## New Chief Of Staff Onboard 20th NCR

The last naval officer on board the Seabee Center when the 20th Naval Construction Regiment was recommissioned in April 1966 leaves for a year of duty in Vietnam April 18. Cmdr. James B. Groff, Chief Staff Officer, 20th NCR, will be relieved by Lt. Cmdr. William C. Connor, who comes to Gulfport from a tour of duty as Public Works Officer, Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan.

Commander Groff began his tour at the Gulf Coast naval station in March 1966 and has played a leading role in recommissioning seven Mobile Construction Battalions at the Center. "Without a doubt," he said, "this has been one of my ne said, "this has been one of my most enjoyable tours of duty since I joined the Navy 14 years ago. I can safely say that I have never seen a more coordinated effort by city and military officials in by city and military officials in working to build something as I have seen here. I am proud to have been a part of it and I am going to miss the many friends I made on the Gulf Coast."

He said that he and his family have been made most welcome by everyone. "It was a lot of hard work, and I could not have done it.

everyone. "It was a lot of hard work and I could not have done it without the help of my wife who

was always understanding when I returned home tired and hungry," he continued. Mrs. Groff and the children will remain in Gulfport until he returns from Vietnam. Commander Groff will assume command of Construction Batta-

lion Maintenance Unit-301 at Quang Tri, a 500-Seabee unit tasked with maintaining what other Seabees have built in Vietnam. Previous assignments have taken him to Bermuda, Argentia, Newfoundland, Buford, S. C., to San Juan, Puerto Rico, Costa Rica and to Port Hue-

neme, Calif.

His Caribbean service was performed in that region's Naval Facilities Engineering Command Division headquarters working with Seabee detachments building dikes around the volcano-threatened



CHIEF STAFF CHANGE - Cmdr. James B. Groff (left), departing Chief Staff Officer, 20th Naval Construction Regiment, and ing Chief Staff Officer, 20th Naval Construction Regiment, and his relief, Lt. Cmdr. William C. Connor, discuss future projects which the latter will assume today (April 18). Cmdr. Groff was on board the Seabee Center when the 20th NCR was recommissioned three years ago. He has played a leading role in nearly every major development at the Center.

town of Cartago in the early 1960's, town of Cartago in the early 1960's. He earned a master of science degree in sanitary engineering from the University of Michigan before his Puerto Rico tour. A bachelor of science civil engineering was earned at Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., before he joined the Navy in July 1955. Lieutenant Commander Connor is a 1957 graduate of Duke Uni-

is a 1957 graduate of Duke University where he earned a bache-

cal engineer. Navy Post Graduate School, Monterey, Calif., and received a master of science degree in engineering electronics in 1964.

neering electronics in 1994.
He has served on the staff of
the Officer-in-Charge of Construction, Saigon, at the Southeast Division Headquarters, Naval
Facilities Engineering Command, Charleston, S. C., and spent two vears with the Assistant for Mili-

20th NCR (cont'd, page 7)

**ANNOUNCED** FOR ENLISTEDS The following CBC enlisted men

**PROMOTIONS** 

The following CBC enlisted men have "something to crow about," They took the February Navy-wide examination for advancement in rate - and made it, The below listed personnel have been pronsted personnel nave been moted, or will sew on these "crows" later this year. APRIL 16, 1969 BACKES, N. BOWERS, W.

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Nine enlisted men from CTU were advanced in rate April 16, as a result of the February, Navy-wide exams.

Lieutenant J. Brian Leap, Commanding Officer, Construction Training Unit, presented the ad-vancement certificates at morning

PROMOTION (cont'd, page 5)

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#### MCB-62 BEGINS THIRD ASIAN TOUR

Camp Barnes, Dong Ha Combat Base, Vietnam, is the new home for the men of MCB-62. It marks the third tour of duty for the unit in Vietnam.

The last flight of the battalion's main body of personnel arrived in Vietnam on Sunday, April 6.

MCB-128 Marks Its Birthday

Mobile Construction Battalion 128 celebrated its second anniver-

Range Tuesday, April 1, at Camp Rhodes, Quang Tri, Vietnam. The Seabee battalion marked the birthday of its recommissioning with free beer and soda at the clubs. Gifts of battalion letterhead stationery kits were distri-buted to the men and they were allowed a meritorious "sleep in". Special Services provided a stage sho " "The Six Pac of Jazz" during the week.

Mobile Construction Battalion 128 was recommissioned April 1, 1967 by Admiral David L. Mc-Donald, the then Chief of Naval Operations.

"No Job Too Great" is the unit's

Homeported in Gulfport, Mississippi, the Seabee battalion is commanded by Commander D. W. Wittschiebe. The unit began its second deployment in January, 1969.



Located about seven miles south of the Demilitarized Zone, Dong Ha will be the main base of opera-tions for the Seabee battalion. However, 62 will work on projects scattered all across the area situated between Quang Tri and the DMZ. Serving as Commanding Of

DMZ. Serving as Commanding Of-ficer is Cmdr. John Paul Jones Jr. One of the major jobs being undertaken by the battalion is the upgrading of the Vietnamese high way system.

It is commissioned with the task of converting 35 miles of old road, built by the French during their occupation, into a modern highway capable of handling 50-mile-perhour traffic. Sixty-two will also build bridges

and culverts as they are needed along the road.

Another top priority project for hich 62 is responsible is the installation of a primary and secon-

dary electrical system through-out the Dong Ha Combat Base. The base will also receive a new treatment plant and mains for a permanent water distribution sys-

tem.

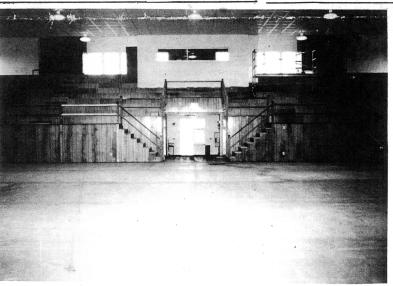
Other projects which the battallon is tackling, or will start soon, include a 400 foot bridge across the Cam Lo River, a 60 foot bridge at Elliot Combat Base near Thon Son Lam, a well at Con Thien, and an electrical distribution system at a Marine spreat tion system at a Marine camp at

Cua Viet.

In addition to this heavy work load 62 is conducting an extensive Civic Action Program in northern

A nine man Civic Action Team headed by Lt. (j.g.) Eugene Graves and Battalion Chaplain, Lt. Richard Crowe has begun work on a new wing for the Dong Ha Children's

MCB-62 (cont'd, page 3)



READY FOR ACTION - Here's an "inside" look at the Seabee Center's new gym, slated for opening next week. In this view, the maple court has not been laid, but the permanent dark wooden bleachers are ready for spectators. At mid-center is a glassed-in scorekeeper's area.

"Recreation for all - and all for recreation" can well be the motto for the Seabee Center's new gym, which is expected to open its doors at mid-morning, Wednesday, April 23.
Eager "users" will be happy to know that it is entirely air conditioned.

The sports arena is located east of the Auto Hobby Shop and is hous-ed in Bldg. 145. Its grand opening adds another dimension to Special Services wide variety of growing

activities.

World War II Seabees could easi-World War II Seabees could easily find its location, for during that period, the building was just that a gymnasium. Time, however, has played havoe with the building and its interior, and exterior needed an entire revamping. The \$100 007 refurbishing work got unde way early this year.

Et Ign Michael S, Wise, the Center's Snecial Services Officer, now

ter's Special Services Officer, now

describes it as the most "out-standing athletic facility in the

area,"
Rejuvination of the gym is still
in progress by the general contractors, J. O. Collins of Biloxi,
Miss. They were beginning to lay
the gym's sub-floor, April 7 and
then the hard maple "court" next.
When completed, it will be a high
school regulation size court.
Clear-glass back-backs are to

School regulation size court.
Clear-glass back-boards are to
be installed, along with the latest
in electronic score boards.
The entire east side of the gym
has permanent wooden bleachers installed, while across the way on

the west side is a huge stage. The ceiling - now white - has been dropped and new lighting installed. Golden paint is on the walls and the entire area has been re-panel-led, half-way up the side of the walls. The two dressing rooms underneath the bleachers have al-

underneath the bleachers have also been revamped and "sport" new aqua tiled head and shower areas. The other two major rooms in the gym will be utilized for physical fitness. They are in two wings which sprout out to the north and south of the gym. One will be outfitted with weights and weight "GYM (cont.)" area? 7)

GYM (cont'd, page 7)

## The Chaplain Speaks

On several occasions the Apostle Paul referred to himself as a citizen of Rome. He apparently took pride in the fact. He found his citizenship a distinct advantage in certain difficulties.

On other occasions he referred to his citizenship as being in heaven. He humbly accepted this as a gift from God and considered it the keystone of his life.

The two areas of citizenship are not mutually exclusive. In the current discussions about church and state relations, those who are primarily concerned are Christian citizens.

The Christian has civic responsibilities as any other citizen, but he has an added allegience to eternal truth. This forces him to subject civic relationships to the judgement of God's truth,

The early church has left a clear example of respect for the law. In the experience of many individual Christians, the law involved persecution. Paul himself, though often protected by the imperial law, apparently was executed under Roman law, The government under which he lived and died was totalitarian in form, for the Roman Republic had died some years before.

It seems strange to those who live as citizens in a democracy that the apostle could even live agreeably under a tyrant, much less encourage respect for government. We know little in our own experience of Christian persecution. But we are aware that the New Testament teaches respect for the law.

When Peter and John were charged by religious authorities to cease preaching about Jesus, they defiantly declared: "We must obey God rather than men." This is a valid position, but without hesitation the apostle called for obedience to the law. He who obeys the law has no fear of reprisal. He who obeys the speed limit is not constantly searching the receding horizon for a patrol car!

The best citizens in our own national history have been those who considered their obedience to law, first of all, obedience to God. The law enforcement officer is a servant of God. He is an avenger for wrath and this wrath is the law of sin and retribution on the plains of human It is the wrath of God, for God has ordained orderly relationships. The law of the state thus becomes an agent of good, an incentive to goodness. Yet the Christian motivation is not fear of reprisal. He obeys God and he obeys the law because he knows it is right.

#### Seabee Center Chapel

**PROTESTANT** 

CATHOLIC

Sunday: Church School 9:30 a.m. Divine Worship 10:30 a.m.

Thursday: Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p.m.

Sunday Liturgy Wednesday

11:30 a.m. Liturgy

Confessions-Half-hour before each mass.

Lt. Cmdr. Marvin L. Chamberlin, USN Prostestant Chaplain

Extensions 454, 455 - Chapel Building 169

JEWISH PERSONNEL - Transportation is furnished to Keesler Air Force Base each

PWOC - Meets first Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel.

#### **★SEABEE THEATER**★

"Coogan's Bluff" - (A) - Starring: Clint Eastwood, Susan

April 19

"Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" - (A-MY) - Starring: Sidney Poitier, Katharine Hepburn, Spencer Tracy and "In The Heat of the Night" - (A-MY) - Starring: Sidney Poitier, Rod Steiger

April 20-21

"Thoroughly Modern Millie" - (GA) - Starring: Julie Andrews, Carol Channing, Mary Tyler Moore

April 22-23
"Three in the Attic" - (A) - Starring: Christopher Jones,
Yvette Mimieux

April 24-25 "Ghost's Italian Style" - (A-MY) - Starring: Sophia Loren,

April 26 "The Stranger Returns" - (A) - Starring: Tony Anthony and "Born Losers" - (A) - Starring: Jane Russell

April 27-28

''Lady In Cement'' - (A-MY) - Starring: Frank Sinatra,
Raquel Welch, Dan Blocker

April 29-30 "The Horse in the Gray Flannel Suit" - (GA) - Starring:

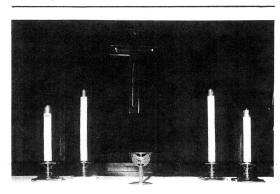
May 1-2 "The Hellfighters" - (A-MY) - Starring: John Wayne, Katharine Ross, Jim Hutton Мау 3

"The Young Runaways" - (A-MY) - Starring: Brooke Bundy, Patty McCormack and "The Savage Seven" - (A) -Starring: Robert Walker Jr.

Key to symbols: A- Adult; MY - Mature Young People; Y - Young

Key to symbols: A- Adult; MY - Mature Young People; Y - Young People and GA - General Audience.

Admission is 25 cents with children under six going free. The weekday and Sunday performances begin at 7:30 p.m., with doors opening at 7 p.m. Saturday's double feature presentation begins at 6:30 p.m., Doors open at 6 p.m. Cartoons are featured at all performances.



DONATION TO CBC CHAPEL - More than \$500 was donated to the Center's house of worship by MCB-133 with its additional chapel funds. Purchased with the donation were eclesiastical items for both the Protestant and Catholic altars. Shown above is the Protestant altar with the new brass candlestick holders and a sterling silver chalice and paten. The altar linens shown were also purchased with the battalion donation and will be used by both religious groups. The Catholic altar also received candlestick holders, a chalice and paten and a ciborium.

# CROSSWORD PUZZLE 2-Dwell 3-Come into view 4-Join 5-Devoured 6-Maiden loved by Zeus 7-Dypermost part 8-Newest 10-Appellation of Attena 11-Army meal 16-Dispatch 18-Reclined 22-Doctrine 23-Hostelry 24-Obstruct 25-Girl's name 27-Cleaning device 29-Anglo-Saxon

money 30-Metal

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- 5-River island
- 8-Bridge term 12-Citrus fruit 13-Also 14-Wan
- 15-Disinclined 17-Pieces of dinnerware
- dinnerware
  19-Kind of fabric.
  20-Regions
  21-Cultured man (slang)
  23-Hastens
  24-Expire
  26-Ogre
  28-Small child
- 31-Paid notice 32-Negative
- 33 A state (abbr.) 34-Chart
- 38-Hurried
- 39-Leave out
  41-Go at an easy
  pace
  43-Pits
- 45-Title of respect (pl.) 48-Omits from pronunciation
- 50-Decipher 51-Insects
- 52-Garden tool 54-Silkworm 55-Performs
- 57-Rodents
- DOWN

#### Answer to Previous Puzzle



35-Protective 35-Protective organization organization 36-Ascend 37-Mine vein 38-Hindrance 40-Ancient Persians 42-Kind of race horse

43-Retained 44-Mixture 46-Prepare for print 47-Oceans 49-Pronoun 50-River in Wales 53-Conjunction

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# **BEGINS**

and the State of Mississippi will change from Standard Time to Daylight Saving Time, on Sunday, April 27 at 2 a.m.

The change to Daylight Saving Time does not alter existing shift schedules for civilian employees. No work time is lost or gained in the case of firefighter or similar type positions with 24 hour tours of duty and no charge to leave or credited to overtime will be made at time of change to or from Daylight Saving

The hour lost to the employee on the eighthour shift on which the change to Daylight Saving Time occurs will be covered by a charge of one hour of annual leave in order that he may be paid for all eight hours. The additional hour of work performed on the eight-hour shift on which the change back to Standard Time occurs will be compensated for by payment of one hour of overtime.



MER AND HIS BUDDY BULL DOZER

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## CENTER'S OLDEST 'BEE HANGS UP NAVY

By JO2 CHUCK ELROD OF 20th NCR

The oldest Seabee on active duty at the Gulfport Seabee Center retired from the Navy in a quiet ceremony conducted at the 20th NCR on Monday, April 14. Chief Builder Lawrence T. "Pappy" Hinton, 62, probably the best known 'Bee aboard the Center, said his final farewell to shipmates the Center, said his final farewell to shipmates following the end of an illustrious Naval career spanning over three decades.

"Pappy" enlisted in the Navy on charged from the Navy at NAS March 26, 1942 and took his basic New Orleans in April 1946...his training at Davisville, R, I, "The Naval service was at a pause, ver 1965. A nine months tour at Da The oldest Seabee on active duty at the Gulfport Hueneme with the battalion for the

"Pappy" enlisted in the Navy on March 26, 1942 and took his basic training at Davisville, R. I. "The thing I remember best during that period was that I like to froze to death," said the native Southerner.

"After (fiddling) around Paylo

"After "fiddling" around Davis-ville until February 1943," said Pappy, "I was finally sent to Gua-dalcanal with the 46th Seabee Battalion."

In November 1943, "Pappy's" unit moved to the Milne Bay area at New Guinea, "One of the high-lights that occurred at Milne," he rights that occurred at Millie, he said, "was an assignment to pick up three deserters some 90 miles across the KB trail over the Owens across the KB trail over the Owens Stanley Mountains. This was the same trail used by the Japanese during their initial attack on New Guinea, Our patrol walked the entire distance over the mountainous terrain," he continued, "We had Christmas dinner that year on a mountain top... consisting of K rations," said "Pappy,"
Leaving Milne Bay in December

rations," said "Pappy,"
Leaving Milne Bay in December
1943, Pappy rode the troop transport SS Tecumseh up the coast to
the Finch Haven area of New
Guinea, "The Tecumseh was undoubtly the dirtiest ship in the fleet," said Pappy. "Prior to the time we boarded her, she had been hauling coal up from Australia and we wallowed in coal dust

until we reached our destination."
While at Finch Haven, the 46th was assigned duties building docks and water front structures.

and water front structures.

In April 1944, the 46th was shipped to the Admiralty Islands where they made landings with the 1st, 5th, and 7th Cavalry Divisions. February, 1945 saw members of the 46th again board a transport. This time the journey was filled with enthused anticipation. destination, home! In the latter part of February, the troop transport steamed under the Golden Gate Bridge, into San Francisco and

port steamed under the Golden Gate Bridge, into San Francisco and "Pappy" set off on a 30 day leave. Upon his return to the 46th, the battalion was decommissioned and "Pappy" received orders to CBMU-632 at Camp Parks, Calif. May 1945, that unit deployed to Okinawa where it was to remain until the end of the war. The battleship USS South Dakota transported "Pappy" and other members of his unit to Pearl Harbor where they boarded the USS Nevada for the final leg of the journey home. "Pappy" was dis-

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TIGHT SECURITY

"A chain is as strong as

its weakest link" - an adage which can well ap-

ply to the command's security behavior - was told to both military and civilian trainees in a recent initial orientation session

classified material. Conducting the first presenta-tion, which was divided into five

the subject.

New Orleans in April 1946 . . . his Naval service was at a pause, yet not at an end.

not at an end.
Returning to civilian life,
"Pappy" went back to his old job
with the Mississippi Power and
Light Company at Natchez, Miss.
In November 1947, he joined the
Seabee reserves. At the height In November 1947, he joined the Seabee reserves. At the height of the Korean Conflict, Pappy came on active duty in October 1952 and deployed to Guam with MCB-10. Next was a tour at Kwajlien in the Marshall Islands, and in November 1953, Pappy returned to the States and took a 30 day leave. Returning from leave, "Pappy" received orders to MCB-3 homeported at Port Hueneme, Calif, During the next three years, that battalion made deployments to Cubi Point in the Philippines, returning

Point in the Philippines, returning to its homeport on a normal cycle for re-training.

Long awaited shore duty finally

came for "Pappy" in February 1957 at the Naval Station, Algiers, New Orleans. During this tour, he was assigned as Chief-Masterat-Arms. "Good duty," said

"Pappy."
In October 1959, with his shore duty at an end, "Pappy" was ordered to MCB-9 at Port Hueneme. While on a deployment to Kodiak, Alaska, "Pappy" was sent on tem-porary duty to Canton Island below the equator where he was in charge of a detail which procured camp components (tents, water puri-fiers, etc.) for setting up a target range at Kahoolawe, an uninhabit-ed island in the Hawaiian group. In September 1961, he returned to the battalion at Midway Island, then back to the States at Port Hueneme for re-training.

When MCB-9 deployed to Adak, Alaska in April 1962, "Pappy" received orders to what was probably one of the most unique tem-porary duties ever experienced by a Seabee. He was sent to Afo-gnac Island in the Aleutian's to help rehabilitate a rest camp for the Navy and also to work for the rehabilitate a rest camp for the Navy and also to work for the Alaskan Fish and Game Commission. Their mission... to catch 12 baby elks, 10 cows and two bulls, to establish a new herd of elks. "The Army furnished us a helicopter," said Pappy, "and we caught 'em! It was really a lot of fun."

Rejoining MCB-9 at Adak in Oc-tober 1962, Pappy returned to Port

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The sessions use as its back-ground, the U. S. Navy Security Manual for Classified Information. It states in the introduction, "it is of paramount importance that all who engage in administering security preserve a balanced and commonsense outlook toward the subject. The ideal to be sought is the indestripation of all seasons.

Confidential.

1965. A nine months tour at Da Nang ensued, with "Pappy" win-ning a Naval Achievement Medal his outstanding performance

of duties.

With the tour in Vietnam con-With the tour in Vietnam con-cluded in February 1966, "Pappy" received orders to the 20th NCR and reported to Gulfport in May 1966. Since the Regiment had just been recommissioned in April that year, there were to be many trying year, there were to be many trying days, laying groundwork for training and deploying homeported battalions. "Pappy" was one of the chief petty officers whose vast knowledge, experience and ability helped to ease this task.
"Pappy" was instrumental in the construction of the "Big Bess"

construction of the "Big Bees" which are so proudly displayed in the Gulfport area. Further, he designed and directed the construction of the many floats that were entered in various parades throughout the country over the past three years. And who would believe "Pappy" once borrowed a railroad? "We were in dire need of railroad equipment at the 20th NCR for training purposes," said Pappy. "I made a tour of the area, talking with local manufacturers, and eventually came up with the necessary equipment to get the job done."

The retiring builder has been construction of the "Big Bees"

get the job done."

The retiring builder has been named oldest Seabee at Gulfport for the past three years at the annual Seabee Ball.

A native of Liberty, Miss., "Pappy" graduated from high school there in 1922 and went on to attend college at Mississippi Southern for three years. For a time he worked as a merchant seaman, sailing tankers out of Baton Rouge, La., although most of his civilian work was with the Mississippi Power and Light Company.

sissippi Power and Light Company. Married to the former Eloise Conn of Long Beach, "Pappy" has one son by a former marriage.

one son by a former marriage.
"I'm going back to Liberty, raise some cattle and do some farming,"
"Pappy" said, discussing the future. "My emotions are extremely mixed about leaving the Navy."
For personnel at the 20th NCR, it will seem strange to say "ask
Pappy Hinton" and suddenly realize her group. lize he has gone. As much as he will miss the Navy, his loss will probably be felt more by his many friends and shipmates.

#### retirement this week. Aiding in the event is Capt. James M. Hill Jr., the command's "skipper." Secretary Cited By Center Commander A letter of commendashe's known at the Center, was

"PAPPY" RETIRES - Chief Builder L. T. "Pappy" Hinton of the 20th NCR - the Center's oldest 'Bee - cuts a cake upon his

tion from the Commanding Officer of Gulfport Seabee Center has been presented to Mrs. Floyd T. Weihing for her "exemplary" performance of additional duties in association with that office.

Mrs. Weihing is the secretary for the command's executive officer. She was cited by Capt. James M. Hill Jr., Commanding Officer of the Gulf Coast Navy activity.

Her busy schedule, since last December, has included arrange-ments for numerous official command functions and ceremonies of major importance. Specifically noted were the salute to Gulfport dinner and testimonial; change of command ceremony; reception and formal dress night; visit by the Secretary of the Navy; the annual 1969 Seabee Ball and the pass in review and award ceremony honoring Mobile Construction Battalion 22 at which time the Vice Chief of Naval Operations was the honor-

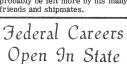
ed guest. Mrs. Weihing, or "Billie" as

tasked with the responsibility of coordinating, advising and initiat-ing the formal invitation lists, sending them out and then following-up on acceptances. She was a divaluable advisor to the Commanding Officer and his rep-resentatives for matters involving local dignitaries, honor guests. seating arrangements and the sen-sitive area of etiquette and pro-tocol."

At the command since June At the command since June, 1966, Mrs. Weihing was especially cited for her "attitude, initiative and tact" in carrying out these added responsibilities. Before coming to the Center, "Billie" was employed at Keesler Air Force Base for five years. She and her husband reside at 1013 22nd St., Gultont

They have two sons. Air Force Capt. F. T. Weihing Jr., is serving at McChord AFB, Tacoma, Wash., and Carl is a senior at Mississippi State.

FOR SALE: 1961 Oldsmobile. Power steering and power brakes. Runs good. No problems. Four-door, white, Super 88 hardtop. door, white, Super 88 hardtop. \$200. Retiring out, call 864-1871.



The Interagency Board of United States Civil Service Examiners at Jackson, Miss., has announced federal career opportunities in a num-ber of fields for which the Civil Service is holding examinations. Announcements were issued last

week for examinations for security guard positions, general fire fighters and supervisory fire fighters. Salaries range from \$4231 to \$7699 per year. Other federal career opportunities exist for office machine operators, messengers, and office aids. Salaries for these positions range from \$4231 per year to \$5145 to start. Persons interested in these positions should file application card Form 5000-AB only. Forms week for examinations for secu-

card Form 5000-AB only. Forms may be obtained at post offices or from the Job Information Center, Interagency Board of Civil Service Examiners, for Mississippi, 802 North State Street, Jackson, Mississippi, 39201. Applications will be accepted at the Jackson office until further notice. card Form 5000-AB only. Forms

FOR SALE: 1964 Ford converti-ble. \$500 or best offer. Must sell. Being transferred. During day call 864-9911. After 6 p.m., call



WELL DONE - Mrs. "Billie" Weihing (right), is congratulated by Capt. James M. Hill Jr., Commanding Officer of the Gulfport Seabee Center, after he presented her a letter of commendation for outstanding duties with that office.

## subject. The ideal to be sought is the indoctrination of all personnel to the point that they automatically exercise proper discretion in the discharge of their duties and do not think of security information as something separate and apart from other things. In this way, security of classified information becomes a natural element of task and not an additionally imposed burden," Serving as the Center's Classion the safeguarding of posed burden." Serving as the Center's Classified Material Control Officer is R. P. Eike of the Planning Office, During the lecture, Mrs. Price pointed out that the term "handltion, which was divided into five different groups, was Mrs. Betty M. Price, Employee Development Officer from the Seabee Center's Industrial Relations Division. Her lecture in the Bldg, 1 Wardroom, was followed by a training film on the cubical.

ing" includes the preparation, pro-cessing, transmission and custody of classified information. If one of these documents crossed your

desk, did you handle it properly?
Another course aimed at "selling security" is slated for late

Ninety-eight persons attended the sessions, which were held from March 27-31. Keynote of the lecture was an appeal "to help stamp out apathy" in the handling of classified ma-terials - be it Top Secret, Secret

Ninety-eight persons attended

**REENLIST TODAY!** 

#### MCB-62

(continued from page 1) Hospital, a pumping station for an irrigation system, Catholic and Buddhist refugee schools in Cam Lo and buildings for a refugee settlement (Chieu Hoi) village. In its previous towns, the bat-talion was deployed to Hue-Phu Bai and Da Nang.

## BOMEX GEAR MOVED TO AIRPORT BY CENTER

The Gulfport Seabee Center, in its continuing support to Project BOMEX (Barbados Oceanographic and Meteorological Experiment), moved 14,584 pounds of equipment out to the local airport early this week.

#### Team Named For 6th ND Bowling Tilt

The results of a rolloff for a bowling team which will represent the Seabee Center at the Sixth Naval District Bowling Tournament in Pensacola, Fla., April 28 -May 3 has been announced by Harlan Roughton, bowling alley manager.

After a 24 game roll-off, the team was chosen by total pin fall as follows:

- GMI Tom Darley
- CE2 John Scott

- CE2 John Scott
- EA1 Jim Allen
- PNSN Richard Knechel
- DT1 Theodore Washington
Darley was elected as team captain and BU3 John Ruderman was
named as a team alternate. The
men qualified from an original field of 32 bowlers.

field of 32 bowlers.

Along with congratulating the winners of the roll-off and all of its participants, Roughton said that "credit also belongs to the employees of the bowling lanes who put out much extra effort which they were not compensated for, except with the pride of doing a job well." Many volunteers for the roll-off are also to be thanked, Roughton said.

The lanes are set for "The Gold Roll" come Friday, April 25. The mixed couples handicap gets underway at 11 p.m. Call Ext. 739 to sign up.

underway at 11 p.m. Can Ext. 135 to sign up.
At 6 p.m., Friday, April 25, an organizational meeting to form a Woman's League will be held. Individual bowlers or teams are invited to participate. For information call Rougthon on Ext. 739.

A moment of carelessness mean a lifetime of regret.

Moving the gear April 14, were personnel and trucks from the Supply Department's Traffic Branch. The material was loaded "up into" a giant Air Force C-124 "Globemaster", out of Jackson, Miss. The aircraft is assigned to the 172nd Military Airlift Group there and is part of the Air National Guard. Guard.

Since last December, the Seabee Center has had the added responsi-bility of receiving, storing and is-suing BOMEX materials. The major items have been turned over to various ships docked at the port of Gulfport. The huge air-sea pro-ject is slated to get underway May I in a 500 square mile area off the Barbados Islands in the West Indies. It will be a study of the waters and atmosphere in the Caribbean and will run through

Caribbean and will run through August 1.

The largest pieces of equipment moved by the Center Monday, were two electric generators from the MASA Mississippi Test Facility. They found their "home" for the air lift to the Barbados Islands in the "belly" of the huge plane. It was slated to touch-down Monday night in Miami, where additional supplies would be picked up and then was due at its final destination sometime late Tuesday. April 15.

day, April 15.
Other major items put on the plane at Gulfport included an array of nitrogen tanks and miscella-neous crates and cardboard boxes full of sophisticated gear that will soon monitor conditions for the project.

The materials were loaded swiftly at the Air National Guard site and only one "casualty" was reported as hooks and cranes were

reported as hooks and cranes were swinging under the direction of Air Force Sgt. Joe Adams, load-master for the aircraft.
Seabee Center civilian Louis Bodisch, somehow got a cut on the inside of a finger. A bandaid was applied and the loading continued. The cut probably seemed like "kid-stuff" to the mustached Redisch. He to a priired tached Bodisch. He is a retired 27-year Navy veteran and his ac-tive duty time was spent in the touchy business of underwater de-



AWAY IT GOES - A 6,320 pound electric generator, moved to the local airport by the Traffic Branch of the Gulfport Seabee Center's Supply Department, is lifted "up into" an Air Force cargo plane bound for the Barbados Islands and Project BOMEX. One of the Center civilians, Louis Bodisch, oversees the on-





RETIREMENT REVIEW - Builder First Class Sidney Rosensweig (second from left), who retired from the Navy April 11, is believed to be the first enlisted man to serve as a reviewing officer at the Center's Construction Training Unit. With Lt. J. Brian Leap, Commanding Officer of CTU and Chief Builder R. L. Feemster, Commander of Troops, the retiring Navyman reviews more than 400 Direct Procurement Petty Officers graduates with Constant 126 and 127 ating with Companies 126 and 127.

## Signal Honor Goes To Retiring CTU Man

Four hundred new Seabees, each with less than six weeks active military service, passed in review Friday afternoon, April 11, before Builder First Class Sidney Rosensweig, a former company commander in Construction Training Unit. It was the first parade and pass-in-review for the CTU and the first time that an enlisted man has been the reviewing officer.

#### MCB-22 LEAVES ITS TRADEMARK AT VN TERMINAL

Personnel arriving or departing I Corps from the Da Nang, Vietnam Air Base will soon utilize the spacious new passenger ter-minal constructed by Navy Sea-

bees, namely, the recently deactivated MCB-22 'Bees.

Located on the west side of the twin 10,000 foot runways at Da Located on the west side of the twin 10,000 foot runways at Da Nang Air Base, the new terminal contains over 20,000 sq. ft, of floor space, including passenger service ticket counters, baggage check facilities, waiting areas and JAMTO and TRIATCO offices. In addition it contains customs and currency exchange facilities, air conditioned offices and VIP waiting room, and a small PX and newsstand. The terminal will be operated by the Air Force 15th Aerial Port Squadron.

The building was designed by Lt W. F. Poulton and EA3 S, Yashamoto, of the Thirtieth Naval Constructed by Seabees from the "Lone Star" battalion, Over 100,000 people per monthwill utilize this terminal.

will utilize this terminal.

The Gulfport homeported 'Bees left their "Star" trademark at the



By Lt. Col. Bob Webb, USAF CARRIER ADMIRAL by Adm. J. J. Clark, USN, (Ret.).

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A well documented review of the expansion and development of U. S. naval air power from World War I through the Korean conflict, "Carrier Admiral" is the story of one man's participation in shaping the plans and policies of naval aviation.

Credited as one of the pioneers in naval aviation.

Credited as one of the pioneers in naval aviation, Adm. J. "Jocko" Clark tells of the early and sometimes painful stages of naval air power in which he and others fought to bring both the needed budget and recognition to the fledgling Navy air arm.

Many of his plans were put into effect while he served as captain of the USS Yorktown, taking part in the battles for the Gilbert and Marshall Islands in the South Pacific, and later as a Carrier Task Force Commander, where he led his group into action in the Battle of the Philippine Sea and in the capture of Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

Petty Officer Rosensweig was given the signal honor as he pre-pared for retirement from active naval service to enter the Fleet Reserve. In the time that he was assigned as a CTU company com-mander, Petty Officer Rosenweig is credited with having trained nearly 800 Direct Procurement Petty Officers, the equivalent of a fully manned Mobile Construction Battalion.

Battalion.

During his 20 years of naval service which took him to Morocco, Newfoundland, Bermuda, the British West Indies, Spain, San Salvador, Vietnam, Texas, Rhode Island, California and Mississippi. Petty Officer Rosensweig earned the Navy Achievement Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal and the Navy Code Conduct Medal, with Navy Good Conduct Medal with three clusters.

The native of Baltimore is mar-Good Conduct Medal with

ried to the former Rosemary Cas-ber of Minneapolis. The family plans to retire on the Gulf Coast, The ceremony Friday also "claimed" another first. As Ros-

ensweig was "piped ashore," 60 sideboys with rifles formed a path-way. It is believed to be the largest way. It is believed to be the largest number of sideboys ever assembled for a retiring enlisted man. The sideboys were from the Navyman's Direct Procurement Petty Officer Company 126, which he had guided through basic training at the Center, and graduated Friday with Company 127. with Company 127.

During the event Company Commanders Rosensweig and Construction Electrician Frist Class B. P. Martin were presented with Chief of Civil Engineer Certificates from Lt. J. Brian Leap, commanding officer of CTU, on behalf of Chief of Navy Civil En-gineers, Rear Adm. A. C. Hus-

## CHAPEL BUILT BY MCB-121 **DEDICATED**

Former U. S. Navy Chief of Chaplains, and now Senior Pacific Fleet Chaplain, Rear Admiral H. J. Rotrige gave the dedicatory address recently for the Marine Air Group Thirty-Six (MAG-36) Chapel built at Phu Bai, Vietnam by members of Mobile Construction Battalion 121.

tion Battalion 121,
Special recognition was given to
the project foreman, Builder Second Class Jack E. Lee (Auburn,
Nebr.) and his crew of 12 Seabees
who were primarily responsible
for the actual construction of the
chapel. Members of Lee's crew
introduced at the dedication were:
Builders Second Class George R.
Farton Assistant Crew Leader introduced at the dedication were:
Builders Second Class George R.
Barton, Assistant Crew Leader
(Alton, N. H.), Kenneth D. Link
(Detroit, Mich.), Joseph W. Poff
(Roanoke, Va.); Builders Third
Class Gary L. Wood (Lead, S. D.),
Roddy B. Bean (Hickory, N. C.),
William L. Guy (Valley Station,
Ky.); Constructionman Danny O.
Duncan (Lancaster, Ky.), Gordon
F. Pesek (Intergrove Heights,
Minn.), John R. Petrowski (Petos
key, Mich.); and Equipment Operator Third Class Brian L. Berntson (Luck, Wis.) and J. R. Bohannon (Savannah, Ga.)
Since the arrival of MAG-36 at
Phu Bai in September of 1967, a
Southeast Asia hut had served as a
chapel. With a seating capacity of
about 25 persons it was inadequate
from the beginning, and services
were moved to the Special Services
area. Preliminary plans for a new

were moved to the Special Services area. Preliminary plans for a new chapel were drawn up by First Lt, A. L. Dominy II, MAG-36 Utilities Officer. In October of 1968 the 121st Seabees took over the job just begun by another unit, and completed the custom-built structure.

The project was completed on

ed'the custom-built structure.

The project was completed on schedule, Feb. 28, and the Marines began holding services in the Chapel that same weekend. Petty Officer Lee said the Chapel will seat 200 men easily which is a much larger capacity than the old Chapel. Floor space on the ground is 5,400 square feet.
Unique features of the Chapel in-

clude custom-built (by Seabees) pews with kneeling folders. Men from the 121st Seabees Bravo Company made and installed cus-Company made and installed custom-designed pendulant light features; the Bravo Co, Seabees opened their shops to the builders of the battallon's Delta Co, who built the Chapel pews. The floor is hard finished concrete.

One problem encountered in building the Chapel was lifting the 3,000 lb, trusses into place. Lee said a crane with an extra long boom was needed to lift the trusses.

band. The certificates mark the company commanders having lead over one mobile construction bat-

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## CBC Traffic Court

The following lists the recent results of the Seabee Center Traffic

Irt:

Gene R. Roady, MCB-133, accident, three points.
John B. Barberio, MCB-74, disobeyed stop sign, two points.
Richard W. Botkin, CBC, accident, three points.
Ronald Shade, accident, three points.
Jacob Katool, improper parking, warning.
John K. Gentry, 20th NCR, dragging, 30 day suspension.
Lory N. Thompson, MCB-121, improper parking, two points.
David Coquette, MCB-133, accident, permanent suspension.
Herman Milligan, Supply, accident, three points.
Ralph J. Scott, RMCB-17, accident, warning.
Bob R. Patchin Sr., CBC, accident, warning.
Willard W. Calkins, Sixth RNCR, accident, three points.
Charles Akers. accident, three points.

Willard W, Calkins, Sixth RNCR, accident, three points.
Charles Akers, accident, three points.
Minnie D. Allen, accident, three points.
Virginia Thomas, accident, three points.
Alan J. Frame, MCB-74, imporper parking, two points.
Jay J. Deorochers, MCB-74, reckless driving, 30 day suspension.
John T. Messner, 20th NCR, reckless driving, 30 day suspension.
William J. Brasfield, CBC, improper parking, two points.
Gary R. Welch, MCB-62, improper parking, one point.

Billy J. Cassell, MCB-121, improper parking, warning.

## THE HOTTEST TROOPS IN THIS WAR'

The Navy's Seabees, first formed in World War II and currently committed to the Vietnam battle-zone, are as their official song says, "paving the way to victory."

Living u their slogan, "WE E FIGHT", Seabees BUILD, WE FIGHT", Seabees since May 1965 have burrowed, blasted and built almost \$100 million of construction in the North-I Corps area of South Viet-

They are setting new records: They are setting new records:
If placed together, all the warehouses, administration buildings,
troop housing, repair shops and
other structures built by Navy
Seabees in Vietnam would fill 800 football fields.

If all the housing facilities constructed by the Seabees in Vietnam were converted into a hotel covering one city block, that hotel would rise twice as high as the Empire State Building.

The Seabees have set enough The Seabees have set enough 'instant airfield' matting to cover the whole Los Angeles Interna-tional Airport, including its run-ways, terminals, parking and air-craft maintenance buildings.

They have paved enough open storage area to provide every home in the State of Delaware with a super-sized patio.

They have built enough fuel sto-

rage area to send the average American motorist on 47 round-trips to the moon.

With the rock provided by Navy Seabee quarries and crushers in Vietnam, an 8-foot high 1-foot thick wall could be built around South Vietnam's entire land borders

Vehicle and aircraft mainte-Navy Seabees in Vietnam, if built as a single complex, would make a service station nearly 4 miles long and capable of handling 1500

cars at a time.

Navy "CAN DO!" Seabees these construction records with 3 million 10-hour man-days effort! Sacrifice, as well as sweat, characterizes Seabee service in Viet-

Fifty-two Seabees have given their lives in combat, while another 700 have been wounded in action, some more than once.

Navy Seabees also are busy conducting Civic Action programs, and their 13-man Seabee Teams have become known as the "Navy's

Peace Corps".

Each man is cross-trained in three construction specialties.

"WE get "Doc's" help.

When the Seabees first landed in Vietnam, with the Marines in May 1965, only 10 under-strength Seabee battalions were in commission.

Following an intense all-volunteer recruitment program, nine new Seabee battalions were formed, and after the TET offensive in early 1968, two Seabee re-serve battallors were called to ac-tive duty. MCB-12 and MCB-22 were both trained at Gulfport and

went to Vietnam.

The Navy Seabee force now stands at 20 Naval Mobile Construction Battalions with 750 men apiece -- a 250 percent increase in manpower since May 1965.

One Seabee Pacific Alert Battalion is now working on Okinawa.

Another Seabee battalion is ex-

panding facilities at the U.S. Naval Station, Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, marking the first time in three years that a Seabee battalion has been deployed in the

talion has been deployed in the Carribean area.
On May 7, 1965, the first of the Seabee Mobile Construction Battalions landed in Vietnam. In late 1968, that same battalion 10 returned for its fourth eight-month tour.
In 1968 the Navy Seabee effort

In 1968 the Navy Seabee effort shifted from construction of major logistic support in southern I Corps to direct tactical support of combat troops along the heavily-contested Demilitarized Zone in the north,

In nine months, fifteen Navy Seabee battalions and the 30th Naval Construction Regiment planned and placed over \$25 million of vitally required facilities in the North-

ern I Corps area.
All these Navy "CAN DO!" Seabee units were awarded the prized Navy Unit Commendation ribbon for exceptionally meritorious ser-vice. Gulfport units were among

One of the largest single projects undertaken by a Seabee bat-talion in Vietnam was the con-struction of a cantonment for the famed "Blue Dragon" Brigade of the Republic of Korea Marine Corps which, with its attached support units, totals 8,000 officers and men.

Seabee Battalion 58 construct-

Peace Corps".

Each man is cross-trained in three construction specialties.

These "Super-Seabees," work with, and train, the Vietnamese villagers, building farm-to-market roads, schools, small bridges, freshwater wells, and electrical and sanitation systems.

The most popular member of the Seabee Team is the hospital corps man, or "Doctor", and he treats an average of 12,000 villagers during his Team's 8-month deployment. Some of his patients travel 50 miles by ox cart or on foot to

Seabees have built or upgraded more than 325 miles of roads and highways and nearly six miles of bridges and culverts.

Navy Seabee battalions, positioned all along the 140-mile Vietnamese coast in I Corps, mutualnamese coast in 1 corps, mutually share the job of maintaining Route 1 - lifeline of the tenuous logistics flow from Da Nang north to over 100,000 combat troops below the DMZ.

For every one mile of road, the Seabees must build 100 feet of

Twenty-four-hours-a-day Seabees crush rock and place asphalt to build and keep Route 1 and other roads open.

They are laying 5 to 10 inches of rock on the 101-mile stretch of highway from Da Nang to Khe To get rock and gravel for their

road-building and other tasks, the Seabees opened five quarries. They have produced more than 1

million tons of rock from these quarries, and the "high brass" are saying:
"The Seabees are trying to win

this war with a super-highway!"
Navy Seabee ingenuity has modernized field construction operations: they prefabricate wooden floor, wall and roof sections, and

operate rock-crushing, asphalt-batching, and concrete block-pro-ducing plants, to keep their con-struction sites supplied.

struction sites supplied, Seabees have prefabricated 500 units of three types of concrete bunker for living quarters and perimeter defense positions for Marines and Army Special Forces

at outlying posts.

They have developed a new system of bridge construction in which pre-cast concrete panels become spanning-members as well as

Navy Seabees capability to pre-fabricate at Seabee camps and later assemble on site was tested recently. In three months, the Seabees provided accommodations equivalent to a city of 50,000, in response to the call to get tent-dwelling Army and Marine units out of the monsoon mud.

In this effort, the Seabees completed, each day, enough military housing to shelter 580 troops. Reward for the Seabees? - Ever

see a sodden soldier smile!

In this job, over \$5 million in construction supplies were converted into strongback tents, wooden huts, showers, heads and galleys. Many of the prefabricated sections had to be shipped by air and by sea to far-flung and inaccessible places, in the I Corps battle-zone.

To get such jobs done, special 16-to100 man Seabee detachments provide instant mobile construc-

Among such detachments were the 55 Seabees, from Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit 301 and three Seabee battalions, who served with valor alongside U. S. Marines during the Viet Cong siege of Khe Sahn.

The Seabee Team Civic Action Program in Vietnam is sponsored by the U. S. Agency for International Development.

Richard Tregaskis, author of Vietnam Diary, has called the Seabee Teams: "The hottest troops in this war!"

Often called the "Navy Peace Corps", these teams consist of a Navy Civil Engineering Corps (CEC) Officer and 12 men, including a Navy hospital corpsman.
There are currently 15 Seabee

Teams in Vietnam and three in Thailand. Over 50 hamlets in Thailand. Vietnam have hosted Seabee Teams since 1963. Each team member is carefully selected and crosstrained in at least three skills; so the hospital corpsman can drive a tractor and drive a nail, and the Electrician can give first aid or mix cement.

These Seabee Teams specialize in community development work -the Seabees help and the villagers learn. Together they build schools. hospitals, orphanages, roads, wells, and public utilities. The Seabees also furnish simple medical and dental services, treating cal and dental services, treating people in remote villages where a doctor seldom has been seen in years past.
Seabee Teams are leading the fight in the so-called "other war"-

grassroots battle to lift the hearts an Vietnam.

So successful is the Seabee Team Program that USAID has request-

Program that USAID has requested an additional 30 Teams for 1969.
So great is village support of the Seabee Teams that the Viet Cong do not attack them, not even in last year's TET offensive, when the city of Saigon itself was under heavy fire. heavy fire.

In addition to the specialized Team effort, Navy Seabee bat-talions have their own "peopleto-people" program.

Each Construction battalion "adopts' an orphanage, school, or small village and provides needed small village and provides needed physical improvements as well as medical and dental aid to the Vietnamese there. The battalion chaplain provides leadership in the battalion Civic Action Program; Navy doctors and hospital corpsmen assigned to the battalion carry out the medical and dental portions. out the medical and dental portions. In one eight-month deployment

Seabee Battalion 128, in its Medical Civic Action Program (MED-CAP), treated 7,000 Vietnamese for maladies ranging from skin ailments to plague. "Sick call" was held 4 to 6 times a week in the nearby hamlet; a health edu-

tion support to outlying tactical cation and preventive medicine program was conducted and 4,000 lbs. of soap and 12,000 lbs. of clothing were distributed.

Not all Civic Action is confined

Not all Civic Action is confined to organized battalion activities. Seabees, it seems, have hearts as big as their brawny bodies. In one case, several individual Seabees became interested in a small hamlet's school-and-orphasmall namiet's school-and-orpha-nage and gave up their weekly half-day of free time to work and improve its facilities. Seabees often dig into their own pockets to buy school books, or pledge "scholarships", to support Viet-namese children caught in the ra-vages of war.

Based on the idea of "self-heln" Based on the idea of "self-help", in which the Vietnamese are encouraged to work together while learning new skills, Navy Seabee Civic Action programs succeed through developing mutual friendships between Vietnamese villagers and individual Seabees.

Peal Civic Action programs in

gers and individual Seabees.

Real Civic Action progress in Vietnam is: an orphanage or hospital improved to modern standards; new classrooms for a school; English reading and speaking classes; a new water-well or market place; materials to rebuild and repair dwellings; tin roofing to replace thatching; a bad tooth pulled; a minor cut bandaged; village boys coached into a Little League Team; distribution of "parcels from home" to the needy in camp areas; water pumps needy in camp areas; water pumps and sewing machines provided by a U. S. church to a village; a first shower with a bar of soap for small boy or a first doll for a egirl. ost -- but not all Seabees -

little girl.

Most -- but not all S
are serving in Vietnam.

In the frozen South, now in their 14th year of operations in Antarc-14th year of operations in Antarctica, they continue to expand facilities at McMurdo Station, where
they have a nuclear power plant.
The 280 officers and men of
the Seabees Mobile Construction

Battalion Unit 201 are erecting a new permanent camp of two-story steel buildings, a 300-foot wharf, a water distillation plant and new

water and sewage facilities.

Proceeding at a rate of \$3 million in construction materials annually, this phase of Seabee "Can Do!" construction will be complete in 1974.

And down in the balmy Virgin Islands, 50 Navy "Can Do!" Seabees from Amphibious Construction Battalion 2, are surporting Project Tektite I, a program in which four U. S. aquanaut-scientists will live and work for 60 continuous days on ocean floor. Twelve top Navy Seabee divers, specially selected for underwater construction skill from Seabee units everywhere, have installed the underwater habitat and its support systems and are providing And down in the balmy Virgin

port systems and are providing life maintenance and safety ser-vices for the aquanauts.

## CIVILIAN GETS \$500

A civilian employee at the Gulfport Seabee Center has copped a \$500 award for his beneficial suggestion to the Navy command.

Receiving the award was James B. Adcock of the Supply Department's Traffic Branch. His suggestion was, "To Reduce Cost and Simplify Movement of Material from Warehouse 16 to Warehouse 17."

civilians and one Navyman.

A \$100 Sustained Superior Performance Award went to Miss Peggy Freeman of the Construction Equipment Department while eight employees of that depart-ment's Preservation Branch di-vided equally a \$210 Superior A-

Adcock feceived his check and M. Price, \$110, Industrial Relacertificate from Capt. James M. tions Division of the Administra-Hill Jr., Commanding Officer of tive and Comptroller Department; the Center, who also presented Mrs. Grace B. Fraiser, \$80, Sup-other monetary awards to various ply Department; James E. Slade, \$75, Administrative and Comptrol-

ler Department; Herman H. Schruff, \$75, Construction Equipment Department and Robert L. Jones, \$25, Construction Equipment Department.

Receiving \$15 awards were Miss Sandra E. Hubert of the Adminis-trative and Comptroller Office; Mrs. Myrtis J. Trehern of the Disvided equally a \$210 Superior A-chievement Award. Those recisions were: C. A. Chandler; trative and Comptroller Office; J. J. Fairconeture; J. R. Hollingsworth; T. J. Saucier; W. F. Sul-bursing Office and Construction livan, H. W. Switzer; G. R. Thompson and T. J. Waltman.

In the beneficial suggestion category, other recipients of awards and their amounts were: Mrs. Betty

#### FOR IDEA



**ADCOCK** 

Each Polaris submarine has two complete crews, called Blue and Gold. The crews alternate on pa-trols, providing maximum on-station time.

#### **PROMOTIONS**

(continued from page 1)

quarters that day.
The men and their new rates are:
BROMLEY, Elmer BUC
MARTIN, Robert BTC
HARRIS, Donald PN1
BUENO, Ruben BUI
BLACK, Albert BUI
SMITH, George CM1
KENDRICK, Donald YN3
HIRN, Jeffrey SK3
BTC Robert Pitts was transferred recently to the Naval Station.

red recently to the Naval Station, Philadelphia, for Class "B" School. In addition, information has been received that SW1 F. T. Weaver, who recently reported to this command will be advanced to steelworker chief in the near fu-

Happy to hear the results of the February Navy-wide examination for advancement in rate at the 20th NCR Headquarters, are the following enlisted men. Some have already been promoted, while others will make it later this year. The men and their new rates are: men and their new ra
APRIL 16, 1969
BERGLUND, T.

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BUSBY, J.

CEREOLI, W.
COELHO, W.
DINNEEN, P.
DORENKAMP, L. CM2 EO2 EO2 JOWERS, R. MCMAHON, E. OVERLAND, W. SK2 EO1 PRATT, D.
SEPT. 16, 1969
ALEXANDER, D.
COMSTOCK, R. EO1 YN1 SW2 GOSS. CMC IRELAND, J. CMC





MCB-128 WIVES' CELEBRATION - The wives of MCB-128 personnel MCB-128 WIVES' CELEBRATION - The wives of MCB-128 personnel marked the second anniversary of the unit's recommissioning with a buffet dinner at the Sun 'N Sand Restaurant in Biloxi, April 1. It also served as a farewell for Mrs. Donald W. Wittschiebe (center), wife of MCB-128's present commanding officer, who here opens a silver engraved tray from the MCB-128 Wives' Club. At left is Capt. James M. Hill Jr., Commanding Officer of the Center and right is Cmdr. Joseph J. Gawarkiewicz III, the future CO of the battalion. Other honored guests were Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Gawarkiewicz, Chaplain and Mrs. M. L. Chamberlin, Chaplain J. H. Clark and Mrs. Natalie Gilly of Family Services.

#### **CEC OFFICER**

## **Gravesite Ceremonies** Honor N. Pole Discoverer

A special ceremony was held in Arlington National Cemetery April 8 commemorating the 60th anniversary of the discovery of the North Pole by Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary, CEC, USN.

Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary, CEC, USN.

On the now historic date of April Society; and Mr. Peter Reinhardt, 6, 1909, Rear Admiral Peary raised the flag of the United States at the North Pole and wrote the following note which was placed in a small glass bottle and dropped into a crevice in the ice:

'I have this day hoisted the nale of the peary submarine USS Nautilus (SSN-R71) made the first undersea.

"I have this day noisted the hattonal ensign of the United States of America at this place, which my observations indicate to be the North Polar axis of the earth, and have formally taken possession of the entire region and adjacent, for and in the name of the President of the United States of America." Rear Admiral Alexander C. Hus-

band, CEC, USN, Chief of Naval Civil Engineers and Commander of the Naval Facilities Engineerof the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, officiated during ceremonies at the gravesite of the famous explorer. In addition to a floral display placed by Rear Admiral Husband, wreaths were presented by Mr. Robert Smith, Captain of the Robert E. Peary Ship #427, VFW; Mr. Richard E. Pearson, Assistant to the President of the National Geographic

ville, Maryland.
Fifty years after Admiral
Peary's historic discovery the nuclear sub marine USS Nautilus
(SSN-571) made the first undersea

(SSN-571) made the first undersea crossing of the North Pole. Rear Admiral Peary died at the age of 63 on Feb. 20, 1920. Be-side him in Arlington Cemetery lies his wife, who passed away at the age of 92 in December 1955. Mrs. Peary, the former Josephine Diebitsch, who married Admiral Peary in 1888, was the daughter of a Smithsonian Institution Professor. She accompanied her husband on his early expeditions and became the first Arctic heroine, later to be regarded as an explorer in her own right. Their daughter Mrs. Marie Ahnighito Kuhne called the "Snow Baby" -- was born less than 13 degrees from the North Pole in 1893. Mrs. Kuhne resides in Sparta, New Jer-

sey.
Admiral Peary is claimed by two

#### NAVFAC INSPECTION TEAM HERE

A Naval Facilities Engineering Command Inspection team is onboard the Seabee Center this week to evaluate the performance of the Seabee Center.

Team chief is Capt. H. F. Curren, NAVFAC Inspector General, With him are nine other naval officers and civilians, each an expert in his or her field. The inspecting party is headquartered in Washing-

in his or her heid. The inspecting party is headquartered in washington, D. C.

This is the first command inspection of the Center by the Naval Facilities Engineering Command. The ten-man team will review operations of the Center's Supply Department, Construction Equipment Department, military and civilian personnel administration, security, planning functions, disaster recovery training, financial administration, public works and public affairs.



IG INSPECTION - Capt. H. F. Curren, NAVFAC Inspector General, is the inspecting officer as personnel from the CBC administrative staff muster on the parade grounds at 7:15 a.m., April 16. Ens. Joe Elstner, division officer for the contingent and Capt. James M. Hill Jr., Center Commanding Officer are to the rear of Capt. Curren.

NY ADMIRAL TAKES RNCR-1 PASS IN REVIEW

Rear Admiral George Reider, a waterfront construction engineer for Spearin, Preston and Burrows, New York, was the reviewing officer and speaker of note at the parade and pass-in-review of Reserve Naval Construction Regiment One at the Seabee Center April 4 at 2 p.m.

The review concluded the training program of organized Reserve Seabees on the Gulf Coast.

The final group hailed from the south central and southwestern

The Reserve Seabee Regiment is commanded by Capt. Robert C. Esterbrooks of Phoenix, Ariz. The two Mobile Construction Battalions under his command are RMCB-17 and 28, commanded by Cmdrs. T. S. Maddock and K. B. Bobkoff respectively.

Mobile Construction Battalion-22, recalled to active duty last May and deployed to Vietnam three May and deployed to Vietnam three months later, was part of this command as a reserve unit. The battalion returned to Gulfport during the first days of March and was deactivated and returned to reserve status March 28. An estimated 90 percent of the Seabees released from active duty elected to region the reserve program to released from active duty elected to rejoin the reserve try program to stay with MCB-22 and RNCR-1. According to Capt. Esterbrooks, "We could not have a better testimonial to the Seabee Reserve program than this."

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An estimated 5000 Reserve Sea-bees have trained on the Gulf Coast since January. Organizationally, this included six Reserve Naval Construction Regiments with 14 Reserve Mobile Construction Bat-talions. Each group, a regiment and two or three battalions, came on board for two weeks at a time to train at full strength rather than as smaller divisions as the reserves do during weekends at training centers near their homes. Planning for next year's pro-gram at the Center has already

begun.

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states. He was born on May 6, 1856
in Cresson, Pennsylvania, With the
death of his father three years
later, the family moved to Maine,
where he went to grade school
and college, graduating from Bowdoin in 1877.
Out of some 200 men who applied for entrance to the Civil Engineer Corps and took the demanding examination in 1881, he was

ing examination in 1881, he was one of four who passed and was commissioned lieutenant.

In addition to his fame as an explorer, Rear Admiral Peary was a pioneer in naval aviation. Back in 1910 he had already discussed with the Wright Brothers the possibility of reaching the North Pole by airplane. Again in 1912, he spoke before the Aero Club of America regarding the advantages of aviation for exploring and tra-

or aviation for each of the next year, 1913, Peary spoke at the Tenth International Geographical Congress on World Traffic, his theme being the future of flying and its effects on world traffic. On his return to this country of the next all his energies in trame. On his return with scountry he spent all his energies in attempting to promote an international system of airways and airports. The Aero Club appointed him chairman of the Committee on Aeronautic Maps and Landing Places. He held this position until ble death. Places. He til his death.

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During the early days of World
War I, he proposed a chain of airports along the Atlantic coast for
an air patrol that would discover an air patrol that would discover and destroy raiders before they reached this country. But he was too far ahead of the times and the idea was not accepted. However, he raised \$250,000 by private subscription and formed the National Coast Patrol Commission and it was this group that gave America its largest group of trained pilots when America entered World War



RETIRES FROM NAVY - Senior Chief Interior Communications Electrician (SS) John B. Estes, a "plankowner" at the Construction Training Unit, (right), receives a certificate making him an Honorary Seabee, upon his retirement from the Navy. The award is presented by the Commanding Officer of CTU, Lt. J. Brian Leap. Chief Estes, who completed more than 20 years of Naval service April 7, was qualified in submarines and wore the coveted Silver Dolphins emblem. He most recently served as assistant to the CTU planning and training officer as an educational services counselor and public affairs liaison for the command. Estes and his family have retired in Long Beach, Miss.

## Seabees Give Health To Vietnam Villages

Navy Seabee MEDCAP Teams perform a very important job in the small hamlet of Phu Luong, Vietnam, located about 15 miles south of the ancient imperial city of Hue.



Uncle Sam still needs you

SAVINGS BONDS, NEW FREEDOM SHARES

Five days a week, MEDCAP Teams from Mobile Construction Battalions 121 and 40, go into this small village and treat the native populace with the aids of modern science.

To many of these people, a doc-

To many of these people, a doctor and his stethoscope present an ominous sight, yet thanks to the MEDCAP program, these same people are now able to receive medical aid on a regular basis. MCB-121's team, headed by Doctor Charles E, Heinberg (Alexandria, La.) has also developed a method of keeping track of patients treated. A simple card system gives them a "thumbnail" medical history on each patient they treat. On each patient's card is noted pertinent data such as amme, age, general condition and is noted pertinent data such as name, age, general condition and complaints. Along with the general information is listed the doctor's diagnosis and recommendations for treatment. In this manner they for treatment. In this manner they are better able to help returning patients.

On an average three hour MEDCAP, about 90 patients are seen. This includes both medical and dental patients. Generally, the doctor is aided by one or two hospital corpsmen, as well as the dental officer and his assistants. A Vietnamese interpreter is also utilized along with a local Viet-

utilized alous namese nurse.
The MCB-40 Team, headed by Lt. H. N. Ianotti (Quincy, Mass.) works in the village on Tuesdays



MEDICAL MISSION - Dr. Charles E. Heinberg, of MCB-121, listens to the lungs of a small Vietnamese baby during a Medical Civic Action Program mission in the village of Phu Luong. (Photo by PH2 John R. Lucas.

#### MCB-128 Wives Club

The MCB-128 Wives' Club will have a potluck picnic dinner at the Center's park on Sunday, April 20, beginning at 2 p.m. Families are asked to bring one covered dish and one desert.

World War II veterans who World War II veterans who have not already used their eligibility for G.I. loans and whose individual eligibility has not expired are reminded that the final cut-off date for their participation in the G.I. loan program has been extended until June 25, 1970.

#### The Scene Behind The Egg Hunt...

If you mention Easter eggs to a certain duo of Navymen at the Seabee Center - they may just stop and stare at you for a moment.

For after all, when you have just

For after all, when you have just recently completed dyeing 210 dozen eggs for an Easter egg hunt, just thinking of the task brings thoughtful reflection.

The two "master bunnies" were Commissaryman Third Class Carl Annino from the CBC gally staff and Engineering Aids Constructionman Larry Ford, a clerk in the CBC Chaplain's office. Their finished product was hidden at strategic locations on the Gulf-



Happiness Is . . . .

port Seabee Center, for an Easter egg hunt which got underway at 1 p.m., on Easter Sunday. The event was sponsored by the Center's Chapel.

"It took us six hours to boil at took us six hours to boil and color the eggs," Annino said. "I was ready for a big pizza after that."

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The eggs were hidden for the 350 kids on the hunt by Direct Procurement Petty Officer trainees from Company 128.

Hopefully, all of the 2,520 eggs were discovered. One child, however, reported to his father, "I didn't find any eggs - but I found a turtle!"

Other refreshments were served at the event. The Center's Wives' Club furnished cup cakes and the eggs, ice cream and punch were provided by the Protestant and Ca-tholic Chapels. And Ford said, "Don't forget to

mention my girl friend. . .she helped us too." Assisting the two Navymen was Miss Barb Duhamel. Her father is a chief petty officer with MCB-121.

#### Chess Buffs' Meet Set by Services

WASHINGTON (AFPS)
Plans for the Tenth Annual
Armed Forces Championship
Chess Tournament, to be held in
Washington, D.C., Nov. 7-15,
1969, have been announced by
Walter J. Fried, President of
the American Chess Founda-

tion.

As in 1968, the plan for this year calls for each Service team to consist of six finalists, to meet in 12 rounds of team play for the Thomas Emery Championship Trophy.

Since the Army gained permanent possession of the Emery cup last year by winning ror the third year in succession, there will be a new Emery award for 1969, the third time since the series began years ago.

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Air Force holds the first by virtue of winning in the three years previous to Army's winning streak.

Anyone on active duty is eligible to try for a Service team.

America's first aircraft carrier served in the Civil War. The G. W. Parke Custis, a remodeled coal barge, carried an observation balloon to spy on Confederate positions near the Potomac River.



PORTRAIT TIME -A new portrait studio has opened at the Center's Navy Exchange. Here, Miss Linda Arthur discusses a "sitting" with Equipment Operator Third Class Charles D. Bogue of MCB-133.

#### Seaman To Admiral Program

The Naval Academy Preparatory School is unique in the Naval Service. It provides the basis for one of the finest Seaman to Admiral programs in existance. It provides academic, physical and military training leading toward successful completion of the course of instruction at the Naval Academy for carefully selected enlisted men of the Navy and Marine Corps.

The Naval Academy Preparatory School - Naval Academy Program provides highly motivated and devoted commissioned officers with valuable enlisted backgrounds. Throughout the Naval Service there are many capable enlisted men with the necessary potential for success in this program. The program is strictly voluntary and the candidate may disenroll at any time.

Some of the prerequisites are:

Male, U. S. Citizen

Enlisted prior to July 1, 1969

- GCT ARI combined score of not less than 120. No waivers will be granted.

be granted.

Single - never have been married,

Good morale character

- Good morate character - Strongly motivated toward a career as a naval officer.
All completed applications must be forwarded prior to May 1, 1969. Interested personnel who meet the above qualifications are encouraged to contact the Center Educational Services Office for further information concerning the opportunity.



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK APRIL 20-26

**VISIT THE CENTER'S LIBRARY** 

READ TODAY .....



BE INFORMED TOMORROW

### Portrait Studio Opens At Exchange

A portrait studio has opened at the Seabee Center's Navy Exchange and from a visit there last week, things seem to really be "developing."

In just a short time, three Sea-bees arrived at the second deck location of the newly opened studio. As you go "topside", the activity is to your right at the end of the passageway.

But you need not search for it. But you need not search for it. The two young women, who are operating the photo studio, have a reception counter at the main inside entry way to the Exchange. A glass case and its top counter are filled with the eye-appealing work. Seeing is believing - and you soon want your portrait done. The ones on display are photo-portraits done in oil.

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The female "shutterbugs" are dark-haired Miss Linda Arthur and reddish-tressed Miss Gayle Sullivan. The twosome not only take your photo, but also do the processing for the finished product. "We can turn out black and white photos and sepia toned

duct. "We can turn out black and white photos and sepia toned prints," they said.

Work is still continuing on the activity, but if you don't mind climbing over a few pieces of lumber, they are open for business. A Seabee in "greens" asked what he had to do to have a portrait them. (Unt bring in your draces he had to do to have a portrait taken. "Just bring in your dress blue jumper," Miss Arthur said. They'll "shoot" you - and if you came in during the morning - you should have proofs to look at by sometime that afternoon. Then when you decide what you want, the determination of sizes, how

really be "developing."
many and how much can be discussed with the representatives of Townsend Studios. They are under contract with the Navy Exchange.
The studio can make from walled the size to 16x20 size prints.
"Our company enjoys working with Seabees," the lasses said. Last week, 60 persons had already been recorded on film.
Miss Arthur is from Hanceville, Ala., and Miss Sullivan calls Newport, R. I., home. Townsend Studios have facilities at Navy commands in Patuxent River, Md., and also at Quonset Point, R. I., and also at Quonset Point, R. I., to name a few of their other locations. They are also situated at YMCA's in Norfolk, Va., and Newport, R. I.

newport, K. I.

The portraits which are done in
oils are sent out of town for this
work. However, Miss Arthur said
she is also proficient in this process. "If your eyes come back
the wrong color, we can change it
for you."

No appointments are necessary.

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No appointments are necessary, but if it's a family group, they would like to know at least two days ahead of time.

That they are busy - and probably will continue to do a "booming" business lives up to the studio's motto-"Do More - Not Less."

SHIP-OVER NOW!

# MCB-133 AIDS

Restoration of a tiny Vietnamese Roman Catholic Chapel, damaged during the Tet offensive last year, is complete, thanks to the generous offerings of MCB-133 Seabees attending chapel at their overseas deployment site.

The Seabees, at the urging of Lt. Howard W. Myers, battalion chaplain, elected to donate \$500 of their offerings to pay for the expenses incurred in repairing the tiny chapel just outside Hue.

"Compared to other rebuild-ing projects, this work may ap-pear to be insignificant," Lt. Myers said, "The building was small and served only a handful of parishioners. But there was a lot of tradition wrapped up in this congregation and its restoration had a great emotional impact on the villagers of Gia Lac," he con-

Chaplain Myers is from Washington, D. C., and formerly served Our Savior's Lutheran Chirch Naperville, Ill., as an assistant pastor. He was the Civic Action officer for MCB-133 during its last deployment.

The request for aid in rebuild-The request for aid in rebuilding the church came to officials of the 32nd Naval Construction Regiment commanded by Capt. A. W. Walton, Jr. That unit's Chief Staff Officer, Cmdr. Paul A. Petzrick, who assumed personal supervision of the project, presented the need to MCB-133.

The Rector of the Nam-Pho and Gia Lac parishes, Rev. Thomas Tran van Du, at the rededication ceremonies, promised to "offer a Mass to express our gratitude to God and ask Him to shower blessings upon the United States and Vietnam.

Volunteer labor came from Sea bees and from soldiers of the 101st Airborne Division.

#### 20th NCR

(continued from page 1) tary Readiness at the Washington headquarters of NAVFACENG-

The officer is the son of Mrs. The officer is the son of Mrs. Dorothy C. Connor, 407 S. Chester St., Gastonia, N. C. He is married to the former Gayle M. Dobson, Mt. Airy, N. C. The Connor's have two sons, Michael C., 9, and Stephen C., aged 7. They live at 207 Reeves St., Long Beach. He is a registered professional

engineer in California



AFTER

#### GYM

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machines, while the other will be machines, while the other will be an exercise room with boxing bags, speed bags and other equipment to keep the body toned. Another section, to the north of the weight room, will house office spaces and an athletic gear locker. All areas sparkle with new viny! floors and pastel bugs spruce up the and pastel hues spruce up the

"It is planned to keep the gym open for free play 80 percent of the time," Ens. Wise said, "And organized league play will be available for all, both military and dependents,"

Russell G. Ramage, Special Services' Recreational Director, will take over the programming of the

When the Center was without a When the Center was without a gym, it meant many arrangements by Ramage to obtain the use of their facilities for basketball games - from the Veterans Hospital to neighboring high schools. Or else it meant an outdoor game on a hard-surfaced court behind the Seabee Theater.

The new gym will be open seven days a week, "probably until 10 p.m., each night," Wise said,

#### CBC STABLE NOW HAS TWO PONIES

Something new has been added at the Seabee Center stables. They are Tina and Toby, dun colored five year old Shetland ponies which are as "gentle as a lamb" in the words of Builder Constructionman David Hill Seabee "cowboy" on duty.

They're ready for riding from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Beginning May 1 the time will change to 11 a.m. un-

The charge for riding tiny Tina and Toby is \$1 per hour, with a 50 cent minimum.

Reservations can be made by calling Ext. 212, especially for weekends. There is a time limit of one hour for each child although a later reservation for the same day will be accepted.

Pony riders must be accompanied by an adult. Most riding will be limited to the pony ring, but ponies will be taken to the park for birthday parties or for groups of children who want to ride there. Parents of children may also walk the pony to the park for the time limit.

The brick colored stables promises to be a bevy of activity with lots of summer fun in store for the

small fry of military personnel. "Cowboy Carnegie," BUCN David Hill, EOCA Jack Peterson, CE3 Mike Armstrong and EOCN Bill Gural are the cowboys awaiting the arrival of Center "little ones."

The two ponies added to the seven horses at the stables makes the equestrian sport a 'family af-



PONY RIDES - Something new has been added at the Seabee Center Stables. Trying out the newest additions are the Engle sisters, Debbie, 9, left, on Toby and Pam, 4, on Tina. Ever since, the young misses have been begging their Daddy for 'more."

#### **CENTER NOTES**

The CBC Bowling Team, which will represent the command at the Sixth Naval District Bowling Tour-Sixth Naval District Bowling Tournament in Pensacola, will show its "stuff" and get in on some last minute practice in a match with a Mid City Lanes team on Saturday, April 19 at 1:30 p.m., at the Seabee Center's Bowling Alley.

On Sunday, April 20, a return match between the two teams will begin at 1:30 p.m., at Mid City Lanes on Courthouse Road in Gulfport.

The Mid City Lanes team will be composed of retired military personnel and some Air Force-types. "They plan to give the Navy bowlers a run for their money," a spokesman said.

A special E-4 military leadership exam will be given on Thursday, April 24 at the CBC Educational Services Office for all eligible personnel in CBC, CTU and the 20th NCR who have not yet taken the exam this month.

All eligible personnel will muster for the even et 715 a moon.

ter for the exam at 7:15 a.m., or

not later than 7:30 a.m. All individuals must submit requests to dividuals must submit requests to their command's personnel office. Personnel offices must have all recommendations submitted to the Educational Services Office nof later than 3:30 p.m., April 21. The ESO is located in Bidg. 57, adjacent to the CBC Credit Union.

Equipment Operator First Class Arthur Van Peymbroeck of MCB-62 recently retired on more than 20 years of Naval service. The 20 years of Naval service. The retirement took place during the battalion's training exercise. That "war" was halted temporarily as Peymbroeck's wife and family were brought through the battalion's defensive perimeter and Cmdr. John Paul Jones Jr., conducted the traditional retirement ceremony.

ducted the transformation.

The Seabee is probably better known by his "stage name" of "Chubby Congdon", with which he plays a popular guitar. The family is retiring on the Gulf Coast.

FOR SALE: Refrigerator, 1968 Norge, 12 cu. ft., \$130 or best offer. Call 868-1417.



NEW HOME - The Seabee Center's Supply Department has moved from its location in Bldg. 1, to newly refurbished quarters in Warehouse 16A. Doing the ribbon cutting honors on ''opening'' day (April 14) are from left, Capt. James M. Hill Jr., Commanding Officer of the Center and Cmdr. J. H. Clary, the command's supply officer. In the rear are department personnel. Stubs and requisitions formed the ''ribbon'', which was snipped at 7:15 a.m. The all new interior is totally air conditioned and bright with cream colored walls.

#### MCB-74 CREW AIDS ASSOCIATION

If you travel east on U.S. 90, and move by the Biloxi lighthouse, you may have recently noticed some Seabee-style strongbacks taking shape near the water.

To clarify any misconception by the passing motorist they were of Seabee origin. Someone driving by said, "What is the Army erect-

ing?"

The strongbacks - which have a aniled-together wooden frame with tents over them - were put up by members of MCB-74's "Charlie" Company. Two tents were erect-ed near the newly dedicated statue

of D'iberville greeting an Indian.
What were they used for? The
Center received a request from the
National Defense Transportation
Association's Gulf Coast Chapter
for the on-the-beach shelters. The group needed them for a fish fry it was sponsoring the group needed them for a fish fry it was sponsoring the weekend of April 11-12. Funds gleaned from it would be for the Harrison County Youth Benefit Program. Arthur W. Platts Jr., of the Supply Department's Traffic Branch coordinated the efforts, as a representative of the chapter. The group last Fall raised \$1500 for a scholarship at Mississimpi State scholarship at Mississippi State student majoring in trans portation.

The request for the work came as an ideal opporunity for Seabees to get in some crew training. The project went up under the leader-ship of Builder Second Class G. C. Snip of Bullider Second Class G.C.
Pope, who directed BUCA J. R.
Devaney; CMCN G. M. Jones;
BUCN W. L. Bode; BUCN R. H.
Hockert and BUCN J. Moroney,
The National Defense Transpor-

The National Defense Transportation Association works closely with the military - especially in times of disaster. The local chapter moved trucks filled with cost etc., to the aid of victims in a flood that ripped through Brownstille, Tex. The vehicles and men are on immediate "call" should be a recommendated to the state of the any natural or thermo-nuclear dis-aster take place.

Platts reported that the two tents

withstood the high winds of that weekend "beautifully." Everyone inside the security of the tents wanted to know where the chapter got its fine facilities. The \$1 a plate fish fry with cole slaw and rolls, was open to the public.

#### COLDEST

Antarctica is the coldest and windiest continent on earth. The world record, 126.9 degrees below zero Fahrenheit, was set on Aug. 24, 1960 at the Soviet Union's Vostok station. The U. S. record, set at Plateau Station on July 20 1968, is 123.1 degrees below. Winds of more than 100 miles an hour are not infrequent on the continent.



(AFPS Feature) was the last American city to host the summer Olympic

Games?

2. Who is the leading all-time money winner of the Ladies Golf circuit?

3. When was the first of New York's famous Madison Square Gardens built?

ANSWERS

Los Angeles, 1932.
 Mickey Wright with more than \$225,000 in lifetime earnings.
 July 1990.

The little fire you leave may leave



INSTRUCTION-BY-WIRE-The telecommunication system set up in the fall of 1968 linking the University of Mississippi School of Engineering with 13 state junior colleges is one-of-a-kind in the nation. Lectures are transmitted by closed circuit telephone lines to television receivers in classrooms in this tele-lecture, tele-writing set up.—Released by the Mississippi Economic Council.



ON THE BEACH - MCB-74 personnel, in the shadow of Biloxi lighthouse, erect a strongback tent as part of a crew training project. Two were put up for a community event which raised funds for a youth group.

