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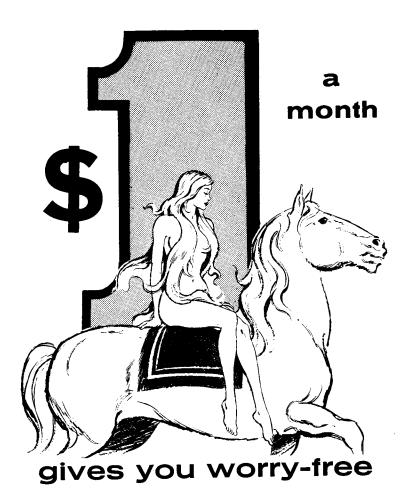
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EDITORIALS

As art editor of the Log, I feel compelled to contribute some thoughts to the editorials of our magazine. Recently the Log has come under a barrage of criticism, all of which has originated outside the Academy. It seems that our readers outside the walls are rabidly concerned over the contents of our magazine. I can say in all honesty that response to this year's Log within the Brigade has been overwhelmingly favorable. However, the staff was recently made painfully aware of the fact that our readership extends far beyond the Brigade. We apologize to Admiral Calvert and Captain Coogan for having to bear the brunt of the criticism we elicited. This situation has placed the Log in a precarious and frustrating position. Our readership is divided into two (or more) well defined and widely separated groups, each of which has its own ideas about what the Log should be.

In response to Mr. Sisa's letter, I think congratulations are in order. His dramatic expressions elicited more belly laughs than anything we wrote for the magazine. This is not to say his criticism was not justified or well taken. His letter was very enlightening in several ways. Mr. Sisa's letter pointed explicitly to one of the main problems facing our staff - misinterpretation of our humor by those having little connection with the Academy. A perfect example is the cartoon of the Marine decorating his Christmas tree. I have yet to find someone at the Academy who finds that joke the least bit objectionable. On the whole, the mids found it extremely humorous. The key to the joke was the attitude of the Brigade concerning Marine officers-certainly not deprecating, or BLOODTHIRSTY, or anti-militaristic, or any other thing that Mr. Sisa might have read into it. He would have to be a mid and live where we live to appreciate the joke as we appreciate it. This is true of so much of the material in the Log. We are Midshipmen writing for Midshipmen, and much of our "private humor" is subject to gross misinterpretation by those on the outside. The generation difference is also important here. By the standards of our generation, we are certainly ultraconservative, and our alma-mater may indeed be the "bastion" of the virtues and morality Mr. Sisa considers to be right. However, our generation has come to distrust this morality through fiascos such as the Bay of Pigs, the Vietnam war, Bobby Baker, Senator Dodd, Edward Kennedy, ad infinitum. This is not to say we will not fight valiantly for our country whenever & wherever it decides—but we are not without eyes and minds, and there are many glaring discrepancies between what the older generation propounds and the direction it has led our country in recent years. To get to the point, Mr. Sisa may not think something is at all funny that we would think is hilarious, and the difference is purely and simply our generation difference. Virtue and morality are safe here at the Naval Academy, Mr. Sisa, but we do hear the voices of our generation as well as yours.

Finally, I would like to say the staff is indeed guilty of underestimating the tastes and extent of our readership outside the walls. However, we have succeeded well in achieving our goal to this point, that of entertaining our fellow Midshipmen. We may be guilty on occasion of bad taste, but we have rescued the Log from the irrelevance that plagued it during our years at the Academy. Mr. Sisa's suggestions as to what should go into the Log are appreciated, but unfortunately many have been tried before, with the result that the magazine was depressingly insipid—a perfect example was a feature in years past on the derivations of nautical terms. It sounds good, but as entertainment goes, it stank. If Midshipmen want to read about old grads, Shipmate is excellent. Professional, patriotic and historical literature may be found in the Trident or Naval Institute Proceedings. We attempt to publish a magazine that is relevant to the everyday lives and experiences of MIDSHIPMEN in Bancroft Hall. In cliché, we want Mids to identify with what they see in the Log. We have not tried to present a glittering image of the Naval Academy or the people associated with it. We seek merely to entertain. If our magazine does not entertain you, why do you read it? I assure you that loyalty, courage, patriotism, pride, honesty, and integrity are not lacking at the Naval Academy. But the Log is not a propaganda sheet for the virtues of the Academy. Please do not read these things into our magazine and condemn it on the basis of your misconceptions. If you are concerned about the state of the Naval Academy, come and see it. Never in our time here have we seen more positive change, more reasonable policy, a more motivating atmosphere, and more respected leadership. It is ridiculous to form your opinions by reading a satirical, flippant humor magazine.

We shall undoubtedly meet controversy in the future—you can't please all of the people all of the time. But please try to understand when your senses are assaulted by what you see in the *Log*, that you might be misconstruing what is there. Our objective remains to entertain our fellow Midshipmen.

Log Art Editor. Bill Smith

As Features Editor of the Log, I feel compelled to comment on the recent controversy surrounding our magazine and its contents. Within the space of one week, we have been accused of being the "source of decay within the walls of the Academy" because of our radical change (In Defense of Tradition, Jan. 30) and also of "selling out to the Establishment." (A firstie's complaint to our Editor).

Unfortunately, the former comment originated outside the Brigade, and we are led to believe there are other rumblings beyond the walls. But the fact that we find ourselves exactly in the middle is actually a comforting thought.

As we outlined to the staff at the outset of this year, our goals were to provide Midshipmen with features that were entertaining, humorous, and thought-provoking. In pursuit of this goal, we have published such articles as "The

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Tragic Comedy," "Gold Stripe Fever," and "Reason to Believe." Reaction has not always been 100% favorable-nor have we expected it to be. Too often in the past the Log has contained nothing more thought-provoking than an article on the origin of nautical terms and a resume of last month's sporting events. It ended up where it belonged-in the circular file. Hopefully, this is not the case with as many issues this year, although we will to be the first to admit we have not been satisfied with all of our issues.

We seek not so much to spoonfeed as to stimulate. (We appear to have been *very* successful in this endeavor!!) Perhaps this is why we have been misinterpreted.

Any reader who reads the *Log* without getting involved, without taking his own stand, or reacting to us, merely accepting our words as the final authority or as the beliefs of the Brigade, has missed the point and we have failed in our endeavor.

One example which immediately comes to mind is "Reason to Believe." To one reader, it was a "cynical and sneaky broadside on the Christian faith and churches." To me personally, it merely outlined a situation occurring all too frequently today—I know, because church was merely part of my weekly routine until I discovered what it meant to be a true Christian.

Do we seek to be the Devil's Advocate within the Brigade? NO. Do we speak for the Brigade? YES AND NO. The Brigade, after all, is 4000 individuals. We do seek to reach each one of these individuals while providing them thought-provoking entertainment. To want to do less is to be untrue to them, ourselves, and to our school, whose purpose is develop leaders with the ability to think in an increasingly complex world. JAMES B. CARTER, JR.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor, the Log:

Your criticism of the present dispute over chapel attendance in your editorial of 30 January was in keeping with the highest traditions. . . . It was extremely noteworthy—not valid, but noteworthy.

You state that chapel "totally dedicates its efforts toward improving the moral values of the Brigade." In this respect it does not succeed effectively; on the contrary, there is evidence that it has a negative influence, producing a policy of reaction or lowering of religious fervor. One reason for this is the continual droning of chaplains on moral doctrines, or more broadly their continual droning. It is repelling. Secondly, the compulsory aspect and military nature of chapel is upsetting, since 1) it eliminates the voluntary aspect of religion and the concept of free will, and thus 2) it turns religious services into a military evolution, rather than a willed manifestation of faith.

True, we are not being coerced into accepting any doctrine or ethical standard, but we are being coerced into attending a religious service, and while this country has a long tradition of religion as a part of daily life, no federal organization has the constitutional right to force attendance at such a religious activity, although it can encourage it.

One also fails to see how those who participate in voluntary religious activities would experience a "somber day" if chapel were made optional. One can only deduce that this would strike a blow at their religious fervor. One must their carry the question to its theological conclusion, by asking if the loss of a small amount of religious fervor from those blessed with a superfluity of it is more heinous than the complete loss of faith which the present system produces in some persons.

J. W. Stratton

THE SHADOW COMMAND

(Written as open letter to the Brigade by Midshipman Charles R. Hickman 1/c, 4 Co.)

Fellow Midshipman:

You've all heard about the shadow command, yet few realize just what it is. I was spurred to write this letter after noticing several reactions by underclass to first class when the latter told them to "take their hands out of their pockets" or "wear a spiffy to class," and herein, I intend to present my impressions of the shadow command. I am not a high striper, never was, or will be. I asked the Log to publish this letter in order to reach as many mids as possible, hopefully some of those who must be told to comply with regulations. The letter represents only my personal views, formed by three years as an underclass and half a year as a firstie, and I am certainly open to comment in reaction to it.

In my opinion the "shadow command" is an attempt to let the first class run the Brigade under the supervision and within the guidelines of the officers of the "command." To the officers it means giving the first class the "ball" and letting them run with it, making legitimate mistakes, but learning all the time. Most officers would like to sit back and counsel the first class on technique rather than stepping in and doing their job for them-with the goal in mind of experience leadership gaining while making mistakes now, while they are "free" rather than out in the fleet where the consequences might be greater. To the first class it means an opportunity to do these things but it also means facing a perplexing dilemna. He must officer the Brigade from within, which is no easy task. That is, he must enforce the will of the Executive Department in order to retain his job while maintaining a working relationship with those he must command. This means straddling a fence between strict enforcement on one side and inside knowledge of a regulation's effects, that officer's rarely see, on the other. In other words, he finds it extremely difficult to ask people to stop holding hands in public or to keep fellow midshipmen from wearing civilian cuff links with their Blue Service, but feels he must, lest the shadow command become real. To the Brigade, finally, the shadow should mean many command things beside a firstie asking you to take your hands out of your pockets. It should, because it is, and few people realize the benefits that come from the officers' desire to let the first class take the "ball" and face the dilemna of command. A few obvious benefits should make my point clear.

First Class now sit on many boards that have to do with life at the Academy. From academics to privileges to the regulations themselves, the same midshipman that bugged you about wearing a spiffy to class is working to make this place better for you. A case in point is the third class summer cruise, a black spot in the memory of most first and second class here today. Last year, second class put in many hours making a totally new youngster cruise that most third class will tell you was both instructive and enjoyable. As a recruise was sult the NATRON profitable to the mid and to the Navy—the mid might say wasn't so bad" and the surface Navv might not lose so many Academy graduates due to poor summer cruises. Thus, one of the most universally wasted phases of life at USNA was turned into a profitable experience for all concerned-and mostly because a mid was there to run the show.

Another case is the rewriting of the reg-book. Many underclass have sat in on committees that have the task of making a new USNAR, one that is reasonable and can be enforced. They have generally found the officers receptive to

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any change in a regulation that does not have a sound reason for its existence. In other words, the new reg-book will be written, in large part, by the Brigade itself. Who could really criticize a regulation that another mid found logically necessary? Hopefully, there will be no more tradition-bound regulations that are unrealistic and impossible to enforce, and the USNAR will prove to be a reasonable code to live by. If it's not, a third real benefit of the shadow command lies at your disposal.

The Communications system was the foundation of the first class policy of 1970. It has resulted in changes in all phases of midshipman life, from legalizing Corfams to opening Dahlgren and MacDonough Halls in the evening. It stands ready to act on complaints from any mid that takes the trouble to put his gripe in writing. Don't forget that one of the greatest and most radical changes to come from above in many years, second and third class car riding privileges, was a direct result of your first class working for you. What these examples mean is that there should really be no more sense of frustration or oppression by the system. What can be changed now, is, and what could be changed in the future lies in the suggestions from within the Brigade and the action taken by the first class.

So what does all this mean to the Brigade? To the underclass, it should mean having some respect for the first class who tells you to shine your classers. Chances are. someone from above told him that the appearance of the Brigade going to class was down and he took it upon himself to improve it. Is this guy the mortal enemy of the underclass? On the contrary, he is one of their best friends. He is doing his job so the officers won't have to do it for him (with the traditional methods of the Executive Department still in our minds), and so the second class can take over the leadership of the Brigade next year without an officer around every corner. Just possibly he thinks every body would like to see better appearance at class and develop pride in their personal appearance. To the first class, the shadow command represents a tremendous burden. He must not only lead by personal good example, he must buck the traditional firstie image of cool nonchalance, and actually do some work that accompanies the responsibilities given in trade for increased privileges (something the underclass don't do and often fail to realize first class do do). Those that accept the challenges of the shadow command often face classmate resentment and a forced stereotype "striper" image from the underclass. It's no easy job now, but could be with just a basic understanding from the Brigade.

I hope I have made it clear that the first class working in the "shadow command" system is working for you. With his help, the "purge" has become a thing of the past—but it will remain there only as long as the first class do their job, to the man, and the underclass realize that he is doing it for the betterment of the Brigade. Optimiscally, a change in attitude will result in elimination of the problem, but in the meantime, give the firstie who's trying to do his job a break.

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"MEN IN THE MIDDLE"

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Captain J. K. Taussig, Jr., U.S. Navy (Retired)—Some of us who are properly classed as the "Old Fuds" are in full accord with his thesis. Today, and in fact since World War II, the proper preparation for the ultimate speciality in the military services—command—has been far more involved in management than in the technical pursuits.

Unfortunately, too many of the Old Fuds have failed to appreciate the violent changeovers dictated by extrapolating technical advances. For example: When the class of 1969 was sworn in at the Naval Academy, there was not a single flag officer in the Navy who had received his bachelor's degree in engineering at a time when there were such things as digital computers, nuclear propulsion, or

guided missiles. Not one vice admiral had received his engineering degree when there were such things as radar, vT fuzes, supersonic aircraft, or even 20-mm. guns.

Prior to World War II, the professional officers corps had to provide much of the "engineering input" to the profession, and we prided ourselves on our "engineering degree." Today—and for nearly 30 years, now—we have continued the unsound practice of trying to vector the brightest young officers into technical specialities in postgraduate courses, when what is obviously required are men who can manage the tools of the trade, not "develop" them.

Fortunately, there has been a slow awakening to some of the problems at the Naval Academy, but not a great deal. Michelson Hall is a source of pride to all Navy people, but it is a monument to the insistence that "science" is still more important to the professional naval officer than the ability to command an extremely complex organization of which science is but a component. The disciplines of science are so varied that mastery over one, precludes mastery over many others of equal importance.

Programs such as the Trident Scholarships and the Burke Program are admirable for developing a Ph.D. in the sciences, but they preclude our brightest Midshipmen from ever commanding anything larger than a specialized laboratory. Unfortunately, the Navy's investment in facilities and postgraduate colleges is a tempting cover to the realities pointed out by Commander Purtell. Far better, we should insist on at least four years of "professional" sea duty pursuits by our young officers. This would then be followed by an insistence on postgraduate training in the management arts and then the command arts, after these young people have had a chance to absorb the realities of the military complex for a few years.

Certainly, Midshipmen should be taught the fundamental laws of physics and mathematical sciences used in command. However, I doubt that any commanding officer has ever worked a triple integration problem in pursuit of his

LETTERS (Continued)

profession; a solitary chemical analysis of anything; dwelt on the philosophy of quantum mechanics; or worried about such mundane technical things as "farads," "coulombs," or "henries." Trigonometry—yes; even a few hours of spherical trigonometry.

budgets,; availability Money, schedules, personnel administraorganization, geo-politics, military and international law, and even strategy and tactics, are far more apropos subjects for command today. Yet, there is not one structured course at the Naval Academy, save for the conglomerate knowledge imparted by the Department of English, History, and Government, which even proaches these subjects on a scientific basis.

With an over-all officer attrition rate exceeding 92 per cent within five years of first commissioning, and approaching 40 per cent even in Naval Academy graduates within eight years, it is high time we "Old Fuds" started a little objective introspection into the system that we held so dear when we were Young Studs.

Dear Editor:

In recent weeks, members of the staff of the Log have been subjected to intense examination by the Executive Dept. This investigation being forced upon the Academy by civilians in the upper echelons of our government. The concept which these civilians seem to be challenging is not whether the material printed is factual, but whether young men and future officers in an institution such as the Naval Academy have the right to criticize customs and traditions, satirize events concerning the Academy and the military, and voice opinions which are generally felt by the members of the Brigade.

It is true that the *Log* has been less than tactful on occasion, received a reprimand for it, and has made appropriate apologies to those offended. No one is perfect and the *Log* is no different. However, lack of tact does not mean lack of truth, which is an analogy many people believe.

For the first time in many years the Log has broken the chains of mediocrity and trivia and has begun printing articles which are of importance to the Brigade, and the Executive Dept., and which may help to enlighten those persons outside of the Academy and the military to the life and problems faced by the Midshipmen. Though the Academy may not agree with all the opinions of the midshipman, the officers are listening and weighing all sides for a change. This has largely been brought about by officers with more realistic attitudes being placed in command positions. They want a better Academy and they realize change is the only way it will be brought about. Believe it or not, midshipmen are proud of their academy and want to see it improve and become more professional too. But these identical goals can only be brought about through cooperation and communication. The success achieved now could spread to the fleet and bring about the drastically needed improvements there.

For you people who accuse the Log and its staff of being no better than the student radicals on campuses throughout the country, how looking at yourselves. about Though I do not agree with many of the actions of our civilian contemporaries, is it possible that they are trying to say something important just as the Log is trying to do, and that nobody will listen? It was Winston Churchill who said, "Men occasionally stumble over the truth, but most of them pick themselves up and hurry off as if nothing had happened." Is this what is happening to our country today? What will it take, a broken neck, before we take a closer look at what was in our path? The right to criticize is inherent, the courage to listen comes from wisdom.

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A REPORT TO THE BRIGADE

By Ed Lucke

Over the weekend of 6-8 February the Academy participated in a four event intercollegiate sports tournament which included bowling, ping pong, chess, and billiards (3-cushion and pocket). This was a regional tournament sponsored by

the Association of College Unions-International (ACU-I). We were invited as members of Region IV (Maryland, West Virginia, and Western Pennsylvania) and the tournament was held at the University of West Virginia in Morgantown.

Does this come as a surprise to you? Why, I'll bet you didn't even know that we had teams in these sports did you? Well neither did anybody else either! This report is concerned specifically with the bowling teams' accomplishments at the tournament and generally with the overall situation which this event revealed at the Academy.

Our "team" of bowlers was selected from a competitive rolloff of 30 bowlers who did well enough to qualify for any of the teams who showed up! We had to choose five to go however, and so we chose our best . . . no we chose those five who could afford to go, this is in no way meant to demean their accomplishments rather is a comment on the "system." Those who went were: Ed Lucke 1/C, John Seeley 1/C, Barry Griffin 2/C, Jeff Simpson 2/C, and Art Tillberg 3/C. These mids decided that it was so important that we be represented that they paid for entry fees, transportation, lodging, food, etc. personally while other schools furnished these basics for their teams. Why didn't we?

For the nine game tournament our team averaged 174 per game. In the team event we had a 1601 which placed us 11th of 20 teams there (Penn State was 13th!). In the category of individual "allevents" Barry Griffin was #7 with 1688 for 187.5 per game and Ed Lucke was #11 with 1640 for 182 per game. Thus we had two men in the top eleven out of 100 men competing. This is in my eyes a fine performance but it could easily have been better!

Why with twelve American Bowling Congress (ABC) sanctioned lanes here don't we have a varsity bowling team? Most mids would probably say because there isn't enough interest; BULL I say! There are at least 30 mids interested enough to want to go to a tournament. And that is not counting Battalion Bowling. Next, why

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Miss Linda Grimes, a sophomore at the University of Massachusetts, is the pride of a 17th company plebe.

A 17th company third class boasts of Miss Susan Gorman of Millersville St. College.



Miss Jill Richardson is a sophomore at St. Lawrence University and dates a lucky second class.

17th COMPANY

Miss Vicki Buckley, a lovely University of Santa Clara coed and candidate for Miss California, has been dating a 17th company plebe.





Miss Chris Tobiason, 20 years old, is pinned to a firstic and is a student at Montclair and a part time model.

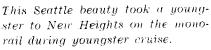
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Miss Monica Kopic, a beautiful junior at Northwestern University and dates a lucky second class.





This University of Washington coed loves skiing, and has a certain youngster dreaming of slopes in Seattle.





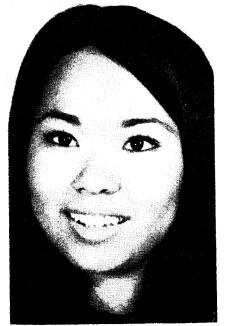


Miss Alice Warren works in D.C. and is engaged to a certain 18th company firstie.

18th COMPANY

Miss Laurel Miller attends Immaculate Heart College in L.A. and waits patiently for her youngster so far away.



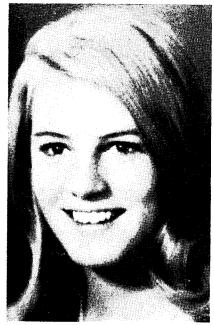


Miss Gail Furushima, a junior at Trenton State College, dates a lucky 18th company youngster.

CUTIES

This Southern California blonde raises havoc in a certain youngsier's life.

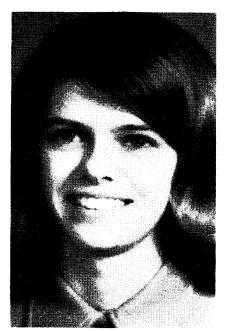




Studying to be a lawyer, Miss Pat Clark still finds time to keep a certain youngster happy.

A junior at University of Iowa. Miss Kathy Tracy is 21 years old.

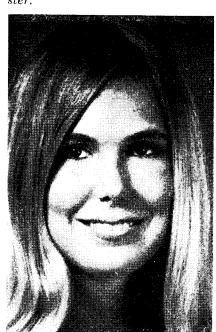




Terry Theirl enjoys sharing her summers with a 19th company youngster.

19th COMPANY

Lucy Happer of Montgomery, Ala., has dated a 19th company youngster.

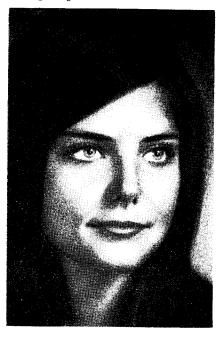




Miss Sue Brown from Pennsylvania is pinned to a lucky second class.

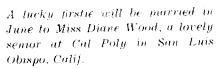
CUTIES

Joanne Eckstien, a frosh at Clark College in Iowa, was almost pinned to a youngster.





Miss Cathy Adams makes life interesting for a lucky youngster.





Miss Ann Armstrong, a beautiful auburn coed, dates a satisfied Southern youngster.

20th COMPANY

Charming Sue Maynard from Hagerstown will be married in June to a lucky first class.

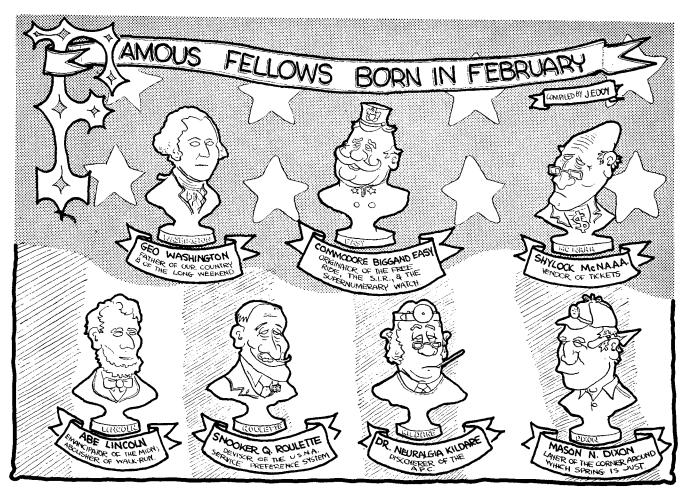


Lovely Miss Lin Vohs from Oxon Hill, Md. is fiance of bucky 20th company firstic.

CUTIES

A lucky second class is the date of Miss Bubbara Stepien from Detroit, Michigan.







WARM SOD COLD BODS

My M.P.O.

In the light of the recent heat failure, we spoke with the head of the Heating Division of the Public Works Department, Captain I. C. Coldspot.

Log: Captain, could you tell us what has been happening to our heat and hot water during the coldest weeks of the fall and winter?

CAPT. Coldspot: Why certainly, M.P. We have two basic problems. The first is the transition to the new heating system. You remember the old system. It provided enough heat, but we were losing too much to other sources. The department was receiving some nasty inquiries from Congress on our fuel bill and why we were not being able to get a larger proportion of the heat that entered the lines at the furnace. Well, we have modernized the heating system, and the new system provides a larger quantity of heat. Unfortunately, it does have a few flaws, as you have experienced, but with time, our engineers will be adapted to running this new system and it should do the job quite well. Our second problem is connected with our beautification program. Remembers the "diggers and the fillers" back in the spring? Well, we had foreseen the possibility of putting in new sod. This sod is especially pretty and has a low resistence to cold weather. To help protect our sod, during the cold days, we took the precautionary step last spring of installing a massive system of steam lines throughout the grassy areas of the Yard. On cold days, this system will be activated and the grass roots will be kept warm, thus keeping the sod

Log: So that's where our heat goes. Is that why we had no heat at all for almost a week?

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CAPT Coldspot: Yes, but this was an accident. The first time we used the system, back in the fall, too much heat was diverted to the Yard. That's why there was no heat at all. Actually, with this new heating system, we have so much heat that we can heat both the sod and all six wings of Bancroft Hall.

Log: But sir, Bancroft Hall has eight wings.

CAPT Coldspot: It does? So that's why everyone over there has been saying it's cold. As it looks now, our procedure will be to cut the

heat in the Hall to three quarters of normal when heat is diverted to the Yard.

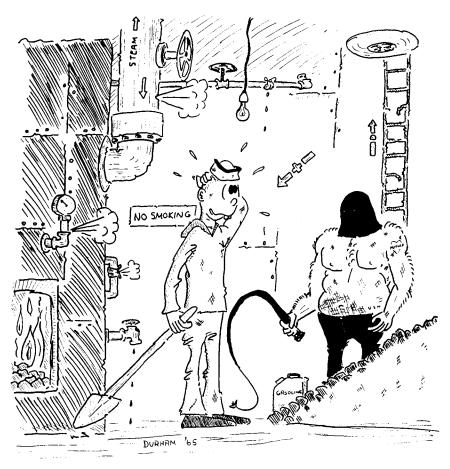
Log: Will any academic buildings lose heat as a result of Yard heat?

CAPT Coldspot: No, I think we all recognize the importance of academics here at the Academy.

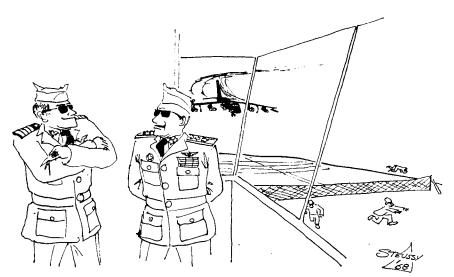
Log: What about our hot water, which was also off during the first heatless week. Will this happen again, or was that just because the heat was off?

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FAVORITES FROM THE PAST



Boy, I'm sure glad Plebe Year is over.



Then that Air Force colonel bet me that he could land his monster on my carrier.



That bright young Marine,
George E. Porgie,
At kissing the girls
had an orgy.
They'd run
and
they'd cry,
"What brass!
What a guy!"
"But of course.
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winked George E.



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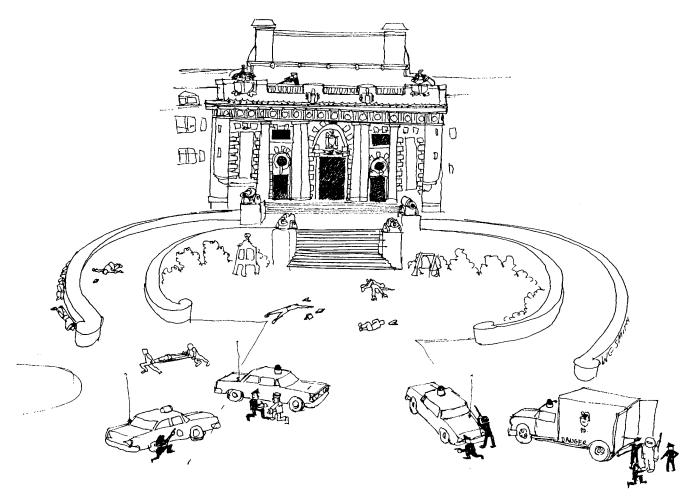
AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The Log is proud to announce the birth of a new quiz show. Our most insane staff members have, by putting forth tremendous effort, come up with some totally and fantastically ridiculous questions. We have already had requests from the Steam and Weapons Departments to let them use the questions on quizzes, they're so ridiculous. For the Grand Prize, we have started negotiations with the United Fruit Co. for yep, you guessed it 64,000 bananas! So, without further ado, here we have your friendly D.A., M.P.O., B.F.D., S.H.M. and their. . . .

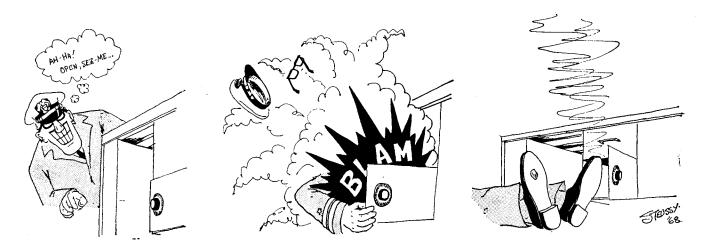
THE 64,000 BANANA QUESTION

- Last weekend your one and only caught you dragging another chick. You have just received an ominously ticking package. You should:
 - A) None of the above
 - B) Commence praying
 - C) Throw it at the nearest plebe
 - D) Have stood in bed
- 2. The Executive Department is:
 - A) Incompetent
 - B) Sadistic
 - C) Sneaky
 - D) The Annapolis branch of the Mickey Mouse Club
- You have just been found in the pad by the OOD between revielle and breakfast, You should:
 - A) Hide under the covers
 - B) Refer him to your "Do not disturb" sign
 - C) Have the plebes beat him up
 - D) Expose your left ear
- One golden morning you wake up feeling wonderful, Sat in everything, about to see your best girl.
 It is certain that before the day is over:
 - A) You will have eggs for breakfast
 - B) You will bilge a P-Work
 - C) Your laundry will come back, a week late, with 1 sheet, 3 shirts, 2 towels, sockbag, and 6 skivvies missing.
 - D) All of the above
- 5. You are the OOD of a YP. You have just been run over by a 900' tanker. You should:
 - A) Consult your YP SOP

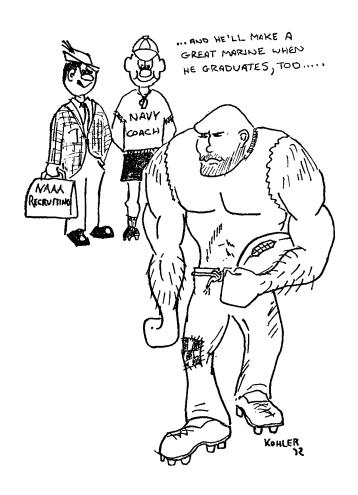
- B) Have a banana
- C) Call the engine room and tell them to secure
- 6. You are going to a skinny P-work. The best last minute preparation is:
 - A) Three rabbits' feet
 - B) Burn a fatted plebe as a sacrifice to Odin
 - C) Imbibe a few libations to Bacchus
 - D) Sack out, since the whole thing is hopeless anyway
- 7. The subject matter of the average steam course at USNA is:
 - A) Non-existent
 - B) Unknown
 - C) Top secret, therefore not to be divulged to midshipmen
 - D) Presented in Greek
- 8. You have just been hit in the ear by a flying banana. You should:
 - A) All of the above
 - B) Refuse to go back to steam until the prof swears not to do it again
 - C) Turn the other ear
- The plebe in the duty seat has just told you that the menu for morning meal is bananas, scrambled eggs, scrapple, chipped beef on toast, breakfast steak au grease, and soggy toast without jelly.
 - A) The plebe should be shot
 - B) An old-fashioned prison mess-hall riot is in order
 - C) The commissary officer should be hung in Effigy (A small town in eastern Maryland)



Yessir, It's my Roomate up there—for the past two weeks, all he could talk about was "shooting back from his citadel",



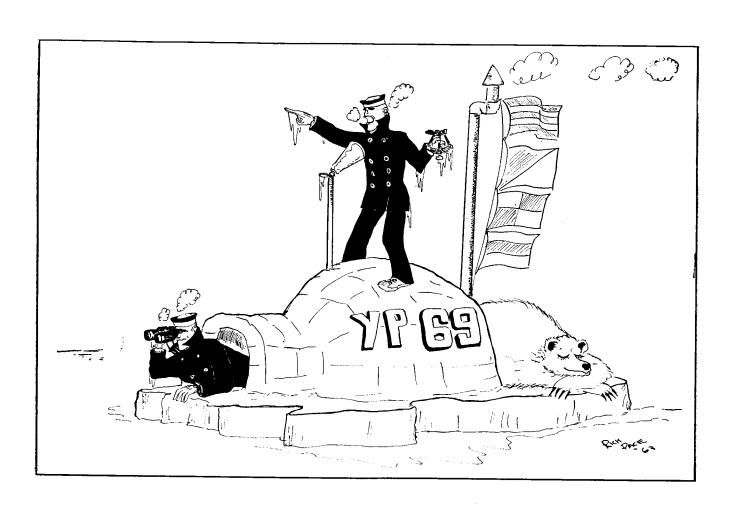
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did all our teams have to pay their own way? Maryland U., Penn State, Slippery Rock State Teachers, Montgomery Junior College, etc., etc., all found the time and money and transportation to field their teams. Why couldn't we? I assure you that those mids which went did not compete under any assumed names, they freely admitted that they went to U.S.N.A. The Academy was ably represented and for no investment got some mighty valuable P.R. (public relations)! And the mids, well they got the "privledge" of going . . . thanks loads NAVY?

Where then is this all leading? If you are at all interested in forming a bowling club here at Navy the "un-college," one which has as it stated purpose, the formation of an intercollegiate varsity team for you ASAP, then watch the Brigade Bulletin for the "word," or if you are really interested and want to start now come see Ed Lucke 1/C. Room 4426 21st Company. (Any perspective Officer Reps, reading this are also entreated to do likewise, thanx). Next if you want to see some of these other sports get off the ground too then get hot! Form clubs for bridge, chess, ping pong, whatever, but this is your school so make it into what you want it to be with the ECA's you want!

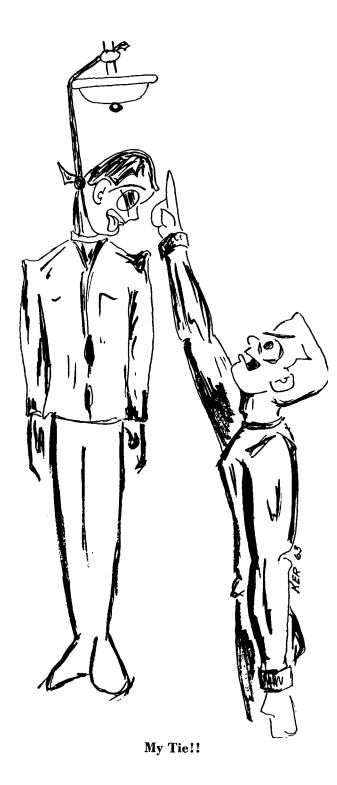
Finally I would like to personally apologize to the entire brigade for what I consider to have been our less than adequate showing (11 of 20 teams). With a little help and encouragement we could have won and I'll argue that with anybody anytime! Where was this then? Good question, but I believe that Navy didn't want us to go and I'll argue that too! But next year will be another chance for you underclass and maybe the Academy can send its varsity bowling team like Maryland, Penn State, Ponit Park College, West Virginia Wesleyan, etc...

Also as a final note I want to say that all those who went did a real fine job and thanks a lot for your efforts.





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Famous Plebe slogan: "We have not yet begun to bite."

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W.T.: "An undertaker was run over by an auto and died."

Door: "He didn't make much on that funeral did he?"

W.T.: "No, he went in the hole."-Judge.

UNTOUCHED

Warm rooms with soft rugs
Quiet music plays in the background
The lights are turned down low
She is by your side—The good life.

Half way around the world

A lonely marine lies on the same earth
Quickly memories rush through his mind
A nameless bullet has taken his good life.

We who are untouched remain out of touch.

Not a word, seldom comes a prayer.

Why do we war? Why do we kill?

God gives us life, only He can take it.

Al Katz

HOME

As you open the door a warm glow welcomes you in.
As you sit in their livingroom you feel at home.
As you talk, it isn't just about the weather.

As you leave, you wish you didn't have to.

Why is this house different?

Why isn't Dad sprawled out on the couch with beer in hand?

Why are they concerned about you?

Why are their children aware of the world around them?

Christ is alive in this house.

Christ is the foundation, walls, and roof.

The family loves Him, worships Him.

He is their way of life . . . He is their Christian Home.

Al Katz

SILENT LOVE

She is beautiful. She spends each night in her place of rest and arises the next day brighter than before. Each day she is constant and persistently dilligent. I have never doubted her faith; she has never had call to doubt mine.

I have known her all my life. At one time she lived right down the street from me. I used to see her at school and when I was with her I held her in my hands when I could as if she were really my own love. I suppose that I still want her, but she is not mine to have. She seems to have a mark or an appearance about her that says, "No man can own me." Certainly, however, she will not forget me, and I will not forget her, for each time I pass her by, she waves to me in the wind; each time she tells me to remember.

I remember our love. Every day, in my mind, she stands before me tall and proud. I take pride in her still. THE FLAG.

Michael C. Craig '72

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"Whers ya from?"

"Bryan, Texas."

"One of those jerk towns where everybody goes out to meet the train?"

"Train?"

JUSTIFICATION FOR EDITORIAL NEGATIVISM

By Arnold Heist

The operation of a militarily oriented institution of higher education is, in itself, a paradox of terminologies. The military is traditionally burdened with the maintenance of the establishment. Even though it may be progressive in technological aspects it by no means may expand to challenge, in any output of original thought whatsoever, the social or political status-quo. On the other hand a college should be the birthplace of original thought and subsequently a challenger of status-quo. Not infrequently the press has been the best means of airing the thoughts of college students. And is it important to air these thoughts? We believe every generation of students, as busy as they might have been, has found time to ponder such weighty topics as national policy making, the verity of religious beliefs and all the small functions that regulated their daily lives. And we are sure that everyone will agree that these are not the sort of things to be told not to worry about. Much as a child who asks about the 'making of babies' should never be put off, neither should the student be awarded abstruse condemnation when questioning the origin and prudence of twentieth century policies and mores. And it is this questioning, in the press, which is so often given the misnomer 'negative editorialism'.

It would seem almost unnecessary to point out the importance of men capable of understanding and producing questioning or radical ideas. Understanding is important because of the counseling roles we face as junior officers and also the fact that in a few years we will be sharing posts throughout the military and civilian worlds with our contemporaries from civilian colleges, and the ability to communicate will be of primary importance. As for the importance of being able to think in radical terms we need only look to our own illustrious history for proof. There we'll find men like Dahlgren, Eli, Burke and Rickover, all important for their independent thinking.

This article is primarily for the subscribers outside the embrace of 'Mother B' who have responded with alarm to negative editorialism in past Logs. Personally we feel that the 'powers that be' at USNA these days are doing a lot of original thinking themselves, with many encouraging results. The communications system we have now is easily the single finest improvement in the last four years. Other decisions concerning privileges, regulations, and policies have indicated a true desire to pass much of the burden of personal decision making from the reg book to the judgment of the midshipmen, and the result seems to be a release from a

sort of regimen-produced depression, and a greater degree of induced maturity.

Perhaps in the final assessment, the idea of the military maintaining the status-quo of a nation which due to rapidly changing technological, and sociological characteristics, really has no status-quo, is a second paradox. But one thing will always remain certain, and that is the real need for original thought and intelligent questioning. Enough said? Never!

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CAPT Coldspot: Well, actually, no to both questions. The hot water was being used to sprinkle new sod in back of Michelson Hall. We had to use hot water because otherwise it would have frozen in the hose and sprinkler, ruining the sprinkling system. As it was, it just made it to the grass before it froze in a layer on top of the sod. It was really cold that week!

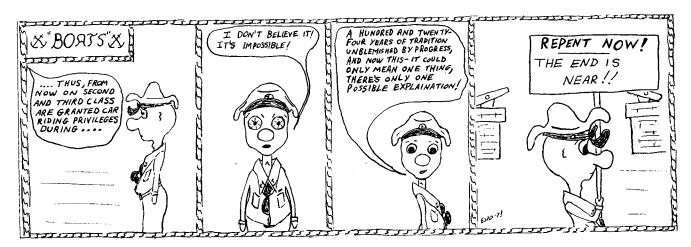
Log: Yes sir. We'll vouch for that. Will that be SOP from now on?

CAPT Coldspot: No, just during the coldest days when the sod needs watering.

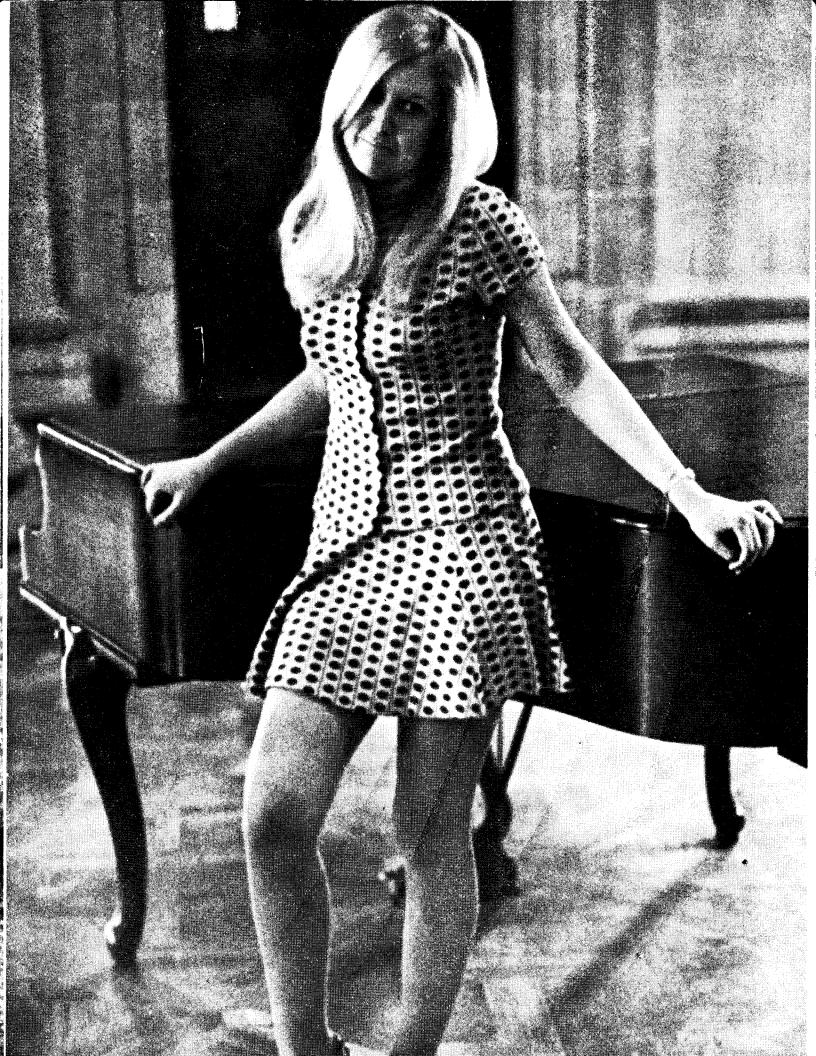
Log: Do you know of the midshipmen's reaction to the heat and water problem?

CAPT Coldspot: Yes, M.P., and we sympathize. We are hoping to get most of the bugs out of the system before '73 graduates. But remember, we must endure hardship in the military and there are sacrifices to be made. Stick together in the face of adversity. Remember, Bancroft Hall is your ship!

Log: Yes sir, that's why I'm going Marine Corps.



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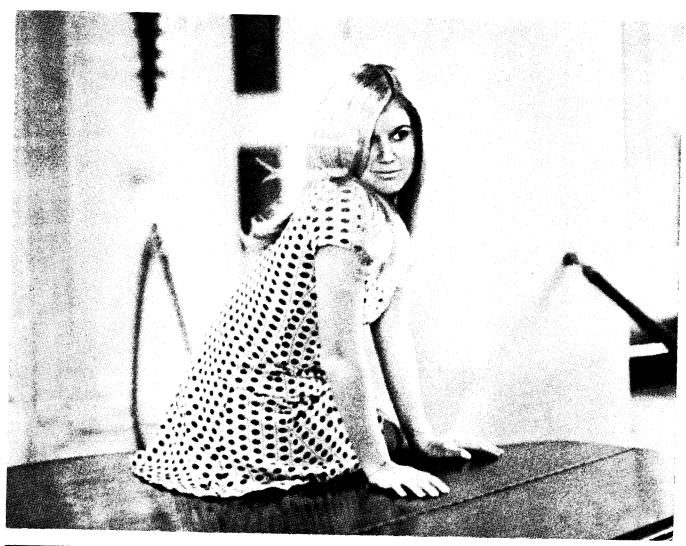








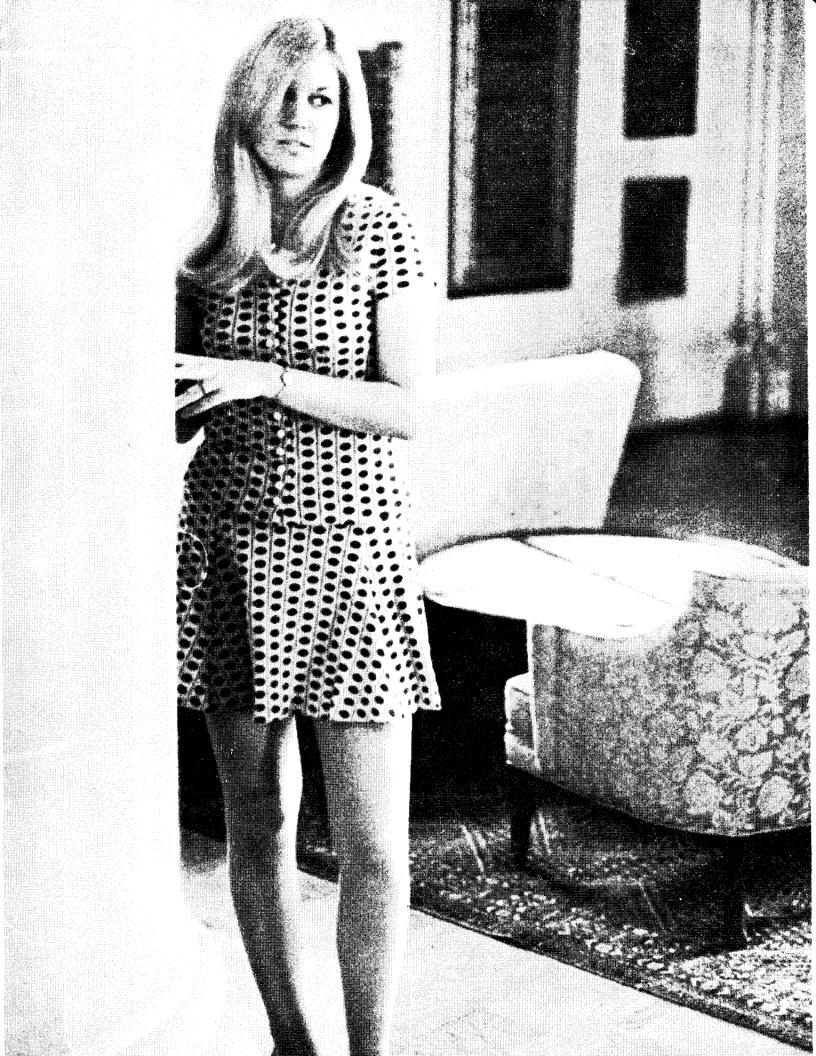
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Memorial Hall's lovely addition this week is twenty-two year old Patricia McCormick. A resident of Severna Park, Maryland, and a graduate of the University of Maryland's class of '69, Pat teaches school at Millersville Elementary, Lucky "Firstie" Nick Williams finds free moments most enjoyable with his fiance on campus.

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THE BIG BROTHERS OF USNA

By Carrol White

The social consciousness of today's youth is not confined to the young men and women outside of the military. Here at the Naval Academy, the existence of the Annapolis Council of Big Brothers is proof of the military's awareness of rising social need. The Big Brothers program is in its fourth year here at Navy.

The Big Brothers of Annapolis is part of the national organization known as Big Brothers of America, and is affiliated with the Baltimore chapter. The program's aim is to provide adult male counsel and companionship to fatherless boys. First Classman Barry Steelman of the 32nd Company is Chairman of the Annapolis Council and is one of twenty Midshipmen participating in the program.

The Big Brother program is based on a one to one, boy to man relationship. Barry spoke of the program with the boys as "seeking common goals together and learn-

ing from each other." Activities of some of the Big and Little Brothers teams include eating a meal in the mess hall, attending football games with tickets provided by the Naval Academy Athletic Association, attending professional basketball and baseball games in Baltimore, and camping trips.

Expansion of the program is inminent pending the acceptance of approximately seventy five midshipmen as Big Brothers. The Annapolis Council is distinct in being one of the few Big Brothers chapters which is looking for more boys to help, rather than Big Brothers to help them. Boys may enter the program in one of two ways: mothers of the children may phone the Annapolis office and request a Big Brother for their sons, or the office, under the direction of Field Representative Preston Gagaway, will contact mothers of those boys whose names are provided as possible Little Brothers by local

schools.

The organization of the Annapolis Council includes First Class Representative Charles C. Davis of the 1st Company, Mike Stewart of the 7th Company representing the Second Class, and Third Class Representatives Fred Gorris and Frank Gibson of the 23rd and 21st Companies, respectively. Incorporated into the Big Brother program is the Tyler Heights Boys Club for boys of the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. A tutoring program is also carried out at Tyler Heights Elementary School. The Boys Club meets once a week and is beaded up by First Classmen Dick Stearns, 32nd Company, Mike Roberts of the 33rd Company and Barry Steelman. The tutoring program involves six Midshipmen four nights a week with a total of about fifty participating on a rotation basis.

The Academy Big Brothers meet the first Tuesday night of the



Left to right: back row: Mike Stewart 2/c, Bert Freeman 1/c, Jack McNamee 1/c, Ron Machley 1/c, Barry Steelman 1/c, Brock McMunn 1/c, and Fred Gorris 3/c. Front row: Little Brothers of Annapolis.



month in Smoke Hall. Members of the Brigade who are interested in helping a fatherless boy are invited to attend.

Being a Big Brother involves time and an investment of yourself in another person, but the reward is great in terms of benefits to the boy, the community, and yourself.

Second class Mike Stewart with his little brother in the mess hall.



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Somehow, I have managed to survive another deadline and make another appearance. I've had a couple of close calls, but, my true identity remains a secret from the Executive Department.

I'm wondering if anyone besides me noticed the rather remarkable phenomenon which took place recently on the grounds surrounding Mahan Hall. Shortly following the ASW lecture to the Class of 1970. the grass had inexplicably grown until it was knee-deep. A random sample of First Class opinion has indicated to me that most of the Firsties feel that their intelligence was insulted, and I can find no grounds for disagreement. My own feeling was that I was being debriefed instead of briefed. I can think of no good reason for forcing an entire class to attend a lecture when the subject matter presented covered no areas with which we were all not familiar. Taking an hour and twenty minutes to do it only compounded the insult. At least one of my classmates was disturbed enough to say that the lecture had dispelled most of his doubts about which branch of Naval Aviation he should enter: ASW was no longer under consideration, a rather interesting effect for a recruiting lecture to have. I would like to offer a suggestion for future lectures of this type which may be planned: cancel them.

The response to my request for an Apologies Editor was truly gratifying. Only one man possessed a personality with the proper amount of masochism and lack of common sense to apply for the job. Due to the lack of qualified competition, he won the job. I wish him luck; he has his work cut out for him.

Word has reached my desk through the grapevine that two Company Sub-Comanders, one in 3rd Batt and the other in 6th Batt, are taking their two stripes rather seriously. The following example from Stalag 15 (the "haven of hypocrisy") will serve to illustrate my point.

Two Youngsters were fried recently for leaving the mess hall before one light. The Sub-Commander's intention was to provide an example to other men to deter them from leaving the mess hall early. The Youngsters each got 10 and 2. The very next day, a Plebe was discovered bagging evening meal completely, an offense punishable by at least a Class A. Realizing, however, that Plebes are wont to err on occasion, and fearful of the scar that a Black N might leave on the impressionable young man, the supremely just two-striper gave the Plebe a Form 3. I'll bet that taught him a lesson he won't soon forget!

Our other Sub-Commander is from the Company where the sweat increases in exponential proportion to the rapidly decreasing number of Firsties. Over Term Leave he didn't have anything better to do than stay in the Hall and "supervise." During the week, word was passed that Firsties on leave in the hall were required only to attend formations; no uniform was specified, and attendance at the meal itself was strictly volun-

tary. So what did our friend do? Every morning, he was up at reveille, at formation in blue works, and then, to top it off, he marched the company to the Mess Hall and then fell out and returned to his room. Not once did he eat breakfast. I'll bet both of them are from Chicago.

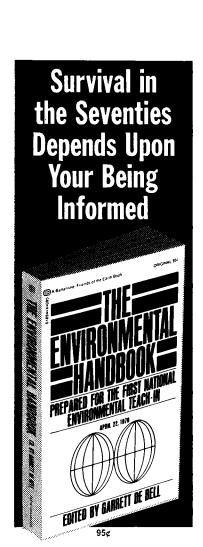
A Firstie I know received the following note one day: "You have a banana waiting for you in Main Office." There's nothing like having a little sunshine thrown into your day.

The resident four-striper in a high-numbered sixth batt company was as straight an arrow as you could ever hope to find when he was on the staff. Plebe Servitude was a sin as unthinkable as sleeping-in to him, and he was never known to be hesitant about saying so. I guess things change, though, when you rejoin the normal world. The night before formal room inspections by his Company officer, a couple of Plebes were observed in his place of residence doing all sorts of interesting little tasks. It must help to have one face for the Executive Department and another for your men. P.S. Wonder if they got paid?

Which reminds me of a story I was told recently. I have a classmate who happens to be a staunch Republican and who is quite vocal about it. One day during a typically interesting Bull class, he decided to express his views by contributing to the graffiti on his Maury Hall desk. What he wrote was: "There were only two things I didn't like

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about LBJ—his face." The next time he was there, he was somewhat disturbed to find that some illiterate had added, "and his voice" to his masterpiece. There has to be a moral in there somewhere. I'm still pondering the many possibilities. I leave you with this thought: day and night in equal lengths, an evening long lost in search of naught.



On April 22nd the first National Environmental Teach-In will be held at colleges and universities across the nation. If you're asking yourself what can I do, THE ENVIRONMENTAL HANDBOOK will serve as a source of ideas and tactics.

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Think anybody who gets up at 0445 to go swimming is crazy? You may be right, but there are some who do it. The Scuba Club offers lessons in the fine art of underwater insanity for those who can beg, buy, or steal the necessary equipment and are willing to brave the early morning chill of the Natatorium.

Fresh out of the rack, with tanks on their backs, and fins, masks, snorkels, and assorted other devices in hand, these hardy souls make the big dash to the Natatorium, where they are met by unsmiling (who could smile at 0500?) midshipman instructors who proceed to devise ingenious means to teach the novice self-confidence in the strange but thrilling environment of the underwater.

The course lasts approximately eight weeks, with one lecture and two pool sessions each week. Both written and pool tests follow, with a qualification dive in a nearby quarry when the climate is suitable.

The qualification is recognized by divers everywhere, and the skills learned in these sessions are guaranteed to stand the Navy man in good steed. Is it worth 0445 in the morning? You bet it is!

By Brad Harbin '72

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WHERE YOU WILL FIND THE GIFT YOU'D LIKE FOR

YOURSELF Up Fleet St. from Market Space

DR. BILLY GRAHAM

By Jim Carter

There was an air of anticipation in the Chaplains' office as the Chaplains and a small group of Midshipmen awaited the arrival of the Rev. Dr. Billy Graham. The room was immediately silent as Dr. Graham arrived, greeted Chaplain McComas, then proceeded to meet each person present with a handshake and a word of greeting.

Anyone who has seen and heard Dr. Graham preach has probably noticed his dynamicism. We can report that this characteristic seems to stand out just as much when meeting him face to face. It is easy to see why the famed evangelist is a man equally at ease with heads of state and young people at a Miami rock festival; he possesses magical ability to put his company immediately at ease. His eyes seem to project not only an enthusiasm for life, but a genuine interest in each person whom he speaks with.

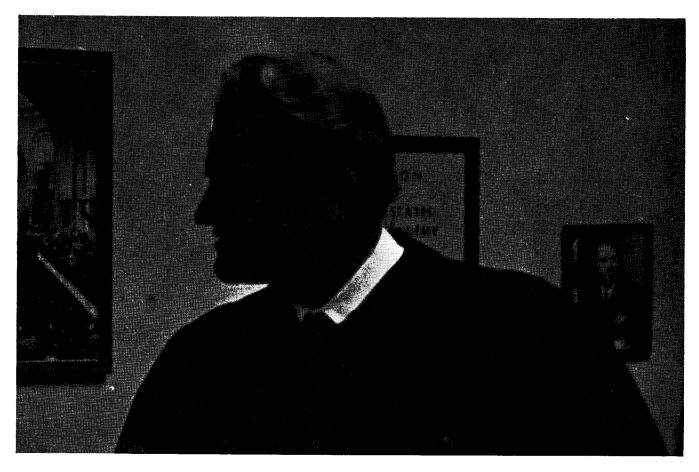
Despite the fact that he was on the tightest of schedules and the center of a whirlwind of activities, as he donned his robes, Dr. Graham was immediately receptive to our request for a brief interview. Not knowing any better place to start, we asked him if he had ever been to Annapolis before. His reply was affirmative, "Probably 8 or 10 times in the past 18 years, although I don't think any of you were here the last time I was."

Had he been a Christian all his life? "No, I became a Christian at age 17. I was convinced by the Holy Spirit at an evangelistic meeting in Raleigh, North Carolina," Dr. Graham related as he made the decision to devote his life to evangelism in 1952. "I was president of a small college in Minnesota, and I had to make the decision whether to devote my life to education or evangelism."

We asked our guest how many countries he had visited carrying the Gospel. "I've been to all the countries in the world except for China, Nepal, Afghanistan, and other countries in the Himalayas."

When we asked Dr. Graham just why he felt a person should become a Christian in today's world and how he could accept the person of Christ, his answer was a quick smile. "Well, I hope to answer that in my sermon this morning."

Two of the main points that many persons raise when confronted with the *Bible* and Christ's teachings are the "contradictions in the *Bible* and the irrelevance of the Bible to life today." When we mentioned this to Dr. Graham, his response was a wide smile. "Well, whenever anyone mentions contradictions in the *Bible*, I just ask them to show me one! As for relevance, the *Bible* is the most relevance



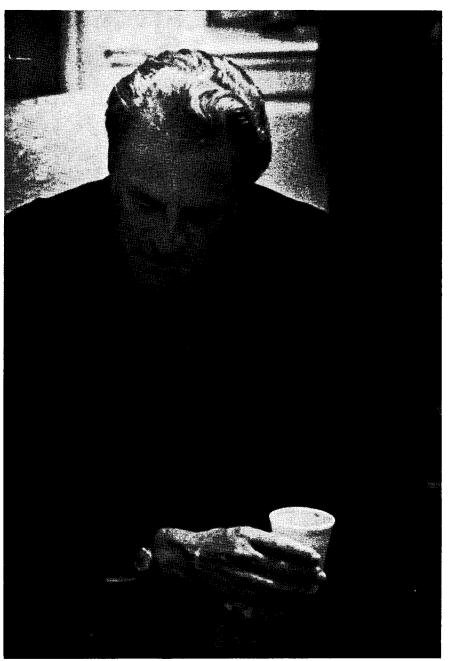
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vant book to life today. On the front page of the New York Times just last week the chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission said that the big questions today are not scientific, but philosophical. Who are we? What are we doing on this planet? Listen to the lyrics of the rock songs today. They are asking the same questions. The Bible answers these questions, and it is certainly the most relevant book to answer these questions."

We mentioned that Dr. Joseph Fletcher had spoken here in October. (Dr. Fletcher wrote Situational Ethics, a book whose main theme is that there are no real moral absolutes, and ethical and moral standards are determined in large part by each individual situation.-ED.). Dr. Fletcher had stated that he could not believe that anyone could have a personal relationship with God thru Jesus Christ. "Of course," Dr. Graham told us, "Dr. Fletcher can not believe in this personal relationship because he does not have one himself. The Bible mentions the "natural man" (I Corinthians 2:14) as one to whom the things of God are foolishness. The answer was really the only one Dr. Fletcher could give."

What about situational ethics? "The *Bible* takes definite positions on certain things and on other matters it takes no position. But the absolutes are very plain, for instance, it's *always wrong* to commit adultery, it's *always wrong* to commit premeditated murder, it's *always wrong* to worship another God."

Getting into an area peculiar to the Christian military man, we asked Dr. Graham if there was a way a Christian in the military could reconcile his ultimate objectives with the Commandment "Thou shalt not kill." "The word "kill" is mentioned many times in the Bible," Dr. Graham told us. "In most all versions, the translation from the original Greek and Hebrew words is incorrect. The intended meaning is premeditated murder. This has been corrected in some of the new versions of the Bible now being printed. Some examples are the wars fought by



Photos by Bryant Averyt

"... the Bible is the relevant book to life today."

the people of Israel under David and Moses. And remember God's action at the Red Sea against the Egyptian soldiers."

In light of many of the recent magazines articles and recent events, we asked our guest if we were correct in assuming that many people were turning away from God and the Church. "Although people are rejecting the organized Church," Dr. Graham said, "more people are believers in Jesus Christ than at any other time I know of. He is the answer for man's problems."

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To settle an argument over which was correct, the hen is sitting or the hen is setting, two rural school-teachers asked farmer Brown, who knew his hens and his eggs.

"Well," he said, "that isn't what interests me. What I want to know when I hear a hen cackle is whether shes laying or lying."

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Wife: "Mrs. Chatter is getting a double chin."

Husband: "To much work for one, I suppose."



It took quite some time to choose the letters to be used in this issue of the LOG, not because there were so many good letters, but because there were so many bad letters sent to me. Mids, start sending those letters in or I may have to start writing the Dear John letters for the next issue. If you want to use the letter for a dart board or you want to burn them to keep your room warm, just send a copy to me before you destroy it. I need your cooperation to keep this column alive.

Both the letters in this issue begin with unique reasons for breaking-up, but the first one ends with the truth. I have to congratulate the author of the first letter for being honest, but her first reason for calling it quits was quite vague and unimaginative. Well, I think it is better for you to judge the letters for themselves, so here are my goodies for this issue:

Dear John,

I hope you get this early so you can make other plans for the weekend. (there is nothing like the last minute brush-off) I won't be able to go out with you. My parents won't let me drive to D.C. and besides, I won't be home this weekend! (and the plot thickens)

John, I really don't know how to put this, but here goes. Remember when you thought I was leading you on? Well, I wasn't . . . then, but I really do think if I keep dating you I will be. (that is nice to know) It's very hard to explain, but that's the way I feel. I suppose I could say there's someone else and I don't want to date anyone else, but I'm not worried about that. (that's nice) I don't want to lead you on. (this is confusing)

I know that sounds kind of blunt, but I don't want anyone to be hurt or angry (well, if this letter isn't a stab in the back, I don't know what is) so I thought I'd let you know as soon as possible. (that was nice)

You probably think I'm a silly little school girl; well, I am, and I don't want any lectures about it. (O.K.) If I am making a mistake or something— I want to find out myself. (you will) Maybe it may be the same mistake I made before, but this time again—it can't be helped. I'm sorry. (that's conciliations)

P.S. I just reread this and I see it isn't very clear. (you're right) Before, what I said about someone else; well, in case the message didn't come across—there is someone else. (THE TRUTH AT LAST)

Dear John,

The letter I am writing now has nothing to do with your previous letter. This is one I've been putting off for weeks and I've cried every time I think about it. (I'll bet) If you knew me better, I'm sure you would understand why I'm doing this.

Every year at this time I break off all relationships and become a so-called loner for a month. (she has a lot of confidence) Then I start fresh into an almost new life. In order for me to completely fulfill my new relationships, it is essential that I completely disintegrate my old ones. (this must be a standard form)

I have so many happy memories of you—you have given me enough love to last forever. (well, why go on looking?) I love life as much as I love you, and because of this I want to enter as many hearts as I can. (very vague!) Can you see how full my life is? I want to give others a pint of this happiness. (does it come in fifths too?) Life seems all too short to me John, and I must live every second of it. (I've heard that before)

Please don't think I'm leaving you because of someone else—I'm not. There shall not be anyone for a long time. You've been my last and hardest relationship to terminate this year because I feel you inside of me (oh really?)

I can't say anymore John—I know I shall regret having written this—I feel as if I'm losing a part of me—the hurt is only slight now, later it would have been unbearable for me.

May you always get what you want, and may all your loves make you happy. (thanks a lot)

Please don't be sad—just think of all the things we've learned from each other. (like how to get rid of the other)

Goodbye Love, Mary

Mary

COMIC SECTION



Would anyone like to "skin the cat"?

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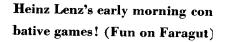




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I thought it was bad when he had to keep his car outside the seven mile limit.

10,000 WORDS





I thought this boxing course was supposed to teach you how not to get hurt.



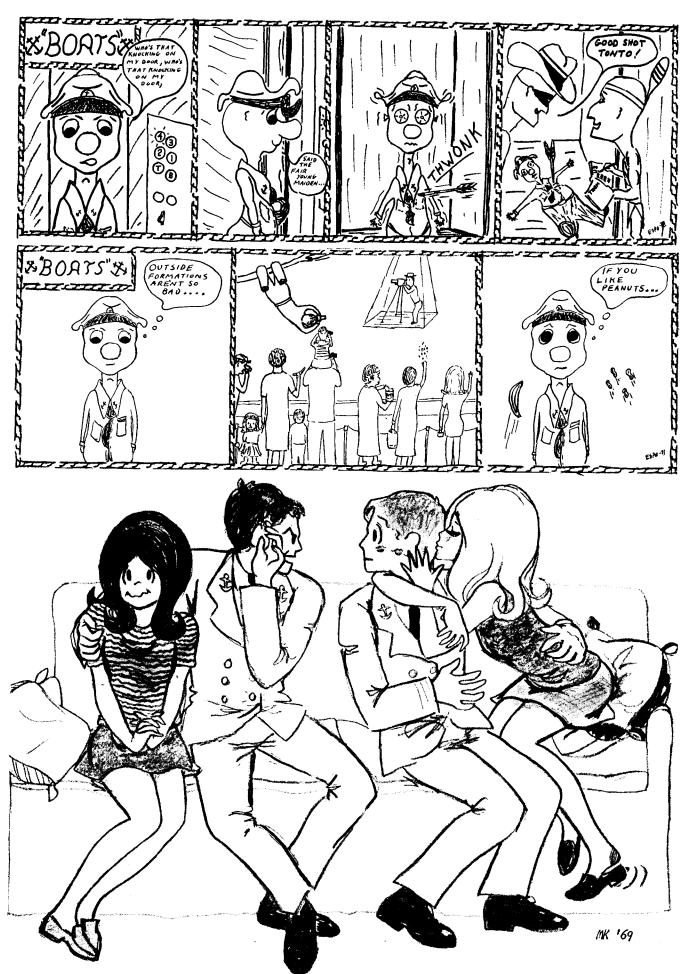
More well rounded officers needed.

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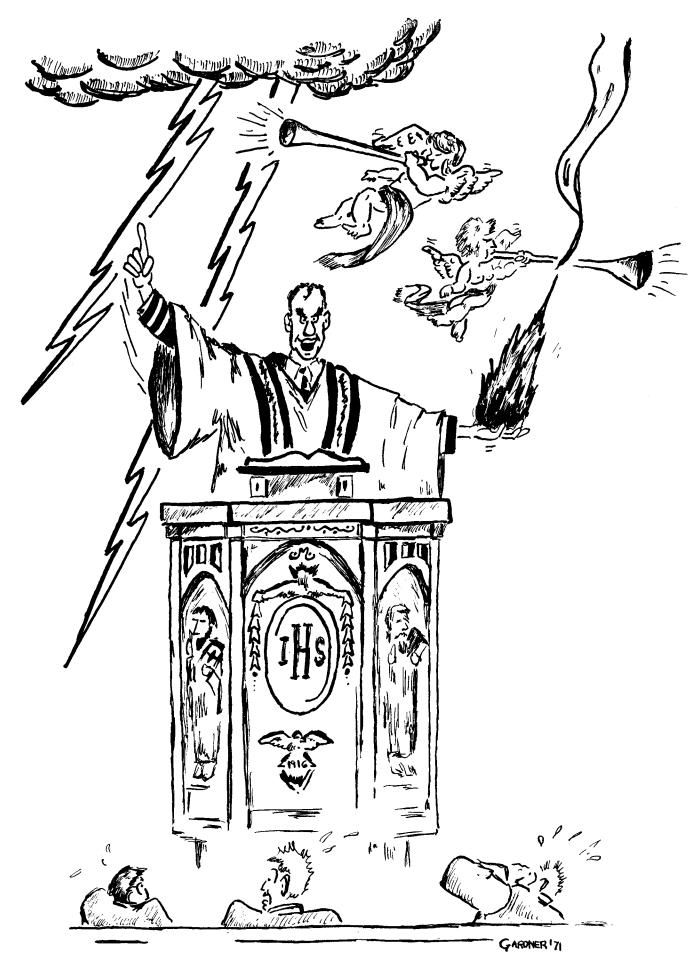
Talk about catching a guy with his pants down.

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When you told me she was cool you Didn't say she was frigid.

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AFTER THIS, WHO'S TO SAY CHAPEL SHOULD N'T BE MANDATORY ?!



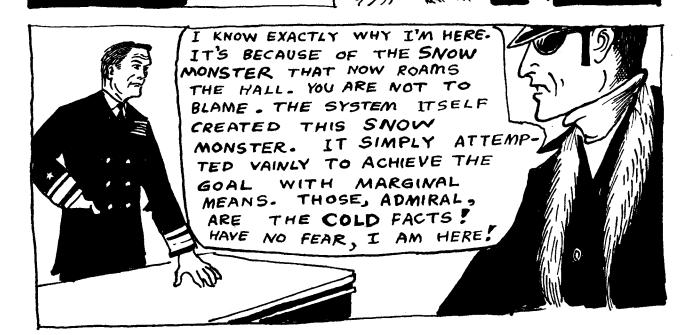
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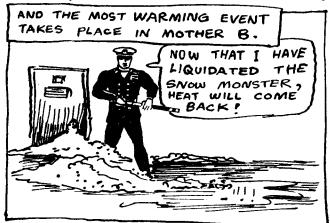






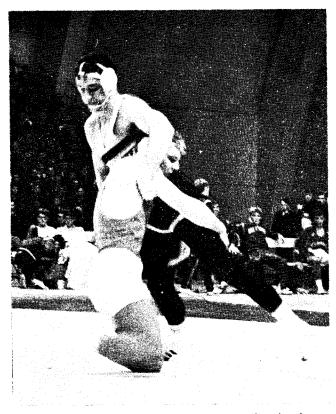








SPORTS



Tom Tomlinson counters an opponent's take down

Every ounce of spirit was alive in the Nittany Lions on Saturday, Feb. 14 as sweethearts and foes alike united. For it took a determined and strong Penn State wrestling team to knock off once-beaten Navy by a score of 18 to 16 and grab first place in the Eastern rankings. Even the visiting students were passing out "Penn State Beat Navy" buttons as Recreation Hall in University Park filled to capacity for one of the closest matches between the two schools in quite sometime. The lead changed hands several times before a draw in the final match clinched the 2 point victory for Penn State. The Nittany Lions now have an unmarred 7-0 record while the Midshipmen dropped to 5-2.

It had been smooth sailing in previous weeks for Navy as they had no trouble with anyone except for powerhouse Oklahoma. Opening the season in New York, Navy romped to an easy 34-8 victory over Syracuse as 8 men won matches in their respective weight classes. Just two weeks later, the Sooners of Oklahoma came to town to display some of their classy Southern wrestling that ranks them in the top 5 in the country. The visitors used some good defensive and offensive strategy to paste a 23-8 defeat on the Midshipmen. Mark Kane in the heavyweight division was the only man to win his match. In the following 4

matches Navy racked up victories against Pitt (28-6), Northwestern (28-6), Temple (30-6), and rival Lehigh (23-21).

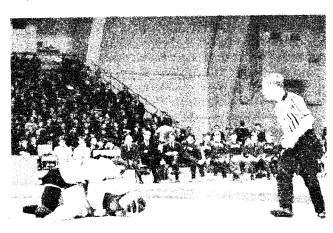
Going into last Saturday's match, the number one spot in the East was at stake. However, this does not mean that either school will be declared Eastern Champions until later when these two teams will meet in the E.I.W.A. finals. Penn State managed to round up 6 undefeated men among their regulars to face Navy. The Midshipmen could not boast as well a record among their men, but fought their opponents right down to the finish. Lew Mason, Dale Stahl.



Bob Christianson ties up his man for valuable points

'Butch" Keaser, and Ben Welch were victors in their weight classes; Bob Christianson and Mark Kane finished with draws. As it was, each team grabbed 4 wins, and there were two ties. The deciding points came when Matter of Penn State gained his 6th pin of the year with one on Tom Jones.

The loss certainly did not knock Navy out of contention in any race, but it only proved that the Eastern finals will not be too easy. Unquestionably we will bounce back to enter the finals in the same spirit that has captured the previous E.I.W.A. Championships for the past two years.



Greg Koons rides out his Oklahoma foe

BRIGADE BOXING HIGHLIGHTS THE EARLY 1970's

By Freddie Davidson '72

We are now headed into a new decade that appears to present some far-reaching milestones in athletic competition as was present in the 1960's. There is certainly no exception in the boxing world. Most likely, there will never be another fighter with the color and audacity that was displayed by World's Champion Muhammed Ali or Cassius Clay as he was known by the millions who respected his abilities and deplored his religious antics. He became the second of 2 undefeated champions who never lost while holding a world title. Now deceased Rocky Marciano was the other man.

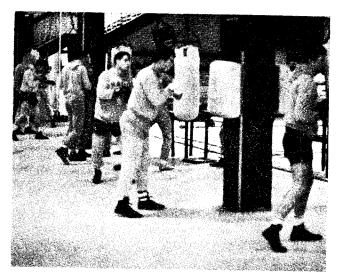
Only several weeks ago a computerized "Fight of the Century" was staged by Rocky Marciano and Muhammed Ali to determine an unbeaten champion. With filmed clips of a fake bout and a computerized finish, the Rock knocked Ali out in the 13th round to become champion. On Feb. 16 headlines will again be made as Joe Frazier will fist it out with Jim Ellis for the W B A's Heavyweight title. In keeping pace with the boxing headlines for the 70's, the Naval Academy announces the new look for the Brigade Boxing Championships to be staged on Feb. 28 and Mar. 15. This year's fights are sure to keep pace with the excitement and color that is already a part of 1970.

Under the direction of Coach Emerson Smith and Lt. W. F. Higgins this year's proceeds from the tournament will go to the Navy Relief Fund which has received numerous donations from Brigade and Naval Academy activities. The semifinals for the 29th annual tournament will be held Saturday night, Feb. 28, in MacDonough Hall (the home of Naval Academy



Jimmy Searing absorbs a sparring left thrown by Roy Golez.

boxing). These prelims, starting at 8:00 P.M., will decide 2 winners in each of 7 weight classes who will vie for the titles on March 15. The Sunday afternoon finals will start at 2:00 P.M. in the newly redecorated Field House, a perfect site for an afternoon of classic competition in boxing.



Rusty Colquitt, Steve Newberger, Gerry Stahl, and Ken Schavb demonstrate the hard work and muscle required for a bout.

COACH EMERSON SMITH AND HIS PROGRAM TODAY

Even today Brigade boxing remains as the leading intramural program at the Naval Academy under the guidance of Assistant Prof. Emerson Smith and his assistant, Reb Hester, who is doing outstanding work organizing the program this year. Coach Smith is in his 13th year as an instructor and his 6th year as head of the boxing program. Boxing is a major part of physical education and ranks tops among Brigade competition. It is the only sport that integrates freshmen and upperclass participation on a varsity level. Also it remains as the only intramural sport in which a varsity "N" can be won. Coach Smith cited a passage from the A A U National Handbook which he uses as guidelines in teaching boxing as a self-styled art. "The winning boxer must use as much brain as brawn, develop timing and rhythm such as a dancer, and use aggressive defense in facing his opponent." If a man can successively acquire these skills as well as more, he will be able to take them with him after he leaves the Academy and use them in unforeseen situations.

Almost as colorful as Spike Webb himself. Emerson Smith has an outstanding background as a boxer and coach that makes him one of the finest in his field. In the middleweight class, he toured and sparred with Fred Apostoli in 1937 and 1938. After working under such fighters as Freddie Cochran and Steve Belloise, Smith taught for a short period at Bainbridge, Md. In World War II, he boxed as an amateur and worked under the Gene Tunney Program which took him to

all parts of the Pacific. As well as a boxer, Smith was a football, basketball, and track letterman in college which he finished after the war. After teaching and coaching at Easton, Md. High School and Washington College in Chestertown, Md., he moved to a spot at the Naval Academy in 1957 where he still remains as the head of the boxing program.

A LOOK INTO THIS YEAR'S FIGHTS

With over 60 candidates competing for the championship in each weight class, 1970 promises to be no exception to excitement that accompanies each year's Brigade Boxing. The ring will find Roilio Golez '70 going for his 4th consecutive title at 127 lbs. In the '69 finals, 2 plebes emerged as champions—Ken Schaub '72 at 175 lbs. and E. M. Smith '72 in the 135 lb. class. Steve Newberger '71, who has captured the 145 lb. title as a plebe and youngster, is back again for the competition. Two-time champ Craig Silverthorne '70 will make a bid for the third title. The heavyweight division will be up for grabs as Tom Cleverdon '69 has vacated the spot.

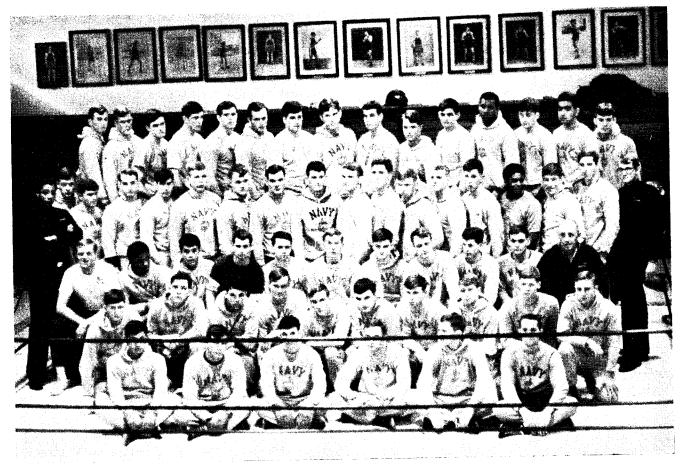
In addition to the excitement and punch that goes into every bout, each contestant will be competing for the Spike Webb Trophy which is annually awarded to the outstanding boxer and sportsman of the tournament. For 3 years from 1966 to 1968, Craig Gillespie '69 thrice pocketed the prized possession. But in 1969. 155 lb. titleist Corky Peck '70 captured the honors. The trophy is again at stake this year in what promises to be one of the most exciting tournaments in quite some time and possibly the best one of this decade!!

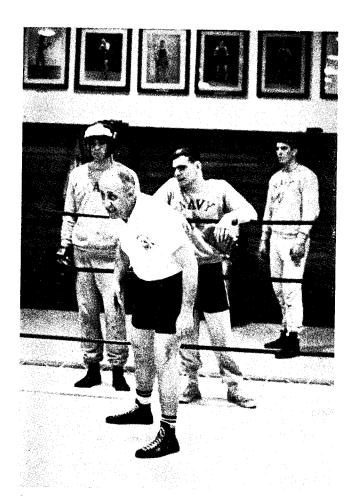
BITS OF HISTORY ON BOXING AT THE ACADEMY

Most people aren't aware of the long history of boxing at the Naval Academy as it begins its 50th year of existence. A formal beginning can be dated back to 1919 when boxing's flamboyant Spike Webb was given coaching chores here. By licking Penn and Penn State in February of 1920, the boxing team completed its first of 11 consecutive undefeated seasons in intercollegiate competition. And for 11 more years after that, Spike Webb directed the Naval Academy to become the powerhouse of the East.

In Eastern Intercollegiate competition from 1924 til 1931, Navy captured 4 titles with 17 individual champions. However, the Academy's most outstanding achievements were in the dual matches through the years. From 1920 to 1931, we registered 54 wins and 3 ties before being defeated by Syracuse. During that time a dynasty had been built at the Academy that can be equaled nowhere. The reason for boxing's success can be attributed to Spike Webb, a Baltimore bantamweight who obtained his name from the fact that he hit like a marlin spike. His fame grew prominent in World War I where he coached American division teams to unbeaten records in European matches. He carried over his accomplishments when he came to the Naval Academy as the school obtained an overall record of 93 wins, 14 losses, and 8 ties.

Almost as impressive as our record were the teams that we faced in those days. A comparable rivalry to foorball's Army-Navy was built up between ourselves and the U. of Virginia. They stand as the only team to have a winning record over Navy, 4-6-1.





Coach Smith demonstrates his enthusiasm for the boxing program

However, some of our biggest competitors were Penn State, where we registered a winning 13-2-1 record; Syracuse, 8-5-1; Western Maryland, 10-0; U. of Penn, 11-0; M.I.T., 8-0; and even Notre Dame, 2-0. Of the 23 schools that Navy faced in dual matches, only 4 of them can claim a victory at one time or another.

Remarkable as Navy's record was during 22 years of matches with other colleges, intercollegiate boxing at the Academy met an untimely death in 1941. There are numerous stories as to the banning of the sport, such as the bad name professional boxing achieved in association with gambling syndicates, or the fact that the sport had an ill affect on the Academy's "future officers" (such as a man becoming "punch drunk"). It was even thought out that a man's objective in a boxing match was to incapacitate his opponent, a far cry from objectives sought by most American sports. Even "weight-making" (a form of starvation) was logged as detrimental to a youngster's health. Whatever the case may be, Supt. Wilson formally concluded intercollegiate boxing at the Naval Academy on March 22, 1941. Intramural competition, however. continued under the direction of Spike Webb until his retirement in 1954.

GYMNASTICS

BY WILLIE BRAMLETT '70

Coach Savering has a motto on the wall of his office that reads, "There is no gain without pain." Well Navy gymnastics realized gain in last Saturday's 157.85-125.16 victory over South Connecticut. That score is 4.35 points better than the 153.50-127.25 victory over Pitt a week earlier.

For a team to improve its score, the competitors must improve their individual scores. This is called "hitting" your routine, and team score rises when everyone hits their routine. For example, look at Pete Haring's 6.8 on side horse in the Pitt meet and his 9.4! against Connecticut, or look at Steve Klotz's ring/flying trapeze act (swinging on the rings is undesirable) against Connecticut for 8.2 after an 8.85 against Pitt. Steve was certainly hitting on high bar with his 9.10 and first for the event, while Mike Ash '72 fell off twice in his routine and pulled a 6.4.

Bob Mackey '70 certainly did a fine job in the All Around. Scoring 54.20 points, Bob scored in the nines in all but two events and scored a 9.55! on side horse. Remember that 10.0 is maximum. Bob's form and consistency mark him as the highest scoring member of the team.

Consistency will be an important factor in the up-coming Army meet. Navy's victory over South Connecticut last weekend is bound to give Army something to worry about. You see, with exchange weekends going on, it's easy to scout. The three West Point cadets who were taking notes at the Connecticut meet certainly noted the improvements in our team. Since Army has been scoring in the 140's. Navy's four point rise since the Pitt victory must look awesome to Army, but Army will use that rise to "psych" their own competitors. Last year, Navy dropped from the 150's to the 140's, Army did the opposite, and Army won 155.23-147.88. By Saturday afternoon, 28 February, Army will be "up" for their best, and if you and your drag are "up" for some exciting competition, be there.

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Country constable: Sorry miss, no swimming allowed in this lake.

Sweet young thing: Why didn't you tell me before I undressed?

Same constable with a very quick thought: There ain't no law against undressing.

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"TO LEAVE THE SEA"

Seven winds are on you, sea,
Seven winds, but not the girl who loves me.
Cold, and clear, and deftly spent.
A life at sea makes one repent.
Tis too bad I love her more than thee.
I'm going home to the girl who loves me.

Michael C. Craig '72

RACKETMEN SQUASH OPPONENTS

by Jim Garrow '71

Again this year the Navy squash team is one of the most talented but most underpublicized teams at Navy.

The team this year is led by captain Harold Mashburn, and has a record of 8-2.

Members of this year's team include Mashburn, Bob Custer 2/c, Gordon Perry 3/c, Mike Wilson 2/c, Jim Dunn 3/c, Greg Stiles 1/c, Stu McFarland 1/c, Charlie Wood 2/c, Clay Stiles 2/c, and Herb Stockton 3/c.

The top winners on the team have been Mike Wilson and Gordon Perry, nine and eight victories respectively.

Bob Custer won the Maryland State Tournament this year, and his victory marked the first time in three years that a Navy player has won this tournament. His victory was also the first time a second classman has won the Maryland State Tournament for Navy.

The team started the season by making a northern trip to New England. On Friday the 5th of December they beat West Hartford Country Club and Wesleyan College by identical scores of 9-0. The next day they got by stubborn Williams College 5-4, and Trinity College 9-0. On Sunday the 7th, their fifth match in three days, they beat the Massachusetts Institute of Technology 9-0.

Returning home, the squash team faced Toronto University on the 13th of December, and came away with a 7-2 win.

After Christmas vacation the team picked up their winning ways with a victory over Brown University on January 9. The score was 9-0. The next day, however, their 7-game victory streak came to an abrupt halt. The squash team was squashed by Harvard 7-2. They quickly got back on the right track with an 8-1 win over Amherst College that afternoon.

On the 17th the team suffered its second defeat, losing to Penn 6-3.

Remaining teams on this year's schedule include Fordham, Princeton, Franklin and Marshall, Adelphi, and Army.

On the 21st of Feb. the 5 top players of the team will go to the nationals in Philadelphia, and on the 6th of March, a week after the Army game, the team goes to Princeton for the Intercollegiate Championships.

SWIMMING

by Willie Bramlett '70

Everyone enjoys the story of a "comeback" and the comeback in Navy sports is the story of Steve Cheney '71. Crippled 2/c summer with a broken leg and dislocated hip, Steve spent 10 weeks in a cast till it came off at the end of October. In November, Steve could be seen hobbling across the pool deck on crutches with a miniature leg shrunk from atrophy. On a Wednesday afternoon in January, Steve finished a 20 lap trip called the 1000 in 10:44.5, a new Academy record. Navy led Maryland 11-5. Any 1/c with the memory of his 40 minute swim, will understand Steve's nickname, "Beast".

On that same Wednesday afternoon, Rick Stringer '72, Stu Powrie '70, Dave Pearl '71, and Cap Parlier '70 broke the Academy's 400 Medley Relay mark and Wally Gavett '72 broke the 200 Individual medley record. By the time Rick Stringer broke the 200 Backstroke record, Navy was certain of victory with the score 54-25 and four events to go. The record breaking meet ended with Navy's 80-33 victory an almost exact reversal of last year's 34-79 defeat.

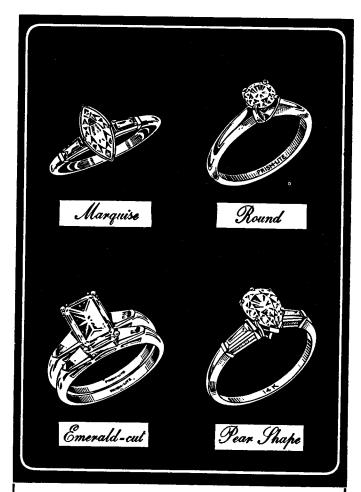
Navy met Tennessee with the momentum of a 3-2 record, but Tennessee was in for record smashing victories. Tennessee's Dave Edgar established himself nationally with a new NCAA record for the 50 Freestyle. The 50 Free is a quick race and always close, till Edgar showed with a 20.5. A 22.0 second 50 will usually get you a first around here, and a 22.1 will get

a second. So a 20.5 is *really* fast, NCAA record fast. The month of January ended with a defeat by Yale,

The month of January ended with a defeat by Yale, 39-74 and tipped the varsity record to a losing 3-4 season. The plebe record remains unscathed, but only 3 plebe records have been broken. Rex Hand has broken all 3 and one was his own record in the 400 Free. Rex is a very promising distance man since his plebe 1000 record of 10:28.6 is nearly 17 seconds faster than Steve Cheney's varsity record. Coach Lawrence must be getting soft in his old age, or else the plebe indoctrination board investigated him because as an incentive to get his plebes to practice, he provides a radio for the plebe locker room.

February is to be a big month. Villanova was last Wednesday, and Princeton will be away on the 14th. Cornell is home the 21st and then the 28th is the meet

It's general knowledge in the 31st company that Major Wells, U.S.A. is a sporting man, that is, betting man. Well Major, here's a bet for you. Captain Sims, Officer Rep for the swimming team, agrees to make a little wager with you. After the Army-Navy swimming meet, one of you has to swim a lap displaying a banner of the victorious team. Of course, you'll be in your uniform Major, but don't worry, Coach Higgens will lifeguard for you in case you get in trouble. Captain Sims' extension is 2119, how about it Major?



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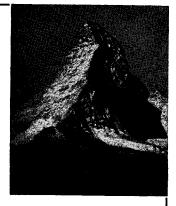
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Judge: "Ever taken part in any duels?"

Life: "Yes, your honor, divorced twice and married three times."

The LOG

He: "I'm broke, but if she wants to pay, why I'm only a Midshipman after all."

Ditto: "You mean, after all you can get."

The LOG

A professor, coming to one of his classes a little late, found a most uncomplimentary caricature of himself drawn on the board. Turning to the student nearest him, he angrily inquired: "Do you know who is responsible for this atrocity?"

"No sir, I don't," replied the student, "but I strongly suspect its parents."

The LOG

Gimme a kiss like a good girl.

All right, but if I give you one like a naughty girl you'll like it better.

Mary Moreno didn't wear safety belts because they dirtied her dress.

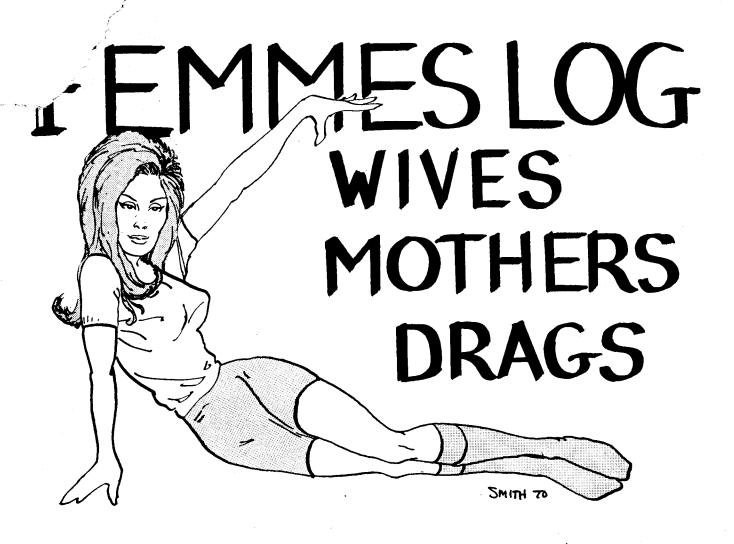


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