

# The WINDSOCK

CHERRY POINT

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION - CHERRY POINT, N.C.

## PHOTO LAB UNIT OF WEEK

Well known to Cherry Point-based Marines are several second and third floor organizations housed in Station Operations—Flight Clearance, Operations, Map Room, Agency and the glass-enclosed Control Tower—all of which play leading roles in the daily flight program of the "World's Largest Marine Air Station." But tucked away in one corner on the first floor is an organization which very few air-minded "Leather-socks" take time to notice. This organization, our UNIT OF THE WEEK, is the Station Photographic Laboratory.

Under the present guidance of First Lieutenant T. W. Reynolds, the Photo Lab has been in operation since 1 September 1942. Although it might seem to be a comparatively small organization in contrast with previous units reviewed in this column, it's job is none the less equally as important. At present, 10 men are assigned to the lab, but during the war years as high as 184 men were working in that section at one time.

Lt. Reynolds, who was associated with the organization when it was authorized in April of 1942, has watched it grow; he has seen the working personnel roster increase, decrease and grow even smaller. Women Marines helped to swell the organization's number during World War II when they went through the lab in a four-months course in Aerial, ground and motion picture photography. Preparatory map reading courses were offered the graduates before they went on to regular map reading schools.

Not only does the photo lab carry out its own regularly assigned duties, but it assists various photographic groups aboard the station in carrying out their assignments.

VMP 354 Photographic Squadron makes use of the lab's washers and driers, which are used in the final stages of developing their aerial photographs. Lab-furnished equipment is in constant use by the A & R Reproduction Center, and the Provost Marshal's Office has been checked out with equipment, with which they carry on two important jobs. Identification pictures are taken by members of the Military Police with lab equipment, and three MP's are checked out with cameras for the purpose of filming auto accidents which occur on the base. But, once such photos are taken, it is the lab which does all process work in developing and printing of the negatives.

Aerial photography is one phase of the lab's work that can be handled adequately any time. Three types of aerial cameras that can be installed in the SNJ, JRB or R4D are ready for use at all times. Too, these cameras can be installed in the aircraft for either manual or fixed operation.

At present, all photographs which appear in the WINDSOCK, unless otherwise credited, are the work of the Station Photographic Laboratory.

In last week's WINDSOCK an article appeared reporting the decoration for wartime valor of Majors Sigman, Frank, Collins and Moran. Two statements in this article were incorrect for which apologies are extended to Major Collins and Major Frank. Major Collins and Major Frank were commissioned second lieutenants in 1939. They won their Wings in 1942. At the time they were commissioned the Corps required two years service of an officer before allowing him eligibility for flight training.

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## GEN. MITCHELL BIDS FAREWELL TO CHERRY POINT

### GEN. WALLACE TO TAKE OVER LANT

### GEN. MITCHELL OFF TO EWA

A pioneer of Marine Aviation, Major General Ralph J. Mitchell will leave Cherry Point 11 August for Ewa, T. H., where he will assume duties as Commanding General, AirFMFPac. General Mitchell will relieve Major General William J. Wallace who is the present Commanding General of AirFMFPac. General Wallace will assume command of AirFMFPac here early this fall.

General Mitchell entered the Marine Corps as a second lieutenant on 5 June 1915, following graduation from the United States Naval Academy. His first overseas duty came in March 1916 when he joined the Marine Barracks, Guam, Marianna Islands. General Mitchell was assigned to flight school in 1920 and was designated a naval aviator in June 1921.

While serving as Commander, Aircraft Squadrons, West Coast Expeditionary Force, General Mitchell was ordered to command the Air Squadrons with the Second Marine Brigade in Nicaragua. This took place around Christmas in 1929. It was in Nicaragua that General Mitchell won the Distinguished Flying Cross.

In 1935 General Mitchell commanded Aircraft Two during the



Major General Ralph J. Mitchell—Photo by PIO, MCAS, Cherry Pt.

fleet exercises aboard the aircraft carriers USS Lexington and Ranger. Four years later he became

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### RESERVES AT POINT AUG. 15

Approximately 1250 Marine Organized Reservists are expected to arrive at the Point by 15 August. Composing 16 Fighter and Ground Interceptor Squadrons, the Reserves will receive 15 days of intensive training here. Fourteen Squadrons of Reserves will undergo similar training beginning 8 September at El Toro, MCAS, West Coast.

The 2350 Civilian-Marines will spend fifteen days training here and at El Toro. Included in the rigorous summer training course will be gunnery, rocket firing, bombing, and air-ground support problems. Defense exercises, area familiarization, pertinent lectures and recreation complete the schedule.

### Many Attend Church Dinner

A Fellowship Dinner attended by nearly 50 former and present Sunday School teachers, church officers, Chaplains Hartung, Winter, and Snelbaker was given 29 July at 1800 in the Civilian Cafeteria aboard the station. Chaplain C. C. Hartung and Chaplain W. W. Winter were the chief speakers for the evening.

The invocation, delivered by Chaplain Winter, started the evening's get together. A veal steak dinner with all the trimmings was served to the group. Judging from the smiles at the conclusion of the meal, the dinner was a chef's triumph.

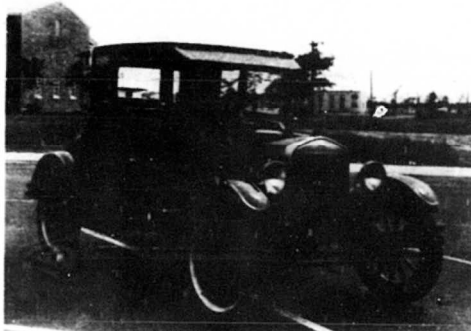
Sgt. Barrow extended the welcome to all present which was returned by Miss Eunice Britton of the Community Church, Havlock. Chaplain Snelbaker was then introduced by Sgt. Barrow as the emcee for the evening.

A program of entertainment with Lt. (jg.) Snelbaker keeping the laughs coming followed. "The Lonesome Foursome," a male quartet with Mr. Herbert Gray Jr., first tenor, Pfc. William Goode, second tenor, Mr. Edward Gray, baritone, and Pfc. Glenn Lawrence, bass, sang three numbers. "Marjory Wake Up!" though last was the source of many smiles and very warm applause for the group. Mrs. Natalie Carte turned in a very well done performance of three songs. "Glan'na Mia, Make Believe—Kern's famous melody from the hit Showboat, and Without a Song. Mrs. Anderson accompanied both the quartet and Mrs. Carte on a field organ.

The first of the evening's principal speakers, Chaplain C. C. Hartung, was then introduced. Recalling his first pastorate, he compared the present location for the dinner and his first church to the amusement of the guests. Getting into a more serious vein, he laid stress upon the importance of the work done by the laymen of the church. Particularly so important here, he explained, because of the

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## HAS ANYONE SEEN "GRETCHEN"



Ford and Automobile Companies take note! Here is a car that after 20 years still gets 20 miles to the gallon of gas, can make extensive trips and runs with the minimum of repairs and maintenance. "Gretchen" is her name.

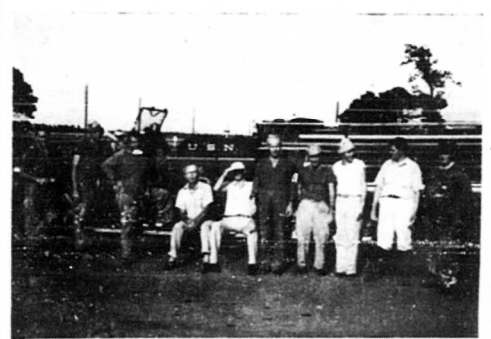
This 1927 Model "T" has led a varied career. Her early history was lost somewhere in Ohio, but two Kentucky lads bought her and thereby hangs a tale.

Purchasing it from a lady in Cincinnati, Ohio, they brought it to the vicinity of Augusta, Kentucky. Ridiculed by their friends they finally sold it to the local "wheel." He, however, thinking it too good a car to drive, stored it in his barn! "Gretchen," her ignominious garage notwithstanding, maintained her pride and stance. Patiently she waited for her day to come. In 1944, 17 years after her first trip off the assembly line, that day came.

Cocking a headlight, she looked her new owner over. Unfortunately for posterity, her remarks at the moment of purchase were not recorded. We can only guess how she felt, what she thought. New tires brought her footwear up to date. Gas and oil gave her the wanderlust. Smelling the open road ahead, "Gretchen" left that Kentucky barn behind her and headed for the Big City, Chicago.

After a while she decided that Chicago was intriguing enough, but "you know how you get." Let's move on said she to herself. Who can say that she didn't have a hand or rather a fender in some orders that came from the Navy Department one day? This time it was Kent and from Kent to Norfolk, Virginia. "Not bad," she

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Mr. A. W. Jowdy, Sr., Chief of the Cherry Point Fire Department has discovered that his professional ladder climbers can do more than quell fires and rescue cats. During the past two weeks they have painted, with various hues of white, the entire garage and dormitory that they inhabit. Dressed in their painting togs and paper hats a few of the men stopped to have their picture taken.

## MODEL CLUB HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The Cherry Point Model Plane Club recorded an attendance of seven officers and enlisted men at its first meeting, Wednesday, July 30. With the addition of nine new men the club will be eligible for an A. M. A. Charter. Of primary importance to the meeting was a discussion concerning the changing policy of the club's first as model flying meet.

Those men that attended the first meeting of the club feel that to get the most out of their association they should join the Academy of Model Aeronautics. To do so, each of twenty club members must license himself, for one dollar, in the Academy. The club will then receive a charter which will enable the members to fly against other A. M. A. clubs in regularly operated meets. Should any member obtain a high enough score while flying in competition, the charter provides for his entrance in the National Model Aeronautics meet.

At present there are tentative plans made for a meet with the enthusiasts of New Bern. As soon as plans can be conclusively made, there will be meets between Cherry Point and Quantico, Jacksonville, Norfolk, and the other nearby stations, also a great many of the near-by cities.

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— Joseph Pulitzer.

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## MANY ATTEND

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lack of a home pastor for the church and the limitations of Chaplain personnel. Chaplain Hartung also told the group that his father would be their preacher at the 10 August morning service. It will be his 70th birthday. Will you be there?

Chaplain Winter made the closing address commenting on the fine work he has seen at the Community Church in the short time he has been aboard. Though new to most present, his brief address was very well received. The formal affair closed with the singing of "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

Three cakes baked by the ladies of the Havelock Community Church were then presented to the Chaplains. However, they were blindfolded while the cakes were brought in and very happily surprised with the gifts—after the blindfolds were removed.

## Coming Attractions

- STATION THEATRE**  
(Daily change of schedule)
- 8 11 THE CHASE — Robert Cummings, Michele Morgan.
  - 8 12 GREAT EXPECTATIONS — John Mills.
  - 8 13 VIGILANTES RETURN — Jon Hall, Margaret Lindsay.
  - 8 14 SON OF RUSTY — Ted Donaldson.
  - 8 15 THE LOCUT — Brian Aherne, Laraine Day.
  - 8 16 I WONDER WHO'S KISSING HER NOW—June Haver, Mark Stevens; RANGE BUSTERS HIT THE SADDLE, Kiddie Show.
  - 8 17 FUN AND FANCY FREE—A Walt Disney Feature Cartoon; 13.00. KITTY—Paulette Goddard, Ray Milland.

- CHERRY THEATRE**  
Shows: Monday through Friday 1730, 1930 and 2130. Saturday and Sunday—1300, 1500, 1900, 2100.  
(Subject to change without notice)
- 8/10 BLONDIE'S HOLIDAY — Arthur Lake, Penny Singleton; Cartoon.
  - 8/11-12 TIME OF THEIR LIVES—Abbott and Costello; News.
  - 8/13 KING OF WILD HORSES — Preston Foster, Gale Patrick; JACKPOT NIGHT.

# On Your Bookshelf

Lincoln Dickinson Rich had an urge to get away from it all and then, unlike most of us, she did something about it! She chose the heart of Maine with its beautiful lakes, forests and mountains as her retreat. However, if you think she and her family led the life of a hermit, then you are mightily mistaken. Those days in Happy the Land were simply running over with this, that, 'n' the other—lighting forest fires, harrowing adventures in a speed boat, leisurely canoe trips, and visits to mysterious C Pond. While you are still in the mood, be sure to take a look at her first book, "We Took To The Woods."

One of our great presidents will become very real to you in this new, unique portrait—**The Lincoln Reader**, edited by Paul M. Angle. All along the way a one-time "Indiana boy in a linsey shirt" impressed his contemporaries as a man among men, and fortunately they set down what they saw. The result is one hundred and seventy-nine passages blended by Dr. Angle's running comment into a vivid narrative which ended with the assassination of a sad but wise President. Those interesting sidelights which you have probably often wondered about are right here. For instance, why did Mary Owens reject Lincoln while Mary Todd seized the opportunity to walk to the altar with him? Such bits of information will reveal Lincoln to you as a person as well as a President.

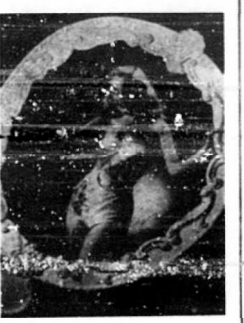
There's no doubt about it—two plus two equals four! Then along comes Baby Snook's three-letter word to confuse the issue—why? Eric Temple Bell has accepted the challenge and answers that question for you in his **The Magic Numbers**. The hero is none other than Pythagoras himself who came to the confusion around 500 B. C. that "Everything is number." How did we ever come to believe what we do about numbers? Is there such a thing as number magic capable of influencing science, philosophy, religion—in fact, the whole struggle of human beings through history?

## GRETCHEN

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must have said as she haughtily passed her younger sisters and brothers on the road. "I wonder where they will be in 20 years?"

As anyone knows, Norfolk is a mighty Navy town. Perhaps the sight of more bell bottom trousers so soon after her stretch at Great Lakes made her wonder if man had worn anything but swashbuckling leg gear. Again, who can say that she didn't have a fender in on arranging things for her master. Perhaps Fate has a soft spot in her heart for cars like "Gretchen." The arrangements were made. The orders sent. Gallantly, the Navy Department granted "Gretchen" her desire. Her master back from sea, "Gretchen" once more "hit the road," destination Cherry Point.

She arrived here in grand style winking a headlight saucily at the MP on duty at the gate as she whizzed by early last month. Buzzing merrily down Roosevelt Boulevard, "Gretchen" thought, "I'm going to like it here. Why that MP recognized me right away. I know he did. He snapped to attention and saluted as I went by. I'm going to like it here!" It was a case of love at first sight with "Gretchen." She won't tolerate modern-day garage mechanics. In an exclusive interview, she coyly admitted as much—



What do you think of the frame? The girl? She's Elinor Appleton, a Walter Thornton Model. Anyone thinkin' about joining the Model Club?

## GENERAL MITCHELL

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came Director of Marine Aviation. In April, 1942 following this country's entry into World War II, he was given an additional duty as Assistant to the Commandant. General Mitchell was awarded a Legion of Merit for his outstanding services in this capacity.

In the course of the war, General Mitchell was progressively the Commanding General of the First Marine Aircraft Wing, Commanding General Marine Air SoPac., Commander Air Solomons, Commander AirSoPac., and Commander of all Allied Aircraft Operations in the North Solomons.

It was in August 1945 that General Mitchell first reported to Cherry Point as Commander, Marine Corps Air Base. The following July he assumed duties as Commanding General, Second Marine Aircraft Wing, which position he held until 16 December 1946 when he assumed the duty of Commanding General, AIRFPMFLant.

Accompanying General Mitchell on the transfer to Ewa, will be Lt. L. H. Buss, who will become the General's Flag Secretary. Lt. Buss has worked with General Mitchell for the past two years as Bases Adjutant and as Assistant Adjutant of AIRFPMFLant. Upon his departure 11 August, Lt. Buss will have completed 29 months tour of duty here at the Point.

The well known and well liked Bases Adjutant won his commission while serving as sergeant major of the USS Hornet in the Pacific during the war. Lt. and Mrs. Buss are planning to make their new home with their ten year-old daughter at quarters waiting for them at the Marine Air Station, Ewa. T. H. Lt. Buss will report to Ewa for duty in September after a 30-day delay en route.

she said, "I require a vintage of mechanics not in style today." This was followed by a shy look at her master. If you ask him, our new senior station chaplain, Cmdr. William W. Winter, he will tell you that "going down hill and down wind, 'Gretchen' will do 50 miles per." The critical speed is somewhere around 45 however.



"I mean to tell you that television is here to stay!"

# CIVILIAN NEWS

By Eleanor Delisle

**CALLING ALL CIVILIANS!** Do you like to read about what your fellow workers are doing? Their vacation trips, the "big ones that go away," the "blessed events," weddings, and all such stuff? If so, find out who your Department "Windsock" reporter is and give him or her the news so that in turn it may be published. If we do not get this news, we can not publish it and the space that has so kindly been allotted for civilian news from the "Windsock" will be taken away from us if we do not use it. So come on, everybody, let's have those news items!

The top five outstanding Apprentices in shop and school performance during the month of June were as follows: Ralph Dutcher, Milton E. Smith, Carl Merchant, Roland G. Shell and William Yeager. Mr. John Magglio was top man in academic grades with an average of 97.8!

We are seeing a lot of new faces around the Base these days. Some of them are: Norman E. Mills (Provost Marshal); James E. Parker and Herbert C. Helms, Jr., (Station Supply); and William G. VanBuskirk (Fire Marshal).

Now that the annual crop of June brides has been harvested, we will have to get used to calling them by their new names: Mary Miller—CROWSON; Annie Nelson—BULLOCK; Carrie Lee Dennis—STEWART; Lyda Hornsby—JENKINS; Amanda Conleton—CHADWICK; and Margaret Bishop—GUNTER.

For all of those that want to know and have been asking—Darell Morse has not left the Station. He is now working at Public Works. After such a long period of service in one Department, he is bound to be missed over Supply way.

Want some easy money? The following cash awards, for adopted Beneficial Suggestions, were made during June: V. M. Kersey, \$250; Raymond Griffin, \$100; Raymond H. MacIsaac, \$15; William J. Sykes, \$10; Loris D. Rogers, \$10. These men all work in A & R and have received awards previously. "First Timers" are: William H. Sprull, (A&R), \$30; Jack R. Hill, (PW), \$25; Johnnie E. Shines, (A&R), \$25; Frank N. Jolly (A&R), \$20; Alvin A. Manson (A&R), \$20; Ralph C. Potter, Jr., (A&R), \$15; William A. Savage, (PW), \$15; and Clifton E. Stow, (A&R), \$15. Come on, folks, by submitting your beneficial suggestion you may receive a cash award as well as save your "Uncle Sam money in operating costs.

A delightful third anniversary dinner party was given in honor of Edna (IRO) and Lester (Apprentice School) Haskett by Jim (IRO) and Becky Blackwelder. After the delicious roast beef dinner, the party went to Atlantic Beach to bowl and then to the movie—identical pastimes as on their wedding night.

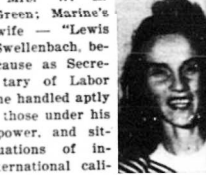
# VIEWS AT DANFORD

**QUESTION: WHO DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST OUTSTANDING AMERICAN CITIZEN THIS YEAR AND WHY?**

Mrs. J. J. MacKeiprang; Marine's wife — "Thomas Dewey, because he seems to be a likely nomination for the coming election for president. I think he would do a little bit better than Truman."



Mrs. E. M. Bachman; Service Employee — "Joe Lewis is an outstanding American citizen because he usually gets what he after no man says."



Mrs. W. L. Green; Marine's wife — "Lewis Swellenbach, because as Secretary of Labor he handled aptly those under his power, and situations of international calibre."



Miss Jo Ann Ferguson; Service Employee — "General Marshall, because he probably the greatest diplomat that we ever had. His dealings with Japan and Russia have proved that."

Boise, Idaho—John Brink was arrested for speeding, gladly paid his \$10 fine. He said that he just didn't think his Peerless had it in her to do per hour, and it made him hate to learn that she could.

All USMC Temporary Officers (NA) will have their appointments terminated 1 August 1946 and will revert to their permanent status. They will have the choice of being discharged as enlisted men or enlisting in the Marine Corps as Master Sergeants.

## NEW BUSES TO RALEIGH

The Seashore Bus Company now has express through bus to Raleigh serving Cherry Point twice daily. The morning bus leaves the Point at 0725 and arrives in Raleigh at 1125 via New Bern, Kinston, La Grange, Goldboro, and Smithfield. The afternoon bus leaves at 1430 and arrives in Raleigh at 1830 on the same route. Similarly, turning buses leave Raleigh at 0830 and 1800 bound for Cherry Point via the Point. They arrive here at 1230 (noon) and 2030 respectively.

# MEET CHERRY POINT

"Managua Nicaragua is a wonderful place . . ." so goes the song, and "Gunner" John C. Turner of forestry agrees with one exception. "The dust and wind is terrific." He ought to know after fulfilling duty there for six odd months in '27.



Enlisting in the Corps on 1 August 1917, CWO Turner has served 30 years and two months on active duty with the Corps and one year with months with the Corps' Fleet Reserve. He has seen duty in Haiti, Hawaii, Guam, the Azores, Nicaragua, Quantico, and San Diego to mention a few.

Leaving his home in Ethel, Miss., to enlist at Memphis, Tenn., Mr. Turner recalled "boot camp." "I was damned glad when I got through." Thoughtfully he added, "It was really tough those days."

His first duty out of Boot Camp took him to the First Aeronautical Company which was born at the Philadelphia Navy Yard in the fall of '27. When the outfit moved out, did Mr. Turner. Anti-submarine patrol from a base in the Azores kept him busy for a while. The group split up and he returned to Miami, Fla. This time sub patrols were made along the Florida coast. He was ended. The Armistice was signed. And Gunner Turner went to Haiti.

Three trips to Central America and two trips to Guam took care of the "roarin' twenties." Commenting on his second trip to Guam, he said that he noticed the natives were more Americanized. They wore shoes and tucked their shirts inside their trousers. Living conditions generally were better than those in the Central American and Caribbean countries. Most of the thirties were spent

at Quantico and San Diego. Construction work, station maintenance kept him busy then as it does now. In '39 "Gunner" Turner entered the Fleet Reserve. He worked in the Naval Supply Depot at San Diego until recalled to active service in January of '41.

He landed at Ewa, T. H., late in Jan. '41 and was one of the first to pitch a tent on the site of what is now the Marine Air Station there. In '43 Miramar beckoned and to the West Coast CWO Turner went. In the summer of '45 orders took him to Peleliu. More construction. When MAG-11 returned to the States, the "Gunner" went to Guam. After staying there for several months, he was recalled to Ewa, Hawaii where he supervised the remodeling of 100 quonset huts into married living quarters. In November of '46 he arrived here.

Now living at 551A MEMO, CWO Turner is planning to catch up on his fishing and take a good long rest when he retires to his permanent home at Coronado, California, with his wife and 19-year-old daughter.

## HI-LIGHTS OF BRITE-LIGHTS BY BOY

Along the radio front this week is the report that Lever Bros. is to pick up option on "Information please" for fall release . . . Benny Goodman will air his sextet this fall in a quarter-hour, three times a week show. BG will feature jazz and chamber music . . . Many people from time to time have wondered just how much money some companies put in radio shows, the following is a list of what Toni Home Permanent Wave Company spends. "Meet the Missus—\$50,000; "Ladies Be Seated," \$245,000; "Give and Take," \$10,000; "The Radio Show," \$525,000. Total: \$1,720,000 . . . Mills Brothers' vocal group made a sensational comeback this past year and copped highest honors for top vocal group of the nation. In regaining top place the Mills Brothers had to ride herd over King Cole Trio, Ink Spots and The Pied Pipers. "Not had for a group given up as all through a few years back. . . . "Peg O' My Heart" again proves that old time songs if good enough can come back time and time again. This oldie just recently zoomed past the million mark in sales and has led on the Hit Parade for five successive weeks. . . . Watch for "What Are You Doing New Year's Eve" to crash the Hit Parade very shortly, it's a ballad and a definite comer. . . . Looks like Red Ingle's "Timtashun" has a logical successor in "Smoke, Smoke, Smoke!" This song is done very convincingly by Tex Williams and his Trio. . . . The "Big Five" this week still has that all-time favorite "Peg O' My Heart" leading and from the looks of things will be doing so for some time to come. The rest of the parade is the same this week with "I Wonder, I Wonder, I Wonder," "Chi-Baba, Chi-Baba," "That's My Desire," and "Across The Alley From The Alamo" rounding out the "Big Five." . . . Janis Paige wrought better than she thought when she smoked the pipe of peace with the Sioux while attending the world premier of Warner Bros. "Coyenne," in that Wyoming city. The tribe adopted her as a princess. "Ugh! Very strong squaw didn't even get dizzy," they said. . . . Outstanding movies of the month have "Fiesta" holding a commanding lead over such runners-up as "Ghost and Mrs. Muir," "Unfaithful," and "Dear Ruth." . . . RKO built two miles of new road through virgin timber in the Sonora Pass country of the High Sierra to bring cast, crew and equipment to location for "Roughshod." . . . In Warner Bros' comedy, "Love at First Sight," the script requires 27 kisses between Bob Hutton and Joyce Reynolds! . . . In the making of the picture "Body and Soul," Enterprise studios filmed two endings, one happy, and one sad. The sad one will never be seen though, at a sneak preview the happy ending received such raves from the audience it was decided to ditch the other. . . . Vincent Price is set for the role of Boss Tweed in the forth coming production of stage hit "Up in Central Park." . . . A much looked-for coming attraction—The Hollywood production of the film, "The Story of Eddie Cantor." Sounds a lot like the recent picture, "The Jolson Story." Eddie's background in show business dates way back to the Gus Edwards "School Days" revues. . . . Jeffrey Lynn is chalking up a lot of firsts in his role in "Black Bart, Highwayman" at Universal—it's his first film in technical, his first western, his first picture away from Warners and his first since he got back from the service. . . . Janet Blair's next picture at the Columbia Studios has her co-starring with Louis Hayward in new flick "The Black Arrow." . . . Camay Soap Products recently dropped the Hedda Hopper show and announced the signing of Dinah Shore for a fall opening. . . . For nostalgia and old memories look for a fall radio spot for "Ziegfeld Follie." The cast has to offer Billie Burke; the showman's widow and former movie star, Jane Froman; Lanny Ross, and Russ Morgan and his orchestra. . . .

## VMR-252 Flies Football Team

The NAVY football team will owe thanks to VMR 252 each time they win a game during the coming season. . . . Because of a seven plane flight that was arranged in order to get the hundred and twenty man squad onto the Academy field to start an early practice.

Between 0500 and 0800 Tuesday, July 29, seven R5Cs of VMR 252 left the Cherry Point runways under the command of Lt. C. W. Somers. At 1230 the first of the planes completed its non-stop flight to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. By 1530 the entire group was on the ground and the plane crews were checking over their ships. The flight had been arranged to meet task force No. 81 which had carried the midshipmen on their annual cruise to Europe.

The following morning a hundred and twenty of the Navy football players, only a small portion of the cruising midshipmen, boarded the planes and were flown to Jacksonville, Florida, then on to NAS Patuxent, Maryland. These men were due to start their short summer leaves immediately so that they might start training early. The rest of their shipmates continued the training cruise until their final arrival at Naval stations here on the east coast.

Although the plane crews lacked time for any real liberty most of the men visited the Post Exchange at Guantanamo Bay, where they managed to buy such rarities as alligator handbags and Chanel No. 5 to use as gifts for their impressionable girl friends.

### ABOARD

- Capt. Lyman A. Bates, USMC, Hq. Sq.
- Capt. William T. Porter, USMC, AirFMFLant.
- Major Donald P. Frame, USMC, AirFMFLant.
- Col. Pierson E. Conrad, USMC, AirFMFLant.
- Capt. Carl E. G. Franson, USMC, AES-41.
- 1st Lt. Emil Skoepol, USMC, AirFMFLant.
- Capt. Nicholas Zabitchuck, USMC, AirFMFLant.
- Capt. Gerald Dethier, USMC, AirFMFLant.
- Capt. Peter A. Tonnema, Jr., USMC, AirFMFLant.
- Lt. George A. Brigham, USMC, AirFMFLant.
- Capt. Frederick M. Sparling, AES-41.
- Capt. Johnny D. Lindley, AirFMFLant.
- Capt. Joseph R. Kersch, AirFMFLant.
- Capt. Edward K. Penderson, AirFMFLant.
- Capt. Charles F. DeKeyser, AirFMFLant.

### BON VOYAGE

- Major Herman Hanson, USMCR, Maxwell Field, Ala.
- Major Joe H. McClothlin, Jr., USMC, Quantico, Va.
- Capt. Robert W. Wilson, USMC, Quantico, Va.

Does your name begin with an "A" or "B"? If your car has North Carolina license plates and your name begins with either of these two letters, a new North Carolina law requires you retake your operator's tests prior to 31 December 1947.

A representative from the North Carolina Motor Vehicle Department will be present to give you these tests each Thursday from 0900 to 1600 at the Provost Marshal's office.

G.I. BILL

## Personal Affairs

HOME LIFE

Recent decisions of the Veterans' Administration state that any serviceman, though still on active duty, may be considered to have established a basis for eligibility for educational rights. However he must qualify in this fashion, he must have been discharged or have had his reserve officer status terminated and provided that at the time he was discharged or had his reserve officer status terminated, he had established eligibility for discharge or release from active service under the point system.

If you are considering getting a GI Loan, you qualify for this benefit as a result of having been discharged or reserve officer status terminated on or after 16 September 1940. This will apply whether you were eligible for discharge via points or not.

Obviously, all the rulings and requirements for qualifications are complex. The individual's eligibility for GI Bill benefits depend on a meeting all the eligibility requirements under the law. For this reason, it is advisable to make all applications and inquiries direct to the nearest Veterans' Administration office or station. Contact the Personal Affairs officer on the second deck of the WR Rec Hall for VA addresses, phone 3273.

Necessary evidence of service is being issued by the CO's of each station to the men qualifying for a "Notice of Separation from the Naval Service." This notice will also be issued to those men who qualify in the future while still on active duty. Listed below are those categories which qualify immediately.

1. Former temporary USN officers who have reverted to enlisted rank, been discharged, and reenlisted in the Navy.
2. Former USN officers and temporary USNR officers who have been reverted to enlisted status and were discharged as enlisted men to accept permanent USN commissions.
3. Former USNR&USN-1 enlisted personnel who were discharged and immediately enlisted on land in the regular Navy.
4. Former USNR enlisted personnel who were discharged to accept USN commissions.
5. Former USN enlisted men who shipped over at the expiration of their hitch.
6. Former USNR officers whose reserve commission terminated and received USN commissions.

Holyoke, Mass.—A woman who received \$99 from the public welfare department has returned the money—17 years later. No reason for the delay was offered.

Portland, Maine—When Granville R. Lee celebrated his 91st birthday, he recalled how an insurance company had turned him down as a bad risk back in 1884.

## Schedule of Divine Service

Protestant	Community Church, Catholic
0945—Sunday School at Cherry Point School.	0645, 0845, 1200 Mass at Station Chapel.
1000—Divine Worship at Station Chapel.	Confessions Saturday 1600-1900, and 1930-2100.
1100—Divine Worship at Community Church.	0500—Mass at Community Church. Daily Mass at 0630 in Catholic Wing of Station Chapel.
1845—Young People's Meeting at Cherry Point School.	Perpetual Novena Devotions Tuesday at 1930.
2000—Evening Divine Worship at Cherry Point School.	*A special bus leaves MOQ at 0915 for Havelock via MEMO and returns to the station via the same route immediately following the close of Sunday School.



A division of F7F's as they looked recently making a low strafing run over the Trucker Creek area here at the Point. Air Shows and tactical developments keep the F7F pilots at the Point on their toes. —Photo by PIO, MCAS, Cherry Point



### FIFTH NAVAL DISTRICT SOFTBALL

## CHAMPS KAYOED IN ALL NAVY TILT; LOCALS KNOCK OF TRIPLE PLAY

Philadelphia, Pa., July 29.—The 2 to 0 this afternoon, with the U. S. "Flyers" were eliminated from further play in the All-Navy Softball Tournament Championship, and advancing to the finals of the All-Navy get together.

It was a "toughie" to lose, especially so since the locals are chukker. Raper had a no-hit, no-run ball game down to the last of the sixth canto. Raper had perfect control during the early innings, with not one sailor reaching first base. But, in the bottom half of the sixth, Raper loaded the bases with one out. He forced the next batter to hit into a force play at the plate, but the next man singled to left, scoring two runs.

Cherry Point had men in scoring position no less than eight times, but they died on base when the succeeding batters were unable to bring them around. The locals took advantage of several walks and errors to put men on base, since that was the only possible way they had of getting men into a scoring position. While Raper was hurling no-hit ball, the Portsmouth moundman was practically duplicating his feat by allowing only three singles.

In yesterday's semi-final tilt, the Marines downed Atlantic City NAS, 8-2. And, if you haven't already guessed, it was Raper who was do-

ing the pitching. Highlight of the game was Cherry Point's triple play, which looked very much like the triple-killing the baseball team pulled against a Washington nine a few weeks back. With men on first and second, the batter flied out to center fielder, Hansel. After the catch, the man on second broke for third, but Hansel's peg to Clark at third was in time to nip the runner sliding into the bag. Clark turned, rifled the ball to Cervin at second, who tagged the

batter as he was sliding into the keystone sack. Clark brought home a "box of wares" by virtue of rre ending home run in the third inning. The services of left fielder Frohlander were missed in the later innings of yesterday's contest and throughout today's game. The diminutive "pasture roamer" suffered a sprained ankle in the fourth inning of yesterday's game, which forced him to watch the proceedings from the bench.

## NORFOLK NAS TOPS POINTERS IN 5TH "ND" BASEBALL FINALS, 8-1

Norfolk, Va., August 2.—The hopes and plans of the Cherry Point baseball team of reaching the All-Navy Baseball Tournament were shattered this afternoon as the "Flyers" went down swinking in the finals of the Fifth Naval District Tournament, 8 to 1. In the best "two of three" playoff series for the title, the Pointers lost to Norfolk NAS, whom they had topped yesterday, 5-2. Norfolk took the initial playoff tilt, 4-3.

**CHERRY POINT 1947 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**

Sept. 27	Fort Benning	Here
Oct. 4	Norfolk Receiving Station	Norfolk, Va.
Oct. 11	Jacksonville NAS	Here
Oct. 18	Green Cove Springs	St. Augustine, Fla.
Oct. 25	Open	
Nov. 1	Fort Jackson	Here
Nov. 8	Parris Island	Here
Nov. 16	Fort Benning	Columbia, S. C.
Nov. 27	Quantico	Quantico, Va.

ed by Admiral Sprague, head of the Bureau of Naval Personnel. Tom brought home an individual medal for his play in the singles, and the Bartlett-Pinkerton duo was presented with a trophy.

Monterrey, Calif.—The first of four long-range, underwater sound systems for locating air and ship survivors at sea will be installed by the Navy at this Pacific coast port.

In the rescue system, a bomb designed as standard equipment for lifeboats is dropped overboard by survivors. It is exploded by water pressure after descending about one-half a mile

## BARTLETT TAKES HONORS IN ALL-NAVY TOURNEY

Thomas G. Bartlett ("Wee Tom, the Mighty One," they call him around Tennessee), star guard of the 1946-47 Cherry Point basketball quintet, and top man with a racket on this year's tennis team, annexed two more titles likewise, two more trophies in the recent All-Navy Tennis Tournament at Annapolis, Maryland.

In the second round of the singles competition, Bartlett was stopped by Gorens of the Wisconsin Naval District in two hard fought sets, 7-5 and 10-8. Gorens was later defeated, and Jack Beyer of Hawaii won the singles title by topping Gorens' conqueror, Elon Wyatt, 6-4, 6-4.

Teamed with Commander Pinkerton of Hawaii, Tom won the consolation doubles title by knocking off Edwards and Tindal of California, 6-4 and 6-1.

Medals and trophies were awarded

## Are Yankees Pennant-Bound?



Are the New York Yankees off-an'-runnin' for the American League pennant and World Series mazzama? Yea man, answers manager Bobo Harris (center). Those two fellows with him have helped a lot. Y. Raschi (left), recalled from Portland and Bobo Newsum (right), chased from Washington, bolstered Yankees' injury-riddled platoon staff in 19-game winning streak. Vic and Bobo might be just what doctor ordered for the stretch drive, too.

## Speaking of Sports

By Jimmy Crum

ABOUT THE "FLYERS" 1947 FOOTBALL SET UP: CUFF STUFF

With the exception of the schedule, anything and everything concerning the 1947 Cherry Point football picture seems, at present, to be on a "tentative" basis. ... Opening practice session is "tentatively" scheduled for August 18. ... The coaching situation, which right now seems to be fairly well settled, nevertheless comes under the "tentative" banner. ... Plagued by a plethora of green and inexperienced players in 1946, the '47 squad should be a "tough nut to crack." ... Gridders of old high school, with a few experienced players forming the nucleus made up last year's team. ... The lads were confronted with a "hard" schedule, much too heavy for their own good. ... Winners of three tests, while losing seven and tying one, the "Pointers" very often have been outplayed physically, but never once were they topped mentally or mentally. ... Whether behind 30 points or ahead just as much (this scribe finds it hard to remember when they were leading by more than 12 points in any contest), they never stopped fighting. ... In man's language, a team that "never says die" is a team that's bound to make good. ... With the exception of possibly seven or eight men in 1946 squad is the same this year as it was 365 days ago. ... By Marines who will represent Cherry Point on the gridiron this fall: a smarter and more experienced crew. ... Ends Gonzales, Shores and Bailey; Tackles Kreamechek, Minick and Rhinke; guards Rhee, backer, Darnell and Silk; center Thompson; backs Cox, Stokes, and bins, O'Neill, Secrist and Albanese were standouts last season. ... to this group of "veterans" another group of "newcomers" who will have every inch of the way to gain a starting berth. ... The locals losing battle during the season past, but in so doing they formed a strong, well-balanced nucleus for the coming season. ... The rock-ribbed forwards and the fleet footed and hefty ball carriers propped this year by a flock of new boys, will make it rough 'n' tough for opposition. ...

Head coach Don Plato has been discharged from the service by the completion of last year's schedule, but the "tentative" grid man for the coming season will capably fill the vacated spot. ... Captain Berry, who has been putting top notch elevens on the field at CP for the past few seasons, is scheduled to "take over." ... Berry-coached squads have been heard of and feared by opposing teams throughout the west for the past three years. ... El Toro, with "Crazy Legs" on the stand, topped all other service squads from coast to coast and, again in '45 and '46, they were among the top five service teams in the country. ... Sergeant Mike Cervin and Captain Bob Hall, assistant coaches, will work hand-in-hand with Captain Berry in leading the 1947 Cherry Point squad a team of which the base can be proud. ... A meeting will be held at 1130, Wednesday 13 August in the Rose's office in the drill hall. ... All men interested in trying out for the 1947 squad are requested to attend that meeting. ... At that practice schedules will be arranged and prospective squad members have a chance to meet the men with whom they'll work on the field. With the material at hand with which to turn out, possibly the service team in the nation, don't let YOUR team down. ... If you that means you, too, Mister, think you have "something" on the display your talents. ... Don't be a "side line sitter" and just watch about what you can do. ... Get out there and DO IT.

CUFF STUFF: This scribe is going out on a limb (way out) making a pre-season pro football prognostication. ... Cleveland coach, Paul Brown (by way of Massillon, Ohio, Ohio State and Lakes) has worked his footballers into such a spirited frenzy in the first 16 days of training, I look for the "Brownies" to be the team beat, again, in the All-American football conference. ... Take leave if you Brooklyn, San Francisco, Chicago, Miami and Brooklyn backers. ... World heavy weight champ Joe Louis has been off for a round-trip visit to Sweden by air and 40 per cent of the prize will sign to meet Ollie Tandberg, Swedish titleholder, in Stockholm Raasunda Stadium, September 14. ...

**RAPID ROBBER**

**ROSE**

NUCLEUS OF LAST YEAR'S PLAYERS

THE FORMER ALL-SOUTHERN CONFERENCE BASKETBALL STAR AT UOPAC COACHED THE 45-46 CHERRY POINT TEAM TO THE SIXTH LEADING SERVICE TEAM OF THE NATION. HE COACHED AND PLAYED CENTER FOR THIS SEASON'S TEAM FOR THIRTY-ONE WINS AND TEN LOSSES

## TANKERS ANNEX 5TH N. D. CROWN

If no one has thought of the idea already, here's breaking the ice:

If Cherry Point teams continue to bring home Fifth Naval District trophies and titles, the Athletic Department had better hire someone to keep count, for in the past months, no less than seven titles have been won by Point squads.

Latest team to hit the jackpot is the swimming aggregation. By taking six out of a possible nine firsts, and five second positions, the Pointers "walked away" with the recent Norfolk-held swimming championships.

Pilots who never have been in a jet plane before are taking off after only 15 minutes of cockpit familiarization on the ground in the new McDonnell all-jet Phantom