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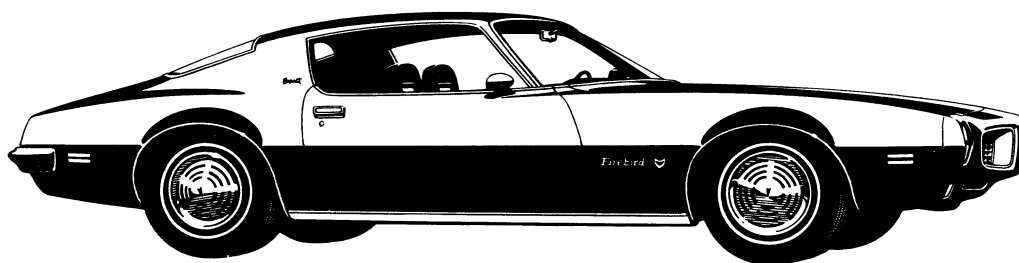
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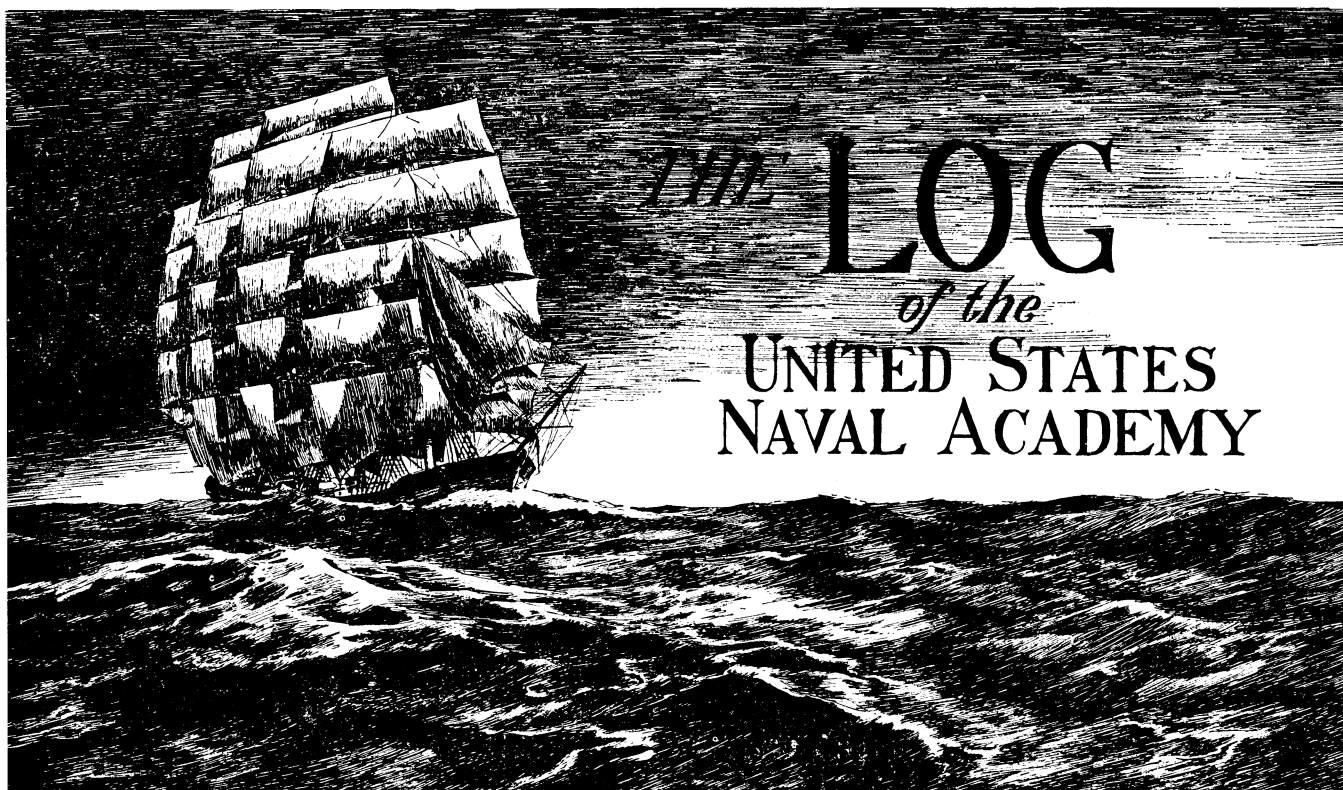
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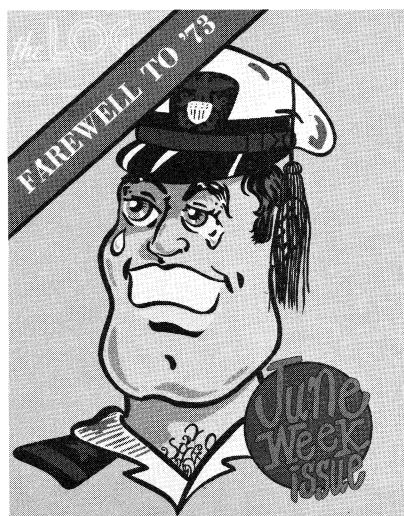
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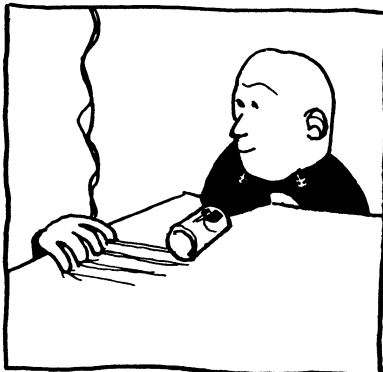
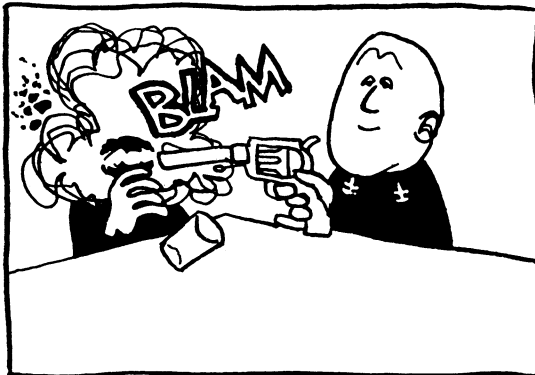
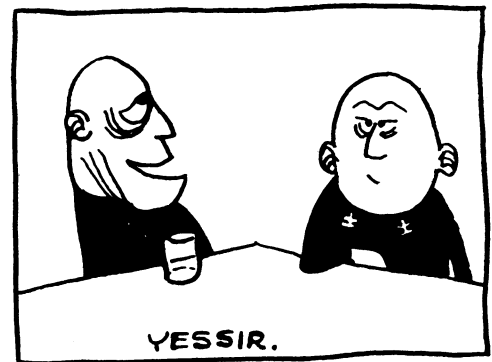
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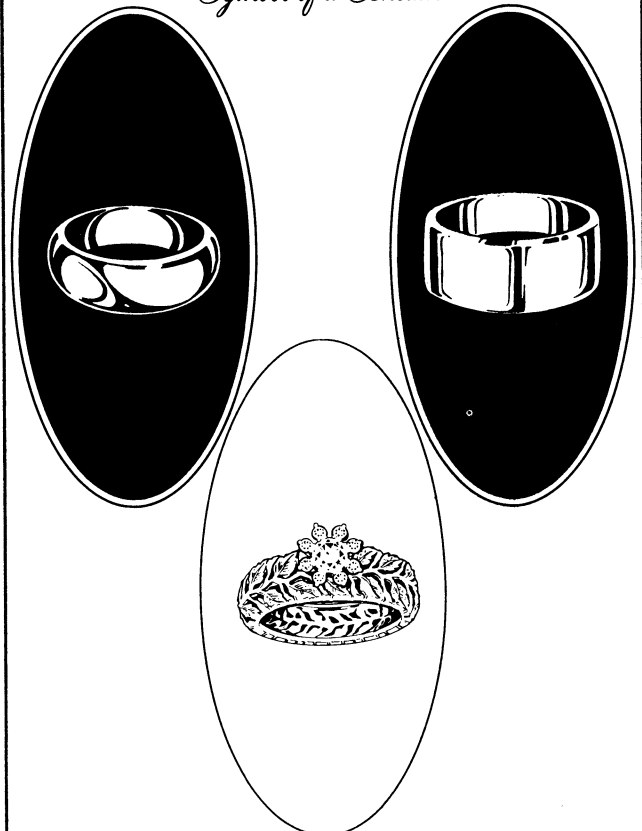
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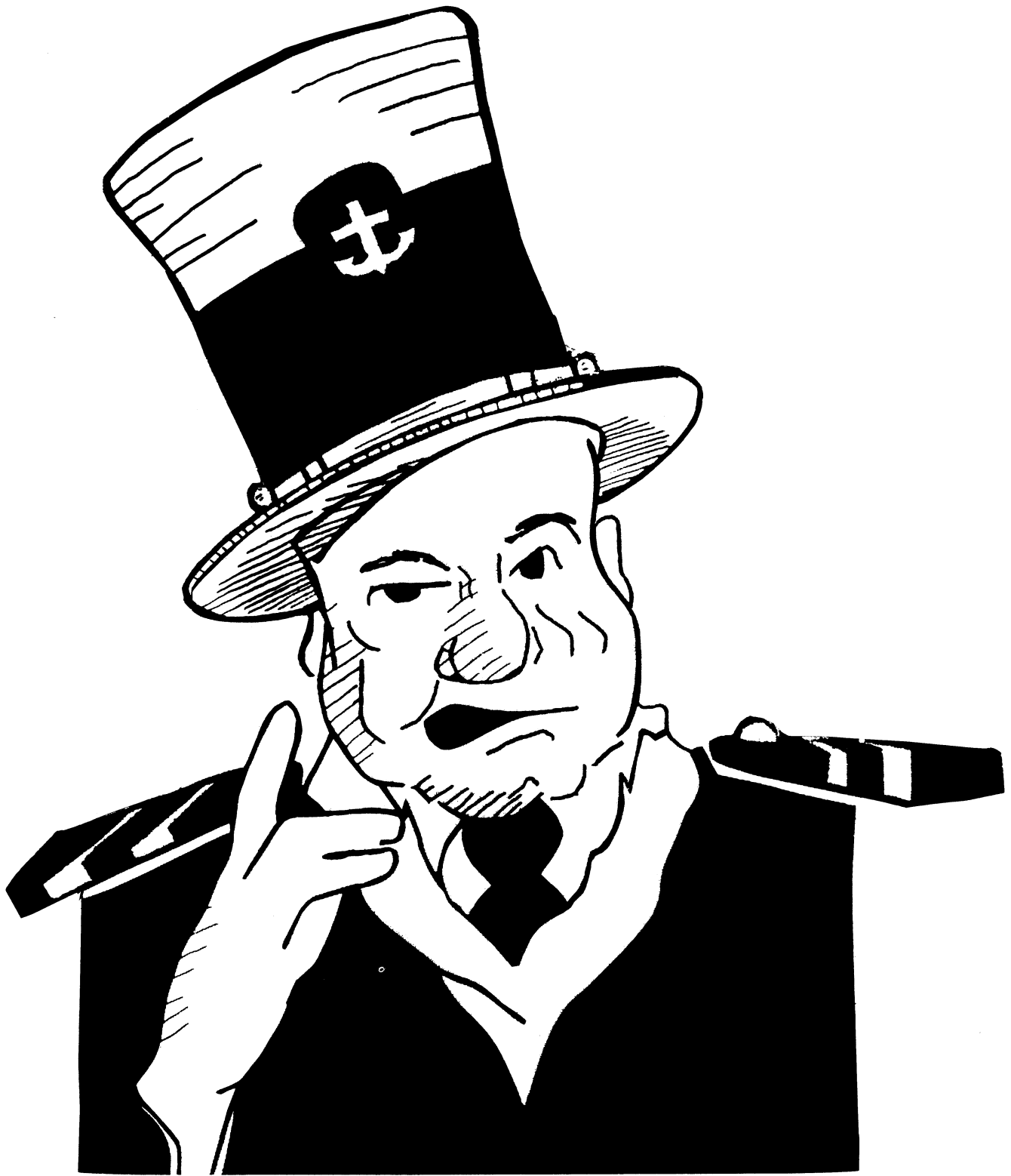
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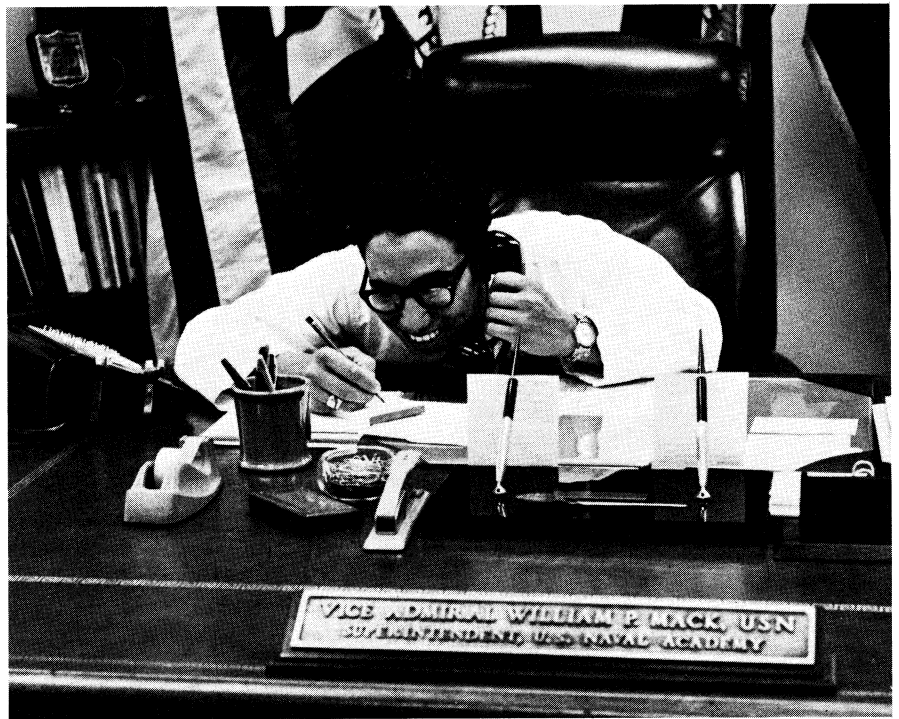
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“BEAT ARMY”



“W. C. TECUMSEH”



That's right, clowns, it was me. I hate to disappoint those of you who were absolutely sure that Salty was Rod Brotherton. It's true that he has a wooden leg (not to mention head) but he was only a spy. There were others, too. Those stalwart lads who worked night and day assuming the roles of apprentice N.I.S. agents in order to give me the gouge were:

1) Roger Murch. Known for his imagination and startling sense of reality, Roger came up with several rather biting pieces of information without even trying.

2) Bob Clarey. Known for his outstanding attitude, "Clarity" worked the locker room and management circuit for Salty.

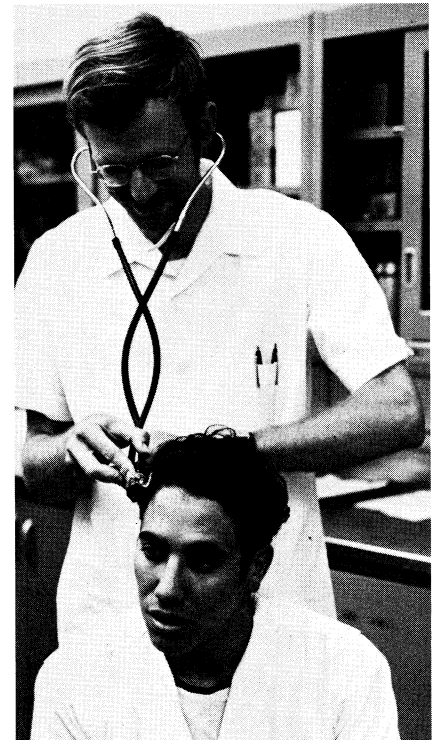
3) Tobin McNatt. "The Kid" worked his way into the high echelons 2nd set as a three-striper in order to get the word straight from the horses' mouths.

4) Larry Carello. "Donut," one of two roommates I've had this year, brought in lots of funnies from the Oceanography Dept. (the YP's were just one big bundle of yuks). He also suggested several immortal sayings found in each of my closings.

5) Mark Harrison. Crazy Harry was inspiration for the inaneness of the last two issues.

6) Rod Brotherton. Often given the third degree to make him admit to being Salty, Bro provided much information from inside sources. With a finger in every pie, he was the inspiration for the inaneness of Crazy Harry.

7) Molly Smith. My future (present?) wife gave me much-needed constructive criticism and even took the fabled quill herself in issue #6. Behind every good Salty there's a good sea hag.



SALTY SAM

8) The Brigade. After everyone remembered the mailbox in steerage my job and my spies' jobs became much easier. At times I had more information than my little fingers could handle. The notes you left were for the most part accurate and extremely funny. Those "facts" which were not as accurate provided interesting results.

Actually, it was a combination of writing style and slightly confused facts which gave old Salty and the rest of the *Log* staff a trip to the Commandant's office 69 days before graduation. Fortunately, I was still incognito at the time so our fearless *Log* editor took the brunt. My heart bled for him as I sat frozen in my seat posing as mild-mannered art and layout editor. As the Commandant boomed that Salty Sam was "This close (pinched finger tips) from being defunct," the chocolate kiss in my white works pocket melted. Visions of BM-3 Ray danced in my head. So, for the last two issues I ceased all yellow journalism, mentioned no revealing nicknames, and printed no revealing facts.

I guess apologies are due to those of my readers whom I offended in the course of my writing. I can only say that anything I wrote was written in the spirit of humor and satire. If the bite was felt to be too deep, perhaps too little fact was mixed with too much humor. For those of you who were not offended



by my writing—send money. I should also apologize to those of you who have asked me in the course of the year if I was Salty Sam. I have answered "no" to all. My loophole for the Honor Board is that I'm Bill Ray and the column is Salty Sam.

I'll explain my clues next. The first clue stated that, "I come from a state that has two U.S. Senators." Well, my state has two just like all the other states. It just happens that Alaska only has two U.S. Representatives as well.

My second cheezy, misleading, worthless clue was that, "I have considered having my hair cut for

money." It's true. Last year I pondered the idea, decided to go ahead with it, and got my hair cut out in town for \$2.75. He should have paid me.

The third clue was unbelievably accurate. "I am actually a crusty old salt who has spent many years on the ocean." The crust is a very real characteristic of my epidermal condition. My unusually dry and "crusty" skin has put me on the Excused Squad for the past 2½ months. The years I've spent on the ocean—fishing—occurred long before my career in the Navy ever entered my mind.

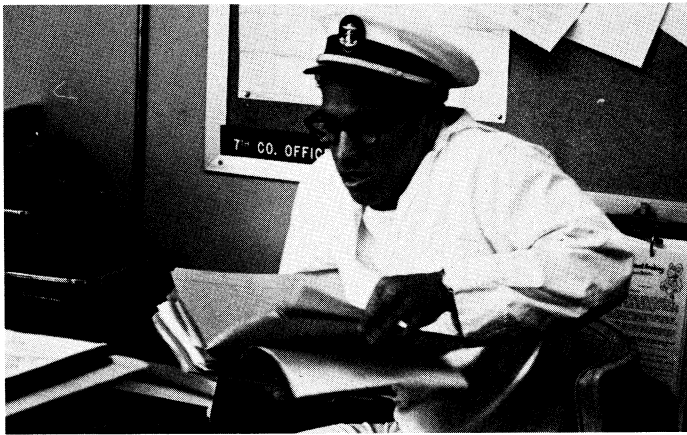
Clue #4 was also accurate. "I never went to Sunday noon meal formation." In fact, as a meal ticket collector, I never went to a Saturday noon meal formation either.

My fifth clue was perhaps one of the more deceptive, but nonetheless true. "I'm from the First Regiment." I'm presently in the Second Regiment, but came to it *from* 1st Company in the 1st Regiment.

The sixth issue was Salty Molly's and her clue was that she is Salty Sam's "Mama." If you will pardon the expression, she might be considered my Red Hot Mama (as Bonnie was to Clyde). If you don't buy that, try taking her up for an honor offense.

The next clue stated that, "I drive an American car." You're not going to like this but when I'm





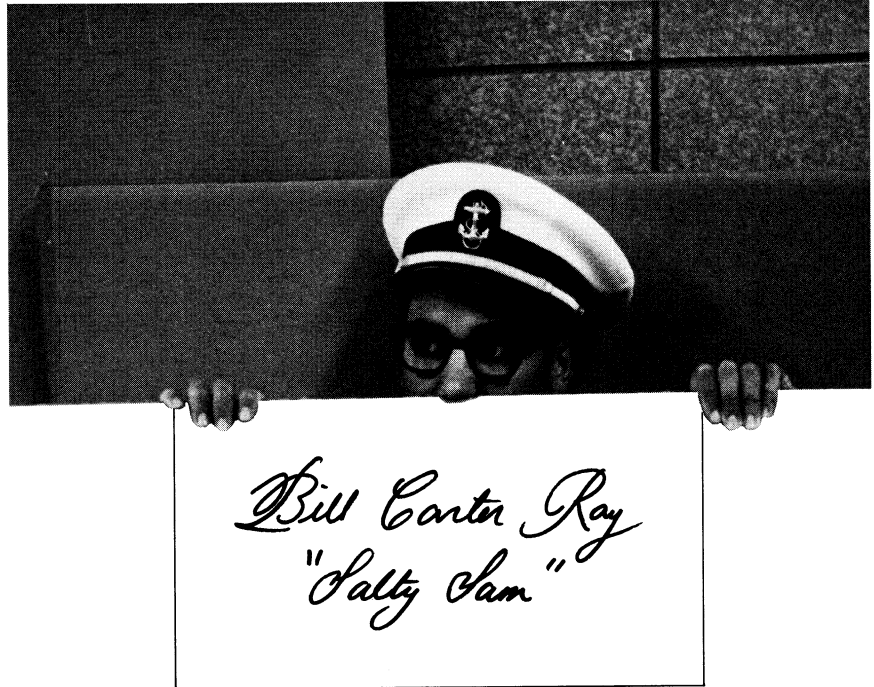
home (Juneau), I drive a Cougar. No, I won't pose for rock throwing.

My eighth clue is another true statement. "I'm not table-command qualified." Being a crow three sets out of four, I've been seriously outranked. Second set, after an administrative error, I was appointed Platoon Commander, but I sat on a table with the Company Commander.

My final clue was that, "I've been on a Brigade Championship team every year. . . ." In order it was lightweight football, batt. squash, batt. rugby, and again batt. rugby.

That's it. If you don't think they were good clues, you can send your comments to the U.S.S. LAFFEY, DD-724, stationed in Alexandria, Virginia. I'm retiring the pen, retiring from the Naval Academy, and will soon join the real world.

Leaving you for the last time, I find that immortal words of wisdom seem to be very few and far between. As an anonymous Salty Sam it was easy to write with a bold and brazen pen. As Bill Ray I'm confined to the limits of my own literary courage. Therefore, I'll bypass the risk of censorship (censureship?) and say that, "One veal steak in the garbage can is worth two in the mouth." Or "If they can't take a joke . . ."



Commandant de Lafond says: "au revoir," USNA

By GREG GILMORE

Commandant Guy Gervais de Lafond, a French foreign exchange officer attached to the area language studies department, will be bidding farewell to the Naval Academy in July.

A line officer specializing in gunnery, de Lafond graduated from L'École Naval (French Naval Academy) in 1951. He made his first visit to U.S.N.A. in his senior year aboard the training cruiser *Jean D'Arch*, when the president of the French Republic, Vincent Auriol, presented to the Brigade the Legion d'Honneur which is still on display in Mitscher Hall.

Spending a great deal of time at sea, de Lafond has had only two previous shore duties. He served as French aide to U.S. Air Force General Lauris Norstad and Army General L. L. Lemnitzer at S.H.A.P.E. (Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe). His second tour of duty was as a navy staff officer in Paris in charge of mine warfare.

Commandant de Lafond has enjoyed his stay at the Naval Academy and has stored many pleasant memories of America that he will take with him to Paris. The *Log* has tried to record some of these memories and impressions below.

Recently promoted to the position of Capitaine de frigate (equivalent to U.S.N. commander), de Lafond will return to Paris for further assignments. The Commandant is married and has three children, the last of which was born in Annapolis. To this, de Lafond grins and replies tongue-in-cheek, "I suppose this means she is American."

LOG: Commandant de Lafond, what were your first impressions of the U.S.?

DE LAFOND: Definitely it is the size of your country. I have traveled in the United States a great deal, from New York, New Orleans to the Rocky Mountains and the West Coast. Although I have read much about the U.S. in French magazines, my impressions of the size have been reinforced while traveling cross-country. With this physical size you also have a number of large problems in the cities. This is to be expected perhaps.

LOG: What are the major differences between the midshipmen at the French Naval Academy and U.S.N.A.?

DE LAFOND: When I first came here I attended a parade. I was surprised to see no officers out in front conducting the parade. Here the Brigade has a great deal of responsibility in such things as the honor code. This to me is impressive, for it has been tried un-



cessfully elsewhere. Midshipmen here complain about having too little authority, but I don't feel this is the case. The equilibrium here between the officers and students is at a good balance.

LOG: What do you miss most about France?

DE LAFOND: Being a naval officer I have been at sea much of the time. I love and miss France, but when I am in a foreign country I try to adapt. When in Japan I am Japanese. It is the same here—a wonderful time, yet I will be pleased to return.

LOG: And the wine?

DE LAFOND: Oh, your wine here is very good, California Rosé the best!

LOG: What are your views about the success or failure of such an officer exchange program?

DE LAFOND: I think it is a fine idea, of course. It is important to know about each other's navies. An exchange program is first an expression of friendship and secondly a good source of an exchange of information and ideas.

LOG: What is your favorite American city (assuming it is not Annapolis)? Why?

DE LAFOND: From what I know, as a tourist only, I would suppose it would be either San Francisco or San Diego. I looked for something typically American and found Wyoming very pleasant. It is easy to tour the U.S. because of the fine highways. Out there it is calm and not aggressive like the cities.

LOG: Any comments about the future relations between the navies of our two countries?

DE LAFOND: I believe that we have a good relationship now, which will improve despite any political ups and downs. Annual exchange cruises such as the invitation extended to four midshipmen to train with a French cruiser from Norfolk to New York will contribute to improved relationships.

LOG: Is there anything that you think you'll miss about the United States, something you may want to take back to France with you?

DE LAFOND: Ah, that is a tough question! I have enjoyed camping here and will continue to do so in France. Taking off for a weekend with a trailer and going camping is an American hobby that is most enjoyable.

I will also leave a number of good friends I have made. After June Week I'll be traveling south to Pensacola, Florida, to visit my former neighbor. Friends like this will be hard to leave behind.

LOG: Thank you, Commandant deLafond, and good luck to you on behalf of the Brigade.

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“What do you think of midshipmen?”

1. Nothing special

I like em because I like their peporallies

I think a Midshipmen are great, but I don't like the white uniform's they wear. I don't think they have to sand up streight and eat politely. But one day saw a band play and they excellent the leader is a good

I think Midshipmen are great, but they allways stand streight and they have to take orders the world is free isn't it!

by
Judi Bausum

1. YUK K!!!

There too many of them

Darin

what do you think of midshipman?
They have learned all about the Navy!
They have saved many people.

Grade 5
Marie

What I think about Midshipmen

I think they are nice and helpful.
But sometimes they aren't very nice.
They are nice most of the time.

I like Midshipmen.

I think Midshipmen are great!
There is one staying at our house.
But they always stand to streight.
I hope they always just stand streight,
Not to streight.
They look fine.

Grade 3
May 15
gofm I
Reading
What do you think of
Midshipmen?

they help us.

they protect our country

they fight for us.

1. I felt that midshipmen are nice people and they deserve to be midshipmen.

1. They are very good men and they are very nice. They love to travel alot.

2. They help each other every day. They are nice

I like them a lot because they get me into places.

I think Midshipmen a very nice peoplen. On May 12th I saw many Midshipmen walking across the bridge, I thought they looked very nice. Midshipmen are clean, thrifty, and wise. Well

I hope you are not blushing

Carl Goodman
I like army better than al of them.

They are nice! When they need cokes at the baseball games I will go get them and they will give me one in return. They gave me 23 baseballs last year and about 10 already this year. I live right next to the baseball field. They signed alot of my balls and my glove.

Trudy



Grade 3
May 15

What do you think of midshipmen?
answer. helpful nice brave people. they have manners + they are not rude. they dress properly and they don't have long hair beards + mustashes.

THE GAME OF 2/C SUMMER

As summer comes, we all head to various parts of the world to play various games. But the following two pages contain one of the more complicated games mids play. So there is no need to travel (consequently you receive no per diem). To play follow these simple directions:

- 1. Each player selects some sort of token to represent himself on the game board.**
- 2. Find a die to use.**
- 3. The object of the game is to accumulate as many bennies and as few bummers as you can.**
- 4. Start everyone in New London and finish on leave. At that point add up all your bennies and bummers. Subtract the bummers from the bennies and the player with the highest number wins. (Pretty simple, eh?)**
- 5. For a longer version of the game, play with more people.**
- 6. If there is a tie, nobody wins—it's a tie.**
- 7. If there is a dispute over the rules, the player who yells the loudest gets to make the rules.**
- 8. No cheating.**

PENSACOLA →

REALLY
FRIENDLY
STEWARDESS



6
BENNIES

YOU HAVE SINUS
TROUBLE
GROUNDED
11 BUMMERS
GO TO NEWPORT
8 BENNIES
LOSE TWO TURNS
4 BUMMERS

BEER MACHINE
IS OUT OF ORDER.

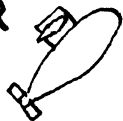


5 BUMMERS
BUT MOVE AHEAD
3 SPACES TO
"O" CLUB

AOC's BEAT
YOU IN
SOFTBALL
4 BUMMERS
BUT YOU
WIN PARTY
15
BENNIES

GET CAUGHT AT NORTH
LAKE WHEN YOU SHOULD
BE IN SCHOOL. THAT'S
A NO-NO. 25 BUMMERS
AND START OVER, DUMMY

FALL DURING ANGLES &
DANGLES. BREAK ARM!!!
REAL BUMMER
COLLECT
10



NEIGHBORS COMPLAIN
OF WILD PARTY IN
MOQ. OFFICER SHOWS.
3 BUMMERS BUT 5
BENNIES (GOOD PARTY)

WINE & BEER MESS IS
OPEN YOUR ENTIRE
STAY IN NEW LONDON



8 BENNIES

START HERE
IN
NEW LONDON



THE SPEECH
PROF (THE ONE
WITH THE LISP)
GIVES YOU A
"D"
3 BUMMERS



MEET SOME FRIENDLY
EM'S AT LITTLE CREEK
GET MUGGED &
17 BUMMERS

HURRICANE KEEPS
YP'S FROM GOING OUT
18
BENNIES



ACTRAMID
BACK TO GOOD
OLD U.S.N.A.
12 BUMMERS

D.C. SCHOOL

Z Z Z Z
SLEEP THROUGH
AN ENTIRE DAY
OF CLASSES
& DON'T GET
CAUGHT
13
BENNIES


CHIEF
DOESN'T DIG
THE SPLASH
PARTY IN
BUTTERCUP
4 BUMMERS
6 BENNIES
(GOOD PARTY)


2/c


GET RUN
OVER BY
TANK
40
BUMMERS




★
LT. WILT
GETS LOST
ON PATROL
28
BENNIES


YOU DON'T
HAVE TO USE
YOUR BAG AT
ALL DURING
1ST FLIGHT
10 BENNIES

O-CLUB
YOU MEET THE
ADMIRAL'S DAUGHTER

7 BENNIES

BY MISTAKE
YOU EJECT
FROM T-2
MISTAKE OR
NOT YOU GET
50 BUMMERS


NEWPORT
REALLY
UGLY
STEWARDESS
6 BUMMERS

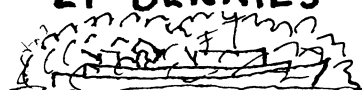
HAPPY HOUR

8
BENNIES

START FIGHT
AT
FIRE FIGHTING
SCHOOL. PUT
YOURSELF ON
REPORT. YOU
GET 7
BUMMERS &
6 STRIPES

LEAVE
1ST PLAYER HERE
GETS 15 BENNIES
NOW COUNT UP ALL
YOUR
BENNIES & BUMMERS

3RD WEEK OF MIDS.
DATUM CLUB IS
CLOSED FOR REPAIRS
11 BUMMERS

DESTROYERS ARE
FOGGED IN. DAY OFF.
21 BENNIES



FOG KEEPS YOUR DD
FROM COMING IN
FOR THE NIGHT
21 BUMMERS

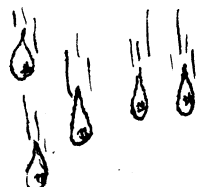
BEER MACHINE RIPS YOU
OFF. 2 BUMMERS.
YOU KICK IT AND
COLLECT \$8.65
IN SMALL CHANGE
9 BENNIES



AMAZING
YOU FIND A
PAIR OF
UTILITIES
THAT FIT!
7
BENNIES

MIDN
FERNBLAST
BLOWS DINNER
ON YOU IN THE
HAWKINS ROOM
16
BUMMERS

O-COURSE
GETS RAINED
OUT
5 BENNIES



GET KILLED 12
TIMES ON PATROL
5 BUMMERS
BUT YOU KILL
23 ENEMY
10 BENNIES

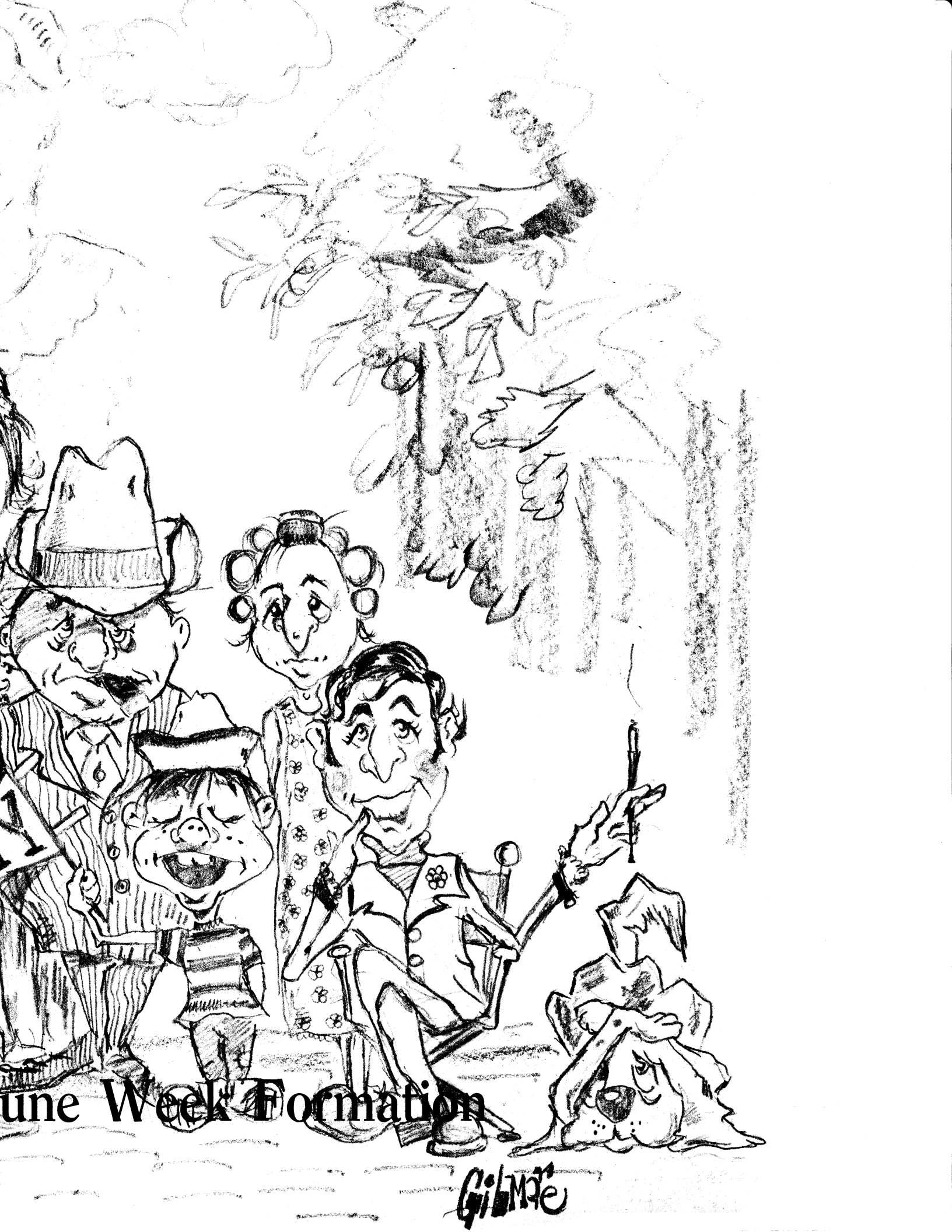


YOU GET CAUGHT
SNICKERING AT
CAPT. NORTH'S
LITTLE ELVES
5 BUMMERS

QUANTICO

Summer





une Week Formation

Gilmore

"At all costs the officer must

— Rear

By JIM STAVRIDIS

"Any changes in the Academy will be evolutionary in nature, rather than revolutionary," stated Rear Admiral Max K. Morris, during an interview granted to *Log* magazine.

Admiral Morris, in discussing possible physical or philosophical changes in the Academy in the near future, stressed that most changes will be in the professional studies curriculum.

"We are very much concerned with the concept of an immediately employable Ensign or 2nd Lieutenant," explained Admiral Morris.

In commenting on the competency exam, Admiral Morris said that the professional studies program was "doing a good job," inasmuch as Midshipmen taking the test scored as highly as a group of junior officers also taking the exam.

He felt that some changes might be useful to improve the matrices arrangement of the courses. In particular, he would like to move navigation to the Second Year.

Personal appearance was at the top of Admiral Morris's list of controversial topics that he has encountered here over his two-year tour.

"I am very much for Midshipmen self-enforcement of all grooming regulations, but the enforcement must be there," said the Admiral.

Admiral Morris commented that he can foresee no change in either direction so far as standards of hair are concerned.



avoid the maelstrom of politics”

Admiral Max K. Morris

In discussing the leadership tendered by the officers attached to the Academy, Admiral Morris said, “Individual brands of leadership vary here. I do believe that overall it is of a positive nature.”

Admiral Morris commented that “in 30 of 36 companies the shadow command system works very well.”

The Admiral, who feels that, “positive leadership is the use of all tools available in the way that the leader feels best for each of his men,” said that his personal style was to counsel and wait for a result before jumping to disciplinary measures.

Admiral Morris feels that the political spectrum at the Academy has changed only slightly in recent years.

“The Midshipmen are more politically knowledgeable, more aware and more informed to the nuances of politics,” he said.

He further commented that a great danger to the junior officer who has this political awareness is the temptation to become personally involved in politics.

“At all costs the officer must avoid the maelstrom of politics,” he said.

Will the Academy ever become obsolete?

Not according to Admiral Morris.

“Cost is not that much different. Taxes payable to the schools for the NROTC program bring their costs close to ours,” he said.

Beyond this cost equality, the Academy turns out a better-prepared officer, according to Admiral Morris. He said that professional

programs contribute much more to the Naval Academy officer, that retention rates are better from the Academy and that professional readiness is at a higher level.

He further stressed that the Navy cannot be subject to the possibility of its officer corps being shut off if NROTC programs are dropped at civilian colleges.

“We cannot depend on a source that is beyond our control,” he stated.

He also explained that within two years, 50% of the Navy’s officers will be Naval Academy trained, vice 20%, especially with the shutdown of the Officer Candidate Schools.

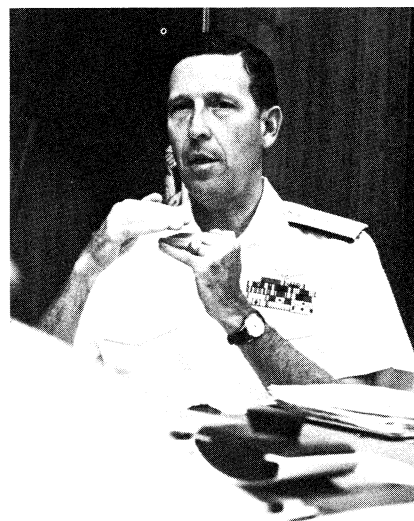
“The toughest striper billet here is the two-striper platoon leader. This is truly where the rubber meets the road,” stated Admiral Morris, in comment on the striper selection system.

He said that he felt that any Midshipman could handle three or more stripes, but that the selection boards look for people “who are willing to put the time into the job.”

Admiral Morris, whose lengthy list of billets and assignments included a tour as a U.S. Army mule skinner, may or may not be returning as Commandant of Midshipmen for next year.

He said, “The usual tour as Commandant is two years or so, but right now I’m in a wait-and-see status.”

If he is relieved, the billet will probably go to another naval aviator, especially as the present Superintendent is a surface line officer.



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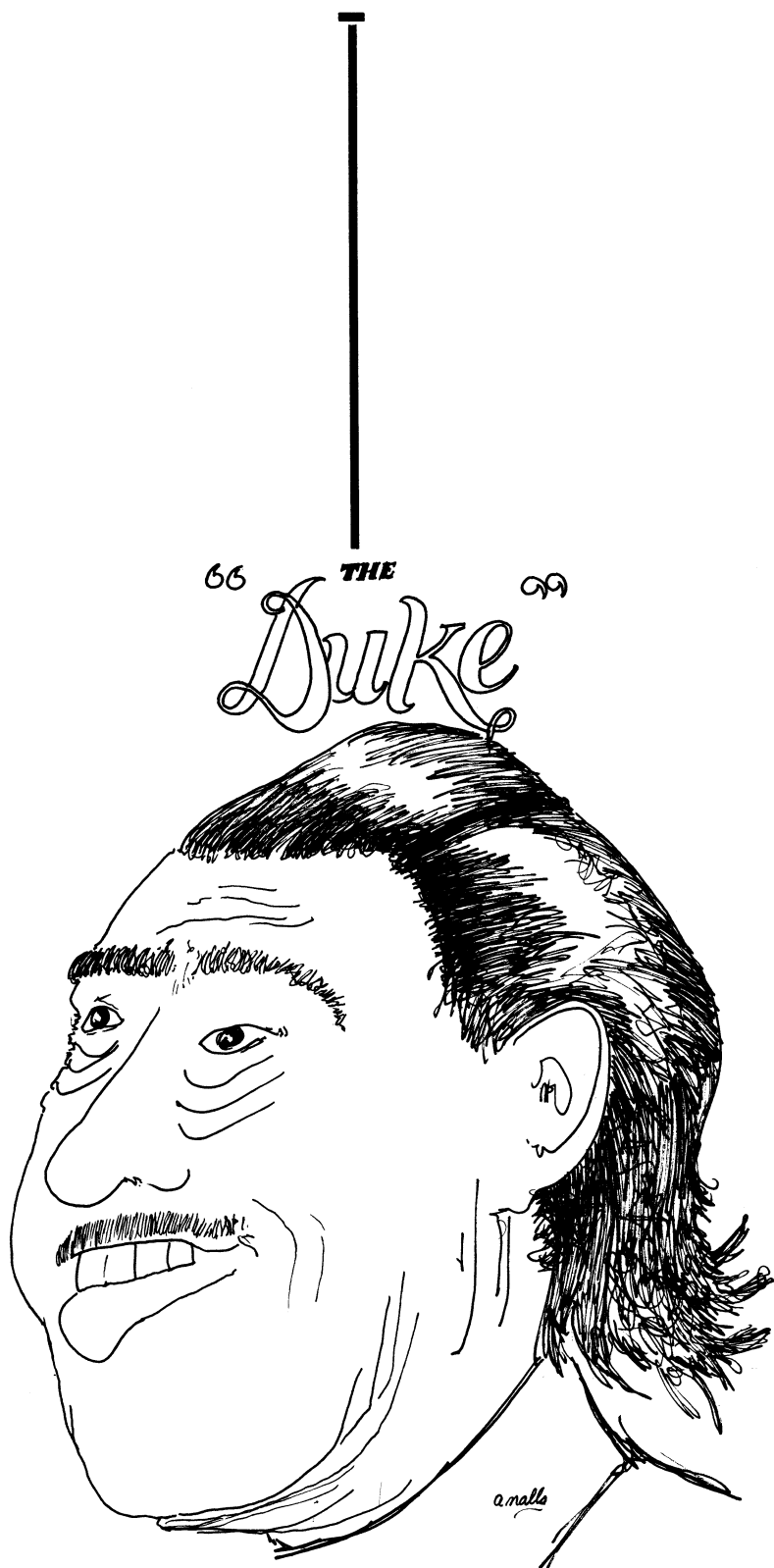
By BREWSTER PUMP

Once again the charisma of Annapolis (and an undisclosed sum of cash) brings a great performer into its welcoming grasp. The event this time is not the annual Crab Festival or visiting hours at the local zoo (that's us, gang) but the Ring Dance. The truly great personality of Duke Ellington and his orchestra have been contracted to provide the music and entertainment at the traditional event where second class become legal "ring wearers."

Although most mids are not avid followers of Ellington (KTK and LPL just don't play enough of his songs), the name is certainly as well known here as anywhere else. After looking through a list of some of his accomplishments and the worldwide recognition he has received one can easily see why Duke Ellington has had such a pronounced effect on the music of this century. Ellington is not only recognized as a band leader but also as a writer, composer and philosopher.

Any man that has written over 5,000 original musical works certainly deserves some recognition and Ellington is no exception. He was honored as "the year's most honored musician" in 1969 by *Variety*, as "America's Foremost Musician" by the NAACP in 1970 and as winner of the Leader and Songwriter/Composer categories of *Playboy's* All Star Jazz and Pop Poll in the same year. This great man has been the recipient of 10 honorary degrees as well as being selected as official Kentucky and Tennessee Colonels. Other awards range from the Songwriters Hall of Fame to being the subject of a commemorative stamp for the nation of Togo and the Presidential Medal of Freedom (the highest civilian award in the country) which was bestowed upon him in 1969 by President Nixon. This list of awards goes on and on and on.

We extend a cordial welcome to our famous guest and hope his brief stay in Annapolis is a pleasant one. Just his presence at the Ring Dance will make the event a memorable one.



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Hello, fellow workers of America! It is I, Rap Rader, America's most skinniest skin flint, defender of both the common people and of America's most prized possession: MONEY!

Want the hot gouge? Where to purchase or make laundry tags, or how to make your own camera from a used coke can and a belt buckle?

Here's a little gem. You all know about those . . . those . . . (how you say?!) . . . THINGS they serve called veal steaks! Well there is currently a book being written by one enterprising youngster called *1,001 Things to do with Veal Steaks*, which should be a real hit. Some of the highlights are:

1. resole your shoes
2. make your own guitar picks with small shreds
3. ideal as drink coasters
4. use'em as printing blocks

They always make swell conversation pieces too.

How about this: instead of buying expensive squash and tennis rackets, buy just a squash racket and soak it in a pot of saliva, cow urine (ask any Bull major) and vinegar overnight and voila! The racket now has enlarged to tennis proportions! To shrink, just keep by your heater for a few hours (Caution: don't play tennis when it's sunny and don't play squash when it's raining on the court!) If you soak it longer than 2 hours, you have a handy pair of snowshoes!

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Well . . .

Speaking of mess hall goodies, how about that coffee? Makes excellent tire black, shoe polish (*be careful*: if it eats metal, what do you think it'll do to shoes?), and unclogs stopped plumbing.

Well, that's it for the old Rap. If you've got any ideas or methods for saving a few pennies, drop us a line. Here's a small clue to my identity: My name is Art Nalls.



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Henry Kissinger, Werner Von Braun and Jacques Cousteau begin a distinguished list of sixteen potential speakers for next year's Forrestal Lecture Series.

Following the finalization of the academic schedule for 1973-74, invitations will be sent to fill two lecture spots.

Other personalities named on the potential list of speakers include Stavros Niarchos, the Greek shipping magnate, Barbara Tuchman, a novelist, Edward Brooke, the senator from Massachusetts, Virginia Knauer, a presidential consumer affairs advisor, and Dr. Dixie Lee Ray, chair-person of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Admiral William P. Mack, USNA Superintendent, will extend formal invitations to the candidates this summer according to Cdr. Clyde Walter, the lecture series officer representative.

Listed in the group of sixteen, the following speakers were also suggested as candidates: Billy Kidd, professional skier; Mark Donohue, race driver; David Rockefeller, banker; Peter Brennan, Secretary of Labor; Clyde Brinegar, Secretary of Transportation; Ralph Nader, consumer advocate; and Admiral Hyman Rickover, Director of Naval Reactors.

According to Cdr. Walter, several prominent individuals were unable to speak this year due to previous commitments or full schedules. These included Walter Cronkite and Ralph Nader.

The speakers are selected to give as wide as possible a representation "from many walks of life."

Cdr. Thomas P. Taylor, the operations officer on the Commandant's staff, will take over as the program's officer representative next year.

Next year's lectures examined

The list of 16 candidates was derived from suggestions submitted to Cdr. Walter by a midshipman committee of 1/C and 2/C appointed by the brigade commander.

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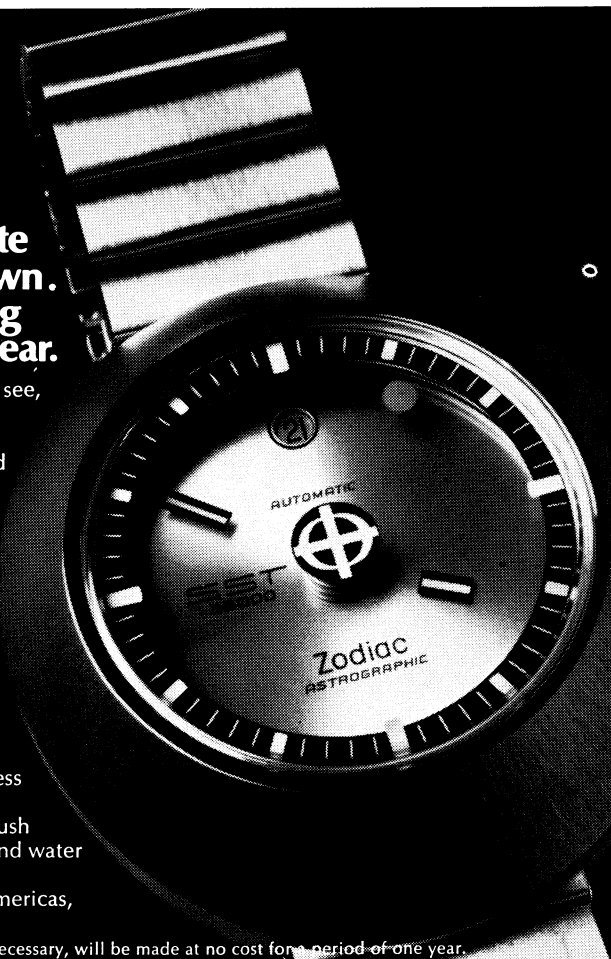
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Give blood, play rugby

Rugby takes leather balls.

Or so it would seem, judging from the brutal contact inherent in this football derivation played with "a pregnant football" on what is termed a "pitch."

No substitutions are allowed in this club sport, which originated in Britain. The starting team, described as a side, plays throughout the two 40-minute halves.

"On the surface, it would appear that the game (rugby) has much more physical contact than American football, and of course no pads are worn," said LCdr. Backus, RN, the Naval Academy rugby club's coach.

LCdr. Backus, who has played the sport over a 25-year period, has participated for the Academy team, "on occasion." His position is fly half or standoff half, roughly equivalent to a tailback in American football.

All ships of destroyer-size up field full rugby teams, according to LCdr. Backus, in the navies of nearly all Commonwealth nations.

"The New Zealanders are really fanatical about it," he said, "even a destroyer would have three or four sides (teams) per ship."

Navy rugby has no plans for eventual varsity status, mainly because the NAAA feels that the current number of Academy varsity sports are sufficient.

"We would also be kicked out of the local rugby unions if we gained the financial backing of a financial varsity sport," explained LCdr. Backus.

Rugby unions administrate the various clubs and help arrange the matches. The Academy club is in the Potomac union.

Rugby is jealously amateur in its status everywhere. No one involved in the sport is paid, including coaches and referees.

Football derivation with a pregnant leather ball

LCdr. Backus, whose tour ends in July, discussed the value of the game:

"Rugby is a sport that *can* be played after graduation from school, as there are clubs all over the world. Also the sport is unique, in that after the contests, the opposing teams get together for a big party. This affords a chance to work off the animosity of the field."

Either Major Jolley, officer representative for the squad, Lt. Purcell or LCdr. Berdfeld, assistant coaches, might take over for LCdr. Backus next year as head coach. At any rate, the team will be well represented on its coaching staff.







Duden retires as Plebe coach

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"Men, I just saw Syracuse. Men, they are big. As they got off the bus they blotted out the sun."

—Coach Duden

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The Brigade says farewell this year to one of the senior members of the Navy grid staff, Coach Dick Duden. Coach Duden leaves us after 16 years as head coach of the Plebe football team. During his stay he accumulated a 94-23-3 record and had four undefeated teams in '51, '63 and '69.

Coach Duden was himself once a member of the Brigade in the class of '47. As a nine-letter man, accumulated on the baseball, basketball and football squads, he achieved All American fame as an end in 1945 (the first Navy end in 23 years to be so honored) and was presented with the "NAAA Sword" in 1946.

Upon graduation he spent 2 years on active duty, then resigned in 1949 to play professional ball for one season with the New York Giants before being recalled to service in 1951. He came to the Academy that same year to coach the plebes until he was moved up in the varsity staff in '54. After five years with the "Big Blue" the Coach took his talents back to the building foundation of Navy football—the Plebe squad. Upon retiring, Coach Duden plans to remain in the Annapolis area with his wife and two sons while extending his winning record to the insurance business.

When the Coach leaves Navy football will lose not only a valuable coach, but a good friend. The general feeling surrounding his retirement is best summed up by the last Officer Representative to work with him, Capt. K. W. Zitz, USMC. "When I say Coach Duden was the finest coach I have had the opportunity to work with and serve under, it's truly a great feeling. He had the rare ability to truly fire up a team for a game. Moreover, if we were down at half-time, he had a way to communicate that would reach each ball player and more often than not resulted in victory."

So as the Coach sails off to a new phase of life, we ask only that he remember us for we will remember him and all he has done. Good Luck Coach!

┌ Navy track is



many individuals together

"Spike," Chickenman,"
pull for Navy track

What is Navy track? Who is Navy track? Whatever or whoever, Navy track is having its second banner year in a row. Lying silent as a dormant giant since the year of 1968, it has suddenly come alive these past two years to stake a claim on being the best on the East Coast.

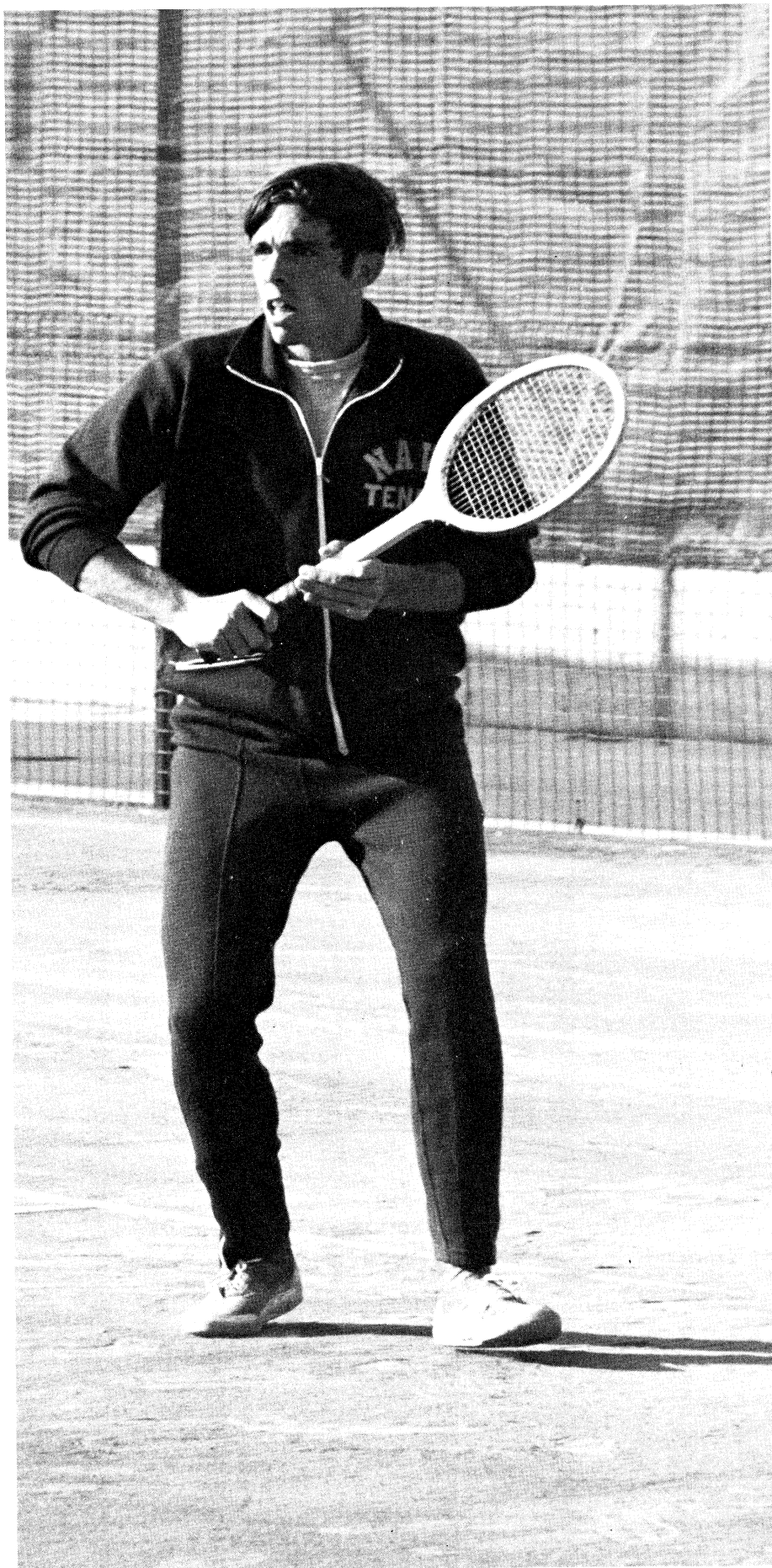
See how they win

Recently rated number 7 in the nation as a dual meet team by *Track and Field News*, this spring Navy has continued its unbeaten dual meet string. Included in these victories are conquests of Manhattan (the NCAA indoor champs), Maryland (ending a 10-yr. famine) and St. Johns U. (breaking the Navy scoring record—132-22). With but two dual meets left, East Carolina and Army, it looks as if the string will not be broken.

But who is Navy track? It's many people, in many diversified events looking for achievement in themselves and recognition from others and there's a story behind each one of them. It's the story of Scott Haney, too small to be a shotputter, but working at it for three hours a day every day for 4 years in an effort to be the Heptagonal champ and IC4A champ—to be the best. There's Ted Bregar overcoming a bout with mononucleosis and hepatitis, flying up to the Heptagonals and tossing the hammer 218'7", enough to win the meet and also make him the current leading American in the world in this event. It's a story of Brad Stephen who had one of the best "first" decathlons in history. Later in the year at the Penn Relays Brad finished third behind Olympian Jeff Bennett in only his second attempt at this 10-event competition. One of his outstanding marks in that meet was a 47.6-second quarter-mile. It's John "I'm a miler" Simcox turning the corner and heading home winning the Quantico Relays half-mile run in 1:53.2, ahead of teammate John "Chickenman" Gorman (1:53.6).

There's the "weight men," Jon Friedstedt (162 ft.—discus), Herb Hribar (shotput), Mike Fackeral (hammer) and Dave Simon (shotput) virtually living in their weight-room appropriately named the "Pit." It's Heptagonal champ Randy Charlson, who's able to hit anyone on a dead run with his javelin at distances of 240 feet and upward. There's the story of Co-Capt. Wayne Kennard sailing over the hurdles (14.0) and Co-Capt. Steve Harkins (6'10" high jump) instructing his fledglings in the art of flying. There's the gnome-like distance runners led by Steve Gilmore, Jim and Jeff Kramer and Bruce Lowman, who put more miles on their feet than you do on your car. It's Hep Champ Jim Campbell's broadjumping (24'8"), Todd Brannon's vaulting (16'3") and Ed Price's hurling. It's the story in the new faces of All-American probable "Spike" Owens, Chuck Cvrk and Steve Wynn who bring with them hope for continued success. It's all of these things molded together as one under the calm, calculating watchful eye of Coach "Hank" Gehrdes and the fiery Italian emotion of Coach "Jake" Cantello with a "guiding hand" from LCdr. "Stu" Seaman.

Navy track is many different people, diversified in their events coming together as one, as a team, with a single goal in mind—to win. And, after all, everybody loves a winner.



Netters favored over Army squad

Coach Bob Bayliss' netters are "expected to win" their match at West Point, which gets under way tomorrow in New York.

Navy's tennis team, enjoying their best season ever, carries a 16-5 record against the fairly weak Army squad.

Craig Dawson, Navy's number one for three years and an all-East selection last year, goes against Army's Jim Armstrong.

"Armstrong is the best Army's had in fifteen years," commented Bayliss. "I'd have to rate the match a toss-up."

Ted Turnblacer will play Bill Koch of Army, a powerful serve-and-volley player.

Navy sends Kevin Miller against Dan Hubbard, and Bayliss rates Miller "a slight favorite."

Bob Phillips, at number four, is "tough in a big match," and is rated to win, as is Desi Dundics at five, and Bob Kaspers at six, who should win "in a walk."

Bayliss plans to send in the subs in doubles if the Navy players wrap up the five-point match in singles play. "We'll go with six new people in doubles if we take the match in singles," he explained.

The season has been a close one, as matches to Harvard and Penn were lost by 5-4 scores.

Mark Hoekstra suffered a shoulder separation several days ago, and is out for the Army match, but should step into the Navy lineup next year as a singles player, and continues his career in doubles with Kaspers.

←Navy's indomitable Craig Dawson is described "as a fierce competitor." He is an all-East selection.

Lacrosse looking to 1974

Coach Dick Szlasa came to Navy from Washington and Lee, after achieving five winning seasons and last year's college "Coach of the Year," hoping to fill a rather large pair of shoes left by retiring Bill Bilderback, who had put together nine NCAA championships during his fourteen-year stay. At one point during the season there were probably those who thought that Coach Szlasa was going to take his young team onto new and higher paths. That was when Navy stood 6-0 and had only one meaningful win over Cornell. After that point the road got steeper and a lot rougher with obstacles like Maryland, Virginia and Johns Hopkins being strewn carelessly in front of the struggling middies. Still the stickmen put on a respectable show against the current lacrosse powerhouses and forced both Hopkins and Washington and Lee into double overtimes before dropping two close-fought contests.

Szlasa takes coaching helm

Navy is noted for its youth and smallness which are two of the major factors contributing to the tough job Coach Szlasa and his staff of Mike Hanna and Dick Purdy had to face. Navy's game has in the past been to try and out-muscle their opponents. Until recently this effort had been helped by the number of football players who came out after Spring practice. However, their number has dropped considerably and Coach Szlasa is faced with a young, light, moderately experienced, but extremely eager group of Lax die-hards ready to take on all comers. As witnessed by the final half of the year's season the "brute-force" technique isn't going to hack the course when

you're playing teams with finesse of the caliber demonstrated by Hopkins, Virginia and Maryland.

What Coach Szlasa comes up with as an alternate strategy or if indeed he even decides to change at all will be something to look for next season. Of course he will be without the talent offered by attackmen such as Nick Smilari or tireless running displayed by "middies" Jim Etro and "Dutch"

Schlaich. Other departing seniors at defense will be Captain John Pilli, Kevin Foscett, and Chuck Voith. But despite these departing standouts there will be considerable depth offered by those in '74 and '75. Those making up the "going" team of this season will be back again next year with an extra season under the belt and maybe even a few more pounds of added muscle.



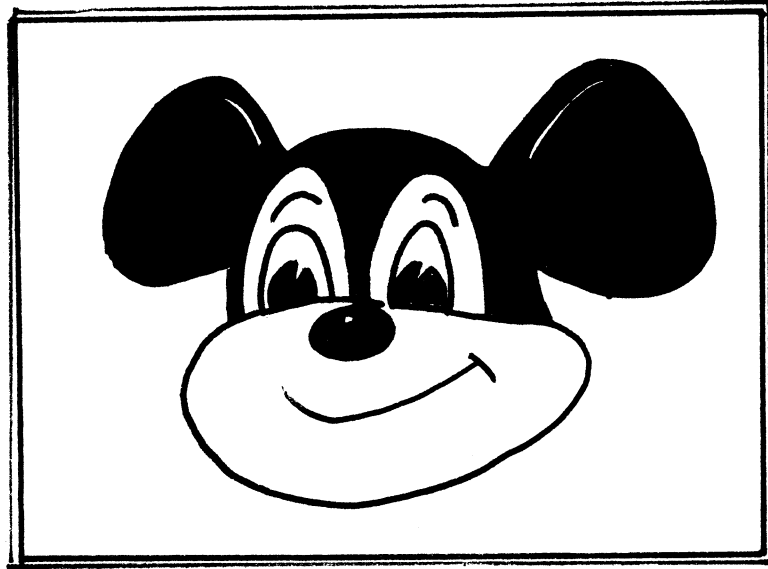
ONCE UPON A TIME a long, long time ago (but isn't it amazing that some stories are timeless?) there was a tiny little fiefdom that had a school for apprentice knights to come and learn to become the fierce warriors for the kingdom.

The townspeople and these students lived together in peaceful coexistence and, by and large, everything was peachy keen between these two groups. One day one of the knights in charge of instructing the apprentice knights decided he would like to see if his students really did care about those townspeople. So this clever knight devised a clever plan. He sent the town crier into the streets of the school screaming, "Hear ye. Hear ye. All students with types O, A, B or AB blood wishing to donate blood report to the main chamber immediately. There has been a massive transit casualty." Many of the young impressionable warriors put on their armor and went to the aforementioned location to offer their blood to a fellow human only to find the knight instructor and no potential recipients. As it turned out, it was only a drill to see how many would sacrifice time, effort and blood. Needless to say, this little drill ticked off a lot of the student knights.

As chance would have it, later in the week a large number of townspeople rode their horses off a cliff due to adverse weather conditions, i.e., a dense fog. Once again the request for blood was sent out to the students and I'll be darned if hardly anyone showed.

Looking deep into this little tale one can find a moral, namely, "Don't cry 'massive transit casualty' unless you really mean it."

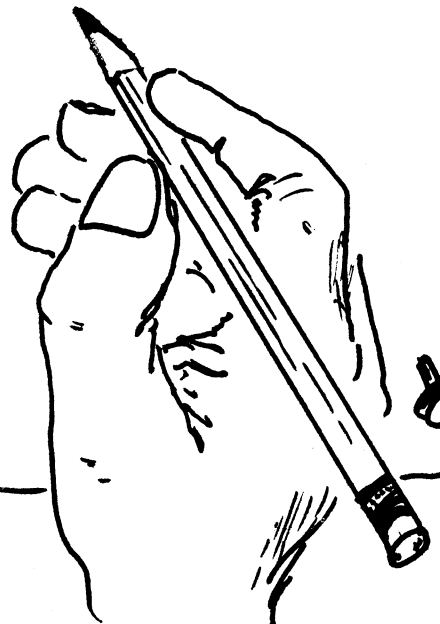
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