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## MINSTREL SHOW TO BE HAPPY HOUR THEME

"Who was the lady I saw you with last night?"--will find an answer two weeks from tonite, Tuesday, 18 May, when Interlocutor Hirshberg commands, "Gentlemen, be seated."

The entire Naval Flight Instructor's School will contribute to the Happy Hour scheduled for that date and the plans call for a good old-fashioned cork and soft-shoe Minstrel Show, end-men and all.

What is Leinweber going to be doing on the night of 18 May? Will Bev. Demerit, Ed. Gilday, Bird-Head Miller, "Sam", "Bones", and "Poke Chops" be there? Come and see.

Music in the More-Than-Mild manner is planned to liven things up. And for good measure a bit of soft-shoe tap will wind up Happy Hour number four.

You will be there, won't you?

## Racket Club Dance At Elk's Club May 7<sup>th</sup> To Be Informal

"Black Magic" has been chosen as the main motif for the Racket Club's second dance at the Elk's Club Friday, 7 May, at 2000.

Art Wendel's orchestra, playing for dancing, will in all probability include the melody of that name in its repertoire which, it is reported, is being especially adapted to the dignity of Naval officers. Here and there will be a hep tune to loosen the jam of formality.

"Black Magic" as practiced by the eminent magician, Bogartus, is planned at the 2230 intermission to fill the room with pigeons and rabbits from the stage of the Elk's ballroom.

During the evening buffet service of cold-cuts and tid-bits will combine with the informal atmosphere to make the first fest of the vernal season complete.

Dress will be blue service dress B, ladies informal. The dance, Mr. Sweeney, Racket Club president, announces, will commence at 2000 and end at 2400. Men will be allowed the use of their automobiles for this occasion but must be in the sack by 0030. Liberty will begin at 1800 Friday, 7 May.

"Come to the Ball" next Friday.

## LT. CLABAUGH OUTLINES NEW REGULATIONS

### ANNOUNCES ARRIVAL OF NEW PLANES NEAR Six-Month Men Given Added Privileges

Lt. Clabaugh, skipper of the good ship "BNFITS", in a meeting of all hands at 1650 Thursday, opened some valves, closed some gaps, trimmed a few stabilizers, and oiled the Instructors' School machinery in general.

Mr. Clabaugh further announced that in the very near future there will be a large complement of Waco UPF's arriving at the field in quantity sufficient to bring the total number to thirty. That is good news point number one for all hands.

He further enumerated changes in the school's regulations which allow an increase in travel range from Bloomsburg. The limit of distance to which officers may travel is now fifty miles.

Perhaps the greatest injection into the Naval anemia was the release of men's automobiles for use on week-end liberty with the stipulation that they are not to be used to drive "to the airport for week-end flight duties".

### "RHIP" for Upperclassmen

Further classification is required regarding the sixth-month men--upperclassmen who will rate distinguishing considerations (for purposes of observation). The plan was put into effect Monday.

The tenor of Mr. Clabaugh's remarks indicated that considerable action had been taken in his Chicago meeting on the affairs at Bloomsburg. He was able to convince those present that the changes he proposed would enhance the NFI Training program here.

Among these rulings were stringent reminders of existing regulations that must be more attentively heeded: officers must be covered at all times while out of doors. This includes stepping out for a smoke. Officers must treat their ground school and flight instructors with courtesy, respect and formality.  
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EDITORIAL'ATTEN-SHUN'

Many of the new men coming out of civilian life are unable to understand why they should snap to attention when senior officers come in the vicinity. Aside from the courtesy due to the uniform and all it incurs, there is a mighty fine and logical reason.

The first requisite of command is attention.

What a military man does not see or hear he cannot obey. Attention means stopping all activity that interferes with looking and listening.

If this "ATTEN-SHUN!" did not become second nature through long practice, a Naval officer would, in an emergency, have to compete for attention by shouting or gesticulating. That would not do - he might not succeed.

Arguments Are Out

So discipline is calculated to insure this preliminary attention by placing certain restrictions on behavior whenever an officer is present or enters the scene. If loud arguments among juniors and their own affairs were permitted, then soon the senior officer would be totally disregarded and the senior would lose his ability to command attention and his ability to command at all.

If on the other hand the presence or arrival of the captain, executive officer or senior officers is always the signal for the juniors to come to attention or in combat pay attention, then no confusion of work, play, battle, noise or close danger can cause the ignoring of the commanding officer or his commands.

What men do invariably and repeatedly is finally drilled into them - becomes for them second nature. They learn to perform acts or maneuvers in response to command or order because the command or order has always been accompanied by the act and the act by the command.

Your Navy Regs

Art 8 (Secs. 6 & 7) of Navy Regulations states: "Such punishment as a court martial may adjudge may be inflicted on any person in the Navy who

(6) treats his superior officer with contempt, or is disrespectful to him in language or deportment, while in the execution of his office;

(7) or joins in or abets any combination to weaken the lawful authority of, or lessen the respect due, to his commanding officer."

Art. 96 says: "No officer shall use language which may tend to diminish the confidence in or respect due to a superior in command; and it is the duty of every officer who hears such language to endeavor to check it and to report the same immediately to his superior."

Men lecturing never train men in action. At best it makes them learn mere word sequences except when the listeners already know enough about the required action to perform it in imagination. Learning something new, in other words, requires participation. You don't learn to swim by taking a correspondence course.

Unfortunately, bad habits as well as good can be learned. If, on spoken command, men do not respond, they are learning not to respond. Whenever they are ordered to do something they cannot do, they are learning to disobey.

Must Be Definite

**NEVER GIVE A COMMAND THAT YOU DO NOT EXPECT TO BE OBEYED.**

Thus a young leader, when he finds himself so situated that his command might be disregarded, must refrain from giving it. He must first try to change the situation to capture attention or he must merely wait until he is reasonably certain that, when he gives his order, it indeed will be obeyed.

So attention is the first requisite of command and practice is second. The leader must see to it that his men get the right kind of practice. He must never give conflicting orders. He must give only directions that can be executed and then he must see to it that they are executed. Otherwise, he loses his power of command and discipline breaks down.

Now we are in a training school and as you know, before a man can give orders he must first learn to obey them and know how they are executed. If and when you call a group to attention, do not use a meek or bashful tone but stand up in a real position and sound off in a clear distinct voice, loud enough to be heard by all.

John J. Boyd  
 Executive Officer

## BULLETIN BOARD

2 May, 1943

## ATTENTION ALL HANDS:

Student Officers are responsible for a thorough knowledge of all air-regulations at this activity and will be held responsible for their contents.

Such as:

1. Air Traffic rules, field rules, main and auxiliary.
2. Air discipline and etiquette.
3. Students will not loiter in shop or hanger without special permission.
4. Confine themselves to Ready-Room or immediate vicinity.
5. Students will not under any circumstances enter upon or cross the field.
6. Students will use only main entrance to the field when leaving or entering.
7. Bottles, refuse of any kind, such as cigarette butts must be placed in containers.
8. All parts of the premise will be kept clean at all times.
9. Students will not rush at or gather around any incoming plane, military or civil.
10. Rough house, boisterous shouting, profanity, etc., will not be tolerated.
11. Failure to obtain proper clearance as required by CAA and all local field rules will be treated as a breach of field rules.

## LT. CLABAUGH OUTLINES NEW STATION REGULATIONS

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Liberty on Tuesdays has been cancelled and liberty will begin at 1700 each Saturday rather than 1200 as heretofore. There will be no 0800 Sunday Liberty and Liberty on Sunday will end at 2200. Thursday night liberty remains the same.

43-I begins its "Indoctrinee" duties in jumpers this week, inaugurating the three-class system.

It is intended that these changes and clarification shall go toward systematizing Bloomsburg's Naval Flight Instructors School to a very efficient base.

## KNOW THESE?

What are the names of the men who hold the following positions and what would be a good definition of their duties:

1. Secretary of the Navy
2. Under Secretary of the Navy
3. Assistant Secretary of the Navy
4. Assistant Secretary for Air

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# The Threat To SECURITY

## THIRD INSTALLMENT "FAITH"

In the second in the series on the THREAT TO SECURITY we saw in the last issue of STRAIGHT and LEVEL that there are four primary causes of indiscretion: CONCEIT, FAITH, ENTHUSIASM, and IGNORANCE.

CONCEIT is the commonest cause of leakage. Ninety per cent of indiscretions are the result of it, and 99 per cent of us are vulnerable because of it.

Why do we boast? Most of us do it to impress a woman. That is understandable enough. Everyone tends to "shoot a line" when out with a girl. There is little harm in it, and providing you leave the service out of it, you can go ahead. The Navy really does not care if you persuade your particular girl-friend that you are the Lord Mayor of London or the Shah of Persia, but your "line shooting" must stop at Service matters.

You may be on secret duties. You may be servicing or flying a secret type. You may know what is in the wind for future operations, or the exact losses in aircraft, and weight of bombs carried on the last raid from your Station. If that is so, remember that these are the Navy's secrets, and you have no right to share them with anyone.

There will always be a temptation to boast when you know a lot more than the other people who are with you, especially if they themselves are "shooting a line" about the inside information that they have. It is, admittedly, very hard to pretend to know nothing when in point of fact you know everything; and in order to try and satisfy your conceit without giving much away, you may find yourself just hinting at all you know. That is fatal. If a thing is secret, you must not even hint at its existence.

The trouble about this boasting is that it is so contagious. A man boasts to his girl-friend of what he is doing, just to impress her; and she, in her turn, boasts to all her friends about the importance of her boy friend, just to impress them. It becomes a vicious circle, with everybody trying to outdo everybody else in the secret information which they can impart.

No one is easier to "pump" than the man who is "shooting a line." Always remember that. It is only necessary to pretend not to believe him, when he will get so indignant that he spills a lot more; or to pretend to be lost in admiration of him, when he will get so pleased with himself that he will keep right on talking for as long as you care to let him. Women know this - it is the first

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# FACTS ABOUT OUR FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

by Ensign Allan M. Adams

In our frantic freshman days of flying we come to venerate the old-line, wind beaten, open cockpit veterans who have won ascendancy and held it!

Men like "ANDY" BOYAJIAN for instance.

To us he is the perfectionist, emulating a career in flying coveted by all----envied by most.

So, a biological urge to know how this man did it and something about his personality is a natural reaction--albiet difficult----considering ANDY'S habit of going about with such operational autonomy.

The legend is that BOYAJIAN can stand 10 feet from a man, close his eyes----inhale----and tell you whether or not that man can fly. The fact is that ANDY is one of AIRCRAFT'S bright young (34) executives. He combines a warm friendliness for all his associates with a realistic attitude towards plans of expansion. To the casual observer there is no outward manifestation present as a result of the part he plays in the complexities of this coordinated operation, although ANDY dresses well in habitual tension.

His dominant character-trait is moral courage, with reinforcing minor layers of determination and ingenuity. His obvious purpose, nurtured since he began flying several thousand hours ago at Newark, New Jersey, is to achieve success. While meditating he walks like a crane, slowly, stiffly, and stepping over all objects such as gear and chutes, or sprawling legs, rather than walking around them as most people do. His attire is oftentimes as torn and stained as his old weather-beaten helmet with the worn out chin strap.

Few relaxations, baseball, fishing, poker---with sometimes wild abandon, betting according to hanger flyers on "anything."

ANDY BOYAJIAN is a flyer's flyer! Hot----in terms of precision, smoothness, accuracy. He has compiled a fat black book of errors. If you'd be a friend, or a successful student--stay out of BOYAJIAN'S black book.

LUCK is all your own making. No one becomes great by accident. Great things are never done by chance, we get what we pay for in Character, Work and Energy. Luck means the hardships we have not hesitated to endure.

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## This Is The Story Behind Our "Taps"

"Taps." the traditional bugle call signaling the end of the military day or the end of a soldier's life, was written during the Civil War by Major General Daniel Butterfield of the Army of the Potomac. Previous to this, the last call was "tap-top" or "tap-toe," later becoming "tattoo." This name derived from the fact that when the goodnight call was sounded, the taps in all opened beer barrels were to be immediately closed. The call, three taps on a drum, became "taps."

General Butterfield in bivouac at Harrison's Landing on the James River, did not approve the use of a "cease drinking" call at military funerals. The nearby presence of the enemy made the customary firing of the three volleys over the grave unwise. So he directed his bugler, Oliver Norton, to play a new three-phrase call which he had composed and noted on the back of an old envelope. The call was immediately adopted by other brigades and soon was used by the entire Federal Army. It was formally adopted in 1867 by the U. S. Army.

An unfilled stamp book is like a partly equipped soldier. Buy War Stamps and Bonds. Let's get the job done!

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A wise man is like a straight pin; his head keeps him from going too far.

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Happy Hour Tuesday, 18 May.

### THREAT TO SECURITY

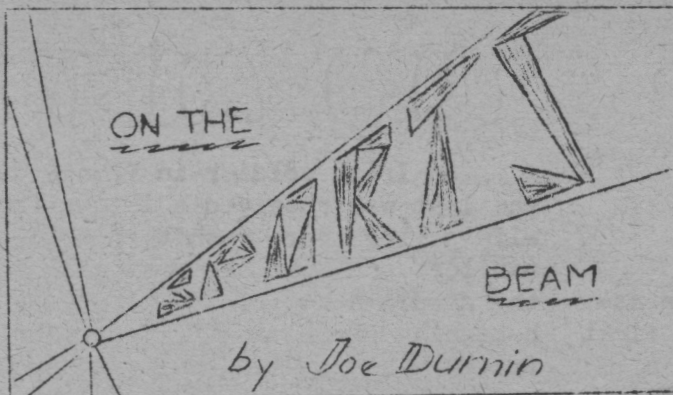
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thing they learn. "Feed the brute" is not their Golden Rule for catching a man, it is "Flatter him." A popular girl is a good listener - so is a spy.

But "line-shooting" is not always as simple as this. There are other reasons for it. A lot of people today are worried about their war effort. They feel they are not pulling their weight, or else they worry because they believe that other people may think them slackers. And so they will talk a lot more about their work in order to convince people that they really are doing their bit, and if they are on anything secret - well, they talk about it all the more. Don't let conceit loosen your tongue.

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Abaft--in direction of stern. (behind)  
Athwartship--at right angle to fore and aft line.

Aye, Aye Sir--reply to officer's order meaning "I understand and will carry out the order."



# HANGAR DOPE



by Bill Leineweber



For the past two weeks the long, white fingers of the spotlight on sports have been searching and probing for a chance to bathe some elusive "luminary" in it's blinding glare, but until the last few days it seemed as though they searched in vain. However, by swinging the old beam far and wide we were able to pick out two figures who stand high on the horizon of sport.

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A recent arrival at this station and one who will be stationed here permanently is "Sweet Lalanne", the leather tossing "Tar Heel" from North Carolina. Lt. (jg) Lalanne has come here from Chapel Hill to take charge of the Athletic program and will work with Lt. Boyd, in putting the men in first-class shape. If Lalanne can toss exercises around as easily as he used to hurl the pigskin, then the men will find they have a few muscles, the existence of which they never suspected before. With the arrival of Lt. Lalanne, the number of all-Americans at the school has now increased to two. Like the North Carolina Triple Threat, Mr. Boyd also came here via Chapel Hill, and his name is emblazoned on football's roll of honor, too. With these two athletic aces in charge, the sporting angle and the part it plays in flying is bound to be emphasized. Just when Lalanne will take over has not been worked out as yet, but it will be soon and when it comes it won't be easy; so you'd better get ready for it, men.

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The second spotlight in the spotlight is one J. Harry Marr, Assistant Football Coach, under Denny Meyers, at Boston College, for the past two years. Harry got his undergraduate gridiron training at a school, the very name of which is synonymous with football, the Home of the "Fighting Irish", Notre Dame. Like most good athletes, Marr's ability is not confined to one sport. His versatility is proven by his college record, and by his coaching record at Wichita University, where in addition to his football duties, he also coached boxing and track.

Right at present 43-I is getting the benefit of his abilities as wing leader of "B" Section.

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Each incoming class seems to bring with it some outstanding figure of the sport world and perhaps by the time 43-Z rolls into town, the master, whenever it is taken will read like a page from the All-American Sporting Journal.

Well, here we go again--without any "wild blue yonder" either. Quite a few developments in our little domain the past two weeks, huh?

It wasn't safe in town this weekend what with all the "new drivers" zipping up and down Main Street--(and Centre St.) After kicking an UPF around, the boys found the same procedure wouldn't function with a V-8--or, in a filthy rich's case, a Cadillac. But you could see they were trying. Hell isn't half full. It won't be long now.

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Bill "Personality Kid" Werner gave out with a brand new version of the hot-foot the other day. Long John Goodwin was peacefully absorbing the news in his hometown rag while standing out on the steps. Well, to make a short story even shorter--our boy Werner applied his meager knowledge of combustion in the form of a match to aforementioned paper. Result: Hot news. And a plenty burned up Goodwin.

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Pome:

"Mary had a little plane.

Cross the country she would frisk.

Now wasn't she a silly fool -

Her little \*."

Don't know why we write stuff like that!

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We were obediently standing at the front door a week or so ago--thoughtfully gazing up into the beautiful, azure, cloudless sky always common to Bloomsburg--when a bright, flashy convertible roared up, screeched to a stop. A young gentleman stepped out, attired in an ensign's uniform. Or a fairly reasonable facsimile of same. A cigarette was drooling out of his mouth in a 70 degree bank--his collar bars glistened--his raincoat was comfortably open--in fact, he was perfectly at ease. Or at least his uniform was. At first we thought it might be a man from Mars--or the Fifth district. After a little investigation we discovered what was up. 43-I was here!--God bless 'em. God help 'em!

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You've probably noticed the absence of Bird Head Miller in this column today. Don't wanta disappoint you, so we quote: Miller is a jerk. Unquote.

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Wonder what "Jam-jam" and his staff of mentally unbalanced student officers will cook up next? They're right on the (Please turn to page eight)

# 'PROCEED' ORDERS FOR NEW DUTIES ARE CLARIFIED

When Naval Reserve Officers are assigned to "temporary duty" at their first station and then detached from such a duty station and assigned a new station, either temporary or permanent, these officers are to be allowed proceed time in reporting to their new stations, re. BuPers circular letter.

When a change of station is involved, any officer of the regular Navy or Naval Reserve is entitled to proceed time when he is detached from his present station, which may be either "duty" or "temporary duty," and is assigned a new station.

The above does not involve a change in the Navy Regulations, being merely a restatement of their interpretation. Any officer whose pay has been suspended during the present emergency because he availed himself of the 4 days allowed by Navy Regulations may now have the suspension removed, the circular letter directs.

## Changes approved

Following are the changes in the Bureau of Naval Personnel Manual on the subject, as approved by the Secretary of the Navy:  
Article C-4001 (4)

"When an order to an officer involving change of station combines requirements to proceed from his permanent station to one or more stations for temporary duty, and upon completion to some other permanent station, he is allowed proceed time in addition to travel time in reporting to the first temporary duty station, but no further  
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## KNOW THESE? -

### (ANSWERS)

1. Frank Knox  
Executive head of the naval establishment.
2. James Forrestal  
Performance of duties as set forth by the Secretary of the Navy
3. Ralph Bard  
Assistant executive head of the naval establishment, particularly duties governing civilian employees and shore establishment.
4. Artemus Gates  
Supervision of all Naval aeronautics.

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Who-all is dat-all? You-all is gwine to fine out Toosdy, de 18.

## RIEN MIXTURE

An Irish soldier in France during the last war received a letter from his wife saying there wasn't an able-bodied man left and that she was going to dig the garden herself. Dan wrote at the beginning of his next letter: "Bridget, for heaven's sake, don't dig up the garden; that's where the guns are."

The letter was duly censored, and in a short time a truckload of men in khaki arrived at Dan's home and proceeded to dig the garden from end to end. Bridget wrote in desperation, saying that she didn't know what to do, as the soldiers had dug up the garden.

Dan's reply was short and to the point—"Put in the spuds."

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Mother: Have a good time at the party, dear. And be a good girl.  
Modern daughter: Well, make up your mind, Mom.

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A Londoner got on a bus carrying a hundred-pound bomb and sat down.

"What's that you've got on your lap?" asked the conductor.

"A delayed-action bomb," said the man. "I'm taking it to the police station."

"Blimey!" shouted the conductor. "You don't want to carry a thing like that on your lap! Put it under the seat!"

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Under the bunch of mistletoe

The homely maiden stands,  
And stands and stands and stands and stands  
And stands and stands and stands.

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Sunday school teacher: Who knows what we must do before our sins can be forgiven?...All right, Tommy.

Tommy: We have to sin first.

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Instructor: "Beach, what is that lump in your cheek? Are you chewing gum again?"

Beach: "No, I ain't chewing gum. I'm just soaking a prune to eat at lunchtime."

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Aunt: "Can you explain radio to me, Robert?"

Wagaman: "Well, if you had a very long dog reaching from New York to Chicago, and you stepped on its tail in New York, it would bark in Chicago. That's telegraphy; and the radio is precisely the same, only without the dog!"

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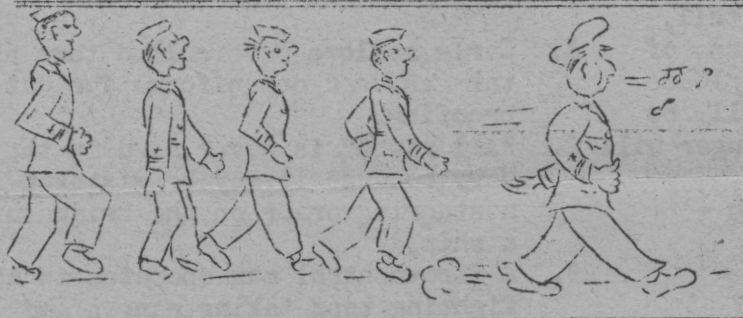
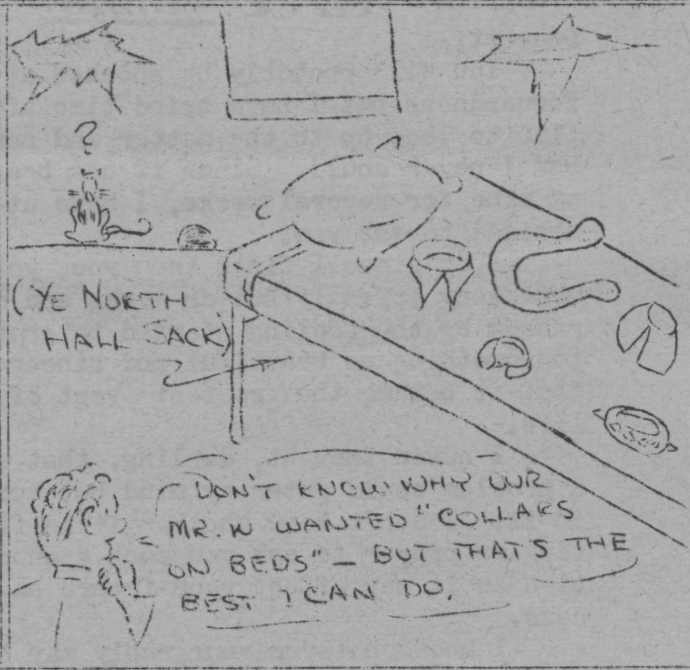
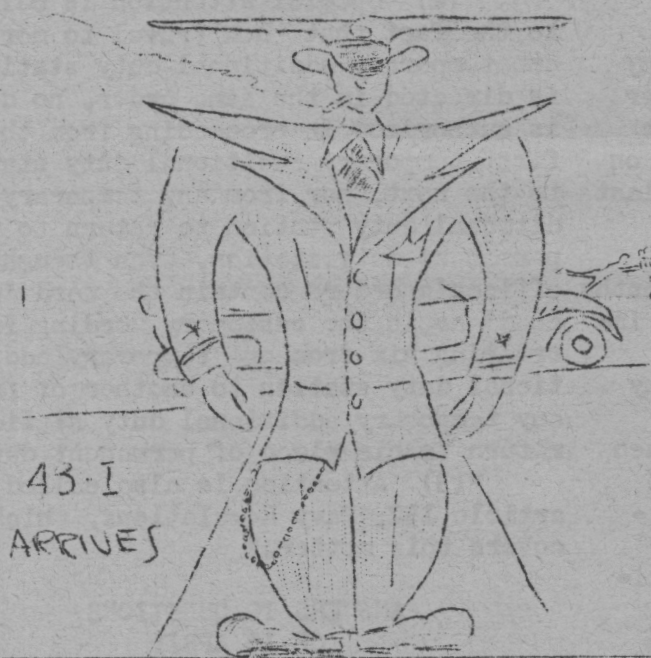
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Praise the Lord, we've passed our Recognition.

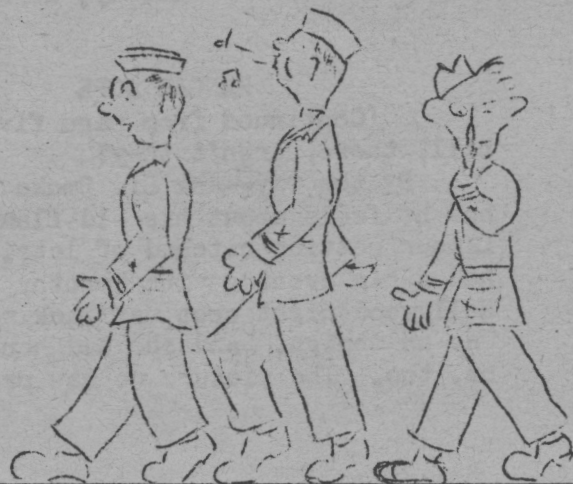
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# The NIGHT OPERATOR'S CLUB

by Bill Heineweber



BACK TO NATURE  
and home again



# Who Dares Upset

## The Decorum

### Of Waller

#### !!! Girls !!!

Hut-2-3-4! Hut-2-3-4! Familiar, eh? That was a familiar echo Thursday, 15 May when 13 coeds marched or rather circumnavigated North Hall and Waller Hall at 0430.

It must have been amusing to these "Cherubs" ????? to see the Naval officers fly out of bed and run thinking they were late for drill. Why even "Admiral" Nelson sat up in bed and shook his alarm clock thinking he too was late. As a matter of fact, he wasn't quite sure his alarm clock didn't stop until his wife assured him it was only 0430 that he went back to bed.

## LOVE LETTER ?

*If You Read Further  
Than The First Paragraph -  
----You're Human!*

Dearest,

You will probably be shocked at my forwardness but I have tried time after time to lead up to the matter and somehow I never could. Since it has been on my mind for several weeks, I have at last decided to ask you.

Ever since I first knew you, you were very friendly but as weeks and months passed by the feeling started to grow into something so beautiful and sincere that it became the greatest event of my life.

I never thought, darling, that such a problem could enter my mind but here it is. I don't know whether it is fitting or proper to ask you such a question as it may effect your future happiness.

I know whatever your reply may be you will be true enough never to tell. You know, dear, you are the only one of whom I would ask this. In reply please be positive, sincere, and above all, be honest. Do you think the Lone Ranger will sell his horse if he's drafted?

- Random -

What happens Tuesday, 18 May?

### HANGAR DOPE

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ball, there, aren't they?

By the way--ask Big Smoke Watkins how he feels about his old flame Dottie Lamour getting hitched of late. Smoke had a big evening with Dorothy in a Hollywood night spot way back when he was an ensign. And she had her clothes on, too. The picture we saw proved it.

## "PROCEED" ORDERS

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ance is authorized in reporting to subsequent temporary duty station, or in reporting to new permanent duty station. If by one order an officer is ordered to proceed to a temporary duty station and by a separate order is detached and directed to proceed to a new station, either temporary or permanent, he is entitled to proceed time under each order. Retired and Reserve officers are not entitled to proceed time in reporting to initial active duty station or in returning to their homes upon release from active duty."

Article C-4004

"(1) When an officer is ordered to proceed to one or more stations for temporary additional duty and upon completion to return and resume his regular duties, he is allowed proceed time plus travel time in reporting to the first station for temporary additional duty, but upon completion of first temporary additional duty no delay in commencing travel to the next station or return travel is authorized.

"(2) Special attention is called to the fact that when travel to more than one temporary additional duty station is directed in the same order, no delay is authorized in proceeding from the first temporary additional duty station to the next, nor from any temporary additional duty station to return to the permanent duty station, even though the officer's orders contain the word 'proceed' as is the customary wording in ordering him from one temporary additional duty station to another or from any temporary additional duty station to return to his place of permanent duty.

"(3) Attention is also called to article 132, Navy Regulations, which covers this matter."

### ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS OF 15 APRIL

1. Early sailors were called tars as tar was used on uniforms for waterproofing.
2. "All right" is never used in the Navy because it may be mistaken for a steering order on the bridge of a ship.
3. A fire-control man operates in the fighting tops taking ranges and directing the firing of large rifles.
4. British Blue Jacket collars are detachable for laundering purposes. Early British sailors wore tarred pigtails which soiled collars.

yg: "I'm going to see the doctor about my wife. I don't like the way she looks."

ensign: "I'll go with you. I don't like my wife's looks, either."

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