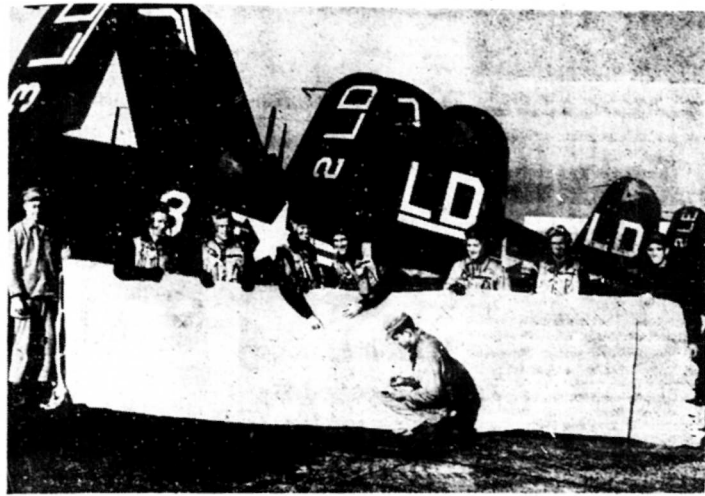


# WINDSOCK



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



"I shot that hole in that with a 50 calibre bullet," says Major R. A. Merchant, Jr., C.O. of VMF-212, pointing with pride. Capt. R. P. Gibson laughingly claims his round made the hole. MSgt. Joe Ylckerman, NCO in charge of 212 ordnance, will decide as he tallies up score for the six pilots who had just landed from a routine gunnery fight. Holding the 6 by 20 lb. wire mesh target are, left to right: PFC Elijah W. Adkins, Lt. G. H. Greene, Lt. J. A. Miller, Merchant, Gibson, Lt. P. G. Dyer, Lt. D. Riley and PFC Charles Haggerty. The target is towed behind an F4U plane with cable as other pilots make runs on it. The photographer got the grins by suggesting that some of the holes were made with a pencil. Each pilot has his ammo, painted a different color to determine "who hit what how much." The triangular pennant on plane's tail signifies "Navy E" held by VMF-212 as Second Wing's hottest Squadron.

## Colonel Pugh Leads Flight Over Kill Devil Hill Today

### Over 100 2nd Wing Planes Participate

This morning at 1045, two hundred aircraft roared through the skies over the small spot of earth where the airplane made its debut forty-five years ago. The activities are in commemoration of the 45th anniversary of the Wright Brothers first flight in 1903.

The Second Marine Aircraft Wing will follow while twelve "Tigercats" and a dozen more "Hellcats" from VMF(N)-114 will zoom in on the Corsairs' heels. In addition, several types of Naval aircraft are to participate in the display.

Col. Edward L. Pugh, commanding officer of MAG-14, led a formation of some 200 Navy and Marine Corps aircraft over Kitty Hawk, N. C. in a mammoth aerial review, 100 of them being Second Wing planes. The Cherry Point-based aircraft rendezvoused with Navy planes over Weeksville, N. C., and continued to Kitty Hawk, where they passed the reviewing stand at the Wright Monument on Kill Devil Hill.

Brigadier General Ivan W. Miller, Commanding General, MCAS Cherry Point, is deputy coordinator for the operation to Rear Admiral Robert W. Hayler, Commandant of the Sixth Naval District.

At 1045, air demonstration starting time, Lt. Col. Marion E. Carl was to have opened the show leading the nationally known "Marine Phantoms" jet team in a display of formation maneuvers. Ninety-six Corsairs from

Among the distinguished guests who will witness the aerial exhibition are the Honorable Mark Edwin Andrews, assistant Secretary of the Navy, and Congressman H. C. Bonner of Washington, N. C. Leading press and radio photographers and news coverage men of North Carolina networks and newsheets will attend as guests.

The Wright Memorial Monument located at Kitty Hawk, is one-hundred and four miles northeast of Cherry Point.

## SRO SIGN OUT AS POINT TROUPERS PRESENT FIRST GALA STAGE SHOW; LAUBE, COUNCE, CUZZENS MAKE HIT

Show-going Point personnel were treated to almost two hours of last moving feature entertainment by Lt. "T" Iglehart and his Troupers last Wednesday at the station theatre. Cherry Point's first variety show of the current season, strictly an all-male affair, ran the complete gamut from the raucous crooning of Trooper Pte Dan Thompson to the wit patter of comedian Sgt. Dick Bantz, and even a show closing by singing out. It had to close then.

The audience pleaser of the evening was TSgt. Gus Laube who first caught the crowd's fancy with his clever echoing of a popular hit about missing teeth. Just when the drag of the evening Gus was to begin again, and this time really caught the house down with his rendition of "Old Man River".

Private Lavelle, a triple threat who apparently wasn't satisfied with his applause he received after singing a Jolson tune to his own accompaniment, because he couldn't stick on stage with a harmonica, stayed for a couple of minutes.

Another spotlight also fell on several personable performers as well as Pte Joe Counce and Pte Martin Vasquez. The finale of the entire show was a vocal performance by the 2nd Wing Orchestra under the direction of TSgt. F. S. Zamora who provided a number of songs, as well as accompaniment, for the background for the variety.

It is expected that another show of this type will be produced in the near future, and it has been hoped that someone male or female with talent who wishes to perform will call Lt. Iglehart at 8107.

## BOXING



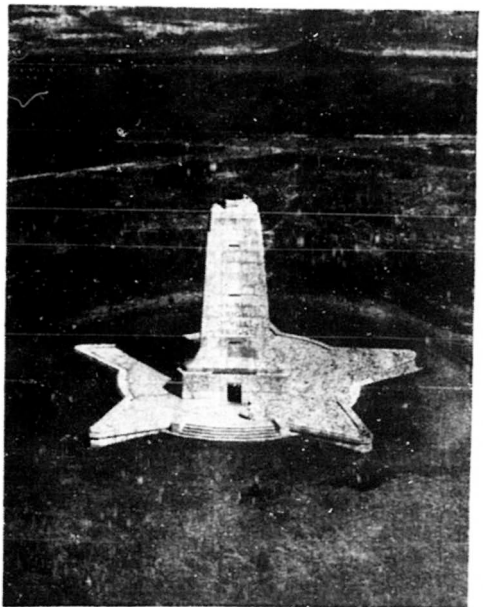
MONDAY, DEC. 20  
C.P. vs. Ft. Bragg  
2000—DRILL HALL

## Buffet and Dance Sat. At Goldsboro

The Junior Hostesses of Goldsboro are sponsoring a buffet supper and dance Saturday night, December 18, and have extended an invitation for forty Cherry Point Marines to attend the affair.

Both supper and dance will be held at the Goldsboro Community Building and hostesses for the occasion will be the young ladies who have helped to make numerous Cherry Point festivities a success. Those desiring to attend are urged to contact Captain Sloan or Capt. Kelly at Special Services (224) for reservations.

The reservations will be given on a first-come, first-served basis and bus service will be provided for those attending. The bus will leave Barracks 221 at 1430 Saturday and will return immediately after the dance.



The Wright Memorial on the outerbanks of North Carolina, where Wilbur and Orville Wright flew the first heavier-than-air craft on October 17, 1903. Picture by MCAS Photo Lab, MSgt. Hubler. Taken from a Marine O1 plane at an altitude of 300 feet.

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**Maj. Gen. Field Harris**  
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*Commanding Air Base*  
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## BIRTHS

- Nov. 24—A daughter, **Linda Mae Reiser**, born to Cpl. and Mrs. Henry W. Reiser, Jr.
- Nov. 24—A son, **Granville Dexter Pullen**, born to SSGT. and Mrs. George D. Pullen, Jr.
- Nov. 28—A son, **James Gray Robinson**, born to MSgt. and Mrs. Gary H. Robinson.
- Nov. 27—A son, **Jeffrey Ransom Flator**, born to LtCol. and Mrs. Morris E. Flator.
- Nov. 26—A daughter, **Melanie Barnett Johnson**, born to LtCol. and Mrs. Robert J. Johnson.
- Dec. 1—A son, **Richard Scott Graham**, born to TSgt. and Mrs. Arthur H. Graham.
- Dec. 1—A son, **Dennis Richard Silvia**, born to MSgt. and Mrs. Edward P. Silvia.
- Dec. 1—A daughter, **Betty Doris Sharpe**, born to TSgt. and Mrs. David Sharpe.
- Dec. 2—A daughter, **Patricia Lynn Tonnema**, born to Capt. and Mrs. Peter A. Tonnema, Jr.
- Dec. 4—A son, **Robert James Davis**, born to HIM1 and Mrs. Robert W. Davis.
- Dec. 5—A daughter, **Marilyn Jean Gilbert**, born to Major and Mrs. Elmer L. Gilbert.
- Dec. 7—A daughter, **Diana Jean Love**, born to Sgt. and Mrs. James K. Love.
- Dec. 8—A daughter, **Diane Griffith Reid**, born to 1stLt. and David S. Reid, III.
- Dec. 8—A daughter, **Theresa Louise Renev**, born to SSGT. and Mrs. Frank C. Renev.
- Dec. 8—A son, **James Richard Flynn**, born to TSgt. and Mrs. William T. Flynn.
- Dec. 9—A daughter, **Marlene De Lanta Smith**, born to Sgt. and Mrs. Clifton C. Smith.

Three men are recent new members of ABS-2. They are Pfc. Artie J. Dallery, Jr., transferred from Hqs-14, Sta. on 1 Dec. 1948; Cpl. Raymond E. Dillis, from VMF-212, Sta. on 1 Dec. 1948; Pfc. Ray (N1) Webb, from Hqs-14, MAG-14, 2ndMAW, FMF, Sta., on 1 Dec. 1948.

MWSS-2 has three new members reporting recently. Pfc's Donald P. Lodginski and Ronald B. Lutz, joined from MAD, NATTC, Memphis, Tenn. Pfc. Joseph J. Schuss, came from SeCoCo, SnpScColBn, MR, Camp Lejeune, N. C.



Girl of the wild blue yonder, Joan Smith, was named "Miss Stardust" at official opening of 1947 Aviation Show, New York. She stands nearly as tall as the propeller. The sky queen presides over 20 rainbow-colored civilian airplanes on exhibition at Grand Central Palace. Plane prices range from \$1,095 to \$7,700—without Miss Smith.



Ray Cummings (right) and Jimmie Wallace (left) of WHEEL will be guests of Sgt. Campobasso on the Flator Party at the Staff NCO Club tomorrow night.

## Ex-Chief Navy Radioman Now Cherry Pt. Amateur

Adam Mayer, an ex-chief radioman who now works in civil service here at Cherry Point, is a member of the Marine Corps Network of Amateur Radiomen and represents this base on a network that taken in several stations including Guam, Honolulu, China, Quantico, Camp Lejeune and Washington, D. C.

The purpose of the network is primarily to give the amateur radiomen a chance to get in more practice and experience on a complete circuit. Secondary purpose of the network is to handle any unofficial messages from marines at one base to their buddies at another base.

Mayer says that controlling station, KHG-EV at Honolulu, is planning to feature the operations of the network in a story in the LEATHERNECK in the near future. They have already contacted him asking for photographs of his radio set and himself in operation.

The ex-Navy man says his outfit is located on the Camp Lejeune highway about five miles from the station. The station is on his farm. However, anyone on the base wishing to send a message to a buddy at any of the above points may call 2105 in the Radio Transmitting building and leave the message there.

## XMAS PARTY

There will be a Christmas party held for the children of Military personnel under the age of twelve, at the station theatre at 1000 tomorrow. There will be a special movie shown, the station band will provide music, and Santa Claus will be there to give a gift to every child attending.

Transportation will be provided, and all children under four years of age should be accompanied by their parents. A special bus will circle MOQ beginning at 0915. Another bus will make all bus stops in Havelock and MEMQ beginning at 0915. Return buses will also be on hand.

## Car Owners Beware Of Bad Anti-Freeze

A warning to car owners and auto supply dealers to guard against harmful anti-freeze preparations was issued recently by Dr. E. W. Constable, chief of the State Department of Agriculture. Samples of several so-called "permanent type" anti-freeze mixtures submitted to the Agriculture Department's laboratories recently have been found to contain materials prohibited by state law, he said.

Reports received from the western part of the State, he added, indicate that one of these brands has been widely distributed in that area.

Samples of the following brands, the chemist reported, have been analyzed and found to contain materials illegal in the state:

- Cascade Permanent Type Anti-freeze, distributed by the Atlas Distributing Company, Cincinnati.
- Spirit Permanent Type Anti-freeze, distributed by the Spirit Chemical Corporation, Philadelphia.
- Polar Zone Permanent Type Anti-freeze, manufactured by the Federal Chemical Company, Baltimore, Md.

All types of anti-freeze sold through the Post Exchange are standard brands and are safe for use in automobiles.

## Christmas Trees Are Serious Fire Hazard To Public

Christmas trees in places of public assembly represent a serious fire hazard. If the following rules are applied the hazard will be reduced to a minimum.

- (a) Keep the tree out of any exits and paths.
- (b) Cut off the base of the tree at an angle at least one inch above the original cut and keep it standing in water.
- (c) All wiring is to be done by competent electricians to conform to approved standards. All lights set should bear the label approval of Underwriters Laboratories.
- (d) The tree should be checked daily for dryness.
- (e) Trees to be removed by 2 January at the latest.

Approval of the Station Fire Marshal or the Fire Chief will be required before placing Christmas trees in building on this station.

## Youth Fellowship Are Xmas Carolers

The Youth Fellowship, in conjunction with the Young People's organization of Havelock Community Church and the Station Choir will present a Christmas Carol program Tuesday night, Dec. 21. The choristers will begin about 1900 and will sing in front of the dispensary, the brig, and throughout the quarters area.

## Teachers, Singers Are Needed By Station Chaplains

The Protestant Chaplain states the Sunday School is in need of teachers in all departments. Anyone interested in helping out is asked to call the Sunday School Superintendent, Capt. "Bill" Porter, at phone 2281.

The present teachers, Mrs. Aggerbeck, Mrs. McKonley and Mrs. NeSmith, are willing to help the new teachers in every way as they will be unable to remain in those positions after the first of the year.

The Catholic Chaplains are also sending on SOS for tenors and baritones for the male choir. For details call 6105.

## VISIT

## TOYLAND

At The

## POST EXCHANGE



## Reversing Props Speed Landings

A four-engine military airplane Dec. 13 at Washington, D. C. dropped from 15,000 feet with its propellers pulling backward, to land at National Airport in about half the time it would take for a normal landing from that altitude.

It was the first demonstration over Washington of reversing the pitch of propeller blades in flight, and was witnessed by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Air Chief of Staff Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg and some 200 other military and Government officials from the risen entrance of the Pentagon Building.

A trail of smoke released by the pilot, Herbert O. Fisher, chief test pilot of the Curtiss-Wright Corp., propeller division, to make it easier to follow the plane's flight, caused numerous inquiries from citizens about the "burning plane." Curtiss-Wright officials believe the new technique will be valuable in emergencies.

## Jet And Rocket Research Centers Are Established

New York, (NYHT).—The creation of national centers of rocket and jet propulsion research at Princeton University and California Institute of Technology was announced today at the Guggenheim Foundation.

The two new institutions will be known as the Daniel and Florence Guggenheim Jet Propulsion Centers. The foundation has underwritten the research centers for seven years and has appropriated \$500,000.

The foundation also is establishing two jet propulsion fellowships which will carry two-year grants of up to \$2000 annually, for study leading to advanced degrees. Normally, six new fellowships will be granted each year—three for study at Princeton and three for study at Cal Tech.

### (DIVINE SERVICES)

**PROTESTANT SERVICES**  
 0912 Sun.—Sunday School (Nursery)  
 1030 Sun.—Worship Service Main Chapel  
 1830 Tue.—Youth Fellowship Recreation Center 2nd Deck  
 1900 Wed.—Choir Rehearsal

**CATHOLIC SERVICES**  
 Sun.—0645, 0845, 1200 Mass Chapel  
 Weekdays—1145 Catholic Mass Sat.—0800 followed by Recitations of Rosary Confessions Sat.—1900-2100 Other times by appointment 1900 Tues.—Novena Devotions

**JEWISH SERVICES**  
 2000 Wed.—Divine Worship in Protestant Wing

**CHERRY POINT COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 1100 Sun.—Morning Worship  
 1815 Sun.—Christian Endeavor or  
 1930 Sun.—Evening Worship

## The Padre Says

by Chaplain R. D. Cleaves  
 Some years ago my father, the late Dr. Arthur W. Cleaves, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Providence, Rhode Island, wrote a passage which makes up the bulk of this article. It was appropriate, and it seemed very beautiful. For that reason it is quoted in full for I believe that its value is great today as it was when it was written.

**TODAY CHRIST IS BORN**  
 Some people have never heard the angels sing their praises the new born King. And others have never seen the star which shines forever over Bethlehem; you are among them, there is only one thing to be said to you "Don't you wish you had?"

There were people in Bethlehem long ago who did not see the star just as most of the people there do not hear the angels. These angels were reserved for the Magi, a few poor shepherds.

Have you wondered why you saw and heard, and others do not? There is only one answer that. Ears have to be trained to hear the songs of heaven, and eyes to be made sharp to see the presence of joyous mystery. No people on earth have eyes that do not see and ears that do not hear.

We are told that "spiritual that are spiritually discerned." We are told of Jesus that, in a particular place, the eyes of the people "were bold;" that they did not believe him. That experience has been repeated many times in history is repeated today. For Jesus here, and some do not recognize him.

Perhaps we should pray that to us may be given the eyes and the hearing ear. For it is then will Christmas bring to us full meaning.



We present Miss Angela Lansbury of M-G-M already being hailed by Hollywood for versatile character portrayals. We'd like to say, incidentally, that she can certainly stand on her own legs as a glamour girl.

## Santa Claus Gets Boost From Local PX Toyland

The hearts of all young children should be delighted by the complete line of toys offered by the Toyland located on the second deck of the Post Exchange building.

In looking over the line of toys the kiddies should have an idea of what they would want Santa to leave under the tree come Christmas morn. For little girls who have the ambition to become housekeepers there is a large assortment of articles which include: tables and chairs, sewing machines, baby beds, and other articles, all cut down to miniature size.

Coming to the doll counter they will find all kinds and sizes from the type Mommy usually puts on her bed as an ornament to the small all-rubber dolls.

Now come the toys for the boys. For the future Doc Blanchard's and Hank Luisetti's there is a selection of football and basketball plus other junior athletic gear. The junior G-men and cowboys will find finger print sets, revolvers, tommy guns, shot guns, and six shooters with holsters.

Older boys have a selection of chemistry sets, Erector sets, woodwork sets and games that should please both young and old. Bicycles, tricycles, scooters, wags, and trains put a beaming smile on the faces of all when it comes to "wheels."

These are just a few of the numerous articles which may be seen at Cherry Point Toyland. A visit to Santa's workshop should bring smiles to the hearts of all the youngsters and send them away awaiting Nick's visit on Christmas Eve.

The Civil War battle between Monitor and the Merrimack was fought in Hampton Roads, just off present Norfolk Navy Supply Center.

### Staff NCO Club

#### Informal Dance

Tonight—2000-2400 Music furnished by 2MAW Orchestra.

#### Platter Party

2000-2400 Ray Cummings and Linnie Wallace from WMBL will be guests.

#### Bingo

Tuesday 21 December 2000



**STATION LIBRARY**  
Top Deck PX Building  
Mon-Fri 1000-1700; 1800-2100  
Sat-Sun 1200-1700; 1800-2100

By Frances Howell  
**NEW NOVELS:**

**THE 100-36 LIONS**, by Irwin Shaw. Critics say this first novel by a playwright is a hit; he tells the story of what happened to three men whose lives crossed during the course of the war—a young Austrian, an American business man, and a young Jew.

**A CAROLINE AND CASTLE**, by Dodie Smith. Delightful is the word for this one—and a welcome relief from the current deluge of historical novels. It involves "the romantic and ruined Mortmains, their spooky castle, and the two young American bachelors who inherit the property."

**NOBODY'S FOOL**, by Charles Yale Harrison. This one will make you pause occasionally for some contemplation on your own. It's told in the first person by one of a high-geared public relations counselors who have undertaken to find the ideal representative of the average American man.

**THE RUNNING OF THE TIDE**, by Esther Forbes. Old Salem during its great merchant shipping days provides the setting here. You will meet Dash Inman who captained his first East Indiaman at 19 and at 25 launched his own at Victoria. There is also the lovely Polly Mumpsom, belle of the town, with whom he seemed destined to fall in love.

**OLD FAVORITES:**

**LOST HORIZON**, by James Hilton.

**THE FORNITE SAGA**, by John Galsworthy.

**FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD**, by Thomas Hardy.

**OF HUMAN BONDAGE**, by Somerset Maugham.

**MY SON, MY SON**, by Howard Spring.

**OF SPECIAL INTEREST:**  
**MIRACLES FROM MICROBES:** the Road to Streptomycin, by Samuel Epstein.  
**TELECASTING AND COLOR**, by K. S. Tyler.

**HANDBOOK OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**, by G. D. Halsey.  
**MASTERING SPANISH**, by L. C. Bedichek.

**COIN COLLECTING**, by Joseph Coffin.

### 'O' Club Tonite

To get this week-end going right the Officers' Club is offering free cocktails tonight, and following up with a dance on Saturday.

Between the hours of 1830 and 1930 tonight the "Club" won't let you pay for anything at the bar (with a few possible exceptions); it's all FREE and members are invited to come out and enjoy themselves.

Saturday night, club members may dine and dance to the melodic offerings of "Bubbles" Becker and his orchestra. Dinner will be served from 1800 to 2100 and the music will flow from 2030 'till 0030.

Recent surveys at the Naval Training Centers at San Diego, Calif., and Great Lakes, Ill., show that 98.6 percent of all Navy recruits are under 21 years of age.



Official U. S. Navy Photo  
**JUAN PERON**, President of Argentina, is shown being piped aboard USS Huntington (CL 107) when ship visited Buenos Aires on South American goodwill cruise.

## STATION THEATRE

Tonight 1800-2030  
**Kissing Bandit**  
Frank Sinatra - Kathryn Grayson

Saturday 1000—Kidlie Show

**Carolina Moon**  
Gene Autry

Saturday 1800-2030  
**Two Mugs From Brooklyn**  
William Bendix - Joe Sawyer

Sunday 1800-2030  
**One Sunday Morning**  
Dennis Morgan - Janis Paige

Monday 1800-2030  
**Dynamite**  
William Gargan - Theresa Brooks

Tuesday 1800-2030  
**Blondie's Secret**  
Penny Singleton - Arthur Lake

Wednesday 1800-2030  
**Trail Of Vigilantes**  
Franchot Tone - Andy Devine

Thursday 1800-2030  
**The Accused**  
Loretta Young - Robert Cummings

Friday 1800-2030  
**Mexican Hayride**  
Bud Abbott - Lou Costello



RRRRrrrring! "Hello, this is Platter Party's Joy Kid Fagan." Strictly Speaking the WMBL New Bern studio is filled with gags and wags on Platter Party between 1900 and 1600, daily, Station-Manager, Clean-up-kid, and Platter-Slinger Frank Gagan, Jr. is on hand to take any requests that might come in by letter, telegram, telephone, cablegram, or any other means of communication.

Mr. Fagan, who claims that the Platter Party is an informal show by a confused disc jockey, says he especially wants to hear more from the Cherry Point boys and wants to play numbers and more numbers for the Marines. He played a special for the Windsock Staff lately. It was "All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth."

### Guard Detail Off To Edenton Field

MSgt. O. C. Adams, Jr., TSgt. John J. Thompson, Jr., TSgt. John C. Adkins, SSGT. Donald L. Hull, Sgt. Woodrow L. Holbein, twelve privates first class and one private were detached to Edenton Air Base this week on temporary duty in connection with communication and security.

The seventeen-man advance unit will guard government property and take control of the large airfield there, which is being reactivated as a carrier aviation base of the Marine Corps. Planes will probably be flying out of Edenton by March 1st.

The air field at Edenton is located about one hundred air miles north of Cherry Point on the north shore of historic Albemarle Sound.

Eighty-five per cent of new Navy recruits are unmarried and not engaged to be married, and about one-third of them give financial aid to a dependent.

### Beautiful Palms!



Palm trees are waving in Florida sunlight as this pretty little Miss enjoys a sunbath in December. Go South, Young Men, Go South!

### Cherry Theatre

Tonight  
**Rachel & The Stranger**

Saturday  
**Fighting Back**  
**Puddin' Head**

Sunday  
**A'Feudin, A'Fussing**  
**And A'Fighting**

Monday and Tuesday  
**Sorry Wrong Number**

Wednesday  
**Up In Central Park**

Thursday  
**Miss Tadlocks Millions**

## DI's Outlast CP's In 54-50 Thriller

Four successive nights of travel and basketball proved just a little too much for the Cherry Point "Flyers," who dropped their fourth game of the season against Parris Island down at "DI Land" on December 13.

Two baskets by P. I. in the final moments of play broke a 50-50 deadlock and brought the "Flyers" record down to the .500 mark for the season.

In dropping the third of their last four starts, the Cherry Pointmen whistled, with forwards Norm Creviston and Johnny Casben tossing in twenty one points between them.

Jerry "Salty" Peters led the Parris Island club with sixteen points, while Merket came second in the "DI" scoring column with fourteen.

The game was nip-and-tuck throughout, with P. I. holding a slim 29-28 advantage at halftime.

## Pensy Cancelled; Flyers Take Rest

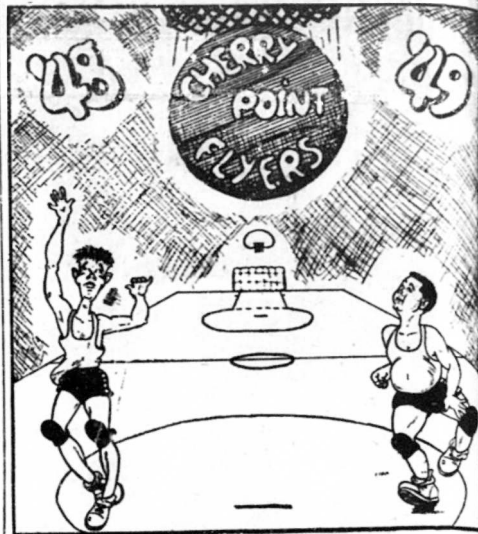
After four games in the same number of nights, the weary Cherry Point "Flyers" received an unexpected break on Dec. 14 when the Pensacola game was cancelled due to a misunderstanding in the schedule.

Word was received on the afternoon of the contest that the Pensacola team would not be able to show up, and the "Flyers" players were spared their fifth straight contest since the cycle opened against Bragg on Dec. 10.

Cherry Point will return to action against East Carolina Teachers College in the Drill Hall tomorrow night and will journey to Mitchell Field, N. Y. for their next tilt on Dec. 20.

Four men are recent new members of MWSS-2. They are Sgt. Richard Holcomb by reenlistment, PFC John L. Holland by reenlistment, PFC Eugene W. Lohus and PFC Rex I. Tinkney were transferred from CoolCo. SupSecol Bn. Mb. Camp Lejeune, N. C.

Sgt James M. Stiller was recently transferred from VMF-114 to Service Squadron.



## Local Gagers Take Split In Fort B. Two-Game Series

The Cherry Point "Flyers" gained a two-way split with the Fort Bragg Basketball squad in the soldiers' Gym on Dec. 10th and 11th. The Leathernecks lost the first contest 55-33, and captured the second affair, 46-39.

Failure to stop "Irish" Connelly, a high scoring doughboy forward proved fatal in the first game, as the Bragg hoopsters connected 17 points to lead his teammates. Dawson, Fort Bragg captain, plus second in the scoring column for the soldiers with 15 on six balls and three free throws.

The "Flyers" were behind only 18-17 at the halftime mark, but Connelly and Dawson went to work in earnest while the Cherry Point offense faltered during the second half, and Bragg pulled into a comfortable lead which they never relinquished.

In the second night's play, the Marines relied on the shooting of Davis and Hatfield to pull them through. Both boys collected ten points apiece to pace the "Flyers" while the troublesome Connelly earned individual scoring honors for the night with fifteen points.

Cherry Point assumed a 21-17 lead at the intermission and continued their strong scoring pace in the final half to win.

## Cherry Pt. Golfers Defeat New Bern

The Cherry Point golf team defeated the New Bern golfing contingent Sunday, 58 to 41 on the Cherry Point links. Bill Beverly of the Marines was medalist with a 71 and New Bern pro Grant Bennett led the locals with a 75.

Par on the Marine base course is 12. Bob Banks fired a 78 and Billy Ferebee shot a 79 but J. B. Mullineaux and Jim Mateer were the only team to bring home a full team victory of 9 points.

The New Bern team had won two previous matches by close margins.

Results included: Sgt. Beverly and Capt. Cottord (CP) 3, Ferebee and Bennett (NB) 2, Capt. Alsip and Lt. Simpson (CP) 3, Banks and Lewis (NB) 0, MSgt. Harris and Maj. Gilbert (CP) 3, Ferebee and Hoffman (NB) 0, Col. Hopper and Lt. Rouch (CP) 2, Hines and Pate (NB) 2, Lt. Mullane and Lt. Wagner (NB) 2, Romans and Tyson (NB) 1, Capt. Thomas and Capt. Ottman (CP) 3, Ferebee and Johnson (NB) 0, Lt. Col. Haynes and Lt. Col. Aggerbeck (CP) 3, Bryan and Aberly (NB) 0, Lt. Bates and Lt. Calhoun (CP) 1, Ippock and Babson (NB) 2, Lt. Col. Johnson and Lee (CP) 2, Van Buskirk and Lee (NB) 1, Capt. Paul and MSgt. Jones (CP) 2, Mills and Eith (NB) 2, Sgt. Scherrang and Sgt. Mead (CP) 0, Mullineaux and Mateer (NB) 3.

The following men were recently transferred from VMF-114 to MW-SG-2 (4Pv). They are as follows: Cpl. Robert J. Cokel, Sgt. Richard B. Gooding, and TSgt. Robert C. Farmer.

Approximately 100 persons attended the celebration, which was for the main course of the celebration. The boys enjoyed beer served by Mr. C. King, local Schlitz distributor.

## "Flyers" Drop 3rd Lose to Ft. Jackson

Returning from an exhausting two game series with Fort Bragg the "Flyers" fell prey to Ft. Jackson's Basketball club, sharpshooting Leland Byrd, in Station Drill Hall on Dec. 12. The final score was 39-31.

A fair Sunday night contest watched Byrd put on a one-man show as he collected twenty-two of his team's thirty-nine total and sparked his team throughout the contest.

The visitors assumed command right after the opening whistles and wasted no time in piling up a 27-19 advantage at the half. Norm Creviston and Charley Byrd tried to get the "Flyers" back on the swing of things early in the second half, but a strong Jackson defense and the loss of Creviston on five personal fouls proved steep a handicap for the locals.

Creviston, before being injured in the final minutes of play in the "Flyer" point man's department with a total of ten points. Ford sank four baskets and charity toss to place second.

Following Byrd in the top scoring column was Capt. Frank Army center, who added nine points in addition to Creviston. Ford during the greater part of the contest.

## Big Banquet Held To Honor Athletes Wednesday Night

Wing 10 of Mess Hall 1 presented a scene of a three-team celebration for the members of Football, Baseball and Softball organizations on December 15.

Sponsored by the Services Department, the festivities rewarded the athletes for successful 1948 efforts in Cherry Point sporting world. Major General Field, Lt. Col. Gen. Second Marine Wing, and Brigadier General W. Miller, ComGen. MCAS, were to the athletes and were guests.



## ANNUAL INSPECTION IS HELD

The annual visit by the Inspector General and his party to this base occurred during the past week. Monday and Tuesday saw the entire base busily being prepared for the inspection. The inspecting officers made their rounds of AirFMFlant activities on Tuesday and Wednesday, while the Air Station underwent a thorough going over on Thursday and Friday.

The Inspector General's Party, which was aboard the base throughout the week, consisted of Brig. Gen. Robert Blake, Col. Joseph A. Smoak, Col. Edward J. Dillon, Lt. Col. Lawrence B. Clark, Lt. Col. Jean H. Buckner, Capt. Woodrow W. Brown, Capt. Leon E. Matthews, Capt. Augustus J. Eden, Maj. Edward J. McCabe, Maj. Richard A. Glaeser, and 1st Lt. Edgar S. Hamilton.

In the FMFlant inspecting party were Brig. Gen. Vernon E. McGee, Col. George B. Rowan, Col. Samuel L. Ballentine, Col. Robert H. McDowell, Lt. Col. Raymond B. Hurst, Lt. Col. George E. Dooley, Maj. Walter M. Cautfield, Maj. Frederick M. Steinhauser, Capt.

Albert C. Hartkopf and Capt. Paul J. Preston.

Prior to troop inspections at 0830, Wednesday, for the Air Station, and other undesignated times for AirFMFlant, all personnel were required to lay out clothing and equipment on their bunks. Also, a sample number of the men from each unit were assembled, in appropriate uniform with normal arms, belts, bayonets and first aid packets and were tested for adequacy of basic training.

Request Masts were held on Tuesday and Wednesday at 1300 in the Recreation Wing of each barracks for the purpose of having personnel register any complaints.

Formal Guard Mount was held at 1330, Thursday, on the parade field. Troops were furnished from the Military Police detachment of HQSG-Sta. The 2nd MAW band furnished the music for this formation.

Thursday afternoon, the Senior Inspector visited the Dispensary so that personnel there desiring to talk to him, would have the opportunity to do so.



## FROM THE CAMP LEJEUNE "GLOBE"

Seven Supply School Classes Graduate; Five Generals Attend Ceremonies . . . Flyers, Coaches Honored at Football Banquet . . . Col. John Kalaf, One of Lejeune's "Founding Fathers", Detached This Week . . . Lt. Powell Awarded Bronze Star For Action . . . PI Cagers Down Lejeune Cagers Connect For Five Wins; Down Air Force And Navy in Bermuda . . . Twelve Golfers Win in Flag Tournament At Paradise Point . . . Com Six Visits Lejeune.

## FROM THE PARRIS ISLAND "BOOT"

MSgt J. F. Martin Reenlists . . . CWO Griffin Given New Duties As Oint Roads and Guards . . . Concert To Be Presented At "O" Club . . . La Rochelle's Talent Show Big Hit Friday Night . . . PI Cagers Down Memphis NATTC, 34-28 . . . All-Navy Bowling Championship Next January 30 . . .

## FROM THE QUANTICO "SENTRY"

Construction Begun On New Housing For Post; 60 Lustron Houses To Be Built; 25 For Married Enlisted Men and 25 For Married Officers. Major Bob Conrad Presented Silver Golf Cup . . . Two Local Airmen Die In SNJ Plane Crash; TSgt. Paul Clarkston and TSgt. Henry C. Stalnaker . . . Christmas Choral Concert Set For Dec. 16 . . . Quantico Voice Of Polio Severe . . . Quantico Cagers Take Three; MCS Downs MCI In BB Tilt At D. C. . . Quantico Tags Sailors, 109-19; Quantico Cracks VPI Cagers, 65-49 . . . Experts Address AWS Class Group . . .

## FROM THE SAN DIEGO "CHEVRON"

600,000 Cheer Band At Long Beach . . . MSgt. Robinson, Band Vocalist, Leaves Post . . . FME In Combat Readiness To Protect Nation's Interests . . . Cagers Spurt To Eleventh Victory . . . Navy Stars To Silver Bowl . . . "Devildogs" Rack Up Western Grid Title . . . Boxers Meet NYC . . . Leatherneck Marksmen Win in Norway Match . . .

## FROM THE EL TORO "FLIGHT JACKET"

Jury Denies Damages in Crash Trial When Pair Of Motorcycle Riders Sued First Lt. Dewey H. Jackson, Jet Fighter Pilot, For Damages Totaling \$67,479 . . . VMF 452 Going To El Toro For One Week For Training Practice . . . Lt. Col. Harlan "Buck" Rogers Going To Greece For Duty With U. S. Special Balkans Committee . . . Lt. Gen. Thomas F. Watson, Commanding General of Pacific Fleet Marine Force, To Inspect El Toro Monday-Tuesday . . . Ex-Prisoner Of War Lt. Col. Herbert C. Freuler, Presented Citation . . . Unbeaten Port Hueneme Whips El Toro, 37-32, In Crucial Cage Game . . . Bulls Catch Fire In Grid Pinale, Dumping Whidby Island, 38-20 . . . 1948 El Toro Gridders Had High Spots But Low Record . . .



Willie Moore, who dropped a very close three-round decision in his first fight against Fort Bragg, will be seeking his first win of the year at the Drill Hall Monday night. Moore, who fights in the Lightweight class, is coming back to the ring after a two year layoff.

# Junior Hurricanes Of Miami On Big End Of 19-13 Score "Flyers" Given High Praise

Miami's "Baby Hurricanes" were supposed to have proven the "big wind" in their game with the Cherry Point "Flyers" but encountered a roaring tornado in a determined group of Leathernecks who captured everything but the final score.

With a record of three lopsided collegiate victories, constant scrimmage with the varsity eleven, and the added advantage of playing in front of a partisan crowd at Stranahan Field in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., the local college freshmen had a bitter evening before cing out a 19-13 victory.

**Finishes Strong**

The Marines went strong from start to finish, as 5000 thrilled customers watched the underdog "Flyers" upset the pre-game "dope backers" pushing the stronger Miamians all over the field after falling behind 13-0 in the second quarter.

The locals scored later in the period, on a Sloan to Garrison pass which covered 14 yards, to pull to within 7 points of their opponents, 13-6. In the fourth quarter, Vic Gorham placekicked a perfect extra point to tie up the contest at 13-all, after his teammates had marched 65 yards for another tally. This came after a spine-tingling third period in which the Leathernecks punched to the Miami one yard stripe, only to be held there for four downs.

**Kickoff Return Is "Jinx"**

After scoring their final touchdown, the "Flyers" made their lone mistake of an otherwise brilliant afternoon by kicking off to the "wrong man." In this case it proved to be Mike Vaccio, a New Jersey boy, who lugged the boot back 55 yards for the final six-pointer of the day and presented the Hurricanes with the 19-13 margin they held until the final whistle.

Late in the game, Miami lineman Ray Arcangeletti spoiled the last Cherry Point TD bid when he intercepted a Tom Shepherd pass on his own two yard stripe after the "never say die" Marines drove to the local fifteen. The "Hurricanes" managed to hang onto the ball long enough to emerge from the field a tired and exhausted bunch of victors.

**"Flyers" Outplay Favorites**

Capt. Jack Sloan and his teammates won in the statistics department by notching 12 first downs to

## Quantic Defeats Dago By 21-0; To Engage Bragg Sat.

The powerful Quantic Marines knocked off the Marine Corps Recruit Depot of San Diego by a score of 21-0 last Saturday at Foreman Field in Norfolk, to clinch the 1948 All-Navy football crown.

"Seester" Quinlan, San Diego quarterback, was selected as the outstanding player of the game and was presented a trophy at the conclusion of the contest.

It was Big Joe Bartoes, Dick Ambrogi, and George Gerco all the way as the Virginians rolled ahead in the first quarter and were never threatened. Quantic's center, Jesse, intercepted a pass on the fifty and pranced the sidelines for a TD in the fourth period.

Tomorrow Quantic takes on the Fort Bragg, North Carolina Army team at the University of Maryland stadium in College Park, Md. for the East Coast Service Championship. The game will be a charity contest sponsored by the Washington, D. C. Jr. Chamber of Commerce, and may become the first of an annual event.

9 for their opponents and by leading 240 to 150 in total yardage gained. Miami fumbled four times and on three of these occasions, the "Flyers" recovered. Cherry Point fumbled only once during the game.

Cherry Point	Miami Freshmen
Erickson—LE	Martin
Kreamcheck—LT	Stafford
Diaz—LG	Arcangeletti
Vavrek—C	Lloyd
Bartell—RG	George
Richard—RE	Booyoucas
Gorham—QB	Chwalk
Shepherd—LH	Tremont
Tomopoulos—RH	Vaccio
Simmons—FB	Stolk

Scores By Periods:  
Cherry Point—0 6 0 7—13  
Miami Fresh—0 13 0 6—19

In 1799, according to the then Secretary of the Navy, the Navy's annual food needs were 1,600 bushels of beans and 12,500 pounds of butter.



Al Rossi, who made his first appearance for Cherry Point against Fort Bragg on Dec. 9, put up a good showing in dropping a close three round decision. Rossi expects to obtain revenge on Monday night when the soldiers arrive at the Station Drill Hall for a return match.

## Home Game With Long Islanders Exchanged

The Cherry Point "Flyers" will travel to Mitchell Field, Long Island, on Dec. 20 instead of on January 21, as previously listed in the season's schedule.

Mitchell Field will journey to Cherry Point for their return tilt on Jan. 21 instead of Dec. 29. The original dates were switched due to the Boxing show which will be held in the Station Drill Hall on Dec. 21.

## GENERAL'S CUP

With the end of the Touch Football and Volleyball seasons, the present Intramural Sports in full swing is basketball. Games between the squadrons are being played in the Station Drill Hall, with the first contest starting at 1900. On nights, when there is a Varsity game, there will be only one Intramural tilt.

### This Week's Schedule:

- Monday—Dec. 20  
VMR-252 vs VMF-122  
SMS-14 vs VMP-223
- Tuesday, Dec. 21  
HqSq-MCAS vs VMF-212  
HqSq-2 vs MACG-1
- Wednesday, Dec. 22  
VMT-1 vs HqSq-14  
AES-46 vs VMF-114
- Thursday, Dec. 23  
VMP-354 vs VMF-225  
VMP-122 vs AES-42

### Last Week's Results:

- Thursday, Dec. 9  
VMFN-114 over VMF-225 (forfeit)
- HqSq-14 40—AES-42 23
- Monday, Dec. 13  
AES-41 43—SMS-14 29  
VMP-222 40—HqSq-MCAS 33

## Intramural Wrestling Opens On 20 December

Intramural Wrestling will be the next scheduled sport on the squadron agenda in the race for the General's Cup. All squadrons wishing to field teams in this sport should notify the Athletic Department, in writing, before 1630, 20 December, 1948.

The Intramural wrestling tournament will be run off during January if enough interest is shown in the sport. In the event that insufficient interest is shown, wrestling will be dropped and the next scheduled activity will begin.

## Point Wins In Golf

The Cherry Point Golf team avenged two previous setbacks by finally coming through to beat the New Bernian club, 59-53, in a match on the Cherry Point Links last Sunday.

There were ten foursomes competing, with play getting underway at 1200. SSGT William A. Beverly had the lowest par for the course, a 74, to place first for individual honors.

# Bragg Return Bout Monday To Feature Donatelli; Two Wins By Pointers On 9 Dec.

Coch John Tinsley's newest star, Middleweight Claude Donatelli, is expected to make his flinty debut against Fort Bragg, when the soldiers hook up with the Pointers in a return boxing show at the Station Drill Hall on the night of Dec. 20.

An expecting "packed house" of Cherry Point fight fans may witness the "scrap of the year" if Bragg coach Ray Teja decides to pit experienced Lee Pillim, with an exceptional ring record, against Donatelli.

In addition to Donatelli's debut, Johnny Biancaniello will be on hand to try for his sixth successive win as a member of the boxers, while Rudy Lara, Mike Zecca, Willie Moore and Don Spencer should appear on the card for the Marines.

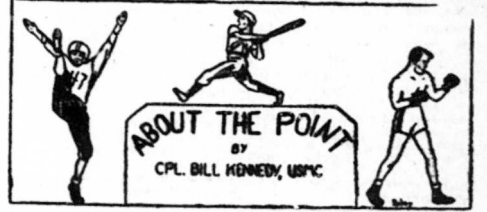
The Pointers will be seeking revenge for their unsuccessful invasion of the Army Post on Dec. 9

that resulted in five out of seven losses for the Leathernecks in their bouts with the doughboys.

Only Johnny Biancaniello and Don Spencer came out on top. Biancaniello had to go "all out" to earn a three round verdict over Bob Brock, Golden Gloves champion, while Spencer licked Bob Richardson in the Light-heavy division. Biancaniello now has five wins against off-station opponents.

Rudy Lara dropped a close decision to Rudy Maciel in the Lightweight class, while Lightweight Al Rossi, Featherweight Bascon Beasley, Middleweight Mike Zecca, and Light-heavyweight Willie Moore all were on the "wrong end" of three round verdicts.

Rossi and Moore, in action for the first time as members of the Cherry Point club, displayed lots of talent in their first time out this season.



A few nights ago, we were talking to Johnny Biancaniello, the undefeated Cherry Point Lightweight, who copped his fifth successive match from Bobby Brock of Fort Bragg on Dec. 9.

Referring to the match, Johnny commented that Brock was "a rough baby." "He was," said Johnny, "a lot harder to lick than Joe Martin (the boy Johnny conquered for his S. E. A. crown on Nov. 16 in Savannah), especially in the first round. But, I started to catch on to his style and hit him quite a bit. I think they credited me with the whole three rounds, and their coach (Lt. Ray Teja) is going to put another boy against me."

Brock, a former Oklahoma "Golden Gloves" champ, showed a lot of ability against Biancaniello, but failed to halt the "Joltin' Jabber" from Phillip.

**Coch Teja Hospitable**

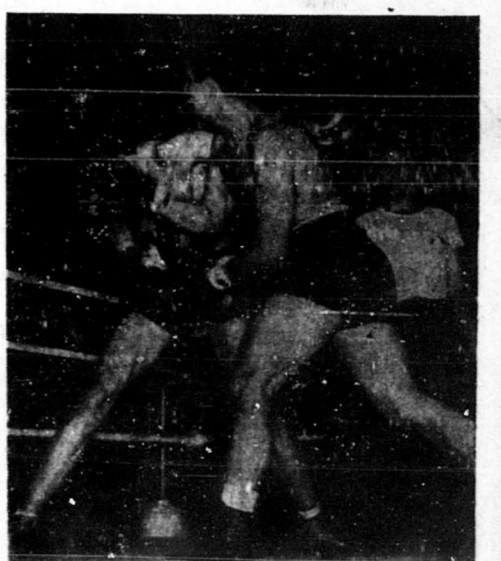
While the fighters were at Fort Bragg, they received swell hospitality from the 82nd and from Bragg Boxing Coach Ray Teja. Teja, who has turned out several top-notch boxing outfits for the Army, has won a place in the hearts of many Cherry Pointers for his sportsmanship in never matching a boy with experience against an opponent of lesser ring knowledge.

**Grasselli Takes Over "Flyers"**

Lt. Al Grasselli has taken over the coaching duties of the Cherry Point Basketball "Flyers." He formerly played with the Phillips "Oilers" and with the Cherry Point Club.



John Biancaniello, Cherry Point pugilist scoring with a hard right to Bob Brock's jaw in the second round of their bout at Fort Bragg 9 December. Brock is Golden Glove champ from Oklahoma. "Blank" won the bout.



Don Spencer, Cherry Point's light-heavyweight, raps a hard right to 82nd division's Bob Richardson's head in the semi-final bout of the evening. Spencer got the nod over his taller opponent.



It does not take a man skilled in magic to win a CASH award under the Beneficial Suggestion program. If you do not believe this, ask Mr. Murry Hall, of the Power Plant! While working for Public Works, Mr. Hall submitted a suggestion relative to "ventilating louvers on speed reducing units, attached to accelerators at Water Treatment Plant." This suggestion has been approved and he is awarded Twenty Dollars! Mr. Hall says this will come in mighty handy in playing Santa Claus to the children in this picture!

**IN MEMORIAM**  
It was with deep regret and a sincere feeling of loss that we learned of the death of William (Mike) Fisher.  
A veteran of naval service in World War II and a member of the Cherry Point post of Disable American Veterans, Mr. Fisher has been employed in the Structures Section, Processes Division, of O&R since 1944. He was a cheerful and loyal worker and his presence will be greatly missed in the Department.  
The body was shipped to Wheeling, West Virginia, for burial. He is survived by the late Henry and Mary Helay Fisher, of Wheeling, he is survived by his wife, Helen Brumenberg Fisher; and three brothers.

**PUBLIC WORKS**  
Mattie Kelley has taken Kay Morris' place on the "trouble desk" at Maintenance, since Kay is busy with arroseaus, orange blossoms, and such... Lulu Powikes has made a transfer to O&R... Cleo Brinson's birthday falls on Christmas Day... Ollie Allen also celebrates his birthday this month... Tom Ligon is now Publicity Chairman of the Havelock PTA... John Gaskins and Walter Rhodes have resigned and Eugene Perry is back at work... new employees at Edenton include: Aubrey Jones, Orville Williams, Edward Wood, Leslie Nixon, John Spivey, James White, Jr., John Narriner, Durward Travis, William Fuqua, Joe Johnson, Bonnie Holland and John Bond. Hello! Hello! Hello! Gene Tinkle and H. L. Brown made a flying trip to Norfolk in connection with construction of the engine test cell job... John Frye and J. A. Smith have made trips to Edenton. By the way, we hear Lt. Comdr. vonKeller, the ROinCC at Edenton, was involved in an auto accident that resulted in a trip to the hospital. He is said to be recuperating nicely now!

**Industrial Relations**  
Today we salute "Pop" Oliver our Training supervisor, who has the distinction of celebrating his birthday on Christmas Day! May many happy returns, "Pop"!

**NAVY SUPPLY**  
Back from a two weeks vacation tour of North Carolina is Evelyn Lockey. She said, "Shore had a good time and I am ready to go back any time!"... Gather around, folks, and we'll send a "Speedy Recovery" cheer note to Lydye Jontz, who is ill at her home. Also, we can scratch Annie Lane's and Anna Clyde Swindell's names from the sick list, will have both of you back... While most of Supply employees enjoyed a quiet weekend at home "just a-sitting and a-snoozing, Anita Hood Shoppes in Kingston-Jimmy Parrish jaunted to Greenville to see frineds-Peggy Powell visited a special friend in Washington -Loise Bailey shopped in Raleigh-Elsie Morton and husband visited relatives in Washington, N. C.-Carrie Winger was guest at a party held at Street's Ferry and-say -Lucille and Mac have a '48 convertible-

W. G. Potter is back from his trip to El Toro, Alameda, and San Diego, California, where he made a study of fiscal procedures, and manhour accounting. His trip was made along with O and R employees. Mr. and Mrs. Ernie M. Jarvis announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Ruth, to Cpl. Ernest Guthrie, USMC... Our congratulations go to Elsie Hamilton, Disbursing and Pay Matter, Preservation Section, on their recent promotions. Good time to be getting promotions, with Christmas just around the corner.  
Say, have you seen the snazzy new DeSoto convertible Fred Delisle. Inspection is driving? He says "He begins at 40."  
Proctor Sermons is having turkey for Christmas, after all! Yeh! Her son shot a huge wild turkey! He has the distinction of being the first "man" in the entire family to ever shoot a turkey!

The setrny rattled off general and special orders perfectly. The OOD looked pleased and said, "Fine, everything's fine!"  
"Not only that," added the guard with a wink, "I've got some Scotch, sir, Wanna drink?"  
"Corporal of the guard," yelled the infuriated OOD, "Shhh!"  
"Shhh!" snubbed the rookie. "There ain't enough for three."  
To a destroyer whose light was visible at night, the convoy commander signaled: "Pardon me, but your ship is showing."  
Barber: "Haven't I shaved you somewhere before?"  
Sailor: "Nope, I got that scar in the battle of Lingayan Gulf."

**OVERHAUL & REPAIR**  
With Christmas just around the corner, I decided to make a visit around and find out where some of our employees will be to welcome "Ole Saint Nick." Kay Peschek will be in Florida... Lila Kirk is going to Rhode Island... Kendall Christenson to Wisconsin... The Kenneth Boyer's will be in Virginia... The Silverbergs to New York... The Peter Evans to Pittsburgh... and the Ernest Provo's to Buffalo, N.Y. and the Larry Hodgson's to Washington, D. C.

We have a few employees who are celebrating birthdays this month, three who are Christmas Day babies-Dorothy Hopkins, Mary McLeillon, and James Gentry. We know of one who was born the day after Christmas, Lillian Howard. Also celebrating birthdays (some past) are: Cecil Kudd, Marilyn Powell, Frances Skinner, Adele Mitchell, Elmo Truitt, Thomas Posey, Herbert Beck, Lyda Jenkins, Jasper Daniels, Julian Piver, Virginia Turner, Gabe Jolly, Tyler Dunlap, John Cahoon, Ruthen Early, Letha Cullum, Bonnie Nault, Betty Harrison, Asa Martin, Ivy Gillikin, James Mills. Happy Birthday to all mentioned, and to anyone else who has a birthday in December!

Ray and Ed Nelson took 2 hours precious annual leave recently just to go to town to see "Ole Saint Nick." We hear Nora Shook also took off and went to Raleigh to see Santa Claus!

We are sorry to hear that Leonard Shanklin is in the hospital at Camp Lejeune... that Allan Branch is still on the sick list... and of the passing of Mike Fisher who was beloved by all!  
We have recently said good-bye to James Sawyer, James Hardison, Garland Conley, Jolson Russell, and Merlin Edmonds... and say hello to Joseph Willis, Ronald Parker, and Preston Bateman!  
Raeford Rawls is the proud Papa of a baby boy... Charles Turner tells us he has "housemaid knee" since their baby girl arrived... and Druzella Gleaves is taking time off, awaiting a call from Mr. Stork!

The first two "lucky" men from O&R to receive "Greetings" from Uncle Sam are Paul Bowden and Stanley Rawls! They left last week!  
That's all for this time folks! Sure would appreciate a call now and then at 6219, to help out with the news!

**Quotable Quotes**  
From the HAVELOCK NEWS we once again quote: "Wm. (Sonny) Sykes was a visitor in Beaufort recently... Early Douthit and party went bear hunting and Elsie was the lucky she. We hear bear-burgers are fine... W. L. Sutton made a recent trip and brought back a new Pontiac G. M. Rouse became a "convert" right away, and traded in for a Pontiac also... Duss White was active in the beagle field trials in New Bern... Quartermen-Leadingman Association commemorates the installation of newly elected officers at a banquet given at the Blue Ribbon Club. An excellent turkey dinner was enjoyed by around 80 guests... Mrs. W. H. Setmbridge has returned from Georgia where she was called recently due to the illness of her father. His condition is reported to be improved."

**Navy Department**  
The Navy Department Beneficial Association, of Washington, D. C., is now launching a promotional campaign for new members, and at the same time, are announcing that present members may apply for fourth and fifth units of insurance according with a revised schedule!  
For the benefit of those who may not be familiar with the Association, the following information is given: It is composed of fellow employees, organized and opened solely for the mutual benefit and common welfare of its members in order to provide group life insurance at reasonable cost. Unlike "commercial" group insurance, the insurance issued through the Association may be continued after separation from the Government service. It now has approximately 34,000 members!  
Dues are payable directly to the Navy Department Beneficial Association, and may be paid quarterly, semi-annually, or annually in advance. The rate is \$1.00 per month for each unit certificate, plus an extra dollar entrance fee.  
A supply of folders and applications are now available in each personnel office, or they may be secured from Mrs. Lyda Jenkins, the representative at Cherry Point, located in the PW personnel office. Her telephone number is 8228.

**Congratulations**  
The records show that you worked the entire month of November without a lost time accident! Congratulations on the exposure, this is an achievement of which you can feel justly proud!  
An analysis of the accidents reports submitted to the Safety Office for the past several months shows a definite trend toward improvement in your accident prevention efforts. There are marked indications that most supervisors are REALLY THINKING of ways and means of preventing accidents to employees under their supervision. This reflects a healthy condition and is worthy of commendation. KEEP IT UP!  
As a result of your safety performance during November, this station is within "striking" distance of earning the Secretary of the Navy's award for outstanding achievement in safety for the year 1948. ALL hands are urged to THINK, TALK, and ACTIVE safety during December! If we can win this award, the pride of accomplishment we can all feel will be well worth the effort.  
The staff of the Safety Office extends sincere good wishes to all for a SAFE and a happy holiday season.  
"BE CAREFUL! THE LIFE YOU SAVE MAY BE YOUR OWN!"

**Savings Bonds**  
This is the season when we commemorate the fact that our forefathers set aside a day on which to give thanks for the earth's bounty, for the harvest which guaranteed their security for the coming year. Those of us who are buying Savings Bonds regularly through Payroll Savings fully appreciate the value of that guaranteed harvest, for that's what our Payroll Savings Bonds are building every payday. After all, there's no better time to save for what's ahead than NOW, when your earning power's up, and there's no safer, surer way than through Savings Bonds. So, make sure of your own personal harvest. Make sure that your future has a surety you'll have what it takes to satisfy them.



**"Pop" Oliver**  
Irene Bunch says she is getting to be a regular "fingerprint widow" since her husband has to go to Edenton every week to fingerprint the new personnel being employed there... Burlon Lamm is not only playing Santa Claus to his own children, but to some of the neighborhood youngsters, as well. This issue is the "awan song edition" for your present editor. Farewells are unpleasant to most folks and certainly so to me. Therefore, I take my leave of you with heartfelt thanks to the Department reporters for their cooperation in helping publish this page, and to the various messengers for the "extra" services rendered. As I am not leaving the Base, our paths will cross again, so this is a farewell, not a goodbye! Merry Christmas to all! Signed: Elsie Delisle!

Those wedding bells you hear tinkling are for Violet Garner, who they say is to take the vows on Xmas Eve, at Newport, N. C.  
Lee Atkinson received a Beneficial Suggestion award last week for an idea submitted by him in regard to the runway lighting system. This will result in a reduction of maintenance costs. The award was made by Lt. H. M. Cahn, of the PW Office, who read the congratulatory letter and presented Mr. Atkinson with a sizeable check. This suggestion is to be considered for application at other SStations, in which event he may receive an additional award. Recognition of the commmeration was no new experience to Mr. Atkinson as he previously received an award from the Norfolk Navy Yard, in connection with a suggestion in regard to the electrical distribution system there.

**NO TIME**  
I have no time to find fault with others.  
I have too many faults of my own;  
While I, myself, may not know them,  
I'm sure that to others they're known.  
I have no time for idle gossip,  
It may all be a lie.  
And soon the story will die out  
If everyone passes it by.  
I have no time to believe everything I hear.  
And to others the story repeat:  
I would rather obey the Golden Rule.  
And be kind to all whom I meet.  
I have no time to listen to those who tell  
Something to stir up strife.  
Far better to tell of good deeds done.  
And brighten the journey of life.  
I have no time to be moody and lonely.  
No time to be gloomy and sad.  
It takes all my spare time planning  
How I can help to make others glad.

A lady came into a room in a well known hotel and saw a government official whom she recognized pacing up and down. The lady asked what he was doing there. "I'm going to deliver a speech," she was told. "Do you usually find that you get very nervous before addressing a large audience?" "Nervous? No I never get nervous," he said. "In that case," demanded the lady, "What are you doing in the Ladies' Room?"

News from all clubs and offices will appear on this page. Items printed on this page are paid for from the funds contributed by the Civilian Cafeteria. Contributions should be made to the Industrial Relations Office 105 W. Washington Street, Beaufort, N. C. 28516. Address all communications to the Industrial Relations Office, Room 1215, Station Administration Building.

**Norfolk "Ham"**  
A regular visitor to Cherry Point is Mr. R. J. Bishop, Electronics Engineer, a representative of the Electronics Officer, Norfolk Navy Shipyard. He makes a monthly routine inspection of all electronic equipment at this activity. Ground checks are made in each leg of the radio range station from a specially-equipped electronic truck. The GCA Unit is checked thoroughly with the assistance of our local Marine technicians, and where possible, practice runs are made to determine if the overall maintenance efficiency.

During his visits here, Mr. Bishop contacts Captain D. L. Forde, Communications Officer, Captain Layton, of the GCA Unit, Adam Mace, civilian radio technician, the Industrial Relations Office, and many others. He wishes to thank one and all for the splendid co-operating shown him in these contacts.  
When at home in Norfolk, Mr. Bishop makes contacts with "ham" (amateur radio operators) operators throughout the State. A short wave station is WJSLR, and at present is being heard on 75 and 20 meter phone bands. Try to "tune him in," your local ham.

Mary had a little lamb,  
A lobster and some prunes,  
A glass of milk, a piece of pie,  
And then some macaroons;  
It made the naughty waiters  
To see her order so;  
And when they carried Mary off,  
Her face was white as snow.

Women's faults are many.  
Men have only two:  
Everything they say,  
And everything they do.

Bride: "I'm sick of marriage! Bill hasn't kissed me since I came back from my honeymoon!"  
Friend: "Why don't you divorce him?"  
Bride: "Oh, I'm not married, Bill!"

Payroll Savings Takes all the hard work out of saving. This convenient partial-payment plan of regular savings through U. S. Savings Bonds is entirely automatic. You sign up ONCE, right when you work. Every payday there after, while you work for your money, your money's working for you!

## VMF-223

By Lt. L. A. L. ...  
Congratulations are in order for 1stLt. and Mrs. Robert L. NELSON. He's a seven-pound girl. Arrival, December 11, 1948!

The squadron party at Hancock Lodge last Friday night was the best yet. Guest of honor was LtCol. AUGERBECK. Movies of the last party and of squadron flight operations were shown by 1stLt. O. L. STEPHENSON were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

VMF-223 lost a thriller to the AES-16 basketball team December 7 in a preliminary to the station varsity game. After trailing by a large margin in the first half, VMF-223 came up to out-score AES-16 18 to 3 in the second half and come within 3 points of the opposing team's score when game time ended. AES-16 was forced to stall in the closing minutes of the game in order to halt the scoring thrust developed in the second half by VMF-223. Major Tom MANN played a bang up game on defense and Pic. Tom ANDERSON led in the point-making department with a total of 7 points. New additions to the team are expected to improve the team considerably.

VMF-223 came back strongly in their second scheduled contest of the season to overwhelm Hedron Two 37-15 and establish themselves as strong contenders in the intramural race. Pic. Carroll ENFOR, who hails from neighboring South Carolina, led the scoring attack with a grand total of 20. Pic. Tom ANDERSON was second with 13 and Tom MANN third with 10. Recent additions have boosted the total strength of the team with several of the team members showing promise of basketball adaptability in future outings.

## VMR-252

By Lt. G. A. Johnston

The "VMR Commandos," our up and coming basketball team in case you haven't heard) made the local airway sport reviews on station WMBL Tuesday morning by holding the Newport "Independents" of the Tidewater League (Semi-pro) to a 45-43 score.

The shining lights of Monday night's game at the Newport High Gym proved to be "Chlie" Berke with 18 points, "Johnny" Sobley with 14 points, and "Mike" Seelap with 8 points. According to Coach MSet, Harry J. Longstreth, the entire squad played a bang-up ball game leading 36-26 up until the last four minutes of play when they became a little over-zealous and drew a total of 7 fouls. At any rate we feel quite confident that the intramural station league will find our "Commandos" a tough nut to crack.

A return match with Newport will be played tonight at 1930 at the Newport High Gym.

## VMF-461

By Emil Skocpol

A loud moan echoed from the rafters of every office in VMF-461 last Friday when the Windsock displayed a spread of four pictures taken on the squadron's recent cruise—and then credited them to another squadron!!!

Just to square the record, here is the story on those pictures. They were taken on 6 Nov. as the USS Flamingo approached Newfoundland on its cold-weather cruise. Complete identification of the recognizable personnel include, besides Ship's LSO Ingraham, the following:

1stLt. William Smart, sitting on signal platform, and Pic. William J. Ives giving the thumbs-up signal. Capt. Frank "Red" Thomas, and 1stLt. Ed McQuillan, standing behind Ingraham. Maj. Donald P. Frame making the landing in picture No. 3, and 1stLt. Leo Jillsky, in the cockpit in the fourth shot. The tail signman is SSgt. R. A. Schmitt and the checkmate are Pic. J. W. Harris and B. D. Weaver.

VMF-461 bids good-bye this week to two officers, 1stLts. Don Hinshaw and Gaile "Red" Wallis. Having completed their two-year tour as carrier squadron, both of them were assigned to the new VMF-224.

Taking their places are two more 1stLts, Cleveland C. Barry and Richard H. Peacock.

Also joining this week include, 1stLt. Harold R. Hughes filling a vacant spot as a carburetor mechanic and Cpl. Albert N. Froede.

# THE SQUADRONS REPORT



Typical scene in Cherry Point Tower as AES-16 personnel "bring in" twenty-odd Corsairs returning from a hop. Seeding left to right are Pic. Fred T. Bobrek spotting plane numbers; TSgt. John M. Moran giving visual light signals to planes unable to carry; or voice communications; Sgt. Howard V. Crittendon logging all planes in and out; and MSgt. John H. Du Boise giving instructions to all aircraft in the area via radio.

## OPERATIONS

By TSgt. James L. Thomas

This is the initial report of activities at Station Operations at Cherry Point. This is the Grand Central Terminal of Cherry Point, and you will only have to spend one day down here to find out. All of your Air Traffic in or out of Cherry Point passes through the Clearance Center.

The men at the switches are the boys who operate the Tower. The traffic cop on the corner has a picnic compared to the job these fellows have to handle each day. Then, if you want to see a sharp and fast outfit on the job, just watch the Crash Crew go into action in an emergency. These boys have made many a pilot in a tight spot very happy.

The Aerology Section is nothing to sneeze at (I can see myself being fired for that pun), and watch the skies for weather all over the country. Communications follows the aircraft all the way through, on most of their flights and can usually tell you where they are.

The Photo Lab is another one of the factors that go into Air Operations at the Point, and is responsible for the photos of the field as well as the outlying fields. We have the Air Space Dispatcher, one of the most popular fellows on the Base, whose job it is to see who goes the quickest to his destination via the well-known priority system.

Everyone here got ready for the Inspector General like most of the Base, so news was more or less hard to get. This past week TSgt. William T. Flynn came into the Operations Office with a cigar in one hand and a tax exemption slip in the other, to announce the birth of a son in his home.

## VMF-212

By Lt. C. M. Green

This squadron commanded by Major Robert A. Merchant, Jr., from Washington, D. C., is slowly being brought up to authorized pilot strength.

Recently joined are Major W. E. Gregory, Capt. J. R. Dyer, 1stLt. O. O. Arnold, 1stLt. C. M. Green, 2ndLt. A. J. Johnson, and 2ndLt. W. E. Boyles.

On Friday, December 10th, the squadron participated in the MAG-24 coordinated strike.

The squadron is now in preparation for the Kitty Hawk Demonstration of Friday, December 17, 1948, today.

## Fighter Squadron

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By Lt. B. B. Sessions

Wednesday afternoon there was an enlisted men's party at Stocum Creek Park, starting with softball and touch-football games. Although these games were quite interesting, the highlight of the afternoon was the tackle-football game. It was amazing to watch the spectacular runs and tackles. It was puzzling to those who observed, how practically every player on the field seemed to be in on every play. Many of the players proved to be skillful masters of football strategy.

Sunday afternoon, December 5, Lt. McCaleb and family were in their speed boat skimming through the waters of Hancock Creek when in a rather sharp turn, little Alfred McCaleb, who is four years old, fell out. Almost simultaneously, the motor flew loose from

the boat. Lt. McCaleb, loaded down with shot gun shells and other hunting gear, jumped into the water and swam to his son who fortunately was managing to stay afloat.

## AES-11

By Lt. D. F. Millesen

Six promotions have been made with dates of rank from 10 Dec. J. F. Kincaid was promoted to Tech. Sgt. F. X. Lebeau, G. W. Gafford, P. F. Moore, S. D. Tomaszewski, and R. E. Schneringer were boosted to Staff Sgt.

The Squadron, as a whole, was busily preparing for the Inspection General during the past week. The Squadron Commander reports complete cooperation from all hands in the "readiness" program.

Lt. Robert B. Dowdy has been assigned T.A.D. to burial detail in Chicago for several weeks. He is scheduled to leave sometime after the first of the year.

## VMF-122

By 1stLt. Curtis D. Fernigan

Members of the VMF-122 staff team have left these parts for warmer climates again. They departed Monday afternoon with their first stop Montgomery, Ala.; then to Pensacola, Florida, where they will present a series of Air Shows at Curry, Sandeys, and Cavalier Fields for the Naval Aviation Cadets for Pensacola. The members of the stunt team for this trip are LtCol. M. E. Carl, leading, Capt. D. H. Johnson and Lt. W. E. Domina, flying wing, and Lt. V. J. Marzello in the number four position. Lt. Walter Panichson is flying the spare plane. They also expect to perform Friday at Kitty Hawk, N. C., during the ceremony celebrating the First Flight of the Wright Brothers airplane at Kill Devil Hill.

LtCol. Carl has also received an invitation to a dinner at the Aero Club in Washington, D. C., on Friday, December 17, 1948, at which time he will be presented the Falgout Medal.

MSgt. H. Britt, TSgt. C. R. Kilborn, TSgt. C. L. Dillard, Sgt. G. W. Masson, Sgt. L. K. Carpenter and Cpl. D. T. Wilson departed with the stunt team for the Air Show in Pensacola.

SSgt. O. V. Beaty was high man for VMF-122 on the ride range this week having turned in a cool 251.

All roller-skating fans contact Pic. B. B. Davis. It seems that Greenville is the best available skating ground hereabouts and plans for a skating club might be drawn up. Interested personnel get in touch with Davis and bring your own pillows.

## VMF-224

By Capt. V. E. Allen

This past week there have been several transfers affecting the personnel in this squadron. Several officers have been transferred to VMF-225 and VMF-461 to fill these squadron's quotas and give the officers a chance to complete the carrier phase of the training syllabus and maintain their valid carrier qualifications. The officers transferred were Captains E. M. STAPLES, F. R. COLLEN, E. C. TORRETT; 1stLt. A. W. BLACKBURN to VMF-225; 1stLts. C. C. BARRY and R. E. PEACOCK to VMF-461.

The squadron felt the transfer of 1stLt. G. W. PARKER and fourteen trained enlisted men to the new Service Group (MWSG-2) recently formed. Meanwhile the squadron has skeletonized its crews and spread the work load out among the remaining officers to fill in for the transitional period until the Service Group relieves the squadron of some of its maintenance problems.



MARINE CORPS FIGHTER, 1934 vintage. Pix taken at North Island, San Diego, about 1941. The plane is a "red-hot" Boeing Stearman, tagged as the F4B-1. In the cockpit is Bill Word, then a Warrant Officer, now a Major. Note the open cockpit and fabric covered wings.

# OFFICER'S SOCIETY NOTES

By Paul Witte

As of this week Monte Rumbold retires to the quite (?) life of bidding farewells and packing household and family off for sixty days leave and . . . Ewa. If it weren't T. H. Monte, I'd weep a tear or two but knowing your love of sunshine and play, 't would never do. And so with, or because of this, I say hello and may we grow to be old friends.

Someone goes, someone comes—Gunny Gribbin was honored Thursday night when a surprise shower by Lucy Forde at her quarters. Sixteen guests attended, partook of delicious ice cream and frothy pink and blue cake while Old Dr. "I'll Fix It" Stork winked down on them from the center of the table sprinkled with gifts. Her's wishing expected Tom, Jr. a speedy birthday.

Also on Thursday Chaplain and Mrs. Curtis were hosts of a dinner party for the other chaplains and their wives at the club. After dinner chit-chat was continued at the Curtis's quarters.

Friday was evidently annual squadron nite with three big parties. The first of these being VMP-551 who joined forces for cocktails at the Chess Bar from 7 to 11. VMP-223 whooped it up at Hancock, at what I am told was the most successful party yet attended by that squadron. Cocktails were served starting at 6:30 till a dinner that would make any gobbler proud to head of a set forth. Lt. Stevens showed home movies of previous squadron parties and activities while after dinner drinks were served to the overstuffed guests who danced it off till "Two O'Clock in The Morning." Also VMP-122 took over the Blue Ribbon, their steaks were extra for an evening of stunts, movies, singing and the two step. The fun flowed freely, to say the least.

Saturday sun shone down on a lousy Gilchrist household preparing for one of the gayest cocktail parties of the winter season. Sixty guests devoured the canapes that not only looked good but were. The party progressed to the club for dancing.

HEADLINES . . . Inspectors visit Cherry Point. Gen. and Mrs. Field Harris welcomed them Sun-

day with a cocktail party in their quarters followed by dinner at the club. Col. and Mrs. Boyden, Col. and Mrs. Bailey, Col. and Mrs. Mann and Col. Jack completed the welcoming committee.

Other visiting fremen with us this week were Gen. Robert Blake, Inspector General, who was guest of Col. and Mrs. Jack; Mrs. Wallace, who has come to be on hand for the arrival of Lt. and Mrs. Monroe's second heir; Mrs. W. J. Hardee and Mrs. W. S. Bost from Greenville, who were visiting Lt. and Mrs. R. E. Wase.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Gonsler and daughter, Laura, parents and sister of Mrs. G. F. Vaughn; Lt. and Mrs. Bowers here visiting Mrs. Bowers sister, Mrs. A. S. Walker, from Walker Air Base in New Mexico; The parents of Mrs. Art Adams, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Watson from Minneapolis; and Miss Eleanor Watson who is here from Renoak, Va. visiting Miss Annis Walker.

Monte and Chuck Rumbold left here Wednesday still dizzy from the week-end whirl of parties that started with a bridge luncheon on Thursday given by Jean Moret at her home. Friday Lt. and Mrs. Charles Egan entertained them with a cocktail party in their home in Havelock. On the following Sunday Capt. and Mrs. Wm. Porter threw a "wizz bar;" party for them at their home in the MOQ area. Both Martha and Marie were smart and put the honoree to work on the canapes for which Monte has long been famous. Now that the farewell whirl has died into a soft memory the many friends and well wishers of the Rumbolds can calmly go about preparing a Xmas rush all their very own.

And while we are talking of Xmas fun and family life let us welcome home Dick Hopper from Duke, Mary Ellen Blackwell from Mt. Holyoke, and Peggy Montgomery from Immaculata Seminary. Three homes where Yuletide cheer has started to shine a little brighter.

The wives of VMP-461 had their monthly bridge luncheon on Tuesday. The acting hostesses were Rosilee Ingle and Bobby Caswell. Ladonna Sullivan walked away with bridge honors this time.

And so, as all good tales will do, this ends. Don't let life grow dull—Have Fun—Then call 6101.

## Marines Members Of Norway Group

(SFA)—Four U. S. Marines of USS Valley Forge (CV 45) have received membership cards in the Norwegian Rifle and Pistol Association as a result of their participation in matches conducted at

Bergen, Norway. In addition to the membership cards, which were presented through the American consulate at Oslo, the four men were awarded engraved silver cups by the commanding officer of Valley Forge.

The four Leathernecks are TSgt. Wayne D. Shafer, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Cpl. Ronald A. Thayer, Compton, Calif.; Cpl. Charles Garcia, San Antonio, Tex.; and PFC Woodbury E. Phillips, Malden, Mass.



### ONLY 6 SHOPPING DAYS TILL XMAS

## Girl Scouts Have Successful Xmas Party Last Night

The girl scouts of Cherry Point had a Christmas Party for its members at the Lucky Lodge scout cabin last night. At 7:00 o'clock the girls made their appearance with their escorts. The majority of the girls went formal, which made the party very colorful.

The decorations, which included a large Christmas tree and a Christmas Cake supplied by the station bakery, helped to give the cabin a pleasant atmosphere.

Presentations from the tree scout leaders to each member were under the tree. Each scout drew names to determine the distribution of the presents.

For entertainment the girls and boys played records, danced, and played a few games. Chaplain Winters and Mrs. Winters, who helped to make the party success, were also present.

The party came to a close at 9:30 and everyone left after an enjoyable evening of fun.

## SHOPPING TIPS

Some Christmas shopping tips come from the Post Exchange. For grownups there is the swell Zodiac, 17 Jeweled, Gold Filled, Automatic Watch with the sweep second hand for only \$34.50.

The Toy Department, topside, has many gifts for the children. These are featured elsewhere in today's issue of the WINDSOCK. The Commissary has five-pound boxes of OLD DOMINION candy for \$4.70. Speaking of Xmas presents, one should take a look at the plastic momma kangaroo with the pouch in her pouch that jumps when a bulb is pressed. This would go well, it is believed, with any child and might even amuse the husbands.



By Lu Tomlinson  
I called the Windsock last week to announce that we, the A. F. were going to celebrate our fifth wedding anniversary the 10th, congratulated us—then gave me this column to write as an anniversary present. (Dear Emily: Do I thank them or not!)

Howdy to . . . MSgt. and Mrs. Ben. Arnello . . . 695B, HM-1 and Albert Mitchell . . . 535A, SSgt. and Mrs. Charles Miller . . . 541A, and Mrs. George Heismerman . . . 672B, TSgt. and Mrs. James Hoffman . . . 547A, TSgt. and Mrs. William Hall, Jr. . . . 854A, TSgt. and Herman G. Traweck . . . 975A, MSgt. and Mrs. John J. Bobin . . . Master John W. Wildman was host to eighteen children and mothers at a party given by his parents, TSgt. and Mrs. M. J. Wildman at his home in MEMQ. The occasion was his second birthday, December 7th. The color scheme of green and white was carried out in festive table decorations and favors, the criss-crossed streamers in the living room, and on the beautiful cake. They played games, opened the many lovely gifts and then had refreshments. John's grandmother, Mrs. Julia Jenetti, assisted in the cake cutting.

A wax torch impressed by the general appearance of the waitress, the Staff NCO Club. I'd like to personally compliment Corporal S. on the pleasant and efficient way he waits on us customers and the neat appearance of the bar.

Mrs. Virginia Carey was hostess to the Wed. nite sewing club and pre-Xmas party. The eleven members exchanged gifts and had fun.

I am very happy to report that MSgt. J. E. Davey's two year daughter is recovering rapidly. (Coral fell off the kitchen stool Nov. 10 and fractured her leg.) However, she will have to wear the cast for the remainder of this month.

Shirley Savage's parents arrived last weekend to spend the Holiday with "Doc" and Shirley. Sgt. Savage is a radio man with 212 and Shirley is Mr. Murray's secretary at the base bank.

MSgt. and Mrs. Major Greys are delighted with their new Mercury. Joyce recently spent two weeks in Massapequa, Long Island helping Major's sister with her new baby.

SSgt. Herb Kroeger reports that if you crave duck for your Xmas dinner, you'll have to buy it frozen in the Commissary meat department hunting last week-end and didn't even see one.

Of the 50 per cent of the base personnel who rate Xmas best, TSgt. "Pete" Patella and his family have already left for Nashville, Tenn. TSgt. "Hank" Gaskin plans to leave the 19th to be with wife and little girl in Chicago. I understand that Mrs. Hank is expecting a blessed bundle in January.

Thank you for your interest in your column and, for the copy of excellent Xmas punch (with a wallop) recipe, call me at 8159 any day.

## Officers' Wives Club

By Ann Sloan

The Officers' Wives Club held their annual Christmas tea on Tuesday Dec. 14 in the Main Lounge of the Officers' Club. A musical program was presented by Miss Catherine Latta of New Bern as soprano soloist. Her selections were "Jesu Bambino," "An Alpine Carol," and "O Holy Night."

Miss Latta was accompanied by Mrs. R. H. Twisdale. Mrs. Twisdale also played her own arrangement of "White Christmas" as a piano solo.

Following the musical program tea was served.

The lounge was beautifully decorated with Christmas candles and holly. Ladies responsible for the decorations were Mrs. J. C. Aggerbeck, Mrs. O. G. Bunker and Mrs. M. R. Reed, Jr.

There were several guests from the New Bern Womens Club at the tea.

Mrs. C. S. Rumbold prepared the very delicious tea sandwiches and hors d'oeuvres.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. J. H. King, Jr., Mrs. J. A.

## Air Force Selecting Academy Graduates

(SEA)—The Air Force, for the first time, has been authorized to select a certain part of the Naval Academy graduating class for commissioning as second lieutenants in the Air Force.

Ordered by Secretary of Defense James Forrestal, the measure provides for the selection of Air Force officers from West Point. Approximately seven per cent of about 50 officers—of the Naval Academy's 1949 graduating class may be assigned, on a voluntary basis, to the Air Force. By the same directive, up to 40 per cent of this year's military academy graduates will be made available to the Air Force by the Army.

Gilchrist, Mrs. R. F. Conley, Mrs. J. R. Sloan.

INTEREST GROUPS  
Interest groups of the Officers' Wives Club will be temporarily discontinued until after the holidays.

