



Little Miss Patty Flaherty, daughter of Major Robert F. Flaherty, awaiting Santa Claus. —Photo by Jacobi.

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Promotions

At present a man must serve a minimum of nine months as PFC; six months in grade as corporal or sergeant, and one year in grade for all above sergeant. Promotion lists will be prepared from fitness reports and based on time in grade thus avoiding any clogging in the flow of advancements to the higher pay grades. That's how things stand now with regards to the promotion setup in the Corps.

Promotions will be made on the basis of the type of duty a man performs and the allowance of ranks in that duty rather than the branch or type of unit with which he is serving. From now on a man will be carried on the roster by rank and his military occupation primary specialty.

Three departments of the Corps are now undergoing administrative consolidation: Personnel including administrative, artillery, band communications, engineers, infantry, intelligence, ordnance, photographic, publications, security, special services, tanks and training aids. The two remaining departments: Supply, which includes disbursing, food, motor transport, and quartermaster; Aviation covering all the occupations under that heading, complete the new departmental reorganization of our Corps.

CHRISTMAS FURLOUGHS

Furloughs for the holidays will be allowed to the personnel of Cherry Point from the 14th of December to the 12th of January.

Only 50 per cent of each department may be granted leave or liberty. All leaves and liberty are granted in accordance with Letter of Instruction 1335. Liberty granted not to exceed 71 hours.

Bronze Stars Are Awarded

"For heroic achievement" as Chaplain attached to the Third Battalion, 24 Marines, Fourth Marine Division—

A Bronze Star Medal received by Lt. Com. Emmert T. Michaels, Chaplain Corps, USN, was accompanied by the citation quoted in part above. The citation continues: "On the night of June 15, 1944, Lt. Com. (then Lt.) Michaels continually exposed himself to enemy artillery and mortar fire to give aid to the wounded and dying, carrying on his courageous service until seriously wounded on July 8, 1944."

Good natured, serious, Chaplain Michaels was formerly attached to the Armed Guard Center and Naval Receiving Station at Brooklyn, N. Y., before being transferred to Cherry Point, August of '46 as Catholic Chaplain aboard this Station.

Lt. L. H. Buss was awarded the Bronze Star Medal at a presentation ceremony by Maj. Gen. R. J. Mitchell in the General's office.

The Base's Adjutant, Lt. Buss, received the medal, "for meritorious service in connection with operations against the enemy from May 4 to August 10, 1944, prior to and during the operations against Japanese forces on Guam and the Marianas Islands."

Quoting from the citation: "He was instrumental in organizing and putting into operation the many details involved in this movement, and his contribution was a material factor in its success."

Now serving at Cherry Point as Base's Adjutant and Ass't. Adj. of the Second Marine Air Wing, Lt. Buss formerly was Sgt. Maj. of the Marine Detachment aboard the USS *Hornet* and later Adj. of Mag. 21 in the Solomons and Guam.



Commandant's Greetings

At this Christmas season it is my pleasure, as Commandant, to extend heartiest Christmas greetings to all Marines throughout the world. To each of you I offer best wishes for a successful and happy new year in the expectation that together we will add new lustre to the achievements of our Corps.

A. A. VANDEGRIFT,
Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps



A Holiday Message to All Military and Civilian Personnel Serving at Cherry Point

Once again the year draws near its close and the holiday season brings forth its tradition and festivity to all the world. Men from all nations are now working toward the goal that is so much a part of this season, which is dedicated to "Goodwill Toward Men" and "Peace On Earth," for all the years to follow.

To many of those now serving at this station it will mean the first Christmas at home in several years, and for many, the first away from home. As is true on most occasions, there are among us all, mingled feelings of joy and sorrow. But above all else, there is world wide joy and gratitude for the peace which has succeeded the horrors and heartbreaks of war.

During the past year many of our wartime comrades have returned to civil life. The departure of these veterans has meant additional burdens to those of us who have remained. The difficult job which faced us has been done and has been well done. If our efforts in the coming year are characterized by the same spirit of cooperation, determination, and teamwork, nothing but success can await us.

May we wish for each and every one of you a joyful holiday season and a happy and prosperous New Year.

R. J. MITCHELL,
Major General, U. S. Marine Corps,
Commanding, Second Marine Aircraft Wing.

L. G. MERRITT,
Brigadier General, U. S. Marine Corps,
Deputy Commander, Second Marine Aircraft Wing.

T. J. CUSHMAN,
Brigadier General, U. S. Marine Corps,
Commander, Marine Corps Air Bases, and
Commanding General, U. S. Marine Corps Air Station.



Christmas shoppers descend on prepared Post Exchange. —Photo by Criscione.

Christmas Plans

By GRASSER

"You better not pout, you better not cry, you better be good—I'm telling you why, Santa Claus is coming to town."

Ole Saint Nick arrives at Cherry Point well loaded down with the traditional sack of candy and gifts for the children of all military personnel December 23rd.

A special Christmas party in the Station Theatre, for all children twelve years old or younger, at 1400 will start the festivities—climaxing with the arrival of Santa Claus on a special pre-holiday trip to this Marine Air Station.

Made possible by Special Services, Officers' Club, and the Staff NCO's Club, a children's movie and the band will keep things rolling till "Kris" puts in his appearance. With his travelling expenses from the North Pole to Cherry Point shared equally by the Officers' Club and the Staff NCO's Club, Saint Nick will carry a heavy load of children's delights when he arrives next Monday.

Thousands of Aviation Marines are heading to points all over the Union, bound for home, with holiday furloughs in their pockets. Special arrangements are being made by the bus lines to speed home-bound Marines on their way. Airline reservations to any place in the United States are being taken at the New Bern Airport. Transportation lines all over the country are preparing for the race against time to get the holiday minded Marines home ahead of Kris Kringle. For those Marines staying on the base during the Yuletide season much festivity is being planned.

Traditional carols sung by a Special Christmas Choir will lend a homelike feeling to the church services here. After Church, the Mess Halls will feed the Cherry Point Gyrenes a delicious holiday meal. Consisting of fruit cup, turkey, cranberry sauce, hot rolls, nuts, coffee, ice cream, candy and fruit cake, the Christmas dinner will be something to write home about.

The Staff NCO's Club will feature the sparkling rhythm of Mike George's orchestra as lead off for the Christmas Eve merry making.

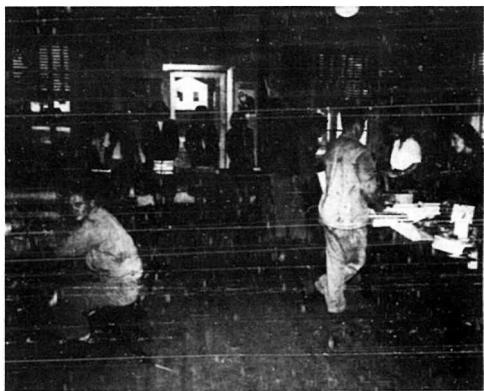
Christmas day will feature a feast, in keeping with the holiday, designed to satisfy every member of any Staff NCO's happy family.

The Officers' Club will serve Christmas dinners down in the family style to all officers and their guests Christmas day in keeping with the "homier" celebration of the holy day.

Finally, the Station Theatre will feature a thrilling celluloid—"The Falcon's Adventure" starring Tom Conway in the Falcon lead with Midge Meredith playing opposite him—Christmas day.

"The Perfect Marriage," co-starring Loretta Young and David Niven, will flash across the screen for a lively evening of entertainment Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th.

RED CROSS GIFT WRAPPING



Making 'em "Pretty for the people" back home at Red Cross. Volunteers are left to right: Mrs. E. S. Dew, Mrs. S. S. Jack, Mrs. J. L. Neefus, Mrs. J. W. Donnelly, Mrs. H. B. Calahan, Mrs. P. D. Lambrecht, Mrs. F. C. Tharin, Mrs. W. R. Adams.—Photo by Criscione.

A gift wrapping service is in progress at the Red Cross Field Headquarters where 75 women of which an average of eight a day donate their services. The workers enter to about 100 men daily, using wrapping materials donated by the P.X.

Packages are wrapped as both gifts and for mailing. The wrapping compares with that of the best exclusive department stores. This service was inaugurated last year and the Red Cross plans to make it an annual institution here at Cherry Point. The variously designed paper and ribbon is transformed into attractive gift packages by the skillful hands of both volunteers and regular Red Cross workers. The committee in charge consists of Mrs. T. J. Cushman, Mrs. S. S. Jack, Mrs. J. W. Donnelly, and Mrs. H. B. Calahan.

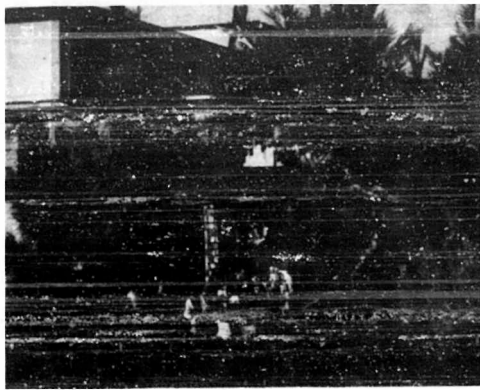
Mrs. Jack tells of a humorous incident. A fellow came in to have a compact wrapped as a gift. The young lady who was to wrap it remarked on the attractiveness of it and asked him if it was for his best girl. "Oh no!" he replied. "That's the one I keep on ice in case my best girl gives me the air."

Christmas Greetings from the WINDSOCK staff



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Christmas Scene at W. R. R. H.



—Photo by Criscione.

"The Christmas Stable" built by Corporal Walter M. Luderfinger of A.E.S. 42, stands in front of the W.R.R.H., a monument to the skill and cleverness of its creator.

Corporal Luderfinger built the miniature in his spare time, the project taking two months to complete. Standing about nine feet high, the model is built of bark, spare parts, ingenuity, and hard work. The figures in the model were obtained after much difficulty, searching and patience on a special trip to Washington, D. C. The figures had to be of a height proportional to the setting.

Luderfinger's home is in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He spent his childhood in Bavaria, where he was born. Corporal Luderfinger explains his creative talent by stating that the Bavarian people are by nature artistic and creative. Overseas in the Marshalls, Corporal Luderfinger by himself built a chapel of coconut logs which seated 100 persons. The only aid he received was from natives who veined the sides of the chapel from palm leaves. He did landscaping work in the Marshalls and on Guam. A photograph of the landscaping on Guam appeared in *Colliers Magazine*.

Corporal Luderfinger recently tells of the incident which occurred when he was working on a Christmas landscaping on Guam. He was trying to complete the project in time so that he could obtain a two-week leave in China. Driving into the hills to obtain some materials, he was confronted by six Japs who wanted to surrender. A truck in front of him drove off, alarming the Japs who took to their heels. Corporal Luderfinger returned to the village, notifying the S.P.'s of the whereabouts of the Japs. The irony of the whole situation is that later he was given these same six Japs as a working detail. With their help he completed the job, and because of the speed and excellence with which he did his work, Corporal Luderfinger was not given just a two-week leave, but had his request to return to the States granted, and that's where he's been ever since.

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Christmas Divine Services

The Protestant schedule of Christmas services is as follows: Special Christmas services will be held Sunday, December 22, on the station at 1000 and at the Havelock community church at 1100. An afternoon vesper service will take place at 1630 on the station. A candlelight Christmas service for a carol sing and featuring the Havelock Young People's Choir, will also be on the station. On Christmas Eve there will be a

candlelight service at 2315. The evening service at the community church will be from 2000 to 1930.

Catholic services will commence with a midnight mass Christmas Eve. Services will also be held at 0845 and 1200 on Christmas Day. On the 24th of December, confessions will be held from 1600 to 2300 at the little chapel. At these services, there will be an all Marine choir, with Pvt. Edward Jannett at the organ.

From The
CHAPLAIN'S DESK

By CHAPLAIN CHARLES C. HARTUNG

Two thousand years is a long time, whether we are looking backward or forward. When two thousand more years have passed by it will be the year 3946, and what the world will be like then is beyond human imagination. It was nearly two thousand years ago that an event occurred in an obscure part of the world that did more to change the ways of mankind than anything that had ever happened before or that has happened since. The event might have gone unnoticed except for the fact that certain people were watching for it on account of an ancient prophecy. Wise men from the East traveled into the ancient land of Israel to bring gifts to a new-born child, and "certain shepherds abiding in the fields" were astonished by a message that a new King had been born who would bring peace and good-will to the earth.

The new-born King grew into manhood and became known as the Son of God. Everywhere he went he healed body and spirit, and brought a new Gospel of peace and good-will to his fellow countrymen. When his life was brought to an abrupt end by the greed and selfishness of those who stood much to lose by the new Gospel, His Spirit lived on in the hearts of those who believed in Him.

In a few days we will again celebrate the birthday of Jesus. In remembering the manger and the Child, let us keep also the memory of the Man, the Son of God, who came that the world might be saved, might learn the will of God and how to carry it out.

Schedule of Divine Services	
Protestant	Catholic
0945—Sunday School at Cherry Point School.	0645, 0845, 1200—Mass at WRRH. Confessions Saturday 1000-1000, and 1030-2100.
1000—Divine Worship at WRRH.	0600—Mass at Community Church. Daily Mass at 0645 at Dallas Huts Chapel.
1100—Divine Worship at Community Church.	Perpetual Novena Devotions Tuesday at 1800.
1900—Young People's Meeting at Cherry Point School.	
2000—Evening Divine Worship at Community Church.	

State Licenses No Good On Air Station

An increasing number of traffic accidents and violations have been occurring on Cherry Point involving drivers who have no Marine Corps drivers' licenses; whether an accident is their fault or not, they are immediately in hot water because of this very violation. State licenses

Suggestions ?? French Legion Of Damned

Got any good ideas? Let's get them into those beneficial suggestion boxes that you see wherever you work. The government established the beneficial suggestion program during the first World War for your profit—Civil Service and Military Personnel. Here's all the dope.

First, get a good idea! Put it down on one of the blanks you can find at any suggestion box—any idea whether it's in actual use or not—then get it into the box. You can take a breather now as others take over from here on in—specifically the next step is taken by the beneficial suggestion committee.

This committee—composed of Lt. Col. Collins, Personnel Relations Officer, and technicians from Navy Supply, A&R and Public Works—discusses the idea and decides whether it is appropriate to forward it to the department head concerned for probable adoption.

After the idea has been put into tentative use, an investigator checks on the efficiency of its operation and the amount of resultant savings to the government—all of which appears in his report to the awards committee.

The awards committee after discussing the suggestion then decides whether an award will be made and the amount of the award depending upon the amount of savings to the government the suggestion will occasion. In the case of military personnel an award of a letter of commendation is usually given which may affect to a great extent future service record book efficiency ratings and promotions. As an example I cite the case of Mr. William H. Hill of engine overhaul shop 1332, A&R.

Mr. Hill made a suggestion bearing upon the push rod cover seal drift which after its adoption netted him an initial award of 110 dollars; his suggestion—forwarded to Washington, D. C., where it might have been patented—free of charge in his name from which he might receive royalties from private companies with the condition of free use to the government if his suggestion had been patentable—then was adopted at NAS, Quonset Point, Rhode Island for which he received 50 dollars as a second award; finally as his suggestion was used in an editorial of *Aero Digest*—October issue—he received another eight dollars from the publishers. That's how the suggestion program works; your idea may pay off too; why not get it a try?

(CNS)—Wherever men without hope or honor gather, the word is being spread among them: The Legion of the Damned is recruiting again. No questions will be asked. No identities will be checked. Battered and dispersed by the war and the defeat of France, the French Foreign Legion, legendary fighting force of the North African deserts, is being reorganized, the French government has announced.

There is only one major change: The Legion's sphere of operations has shifted from North Africa to other parts of the French empire. At the moment the troubled colony of Indo-China has replaced Morocco as the Legion's main station.

As before the war, Germans make up the largest national group to enlist in the Legion. Perhaps it is because so many Germans are professional soldiers. Perhaps because the Legion offers a place for men whose families, hopes and dreams have been destroyed. Legion officers say they do not know and are not interested. Their only interest is in tough, fighting men who can take the Legion's hard-as-nails discipline.

Only one new postwar test is given able-bodied Germans applying to the Legion. They must show that they do not have the initials "S.S." tattooed under their arms—the sign that a man belonged to the Nazi SS Elite Guard, all fanatical Nazis and war criminals. Once a man is accepted, he is sent to Sidi Bel Abbes, the Legion's traditional headquarters in Algeria for preliminary training.

There, on the desert, the men learn the Legion's first rules: one profession—soldiering; one language—French; and thirty-five days in the guardhouse for political talk. This training, a lean, unburned Legion colonel said, is guaranteed to destroy any pro-Nazi thinking in Legion recruits.

No limit has been set on the number of Germans who may enter the corps.

The Legion's indifference to race, nationality and politics is based on its officers' conviction that all men fall into only two classifications. There are only "good soldiers" and "bad soldiers." For the latter, there are always rigorous punishments. One particularly vicious form of punishment used to be road-building under a blazing desert sun and on a starvation diet.

Another unbroken Legion tradition is its ability to keep personal secrets. A recruit may sign up under a false name and with false papers; no prying questions will be asked. Or a man may disclose his real name, but still enlist under another. In that case, the Legion will protect his real identity, even to the police or his family.

It is not completely anti-social, however. "We do not accept professional murderers," said the colonel, with a smile.



Blonde and luscious Pat Gilmore singing "Maia from Bahia" and her fiddling bandleader husband, Eric Madriguera.

Madriguera Plays

Playing in Cherry Point's immense Drill Hall December 10, Eric Madriguera showered the music hungry Marines with Latin and North American melodies, featuring Patricia Gilmore, Eddie Gomez and "Ramonita."

Since the demand exceeded the supply, meaning the hostesses were few, the Marines attending the dance turned their attention to the violin playing maestro, Eric Madriguera, who in turn did not disappoint the Leathernecks. Among the many tunes played, Eric highlighted an arrangement of his made in 1933, a combination of "What Is This Thing Called Love," "Good-night Sweetheart" and "Bolero." Amidst the noise of the audience, Ramonita walked upon the stage to execute a Latin American dance. Clad in a scanty Latin outfit, Ramonita displayed her artistry to the Marines delight.

Vocals were provided by Patricia Gilmore and Eddie Gomez. The tunes were mostly South American with a few American renditions included. Incidentally, blonde Pat is married to Eric Madriguera.

Peace On Earth

Christmas is Christmas
Again this year.
The guns are stilled
And 'round the table
Each place is filled
And tomorrow holds no fear.
And so on this holy,
Joyous day
We live once more—
As into the past
Slips thoughts of war—
A peaceful year passed away.
The Marine no longer on
Life has but a lease
He fought four years—
A guardian now,
No mother's tears;
For thank God, this year there's
peace.
Rejoice, free men, but
Keep sober your mirth.
Put faith in men
So that no more strife
Will awake again
And there will be peace on Earth.
—Pvt. Lawrence C. Schoen.

G.I. BILL **Personal Affairs** HOME LIFE

By T. H. MANN

\$100,000,000,000.00 going down the drain. NSLI is a bargain that can never be duplicated in civilian life, yet veterans have dropped two thirds the amount of total insurance in effect by all civilian insurance companies. In 100 years of intensive salesmanship, all of the life insurance companies combined now have in force only \$154,000,000,000.00, while at the end of the war there was over \$142,000,000,000.00 of NSLI in effect.

NSLI now has four option settlements similar to civilian insurance. Option one: In one lump sum (may be elected only by insured). Option two: In equal monthly installments from 36 to 240 in number, in multiples of 12. Option three: In equal monthly installments for 120 months certain with such payments continuing during the remaining lifetime of the first beneficiary. Option four: As a refund life income in monthly installments with face value certain, except where settlement would result in payment of installments over a shorter period than 120 months. Option three not available if beneficiary is over the age of 68.

If the insured elects no option, the insurance will be payable in 36 monthly installments. However, the first beneficiary may elect any option providing for payments over a longer period than 36 months. Options three and four shall not be available if the beneficiary is a firm, corporation, legal entity (including the insured's estate), trustee or where an endorsement contract matures by reason of completion of the endorsement period.

National Service Life Insurance premium rates are figured on the same mortality tables and approximately the same rates of interest as any civilian insurance company, but NSLI is administered by Veteran's Administration whose operating expenses are borne by the great American taxpayer, therefore no administrative costs in a NSLI premium which make up a good portion of the insurance premium.

All of the men and officers of this station should be seriously considering converting their NSLI policy from the term plan to one of the various options available.

Since each individual person has a different problem in converting, contact Major Mann at the WR Rec Hall, 3273.

T-SGT. AIMETTI DECORATE!

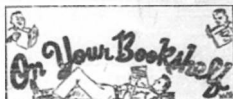


Overlooking its squadron and the newly decorated T/Sgt. Frank Aimetti, is this Curtiss Commando of VMR 252.

Last Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 11, beneath the nose of a Marine Commando Transport plane, Technical Sergeant Frank Aimetti received a Bronze Star and Citation for service rendered during the transfer of Squadron 211 to various Pacific stations.

As engineering Chief for Marine Fighting Squadron 211, he rendered outstanding service during the rapid and successful transfer of that squadron's aircraft from Zamboanga, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, to Peiping, China, to assist in the disarming, repatriation and eliminating any possible Japanese pockets of resistance in that area. Sgt. Aimetti's efficient, vigilant attention to all details, coupled with his training, experience and devotion to duty, contributed materially to the efficacious carrying out of the Marine Fighting Squadron 211 mission. His initiative and execution of assignments were at all times in keeping of the highest traditions of the United States Armed Forces.

The citation was signed by the Marine Corps Commandant, General A. A. Vandegrift.



By FRANCES HOWELL

Perhaps you are one of those unfortunate individuals who won't be going home for Christmas. Well, cheer up, mate! Come to your Station Library and ask for one of these new books:

Have you read the article entitled "The Huey Long Legend" in the current issue of *Life*? If so, then surely you will be interested in Robert Penn Warren's latest novel, *All the Kings Men*. Here that famous Southern demagogue, now dead little more than a decade, comes to life in the role of one Willie Stark. From a young back-country lawyer to the political boss of his state is a "far piece," but Willie, with the help of seedy men and lively women, makes the grade—only to be corrupted, of course, by his own success. One critic wonders how Willie Stark, as portrayed, could command the adoration and complete submission of so many women? Quite an interesting observation, don't you think?

If you are looking for a good doctor yarn as well as an exciting historical romance, then STOP! Your search is ended, for you will find that very combination in Frank G. Slaughter's *In a Dark Garden*. The story begins way back in 1862 when you meet Julian Chisholm on the streets of Glasgow where he is finishing his medical education. Soon thereafter he has an opportunity to use his knowledge of medicine and surgery on the wounded of both the North and the South during the Civil War. Evidently he is not as skillful in his affairs with women as he is with the scalpel, for unknowingly he marries a beautiful spy!

To begin with, there is Stella for whom life stopped dead when her husband was killed in Italy. There is also Mark who came back from overseas to find his wife a stranger, in love with another man. When these two meet for the first time in a restaurant, Stella is struck with Mark's resemblance to her husband and is curiously drawn to him, while he, bitter against all women is resentful of her interest. Thus begins Christine Weston's *The Dark Wood*, a haunting and poignant story of two people whose emotional lives were shattered by the war. How these two unhappy people work out their destinies might even help you solve an emotional problem. Who knows?

Do you believe in miracles? Russell Janner's answer is yes in his first novel, *The Miracle of the Bells*. A beautiful Polish-American girl from Pennsylvania coal town died just as she was about to make a name in Hollywood. The man who loved her, an ace publicity man, takes her body back to her native town and attempts to carry out her last wishes for her funeral. It is then that the miracle of the bells occurs. Of course, you already know how to find out just what happened—read the book!

A general, watching a young boot labor eagerly but clumsily on a plane, asked: "How long have you been in the Corps, son?"

"Two months," the boy replied. "How long have you been in?"

The general was taken slightly aback, but he good-naturedly answered, "Thirty years."

"It's hell, ain't it?" the youngster said sympathetically.

Hobby Shop

The latest recreation facilities to appear on the Station is the new Hobby Shop located in Barracks 227 in the old WR Area. This new department of Special Services is fully equipped to help you spend your leisure hours in a pleasant and sportive way. Full equipment and materials are available for the most of the crafts, and as soon as possible, shops for everything from metal to carpentry will be opened with instructors to help you.

The shop is under the capable management of Miss Loua Hover, an ex-WR who was stationed here at Cherry Point. Miss Hover, assisted by Mr. Arnold Bordon who at the present time is a Major in the Corps on inactive duty, has spent several years in this type of work. Corporal Richard Boyle and Pvt. Joseph W. Clark are also assisting instructors. The shop is open on work days from 1800 to 2200 and on Saturday and Sunday from 1300 to 2200. There is an instructor on duty at all times to help you in any phase of work you may be interested in.

The latest event sponsored by the Hobby Shop is a Model Aircraft meet every Sunday at 1300 in the Administration Building parking lot where the Model Airplane Bugs from all the sections of the station meet to compete with each other in all events of speed and stunt flying.

No matter what your hobby may be you will find it in the Hobby Shop and if facilities are not in operation at the present time they will be as soon as possible.



"Say this ain't bad, I'd almost eat it myself."

"I love you, Lucille, More than I can ever say How lonely these days Which I must stay away." So wrote a Marine.

The shock came when dawned the truth. That he sent the letter Not to Lucille—but to Ruth! —Schoen

Sentry: "Who goes there?" Officer: "L. L. Smith." Sentry: "Password." Officer: "Doggone it man, I've forgotten it. You know me well enough." Sentry: "Must have the password." Voice from guard house: "Don't stand there arguing all night, shoot him."

WR: "You remind me of the ocean." Mac: "You mean, wild, romantic and restless?" WR: "No, you make me sick."

'Platter Info'

By FRANCIS R. MISIEWICZ

With Charlie Spivak's sweet trumpet in good tune and Jimmy Saunder's singing in romantic fashion, a ballad "So They Tell Me." . . . Frank Sinatra weaves his romantic voice around the song of yesteryear, "September Song" and "Among My Souvenirs." . . . Dick Haymes introduces two new songs from the movie *Carnival in Costa Rica*; most enchanting is "My Vida," a bright rhumba beat. "Another Night Like This" to which Gordon Jenkins adds a stanza of one finger piano playing. . . .

With typical Gertrude Nielsen sophistication, "That's Good Enough for Me," sung with a twinkle as well as persuasion. . . . Der Bingle Crosby with the voice of the Calico Kids mixed in the light and airy, "A Gal in Calico." . . . Artie Shaw brings out the melodic appeal for a goodnight song, "And So to Bed." . . . Enrie Madriguera and his "Kissing Song." . . . Bob Crosby, civilian Marine, and Connie Bosell, "Too Many Times."

The King Cole Trio in a number one song plug, "That's the Beginning of the End." A ditty about a girl who loves "em and leaves 'em. . . Jerry Colonna goes hilariously western with, "Oh Wh, Oh Why, Did I Ever Leave Wyoming" and "When Rosie Riccola Do the Hoola Ma Boola." . . . Eliot Lawrence arrangement of "Five O'clock Shadow" has clean jump sections and the reverse, "You Broke the Only Heart," a coray hillbilly type that sells. . . .

Score two for Tommy Dorsey; his latest "At Sundown," a bright and bouncy instrumental. Flipping the juke is a ballad sung by Stuart Foster. . . . Claude Thornhill flushed with mood inspiring harmonies by the brasses and wooden. "So Would I." . . . Frankie Carle's lovely daughter, Marjorie Hughes, realizing "It's All Over Now." . . . Coming up as most played record on the air, Charlie Spivak's "For Sentimental Reasons." . . . The smooth, flowing harmonies of the Modernaires click, "How Do You Do?" Reverse has a hymnal styled "The Mission of the Rose." . . .

"Kiss me, darling," he whispered. "Not now, dear, later on." But alas, when she finally consented, He couldn't, for his pucker was gone. —Schoen

With the girl back home There'll be less dates Because of the ending Of furlough rates. —Schoen



