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# POINT CELEBRATES GALA FOURTH AT PARK; **BROADWAY REVUE CLIMAXES FESTIVITIES**

### Athletic Events at Park Start Day's Fireworks Rolling: Hit Show Tops Off 4th

Cherry Point's gala Fourth of July celebration got underway at 1330 in Mitchell Park with the beginning of a Sailboat Race; from then on it was just one barrel of fun and events. The climax came in the evening with an all-star Broadway Revue, the best show to nit the Point since Jerry Colonna's troupe played here August of '46!

Events that followed rapidly on the heels of each other at Mitchell Park kept a large crowd of Marines and their families in a continual rain kept a large crown of startines and their tainines in a continual state of holiday excitement. The coke flowed free and plentifully; cakes, potato chips and sandwiches were consumed by everyone in

the crowd.

With the Sailing Race underway, the next event, a Canoe Race, took place at 1400. Ten or twelve contestants did some mighty fancy paddling and put on quite a show. Some came in paddling and others swimming. The winners, Pfc. Robert F. Lohneiss and Pfc. Carl Fortuna, swimming. The winners, Ffc. Robert F. Lonneiss and Ffc. Carl Fortuna, made the trip in five minutes to receive the first prize of 50 movie tickets. In second place were Pfc's. Paul F. Kachnic and Dimitri Sywyk of Hedron Sta. and Lant., respectively. They won 30 free movies at the station theatre. S/Sgt. Donald N. Frantz and Corp. Alwayne Damron, both of AES-46, split one dollar's worth of movie tickets

An adaptation of the medieval art of Jousting took place in canoes

1400. A little later in the aft for some of the hardier contest-ants. Using poles with boxing gloves strapped on the end, they beat each other around and usually into the drink. There was plenty and the diag. The was plenty of laughs and thrills as one after another, the "boxers" teetered and tottered from blows before going into the final roll of the canoe into the final roll of the canoe upsetting. The final winners were Pfc's. Thaddeus Chamure and A. T. Barome, who received the first prize of 5 books of movie tickets, and Pfc's. Jates and Holloway of Hedron Sta, 3 books of movie tickets.

As the crowd started back for the beach, the loudspeakers blared into the face of the hot sun, an-nouncing the next event to be a

freestyle swimming race.
Pvt. T. J. Addison of the MP
Detachment paid the spectators
little heed as he went all the way to win a dead heat with Pfc. Gates, also of the MP's, who came out second in what was practically a photo-finish. Pfc. Ross of AES-41 ended the list of winners as third place man to get the dollar's worth of movie tickets. Addison and Gates received the first and second rizes rizes of five and three dollars' forth of movie tickets, respec-

The shutter bugs were out en orce during all the events snap-bing each other, any number of the of pretty girls present in ul playsuits and bathing as well as many action shots g the contests. Old Sel coerated fully, being present in



nis nottest and brightest about 1400. A little later in the after-noon, a slight summer haze set in which frosted the horizon some-what but didn't stop the Poim's camera fans.

The first sail to cross the finish ne was that of Lt. Col. Ben Z. The first sail to close to the line was that of Lt. Col. Ben Z. Redfield's trim craft returning from the grueling three and a half mile grind two hours and ten minutes of the the starting flare. In utes after the starting flare. In No. 70's crew were Lt. Col. Red-field, G-1 AirFMFLant; Mrs. Red-field and Capt. Flynn of Hedron Lant. The victors took home five books of movie tickets. T/Sgt. Cecelski in No. 28 finished second Ceceiski in No. 28 finished second to win three books of movie tickets to the Station Theatre, and Pfc. Douglas came in third, winning one book of movie tickets. The final event, a Rowboat Race,

ook place at 1600 and was promptly won by a very tired, very tired at the finish. Pfc. Alfred Taylor of

at the finish. Pfc. Alfred Taylor of VMF-114, MAG-11. He, too, took 5 books of movie tickets back to the barracks with him.

The Mess Halls did their bit toward making the Fourth a day to remember by turning out a turkey dinner with all the fixin's at noon chow, including candy, nuts, and ice cream.

After the 1800 movie, the crowd began to gather for the 2030 Broadway Show. It didn't take long for the house to fill with enlisted men, officers, and many Cherry Point families with their children.

The show went on the boards with the singing of the National Syrend Joycerson. owner of the Syrend Joycerson.

The show went on the boards occas with the singing of the National Sver Anthem by Naomi Saunders, at present making a concert tour with City.



Captain Richard Cline taxis his F4U CORSAIR into his parking on the VMF-225 line with the aid of directions being given by the plane captain, Corp. James Pearson, also of VMF-225, MAG-11.

her accompanist, Lowell Farr, Formerly she did "ghost" singing for many a Hollywood star who took the bows belonging to Naomi. Pfc. Jimmy Crum, who introduced Miss Saunders, then got the ball rolling by introducing Lou Wills as emcee. Lou came on in dungarees and pushing a broom; a minuse later he was followed out by a sergeous six foot blonde. a minuse later he was followed out by—argeous six foot blonde, Dana steadley. Later in the act, she dropped her dress to appear in a bathing soit which brought whistles, claps and shous from the packed house.

From there on the show moved along at a good clip. Phyllis Manher singing of Blue Skies, Glocco-morra, and the Irish Lullaby. Phyllis starred in Havana Madrid and Follow The Girls, both hits on Broadway.

Loke Lani, straight from the

Hawaiian Room of the Hotel Lex-ington in New York, turned in a top performance of Hawaiian dancing. Clad in a grass skirt costume, the showed the boys just how the hula is done!

The Ultra Violet Quartet from the New York University Glee Club did several numbers and took one of their several curtain calls with a rendition of "Evaline" that doubled the applause of the en-thusiastic audience. Stanley Weiler, Gilbert Ginsberg, Russell Kiesling and William Martin made up the hit quartet.

Svend Jorgerson, owner of the Wivil Restaurant in New York

The song stylist, Naomi Saunders, came on next to do Cole Porter's "Just One of Those Things," and several other numhings, and several other num-bers before being called back to do a beautiful piece of singing from Gershwin's folk opera, Porgy and Bess, "I Is Your Woman

Blonde Dell Ohrel, fresh Blonde Dell Ohrel, fresh from Ciro's and Earl Carroll's Bright Lights in Hollywood, amazed the house with her acrobatics. In dispute the house with her acrobatics, in dispute the skeleton as a rigid piece of the skeleton as a rigid piece of structure, she did everything from wrapping a leg around her neck to a reverse split. After her many cuttain calls comment could still n calls, comment could still (Cont. on P. 2, Col. 2) curtain calls, com

### **New Quarters Ready Soon**

Most localities in these 48 States are having their difficulties with housing shortages. Cherry Point is no exception. According to the latreports, here is the situation

at the present time.

In the latter part of this month new MEMQ units will be ready to accommodate 40 families; 12 new MOQ units are also expected to be ready for occupation later in the month. By the end of this year it is hoped to have 50 new MOQ units completed and occupied. The first 12 of these are the ones to be as-signed about three weeks hence. With the completion of satisfactory housing for officers or about the end of next year, all officers fami-lies will be moved from MEMQ and qualified NCO's assigned the quar-

The appropriation for the conversion of additional EOQ's into 60 of-ficers' apartments has been made. The BOQ being converted at the present time should be ready for occupancy during the last week of

July.

Priority for assignment to the new MOQ units will be given to officers with rank of Major or above; the details of this priority will be made known at a later date however.

Contrary to what seems to be a prevalent rumor aboard the Station, the removal of military personnel from Havelock is not anticipated in ear future.

#### RECEIVES PLAQUE

Corpus Christi-The Naval Aviation Station here has been awarded a British Aviation Plaque of Grati-tude for "treatment and training

### -MAG-11-Unit of Week

ST-E-E-RIKE! We all know what that means in baseball lingo, but to MAG-11 and its men, it means another bombing or strating run, another attack.

For the last year, the MAG, at For the last year, the MAG, at present under the direction of Lt. Col. Herbert H. Williamson, C.O., and Lt. Col. Freeman W. Williams, its Exec., has maintained three tac-tical squadrons with at least one of these aboard ship the majority of the of the time. Covering maneuvers with the Second Division, Air Shows and combined landing and with the second Division, Air Shows and combined landing and aerial support shows for a variety of organizations have all come the way of its squadrons when they returned from sea. Continued training of personnel and tactical support of the Fleet Air Arm complete the present activities of MAG-

Dusting off the official records, we find that in the Spring of '41 the old Marine Air Group One, later moth-er of MAG-11, was undergoing some mighty intensive training. Using F4F WILDCATS, MAG-1 alternat-F4F WILDCATS, MAG-1 alternat-ed training exercises between Quan-tico and New Bern. On 1 August 1941, MAG-1 was redesignated MAG-11 at the same time making MAG-11 the oldest Marine Air Group in the Corps.

The gradual accumulation of sup-The gradual accumulation of supplies, personnel, and intensified training rapidly strengthened the MAG as the United States approached the fateful 7th of December morning. Bullet proof gas tanks were installed in the planes of MAG-11 beginning December 8th, and the MAG migrated to NAS San Diego in the course of the month.

By the first of January 1942, the Group was located at Camp Kear-Group was located at Camp Kear-

By the first of January 1942, the Group was located at Camp Kear-ney, seehe of its principal West Coast encampment. For the next ten months, the defense of the San Diego area fell on the men and planes of MAG-11. Additional train-tive of was and sand accomputation ing of men and rapid accumulation of material continued at break-neck speed. (Remember, this was when a Japanese invasion of our West Coast seemed not only imminent but highly feasible since most of the Pacific Fleet lay at the bottom of

Pacific Freet lay at the bottom or Pearl Harbor.)

Periodically during these months, men and units were withdrawn from MAG-I1 to form the nuclei of MAGS-12, 13, 14, rnd 15. Despite this continual drain of men and equipment, MAG-11 had planes on the field with their engines turning over, ready for immediate take off one hour before sunrise every morning and for one hour after sunset each night as a defense measure against Japanese attack.

San Diego saw the last of the MAG-11 pilots and men for nearly four years when they left 15 Octo-ber 1942 for New Caledonia and action.

By November of '42, still flying their WILDCATS, the pilots and crews of MAG-11 were in the thick of it at Guadalcanal. Ensuing ac-tions developed rapidly during the next six months. The Russell Island campaign, Guadalcanal, Mun-da, the British Solomon Islands, Noumea, Tontouta, New Caledonia. and Vella La Vella, the headlines of Stateside newspapers read like a geography book of the South West Pacific. MAG-11 did its share at each place. This first tour of con-centrated combat duty for the MAG lasted from the beginning of No-vember 1942 to the middle of May

During the rest of '43 and the first eight and a half months of 1944, the Turtle Bay area of Esprito Santo became the stamping grounds of the MAG. MAG-11 acted as a "pool" for overhauling planes prior to use in combat. While there, they

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In the upper left corner is Mr. Bill Carver, who wa; instrumental in the show's Lohneiss and Carl Fortuna coming in to win first prize in the canoe race at Mitchell Park. Dell Ohrel enter) illustrates how to get rid of those kinks in your back after Police work; the pic was snapped tring the course of Dell's act in the Variety Show. M/Sgt. B. B. Legg and his family (right) at they gloyed the Fourth at Mitchell Park. And finally (extreme right corner), Pfc. Alfred Taylor of VMF-114, Royal Navy fliers received during AG-11, just after winning first prize in the rowboat race. MAJ, GEN. RALPH J. MITCHELL

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### For Fishermen

AEROLOGICAL SECTION
MARINE CORPS AIR STATION
CHERRY POINT.
NORTH CAROLINA
July 1947
Predictions for Beaufort, N. C.
(24 42' N 76' 40' W)
Eastern Standard Time
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time of tide minus 50 minutes.
Hatteras Inlet: Beaufort, N. C., time
of tide minus 50 minutes.
Cape Hatteras: Beaufort, N. C., time
of tide minus 1 hr. 10 minutes.
In Pamlico Sound: The periodic tides
are negligible.

#### MAG-11

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also develope ' the district into what amounted to a staging area for amorated to a staging area tor nearly every Marine Avlation unit entering the Pacific war. It was here that they developed, pioneer-ing the way, the first tactical train-ing of men and pilots in the Pacific aerial war.

The next move came in September of '44, P-Day, 15 September 1944, found ground crews of MAG-11 standing by offshore at Peleliu in the Palau Islands. On loan to the First Division, these men went ashore on the heels of the Division's first landing waves to make up beach working parties. Casualties took a heavy toll of these men.

It was here that MAG-11 twice Aviation History. maintaining a constant air cover for the ground forces, they flew the shortest bombing run in the war, a shortest bombing run in the war, at 1400 yard hop from the end of the runway to "Bloody Nose Ridge," Still in the Palau Islands, at a tiny atoll r few miles beyond Peleliu, the MAG supplied the first

14 August 1945, the MAG con-its program of increasingly heavy strikes against enemy forti- musical fications and "holdouts" in the Falaus and surrounding islands. By 16 February 1946, all of MAG-11 4. I. Falaus and surrounding islands.

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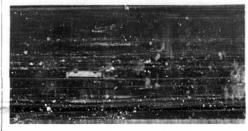
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Tacoma. Wash.—A tennis magnetic flower that the tow cable, pulled it out far enough to cook the catapult, and then fired the catapult in the wrong ingertion.

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## Wind Sock Stage Show Well Received



Above is the cast from the stage show, PERSONAL APPEARANCE, which was well received when it played here I July. Left to right which was well received when it played here i July Lett to right are: Robert Keith, chauffeur; Nina Sittler, maid; Agnes Scott Yost, aunt; Charles Purcell, mechanic; Sherry Bennett, bobby soxer; Douglas Gregory, leading man; Kelly Flint, leading lady; John Campbell, mechanic; Frances Helm, Campbell's sweetheart, and Irene Gawne, Campbell's future stage mother-in-law.

#### GALA FOURTH

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be heard, "terrific; how does she do it, holy smokes!"

Oscar and Ursula Brand, hus-band and wife team from NBC's Television Studios in New York City, kept the house humming, sing-ing and laughing with gags and folk songs. Oscar and his Powers Model wife turned in a very pop-ular act; they took at least three curtain calls before the audience

curtain calls before the audience would let them go.

Lou Wills, who has just returned from playing in the Hollywood movie, "My Wild Irish Rose," finished the show with a combination dance and tumbling act. Lou emceed the whole show here.

Every good show has its people who are rarely soon but are countly

who are rarely seen but are equally who are rarely seen but are equany responsible for its success. This climax to the Fourth celebrations at the Point was no exception. In this case, the Cherry Point Marines can thank Mr. Bill Carver, who

w, Bill Carver thanked the cast for a swell show and the audience for being tops. All in all, the Point's Marines marked the Fourth in a gala role of fun, frolic, and

### **Coming Attractions**

STATION THEATRE

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Show Time: 1800, 2030
Daily Change of Schedule
1-12 IP 1 HAD M WAY—Bing
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EVEN KEYS TO BALDPATE—Jacqueline White, Phillip Terry,
1-14 KEPEER OF THE BEES—
Harry Davenport, Michael Duane,
1-15 THE CHIMSON KEY—Kent
Taylor, Donna Drake,
Taylor, Donna Drake,
Carney, Annabella Delline—James
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7-16 13 RUE MADELINE—James Casney, Annabella, 7-17 TWO YEARS BEFORE THE MAST—Alan Ladd, Brian Donleys, 7-18 REPEAT PERFORMANCE— Joon Lastic Louis Hayward, 7-19 JUNGLE PLIGHT—Robert Lowery, Am Savage,

CHERRY THEATRE

ows: Monday through Friday 1930 and 2130. Saturday and 1930 and 2130. Saturday and 1930-1300, 1500, 1900, 2100. Diplet to change without notice? 2 DEVIL THUMIS A RIDE— ence Tierney, Nan Leshe 2 SEVIN WERE SAVED— VEN WERE SAVED— nning, Catherine Craig, TEMPTATION — Merle George Brent, WILD WEST (Technicolor)— Dean, Al Larve; Chap. 11, THE

TTY.

18 SINBAD THE SAILOR—
Fairbanks, Jr.: News.

### How to Be Life

of Party
(SEA)—Janis Paige. lady just trying to get along in Holwood, has discovered five ways avoid being a wallflower at any lywood. party and doesn't mind telling what

Marine landing force in the Pacific.

For the rest of '44 and till V-J 2. Wear something unexpected—

grass skirt or a freman's hat.

3. Bring a zither or some other
usical instrument. People will crowd around and offer to play the

# Point Aces

**Prove Tops** 

In 3 Shows

Cherry Point Flyers gave Marine Aviation a three way plug when they took part in three different air shows in the course of ten days: the Chance-Vought Air Show on the 21st of June, again at a show put on for the benefit of a combined Press Association meeting attended by 200 journalists the 27th, and an air show over Manhattan and Floyd Bennett Field the 29th of June completed the publicity tour.

Participating in the air show for the Press Association were five F7F's from the Point led by Major Moody of VMF-531. Four of the got the show together and brought it down from New York. Bill is the copy editor of the Daily News in New York City between arranging hit shows for the Point. When called before the mike to speak at the conclusion of the const Guard Cutter U. S. S. Chero-Coast Guard Cutter U. S. S. Chero kee. The former Secretary of the Navy, Josephus Daniels, was present aboard the cutter as a representative of the Raleigh News and Of

The same five pilots put on a similar show over Manhattan and Floyd Bennett Field the 29th of June when they also did some tight June when they also did some tight formation flying and a few forma-tion acrobatics. This show was put on for the benefit of the Navy-Ma-rine Air Reserve organizations in New York. Also flying in this show were the famous acrobatic "Blaz-Angels" of the Navy and Reserve units which had among their pilots such varied civilian reservists as a carmenter, lawyer, the best deep carpenter, lawyer, tug boat deck hand, and a policeman.

Twelve Corsairs from VMF-225. led by Major Kunz, did formation flying at the 30th Anniversary of the Chance-Vought Aircraft fac-tory, Straiford, Conn., 21 June. In exhibition formation addition thrilling piece of four three-man team acrobatic maneuvers. The team aerobatic maneuvers. The Chance-Vought Company produced the CORSAIR, as well as several other new famous planes for the Navy. They are at present working on new jet ships soon to become part of the Fleet's Air Arm. In appreciation, the Chance-Vought receive gare each plate from VME. appreciation, the Chance-Vought people gave each pilot from VMF-225 flying in the show a model F4U with a personal name plate attached

#### How Is Your I.Q?

(Answers to questions on page ree, Correct: 1 or 2, poor; 3 fair; 4 good: 5 excellent.)

Day, Aug. 4, MAG-11. Tetal 'tl 1808ny V.E. Day, May Wear something unexpected- f'A 'CHI 'S Harriey I. Senator Taft and Congressman

### Civilian Notes

By Eleanor J. Delisle

Condolences are extended to the family of Milton Lee, Apprentice Fourth Class, who died of a heart attack, June 17th. Previous to his appointment as an Apprentice, Mr. appointment as al Apprentice, air.
Lee had been employed in the Assembly and Repair Department, entering on duty 22 March 1945.
William E. Williams, Industrial
Relations Division, has been designated as Chairman of the commit-

tee from Cherry Point in conducting the general wage survey of per diem positions, as inaugurated by the Navy Department. The purpose of this survey is to determine to what extent wage adjustments in Naval activities are justified. Data ob-cilled will be analyzed by the Area Wage and Classification Office, Norfolk, Virginia, and submitted to the Navy Department for review and recommendations. The Secretary of the Navy will make the final deci-sions. The studies are strictly of a fact-finding nature.

Help, please! If anyone knows where a recording of "Elmer's Tune" can be obtained, please call Edna Haskett, Industrial Relations Division, phone S151. Edna has looked high and low—had all her looked high and low—had all her friends inquiring wherever they go—and has written letters to vari-ous places, but no "platter" yet. So, if you know where she can get this old, but good record, please give her a buzz.

Various reasons given for taking annual leave, as stated by employannual reave, as stated by employ-ees in the Station Adm. Bldg.: Jim Blackwelder, to go fishing; Ruth Thoraton, to buy furniture for the house she hopes to get 'most any day now; Bertha Bratcher, to move to a smaller apartment now that has married and her daughter moved away; Bill Andrews, to work in his garden: Donnie Snow, (o shop for those lovely clothes she is so well-known by: and yours truly. to take Mother home to DC

to take Mother home to DC.

As an added service to all civilians employed on the Station, the Industrial Relations Division will answer all questions concerning civilian personnel matters. Submit questions to the Industrial Relations Office and, space permitting, they will be answered in the WIND-NOCK Constitutions to the WIND-NOCK. SOCK. Questions must be written and stated as clearly as possible.

A delightful reception was held at the home of the bride, immedi-ately following the marriage of Margaret Bishop (Station Library) to Sergeant Melvin Gunter (MAG-21). Blanche Williams, Supply Department (USN) greeted the guests at the door and introduced them to the receiving line. Miss Frances Howell, Station Librarian, invited the guests into the dining room where Miss Virginia Hosner, A & R. was assisting in serving the buffet meal. Bertha Bratcher, Enlisted Personnel Records, presided at the bride's book. More than 150 guests called during the evening.

Rumor and (Naval Aviation News) has it that one of the pilots in a Carrier Qualification Training Unit toward the end of the war had one of those experiences that leaves strong men weak and weak men

Seems this pilot was getting pratice in catapult takeoffs, and every-thing went 4.0 up to the point where he signalled the ground crew

to fire the catapult.

As planes will on a catapult takeoff, his flashed forward at an extreme acceleration, got flying speed

treme acceleration, got flying speed—and stopped in midair.

Even while the pilot was realizing that something was very unorthodox about this matter, his plane did even worse. It started going backward as fast as it had been go-

oackward as fast as it had been go-ing forward.

According to reports, the pilot said of this moment, "Acceleration said of this moment, "Acceleration in reverse was very fast. I repassed the catapult crew and the other planes which were standing by. My wing finally struck the fire truck which spun ine around started me going nose first again but still inthe wrone direction. I finally rolled off the runway and stopped."

Invastigation showed that the

Investigation showed that the as the plane was launched, caught the tow cable, pulled it out far enough to cock the catapult, and



YOU CONSIDER MOST THRILL ING FROM A SPECTATOR VIEWPOINT? WHY?



Sgt. Albert 6 M c D o w e l Mc Dowel: MACS-11, For Worth, Texas-"I'd say golf Some of th shots made b professionals ar almost impos sible and conse quently add a terrific thrill for

the a mateur golfer - specta-tor. Watching a professional golfer blast his way out of a sand trai, make a 300 yard drive, or sink a shot from thirty yards off the green for an 'eagle' are some of the real thrills in a golf tournament."

Pfc. Gene A. schillie 252, Huntsville, Mo "Basketball! The game is never over till the last minute. It's fast and unertain plenty of upsets team, rattown rd the under



dog, will often take the big city teams in a com-plete upset. You never can tell what is going to happen." Capt.



Mick. Hedron, Lant; Milford, Del.—"I prefer ice hockey. The a snappy start a snappy start and moves at terrific speed. The spectator has to stay on his toes just to keep track of the game. Another good feature I like is the fact

that there is very little waiting for action except, of course, between periods. But a good ice hockey game makes up for those few minutes with terrific action—anything can happen and usually does!"

Capt. Robert G. Hayton, VMR-252, Med-ford, Mass. — "Ice hockey, It's rough, tough and faster than any other game I know. Another thing in its favor is that you have wait around for



things to hap-pen. From the minute the game starts to the very last second, ice hockey is all action."

Bear Mountain, N. Y. - Once there were three bears in a parkthere were three bears in a park— a mama and two cubs. The keepes' decided it was time to take the cubs from their mother. So they did, not without a bit of trouble This so angered the mother that she worked out on a couple of 'e man bears. The latter are still pur-tied

Newark, N. J .- If you know any body who wants a locomotive y might tip him off that the W. A in North Jersey has one for sale A sealed bid is all that's required to get a chance at the screamer.

Sao Luiz, Brazil-Burglars br. k Sao Luiz, Brazil—Burgiars of a into the tax collection office have but couldn's crack the safe what all the money was. Not to be the checkmated, they determine the packed off all the typewriters, de k and chairs and even pencils :

### *MEET CHERRY POINT*

"We all thought of making a break but the chances of success were pretty slim." The genial six-footer grinned a little as he recalled his three and a half odd years in a Jap prison camp.

"The first news we had at Wake Island of war was an SOS received from Hickam Field at Pearl Harbor about noon 8 December 1941; we were on the other side of the date line so it was the eighth for us."

Continuing. Lt. Col. Frank C.◆

Tharin described the seizure of Wake by the Japs, the sudden at-tack by unobserved bombers apparentiv based on Kwajalein, and final complete capture of the little island. "The Jap nombers came in suddenly the eighth and did a rath-

suddenly the eighth and did a rather thorough job of blasting us."
"As soon as the island was secured by the Jap Navy's Special Landing Force (corresponding to our Marine Corps), they set about fortifying the island. We left there the 23rd of December bound for Shanghai via Yokohama."

#### REACHES SHANGHAI

"After a veyage in cramped quar-ters, with little food, and no smokters, with little food, and no shing—no talking rules, we reac Yokohoma where about twenty twere taken off. The rest of reached Shanghai the 24th of Janu-ary 1942."

"A ten mile march brought us to former Japanese Army Camp tere we were imprisoned for where we were imprisoned for about a year. Under Japanese Army authorities we were settled in rath-er poor barracks which soon be-came our homes. The handling of the prisoners was fairly decent during our stay in the Shanghai area.
of course the food was based on a
rice diet and limited, occasionally
some rough treatment was handed out. Eventually we got used to our guards and they to us; that was guards and they the chief difficulty in the beginning.

Some business with several officers interrupted the interview for a few minutes. Finishing with that, the lanky Lt. Col. jack-knifed his six feet some odd inches back into his desk chair, grinned again and took up his story.

k up his story.

GOT NEWS ABOUT WAR

war: at first the Japs gave us Engwar; at first the Jape gave us Eng-lish language papers from Shanghai and later we had the usual hidden radio which kept us pretty well informed. Even with our recrea-tion—soft ball, field meets, and library—it was all-in-all a pretty boring affair. The Red Cross soon began getting packages of food etc. to us, and we even got a little mail though we were limited in writing



Lt. Col. Frank Tharir

JAPS TELL OF CAPITULATION "Things were much different in the Hokkaido camp; however the war ended not too long after we got there. The Japanese Army Com-mander told us on the 17th of August that the Emperor had made a speech two days before capitulata speech two days before capitulat-ing to the Allies. When he finished, he asked us what we wanted. The unanimous answer—CHOW and more of it: We got it.

"That is just about it. A two man "That is just about if. A two man Army Rescue Team reached us 12 September, and by the 20th, we were in San Francisco. We were flown all the way back. A couple days there in a hospital, a few more in the Charleston Naval Hospital, and then I was home, that was the 30th of September 1945."

Lt. Col. Tharin, class of '34. U. S. Naval Ac demy, won his wings at Pensacola in 1937. He is mar-ried and has two sons, Thompson, age 7, and Frank, age 10.

#### Civvy Rumor Bunk

Rumors have been flying around the base covering almost every conceivable type of subject, but here is one you can chalk off as strictly Bum Dope.

According to this particular ru-mor, enlisted men of all pay grades LEAVES SHANGHAI FOR
JAPAN

"Late in '44 we left the Shanghai area for good and eventually reached our last prison camp at Hokkaido in Japan early in '45. To get there we had to travel through

Northern Chine Manchuria and Case. Only men in the first three Northern College. Northern China, Manchuria and out of the Main Gate as well as escapes were made after we crossed keep them aboard the Station, Navy Rorea. Seesapes were made after we crossed keep them at a second to the Yangtze above Nanking. Five regulations definitely prohibit endiers escaped one night and two distered in below the rank of Staff civilians tried it the next night. One seesant keeping civilian clothes abourd any Station or ship. regulations definitely prohibit en-listed men below the rank of Staff

### Scheoule of Divine Services

000-Divine Worship at Station

Divine Worship at Community Church.

945°-Sunday School at Cherry Point School. 0645, 0845, 1200 Mass at Station

0900-Mass at Community Church

Young People's Meeting at Daily Mass at 0630 in Ca Cherry Point School. Wing of Station Chapel.

A special bus leaves MOQ at 0915 for Havelock via MEMQ and returns e station via the same route immediately following the close of Sunday School

Cherry Point School.

—Evering Divine Worship at Community Church.

Perpetual Novena Devotions Tuesday at 1930.

Catholic Chapel. Confessions Saturday 1600-1900. and 1930-2100.

# HI-LICHTS OF Britt, Lichts

showing up to work with that "lost weekend" feeling a certain Hollywood studio has installed an oxygen tent to get them over their hangovers . . Al Johon's expected take from the movie of his life, "The Johon Story," will be in the viciaity of \$3.500,630 Active seems the Modernaires have finally hit the big time in a big way. Take a look at their weekly itinerary and see if you don't agree: Bob Crosby's five days weekly show, Double Or Nothing, starring Walter O'Keefe, and a weekly Campbell Sorp show . . . The name "Cinderella Stamp" appearing on the best seller record "Timtayshun," has turned out to be none other than too female vocalist Jo Stafford. Says Jo, "I'm just a hillbilly at heart, and I'm not ashamed to admit it" . . . Newest singing commercial to become an audience pleaser "Time.able Mabel," radio plug for the Boston and Maine Railroad. Demand has been so great that the tune has and Maine Railroad. Demand has been so great that the tune has been waxed for public release... Top honors in music world this week has old-time favorite and a big surprise, too, for the number one hit, "Peg O' My Heart." Rounding out the big five this week are: "Mam'selle." "Linda," "I Wender, I Wonder, I Wonder," and that fast climbing newcomer, "Chi-Baba, Chi-Baba"... Keep an eye pealed for the latest Danny Kaye release on a Decca platter, "Bloop, Bleep," and it's just as crazy as it sounds... World's record for continuous run in the legitimate stage world toppled the middle of June when "Life With Father" played its 3,183rd performance. This bettered the former record of "Tobacco Road" of 3,182. Dorothy Stickney and Howard Lindsay, the original Vinnie and Father, record to the show to recreate their original roles for this record breaking night ... Dick Haymes has been signed to do the lead in the forthcoming musical version of Broadway's "Up in Central Park."

Famous touchdown twins of the great Army football team are all Famous touchdown twins of the great Army football team are all

set to do movie in Hollywood this summer before appearing in the various all-star contests. Blanchard and Davis are rumored to be getting about \$40,000 each for their fling at acting . . . Bob Hawk taking leave of absence for the first time in a great many years from his Monday night show. As a sub, Camel cigarettes has lined up Col. Stoopnagle (Bud Hulick) to take over during Hawk's six-week absence Goldwyn studios going all out in the next Danny Kaye opus by signing five top-name bandleaders and for their acting ability only. The baton wavers, who will be working without their bands, are: Lionel Hampton, Charlie Barnet, Louis Armstrong, Benny Goodman, and Tommy Dorsey. If their acting is one-half as good as their orchestras this picture, "That's Life," will be well worth taking in . . . Jimmy Stewart is in New York to take over the lead in the concedy farce "Harvey," for the summer months. Frank Fay, who has had the lead since the Broadway opening almost three years ago, is goog on a well earned vacation. Although show is doing very well, Stewart expected to give it a new lease on life and keep running forever . . . James Wesley McLain, better known as the 'iginal Dr. LQ of radio fame, last month became r ...duate of Theological school and immediatel; gave up his radio job for that of preaching. For his new job as pastor in a small Texas town, McLain has given up a new job as pastor in a small lexas town, McLain has given up a \$50,000 a year as Dr. LQ. to become a minister at \$2,500 . . . James Barton, best known for his portrayel of Jeeter Lester in "Tobacco Road," has checked into the Cagney studios for a featured part in the forthcoming "The Time of Your Life" . . Original "Our Gang" kids Tommy Bond and Alfalfa Switzer have drawn top roles in the Pine-Thomas production of "Big Town Scandal" . .



### Personal Affairs



After a high school class in which a Marine was a member has gradu ted, the man may request USAFI to forward the results of any General Educational Development Tests he has completed to his high school for consideration toward his civilian diploma. Some state departments of education have added the restriction of age limits below which a man may not have his tests evaluated for an equivalency certificate or diploma. These age limits vary from 18 to 21; some states apply them to only non-veterans; others include all veterans and those still on active duty with the Armed Forces. In such cases where state departments have age limits, it will be impossible for the applicant to receive a certificate or diploma unless he happens to meet that requirement. For Marine Corps consideration, however, any man wishing to qualify for a school or activity which has a high school education as a prerequisite, satisfac tory completion of these Educational Development Tests will receive consideration as the equivalent of a high school education. For accreditation requirements in your home state, it would be wise to check with the school from which you desire the diploma.

Gen. Thomas Newest C. G. FMF West Pac.



Washington. D. C.-Brigadier General Gerald C. Thomas, 52, re-ceives a congratulatory handshake from General A. A. Vandegrift after receiving a Leave-mendation from the Commandant of the Marine Corps for his ex-cellent service as Director of the Division of Plans and Policies from January, 1944 to June, 1947. Gen-eral Thomas left recently to take up his new post as Commandie up his new post as Commandie ern Pacific.

#### How Is Your I.Q?

(Answers on Page 2)

1. The Congress recently passed, over a Presidential veto, the La-bor-Management Relations Act of 19:7. The passage of this new law brought out into the open a wide open split between the Congress and the President. Who were the two Congressmen who collaborated in the writing of the act and effec-

tively sought its passager

2. In a recent Associated Press
poll of sportswriters to pick the
Flop of "e Year for 1946, the greatest majority chose one of the folest majority chose one of the fol-lowing: Billy Conn, Ted Williams, the Red S the Yankees. Which one did they pick?

3. With the Second World War

now over nearly two years, can you give the dates of V-E Day and V-J Day :

4. What Marine Air Group is the oldest in the Corps at the present

5. You all know Philadelphia as the "City of Brotherly Love," Chicago as the "Windy City," but which one is nicknamed as the "Smoky City"?

### ABOARD

Lt. Col. Lyle H. Meyer, USMC, AirFMFLant.

Lt. Howard H. Zagrodzky, USMC, AES-46.

Lt. (j.g.) Clyde J. Dawe, (MCR) USNR, AirFMFLant. Capt. Paul L. Robinson, USMC.

AirFMFLant Lt. (j.g.) Julius Field, USNR, Air-FMFLant

John W. Himes, USMCR, MACS-11. Elmer H. Keshka, USMCR,

AirFMFLant.
I.t. Col. Alexander G. Bunker.

Col. Paul A. Putnam, USMC, Air-FMFLant.

John V. Hanes, USMC, Air-FMFLant.

Capt. David G. Johnson, USMC. AirFMFLant.
Comdr. W. W. Winters, ChC.,

USN, Hq. Sqd. Sta.

#### BON VOYAGE Comdr. Walter S. Peck, USN, Long Beach, California.

-By William C. Wygant

THE OLD SALT









### **MACG-1** Cops Crown in Track Meet

Mandt, ss Reed, 2b Antonelli, lf Paluka, c Campbell, p

Cherry Point, N. C., July 8— Service Squadron 11 and Headquarters Squadron Station, defendquarters Squadron Station, defending intra-squadror track and field champs, could do no better than second and fourth positions in today's second 1947 meet. Marine Air Control Group One, wi. 24 points, captured the crc in. 5.451 and VMF 212 tied for second with 18 points each and AES 41 finished out the top three with 11 markers.

TRACK MEET

60-yard dash: won by Fortuna
(MACG-1); second, Vickers (VMF
212); third, Ball (VMF 212). Time—
160-yard 6.2 seconds. 100-yard dash: won by Ball (VMF 212): second, Harris (ASS 41): third, Pollio (SMS 11). Time—11.1

seconds.

220-yard dash; won by Harrs (AES

41); second, Tottin (SMS 11); third,
Jones (MACS 11). Time—25.1.

\$80-yard run; won by Lindquist
(MACU-1); second. Edgerton (AES

41); third, Lapinski (SMS 11). Time

2:18.1.

Mile run: won by Robbins (VMF 212); second, Quinn (SMS 11); third, Shepp (MACG-1), Time—5:38. 880-yard relay: won by MACG-1: second, VMF 354; third, SMS 11, Time -1:54.8.

Javelin; won by Bailey (MACS 11); second, Lohneis (MACG-1); third, Wrenn (SMS 11), Distance— 166'4".

Shot Put: won by Wrenn (SMS 11): second, Grandos (VMF 531); third, Wade (VMF 212), Distance— 33'8". 33'8".

MACG-1, 24 points; SMS 11, 18
VMF 212, 18; AES 41, 11; MACS 11
6; Hq. Sq. Sta., 5; VMF 254, 6
VMF 531, 3; AES 46, 0.

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# Speaking of Sports

DOYLE'S DEATH BRINGS DOCTOR'S RECOMMENDATION: CUFF

Coroner S. R. Gerber, who ruled that Jimmy Doyle's untimely death in his June 24th title fight with welterweight champ Ray ("Sugar") Robinson was "accidental" and that Robinson was "absolutely blameless," has recommended that some changes be made in boxing regulations . . . These changes would bar all fighters who have suffered previous head injuries from the ring; (Doyle was put out of action for nine months when, after being tagged by one of Artie Levine's power-packed punches, his head hit a ring post and he suffered a brain concussion) Laws governing matches, added Gerber, should be uniform . . . Ringshould offer more protection to fighters in development of new mats. . Another recommendation would force boxing commissions to keep a medical record of all fighters permitted to box Doyle's death was the first in the history of championship fights . . . The coroner said Robinson was "innocently involved in an unfortunate and unforeseen occurrence" and added that the Harlem boxer was "unfortunate in being the opposing contestant . I the time of Doyle's fatal in

CUFF STUFF: Class D Baseball in the Lone Star State is one circuit that is producing some amazing, and almost unbelievable, statistics 17 batters are batting over the .400 mark and 68 sluggers are smashing the apple to the tune of better than .300 . . . 26 pitchers have earned run averages of over 10 runs per game and ten of them have allowed 20 : or more per game . . . But, a further check reveals that the real ERA champ is a guy by the name of Allinder . . . Allinder gave up five runs in one-third of an inning which would give him an ERA of 149.04 Another of the Texas Class D "chukkers" (Winkles) has an ERA of 45.00, by virtue of the five runs he gave up in a full iening what would happen if those two lads would clash in a pitching duel at . Winkles would win 149 to 45. . But that would make it a that rate . one game season . . . Despite the fact that sprinters Buddy Young and Herb McKenley will not be running for the United States in the 1948 Olympics, cinder path demagogues who only a short time ago were bemoaning that fact, have brightened up with the sudden prominence of two fellows - one by the name of Pel-Mel, the other is Glenn last name is l'atton, and he's already tied the world's record for the 100-yard dash at 9.4 . . . A record like that gives him a sear besidthe great Jesse Owens, Frank Wykoff and Clyde Jeffrey... Pat does the 220 in 20.4, which is just one-tenth second off the record set by Owens 10 years ago. . . Glenn this last name is Davis of Army "Outside" foot-balt fame: stops the clock at 9.7 in the century and if you blink your eyes too hard while he's knocking off the 220, you're liable to miss In addition to the two aforementioned speed kings Harrison Dillard, the Baldwin Wallace timber topper, and Charlie Parker Texas comet, are two other century possibilities up to one thing: Watch out for the U.S. tracksters in the '48 Olympics they'll be terrific . Paul Sarringhaus, former Ohio State backfield star has affixed his "John Henry" to a Brooklyn Dodgers contract of the Ail America football conference . . . Kulpment's (Pa.) claim to the begins world, Joe Baksi, or Swedish heavy weight king, Ollie Tandberg, will meet Joe Louis September 19 in Madison Square Garden . . At the time this was written, Baksi held a six-pound weight advantage over bis opponent, and was favored as Louis' next "unlucky" opponent.

### Pinch - hitting Fine way to Make Living

By Ed Rumitt ROSTON. mer was here, recently, with Tigers for a series with the Red Sox, the veteran outfielder vas the leading pinch-hitter in the American League. His average was so fat, in fact, that although he hit in two tries in a de note-lieauer at Fenway Park, May 19, his percnetage fell back 15 points, from .571 to .556. How was veteran center fielder enjoying his lofty perch among the emergency clouters?

gency clouters?
"It's a pretty good racket," Cramer replied, grinning. "You go up
to hit maybe once every two or three
games and the rest of the time
you're a spectator. Not a bad way to make a living.

"Seriously, though, it's plent; ugh," the Detroit star continued though, it's plenty You're expected to hit and you "You're expected to hit and you get only one chance. Sometimes only one chance. Sometimes only one swing. You do or you don't, just like that. You walk up to the plate cold and you have to hit what you see. You don't have two or three chances to look over the pitcher and get used to his

'Another thing that makes pinch hitting rough is that you're almost always facing the best pitchers in the league." Cramer pointed out. "That figures because it's always the "That figures because it's aways the good pitchres that beat you. When the poor ones are in there, you're ahead and don't need a pinch-hitter. Just as an example, the first five times I went up to bit this year, I looked at Jack Kramer, Bob Feller, Tex Hughson, Allie Reynolds and Orval Grove."

The fellow who gave up his cen-ter field berth to fleet young Hoot Evers thinks that most good hitters. after their regular playing days are over, should make go pinch-hitting profession.

Through April and early Cramer devoted his energies cell is occasions to hitting for India Tebbetts and, from a Detroit stand point, it was a most

#### Player of the Week

Born in Atherton, Missouri, on January S. 1915 and christened Wil-liam Walker Cooper: stands 6'3'' and weighs 185 pounds; bats right and throws right; began his base-ball career with Rogers of the Ark-ansas State League in 1935 as utility outfielder and catcher; with his brother, pitcher Mort Cooper, formed one of the most feared batteries in the National League while with the St. Louis Cards; after Mort had been traded to the Braves and then to the Giants, Walker was sold to the Giants at a reported \$175,000: participated in 16 World contests with the Cards, batting an even 300 in 60 trips to the plate: currently leading the National League sluggers with 66 Runs Bat-ted In; called one of the greatest of all Major League catchers, past and present; with Johnny Wiand present; with Johnny Mize and Willard Marshall, Walker Cooper is supplying the panch at the plate that National League teams have always missed; by virtue of 43 runs, 72 hits and 66 RBFs in 227 times at but this season, Walker clipping off a neat .317. That—in short—is the story Walker is

player of the week-William



the Hotel Gardner Sapphire Room Boston, looks like quit, a musician!



After moving their outfield fence in some 30 feet in the hope of greater ome-run production, the Cleveland Indians finally gave up on the idea and restored the old fence. Reason was the enemy batsmen were hitting two over the barrier to the Indians one . . . Reports have carcher Rick Ferrell taking over the managerial reins of the Washington Senators from Ossie Bluege before the season draws to a close . . . Assault, the King Ranch wonder horse, making strong bid for "horse of the year" honors. By winning the Brooklyn Handicap Saturday June 21, the big Texas bred horse sent his money winnings over famous Whirlaway to become the number one money-winning thoroughbred. For Assault it was his sixth triumph in a row. In the same race Mrs. Ethel Jacob's Stymic finished a strong second but still fell to number three spot in the money-winning derby vacated by Assault . . . For the first time since the end of World War II the glamorous Poughkeepsie rowing regatta was staged with a record number of elever, entries. Thirteen minutes and 59 seconds after the starter's gun sent the crews on their way for the gruelling three mile grind, Navy crossed the line the winner. Cornell was second, with favorite Washington, and California finishing in a deadlock for third place. Immediately after the race, Navy's winning crew was whisked aboard an APD high speed transport to join their classmates in Europe on their annual cruise . . . Helsinki the capital and larg est city in Finland, which was awarded the 1940 Olympic Games only to lose the classic because of World War II, was chosen June 21 as the site for the 1952 games over five American cities and Amsterdam . . . Birdie Tebbets, former Detroit catcher, recently called for a cripple with a "three and none" count on Ted Williams. The results were: the longest home run ever hit in Boston; a ninth-inning Red Sox victory; and a straight player trade of Tebbets for Hal Wagner of Boston . . . A San Antonio football star, T. Ralston Chapin, just en-tered Tulane on an athletic scholarship. Before doing so, however, he was forced to sign a legal contract with his better half, forbidding her was forced to sign a legal contract with his better half, forbidding her to join him at the campus, where she would be "an added burden" in his fight to make the Green Wave varsity . New Zealand, which sent Jack Lovelock to the 1836 Olympics where he surprised everyone, especially Glenn Cunningham, with a victory in the 1500 meter race, is grooming another prospect for the '48 games. Doug Harris, a regular is growing another prospect to the angle in 4:06 and a half in 1:49.4 . . . Paul Lehner, prize rookie of the St. Louis Browns, didn't don shoes until reaching 16, completed only one year of organized ball before joining the Browns, had no formal schooling of any sort and is the number one Shakespearean scholar of the major leagues . . . Primo Carnera, huge Italian boxer-wrestler, will attempt to achieve something heretofore never accomplished in sports history when he meets Frank Sexton in Washington. If Carnera is successful in defeating Sexton be will become the first athlete ever to win both the heavyweight boxing title and one of the world mat "crowns." Da Preem defeated Jack Sharkey back in 1963 for the fistic crown and lost it the next year to Max Baer. . . . The best managing job in the big leagues is already being whispered about to be Billy Southworth of the Boston Braves. With the Braves as colorless as a class B movie until Billy appeared, he not only has added that "color" but has them in the fight for the National League pennant this year. To accomplish this Southworth has plucked sundry and various players from other clubs and talked them into performing top notch all the way . . . Pro tennis pays off, just ask Bobby Riggs, world's professional tennis champ. During last year when Bobby defeated redheaded Don Budge at New York for the championship he amassed the total of \$28,000 for swinging his racquet so effect tively. This year with the championship again safely in his pocket Riggs expects to up his earnings to over the \$30,000 mark. With this in mind your reporter believes there will be quite a few people who will think twice before saying "them tennis bums" . . . Sye Apps, star center who led the Toronto Maple Leafs to their Stanley Cup hockey triumal last year, has been given the job of running the pro and amateur sports contests in the province of Ontario. For many years Apps has thought eriously of entering politics and will undoubtedly do so some time very shortly. Asked what he intended to do next winter. Apps replied "lead the Maple Leais to another Stanley Cup" . . . With no one is a Joe Louis is letting his hopeful contenders slug it out for the Septemb date Joe is holding open. It now seems to be narrowed down to the wner of the Jarsey Joe Walcott, Joey Maxim bout to be held this mor Either one seems to be only a run of the mill fighter but then v wouldn't when compared to Louis. As for Louis he sits back, grins, says "gimme 'em both, I'm not particular"

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