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NSGA News Briefs

Washington, 17 Nov. '77 (AFPS)

The Code of Conduct, governing Servicemembers while prisoners-of-war (PW), and the Manual of Courts-Martial have been amended by two executive orders signed by the President on Nov. 3, 1977.

Article V of the Code has been changed to read, in part, "I am required to give name, rank, service number, and date of birth." Previously, this section read, "I am bound to give only name, rank, service number, and date of birth."

Also in regard to wartime situations, a second Executive Order established the senior ranking individual of any Armed Service (except for medical officers or chaplains) in a prison camp as the lawful superior of all lower ranking personnel, regardless of branch of Service. This amends the current Courts-Martial Manual and the Uniform Code of Military Justice (Chapter 47 of Title 10, U. S. Code) which did not specifically delineate the senior ranking individual in a joint Service prisoner situation.

A Department of Defense Review Committee for the Code of Conduct, chartered in March 1976, recommended changes to the President after conducting some 22 meetings and hearing testimony from 50 individuals.

Turkey

The Turkish government has authorized the temporary resumption of parcel privileges for the holiday season. Packages will be allowed to enter Turkey until 15 February '78. If mailing parcels, they should request local postal officials to consult recent postal bulletins issued by USPS for authorization to accept parcels.

Washington, 1 Jan. '78

After this date, Navy women will be able to purchase maternity uniforms. The four-piece, seasonal outfit is expected to sell for less than \$40 in the exchanges. Reference: BUPERS Notice 1020.

15 January '78 (See p. 6)

Humanitarian DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING would have been 49 years old today if had not been slain by a sniper's bullet on 4 April 1968. See Willa Taylor's update in February's ANCHOR WATCH.

Ft. Meade

A warm WELCOME ABOARD is extended to CDR Curtis S. Pendergrass who will be arriving this chilly month of January to serve as NSGA's executive officer. CDR Pendergrass will be transferring from the much warmer climate of NSGA Hanza.

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"In keeping with the ideals of human dignity and equal opportunity, I ask that commands afford appropriate opportunity for members of the Navy and Marine Corps to observe the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Sunday, 15 January 1978. Dr. King's personal commitment to the rights and responsibilities of all mankind indeed serve as a continuing standard for us all."

W. Graham Claytor, Jr.
Secretary of the Navy



Captain Stanley Kuplinski
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dear capt. kuplinski

Dear Sir,

Approximately six weeks ago I came into your office seeking help of any type for a drug abuse problem which I had developed in my life. This problem, as you know, was doing me great harm physically, mentally, psychologically, and was causing me to stumble greatly professionally. You suggested that I seek exemption and further help for myself. I did. After numerous consultations and examinations, I was sent here to the CAAC/ARD, at Anacostia. Since I have been here, I have undergone weeks of intensive training, counseling, and rehabilitation. Herewith, I present to you the progress I feel I have made since I first came to you.

In the six weeks that I have been here, I want you to know, sir, that NOTHING HAS CHANGED! except my whole life.

I arrived here as a reclusive, terribly frightened, and psychologically dependent on narcotics with, frankly, little hope and very little confidence in myself. About all that I had on my side was something inside of me that told me I couldn't possibly continue the way I was.

During my stay here, I have undergone, numerous counseling sessions with many dedicated, knowledgeable professionals, in group activities as well as one on one. I have discovered not only the harm that narcotics can cause, but why individuals (myself) resort to the use of them and what can be done to combat this problem. I've shared my experiences with many other sailors "in the same boat" (good pun there, eh, sir?) and together we have come up with solutions on each others situations and problems. I have had opportunities to watch many interest-

ing movies and read several books on drug abuse. All of this has been a most important factor in determining the success of my rehabilitation.

Most importantly, I was given duties and responsibilities to carry out, some as simple as answering the telephone, while others much more complex. This was very important to me, because one of the major hindrances of my life during the time I was abusing drugs was my inability to work and communicate with other people. I had become very withdrawn and had no interest in making friends. I was even losing my interest in young ladies, God forbid! Instead of being able to stay in the shell I had built for myself, I had no choice but to get involved in a great deal of interaction with others. Thank God for that, as it truly worked out to be a tremendous success.

I feel now like I felt at the best years of my life - before I ever got involved with any of that trash - only better...and wiser, much wiser.

Words cannot sufficiently express how extremely grateful I am to you sir and to the command for the personal concern and attention which I have received throughout this entire situation. Be assured that it has made a world of difference in my attitude and thus was a great aid in my rehabilitation. I am very grateful to CW03 KIRBY, Chief PETT, and HM2 SWAIN, only to name a few. Everyone has been totally fantastic.

I believe that I have "my head together" quite well now and I truly look ahead with eager anticipation to my remaining time in the naval service. I would like nothing more in the world to remain with this command during my last six months of active duty, in some function where I may be useful. Whatever my destiny, however, sir, I remain truly and sincerely grateful to you, the command, and the Navy in general. God bless you and best wishes.

People are talking about...

Dec.'s interview with YN1FOX

'WHY DID YOU ASK FOX THOSE DAMN QUESTIONS? WERE YOU TRYING TO CREATE HATE & DISCONTENT?'

I used the same criteria for formulating questions that I do for all interviews. Why did this person join the Navy...has the experience been as expected...what are his/her professional likes, dislikes...what makes this person DIFFERENT FROM his/her cohorts. In Willa Taylor's interview, we discussed her feelings as a black woman; Woody Knight talked about his religious convictions; Ray Endrizzi - about fleet support and politics. It would have been a cop-out NOT to have asked Fox about being a non-CT at a predominantly CT-billeted command.

-sharon shelton brown, editor-

RESPONSE TO DECEMBER'S PROFILE

“ Since this interview was published, people have begun to give me dirty looks, some have stopped talking to me and others have given ME their opinions about Jay. Now, it's MY turn.

Since I met Jay in December 74, I've taken the time to learn about him. Not counting annual leave and a midwatch or two, he's been at every inspection, handled command legalman, command photographer every report chit and bad checks. He's on the BEQ Council, does flag duty with the rest of "staff" and is a counselor for the prisoners at the brig. While everyone else is drinking, laughing, eating, dancing and otherwise enjoying themselves at command social events, Jay is finding the best angle for a shot. How many people can claim picking up E-6 on the first try - no crash studying - and yes, it's hard in ALL rates. He does so much for the command and what thanks does he get? At his "wetting down" only 25 people showed up/out of the entire command.

Here's another thought for you. Would CT's be needed if the fleet wasn't protecting us? Maybe a two-year sea duty requirement should become a prerequisite before "A" school was granted. Then maybe there would be more of an appreciation for BEQ's, choice of duty stations, etc. Let's see how it could be: a watch three to four times a week, an 18-hour work day, on leave only when hitting home port, liberty only when hitting any port; no choice of restaurants for the evenings entertainment, missing ships movement instead of having ones wrists "slapped" when UA.; being parted from the family for three to nine months instead of a string of eve or mid watches. A six-tier cot/bed and a locker under a one-inch thick mattress; no colleges to attend to further one's education. Do I have my point across?

Still, they do have one thing that I have never experienced. Comradeship, life long friends, a smile or a hello in the hallway, saluting the flag during colors, and pride in oneself and command. So wake-up damnit; re-read the interview and somewhere in the narrow passages of the mind read whats there, not what has been inserted between the lines like "CT's are best, and elit". WRONG, Equal and working together towards the same goal is the idea, this meaning seems to have been lost somewhere long ago. I think it's freedom and especially freedom of speech. Possibly respect too, for someones honesty. I'm trying to have old fashioned pride of being in the Navy, and the Security Group. Yes, I'll still complain - because I do want improvement, who doesn't, but I want it for all. After all, if the United States Navy can't learn and work together, how can Nation's expect to do so. How can I speak of sailors when I'm a WAVE/WN, speak of something I know nothing of? Because I care to learn and look at the entire Navy. Perfect? Who is? Complain? By all means; hostilities must be released. Under more pressure than a "GENSER"? Which would you prefer, a large scale security violation, or a serious mistake causing ship damage and the loss of lives? There is no choice, and therefore, no greater pressure, one over the other. Do I speak out of my realm of rank and age? Compassion knows no bounds. So broaden your mind - this is no longer the "old Navy", it's the "new Navy" and it's ever-changing. It can be better and more effective, if only it's given a chance, by working together and believing in each other. Try it, you may be surprised. ”

By CTA3 Diana INGHAM

OTHER VOICES



After reading AW's Profile "It's time for twenty questions" in the December issue one cannot help but to be appalled by the definitions layed down for "The Real Navy" and a "True Sailor".

Since when does going to sea constitute a prerequisite for being a "True Sailor"? There are a lot of individuals serving in the Navy who do not go to sea, some of which cannot go to sea, yet these men and women are every bit a sailor as that guy who is underway right now. They have the same personal pride, esprit de corps, and can-do attitude that is part of every sailor.

That "elitism" which was labled as "being conceit" is nothing more than professional pride. Take a look around and you'll see it everywhere you go in the Navy. It is in every rating yet conceived; Airdales, deckforce, snipes, CT's and YN's. Everyone is immensely proud of their own groups accomplishments and well they should be. It is this type of competition that keeps our skills high, our morale good, and our devotion strong, yet still enables us to band together in the face of a common foe.

Have you ever been beside your shipmates at a parade and watch them straighten up with pride when the Navy goes by, or seen young sailors perk-up and look sharp in the presence of the other services? Tell me they're not True Sailors!

Tell me our Waves, because they cannot go to sea, are not True Sailors!

Have you ever listened to the whispering in the BEQ or the shouting at an inter-service sporting match of how we're "BETTER THAN" them? We're not talking about CT's, PN's, or TN's, we're talking US - - - The Navy. We are all elite in our own specific areas but we are also elite as a TEAM.

So for those of us who have gone to sea and experienced the charm and uniqueness, then all the better for our own personal experience but it doesn't make us anymore of a True Sailor than those who haven't or can't go to sea.

I remember some ET's, AT's, CT's and a few other ratings who got on a plane one day in Japan and never came back. Most of them had little or no sea time - - - now they are buried in it. Tell me they're not True Sailors!

In summation, I can only quote part of what is written on a poster hanging in the main TV lounge of the BEQ and it starts:

"There are birds of many colors - - - red, blue, green, yellow - - yet it is all one bird - - -"

The REAL NAVY - - - - - ONE NAVY

CTTC (AC) John J. Sedlevicius Jr.

“ Re: P.O. FOX's comments on only a few CT's being "true sailors" due to a lack of sea-duty....Frank PERRAULT stopped by the AW office to say "Division Nine will be lined up outside of Fox's office to discuss this matter with him. Hmmmph!" ”

RE: P.O. Fox's comments on sea-time for CT's, CTRL Rich COFFEY in Div. Two said, "I had more time at sea as a CT two years before 'salty' Fox joined the Navy!"

Twenty years ago it was unusual for a CT to go to sea but this is no longer true. Many of our people spend more days at sea per year than the sailor who is actually assigned to a ship. In addition, there are those of us who have spent the majority of our Naval career either at sea, or at an isolated duty station. Anyone who thinks that CT's "can never experience the comraderie that exists aboard ship" should serve a few tours in places like Adak, Sidi Yahia, or Diego Garcia. It takes real comraderie to come away from those places with complete sanity. During my twenty plus years in the Navy, all as a CT, I have never had a non-sea-going tour of duty. I am not unique in this, for I know many of my shipmates who fall into the same category.

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By CTAL Terry BOND

Now that there are not so many nice warm sunny things to do outdoors, try some nice indoors antiquing on those spare weekends. The old town of Alexandria near Washington, D. C., offers much for the antiquer, but more on that area later-for now we will look a bit further south to Thieves Market. Take the Washington D.C. Beltway (495) to Alexandria (South), then after crossing the Woodrow Wilson bridge, take Route 1 South. Thieves Market is a few miles down the road on the right side nestled right in the midst of several large shopping centers. There is a large roadside sign that is hard to miss, but a good clue to the location is the Pizza Hut on the left; Thieves Market is at the next traffic light. This is another collection of shops under one roof. It's been around for quite a while so they must be doing something right. Careful decorators (or perhaps just sloppy housekeeping) create an atmosphere of clutter that make this seem to be one huge shop. It's a very exciting place, offering everything from fine arts to "junk". You can find shops specializing in jewelry, glass, advertising items, furnishings, lalique figurines old books, clocks (one of the best clock shops in the area), stamps, coins, etc, etc. One remarkable shop is so full that it is actually difficult to get through physically. Bits and pieces of everything are to be found there. From boxes under the tables I have found the pieces required to restore an antique telephone, an antique gramophone, some old lamps, and even some early auto accessories (my specialty). You could furnish an entire house, even to a copper bath-tub and wooden toilet with wall mounted tank and pull chain (just wait and see the look on the packers faces as you prepare to trans-

Seek and ye shall find

fer!) If you still have some money left, move next door to a large department store that has been converted into "Peddler's Market". This, again, is full of shops, but there is a much larger percentage of the craft and novelty type. Still, if you get hungry, snacks are available there. Everything from T-shirts to house plants, old trunks to bottles and stone crocks is available. You could easily make it a full day covering both places.

I recently had the good fortune to acquire a long sought after antique typewriter in mint condition - an 1892/93 Rimington. It was a long search, and quite educational. As a recommendation to anyone looking for something to collect - now is the time to start with old office equipment. The older typewriters are still fairly inexpensive and available, but the supply of the really unusual models is rapidly drying up. It would be wise to buy before demand fully outpaces supply. An investment of \$25-\$35 should buy a very nice piece, but it's worth searching long and hard for a good one as parts and repairs may be difficult. Typewriters are large and sometimes heavy so you may not want to collect many, but they are terrific conversation pieces on an old desk. There is plenty of related office equipment around that is worth collecting-paper punches staplers (yes, even antique staplers), adding machines, and old ledgers or journals are gaining in popularity. The ever popular brass cash register is out of sight price-wise, but until you make your first million you might come across an equally interesting "cash drawer". I recently saw an exceptionally nice oak cash drawer with a circa 1910 adding machine attached to its top - the whole thing was the size of a large typewriter and was in fantastic condition complete with original brass handles and mint decals - \$25! All day in the office, then home for an evening in the office - what a thought!

If that doesn't appeal to you, try home to the workshop. Old tools, once not thought worth looking at if not pre-1850 and signed originals are now very collectable. Even mass produced Stanley products are very much in demand. The older items are expensive, but look to more recent examples that no longer have any modern usage - these are the "collectables".

Ideal places to look are under the tables at flea markets, shoved to the rear corners of the antique shops - or in an excellent specialty shop in Damascus, Md - right across from the fire station just around the corner from Route 108. Things to look for - old braces, moulding planes, wooden handled tools, and the unusual - even if you can't figure it out! Happy hunting.

KING: A Moral Duty

By Philip R. Smith



"Stone walls do not a prison make, / Nor iron bars a cage."

These words of a 17th century poet have special significance in regard to a 20th century proponent of non-violence who used prison to advance his cause.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., whose birthday is observed on Jan. 15, proved in his short lifetime that a jail cell's iron bars could not imprison ideas and issues concerning freedom and justice.

As he said when sentenced after a civil rights demonstration in Montgomery, Ala., "Ordinarily a person leaving a court room with a conviction behind him would wear a somber face. But I left with a smile. I knew that I was a convicted criminal, but I was proud of my crime. It was a crime of joining my people in a nonviolent protest against injustice. It was the crime of seeking to instill within my people a sense of dignity and self-respect. It was the crime of desiring for my people the 'unalienable

rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness'. It was above all, the crime of seeking to convince my people that noncooperation with evil is as much a moral duty as is cooperation with good."

During another confinement in jail, Dr. King learned that a number of clergymen had criticized his interference in local affairs. Using pieces of toilet paper, margins of old newspapers and any writing materials that he could find in this cell, he wrote and smuggled out a statement.

"My dear Fellow Clergymen," he began, "I am here in Birmingham because injustice is here

I am cognizant of the interrelatedness of all communities and States. But I cannot sit idly by in Atlanta and not be concerned about what happens in Birmingham. Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

The dictionary defines prison as "a place where persons are confined." Although persons may be confined in prisons, history has proved that their

inspirations and ideas are not.

It was a prison where Detrich Bonhoeffer did much of his religious writing; where the heroic dutch lady of evangelism, Corrie ten Boom, made her commitment; and where Alexander Solzhenitzyn found the inspiration to write his books.

Dr. King's philosophy of nonviolence was drawn not only from his Christian faith but also from the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. In explaining his philosophy, Dr. King wrote, "A fourth point that characterizes nonviolent resistance is a willingness to suffer without retaliation, to accept blows from the opponent without striking back. 'Rivers of blood may have to flow before we gain our freedom, but it must be our blood,' Gandhi said to his countrymen. The nonviolent resister is willing to accept violence if necessary, but never to inflict it."

As we honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on the Jan. 15 anniversary of his birth, we honor the rebirth of freedom which his life's work achieved.

And Following Seas

Those of you who know me personally and still read my articles have probably noticed that with a pen in my hand I have often shown a discipline which is not characteristic of my speech habits. When writing I actually manage not to change subjects in mid-thought. One friend(?) of mine has actually suggested that someone else writes my articles for this very reason. As this will be my last ANCHOR WATCH article, I plan to set his and my other acquaintances minds at ease by touching base on a number of pet peeves, gripes and sore spots.

Possibly my biggest bitch is the way we tend to treat each other. Too many of us still belittle our fellows for their race, religion, sex, etc. My views on these subjects have been published; let us remember, however, the military aspect of this problem. We all claim respect for our seniors, but too many of us disregard our juniors. This isn't just the officer showing lack of respect for enlisted, but the E-3 for the E-2 as well. Remember, that if for no other reason than time in service, a man's rank is often not indicative of his abilities or worth.

Running a close second to this is the combination of hierarchal blindness and the lower level apathy which supports it. At the top is a blind, oftentimes stubborn, inability to realize the existence of a problem due to fear, pride, and a lack of information. The fear is often that of having to swallow one's pride. The lack of information is the result of the lower level apathy when those who can outline the problems don't, for any reason! The cure for this apathy is not just getting off of one's can, but caring enough about those you may be able to help to take a chance of being unpopular for a few days or so.

To save space (I only get one page) I lump together lack of courtesy and immaturity, as they often go hand in hand. The end result of much immaturity is expressed as a lack of courtesy. I'm not talking only about the military courtesies such as saluting, but the every day common sense courtesy. Little things like not

coming home rip roaring drunk as a matter of course and waking half the world, or not trying to make it with every girl one meets (at least not publically), and generally just exercising a little common sense in what we do when the result may bother others. Having the maturity to admit mistakes, to actually talk with that junior person not at him, to admit to oneself that everything isn't OK but there are things that need improvement regardless of how distasteful they may be, are traits lacking in too many people. To not necessarily look out for oneself first, without wondering how it will affect someone else. Just to care.

Other gripes which due to space limitations only receive honorable mention are the tendency to put military responsibility ahead of operational needs; the great game of politics involved in the attainment of socio/military status; the backstabbing so often practiced while climbing toward this status; and intolerance (we were all beginners once).

So, there you have it; written the way I babble. In closing, I have two personal notes to two favorite supporters. First for Anita F. It's been great getting the words on paper to say all those things you wanted to say before you got to say them. And finally to my favorite editor - the person who gave me this soap box - thanks for the fun and the fighting SSB whoever you are.



A FINAL OFFERING BY..... T. S. Schallert

SPORTS SHORTS

NSGA BASKETBALL NEWS By CTR1 J. S. STEVE

Hi there, basketball fans. For all those that have been missing out on NSGA basketball news, it isn't too good. As of this time we have played four games and have yet to win. 0 and 4 doesn't sound too good but actually the team is much better than that and with a little more help in certain areas we could start winning. Unfortunately, the outlook for help from those areas is rather dismal.

Attendance is down from last year when we averaged about ten fans a game. Now our expectations are for five a game. I guess you can't expect people to come out and cheer their team on when they have better things to do, and especially when you aren't a winner. Playing well doesn't seem to matter much anymore.

I admit though, that because the team is playing well, hustling and making the effort to improve with each game, my enthusiasm has not diminished. In fact, it has increased. Although the amount of talent out for the team is at its lowest point since I have been here, what we do have has more than made up for this with desire and teamwork. Whereas in the past individuality was the norm, teamwork and unity have taken over and caused the opposition to enter each game with respect for our capabilities.

In a league geared to the big men and run-and-shoot type offenses a small team doesn't have much chance. This in effect has been our major shortcoming. Even though we have been able to negate the fast break and our hustling defense has taken away much from the oppositions outside shooting game, the lack of size and experience on the back boards has consistently proven to be our downfall.

Our lack-luster shooting from the field can also be attributed to rebounding because, in effect, it has caused our guys to press, having developed an attitude of "if we shoot, we are only going to get one chance." This area is also where the officiating has consistently hurt. All they can see is high and low, and nothing in-between. What I mean is that they are great on traveling calls but they don't see anything that is happening on the boards, especially to the smaller men who have to use every bit of advantage available to them in order to be effective. They get lost in the shuffle and for a team



whose tallest player is around 6'11", this is critical. If you don't believe what I say, ask one of our rebounders how many lumps, they have the day after a game. Over-the-back, bumping, shoving fouls, you name it but they don't get called. Fortunately, although we have taken many lumps, we have only sustained one incapacitating injury so far, allowing us to remain competitive and our guys have continued to jump in there and mix it up.

At this point let us recap what has happened to date. In our first game against 85th Med Bn, NSGA came back from a six point deficit with 26 seconds left to tie at 56 all and had a chance to win it with 6 seconds left, but they couldn't get the ball in the hoop before time ran out. In overtime, 85th managed to maintain the upper hand and squeaked out a 62 to 59 victory.

Game two also saw NSGA come back from a deficit to tie Inscm (North) before the clock ran out, but again we failed in overtime as Inscm pulled out another close one 68 to 67.

Our third game saw us up against possibly the best team on post, Marine Barracks. We ended up on the short end of a 73 to 42 score. Poor outside shooting against a Marine team that was burning the hoops at about an 80% clip was the deciding factor in this one. We got into a hole early and were forced to play their game of man-to-man, run-and-shoot, rather than our normal game of zone defense and inside shooting.

INDIVIDUAL SCORING STATISTICS

NAME	RATE	DIV	POINTS PER GAME				AVG PER GAME
			#1	#2	#3	#4	
WIDNEY, J. G.	CT13	3	12	28	16	16	15.5
MURPHY, L. P.	CTOSN	4	3	4	4	2	3.2
PRINCE, R. F.	CT13	7	32	20	21	12	21.2
NILSEN, D. J.	CTM3	1	6	8	5	8	6.7
HORST, G. L.	LCDR	6	2	2	-	-	1.3
GUIDRY, G. P.	CTM3	1	-	2	-	-	.5
ALLEN, T. W.	CTPSN	7	4	-	-	-	2.0
INTAGLIANA, D. G.	CT1SN	6	-	-	2	2	.5
SALAS, R.	CT13	6	-	3	6	5	14
GROSSHANS, T.	CT1SN	1	-	-	-	2	1.0

NSGA BASKETBALL "B" LEAGUE STATISTICS AND SCHEDULE

FIRST ROUND

29 NOV	NSGA	59	85th MED BN	62 (OT)
1 DEC	NSGA	67	INSCOM (NORTH)	68 (OT)
6 DEC	NSGA	42	MARINE BARRACKS	73
8 DEC	NSGA	47	376th ASA Co	56
13 DEC	NSGA	56	526th MP Co	60

SECOND ROUND

15 DEC	1930 85th Med Bn	NSGA	#3	Court
10 JAN	2100 INSCOM	NSGA	#3	" "
12 JAN	1800 NSGA	Mar Brks	#3	" "
17 JAN	2100 NSGA	376th ASA Co	#3	" "
19 JAN	1800 NSGA	526th MP Co	#3	" "

THIRD ROUND

20 JAN	1800 NSGA	85th Med Bn	#3	Court
24 JAN	1930 NSGA	INSCOM (N)	#1	" "
26 JAN	2100 Mar Brks	NSGA	#1	" "
7 FEB	1930 376th ASA Co	NSGA	#1	" "
9 FEB	2100 526th MP Co	NSGA	#1	" "

MOTORIST BILL OF RIGHTS

By DONNA O'CONNOR —

Have you ever had a car accident? Have you ever had trouble with the insurance companies giving you the "bum rush?" Have you ever had to take time off from work to run around getting two or three estimates for them? Well, recently I was on the receiving end of an accident. The insurance agent for the man who struck my car asked me to provide him with two estimates for repairs on my car. Sounds familiar, right? As I knew where I wanted to have my car fixed, I went there first. Luckily for me, the shop owner handed me a copy of the "MOTORIST BILL OF RIGHTS", which is distributed to customers by shops or garages belonging to the Maryland Automobile Service Councils Association. As I read the paper, I was surprised to find that I didn't HAVE to get two estimates, only one! The following reprint might provide valuable assistance to those who find themselves in a "fix" similar to mine.

MOTORIST BILL OF RIGHTS

The following information is designed to aid you through the experience of obtaining quality repairs to your damaged automobile after an accident. You have rights, and the following information will separate fact from fiction. Listed below you will find the questions most often asked.

- QUESTION Must I obtain three estimates?
- ANSWER No. No one can tell you to obtain two or three estimates. You as the car owner may do so should this be your desire.
- QUESTION I was told I must take my car to a certain repair shop. Must I do this?
- ANSWER No. Keep in mind you are the owner of the car and only you can determine the place of repairs. No one can force you to a certain repair shop for any reason.
- QUESTION What is the best procedure for me to get quality repairs and quickly get my car back on the road?
- ANSWER Take your car to the shop of your choice. Leave it with the manager. Instruct him to contact your insurance company and advise them as to the damage report. You should then call your insurance representative and advise him of the car location.
- QUESTION Who is responsible to the repair shop for my repair bill....the insurance company or me?
- ANSWER You are. The contract with your insurance company states...the company will pay YOU for the damages to your car less the deductible amount. You may direct your company to pay the repair shop but the payment should be in the hands of the repair agency when you pick up your car. Keep in mind there is no connection between the repair shop and the insurance company.

QUESTION

Who is responsible for the safety, workmanship and guarantee on my automobile repairs - the insurance company or the repair shop?

ANSWER

The repair shop is responsible. You would not go to an insurance company if a doctor left a sponge in you after an operation, you would go back to the doctor. The same is true in this situation. Insurance companies do not repair automobiles nor do they perform operations.

QUESTION

I am sure the other party was at fault, but no one has made any effort to see to the repairs of my automobile. What can I do?

ANSWER

You are the owner of the automobile, and only you can legally make arrangements for the car repairs. Ask the manager of the shop for assistance.

QUESTION

I am having a problem with the insurance company. Can the Insurance commissioners officer help me?

ANSWER

Yes, but keep in mind the insurance commissioner has no judicial authority to determine negligence nor to establish the value of a loss or injury. If the facts are in dispute, they must be determined by a court of law or arbitration proceedings. The insurance commissioner cannot usurp the authority of the courts or infringe upon the private practice of law. The insurance commissioner may demand an explanation from the insurance company for its handling of the investigation and adjustment. Encourage a fair and equitable settlement of your claim. Instruct you how to proceed if a settlement is not reached. Remember, while insurance companies are closely regulated, they are part of our free enterprise system. The insurance commission number in this area is 383-3010.



We hope the above information is of some help to you. Ask the manager of the shop for any additional aid you might require. He/she is informed on these matters and can be of great help to you.

The owner of the repair shop has pledge his shop to a rigid code of ethics and of more importance to you a GUARANTEE of craftsmanship. These are designed to protect you and your property. He/she must be able to show you the Automobile Service Councils of Maryland display sign. Look for the sign in the shop. Only members can display the sign and can give you assurance of the code of ethics and the guarantee.

COMPANY



HOTLINE

editorial

The promotion we wanted, but did not get. The lecture we got that we felt was unnecessary. The Monday morning blues that threatened to rob us of our very existence. The Friday afternoons that brought us back to life. The "peanut farmer" from Georgia who did what all said was impossible. The new green sweaters that had civilians asking what country we were from. The banker from Georgia who had his own very unique ideas about banking practices. An outstanding Marine Corps Ball where no one, (to my knowledge), attempted to show the CO who was the real boss. The sadness felt by one and all after learning of the death of the king of rock and roll, Mr. Elvis A. Presley.

You might ask. "What do these things have in common?" These are just a few of the memories we have of the year that slipped through our fingers just a few days ago. We look back and remember our good days and bad days, our ups and downs, our trials and tribulations. But most of all it was a year that in many ways renewed our faith in the three things closest to all Marines, God, Country and Corps.

It is with heavy heart that I must announce that 1977 is gone forever. But does it have to have that finality. Do we have to say that something that occupied 365 days of our lives is gone forever? I am of the notion that we can look at it from a different viewpoint.

When the gun sounds to end a football game or the last out is made in the World Series, then they are over and for all practical purposes lost to time. But did 1977 end like a ball game? Sure it had its own end if you speak of midnight on New Years Eve. But I contend that we shouldn't say that it ended. As long as we have the memories, nothing can completely end. In time the ballgames will fade from memory, but the memories from 1977 will live on and on. So please join with me as I take a last quick look at the year past and then lets step off at a lively but determined pace into 1978. From me to you as the memories bounce around and tend to cloud my vision, may you have a very Happy New Year.

Now that we have recovered from the New Years parties and broken all our New Years resolutions, it's time to look forward to the many activities in the year to come. Along with the hikes and PFTs, we have a change of command, and an I.G. Checking with rumor control we find that this years I.G. is scheduled for the month of June. Putting it into language that we can understand from our Christmas shopping, there are only approximately 120 preparation days left before I.G. We can do ourselves a favor and avoid the last minute rush by beginning now with our preparation for the I.G. If you think that last minute Christmas shopping is hectic, just wait until the night before inspection and then discover that you are missing two pairs of black socks, a webb belt that fits and the ribbon that is so hard to find. Let me tell you, it can be nerve racking. So let's start now and save ourselves a lot of worry and grey hairs.

Before someone starts bad-mouthing my journalistic methods, I better explain in my way of doing things when it comes to putting our paper together. I feel that by waiting until the last minute to ask for the articles from the different people who help me in putting this paper together we ensure that the news is as "new" as possible. It's hard enough to do this when the paper comes out about a month after we turn it into PAO. But it could be worse if we tried to turn the articles in weeks ahead of the deadline. So, to those of you who have responded so faithfully in getting your contributions together at the last minute, I express my greatest appreciation.

- Sarge -

spotlight

In most cases when you refer to someone as a "two-timer" it has very negative connotations. But when I say that the Marine in the Spotlight this month is a "two-timer", it has a vastly different meaning. You see, the Company "A" Admin. Chief, SSgt Jerry SAUNDERS, was discharged from the Marines in 1969 and less than a year later re-entered the Corps to become what I refer to as a "two-timer."

SSgt Saunders is originally from Worth County, Georgia, and following graduation from Worth County High School in 1964 joined the Marine Corps. After a tour at Marine Corps Air Facility in Santa Anna, Ca. he went to MAG-16, 1st MAW in Vietnam. Following a tour in Nam, he spent 15 months on recruiting duty in Macon, Ga. and in June of 1969 was discharged.

In putting real meaning to the old saying, "Once a Marine, always a Marine," SSgt Saunders just couldn't stay a civilian for long. In February of 1970, he re-entered the Marine Corps and was assigned to I&I Staff, Joliet, Illinois. SSgt Saunders then went to Okinawa for a tour with the 7th Comm Battalion and upon his return to the states went to Admin Chief School at Parris Island, S.C. as an instructor. Following a three year tour at Parris Island, SSgt Saunders came here to Company "A" to assume the duties of Admin Chief from GySgt BOCKTING. From all reports, SSgt Saunders is doing a fine job in keeping the administrative area of the company running smoothly and, for this reason, I think that we should all be glad that our Admin Chief decided to become a "two-timer."

As far as likes and dislikes, it seems that SSgt Saunders is very non-committal on just about everything. It's very hard to interview someone who sticks to the middle of the road. But after much prodding and coercion, SSgt Saunders admits that although he likes it here at Company "A", the Washington area doesn't afford the privacy that he desires.

sports

In the sports department we have a lot to report and even better still, some good news. Our bowling teams are doing very well and the basketball team, even though they got off to a slow start, shows a lot of promise.

The Fort Meade Intramural bowling team under the direction of SSgt MITCHELL bowls each Wednesday night and is currently within the top five teams of the league. The team members and their respective averages are: LtCol MINER, 178; CWO4 KEE, 157; CWO2 PRICHARD, 148; GySgt PETHE, 138; GySgt DRAWDY, 154; GySgt MINOR, 139; SSgt MITCHELL, 177; Sgt ASHWORTH, 144.

The Company "A" basketball team, under the direction of Sgt ASHWORTH, lost their first two games and no one will tell me the scores but, as I said before, they show a lot of promise. The team members are as follows: CWO2 PRICHARD, SSgt's CASE, CARTER, COLEMAN, POWELL, Sgt's ASHWORTH, DESPAIN, PARADYSZ, SACAVAGE, SEAGER, WHITE, and Cpl LOCKHART. The team plays each Tuesday and Thursday night and we should try to go out and support them if at all possible.

hail, fairwell, congratulations

When I started working on last's months issue, the first I had ever done, my main concern was that I have enough material to fill up our allotted space. Well when the paper went to press it became obvious that I had overdone it just a little. So my apologies to those of you who arrived or got promoted and didn't see your name in the paper. I hope you will accept my apologies and with a "better late than never" we will try to get you in this issue.

A recent arrival to Company "A" and 1st platoon is MSgt SANDERSON who also deserves congratulations as he was recently promoted to MSgt. The 1st platoon also welcomes GySgt LUCAS who comes from sunny Hawaii and 1st Radio Battalion.

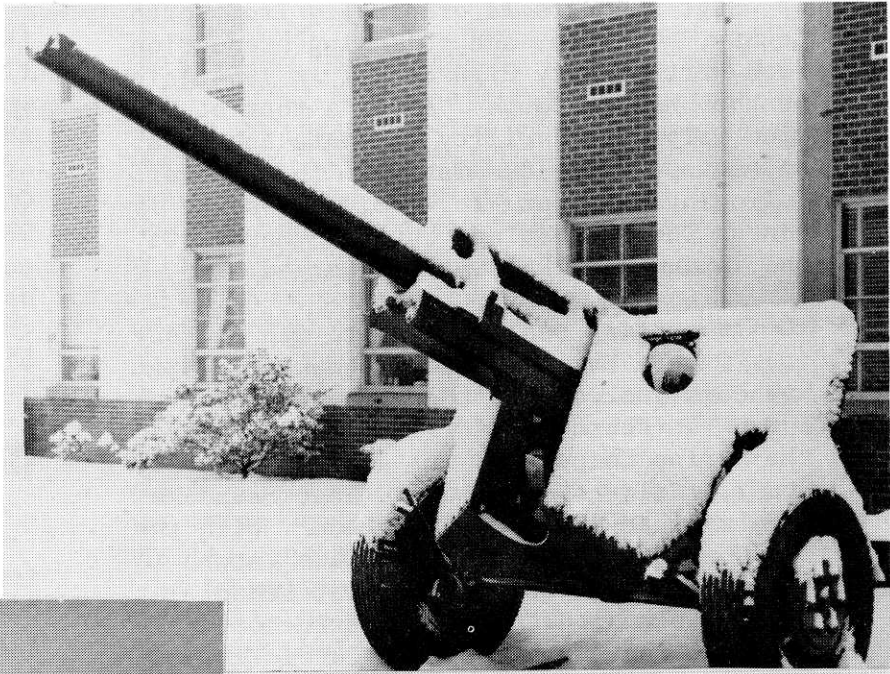
The 2nd platoon is growing steadily as Sgt WALKER arrives from Company "L" in Cuba, Sgt HRZIC from Goodfellow AFB, TX. and Sgt COSSENTINO from 1st RAD BN in HI.

We bid a fond farewell to GySgt BYRD who left for DLI in Calif. SSgt HUYETT who left for Company "H", and GySgt GARETT who is on his way to Company "F". Have a good tour and we look forward to seeing you all again.

In the reenlistment department we offer congratulations to SSgt SCHAIBLE who recently signed on the dotted line for two more years. It's good to have the good men back where they belong.

Now that almost all of the Marines in the company selected for staff have been promoted, it's getting slim, but this month we give three cheers to SSgt GODFREY on his recent promotion.

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DIVISION TWO NEWS



By CTI1 Sherman Pulst

Welcome to December's Division Two article. I'm sitting here watching the Dallas Cowboys and the San Francisco 49ers knock each other down and hoping for some sort of inspiration to help me get this thing written. Somehow, though, the witty repartee of Howard Cosell, Frank Gifford and Dandy Don What's-his-name just isn't illuminating any lightbulbs over my head.

At any rate, in the absence of signs of inspiration on the order of a parting of the clouds and a resounding chorus of alleluias or anything like that, I guess I'll have to muddle through on my own. What a depressing thought.

CTRSN AMY BROWN was the subject of a ceremony in the Captain's office recently where she was presented a set of special evals. Amy was rated a straight 4.0 sailor by her supervisor and that rightfully deserved special recognition. Congratulations, Amy.

As mentioned at the last division meeting, CTI1 RICH KUMRO is the new Division Two Drug and Alcohol Abuse Representative. If you feel you or someone you know has a problem with a drug of any kind, Rich is the man to contact.

While on the subject of division representatives, CTR1 JOHN TRACY has been named Division Two's alternate representative to the NSGA Recreational Council. CTR1 RICH COFFEY is the primary representative to that council. Rich is also the primary representative to the NSGA BEQ Council. The alternate representative to that council is CTI1 BILL JAGENOW. Any questions or suggestions you might have regarding either recreation or the BEQ should be di-

rected to one of those mentioned above who can then present it at the next meeting of their respective councils.

On November 14, CTI2 RENE and VALERIE LEROUX became the parents of a new daughter, KIMBERLY NICOLE, who weighed 7 lbs. 6 ounces at birth. Mom, Dad and Kimberly are all doing well. Our congratulations to Rene and Valerie.

Well, to wrap up, I hope everyone has a good Christmas and New Year. I implore you, though, to use common sense when making the rounds on the holiday party circuit. Automobile accidents are depressing and decidedly unnecessary. See you next year.



Captain KUPLINSKI congratulates CTI1 Bill D'CAMP on his promotion to first class.

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FROM DIVISION THREE BY CTR2 PRODGER

HAPPY NEW YEAR!! Here's hoping you all had a very Merry Christmas, a great 1977 and will have an even better 1978.

Now that the test results have been released and "evals" and Christmas are over, we can all get back to "normal", right? Well, for Paul and Zsa BUNTS, normal has a new meaning. On November 23rd, they received an early Christmas present—a member of the Naval Academy Class of 1998! We'd like to extend our warmest congratulations to the Bunts and "welcome aboard" to "Middie" Phillip ("Gans") Bunts, all 5 lbs. 11ozs. of him.

Well, what would a new year be without resolutions? CTRC Chuck HARRELSON—"to be as kind and understanding and warm as I was last year."
CTRSN John RALPH—"to be 'civilianized'." (Is that like being Midasized?).
CTR2 Duey MANN—"to (cough) quit (snort, wheeze) smoking."
CTRSN Craig BROWN—"to empty my penny jar before 1979!"

CTR1 Tony PANNONE is starting the new year in style. He graduated from Baltimore Community College in December with an Associates of Arts degree in Business Management. "ATTA-BOY, Tony!"

Division Three's own CTRC (as of 16 Jan) Jim RASBEARY is one of 28 very proud Ft. Meade Cougars, the Mid-Atlantic Coast Championship Team (100 lb. class) in the Pop Warner Football League. Jim is an assistant coach and helped guide the boys to a 28-6 victory over the Rams of Pottstown, Pennsylvania on 26 November to win the title.

The team was 8-1 in the regular season and went on to an over all record of 10-1 with back-to-back victories against the defending champion Overlea Raiders to win the conference and state title. Our heartiest congratulations to the entire team and coaching staff. Well Done!!!

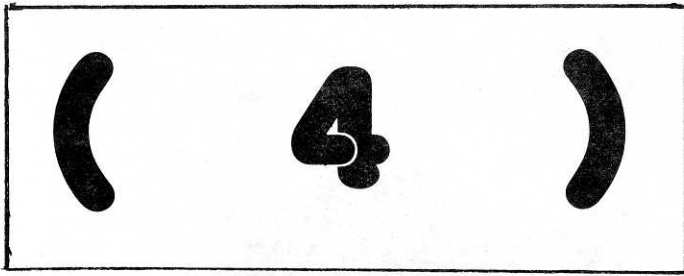
Division Three has some "athletes", too. The "Good Guys" in the NSA Intramural (c) Basketball League started the season on December 3rd with a resounding 58-22 victory. Division Three Team members are John JERNIGAN, Bill HELM, Jim PRODGER, Bob SHEPHERD, Rick DELOREY, and Brice KUTZLI. As the season progresses, we will report the action in the AW.

We'd like to extend a hearty Division Three type welcome to CTICS Jim SHARP who recently arrived from CSG 7th Fleet, Kamiseya, Japan. Originally from Loudonville, Ohio, Chief Sharp is married and has three children. His hobbies include bowling and photography. We would also like to welcome to our division CTA3 Rich MAJEWSKI. He has come to us from Division One. We would like to add that he was more than happy to come up in the world to Division Three. Rich will be filling the role of Division Yeoman.

Have you reviewed the Record of Emergency Data in your service record??? Surely, it's one of the most important records you have. Insure your loved-ones peace of mind...check it today!!!

Do you have any news or items of personal interest you would like to share with us? Just give me a call at 688-7481 or contact the Public Affairs Office at 677-2877. You may be on your way to a Pulitzer Prize!





by CTTSN WILKINSON

Now that the bleak skys seem to overwhelm the senses, you always have a copy of the past holiday cheer at hand. I hope all of you enjoyed the holidays.

"Yes, Virginia," "There is a Christmas." CTTSN Rosemarie RICHARDSON's husband returned home for a visit after a cruise in the Mediterranean. I am not too happy to return to work, my boss has been transfereed. I wonder if I am too young to get a seizure.

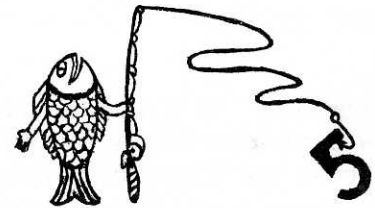


Congrats go to CT11 Rick HOWARD who was the recipient of a Letter on Commendation from his former command, Atsugi, Japan. The ceremony was conducted by the X.O., with Petty Officer Howard's wife,

Judy, in attendance. Also attending were Chief NYE, MCPOC, and Chief STANDRICH, Assistant Division Officer. Congratulations on a job well done, Rick.

I'm signing off for Division Four now, if you have received any awards, expecting a new member of the family, or just want to share an amusing story in the newspaper, contact Mary WILKINSON, ext. 3646 or drop the story by in 3E054. To those on Mids, leave the story on Dick CANOVA's desk.

SEND YOUR LOVE A VALENTINE... in February's AW. Your three-six liner is due in PAO's hot little hands no later than 10 January by High Noon! -ssb-



by CT12 PATRICK

Well folks, as you've probably noticed, despite your hangovers, that another year has gone by, but what a way to end the year. November and December were particularly good months for Division Five people. For instance; congratulations must go to Charlie section's CTRSN MICHAEL WILDE and his new bride PAT. They were married Dec. 4, just in time to file a joint tax return. Good luck and best wishes for a happy life together.

Congratulations go also to Bravo section leader ENS. THOMAS BOTULINSKI, who received the joint commendation medal. Way to go...er...Sir.

There is a story going around Charlie section, that its fearless leader, ENS. MICHAEL FAULK, was hunting one day and either shot a 4-point buck or a 4-point duck. So that's how the antlers got in the tree top...I'd always heard it was a goose.

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Division 5 cont.

In the strange but true department: Didja know that three Div. Five members recently had a boot camp reunion. It seems that CW02 STEVE DRAGO, CTIC 'FRENCHY' BOURGEOIS and CT11 (soon to be CTIC) FRANK PERRAULT were in the same boot camp company nineteen years ago and had not seen each other until they were reunited in Division Five. The strange part is that, in nineteen years, they had not changed one bit.....at least that is what they told each other.

I usually don't put goodbyes in this column, but I'd like to give special thanks to recently retired CTIC JAMES CRAWFORD for his efforts to give guided tours of east Baltimore St. to junior enlisteds of Bravo section. Sorry I missed your tour!

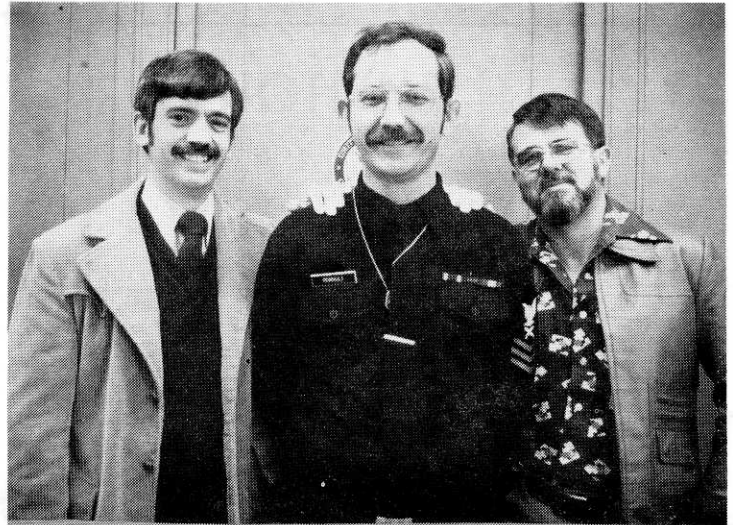
Speaking of Bravo section: CTIC DICK BEST was overheard saying that he was ready to make it back to Acapulco, where he recently spent a well-deserved R & R entrancing the local young lovelies with his tales on the virtues of being a sailor. I wonder if I'd fit in his sea bag?

There is a vicious rumor that CT13 K. D'AVANZO is leaving Div. Five for another division. If true, it's an obvious loss to the div. and especially Echo section. They will definitely miss her competence. Also the fact that she is one of the more attractive members of the division does not make her leaving any easier on us, either. Congrats to the division to which she is going. You're getting one nice Lady! (Did I say that right, Kathy?)

A final note: Lots of Div. Five members were or are advanced by the time you read this. So, I'd like to issue a BLANKET CONGRATS to all who deserve it.

See you in February. Write, if you find work!

Roses are red, violets are fine.
Use Feb.'s AW to send your valentine.



CW03 FAIRCHILD and Chief QUINN congratulate CTR2 Steven F. MEYERER and his wife on his reenlistment.

divi 6 sion
CT11 R. CLEMENS

Division Six hopes that everyone in the command had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!! And that no ill effects were felt from too much cheer. Now, on with the news.



Captain KUPLINSKI congratulates CTI1 John J. PICCINETTI on his promotion to first.

Newcomers to the division are: CTI2 (AC) Ed McCAUSLAND and VARNAM reported in from Clark AFB, Philippines and NCS, Rota, Spain, respectively. Seaman Apprentices NEAL and MOONEY reported in from Goodfellow AFB, San Angelo, Texas.

Good Conduct Awards were recently presented to:

- CTRCS Mel REECE (5)
- CTTC J.D. TURNER (6)
- CTI1 Jerry McGILL (4)
- CTI2 Bob HANNON (1)
- CTI3 Bill MALONEY (1)

Congratulations are in order for CTI2 (AC) McCausland and CTI2 Hannon as both were advanced to Petty Officer First Class on 16 December.

HOW DO I LOVE THEE?
 Count the ways in February's
 AW with your original Valen-
 tine wish for your honey.
 Deadline: 10 January/Noon!

Best of luck to CTI3 Bill Maloney and CTI2 Karen SULLIVAN who have checked out of the division. Bill left the Navy in the middle of December after 4½ years of service. He plans to enter college. Karen checked out on separation leave 7 December and will be getting out of the Navy after four years service on 13 January. While with the division, Karen was on the Honor List at Anne Arundel Community College. She also completed the basic College Level Examination Program* (CLEP) battery. Both Karen and her husband, Gary, plan to enter the University of Texas in Austin.

In closing, Division Six wishes the Best of Luck to everyone in '78".



Although we congratulate these good conduct awardees from a summer inspection, it looks as if Jim Prodger is up to NO good, right?

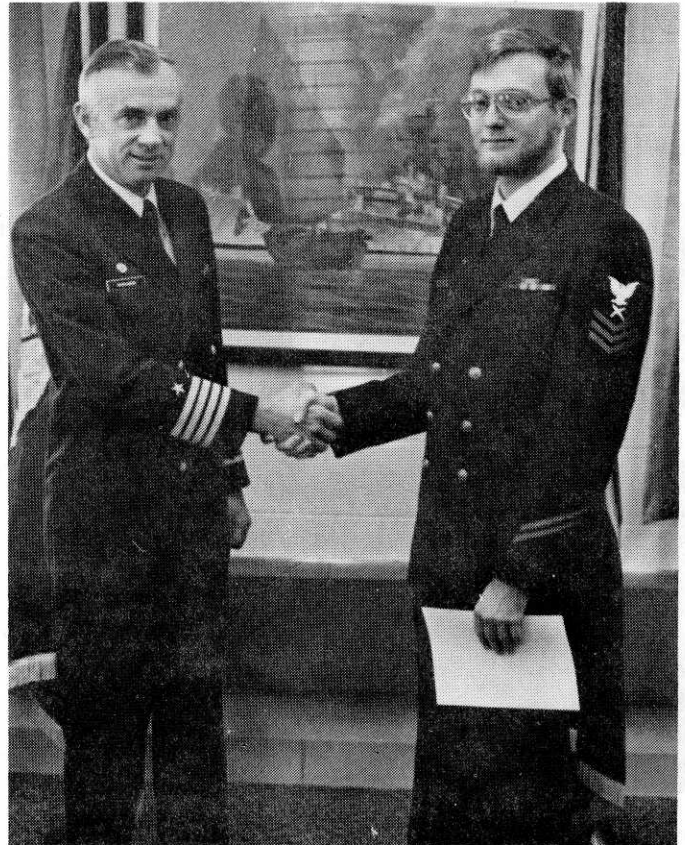


DIVISION SEVEN NEWS WATCH
By CTISN TOM ROBBINS

The division SEVEN NEWS desk was active this past month gathering the latest stories and rumors from around the division. The presentation of NSGA's Vampire Award by Capt. KUPLINSKI to our blood coordinator, CTR! JOHN PENN, at the November inspection was one of the events that put our division in the spotlight again. My very reliable sources report that CTIC ED BROGAN will be receiving a certificate of appreciation from Walter Reed Army Medical Center for his donation of one gallon of blood (3.785 liters for those people who are thinking metric). Congratulations Chief and a special thanks to all who participated in last years blood program. Petty Officer Penn hopes we will have 100% participation during this years blood drive.

Advancement was another major news breaking story, and with the many rumors circulating about who will make rate, a total uncertainty prevailed. This AW reporter has been especially concerned with advancement rumors because he's been bird watching (for that third class crow) during the past year. Certain unnamed sources say that if he doesn't sew on a crow, he'll have to eat one. CTASA HENKEL will be CTASN Henkel on 16 January 1978, congratulations, Teresa!

Both CTRCM DESCHENES and CTICM KELLY celebrate back - to - back birthdays this month on the 24th and 25th. I won't say which one is "older" (or looks "older"), or I may end up eating more than a crow, but I will say HAPPY BIRTHDAY Master Chiefs and have a good one.



It's the ole hand-shake routine from the CO for CT11 David SCHUENBURG on his recent promotion to first class.

I have just been handed a sports "flash" from the desk of CT13 Bob PHELAN. Yes, the not-often-heard-of CT13 Phelan has been found. He was hiding in the MRL for the past six months and finally joined us here at the FANX. You may see "BOBBY" everyday-or almost everyday-working "diligently"(?????) here at FANX III. Our sports highlights show that CT13 Bob PRINCE, "The PRINCE ROYAL of the COURT", has been scoring an average of 20 points a game during the early part of NSGA's basketball season. Outstanding Bob, but how about winning a game. Another DIV 7 player on the team is CTTSN TERRY ALLEN, who unfortunately, will remain on the bench for a time due to a broken leg.

For those who are "still" suffering from hangovers due to the festive get-together held in December, take two aspirins get plenty of rest and avoid angry Chiefs.

Finally, we would like to say fair winds and following seas to CTCR BOB POOLE (to Fleet Reserve) and CT13 STEVE PETEET (separation). CT11 PHIL SLOAN will depart for duty at Atsugi, Japan on 16 February. Good Luck to all!

Recent arrivals include Chiefs DODGE and CLORE from Guam and Rota, respectively. Welcome aboard!

This wraps up another "exciting" edition of DIV 7's AW news watch. Our new logo is the creative work of CTISN Dave "The Grew" PETTIGREW.

division 8 by CTASN FARRAR

Well! 1978 is now upon us. ANYBODY for New Year's Resolutions? Mine is to quit drinking; a lot of people are curious to see the outcome of this. THELMA LEITZ who recently went on a deer hunting trip has been seen in the office shooting people with rubber bands. Apparently her shooting hasn't been too good.

Division Eight is going through some change overs. Seriously, we are losing MRS. GAY SIMMONS AND MRS. MARGE WILKES, two of the finest ladies Division Eight

has had the pleasure of. They will be missed but we all wish them the best. I just hope by the time this article comes out MARGE IS STILL WILKES. DON'T CHANGE YOUR NAME, MARGE!!!! Rumor has it that CTA1 BOSWELL is going into the WINNEBAGO business. Do they really get three miles to a gallon, BOB? We also said goodbye to CTR3 JIM WASHABAUGH who, after a long wait, received his clearance. I think it was somewhere around 15 months. Don't worry Jim, your enlistment will be up soon. Charlie GARRISON is busy these days with



It's reenlistment time for HM Buddy "Doc" SWAIN, NSGA's medical representative and drug counselor. His wife, Ophelia, and son, Buddy III, (3), seem to share the enthusiasm of "Doc's" co-workers from the personnel office.

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all the football pools. His new name is CHARLIE THE GREEK. PNC PETT hasn't been seen riding his bicycle to work lately. Rumor is that he's trying to find a heater for bicycles. GOOD LUCK, CHIEF!!!



PNC Stan PETT does it again - for four more big ones. Witnessing the reenlistment were many family members: his parents who were visiting from Idaho; his wife Judy, and their three children, Suzanne (4), Kathleen (almost 3), and Amy (almost 2), WHEW!



HT1 Ray GORMAN is congratulated by the C.O. on his promotion to first class .

Birthday wishes go out to PN2 JOHN NEVLING and BOBBIE MICHAUD. We hope they both have a wonderful time on their birthdays.

Last, but certainly not least, we hope that CTASN DANNY FARRAR doesn't suffer any ill effects from the draft he has been under. Don't catch cold now, Danny.

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ROGUE'S GALLERY



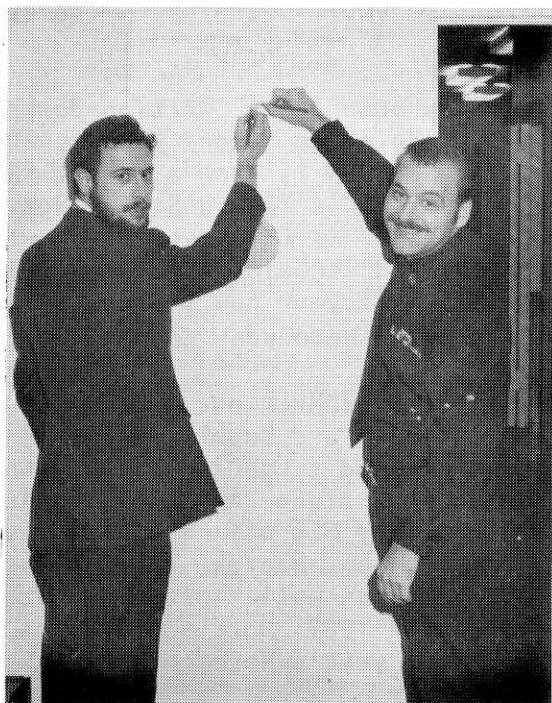
CTT2 Alvan SCRIBNER was the last "Rogue" (described in November's A.W.). The clues were: He does everything to a "T"--referring to his branch or rate; he's always hanging a'round' -- referring to his nickname in the division (round man); and everything he touches turns into a 'Fiatsco'--referring to his little red Italian-made method of conveyance. Unfortunately, CTT2 Scribner was deployed TAD a short while ago, and is unable to see this article (perhaps, luckily for me).

This month's Rogue is married to a lady who speaks with a burr (this burr is not to be confused with the 'burr' which he is known to consume in large quantities at lunch time). To tell the truth, this guy is a real yo-yo. Last but not least, he gets more time in at sea in one tour than YN1 FOX will get in an entire 20-year career.

The 16th of December (In the future as I write this, in the past as you read this) will be (was) the scene of another glorious fleet support division Christmas party. As is our tradition, former members of our division--retirees and others still in the area will (did) attend as the Division

Nine "family" gets (got) together at its grandest of annual get-togethers. A cold-cut buffet is planned (was delicious), and approximately 100 current and former division members are planning to (did) attend. Music will be (was) provided by Johnny ANTHONY, and a grand sense of Christmas cheer will be (was) imbibed and imparted to all.

In welcoming in the New Year, Division Nine would like to pause to reflect over the change in character which this division has undergone within the last year. New people keep coming in, and old, familiar faces keep passing into distant memories. Division Nine has prided itself for some time now on its "family-style" character--a character which has been carefully cultivated and tended to by everyone in the division with a true Navy spirit. Those of us who have been here awhile, and even those of us who are newly arrived, share in this feeling of fellowship and trust, and a true sense of loss is felt when a respected and loved division member must leave our "family".



CTA3 Ken POWELL and CTCM Robert BRADLER seem pleased with Division Nines 100% plus support for the United Campaign. Their total was an impressive \$1,195.00.

There is one person who, in the last few years, has been largely responsible for keeping this division together and on an even keel. This person is Master Chief BRADLER, who is leaving us in January for Misawa. There is nothing which goes on in this division which he does not know about and have in control. He is universally respected, admired, and even loved within the division. It is not enough to say that he will be missed, for he is a true sailor in the finest tradition, and a fine man. We truly feel a sense of loss.

Other division members receiving orders include CTIC KINNE, who will be leaving for Rota in January, CT11 WOYCITZKY, who will be going to Atsugi, and CTT2 ALFOED who is going to Pensacola for further schooling.

Another loss significant to Division Nine will be the loss of CDR. WALLACE, director of fleet support division, to CINCUSNAVEUR in January. LCDR. DAVENPORT will replace Mr. Wallace, and while we regret the loss of a fine commander and leader, at the same time we welcome Mr. Davenport into our midst with our traditional family-style welcome.

It is not just the losses of personnel which changes the character of the division, it is also the additions--new people with fresh ideas and spirit to lend to the Division Nine family composition. CTICM KAYS will be the replacement for CTICM Bradler, and newly-arrived CTISN SHERMAN will be complementing the ranks of the "I" branchers. Along with additions and deletions, changes in status sometimes add to the variety of the personnel within the division. Three new LCDR selectees (Lt. SIMMONS, Lt. ANTOINE, and Lt. LAPAILLE) are joined by newly-initiated CTIC McCARTHY in attaining their justly-awarded promotions. A former single member of the division, CTT3 FOLEY, married the former Ms. Debbie PORTER, and will be bringing a new outlook to division get-togethers.



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Division Nine cont.

The LANGSTONS, the PULLMANS, the FRANCISES, and the SNYDERS, the REDMONDS, the ROBINSONS and the CONNORS (with twins) are all families with new additions, thus, new responsibilities, new problems, new sources of joy. Attitudes of even those who remain within the division will be changing, and along with them, the very character of the division will change.

As the new year rolls in then, the old rolls out; but it is a continuous process. This division takes care of its own, and as it presents a new face to the world with each intricate change, it retains the old values and beliefs that make this division one of true sailing men. Let no man doubt the camaraderie, let no man doubt the fellowship. Let no man doubt that Division Nine is made of the heart of true Navy spirit.



Newstime **Eleven**
by CTA3 SHAR PRICE

Division Eleven says: Hello, Happy New Year (albeit a little late)!

We have special mentions for CTIC Woody KNIGHT and CTM3 Kim DONALDSON this month. Although Chief Knight was not chosen as the NDW winner of the Theodore Roosevelt Citizenship Award, he has received a special letter and mention from RADM R. H. CARNAHAN for his outstanding contribution to the community. It is easy to see that the Chief's competition really must have been strong: to the winner, congratulations from us all. Petty Officer Kim Donaldson was such an outstanding student here that his seniors requested he be allowed to fill the instructors billet in the IATS course. Since this billet is usually that of a first class petty officer, CTM3 Donaldson must be a pretty knowledgeable fella'. A pat (many pats) on the back to you both.

In the last issue we asked Chief Bruce KAHLER "what next?", well he's answered... Fleet Reserve! His reserve date is 26 June but, he has approximately EIGHTY days of leave to use up. Guess we won't see too much of him 'tween now 'n then. When this issue went to press, he and Chief R. E. HASKELL were planning a "twin" retirement ceremony - but more of that closer to their actual departure. Chief Kahler has decided (with great enthusiasm) that Colorado is the place for him, high, dry

and as far away on a destroyer and barely escaping sea duty as a CT, the chief is taking no chances. A more current departure is FLAPMA's own CTISN Thomas BURT who says Bon Voyage to the Navy in early February. 'Bye to you too, Tom. Remember you've only got three months to re-up and still receive your "bennies" -- be seeing you?

There've been a few wetting-downs and tacking-on going on 'round about. GySgt "Sandy" SANDERDON is now a Master Sgt., Sgt. Ron WALKER is now a Staff Sgt. and CT12 Tom MYERS is CT11 Myers. Now that your heads and shoulders are well once more, y'all wear your new stripes proudly; at least, every Wednesday anyway.

CTA1 Terry BOND, our local in-house antique car buff and expert extraordinaire has been elected treasurer of the Chesapeake Region Antique Automobile Club of America. He and his wife Sue both received participation awards for their work with the club as well. Some of you may remember their 1935 Morris Eight was featured in last year's November AW.

Oh, and not to be omitted is a little reminder for you know who, who came to GMT wearing you know what, when they should have been wearing you know what else, 'n there it was a Wednesday, no less!...tch, tch, tch.

'Nuff said for now, bye.

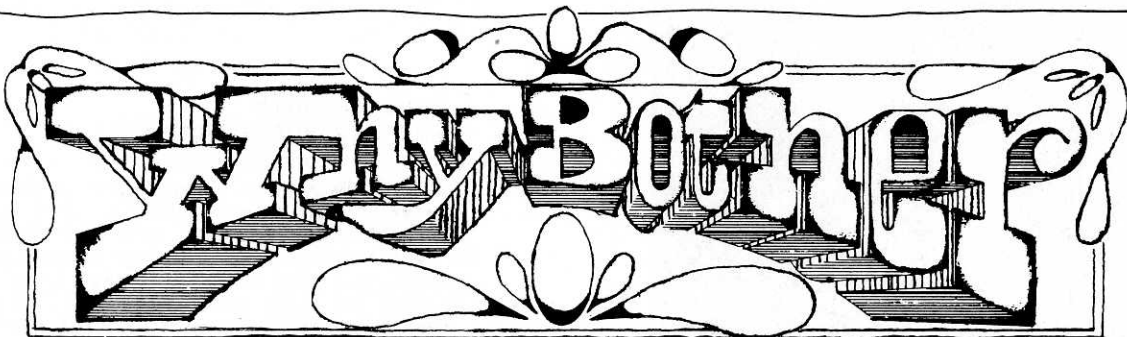
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Capt. DILLINGHAM congratulates David A. KOEHLER and his wife Alice and children Michelle (10) and Shari (9) on his promotion to lieutenant commander.



CDR Peter KENNEDY and his wife Patricia look pleased over his receipt of the Navy Commendation medal.



to de-bunk a bunch of harmless myths about drinking? Because they're not so harmless.

For instance? If a guy thinks it's okay to smash down 8 or 10 beers every night because "it's only beer" . . . he could develop a serious drinking problem without even knowing it.

We have nine million alcoholic Americans. It's be-

come a national plague. Yet in some other societies, where they don't share our misconceptions about drinking, alcoholism is rare.

So the more we know about drinking, the better we can handle it. The better we can decide whether, where, when, why, how much, and with whom to drink.

Naval Traditions

By CTTC J. J. SEDLEVICIUS

Working for a Dead Horse

This expression, meaning that one is working at some job for which he has already been paid, dates back to early days when it was customary to advance a sailor his first month's pay. After the ship had been thirty days at sea, the crew would construct a horse out of a barrel and odd ends of canvas. It would be hoist over-side and set on fire, and as it drifted astern, the men would sing the old chantey "Poor Old Horse". This indicated that they would once again be working for wages and not only for "Salt horse" (food).

First Naval College

The first naval college of which there is any record was established at Sagres, Portugal, in 1415 A.D. Here, King Henry

(known as Henry the Navigator) called together famous seamen from every nation to instruct his young countrymen.

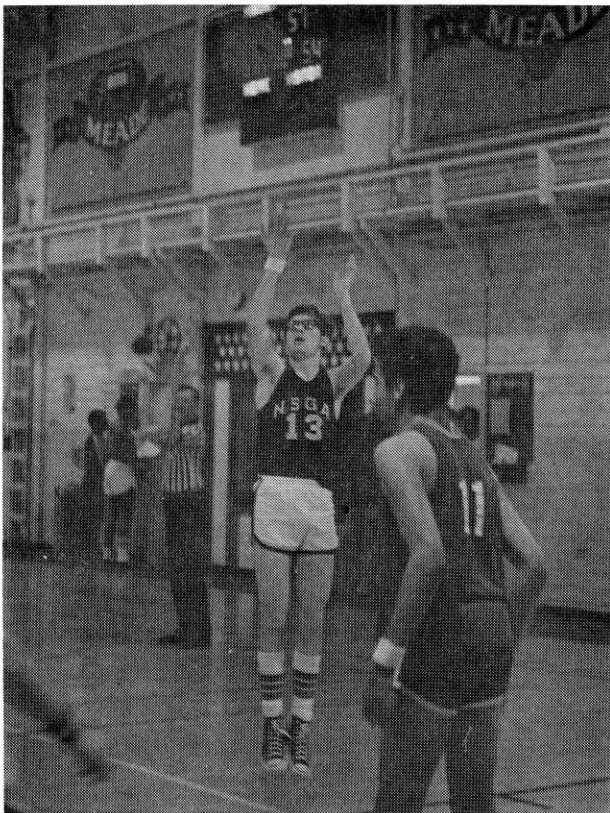
Blue Monday

The term "Blue Monday" came into being as early as the 18th century. It originated because of an old custom aboard ships, whereby a man's misdeeds were logged daily, and the culprit flogged weekly on the following Monday.

Big Wigs

This slang term for men in high positions gathers its meaning from the fact that senior officers in the old British Navy actually did wear huge wigs.

S P O R T S, continued from p. 6



Photos by
CTI3 dick cairnes

CTOSN L.P. MURPHY taking a shot during the game, while back on page five CTI3 Bob PRINCE eases off a practice shot before the game.

In our fourth and final game prior to this article, NSGA faced 376th ASA Co and went down by a score of 56 to 47. Although improvement was noticeable, cold shooting and rebounding again proved our undoing. Oh well!

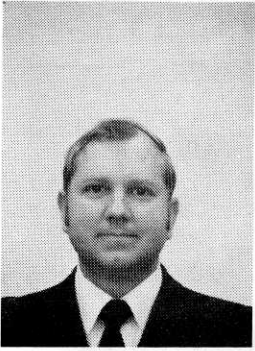
Anyhow, if your plans for the evening fall through sometime on a Tuesday or Thursday evening and you can't think of anything better to do, check the schedule and drop by Murphy Field House. Take a look at one of our games. I'm sure you will not be disappointed and, besides, we are always looking for your support. Who knows, you may like it and come back. Ta ta for now.

TABLE TENNIS

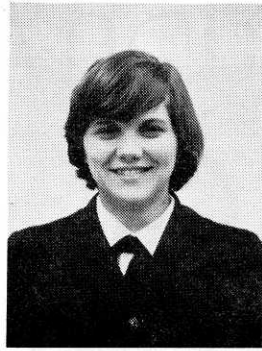
By CTA2 "RED" PRICE

While all you Navy/Marine people were slaving away at work NSGA/CO "A"'s 1st LT Robert L. SMITH, USMC, and CTA3 Ramon M. PETTUS, USN, were slapping a small white ball back and forth, back and forth (you think you have problems) in the 1977 NDW Table Tennis Tournament held at NAF, Andrews Air Force Base, from 29 November through 2 December.

The outcome in singles, LT Smith won three matches and lost two taking 4th place overall while PO Pettus won one and lost two. In doubles, the team of Smith and Pettus won one match and lost two. Although they didn't collect all the ping pong balls, "KUDOS" are in order for a fine representation by these outstanding athletes.



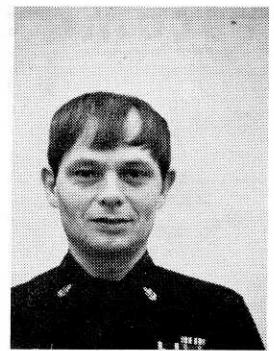
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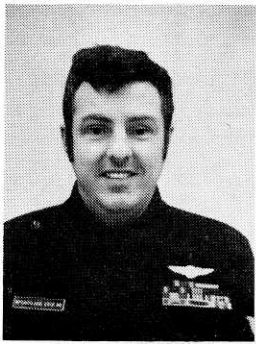
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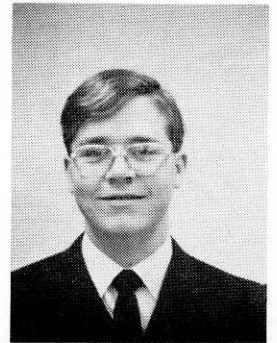


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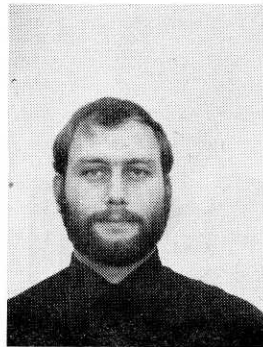
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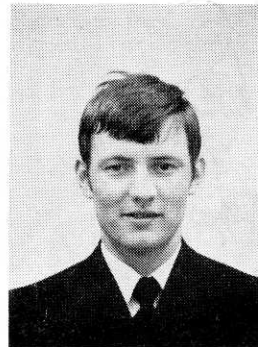
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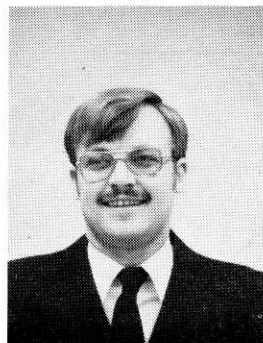
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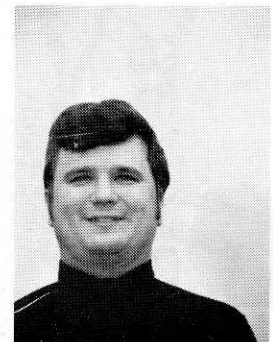
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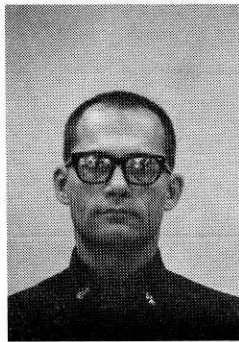


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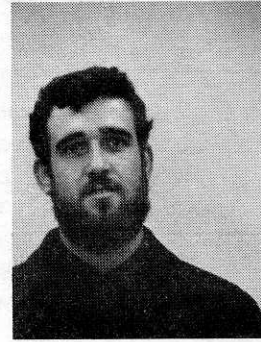
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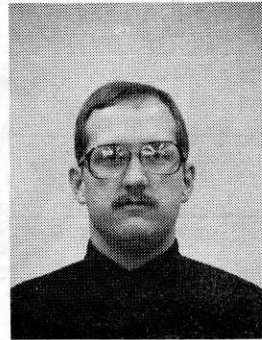
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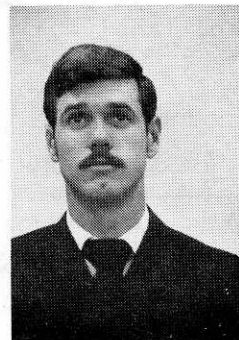
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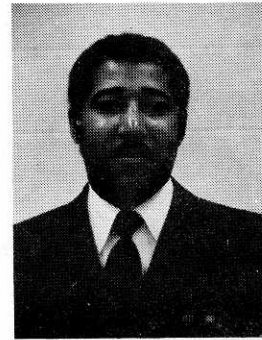
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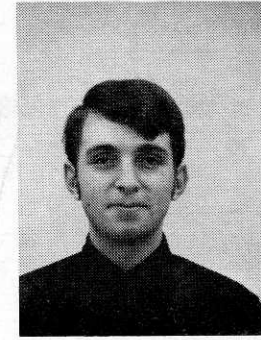
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