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WHEELS
Pic. Frank V. Loring, ABS-21, watches as Pic. Clarence C. Hitt, ABS-22, gives an incoming Marine pilot the "roger" signal, meaning that his wheels are down, and it is safe for him to come in for a landing. Both men are members of the newly inaugurated "wheels watch" which saved the government over \$260,000 in valuable aviation equipment during the first nine days of operation.

Station Sgt. Major Wheels Watch Saves Retires On 30 Years \$260,000 In Nine Days

LONG CAREER SPICED WITH ADVENTURE AND TRAVEL

By Bob Page

On Dec. 1st, Headquarters Station held a parade in honor of a man who has given more than thirty-two years of service to his country and the Marine Corps. While to some it was just another day, to Master Sergeant Warren S. Russell, it climaxed many years of both hard and exciting service which brought him to many parts of the world.

MSgt. Russell, who hails from Troy, Missouri, enlisted in the Marine Corps on Nov. 23, 1917 at Chicago, Ill. He was sent to Farris Island, S. C. for his boot training, and upon completion of boot camp, was assigned to Marine Barracks, Brooklyn Navy Yard, New York, N. Y.

Upon completion of his first enlistment, Russell reenlisted and his tours of duty took him to many places that are familiar names to all Marines. Such places as Nicaragua, China, Guam, the Philippines, along with duty aboard six different types of ships.

On June 26, 1942, the veteran Leatherneck was transferred to Cherry Point from the Marine Corps Air Station, Eagle Mountain Lake, Texas. One of his first assignments on the base was that of Personnel Sergeant Major, until three years later when he was assigned as Station Sergeant Major.

When asked about what he considered his most exciting experience (See SGT. MAJ. RUSSELL Page 8)



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Moving Soon? ... Uncle Sam'll Do It

Good news for all Cherry Point Marines with household effects that must be moved from private quarters to quarters on the station. A recent authorization from Commandant, Marine Corps, states that all such household items shall be moved at the expense of the government. The new order will result in a great saving to individuals, as they will not have to hire private movers at their own expense when assignment to government quarters is received.

NEW SYSTEM REAPS LARGE DIVIDENDS IN FIRST FEW DAYS OF OPERATIONS. . .

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Through their quick thinking and alertness, in just nine days, three enlisted men have saved the government over two hundred and sixty thousand dollars, enough money to pay their combined salaries for eighty-three years.

Because many accidents on the field runway are caused by planes coming in to land with their landing gear not completely down, Cherry Point started a program designed to protect unsuspecting pilots. With Lieutenant E. W. Carmichael as officer-in-charge, a "wheels watch" was started with men supplied from the station crash crew.

The "watch" which starts at 0800 and runs for 30 hours, with relief every 2 hours, proved itself to be a valuable asset to the flight line immediately. Within its first two days of operation, two of the men on duty whose total pay per month is approximately one hundred and eighty two dollars, saved the Marine Corps over one hundred and forty thousand dollars. And within the first nine days of operation, over two hundred and sixty thousand (See "WHEELS WATCH" Page 8)

FOREIGN STATION

Good Duty Ahead For Qualified Sgts.

By Bob Page

The Commandant's office has announced that the Marine Corps is contemplating replacements in the near future, for all hands that are at present assigned to foreign duty with small, independent detachments throughout the world.

All enlisted personnel from the rank of buck sergeant and above, may put in for this type of duty through official channels. This duty, considered one of the best of his kind in the Corps, will take men to all parts of the world. To qualify, the applicant must: a—be a second-generation born American, b—have a minimum of two years prior service, c—have thirty months to do on current enlistment, d—he must be single, e—must remain so during assignment, f—the applicant must possess a mature behavior, be of good character, and f—he must have a new toward international good-will.

GIFT WRAPPING SERVICE

Christmas Wrapping Service will be available again this year in the Red Cross Building. It will be open from December 5 through December 24, and hours are as follows:
December 5-9—10 A. M. to 5 P. M.
December 10-9 A. M. to 1:30 P. M.
December 12-16—9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
December 17-9 A. M. to 1:30 P. M.
December 19-23—9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
December 24—9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

This service is primarily for enlisted men living in the barracks and bachelor officers. This project is sponsored by the Red Cross Volunteer Services and is under the supervision of Mrs. C. C. Pruitt, Jr. If you are interested in helping, please call Mrs. Pruitt at

Annual Inspection

Inspection Party Arrives Sunday

Led by Colonel J. A. Smaek, the Inspector General's representatives will arrive Sunday afternoon to conduct their annual inspection of Base and AirFMFLant organizations.

Representatives of FMF Atlantic will be numbered among Major General Ray A. Robinson's inspection party as they examine AirFMF Atlantic and Second Marine Air Wing units here Monday and Tuesday.

Wednesday the inspection team will journey to Edenton to complete their inspection of AirFMFLant units and the Air Station, but will return in the evening for the reception to be held in their honor.

Thursday and Friday will wind things up as MCAS Cherry Point facilities are inspected.

MAG-11 DEPENDENTS

Car Inspection Times Announced

In compliance with a recent order from AirFMFLant, all personnel of MAG-11 will have privately-owned vehicles inspected at the ABS-21 transportation building prior to 12 December 1949. Inspectors will be available from 0800 to 1600 Monday through Friday at building 1905, designated above.

All MAG-11 personnel or their dependents, operating privately owned motor vehicles on this station are requested to appear with their vehicles, for this inspection on or before Tuesday December 12, 1949.

MARINE SOCIETY AIDS 4000
New York (AFPS)—The Service and Rehabilitation office of the Marine Corps League handled 4,000 cases involving financial employment, halting evictions, and financial aid to sick Marine and Navy veterans.

Lt. O'Bremski Buys \$5,000 In War Bonds

The relatively small outfit of MWSS-2, claiming only sixty-nine members, was one of the top contributors to the recent Community Chest Drive. Now with the current Payroll Savings Bond Drive underway, it may very well walk off with top honors. The reason being the purchase of five one thousand dollar Savings Bonds by 1st Lt. A. O'Bremski; that squadron.

When Lt. O'Bremski walked into the office, and told Capt. David S. Reid, Personnel Officer, and officer-in-charge of the drive how many bonds he wanted to buy, Capt. Reid was momentarily stunned, causing O'Bremski to actually have to convince him he was serious and talk him into making arrangements to sell the bonds.

Since Lt. O'Bremski's money was in a bank in his home-town, arrangements were made for him to fly to his home, located just outside Boston, Mass., where he obtained a letter of credit. Upon his arrival back here, O'Bremski and Reid were at the base bank first thing Monday morning, Nov. 28, and purchase of the bonds was made. It might be well noted that these bonds were purchased in addition to a regular allotment the Lieutenant has.

O'Bremski enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps in May of 1938. He has been on this base since Aug. 1948, arriving here from Quantico, Va., and joined MWSS-2 squadron last September. He is married, residing in TMQ, and the proud father of one boy.

DINNER - DANCE

Goldsboro Girls Fete Marines

A bit of the Christmas spirit will prevail at Goldsboro, N. C. on Saturday, 17 December, when 50 Marines from Cherry Point will be entertained at a dinner-dance sponsored by the Goldsboro Junior Hostesses Group.

Local Leathernecks who wish to attend the affair should submit their names to the Recreation Officer at the Drill Hall. Transportation will be provided by buses that will depart from the Drill Hall at 1600 on the afternoon of the dance.

Military Flights To CAA Control

Washington (AFPS)—The Department of Defense has announced that the Navy and the Air Force have agreed to turn over to the Civil Aeronautics Administration the power to regulate the altitude, radio frequencies and other flight terms of military craft under any weather conditions.

Prior to this agreement, the CAA offered this service to military planes only when flying between cities in adverse weather. A greater degree of air safety now is expected.

RECEPTION

There will be a reception at the Officers' Club December 7 from 1730 until 1930 in honor of Maj. General E. A. Robinson, Inspector General of the Marine Corps. The dress will be green uniform with blouse for officers.



Lieutenant John A. O'Bremski of MWSS-2 receives his five one thousand dollar Savings Bonds from Capt. David S. Reid, squadron Classification Officer, and officer-in-charge of bond sales. After lost in making the sale final. (Photo by H. Scheetz).

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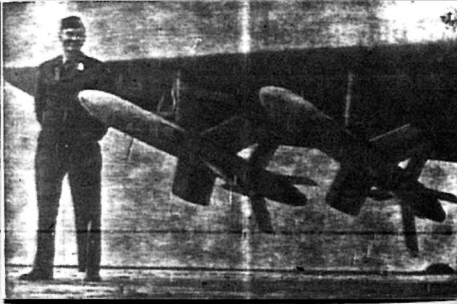
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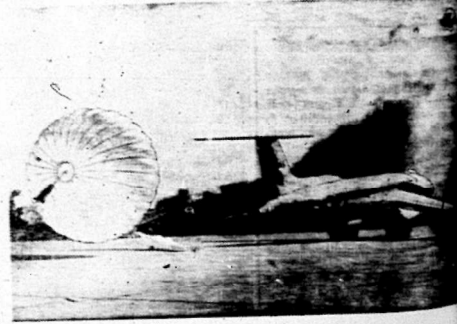
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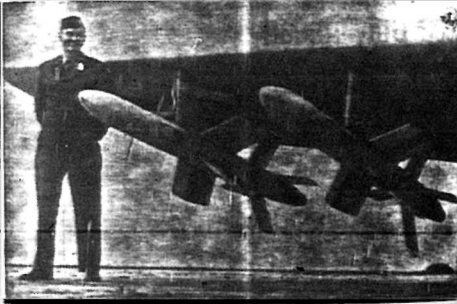
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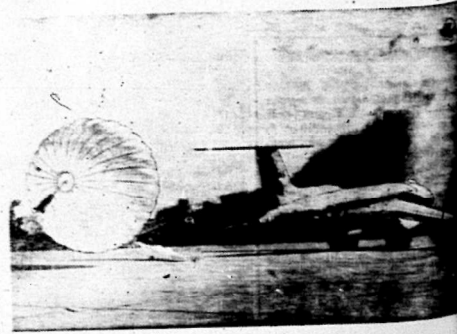
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Lt. Col. and Mrs. Homer Sterling were given a farewell party by Lt. Col. and Mrs. A. S. Munsch. The guests enjoyed a buffet dinner, followed by bridge.

Lt. and Mrs. T. A. Gibbins gave a cocktail party in honor of Miss Paula Kramet, Mrs. Gibbins' sister, who has been visiting them.

This Thanksgiving weekend, many families at Cherry Point entertained relatives and guests: Major and Mrs. G. F. Vaughn had Mr. and Mrs. Milo R. Gosner, Mrs. Vaughn's parents, to enjoy the turkey with them. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Taylor of Camden, S. C. spent the holiday with their daughter and grandson. Mrs. L. E. Lovette and Eddie. Mrs. W. P. Biggs of Washington, D. C., was here with Major and Mrs. W. R. Adams. She is Mrs. Adams' mother. Capt. and Mrs. Joseph Malcolm, Jr. of Camp Lejeune, and Capt. and Mrs. Charles Woodley dined with Capt. and Mrs. W. H. Irvin, Jr. at their home in New Bern.

The officers and their wives of VMFN-114 at least, did not have turkey hash on Saturday night, for they planned an oyster roast at Hancock Lodge for that night.

Officers' wives of VMT-1 held a luncheon at the Officers' Club, Tuesday.

There are two bridge parties of note this week. Thursday, Mrs. F. S. Krasiewicz and Mrs. E. L. Gilbert were hostesses at a dessert bridge at the Club. And tonight, Mrs. R. W. Wyszawski and Mrs. T. J. O'Connor are entertaining friends.

This evening, Major and Mrs. W. T. Herring and Major and Mrs. R. D. Sams are giving a cocktail party in the topside dining room with invitations going to nearly two hundred friends.

VMF-252 HAS BUSY MONTH

On Friday, November 12, Brigadier General C. F. Schilt was an honored passenger aboard a 252 Commando, piloted by Captain H. D. Menzies, and bound for Burma... the land of the "Club Elbe." Also aboard was the Norfolk, Marine Barracks Football Team, en route to keep an engagement with the Kindley Field Flyers. The outcome of the tilt was still in doubt at time of press.

On Monday, November 28, three reserve officers checked in for two weeks active duty with this Sqd. The officers are as follows: Capt. Jack W. La Pierre, from Kansas City, Mo., now District Supervisor for the K. C. Tractor Implement Co.; 1st Lt. Warren Carson from New York City, N. Y., now flying for the Colonial Airlines; and 1st Lt. Clifford F. Ryan, from Cass City, Michigan, now supervisor for the John Deere Corp. in that city. These officers

Staff NCO Club Calendar

Friday, 2 December—Regular weekly dance. Music will be furnished by the Second Marine Aircraft Wing orchestra.

Saturday, 3 December—Club hours: 1400-2400.

Sunday, 4 December—Club hours: 1000-2300. The special jackpot is hovering around the \$400 mark again, and what nice Christmas presents that will make for some lucky person (and it just might be you!).

Tuesday, 7 December—Club hours: 1630-2300.

Thursday, 9 December—Club hours: 1630-2300. At 8 p. m. on Thursday, 8 December, there will be a general meeting of all members of the Staff Noncommissioned Officers Club. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss various matters in connection with the Club and to elect new officers to serve for the coming first six months of 1950. All members are urged to attend, and refreshments will be served.

Bing Crosby Hot Favorite in Prague

In Prague, Czechoslovakia, Communist domination may have completely changed the lives of its citizens, but it has not dampened the country's admiration of democracy's "Old Granger" Bing Crosby.

When a recent announcement was made in that city that a two-hour program featuring Crosby's recordings was to be held in a local theater, great crowds gathered, completely filling the building, while others stood on the outside straining to hear the world famous voice.

Just before the program started, an announcer began to give a brief resume of Crosby's life, slanting his ideas to show the singer as a typical American "greedy money-seeker, who sacrifices his art for gold."

This is about as far as he got. The audience instantly rose to its feet and yelled and whistled in defense of the "greedy American."

The announcer's voice was soon drowned out, and with the first strain of Crosby's voice, the people quieted down.

However, the last record scheduled was a Crosby rendition of "An Irish Lullaby." A Czechoslovakian singer's recording was substituted, whereupon the audience again rose to its feet in indignation.

MACG-1

Belatedly but wholeheartedly we want to hail our new chief, Colonel A. G. Bunker, who, departing the Station G-1 section, has taken the Group vice Lt. Colonel A. O. Chambliss as presiding as the Executive Officer.

The MACTACRON-1 flight line let Cpl. A. L. Clader and PFC F. J. McCullough escape on liberty to Pennsylvania and New York respectively. We don't understand it.

MGCIS-5 won't be Cpl. C. W. Szavasz, on leave in Illinois for a few days, nor PFC A. R. Snow, on leave in Louisiana. Not that the outfit will stop operating or anything similar. The Groups extends congratulations to the MGCIS-5 personnel who were promoted to corporal: C. R. Pinto, K. R. Britton, Dumas.

MGCIS-6 had an overly generous share of California fiber-bounds. Cpl. D. E. Faulkner, Cpl. E. J. Griffin, and PFC W. E. Christ all took off for the sunny state recently. Promotions and congratulations to Cpl.'s Goutley and J. W. Albea. They say the first million is the hardest.

will be given intensive training both in flying and ground school. They will have the opportunity to re-qualify in instruments and to become familiar with peace-time transport flying.

Tuesday, November 22, four B-5C's from 252 along with four of the same attached to 152, airlifted "Seagoing" VMF-252 mail, plus 12 tons of cargo, from the Skow Palau to Cherry Point.

The "Commandos" opened their intra-mural basketball season Monday evening by handing VMF-114 a 43 to 12 trouncing. The "Hoopers" looked good, with every one on the squad seeing some action. Among those on the squad are: Staff Sergeant Don Dart, Private First Class Benjamin E. Balan, Private First Class Herbert F. Shackelford, Private First Class Carl L. Culyer, Corporal Frank Zurek, Corporal Richard C. Rush, Private First Class Glocer R. Baldock.

Station Theatre

Maureen O'Hara (No Reviews) 100 Min. Cartoon

Saturday (1800-2030) THE TREAT Michael O'Shea (Drama) 100 Min.

Sunday (1800) "MY DREAM IS YOURS" Doris Day - Jack Carson (Musical) Very Good: 115 Min.

Sunday (1800-2030) "INTERMEZZO" Ingrid Bergman - Leslie Howard (Drama) Good: 95 Min.

Monday (1800-2030) "FUDIN' EYEM" Eddie Arnold (Western) Good: 100 Min. News & Cartoons

Tuesday (1800-2030) "HIT THE ICE" Abbott & Costello (Comedy) Good: 85 Min. Cartoon

Wednesday (1800-2030) "STREETS OF LAREDO" MacDonald Carey William Holden (Western) Excellent: 100 Min. News

Thursday (1800-2030) "WORDS AND MUSIC" Mickey Rooney - Tom Drake. (Musical) Very Good: 120 Min.

CHERRY POINT WINDSOCK, 2 DECEMBER 1949

NCO Wives' Club NCO SOCIETY

By Catherine Blanton

Last Friday was Mary Fisher's fifth birthday. Ten little boys and girls shared her lovely birthday party. Refreshments were served the children and favors given.

Spending seventeen days leave in Iowa and Wisconsin are T Sgt. and Mrs. Don C. Roosman.

Mrs. Robert Beard has been ill at the Camp Lejeune Hospital, but is now home.

Little Stevie Stevens celebrated his third birthday on the 28th. Six little kiddies shared his fun and refreshments of ice cream, cake and candy.

Mrs. Jack Simms and son, David, have returned from several weeks visit with her family in Norfolk, Va.

Little Betty Tinsley has returned home after having been ill in the station dispensary with pneumonia. Glad you're getting well, Betty!

Last Friday marked Jamie Brown's third birthday. Twelve little boys and girls were there to make Jamie's party a complete success by joining in on the fun and helping him to make his ice cream, cake, and punch disappear. The children were given hats and balloons and favors.

Attending the circus held recently at Raleigh, were T Sgt. and Mrs. Robert Van Beck and children.

November 23rd marked Mary Cecile Swindell's sixth birthday, and a lovely chatter party was given by her mother. Twelve boys and girls were to play games and help Mary Cecile open her many presents. Then they all attended a movie at the station theater and came by the PX for their refreshments. Happy birthday, Cecile!

MSGT. and Mrs. Shub Goode are home after spending ten days through in Clematville, Ky., owing to the illness of Helen's mother.

T Sgt. and Mrs. Louis E. Gordon and daughter, Vicki, are visiting Lou's family in Bangor, Maine, until December 30th.

Mrs. Susan Barbee and daughter, Susette, returned last Saturday from a two weeks visit with her mother-in-law in Alta Vista, Va. Mrs. Barbee returned with them for a visit here.

Eleven friends were the guests of MSGT. and Mrs. H. D. Gosaway for Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dardae and daughter, Sandra, and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Oosterle are guests of T Sgt. and John Sidwa and family over the holidays.

Certainly was nice turkey M Sgt. Shub Goode won at a Turkey Shoot over the weekend or rather "was a nice turkey."

It's well worth the time of commissioned officers to investigate the Naval Mutual Aid Association which provides exceptionally reasonable insurance with countless services for officers and their dependents.



No Sir, Mr. Jones, your agent just left

New Wind Tunnel Produces Zippy Sonic Air Speed

Pasadena, Calif. (APPS) — A speed of more than 70 times the velocity of sound has been attained for the first time in a new hypersonic wind tunnel constructed by the California Institute of Technology for the Army's ballistic experts. The previous highest known speed of air flow in supersonic wind tunnels was about seven times the speed of sound. Touted as "supersonic" because of the terrific air speeds attained, the tunnel permits tests of the most advanced rockets and

Officers' Mess Calendar

Friday, 2 December, 1949 1230-1600 Officers' Wives' Club Bargain Mart—Building 27. 1620-1800 HAPPY HOUR—Main Bar.
Saturday, 3 December, 1949 2030 Informal Dance—Second Wing Orchestra.
Sunday, 4 December, 1949 1700-2000 BUFFET—Main Dining Room.
Monday, 5 December, 1949 1500-2300 Bowling Alleys Open.
Tuesday, 6 December, 1949 1300 Officers' Wives' Club Bowling League—Club Alleys. 1800 Toastmasters' Club. 2000 BRIDGE—Progressive and Duplicate.
Wednesday, 7 December, 1949 0900 and 1300 Officers' Wives' Club Ceramics Class—Hobby Shop. 1330-1600 Officers' Wives' Club Bargain Mart—Building 27. 1920 Officers' Bowling League—Club Alleys. 2020 BINGO—Main Dining Room.
Thursday, 8 December, 1949 0900 Officers' Wives' Club Golf Club—Golf Course.
Friday, 9 December, 1949 1230-1600 Officers' Wives' Club Bargain Mart—Building 27.

O & R HAS FIRST WOMAN INSTRUCTOR

By Rosanna Savage
 Mildred Nichols, O & R Instrument Shop, has just been assigned the duty of instructing apprentices and Marines in the instrument field. She is the first woman instructor we have ever had in O & R, but, according to her supervisors, she is proving herself as capable as any man on an equal position.
 Millie came to work at O & R in August, 1948 as a Mechanic, Learner at \$4.64 a day. She started right to work at a bench full of instruments, and four years later she was promoted to Aircraft Instrument Mechanic. Her supervisors already had recognized her mechanical aptitude and her qualities of leadership. They sent her to Instructor's School to learn the art and craft of teaching principles, and, as soon as the course was completed, they assigned her five civilian apprentices to train as instrument mechanics. Millie pitched in

and in a few days had her system of teaching all worked out. Millie teaches the overhauling, repairing, checking and testing of electrical instruments in a shop of around 36 employees where she is the only rated woman mechanic. Her ability and her opinions are highly respected by the shop personnel and her supervisors. She has the spark and determination traditional with red heads and is quick to match her feminine wit against any man she works with. The fellows call her "Aunt Millie" and admit they would miss her maternally air around the shop if she should ever have to go. Millie says the fellows in the Instrument Shop are all "just a pain in the neck." However, she was just kidding, because if such were the case, six years behind the same bench proves that she is a glutton for punishment.



Safety Shoes

Good Investment

Men in Industry
 Industrial organizations are paying more attention than ever to strong accident-prevention programs. Everyone concerned is anxious of one thing and that is to prevent those nasty injuries which are so downright painful, yes, and expensive, to employer and employee alike.
 More thought than ever before has been given also to seeing that everything is done, that every safeguard possible be provided to prevent injuries.
 Industrial organizations know how important it is to prevent injuries to their employees. Safety shoes have proved to be an important part of this accident-prevention program, which is gaining momentum right along.
 A safety engineer wants a shoe that will reduce foot injuries while the wearer, wanting also to prevent injury to himself, insists upon three essential qualities of any good shoe: Comfort; Appearance; and Service.
 A few years ago there was a line of safety shoes on the market that could measure up to above essentials, but it's a different picture now. There are available today safety shoes embracing all of these qualifications, at prices comparable to those of ordinary shoes.
 It is estimated that well over a million pairs of safety shoes will be made and sold in the United States this year. Several thousand foot injuries will be averted by their use.
 One of the eastern States publishes a monthly report of all accidents suffered in the coal mines of that State. These reports are classified under various headings, one of which is headed "Non-Fat Accidents preventable by Safety Shoes." One such report lists 23 nonfatal accidents preventable by the wearing of safety shoes which have been prevented by the wearing of safety shoes in one instance in one state.
 Of all combined industrial accidents in the United States, foot injuries are second only to back injuries. Foot injuries generally result in lost time. With an injured foot it is very hard to get about and many times it is only through the use of crutches one can get about at all.
 We all have to wear some kind of shoes to work. Why not wear safety shoes? They cost little any more than the ordinary shoe of the same quality and in case of accident they save many times their cost.
 Accidents happen without warning. Your good intentions of buying a pair of safety shoes tomorrow won't help you in the least if something falls on your foot while wearing soft-toe shoes.
 Taken from SAFETY REVIEW

Motor Transport Chit-Chat

By Louise Harrison
 One of the things I like so much about Thanksgiving always coming on Thursday is that maybe I can get annual leave for Friday, and what a nice weekend that will be. It seems that a lot of other people feel the same way that I do, because the common theme going around Motor Transport these days is about plans for the long weekend. Herbert Blackwell says that he is going to visit relatives in Virginia for the holidays and that he surely does hope that they have a lot of extras to eat. James McCuen and family are looking forward to having Thanksgiving dinner with his mother in law, Mrs. N. C. Blanche Barber is expecting a group of relatives and friends in for dinner on Thanksgiving Day. Lyle Lee and Waddell Simons say they have large plans for the holidays, but neither will give out with any details. I hear them say that they had been good boys long enough now.
 About sympathy goes to Bettie Askea which uncle died in Rocky Mount this week. Bettie and family attended the funeral over the weekend.
 Cecil Swindell is back at work after three days on sick leave. Glad to have you back, Cecil. Roy Games is away this week on annual leave. It seems that he has some very important business. Last Sunday, Saratowski went to visit Charles Davis of Navy Supply, who is confined to the hospital in Morehead. Robert Bowling is on the sick list with an infected foot. Hurry and get well, Robert. W. D. Simpson is still on annual leave and the report comes in that he is spending all his time out hunting. There hasn't been any report on his luck as yet.
 As you have heard, D. C. May goes hunting every weekend, and usually someone in the party bags a deer. This past weekend the luck was all bad. Mr. May got himself lost for quite a while, and it grew dark before he could get a shot at a deer. Maybe next time, Mr. May.
 As for your reporter, my husband and I went to Rocky Mount for the weekend, expecting to attend the circus. However, we got sidetracked and spent most of the weekend visiting in the hospital with our sister-in-law.

Permanent Status To Eligible Workers

The United States Civil Service Commission has published all activities Executive Order No. 10880, or as it is more familiarly known, the order signed by President Truman which will give permanent status to temporary employees provided they can meet the provisions of the Order.
 The Order is quoted below:
 "The incumbent in an active duty status of any office or position in the competitive service of the Federal Government on the date of this order who is without competitive status shall, upon recommendation made within the period of one year from the date of this order by the head of the agency in which he is employed, acquire a competitive civil service status if all the following conditions are satisfied:
 (1) That such incumbent was appointed in an office or position in the executive branch of the Federal Government prior to March 16, 1942 (the date on which War Service Regulations became effective), and has had continuous service with the Federal Government since that date which is creditable for retirement purposes, inclusive of any intervening military service;
 (2) That if the employment of such incumbent is evaluated under an efficiency rating system his most recent rating is "Good" or better, and if his employment is not evaluated under an efficiency rating system the head of the agency concerned has certified to the Civil Service Commission that the incumbent has served with merit for six months or longer immediately prior to date of such certification;
 (3) That such person successfully qualified in such suitable non-competitive examination as the Civil Service Commission may prescribe; and
 (4) That such incumbent shall be given only such non-competitive examination: **Provided,** that separation for one year or less due to reduction in force shall not join the acquisition of a competitive status in the event that the present incumbent an active duty status of an office or position in the competitive service."
 All employees of the station who feel that they meet the provisions of the Executive Order should contact their department personnel officer

Reduction Of RIF Aim Of IAM
By D. M. Connor
 The International Association of Machinists has notified Lodge 1829 that the campaign to minimize reduction in force actions is being continued by the district offices of that organization. A recent letter from N. D. Alfias, President of I. A. M., states that the White House has been contacted repeatedly in regards to this matter. It further says that the Armed Forces Committee of the House, headed by Congressman Carl Vinson of Georgia, has been asked to continue its investigation of the Department of National Defense. The District Representative, considered at length with Congressman Vinson and has urged him to question Secretary of Defense Johnson on why it is that Government employees in military establishments are being laid off while the men in the spirit of the Vinson-Trammell Act, which bears the Congressman's name, The Congressman appeared to be on the side of the I. A. M.
 Mr. Alfias' letter went on to say: "The Bureau of Ordnance of the Navy has given assurances that they are not letting any work out to contract; that can possibly be performed at the Navy's Ordnance plants. Many sizable jobs have been allocated to Naval Ordnance plants since the campaign was started to urge that it be done."

Apprentice Association Holds Election
By Hildegard Porter
 The Apprentice Association's returns of the newly elected representatives for Sections A and B are thus:
SECTION A: 2nd Class: Roland "Sam" Shell, Joe Raby, Charley Turnage. **2nd Class:** Gordon Robertson, Howard Mooney, Guilford Tunnell. **4th Class:** Ross Phipps, Bobby Hayes, Ernest Hartford.
SECTION B: 2nd Class: Alvin Hansen, Ralph Dutcher, Ed Wright. **2nd Class:** Bill Powell, Herbert Harris, Tom Carraway. **4th Class:** William Toiler, Roy Dickinson, Rufus Carraway.
 Returns of Sections C and D will appear as soon as they are available. May these new leaders have a very successful year in guiding the Association.
 From Joe Raby's "Association Activities" report we quote:
 "Dues are coming in SLOW. It is hoped that everyone will be paid up through April by January 1, 1950. Some members are graduating in April, 1950, I would like to see enough in the treasury to help offset the cost of an off-station promotion and graduation celebration, one which every apprentice should, and would want to attend. The celebration will be thoroughly planned for maximum entertainment at minimum cost.
 "Joel C. Odum of Swansboro, N. C. was the lucky winner of the shotgun raffle off by the Association. There were 126 tickets sold. After paying for the gun, the balance was paid on the baseball equipment. The Association plans other raffles for the benefit of baseball equipment."
 Among the Tar Heel trekkers to join the madness of Manhattan during the NC Notre Dame game were the Olivers, the Mooneys, and the most eligible bachelor of Morehead City, Mr. Avallone. They all report a wonderful time, a wonderful game, wonderful weather; the whole sojourn was a howling success.
 The Oliver-Mooney clan are getting to be travelers for sure. They are journeying to Mt. Olive for their Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Z. D. Cox. (See Mary Gwyn Oliver).
 "The Bureau of Ships of the Navy Department advises that they expect to give some work to the Naval Shipyards, in case the higher-ups of national defense conclude that European nations are to be supplied with naval materials, in accordance with the provisions of the Mutual Defense Assistance Act."
 "All in all, the District Office feels that it is leaving no stone unturned in its efforts to stem the tide in reductions in force in military establishments.
 "Details will be supplied to locals concerned, when results in their interests are received; and the lodge, generally, will be kept advised of the general interests of our organization."

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By Juanita Thomas
 As the ship "Good Luck" pulled away taking Bernice Dronplich, who is going to Detroit to work, we saw "Old Faithful" pulling around the bend into the harbour. Aboard was Christine Brinkley who is coming back to work in the Tabulating Section; Darleen Dale, who is back at work now and looking fine (Linda Jean is doing fine too), and Iris Davis, who will be in the Stores Return Section.
 Evelyn Sawyer decided to travel some, since she doesn't get enough riding on her daily trip from Bayboro to Cherry Point and back. She recently took a weekend trip to Lexington to visit friends and relatives and reports that she enjoyed the trip immensely.
 Ruddy Haddock was among recent vacationers. It seems that she had a pretty good idea about vacations. She spent her entire leave at home just resting.
 Has anyone noticed the new name change which has just become effective on the payrolls? To Joy and John Broadwell we sincerely wish you luck, joy, and years and years of happiness.
 Over the Armistice Day weekend, Eunice and Archie White motored to Georgia in their new Plymouth, Lucky people.
HUNTING (1) - swamps - mud-water - quick sand! You know, it is amazing just what men will do to pass the time away - they seem to find such a delight in tramping through the forest and shooting poor little defenseless animals, but I don't believe women agree with them. At least, yours truly doesn't. I went hunting last Saturday (that trip seems to have been the first - and the last - in the swamp).

Savage Hits News Again

John A. Savage, Overhaul and Repair Department, really hit the dirt when he thought up the idea for his Beneficial Suggestion concerning an improved method of Silk Screening instrument dials. In April of this year Mr. Savage was awarded a cash award of \$25.00 and his suggestion was forwarded to the Navy Department Beneficial Suggestion Board for consideration of Navy-wide adoption. The Navy Department has recently approved an additional award in the amount of \$25.00 for Mr. Savage, bringing the total award to date up to \$50.00.
 The November issue of the Naval Aviation News shows a picture of Mr. Savage's suggestion and carries an article about it. Parts of the article are printed below:
 "An improved method of silk screening instrument dials has been developed under the Navy Beneficial Suggestion Program by John A. Savage, Overhaul and Repair Department, Cherry Point, N. C. It could be considered a signed to hold instruments so that they can be repainted accurately."
 "The problem of applying new types of paint on a dial is that the dial is located in a position where the same position is difficult to reach. With the suggested method, the dial is held in place by vacuum during the application of paint and released by air pressure after application. The dial is positioned accurately by means of center lines on the adapter. The silk screen made for each cardinal dial is secured by means of center lines of the adapter. The dial can be seen through the screen."
 Mr. Savage is again to be congratulated on his initiative which has resulted in improving the work in his department and has resulted in quite a substantial amount of hard, cold cash to your mind. Think it out and act on it. Who's next? I'll sponsor the next dial.

The number of wild black in the United States is believed to be increasing.

SAVAGE HITS NEWS AGAIN TO TUNE OF \$25

There are few minutes during

Apple Pie and Cholesterol

Field Director, Mr. Louis F. Fog, Asst. Director, Mrs. Mangle L. Heringer, Secretary, are not helping some Marine with his personal or family problems. Day and night, the Red Cross here, as elsewhere, is on the job helping servicemen, veterans, and their families, and others with their problems, seeking in preventing and alleviating suffering, and providing material aid when and where needed.

The Red Cross cannot grant emergency furloughs, as some Marines seem to believe, but the Red Cross can supply commanding officers with factual information to guide them in determining whether an emergency furlough or extension of a furlough should be granted. The Red Cross makes no recommendation of a furlough or extension but presents the facts as obtained from the serviceman's family, family physician or other sources depending upon the nature of the emergency. During the first ten months of 1949, seven hundred and thirty-nine such reports were obtained by the field director at Cherry Point.

During the same period of time, this office also obtained four hundred and forty-seven health and welfare reports for families of Marines who were worried about their son's or husband's failure to keep in touch with them, or for Marines who were seeking contact with members of their families.

Eight hundred and twenty-eight Marines had personal or family problems in which they solicited the advice and counsel of the field director.

Many services were rendered in connection with government benefits, such as family allowances, also, information giving on housing and numerous other subjects.

An order to meet emergency financial needs of service personnel, the Cherry Point Red Cross office made loans and grants totaling \$7688.20, which covered such items as transportation and subsistence while on emergency furlough, for family assistance and personal necessities when pay was delayed or interrupted.

Forty-two Red Cross swimming certificates and six junior life saving certificates were issued to qualifying boys and girls living on and near the station. Swimming and life saving instructors were given at combat pools 1 and 2 during July and August under the supervision of qualified Red Cross instructors. The classes were sponsored jointly by Station Special Services and the Red Cross.

Marine Leaders Bone On Reading Habits

High ranking Marine officers at Marine Corps Headquarters in Washington are studying a new method of reading to increase their speed and efficiency in reading phrases and word groups.

Beginning November 14, six groups of 15 persons each, all volunteers, began a rapid reading course, which will take an hour each day for 25 days. Willard Hild, Assistant Training Officer for the Marines Corps, states that 90 persons will be handled in other classes to start in January.

The entire course allows for individual progress of the students, with tests to record improvement each week. The machines and materials aid the individual to increase progressively a span of recognition. A tachistoscope flashes numbers and words on a screen at the speed of 100th of a second, which has proved adequate for recognition. In the course of the 25 working hours, the numbers and words grow larger during the same period of time.

The course has grown out of the research by leading universities and was successfully used by the Air Force in connection with aircraft recognition during World War II.

Recent developments derived from its use at the National War College, the Navy Department's Bureau of Ships, and the Air Force, are included in this instruction.

Based upon experience at other installations, it is expected that the average student will double his comprehension.



As apple a day is supposed to keep the doctor away, but if it also makes you look like shapely starlet Cleo Moore, we're for it all the week. She's an example of the apple-a-day theory as National Apple Week arrives.

Aims At Record

Next Time I'll Make It, Says Marine Captain

New York (APPS)—A 48-year-old U. S. Marine Corps Reserve officer today knows he CAN set a record for trans-continental flight by a single-engined light airplane despite his unsuccessful attempt in mid-November.

Captain Norman Marsh USMCR, came down just short of his New York City goal after taking off from Los Angeles, Calif., in his single-seater Aeropa.

He had been in the air for 26 hours and 10 minutes—a time which could be claimed as a record non-stop cross-country flight for this type plane. It's "improbable," however, that claim will be made, Captain Marsh said.

The middle-aged veteran of two World wars had set a course of 2,860 miles over the Great Circle route. But 70 and 80-mile-an-hour winds buffeted the light monoplane, driving it off course.

While there is no officially recognized record for such a flight, Captain Marsh boasted a 30-hour time for a similar hop made by Jimmy Jones now an American business pilot.

Captain Marsh took off with 204 gallons of gasoline—which was more than the weight of the plane itself. The gross load was more than 2,900 pounds.

This was the Captain's third attempt.

Relates How Big Acheo Stopped Big Choo Choo

Palmerston, Ont. (APPS) — Acheo!

The fast Canadian passenger train ground to a halt with a screech of brake plates. Stalled passengers rushed to the doors and peered out of windows to see what was wrong.

Engineer BULLIN said, "I just succeeded and my upper plate flew out the cab window."

Passengers and crew members climbed out of the train to join the search for the teeth. The plate was found.

The train continued.

LAFF ALONG

By Armed Forces Press Service (Overheard during the recent elections):

Speaker: "Ladies and Gentlemen, my candidate is a self-made man. He started life as a barbet boy."

Voice in the audience: "Well, I reckon none of us were born with shoes on."

True or false: Story tellers are funny folks, because their tales come right out of their heads.

If you want to forget your troubles, wear tight shoes.

Smart men never argue with their wives; they know that all they can prove is they married a dumb woman.

Woman: "I want to buy a new hat for my husband."

Clerk: "Slouch."

Woman: "Yes, but I don't see that that's any of your business."

Debating de bunk... Grandfather didn't necessarily have more clothes than the need.



New additions to the host of beauties who grace the entries in the Miss Windssock of 1950 contest are these two gals, one a southern belle while the other hails from the north. From Whitesburg, Ky., comes Miss Jeanette Lewis, (l.) who was submitted by Pic. Ballard Morgan, YMT-1. She has red hair, blue eyes, is 5' 7" tall, weighs 120 pounds and is 15 years old. Miss Delores Burton, of Utica, N. Y., has dark brown hair and eyes, is 5' 4" tall, 165 pounds, and 19 years old. A career girl, Miss Burton was submitted by Pic. William Rowe, ABS-21.

Safe Driving Awards Japs' Blunder Told

The Navy Department's safety program provides for recognition of drivers, civilians and military, who operate Navy vehicles for 12 consecutive months without an accident. Such drivers will be presented with a Safe Driving Award consisting of a metal lapel button and a billfold-size certificate.

The Navy Department, in recognizing good drivers is fundamentally interested in promoting defensive driving—that is avoiding accidents by anticipating and allowing for the unsafe acts of others and for adverse traffic and weather conditions.

A great number of military drivers are not aware of their eligibility for safe driving awards as set forth in Assistant Secretary of the Navy's letter SOSEP-1D-306, dated 9 July 1945. An eligible driver is one whose principal job is the operation of a Navy vehicle. He must devote a minimum of fifty-one per cent (51%) of his time to driving, or to a job where the driving of a vehicle plays an important part in the execution of his duties. Eligibility does not include the drivers of industrial equipment such as fork-lift trucks, shop mules, tugs, etc.

Responsibility has been delegated to the Station Safety Officer by NCPI 190 for setting up and maintaining complete and accurate records on eligible drivers. To make it possible for the Safety Officer to comply with these instructions, it will be necessary for each department head to furnish the following information to the Safety Officer, gate number three:

A complete and accurate list of all eligible drivers, including date employed as a driver and occupational classification in the case of a civilian, and military occupational specialty number in the case of military personnel.

A memorandum each time a new driver, civilian or military is employed or designated, and also when an old driver is discharged, transferred or his driving assignment is terminated.

During World War II, the Japanese forces were considered to be cunning in their art of warfare. However, they outdid themselves, and made their prize blunder just four months prior to the New Georgia campaign, when Admiral Koga attempted to deduce American intentions as opposed to capabilities—a fatal mistake.

In his December Marine Corps Gazette article, "The Japanese Guesseed Wrong at New Georgia," Commander James C. Shaw discusses the events leading up to the great blunder that allowed the Marines to land without any opposition from Japanese surface ships or aircraft. The landing caught the Japanese fast asleep with their planes not only down but out of the Solomons.

For days, Japanese planes kept careful track of all convoys and planes headed for Guadalcanal and the Russells. Admiral Koga took this as a portent of a coming invasion of New Georgia since reconnaissance parties had already been landed in Northern New Georgia, and at Rendova. When the convoys and flights of planes slackened, the Admiral reversed his estimate and made a new one. He came to the conclusion the Americans weren't planning an offensive at all. He now thought the enemy were only reinforcing their battered Guadalcanal outpost. It never occurred to him that it was merely a lull before the storm. This resulted in his rescinding his alert almost on the eve of the invasion and withdrew the bulk of his planes to Rabaul.

What happened is now a part of Marine history.

"Dead as a dodo" refers to a clumsy cousin of the pigeon that was three times the size of a turkey and lived on the Indian Ocean Island of Mauritius until three centuries ago. The dodo—a name derived from the Portuguese word for simpleton—could neither fly, fight nor run away.



"Two necks, two wings and two feet." One of the days when Marines get their fill of Turkey is November 1944, when this picture was taken aboard the USS Palau. Major W. E. Gregory and Captain David Egan, seen content with their share, but envy is evidenced by Captain James Freyette, who later wanted to get another look.

THEY'D BET SHORE WILL BE A GOODER—

THING TO SEE!

AT THE O'CLUB PARTY COME!!

Cherry Point Cagers Open Season With Impressive, 64-44, Win Over Williamston All-Stars Tuesday night in the Drill Hall



Bill Roley, who starred for Otterbein College and Quantico before coming here, is slated for a lot of action this year with Coach Jim Tanna's cagers. (Photo by Gus Dagenak.)



Drilling up the court are five of coach Tanna's varsity cagers for this year. Four of these men started for the Flyers last Tuesday night against Williamston, N. C. All-Stars. They are Jim Whisenant, Norm Creviston, Charlie Ford, Elmer McLaughlin and Jim "Lefty" Sullivan. Sullivan, Creviston, McLaughlin and Ford started. (Photo by Gus Dagenak.)



Big Ed Reed, former Texas State Teachers College and El Toro basketball, started for the Flyers against the Williamston, N. C. All-Stars last Tuesday. The Flyers won, 64-44. (Photo by Gus Dagenak.)

All Players See Action For Flyers

Cherry Point's basketball team kicked the lid off the 1949-50 season in the Drill Hall last Tuesday night, sweeping the Williamston, N. C. All-Stars, 64-44.

McGuire Air Force Base team Fort Dix, N. J., was the scheduled opponent, but could not appear because of bad flying weather. The next home game is set for December 18 with Little Creek Amphibious Club.

The Flyers led the Williamston club, 16-7, at the end of the first quarter and never trailed throughout the contest. Halftime score was 36-21. All eighteen players on the local team saw action.

The Williamston team indicated that they would like a return engagement, claiming they were not at full strength for the game. The game was a fast moving affair with the Flyers committing most of the fouls and appearing over eager at times.

Charlie Ford, Flyers 6'4" tall, led the scoring parade for the evening with 20 points, mostly on tip-ins and follow-up shots. Ed Reed was next for the Flyers with 10. Ernie Capps was last for the visitors with 14 points.

The Williamston quint employed a zone defense and attempted to use a pivot man offense. The Flyers played a man to man defense and used a fast breaking, rotating figure eight offense.

Norm Creviston dropped his baskets and one free throw for a total of nine points, but did not reach the stride that made him stand in floor play last year. Bill Roley appeared to be the outstanding "dead eye" set shot and did not touch the rim.

It was apparent that the local team, which won a practice last week from the Coastal State quintet of New Bern, 74-40, had not smoothed out to the close team that they should be in another two weeks. The team is in a mudra for two games this week, playing the Naval Operating Base five there.

The sixteen new uniforms the Flyers are wearing this season feature a jet plane on the back of the warm-up jacket and are in traditional colors, scarlet and gold. It is understood that two more will be cut from the local team in near future as being the standard down to the regulation 16 members.

The local fans appeared to see what the '49-50 squad was all about and 400 turned out for the game.

Scoring for Cherry Point: Bill 20; Reed-10; Creviston-9; Ford-6; Edwards-4; Faranda-3; Sullivan-2; Shirley-2; McLaughlin-2; Dick-2; and Penn-2.

The starters were: Ford, Bill Sullivan, McLaughlin and Creviston.

Officer's Wives Club To Stage Golf Tournament

All Officers and their wives wish to play in the Blind Golf Scotch Foursome Tournament to be held Sunday, Dec. 4th, please sign up for the Tournament with Bill Parker at the Pro Shop or call Mrs. E. H. Whitten at 2121.

The Tournament will start at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. All holes will be played. As for a Blind Bogey, you may use your own handicap the day of the Tournament. The prize will be a Turkey. You or your wife do not have to be an outstanding Golfer in order to win. The fee is \$1.00 per person. The about turning out and playing the fun. Who knows, you may be the one to win a Xmas Tree. Entries will be accepted up to time to Tee Off, but the you sign up the better.

Chapel Hill—Art Weimer, Carolina's great pass-catching quarterback, is younger than most in years, weighing well over

Wrestlers Open Season Dec. 12

Cherry Point's first wrestling team will meet Appalachia State Teachers College there December 12. And December 16 they will engage the Duke University grapplers there.

Coach Bob Ayres is still appealing for more wrestlers. The squad is in top shape, but Coach Ayres said that he needs reserves badly.

The squad will battle Quantico twice and Camp Lejeune twice plus several other college and service squads. Anyone who would like to give the wrestlers help are urged to contact Major Ayres at the Drill Hall or ABS-22.

Fighting Flyers Meet Ft. Jackson Tuesday

The Fighting Flyers meet Fort Jackson's Red Devils in the Drill Hall Tuesday evening, December 6. This will be the second showing of the year before the local crowd.

Last time out, the Flyers lost a tough match to Quantico. Headlining the smoker will be two five round bouts featuring Rudy Lara and Mike Zecca. Lara will tackle the Devil's Slick Anderson, whom he defeated in Fort Jackson earlier this year. Zecca will meet a newcomer to Ft. Jackson boxing circles in the other five rounder. He will fight Jackson's Jimmy Holt.

Another contest that promises to be furious is the Don Spencer-Buck DeCordova. Both are light-heavyweights. DeCordova took the first match there in an unpopular decision. Nevertheless, DeCordova is an excellent fighter and will go against Spencer with a record of 44 wins against 6 losses.

Coach Johnny Timiney anticipates nine bouts altogether. Besides the three mentioned, he expects to send warriors Lloyd Rousse, welterweight; George "Longhair" Vicknair, bantamweight; "Irish" Jimmy Smith, lightweight; Tom Coran, middleweight; Al Turner, welterweight and Ray Schultz, welterweight against Jackson's finest.

The Flyers have had a tough time of it this year, but they are confident that they can take the Red Devils in tow in this match, this evening their standing for the season at 2-2. They have won one match and lost two for the year.

The Flyer's Jimmy Smith has been on a light workout schedule for the past week due to a boil on his right leg. He believes that he will be able to go Tuesday night and doesn't think the leg will bother him.

Big Jim Tientindo, who lost in his last two showings against Quantico's Joe Sanchez, won't fight because Ft. Jackson doesn't have a heavyweight.

CG Cup Standings

VNR-252	50
AES-46	45
WACG-1	40
WNS-2	30
VNF-254	27 1/2
SMS-11	15
VNF-212	15
HqSgSta	10
VNF-114	5
HqSg-2	2 1/2

Lejeune Defeats Parris Island, 7-0

CAMP LEJEUNE — Camp Lejeune's football squad broke the ice in the third quarter on a long fourth down pass to defeat Parris Island's Marines in a hard fought battle here Thanksgiving Day, 7-0.

The scoring play came with quarterback Minihan gambled on fourth down with a pass to Halfback Sears in the end zone. The pass covered 25 yards and was good enough to win the ball game.

The game was mostly a defensive game with both teams coming out of the fray with eight turnovers. Each eleven ground out 141 yards rushing, but Parris Island had the edge in yards gained by passing. They picked up 57 to Lejeune's 48.

Parris Island's big runs were Quarterback Aloy and Halfback Petrevitch. Aloy played his usual outstanding game and shouldn't have any trouble making the All-Navy squad this year. Petrevitch made the longest run of the game when he took a pass from center deep in his own end zone from a punt formation and ran the ball out for 27 yards.

Lejeune backs that carried the brunt of the work were Halfbacks Sears and Berthoff and Fullback Moody. The Lejeune Marines missed their ace place kicker and starting fullback Dick Stein, who was in the hospital due to an injury incurred in the Little Creek game. It is doubtful whether he will play again this year.

The Lejeune line always outstanding, was never better with ward Zakula, Tackles Cannon and Elshand and end Hennelley making the pack.

Camp Lejeune, who took the out-of-central title by defeating Parris Island, will play a Boston Navy team for the North-East District title Saturday there. If Lejeune wins this one, they will play the winner of the Quantico-Little Creek game for the East Coast All-Navy title and will go to Los Angeles for the Annual All-Navy affair.



Accepting a plaque for the Cherry Point Pistol Team from Maj. Gen. L. E. Woods, CG, 2nd MAW and AirFMFlant, for placing first in the 45 Sharpshooter class in the National Pistol Matches in Quantico is WSGT Calvin Duke. Team members with Sgt. Duke are MSGT. L. Johnson, SSGT. A. H. Wright, Capt. ... The local marksmen are rated fourth in the country behind Quantico, Detroit Police Department and Camp Lejeune. The next match is set for Tampa, Fla. in March, 1950. (Photo by MSGT. H. Scheetz.)

Flyers End Grid Season With

The Flyers proved to the gridiron world that their 23-21 victory over Ft. Bragg was more than an upset by handing Little Creek's Amphibs, the 1949 Atlantic Fleet Champions, a 14-6 beating last Saturday afternoon. It was the closing game on the regular schedule for the Flyers and gave them five wins, four losses and one tie.

The Pointers didn't get started until the third period when they counted both of the double stripers. The first half was a magnificent display of defensive football as both teams moved back and forth between the 30 yard line. The Cherry Point line, which has been sensational in the last four games, was never better.

The Flyers, with their backs against their own goal, broke through on the 10 yard line and recovered an Amphib fumble, turning it into a 90 yard drive for the first tally.

Jack Christiansen, the Flyers "Mr. Outside," Tony Kapelowski, "Mr. Inside," Jim Bond and the timely passing of Tom Shepherd, took the ball on a series of runs and passes to the Amphib's seven. Shepherd pitched to Bill Phillips in the end zone for the payoff.

George Pillion converted to send the Flyers ahead, 7-0.

The Flyers went ahead, 14-0, a couple of plays later when Kapelowski intercepted an Amphib pass on his own 45 and returned it 10 yards to the Little Creek 45.

On the first play, after taking the kickoff, the Amphibs chose to pass. Kapelowski moved in front of the intended receiver and took the ball. Christiansen took over from there. Almost single handedly he ran the ball on several plays to the one yard line before plunging over for the touchdown. Pillion's accurate kick put the Flyers ahead, 14-0.

The Amphibs made a gallant comeback in the final stanza to comeback in their lone touchdown. It came on a pass. The try for extra point missed.

The Pointers are scheduled to meet the University of Miami Freshmen in a charity game in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. December 9. Proceeds from the game will go toward helping to make the underprivileged children there to have a Merry Christmas.

Score by quarters:

Cherry Point	1	2	3	4
Little Creek	0	0	6	0



Tom Shepherd, Flyers versatile backfield star, is shown ripping off a 22 yard gain around Little Creek's left end early in the third quarter. The Flyers scored two plays later when Shepherd rifled a pass to Phillips for the first touchdown. Big George Pillion kicked the extra point. (Photo by Gus Damascus.)

Sports Around The Corps

By Jack Manrum
Editor's Note: The following was received at the Sport's Desk from one of the Flyer's ardent fans and is printed because we believe that it just about sums up the entire station's feeling about them.

Last Saturday brought to a glorious close the regular season of the 1949 Cherry Point football squad as they turned back Little Creek, the favored 1949 Atlantic Fleet Champions in a rough tussle, 14-6. This game proved to everybody that the task of winning a football game is not one of luck. It enlightened the service sports world that in their modest way, the Flyers have accomplished quite a few unsung feats.

They have dispelled any claim of the Middle West to All-Navy honors by soundly defeating the 6th Naval District Champions at Great Lakes, 21-0. They have proved a development of reserve strength, so necessary to a squad, by overpowering the Philadelphia Navy Yard, 47-2. They have shown anybody and everybody that the "Flying Marine Mule Train" could and did accomplish the impossible by topping a great Fort Bragg team in a game supposed to have been one of the most exciting ever staged, sending them home outplayed, out-thought, and certainly outfought.

They have decisively defeated all four Navy teams on the Marine Flyer schedule. They have done their share in establishing the fact that the Marine Corps can, by juggling comparative scores, claim the four strongest elevens in East Coast Service competition, a feat that has never heretofore been accomplished. And they have proved to themselves that a team that won't be beaten can't be beaten.

At the beginning of the year the Flyers were definitely a dark horse story, bolstered only by a meager handful of returning members from last year's squad. Early losses caused more than a few rabid and non-thinking fans to ridicule the players, the coaches, the uniforms and everything else that might be connected with football. No thought was given to the fact that an integral football machine is not the product of a few weeks work; but orchids seldom bloom overnight. Little attention was paid to the fact that the players were old and determined and confident that they would prove—from the very string fullback to the last string manager.

It is with joy that the team can now run on or off the field knowing that the crowd is yelling for them, not at them; that the jeers are now cheers. Perhaps more cheers might have helped the Flyers over a few of the first stumbles on which they stumbled while learning to run. It is a difficult

task, honestly struggling to reach the top. Anybody can climb aboard the gravy train but often so few are willing to do the treading when a team is cooking in temporary defeat.

It is just as necessary for a man to win some of the time as it is impossible for him to win all of the time. But it is not necessary for a man to admit losing until the last whistle is blown and the ball is dead on the dirt. The Flyers have learned that lesson if they started the season ignorant as to its virtue. It is hoped that the carry over of that lesson, so amply illustrated by the team this season, will serve as a pattern to all Marine personnel so that each problem, whether in line of duty or out, will be attacked with the necessary determination, ingenuity to solution and success. It is felt that if this truth has been learned, the man hours given to the organization of a varsity football team have been well spent.

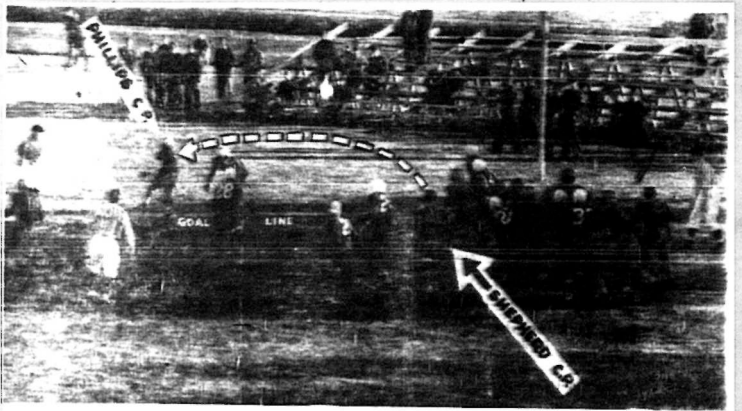
The "Flying Mule Train," the Cherry Point football squad of 1949, has jumped some more red blood into the great heart of our Corps by giving a lasting demonstration of their determination to know no obstacle too high to climb. Cherry Point has had a great team this year, a team whose greatness lay in that determination to improve and to keep improving each ball or high water. Their scoreboard and their sportsmanship are yardsticks of that improvement. We are proud of the lessons given to us by one of the best football teams in the history of Cherry Point Aviation. We are proud of our team and we are proud of the men on it.

IT COULD HAPPEN
Wonder what would happen if the Flyers could meet the "powerful" Quantico Marines?

By comparative scores, Quantico is a mere four points better than our Flyers. But that doesn't mean anything. If the Flyers would play against Quantico (which they won't) like they played against Ft. Bragg and Little Creek, they could easily defeat the erstwhile champs. Here's the way the two stack up. Camp Lejeune stomped Quantico, 23-7 and defeated Cherry Point, 23-0. On those two scores, Quantico is 16 points better than the Flyers. But Lejeune lost to Bragg 28-6 and later beat Little Creek, 21-0.

Cherry Point dropped Ft. Bragg, 23-21 and jumped on the Amphibs to the tune of 14-7. A little arithmetic gives the figures, 23 plus the points Bragg scored against Lejeune, from 29 (the points Lejeune beat Cherry Point) and you have one.

Then the one point by which Cherry Point won from Bragg makes the two teams even. However



Bill Phillips (#2) Cherry Point's classy end, gathers in a pass from Tom Shepherd for the Flyer's first score in the third period. The payoff came after a series of running plays took the ball to the 12 yard line. (Photo by Gus Damascus.)

INTRMURAL SPORTS

The 1949-50 intramural basketball season opened last Monday night with three games being played in the Drill Hall. Another game was played Tuesday night and two more were scheduled for last night.

SMS-14 won their first game of the year by forfeit from HqsQ-2. The "Phantoms" of VMF-122 downed HqsQSta, 23-19 and VMR-252 carried their winning ways from the gridiron to the hardwood handling VMF-114 a 43-12 drubbing in the American League.

SMS-24, 40-21, in the only game Tuesday night, MWSS-2 downed scheduled.

The National League opened the season with three contests on tap Wednesday night and one last night. No results were available for these games.

The schedule for next week in the American League follows:

- December 3 (Thursday)**
HqsQSta vs MWSS-2 at 1800
VMR-252 vs. SMS-24 at 1800
SMS-14 vs. VMF-114 at 2000
- In the National League**
December 3 (Wednesday)
VMF-521 vs. AES-42 at 1800
VMF-224 vs. VMR-153 at 1900
HqsQSta vs. AES-46

Flyers one, leaves them 12 points better than us. Since Lejeune defeated Quantico by 16 (23-7) points and they are 12 better than the Flyers subtract 12 from 16 and you have four.
Complicated? Maybe but I think the Flyers are better off without the figures!



Jim "The Eel" Bond, shifty backfield ace is shown trying to hand over Kelly (#4), Little Creek's safety man after picking up 55 yards in the final stanza. Kelly was the only man left between Bond and



Here's the 1949 International Youth Football Champions. 1st Row: Berke, Horvath, Zarro, Lavronce. 2nd Row: Knicker, Johnson, Andriewowicz, Koppin, Rosenbaum and Nahn. 3rd Row: Steber, Barber, Clackson, Kuligt, Helmick, Grossfeld, Patricia and Maclog. It's VME-22.

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VMF-225

By Lt. G. L. Stephenson
A cruise aboard an aircraft carrier, as we have stated before, is no all sightseeing nor relaxing in some palm-studded port. For there are hard intervals set among many days of long flying hours for pilots, much skillful work by deck crews, and painstaking efforts on the part of mechanics who must exert that extra amount of toil which keeps preventive maintenance up to the standards of shipboard operation.

ARGOSTOLI

By Lt. E. B. Sessions
During the last two weeks we have been cruising on the blue waters of the Mediterranean Sea, and anchoring in the harbours of the British Island of Malta and Argostoli, Greece.

As the reader is informed about the interesting ports of call, he may well read between the lines that preceding such excursions are days of activity on the high seas. This has become routine with us, and dropping anchor merely gives promise of a brief respite and a chance to add to our lives that spice called "variety."
From October 15 to 21 the USS LEYTEE was operating out of Maraxiokk Harbor at Malta. That is, she would weigh anchor early of a morning and steam out to sea for a day of flying; then return in the evening.

While anchored at Malta we took on board several pilots of the British Fleet Air Arm who observed aerial operations on the days we were at sea. 1st Lt. P. J. Keleher, Squadron Landing Signal Officer, demonstrated to those guests the technique of waving planes aboard. We explained to them the signals used by our Landing Signal Officer and the proper method to answer these signals. While on the platform observing carrier landings a pilot crowded the Landing Signal Officer forcing a few of the observers into the net. One of the Fleet Air Arm guests, as he was climbing out of the net, made a witty remark "you know, I come from a long line of cowards." This brought numerous chuckles from all, thus releasing the tension caused by the previous carrier pass.

Liberty was not scheduled while in this port. The only personnel going ashore was on business. A small number of pilots and ground crewmen were sent to the British Air Base of Halfar, known to the Fleet Air Arm as "E. M. S. PALCON," all their bases being given ship's names.

The British use the term "AD-DLIES" (aerodrome dummy deck landing exercises) instead of our term "FCIM" (Field carrier landing practice). Their Landing Signal Officer is called a batsman, and his paddles are referred to as bats. According to their system, when a pilot receives a low signal, he drops the nose of his aircraft and loses altitude; whereas, when one of our pilots receives a low signal, he answers same by adding throttle and gaining altitude.

Malta, which was often referred to during World War II as "Britain's unsinkable battleship," looked the part in almost every detail. The buildings and private dwellings bore the scars of innumerable bombing raids by the enemy. It is virtually all rock with barely enough top-soil visible to support vegetation.

Our pilots enjoyed conversing with the British pilots. They learned that the British are converting to our system of landing signals for carrier landings.

Next on the liberty schedule was a brief stop at Argostoli, Greece. It was the first time during the cruise that street signs were almost universally unintelligible.

Major W. R. Birtosh, Captain M. W. Staples, E. C. Torbett, and J. T. Moore; 1st Lt. N. A. Green and J. P. Keleher went ashore at Malta for aerial operations from this island. They were very impressed by the British aircraft. The British fighter called the "Fury" was particularly outstanding. Its sleek lines and five bladed propeller presented quite a picture. All had dreams of getting the "Fury" into the blue, however this was impossible because of orders restricting our pilots from flying foreign-type aircraft.

Due to limited facilities in this small island town the few hours of liberty there seemed sufficient to everyone.

There was no liberty in Malta due to the heavy seas, but small recreational parties were permitted to go ashore. These parties participated in softball and touch football games. It was discovered in a short time that all units are quite proud of their athletic powers. Our next stop was at Argostoli, Greece on October 22nd and 23rd. Argostoli is surrounded by rolling mountains except of the seaward approach where it is projected by a peninsula. The approach to the small Grecian city was fascinating. As one proceeded along the smooth waters, one could see small villages about midway up the mountains. Each small village had a quiet, serene appearance about it. Here, hiking trips and softball games were the main recreation.

Subsequent to fleet exercises at Crete, the anchor plucked into the harbor just of Pamaqusta, Cyprus. There, stretching across the quarters of the horizon, was an island so fair and majestic in appearance it is small wonder she could not have escaped the attention of empires which rose and fell about her.

Cyprus not only produces the olive branch of peace, but has a sanguine history of wars resulting in her being exchanged from one power to another down through the ages.
A few miles from Pamaqusta are the ruins of Salamis, which flourished during the days of the Roman Empire with a million inhabitants (so the guides say). Of this fabulous city there remain only parts of three forums and traces of other public buildings built by the Romans. While Cyprus was ruled by the Venetian Republic most of the usable stone from Salamis was used away from construction of Pamaqusta with its high walls.
The streets and shops of Pamaqusta swarmed with Marines and sailors bent upon souvenir-hunting and relaxation from the restrictions of life aboard ship.

laden with Greek dolls and various other items.

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incense while in the Corps, Russell replied, "All of my time in the Marine Corps has been an exciting experience, and it is pretty hard for me to pick out my particular instance."

Among the ribbons and decorations the sergeant holds are included, the Good Conduct Ribbon with six bars, World War I and 2 decorations, second Nicaraguan Campaign, Yangtze Service Medal, American Theater Defense.

"Wheels Watch"

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dollars worth of valuable aircraft was saved. The total pay of the three men involved comes to approximately two hundred and sixty-four dollars.

The first watch was begun on the morning of Nov. 14, and Cpl. John J. Tramontana of AFS-41 was assigned to duty. He was not long on duty when a Marine piloted SNE came in for a landing. The alert corporal noticed at once that the plane's wheels were not down, and instantly gave the pilot a "wave off" signal, also firing a flare. The flying Leatherneck at once recognized the signal and realizing the trouble, came in for a second approach, this time with his wheels down and apparently locked. Through the alertness and quick thinking of the man on duty, a possible serious accident was averted.

The second day, Pfc. Frank V. Loring of ABS-21 had the duty, when at approximately 1430, he noticed an F4U Corsair fighter coming in for a landing with its landing gear up. Loring immediately gave its Marine pilot a "wave off," allowing him to realize the trouble, and get into position for a second approach. Again, due to Loring's quick thinking, a serious accident was averted.

On Nov. 22nd, at 0915, an FSF, piloted by a visiting Navy Lieutenant Commander, was coming in on the field for a landing with his radio out of order, when the man on duty, Pfc. Clarence C. Hitt of ABS-22, noticed that one of his wheels was not fully down. He quickly gave the aviator a "wave off." Recognizing the signal, the Navy pilot came in for a second approach, this time with his landing gear completely down.

After landing, the thankful Navy officer at once proceeded to get in touch with Hitt, and found him in the Operations building lobby. He personally thanked the Marine enlisted man, insisting that he join him in the building PX for coffee.

While on duty, the "watch" has the responsibility of seeing that all incoming aircraft have their wheels fully down. Sometimes the plane's wheels do not come down after the pilot has set them in motion, and in most fighter planes the pilot cannot make a visual check.

Each man carried two "veripistols" loaded with red flares. If the pilot does not notice the first "wave off," he then fires a flare over the front of the plane.

Each man picked for this watch must be ever on the alert, and from the results so far, the Marines on duty there have let nothing get by them!!

Gray Ladies Give Thanksgiving Party

Thanksgiving for most people may have been celebrated on November 24, but Marine Patients at the Naval Dispensary, Cherry Point had a happy surprise the afternoon of November 30.

Due to the generous donations of the Greenville, N. C. Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Gray Lady Unit of Cherry Point was able to give the patients a fine party.

The table was gaily decorated with a colorful cloth in the Thanksgiving motif. Gray Lady Lou Kouzts with the help of her husband MSgt. Kouzts made the very attractive centerpiece. A fine Turkey made of a large pine cone with wire and feathers is standing on a rug of autumn leaves. Placed next to the Turkey is a Pumpkin and candles backed with Corn Stacks. The base for the whole centerpiece was made of white styrofoam, giving the appearance of a blanket of snow. The Table Favors were made by Moffitt Village School. The Nut and Candy cups were donated by the Pasquotank Junior Red Cross of Elizabeth City, N. C.

The patients played a word game, the prizes for which were two decks of cards, first prize, and two packages of cigarettes, the second prize. PFC William R. Sparrin, Hedron 2 won first prize, and PFC Horace A. Proffitt VMFN-531 won the second prize. Pumpkin pie topped with whipped cream, coffee, nuts and candy were served after the finish of the Game.

Needless to say it was a happy day and everyone including the Gray Ladies who gave the party had a wonderful afternoon.

Selection Board To Convene Soon

board for promotion of officers to fill vacancies in the grade of Major General, Brigadier General, Colonel and Lieutenant Colonel.

The board to select Major Generals will convene January 5, the board to select Brigadier Generals January 12, and the board to select Colonels and Lieutenants Colonel February 2. The boards will convene at Headquarters Marine Corps, Washington, D. C.

Promotion zones for each grade are not yet definite since they are dependent on vacancies in the authorized distribution of Marine officers by grade, to be determined as of January 1, 1950, by the Secretary of the Navy.

First Marine On Capitol Hill

Marine Major William F. Oltz, Jr., recently was assigned to duty with Congress on Capitol Hill in Washington, D. C. He has been attached to the office of Captain H. S. Covington, Senior Naval Liaison Officer to the Congress at Marine Corps Liaison Office. His exact duties have not been announced.

Major Oltz, who had been on duty in the Navy Department Office of the Judge Advocate General since August, 1946, is a native of Cape Girardeau, Missouri. He was commissioned a second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps, 1941.

DEFENSIVE ROCKET REVEALED BY US

Seattle (APPS)—After being shrouded in secrecy for two years, a rocket-propelled guided missile, once referred to as the "only unfeasible defense against the atom bomb," recently has been test fired by "the secret," according to the Air Force.

The missile, known as "GAP," was said to have attained altitudes never reached by present known aircraft. It was designed to seek out and destroy enemy aircraft.

Another type missile, the "GARD," is said to have "human intelligence" and is fired from nuclear plane attacking another plane. In contrast, the "GAP" is anti-aircraft missile launched from the ground.

Both missiles fly faster than the speed of sound and are radio-controlled.

Promotions Late Aboard The Leyte

Though the warrants were a little late in being handed out the 22nd of October saw the following men of VMF-225 given their justly earned promotions to corporals on the flight deck of the USS Leyte.

Major W. B. Harrosh presented each man with his permanent rank in the Marine Corps along with the congratulations of the squadron.

Promoted were: Privates First Class J. M. Morgan, E. I. Kraesen, W. C. Muttler, R. C. Krouse, G. A. Greenholts, E. C. Aaron, D. P. Kimball, R. B. Smith, M. H. Stern, J. V. Yusk, J. H. Lippman, W. N. Traubert, J. M. Myers, R. V. Henry, G. S. Soss, and H. J. Cook.



THERE'S MORE THAN ONE TYPE OF CAMEL, and these don't come in a pack. Two voyagers of MAG-11, Sgt. B. touring the island of Cyprus in the sunny Mediterranean.