 60 inches in combined length and girth are carried on 'space

available' basis from all overseas APOs and FPOs at parcel post surface rate plus \$1.

The additional dollar insures air transportation all the way from the overseas base to the destination address.

The special airdift regulation also applies to packages mailed from the U. S. to military personnel served by APOs and FPOs

The airdift rates produce considerable savings in most cases. For example, the Post Office Department pointed out, a serviceman in Vietnam pays \$.30 to send a 15-pound package to Chicago. The regular air parcel post rate for the same package is \$12.08.

In some cases, the Postmaster General said, it is cheaper to use regular air parcel post. He advised servicemen to check with military post office officials for information on the best service to use.

ANSWERS to Famous Quotations

1. Francis Bacon
2. Henry Clay
3. Daniel Webster
4. George Washington
5. Benjamin Franklin

MARINE DETACHMENT CONT

responsibility to Cpl McDONALD, LCpl ELBURN, and Pfc WILKINSON. They received their injuries during football games. One thing is for certain, our warriors did not fall off a bar doing the bunny hop as a previous member did.

The great white father bestowed upon us again with a gift. We have the chance to promote Pfc REECE and Pfc WOOSNAM to the rank of Lance Corporal.

Congratulations are in order to MMC JONES who was advanced on February 16th.

ET2 ALBRIGHT has just recently re-enlisted for six more years and plans on spending his V.R.B. money buying new camera equipment after he learns how to swim and dodge rocks. He also had better buy a compass so he won't get lost anymore, going from the CB compound to the ship. Any comments ALBRIGHT?

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