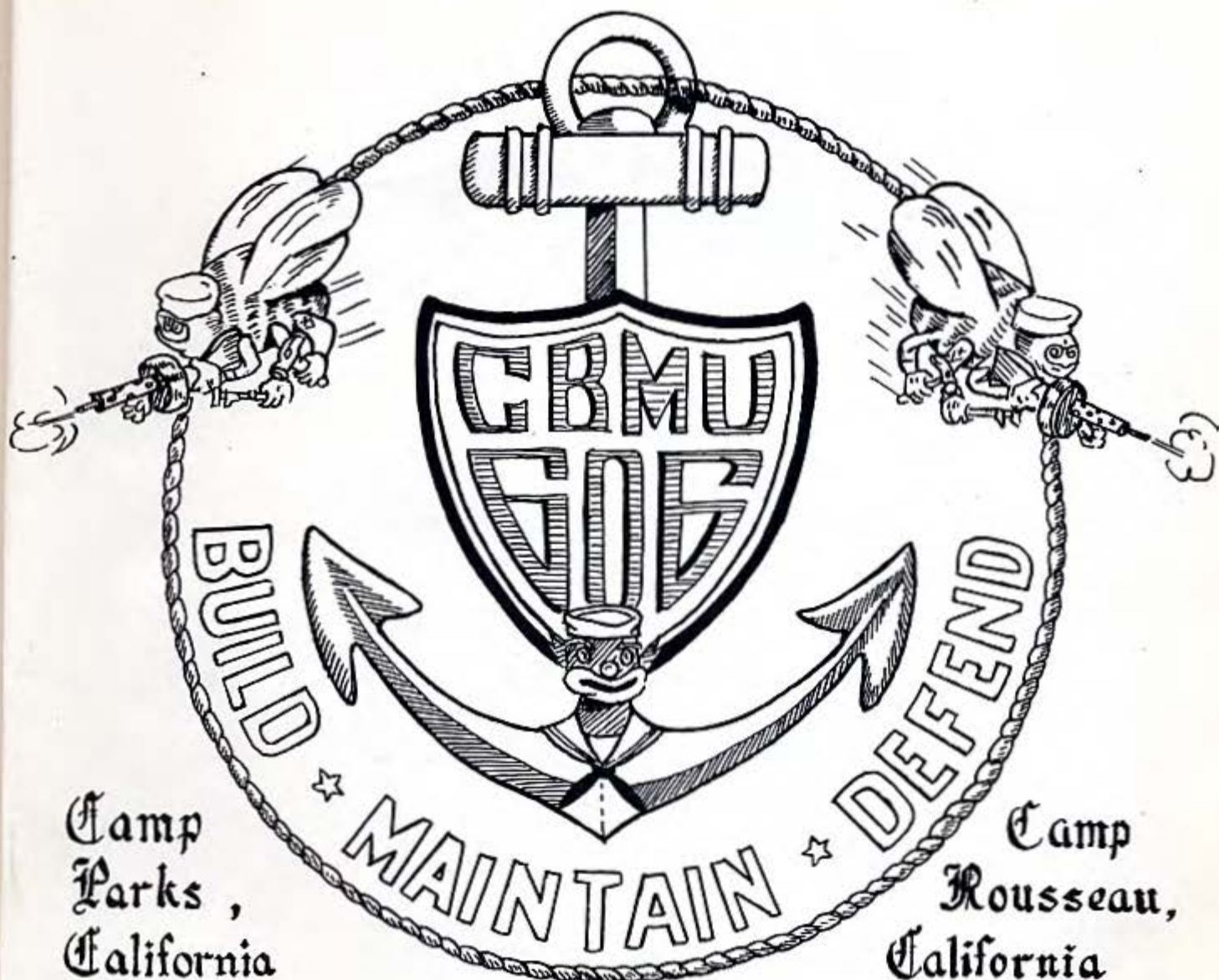
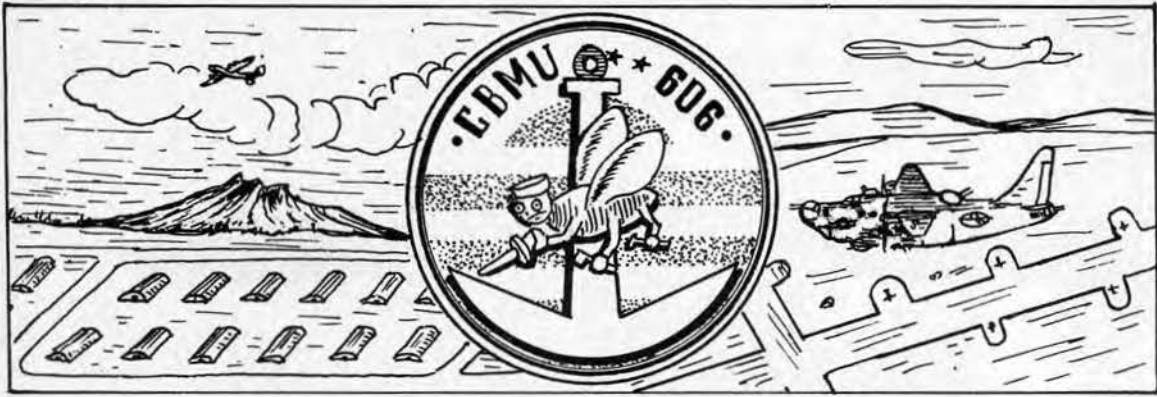


C.B.M.U. 606



11 JUNE 1944 - 2 SEPT. 1945



FOREWORD

Now that the war with Japan has ended with a smashing victory for the Allied forces, it seems most fitting to record the contribution towards that victory by the officers and enlisted men of Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit No. 606.

Your record of accomplishments, your response to duty, your overall construction ability, and your willingness to work long tedious hours have made the following pages a record worthy of a full construction battalion. You have every right to be more than proud of that record.

Our history has been made by the individual efforts and accomplishments of each of you, but these accomplishments are the results of working together in a spirit of team work. Team work is necessary for the success of any project, and the cooperation displayed by you men was the attribute most outstanding in our success.

It has been a sincere pleasure to serve as your commanding officer, and now that our work is completed and the time has come to return to that revered mode of civilian life I desire to wish each of you every success and happiness that you so richly deserve.

You have served your country well and may it be a continued source of satisfaction knowing that because of you and men like you all over the world, the Sea Bees shall never be forgotten.

Lt. Paul H. Sangers



FROM THE EDITOR

Several months before the end of World War II a substantial monetary profit had accrued in the CBMU 606 treasury from sales in the base Ship's Store and from activities of our own Welfare Department. In preference to apportioning that profit equally among every man in the unit it was decided to assemble a unit year book which would serve as a lasting memento in the years to come of your tour of duty with Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit 606. With no previous experience in this line of work I volunteered to assemble such a book overseas and to make printing and publishing arrangements upon my return to civilian life in the United States. All this I have done to the best of my ability and I sincerely hope this year book brings each of you a few pleasant memories.

An attempt was made to include in this book an individual photo of every man in CBMU 606, but as a few men were transferred or discharged prior to the time the photos were being taken such efforts were thwarted.

The majority of the book's pictures were taken by our unit photographers, Merrit G. Bush and Harry J. Stratton. Without the whole hearted cooperation of these two swell fellows this year book could never have become a reality. I also wish to extend my appreciation for the aid given me by two Filipino friends. Emilio V. de Guzman aided immeasurably with the manuscript work, and the original drawings, designs, and art work evidenced throughout the book are the products of Sixto O. de Leon.

SHERWOOD R. HUGHES, SK1c.

In Memoriam



JOE B. JULIAN, EM1c, USNR

29 November 1916—3 September 1945.

On 3 September 1945 Joe B. Julian was killed in the line of duty in an automobile accident while returning from a procurement detail at Manila. Prior to joining CBMU 606, Joe served in the electrical division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. While attached to CBMU 606 he was a member of the electrical crew which was so highly commended for their work at Mangaldan and Clark Field in the Philippines. Joe was easily one of the most popular men in the unit and his sudden passing was a sad blow to us all. The men of this unit wish to extend their deepest sympathy to Mrs. Joe B. Julian her infant son, and to Joe's immediate family and friends for the great loss they have suffered.

Our loss, too, has been great and so in memory of our dear friend and shipmate we humbly dedicate this book to Joe B. Julian.

Officer-in-charge



PAUL H. SAWYERS, LT. CEC, USNR

615 South 20th Street

Terre Haute, Indiana

Birth Date 10-15-10

Active Duty Date 11-3-42

LIEUTENANT SAWYERS graduated from Rose Polytechnic Institute in 1932 with a B. S. degree in Civil Engineering. While at college he took an active interest in sports and captained the varsity basketball team his junior and senior year. Upon graduation he accepted a position as bridge project engineer with the state highway commission of Indiana, a position which he held for ten years. Lt. Sawyers is a registered professional engineer of the state of Indiana, is a member of the Indiana and National Society of Professional Engineers, and belongs to Hancock Masonic Lodge No. 101, AF&AM at Greenfield, Indiana. He is married and has three children. Lt. Sawyers served for a time as Field Engineer in Charge at the U. S. Naval Reserve Aviation Base at Glenview, Illinois. He was called to active duty on 3 November 1942 and subsequently served as commanding officer of Company D of the 51st Naval Construction Battalion. He spent 13 months at Dutch Harbor in the Aleutian Islands with the 51st Battalion and after returning to the States he was assigned to CBMU 606 as Officer-in-charge. Lt. Sawyers received a permanent citation for "meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services" from Frank J. Fletcher, Vice Admiral, USN, and in August 1945 was recommended for the Bronze Star Medal.

Executive-Officer



NICOLAS MARSCH, JR., LT. (jg) CEC, USNR

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Chicago, Illinois

Birth Date 4-30-13

Active Duty Date 6-10-43

LIEUTENANT (jg) MARSCH attended Loyola Academy, University of Illinois, Notre Dame University, Stetson University, and Armour Institute of Technology. He worked for Marsch Construction Company from 1938 to 1939, was employed by the Santa Fe Railroad from 1939 to 1940, held a position with the Illinois State Highway Commission from 1940 to 1941, and worked with the Panama Constructors, Inc., from 1941 to April, 1943. He received his commission as Ensign in the Civil Engineering Corps, USNR, in April, 1943 and was ordered to duty at the Naval Ordnance Plant at Pocatello, Idaho, where he served as Public Works Officer until May, 1944. He was transferred to Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit 606 in June, 1944 and later assumed duties as Executive Officer of the unit. Lt. (jg) Marsch is married and has a daughter one year of age.



JOHN G. HOPKINS, LT. (jg) CEC, USNR.
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Birth Date 9-7-22.
Active Duty Date 7-1-43.

Lt. (jg) Hopkins was enrolled as a civil engineer student at the University of California at Berkeley, California prior to entering the naval service. He attended V-12 school at the University of California, Pre-Midshipman school at Norfolk, Virginia, and Notre Dame Midshipman school. He was commissioned an Ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve on January 20, 1944 and was assigned duty at Camp Peary, Camp Endicott, and Camp Parks prior to his transfer to CBMU 606. While with CBMU 606 Lt. (jg) Hopkins assumed duties as First Lieutenant, Personnel Officer, Civilian Labor Officer, and Supply Officer.



ROBERT DAVID, ChCarp., CEC, USNR.
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Birth Date 9-10-09.
Active Duty Date 6-10-42.

Chief Carpenter Robert David served one year in the Aleutian Islands as a Chief Petty Officer with the 12th Naval Construction Battalion. His main duties with that battalion were as Chief in charge of carpentry crews engaged in general construction work. In civilian life Mr. David was a builder and contractor. While attached to CBMU 606, Mr. David served as Construction Officer and Training and Ordnance Officer.



JAMES A. O'CONNOR, ChCarp., CEC, USNR.
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Birth Date 1-3-09.
Active Duty Date 6-14-42.

Prior to being ordered to CBMU 606, Chief Carpenter O'Connor served one year in the Aleutian Islands as a Chief Petty Officer with the 12th Naval Construction Battalion. He was in charge of the base framing saw mill in Kodiak, and was with the detail that built the navy section of the Shmya Island Air Field. Mr. O'Connor is married and in civilian life was a builder and contractor. While attached to CBMU 606, Mr. O'Connor served as Welfare Officer, Public Relations Officer, Communications Officer, and Maintenance Officer.

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REMEMBER YOUR BUDDIES

WITH A LETTER ON

THEIR BIRTHDAYS

AND AT

CHRISTMAS TIME

CHAPTER I

CONSTRUCTION Battalion Maintenance Unit No. 606 came into being at Camp Parks, Shoemaker, California on 11 June 1944 with the assignment of Paul H. Sawyers, Lieutenant CEC, USNR, of Terre Haute, Indiana as Officer-in-Charge. Assisting him were the following officers: Lt. (jg) Randolph N. Crane, Ensign Nicolas Marsch, Jr., Carpenter James A. O'Connor, and Carpenter Robert David.

At this time numerous maintenance units were being formed from the enlisted personnel of construction battalions undergoing processes of decommissioning. The majority of the men transferred to CBMU 606 had served with the 32nd Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands. A few men joined the unit from the 1st, 22nd 51st, and 54th Construction Battalions, and several transfers were accepted from the Camp Parks station force personnel. The original group numbered approximately 265 enlisted men and all hands were quartered in one large two story type barracks. Edward Zach and Harry Kerness were appointed M. A. A.'s and the unit began the process of organization. Chief Megonigal assumed the duties of adjutant and the men were formed into platoons with various chiefs in charge.

Looking back on those days at Parks fills us with many memories not only of good times but also of the unit activities indulged in. Routine was never rigorous. Morning muster followed chow and then attendance at morning colors held on the "hill" facing the main administration building. On viewing the thousands of men assembled for colors each morning we used to wonder how the phrase "manpower shortage" came into being. After colors the remainder of the day was spent drilling mastering the commando courses, hiking in the nearby hills, or improving one's aim with the carbine. We attended lectures on the proper use of the gas mask, judo training, and jungle type warfare (which knowledge we sincerely hoped we would never be forced to put into use).

After working hours the many recreational facilities of the camp were at our disposal. For the athletically inclined the camp provided several bowling alleys, two fine gymnasiums, and each unit or battalion was furnished with an

athletic kit containing softball, baseball, and boxing gear. The camp also boasted a huge swimming pool, but (with apologies to the California Chamber of Commerce) it was always somehow too cool for swimming. An adequate library was located in one wing of the theatre and the newly constructed Hostess House offered the men an opportunity of entertaining their wives or friends in the most luxurious surroundings. The Camp Parks Theatre usually presented the latest movies and offered two or more outstanding features a week such as the appearance of guest movie and radio stars or a production by a USO unit.

Ship's stores complete with soda fountains were located at several places in the camp, and each barracks contained Coca-Cola machines. Our dress blues were cleaned properly and at a nominal cost. The ship's barber shop, cobbler shop, and clothing stores were operated efficiently for our convenience.

Liberty nights and week-ends are what we like to most remember about our stay at Camp Parks. Who can forget a night at the Mark Hopkins or a tour of Chinatown in San Francisco, or the many happy evenings idly spent in night clubs and cafes in Oakland or the gay times in San Jose, Hayward, Vallejo, and Pleasanton? True the transportation facilities created a problem of getting to one's locality of entertainment, but nothing held back the Sea Bees hell-bent on liberty.

Towards the end of July, orders came through for the unit to transfer en masse to Port Hueneme, California, the Sea Bee embarkation point. After medical examination a number of men were declared physically unfit for oversea duty and were transferred from the unit to station force. At 1600 on 31 July the unit assembled in front of the barracks and soon thereafter were escorted to the nearby train by the Camp Parks band. It was a sober bunch of men marching behind the band that day. We were on the last lap of our training in the states, and for most of us another tour of overseas duty was staring us in the face. We had done a lot of beefing as every Sea Bee will do, but we realized at the last moment that Camp Parks had been a pretty nice place.

CHAPTER II

AFTER an all night trip in crowded day coaches we arrived at Advance Base Receiving Barracks (Camp Rousseau), Port Hueneme, California. Instead of being quartered in one large barracks as we had been at Camp Parks we were assigned quarters in small Homoja huts which were arranged in rows with large heads and showers spaced between. Approximately 20 men were assigned to each hut. One hut serving as a headquarters provided offices for the skipper and other officers working space for the yeoman and adjutant, and housed the O. O. D. Another hut provided facilities for the unit post office and armory. A third hut was used as a supply warehouse and a fourth hut served as a unit recreational hut.

Before beginning the final phase of our training here at Camp Rousseau it was necessary to be outfitted completely with all types of field and ordnance equipment and proper clothing. We were issued carbines, gas masks cartridge clips and pouches, first aid kits and pouches cartridge belts, field packs, canteens, mess gear, pup tents, mosquito head nets and bed nets, ponchos, steel helmets, green fatigue clothes, field shoes and seemingly a million other necessary items. Before elucidating on the training routine, however a description of Camp Rousseau seems in order.

Camp Rousseau is located approximately two miles from the town of Oxnard, California. Upon entering the main gate one sees a modern, well equipped hospital on the left and a large theatre (Theatre "A") on the right. A concrete statue depicting a sailor bidding a woman goodbye stands in front of the theatre and was erected in commemoration of the thousands of Sea Bees who have passed through the camp. Moving down the main street one encounters the Photo Lab, main post office, wet canteen, dry canteen, cobbler shop, ship's store, transportation office, and the main administration building. The Camp Rousseau mess hall was composed of one large galley with several large mess halls branching therefrom. The chow served there was in conformity with standard navy menus, and was to seem much more tasty after a few months of the future meals we were to consume overseas. Adjacent to the mess hall was a large ship's service building with a beer garden that never ran out of beer. Theatre "B" was located in this same area giving all hands a choice of two movies each night. For the athletically inclined, the camp

offered the facilities of two swimming pools, a boxing arena where weekly smokers were held, and numerous softball and baseball diamonds. A large gymnasium housed indoor sports of all types and also served as a dance floor on Saturday nights.

While at Camp Rousseau, the men of CBMU 606 underwent their final training for oversea duty. Weeks were spent at the military training grounds. Carbine practice, lectures, gas mask drills, drilling and more drilling all became a daily routine as a part of the final phase of preparedness.

Carpenter James A. O'Connor was appointed Welfare Officer, and he immediately instituted a program of recreation and athletics. Uniforms were purchased for the unit softball team and games were scheduled with other teams on the base. Phonographs, amplifiers, radios, and athletic equipment was requisitioned and purchased for future use overseas.

Liberties in surrounding towns and cities were the highlight of our stay at Camp Rousseau. Oxnard, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Hollywood, and Los Angeles all played hosts to the 606 "liberty hounds," and many were the regrets when those hours of freedom and relaxation were terminated.

A group of seamen from various training centers joined the unit at Camp Rousseau to fill the depleted complement, and other transfers to and from the organization were affected. Ensign Nicolas Marsch was promoted to Lt. (jg) and, after the transfer of Lieut. Crane, assumed the responsibilities of Executive Officer.

Orders finally were received for the unit's departure and the men were hurriedly given tetanus and typhoid shots at the base dispensary. On Wednesday, October 18, 1944, Ensign John G. Hopkins reported to the unit for duty, and that same afternoon CMBU 606 and CBMU 605 boarded a train and watched with sad faces as Camp Rousseau faded slowly from sight.

The men spent a hot, crowded, sleepless night in the dirty coaches, arriving at San Diego the following morning. Box lunches were served for breakfast, after which the men marched to a nearby dock and boarded our destined transport, the U. S. S. Sarasota.

CHAPTER III

UPON boarding the U. S. S. Sarasota (APA 204) the unit was assigned quarters on the third deck amidship and began the tedious procedure of efficiently (?) stowing all gear in an unbelievably small space. The quarters were cramped, but clean. Each man was assigned one bunk which was to be his only spot of privacy on the whole ship for weeks to come. The bunks were arranged in tiers of five, and were suspended by chains from iron posts.

At 1430 hours on 21 October 1944, the ship weighed anchor and headed slowly to sea. For the majority of the men in CBMU 606 this was the second time during the war they had stood aboard a transport and watched the shore line of the United States gradually fade from sight. There was no gaiety or excitement reflected in the faces of these men, but only a sober stare that clearly indicated the heartache and despondency being felt at putting behind all that life in the United States represented. As the ship turned into open sea an announcement was transmitted over the public address system preceded by 3 words which were to pound ceaselessly on our eardrums for weeks to come. "NOW HEAR THIS! The first stop of this ship will be at Manus Harbor in the Admiralty Islands." Scuttlebutt had long ago made the rounds that our unit was headed for New Guinea, but here at last was official word of our immediate destination, and speculation as to whether or not we would disembark at Manus ran rampant.

Life aboard the Sarasota was both easy and monotonous. Messing facilities were favorable in comparison to the majority of troopships. The mess hall was located on the second deck and meals were served three times daily. The heads and showers on the main deck were always crowded but somehow managed to accommodate everyone. The ship possessed a compact, well equipped sick bay, manned by an efficient crew of doctors and pharmacist mates.

Recreation facilities aboard ship were necessarily meager. The ship possessed a small library, and movies were occasionally shown in the mess hall, which was always damp and stuffy at night due to the battened down hatches. Card games were in progress continually, and music was periodically played over the PA system.

Complete blackouts were in effect every night starting at sundown and most topside activity ceased then. Many a night was quietly passed on top deck listening to the guitar music of Nixon, Graves, and Mabry. Small groups too would gather around Szalony in the hold and listen to him play his accordion.

The U. S. S. Sarasota was making her maiden voyage,

and the success of her initial trip was due in a large measure to the many installations and repairs affected by the men of CBMU 606. Several of the men received individual commendations for tasks performed aboard ship, and the unit as a whole was commended by the ship's captain, Lt. Comdr. J. I. MacPherson for the splendid assistance given his crew by the Sea Bees.

The voyage to Manus was singularly uneventful with the exception of the day we crossed the equator, at which time a days initiation ceremony was instituted for the benefit (or rather discomfort) of those who were crossing the equator for the first time. The ceremony was preceded by numerous water fights with the fire hoses. Several types of discomforts and minor pains were inflicted on the unfortunate "pollywogs," but everyone accepted the traditional indignities in a sportsmanlike manner, and when the sun set that night every man of CBMU 606 had entered the sacred realm of the "Shellbacks".

The U. S. S. Sarasota dropped anchor in Manus Harbor on November 9th after a trip of almost 21 days. Gangplanks were secured to the ship's side and contingents of fellow passengers assigned duty on Manus were taken ashore in small craft. That first night at Manus a screen was set up on the deck and a movie was shown for all hands. Sailors and Sea Bees were perched on every conceivable spot to view the movie—on rails, winches, hatches, boxes, and in life boats.

The following morning an incident occurred which will long live in the memory of the men who were that day in Manus Harbor. An ammunition ship, the U. S. S. Mount Hood was standing at anchor in the bay when suddenly a gigantic explosion of an undetermined origin ripped her from stem to stern, practically disintegrating the ship. The force of the explosion and flying debris damaged several other ships at anchor near the Mount Hood and perceptively rocked the Sarasota. Dense, white and black smoke filled the bay and sky for hours, and when the air was finally clear again not a trace of the ship or men serving aboard her could be found. We had witnessed one of the most disastrous ship explosions of the war.

The U. S. S. Sarasota weighed anchor on 11 November and headed for Woende Island, a small island off the tip of New Guinea, arriving there on the 15th of November. At Woende, men of CBMU 605 disembarked to begin their assignment, and on the following day the Sarasota headed for Milne Bay, New Guinea—the assigned staging area for the future operations of CBMU 606.

CHAPTER IV

ON 19 NOVEMBER 1944, the U. S. S. Sarasota dropped anchor in Milne Bay. Boats were lowered over the sides of the ship and Lt. (jg) Marsch went ashore at Gamadodo to make necessary preparations for quartering the men. The unit was assigned quarters in a large two story receiving barracks appropriately named "Manila". The barracks were designed for service rather than comfort. The bunks were double-deck type made from rough lumber with no springs. To the rear of the barracks was a long concrete-decked combination shower, head, and laundry room.

Chief Boshier had preceded us to Milne Bay by traveling on our equipment ship, and when we arrived he had almost a month's mail sorted. Upon our arrival he and Ed Cooper, our mailman, gathered up all the mail that had accumulated, giving each man an average of 30 letters from home which seemed a fitting welcome to our new temporary home.

The receiving barracks chow hall called "Hi-way Casino" served chow that was no better or no worse than the usual Navy fares. We did have an enormous turkey and ham dinner on Thanksgiving Day which, at the time, seemed our only reason for giving thanks on that day.

Our time at Gamadodo was spent in becoming completely outfitted for our coming venture. Additional shoes, clothes, and field equipment were issued and working parties were assigned to the segregation and inventory of all our rolling stock, heavy equipment, and material.

Operations plans called for all equipment and personnel of CBMU 606 and the 115th Construction Battalion (stationed at Gamadodo) to be loaded aboard five LSTs for a mission in the Philippines. Crews of both units were assigned to loading equipment on trucks and sleds, and all rolling stock was checked and placed in readiness for loading. On 26 November LSTs 585, 586, 629, 632 and 711 dropped their ramps ashore, and under the capable supervision of Carpenters James A. O'Connor and Robert David, all equipment and material of the two units was loaded in two days.

During our short sojourn at Gamadodo recreation was almost non-existent due to the heavy working schedules. However, when it was possible to take a few hours time off, such time was usually spent at a nearby swimming pool which had been constructed by damming up a mountain stream. Mountain climbing to the base of a small waterfall also proved a popular passtime and movies were shown nightly at the "Music Hall," a large outdoor theatre which utilized coconut logs for seats.

Men of CBMU 606 were assigned to the various LSTs in groups of approximately 50 men each. Lieutenant Sawyers and Lt. (jg) Marsch were in charge of our men on LST 585, Ens. Hopkins on LST 586, Carp. O'Connor on LST 629, Chief Megonigal on LST 632, and Carp. David on LST 711. On 1 December officers and men of CBMU 606, CB 115, and NABU 6 went aboard the various LSTs preparatory to shoving off.

The following day, sailing orders were cancelled, necessitating a stay of two weeks anchored in Milne Bay. This time was spent in constructing shelters and bunks on top-side of all LSTs as below deck accommodations were insufficient for all hands. A few days after we boarded the LSTs the ships moved across the bay and dropped anchors near Ladava where all hands were granted liberty daily. A large number of Australian troops were stationed at Ladava, which fact gave vent to a sudden surge in trading United States currency and coins for Australian money. Liberty at Ladava consisted in having access to the facilities of a Red Cross Canteen where cold drinks and cookies were served. One issue of beer was made in the two weeks we were at Ladava.

On 14 December, the five LSTs moved out of Milne Bay and headed for Hollandia, New Guinea to await further orders. The next morning we were given our first taste of daily General Quarters as an obnoxious sounding horn turned us out of our bunks at the unearthly hour of 0430.

CHAPTER V

OUR FLEET of five LSTs moved sluggishly into Humbolt Bay at Hollandia and dropped anchors on 18 December 1944. The ships remained at anchor for a few days until another delay in orders was encountered, at which time all the LSTs were beached at "Pie" beach so that liberty might be granted to all hands. Due to the shallow beach and the large waves pounding the shore the ships were unable to get close enough to shore to drop their heavy ramps on dry land, so the ramps were lowered into the water, and bulldozers from each ship plowed into the water and thence to land where the shore anchors were secured. Suspension bridges were built from each ship to shore, and the following day liberty was granted to all hands not actually on duty.

The first liberty spot for most men was the native village erected on poles in the middle of a lagoon adjacent to the beach. To get to the village it was necessary to have a boat of some sort—and as no boats were available Sea Bee ingenuity again asserted itself. Numerous empty pontoon type airplane gas tanks were strewn along the beach and the men found that by connecting two such tanks with pieces of scrap lumber a formidable, if awkward, craft could be utilized for water transportation purposes. Any flat board served as a paddle and with such boats the men made excursions to the native village in quest of souvenirs.

Several Construction Battalions were assigned duty in the Hollandia area and many liberties were spent at these CB camps enjoying their recreational and mess facilities. The main spot of interest at Hollandia proved to be the army beach which served army male personnel and WACS. Navy men were not permitted at the beach but as even eagle eyed MPs could not distinguish the Sea Bee green fatigue uniform from the army fatigues it was a simple matter for the Sea Bees to crash the beach,—and for the sight of lovely WACS capering in the waves clad only in the most brief bathing costumes, the hitch-hiking over the dusty roads from far away "Pie" beach to the army beach seemed little enough hardship for the pleasures assimilated.

Hollandia was the largest, most active base we had seen to date. The many transports, tankers, hospital ships, and war ships of all types gave the harbor an air of intensified activity twenty-four hours a day. A large destroyer repair base serviced and repaired ships that had been damaged in combat.

A few Sea Bees stationed on Hollandia had erected small stands on the beach near the Fleet Recreation Center where pictures, coins, currency, and G. I. souvenirs were sold, at enormous profit, to the souvenir crazy sailors of the Navy.

Christmas came to the men of CBMU while the LSTs were still beached. On Christmas morning everyone gathered on the beach squatting on empty gas drums, empty shell cases, and empty powder cans to listen to a solemn Christ-

mas sermon delivered by the Chaplain of the 115th Construction Battalion. No Christmas packages had been received by the men. Because of our numerous moves our mail had evidently been delayed. Thousands of bags of mail and packages were stored in the mail warehouse in Hollandia, but if our Christmas packages were in those bags no one knew it. We had brought Red Cross packages with us for distribution on Christmas day but the packages were crammed into the holds of the LSTs under other gear so no presents were distributed. An attempt was made to show a movie on the beach that night but due to the age of the film and an inadequate amplifying system the movie was a dismal failure. The only bright spot of the day was a delicious chicken dinner served at noon. For some of the men this was the third war time Christmas spent away from home, and if no gaiety was exhibited on this traditionally most joyous of all days it was only because of the thoughts of our loved ones racing through our minds and a silent prayer on each man's lips "God grant us the privilege of spending next Christmas at home".

The remaining days at Hollandia were spent in checking all personal gear and equipment and being issued additional clothing and shoes. A pay day was held on the beach *in anticipation of a probable period of activity which would prohibit another pay day for several months.*

Finally the LSTs pulled away from the beach, took on water, and on 8 January 1945 our group of five LSTs moved out of the bay and joined a convoy of approximately 67 ships bound for Leyte. LST 632 had been selected as the flag ship of the convoy and the sturdy little ship proudly led the train of ships toward their destination.

The week's trip to Leyte was marked by various practice maneuvers, alerts, general quarters, and gunnery practice; and as no enemy ships or aircraft were encountered the convoy reached Leyte (Tacloban) on 15 January 1945. The five LSTs leading the convoy pulled through the nets into the gulf to pick up additional orders while the remainder of the convoy stood by. The orders were obtained and the next day, 16 January 1945, the LSTs again joined the convoy for the final lap of our journey.

Alerts and general quarters took on a more serious meaning now as we were in extremely dangerous enemy waters and territory. Calls to general quarters were too numerous to count and came mostly during the inconvenient hours of the night. We knew then we were to be an integral part of the Lingayen Gulf Operations on Luzon, and each day of our journey was spent in preparations and instructions for unloading our LSTs under any and all conditions.

With each man assigned a definite post and duty keyed up to just the right pitch to do his job well our convoy surged into Lingayen Gulf on 21 January 1945.

CHAPTER VI

WAR SHIPS were shelling the beaches and adjacent areas as the LSTs in our convoy dropped anchors to await orders from the Beach Master as to the place and time of landing. All bunks and shelters topside of the LSTs were dismantled, and personal gear and equipment was placed in readiness to land under any conditions. Scuttlebutt ran rampant among the Sea Bees waiting to go ashore. Some stories concerned working on railroads and PT bases while still other rumors gave the impression that our orders were cancelled and we were to return to Manus for reassignment.

Each night we remained aboard our LSTs we were treated to fine displays of bombardment by our warships. We could see our ships running up and down the shore lines blasting away at enemy installations. We saw explosions and fires raging on the beaches and yet aboard our LSTs we felt as safe as if we had been in the Gulf of Mexico instead of Lingayen Gulf.

Final landing instructions were given and late Saturday night, 26 January 1945, LSTs 632 and 586 hit the beach in a pouring down rain. In the early morning hours ramps were lowered, bulldozers surged ashore through the angry waves, and once more the shore anchors were secured. The beaches were completely in American hands when we went ashore and no casualties were suffered by our unit.

Lt. Sawyers and Lt. (jg) Marsch went ashore to stake out ground suitable for storage facilities and a temporary camp sight. Fourteen men headed by CBM Henry P. Harrelson were assigned to aid in the construction of a seaplane base at a nearby island. The remaining personnel of CBMU 606 and the 115th Construction Battalion started unloading operations. An area had been selected for a temporary camp sight and heavy equipment and supplies were stored near that area.

The first night of unloading operations found LST 585, with 53 men of CBMU 606 aboard, narrowly escaping destruction when a Japanese plane just missed crashing into it. As the plane flew low down the line of ships on the beach several ships opened fire on the plane and succeeded in downing the craft. LST 585, with several men of CBMU 606 manning the guns, was given partial credit for the plane's destruction.

The first few days ashore the men of CBMU 606 worked in shifts around the clock unloading LSTs and setting up the temporary camp. Hot meals were an impossibility but the cooks always saw to it that there were plenty of field rations and miscellaneous canned goods to keep the men well fed.

While unloading operations were still going on orders were received from Admiral Kincaid assigning CBMU 606

the task of building a temporary camp near the town of Mangaldan to accommodate and serve the personnel of Fleet Air Wing Seventeen. Preparations were made for the transporting of all hands and equipment to the prospective new camp site, and on Tuesday 30 January construction of the new camp was undertaken jointly by men of CBMU 606 and the 115th Construction Battalion. A crew of 32 men headed by CBM Clyde Walters remained at the equipment yard near the beach. Chief Harrelson and his crew reported back to the unit upon completion of their assignment at the seaplane base.

The Mangaldan camp took shape quickly with Carpenter Robert David supervising tent erection, shower, latrine, and galley construction while Carpenter O'Connor assumed responsibilities of transportation, heavy equipment, roads, and supply.

On 3 February Ensign John G. Hopkins and fifty-three men came ashore from LST 586 and immediately moved to the Mangaldan camp where Mr. Hopkins assumed duties of supply, security, personnel distribution, and housing. That same day our camp at the equipment yard on the beach was shelled by a twelve inch gun that the Japanese had placed on the hills overlooking the beach. The projectiles exploded approximately 200 yards from the camp but there were no Sea Bee casualties.

On 6 February the 115th Construction Battalion departed for an assignment at Subic Bay, and CBMU 606 became solely responsible for the erection of the 2000 man camp. Tents 16 feet by 16 feet were erected for living quarters, a large galley was built of lumber and tarpaulins, work was begun on road construction, and temporary shelters were erected for carpenter shop, garage, and welding shop. Pontoon showers provided bathing facilities. The communications crew headed by Chief E. M. Stevens installed telephones, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles of telephone lines, and wired a communications building at the adjacent air strip for Marine Air Group 24. Fifty Filipino laborers were hired to aid in camp construction and maintenance with civilian Paulino Cindana in charge of the group.

During the construction of the camp, air raids and alerts were a nightly occurrence. During one air raid a number of Marine personnel were killed by bombs at a sick bay near the air strip, but no serious Sea Bee casualties were incurred. Chief Megonigal did chalk up a near miss when a piece of shrapnel pierced the top of his tent and imbedded itself in the dirt not four inches from the spot where his head was lying. Then too, Lt. (jg) Marsch received a good sized lump when he hit his head on a tent stake as he, Mr. Hopkins, and Mr. O'Connor made a simultaneous dive for the same foxhole.

for a very reasonable fee. There was not much time for recreation but whenever a man did have a few hours spare time it was usually spent in visiting a nearby country barrio or the town of Dagupan which offered a few native shows and opportunities to purchase a somewhat scanty, but expensive, meal at civilian restaurants.

A freak accident occurred in the CBMU 606 administration office when George Morrow, CM3c was struck in the shoulder by a stray carbine bullet evidently fired from the gun of a sentry. The wound was slight, and in two days time Morrow was back on duty.

It soon became evident that with the advent of the rainy season it would be impossible to continue efficient plane operations from the Mangaldan strip so it was decided to move the entire camp to Clark Field near Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon. Lt. Sawyers and Carp. O'Connor spent one day choosing a suitable camp site at the new

locations, and the following day Carpenter O'Connor and twenty-nine men left to begin laying out a new 2000 man camp at Clark Field. From that day forward a gradual flow of men and material was effected from Mangaldan Field. Two 2½ ton cargo trucks and seven 2½ ton dump trucks were utilized for transportation. Heavy equipment was moved on large trailers borrowed from the U. S. Army.

Our many operations and projects at the Mangaldan camp had served to segregate our men into the crews and jobs which most suited their particular talents and abilities, and as we started out for our new site at Clark Field the unit organization was at its maximum efficiency peak and we were prepared for any type job or emergencies that would confront us. On 11 February officers and men of Acorn 34 arrived at the camp, and on 15 February the camp was considered 100 percent completed. It had taken Sea Bees just sixteen days to complete their first assignment.

CHAPTER VII

TRANSPORTING men and materials over the 85 miles distance between Mangaldan and Clark Field was carried on 24 hours a day, and by the end of February the majority of personnel were residing at our new camp.

Captain C. B. Jones, USN, Commanding Officer of Fleet Air Wing Seventeen had issued orders to have Clark Field housing and facilities ready for start of operations by 28 February, and, far exceeding his expectations, CBMU 606 effected an eighty percent completion of the 2000 man temporary camp in the unbelievably short time of 12 days, thereby receiving a message of congratulation from Admiral Wagoner for a job well done.

Material continued to be moved to Clark Field during the month of March, and work progressed on the camp. Officers' tents were decked, framed and screened; latrines were built; and pontoon showers were erected. Work was started on two combination mess halls and galleys. The framed structures were to be built 30 feet by 164 feet with concrete decks, canvas roofs, and screened siding. Each mess hall and galley was to be capable of serving 1200 men at each meal. Work was also started on an officers' galley and mess hall similar in construction to the enlisted men's galleys but of a size 32 feet by 88 feet. Nine administration tents were specially erected, and framed work shops with canvas roofs were built to serve as garages, electric shop, carpenter shop, paint shop, refrigeration shop, rigging loft, and welding shop. Two wells had been drilled to supply water for the camp, and the erection of two 5000 gallon wood stave tanks augmented the water supply storage. Ten thousand feet of water mains were laid.

On 13 March E. J. Megonigal, CSF, the battalion adjutant, was notified that he had been promoted to Warrant Carpenter, the promotion dating from 15 December 1944.

Warrant Megonigal was then transferred to the states for indoctrination.

Power for the many electrical installations at the camp and air strip was supplied by ten generators. Lighting and electrical installations had utilized a total of 77,000 feet of wire. In addition to construction duties, CBMU 606 was charged with the maintenance of all equipment of ACORN 34, CASU 9, CASU 39, CASU 57, FAW 17, VPB 104, and VPB 119.

While work on the camp and installations was progressing, a program of recreational activities was inaugurated. The CMBU 606 Welfare Department started functioning with the erection of a combination recreation and library tent. A well stocked library, a short wave radio, phonograph and records, games and athletic equipment all served in aiding the recreation of all hands during off hours. A unit softball team was formed and entered into a league with eight Navy teams from other units. The team enjoyed unusual success winning 31 games and losing but 7. At the war's end the CBMU 606 team was leading the league and had amassed a string of 15 straight victories. Movies were shown nightly, and work was started on an area to be graded for a new theatre. A regular liberty schedule was instituted and such towns as Tarlac, Bamban, Mabalacat, Dau, Angeles, and San Fernando became liberty towns. The city of Manila was only approximately 54 miles from Clark Field, and many were the liberties spent in the former "Pearl of the Orient".

During the latter part of March, orders were received to convert the temporary camp into a permanent base. Erection of 16 Stran Steel Huts was then started to serve as administration buildings, hospital wards, ordnance and ship's store huts.

The month of April saw the conversion of the temporary camp to a permanent one take place. Work was completed on twenty-one tropical type huts (size 20 feet by 56 feet) and one standard Stran Steel Hut to be used as a head and to contain flush type toilets. The erection of two 40 feet by 100 feet Stran Steel Huts was started. Two additional wells were drilled and our water storage capacity was increased by the erection of a 1000 barrel prefabricated steel tank. Work was also started on six huts and four heads. Plumbing for the heads was highlighted by the installation of two specially constructed 5000 gallon septic tanks devised by Lt. (jg) Nicolas Marsch, Jr. Five thousand feet of sewers were laid in conjunction with the heads. By this time our water storage capacity was 85,000 gallons, and as the estimated camp water consumption was 200,000 gallons per day, plans were made for the erection of a 15,000 gallon wood stave tank. 1 beams 30 feet in length were procured from a nearby bombed hangar and a large steel tower was erected to hold the tank. Road maintenance and construction was proceeding as usual. Construction was started at the air strip on four 40 feet by 100 feet huts, six 20 feet by 56 feet huts, and two 50 feet by 78 feet hangars.

CBMU 606 soon found itself in the position of being required to full-fill duties normally required only of a full construction battalion, so in order to augment our lack of personnel it became necessary to employ a large number of Filipino civilian laborers. To keep up with our rigid construction schedule we were forced to employ 1300 Filipinos.

To speed up the erection of huts it was necessary to assign civilian crews to individual Sea Bee carpenters, and using this system, we were able to adhere to our schedules. Civilian laborers were used also in concrete and road gangs. At the end of April, Ensign Hopkins personally assumed charge of the Civilian Labor Office.

Due in part to the successful employment of civilian laborers and to the continued efficiency of the individual Sea Bees, the conversion to a permanent camp became a vivid reality during the month of May. Sixty-two huts and four heads were completed in addition to the erection of framed structures with concrete decks for the use of the welding shop and rigging loft. A large parachute loft was erected and completely outfitted with an air conditioning system.

While this work was going on, our communications crew had installed and maintained several teletype machines for the use of the operations office of FAW 17. The communications system was enhanced by the installation of 14 new phones and an average of 850 calls a day were handled by the switchboards. By now, seventeen generators were being operated and maintained, and the electrical crew had wired sixty-six Stran Steel Huts and had placed 6732 cubic feet of refrigeration space in operation. The garage was particularly busy this month servicing 708 vehicles in ad-

dition to repairing and maintaining our own rolling stock and heavy equipment. Our wells were now furnishing 200,000 gallons of water a day and 1760 additional feet of water mains were laid to handle the increased water storage facilities. Thus on 30 May the tremendous job of permanent camp conversion was estimated to be 65 percent completed.

The month of June saw the completion of seventy-eight additional huts and four heads. A 40 feet by 100 feet Stran Steel Hut was erected to serve as a laundry and by 30 June the laundry was capable of handling laundry for 2000 men. Work on the huts and hangars at the air strip was also completed in June. An increased demand for telephone service and additional hut wiring caused 26,430 feet of wire to be used by the electrical and communications crews. In June the garage serviced 751 vehicles. 410 feet of water mains were installed and 550 feet of sewage lines were laid. Three and one-half miles of road, in and adjacent to the camp, were maintained and grading was done at the air strip, on ball diamonds, and at the theatre. Culverts were installed and the ditches were rip-rapped to insure adequate drainage for waters caused by heavy rains.

CBMU 606 built a large outdoor theatre complete with dressing rooms and an adequate stage suitable for use by any traveling stage show that might appear. The CBMU 606 paint shop beautifully painted and decorated both the interior and exterior of the stage, and constructed several novel decorations to enhance the appearance of the theatre. The theatre was appropriately named "Sky Anchors".

The unit also built the base Navy Memorial Chapel which we believe to be the most beautiful chapel on Luzon. A 40 feet by 100 feet Stran Steel Hut was erected, and bamboo spires together with a specially designed bamboo entrance gave a distinctive Philippine effect to the edifice. The altar too was beautifully designed and constructed of various types of Philippine bamboo handiwork.

The month of June was highlighted by the release of men 42 years of age and over from the Naval service. Five chief petty officers and three other enlisted men were returned to the states for eventual discharge, and 20 other men were scheduled for release the following month. By the end of June, CBMU 606 with a total of only 252 enlisted men and 5 officers had completed 95 percent of the planned permanent naval base at Clark Field. More and more was emphasis being placed on maintenance rather than new construction, and the number of civilian laborers was reduced accordingly. The lack of lumber and cement prevented 100 percent completion of the camp, and an absence of suitable spare parts for vehicles hampered work at the garage. However, in spite of all obstacles, the unit had never once fallen behind the pre-arranged working schedules, and every officer and enlisted man felt both an individual and collective spirit of pride in the fact that a full battalion's work had been accomplished by our unit.

June 11, 1945 marked the first anniversary of commissioning of CBMU 606. Through the courtesy of the Welfare Department all hands were invited to attend a celebration in the camp area which consisted of an almost inexhaustible supply of beer and a huge quantity of sandwiches. The bakers baked a huge cake for the occasion, and everyone enjoyed the evening. In commemoration of the occasion Lt. Sawyers addressed the following congratulatory message to all hands: "The record of this unit during our first year has been both unique and enviable. The attributes of willingness, skill, and cooperation have been demonstrated time and time again by all hands. Aboard our transport, the Sarasota, a large percentage of you were called upon to complete unfinished work in communications, carpentry, electricity, ship-fitting, and boiler room installations. The manner in which you responded to this call was highly commendable, and your ability and ingenuity on those assignments aided immeasurably the successful maiden voyage of that ship. During our short sojourn at Gamadodo, New Guinea, it was because of your enthusiasm, organization, and willingness to work long, tedious hours that the tasks of setting up our heavy equipment, checking our rolling stock, and sorting and loading all cargo in preparation for quick and uncertain unloading were accomplished in record time. After leaving New Guinea, the monotony of the long trip aboard various LSTs was broken only by work details accomplishing many corrections to faulty installations, and several of you received individual commendations from LST skippers for various tasks performed. Our arrival at Lingayen Gulf during the invasion in January and the events immediately following will always remain a part of our memories. Lying out in the gulf watching the ships shell the beaches, waiting to go ashore ourselves, watching the night artillery fire, finally hitting the beach, and soon thereafter being subjected to Jap air raids and artillery, all blended together giving most of us our first taste of war in progress. Then came our move to Mangaldan where we erected a complete 2000

man camp in two weeks time only to find we had a higher priority job just ahead of us—the erection of a naval camp at Clark Field. Thus began the long overland move hampered by rough, muddy, bombed out roads, and the thought that we had been allowed only 12 days to place the new camp in operation. Together we turned what was nothing but a rugged, dusty, field of wrecked Jap planes, dugouts; and bomb craters into a 2500 man temporary camp in the allotted time. We were all justly proud of the congratulatory dispatch from Admiral Wagner for the job we had done so well. Now that temporary camp has completely disappeared and a permanent camp with all modern conveniences has taken its place—all because of your efforts and initiative under adverse conditions. It should be a satisfaction to each individual of this unit that the normal work of a full Construction Battalion has been accomplished because of your cooperation, skill, and "can do, will do" spirit. Congratulations on a year well done."

CBMU 606 played a substantial role in the Seventh War Loan drive. Each man was interviewed personally by Lt. (jg) Marsch in regard to the drive and the following results were obtained. With a complement of 265 officers and men 188 bonds were purchased by 65 percent of the personnel, representing a total of \$14,062.50.

The month of July found most of the projects on the base completed. More time was being spent maintaining what we had already built and installed. In August came the good news of Japan's surrender and with that news an immense sense of relief and joy. We felt the time would not be too far distant when we would be back in the greatest country in the world with our loved ones.

In summing up the war diary of this activity, it is the general consensus of opinion by all hands that although a few unpleasanties crept into our experiences, the unit as a whole functioned smoothly, and we are all justly proud to have been a member of Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit 606.

SNAPSHOTS

taken at the
MANGALDAN NAVAL CAMP, MANGALDAN, LUZON, P. I.
FEBRUARY, 1945



AIR VIEW OF NAVAL CAMP AT MANGALDAN, LUZON, P. I. CBMU 606 carpentry shop is shown in center foreground, temporary mess tents are at left, and temporary tent quarters for personnel are in the background.



AIR VIEW OF NAVAL CAMP AT MANGALDAN, LUZON, P. I. Galley and mess tents are in immediate foreground. The CBMU 606 crane may be seen operating in the unit storage area.



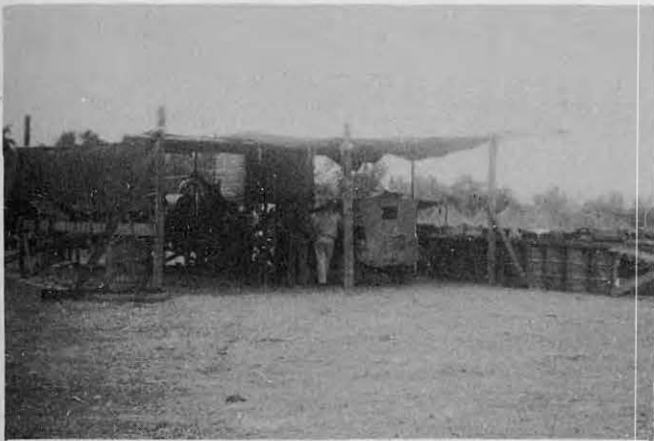
MAKING ROADS FROM RICE PADDIES AT THE MANGALDAN CAMP. Upon arrival at the Mangaldan camp site the road building division of CBMU 606 hastily built adequate roads throughout the camp.



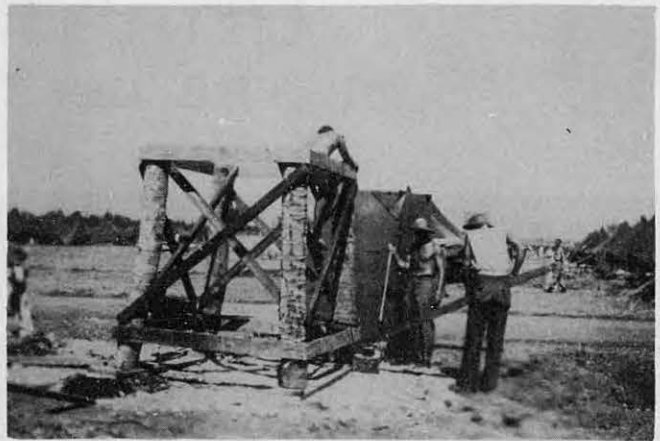
CBMU 606 SUPPLY YARD. All supplies and material were moved from the beach to the Mangaldan camp. Shown here (left to right) are supply storekeepers McCoy, Kapp, Dillon, and Boshier.



ADMINISTRATION OFFICE. Temporary quarters were set up for the administrative division. Shown here (left to right) are Dubuque, Hughes, Bosch, Alexander, Sztukowski, and Morrow.



CBMU 606 GARAGE. This temporary structure and grease rack were erected to service all the camp rolling stock and equipment.



SHOWER CONSTRUCTION. Pontoon showers such as the one shown here were erected at the various camp areas.



PLUMBING SHOP. Chief Grasso (shown here) and his plumbing crew installed all camp water lines and showers.



James and Nixon are pictured here resting after a hard (?) days work with their bulldozer.



CBMU 606 WELFARE. Whitehead and Kerstetter in front of tent used to temporarily house the unit's welfare and recreation equipment.



MANGALDAN BEER LINE. One line no one refused to buck.

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS
OF THE CLARK FIELD AREA

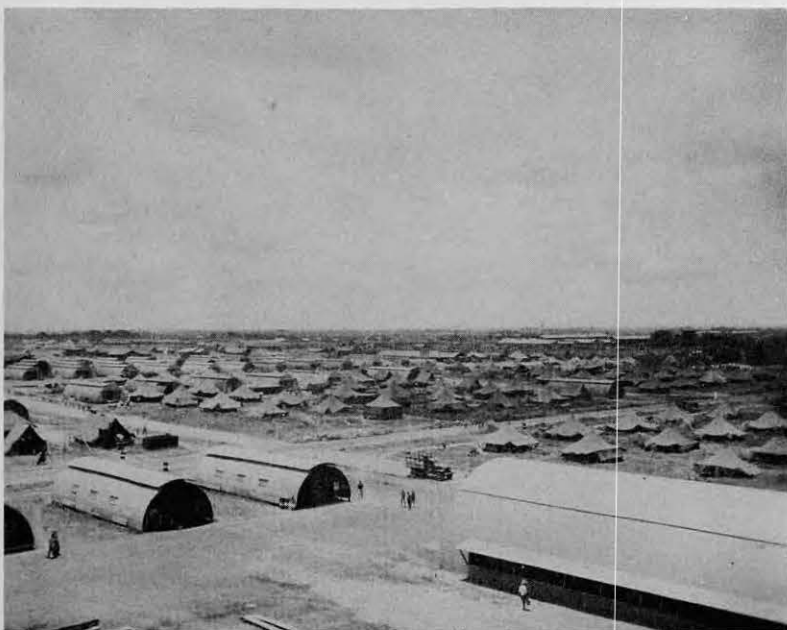


AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF CLARK FIELD, 30 JULY 1945

Main strip is at extreme right of picture. All warehouses, nose hangars, and stran steel huts were erected by the men of CBMU 606.



NAVAL CAMP, CLARK FIELD, 29 APRIL 1945. At this date only a few Stran Steel Huts had been erected and the greater majority of personnel were still living in tents.



NAVAL CAMP, CLARK FIELD, 18 MAY 1945. This photograph shows progress made in replacing tents with prefabricated living quarters. (Ship's store in immediate foreground.)



PHOTOGRAPH taken from top of water tower 27 June 1945, showing CBMU 606 camp area. Filipino village is at right of picture.

NAVAL CAMP, CLARK FIELD, 29 JUNE 1945. Stran Steel Huts have replaced temporary tent quarters and administration buildings, with the exception of the Sea Bee quarters. Men of CBMU 606 evidenced a marked preference for tents rather than prefabricated huts for housing.



NAVAL CAMP, CLARK FIELD, 19 JUNE 1945. CBMU 606 tent camp is shown in immediate foreground adjacent to the base supply yard. Secondary air strip shown in background.



NAVAL CAMP, CLARK FIELD, 19 JUNE 1945. Huts are rapidly replacing tent living quarters and administration buildings. Note graded area for theatre at right of picture.





AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH of northern end of taxiway No. 3 at Clark Field showing construction by CBMU 606. Huts at extreme left include two ordnance buildings, one office, and one quick engine change shop with a smaller hut serving as a generator building. The canvas covered building at center is a 78 feet by 30 feet nose hangar, and the hut at the right of the picture houses a radio and radar repair shop. (Note destroyed Jap planes in foreground.)



AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH taken 29 June 1945 from a northern approach showing the huts utilized for housing at the USN ACORN 34 base command camp area, Clark Field. Enlisted 1200 man galley and mess hall No. 2 with chief's mess is at upper left corner of camp area. The storage tank beyond galley is a 1000 bbl. steel tank used for water storage supplying the 15,000 gallon wood stave tank located to the right of the Filipino village. In the foreground are various shops including electrical, carpenter, refrigeration and paint shops at left foreground; garage, plumbing, welding shops in center foreground; civilian labor distribution shed at right center.



AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF USN ACORN 34 CAMP AREA, CLARK FIELD, 29 JUNE 1945. The three areas at the left house the enlisted personnel of ACORN 34, various CASUs and flight squadrons. The three areas at right include administration huts, hospital area, canteen, welfare, and recreation huts, and BOQ huts. Officers' Club is located at upper right of picture, and the amphitheatre with projection booth and stage may be seen at top center.



NAVY MEMORIAL CHAPEL ALTAR. This beautiful altar was designed and built by CBMU 606 aided by Philippine civilian carpenters and laborers.

1 EASTER CHURCH SERVICES AT CLARK FIELD, 1945. This temporary chapel served as a place of worship for all religious denominations until the Navy Memorial Chapel was built.

2 NAVY MEMORIAL CHAPEL. This edifice was erected using a 40 feet by 100 feet warehouse type Stran Steel Hut. The front and interior decorations consist mainly of bamboo.

3 THE NAVY MEMORIAL CHAPEL. Served as a place of worship for all military personnel and services were well attended.

PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHS

CLARK FIELD



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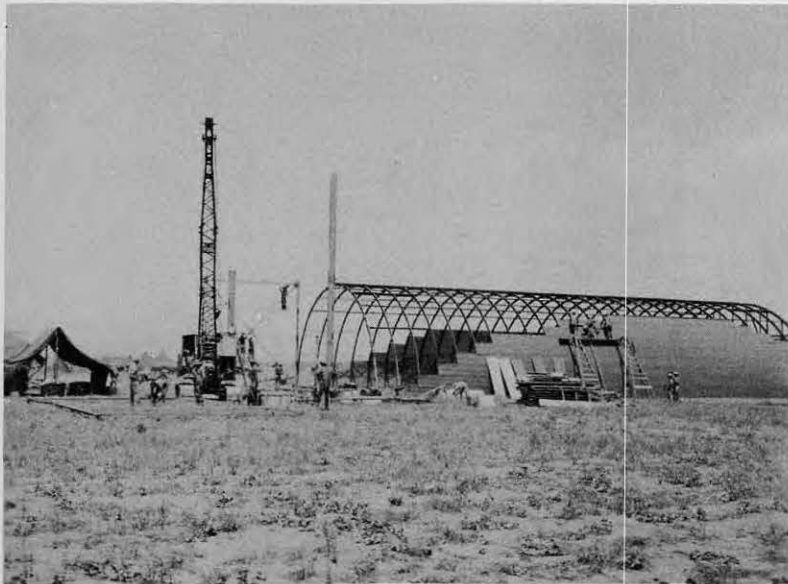
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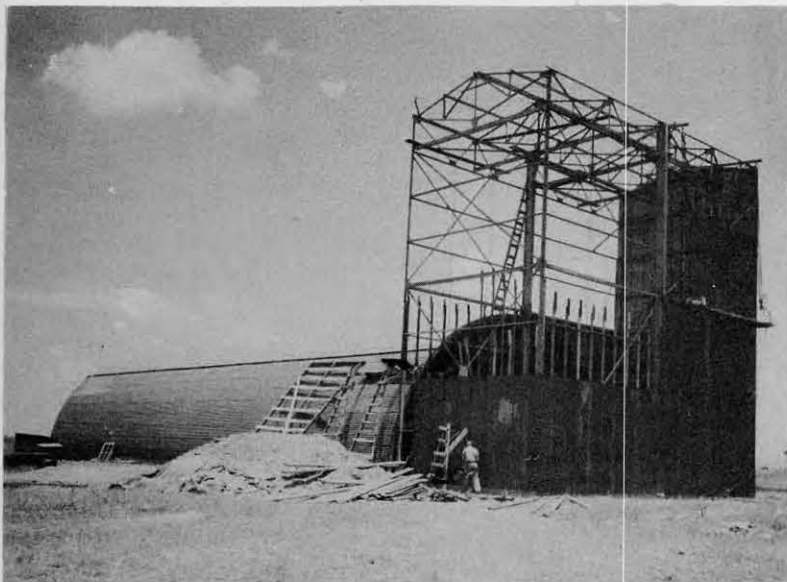


CBMU 606 POWER SAW. Being operated by Hart, Morgan, Gunderson, and Haman.



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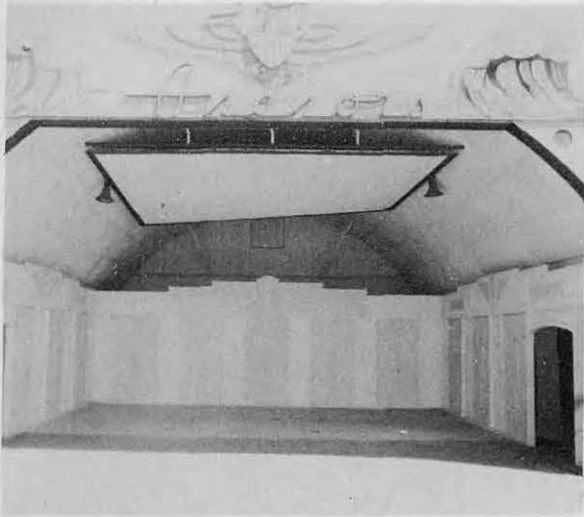
1 ACORN 34 HOSPITAL. Sea Bee personnel had access to the facilities offered by this well equipped hospital. The bamboo shelters connecting the wards were constructed entirely by civilian laborers. The hospital wards, operating huts, clinics and administration building were erected by CBMU 606.



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2 INITIAL CONSTRUCTION OF PARACHUTE LOFT. Carpenters of CBMU 606 are shown here in the initial stages of erecting a hut to serve the flight squadrons. Here parachutes will be dried, repaired, and repacked.

3 PARACHUTE LOFT NEARS COMPLETION. Men of CBMU 606 are shown putting the finishing touches on the base parachute loft.

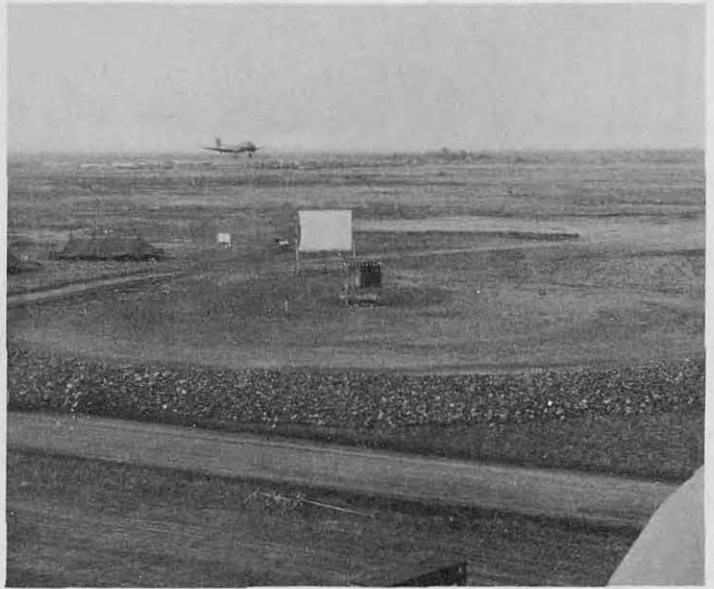


SKY ANCHORS STAGE. This artistically designed and decorated stage was built by CBMU 606. Dressing rooms are to the rear of the stage and facilities were provided for the many USO and stage shows that visited Clark Field. Most popular of the traveling shows that played Clark Field were the Kay Kyser Show and the Danny Kaye Show.

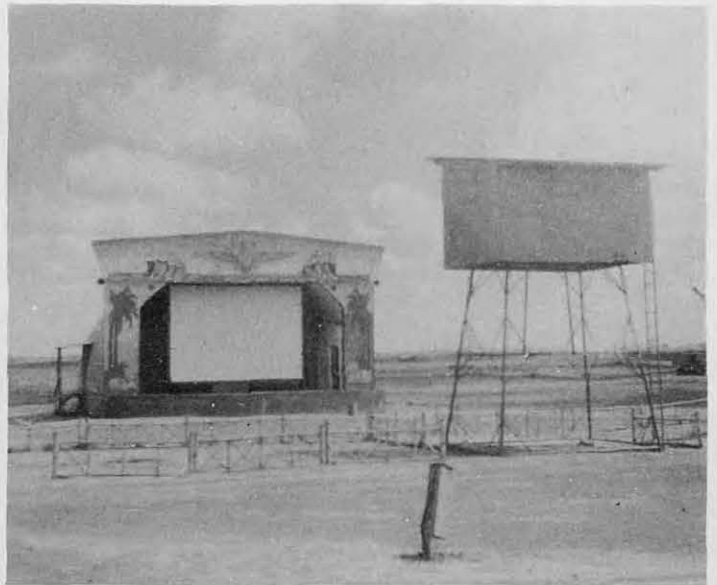
CLARK FIELD MOVIE AREA. The area shown here was graded by CBMU 606 and the temporary screen and projection booth were erected immediately. As always, movies were the most popular form of recreation on the base. (Note the C-47 preparing to land on an adjacent air strip.)

SKY ANCHORS THEATRE. This stage and projection booth soon replaced the temporary theatre.

CIVILIAN LABOR COMPOUND. This shelter was utilized for segregating into crews the 1300 Philippine civilian laborers employed by the Naval base.



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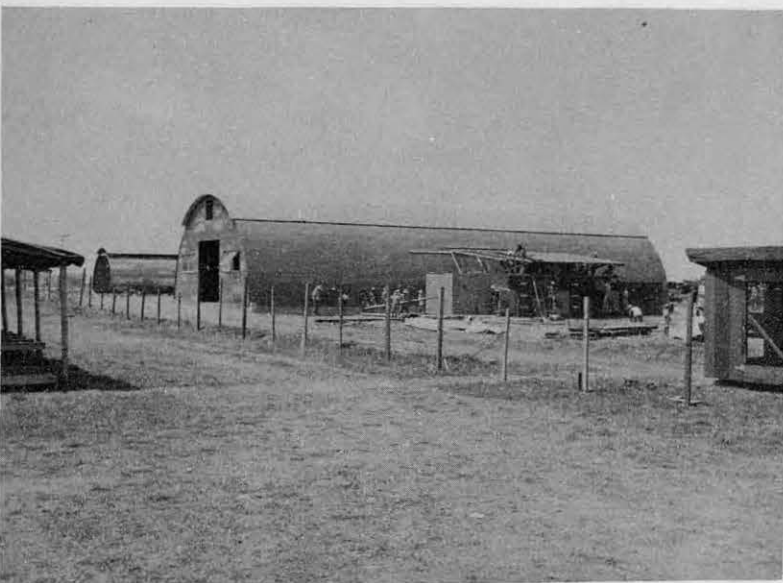


5000 GALLON TANK. Installing one of the two 5000 gallon septic tanks incorporated in the sewage disposal system for the camp by CBMU 606. Frank Mannella is the welder shown in the picture.



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1 ACORN 34 LAUNDRY. This laundry building, together with two large drying huts, was built by CBMU 606, and operated by civilians under the cognizance of Acorn 34. All laundry and equipment was installed and maintained by CBMU 606.



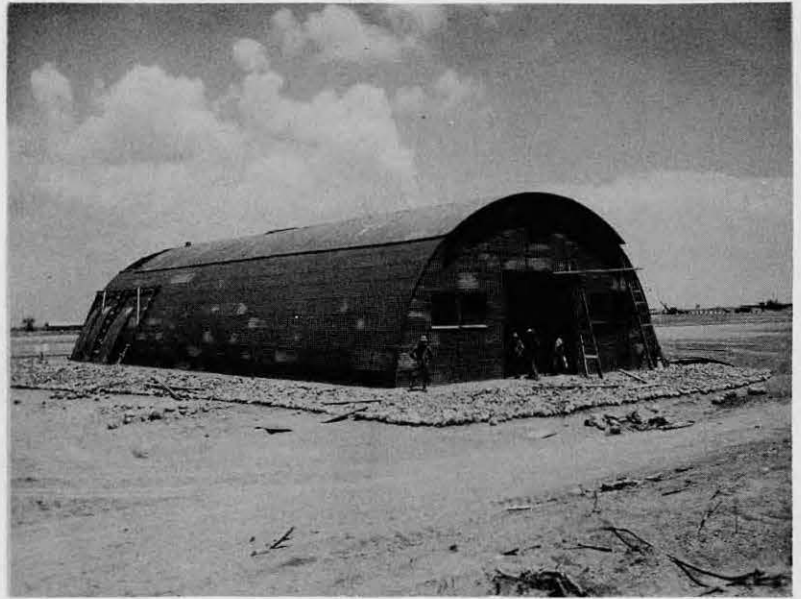
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2 GARAGE AND WELDING SHOP.

3 INSTALLING REFRIGERATION UNITS.



STEEL HUTS. Progress photograph showing start of the first 40 feet by 100 feet Stran Steel Huts to be used for aviation facilities at the Clark Field air strip.



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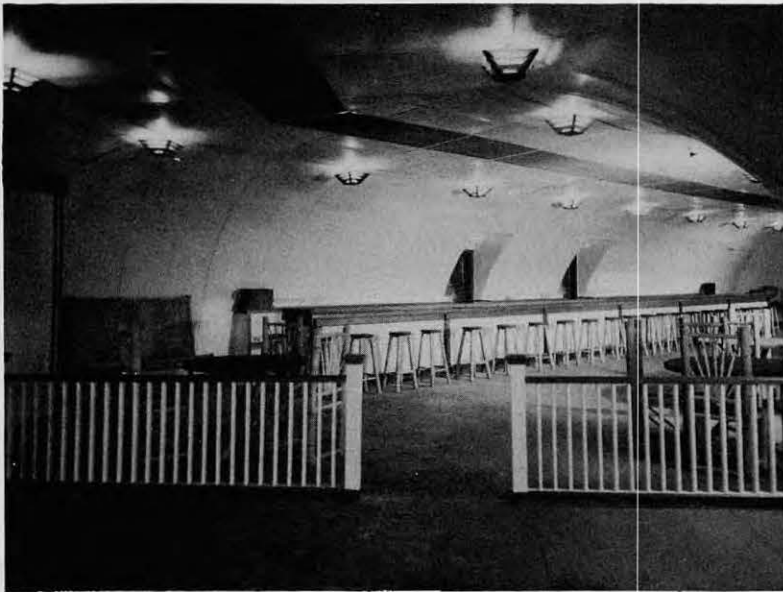
1 ERECTING WAREHOUSE. Warehouses of this type were erected at the Clark Field air strip for use by aviation units.

2 WIND TUNNEL. The Clark Field Officers' Club.

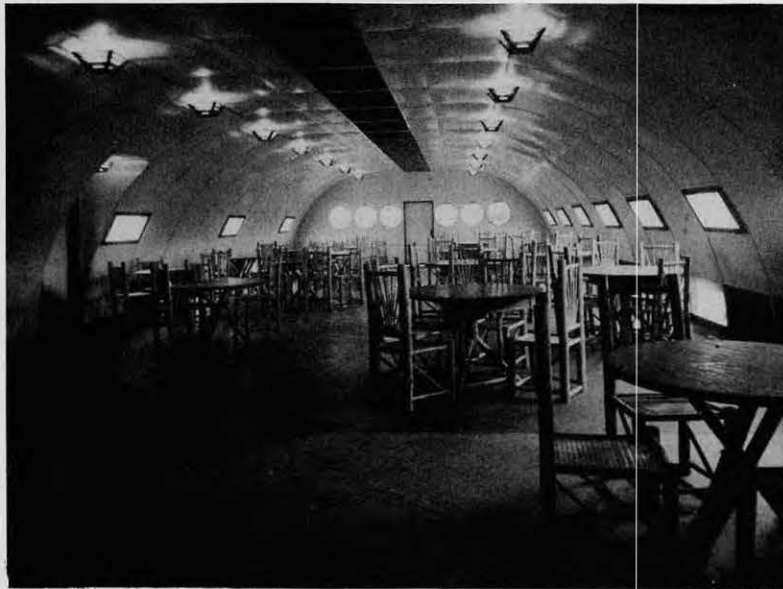


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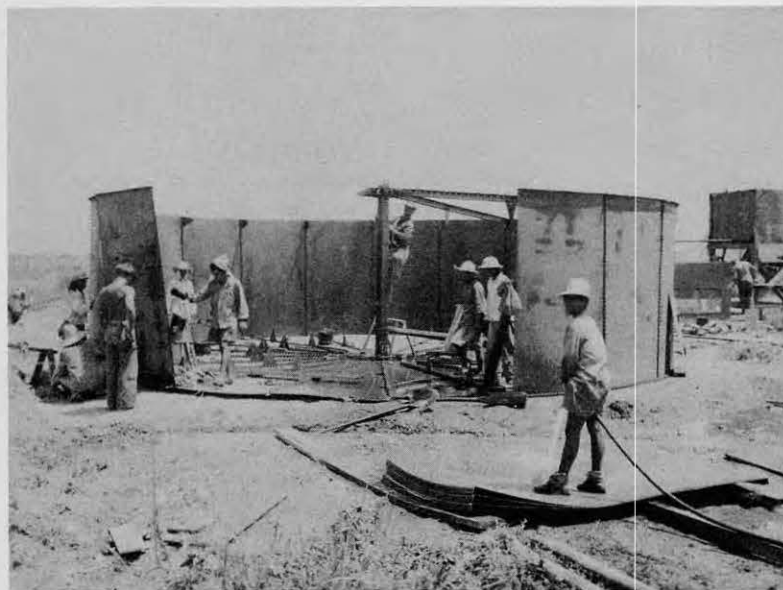
3 LEFT WING OF OFFICERS' CLUB. This section of the club served as a dance floor.



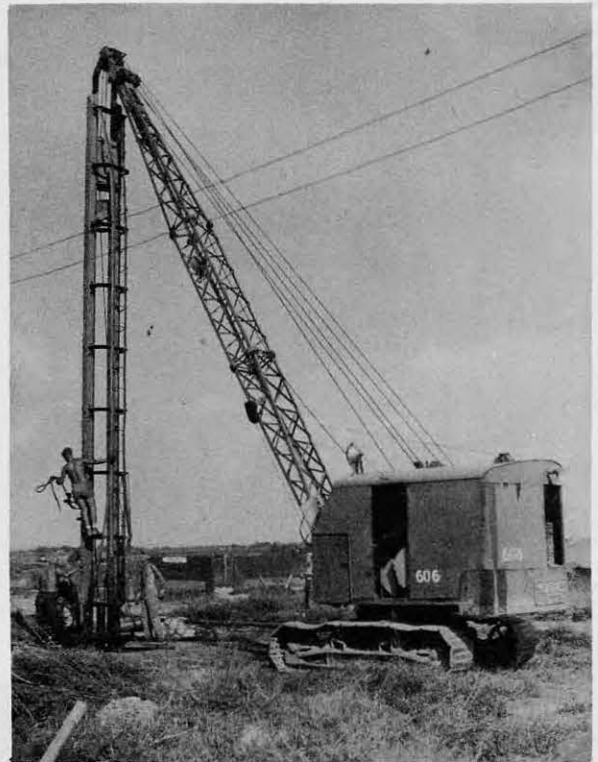
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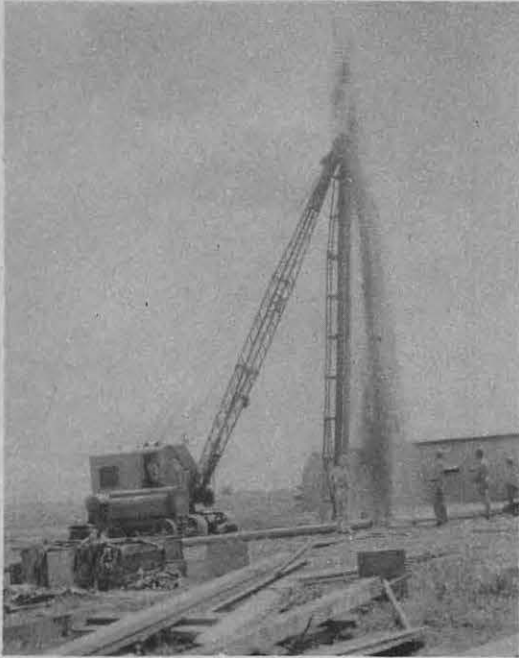


WELL DRILLING. "Pop" Gaines, "Ozzie" Osborne, and Murphy are shown preparing to rig up another length of casing during well drilling operations.

1 OFFICERS' CLUB BAR. The club bar was situated in the center section of the building.

2 RIGHT WING OF OFFICERS' CLUB. All furniture was made by Philippine civilian laborers.

3 WATER STORAGE. Harry Grimes and Krueger are shown directing Filipino civilian laborers in the erection of a 1000 barrel storage tank.



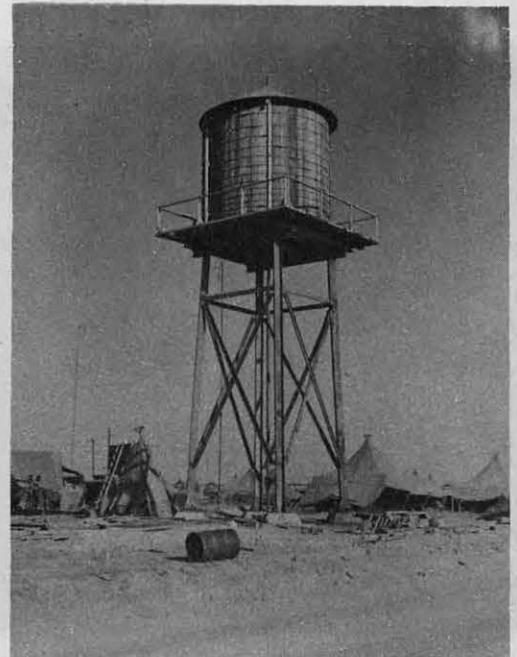
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BRINGING IN A WELL.
 Lt. (jg) Marsch (back to camera) is shown supervising the bringing in of another well. James and Landers standing by.

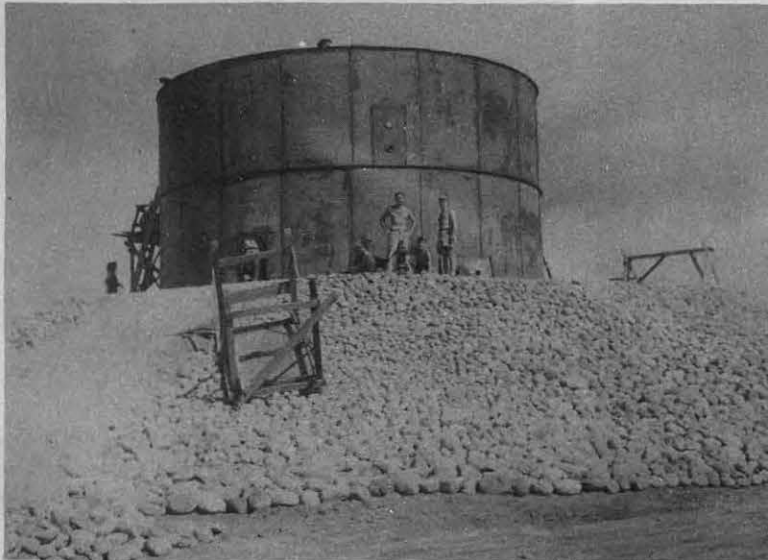
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WATER STORAGE.
 The "H" beams supporting this 15,000 gallon wood stave tank were salvaged from bombed hangars at Clark Field.

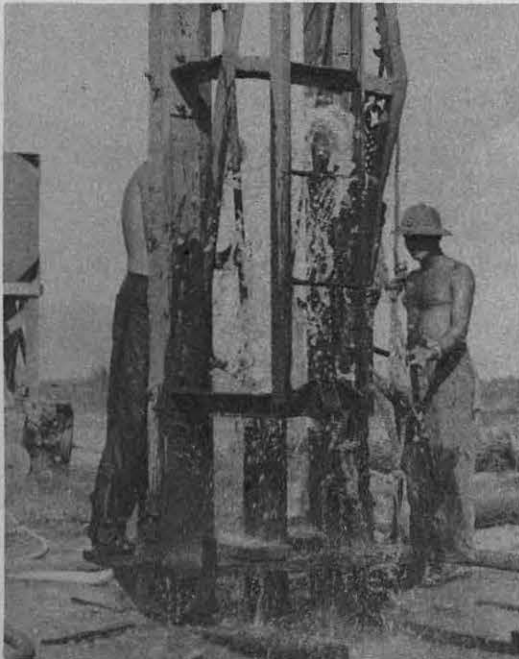
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WATER STORAGE.
 Johnson, Parigini, Grassi, and Hahn are shown putting the final touches on the 85,000 gallon water tank erected to alleviate the water storage problem.

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WELL DRILLING
 "Pop" Gaines and Chief Harrelson are shown here cleaning out a length of casing during well drilling operations.

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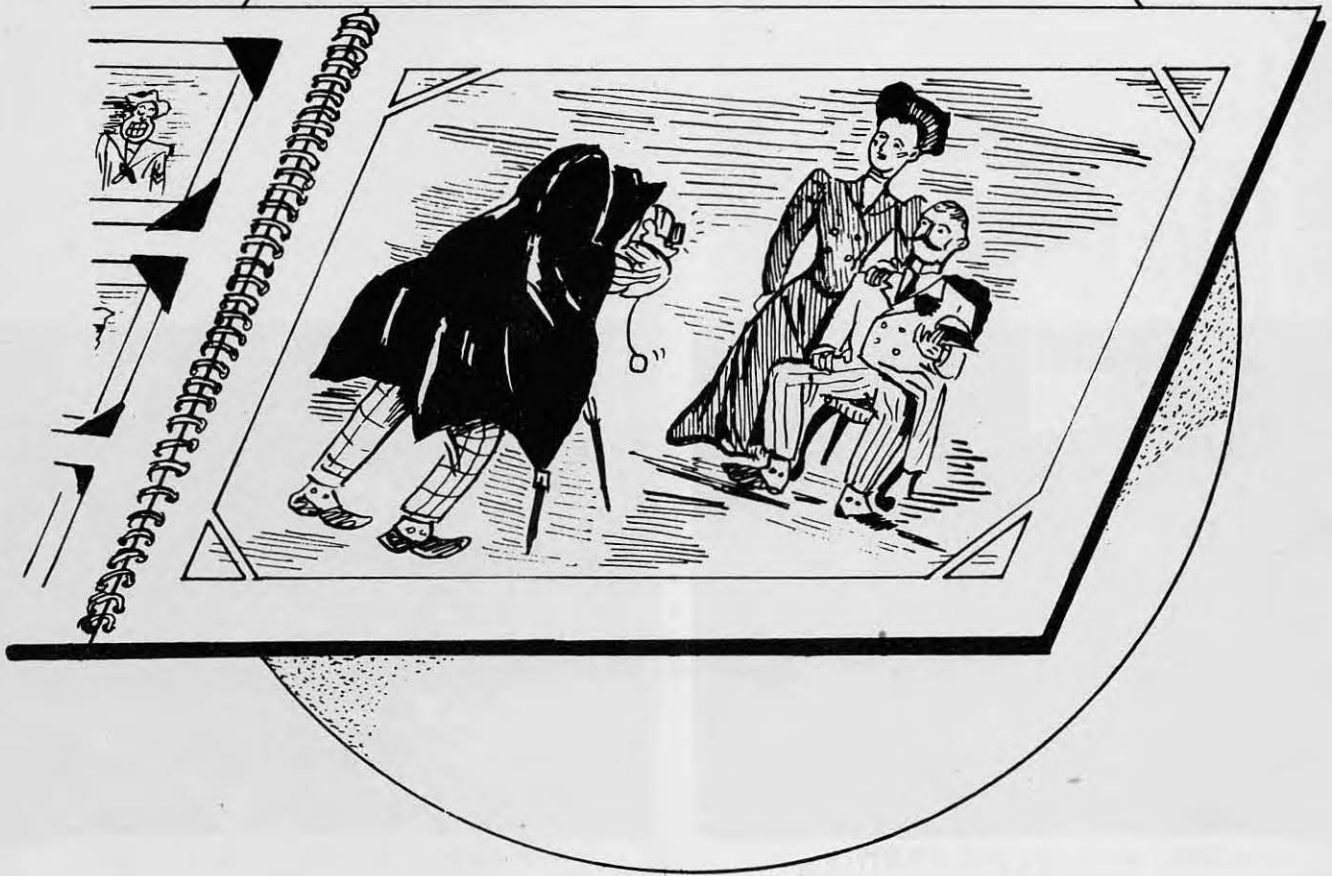
GROUP and PERSONAL

Snapshots



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WELFARE DEPARTMENT.
Kerstetter, Tognoli, Stratton and Bush.
(Whitehead absent when picture was taken.)



M. A. A. FORCE.
Beard, Wood, and Hutzel. Johnnie Greider
(second from left) unwillingly portrays the
role of culprit so as to lend prestige to the
force.



CBMU 606 GARAGE CREW
Back row (left to right) Moore, Hardy, Hahn,
Brizendine, Townsend, Grimes, Green, Clem-
ens. Front row (left to right) Greenzweig,
Davis, Thiele, Meyers, Wertzbaugher.

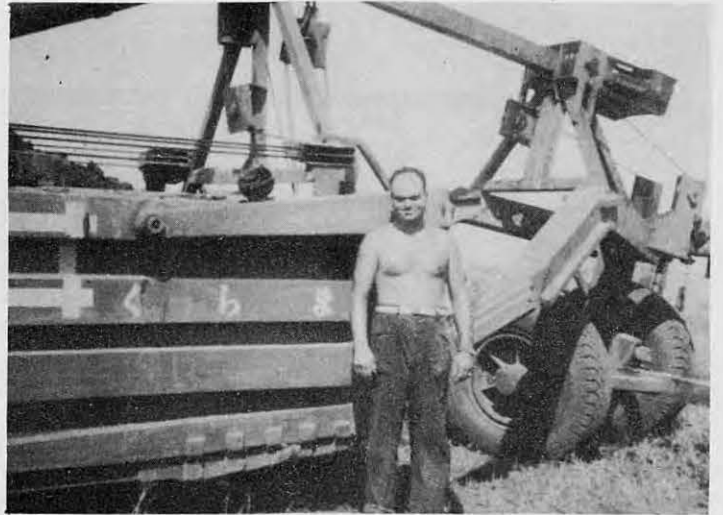


CBMU 606 SURVEY PARTY.
Back row (left to right) Gill, Wolf, ChCarp.
O'Connor. Front row (left to right) Grundy,
Scianni, Gustafson.



COMMISSARY DEPARTMENT.

Standing (left to right) Haase, W. R. Lucas, Carr, Ashley, O'Brien, Izdepski, Mackey, Lawson. Kneeling (left to right) W. E. Lucas, Thompson, Zavatzky. (Greider absent when picture was taken.)



JAPANESE CARRYALL.

C. H. Burke, heavy equipment operator, standing beside a captured Japanese carryall. This carryall greatly aided the unit grading operations.



CHIEF ROSSITER'S CREW.

Back row (left to right) Haman, Morgan, Gunderson. Front row (left to right) Lopez, Rossiter, Thompson, Hart, D. W. Lee.

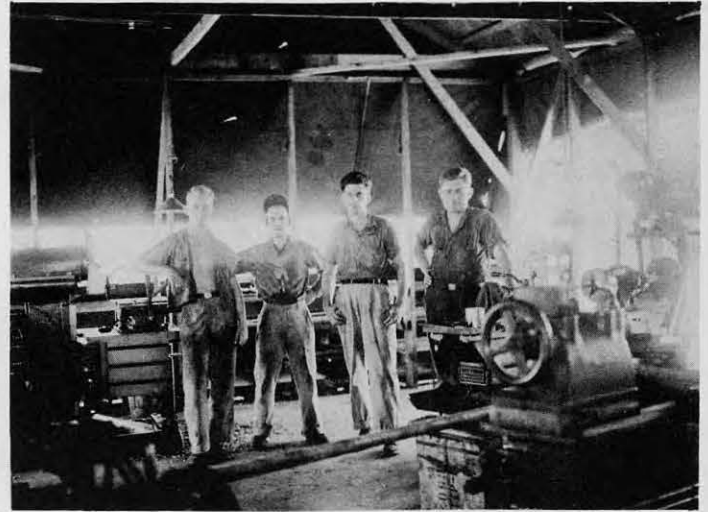


ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

Back row (left to right) Sztukowski, Martin, Alexander. Front row (left to right) Bosch, Dubuque, Hughes.



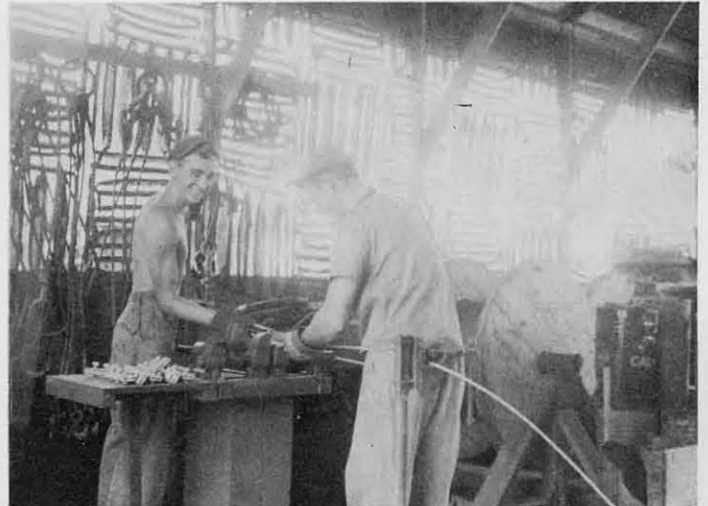
ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT CREW.
 Standing (left to right) Guizio, Chief Veitch, Habecker. Kneeling (left to right) Kern, Phillips, Julian, Bragg.



MACHINE SHOP CREW.
 (Left to right) Lex, Dezzi, Thiele, Wittye.



REPAIR DEPARTMENT
 Greenzweig jacks up a truck in the CBMU 606 garage.



CABLE SPLICING.
 Gros and Kearney splice a cable in the rigging loft.

STARTING HOME

A contingent of high pointers wave goodbye as they head out on the first lap of their long awaited journey home.



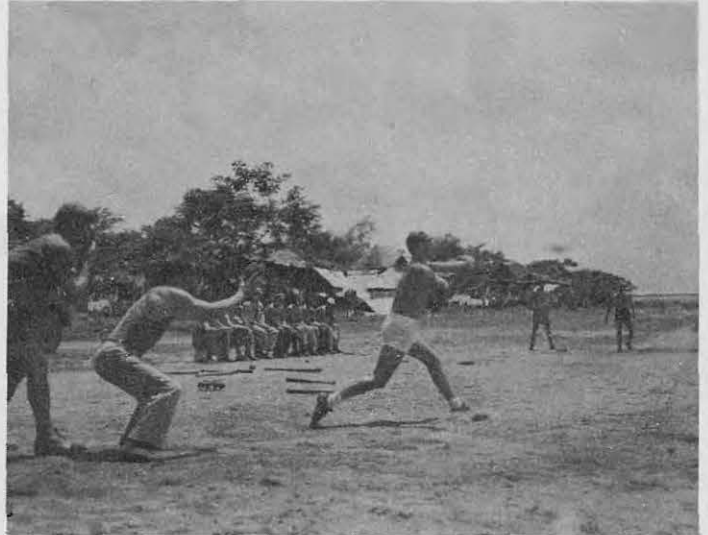
Welfare * And Recreation

THE WELFARE DEPARTMENT of CBMU 606 directed by ChCarp. James A. O'Connor and supervised by Jones H. Whitehead, CM2c, and Marlin H. Kerstetter, MoMM2c, deserves recognition for services rendered to the unit. After our arrival at Luzon the department functioned smoothly and efficiently and afforded the men every available means of relaxing and enjoying off duty hours. Softball proved to be the group activity most popular with all hands. The CBMU 606 softball team entered a league with eight teams from other Navy units and fought its way to the base championship, winning 31 games and losing 7. At one time the team had amassed a string of 15 straight victories.





CBMU 606 SOFTBALL TEAM. This is the team that won the base championship at Clark Field. Back row (left to right) Waller, rf; Larson, ss; Bosch, C; Tooley, cf; McComb, p; Kelley, c; Hughes, scf. Front row (left to right) Haman, rf; Greene, lf; Kerstetter, Mgr.; Guihan, 3b; Prokes, lf; Nixon, 1b; Mannella, 2b.



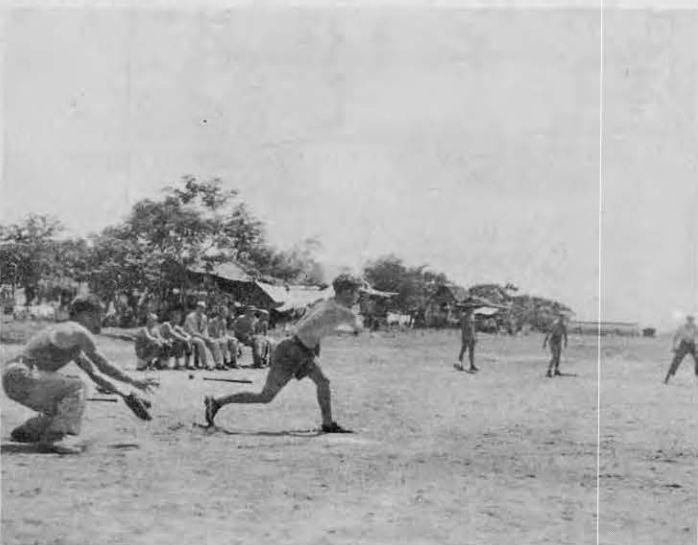
Larson drives in Hughes during a game with a neighboring Army team. Kerstetter coaching at third base.



Larson easily beats out a single to right field. Larson's agility at shortstop saved many a game for the Sea Bees.



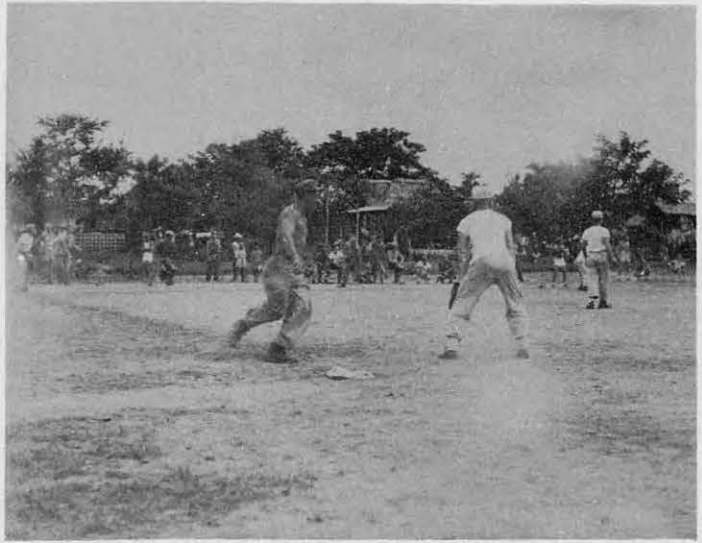
CBMU 606 AMERICAN LEAGUE SOFTBALL TEAM. Front row (left to right) Gustafson, McClure, Tognoli, Wood, Maki, Szalony, Zavatsky. Back row (left to right) Sarafin, Grandinetti, Bosch, Grimes, Lovell. Missing from photo: Johnson, Kerber, Beduhn, Osborne and Haman.



Kelley hits a terrific grounder to the shortstop, attempting to drive in Hughes from third base. Kelley was the team's leading home run hitter and was one of the outstanding catchers of the league.



Kerstetter pinch hits and slashes a double to left center field. Kerstetter was particularly adept at coming through with needed hits at crucial moments.



Kerstetter rounds first base and heads for second where he slid in safely.

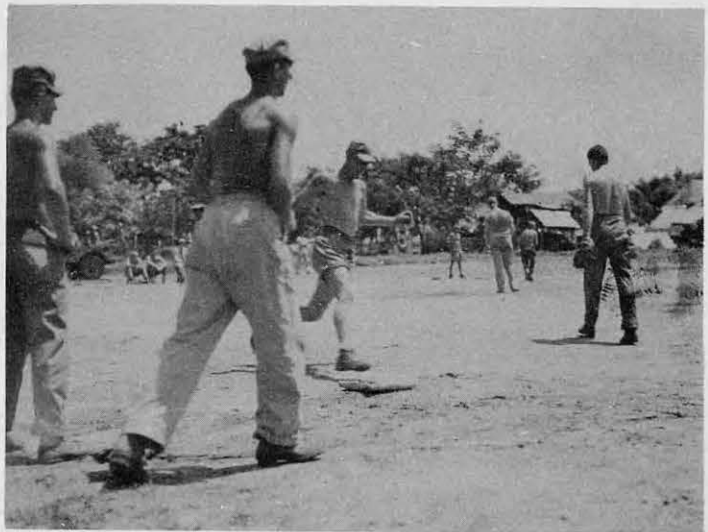


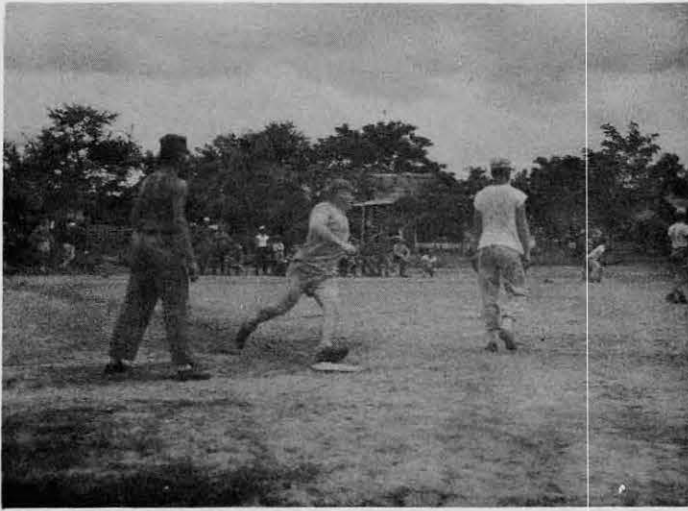
Greene beats out a close play at first base.



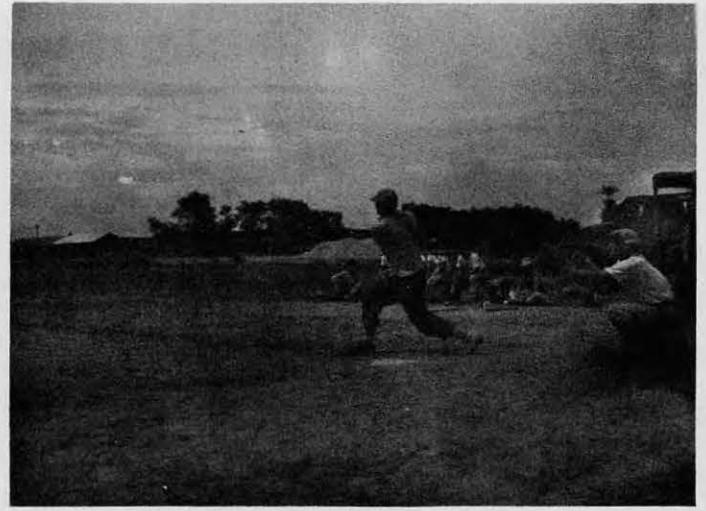
Guihan takes a hefty swing at a fast ball. Guihan's bullet like throw made him one of the best third basemen in the league.

Nixon, lanky first baseman, reaches first base just as the opposing team's left fielder makes a fast running catch of his long fly.





Tooley, fast stepping center fielder, singles to left field and is shown ready to head for second base.



"Pete" Waller slams a fast pitch to his favorite spot in right field.



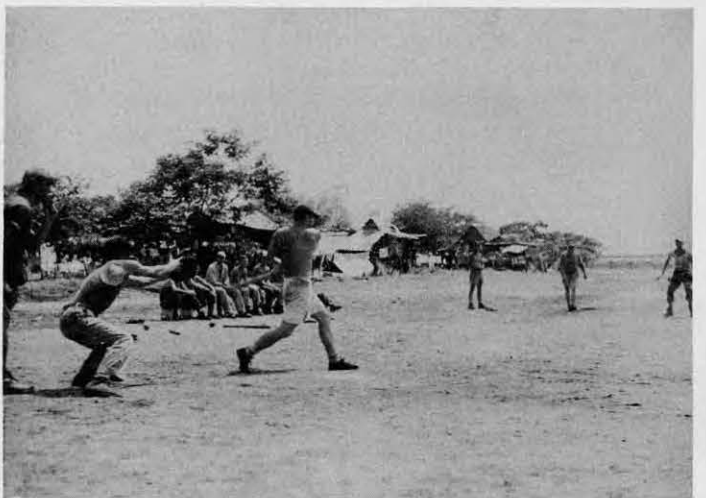
McComb was not only the league's leading pitcher but he also possessed prowess with the hickory. He is shown here rounding first base after a terrific blow that netted him a triple.



Hughes has just connected with a solid single to right center driving in McComb from third base. Note the avid 606 rooters on the sidelines.



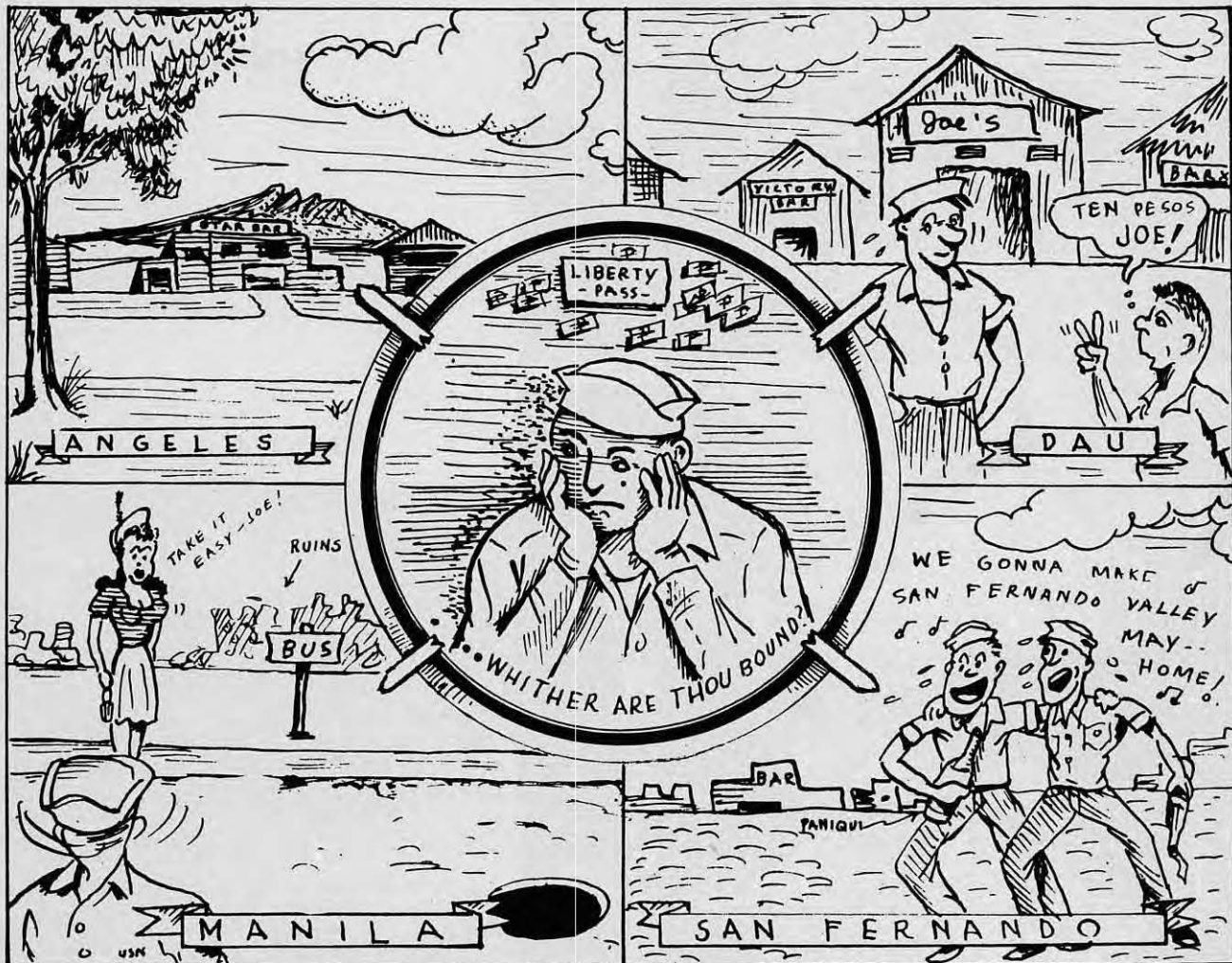
Mannella strains to connect with the pill during a practice session while Tognoli anticipates a missed ball.

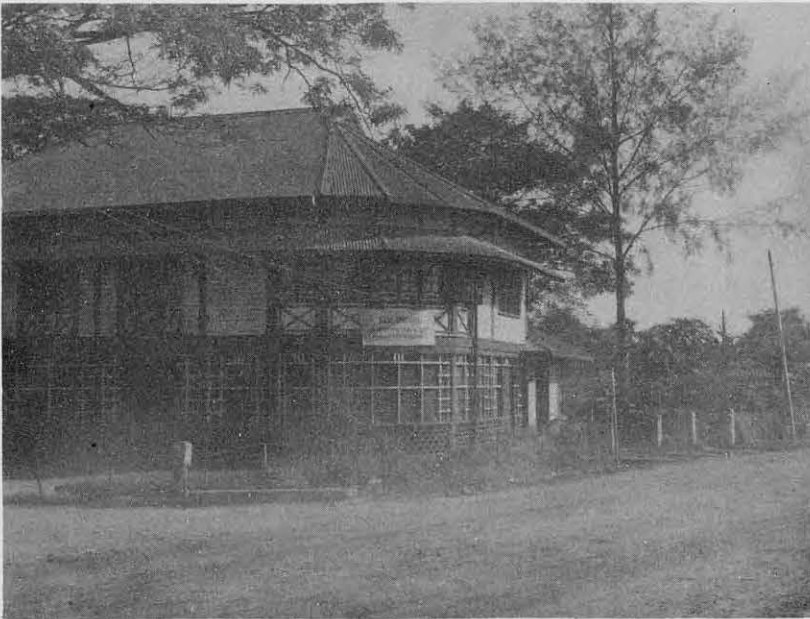


Prokes hits a high fly to left field giving Tooley at third base an opportunity to score.

Liberty Towns

OFF DUTY hours at Clark Field were sometimes passed in visiting neighboring towns, a few of which are pictured in the following pages. The Filipinos were always friendly and courteous to servicemen and deserved our deepest respect for the manner in which they had conducted themselves during the trying times of the Japanese occupation.





POPULAR
RESTAURANT AT SAN MIGUEL.



BAMBAN.



MABALACAT.



ANGELES.

ANGELES (Town market at left of picture).



ANGELES.



ANGELES. This is Linda, fair proprietress of the Spic and Span Restaurant—a spot much frequented by CBMU 606 pleasure seekers.





TARLAC — This modernistic building housed the governing facilities and personnel of the province of Tarlac.

TARLAC — The Elvi Theatre was one of the few buildings in Tarlac that escaped damage by bombings.



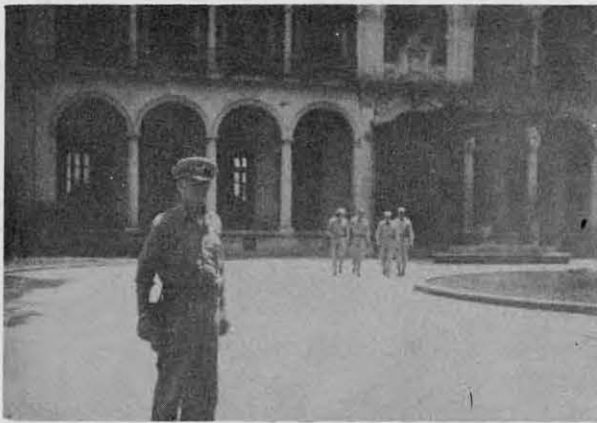
TARLAC — The American Red Cross supervised the establishment of this road side canteen. Doughnuts, coffee, sandwiches, and cold drinks were ever ready for consumption by the hungry army and navy transients.



MALOLOS — This Bulacan provincial capitol building at Malolos was a familiar landmark to all Sea Bees heading to Manila for liberty. Built in 1935 the building housed Japanese militia during the occupation and was thus subjected to bombing by the American Air Force on January 12 following the Luzon invasion. Damage was not extensive and the capitol is now used jointly by the Provincial Board and the Military Police Command.

MANILA

Of all the liberty towns, Manila was naturally the one most visited by service men in that area. Most of the men of CBMU 606 made their first trip to Manila soon after it had been retaken from the Japanese. Buildings and bridges were in ruins, food and water were scarce, and in general the city seemed in a struggle with death for survival. Manila did survive those dark days and at the war's end part of the rubble and debris had been cleared away and some reconstruction was started. We hope the future will see an even greater Manila emerge from the chaos that descended upon her because of the brutality, lust, and greed of the Japanese race.



Carp. Megonigal at the Philippine Presidential Palace, Manila.



Santo Tomas University, Manila.



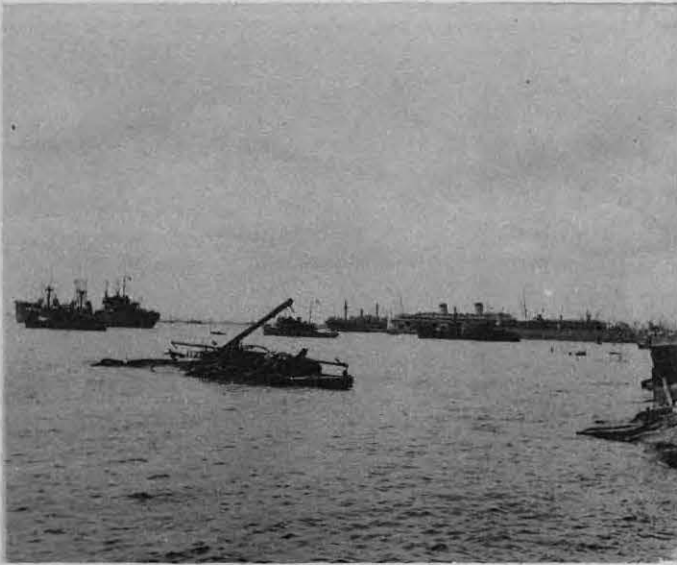
CHINESE CEMETERY, MANILA. The Chinese tomb pictured here is a typical example of the type architecture employed by the Chinese people in paying final respect to their ancestors. On the eve of every November first, the people of Manila's Chinatown congregate at this cemetery to contact the spirits of their departed ancestors. The ceremony consists of displaying conspicuously large pictures of the dead and placing Chinese food in the tombs for the spirits.



BONIFACIO MONUMENT. Situated at the northern approach of Manila this imposing marble monument symbolizes the Filipino struggle for freedom. Andres Bonifacio, in whose honor the monument was erected, was the "Father of the Philippine Revolution" and is generally known as the "Great Plebian" because of his humble birth.



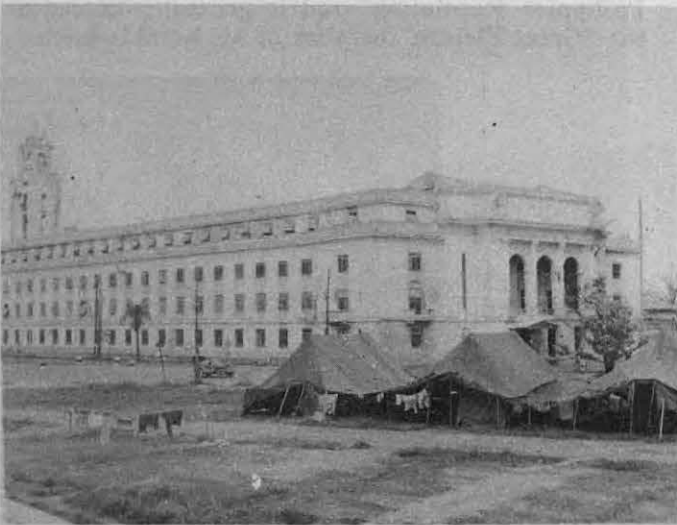
Tomb at Chinese Cemetery, Manila.



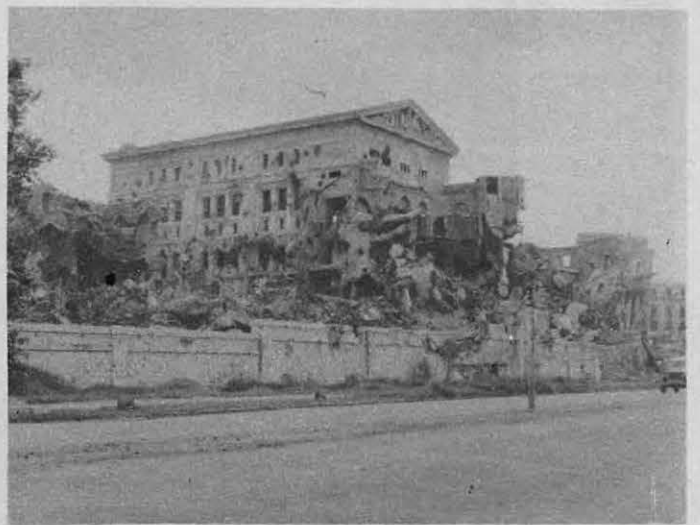
MANILA BAY. In the foreground are part of the remains of the Jap once invincible naval armada in its watery grave at Manila's breakwater. Strafed and dive bombed mercilessly by sea-borne planes many of the former Japanese Navy ships and freighters found their way to the bottom of this bay. U. S. ships may be seen in the background here unloading men and materials that made eventual victory only a matter of time.



POST OFFICE BUILDING. This Doric columned edifice housed the Bureau of Post and the Department of Public Works and Communications. Located at the bank of the Pasig River it was one of Manila's scenic assets. The building was damaged by American artillery fire when Jap Marines barricaded themselves inside the building and refused to surrender. The building is now under repair and is utilized by the Army Post Office.



MANILA CITY HALL. The newest of Manila's government buildings, the city hall was inaugurated just prior to the outbreak of the war. Partly damaged by artillery fire the building escaped destruction from the Japanese hands. Used now, jointly, by the city and national government, the city hall was also the historical meeting place between General McArthur's staff and the Japanese delegation sent by the emperor to negotiate the conditions of the surrender terms before the final surrender.



LEGISLATIVE BUILDING. Taking more than five years for the Bureau of Public Works to construct, this building has been the undying symbol to the Filipinos for suffrage and justice. The legislative building had been the seat of the transitional government of the Philippines; it had housed the Philippine Assembly, the Legislature, the National Assembly, and the Congress. Dynamited to its very foundation, it was one of the worst forms of beastiality and destruction ever perpetrated by the Japanese fanatics in their futile defense of Manila.



MANILA HOTEL

This government owned and managed hotel was Manila's best and by far the most noteworthy hotel in the Orient. Air conditioned and located on the bay, Manila Hotel was a tourist's ideal rest spot, besides being the nightly rendezvous for Manila's gay "300". During the Japanese occupation, the hotel was used by ranking Army and Navy officers. During the incessant American bombing the left wing of the hotel was damaged but was later repaired when the U. S. Army took over occupation. The hotel also served as a residence for General of the Army, Douglas McArthur.

THE CARABAO

No book dealing with life in the Philippines could be considered complete without at least a short discourse on what will always be symbolical of the Philippines—the Carabao.

The carabao is the symbol of agricultural Philippines and is the backbone of Philippine farm labor. Shouldering most of the work done on the farm, the carabao is referred to as the "beast of burden". If not at work, the beast of burden can usually be found at ease under a shady tree or in a mud hole nonchalantly and rhythmically chewing its cud. The carabao, though sluggish, is strong. It can carry or pull a load which would require around twenty men to perform the same feat. During the rainy season when the farmlands are muddy and the lowlands are flooded, the carabao serves, too, as an amphibious vehicle. It can walk through long muddy trails and fields, cross murky swamps, and span swift streams. Without the carabao, travel and transportation of necessities would be a trying ordeal.

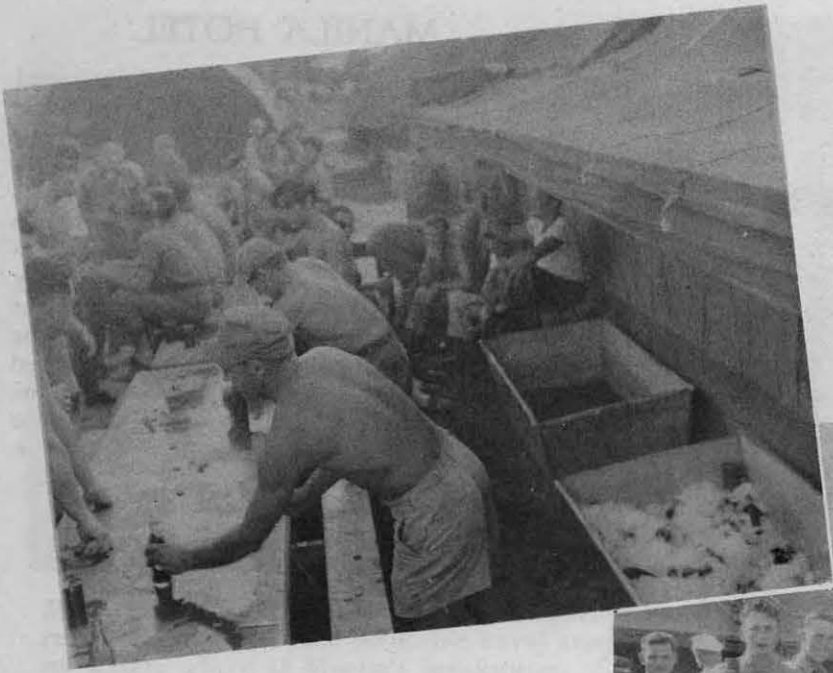
At the start of the rainy season, this farm animal does his bit by pulling the plow and harrow, hauling seedlings to the far-flung fields, and doing other minor routine work. After harvest, the carabao carries the produce to a place designated for threshing. The carabao also does the threshing by treading on the grain with its big horny feet. Later, the grain will be hauled to the barn or to a government warehouse for storage. In short, the carabao serves as a caterpillar tractor, a McCormick-Derring threshing machine, and a General Motors truck.



Grass is the carabao's main food, however, when the fields are dry and grasses not available, hay serves the same purpose. At dusk when the daily grind is over, the carabao is either corralled near the farmer's hut or let loose in the open to graze.

Fed and treated well, the carabao is very obedient. It will work untiringly as long as the sun is not too hot for its thick, black hide. Measuring as big as a Jersey cow, the carabao has much larger and wider horns and a more rotund belly. Carabao milk is as tasty as cow's milk and as nutritious. Carabao meat is edible but is very coarse and tough.

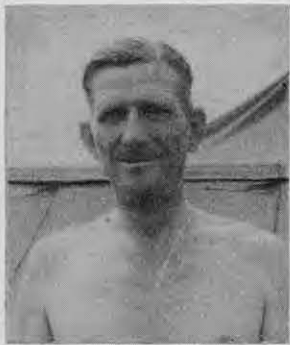
Most of the men of CBMU 606 may never again see a carabao, but even a picture of the animal will bring back memories of our months in the Philippines.



In October, 1945, CBMU 606 was inactivated. Most of the original members of the unit had already gone home via the discharge system, but the remaining men had one last farewell celebration. Beer flowed freely and sentiment waxed strongly on this occasion of separation. The following four snaps were taken at various stages of the celebration.



Chief Petty Officers



GEORGE M. ALBERTSON, CMoMM.
266 Granada Road,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

Served as a dispatcher and with the grading division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of transportation while attached to CBMU 606.



FRANCIS C. BRIZENDINE, CMoMM.
Palls, Virginia.

Birth Date 1-30-15.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served as tractor mechanic for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands with the 32nd Construction Battalion. Shop foreman and chief in charge of base garage while attached to CBMU 606.



ROBERT L. COOPER, CEM.
2600 10th Ave., Parkersburg, W. Vir.

Served in the electrical and grading division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of generators while attached to CBMU 606.



REO F. FORD, CSF.
Honey Brook, Pennsylvania.

Birth Date 7-14-17.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the welding shop of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of welding, tinsmith, and blacksmith shops while attached to CBMU 606.



HENRY P. HARRELSON, CBM.
Tabor City, North Carolina.

Birth Date 3-16-10.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the mechanical and procurement divisions of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of water supply while attached to CBMU 606.



WILLIAM L. JACKSON, CEM.
2140 Boulevard Drive N.E.,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Birth Date 9-29-04.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the electrical division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of procurement and transportation while attached to CBMU 606.

HAROLD L. "Buckeye" JAMES, CMM.
1022 Parkview Ave., Youngstown, Ohio.
Birth Date 8-30-03.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as heavy equipment operator for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands with the 32nd Construction Battalion. Heavy equipment operator while attached to CBMU 606.



CLEM LEA, CCM.
501 1/2 Monroe St., Charleston, Illinois.
Birth Date 2-17-08.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the grading and road construction divisions of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of road construction while attached to CBMU 606.



WILLIAM H. LEWIS, CEM.
79 Lee Park Ave., Wilkes-Barre, Penna.
Birth Date 4-1-06.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as company adjutant of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of personnel distribution and C. M. A. A. while attached to CBMU 606.



HOMER G. BOSHER, CSK.
817 Maple Road, Charleston, W. Va.
Active Duty Date 6-30-42.

Served in the supply department of the 22nd Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of supply and procurement while attached to CBMU 606.



WESLEY R. LINDSEY, CSF.
7143 Sloan Street, Houston, Texas.
Birth Date 2-20-09.
Active Duty Date 10-1-42.

Served in the plumbing department of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of plumbing while attached to CBMU 606.



LEO E. MARKOTA, CCM.
3018A Belt Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.
Birth Date 7-5-08.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Assigned to dock and hangar construction with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of carpentry crew while attached to CBMU 606.





EDWARD J. MEGONIGAL, CSF.
540 West 12th St., Jacksonville 6, Florida.
Birth Date 11-23-98.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as chief in charge of moving heavy equipment in the storage area of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Served as battalion adjutant while attached to CBMU 606. Promoted to Warrant Carpenter in December 1944 and was transferred from the unit in March, 1945.



VERNON F. MOODIE, CMMS.
29 West Third St., Williamsport, Penna.

Served in the machine shop of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Acted as chief master of arms while attached to CBMU 606 in addition to being in charge of a carpentry crew engaged in erecting Stran Steel huts.



JOSEPH P. NOVICHKY, CMM.
257 Monterey Ave., Baldwin Park, Cal.
Birth Date 6-3-08.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as heavy equipment mechanic with the 32nd Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands for 17 months. Chief in charge of heavy equipment garage while attached to CBMU 606.



ELLIS W. PYLES, CCM.
404 Clark St., Shinnston, West Virginia.
Birth Date 11-25-03.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as chief in charge of carpentry crew with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands, and was also in charge of a carpentry crew while attached to CBMU 606.



PAUL S. ROSCHEL, CCM.
631 George St., Lancaster, Pennsylvania.
Birth Date 1-11-06.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as chief in charge of a carpentry crew with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of a Stran Steel hut.



JOHN M. ROSSITER, CCM.
Wayne, Pennsylvania.
Birth Date 8-5-04.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Served as chief in charge of the carpenter shop while attached to CBMU 606.



ERNEST M. STEVENS, CEM.
2509 K. Street, Eureka, California.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the electrical division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of communications while attached to CBMU 606.



ELZY C. SWART, CMM.
Rustburg, Virginia.

Served in the heavy equipment division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of heavy equipment while attached to CBMU 606.



HENRY T. VEITCH, CEM.
1801 Oakdale Road, Richmond 22, Vir.
Birth Date 2-11-02.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the electrical department of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of electrical division while attached to CBMU 606.



CLYDE F. WALTERS, CBM.
64 Agnes Street, Freeport, New York.
Birth Date 1-26-08.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served as cargo dispatcher with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of Storage Area while attached to CBMU 606.



JACK B. WHITESIDE, CCM.
"Whitey"

R. F. D. No. 2, Elberton, Georgia.
Birth Date 2-10-09.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Assigned hangar construction duties with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of carpentry crew while attached to CBMU 606.



MERLE L. "Sackey" WHITNEY, CCS.
805 East Eighteenth Ave., Denver, Colo.
Birth Date 12-29-09.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served as a ship's cook with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of the Commissary Department while attached to CBMU 606.

KIMBER W. BODILY, CCM.
552 North Glassell St., Orange, Cal.

Birth Date 3-31-11.
Active Duty Date 2-5-42.

Served as heavy equipment man with the 2nd Construction Battalion for 23 months in the South Pacific. Chief in charge of heavy equipment while attached to CBMU 606.

IGNAZIO J. "Big John" GRASSO, CSF.
225 Jefferson St., Paulsboro, New Jersey.

Birth Date 4-30-12.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as a plumbing crew foreman for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands with the 32nd Construction Battalion. Chief in charge of plumbing while attached to CBMU 606.

GILBERT A. LILLIAN, CCM.
1705 Avenue "B", Dodge City, Kansas.

Served as rock crusher operator for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands with the 32nd Construction Battalion. Chief in charge of water supply while attached to CBMU 606.

WILLIAM H. TURNER, CEM.
312 Main Street, LaGrange, Georgia.

Served in the electrical division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Chief in charge of motor shop while attached to CBMU 606.

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Petty Officers
First Class



CHARLES R. ALEXANDER, Y1c.

Avalon, Missouri.

Birth Date 9-14-21.

Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Assigned yeoman duties with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Acted as yeoman in charge of personnel and administration while attached to CBMU 606.



MELVIN F. ASHLEY, SC1c.
"Dough-Belly"

R. F. D., Whitesboro, New York.

Birth Date 6-22-05.

Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as ships cook with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned commissary duties while attached to CBMU 606.



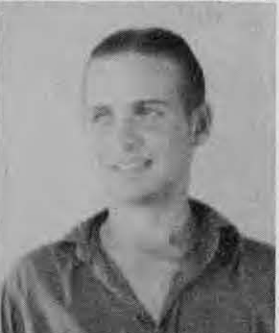
BENJAMIN S. ATKINSON, MM1c.

Donalds, South Carolina.

Birth Date 1-12-14.

Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands as a truck and trailer driver and shovel operator. Assigned truck driving and plumbing duties while attached to CBMU 606.



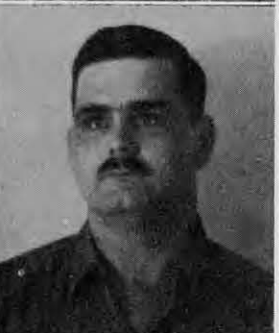
RAYMOND A. BEDUHN, EM1c.
"Ray"

c/o George Blaase, Tuscola, Illinois.

Birth Date 4-8-17.

Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Assigned communications duties with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Main duties while attached to CBMU 606 consisted of telephone and generator maintenance work.



PIERCEL B. BLITCH, MoMM1c.

601 North Tift Avenue, Tifton, Georgia.

Birth Date 2-28-13.

Active Duty Date 7-27-42.

Served for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands with the 32nd Construction Battalion as a garage mechanic. While attached to CBMU 606 main duties consisted of motor maintenance and foreman in charge of Philippine Civilian Laborers.



JOHN "Greek" BOZAN, SF1c.

318 Cedar Ave., Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Birth Date 5-23-12.

Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served on a dock crew in the Aleutian Islands for 17 months with the 32nd Construction Battalion. Main duties consisted of Stran Steel hut erection while attached to CBMU 606.

MARION F. BRADBURN, GM1c.

"Pop"

Marshall, North Carolina.

Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served on a dynamite crew of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duties on a Stran Steel Hut erection crew while attached to CBMU 606.



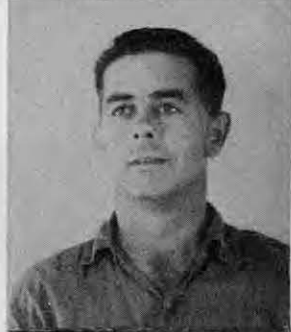
ELLIS M. "Toby" BRAGG, SF1c.

Warrenton, Virginia.

Birth Date 7-6-14.

Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served on a plumbing crew with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duties with the electrical department of CBMU 606.



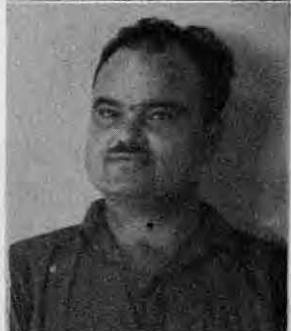
CHARLES H. BURKE, MM1c.

122 Evans Street West, Culpeper, Vir.

Birth Date 12-21-06.

Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served in the grading division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Main duties while attached to CBMU 606 consisted of operating heavy equipment.



RALPH L. CHASTAIN, CM1c.
"Big Cheese"

Pickens, South Carolina.

Birth Date 11-16-10.

Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the carpentry division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duties as unit censor while attached to CBMU 606.



EDWARD C. COOPER, MaM1c.
"Coop"

4909 Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, Okla.

Birth Date 5-19-05.

Active Duty Date 12-9-42.

Assigned postal duties with the 66th Construction Battalion until August, 1943. Served in the post office of the U. S. Naval Base at Port Hueneme, California until September, 1944. Assumed duties of unit mailman when transferred to CBMU 606.



THOMAS M. CRAIG, MMR1c.
"Frosty"

712 Seventh Ave., Aberdeen, Washington.

Birth Date 8-7-12.

Active Duty Date 11-3-42.

Served with the 51st Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands working on cold storage warehouse installations. Assigned to installation and maintenance of refrigeration equipment while attached to CBMU 606.





WILLARD L. DAVIDSON, CM1c.
4907 Ravenswood Road, Riverdale, Md.
Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned to a carpentry crew attached to CBMU 606.



ARCHIE W. DEES, Bkr1c.
346 Maple St., Daytona Beach, Florida.
Birth Date 7-22-11.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served as a baker with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned baking duties while attached to CBMU 606.



JESSE J. C. DENMARK, MM1c.
P. O. Box 1131, Sarasota, Florida.
Birth Date 6-22-21.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served on a diving crew of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned to the welding shop while attached to CBMU 606.



JACK M. DICK, M1c.
2422 Sixteenth Ave., Bradentown, Fla.
Birth Date 6-27-09.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Main duties were servicing heating plants. Primary job of maintaining galley installations while attached to CBMU 606.



F. MAHLON DIXON, MoMM1c.
Melvin, Illinois.
Birth Date 9-4-10.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served in the grading division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands, and also served in the grading division of CBMU 606.



J. MILLARD DIXON, MoMM1c.
Melvin, Illinois.
Birth Date 9-4-10.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served with the 32nd Construction Battalion in the Aleutians for 17 months as a heavy equipment operator. Assigned duties as a grader operator while attached to CBMU 606.

JOSEPH J. FOLEY, CM1c.
2833 Eastwood Ave., Chicago 25, Illinois.
Birth Date 8-31-11.
Active Duty Date 12-18-42.

Before being transferred to CBMU 606 where he performed carpentry duties, Foley was a gunnery instructor at Camp LeJeune, New River, North Carolina, and also at Port Hueneme, California.



JAMES W. GILL, CM1c.
Fayetteville, Tennessee.
Birth Date 10-24-09.
Active Duty Date 10-1-42.

Served with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands as a survey party chief. Assigned duty as an engineer crew party chief while attached to CBMU 606.



MILO O. "Mike" GLADEN, MM1c.
Laporte, Minnesota.
Birth Date 4-11-12.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served as a tractor operator with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the heavy equipment shop while attached to CBMU 606.



RALPH C. HADDOCK, CM1c.
Charlotte, North Carolina.
Birth Date 3-2-13.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as petty officer in charge of a building crew while attached to CBMU 606.



JOE B. "Judge" HARDY, MoMM1c.
Watkinsville, Georgia.
Birth Date 6-22-09.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the heavy equipment division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the base garage while attached to CBMU 606.



WILLIAM O. "Yo Yo" HART, CM1c.
Ayden, North Carolina.
Birth Date 6-7-14.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served with a carpentry crew of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty with a carpentry crew while attached to CBMU 606.





SHERWOOD R. HUGHES, SK1c.
547 South Clay Ave., Kirkwood 22, Mo.
Birth Date 11-30-19.
Active Duty Date 1-4-42.

Served in the supply and procurement division of the First Construction Battalion for 23 months in the New Hebrides Islands. Main duties while attached to CBMU 606 consisted of disbursing and procurement.



GUY C. "Moe" HULON, CM1c.
Willis, Texas.
Birth Date 6-24-45.
Active Duty Date 10-1-42.

Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as unit censor while attached to CBMU 606.



FRED E. "Quonset" HUTZEL, M1c.
3739 Meldrum Ave., Detroit, Michigan.
Birth Date 5-16-07.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the procurement division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. While attached to CBMU 606 Hutzel served in the procurement division and on the M. A. A. force.



KENNETH N. "Jonsie" JONES, SF1c.
1006 Dodge St., Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the plumbing division while attached to CBMU 606.



NEIL A. KEARNEY, SF1c.
3955 Lisbon St., Fort Worth 7, Texas.
Birth Date 4-7-11.
Active Duty Date 9-11-42.

Served in the heavy equipment division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the rigging loft while attached to CBMU 606.

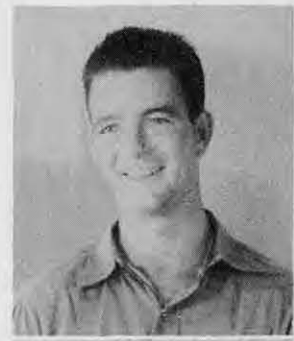


HARRY KERNESS, EM1c.
3059 Fifth Ave., Chicago, Illinois.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the heavy equipment division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as an M. A. A. and generator watch while attached to CBMU 606.

WILLIAM T. KERRIGAN, EM1c.
3320 57th St., Sacramento, California.
Birth Date 8-31-15.
Active Duty Date 11-2-42.

Served in the electrical division of the 51st Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty on communications while attached to CBMU 606.



JULIAN G. LIGHTNER, EM1c.
"Buck"
Cass, West Virginia.
Birth Date 3-9-15.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served in the electrical division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned generator maintenance duty while attached to CBMU 606.



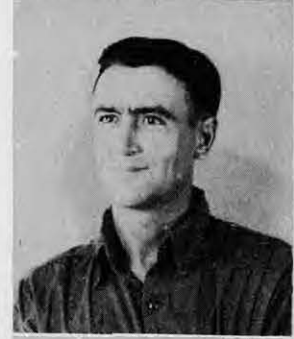
CLARENCE E. LITTLE, CM1c.
Route 7, Box 266, Birmingham, Ala.
Birth Date 3-14-09.
Active Duty Date 7-16-42.

Prior to duty with CBMU 606, Little served as a rifle range coach at the Military Training Area of Camp Rouseau, Port Hueneme, California. Assigned to the building division of CBMU 606.



WILLIAM H. McCLURE, CM1c.
Clarkton, North Carolina.
Birth Date 12-20-10.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Assigned hangar construction duties with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Served on general construction projects while attached to CBMU 606.



FRANK T. McCOY, SK1c
117-15 223rd Street,
St. Albans, Long Island, New York.
Birth Date 9-22-10.
Active Duty Date 5-1-42.

Served in the supply department of ship's company at Camp Rouseau, Port Hueneme, California, until September, 1944. Assigned general storekeeping duties when attached to CBMU 606.



EINO A. MAKI, MM1c.
Nashwank, Minnesota.
Birth Date 12-19-21.
Active Duty Date 9-19-45.

Served as a heavy equipment operator with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as heavy equipment maintenance man while attached to CBMU 606.





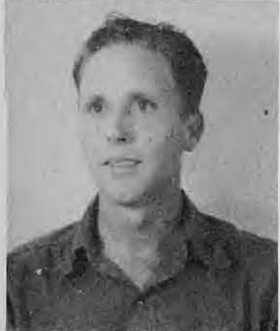
FRANK W. MANNELLA, SF1c.
Somerdale Road,
Laurel Springs, New Jersey.
Birth Date 7-2-16.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.
Served in the administrative department
of the 32nd Construction Battalion for
17 months in the Aleutian Islands. As-
signed duty in the welding shop while
attached to CBMU 606.



EDWARD E. NISTAL, CM1c.
Limona, Florida.
Birth Date 8-6-13.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served as a carpenter in the 32nd Con-
struction Battalion for 17 months in the
Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty with the
building division while attached to
CBMU 606.



MILLARD F. NIXON, MM1c
P. O. Box 89, Petersburg, Kentucky.
Birth Date 1-16-12.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.
Served in the heavy equipment division
of the 32nd Construction Battalion for
17 months in the Aleutian Islands. As-
signed duty as heavy equipment operator
and M. A. A. while attached to CBMU
606.



ROBERT R. NUNNALLEE, MM1c.
South Coffeyville, Oklahoma.
Birth Date 6-3-18.
Active Duty Date 10-1-42.
Served as a bull-dozer and shovel oper-
ator with the 32nd Construction Battalion
for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands.
Assigned duty as crane operator, clam-
shell operator, and bull-dozer operator
while attached to CBMU 606.



RAYMOND E. O'BRIEN, SC1c.
215 Mandan Ave., Bismarck, North Dak.
Birth Date 2-24-15.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.
Served as a ship's cook with the 32nd
Construction Battalion for 17 months in
the Aleutian Islands, and also was as-
signed as a ship's cook while attached to
CBMU 606.



JOHN B. PHILLIPS, EM1c.
2532 Sanford Ave., Sanford, Florida.
Birth Date 1-24-15.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served as a lineman with the 32nd Con-
struction Battalion for 17 months in the
Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a
general electrician and later assumed
charge of the electric shop while attached
to CBMU 606.

HUGH G. ROGERS, MoMM1c.
6200 Ellis Ave., Richmond, Virginia.
Birth Date 11-15-03.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the heavy equipment division
of the 32nd Construction Battalion for
17 months in the Aleutian Islands. As-
signed water supply duties while attached
to CBMU 606.



JAMES W. "Will" ROGERS, SF1c.
Oakhill, West Virginia.
Birth Date 1-15-10.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in dock building and plumbing
crews with the 32nd Construction Bat-
talion for 17 months in the Aleutian
Islands. Assigned to a plumbing crew
while attached to CBMU 606.



LLOYD F. SIMON, SF1c.
1110 South Fourth Street,
Wilmington, North Carolina.
Birth Date 8-12-14.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the mechanical division of the
32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months
in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty
in the building division of CBMU 606.



CHARLES H. SNYDER, EM1c.
RD. No. 2, Felton, Pennsylvania.
Birth Date 1-1-05.
Active Duty Date 6-17-42.

Served as an instructor on the rifle range
at the Military Training Area of Port
Hueneme, California until September,
1944. Assigned duty as generator in-
stallation and maintenance man while
attached to CBMU 606.



CHARLES F. TELOTTE, WT1c.
2778 Lavender St., New Orleans, La.
Birth Date 8-21-08.
Active Duty Date 10-1-42.

Served in the plumbing division of the
32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months
in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty
with a plumbing crew while attached to
CBMU 606.



HERMAN H. THOMPSON, CM1c.
1324 S.W. 5th Street, Miami, Florida.
Birth Date 9-10-14.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the building division of the
32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months
in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned to a
carpentry crew while attached to CBMU
606.





PHILLIP WITTYE, MMS1c.
307 Amity Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
Birth Date 1-22-13.
Active Duty Date 1-30-42.
Served in the machine shop of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the machine shop while attached to CBMU 606.

CHARLES J. FRY, CM1c.
Roundup, Montana.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned carpentry work and M. A. A. duties while attached to CBMU 606.

FRED W. HENKEL, CM1c.
403 West Front St., Statesville, N. C.
Birth Date 3-27-02.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.
Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as unit censor while attached to CBMU 606.

ROBERT J. "Scotty" MORRIS, GM1c.
721 Bethlehem Pike, Philadelphia, Penn.
Assigned duty in the armory of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Served as petty officer in charge of the armory of CBMU 606.

CARL D. SILCOX, CM1c.
Doctors Inlet, Florida.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned to a carpentry crew while attached to CBMU 606.

EDWARD ZACH, BM1c.
1848 East 87th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served in the M. A. A. and heavy equipment divisions of the 32nd Construction Battalions for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned M. A. A. duty while attached to CBMU 606.

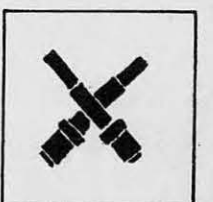
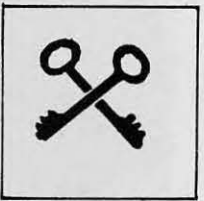
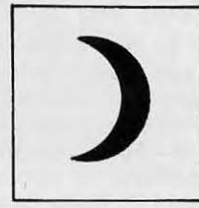
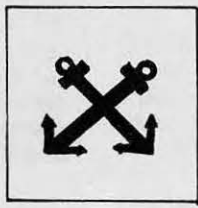
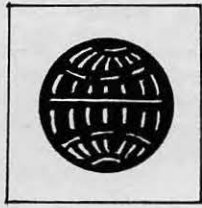
GEORGE M. "Pappy" GAINES, SF1c.
606 Thirty-first St., Bradenton, Florida.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served as a plumber with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a well-driller while attached to CBMU 606.

JOHN C. HILL, CM1c.
3210 Nineteenth Street, North,
St. Petersburg, Florida.
Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the carpenter shop while attached to CBMU 606.

STEPHEN ORGOVAN, SF1c.
Route 2, Box 178, Morgantown, W. Vir.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served as a blacksmith for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands with the 32nd Construction Battalion, and also was assigned to the blacksmith shop while attached to CBMU 606.



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Petty Officers
Second Class



EUGENE W. BEARD, BM2c.
Valley Park, Missouri.
Birth Date 3-14-22.
Active Duty Date 1-4-43.
Served in the Station Force at Camp Parks as a regimental guard until being transferred to CBMU 606. Assigned duty in the Civilian Labor Office and also acted as M.A.A. while attached to CBMU 606.



PAUL C. "Flip" BENGISSER, CM2c
1100 Highland Ave., Chester, Penn.
Birth Date 1-11-20.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty with a carpentry crew while attached to CBMU 606.



DALE I. "Dib" BOURNE, CM2c.
Port Republic, New Jersey.
Birth Date 3-20-17.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served in the building division and dock construction section of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty with a hut construction crew while attached to CBMU 606.



BEN A. BRUMLEY, JR., MM2c.
711 West Main Street, Murray, Kentucky.
Birth Date 5-13-21.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.
Served in the heavy equipment division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a truck driver, crane operator, and tractor operator while attached to CBMU 606.



WILLIAM F. BUSCH, CM2c.
West Bend, Iowa.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served in the grading division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a truck driver while attached to CBMU 606.



ARTHUR A. CARANO, BM2c.
1298 Gorge Boulevard, Akron, Ohio.
Birth Date 7-27-22.
Active Duty Date 11-28-42.
Served in the Security Department at Camp Parks, California until his transfer to CBMU 606 where he was assigned duty as a member of a plumbing crew.

JOHN J. "Honest John" CERTA, SF2c.
229 Clark Street, Wyandotte, Michigan.
Birth Date 10-10-09.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the transportation division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Was also assigned duty in the transportation section of CBMU 606.

WOODROW H. CRENSHAW, CM2c.
"Woody"

Birth Date 8-20-13.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.
Served as a carpenter in the 32nd Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands for 17 months. Assigned duty as a member of a carpentry crew while attached to CBMU 606.

CHAPELL C. "Shorty" DAVIS, CM2c.
1608 Seventh Avenue, Manatee, Florida.
Birth Date 12-4-04.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served as a truck driver with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a truck driver and mechanic while attached to CBMU 606.

ANGELO J. DEZZI, MoMM2c.
5007 Girard Ave., Philadelphia, Penn.
Birth Date 8-2-08.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served as a machinist in the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the machine shop while attached to CBMU 606.

ARTHUR R. DUBUQUE, Y2c.
Route 3, Box 404, Olympia, Washington.
Birth Date 10-1-23.
Active Duty Date 7-30-42.

Served in the administrative section of the 32nd Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands for 17 months. Assigned duty as a personnel yeoman while attached to CBMU 606.

HENRY C. EDELMAN, SF2c.
Cedar Grove, West Virginia.
Birth Date 11-4-08.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as a crane operator in the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the transportation division while attached to CBMU 606.





THOMAS F. FIELDS, SF2c.
Box 184, Pinehurst, North Carolina.
Birth Date 10-21-21.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the plumbing division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty with a plumbing crew while attached to CBMU 606.



PATRICK C. FLEMING, MM2c.
"Pappy"
Berch, West Virginia.
Birth Date 5-2-21.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served as a truck driver with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the transportation division of CBMU 606.



CLAUDE B. "CB" HALL, MM2c.
216 Blandin Street, Fort Worth, Texas.
Birth Date 12-16-06.
Active Duty Date 10-1-42.

Served as a crane operator with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a crane operator and night dispatcher while attached to CBMU 606.



ROBERT V. HAMAN, CM2c.
8412 North 30th, Omaha, Nebraska.
Birth Date 7-30-21.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as a truck driver and carpenter with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty with a carpentry crew while attached to CBMU 606.



JOE IZDEPSKI, Bkr2c.
73 Forty-sixth Street, Wheeling, W. Vir.
Birth Date 2-27-14.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as a baker with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands and also was assigned baking duties while attached to CBMU 606.



MARSHALL F. JOHNSON, SF2c.
51 Northwest 28th Street, Miami, Florida.
Birth Date 7-7-17.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served as a truck driver with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned plumbing duties while attached to CBMU 606.

HARRY D. KERBER, EM2c.
"Long John"

3318 North Kenneth Avenue,
Chicago 41, Illinois.
Birth Date 7-28-17.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42

Served with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands as a telephone installation man and while attached to CBMU 606 his main duties consisted of telephone installation work and galley maintenance.



MARLIN H. KERSTETTER,
MoMM2c "Smokey"
R. D. No. 1, Box 282, Paxinos, Penn.
Birth Date 1-29-09.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served as a mechanic in the garage of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the Welfare Department while attached to CBMU 606



HOWARD "Baldy" KIMBERLY, SF2c.
1083 Mecaslin Street, N. W.,
Atlanta, Georgia.
Birth Date 9-1-17.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42

Served in the building supply division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the unit blacksmith shop while attached to CBMU 606.



WHEATERLY L. KINSER,, MM2c.
Box 87, El Dorado, Texas.
Birth Date 10-3-09.
Active Duty Date 10-1-44.

Served in the grading division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a crane operator while attached to CBMU 606.



PALMER M. LANDERS, SF2c.
"Lamie"
405 Boone Street, Gainesville, Georgia.
Birth Date 3-13-14.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42

Served on a cargo handling crew of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned to a well drilling crew while attached to CBMU 606.



LAURENCE R. LARSON, SK2c.
"Lars"
1009 North Cushman, Tacoma 6, Wash.
Birth Date 2-12-21.
Active Duty Date 11-2-42.

Served in the shipping warehouse of the 31st Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as commissary storekeeper while attached to CBMU 606.





HARRY J. STRATTON, SF2c.

5604 North Mascher Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Birth Date 7-16-14.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as a truck driver and rigger in the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a cable splicer, rigger, truck driver, and photographer while attached to CBMU 606.

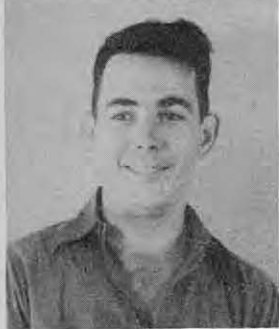


JOHN I. STRUNK, MM2c.

473 State St., Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

Birth Date 6-24-12.
Active Duty Date 9-20-44.

Served in the transportation department of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a dispatcher while attached to CBMU 606.



LLOYD N. SUMMEY, BM2c.

207 Camp Road, Greenville, S. Car.

Birth Date 12-7-20.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served as a rigger with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as an automobile mechanic while attached to CBMU 606.



LINZIE C. "Popeye" TAYLOR, CM2c.

Greensburg, Kentucky.

Birth Date 9-16-13.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the building division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty with a carpentry crew while attached to CBMU 606.



SANLEY C. TOMLINSON, EM2c.

1241 W. 82nd Street,
Los Angeles 44, California.

Birth Date 6-29-09.
Active Duty Date 11-4-42.

Served with the 51st Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned to communications while attached to CBMU 606.



FORREST I. TOOLEY, SF2c.
"Carabao"

Chesapeake, Ohio.

Birth Date 11-16-09.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as a stevedore and truck driver while with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as truck driver while attached to CBMU 606.



RAY E. TOWNSEND, MM2c.

Young Harris, Georgia.

Birth Date 6-24-17.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served as a cat-skinner with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a cat-skinner while attached to CBMU 606.



EVERETT T. WADE, MM2c.

86 Pine Street, Fiedale, Virginia.

Birth Date 9-1-12.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served in the transportation department of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands and was assigned to the transportation department while attached to CBMU 606.



JOHN D. WELLS, MM2c.

Franklin, North Carolina.

Birth Date 2-22-19.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served as a heavy equipment operator with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands, and was also assigned duty operating heavy equipment while attached to CBMU 606.



JONES H. WHITEHEAD, CM2c.
"Chaplain"

130 Cherry Street, Rockmart, Georgia.

Birth Date 8-22-13.
Active Duty Date 9-19-44.

Served on a carpenter crew with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the unit Welfare Department while attached to CBMU 606.



WILLIAM C. WHITT, MM2c.

Roxboro, North Carolina.

Birth Date 9-29-21.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served as a carpenter and truck driver with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the transportation division of CBMU 606.



HUGO W. WOLF, CM2c.

Box 695, Jacksonville Beach, Florida

Birth Date 9-18-16.
Active Duty Date 12-22-42.

Served in the Military Training Detachment of Camp Rousseau, Port Hueneme, California as a machine gun instructor. Served in the survey and drafting departments while attached to CBMU 606.



WILLIAM A. "Sheriff" WOOD, SF2c.
207 East Alex. Ave., Alexandria, Vir.
Birth Date 3-3-16.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the plumbing division and M. A. A. section of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as M. A. A. while attached to CBMU 606.



WALLACE W. WRIGHT, MM2c.
Lake City, Illinois.
Birth Date 7-4-14.
Active Duty Date 9-20-45.

Served as a shovel operator with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a heavy equipment operator and mechanic while attached to CBMU 606.



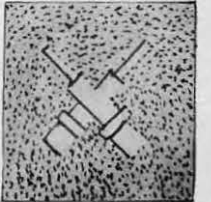
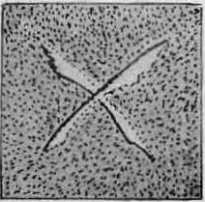
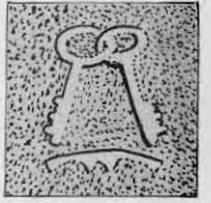
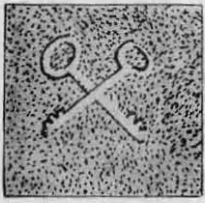
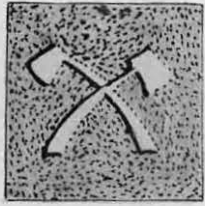
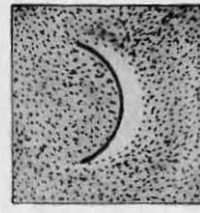
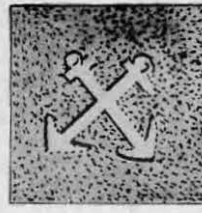
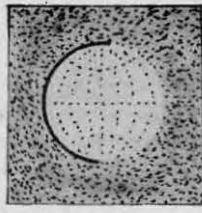
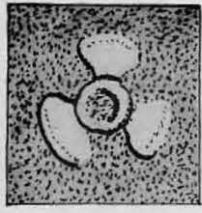
DONALD J. WORM, CM2c.
309 South Cedar, Traverse City, Mich.
Birth Date 12-12-18.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the carpentry division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty with a carpentry crew while attached to CBMU 606.

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CURTIS M. "Woodie" WOOD, Ptr2c.
129 Pear Avenue, Newport News, Vir.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as a painter with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a painter while attached to CBMU 606.



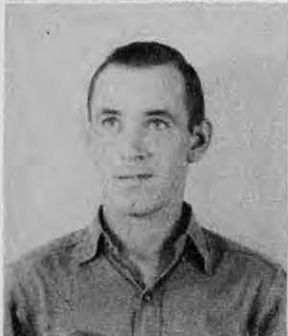
Petty Officers
Third Class



WALTER J. E. BARNES, CM3c.
R. F. D. No. 2, Box 85, Grenada, Miss.
Birth Date 6-25-25.
Active Duty Date 9-3-44.
Served on a carpentry crew with the 106th Construction Battalion. Assigned duty as a truck driver while attached to CBMU 606.



JOHN E. "Porky" BOSCH, Y3c.
14910 Elm Avenue, East Cleveland, Ohio.
Birth Date 8-22-21.
Active Duty Date 10-8-42.
Served on the Station Force at Camp Parks, California as head cashier for the Ship's Service. Assigned duty in the Administration section of CBMU 606.



BILLY B. "Shorty" BURWELL, Cox.
502 Pennsylvania Ave., Pen Argyl, Penn.
Birth Date 2-22-18.
Active Duty Date 2-2-43.
Served with the 67th Construction Battalion at Port Hueneme, California before being assigned to CBMU 606 where he acted as cement finisher and foreman of civilian laborers engaged in road maintenance and construction.



MERRITT G. BUSH, MM3c.
430 West Orleans St., Otsego, Michigan.
Birth Date 8-18-21.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.
Main duties while serving with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands consisted of truck driving, repairing heavy equipment, and procurement. Served as a truck driver and unit photographer while attached to CBMU 606.



KENNETH L. CARR, CM3c.
"Jug Head"
Cato, Missouri.
Birth Date 7-14-17.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served in the commissary department of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a ship's cook while attached to CBMU 606.



LEON F. "Speedy" DILLON, Y3c.
Box 74, Sundance, Wyoming.
Birth Date 11-1-18.
Active Duty Date 10-19-42.
Served on the Station Force at Camp Parks, California prior to his transfer to CBMU 606. Assigned duty in the unit supply department.

LOUIS H. EHMETT, SSM(B)3c.
"George"

21 Kyles Lane, Lookout Heights,
Covington, Kentucky.
Birth Date 12-20-11.
Active Duty Date 4-15-43.

Served as a barber at Camp Rousseau, Port Hueneme, California. Assigned duty barbering while attached to CBMU 606.



LEO J. FERRIS, SF3c.
744 Main Street, West, DePere, Wis.

Birth Date 6-14-12.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served as a commissary storekeeper with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty with the water supply division while attached to CBMU 606.



STEVE C. GRANDINETTI, EM3c.
"Spaghetti"

2427 Pacific Street, Omaha 5, Nebraska.
Birth Date 10-13-18.
Active Duty Date 3-31-44.

Assigned duty in the communications division.



CECIL L. GRAVES, MM3c.

818 South Ijams Street, Garrett, Indiana.
Birth Date 5-27-18.

Served as a crane operator and also in the unit blacksmith shop.



DAVID H. GREEF, CM3c.

819 Warren Avenue, Belvidere, Illinois.
Birth Date 4-27-26.
Active Duty Date 4-17-44.

Assigned duty with a carpentry crew.



EDWARD R. GREENE, MM3c.
"Flat-Top"

3049 North 26th St., Milwaukee 6, Wis.
Birth Date 9-30-22.
Active Duty Date 3-31-44.

Served on galley maintenance crew.





WILLIAM D. GREENFIELD, CM3c.
119 South Locust St., Hagerstown, Md.
Birth Date 10-9-14.
Active Duty Date 4-11-44.
Assigned duty with a hut erection crew.



WALTER H. GREENZWEIG, MM3c.
"Dutch"
Kunkletown, Pennsylvania.
Birth Date 11-6-14.
Active Duty Date 4-7-44.
Served as automobile mechanic in the unit garage.



GEORGE D. GREER, CM3c.
583 East Green Lane, Philadelphia, Penn.
Birth Date 6-21-25.
Active Duty Date 4-11-44.
Assigned general construction duties.



JOHN A. "Johnnie" GREIDER, SC3c.
1624 Porter Street, Philadelphia Penn.
Birth Date 3-30-26.
Active Duty Date 4-7-44.
Assigned duty as a ship's cook while attached to CBMU 606.



JOSEPH E. GRESOCK, MM3c.
Chambersville, Pennsylvania.
Birth Date 4-28-25.
Active Duty Date 3-28-44.
Assigned carpentry duties.



ROBERT J. GRIFKA, CM3c.
7542 Williamson, Dearborn, Michigan.
Birth Date 9-26-24.
Active Duty Date 4-13-44.
Served in the unit procurement division.

CHARLES R. GRINDROD, MMS3c.
"Grindstone"

43 Wadsworth Ave., Waltham, Mass.
Birth Date 5-19-15.
Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
Served on generator watch and in the unit machine shop.



J. M. "Pete" GRUNDY, CM3c.
820 East Pecon St., Gainesville, Texas.
Birth Date 1-4-20.
Active Duty Date 8-14-44.
Assigned duty with the survey party.



JOHN J. "Giggey" GUIHAN, EM3c.
104 Cambridge Street,
Springfield 9, Massachusetts.
Birth Date 1-11-26.
Active Duty Date 4-13-44.
Assigned duty in the generator maintenance division.



ANTHONY C. GUIZIO, EM3c.
780 Smith Alley, Johnstown, Penn.
Birth Date 8-14-13.
Active Duty Date 4-11-44.
Served in the unit electrical division.



WINTEN A. GUNDERSON, CM3c.
"Gundy"
Esmond, North Dakota.
Birth Date 11-20-25.
Active Duty Date 3-21-44.
Assigned duty with carpentry crew.



THEODORE GUNNETT, CM3c.
826 Lathrop, New Castle, Pennsylvania.
Birth Date 4-18-07.
Active Duty Date 4-10-44.
Served as a cement finisher and carpenter.





OSCAR H. GUSTAFSON, CM3c.
"Shorty"

Boyer, West Virginia.

Birth Date 12-24-25.

Active Duty Date 3-28-44.

Served as a member of the unit survey party.



LENNIS HAASE, Bkr3c.

314 Spam Ave., Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Birth Date 12-12-15.

Assigned duty as unit baker.



CHARLES M. HABECKER, EM3c.

Landisville, Pennsylvania.

Birth Date 4-8-26.

Active Duty Date 4-10-44.

Served in the unit electrical division.



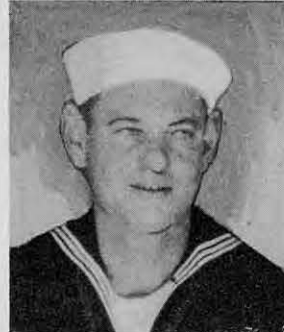
WILLIAM A. HAGER, CM3c.

309 Second St., Freeport, Pennsylvania.

Birth Date 8-29-15.

Active Duty Date 3-29-44.

Served as cement finisher and foreman of civilian labor crew.



JOHN W. HALE, CM3c.

General Delivery, Rising Fawn, Georgia.

Birth Date 11-1-01.

Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the unit garage while attached to CBMU 606.



LEONARD H. HARSHBARGER,
SF3c.

Milton, West Virginia.

Birth Date 6-9-21.

Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the plumbing division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned truck driving and plumbing duties while attached to CBMU 606.

RAYMOND D. KAPP, SK3c.

410 Cedar Ave., Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Birth Date 9-5-24.

Active Duty Date 6-14-45.

Served in the supply department of the 67th Construction Battalion at Port Hueneme, California. Served in the Acorn 34 Ship's Store while attached to this unit.



ANTHONY L. KAZMIERCZAK,
CM3c. "Tony"

1008 East Cook Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

Birth Date 1-7-10.

Active Duty Date 4-1-44.

Assigned duty in the unit carpenter shop.



LOYD H. "Hack" KEMP, MM3c.

Dozier Route, Shamrock, Texas.

Birth Date 3-11-18.

Active Duty Date 4-14-44.

Assigned duty in the welding shop.



EDWARD G. KERN, EM3c.

5433 South Nagle St., Chicago, Illinois.

Birth Date 12-11-19.

Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served in the electrical division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the electric department of CBMU 606.



CHARLES F. KINGREE, SF3c.
"Kingfish"

320 North Fifth St., Reading, Penn.

Birth Date 10-29-15.

Active Duty Date 9-22-42.

Served as a stevedore in the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the unit armory while attached to CBMU 606.



GUST F. KRUEGER, MM3c.

R. R. No. 1, South St. Paul, Minnesota.

Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as a mess cook with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned to the commissary department while attached to CBMU 606.

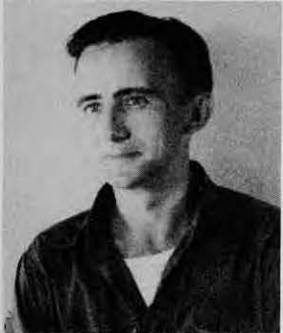




HENRY L. "Hank" LASITER, Cox.
 Box 1054, Seminole, Texas.
 Birth Date 6-15-26.
 Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
 Served as mess cook, carpenter, and
 cement finisher.



WALTER J. LATAWIEC, CM3c.
 1226 Forty-fourth Avenue, N. E.,
 Minneapolis, Minnesota.
 Birth Date 12-12-25.
 Active Duty Date 4-1-44.
 Served on road maintenance crew.



DONALD D. LAWSON, SC3c.
 "Belly Robber"
 1758 East 2nd St., Brooklyn, New York.
 Birth Date 12-20-09.
 Active Duty Date 6-9-43.
 Served in the ship's service department of
 the 107th Construction Battalion. As-
 signed duty as a ship's cook while attached
 to CBMU 606.



DAVID F. "Jake" LEONARD, EM3c.
 Delanco, New Jersey.
 Birth Date 1-26-05.
 Active Duty Date 9-19-42.
 Served with the 32nd Construction Bat-
 talion for 17 months in the Aleutian
 Islands. Assigned duty in the paint shop
 while attached to CBMU 606.



FRANK J. LINC.
 16608 Grovenwood Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.
 Birth Date 8-23-12.
 Active Duty Date 3-28-44.
 Served in the transportation division as a
 dispatcher.



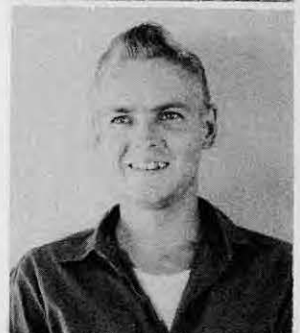
CLYDE D. LINDESMITH, WT3c.
 "Lindy"
 Box 416, Kewanna, Indiana.
 Birth Date 10-31-13.
 Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
 Served in the unit water supply division.



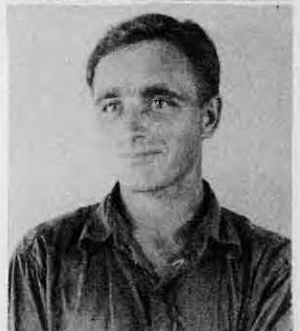
FRED J. LONG, EM3c.
 627 1/2 Harrison St., Pawnee, Oklahoma.
 Birth Date 6-25-19.
 Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
 Acted as unit radio repair man and served
 in the motor shop.



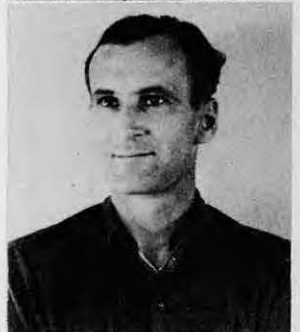
ALBERT LOVRIK, MM3c.
 133 West 116th St., Chicago, Illinois.
 Birth Date 11-19-15.
 Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
 Served on carpentry crew erecting huts
 and galleys.



ROBERT W. McLAUGHLIN, SC3c.
 321 North Third St., Marshalltown, Iowa.
 Birth Date 12-22-18.
 Assigned duty as a ship's cook.



JOHN S. MAGYAR, Cox.
 R. No. 1, Box 125, Mayville, Wisconsin.
 Birth Date 11-25-17.
 Active Duty Date 3-30-44.
 Assigned duty on hut erection and was
 material supervisor in supply compound.



JOSEPH T. MAKSION, M3c.
 26430 Dunning Street, Inkster Michigan.
 Birth Date 3-3-07.
 Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
 Served as a metalsmith.



WAYNE W. MARKSBERRY, Cox.
 3014 South Annabelle, Detroit, Michigan.
 Birth Date 12-2-10.
 Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
 Assigned duty with crews erecting huts
 and assembling water tanks.



GENE F. MARTIN, CM3c.
2411½ East 15th St., Kansas City, Mo.
Birth Date 1-9-26.
Active Duty Date 3-29-44.
Assigned to carpentry crew.



ARDELL G. "Speedy" MELBY, MM3c.
c/o Mrs. Arthur M. Hendrickson, Route
No. 2, Box 71, Independence, Wisconsin.
Birth Date 9-2-23.
Active Duty Date 3-29-44.
Assigned duty as a truck driver.



EDWARD J. MILLIMAN, MM3c.
603 Richfield Street, Liberty, Missouri.
Birth Date 5-23-15.
Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
Served in the transportation division.



BOB W. MONTGOMERY, MM3c.
"Monty"
P. O. Box 278, Biggs, California.
Birth Date 7-17-24.
Active Duty Date 11-15-42.
Served overseas with the 54th Construction Battalion in the European theatre of operations. Assigned duty as a truck driver while attached to CBMU 606.



DOUGLAS U. MOORE, MMR3c.
"Whitey"
223 Sixth St., Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.
Birth Date 10-9-26.
Active Duty Date 3-18-44.
Assigned duty in the refrigeration department.



JAMES C. MOORE, MoMM3c.
Tipton, Oklahoma.
Birth Date 2-13-19.
Active Duty Date 10-1-42.
Served as a mechanic's helper with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a mechanic in the garage while attached to CBMU 606.

IRVING R. "Ozzie" OSBORNE, MM3c.
323 North Forty-sixth Street,
Seattle, Washington.
Birth Date 2-8-21.
Active Duty Date 11-3-42.

Served as a truck driver and air drill operator with the 51st Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a truck driver and pile driver operator while attached to CBMU 606.



RICHARD F. "Dick" PROKES, CM3c.
3700 West Cermak Road, Chicago, Ill.
Birth Date 11-21-21.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.

Served as a carpenter with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned to the building division of CBMU 606.



EUGENE F. REED, Cox.
3104 N. E. 24th Ave., Portland, Oregon.
Birth Date 7-20-20.
Active Duty Date 9-3-42.

Served on a security detail of the Camp Parks Station Force. Assigned to road construction and maintenance while attached to CBMU 606.



SAM A. SCIANNI, CM3c.
619 Eleventh Avenue E., Duluth, Minn.
Birth Date 9-9-21.
Active Duty Date 9-19-42.

Served in the laundry of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands.



GEORGE P. SULLIVAN, CM3c.
"Sully"

Birth Date 1-23-21.
Active Duty Date 9-21-42.

Served with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in the plumbing department while attached to CBMU 606.



JOSEPH L. SWESEY, MM3c.
"Squeezy"
R. D. No. 2, Westfield, Pennsylvania.
Birth Date 3-1-20.
Active Duty Date 3-29-44.

Assigned duty as a member of a building crew and also was a heavy equipment operator.





WILLIAM SZTUKOWSKI, SKD3c.
 Box No. 2, 89 Hudson Street,
 Slovan, Pennsylvania.
 Birth Date 1-10-23.
 Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
 Assigned personnel duty in the unit ad-
 ministration office.



HIRAM TAULBEE, CM3c.
 Helechawa, Kentucky.
 Birth Date 8-21-08.
 Active Duty Date 3-30-44.
 Assigned duty with a carpentry crew.



DONAHUE TAYLOR, MM3c.
 Vermont, Illinois.
 Birth Date 6-17-24.
 Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
 Assigned duty in heavy equipment divi-
 sion.

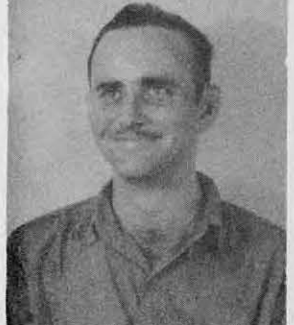
LEWIS H. TOWNLEY, CM3c.
 Box 393, Winter Park, Florida.
 Birth Date 7-10-25.
 Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
 Served as a truck driver with the 32nd
 Construction Battalion for 17 months in
 the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as
 a truck driver while attached to CBMU
 606.



JOHN T. "Pete" WALLER, CM3c.
 2411 Hull Street, Richmond, Virginia.
 Birth Date 3-2-20.
 Active Duty Date 9-21-42.
 Served as a truck driver, electrician, mess
 cook, and carpenter with the 32nd Con-
 struction Battalion for 17 months in the
 Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a
 truck driver while attached to CBMU
 606.



**EUGENE WERTZBAUGHER,
 MM33c.**
 743 Cawood, Lansing, Michigan.
 Birth Date 4-20-21.
 Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
 Served as a truck driver with the 32nd
 Construction Battalion for 17 months in
 the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty in
 the base garage while attached to CBMU
 606.



BERNARD B. TOGNOLI, SF3c.
 Catasauqua and Kimmitt Avenues,
 Fullerton, Pennsylvania.
 Birth Date 8-17-21.
 Active Duty Date 9-19-42.
 Served as a stevedore and truck driver
 with the 32nd Construction Battalion for
 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Served
 as a truck driver, and in the Welfare De-
 partment while attached to CBMU 606.



S e a m e n



JOHN L. "Muscles" GOWER, S1c.
427 Chestnut St., Ashland, Pennsylvania.
Birth Date 6-3-26.
Active Duty Date 4-8-44.
Assigned duty as mess cook and generator watch man.



WILLIAM J. GRAHAM, S1c.
"Little Willie"
3011 Eighty-fourth St., Jackson Heights, Long Island, New York.
Birth Date 2-12-26.
Active Duty Date 4-13-44.
Served as mess cook, security guard, and road maintenance man.



PAUL M. GRANDINETTI, S1c.
"Grandma"
219 Woodkirk St., East Carnegie, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
Birth Date 11-5-27.
Active Duty Date 3-1-45.
Assigned duty in the procurement division, transportation division, and water supply division.



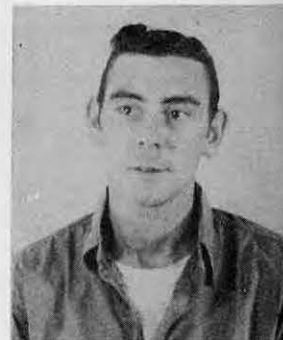
THOMAS A. GRANT, S1c.
28 Third Street, Bangth, Maine.
Birth Date 5-18-26.
Active Duty Date 4-18-44.
Assigned duty as a member of a bull gang.



ALDO E. "Guinea" GRASSI, S1c.
1218 Morris St., Union City, New Jersey.
Birth Date 4-12-26.
Active Duty Date 4-13-44.
Served as mess cook and galley maintenance man.



WILLIAM R. GRAZER, S1c.
850 North Sixth St., Allentown, Penn.
Birth Date 4-3-26.
Active Duty Date 4-13-44.
Assigned duty as a mess cook and security guard.



ALBERT J. "Buzzie" GREEN, S1c.
401 East 102nd Street, New York, N. Y.
Birth Date 5-27-18.
Active Duty Date 4-13-44.
Assigned duty in base garage.



JOSEPHUS R. GREGORIA, S1c.
"Eye Brow"
8034 Medina Street, Detroit, Michigan.
Birth Date 1-15-26.
Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
Served as a mess cook, in the rigging loft, on a carpentry crew, and in the photo lab.



HARRY GRIMES, S1c.
Box 107, Broughton, Pennsylvania.
Birth Date 3-4-26.
Active Duty Date 4-1-44.
Served as a mess cook.



JOSEPH R. "Joe" GRIMES, S1c.
Route No. 1, Bristow, Kentucky.
Birth Date 3-22-27.
Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
Assigned duty as generator maintenance man and also served in the base garage.



ROY H. GRIMES, S1c.
1110 East St., S. E., Washington, D. C.
Birth Date 5-16-20.
Active Duty Date 4-8-44.
Served in the transportation division.



FRANCIS J. "Lover" GROS, S1c.
143 Herman Blvd., Franklin Square, Long Island, New York.
Served as mess cook, security guard, and cable splicer.



ROBERT C. GUERETTE, Flc.
 26 Morton Street, Winthrop, Maine.
 Birth Date 8-3-26.
 Active Duty Date 4-12-44.
 Assigned duty in unit garage.



ROBERT E. GULICK, S1c.
 581 Front St., Northumberland, Penn.
 Birth Date 11-21-26.
 Active Duty Date 4-8-44.
 Assigned duty as yeoman in public works maintenance office.



GORDON J. GUOIN, S1c.
 23154 Davey Street,
 Box 503, Hazel Park, Michigan.
 Birth Date 10-18-12.
 Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
 Served in the welding shop.



PHILLIP J. HADDAD, Flc.
 Box 293, Main Street, Bentleyville, Penn.
 Birth Date 9-10-26.
 Active Duty Date 4-12-44.
 Assigned duty as a truck driver and in the bakery.



GUSTAVE J. C. HAHN, Flc.
 Box 168, R. D. No. 2, Pitcairn, Penn.
 Birth Date 7-8-12.
 Active Duty Date 4-11-44.
 Served in the base garage.



ROYCE M. HAINES, S1c.
 1045 Washington St., Fullerton, Penn.
 Birth Date 9-5-17.
 Active Duty Date 4-11-44.
 Assigned duty in the transportation division.

RUDOLPH JINDRACEK, Flc.
 273 East 54th Street,
 East Paterson, New Jersey.
 Birth Date 4-1-24.
 Active Duty Date 2-4-43.

Served with the 8th Special Battalion and with the 5th Special Battalion. Served as a water tender while attached to CBMU 606.



LONNIE B. JONES, S1c.
 Box 423, Memphis, Texas.
 Birth Date 11-22-26.
 Active Duty Date 4-15-44.

Assigned duty as a truck driver.



PAUL "Peak" KATO, Flc.
 831 Lyle Street, Detroit 17, Michigan.
 Birth Date 1-3-13.
 Active Duty Date 5-14-44.

Served on a carpentry crew, as a security guard, and on generator watch.



EDWARD F. "Red" KELLEY, S1c.
 614 North Seventh St., Saginaw, Mich.
 Birth Date 12-18-25.
 Active Duty Date 4-11-44.

Served in the procurement and transportation divisions.



LEO B. KELLY, S1c.
 519 Ament Street, Owosso, Michigan.
 Birth Date 12-24-17.
 Active Duty Date 4-11-44.

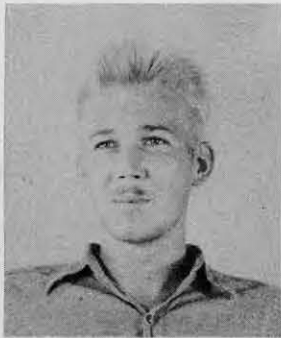
Assigned duty as a truck driver,



JOSEPH E. KIPKA, S2c.
 433 Whitall Street, St. Paul, Minn.
 Birth Date 7-2-16.
 Active Duty Date 3-30-43.

Assigned duty as a truck driver.





DONALD W. LEE, S1c.
4027 Vincent N., Minneapolis, Minn.
Birth Date 12-14-18.
Active Duty Date 4-1-44.
Assigned to the carpenter shop.



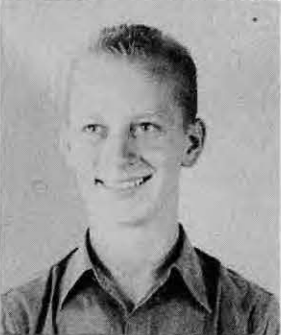
J. W. "Jimmy" LEE.
Dawson, Oklahoma.
Birth Date 9-14-20.
Active Duty Date 10-13-42.
Served in ship's company at Port Hueneme. Served as a generator watchman while attached to CBMU 606, and was also assigned duty in the paint shop.



HARRY W. "Herbert" LEGUIRE, S1c.
D. R. No. 1, Picketon, Ohio.
Birth Date 12-26-26.
Assigned duty as a truck driver.



CLIFFORD E. LEWIS, S1c.
3333 Dubuque Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.
Birth Date 2-12-09.
Assigned duty as a truck driver.

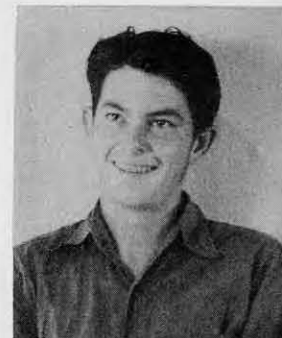


JOHN "Legs" LEX, F1c.
3136 North 21st St., Milwaukee, Wisc.,
Birth Date 5-12-24.
Active Duty Date 3-30-44.
Served in the unit machine shop.



JOHN A. "Jack" LOGAN, S1c.
Custer Park, Illinois.
Birth Date 5-15-26.
Active Duty Date 4-17-44.
Assigned duty as a pump watchman.

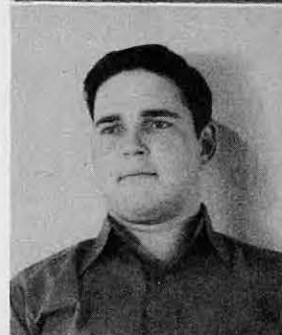
WILLIAM L. LOVELL, S1c.
Warren, Arkansas.
Birth Date 1-3-26.
Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
Served in supply department.



WILLIAM E. "31" LUCAS, S1c.
413 Farror Street, Moberly, Missouri.
Birth Date 3-2-14.
Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
Served as ship's cook.



WILLIAM R. "Fat" LUCAS, S1c.
R. R. No. 1, Tinton, Indiana.
Birth Date 1-26-26.
Active Duty Date 4-13-44.
Served as ship's cook.



CALVIN W. "Junior" LYNCH, S1c.
223 Acorn Street, Plainwell, Michigan.
Birth Date 3-27-27.
Active Duty Date 4-5-44.
Assigned duty in the rigging loft and on a road maintenance crew.



JAMES C. LYTLE, S1c.
Jefferson Street, Hamburg, Iowa.
Birth Date 3-26-27.
Active Duty Date 4-15-44.
Served as a carpenter and as a truck driver.



ROY A. McCASLIN, F1c.
Box 4, Palmdale, California.
Birth Date 6-24-20.
Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
Assigned duty as a generator watchman.





MELVIN V. McCLURE, S1c.
 6315 Wellsmar Ave., St. Louis, Missouri.
 Birth Date 10-22-25.
 Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
 Assigned duty with a plumbing crew.



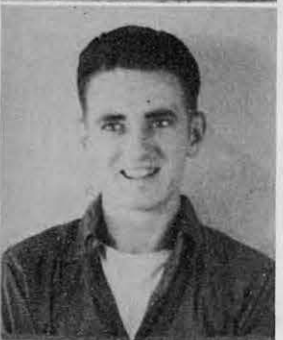
LOWELL E. McCOMB, S1c.
 806 N. Grand Avenue, Gainesville, Texas.
 Birth Date 8-15-24.
 Active Duty Date 4-13-44.
 Served in the transportation and communications divisions.



ROBERT LEE "Deacon" MABRY, S1c.
 508 West 22nd Street, Sedalia, Missouri.
 Birth Date 10-17-17.
 Active Duty Date 4-14-44.
 Served as a cement finisher.



HARVEY L. MACKKEY, S1c.
 Marshalltown, Iowa.
 Birth Date 6-4-11.
 Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
 Served as a baker.

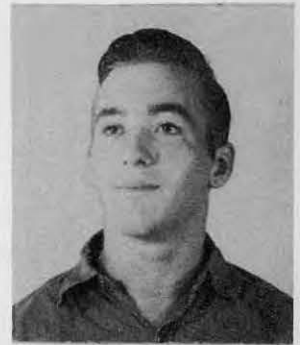


JEROME A. "Jerry" MARTIN, S1c.
 610 DeKalb Street, Wausau, Wisconsin.
 Birth Date 5-30-26.
 Active Duty Date 4-17-44.
 Assigned galley duty, and later assumed clerical duties in the unit administration department.



CARL J. MATTOX, S1c.
 Birth Date 7-13-17.
 Active Duty Date 4-13-44.
 Served as a generator watchman.

HARVEY F. MILLER, S1c.
 Chilton, Wisconsin.
 Birth Date 11-17-25.
 Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
 Assigned duty in the transportation department.



HOWARD W. "Duck" MILLER, S1c.
 506 East Third St., Rock Falls, Illinois.
 Birth Date 5-3-24.
 Active Duty Date 2-14-44.
 Served as security guard.



STANLEY J. "Salami" SZALONY, S1c.
 3201 Hammond Avenue, Detroit, Mich.
 Birth Date 9-5-17.
 Active Duty Date 4-1-44.
 Assigned duty as ship's cook.



WALTER S. SZCZESNIAK, S1c.
 3480 Livernois, Detroit, Michigan.
 Birth Date 2-23-12.
 Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
 Served as an automobile mechanic.

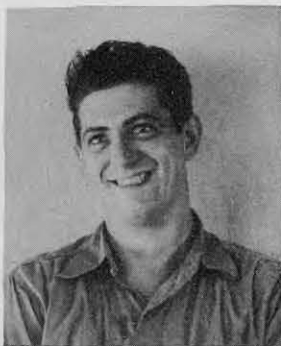


JACKSON TAYLOR, S1c.
 R. No. 1, Mesick, Michigan.
 Birth Date 6-22-25.
 Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
 Assigned duty in the transportation division.



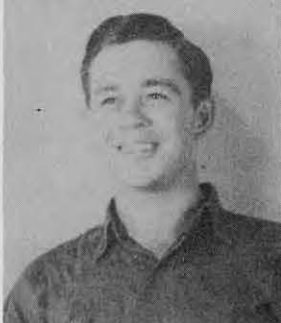
JAMES THARP, S1c.
 Dubuque, Iowa.
 Birth Date 3-29-19.
 Active Duty Date 3-30-44.
 Served as a heavy equipment operator.





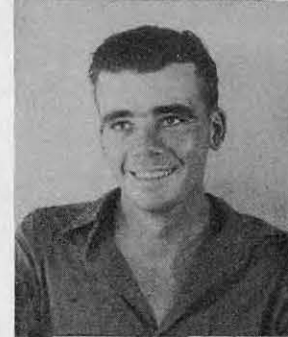
JOHN S. "Jack" THIELE, S1c.
Route No. 1, Box 137, Arpin, Wisc.
Birth Date 3-3-17.
Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
Assigned duty in the unit garage.

EULIS B. TIDWELL, S1c.
R. No. 3, Lyle, Tennessee.
Birth Date 9-18-14.
Active Duty Date 2-1-44.
Assigned duty as a truck driver.



ROSWELL F. THOMPSON, S1c.
Baxterville, Mississippi.
Birth Date 2-25-24.
Active Duty Date 3-21-44.
Assigned duty as ship's cook.

RALPH D. TILTON, S1c.
1378 1/2 Panama Street, Toledo, Ohio.
Birth Date 3-18-22.
Active Duty Date 3-28-44.
Served as a security guard and later assigned duty in the rigging loft.



BERNARD E. THORNTON, S1c.
1237 Cleveland Street, Danville, Illinois.
Birth Date 11-15-22.
Active Duty Date 3-31-44.
Served in the plumbing division.

BILL YOUNG, S1c.
Route No. 4, Box 310, Tallahassee, Fla.
Birth Date 1-25-24.
Active Duty Date 9-18-42.
Served in the transportation division of the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty as a truck driver while attached to CBMU 606.



AMOS C. CONLEY, SF3c.
1816 Third Ave., Huntington, West Vir.
Active Duty Date 9-20-42.
Served as a mess cook with the 32nd Construction Battalion for 17 months in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned duty with a road maintenance crew while attached to CBMU 606.



ALBERT F. ZAVATZKY, S1c.
74 Mahar Avenue, Clifton New Jersey.
Birth Date 10-6-19.
Active Duty Date 8-10-43.
Served with the 106th Construction Battalion and with Ship's Company at Port Hueneme, California. Assigned duty as M. A. A. of the galley while attached to CBMU 606.

WALTER L. MURPHY, SF3c.
1367 Eighth Ave., San Diego, California.
Served with the 51st Construction Battalion in the Aleutian Islands. Assigned general storekeeper duties while attached to CBMU 606.

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WHERE YA FROM, MAC?

ARMED FORCES of the United States have achieved notable success in waging wars against various enemies, and that success has been due mainly to the cooperation exhibited between the numerous states comprising the Union. Every soldier, sailor, and marine is intensely proud of his country, but in addition there is also evidenced by each of the above group a deep allegiance to each man's home state. "Where ya from, Mac?" is a question service men have answered from the first day of boot camp to the last day of active duty. To answer this age old question for all the men of CBMU 606 the following information table has been prepared.

| STATE | MEN | STATE | MEN |
|----------------------|-----|----------------------------|-----|
| Pennsylvania | 35 | South Carolina | 3 |
| Illinois | 17 | Massachusetts | 2 |
| Michigan | 17 | Tennessee | 2 |
| Florida | 16 | Maine | 2 |
| Virginia | 13 | Maryland | 2 |
| Texas | 12 | Nebraska | 2 |
| West Virginia | 12 | Mississippi | 2 |
| California | 11 | Colorado | 2 |
| North Carolina | 11 | North Dakota | 2 |
| Missouri | 10 | Connecticut | 1 |
| Wisconsin | 10 | Oregon | 1 |
| Georgia | 10 | Louisiana | 1 |
| New Jersey | 9 | Kansas | 1 |
| Minnesota | 9 | Arkansas | 1 |
| New York | 8 | Alabama | 1 |
| Ohio | 8 | Delaware | 1 |
| Oklahoma | 7 | Montana | 1 |
| Iowa | 6 | District of Columbia | 1 |
| Kentucky | 6 | Nevada | 1 |
| Indiana | 5 | Wyoming | 1 |
| Washington | 4 | | |

