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LOG BOOK

SEPTEMBER 1943 NOVEMBER 1945

A Biography of the

125TH U. S. NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BATTALION



The world's at peace. At last it's come, the time that we Have waited for. This time we're sure there'll never be Another war. With aching heart and lagging feet, We homeward go. To mother, girl, or wife so sweet, But still we know That some of them shall never see The light of day, Or gaze upon their country free From in the bay. We will always remember our friends Who lie in a shallow grave. We honor the memory of those who died. Those men so brave. They joined the fight to end the strife, For what was right, they gave their life. They gave their all, for you and me To see tyranny fall, and make us free. Now they lie beneath the sod. They gave themselves to thee, Oh God.

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The deafening din of war is still,

And man no longer lusts to kill:

The rifles cease

Donald E. Peggins Shipmate

Allen somme Ushin



Warren Edmund Allan, 22, EM2c, 409 Fenno St., Revere, Mass., was the first member of the battalion who lost his life due to enemy action while in the line of duty. Working with an unloading party in LST 534 at Brown Beach on Okinawa, he was instantly killed on June 22, 1945 when a Japanese Kamikaze plane crashed into the bow of the ship. With his platoon in attendance, he was buried at the Island Command Cemetery on June 24, 1945.

"Sparky," as he was called by his mates, is missed very much by all who knew him. With his perpetual smile, witty remarks, and hair forever in his eyes, he was continually the life of any party he was with. Gloom had no spot in "Sparky's" life. He was a happy-go-lucky fellow who could cheer you up from the depths of despondency with little effort. We lost more than a buddy when "Sparky" left us, for our association with him has given inspiration to the finer things that will carve deeply in our memory. To his memory this book is humbly dedicated.

FOREWORD

This book, a log of the activities of the battalion since its inception in September 1943, is sent to all hands of the 125th Naval Construction Battalion with the complements of the Welfare and Recreation Department.

We, as members of the battalion, can feel justifiably proud of the contributions we have made toward victory. Our record of construction has been excellent both on Oahu and on Okinawa. Within our ranks we have always been able to find the ability necessary to cope with any problem. Through the fine cooperation and unselfish labor of all members we have performed our job in the best possible manner.

Having lived and worked together for over two years a fraternal bond of comradship has developed which has united us into a team able to accomplish any task. Our constant association with each other has matured many lasting friendships. We have traveled nearly half way around the world and experienced both hardships and pleasures. It is hoped this book will act as a permanent record of your friends, of the places you have been and the things you have seen, and of the activities of your battalion.



The COMMANDING OFFICER
and ASSISTANTS



OFFICER IN CHARGE

RALPH C. BAUER Lt. Comdr. CEC USNR





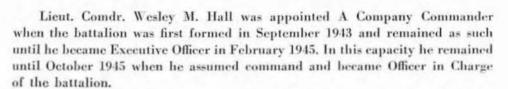
Lt. Comdr. Ralph C. Bauer began his career with the 125th Battalion as the Executive Officer. He remained in this capacity through our tour of duty in the U. S. and during most of our stay on Oahu. In February, 1945, he took over command of the battalion from Comdr. MacIntosh and remained Officer in Charge through the war and until his tour of duty expired.

Mr. Bauer has had considerable experience which well qualifies him in construction work. A graduate Civil Engineer, he has been structural designer on several large bridge and building contracts, general construction superintendent, and highway engineer in construction and maintenance. He was Project Engineer with the Public Buildings Administration, supervising the construction of many large Federal Buildings in the Nation's Capitol City, government buildings at the New York World's Fair, and several large housing projects. His last assignment prior to entering the service was that of Regional Engineer at St. Paul, Minnesota, in which capacity he selected sites, purchased property, and supervised construction in seven mid-western states.



EXECUTIVE OFFICER

WESLEY M. HALL Lt. Comdr. CEC USNR



In 1924 Mr. Hall began the practice of Civil Engineering. He worked for the State Highway Department and in 1940 was Senior Engineer. He then went in the construction field and in 1942 received an appointment as Senior Engineer with the U. S. Engineering Department, Hawaiian Division, working in the district of Oahu on airport and highway construction. Besides belonging to several engineering societies, he is a licenced professional engineer.

During his tour of duty with the 125th battalion Mr. Hall has had several important jobs. On Oahu he was in charge of the entire construction project at Makaha Valley and on Okinawa was Operations Officer on the Yonabrau airfield project coordinating the combined efforts of four battalions.







OFFICER IN CHARGE

August 1943 to February 1945

Sam L. Mac Intosh Comdr. CEC USNR

Commander S. L. MacIntosh became Officer in Charge of the 125th U. S. Naval Construction Battalion when it was first formed in Camp Peary. On October 9, 1943 at Camp Endicott he received the battalion colors from Captain Rogers officially commissioning the battalion. In February 1944 at a battalion review at Camp Rousseau he was once again the recipient of a flag, this time the Mississippi state flag which he received on behalf of the battalion marking the adoption of the battalion as the Mississippi Rebels.

Commander MacIntosh remained as Officer in Carge of the battalion until February 1945 when he was reassigned as Officer in Charge of the 16th Naval Construction Battalion.

In private life Commander MacIntosh worked in a supervisory capacity on several major government projects and also did private contracting.

STAFF OFFICERS



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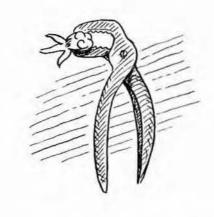
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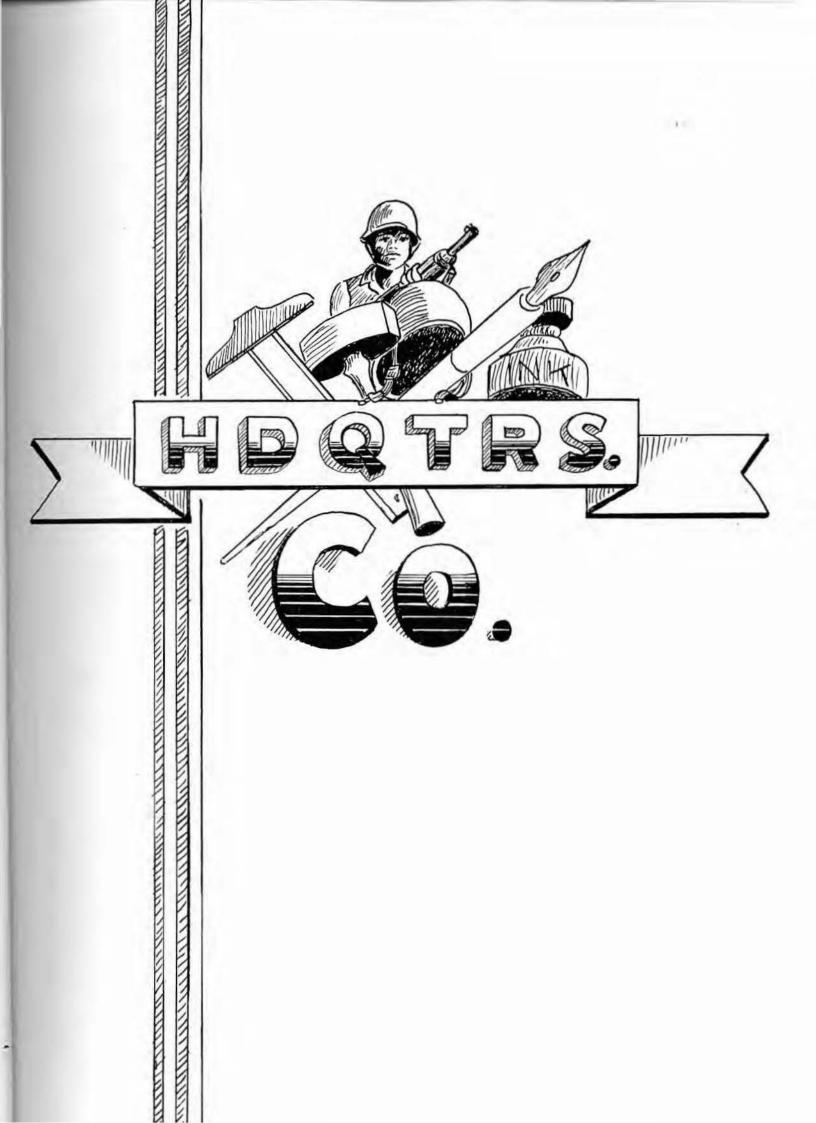
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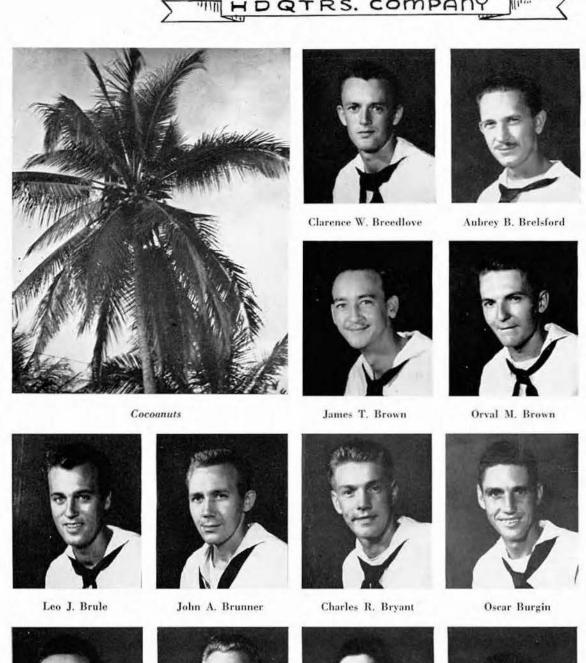
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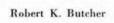
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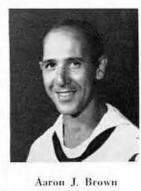




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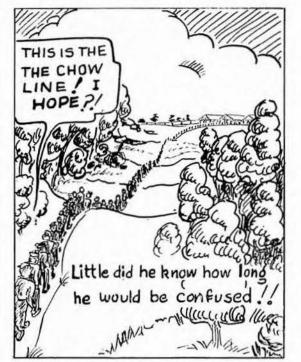
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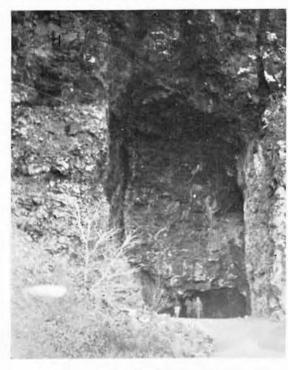
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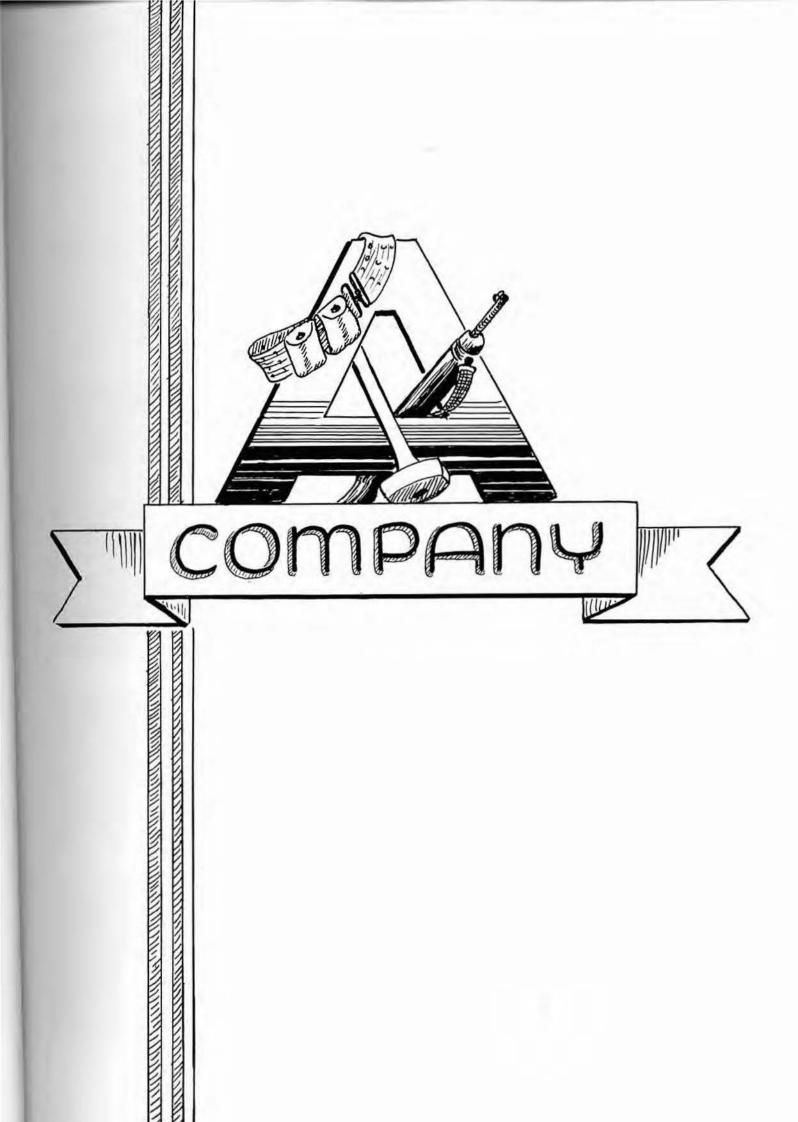


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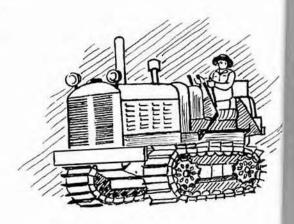
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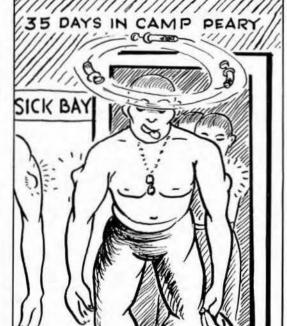
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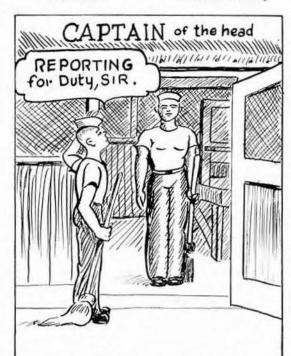
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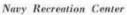


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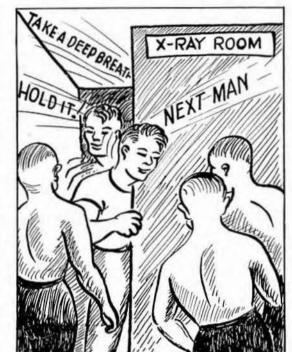
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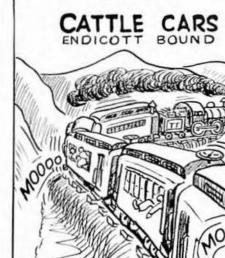
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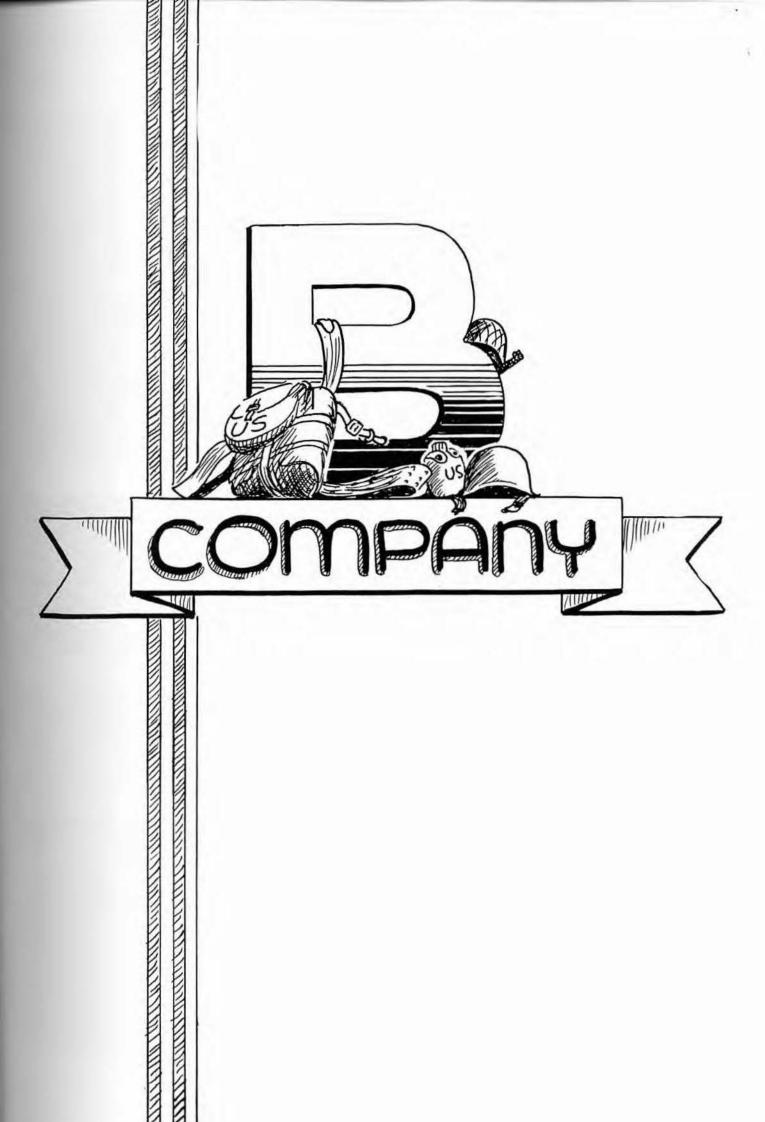


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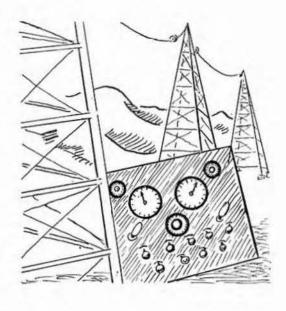
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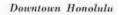


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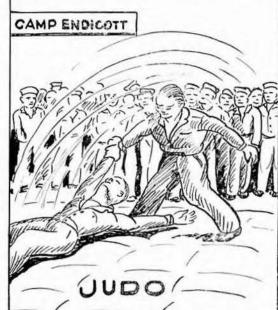
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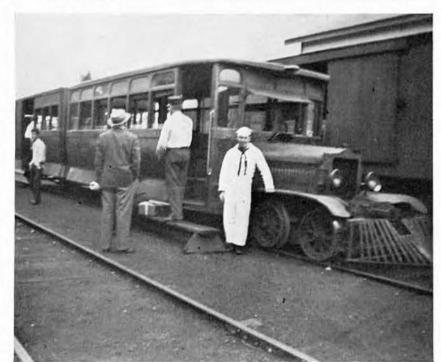
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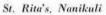


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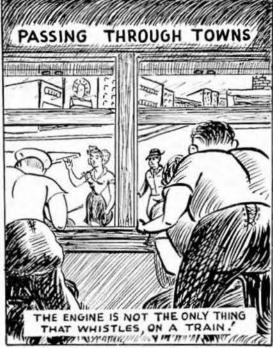




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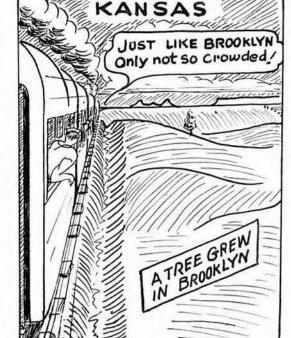
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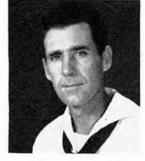


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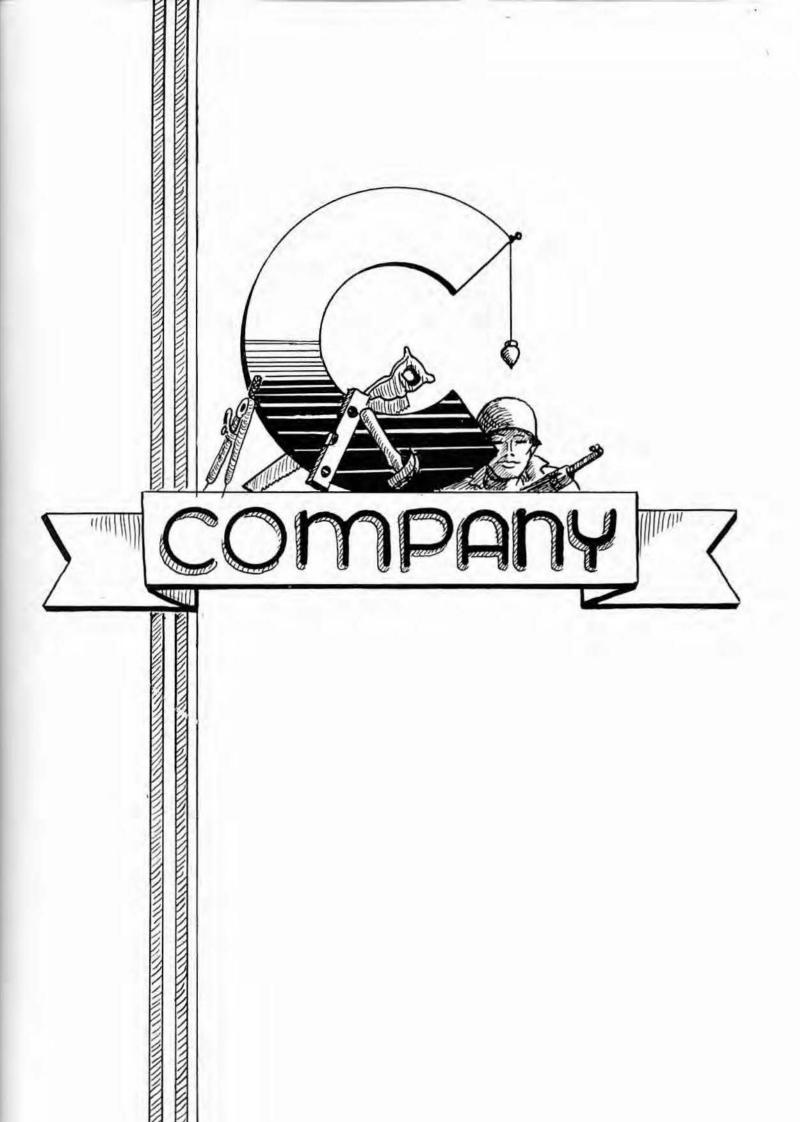


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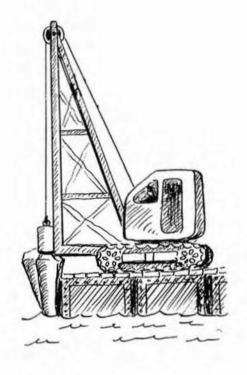


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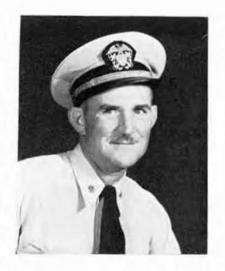


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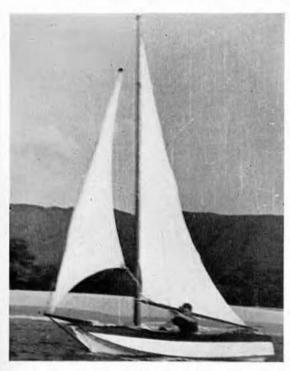
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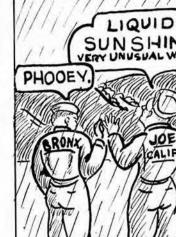
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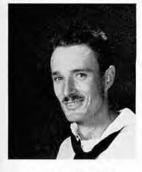
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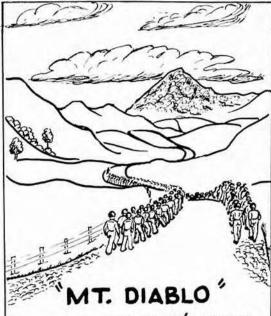
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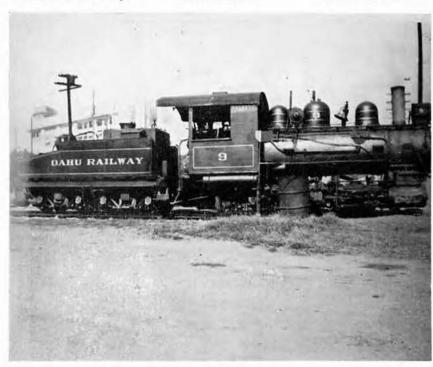
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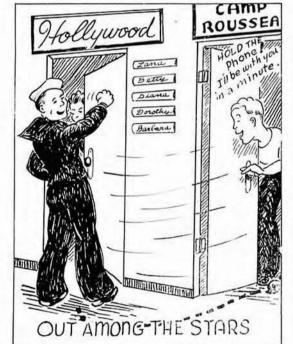
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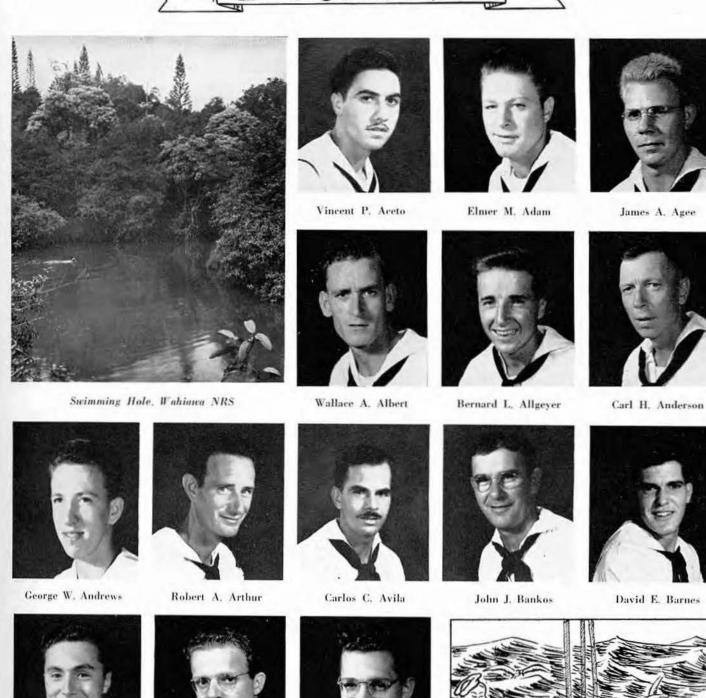
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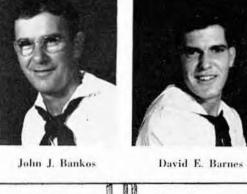
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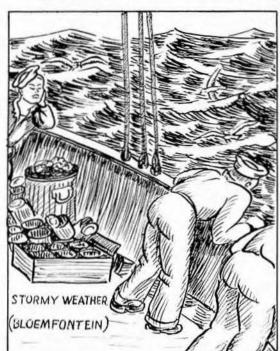
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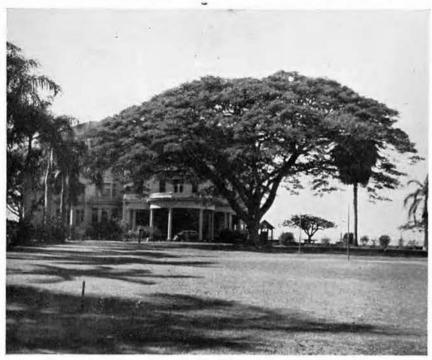


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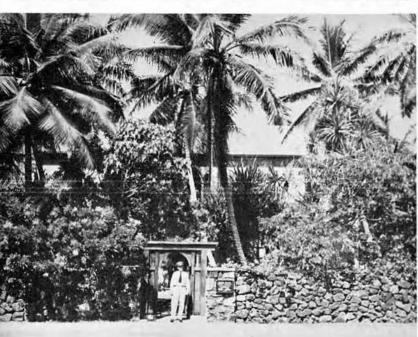
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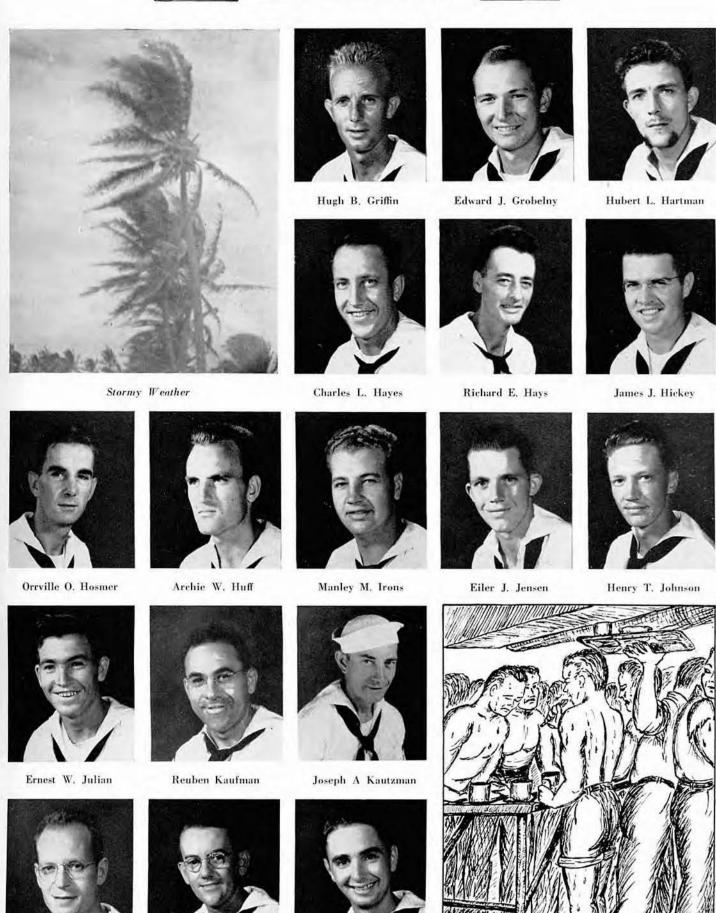
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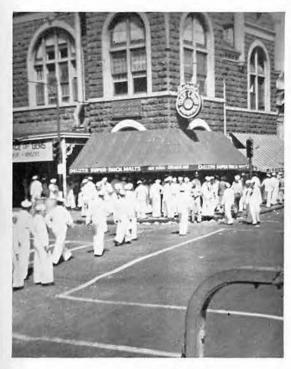




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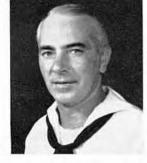
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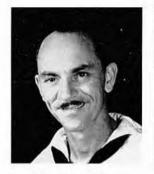


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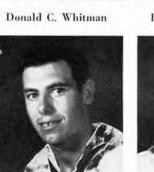


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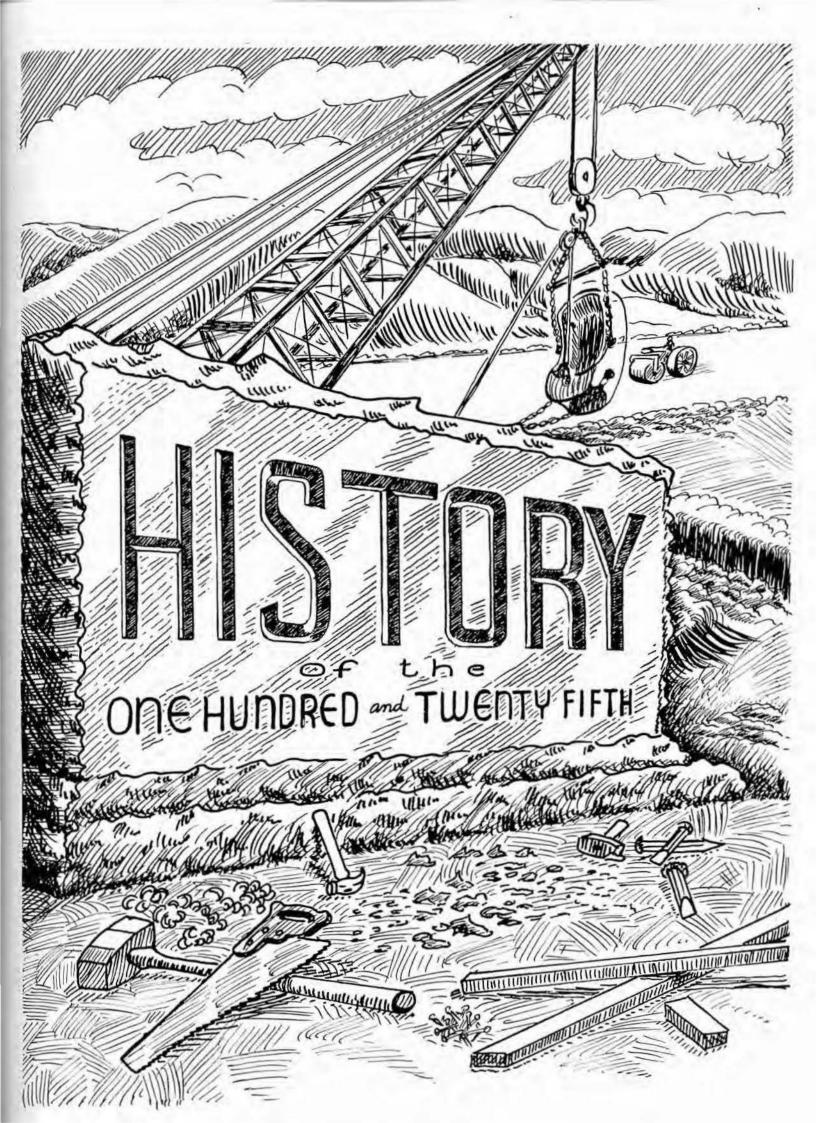
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HISTORY

In the summer of 1943 when the nation was just beginning to recover from the first staggering blows of war, a construction branch of the Navy only a year and a half old was establishing a reputation which was to become almost mythological. The Navy Construction Battalions more commonly known as Scabees were invading islands close behind the Marines and performing construction tasks in combat areas with a speed and determination which won for them a worldwide respect and the cherished friendship of Uncle Sam's hard fighting Marines. At that time from the thousands of men who were entering the service, nearly eleven hundred men representing every state in the Union were destined to be placed in the 125th U. S. Naval Construction Battalion where they would live and work together over a period of more than two years.

The history of this battalion begins before the battalion was organized in Camp Peary. It begins, in a sense, with the lives of the men who made up the battalion, for it has been the knowledge and ability of these men gained from years of experience in construction that has made for this battalion, as well as for all Seabees, a record of accomplishment which constitutes one of the major contributions toward victory.

The first days spent in the Navy were bewildering and discouraging to us who had been used to a routine life entirely different from the one we were embarking on. The large eattle trucks which transported us from the railroad station in Williamsburg to our new home, Camp Peary, were not the mode of transportation which we had become accustomed to, although the cool breeze accentuated by riding in the open was a welcome relief from the hot, dirty trains most of us had arrived on. The

elation and ease of mind we had felt upon enlisting soon left us as we began the life of a boot. In rapid succession we were introduced to Navy customs and traditions. The chow line we were to endure as long as we remained in the Navy, the medical examinations, the inoculations, the huge and almost unbearable bag of GI clothes we struggled to carry, and as if to add to our ignominity and permanently injure our manly pride we filed thru the barber shop and in a matter of seconds lost all our hair,

We arrived at our boot training area C-8 late at night during a rain. Picking our sea bags and bedding out of the mud we were assigned bunks according to alphabetical muster and settled ourselves in the 60 man barracks. For four weeks we remained in this area, being indoctrinated into the Navy. We were roused out of the sack at 0545 to take fifteen minutes of pre-breakfast stomach remover and muscle builder called PT. Almost invariably our breakfast would be beans and grits. After we had swabbed the decks and policed the grounds we would fall in for muster and immediately take off for our morning's training which usually consisted of marching all over the drill field frontwards, sidewards, backwards, and even sometimes on our stomachs. No sheeps foot roller could improve the compaction of our drill field after we left that area. There were other things we learned, too, such as first aid, hygiene, semaphore, military courtesy and other subjects which were either necessary to our life in the Navy or useful to our own health and welfare.

The days disappeared and the weeks passed rapidly by as we took our turn at KP or guard duty, tried to learn the eleven general orders, and became thoroughly indoctrainated with military courtesy. On August 26 just four weeks after we arrived in C-8 we broke boot. On this day we were allowed for the first time since coming to Peary to go out of our area. Many of us went to scenic Williamsburg and others went to Richmond or nearby towns while a few were satisfied to go to the beer hall at topside.

On August 28 we moved from C-8 to area B-8 where we made up the 125th Construction Battalion and became full fledged Scabees. After two or three days of interviewing, getting acquainted, and getting organized, we donned our dress blues and started on the first of many subsequent moves. While the Peary band played "Anchors Aweigh," we boarded the train and with elated cheers left the hot Virginia climate for the cool state of Rhode Island. The weather was hot, and the cars were dirty, and we had box lunches for supper, but our tempers were cooled with the thought of a new camp and a new experience.

It was refreshingly cool when we arrived at Camp Endicott early the next morning. Our new location was a big improvement over Camp Peary. Chow was much better, the barracks were more comfortable, and ship's service, the beer hall, and movies were much closer. It wasn't long before those of us who weren't needed to maintain camp were placed in schools to learn some new subject or to learn a new trick in the construction game. All courses were well taught and proved beneficial at some time during our tour of duty.

After three weeks of training we spent one week at the Sun Valley Rifle Range and began preparing for our ten day pre-embarkation leave. While at Endicott we had enjoyed one night of liberty every fourth night with one 36 hour week-end liberty. Buses, although always crowded, were at the gate each night to transport liberty hounds to Greenwich or Providence only a little more than an hour's ride from camp. New York and Boston also had their attractions and many of us got to these places at least once,

Our ten day leave passed all too quickly and we found ourselves once more back in camp with our mates. No sooner had we gotten back than we were on the drill field practicing for the dress parade we were to put on in a few days. It was rather hard to stay in step and concentrate on what we were doing, for we were reminiscing over our leave and didn't want to be jarred back to reality. In the morning of October 10, the day on which the battalion was commissioned, we drilled for a couple hours, and in the afternoon we donned our dress blues and marched on the field to pass in review. We passed a rigid inspection by Captain Rogers, and while the pride welled up in us, our commanding officer received our flag and we were formally commissioned the 125th U. S. Naval Construction Battalion.

On October 11 we boarded three pullman trains to journey across country to Camp Parks, California. Except for the unforgettable box lunches, those were six very pleasant days aboard the train travelling through the



We receive our flag.

Catskills, across the rolling midwestern plains, and over the rugged Rockies. All of us remember the couple hour delay at Norwich, N. Y., and the interest all the girls working in the nearby skivvy shirt factory showed in us rugged males. Those of us who travelled the southern route will remember the Harvey Houses where we ate our meals and the 100 degree change of temperature that occured between twelve noon and midnight as we travelled from an Arizona desert high into the Rockies. The trip was not only very scenic, but it gave us an opportunity to rest up after our ten day leave.

We arrived at Camp Parks in the morning of October 17 and moved into a quonset hut area on the muddy end of camp. During the middle of the afternoon the climate was very pleasant, but when night rolled around we nearly froze to death. It was a week before any heaters were installed in our huts, and it was only our rugged constitutions that kept us from being pneumonia casualties before we even got out of the states.

Besides the weather which was spoken of as unusual by the Californians, several things stand out in our memories now as we look back on those three and a half months we stayed at Parks. Each morning we would march to the drill field to stand colors though it usually was so foggy we couldn't see the flag being raised. It was so cold at that time of the morning that not even our pea coats could keep us warm. On one of these mornings while we were standing as rigidly at attention as was possible while shaking all over from the cold, a little dog innocently mistook the Chaplain's leg for a fire hydrant, or, at any rate, was about to use the Chaplain for the same purpose dogs usually use fire hydrants. The Chaplain broke ranks and made a graceful drop kick using the dog as a football. It probably wasn't very comfortable for the dog, but it titilated all of us who observed the action.

We had military training and more military training until we thought we could fight better than the marines. The competition drill for a 72 hour liberty was about the only military training we put our heart into. The lucky platoon that won first had a 72 hour liberty while the runner-up platoon received a 48 hour liberty. We did so much hiking that a ten mile hike was nothing more to us than an appetite stimulator. The commando course and those treks through the hills were a little tougher, but all the time we were at Parks we were champing at the bit to get out of the country and see some action. What fools we mortals be.

About a month after we arrived at Parks we moved from our quonset hut area to another area next to the gate. This was a big help when we went on liberty for we could get to the head of the liberty line, and the walk from Wood's Corner when returning from liberty in the cool of the morning was considerably shortened. It was at Camp Parks that the battalion received its first construction assignment. The 125th started at the very beginning to prove it did only the best construction. When the project was finished the admiral's goat was living in a better house than we were.

While at Parks we felt our first painful pangs of nostalgia. Christmas away from home just didn't seem like Christmas at all. Everyone either received a 72 hour liberty over the Christmas holiday or over the New Year holiday which helped to assuage our morose feeling, but nevertheless the season of glad tiding and good cheer wasn't quite the same.

Camp Parks had all the facilities that a military camp should have. It had a good ship's service where we could get malted milks for a nickel and a beautiful theatre where one sat down inside out of the rain on comfortable seats with backs on them, and there was the beer hall and the pool hall and the bowling alley, the swimming pool for members of the Polar Bear Club, and of course the big beautiful drill field, the sight of which seldom caused us to become eestatic with joy. We got our first look at movie stardom in person when Kay Keyser brought his show of beautiful girls to the station theatre.

We also sat through the movie preview of "The Fighting Scabees," but most of us heard little of what was said for the theatre was cacophonous with the hoots and jeers and whistles of real Scabees.

Liberty every fourth night with every other week end off wasn't bad either. Most of us got to know Frisco and

Captain Rogers inspects us, Camp Endicott.



Oakland pretty well. Market Street, Knob Hill, the Top of the Mark, Fisherman's Wharf, the parks, the Cliff House, the cable cars, all held a certain fascination which didn't seem to wear off. Out here the people were the most hospitable we had met and it was these liberties we enjoyed most. But all good things had to come to an end, so on January 28 we all climbed aboard another train and headed for Port Hueneme which was to be our last stay in the States.

At Hueneme we again got military training and a little more firing on the rifle range to sight in our new rifles. We had another battalion review occasioned by our official adoption by the state of Mississippi and the presentation of the Mississippi State flag to our Commanding Officer. The camp setting was beautiful with snow capped mountains all around, but the camp itself was muddy just like Parks when we first arrived. It was cold here, too, but there were stoves in the barracks to keep us warm. Liberty was the same as it was in Parks and most of us got to L. A. as well as Oxnard and Ventura. The time we had waited so long for was rapidly approaching. We were being issued our rifles, packs, gas masks, foul weather gear, clothing and everything else we might need overseas.

On the afternoon of February 28 we got our last glimpse of North America on the Bloemfontein. Many of us were sailing on the ocean for the first time in our lives. To add to our discomfort we were only served two meals a day. It was plain to see this was to be no pleasure cruise for our living quarters were down in the hold of the ship in which were crowded tiers of bunks five high and so close together one could hardly walk between. In these bunks we placed our bedding, packs, rifles, helmets and gas masks, hand bags, and ourselves. On the second day out the sea was quite rough causing some of us

Goat house, our first major construction.





All aboard.

to turn a little green around the gills. Another day at sea, though and we were beginning to feel our sea legs. The trip which only took five days was rather enjoyable, but we were glad to see land.

Our first Island X was Oahu in the Hawaiian Island group. It was a beautiful sight to see Kaimuki, Diamond Head, Honolulu, and the Moana and Royal Hawaiian Hotels on Waikiki Beach. We made a rather unspectacular entry into Pearl Harbor for our ship ran aground and broke a large submarine water main that furnished fresh water to the camp at which we were to be located. We arrived at Pearl Harbor on March 5, but since our camp had no fresh water, it was March 7 before we could go ashore. We debarked at Iroquois Point and marched a mile or so up the road to our quonset hut area. After coming from California, Iroquois Point seemed very hot. and beyond a doubt it was the dustiest place we had seen. We had been organized as a construction battalion for six months and up until now we hadn't done any real construction. It seemed good to us when we could get tools back in our hands. Our first assignment was to take over some of the work of the 72nd battalion since they were preparing to move farther west. Before long we were working on an administration building, a quonset hut area, a bakery, a motor pool, a fire station, a mess hall and galley and a few small jobs. We only worked at Iroquois Point for a month, but we accomplished a lot of work and realized that we had a construction battalion that could build anything.

About the second week of April we received word we were to take over all the work of the 76th battalion which was being staged for an advanced base. C Company moved to Barber's Point, B Company to Lualualei Naval Radio Station, D Company to Wahiawa Naval Radio Station, and Headquarters and A Company to





Camp Dowell

Fleet Recreation Center at Camp Andrews. Headquarters Company was rather split up for they had to furnish cooks, bakers, corpsmen, etc., to the different camps, but they had their construction men too, who worked right along with the other companies in completing the jobs assigned to us. We were destined to stay on Oahu for fourteen months and during those months we were constantly busy. By the time we left we had done millions of dollars worth of work. At Lualualei Naval Radio Station we built a number of radio facilities including generator and transformer stations, underground power and communication lines, antennae, utilities and housing, a large reinforced concrete transmitter building, and a massive concrete helix house, At Wahiawa Naval Radio Station we did much the same type of work as was done at Lualualei, building radio facilities including receiver and transmitter buildings and an underground bombproof coding vault. Besides work on these stations our battalion designed and built Makaha Ammunition Depot which consisted not only of the ammunition stows and access roads but also of a complete camp for the personnel. We built a camp at Waipio Point and did considerable water front work there. At Waikele we did a lot of work repairing a large number of ammunition storage tunnels. In the Ammunition Depot at Lualualei we built a number of miles of roads and railroads, housing and utilities, and other general construction. Our construction record on Oahu is one we can all be proud of. Nearly anyplace one travels on northwest Oahu there is some structure or road or railroad or some other construction which was done by the 125th.

Much of our work on the radio stations was of an

urgent nature because the rapidly expanding fleet, operating in the vast areas of the Pacific, needed additional communication facilities. On several occasions facilities for a coming operation had to be and were completed in record time to meet the deadline date. The war was being fought farther out, but the construction we were doing was just as important if not more so than the construction that was being done at the front.

Although at one time we worked for nearly two

Tent City.



months without any liberty or time off, during most of our stay on the Island of Paradise we had Sundays and one day a month off. There was tennis and swimming the year round, picnics and island tours, liberties in Honolulu and Sundays on Waikiki Beach. Many of us were fortunate to be able to fly to the Big Island of Hawaii.

We not only proved ourselves outstanding in construction work but also proved ourselves outstanding in sports. Competition was keen in all sports but we copped the Central Pacific Area Seabee softball and basketball championship, and even brought home a horseshoe trophy. Individual companies were active in sports also. Volleyball, swimming, tennis, archery, basketball, and many other sports were active at all times. The dance band was playing for dances two or three times a week and in their spare time some of the fellows were putting on shows around the island. It was sometimes hard to find the enthusiasm after a hard day's work, but it was fun and helped keep us from becoming homesick.

While on Oahu we spent our second Christmas away from home. We were dreaming of a White Christmas, but the country around us was a beautiful green. The holiday season wasn't like we had known it at home with nuts and mistletoe and a lighted Christmas tree with gifts all around. However, living on the hope that next Christmas we would be home, we managed to survive our nostalgia.

We were still a military organization, so it was decided we should have a little military training to help us keep our military bearing. For six months we managed to get along without any training, but then the inevitable happened. For one day every other week we would gather in the woods outside of the ammunition depot at Lualualei and have extended order maneuvers. There wasn't a great deal of enthusiasm, although we realized there

On our way again.





Oh, say can you see.

might be a time when we would need some of this training. During the last two weeks of our stay on Oahu we had the only military training that was actually enjoyed. The battalion was split up in two groups and each group spent a week at the jungle training center on the east side of the island. For the first time we received a really well taught training course and every minute of it was interesting. Village fighting with live ammunition, firing all types of weapons from the hip, night problems when it was so dark you couldn't see your hand in front of your face, and various methods of stream crossing. That week at jungle training was interesting, but it also gave us a little idea of just how rough jungle fighting could actually be.

The first week in January all companies of the battalion moved to our new camp outside Lualualei Ammunition Depot. This, our first tent camp, was later named Camp Dowell. At Dowell we were completely independent of all other camps, so we could run things to our own liking. We lived here for four months in relative comfort, and then we once more moved to Iroquois Point, just prior to our embarkation to our new Island X. The doctors set up their artillery batteries and shot us full of some more serum to prevent us from getting any of the diseases which were supposed to be prevalent at our new Island X. We received more gear and shipped home boxes of things we had accumulated during our



First night on Okinawa.

stay on Oahu. Our stay at Iroquois was short and we were once more going aboard a ship which was to take us thousands of miles closer to Japan.

On May 12 we boarded the USS Sevier and sailed out of Pearl Harbor. Our next Island X was to be a little more rough than the one we were leaving, but we were ready to go any place the Navy decided they needed us. After a week of sailing we put in at Eniwetok anchorage but only stayed there overnight. Somewhere between Oahu and Einwetok we had lost May 17th and by virtue of losing that day we were initiated into the Order of the Golden Dragon. Another week and we were in the Ulithi Anchorage to stay for nineteen days. During that time we got off the ship once to go to the Recreation Island of Mog Mog to drink a little beer. Hardly enough beer to satisfy a thirsty man, but it was relaxing to get off the ship.

Four days after we left Ulithi we sighted Okinawa. our new Island X. It was L plus 77, but it was 5 days before the island was secured and many months before one could feel safe on a dark night. We saw a couple large battlewagons laying off the southern coast lobbing in their heavy shells to help the Marines and Army who were still fighting in the roughest part of the island. Even at that Okinawa looked to us as America must have looked to Columbus for life aboard ship was very hot. crowded, and uncomfortable. Our first night ashore was spent in pup tents sleeping on the ground, but even that felt comfortable. We had biyouaced temporarily near Gray Beach where we landed. During the night there were three air raid alerts, but we paid little attention to them. The next day we moved from this location to another a few miles away. Here we pitched tents again, this time on the side of a hill. During this first week ashore we all became acquainted with the famous K and C rations which for a GI rate on an equal footing with Spam. The less said the better. Everyone was busy helping to unload the ships and get all our cargo and material in one place. It was during the time that we were unloading the LST's that a Jap suicide plane crashed into the bow of one of the LST's from which our cargo was being unloaded. Several of our men were injured and one man from the battalion was killed.

After about a week and a half, just as we were beginning to get fairly well situated, we moved again this time to our permanent location near Yonabaru. At Yonabaru we set up a camp which was comparable to those we had lived in on Oahu and in the states. Immediately we went to work on the Yonabaru airstrip which had been assigned to us and two other battalions to build. This was to be a bomber strip 7000 feet long and was to be put into operation a little more than a month from the time it was started. There was a lot of work to be done, but when the deadline came around the strip was ready for planes. While the airfield was being built, other men were building our camp, another larger camp for the Acorn Unit, a Camp for the CASU Unit, roads and facilities for NATS and TAG and other projects. Our airfield was ready on time but in the meantime the Japs had received two of our atomic bombs and were ready to call it quits. Planes never did fly from our field to bomb Japan.

The airstrip which had been hurried to completion so that Navy Privateer bombers could fly missions over Japan was later developed into the main Navy airfield on the island. Besides the airstrip itself which was 7000 feet by 300 feet, eight miles of taxiways, 140 hardstands, 3-200 foot by 2000 foot aprons, shops and hangars for CASU and NATS and housing for 8500 men were built. Other battalions were involved in the construction, but the 125th battalion co-ordinated all the engineering and did the major part of the construction.

Extremely difficult conditions of heavy rainfall, marsh ground at an elevation of four feet above high tide, and poor coral at a haul distance of seven miles hindered progress considerably. A poor subgrade required a 24 inch coral course for the heavy bombers which use the field and in the end more than 750,000 cubic yards of coral were hauled to complete the airfield. Even though foul and rainy weather persisted most of the time making working conditions unfavorable, men worked daily to finish the projects.

On October 9, 1945 Okinawa was hit by one of the worst typhoons in the history of the island. Damage to structures on the island was extensive. Many of the structures which the battalion had spent months in building were completely destroyed or considerably damaged. All Seabees on the island were frozen on their jobs until necessary repairs and reconstruction could be done on essential buildings. A few days after the storm, work was begun again on all structures built by the battalion which were damaged or destroyed. New designs were applied and structures were built to withstand any typhoon which might blow across the island.

The finis to this history cannot be written entirely since we are still on Island X completing the construction we started before the war was over. Although we have never suffered the hardships and dangers of war like a fighting Marine, we of the 125th battalion have established a record of construction of which we can justifyably be proud.

Offices, Camp Dowell.





Mississippi Adopts Us

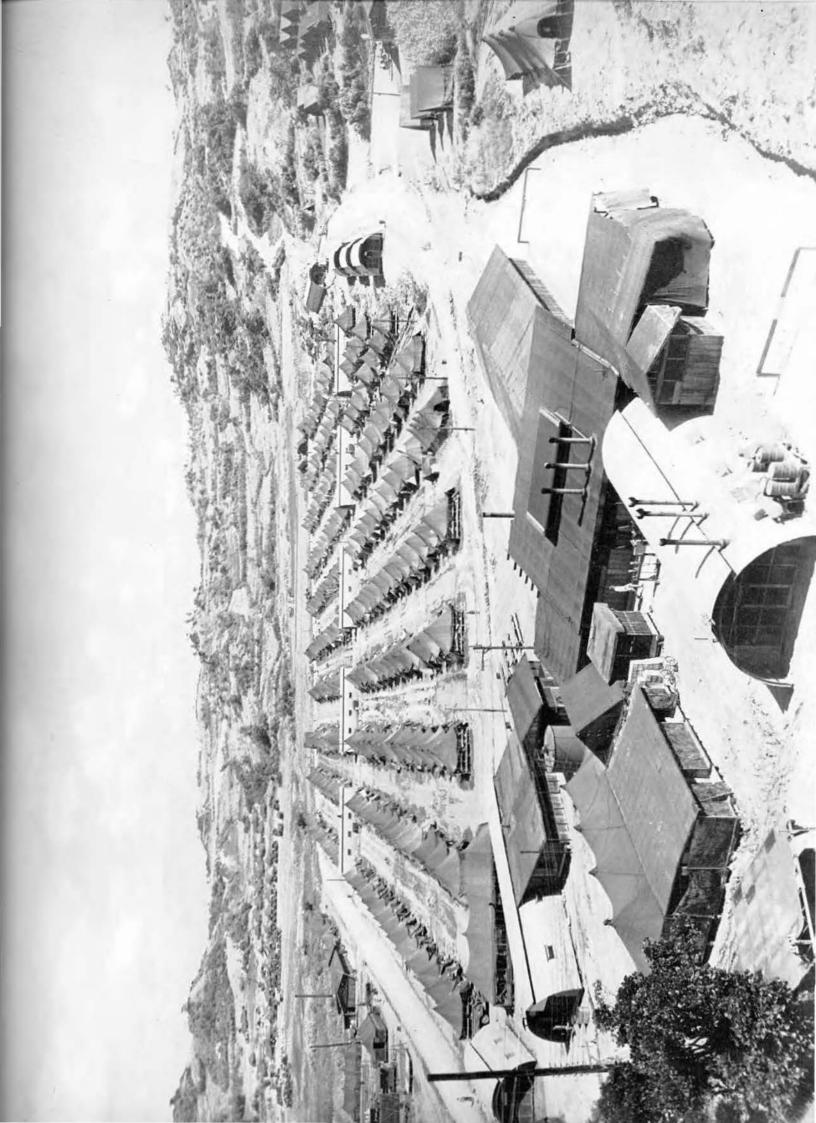
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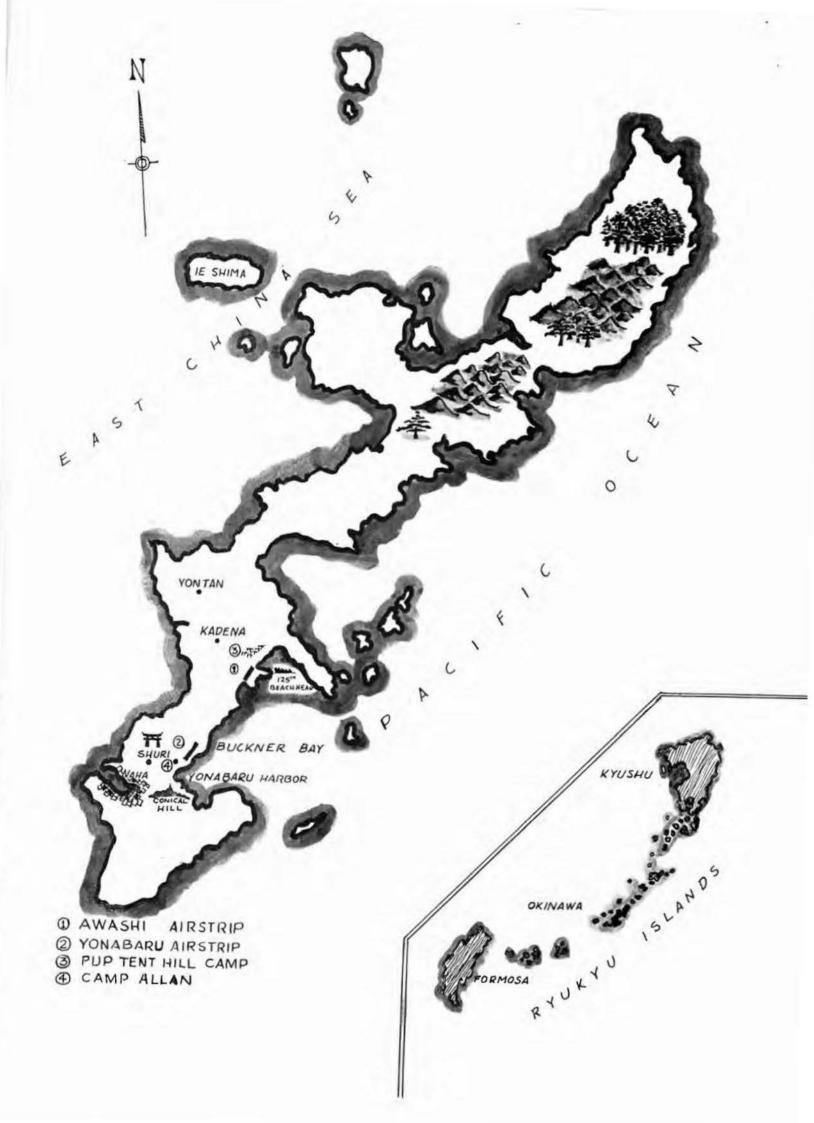
On November 8, 1943 the state of Mississippi officially adopted the 125th battalion as the Mississippi Rebels. Thus the battalion was given a name by which it became well known in the central and western pacific. The active athletic teams and the dance band, all known by the name Rebels, helped spread the fame of the Mississippi battalion throughout the islands wherever they traveled.

Joseph S. Mize a native of Mississippi, negotiated the adoption with Governor Paul B. Johnson whose wish it was to adopt the battalion. Governor Johnson was initial in the adoption but never realized the eventual importance of the battalion, for he died shortly after the official adoption date.

Paul Hoyte engrossed a parchment scroll eighteen inches wide and five feet long on which was the battalion emblem in full color and a text which was the acceptation of the adoption. Every member of the battalion signed this scroll and in December, Joe Mize carried it to Jackson, the capital of Mississippi. In behalf of the battalion he presented it to Governor Dennis Murphree and Governor-elect Thomas L. Bailey. Pictures of the scroll and presentation of the Magnolia State flag to Mize, our battalion representative, were published in twenty eight southern states.

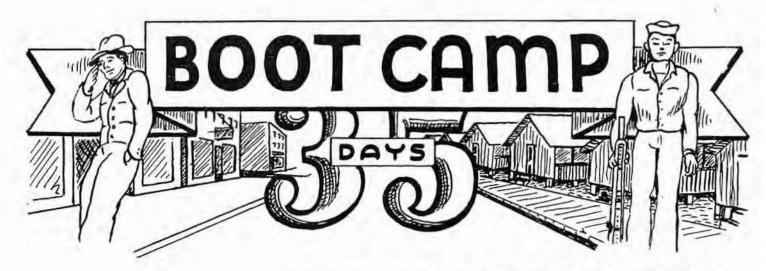
The scroll presented by the battalion to the state of Mississippi hangs with the Archives of History in the State Capitol. The Mississippi flag which was presented to the battalion has traveled with the battalion nearly half way around the world.





IMPORTANT EVENTS

| 1943 | |
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| July 20-Aug. 27 | Boot Camp, Area C-8, Camp Peary |
| Aug. 31 | Battalion organized in area B-8, Camp Peary |
| Sept. 2 | Left Camp Peary |
| Sept. 3 | Arrived at Camp Endicott, Davisville, R. I. |
| Sept. 15-22 | Rifle range, Sun Valley |
| Sept. 28-Oct. 8 | Ten day pre-embarkation leave |
| Oct. 9 | Battalion Review and Commissioning, Camp Endicott |
| Oct. 11 | Entrained for Camp Parks |
| Oct. 17 | Arrived at Camp Parks |
| Nov. 17 | Competition drill for 72 hour pass |
| 1944 | |
| Jan. 15 | Saw preview of "Fighting Seabees" |
| Jan. 26 | Left Camp Parks |
| Jan. 27 | Arrived Camp Rousseau, Port Hueneme |
| Feb. 9 | Battalion review and presentation of Mississippi flag |
| Feb. 28 | Sailed from Hueneme on Bloemfontein |
| March 5 | Arrived at Pearl Harbor |
| March 7 | Debarked at Iroquois Point |
| April 10 | Left Iroquois Point for company projects |
| May 17 | Fire threatened Wahiawa Naval Radio Station |
| May 24 | Battalion dance at Nanakuli |
| June 16 | First appearance of first battalion show |
| July 12 | First battalion military training days |
| Aug. 9 | C Company moved to Camp Andrews |
| Aug. 27 | First anniversary Luau at Nimitz Beach |
| Nov. 16 | "Whata Broadcast" played at Camp Andrews |
| 1945 | |
| Jan. 3 | All companies moved to Camp Dowell |
| Apr. 22-May 5 | Jungle Training |
| May 7 | Back to Iroquois Point |
| May 12 | Left Oahu |
| May 16 | Crossed over International Date Line |
| May 20-21 | Stopped at Eniwetok |
| May 25-June 13 | Stopped at Ulithi |
| June 17 | Arrived at Okinawa |
| June 22 | LST 534 hit by Kamikaze Plane |
| June 22 | U, S. forces secure Okinawa |
| July 3 | Moved from Tobaru to Camp Allan, Yonabaru |
| Aug. 15 | First plane landed on airfield |
| Sept. 2 | War officially over. Japs sign peace treaty |
| Oct. 9-10 | Worst typhoon on record strikes Okinawa |





The eattle trucks into which we had been herded and carried from the railroad station to Camp Peary finally joited to a halt. We jumped out and after helping to pull one another out of the mud, gazed out over the vast acres of barracks, huts, drill fields, and swamps which were to be our home for the next month. We were too tired and hungry to be impressed.

Immediately after our arrival a few considerate fellows wearing green coveralls and little white hats corralled us, asked us if we were hungry, and as though in answer to a prayer, offered to take us to chow. We were marched over hills and down valleys eventually to end up at the tail end of a long line. When the line shortened a little, we were able to discern a large building in the distance which, according to popular rumor, was a chow hall. Chow, as we later discovered, is the Navy's version of a meal. It consists of miscellaneous concoctions, which the cook dreamed of in his nightmare the previous night, all mixed together on steel trays by carefree KP's who consider it an effrontery

if you cast a disparging glance at them when the food they literally throw into your tray splatters you and the fellow next to you. The meal was very tasty (we had never tasted anything like it before in our lives) and the coffee was good for what ailed you (tasted like medicine).

For the first three days we were bewildered boots walking around in a dream (nightmare). The induction center is a high, barbed wire enclosed stockade, meant to inhibit any desires a person might have toward going back to civilian life, "Old Salts" made it a policy to go out of their way in order to pass the stockade and shout their prophetic "you'll be sorry" to those confined inside.

The days of induction were crammed with activity. At classification we were asked such dynamic questions as "What sports do you like and what musical instruments do you play?" so the Navy could fit us to the job we were most suited for. The medical exam consisted of having attractive designs painted upon our chest, hopping about, bending over, and turning our heads to cough





after which we were grabbed by the dentist and a cursory examination was made of the gold and silver we carried in our oral cavity.

Clad only in a pair of shorts, we were pushed and shoved past a long counter collecting GI clothes and stowing them in a mattress cover. The men behind the counter would glance at us as we passed by, guesstimate our size, apply their own correction factor, and then throw a piece of clothing at us and tell us to move on. Partly carrying, partly dragging this bag of misfits we marched to the barber shop where "boot hair specialists" in a few brisk movements passed their clippers across our scalps and deprived us of our last vestige of manly beauty.

In the middle of the night after having been called on a couple false alarms, we were mustered in the rain, loaded aboard trucks, and hustled off to C-8, our boot training area. Here we were met by cheerful fellows carrying big clubs and looking like characters Dick Tracy is always chasing. These chiefs informed us they were going to be our papas and take care of us for the next



month. Recuperating from the initial shock, we found our bunks and turned in to rest comfortably on our wet mattress for the few remaining hours of the night.

The next day was typical of all to follow during our month of boot training. Awakened in the early hours of the morning before the sun came up and almost before the roosters awakened, we were allowed five minutes to get in the uniform of the day and fall in to face the agonies of PT (physical training). After hopping and jumping about like rubber balls, we pried one another's back bone until it snapped back to normal, then felt our way thru the dark to the chow hall.

Shortly after, we lined up and were faced by the instructor, the man who was to accomplish the impossible miracle of changing us from terror-stricken boots into "snappy, confident Navy men." to use the words from a recruiting

poster. For two hours we stumbled back and forth on the drill field, trying in vain to keep in step and all but becoming cross-eyed through our efforts to remain aligned to the man at our side and the man in front.

The blisters on our corns were given a rest during lecture periods which consisted of instruction on every topic from military courtesy to military courtesy. As we dropped with a sigh of relief to the ground, the lecturer, who beyond a doubt had been a carnival barker, would face the group, flex his GI muscles, and with a Pepsodent smile, tell us to make ourselves comfortable. Several minutes later he'd give us bell for doing so.

The afternoon's routine was more diversified. We received instruction on the manual of arms, not the sofa or lover's lane variety, but the technique of twirling a rifle about, in unison, without poking our mate's eyes out.

This was followed with extended order, highlighted by hitting the deck,





whereby the victim dives fully clothed into a quagmire of mud and at a given signal does it again several moments later, "just for the fun of it." Then, another couple hours of close order drill and finally as the sun began to drop to the horizon, we crawled and helped one another back to the barracks.

Had an observer who saw us that first day taken a glimpse at us two weeks later, he would have been very surprised indeed; so were we. No longer were men trampled to death in the utter confusion of obeying a close order drill command. We were becoming accustomed to the never-ending lines. Instead of griping too much about the food, we were now gorging ourselves to satisfy ravenous appetites stimulated by the vigorous exercise. The older men no longer sounded too foolish when they addressed a jitterbug ensign as "sir." We were learning to do things the "navy way" and could now swear like old salts. In short, we were rapidly nearing the final stages of the assembly line



which was hammering us into mechanical robots who would eat, sleep, and think the "navy way" for the next few years.

Other important phases of boot camp included chopping each other's cars off with wooden duplicates of that over-sized straight razor, the machete. Mock warfare where we crept silently through the forest, then re-echoing cowhoy and indian days of our childhood, drew a bead with our trusty wooden rifles and shouted "bang, bang, you're dead." Drill contests, which a platoon other than our own always seemed to win. Duty days, when we would draw K. P., garbage can detail, guard duty, chamber-maid duty in the officer's quarters, or prepare the heads for inspection by the medical officers who never inspected. "Shot days," when the sadistic corpsmen, with fanatical pleasure attempted to stab the very life from our arms, but benignly informed us that an important part of the lower anterior of our anatomy would not be subject to the thrust of the square needle. Films, mostly medical, which depicted the





perils of too intimate friendships with members of the opposite sex followed almost immediately by the vivid and lusty account of our instructor's latest liberty.

The battalion was formed on 31 August 1943 and several blissful days of relaxation while waiting to be moved to Rhode Island were spent at B-8 area. While there, we received our first twelve hour period of freedom, known as liberty. Many men visited Williamsburg, the famous Rockefeller colonial restoration town, which offered a pleasant sightseeing tour during the daytime. At night, however, the natives of the small, historical town put aside their revolutionary era costumes and the minuet to attempt in vain the more profitable business of catering to thousands of fun-seeking Seabees. Others of us went the sixty miles to Richmond and were disappointed with that thriving metropolis of the South where the streets are "rolled up" and the servicemen are just "rolled" by eleven o'clock.

The never-to-be-forgotten day of our not very tearful farewell to Peary finally dawned. Our dress blues were wringing wet after the long hike to the railroad station and our tempers were as hot as the sun, but as we snapped to attention and marched briskly to the waiting coaches, we knew that we had come a long way since those first days, only a month before, when we had stumbled so clumsily across the drill field.

"Beware of Carpetbaggers" signs tacked throughout the ears confirmed our suspicions that they were a trifle ancient but we made ourselves as comfortable as possible. The last notes of the "Seabee Song" played by the Camp Peary band were lost in the belching and coughing of the engine and we were moving. As we rolled slowly through the camp's extensive grounds, then chugged into the Virginia countryside, many of us wondered if Peary's extensive training, about which we had griped and complained so much would ever be of any practical use . . . It was.



35 DAYS IN CAMP PEARY

35 days in Camp Peary,
Five weeks of nerve wracking hell.
I can't say I'm sorry I'm leaving.
I'm ready to coast for a spell.

We lived like hogs in a mudhole, In 2 by 4 huts made of tin, They say the rain made it muddy, But it was only the tide coming in.



Don't worry, we'll

Now I'm packing my seabags to travel.

I'm wiping the mud from my feet.

I don't give a damn where they send me,
As long as it's some other beat.

They can send me to the front in the morning.

The Axis can turn on the heat.

If the only way back is Camp Peary.

Don't worry, we'll never retreat.

J. T. Brown

HOME THROUGH CAMP PEARY



Medical Department

Back Row (L. to r.): E. J. Godwin, Dr. E. M. Croghan, Dr. N. C. Gorski, Dr. W. R. Yeager, Dr. O. H. Brundage, Chief J. W. Black, J. J. Goggin.

Front Row (L. to r.): W. J. Banes, W. M. Weatherly, J. J. Hackett, T. H. Evans, A. Hymson, F. E. Donovan.

Missing from picture: H. B. Scrivener, B. Goldman, S. Glazer.

MEDICAL

The Medical Department of the 125th Naval Construction Battalion came into existence on 18 August 1943 when the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery ordered Lieut., later Lt. Comdr. William R. Yeager to assume the responsibility of Senior Medical Officer of the battalion. He was later augmented by the arrival of Lt. (jg), later Lieut., O. H. Burndage as Junior Medical Officer.

At Camp Endicott, Davisville, R. I. on the 3rd of September 1943 the first draft of pharmacists mates arrived. and on the 6th of September 1943 another draft arrived to complete the complement of the Medical Department. At Camp Endicott a great deal of work had to be accomplished in a short time. All health records had to be checked carefully to segregate those with minor and major defects who were unfit for further duty. Records also had to be checked to determine who was due for further inoculations according to the regular navy course. At this base we only had a small sick bay located in the battalion area. No space was available for a ward and all patients who required hospitalization were transferred to the Main Dispensary for further treatment. We also had to depend on the Main Dispensary for all medical supplies.

At Camp Parks, Calif., we got down to the task of setting up our first quonset hut dispensary. Here also we had to depend upon the Main Dispensary for our supplies and the receiving of our patients for further treatment, study, and disposition. After a short stay in this area we moved to another area near the main gate where we remained until we moved to Port Hueneme. At this area much was accomplished in preparation for our overseas duty such as training of the sanitation and malaria control squads. Dr. Yeager held a short course in First Aid for members of the battalion assigned as first aid men. During December while the battalion was at this location an epidemic of catarrhal fevor broke out among the men. This epidemic was prevalent throughout the camp and for a week the camp theatre was closed, and all group gatherings were temporarily forbidden. In the battalion there were a number of cases, some so bad the doctor had to attend the men in their own bunk. Cases of common cold were prevalent at Camp Parks but no one was seriously ill during our stay there.

Final preparation for overseas was completed at Port Hueneme, Calif., where inoculations were completed. The battalions stay at this base was only of a short duration and the bulk of our work involved carrying on the routine daily sick call.

Upon our arrival on Oahu our first base was at Iroquois Point where we set up temporarily in a quonset hut. We had only started setting up and breaking out our supplies when we were ordered to break up our organization to conform with the projects which were assigned to the battalion on the various bases on the island. The battalion's main dispensary under Dr. Yeager set up at Camp Andrews Recreation Center where a quonset type



Progress Check-up.

dispensary had already been built by another battalion. This dispensary was remodeled and improved to include a sick bay, ward and dental office. Dr. Brundage went to Barber's Point Naval Air Station and carried on his duties from the Main Dispensary on that station. One corpsman was sent to Lualualei Naval Radio Station and another to Wahiawa Naval Radio Station where they augmented the station medical department which took care of our men stationed there. These corpsmen remained on these stations for approximately ten months until the battalion assembled at its new location at Camp Dowell.

Our dispensary at Camp Dowell left little to be desired as it had been planned and built according to specifications. Here we had two quonset buts for a dispensary and sick ward which gave us ample room to set up and work efficiently. At this camp final preparations were made for forward area duty. Again inoculations came into the picture. Each man received ten inoculations making a total of approximately 10,000 injections all accomplished in a few short days. At Camp Dowell the sanitation and malaria control squads were kept busy putting into practical use their knowledge of malaria control.

We were fortunate to be in such a climate as Hawaii where malaria, filariasis, and other tropical diseases were at a minimum. The bogey of tropical and sub-tropical pests reared its ugly head in the form of fungus infections. Many man hours were lost due to this infection and also a number of men were hospitalized. We were



Pill Rollers in Action.



"Off the Record."

thankful that we encountered no epidemics of any sort in our tour of duty in Hawaii, although we had our share of industrial accidents. The battalion lost several good men who had fractures. Accidents such as these cannot be avoided. The vigorous safety campaign carried on by Dr. Yeager managed to keep down the toll of industrial accidents, and the number of man days lost from accidents were few for an organization involved in construction work.

Our first few weeks ashore on Okinawa were a little more rugged than we had experienced previous to this time. There was a lack of water for both drinking and bathing purposes. The general unsanitary set-up of our first two bivouac areas was a problem. We were thankful when this stage was passed. A mild attack of gastro-enteritis was the only complication that resulted.

Our battalion has been fortunate in that our casualties from enemy action have been very small. Two men were killed, two received serious wounds, and a number of men received minor wounds. Everyone learned at an early date to be extremely cautious when off the beaten path.

Our permanent camp site near Yonabaru where the majority of the battalion's work has been done is excellent as far as health and sanitation is concerned. Our present dispensary, a quonset type hut, is, in our opinion, the best on the island. It is divided up into a treatment room, surgery, pharmacy and laboratory, doctor's office, quiet room, a ward with a minimum capacity of 17 beds, a dental office, waiting room and a record office.



Sack Hounds.

DENTAL

With the battalion in its embryonic state of development, the work of the dental department had made itself felt throughout the ranks from the first day at Camp Endicott. It was there where, for the first time, the men were introduced to the field unit with its hard iron chair, foot treadle engine and an incandescent operating lamp. It was new and amusing both to the patient and the dental officer to see the corpsman standing alongside exercising his pedal extremities in an effort to transform human energy into mechanical power and drive the burr which is so necessary a part of the dental armamentarium.

Ingenious devices were proposed by those men who paid an early visit. True "Seabee" ingenuity already had come to light. The mechanical minds conceived ways of doing away with the foot pedal, and the seeds of invention began to inseminate the minds of electricians and mechanics who already knew that it was possible to streamline the field unit by adding an electric motor in place of the foot treadle. Some suggested the use of a motor from a malted milk mixer, and others an electric fan engine. The merits of each were considered and evalulated for future application. "When we hit Island X, doctor, you won't have to worry about power. We'll rig up an engine for you." Those were welcome words and

one couldn't help but appreciate the fact that here is a real bunch of guys.

The next stop was a longer and a more fortunate one. Camp Parks offered everything that the modern dental office has. Modern lighting, the best of equipment, and an X-ray machine and dark room for developing the film. The real work had begun; dental service as was known back home. Appointments were systematically arranged after a careful study and survey of all health records and dental charts. Patients were segregated into classes of priority from the standpoint of urgency and necessity for attention. Gradually the less urgent cases were accepted and treated, although at times appointments were few and far between because the volume of patients grew steadily. A good deal of work was done before the battalion moved on.

Port Hueneme was just a stop off with no semblance of a permanent set-up, all that could hope to be accomplished here was to take care of emergencies as there was no equipment until shortly before the battalion sailed.

Upon arrival at Oahu it was again necessary to use field equipment. Someone managed to find an electric fan motor, and before long it was hooked up and working like a charm, driving that detested burr with unceasing



All Filled Up. "Doc" Gorski and J. J. Hackett.



Boring, isn't it? "Doc" Croghan and R. J. Moats.

rapidity. It was a boon to both the corpsman and the dental officer and continues to be so after 18 months of rugged use.

The dental department offices since the battalion left the states have also been the product of Seabee ingenuity and skill. Carpenters, painters, shipfitters, electricians, metalsmiths, and machinists have all contributed in making our dental offices the best designed and equipped of any seen among the many battalions.

No attempt will be made to quote figures and statistics

on the amount of treatment rendered as they become quite obviously great when the number of trips to the dental office each man has made in the past two years is considered. The dental corpsmen have done an excellent job keeping records, making appointments, figuring material usage and taking inventory periodically. Aside from this so called paper work, these men have assisted at the chair very ably, putting to practice the special knowledge for which they have been thoroughly trained. They are to be commended for their first class assistance.



PERSONNEL

The Personnel Office opened shop at Camp Peary's area B-8 on the day after we graduated from primary training. Manned by men from NCTC, Replacement Battalion, it was headed by Chief I. E. Bownds, and included K. J. Logan, W. LeTarte, E. Finch, L. Banker, C. Griffen, R. Mitchell, S. Bohne, R. W. Skidmore and J Reed besides those that are with the department today.

By the time the battalion was officially organized on 31 August 1943, the office had already been swamped with scores of details. Memorandums were issued, letters written, and daily reports submitted to the station. The work started in earnest, however, when records for the initial battalion complement, consisting of 1079 enlisted men and 33 officers were received. Each service record required individual entries, muster lists had to be prepared, and reports sent to the Bureau of Naval Personnel.

Ensign Niles S. Warne was assigned as Personnel

officer and remained in that capacity until June 1944 when he left to take up engineering work in the field. CWO R. W. Washburn took over and remained until September 1944 when he was detached from the battalion and transferred to Saipan. Lt. (jg) Earl S. Janett took over the duties of Personnel Officer when Mr. Washburn left. Up to this date several of the original members of the office had been transferred to other commands. Skidmore has since been assigned to the Commander's Office, and Logan, who had been promoted to Chief Yeoman the week previous, received a dispatch commissioning him to Lt. (jg) and was ordered stateside for officer's training. Still another loss came in January 1945 when Chief Bownds was honorably discharged on the "over 42 year old plan."

In addition to the preparation of several monthly, bi-monthly, quarterly, and annual reports, the Personnel

Oahu Railroad Tracks

Obstructing view are:

Back Row (l. to r.): K. K. Ulrich, H. E. Annis, Chief I. E. Bownds, D. Marmer, W. E. Coward.

Front Row: (l. to r.): E. E. Baker, D. E. Peggins, H. B. Raskin.

Missing from Picture: Lt. (jg) E. S. Janett, Chief W. L. Kuss, K. L. Logan, now

Lt. (jg).







Take a Letter.

Office is responsible for the preparation and submission of all daily and periodic schedules, notices of transfer, and receipt of personnel.

The more personal functions of the office concern details and problems connected with the individual. All matters of family allowance, insurance, leaves, and discharges are handled by Personnel. The service records are retained and kept up to date with the necessary entries by this office.

At present the personnel department is involved in the task of discharging all eligible men. If the battalion remains intact until general demobilization, it is a pretty safe bet that, just as they were the first to arrive, the personnel of Personnel will be the last to leave.

Personnel.

"How many points have I got?"





Engineering Department

Back Row (l. to r.); T. W. Podgajny, A. B. Brelsford, J. E. Bean, S. L. Moats, Chief L. H. Mielke, Lt. (jg) T. M. Leps, Chief H. H. Herman, R. J. Baughman, B. G. Knoll, M. T. Paragus,

Front Row (I. to r.): C. E. Hales, E. S. Adams, B. O. Noyes, F. J. Cook, G. P. D'Antonio, M. F.

Knizley, B. D. Bradford, G. G. Kochevar, O. L. Ramey, K. C. Burnham.

Missing from picture: W. E. Klotz, A. C. Maevis, K. E. Beil, M. L. Rowland, L. R. Groebner, R. M. Williamson, J. R. Shanks, W. J. Frazer, B. Stone, F. B. Read, P. J. Sager (now W/O), Chief C. W. Welch.

ENGINEERING

Creating an Engineering Department that could cope with the varied problems to be met by a battalion on its tour of duty was the first task facing the Engineering Officer, Mr. Leps, upon landing on Oahu. Starting with a nucleus of men who in civilian life had been electrical engineers, architects, draftsmen, structural designers and surveyors, a unit was gradually shaped to a point where it could assume the planning, designing, and the layout of engineering projects on advanced base construction.

Its first assignment was to take over work already started by another battalion at Lualualei and Wahiawa Radio Stations, and at Barber's Point Naval Air Station. It wasn't long before its work branched out to cover all Seabee construction and engineering in northwestern Oahu.

With field work under the direction of Chief Sager and with office computation, design, and drafting under Chief Herman, the Engineering Department soon earned

the reputation of having ability far above that normally expected in a construcion battalion.

Highway and culvert design, railroad main lines and sidings, ammunition dumps, radio station facilities, an amphibious training base, - everyone a project whose completion would be felt in such distant operations as the invasions of the Philippines, Guam, Saipan, and Okinawa - these were the projects which were surveyed, studied, designed, and staked-out for construction by the engineers. Whether it was an antennae which bridged the gap to Chungking or a bomb stow whose contents would some day make itself felt in Tokyo, the engineers were ready with their plans and field parties.

Some projects such as a first class highway and a permanent recreation center never reached the construction stage, but when material and labor are no longer critical items, the work is expected to go ahead as designed by the 125th's engineering department,

The department required but little change after landing on Okinawa. The construction of the Yonabaru Naval Air Base was assigned to the Battalion. Highway and culvert design practiced on Oahu was quickly adapted to airfield runway and drainage design. Access roads, camps, and all the facilities required in the operation of the base were planned and designed according to the standards and method used on Oahu. Starting with the allocation of areas to the various groups of personnel who were to operate the field, a camp was designed down to the very details of water distribution, lighting, and recreational facilities. This camp is comparable in size to a small town.

As the engineering and the design for the base progressed, more and more of the responsibility for it fell to the 125th until almost all engineering and the coordination of the engineering of the five battalions engaged on the field was in the hands of the engineering department.

The number of visitors who have stopped at the office for information about the field and neighboring installations has been a compliment to the work produced by the Engineering Department.

When, after the close of the war, the trail of the Seabees is traced across the Pacific by following their con-



Right on.

struction work and by compiling permanent records of their activities, a good section of that record will consist of plans and designs made by the Engineering Department of the 125th. Everything from a typical cross section of a road built in Oahu to a glass enclosed control tower for an airfield on Okinawa, they'll all be there in the annals of the Seabees.

Engineering Office, Camp Dowell



SUPPLY

Back in July and early August 1943 when most of the men of the 125th N. C. B. were pounding a drill field, tackling problems in extended order, and listening to the familiar cry, "You'll be sorry," of boot camp days, a small group of men were already assigned, on paper, to the battalion and were being initiated into the complete working of the naval supply system. These men for the most part had done similar work in civilian life but this meant little or nothing because now they were going to do it the navy way. First came studies in the class room, followed by much practical work in the main warehouses of Camp Peary and Chetham Naval Supply Depot. It might be added that most of this practical work was of a stevedoring nature; however, much information and experience was gathered which was to prove very useful in later months.

In late August of the same year the battalion was formed and in a few days moved to Camp Endicott. There the men of supply continued their studies and once again much of value was learned from men who had already been out and knew the answers from practical experience. From Endicott to Parks and on to Hueneme the experience was much the same.



Okinawa Procurement Department

Then came the day all of us had been looking for. The battalion went aboard ship and in due time arrived at Pearl Harbor. It was there that supply commenced to work trying to put into practice all they had learned previously. At this time the department was augmented by the addition of more men. These men were not store-keepers but of a variety of rates whose knowledge and experience was to prove extremely useful in the work

Supply Department

Front Row (I. to r.): Chief J. W. Lee, Lt. (jg) R. R. Rice, Chief P. A. Pahrman.

Second Row (I. to r.): A. B. Davidson, B. L. Roper, C. L. Mohat, C. B. Bordelon, F. B. Clays, J. P. Creedon, F. Keyser, R. J. Casey, I. H. Gile, R. A. Myers, S. R. Loring.

Back Row (I. to r.): E. E. Norville, P. H. Forristall, A. Wong, E. W. Ozog, C. P. Lowry, E. S. Devinny, C. C. Williams, B. V. Heglund, F. D. Corey, V. Z. Lassus, L. R. Kennedy, E. P. Ciccarelli, T. R. Neff.

Missing from picture: Chief E. M. Brown.





Warehouse Men

Front: P. J. Bird.
Back Row (l. to r.): C. L. Mohat, C. P. Lowry, C. B. Bordelon,
W. T. Mathews, W. M. Fleming.

ahead. Enough cannot be said in praise of the work performed by these men who came through so well and faithfully in a department which was foreign to them.

During the early days of the battalion's tour of duty at Pearl Harbor many hectic ones were spent unloading ship, warehousing materials, and generally setting up office and shop. Many were the problems encountered and had it not been for the "know how" of Supply Officer Lt. R. R. Rice, many of these may have remained unsolved or at least delayed the completion of high priority work.

In April of 1945 "scuttlebutt" was becoming pretty heavy and it began to look as though the old 125th had served its period of apprenticeship and was now preparing to move to a forward area. Then began the job of packing up, with jungle training thrown in for good meausre. Many were the nights that the lights burned far into the night at the supply office. At this time word was received that Lt. Rice was assigned to other duty and was preparing to leave. This was bad news for supply, coming at the time it did, and all who knew and worked with him regretted his going. In this matter low spirits did not last long as Mr. Rice's relief, Ens. J. C. Lewis, came aboard in the capicity of supply officer. He soon had affairs under his able control and everyone concerned felt assured that once again the department was in capable hands.

Finally everything was packed, cargo stowed aboard LST's, and ship's manifests complete to the last cubic foot and pound. On May 12 the battalion was on the move again, this time for a long trip.

Arriving at Okinawa June 17, the department once again commenced the now familiar job of setting up shop and this time under anything but pleasant working conditions. In this, much credit must be given to the rigging crews and truck drivers who worked long and hard doing their part toward completing the job. The job was never finished as orders were received to move to a new camp site and job further south on the island. Finally, after a few weeks of long hard work the department was squared away once again after having built warehouses, commissary storehouses, and many like jobs too numerous to mention besides carrying on the normal duties of receiving and issuing equipment, tools, food, clothing, and maintaining accurate records. One of the worst and perhaps least known problems encountered at this time was the locating and issue of an adequate supply of tools and material to the airport project and camp site. Many hundreds of cases of tools and equipment had been dumped in the battalion compound. These cases were marked with component serial numbers. This meant that when a request for some particular tools or equipment was handed in a check was made against master cargo lists and the needed case serial numbers noted. Then came the search for the case bearing like numbers. Many times information against these numbers was found to be inaccurate or lacking in essential detail. The result was the unpacking of every case and an inventory made.

Now that war has ended and it begins to appear that many of the old familiar faces in the battalion will not be seen around much longer this would be a suitable time for the supply department to say thanks for all the cooperation and understanding shown by one and all in the 125th N. C. B.

Supply Drivers

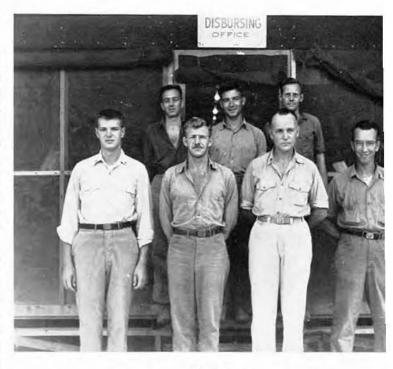
Back Row (I. to r.): M. B. Smith, R. J. Chisholm, J. A. Dirks, C. W. Caston, I. C. Lesperance, C. R. Cunningham, C. G. Cochran. Front Row (I. to r.): R. E. Corriea, L. Rees, H. T. Westley, C. F. Alexander, L. W. Price, R. L. Arnold.



DISBURSING

The Disbursing Office was first organized and formed in August of 1943 at the Central Disbursing Office, Camp Peary, Virginia. Ensign, now Lieutanant, J. K. Reynolds was disbursing officer at the time the department was transferred to the newly organized 125th battalion and remained in that capacity until May of 1945 at which time Ensign D. L. Fluri became Disbursing Officer. R. A. Metelski and O. Rampolla were with the department from its organization at Camp Peary until December 1943 when they transferred to General Service. A. C. Boudreau, now with the 37th Regiment, was with the battalion from its inception until July 1945.

The disbursing office of the Seabees is thought of primarily as the only office that works on a paying proposition. However, payday is usually held only twice a month and is but a small part of the work of the office. All records involving any funds such as allotments, insurance, bond allotments, family allowance, etc., are kept by the disbursing department. Within an organization such as our battalion with a complement of over 1000 men, changes are constantly being made in the pay accounts. Since there is no allowance for error, all aecounts are checked and double checked any time a change occurs.



Disbursing Team

Front Row (l. to r.): Ens. D. L. Fluri, E. R. Gardner, Chief J. Martin, S. J. Madden.

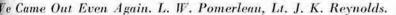
Back Row (l. to r.): W. D. Robidoux, L. W. Pomerleau, E.

Where You Got the Yen.



The first pay day for the office was held at Camp Endicott, R. I., shortly after the battalion arrived there. Since the battalion had just been organized, the department was kept busy during the month stay at Endicott registering all forms of allotments and various other changes in the pay records of the men. At Camp Parks after the men had taken their ten day pre-embarkation leave, the department was busy in all forms of disbursing. At the time Lucky Strike was popularizing their slogan LS/MFT, the disbursing office was also making known a slogan although it wasn't very popular. Long faces around the pay lists were quite common as men would see NMFA beside their name. A change from MAO to Family Allowance was being made which in the end would give more money but which temporarily resulted in a deficit in most accounts. While the battalion was at Parks a number of other battalions were returning to the states after serving their tour of duty overseas, and to expedite their leave, the disbursing office assisted in paying these men.

It was in Camp Rousseau, Port Hueneme, that the rush was on in making new allotments home in anticipation of a long stay on Island X. When the battalion sailed from the continental United States, the departments work was not completed and an office was set up aboard the Bloemfontein. Upon arrival in Oahu, T. H., the disbursing office was ready and held a pay day the third day after coming ashore. The battalion was then split in four parts, and the office kept everyone happy by traveling around the island paying the men at the different activities. Many allotments that were started in Port Hueneme were now being cancelled for liberty in Honolulu was extensive and expensive. Many men







1 million, 2 million, 3 million ...

flew over to the island of Hawaii for recreation and nearly everyone was buying souvenirs from hula skirts to Chinese pajamas to send home. After being separated for more than nine months, the battalion was assembled again at Camp Dowell where the final pay day in the Paradise of the Pacific was prepared. An entire new pay system was adopted on 1 July 1944, and pay days could be held more promptly. Much paper work was eliminated and the entire system streamlined for more accurate handling of transfers of pay records.

On the journey from Oahu to Okinawa work was done on the pay records while aboard ship. The disbursing office was immediately set up on arrival at Okinawa, and the pay roll was prepared. Payment of the men is one of the Navy's highest morale builders, and paydays are held as often as possible. Upon receiving the new Military Currency of sens and yens, the first pay day on Okinawa was held even though there was no place to spend the money. In the permanent camp at Yonabaru, the office was installed in a Quonset Hut and business was carried on as usual.

Let's look at the statistics. Since the battalion was formed on 31 August 1943 to 31 August 1945, the office has disbursed \$1,282,729 in cash. Gross earnings of all personnel amount to \$111.248 each month. Insurance allotments amount to \$6,474 per month, bond allotments \$5,340 per month, and other dependent allotments amount to \$28,672 per month. Family Allowance deductions total \$10,882 per month. With the added cost of food, clothing, equipment, and whatever traveling expenses have been involved, one can surmise that to maintain a Construction Battalion for just one month is very costly.

TRANSPORTATION

Although the Transportation Department was inconspicuous until the battalion landed on Oahu, it nevertheless had been organized ever since the inception of the battalion at Camp Peary, CWO A. F. Carlstrom was placed in charge of transportation, and one of his first duties was to organize the battalion for its departure for Camp Peary.

At Camp Endicott transportation assumed a larger role when it was given the task of arranging transportation for the more than 750 men going home on their ten day pre-embarkation leave. It was a job of arranging routes of travel for each man, figuring fares, collecting the money for individual tickets, purchasing the tickets, and distributing them to the right person. During one 24 hour period \$10,800 was collected from the men, and over a period of four days while leave transportation was being arranged more than \$20,000 passed thru transportation.

During our stay in the states the major function of the department was arranging transportation facilities for our movements to the various camps.

Upon arriving at Pearl Harbor we received a component of new equipment; trucks, jeeps, cargoes, dozers, motor graders, etc. At Iroquois Point where we landed we built our first transportation department, serviced, and painted the battalion emblem on all our equipment. About the time everything was shipshape and we were operating smoothly the battalion was separated and detached to four different stations.

From Iroquois Point we moved to Lualualei where we took over the transportation department previously used by the 74th CB's along with all the equipment they were using. We had left behind at Iroquois Point new equipment and taken over equipment that was in very poor condition for it had not only been used by the previous Seabee battalion but by civilian contractors before them. More like a salvage yard than a transporta-



Mutt and Jeff.

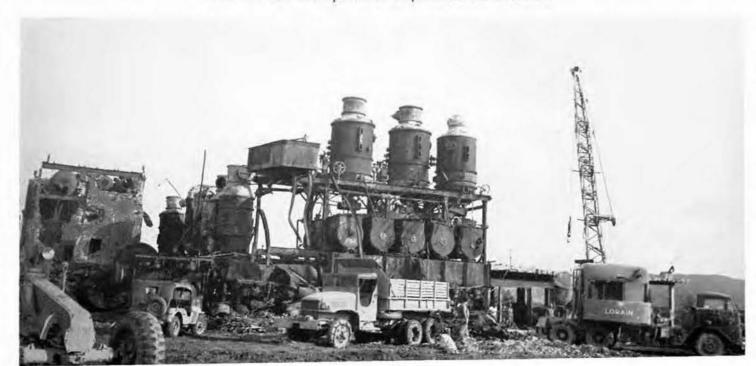
tion area, we found much of the equipment was deadlined — not in running order.

The transportation crew under Mr, Carlstrom and Chiefs Minehart, Schreiber, and Oliver started work repairing equipment and improving the area. Approximately 500 yards of coral were hauled in to make a parking area in front of and in back of the repair shops. While the transportation crew at Lualualei was procuring necessary parts and repairing as much equipment as could be repaired, the subsidiary transportation crew of D Company at Wahiawa was facing the same problem. However, before very long most equipment was back in operation.

At Lualualei transportation was organized into several different shops: parts room, battery shop, tire shop, garage repair, welding shop, and heavy equipment repair. Chief Minehart was in charge of dispatching, Chief Oliver in charge of general repair and Chief Schreiber in charge of heavy equipment repair. At Wahiawa Chief Richardson and A. G. Wein were in charge of transportation and general repair.

Besides the primary tasks of carrying on construction, transportation played an important part in the

The Sweetest Transportation Department on Okinawa.





Carlstrom's Raiders

Front Row (l. to r.): Chief M. W. Smith, N. T. Anastos, E. G. Goetz.

Second Row (l. to r.): L. G. Houseburg, A. J. Murphy, E. J. Cottingham, G. C. Chakos, J. T. Brown, CW/O Carlstrom, Chief E. I. Schreiber, Chief O. M. Oliver, L. E. Ronoff, R. E. Dunn, R. T. Chaput, G. T. Freeman, P. Carlevato.

Third Row (l. to r.): W. E. Tolley, D. E. Jarvis, A. W. Constant, A. D. Rankin, L. G. Dickey, C. F. Storey, J. H. Causley, S. J. Sowinski, C. D. Beatty, H. P. Finstuen, H. L. Johnson, Top Row (l. to r.): C. A. Crawford, J. J. Pike, R. W. Boone, J. B. Perkins, R. W. Dobbs, R. A. Fenton, R. J. Brown, W. M. May, E. O. Corrow, B. R. Carpenter, J. M. Steers, A. H. Lamp, G. Reighard, A. R. Marcotte, Missing from picture: Poznanski, Albert, Donnaud, Julian, Hosmer, Lovell, Mayer, Mercier, Mercer, Medved, Miglino, O'Connor, Pinkston, T. L. Smith, Tollefson, Wein.

recreation program. Each week day during our stay on Oahu a liberty bus would go into Honolulu in the morning and return in the evening. On Sundays all necessary transportation was turned over to the Recreation Department and trucks and busses were provided for pienic parties, island tours, USO shows, etc.

Just previous to our departure from Oahu the battalion received a new component of equipment. All transportation equipment was serviced, greased, and the emblem stencilled on for ready identification purposes. During our fourteen months stay on Oahu many pieces of equipment were procured from salvage yards and rebuilt. One of the prize pieces of re-constructed equipment was an FWD which was converted into a wrecker. By adding two more wheels on the rear it was made into a dual wrecker able to handle nearly any piece of our rolling stock.

Upon arriving on Okinawa, a temporary transportation department was set up at Tobaru where jeeps, cranes, and other equipment were assembled and put into operation. Some of our equipment was assigned to the Awase airstrip while most of it operated around the clock unloading our ships.

Two weeks after arriving at Tobaru we moved 15 miles down the road to a location near Yonabaru. All equipment, personnel, and supplies had to be moved over almost impassable roads. Since the island had only been

secured a short while previous and Japs were still numerous in the hills, a guard accompanied each truck. As soon as equipment arrived at our new location it was put on the airfield project where work progressed around the clock for several months until the projects were completed.

At our new location, Camp Allan, transportation was established near camp and repair sheds, grease racks, and storage tents were set up. Adverse weather conditions and mud knee deep necessitated moving the department in order to keep equipment rolling for the high priority airfield project. A new transportation area was established on Route No. 13 in a sugar refinery that had been destroyed by our bombardment during the invasion. This area was not ideal, however the location was accessible and much handier for the heavy traffic traveling between the coral pit and the airfield.

Many thousands of miles have been traveled by vehicles of the battalion without a fatal accident. During our early work on the Yonabaru Airfield, truck drivers and heavy equipment operators were subject to sniper fire from Japs in the hills, and although there were several close calls, no one was injured.

We of the transportation department feel justifyably proud that a job has been well done, and we have contributed our share to the commendable record of construction of the battalion.

COMMISSARY

Realizing the extreme importance of good chow both from the standpoint of survival and of morale, the Commissary Department has always strived to provide the best and tastiest meals with the provisions available.

On August 31, 1943, when the battalion was first organized, the commissary department was manned with some fifty odd members including officer's stewards. Unlike many departments of the battalion whose complement had undergone "boot" training together during which they had become acquainted with one another, the commissary gang were almost perfect strangers to each other. These men were a picked group taken from various replacement areas or from Cooks & Bakers schools at Camp Peary.

The battalion was fortunate in securing many expert cooks and bakers, and the department was soon operating efficiently under the guidance of our more experienced men — men whose practical experience in civilian life had earned them supervisory positions in hotels and restaurants. Because of the great demand for cooks, many other men had been taken from various fields and sent through Cooks & Bakers school for training in their new endeavor. Even though the training period was short, these men learned a great deal and under the guidance of our professional cooks and bakers soon mastered the fundamentals of culinary art.

A few short days after the battalion was organized in Peary we embarked for Camp Endicott. Arriving early in the morning the cooks and bakers had to report to duty before they had an opportunity to gather their sea bags. The chow halls at Camp Endicott were similar in size and operation to those at Camp Peary. During each meal approximately 3500 men passed through the chow line in the area at which we were stationed. As many as 5000 chops or 4000 steaks were prepared for one meal along with 2000 pounds of potatoes and 700 pounds of peas or some other green vegetable. Ultra modern devices were employed in storing fresh foods and dry stores, and all buildings were kept immaculately elean.

During our month of training at Endicott the battalion spent one week at the Sun Valley Rifle Range. This was a quonset but camp built similar to one in a forward area. Here we were on our own for the first time. The galley was small and compact with limited equipment. Getting up at 3 a.m. in the frost chilled New England morning was no pleasure to the commissary boys; however, the meals were excellently prepared and we were able to satisfy ravenous Seabee appetites.

Across country at Camp Parks the set-up was similar to that at Endicott and Peary. Working along with another battalion we served 2300 men daily. The station spared no expense in procuring the best food possible. The meals on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years, were some of the best we have had in the Navy.

At Camp Rousseau, Hueneme, the commissary set-up was much the same as it had been in the other stateside camps. Liberty was also much the same, although for the first time we had the opportunity to visit the colorful and much touted film capital of the world. The commissary boys took Hollywood by storm on their first liberty. They returned with a newspaper which bore the



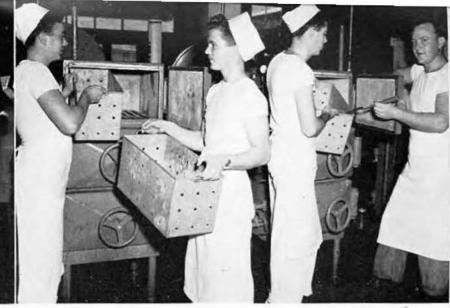
Galley Storekeepers
(L. to r.): A. J. Zwanzig, R. A. Myers, F. A. O'Loughlin, S. R. Loring.



Chief A. R. Greene.



Soup's On L, to r.): J. M. Vachon, J. A. Huffman, A. B. Andersen, D. R. Rondy, J. A. McQuade,



Cooks
(L. to r.): R. N. St. Germain, B. Ransom, T. P. Suxton, H. M. Long.



(L. to r.): J. R. Hranicky, T. W. Sneddon, F. R. Haddon, X. F. Clark, E. J. Somers, R. T. Andrews.



More Bakers
(L. to r.): G. R. Jackson, Chief F. J. Kelley, W. R. Vickers, L. D. Pfeifer, R. E. James, J. T. Brown.



More Cooks
(L. to r.): L. V. Erwin, K. R. Halpern, P. A. DeFelice.



Whipping Up Another Batch
(L. to r.): W. G. Schneider, Chief Q. B. Hammontree, S. Kraupa.

following headline, "125th COOKS INVADE HOLLY-WOOD — BETTY GRABLE FLEES." Close observation disclosed the newspaper had been specially printed at one of the novelty shops in town.

When the battalion arrived at Iroquois Point on Oahu we were attached to station force with duty in a giant frame galley feeding 3500 men. About a month later we moved into our own area. We were all elated over our brand new galley where we could prepare meals for our battalion only. We were to be on our own at last. Our exhilaration was short lived, however, for a few days before we were to go into operation the battalion was assigned duties at four widely separated locations on the island. The commissary department was split up to take care of the four detachments and some men went to Barber's Point, some to Wahiawa, and some to Lualualei. but the majority of the cooks and bakers went with the largest unit to Camp Andrews. At all these camps galley and mess hall facilities were excellent. While on Oahu the cooks learned many new tricks in culinary art from the natives. Some Hawaiian delicacies were tasty, but others were not very appealing to our occidental taste.

In January of 1945 the battalion moved from its different locations to Camp Dowell, our new tent camp outside of Lualualei NAD. Here we had a large quonset mess hall and galley, and here for the first time we were to be completely on our own, free from any station force. It was our first opportunity of showing the battalion just what our commissary department could do. Our first meal was a steak dinner which tantalized the taste buds and satiated the appetites of all the hungry Seabees. The clanging of new silverware and shiny trays was music to our ears as the men filed through the chow line with smiling faces, their trays filled. Operations at

Ahhh! Turkey!!! Field stripping them are: (L. to r.): P. J. Bird, R. C. Rogers, W. F. Maxey, R. C. Hickam.





Anniversary Cake in the Making
(L. to r.): J. R. Hranicky, F. R. Haddon, J. T. Brown, T. W
Sneddon.

the new galley were enacted with the greatest of efficiency and everyone was well taken care of.

In the early part of May the battalion ence more boarded ship and we sailed for our new Island X. Aboard ship we were attached to ships company, and even though the chow hall facilities were inadequate, the meals were fairly good.

The first two weeks on Okinawa were endured with utter confusion. K and C rations served as food while we coped with the water shortage, setting up field ranges, hoisting a tent galley, and most important, finding a source of food supply. It all added up to mean that we were now encountering the ruggedness of war.

Just a few days after operations were completed at our first camp and we were able to prepare hot meals, we received orders to move again. We moved down the coast of Yonabaru and established residence at a new location later named Camp Allan. This was to be our permanent home. At Camp Allan we survived on K and C rations for a few days before our galley was completed. Since then we have discarded the mess kits in favor of trays and silverware. To eat a warm meal out of the sun and rain while sitting down seemed like a luxury after our first few weeks even though the difficulty of procuring fresh meats and vegetables prevented us from preparing the type meals we would have liked to.

It has never been our expectation or even our fondest hope that we could prepare meals equally as delicious as those prepared by mother or wife, but it has been our constant goal to keep the men of the battalion as well fed as possible. We only hope our record of accomplishment has been as good as the record of accomplishment the battalion has made on construction projects.



The "Dead Beads"

(L. to r.): O. R. Sempf, A. W. Constant, J. R. Ray, G. C. Waylett, E. W. Fredericks, C. Henry. Missing from picture: L. W. Kirkwood, J. E. Lupien.

ARMORY

The battalion ordnance department began its first duties under CWO E. H. Graham at Camp Parks, California. On December 7, 1943, the second anniversary of Pearl Harbor, all personal weapons were ordered secured by Commander MacIntosh. A very gruesome assortment of weapons were turned into the armory for the next ten days. Included were kitchen knives, brass knuckles, German lugers, black jacks, spiked clubs, pistols, autematics, and a real antique. One of our Texas mates turned in a bone handled 45 calibre pistol which weighed nearly as much as a carbine and must have dated back to the days of Davey Crockett.

The ordnance department was not very active until February 25, 1944 when the battalion was at Port Hueneme. Thirty two thousand ordnance articles had to be uncrated, checked, issued and registered on each officer and enlisted man's file. All this had to be accomplished in forty-eight hours for the battalion was scheduled to sail on February 28 for Island X. All day long lines that closely resembled the boot issue line at Camp Peary filed past the temporary armory. All day long a look of puzzled bewilderment flitted back and forth across the men's faces as they asked the question, "How the hell do they expect us to work and carry all this junk, too?" By 2400 February 27 every man had received a full issue of everything he was entitled to.

Shortly after its arrival on Oahu the battalion was divided into four units making it necessary for each company to set up its own individual armory. E. W. Fredericks who had been with the Winchester Rifle Company

fifteen years previous to his enlistment was appointed battalien armorer, J. R. Ray for Headquarters, A. W. Constant for A. Co., C. Henry for B. Co., O. R. Sempf for C. Co., and G. C. Waylett for D. Co.

Using his past experience as a tool maker, A. W. Constant developed a tool for assembling and disassembling a carbine bolt, which has been adopted by many other armorers and is now in wide usage. C. Henry received a letter of commendation from the officer in charge of the station at Lualualei for his ingenuity and workmanship, and all armorers did a very commendable job in taking care of weapons.

At Camp Dowell the armorers had the finest armory the battalion has had since it was organized. Commodore Bissett on his inspection tour of Camp Dowell commended our ordnance department on the arrangement and care of our weapons. Before the battalion left Oahu for Okinawa the armory was again burdened with the job of issuing gear. This issue consisted of ammunition, magazines, shovels, picks, mattocks, wire cutters, signal flags, axes, canteens, and various gear worn out during our stay on Oahu.

Upon arrival at Okinawa we found use for every article issued with the exception of our gas masks. Shelter halves, ponchos, mess kits, canteens, and helmets proved indispensable at wash, chow, and bedtime. On Okinawa the men were in possession of and took care of their own rifles, but the armory was busy repairing and cleaning Japanese rifles, machine guns, and other enemy ardnance which the men collected and sent home as souvenirs.

POST OFFICE

The Post Office Department went into operation two days after the battalion was formed. During the time the battalion was stationed in the states our status was of a temporary nature, and the activity of the Post Office consisted mostly of handling incoming and outgoing mails.

It wasn't until we left the states and reached Pearl Harbor that our post office was able to operate to the fullest extent and serve the men in the battalion properly. As soon as we arrived we began operating financially as well as handling the mails. This meant the men were able to purchase stamps and money orders without having to go out of their way to find a station force post office. Statistics compiled since our early days at Oahu up to the present day show that the men have made purchases of over \$200,000 in money orders and \$40,000 in stamps.

Each day as many as 1,000 letters sent home by the men and approximately the same number received by them pass through our post office. Summing up these figures we find the post office has handled approximately 570,000 letters written by our men since we arrived in the Pacific. Added to the amount of letters received by the men, the figures are well over a million letters handled.



Jim Farley's assistants
(L. to r.): J. P. Hockersmith, S. P. Veoni, C. J. Borrin, B. Iscowitz.
Missing from picture: H. S. Bearance.



Clip Joint Operators

Rear Row (l. to r.): R. D. Sellhorn,
U. J. Papini, H. F. Kolsrud.

Front Row (l. to r.): B. Glazer, S.
Burton.

Missing from picture: G. B. Falkner,
M. W. Fendt, W. J. Hart, R. S. Carlson,
C. J. White.



Camp Dowell, how I loved you!!!!

SHIP'S STORE

Our ship's service fund originated in October of 1943 with a loan of \$1,335 from the battalion officers. This money was used to purchase candy, cigarettes, razor blades, etc. for our train trips from Camp Endicott to Camp Parks and from Camp Parks to Port Hueneme. It was also used while we were at Camp Parks to buy plain stationery on which Charlie Cusick engrossed the battalion emblem by using a silk screening process. Another service of the department while at Parks was the taking of personal photographs.

In June the battalion was on Oahu and CWO R. W. Washburn, the ship's service officer, organized branch stores for our companies at Wahiawa, Lualualei, Barber's Point, and Camp Andrews. Mr. Washburn ordered a large amount of supplies from Honolulu and stateside firms which were to stock our new battalion store at Makaha Valley.

A quonset hut was erected at Makaha with an attached building for a stock room. The ship's service became associated with the Central Ship's Service, Hawaiian Area Naval Construction Brigades and in July the store was opened with the financial backing of the Central Ship's Service. O. K. Bush was manager, assisted by Joe Fulca and Chick Hatfield. The boys did a rushing business, especially on the beer line. As it turned out, due to the stateside orders, our battalion had more lighters, watches, and fountain pens than any other outfit under the Hawaiian Area Brigades command. Charlie Cusick moved to "The Gulch" a short time later with his stationery supplies and equipment. He also took over handling the beer line for the exercise. Later on "Doc" Sappington augmented the ship's service crew as the volume of business kept increasing.

Transportation was arranged for the boys at Camp Andrews and Lualualei to come from each camp to the store. When the truck loads of the fellows would be spotted coming up the road, the store crew would tighten their belts, roll up their sleeves, and get ready for a busy session. There never was a thirstier bunch of men.

In September Mr. Washburn left for Saipan and Lt. (jg) Earl S. Janett became ship's service officer in addition to his duties as Personnel Officer. In November John Fors took over as manager of the store and the crew was increased by the addition of E. O. Corrow.

When the battalion was brought together in January at Camp Dowell, the store was moved there too. The quonset hut wasn't quite ready so the first department to open was the wet canteen. The first night was busy



Ship's Service Gang
(L. to r.): Lt. (jg) E. S. Janett, J. L. Fulca, J. D. Fors, R. G. Hatfield, J. C. Fronczak, E. O. Corrow, M. D. Sappington.

enough but on the second night Cusick and Fors sold 75 cases of beer in one hour. It sometimes seems the 125th enjoys water for bathing purposes exclusively. Joe Fronczak joined the store crew in January and there were no further changes for the balance of our stay on Oahu.

The central ship's service closed its books with us at the end of March so during April the battalion ship's service bought its supplies from the Navy Yard and various firms in Honolulu. It was against regulations for us to order such items as film and lighters from stateside, so there was a constant struggle to obtain much needed items from the available facilities. The situation didn't last long, for early in May the orders came to pack up and close the store. That was the ending of the 125th ship's service department.

During the operation of the store on Oahu the sales averaged between \$15,000 and \$20,000 a month. The profits from the store and the other ship's service activities were turned over to our battalion Welfare Department.

When we arrived at Okinawa the ship's store came under the jurisdiction of the supply department and Ensign D. L. Fluri, the disbursing officer, became the ship's store officer. Most of the store stock arrived in good shape although there were some slight shipping losses.

The ship's store opened at Camp Allan after the first week of July. Supplies were difficult to obtain as almost everything was rationed by the Naval Supply Depot. Beer and coca-cola were much in demand, and for many weeks the battalien had neither. The store crew was made up of Fors, Hatfield, Sappington, and Fronczak. Sappington left for another job and was replaced by Corrow. In September W. L. Beakel was added to the crew as business proved heavier than expected. The sales for July ran over

\$7,000 and in August they were almost \$10,000. The profits were kept at a minimum in order to pay for the laundry expenses and leave nothing over.

The store crew has done its best to supply the articles necessary to the comfort and convenience of the men in our battalion and appreciates the attitude of the men who have realized the difficulties of procuring war-caused scarcities.

Remember the Luau!!!





Local Tonsorial Artists
B. L. Westbrook, A. F. Webb.
Missing from picture: L. J. Brule.

WATCH REPAIR SERVICE

One of the specialists which can be found in most of the versatile Seabee battalions is the watch repairman. To a Seabee the time of the day is important, especially quitting time, so J. S. Robertson has been a busy man with plenty time on his hands ever since the first watch repair service was established in December of 1944 in a doghouse at Camp Andrews.

Later the service was again set up at Camp Dowell where it operated as a ship's service activity. On Okinawa the watch repair man was back in operation shortly after the battalion established itself at Camp Allan. With watches being received from men from all units of the service, the watch repairman often had more work than he could handle. More than 800 watches have been repaired since the service was established.

Well heeled.
T. D. Matevier and W. H. Schmidt.



BARBER SHOP

Our first contact with boot camp barbers resulted in not only our losing all of our hair but also in a fear and wariness for barbers which was to remain with us for months to come. When the fuzz on our shaven head became long enough to merit a haircut, we were both surprised and relieved to find Seabee barbers who could cut hair in the civilian way.

Our tonsorial experts A. F. Webb, B. L. Westbrook, and L. J. Brule operated in collaboration with station force barbers both in the states and on Oahu until the battalion assembled at Camp Dowell. Here the barbers set up shop in the back end of the ship's service building and kept the men's hair well groomed for their week-end liberties in Honolulu.

On Okinawa the barber chairs and clippers were broken out shortly after the battalion established residence on the island. At Tobaru the barber shop was set up in a small tent, and when the battalion moved to Camp Allan, a neat two chair barber shop was set up in the rear end of the ship's store quonset hut. Here the barbers gave free haircuts for the duration to any and all who sat down in the chair.



No watches taken in today J. S. Robertson,

COBBLER SHOP

It is said that an army travels on its stomach, but Tom Matevier and Bill Schmidt know differently for they have resoled thousands of shoes for the landbased navy scabees of the 125th battalion. Ever since the battalion came overseas Tom and Bill have devoted full time to preventing the men of the battalion from going native and walking around in their bare feet.

Living true to the reputation of generosity which the seabces have acquired, the 125th cobbler shop has accepted shoes from any and all who have had pedestrial trouble. The army, marines, and swabbies have all had their shoes repaired at the cobbler shop. Besides their primary tasks of repairing footwear, Bill and Tom have worked on practically everything in the line of leathercraft from baby shoes to tarpaulins including such things as knife sheaths, camera cases, suit case handles, and pistol holsters.



All Washed Up
(L. to r.): E. H. Ripley, F. M. Boehm, T. E. Minnick, C. E. Bouchard, C. W. Buckner, D. Guillot, C. W. Luthi.
Missing from picture: H. L. Hartman, W. F. Abbott, D. S. Ginter, G. P. Prodromos, F. E. Peaslee.



The Finished Product
(L. to r.): F. M. Boehm, R. D. Shehan, O. M. Brown.

LAUNDRY

Those of us whose memory is good enough to recall our boot training days at Camp Peary remember our first attempts at washing our own clothes. Using a GI pail, a box of soap flakes, a bottle of chlorox, and the scrub brush we were issued, we obtained results which were indicative of our inexperience. Many clothes lines displayed skivvies with the tattle-tale grey color and many were the blue dungarees that came from the pail speckled with white spots bleached by chlorox.

After experiencing the womanly chore of clothes washing for about six weeks, no ship's service activity was perhaps more welcome to us than the laundry. At Camp Endicott, Parks, and Rousseau we were fortunate in being able to get out laundry done at the station laundry.

When the 125th replaced the 76th battalion on Oahu, we inherited their laundry and equipment. This was originally set up at Lualualei, but because of the water scarcity had to be discontinued at that location. A quonset hut was erected at Makaha Valley where the water supply was more plentiful, and all the laundry equipment was moved from Lualualei to this new location. The laundry operated on two shifts for the duration of our stay on the island handling not only the battalion laundry but laundry from other units also.

During the first weeks on Okinawa water was so scarce there was barely enough for cooking and drinking and all bathing was done in one helmet full of water. However, a couple of weeks after we arrived on the island we moved to our permanent location, Camp Allan, where a laundry was soon built and in operation. While on Okinawa the laundry was operated on a non-profit basis for the benefit of everyone.

TAILOR SHOP

The official tailor shop of the battalion operating as a ship's service activity opened for business in April of 1944 at Camp Andrews, Oahu. Later in January of '45 when the battalion moved to Camp Dowell the tailor shop reopened for business and operated as usual until we departed for places farther west.

Shortly after the battalion established residence at Camp Allan on Okinawa the tailor shop was once again opened for business now operating under the ship's store. Our tailor, H. S. "Snuffy" Smith, was taken from his carpentry duties and set to work getting the G. I. issue into a presentable condition.

To the Scabees a tailor is not just a tailor but a versatile workman. The various jobs done by our tailor have ranged from the simple mending of tattered clothing to reconverting army khakies into Scabee gear and have even extended to such things as upholstering furniture. The total number of jobs has amounted to approximately three thousand.

All Sewed Up in His Work H. S. "Snuffy" Smith.



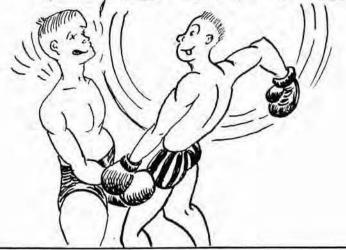




WELFARE



RECREATION







Thanksgiving services, Camp Andrews

DIVINE SERVICES

Men of the 125th Seabees have worshiped in many places and under varying conditions, in large and well appointed chapels, in quonset but structures, in the open air, on boat decks at sea, and under canvas tents. In stateside camps at Peary, Endicott, Parks, and Rousseau provisions were ample and usually attractive for Protestants, Catholics, Jews, and other groups. The Battalion Chaplain took his part in station programs, and the men attended services of their own choice.

Chaplain Johnson was with the original complement of the 125th, but due to illness he was detached at Camp Endicott. At Camp Parks Chaplain Sprinkle came aboard and was with the battalion on Oahu and Okinawa. Shortly after the war ended he was discharged from the navy and Chaplain Penn, formerly of the 66th Battalion, assumed the responsibility of battalion chaplain.

Three chapels have been built and equipped during the overseas service of the battalion. Soon after landing on Oahu a chapel seating about 120 persons was fitted out at Iroquois Point. Comfortable pews and a handsome pulpit were made, an appropriate chancel installed, and the whole room and its furniture neatly painted. The same structure housed a Chaplain's Office and the Battalion Library. This Chapel was dedicated on Palm Sunday 1944 and then turned over to another group during the week following Easter Sunday.

For the greater part of our stay in Hawaii the Battalien was separated and Divine Services were held in theatres or station chapels at Camp Andrews, Nanakuli, at NAS Barber's Point, at NRS Wahiawa, and at NRS Lualualei. The Chaplain became a circuit rider, though he conducted the services regularly only at the camp theater at Nanakuli. A small "Compass Room" was also made available at Camp Andrews. Church parties went each Sunday to churches in Nanakuli, Waianae, and Wahiawa. Many men preferred to attend services in Honolulu, and Jewish men particularly were taken to the Community Center for services on Saturdays and Sundays.

At Camp Dowell, near Lualualei, the second battalion chapel was erected and fitted out for regular Protestant, Catholic and Jewish services. Father Stanley of Waianae, a civilian priest, held weekly Masses for Catholic men in





Catholic services on Okinawa

Jewish services on Okinawa

this Chapel. It was a quonset hut seating more than 100 men.

After we had been together at Camp Dowell for about three months and the chapel there was complete and well furnished, the battalion was secured from all projects and preparations were made for another move. On the high seas aboard the USS John Sevier, the men appreciated the ministry of Chaplain Clell C. Gray and enjoyed Divine Services on the boat deck of the transport, as well as prayer meetings and discussion groups held on the fantail.

After landing at Okinawa, open air services were held amid the pup tents at the Tobaru camp, though Catholic men went to the mess hall of the 36th Special on the adjoining hill. Among the first installations at Camp Allan, however, was a fifty foot tent set aside for the chapel. Here regular services for Protestants, Catholics, and Jews were held each week.

A number of special Divine Services are noteworthy. Pre-embarkation services for all three major faiths were held both at Port Hueneme and at Iroquois Point. At the anniversary luau in August 1944 services were held on the stage of the temporary outdoor theater. Memorial services for Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox at Camp Andrews and for President Franklin D. Roosevelt at Camp Dowell were particularly solemn occasions. All faiths attended special thanksgiving services in large numbers during the week following Hirohito's announce-

ment that Japan would accept the Potsdam terms.

The Chaplain conducted two weddings for members of the Battalion, one at Camp Parks when E. W. Julian of "D" Company and Myrtabelle Hinsley were married on 10 January 1944; and the other at Camp Rousseau on 26 February when W. F. Hardesty of Company "A" was united in marriage with Hazel M. Scott. Military funerals were conducted at the Island Command Cemetery, near Isa, Okinawa, for Warren E. Allan and Homer F. Mc-Euen, the two men of the 125th who made the supreme sacrifice.

Aboard U.S.S. Sevier



WELFARE AND RECREATION

The Welfare and Recreation Department was established shortly after the battalion was organized to provide entertainment and recreation facilities for the members of the battalion in their off time hours. Since the very beginning, every effort has been made by the department to provide all possible facilities for athletics, hobbies, and shows to make life in the service as interesting as possible.

During our stay in the states many men had their families with them and for others there were always good liberty towns nearby where one could easily find entertainment and make friends. At this time the Welfare and Recreation Department was busy purchasing athletic gear, band instruments and music, material for the "Buck an' a Quarter," and other gear which would not be part of our component, but which was necessary to the welfare of the men. The foresight shown at the time has provided an infinite number of hours of recreation and entertainment for the men in the battalion since we have come overseas.

On Oahu many recreation and entertainment facilities were made available to all hands. Shortly after we arrived, trucks and picnic lunches were provided for men to make a tour of the island. After the battalion separated into four units to handle the construction projects, transportation facilities became better. Cargo trucks and buses were turned over to Welfare and Recreation on Sundays and organized island tours, picnic parties, and other excursions were furnished with transportation and picnic lunches.

Many good USO shows toured the Hawaiian Islands and many of them played for us on our own stage. Whenever a good USO show was playing on the island, provisions were always made for the men who wanted to go to see it. Bob Hope, Jack Benny, Betty Hutton, and Jchudi Menhuin were some of the stars we saw besides many good plays such as the Mikado, Life With Father, The Man Who Came To Dinner, and Hamlet starring Maurice Evans.

The Welfare fund which is the profit received from our own ship's service activities has spent thousands of dollars buying those things which the men desired. A few of the major items financed by the fund include our athletic gear, musical instruments, battalion Luau on Hawaii, emblem pins, and the log book.

During our long tour of duty overseas the Welfare and Recreation Department has done a memorable job of performing its task. Much of the unity and fellowship of our battalion can be attributed to the mutual interest and participation in sports, music, hobbies, and other recreation.





Rebels Orchestra
(I to r): E. B. Froke, A. H. Schwartzberg, L. A. Darling, J. T. Martin, M. Bottinick, E. R. Keyawa, O. F. Beck, R. T. Oyler, and A. J. Brown.

BAND AND ORCHESTRA

We have to go way back to Camp Peary and boot days to begin tracing the course of events that evolved into the present Rebel Band and Orchestra. Perhaps the first fertile seed was sown in old C-8 area in July of '43 when Nate Boobis produced a show featuring a small picked-up orchestra and other talent from his barracks. This show was later produced, with variations, at our advanced training base at Camp Endicott.

Up to this time our vast amount of hidden talent had failed to disclose itself from beneath the cloak of doubt and uncertainty shrouding the state of mind of the typical "boot." Either those possessing such talents, later to be disclosed in various forms of entertainment, were skeptical about venturing into this part of the fighting-building Scabees, or else they could see recreation possibilities only in that ten-day leave awaiting us in a few weeks. Anyway, once that ten-day leave was tucked under our belts and we were settled more or less indefinitely in Camp Parks, a military band of upwards of thirty-five pieces materialized from the ranks. Lt. Roe fathered the initial organization and did much in the way of proeuring badly needed instruments and paraphernalia required for a full military band. Young Boobis, with a short lifetime of musical and entertaining experience,

was assigned as leader. The band began regular rehearsals and soon whipped up a repertoire of marches and concert marches.

In Camp Parks the band flourished as an active part of the battalion's curriculum. Rehearsing continued and concerts were played at the chow hall each day. The band soon had the interest and support of the whole battalion. A. J. Brown and R. T. Oyler gave a good part of their spare time to teaching brass and reeds (respectively), which effort bore fruit in a surprisingly short time and added members to the band.

At Port Hueneme we managed to squeeze in a few rehearsals between the long hours spent waiting in issuing lines and on pre-embarkation military training. Here we also played at the dress parade exercises of our adoption by the state of Mississippi. About this time our dance orchestra, "The Rebels," was formed with members of the band who had previously, in civilian life, played in various dance orchestras throughout the country. The original combination was small but versatile and featured sweet music. The orchestra made its debut when it played for a dance at the local USO center at Ventura. Just when things were going along smoothly, we had to crate up our instruments, shoulder our packs and carbines, and

board the good ship Bloemfontein; destination, Island X.

Oahu, our first Island X, teeming with restless G. I.'s hankering for more sweet music and entertainment, was an open field for our offering. Besides entertaining our own mates, we branched out playing show and dance dates for other units and stations whenever duty allowed.

About a month after arriving on Oahu the band encountered its first obstacle when the companies were temporarily separated and detached to different stations. We all recall the sudden call to one short rehearsal at Barber's Point where we literally threw four ragged, uncertain parts of a show together and opened it for the first time the following night at a battalion smoker. The show, built around the band, featuring members in a comedy, specialties and vocals, supplemented by more talent from the battalion personnel, was a great success. There followed a run of showings of it at all stations and camps where our companies were doing work.

Our big problem was solved when all members of the orchestra were assigned to Company D at Wahiawa, eliminating a lot of transportation difficulties and allowing for more rehearsals and better opportunities for working up shows. At about this time, leader Boobis was transferred back to the states with an illness. Another ivory polisher was recruited from the ranks, and A. J. Brown, trombonist, and graduate of the Julliard School of Music in New York, took over the directing and arranging berth. The orchestra was now a nine piece combo, playing orchettes and special arrangements and featuring an electric guitar. September of '44 found the orchestra booked with all the dates we could fill in off duty hours at stations and USO centers all over the island. About this time more talent was brought forth and bigger and better shows were produced. The glee club was active and a hillbilly band was organized and became a part of all the shows.

For the next six months we had a continued round of show and dance dates to fill. We played at everything from a G. I. Smoker to a braid dance, on intricate Seabee-built stages or just plain platforms under the tropical stars. Our military band now under the direction of R. A. Fagre was also rehearsing right along, giving concerts, and playing for our championship softball team at nearly all its games. This proved a great success and added much to the popularity of the battalion during its stay on the Rock.

Spring of 45 swung in on us and found us busy with another military training program, and the band and orchestra had to be shelved for the time being. They weren't kidding us either, for ere a fornight had passed, the instruments were packed in water-proof cases, ourselves were packed with fever-proof serum, and all were packed aboard our PA, headed again toward our second Island X.

Military Band
Back Row (I to r): R. A. Fagre, S. L. Moats, E. P. Cassis, L. E. DeVan, E. R. Keyawa, F. Kalman, F. E. Peaslee, W. R. Robinson, F. Hullinger, E. B. Froke (not showing), A. J. Brown, A. H. Pierce, J. B. Perkins, Front Row (I to r): M. Bottinick, R. T. Oyler, F. A. Goglia, A. H. Schwartzberg, L. P. Avril, M. Rothstein, L. H. Hass, A. B. Brelsford, J. F. Pereira, O. F. Beck, Missing from picture: G. H. Thomas, R. C. McDaniels, F. A. Dybowski.





Glee Club

(I to r): A. J. Baznik, O. F. Beck, W. E. Knight, A. G. Wein, G. H. Thomas, R. T. Oyler, F. I. Krick, L. A. Darling, R. E. Williams, E. R. Keyawa, R. A. Fagre,



"D" Company Mountaineers
(I to r): G. H. Thomas, J. W. Pinkston, F. F. Keckritts, E. P. Miast-koski, W. Colleran.

For the first month on Okinawa entertainment was nearly forgotten in the face of long hours at work and on duty. Once the pressure was off, out came the instruments and concerts and jamborees were put on for the battalion. J. F. Pereira, A. H. Pierce, L. E. Devan, G. H. Thomas, and E. T. McDonlad were now playing with the band filling out the brass and reed sections. These were the lads who had been studying and practicing faithfully all these months. The result was a good solid thirteen piece orchestra that could do justice to full orchestrations.

On Okinawa the weather limited the entertainment activities of both the military band and the dance orchestra. Concerts at our open air theater would have to be sandwiched in between cloudbursts. On one occasion the dance orchestra set up three times before we could even begin, and then the vocalist had to wade through the mud to the mike. But we would scrape the mud from our shoes, the rust and corrosion from our instruments, the disheartenment from our temperaments, and keep up the appearance despite the Okinawa weather conditions.

For the members of the band, music has been a hobby of special interest. Many offtime hours have been spent playing for other people's entertainment and for our own amusement. If in some small way we have made this tour of duty easier for a few men, then we are gratified in feeling we have accomplished our purpose.







BUCK AN' A QUARTER

Our battalion paper was the idea of Paul Hoyte who was appointed by Commander MacIntosh to initiate and edit a battalion publication. The first staff meeting was held in the little quonset library at Sun Valley Rifle Range. At this meeting it was decided the name of the paper would be "Buck an' a Quarter," the name submitted by Danny West, and shortly afterward the "Buck an' a Quarter" was born.

At Camp Parks the "Buck an' a Quarter" had no mimeograph and no supplies of any kind. The paper was published there under the greatest difficulties by using the station forces mimeograph at night and by procuring some of the paper stock on midnight requisitions.

Just before leaving Camp Parks, the battalion purchased a mimeograph machine, steneils, and styli; however, no issue was published at Port Hueneme due to the intensive military training and the rush of preparations for embarkation.

In spite of the pressure of disembarking at Iroquois Point, getting squared away, and building up our camp area, the first issue of Island X was published within three weeks after landing. When the battalion was split into four units, an office was set up at Camp Andrews and editor Hoyte commuted from Barber's Point. Soon the mimeograph was clacking merrily away, and the "Buck an' a Quarter" hit its stride once more.

In September the "Buck an' a Quarter" became a printed and pictorial magazine type paper. This was the first issue to be multilithed. The glossy paper and the clear cut pictures made it look like a professional printing job. If, as Confucius says, a picture is worth 10,000 words, the subsequent issues would have filled volumes. Joe Mullings did a commendable job in aiding the editor in laying out these multilithed papers.

On Okinawa Paul Hoyte resigned the editorship and Stan Coates, who had published "What's Cooking?", the tri-weekly scuttlebutt sheet at Camp Dowell, was appointed editor. Since there was no multilith press available, the paper was again mimeographed. Although the pictures were greatly missed, Harold Nilson and Oliver Brinkman drew enough clever cartoous to lighten up the issues. Dan Marmer faithfully cranked away on the mimeograph until enough copies were turned out for all the men.



Library, Camp Allan

LIBRARY

Regular allotments of books and magazines from the Navy Department, gifts from individuals, and an initial donation from the Victory Book Club at Camp Endicott have provided ample reading material for the battalion. Packed in boxes designed to serve both for shipping and for display, the battalion library has usually been open for business a short time after each move. About 1500 bound volumes, mostly fiction, and monthly shipments of paper bound Armed Forces Editions totaling around 800 volumes have appealed to almost every taste.

The library was first opened at Camp Parks where six cases of books and magazines were unpacked. Later, at Iroquois Point on Oahu, the library was again unpacked and shared a large quonset hut with the chapel. After the battalion moved from Iroquois to its new billets, the library was housed in a large framed tent at Camp Andrews and from here books were circulated among the other companies at Wahiawa, Lualualei, and Barbert's Point. At Camp Andrews still larger quarters were found for the library, practically a whole quonset hut being used for this purpose. It was possible to furnish plenty of tables and chairs for the men when they wanted to read, write, or study.

On Okinawa the first library was set up in a small tent which also held the Chaplain's office and the "distribution center." After moving to Camp Allan, the library was located first in the Chapel tent, then in a separate tent, and finally in a quonset but shared with the Chaplain's office and the Disbursing office.

To Paul Hoyte, Stanley Coates, and Harold Nilson, successively serving as librarians, much credit is due for classifying and keeping tab on the books, and for making the library a source of information and service to everyone.

The Welfare Fund of the battalion provided 49 copies of 27 magazines for the library and 9 magazines for BOQ. During the first weeks on Okinawa free copies of Seabee were provided.

EDUCATION

The United States Armed Forces Institute was established early in the war to give men in the armed forces an opportunity to increase their efficiency as a member of the armed forces, to prepare for a desirable job when they returned to civilian life, to continue an educational program which may have been interrupted by military service, or to satisfy a personal interest in study of some subjects. These courses for which men could receive high school and even college credit were effered to service men at a very nominal rate.

Nearly 300 applications for correspondence with the USAFI were sent in by men of the battalion. Even though this figure includes men who sent in for second and even third courses, still it indicates the widespread interest in education. In addition to these USAFI courses, 41 applications for college courses were sent in.

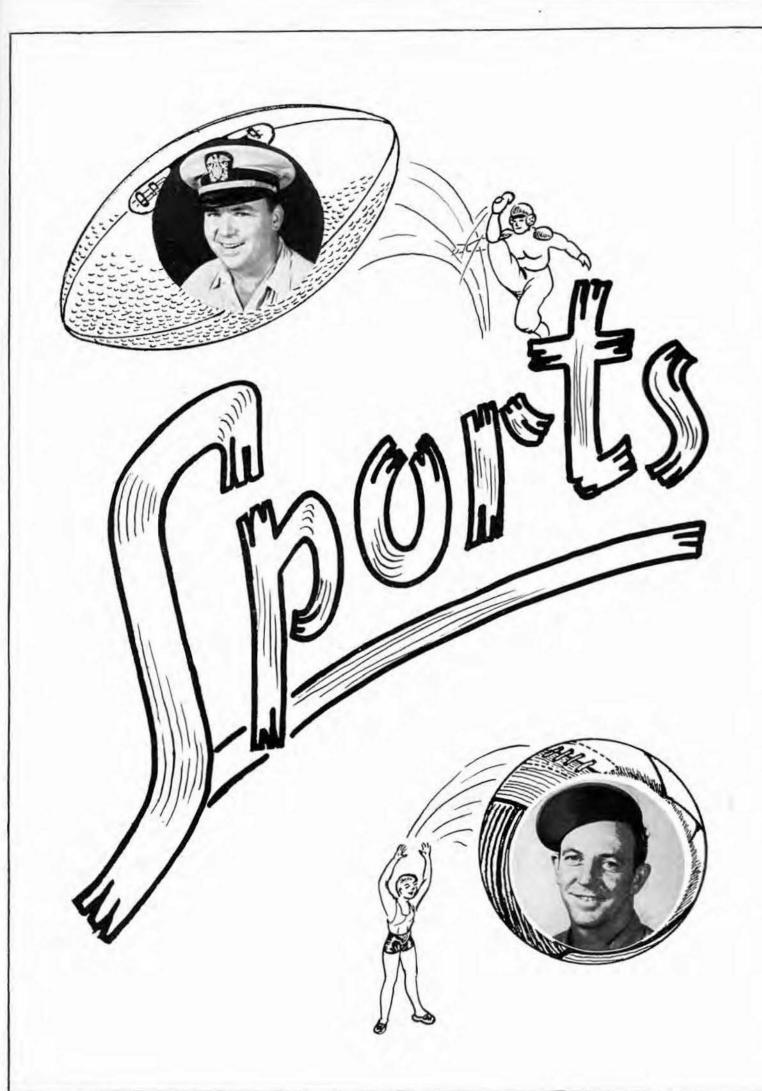
The majority of the men applied for trades courses, but liberal arts and business courses were not far behind. Many of the men got high school or college credit for the work they did on these courses; others wanted no academic credit, but did increase their knowledge about the particular trade or business in which they were interested.

While we were on Oahu, one group of men drove 25 miles three times a week to attend evening classes at the University of Hawaii while another group attended navigation classes at the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard twice a week over a period of twelve weeks. At Camp Dowell Mr. Leps instructed a class of about 35 men in Trigonometry. This course which was held three times a week and lasted 12 weeks was similar in scope to a course taught in high school.

Other work in education included current maps and pamphlets, special movies at Camp Andrews, and news broadcasts at Camp Dowell and Camp Allan.









REBEL SPORTS activities have meant much to the officers and men of the 125th Naval Construction Battalion. Our first skipper, S. L. MacIntosh, favored athletics to the utmost, and our present commander, Ralph C. Bauer, is not only an ardent sports fan but has proved himself quite an able second baseman with the officers' softball team.

The formation of the 125th Battalion at Camp Peary brought together many talented and versatile athletes, among whom were former high school, collegiate, and professional stars. While receiving advanced training at Camp Endicott, Rhode Island, we engaged in our first athletic contests with what was considered a "pick-up" softball team. We defeated the strong Sun Valley Rifle Range team and also defeated the Camp Endicott (Rhode Island State Champions) station force team.

It was in November, 1943, while stationed at Camp Parks, California, that sport activities were introduced in the training program with several of the enlisted personnel acting as instructors. The wrestling and boxing teams were formed and received expert tutelage under the supervision of Chief "Bucky" Cable, former Navy welterweight boxing champion. Our basketball and softball teams engaged stiff opposition and emerged victorious in every contest.

During our stay at Camp Rousseau, California, prior to embarkation, we were so absorbed in the hardening up process of our military training that we were unable to spare much time for athletics.

Upon our arrival on Oahu, battalion and intra-battalion sports activities increased rapidly under the supervision of Lt. (jg) W. L. Calley and the personal direction of Chief K. A. McCormick. The Seabee Athletic Association was organized during our stay in Hawaii and included representation from all Seabee units. The association functioned in accordance with the schedule established for all service recreation committees. The 125th was well represented in the various leagues with several members competing also on "All Navy" and "All Service" teams.

Our Rebel softball team entered in the All Scabee League and won the 1944 Central Pacific Championship by virtue of five straight victories in the playoffs which were held at CHA-3 Stadium, Pearl Harbor. These night games attracted capacity crowds.

The basketball team, too, walked away with the title. Coached by Lt. N. C. Gorski, popular painless molar extractor, the team won the 1944 C.P.A. championship.

The Rebel softball and basketball teams continued playing championship ball during the early 1945 season. Our schedules were interrupted when we left Hawaii for Island X. Before leaving, however, the softball team had the pleasure of playing a two-game series with the 123rd Battalion Seabee-Midway champions. Both of these thrilling games were won by our team. Still another championship was added to our laurels at this time, when the 125th doubles team of James S. White and Allan Ross won the Scabee Horse-shoe Pitching championship, Ross was also runner-up in the singles matches.

Our star-studded wrestling and boxing teams showed up splendidly in Seabee, Navy, and All-Service competitions, winning various individual awards by advancing to finalists in these events.

We can be proud of our achievements in the field of sports. The 125th spirit is truly the spirit of "Can Do."





Central Pacific Champions — 1944

Back Row (l to r): J. K. Lemanski, L. R. Groebner, H. J. Madsen, C. R. Gromley, C. R. Tryon. Middle Row (l to r): P. Carlevato, Lt. (jg) W. L. Calley, Chief K. A. McCormick, F. A. Dybowski, M. M.Riggs. Front Row (l to r): G. T. Freeman, D. E. Ruth, R. S. Carlson, Chief J. W. Black.

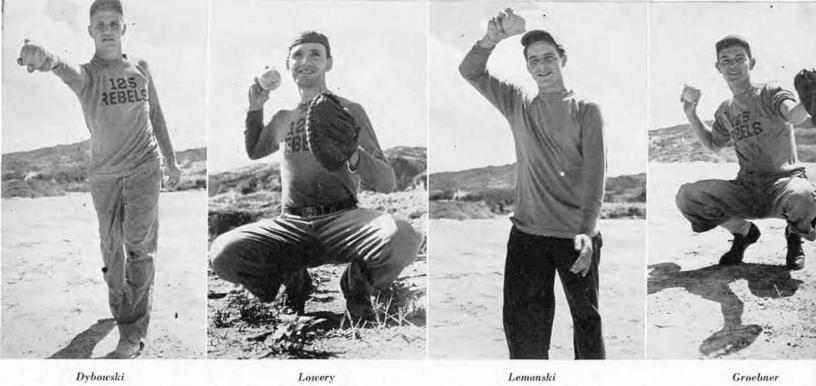
SOFTBALL

The Rebel Softball team played heads-up ball in the first round of the Seabee League on Hawaii. Placing first in this round assured the 125th of a berth in the title playoffs. The outstanding pitching of Frankosky and Lemanski, backed up by the steady catching of Dybowski gave the Rebels the edge over their opponents. Led by field captain "Donny" Ruth, the team played aggressive ball, taking advantage of every break. McCormick and Carlevato led the hitting attack. Although the entire team exhibited snappy fielding in every game, Vance Buchanan deserves special mention for playing errorless ball through the entire round.

Shortly before second round play began, Coach Wilson and "Bob" Frankosky were lost to the team due to transfers. Lt. Calley and Chief McCormick assumed the additional burden of coaching and deserve plenty of

credit for leading the team on to the championship. The loss of Frankosky and the acquisition of additional catching strength brought up the possibility of grooming Dybowski for the pitching post. Dybowski, having shown up well as a pitcher in company competition, agreed to give it a try. He worked out daily with McCormick, progressing rapidly; the experiment proved successful and a great catcher became an even greater pitcher.

The double elimination playoffs and title game for the 1944 CPA Championship was played at CHA-3 Stadium at Pearl Harbor. All games were played under the lights before capacity crowds. The Rebels were undefeated in the playoffs, winning five straight games. In the first game they set back the 90th NCB 10-3. Dybowski hurled a three-hitter, striking out nine. Gromley with three singles and Carlevato with a homer and single were



the hitting stars. The second game found Joe Lemanski letting down CBMU 564 with four scattered hits for a 5-2 win. In the third playoff game, the 16th NCB Homesteaders were held to one hit by Dybowski for a 3-1 victory. Madsen and Carlson with two hits each paced the seven hit attack. Lemanski's no-hitter in the fourth game insured the Rebels an easy victory over the 95th NCB Commandos. It was a swell pitching exhibition and Joe's best performance of the year. The 125th copped the championship by defeating the 43rd NCB Tropicaleuts 1-0, in the most thrilling game of the play-offs. Even with "Dybby" Dybowski allowing but two hits the issue was

Speed merchant George (Navy Day) Freeman's heady base running proved to be one of the deciding factors in the championship game. . . . Chief Black, popular male

in doubt until the last man was retired: but the Rebels

were not to be denied and added another Championship

nurse in our pill factory was a former shortstop in the Southern Association. . . . Petunias to Charley Gromley and "Rubberman" Carlson whose flashy infielding left little to be desired. . . . The addition of P. B. Lowery, Phil Herrington, Barney Bartels and the three redheads, Covey, Thro, and Sneddon strengthened the 1945 team, which won a berth in the All-Navy tournament in which we could not compete because of our hurried departure from Oahu. . . . Don Ruth and Mac McCormick played on State Championship teams; the last time Ruth played in World's Championship tournament he was a catcher. . . . Ross and Riggs, utility players, coached the bases in the playoffs and deserve credit for doing a splendid job.

Competition was keen throughout the tournament, but the toughest game was the final one. The 43rd Tropicaleuts had a swell softball team and proved great sports both on and off the field. It was a great day when the Rebels copped the title, but the proudest person was Lt. Calley who popped all the buttons on his vest.

Batter Up

to their laurels.

Out at first





Harry Semler presents Lt. (jg) Bill Calley with Central Pacific Basketball Championship Trophy

Championship team:
Ward Rockey*, Harold Semler, Clement Bain, Milo Riggs, George Bender, Johnnie Bobbitt,
Leo Groebner, Louis Fetterman, Charles Gromley, Robert Frankosky, Robert Carlson*, and
coach Lt. Norbert C. Gorski.
(* Selected on Seabee C.P.A. "All-Star" Team.)

BASKETBALL

Handicapped by the scattering of our battalion throughout the island, the sports outlook for the 125th was particularly bleak early in 1944. However, the Recreation Department was strictly on the ball and applied for a berth in the newly formed Seabee Basketball League. Transportation problems were quickly ironed out and after a few practice sessions, with Lieut. Norbert Gorski teaching the available talent the finer points of the game, league play began. The games were all played at the Army-Navy YMCA gymnasium in Honolulu, which, by the way, was a long tiresome ride for both players and spectators, but it seems that recreation derived the hard

way is appreciated the most. With hooting, howling Rebels packing the stands the team seemed inspired, often coming from behind to win a thrill-packed victory.

At the end of the "round robin" tournament the Rebels were tied for first place with the Kingbees and Shellbacks. Entering the playoffs the Rebels met the Reveleers and won easily. In the second game they met and defeated the highly touted Redmen. The final game with the 116th Celtics looked like certain defeat late in the last quarter, but with Bender, Carlson, and Rockey showing the way, the Rebels put on a spirited finish to win the Central Pacific Championship.

BOXING

The 125th boxers pictured below, Jimmy Farnen, Joe Cammarata, Billy Frazer, and Andres Madrid proved themselves capable scrappers as evidenced by their fine showing in the Seabee Athletic Association Golden Glove Tournament at the CHA-3 arena near Honolulu. They trained faithfully under the watchful eyes of "Bucky" Cable and "Pappy" Day, fighters of note in their own right, for weeks before the tourney started.

Jimmy Farnen, ring hopeful from New Haven, Conn., after wading through all competition, met the highly touted middleweight All-Service title holder, Booker Swindell, for the championship. To a large and enthusiastic audience Jimmy appeared well on his way toward dethroning Swindell, but suffered a cut over his left eye in coming out of a clinch. The referee, rather than risk permanent injury to Farnen, stopped the bout. Neither the crowd's disapproval nor Jimmy's entreaties swayed the referee's decision and the fight went into the books as a TKO for Swindell. However, Jimmy won the consolation bracket title the following week with a brilliant display of ring generalship. In civilian life Farnen was a pugilist of some note, winning eight professional bouts and losing two, by decision.

Joe Cammarata, hard, fast punching lightweight will be remembered by Rebel boxing enthusiasts for the thrilling fights he waged with the experienced Al Kalua, reigning service lightweight title holder in the Hawaiian area. Joe dropped a very unpopular decision to Kalua in the finals of the Athletic Association tournament. In a smoker at Moanalua Ridge they fought a second time - Joe was again returned the loser in an even more unpopular decision, but he proved himself a better fighter to everyone present except a nearsighted referee and judge. Cammarata has an excellent service boxing record, winning the majority of his bouts in the various camp smokers. He hails from Baltimore, Maryland, where for five years he fought in local amateur and professional rings. His professional record - three fights won, four lost, and one draw. He is the former holder of the Maryland AAU lightweight chamionship and was the runnerup in the state Gloden Glove tournament. Joe is young - twentyone years old, and upon return to civilian life has a promising career ahead of him in the squared circle.



Pugilists in action

Billy Frazer, a husky Alabama lad, began his boxing career when he joined the Seabees. A hard worker and willing pupil he developed rapidly under the tutelage of Day and Cable. Billy made a very creditable showing in the Seabee tourney, winning the consolation welter title by defeating the clever Al Nation. To prove his first victory no fluke, Billy decisioned Nation again in a return bout fought at our first anniversary luau.

Andres Madrid started fighting (in the ring) when he joined the 125th. Winner of the majority of his fights at monthly smokers, he was entered in the CHA-3 tournament. He won his first go with a one round knockout but lost a close decision in the second. Madrid is an unusually hard puncher and with more experience should hold his own with the best middleweights.

Boxing, from the morale and spectator standpoint was one of the most successful of all Rebel sport activities.

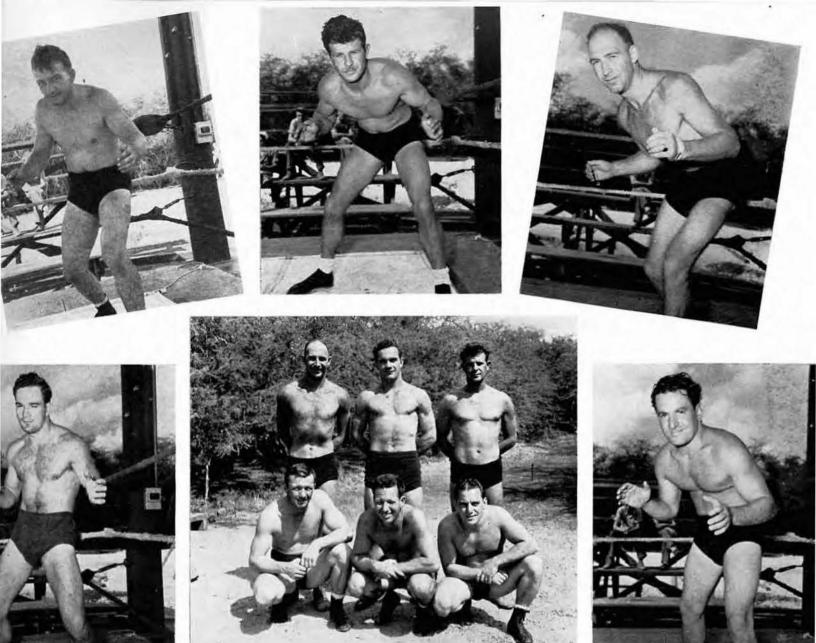
Farnen Cammarata Frazer Madrid











Wrestlers

Back Row (l to r): J. A. Dirks, R. A. Tucker, J. J. Morris; Front Row (l to r): E. J. Huot, J. A. Odewalt, E. A. Ronallo.

WRESTLING

The Rebel Wrestling Team entered the All-Navy Tournament at Nimitz Bowl, Pearl Harbor. Winners in this tournament met the army to decide the All-Service CPA Championship.

The 125th team coached by Ralph Tucker did well. Gene Ranallo, a wrestler from Kent State College, was nosed out on points for the title in the 145 pound class. "Johnny" Morris, who successfully competed in wrestling while attending Colorado State Teachers College, lost a close decision in the best match of the evening to Chief Deffner, former Oklahoma A&M Champ and perhaps the best 165 pounder at the present time. Both Ranallo and Morris were awarded medals as runners-up to the Navy Champs.

Ralph Tucker and "Eddie" Huot both are very clever wrestlers. While stationed on Oahu, they met several top ranking "grunt and groan" exponents in exhibition matches at Honolulu Civic Auditorium and in the world famous Schofield Bowl. Large groups of Rebel supporters attended these exciting matches. Tucker was National Prep School Champ in 1937 and Penn State Champ (YMCA) in 1938.

Hout also is no novice and can take care of himself in the ring. During his ten day embarkation leave he spent enough time in the squared circle to win the New England Lightweight Championship.

Jack Odewalt who wrestles in the 135 pound class is a well known amateur from West Virginia, but just couldn't make the weight the night of the Championships.

John Dirks was eliminated in the All-Navy tournament, losing on points in a very close contest in the 155 pound class. Before entering the service he wrestled for the Boston YMCA and YMCU.





Expert

BOWLING

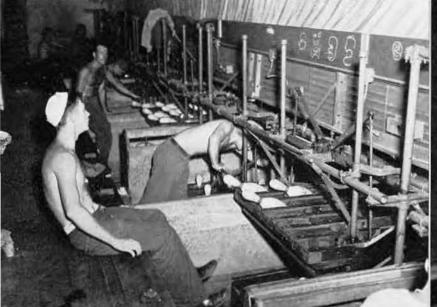
As civilians a favorite sport of many members of the 125th Battalion was bowling. Realizing this, the recreation department reserved sixteen alleys for afternoon and evening play at one of Honolulu's best bowling alleys located near exclusive Waikiki Beach. A bowling organization was formed, and Frank Bozak was elected secretary. Afternoon and evening leagues of 8 teams each were formed with one team being called the "Rough 'n Ready's," and the other "The Buck an' a Quarter," names being derived from the battalion slogan and official battalion publication. Liberal ships service credit was given to the winner and runner-up in each League, making competition keen in handicap play. At the end of a curtailed season the two

leading teams in each league met to decide the title. The "Rough 'n Ready" team of Goglia, Babccek, Gostyla, Kumer, Hammarberg and Homling defeated the other three entries. Runner-up honors went to the other "Rough 'n Ready" entry. However, individual scoring honors were won by representatives of the "Buck an' a Quarter" League with Krause defeating Roman for individual high scoring average. A score of 226, rolled by Roth was high for a single game.

Manpower shortage was alleviated because of the splendid sportmanship shown by fellows who turned out each week to set pins so their mates could enjoy this weekly bowling party.

Not all fun









Wolley ball team

Back Row (I to r): C. R. Cunningham, R. S. Carlson, L. M. Fetterman, Chief J. W. Black.

Front Row (I to r): Lt. (jg) E. S. Janett, S. J. Sowinski, H. J. Madsen, and M. M. Riggs.



The Rebel Volleyball Team finished the 1944 season with a record of four wins and three defeats. Chief Black acted as manager as well as being a "star" player himself.

During our stay on Oahu there was only one interbattalion volleyball league. However, volleyball was one of the most popular sports and there was continual competition between platoons and companies within the battalion.

ROCKEY AND CARLSON

Rockey and Carlson are names often used together in the 125th Battalion, Bosom buddies and all around athletes, both are 21 years of age, 6'1" tall, and tip the scales at 175 pounds.

Ward Rockey, whose home is Olympia, Washington, attended college at Washington State before he joined the Scabees. He attributes his success in athletics to his father, a well known coach on the Pacific Coast. Possessing a great arm and rare pitching ability, a brilliant future may be in store for him in organized baseball.

Robert Carlson, who hails from New Britain, Conn., majored in Business Administration at Harvard University before entering the service of his country. Active in all athletics, his main interest is baseball, already having had a try-out with the Boston Red Sox.

Both "Bob" and "Rock" were stars on the Rebel basketball team and were selected on the Mythical All-Star CPA Basketball team. They were the Rebel representatives on the Seabee Invaders All-Stars team.

W. M. Rockey and R. S. Carlson





C.P.A. Seabee Horseshoe Champs A. J. Ross and J. S. White

HORSESHOES

The third championship trophy to be awarded to athletic teams of the 125th Battalien was presented to James S. White and Allan J. Ross for their feat of winning the Doubles Championship in the Horseshoe Pitching Tournament held at Pearl Harbor.

Ross and White were undefeated in six rounds and the championship match, defeating Long and Krable by a 6-2 score to cop the crown. Ross was runner-up in the singles tournament, dropping a close match to Morberry in the deciding game.

Competition in the tournament was keen, as many of the "barn-yard" sport aces were entered. Winners were forced to average fifty per-cent ringers.

"TINY" CHECICKI

One of the stalwarts of the Seabees Stingers football team, a squad of "stars" representing all Seabees in the Central Pacific area, was Francis "Tiny" Checicki of the 125th Battalion.

"Tiny" was born in West Lynn, Mass., and still makes that city his home. While attending high school he was selected on the All-State eleven. He played with the Providence Steamrollers in 1938-'39, alternating at guard and tackle. However, even in his pro football days he never was forced to pit his 245 pounds of brawn against such a host of classy All-Americans as was his lot in the Seabees.

F. S. Checicki





"C" Company, Battalion softball champs
Back Row (l to r): J. Woron, E. Gostyla, G. S. Ogle, A. J. Ross, R. S.
Carlson.

Front Row (l to r): W. Hertel, J. Roman, P. Lowery, F. Dybowski, H. Kolsrud.

Also on the team were Mullings, Marcotte, Buchanan, Ruth, D'Aguanno, Thro, Immel, Cunningham, Rockey, Hedges, Childress, McCormick, Long, Bliss, Stein, Norgren, G. Cook, Carpenter. "B" Company, Runners-up
Back Row (l to r): P. Herrington, C. Gromley, W. Jordan, B. Bartel.
R. Tryon, J. Lemanski,
Front Row (l to r): Chief Clemens, E. Dugovich, L. Bradford, K. A
kinson, L. Dickey.

Also on the team were Groebner, Fronczak, Dudek, Storey, Semle Carlevato, Sneddon.

COMPANY SPORTS

During the 125th Battalion's stay at Hawaii, Company and Platoon sports were very popular, especially after the detached groups once again were united at Camp Dowell. There under the supervision of the Recreation Department, ball diamonds, basket and volley-ball courts, in fact almost every facility to aid in physical development and pleasure were crected.

The Battalion Softball Tournament at Camp Dowell had an entry of seven teams, this included a team for each Company, Officers, Chiefs, and the Renegades, comprising players of any group not playing on any of the other teams. The tournament ended with C Company being crowned champs and B Company finishing in second place. Ship's Service credits as prizes were awarded the top two teams.

In the Battalion Handball Meet at Camp Andrews, all honors were won by C Company. The quarter finals winners were Otto Sempf, Eddie Huot, Robert Cunningham and John Dirks. In the playoffs Otto Sempf won the title in a close match over John Dirks, the runner-up.

Headquarters Company won the Company and Platoon Volleyball competition, H5 won, A1 was second, and D3 third. Prizes were awarded all three teams. Winning team players were Q. Hammontree, T. Sneddon, R. James, J. E. Ray, R. St. Germain, P. Bird, H. Long and J. Hampton.

B Company, runners-up in the Battalion Tournament, had an enviable record in independent play during the period they were detached and located at Lualualei Naval Radio Station. During this period they won the station title in softball twice, defeating the best the Navy, Marines, Old Salts, and Officers and Chiefs had to offer. The Bee-co's also finished third in the strong Waianae Valley League. Lualualei's tennis courts afforded splendid rec-

reation for many, all facilities for sports were better than average and B Company enjoyed their stay at the Radio Station.

D Company, detached from the Battalion the longest, was located at Wahiawa Naval Radio Station. They found it necesary to concentrate on sports independently; however, during their stay in the hills of Wahiawa they had a full sports program in progress. The softball team which entered the station league played a fine brand of ball, although not winning the title, they were a menace to the top teams in every game. Members of the team were H. Marriott, D. Bull, J. McCarron, E. Grider, J. Bankos, R. Connone, P. Freehling, M. Burke, W. Coplen, B. Bradford, T. Eaton, G. Sticka, S. Scapellato, C. Poznanski, and J. Curylo, manager.

A basketball team was organized by Tom Eaton, with Chief Cifers taking over the coaching duties. The team won all first round games in the station league competition. Weather conditions made it necessary to call off the second round play, however, so by virtue of D Company's first round record they were declared Station Champions.

In softball and baseball the unsung heros are the much-abused umpires. The 125th umpiring trio of J. Curylo, F. Bozak, and W. Talbott proved themselves very capable and gained the respect of both players and spectators.

On Okinawa recreation was non-existent for nearly three months while the battalion worked under pressure to complete all projects before the deadline date. When time permitted, Carradine Stadium was built into one of the best athletic fields in the area including facilities for baseball, softball, tennis, volleyball, boxing and wrestling, deck tennis, and handball.



HOBBY LOBBY

The battalion's stay on Oahu offered opportunities for many men's latent talents to take deep root and blossom forth in the form of handicraft or hobby lobby, as the response to the creative urge is more aptly named. While there, to help while away the long monotonous evenings, no better choice was to be found than "hobby lobby." To many this popular pastime was profitable; to all it was a source of enjoyment, especially to those who received the finished articles as gifts. Home was usually the final destination of many discarded piece of metal or wood after being retrieved by an observing Seabee and under his capable hands developed into a thing of beauty and usefulness.

Actually, there was never an official hobby lobby program. No one is sure just where it started, but it was probably born after the battalion had separated to various bases on Oahu and the men had settled and became accustomed to routine garrison life. Camp Dowell was the only place where a shop was given over solely to the pursuit of handicraft activities. Elsewhere, the men worked wherever the opportunity presented itself; in their living quarters or the various shops, especially the carpenter and sheet metal shops where the most essential tools were to be found.

Brass shell casings were always easy to obtain. From these a variety of attractive and useful articles were created; notable among these were lamps, cigarette lighters, picture frames, salt and pepper shakers, and candle holders.

Many ambitious craftsmen spent off time in the mountains and forests dragging out logs of native woods. The most popular and attractive variety was the "monkey pod" so called because the nuts the tree bore resembled a monkey's face. The working of this wood required meticulous care and patience. At Dowell, the wood working shop was filled each evening with men carefully gouging out this wood which eventually would be beautiful Hawaiian leaf trays, bowls, and jewel boxes.

Lovely jewelry was made of shells acquired after long hours of probing among the reefs and crevices of coastal waters in search of lustrous brown cowrie shells. These







"D" Company's Thunderbolt with builders and kibitzers (1 to r standing): E. B. Froke, E. W. Julian, M. J. O'Connor, A. G. Wein, J. L. Mercier, O. O. Hosmer, E. Medved, T. Tollejson, J. E. Lovell, J. R. Woods. Seated on Thunderbolt is V. J. Miglino.

later became attractive necklaces, bracelets, and brooches.

At a nearby airport, a considerable amount of aluminum, lucite, or plexiglas could be salvaged from wrecked planes. From these materials emerged a multitude of attractive articles. The aluminum made lovely bracelets, which when polished and engraved were fitting enough to grace the arm of any beautiful girl. The lucite added the colorful finishing touch to picture frames, knife handles, ear rings, brooches, and pendants.

Rings were made by the grinding out of solid blocks of stainless steel and through the tedious pounding out of quarter and half dollar pieces. An abundant amount of durable watch bands which will last a lifetime were shaped from strips of stainless steel. Many knives were made from such seemingly useless material as discarded jeep springs, files, and saw blades. Attractive rugs were created by weaving together differently colored string.

The high point of hobby lobby uniqueness and ingenuity was reached when several men of Company D combined their talents and manufactured a small car from cast-off parts obtained from various military motor grave-yards and salvage dumps. They very appropriately named the little three-wheeled, one seater, "The Thunderbolt."

On Okinawa, many hours were spent repairing and polishing Japanese rifles, bayonets, and machine guns.

Several artists and cartoonists contribued their talents to the Buck an' a Quarter, the battalion publication. They also painted attractive oriental designs on gabardine field jackets while in the Ryukyus which was the rage at that time.

Many men who discovered that they had a hidden aptitude for craftwork will now have a fuller and richer life, thanks to "Hobby Lobby."



Hand power



Machine power



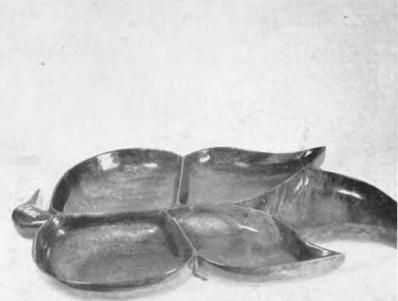
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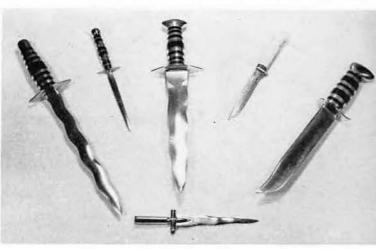
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Something to be proud of

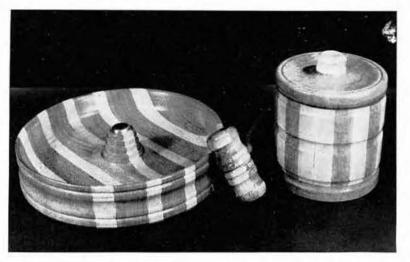


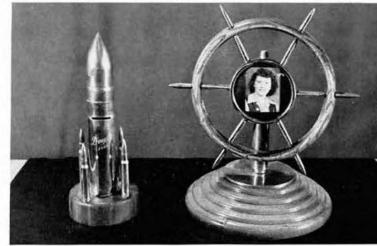














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BATTALION EMBLEM

Shortly after the 125th was organized at Camp Peary it was decided the battalion should have its own individual emblem to distinguish our battalion from other Seabee units. A contest was conceived by Lieut. A. L. Roe and while the battalion was taking its advanced training at Camp Endicott, several men in the battalion designed and drew their emblems in color. Competition was keen and the decision was close, but the design submitted by James L. Johnstone was adjudged first prize winner. Paul Hoyte and Harold Nilson won second and third prizes.

The awards were given by Commander S. L. MacIntosh at the battalion's first show at Camp Endicott. By then James Johnstone was known as Jimmy and his inimitable ability to sing scotch ballads was known throughout the battalion. Credit for the motto, "Rough and Ready" which Jimmy used goes to Howard Glasser.

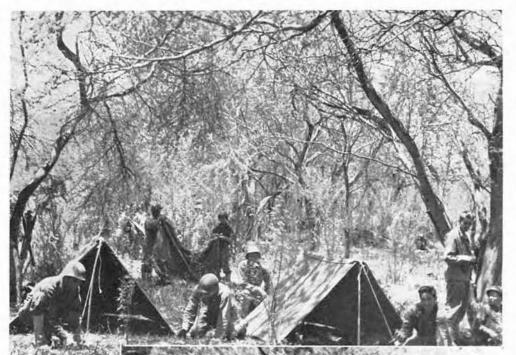
Edward Lehtola and Roy Anderson were commissioned to carve a plaque to be placed in the gallery among those of all other battalions that passed through Endicott. With the help of William Bembry two plaques

were completed and one was presented to Captain Rogers on the day the battalion was commissioned.

While the battalion was stationed at Camp Parks, George Bridger cast several plaster replicas of the original emblem. One of these plaques hangs among those of other battalions at Camp Parks and another has traveled with the battalion nearly half way around the world.

Our emblem is a significant and well thought out design. The crossed rifle and shovel signify that we are prepared for working or fighting. Below this is the official Seabee emblem and in the upper section of the crossed rifle and shovel is 125 N C B, our battalion's designated number. Above the golden yellow shield are the profiles of two Seabees with helmets, one carrying a rifle and the other a surveyor's transit. They denote our skill at both construction and fighting trades. Between them the torch of liberty. The shield rests on two logs which are held in the shape of V for victory by a rope tied with a square knot. The logs signify one of our construction materials. Encircling the whole is a blue ribbon with the gold motto "Rough and Ready."

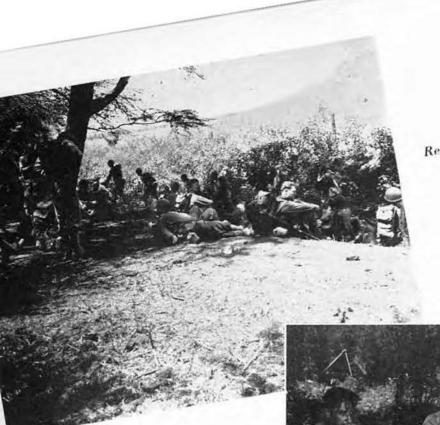




Pitching pup tents



Outpost



Resting



Cooks enjoying "K" rations



Homeward bound

J U N G L



Village fighting

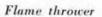
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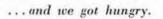


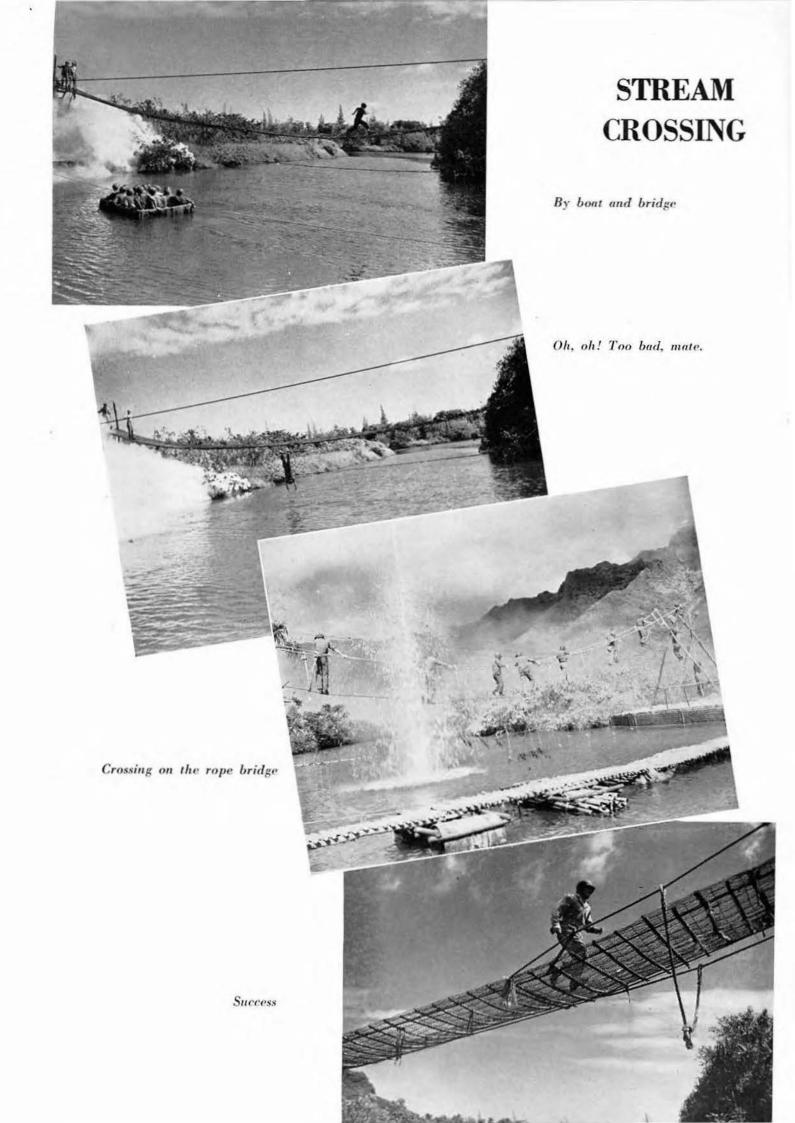
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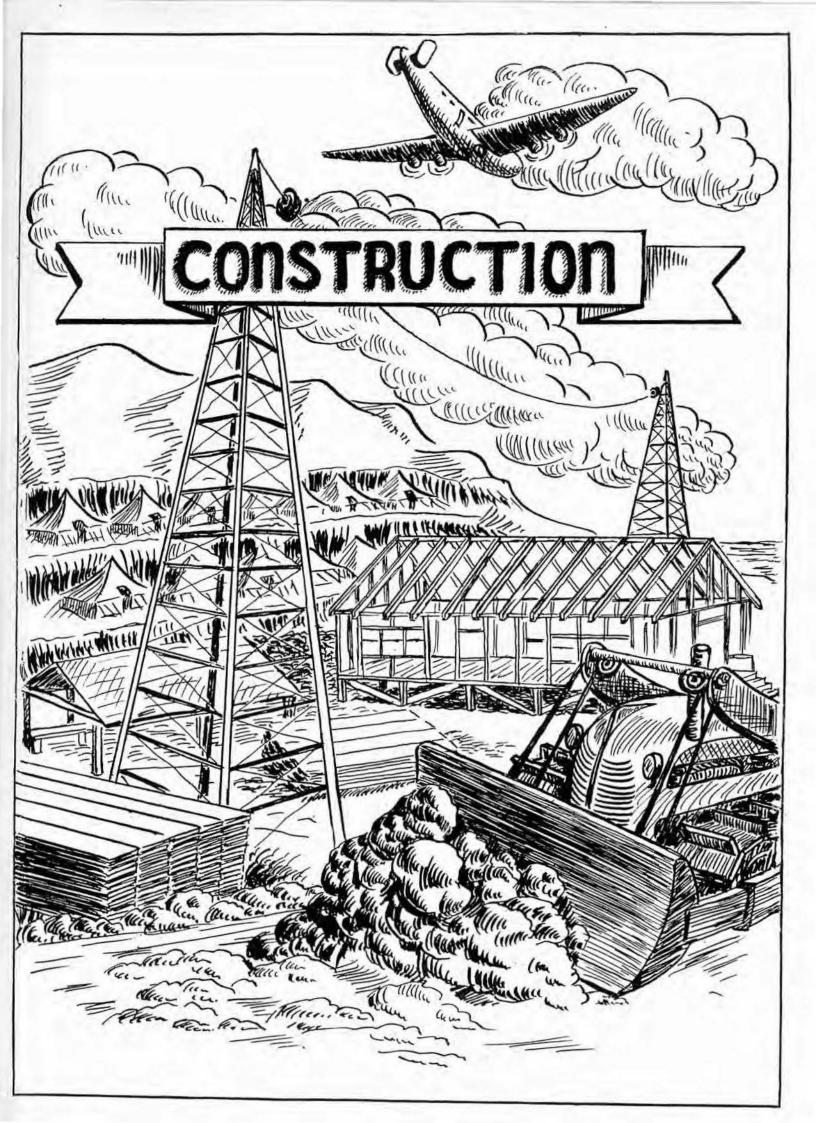


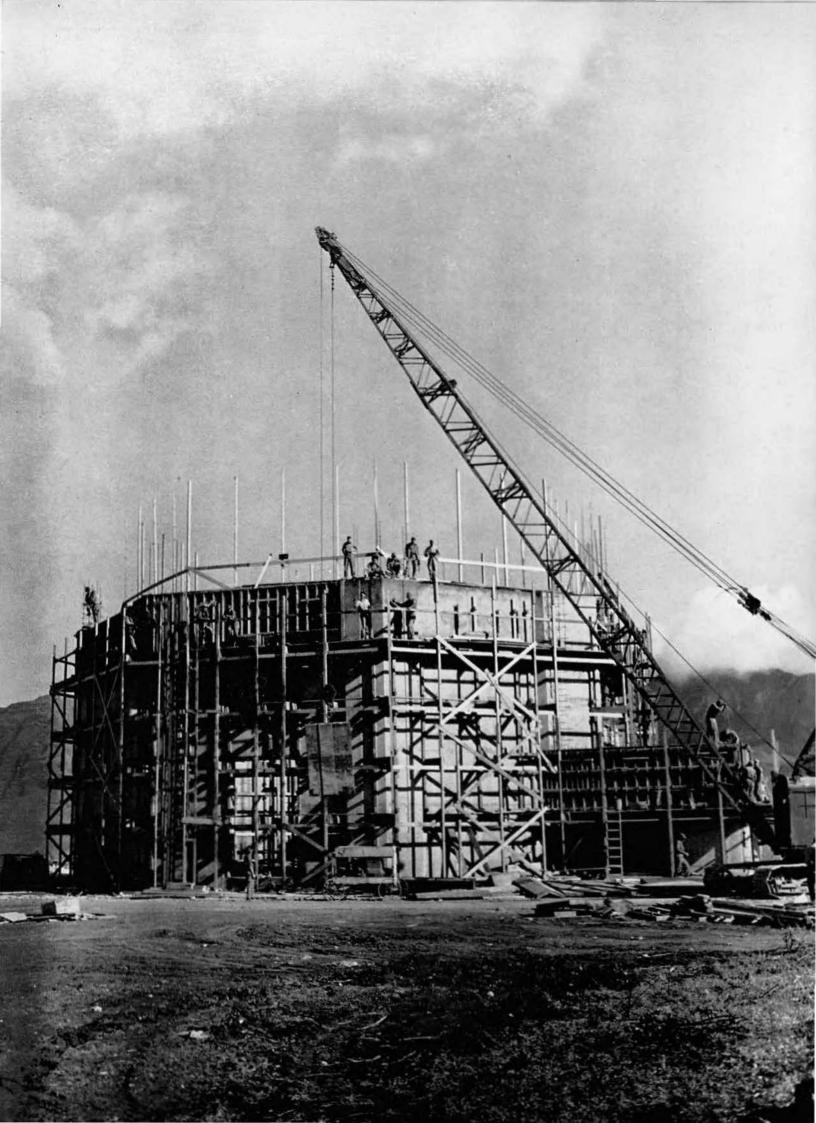


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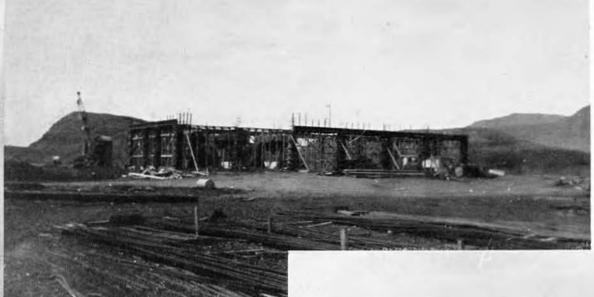
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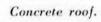




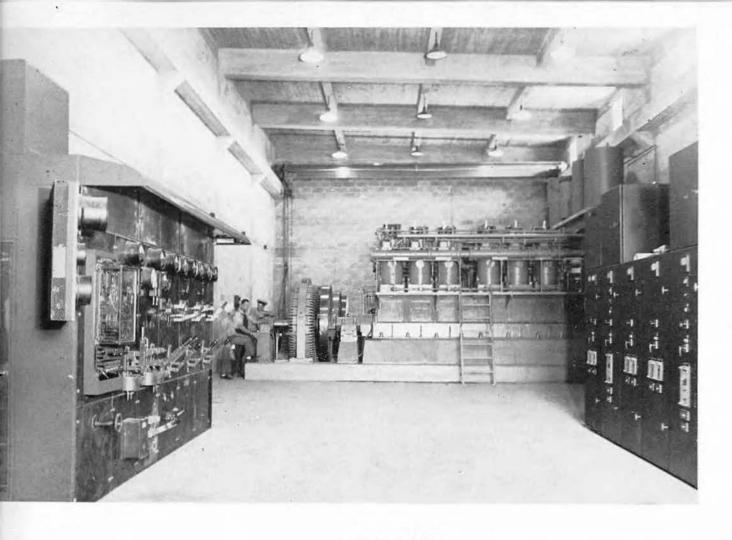
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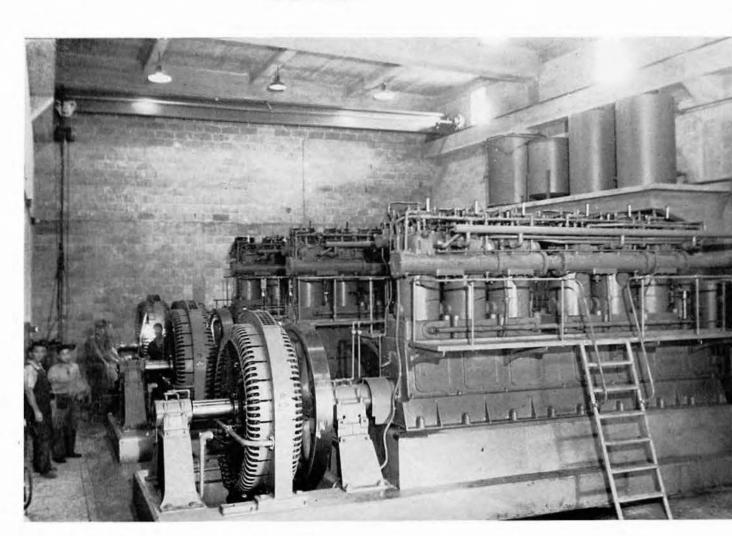
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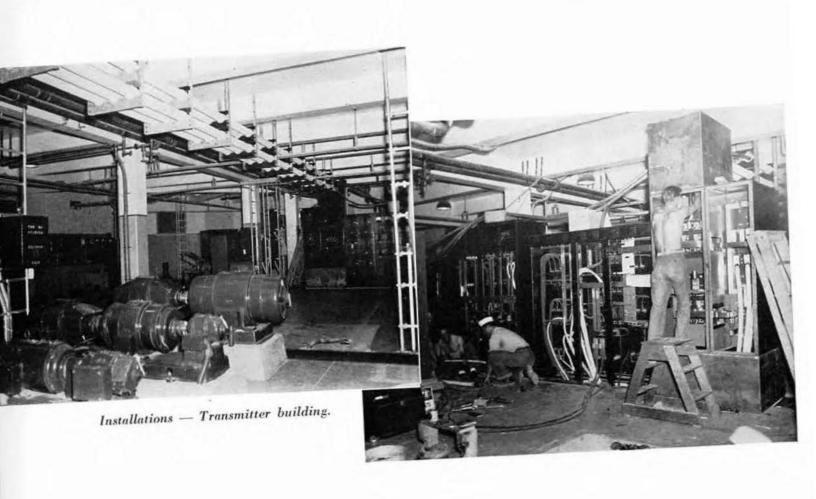
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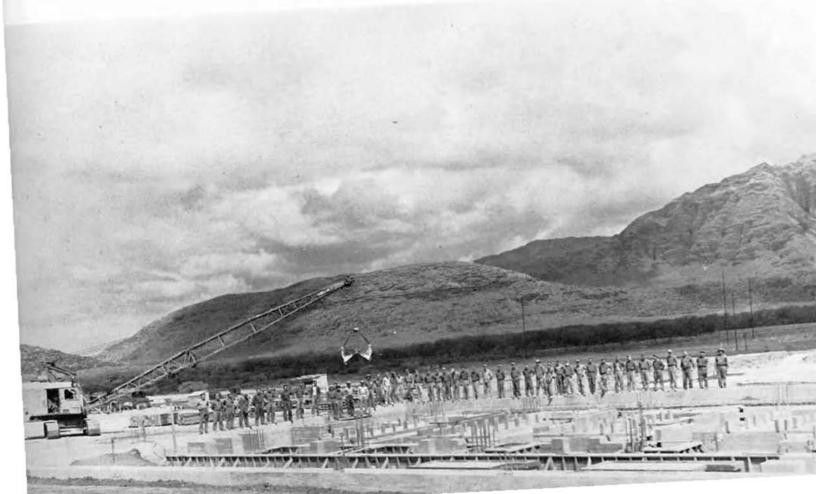




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2400 K.W. Generator building.





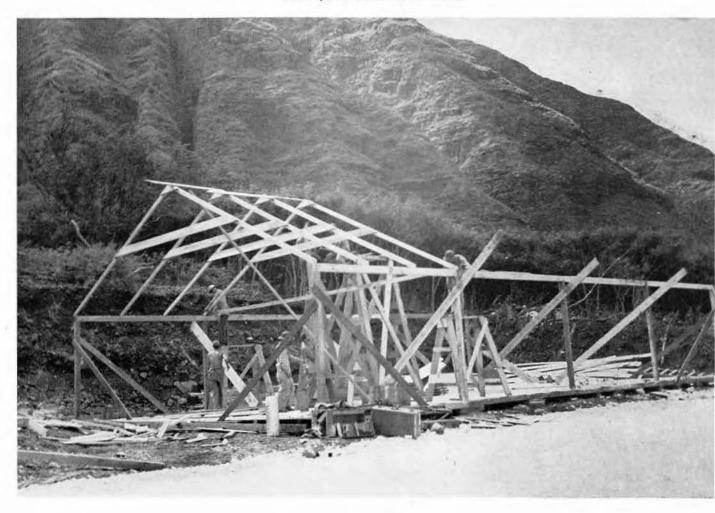




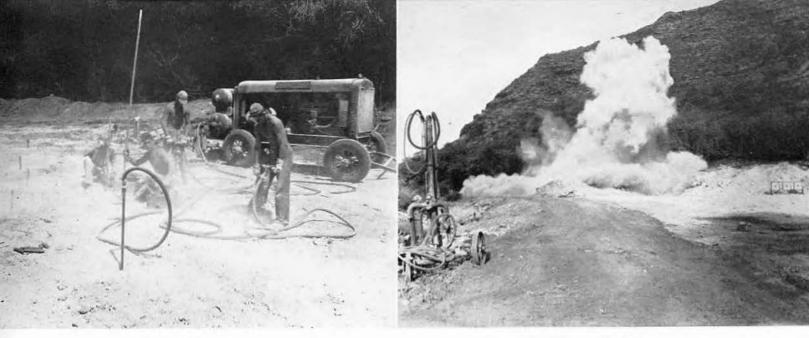


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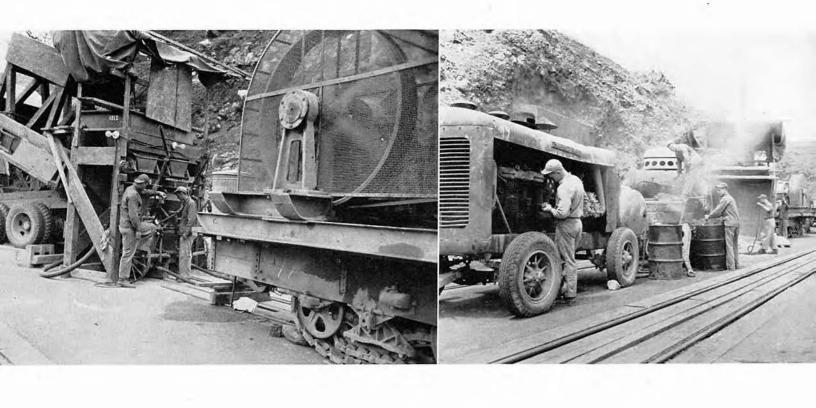
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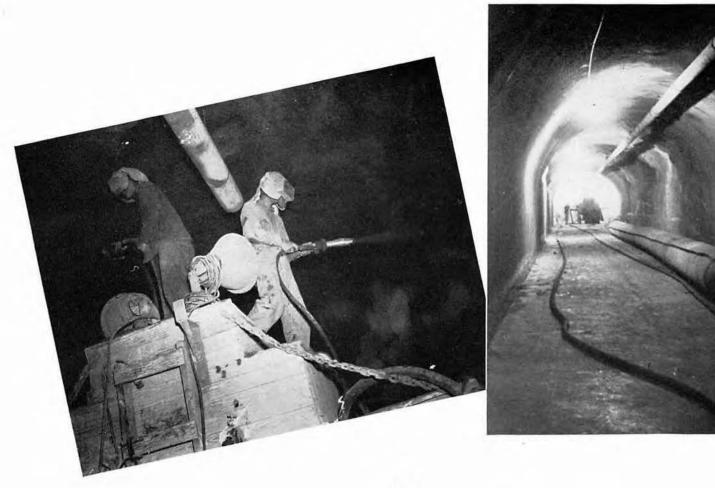
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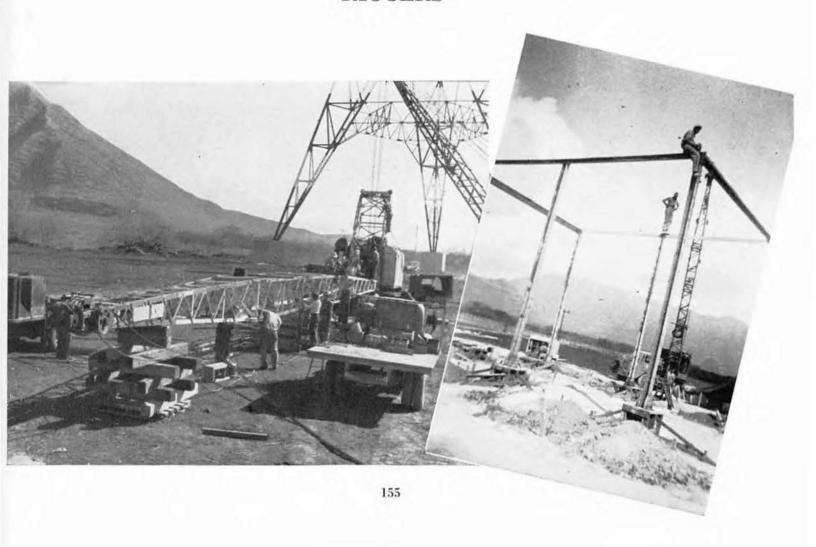
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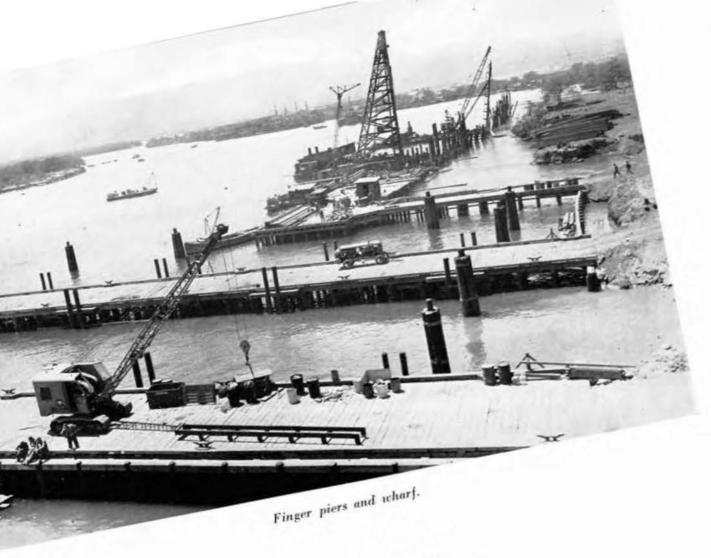




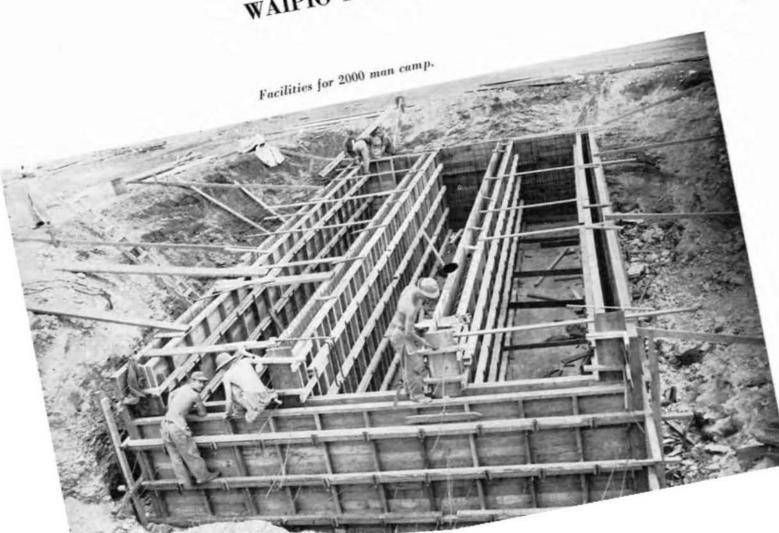


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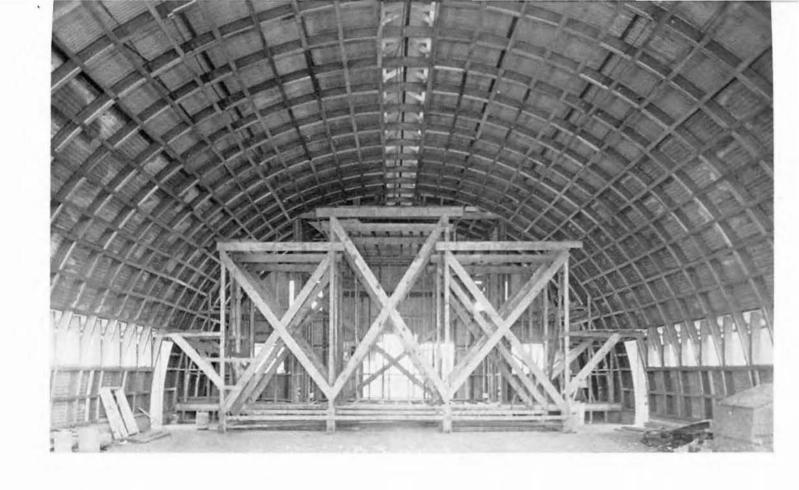




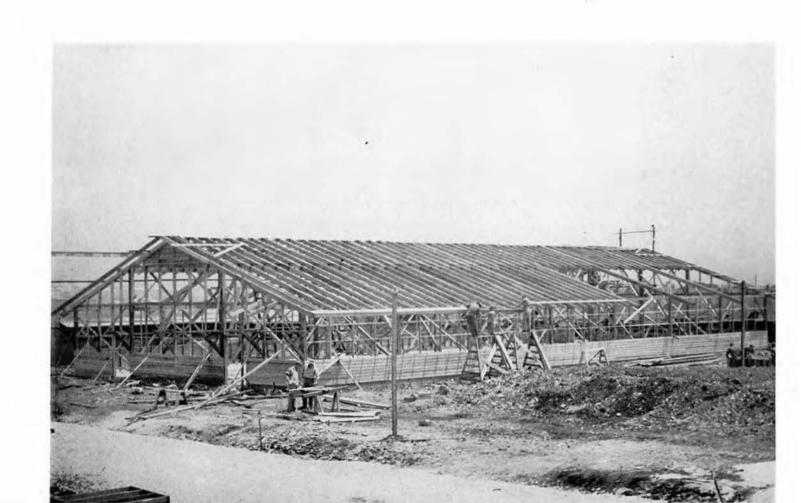
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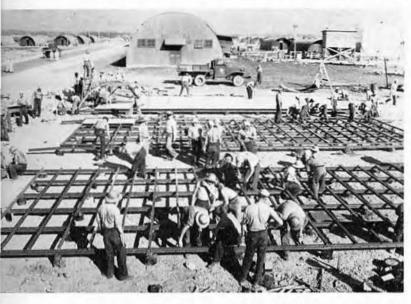




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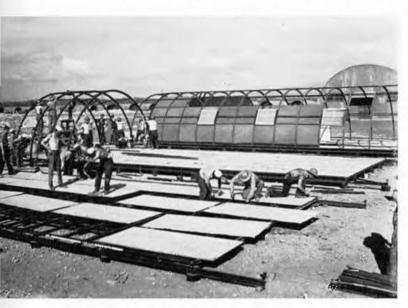
QUONSETS BUILT IN RECORD TIME



Morning . . .



Filling out the ribs.



Floor goes down . . .



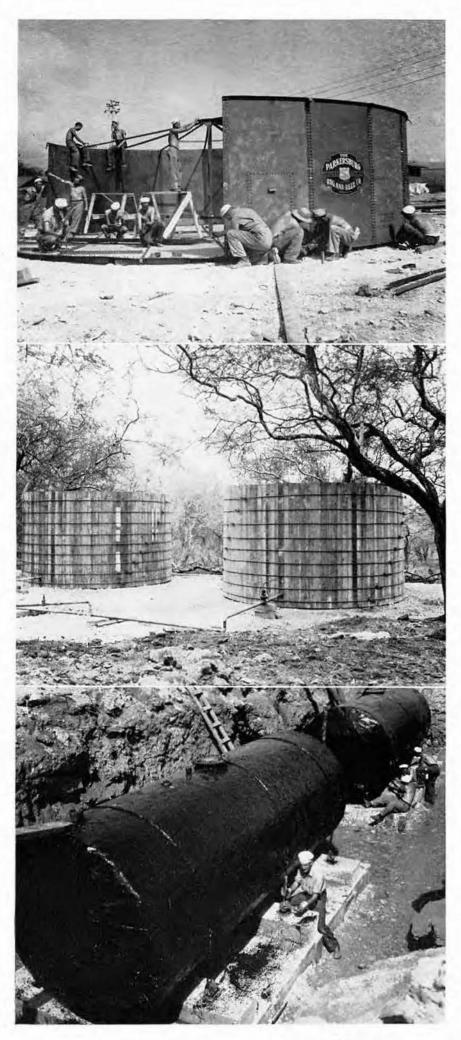
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Presto, Chango.

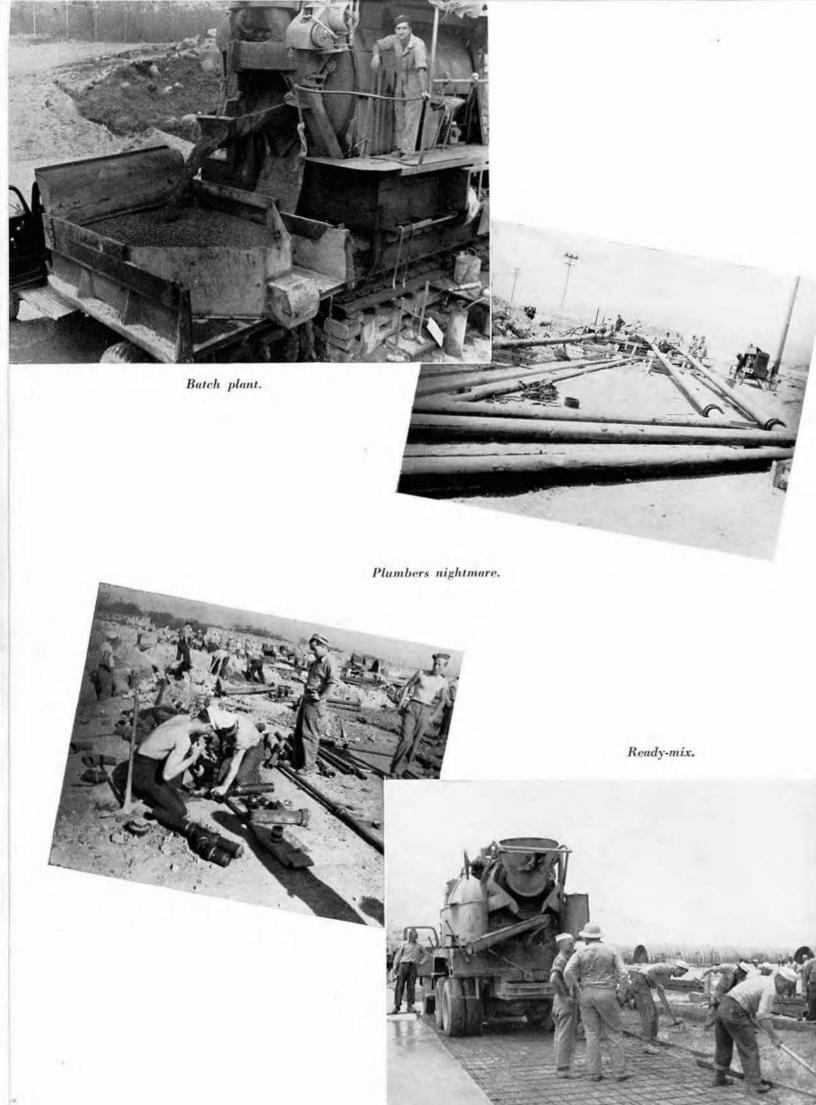


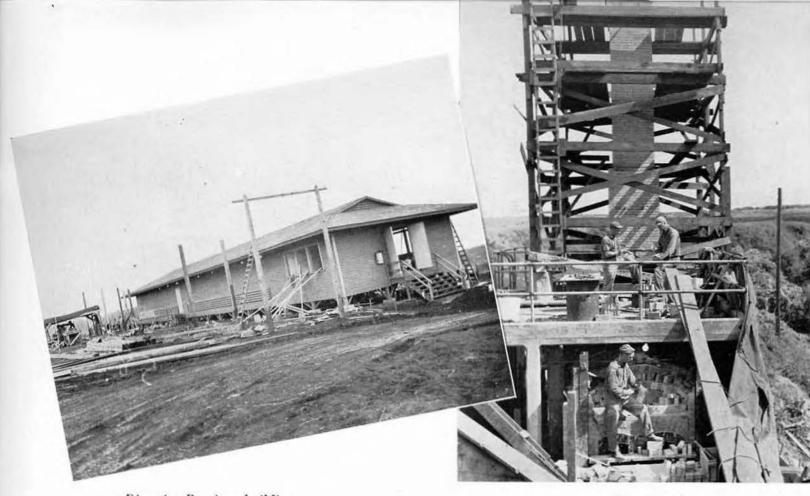
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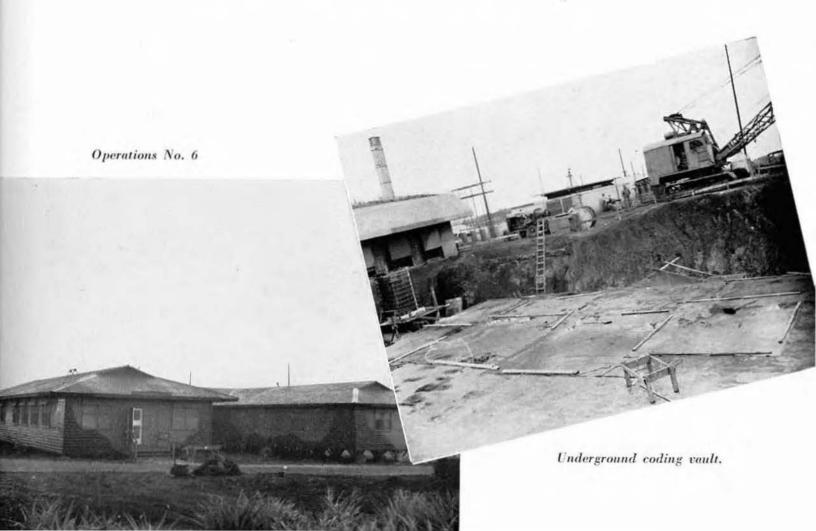




Diversity Receiver building.

Incinerator.

NAVAL RADIO STATION, WAHIAWA



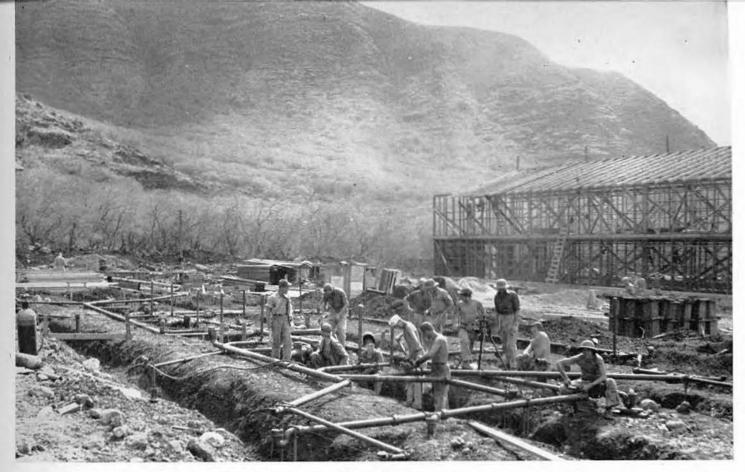
Railroads.



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Loading dock.





Barracks.



Carpenters.





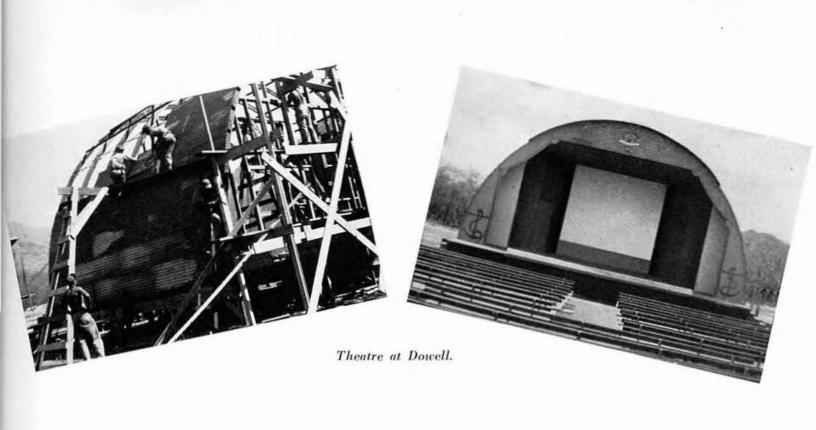


BARBER'S POINT

... and motors.

Sanitation squad.







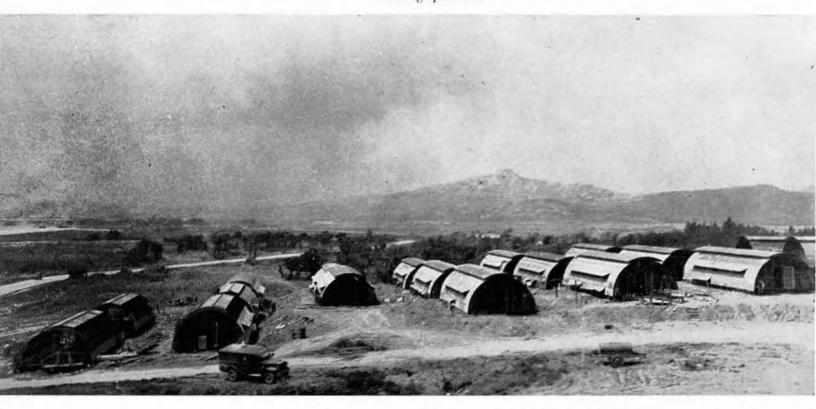




Chow halls.

NAVAL AIR BASE, YONABARU

Living quarters.



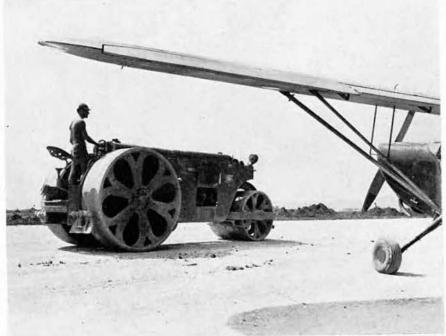


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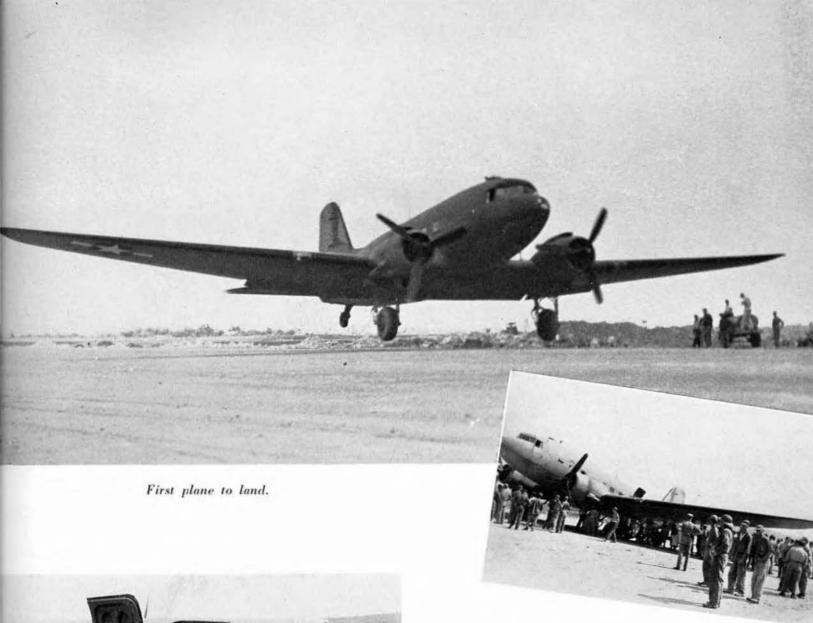










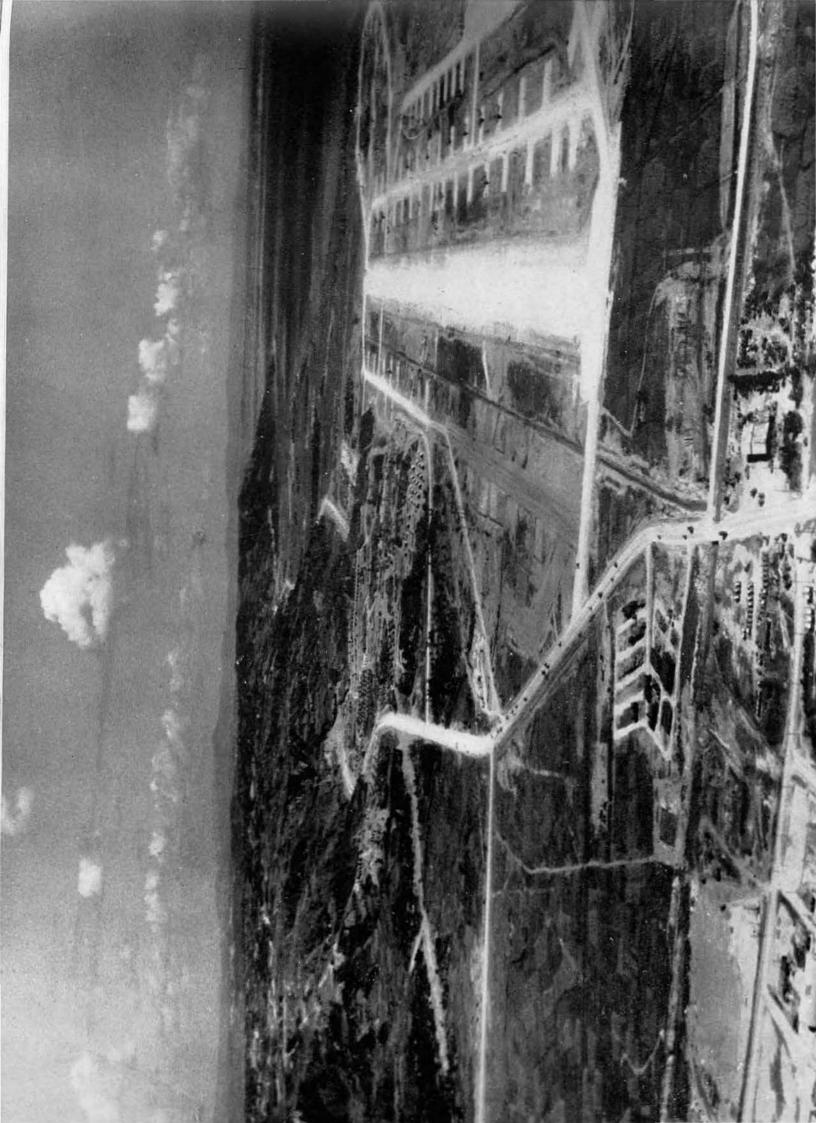


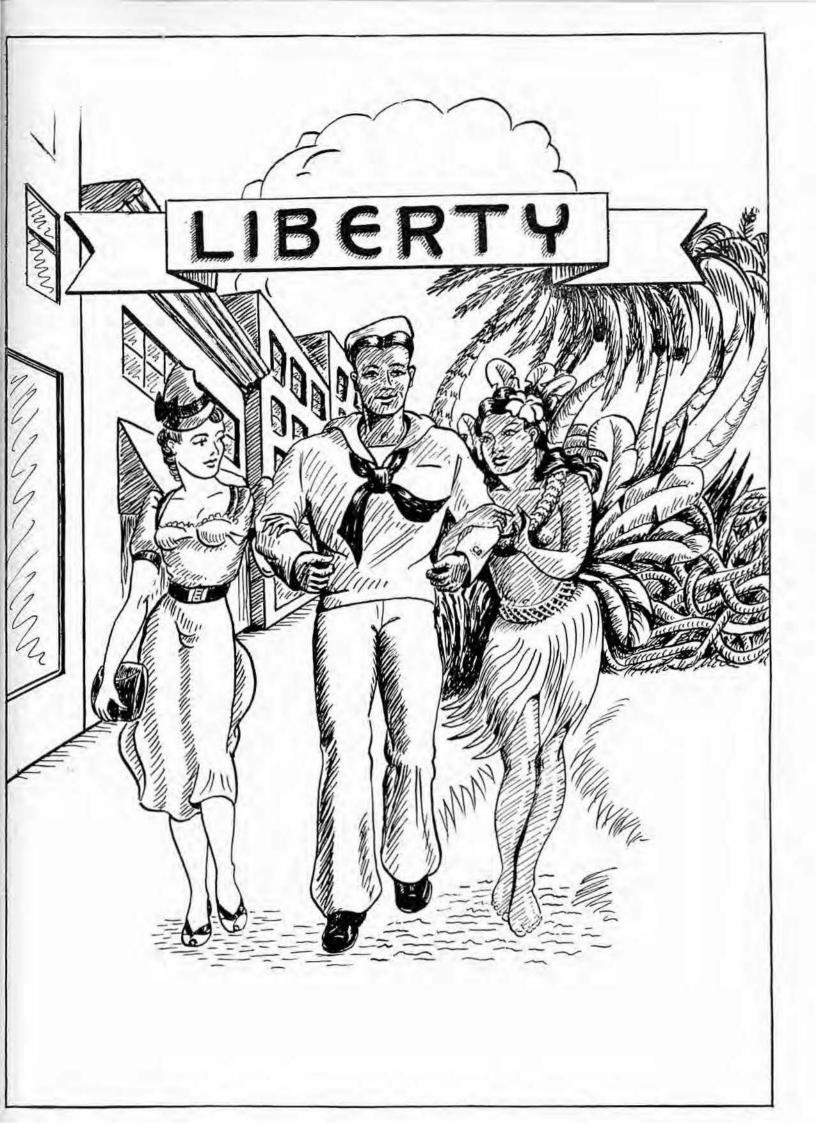


Inspectors.



Constructors.









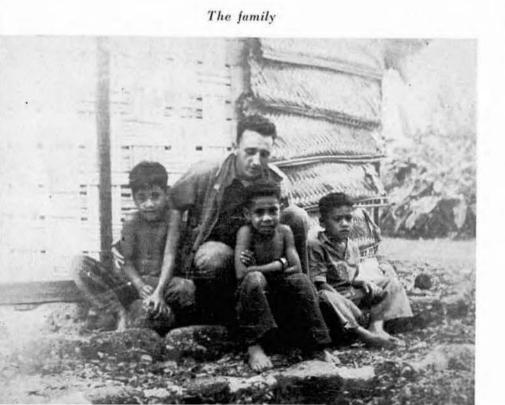
Waianae U.S.O.

Waikiki Beach





Young hula dancer



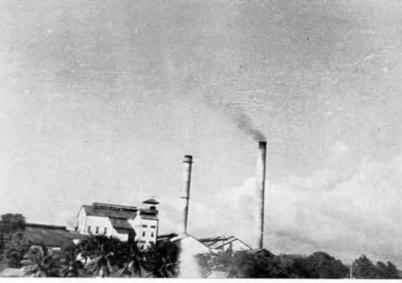
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Little Lulu

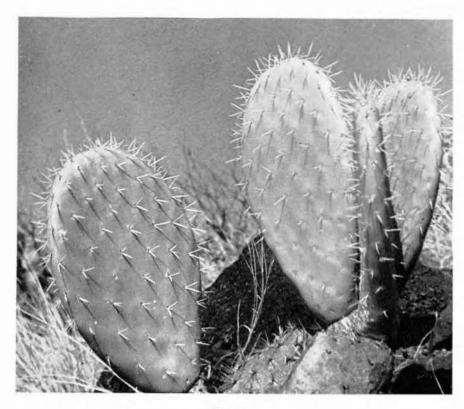




Church at Waipahu



Sugar mill, Waipahu



Cactus

Beach combers

Afternoon refreshments







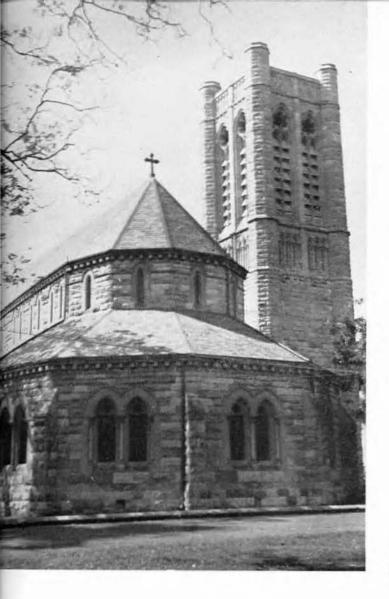
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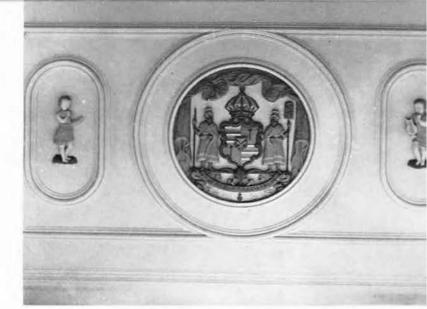
Ye olde pineapple



Spraying insecticide on pineapple







Hawaiian Coat of Arms

St. Andrew's Church

Administration Building, University of Hawaii





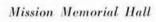
Iolani Palace

Judiciary Building





Honolulu Hale (City Hall)







Where the elite meet to eat

Kaena Point

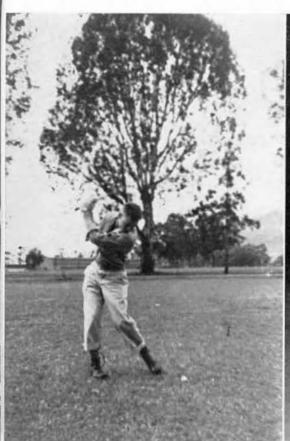




Ala Wai Canal

Library of Hawaii







Fore

C. M. "Muscles" Richardson receives medal for meritorious service.

Chief Lee receives the Purple Heart.





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PARTIES



Cooks Christmas Party, 1944

Chief Greene's birthday cake.

F. B. Clay's "Welcome Back" Party



A. D. Rankin's birthday party.





Hamburgers



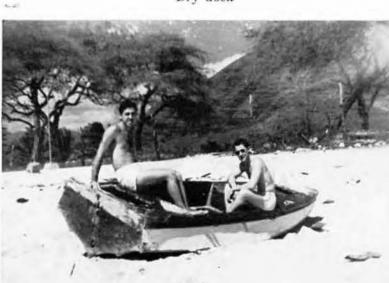
Harvard — 1902



Steaks



Dry dock





Bathing beauties



With



Without



Oh you kid!!!

SALON SECTION

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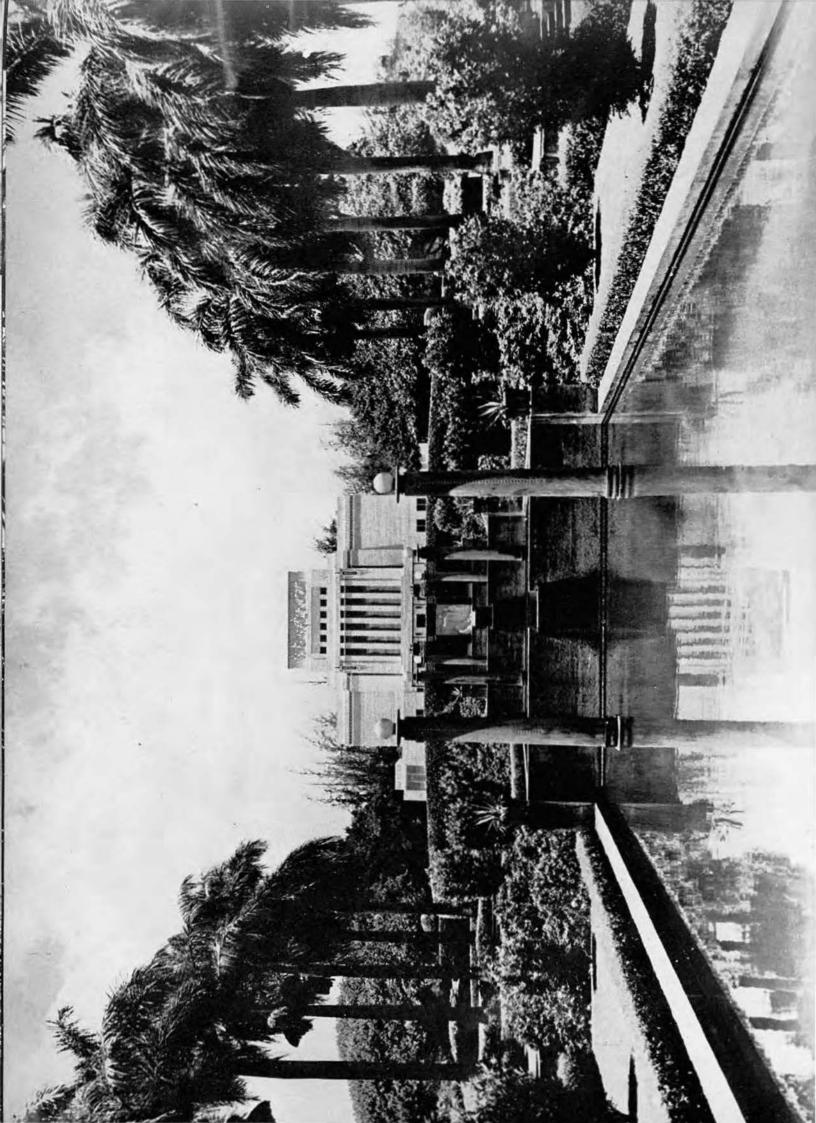
- 1. Lighthouse at foot of Diamond Head Coastguard Lookout station.
- 2. Royal Hawaiian
- 3. Diamond Head
- 4. Palm Trees
- 5. Mormon Temple and grounds
- 6. Century Plant at Mormon Temple
- 7. Royal Palms at Ewa Plantation
- 8. Cocoanut cluster
- 9. Kancohe Bay from Pali Pass

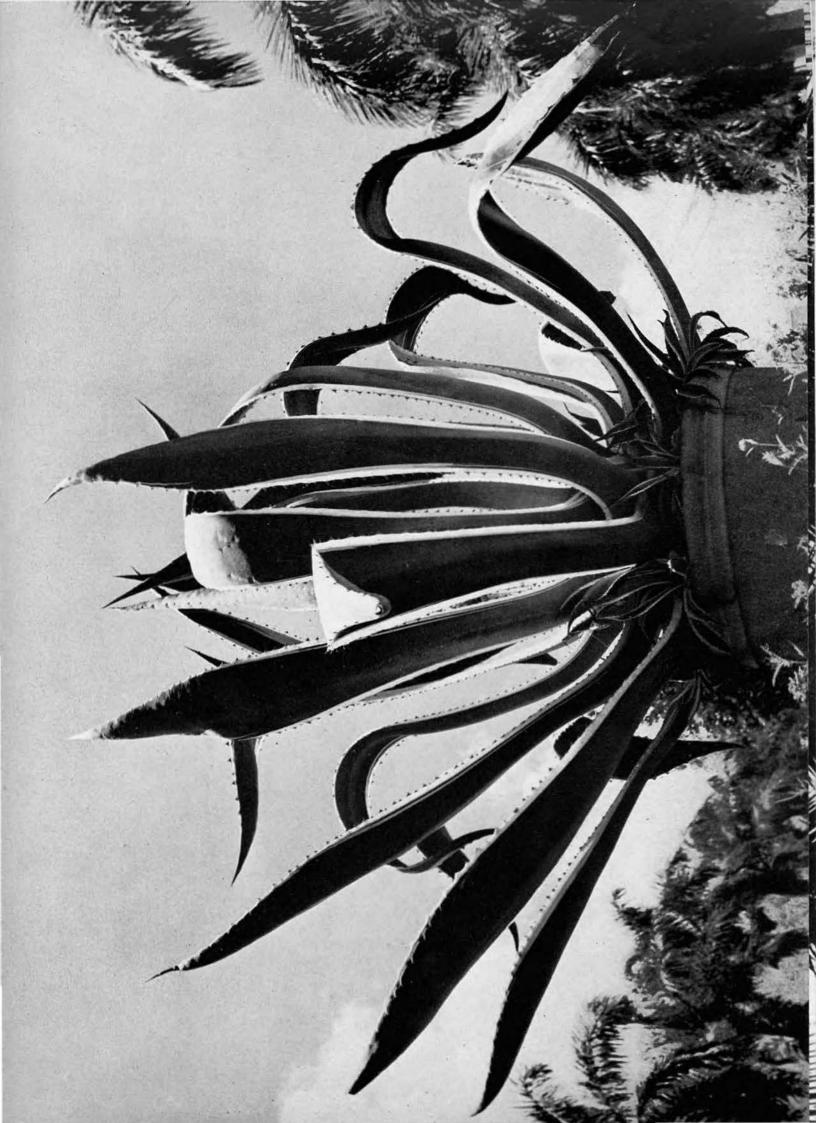


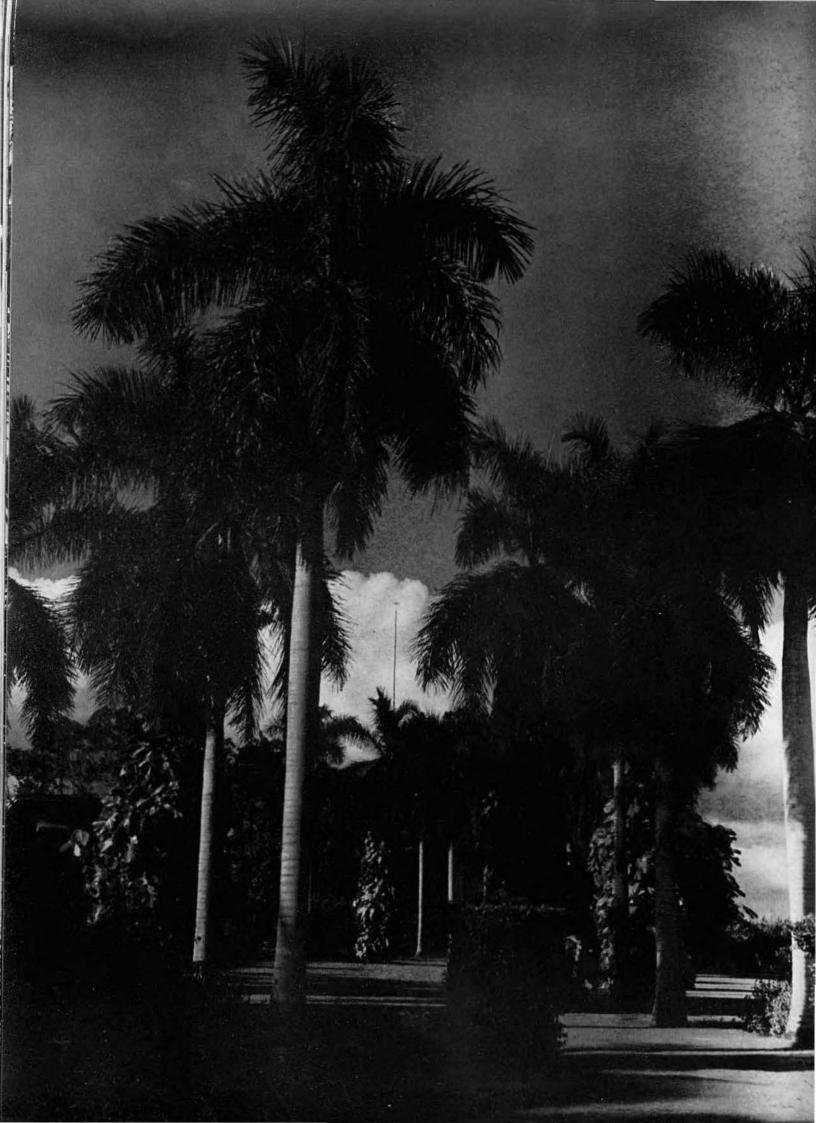






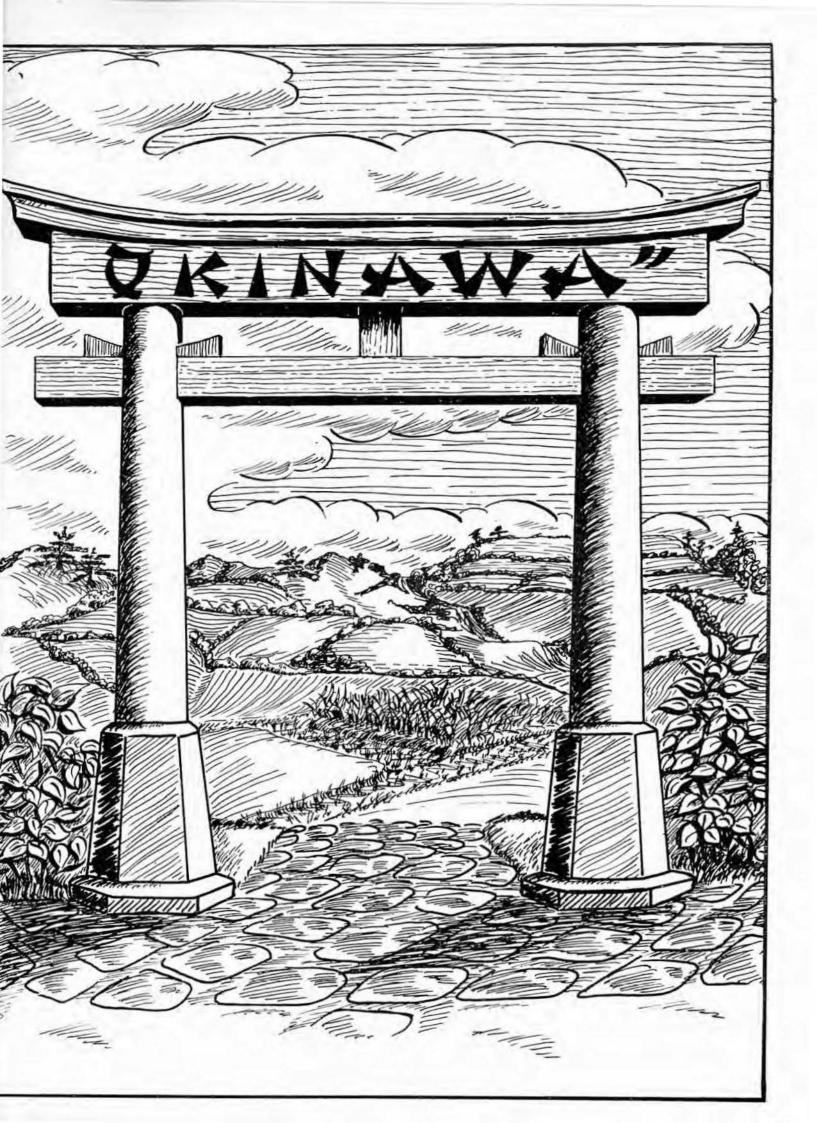
















Tombs

KINAWA COUNTRYSIDE











Proletariat

Fisherman







Sugar cane grinder





New and old method

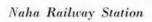
Grinding grain







Naha

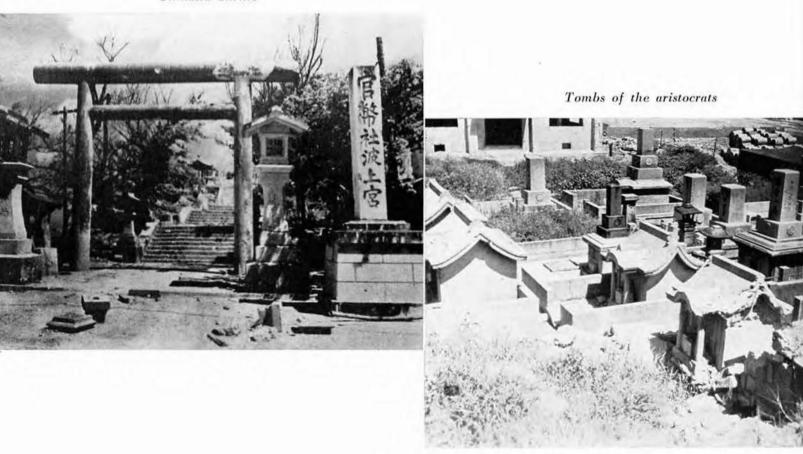






Still standing in Naha

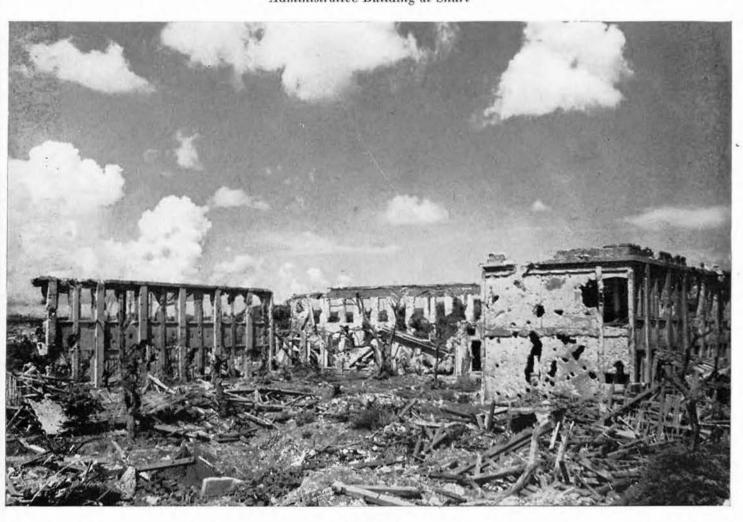
Okinawa Shrine





 $Salvage\ work$







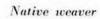
Husking rice







Grinding rice







Native cart

Sawing wood, Okinawa style



Head work





Shrine

Tokyo Trolley

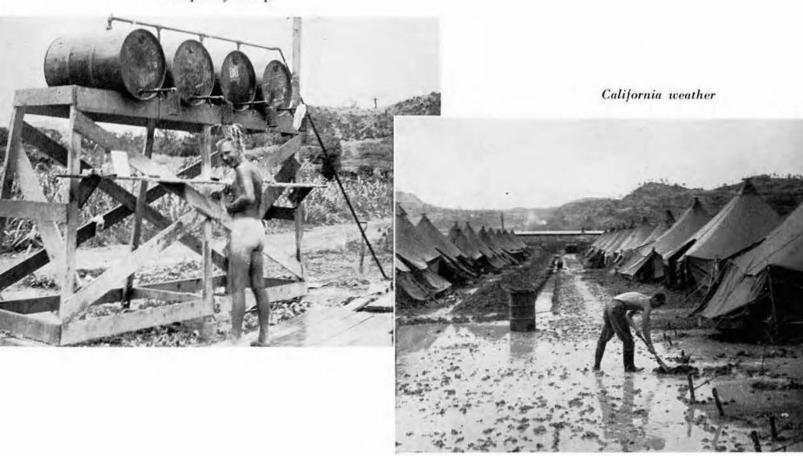






Camp Allan and Baten Ko

Temporary set-up





One of ubiquitous caves



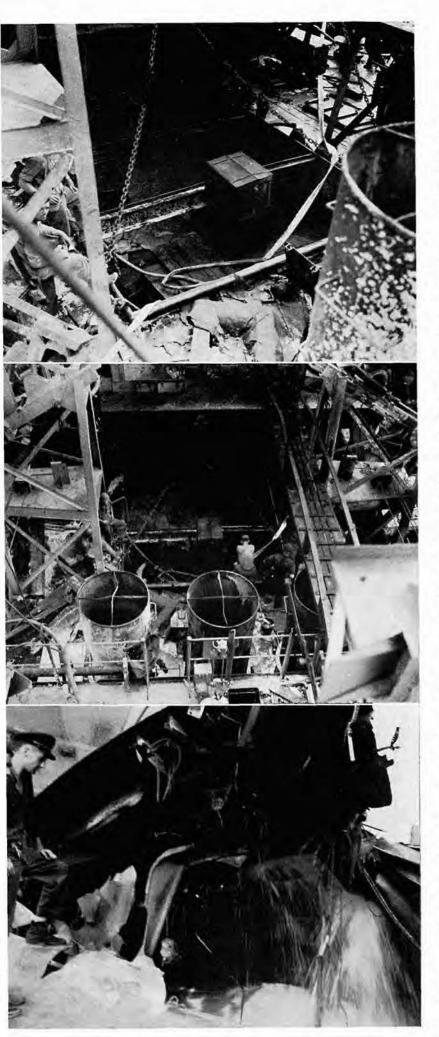
Ruins of Unaha

Watch it, Podge



It was rough fighting





LST 534 HIT BY KAMIKAZE

On the 22nd of June 1945 while a crew of men from the battalion were working unloading our cargo from two LST's docked at Kuba beach, several Japanese Kamikaze planes broke through our outer defense ring and attacked the ships in Buckner Bay. One of these planes loaded with a bomb crashed into the bow of LST 534 killing one member of the battalion and injuring several more. The plane passed through the side of the ship and then the bottom before it exploded. The bow of the ship raised completely out of the water and then settled about eight feet to the bottom. The resulting fire and a later one ignited by a repairman's torch gutted the interior of the ship resulting in an almost complete loss.

The suicide plane when making its attack originally appeared to head for LST 1022 which was next to LST 534 at the dock and on which were the battalion's dynamite and caps. The anti-aircraft fire from 1022 scored several hits on the plane as it came in on its dive causing the pilot of the plane to pick the other ship for his suicide attack. Ralph A. Tucker, SF1c, from the battalion displayed coolness and devotion to duty immediately after the explosion and in helping to extinguish the fire that broke out afterwards. On the dock at the time of the explosion he immediately returned to the ship to help in any way he could. He helped pull three men out of the water and then formed a bridge with his body from the dock to the LST so that some of the men aboard could get off the ship. The fire fighting crew stationed ashore used the same human bridge, the only means of getting aboard the ship to fight the fire. During two following air alerts he acted as second loader on anti-aircraft guns, some of whose crew were injured in the original attack. For this he was later awarded the Navy Bronze Star.

Mathew A. Coleman, BM1c, and George W. Bridger, CM2c, who were below deck in their compartment at the time of the explosion were instrumental in the saving of three men's lives. After the attack they were attracted by the wild yells of men in a compartment below theirs. Releasing the dogs on the hatch cover and using all the strength they had along with the assistance of those below they managed to get the sprung hatch open and pulled the three men out of the water just as the water reached the men's shoulders.

Eight men from the battalion, W. P. Brayton, CSF; L. A. Darling, SF1c; J. A. Geissen, SF1c; R. C. Sipe, SF1c; M. C. Grove, SF2c; H. L. Young, CM2c; A. Koleda, CM2c; Y. Tsosie, CM2c; and S. G. Kmetz, CM2c; were assigned the job of refloating the ship so that it could be removed from the dock. They took measurements from another LST, built two wood cofferdams, and along with a Navy diver from a salvage ship in the harbor they bolted in place one cofferdam forward of the hole made by the plane and one cofferdam aft. The cofferdams were made waterproof around the edges by caulking with the cork from old life jackets and the canvas from the ship's bunks. By pumping the water out fore and aft of the cofferdams the LST was floated enough to be removed from the dock and taken to a repair ship.

JAP SURRENDER PARTY AT IE SHIMA



White plane, green crosses



First stop, Ie Shima



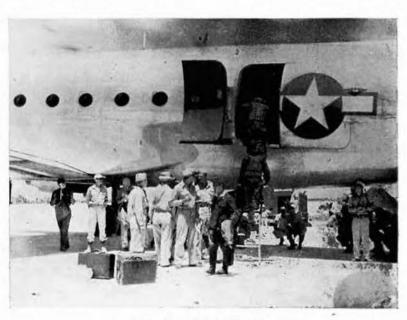
Assemble over here



Fall in



Not too happy



All aboard for Manila

TYPHOON STRIKES OKINAWA

On October 9-10, 1945 Okinawa was struck by the worst typhoon recorded in the history of the island. The results of the storm, which started to blow early in the morning of October 9 and continued for nearly 24 hours, was complete and devastating to nearly all above surface structures on the island.

Camp Allan, even though well sheltered by surrounding hills, was damaged considerably by the winds. A survey of the camp on the morning following the storm disclosed between 50 and 75 per cent of the tents were down, electrical and telephone facilities were completely disrupted, several shops and warehouses in the area were destroyed, and the roof was off the galley and mess hall. Winds up to 130 knots were recorded with gusts reaching up to 150 knots. At least six inches of rain fell during the storm adding to the damage caused by the winds.

Members of the battalion displayed typical seabce ingenuity and aggressiveness on the day following the storm. New tents were procured from various sources early in the morning and all hands pitched in to rebuild their own tents. During the day all usable lumber in the supply yard and in the vicinity of the camp disappeared as yeomen and storekeepers, carpenters and plumbers all united in an effort to reconstruct a roof over their heads by nightfall. By the evening electricians, plumbers, and carpenters had repaired the galley sufficiently so that hot chow could be served.

On October 11 the morning broke clear and the sun shone all day. Bedding and blankets and clothes could be seen all over the area as everyone put their wet gear in the sun to dry. Reconstruction of the camp continued and by nightfall many facilities were back in operation including the movie.

The storm did a great deal of damage to structures on the island. At NAB all housing facilities constructed by this battalion were damaged, the enlisted men's mess and the officer's galley, both 40 x 100 quonset huts, were completely destroyed. On the airfield the two 40 x 100 quonset hut warehouses and the Mae West building at NATS were destroyed. The airstrip itself was not damaged.

Many camps on the island which were in more exposed locations suffered complete or almost complete destruction. The larger buildings all over the island were completely destroyed while those smaller buildings that stood up were either moved from thier foundations or badly damaged. Every building on Yonabrau airfield except the smaller 20x48 quonset huts were demolished.

All Seabee personnel were frozen on the island for a period of about two weeks after the storm to reconstruct the essential buildings and facilities destroyed by the storm.

Camp Allan After the Typhoon



Officer's country





Headquarters company area

Leaky roof



K rations, coffee, and grim faces





. NAB officer's galley

NAB enlisted men's mess hall



Mae West at NATS





NATS terminal building



NATS post office



NATS warehouse



NATS warehouse

Housing — NAB

Wounded being evacuated from Yonabaru airfield







IN MEMORIAM

. . . Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

WARREN E. ALLAN HOMER F. Mc EUEN





Military funeral for Warren E. Allan Island Command Cemetery



PURPLE HEARTS

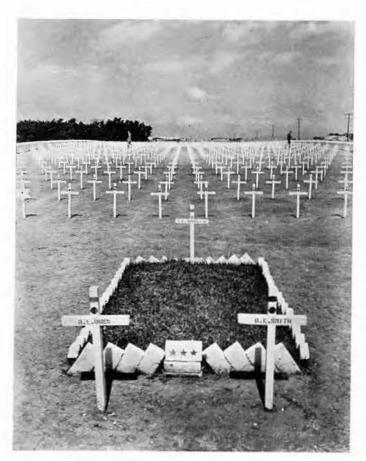
Elmer E. Cable, CBM

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Grave of Lt. Gen. S. B. Buckner, Jr.



Kenny Goodlad operating switchboard in O.O.D. Office.



Mine disposal team at work.

MISCELLANY

Anti-aircraft gunners holding target.









Officer's Mess, Camp Allan.

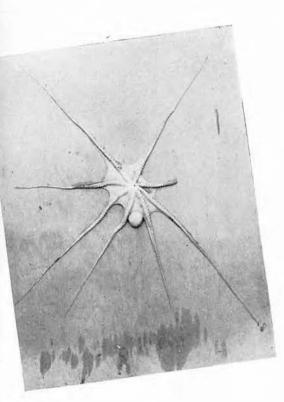
Comdr. MacIntosh in his Camp Andrews Abode.



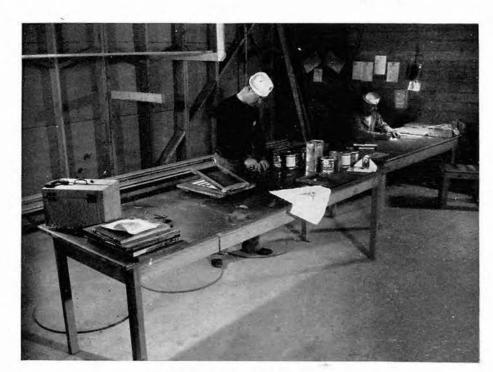




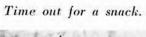


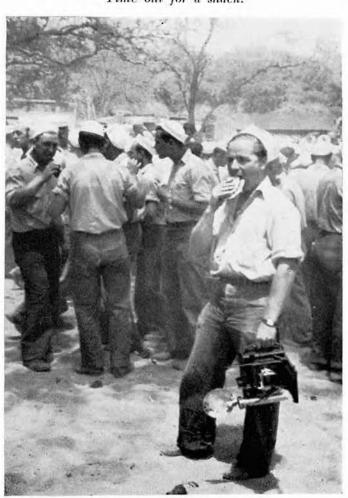


Squid



Silk screening at Camp Parks





And here's the picture to prove it

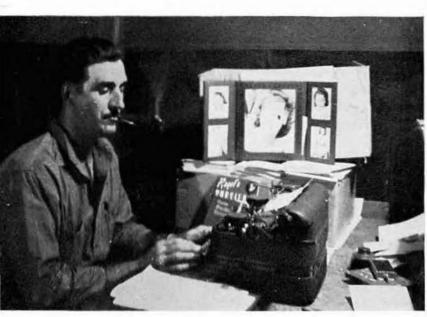




Chaplain W. W. Penn.



Doctor L. R. Duszinski.



Arch Darling, reporter.





Bulls Eye

HAWAIIAN WORDS AND MEANINGS

| Pua | Pig. |
|-----------------------|--|
| Imu | Hole in ground in which pig is placed for cooking. Depth depending on size of pig. Bottom lined with hot rocks, wet sacks, and ti leaf. |
| Ti leaf | (Pronounced "tea") Shaped like banana leaf. |
| Luau | Feast, usually on some special occasion. |
| Opiahi | Sea urchin caten raw. A Hawaiian delicacy. |
| Laulau | |
| Poi | Preparation made from taro, basic Hawaiian food. |
| Lomi-lomi salmon . Ra | w salmon prepared with vinegar, green onions, and water. |
| Luau chicken Chiel | ken stewed with taro tops and grated cocoanut, and milk. |
| Sweet potatoe | Baked in imu with pua. |



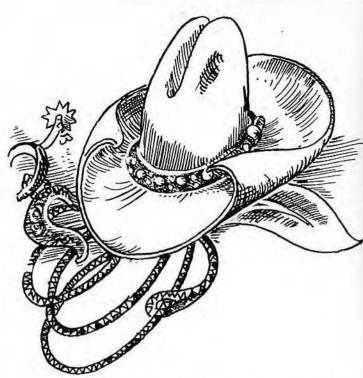
Cowboy Hays feeling right at home

DICK HAYS

Dick Hays had his first glimpse of the wide open spaces he was to eventually write poems about on July 12, 1915 in Cottonwood Falls, Kansas. Several years later his family moved to New Mexico, which he was to claim as his home state until that day in 1943 when he laid aside his saddle and rope to enter the Seabees.

"Cowboy," as he was appropriately nick-named upon his arrival at boot camp, first developed his poetic talents by writing humorous rhymes about typical rangeland scenes — cattle, horses, and his fellow cowpunchers. He temporarily abandoned his regular mode of life to work as a night train dispatcher at a copper mine. There, to pass time between trains, Dick wrote amusing verses about the railroad, the mine, and the men who worked for them. The popularity of his works spread rapidly. As each train entered the yards, the men aboard it immediately asked him for poems. Eventually, a friend persuaded him to publish some in book form. He did so and they were an immediate success. This encour-





agement prompted him to publish two more sets of his verses; one depicting humorous incidents in the life of an old Mexican, Juan, while the latter had as it s subject ranch and rodeo life. Both were equally successful as the first.

When his wandering about the world for Uncle Sam has been completed, he intends to confine his roaming to New Mexico and Arizona, where, to quote Dick, he will "punch cows, bust some bronks, and maybe write a few poems." We to whom his poems have been such a source of enjoyment, sincerely hope that he decides to write more than just a few.

THE BOOT SENTRY

Walkin up and down this post beneath a blazing sun a cartridge belt around my waist and on my shoulder rides a gun With nothing else to do but walk and wish I was in bed and the eleven general orders were all within my head I've been told and ain't forgot that whenever I'm in doubt to call the Corporal of the Guard with a loud and lusty shout Now what the hell I want him for is more than I can see he's nothing but another boot just the same as me The lecturer said, on Island X the guard must all be good and a rifle that would really shoot would replace this one of wood Now I suppose that he is right it's not up to me to say for I'm just a boot a dam green boot been here a week today

Dick Hays



POTS AND PANS

I've wrangled cows in Texas Arizona, and New Mexico through the sultry summer heat and the driving winter snow

I've shod the wild mustang standin up and layin down and had my head stuck in a lot of western ground

When the boys I'd always known went to fight the Japanese I hung my saddle up with theirs and signed with Sams Seabees

I figured that in three short months I'd be on my way across to show those little yellow boys that the Scabees were the boss

But the biggest bunch of water that I've seen and couldn't drink was that steamin soapy mess there in the chow hall sink

If every pot I sank therein and watched depart from sight was just a load of stinkin Japs there'd be none left to fight

If this war be fought in chow halls under supervision of the M.A.A's the hero's name in headlines will be that of Cowboy Hays

- Dick Hays

THE BOOT-CAMP BARBER SHOP

The boot camp barber shop is one I won't forget the falling curls, the delight of the girls why, I can see them yet

The butcher stood behind his chair a barber he's supposed to be and the way he shears a seabees ears is quite a sight to see

It was up the back and over the top with a pass around the side taking all the hair, that was growin there and usually most of the hide

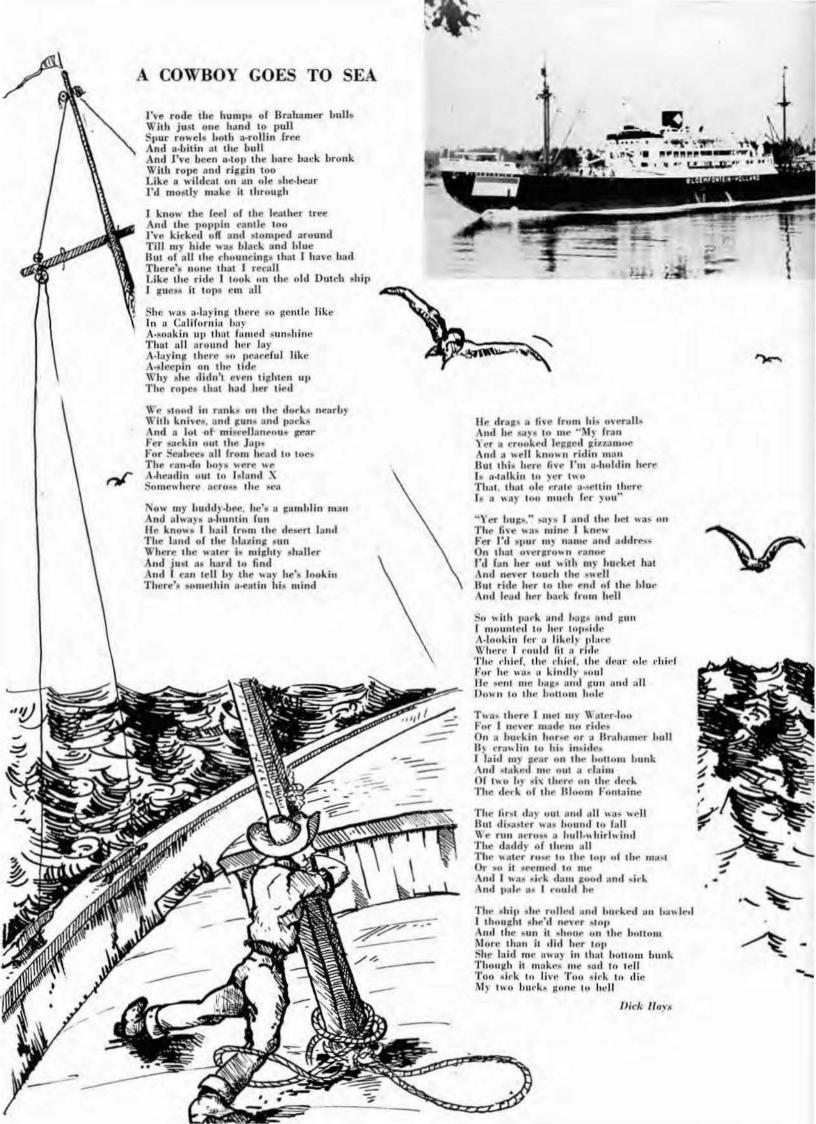
Just fifteen seconds was all the time that he took to get your hair then he'd shout, for you to get out before you'd warmed the chair

The next man up went to his doom and his curls fell to the floor and rested there, with all the hair that the butcher had cut before

Some mourned the loss of the pretty curls that had grown there on their dome but it suited me, for it was plain to see I'd have no hair to comb.

Dick Hays









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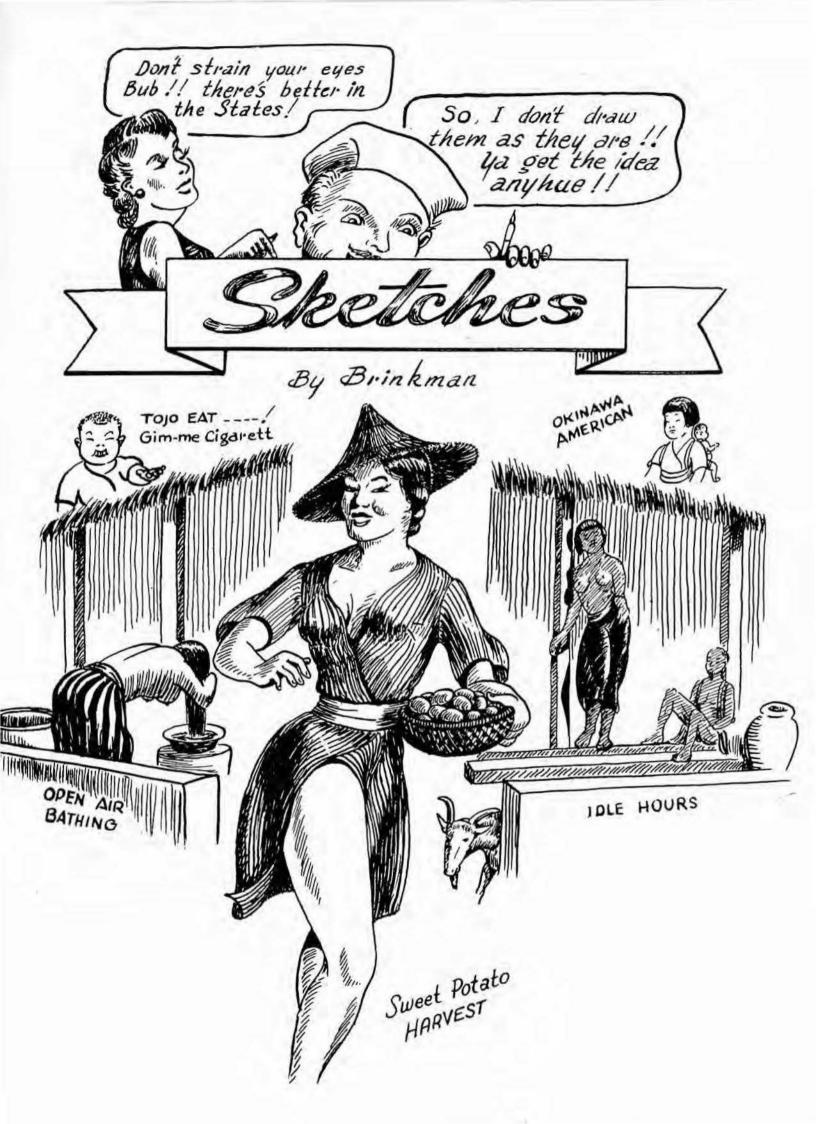
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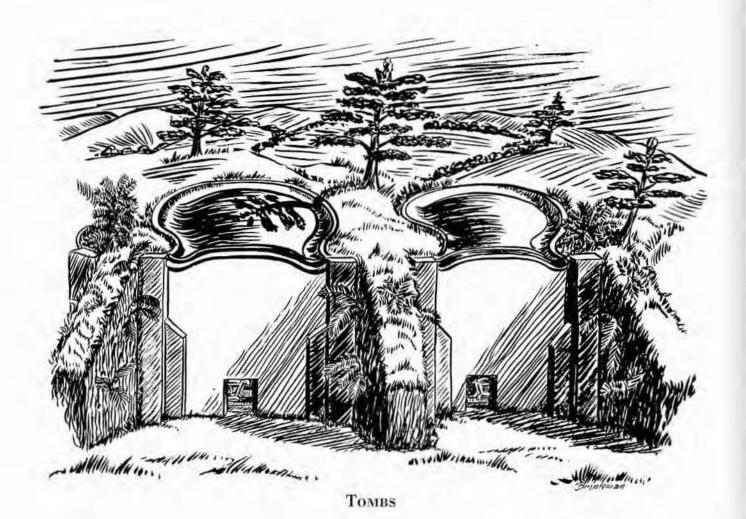
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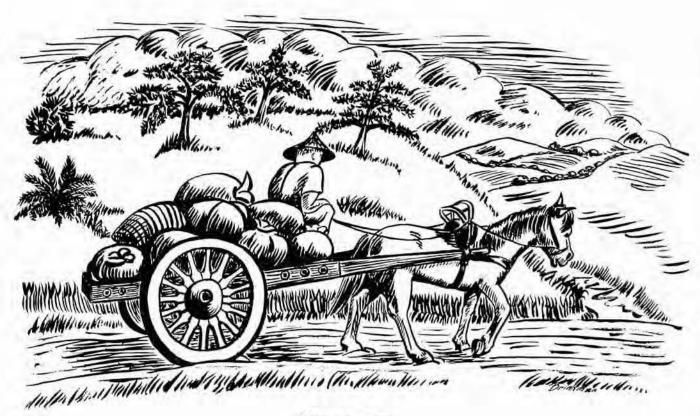
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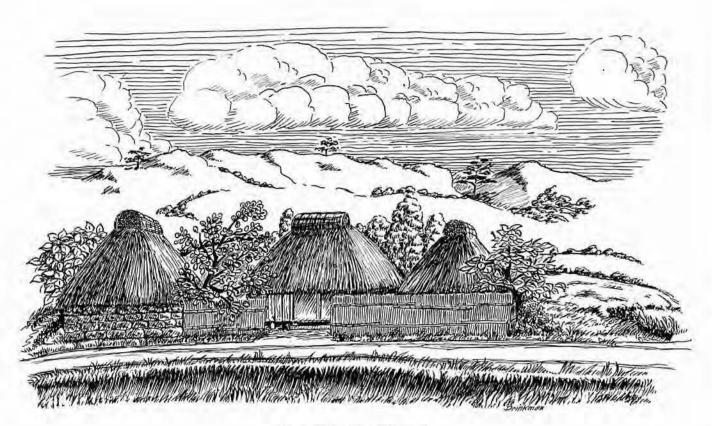
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