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## *Nine Men Cited for Special Awards*

BY LARRY M. GEIGER  
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Standing in formation on the deck of the new gymnasium, nine men were cited during the September Inspection, CWO 4 Howard LaFave, CTC Gary McGlothlin, CTC Scottie Allen, and CT1 Frederick Hamilton were awarded the Navy Unit Commendation for their participation in Project Clarinet Bullseye. CT1 Stephen Roberts received his Good Conduct Medal, second award and SA Gerald Brock was presented his USAFI GED certificate after completion of a 7 week course held at Fort Davis.

A new, special "Captain's Award for Achievement", to provide recognition to personnel who have made outstanding contributions to the welfare of the command was awarded to BM2 Virgil Capps, SN Tommy Rollo and SN Jerry Smith.

Petty Officer Capps received the award for the work done on the Pistol Range and the special services 15 foot Boat. Seamen Rollo and Smith earned their awards for single handily painting the gym, thereby saving the command money and manhours.

The results of what these men have done will be seen for a long time at this command.



## **New Officers Installed**

Lighting the flame of office is Mrs. Phyllis Geiger as she is installed as President of the Navy Wives' Club in a ceremony held on September 11th at the Fort Davis NCO Club.

Attending the Navy Wives' installation and

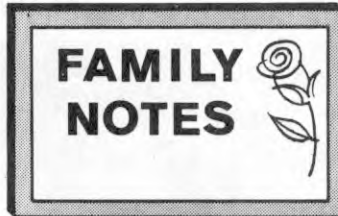
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# Section Three Football Poll

BY CTSN ROGER PENSKE

With football season just around the corner, Section 3 has placed their beer mugs on the shelf and donned their pads for another exciting year. This years offensive team consists of center L. Tillotson, tackles D. Padilla, and "Stump" Peck, guards: B. Yelk, "Breakers" McLoughlin, lonesome ends: "Hands" DeWitz and "Mouse" McBride, halfbacks "Speed" Bradbury, "Short" Whittier, fullback "Hulk" Rowe, wingback T. Eagle and calling the signals "Legs" Landkammer. At defence are linemen, "Fear-some Foursome" Seal, linebackers, "Bronc" Andrus, E, Phipps, M. Mulenbruch, cornerbacks M. Corrigan, "Skate" Bernier R. Jahn, safety men "Crash" Ebert, C. Childs, C. See - gers. This years coach is CTC "Vince" Dowell. Water boys are "High Life" Miller and Clet "Bud" Weiser.

Section 3 wishes to the rest of the teams the best of luck.



BY MRS. GRACIE HOLLEYMAN

Hi There! What's new, what's happening and what events are going to take place in Coco Solo? This column is for dependents and all their little ones with their cute and sometimes "unorthodox" sayings- events- sports- activities, and any pictures of every day life.

Please assist my feeble efforts for the next month by telephoning Coco Solo 257 to report where the best - silly - newsworthy- interesting- unusual, dependent pictures can be taken so I may be present to present YOUR part of our life here in Panama to our base and the families scheduled for the future.

Lets all give forth every effort to make this home a "Pleasant and Interesting place to live as our Home Away From Home."

### NAVY WIVES' INSTALLATION

dinner were CDR and Mrs. G. W. Cox and LCDR and Mrs. E. W. Guffey (club sponsors).

Other officers installed that evening were: Mrs. Linda Harris, vice president, Mrs. Shiela Packer, treasurer, Mrs. Pam Bradbury, parliamentarian, Mrs. Judy Kwiatkowski, recording secretary, Mrs. Sally Abiba, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Marty Penske, chaplain.

# The New LOG LINE

BY SNEAKY SNOOP

You have had a month to guess my name, but to date you have lost the game.... So here's my story of Logistics glory.....

Hot tip has it that CTSN Daw has had his dungarees bleached by his wife. Did you hear that PN1 Beucher and Pn3 Dickensens ran out of gas on their way to the Bohio. It was a long walk. Heard from a reliable source that EN1 Packer can't find his pants on Saturday mornings to go cycling. Is that so Shiela? Speaking of Packers, congratulations are in order for their new son David Ordale. Sorry to hear that PN2 Wagoner has developed back trouble "since" his arrival from TAD. "The speedy" trip to Santa Clara by PNC Wallace, PC2 Olson and PN3 Dickensens must have been a real smash, right Ollie. Beware jungle, SK1 Easley and his car, the Black Bomber, is back on the road. Did you know that CT2 Conner's spring has sprung, on his car that is. Wonder whose painted what? Have you seen SN Rollo's and Smith's dungarees lately. Hear Security is asking time off for good behavior now that the PHIBRON'S gone. Until again.

## THE CROSSROADS

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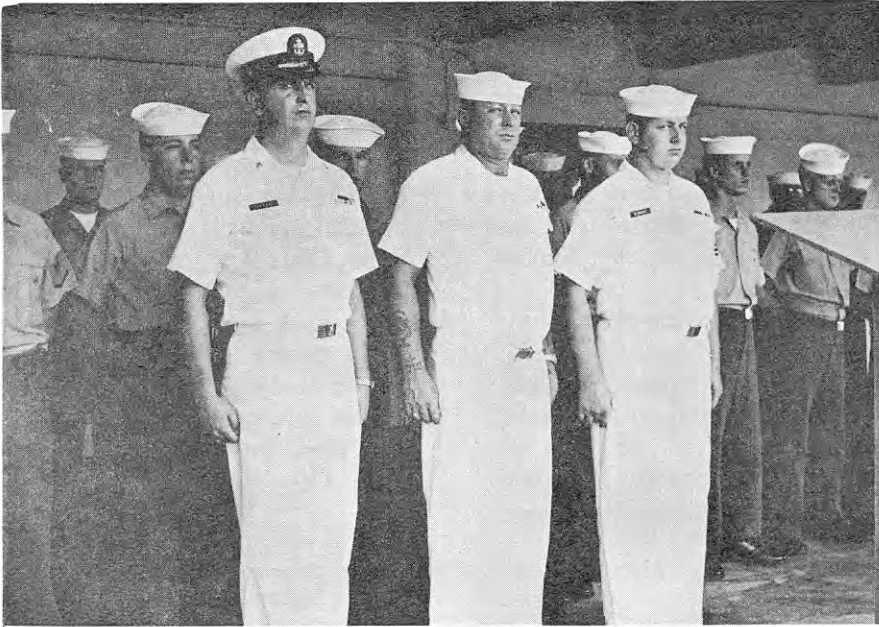
## Navy Day Ball

The Annual Navy Day Ball will be held the weekend of 27 October in the new station gym. Food and refreshments will be served. Make your plans to attend.

## Section Four's Local Convention

BY CT2 WILLIAM COSGROVE

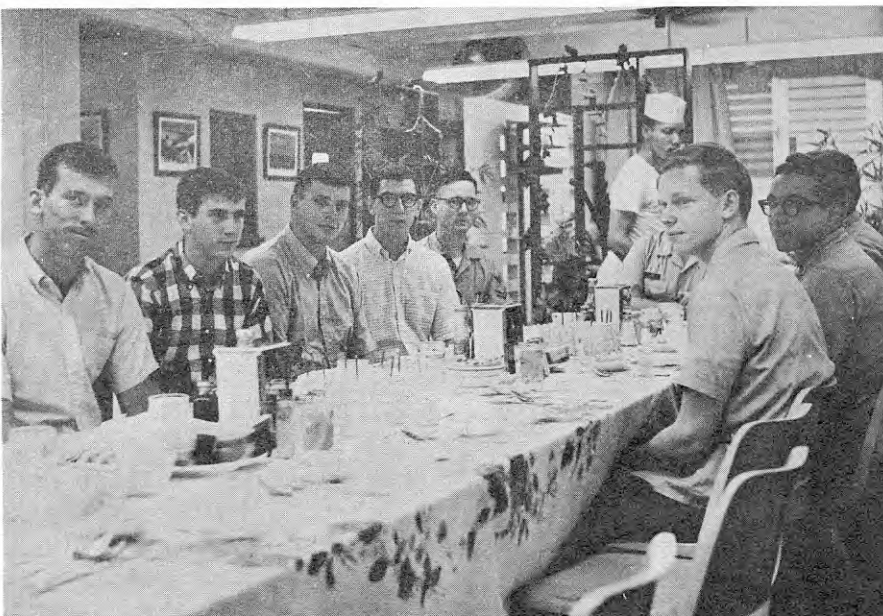
With elections coming up on the national scene back home, this month Section Four decided to hold its own elections here on base. The biggest event of the month, as voted by members of the section, was the painting of the City. The affair was lauded by all except a certain labor organization which feels that the only answer to its problems is a small riot. Voting continued with the election of two or three eleven division members as Treasure Hunters of the month. The prize being an old beat-up Rambler in "fair" condition. Other offices filled were: the "Here comes the Judge" award which went to a certain "T" brancher who had better not be caught doing it again; the "Drop in a Bucket" award went to an "R" brancher from Panama City. The "Cheap rear Fender" award was voted to a Mat man who received a license plate marked TEMP, as his prize. And last but not least five "O" branchers were given the "Promptness" award while a sixth is learning to walk. Tune in next month for the section four convention to nominate a candidate for President.



AUGUST INSPECTION - Standing in formation, CTCS Jackie L. Baker and CT1 Alan Holleyman received the Navy Unit Commendation for their participation in Project Clarinet Bullseye and EN1 John R. Strong received his Good Conduct Medal, second award, from CDR. G. W. Cox.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY - The smiling faces above are seen enjoying their July Birthday Dinner provided by the Galley for barracks personnel. (l to r are) CT2 W. Cosgrove, CT3 J. Ebert, CTSN A. Walcott, CT2 F. Oliva, EM2 R. Flack, (hidden) CDR. G. W. Cox, (hidden) CT3 M. Fife, CT3 L. Stephens and CT3 J. Stevens.

The dinner is held on the last Thursday of each month, commencing at 1200. The meal is served family style and features steak-to-order with all of the trimmings, topped off with a birthday cake. Be sure to attend when your time of the year rolls around.



# Cristobal Y.M.C.A.

BY Mr. CHARLES PAYNE

The Armed Services YMCA on Bolivar Avenue, Cristobal announces a new barrage of programs for all interested personnel of the Armed Forces, and communities of the Canal Zone and Panama.

The YMCA offers not only classes in five levels of English, three levels of Ballet, a ladies exercise class, guitar classes but

they have already started classes in Judo, held at the Cristobal High school for both men and women and a special class in "Social and Household " Spanish.

The Social Program includes the regular weekly dances on Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays, with special events like the Rogues band on August 24th a "Welcome Aboard" party,

on August 31st with the music by the Endless Chain a "Bon Voyage Fiesta" on September 7th with the Scorpions, a Moonlite Cruise on Sunday October 6th, and a Halloween Haunt on October 30th with the music by the "What For".

For further information on any of these programs call the YMCA at 3-2163.

### The New LOG LINE

from retirement.... What's this about EN1 Strong's preference for night work? Hear he spends his nights working on generators..... Guess he can't wait to get his day started... I understand the Data Card specialist CT3 Paul Mullen is going to have to change his own data card now that his new wife, Rosemary is here... Guess YN3 "Skip Aker" will have to change too... His new wife, Karen has just arrived.. There's a rumor that PNC "Wally " Wallace is going to become an interviewer for a placement service upon retirement from the Navy.. Guess practice makes perfect.... Speaking of Chief Wallace, may I make a special thanks to him for the outstanding job he has done in writing " Log Line " in the past. I can only hope to do as well..... In closing I want to say " I may have missed you in this article, but you may be in my next, you know I could be your best friend... Until then, the Sneaky Snoop is snooping."



ENS. FRIEDRICHSEN



EN1 PACKER

## OFF the Kickstand

BY EN1 JERRY PACKER

Winning their second trophies of the Year were Ens R. Friedrichsen and EN1 J. Packer.

Both men received their trophies at the Childre Track when Mr. Friedrichsen placed second after a long duel with a bigger machine. Packer won the consolation trophy dash.

Word has it some more "gold" will be up on two

wheels as Mr. Welborn has ordered a 750cc Matchless.

We see a few bikes changing hands due to personnel receiving orders. Happy motoring to these new riders.

Be prepared to see in the near future an extensive safety program started on the base.. Also work has started on the Galeta Race Track. Stop out and see what YOU can do..

# And How to Queries Four

BY CT2 JIM SHEFFIELD

September has been a month of movement for our good section. New in our clan is "wild" Bill Harris, now asst supervisor of 11 Division. Returning from 30 days up north are Gene Kirk and Rich Hebble.

Leaving in the near future is Frank "Indy" Shaw. Rumor says Frank is entering bus racing back home. With seven more men leaving us, with orders anywhere from Midway to Morocco, there is wonder who will be left to read this column from our section.

Various questions have popped up due to recent orders: Ralph Price wants to know how to keep a tan on Adak. Mike Fattig wants to know how to stay cool in the desert sun. Bill Murphy wonders how to live with yourself on an island. And then Bill Cosgrove wonders if ships ever make it to Chepo.

Anyone have the answers? To these men we bid farewell and welcome their replacements.

# Section One's Generation

BY CT2 GEORGE KELLY

Riding the Galeta Island Special to the eve watch is getting to be quite an adventure for Section One. Almost all watch standers have assigned seats. If one is caught outside of his assigned seat the harassment can last the entire ride.

In addition to assigned seats many of the boys in Section One have personality nick names. From the T-Birds we have Francis Jennings more commonly known as "Rodent", and alias "Goph". Another delightful personality from Division 132 is David Samson known as "Chief".

Two sparkling boys from I Branch are Raymond Sawyer (Parvo) and Leon Stephens (Swamp). One of the most distinguished men in the R Branch spaces is Steve Nelson (LumberJack) who soon will be chopping pine trees for X Division in Winter Harbor, Maine. Steve gave up smoking so he could hack the long winter ahead. Of course, no section is complete

without a "well rounded" O Brancher and for Section One that would be Frank Casavant known as "Fat Frog".

Many of these fellows set out to pioneer the Island of Taboga last break. "Rodent" said the highlight of the trip was Sam the Parrot. Ray Sawyer found the island secluded but nice because it wasn't commercialized. Dennis Grieg found the wine better than in Boquete.

Things are looking good for September, David Samson goes under 300 days, Gary Stokes gets out, and another trip is planned to Taboga.

## Navy Exchange News Notice

The Navy Exchange will officially open its Toyland the 23rd of September in Quarters "Q". A wide variety of merchandise covering all age groups will be available with new items supplementing our initial stock until Santa arrives.

A convenient lay-away plan has been arranged by the Exchange Officer, LT Donald Block, of Rodman, to facilitate early purchases and "easy on the pocket book" payments.

The hours of operation will be from 1300 til 1700 week-days and 1000 to 1300 Saturdays until customer demands require longer hours.

**BUY EARLY AND BE SURE**

## Calendar for School Year 1968-69

	Elementary Schools	Secondary Schools and College
Schools Open (For Teachers)	August 23, 1968 (Fri.)	August 23, 1968 (Fri.)
Classes Begin	August 27, 1968 (Tues.)	August 27, 1968 (Tues.)
Labor Day Holiday	September 2, 1968 (Mon.)	September 2, 1968 (Mon.)
End of First Elementary Marking Period	October 4, 1968 (Fri.)	
End of Mid-Semester (Secondary and College)		October 26, 1968 (Sat.)
Panama Independence Day Holiday (November 3)	November 4, 1968 (Mon.)	November 4, 1968 (Mon.)
Veterans Day Holiday	November 11, 1968 (Mon.)	November 11, 1968 (Mon.)
End of Second Elementary Marking Period	November 15, 1968 (Fri.)	
Thanksgiving Holidays	November 28, 1968 (Thurs.)	November 28, 1968 (Thurs.)
Christmas Holidays	through December 1, 1968 (Sun.)	through December 1, 1968 (Sun.)
End of Third Elementary Marking Period	December 21, 1968 (Sat.)	December 21, 1968 (Sat.)
End of Semester (Secondary and College)	through January 1, 1969 (Wed.)	through January 1, 1969 (Wed.)
End of Fourth Elementary Marking Period	January 10, 1969 (Fri.)	
Washington's Birthday Holiday (February 22)	February 20, 1969 (Thurs.)	January 11, 1969 (Sat.)
End of Mid-Semester (Secondary and College)	February 21, 1969 (Fri.)	February 21, 1969 (Fri.)
Easter Holidays		March 15, 1969 (Sat.)
End of Fifth Elementary Marking Period	March 29, 1969 (Sat.)	March 29, 1969 (Sat.)
Commencement—College	through April 6, 1969 (Sun.)	through April 6, 1969 (Sun.)
Commencement—High Schools	April 11, 1969 (Fri.)	
Last Day of School	May 22, 1969 (Thurs.)	May 20, 1969 (Tues.)
		May 21, 1969 (Wed.)
		May 22, 1969 (Thurs.)

End of Sixth Elementary Marking Period: End of Semester (Secondary and College); Report Cards Issued.

# Parson to Person

BY CHAPLAIN JAMES K. SOLOMON

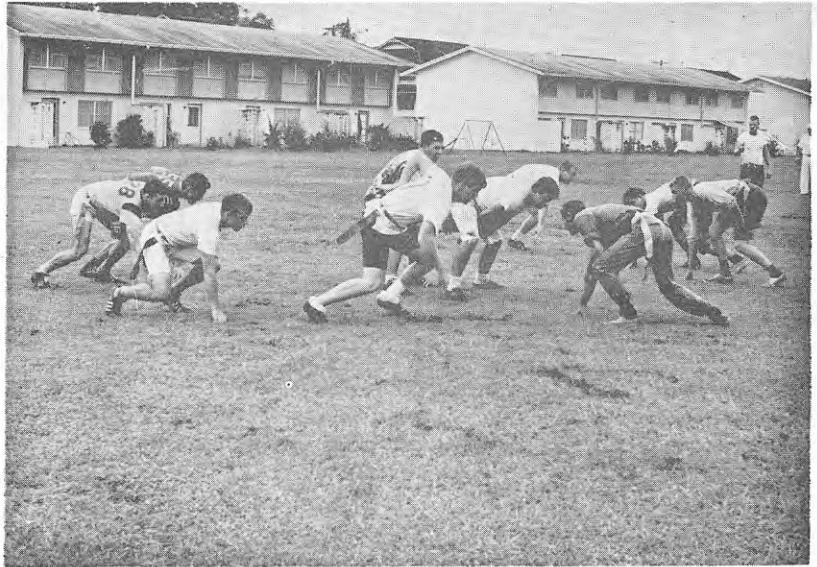
He finished the race. They said it couldn't be done. A frail, club footed young senior entered the contest along with 12 strong high school boys. The gun fired, and the group sprinted down the track. Many fell out before they reached the finish line. But the club-footed boy ran all the way and crossed the finish line.

How shall we play the game of Life? It must be in the power of God. Fight the fight of faith. So run that you may obtain the prize by discipline, direction and determination.

Lay aside every weight that would handicap you in the race of life. Endure to the end. Let's in his name. Jesus said, "deny self, take up the cross, and follow him."



CT2 Richard Lomonte recently reenlisted for orders to Edzell, Scotland and VRB. Enroute to Scotland he will attend an advanced school at Pensacola, Florida.



PLAYING IN THE MUD - The Galeta "Mudders" challenged the men of the USS WALDO COUNTY (LST 1163) to a flag football game. The final score, "Mudders" 66, Waldo County 6.

## OFF the Kickstand



BY ENS. R. FRIEDRICHSEN

Who says this is the rainy season? Ask some of the local cycle riders. Sunday, 8 September, Galeta was the scene of a trials event sponsored by the Isthmian Motorcycle Association.

The trials courses were set up across from the Tropic Test Center on Galeta road by EN1 Packer, CT2 Brazeal and CT3 Clark with the help of some other cycle club members. Unfortunately, the rains came the night before the event and turned an already difficult course into a true challenge to men and machines. Spirits undampened by the adverse

weather and mud, a good turnout of both riders and spectators appeared for the event.

A timed hill run was held before the race and some of the assaults were quite comical, including a new maneuver developed especially for this event by EN1 Packer. After failing to make the hill on the first attempt, he slid down and did two complete pirouettes before gaining the proper trajectory.

Despite the soggy conditions a good time was had by all. The Isthmian Motorcycle Assn. wishes to express its thanks to Galeta for hosting the event and for the fine cooperation of all those concerned.

The Federal Post Card Application form is your key to absentee voting. Ask your personnel office about it.

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