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The Story of Midway...

MIRACLE AT MIDWAY. By Gordon W. Prange, Donald M. Goldstein and Katherine V. Dillon. 397 pages. McGraw-Hill Book Co. \$19.95.

THE defeat of the Japanese fleet off Midway by an American carrier force in early June of 1942 was the turning point in the war in the Pacific. Four Japanese carriers were sunk and with them planes and pilots who had ruled the air from Pearl Harbor to Ceylon. Japan's naval advantage was wiped out in a day.

It was an epic battle. Considering the mass of detailed information from both sides amassed by the late Gordon W. Prange of the University of Maryland, the principal author of "Miracle of Midway," and his acute knowledge of naval warfare, one might anticipate an epic account. But the book does not live up to this reviewer's expectation and he will have to wait for other authors and other books. Of these, there will be no shortage; Midway, like Stalingrad and Alamein, will be a prime target for military historians for years.

forces and divine their objective.

Indeed, their handling of the Americans is a bit too laudatory. The Americans, of course, were human and included knaves and cowards in their number. But not in this book. At times, this reviewer felt he was back reading descriptions of Allied leaders of World War I in "The Boy Allies" series. This is balanced, however, by detailed reminders of just how bad some American weapons and equipment turned out to be; torpedoes and bombs to name just two.

The treatment of the Japanese commanders is fair, although Vice Adm. Chuichi Nagumo's inability to sort out the essential from the inessential in his message traffic should have received greater emphasis. But, again, there is far too much reportage on what one Japanese commander said to another, on what ailments they suffered from and how these were cured.

Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto, the supreme Japanese commander, comes out of it well. When, after the defeat, the Japanese fleet was rife with recrimination, he ordered his staff to keep their criticisms to themselves. "Never tell anyone outside my staff that the Submarine Force and the First Air Fleet were responsible for the failure at Midway," he said. "The failure at Midway was mine."

research to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. The result was "At Dawn We Slept," published in 1981. In the course of his work he encountered many Americans and Japanese who had been involved in Midway as well as Pearl Harbor. "Miracle at Midway" thus is a spin-off from the earlier work. Often, it seems as though he and his co-authors just cannot handle the mass of detail. Yet they obviously decided that almost everything was worth including and their book suffered. As a result, the broad sweep of one of the greatest sea battles of history is obscured by reports of what Japanese newspapers and propaganda had to say about the Pacific fighting, by long and sometimes pointless exchanges between relatively minor Japanese figures, and by detail piled on detail.

It was unlikely that anything startlingly new would emerge about a battle as well known as Midway. The authors confirm what most of us know. It was a "close-run thing" as Wellington said of Waterloo. The Navy's dive bombers were the instruments of victory. The Air Force's B-17 failed. Rear Adm. Raymond A. Spruance was the most effective commander.

Unlike some other historians, these authors also give due credit to Rear Adm. Frank Jack Fletcher, who commanded the other task force at Midway. When they get around to it, after page upon page of matter that is close to trivia, their descriptions of the fighting are excellent. They also pay tribute to Comdr. Joseph Rochefort, Chief of the Combat Intelligence Office at Pearl Harbor, whose accurate information enabled Adm. Chester W. Nimitz to plot the approach of the Japanese

The authors in their final chapter on the meaning of Midway overlook one of the battle's most significant effects on the Navy. It was a victory for aircraft carriers. As the war wore on, other victories were won by these same ships. Partly as a result, American naval doctrine since 1945 has rested on the assumption that the carrier—the bigger, the better—is the key to victory in naval war. Most of the Chiefs of Naval Operations have been "carrier men," while other admirals from the surface navy have been passed over, even though in many cases they possessed great abilities. As much as the destruction of the Japanese carriers, this emphasis on carrier admirals and tactics is a result of Midway.

Regretfully, it must be said that the writing in "Miracle at Midway" is poor. Cliche piles on cliche. Minds are razor sharp. Admirals are "game for a good fight." The loss of the carrier Yorktown was serious enough without maudlin comments such as "the grand old girl deserved to live."

One gem must be given in full. "Gosh!" exclaimed Kusaka silently.

Midway, a battle of enormous military and political significance, does not need this kind of writing to tell its story. Some future historian will take Midway and, writing with austerity and clarity, tell the story as it should be told. We owe the dead that much.

—Drew Middleton
• N.Y. Times

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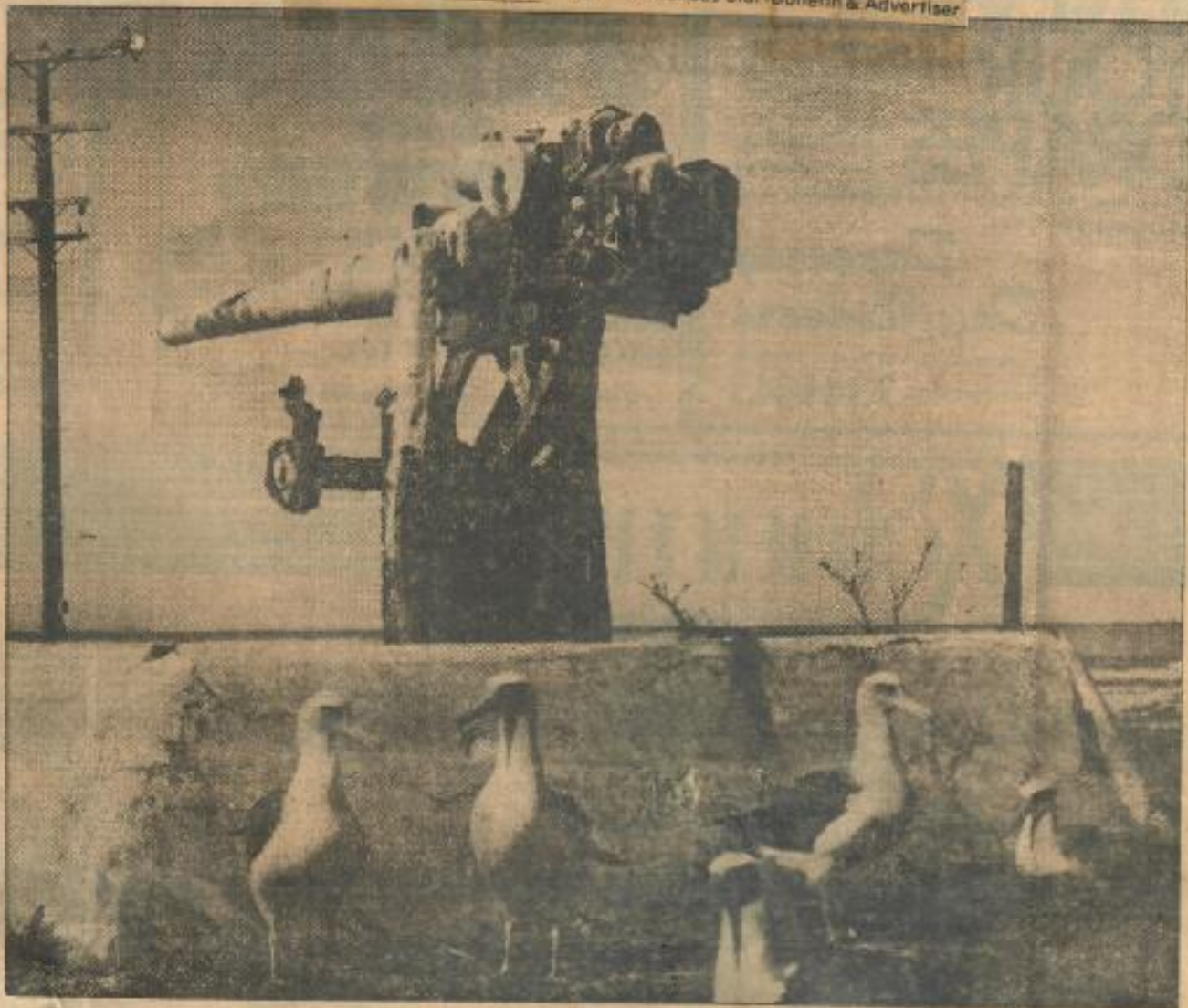
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Gooney birds stand guard at a rusting World War II gun emplacement on Midway's Eastern Island, once the hub of naval air operations on the atoll, now deserted except for the birds.

Advertiser photo by Jim Rora

A look at modern Midway: boredom amidst the beauty

By Jim Borg
Advertiser Military Writer

MIDWAY — With its clear lagoon, palms and Australian ironwoods, Midway is stunningly scenic, billed on the orientation brochures as "the Navy's Most Beautiful Isle."

Yet morale is clearly low and there is evidence of wide use of alcohol and drugs. Tours of duty have been reduced to a year.

Everyone knows, to the week if not to the day, how long they have left on the island. The arrival of supply ships and furloughs to Honolulu — "Hana" to the servicemen — are major events.

On the pocket of his shirt, Navy Cmdr. J.C. Barnes, Midway's commanding officer, wears a pin that says, "I Care, Dammit!"

He says the isolation of the post both creates and magnifies the problems. There is nowhere else to go, he explains, no front gate to flee beyond for an evening on the town.

"We're like a small town here," Barnes says. "You can't fart without everybody knowing what you were doing. The problem is, when (drug and alcohol abuse) happens here, it's just a lot more visible than anywhere else."

Earlier this fall, Barnes asked the Seabees to blow up one of the vacant buildings which he admits create "an eyesore" on the island. But the tangle of rubble and wire that resulted was even less aesthetically pleasing, so he gave up, deciding to devote his budget to renovating the hangar and other construction, rather than demolition. That only enhances the ghost-town atmosphere.

The island has its own radio and television station, with delayed programming, but no newspapers, and one officer complained last week that he didn't know the

football rankings back home.

Collecting glass float-balls, the spheres that Japanese fishermen use with their nets, is one of the main preoccupations.

An unavoidable activity is bird watching, since the gooney birds, numbering an estimated two million, nest in every field and on every lawn.

Gooneys have several different squeaks and whistles, and in various moods will moo like a cow or honk like a goose. When approached while nesting, they will snap their beaks like castanets.

This cacophony is heard throughout the island day and night this time of year.

For some servicemen and women, the clubs are a gathering place.

One sailor, as I sat with a group at one of the island's three military bars, obligingly scrawled on a piece of my notebook paper the going Midway prices for a joint of marijuana leaves, a joint of buds, a marijuana "Thai stick" ("unlikely," he added), "Columbian doobies," hash, speed, acid, cocaine and Quaaludes.

After providing this list, he asked me not to use the amounts in my story, fearing Honolulu dealers would up the already exorbitant prices.

Alcohol is cheap and more available — with a bottle of beer or mixed drink going for 40 cents at each of the clubs.

"This is a lonely place, sir," said one junior enlisted woman, among about 60 females on the island. "There's not much to do unless you like swimming or bowling. Some people drink to pass the time. Not me — but then, I don't mind being alone."

Another sailor said: "This place could be excellent, if they'd bring the families back. I've done almost everything to do on the island — I'm taking scuba lessons right now — and my time has gone quick."

Remembering 1941: Midway under attack

By Jim Borg
Advertiser Military Writer

MIDWAY — One of the first shells from the Japanese destroyers hit the battery command post of Marine Lt. George Cannon, spraying shrapnel and breaking Cannon's pelvis and legs.

The same blast wrecked the command post switchboard and snapped the leg of Corp. Harold Hazelwood.

Bleeding heavily, Cannon refused to leave his post. Hazelwood quickly fixed the switchboard and, with communication re-established, the guns continued firing at the enemy ships offshore.

It was just past 9 p.m. on Dec. 7, 1941. In all, four Americans died and 10 were wounded in the shelling of Midway — some 15 hours after the Pearl Harbor attack.

Cannon became the first Marine to be awarded the Medal of Honor in World War II.

Today, Midway's George H. Cannon School, once attended by hundreds of children of Navy personnel, stands vacant, its yellow paint peel-

ing, a symbol of changing U.S. military needs and emphases.

Sand Island, the larger of two low-lying islands at the southern end of the reef, resembles a ghost town. The family quarters are vacant, the windows broken and plaster cracked.

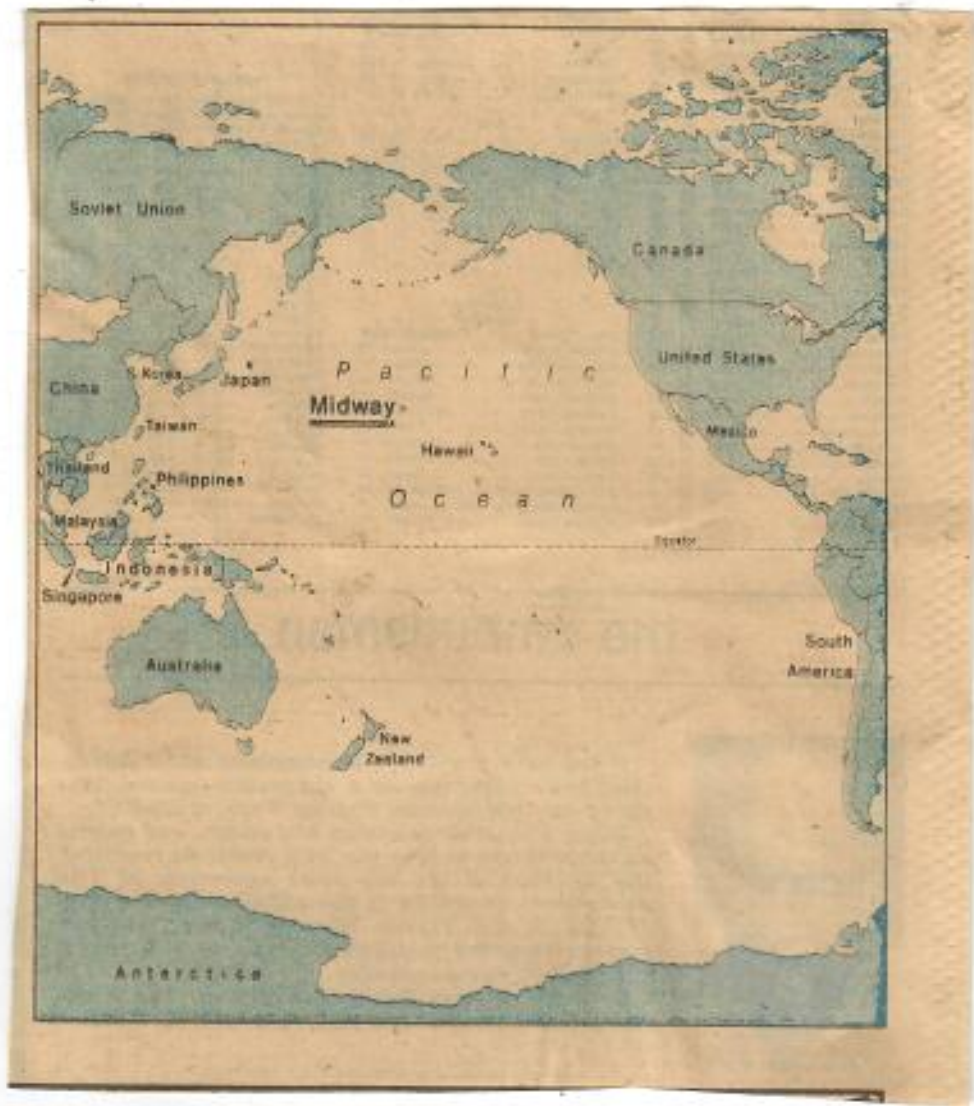
On Eastern Island across the channel, 20-foot trees have grown in the seams of the World War II runways, now used only by gooney birds, which by December have arrived in Hitchcockian force to mate and nest.

Throughout the 1960s and early 1970s, the atoll, 1,150 miles northwest of Honolulu at the far end of the Hawaiian archipelago, remained an important link in the DEW line — the "distant early warning" defense network. But DEW dried up with more modern technology.

Dependents were shipped out two years ago. And a year or so from now — the target date is October 1981 — most of the remaining 540 sailors and officers will leave as well, their duties to be taken over by private contractors.

A small contingent will stay to

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maintain the airstrip and the Navy's oceanographic research and submarine-watching operations.

The rise and fall of Midway on the U.S. strategic agenda took more than 70 years.

Until 1903, the island was best known to sailors as a site of frequent shipwrecks. But that year Pacific Commercial Cable Co. established a station here on its Honolulu-Guam-Manila line.

In 1935, Pan American made Midway a refueling stop for its trans-Pacific clippers.

In the first six months of World War II, Adm. Chester Nimitz declared the Midway garrison and naval air station second in importance only to Pearl Harbor.

The Japanese agreed, and the naval air battle in these waters in June 1942 — a battle the United States won against far greater forces — ranks among the most decisive engagements since the Spanish Armada limped home from the English Channel.

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On Dec. 6, 1941, the usual Saturday night poker game was in progress at the officers' club on Midway's Sand Island.

At the table were Maj. William Benson, executive officer of the 6th Marine Defense Battalion; Navy Lt. (j.g.) Donald Cooksey, the battalion dentist; three officers from the Naval Air Station and my grandfather, Robert A. Cooper, a Navy lieutenant commander and the battalion surgeon.

"wait for the flash, duck, wait for the bang, run." He adds, "Ducking placed me in sand depressions blown out by the trades and inhabited by rutting gooney birds, who tore my shirt and bit holes in my pith helmet."

When the shelling stopped, "people began to filter in, both corpsmen and walking wounded," Cooksey recalls. "At about 2200, Lt. Casmon was brought in . . . moribund, and expired before we could start an IV. Other less seriously injured were cared for, and we were secure by 0120."

The wounded, including Hazelwood, were evacuated to "Picket's Pocket," an old mine

magazine that Cooper and Cooksey had set up as an aid station in case of attack.

Before steaming away, the Japanese ships had blasted out the island's searchlight and set several buildings on fire. The station's PBV bombers had taken off when the shelling started and buzzed the Japanese squadron, but for some reason failed to drop its bombs.

"Our hangar and a Dutch PBV being ferried to the Netherlands East Indies were burning brightly," Cooksey recalls. "We fully expected a return engagement by passing carriers the next day. . . . But none came."

I was 5 years old when my granfather died in 1957 and so never heard his firsthand accounts of the war.

Benson died during the June 1942 attack, and Cooksey, now an oral surgeon at USC, does not recall who won at poker that night.

Other memories are more vivid, however.

He recalls that earlier that day he caught a 10-pound lobster off the reef near Eastern Island, "brought it back and cooked it surreptitiously in the galley of the club and locked it in the reefer.

"We played poker every Saturday night until 12.

I estimated that the lobster would feed three, but not six, so we had to wait until the officers from NAS went home. We proceeded to eat the lobster, then went to bed late.

"Next morning we were awakened by Lt. Spencer, the adjutant, who ran through the quarters shouting, 'Get up, get up, the Japanese have bombed Pearl Harbor.'"

Cooksey thought it was a bad joke until the alarm whistle went off.

The bad news was confirmed at the officers' briefing, at which Lt. Col. Harold Shannon, the battalion commander, told Cooper and Cooksey to stay out of the open and keep their heads down.

"A dead or wounded doctor is no damned good to me," Cooksey recalls him saying.

The Pan Am clipper already had left for Wake that morning, but returned upon news of the attack.

A decision was made to evacuate the Pan Am people, and evening found Cooksey making an inventory of the Pan Am Hotel and bar.

A full moon bathed the islands and reef. Shannon later reported, "The reflection of the moon on the white buildings, window glass, and on the black-and-white squares of the water tower must have been visible for miles at sea. The sand looked like snow and the breakers on the reef clearly outlined the island area. It was an ideal night for such an attack."

Flashes of orange from out at sea and a huge splash in the lagoon signaled the first salvos from the Japanese destroyer group, separate from the forces that hit Oahu.

Cooksey ran from the hotel to the Navy dispensary using "flash-bang techniques," he says —



Don Cooksey today, left, and a 1944 photo of by then Capt. Robert Cooper.

Victims tell of fish poisoning

Ciguatera means agony

By Barbara Hastings
Advertiser Science Writer

He was having hallucinations and his stomach felt like it was being seared by coals. He wrapped his hand around a glass of ice water and gulped for relief. But there was no relief for him. "It was like drinking real warm ice," he said.

His body touched the cool metal of the hospital bed and he recoiled as if burned, as if the metal were molten.

To his nerve endings, he really was being burned by the ice and the metal. He was experiencing an inversion of senses — to him, hot was cold, cold was hot.

Mike Ritchey, 23, was lying in Straub Hospital the other day feeling bad. He was one of 13 men flown here from Midway Aug. 25, apparently suffering from the fish poisoning called ciguatera. If the hot and

cold switch were the worst of his symptoms, Mike Ritchey would feel lucky.

So would Gary Northdruf, 24, who had a tube running through his nose to his stomach injecting ice water to stop the bleeding that came as he vomited again and again. "It (the poison) did a real good number on my stomach," Northdruf said.

Bart Hetterle, 24, who was released from Straub Thursday, said the men had chartered a boat and gone fishing on Sunday, Aug. 24. When they got back to Midway, they deep-fried their catch over a barbecue.

"Within 30 minutes I started feeling really sick," he said. "Then everything started getting violent. My lips started numbing, the bottom of my feet were numb and my tongue, too."

William Williams, 23, said he thought he had eaten the fish too fast, that it was still too hot. "I felt like I was burned all the way

through," he says. On Thursday, Williams had his first solid meal since the fish, and the bad dreams he was having at night started going away.

David Mercer, another of the Midway group, had started to feel better, but by Wednesday suffered a relapse, Hetterle says. Hetterle says he feels "pretty damn good now," but also fears a relapse.

Northdruf says it will be a long time before he eats fish again and Ritchey and Williams say seafood is off their menus for good.

Ciguatera can be fatal, but rarely is. Extreme cases of the poisoning nevertheless are terribly painful, as some of the 13 will attest.

Besides the nausea, vomiting and changes in temperature sensations, ciguatera can also cause muscular weakness and pains, numbness,

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Ciguatera victims

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sight problems and even nightmares.

Researchers are not fully sure of the cause, and don't know the cure. While a great deal is now known about ciguatera, it remains somewhat of a mystery.

They used to think the poisoning resulted from the way people handled and cleaned fish. Now they know it gets into the fish through its eating habits—herbivorous fishes get it by eating toxic algae on food; in turn, carnivorous fish eat the herbivores.

They also know now that the effect is cumulative. The toxin lodges in the fish, and the more the fish consumes, the more it builds up. Some fish tested which had the ciguatoxin were checked again and again for 30 months, with no detectable loss of toxin.

In Hawaii, ciguatera isn't a big problem, but it is a recurring one. There are few deaths believed caused by the fish-poisoning here—a suspected case on Kauai from a Marquesan sardine in 1978, and two on Oahu in 1964.

But ciguatera in varying degrees of severity is reported regularly here. Last year, for instance, there were 23 recorded incidents of ciguatera poisoning involving 81 people.

One of the biggest problems with the poisoning is that a fish carrying the toxin doesn't look any different from the fish which doesn't, says Dr. Albert Banner of the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology.

Another big problem is that there doesn't seem to be any pattern to ciguatera poisoning. "It all depends where you are and when you are," Banner added. For instance, during a particularly bad poisoning outbreak in Tahiti in 1967, one side of the island was plagued by cases. The other side wasn't.

A serious outbreak occurred on the island of Hao in the late 1960s, Banner said. "Half the people on the island were intoxicated" with the poi-

soning. "Toxic fish had been unknown for generations" on Hao, Banner added. Then, for two years, a severe epidemic.

There's no guarantee that a massive ciguatera outbreak won't happen here.

Something that is known about ciguatera is that eating the organs of a ciguatoxic fish makes you sicker than if you just eat the meat.

The three fatalities in Hawaii and other fatalities reported over the years in the Pacific all happened when victims ate the viscera—the roe, liver and intestines.

The most severe cases result from eating the viscera, according to Banner. However, the men from Midway ate only the meat, according to Northdruf.

Quite a bit of research on ciguatera is going on in Hawaii. Banner and Dr. Nancy Withers at HMB are working with a \$100,000 grant from the National Marine Fisheries Service.

At the University of Hawaii John Burns School of Medicine, Dr. Yoshitsugi Hokama, who has already developed a test for determining if a fish is toxic, is trying to bring the cost of that testing down. It's now too expensive to test all the fish brought to Hawaii for sale.

Scientists at the university and the National Marine Fisheries Service are studying fishes caught in the leeward Hawaiian Islands for ciguatera poisoning, too.

There's some concern in the scientific community about the Leeward Islands. There is a move under way to develop and promote commercial fishing in that area. "There's the potential to have enough ciguatoxic fish to render fish from these areas too dangerous to return to the market," Banner said.

Lobster, a popular seafood, seems to be unaffected by ciguatoxin, Banner said. These shellfish seem to have the capability of passing the toxin out of the body, or the inability to store it.

It should be pointed out that there have been no cases in Hawaii of ci-

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Advertiser photo by Roy Ho

Gary Northdruf, left, and William Williams in the hospital

guatera poisoning associated with deep-sea fish such as aku and ahi (both tunas), mahi mahi, ono or marlin.

Kahala, a popular fish in Hawaii, is sometimes a carrier of ciguatera. Testing being conducted now is done almost exclusively on the kahala, or amberjack.

Through that testing, "about 12 percent of the kahala, those that are toxic or 'hot,' are being withheld" from the market, according to Bruce Anderson, a state Department of Health consultant.

Anderson noted that since testing began, there have been no known cases of ciguatera poisoning from any kahala that were tested and released. However, kahala that have not gone through commercial markets — and not through the testing — have been linked to cases of the fish poisoning, Anderson said.

Some of the incidents of ciguatera poisoning "occurred at the same time as marine improvements by man," Banner said. Anderson added, "There seems to be some association between outbreaks and large offshore construction projects, dredging, blasting, and the dumping of various materials."

Anderson warned that old folk tales of eliminating the toxin don't work. "Beliefs such as boiling the fish with grated coconut or rubbing them with a silver coin to eliminate the toxin have no scientific basis or merit."

Anderson offered some guidelines to minimize the risk of the fish poisoning:

- Larger fish can carry more toxin than smaller ones. So do not eat large portions of reef fish, for example, kahala and ulua, during the first meal. If you feel no bad effects, the fish probably is OK, since illness occurs usually in three to five hours of eating.

- Do not eat the roe (eggs), intestines, liver, or head of reef fish.

- Clean all reef fish promptly and thoroughly.

Anderson said if you think you may be suffering from ciguatera, put whatever remains of the fish in the refrigerator or freezer, report it to the state Health Department, and turn the fish over to them so it can be tested.

But, of course, first call your doctor, or the Hawaii Poison Center.



13 Poison Victims Flown from Midway

Thirteen men have been flown in from Midway Island since Sunday and taken to hospitals in Honolulu for treatment of food poisoning.

Navy spokesman Tara Gross said the men were stricken with ciguatera after eating a bonito they had caught.

Twelve of the men, two Navy personnel and 10 civilian employees with the U.S. Department of Defense, some suffering from shock and six with severe stomach pains, were flown in by an Air Force C-141 medevac which arrived at Hickam Air Force Base at 5 p.m. yesterday. One civilian arrived Sunday.

The two Navy men, 24 and 26 years old, were in satisfactory condition in Tripler Hospital today. The civilian patients, all employees of American International Construction of Seattle, Wash., were treated at Straub Hospital. A spokesman at Straub said six of the men were admitted to the hospital and the others were released.

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TUBEROSE ON TUESDAY: Nancy Bercyn's T-shirt — "I Shot J.R." — drew big laughs at the Kahala Hilton, starting with **Danny Arnold** . . . Nancy and daughter **Kim Brooks** just back from Chicago, where they instructed the Nat'l Assoc. of Dance Masters . . . The good word about the pea soup at the Danish Sandwich Boutique - Eaton Square is getting around. Two guys from S.F. popped in and asked to buy some in volume for a restaurant . . . And the world soon will be tasting Hawaii rum. Maui Distillers' plant in Puunene expects to be producing rum and cane spirits by mid-Oct. and gasohol within the next year. Sounds like high-octane rum . . . The cruise boat **Leilani** has been purchased by a Mexican hui and will move soon to Puerto Vallarta . . . More radio roulette at **KKUA**, where **Will "The Moke" Moku** will be replacing **Gene Davis** in the evenings — following **Dan Cook**, just like in the old **KORL** days □ □ □

In the mood: Hectic day for attorney **Charles Pear** on Sun. It started with the **UH** graduation of his fiancée, **Linda Sue Jacobsen**, then a playoff game in the lawyer's softball league, then his wedding to **Linda Sue** and reception, followed by a sunset flight to **Kauai** for his honeymoon — with his mom and dad, brother and mother-in-law, two brothers and a sister. That's a honeymoon? . . . **Ch. 11** has agreed to air free-lancer **Gary Krane's** documentary on spouse abuse. But now one of the women interviewed says she fears what



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could happen if it is broadcast . . . "Star Wars" and "Empire Strikes Back" star **Mark Hamill** just departed **Kahala Hilton** with wife **Marilou** and baby . . . Powerful film, "Empire Strikes Back." After watching it once, a patron decided to sit through a second showing. Management told him he couldn't — there was another huge line outside. Whereupon the guy began to argue, finally punching out a ticket taker, punching out a glass window and, as he huffed off down the street, punching out a pedestrian . . . But anger is no sin — just ask the **Rev. Alan P. Anger** . . . At least 560 persons helped spritely **Matsu Agena** celebrate her 97th birthday Sat. at the **Ala Moana** hotel. **Matsu** says she's "going for 100!" . . . Golf pro instructor **John Schlee** had just told **Jack Smith** of Honolulu that with his swing, **Jack** should get a hole-in-one soon. An hour later on the sixth hole at **Makaha**, **Jack** got his ace — 53 years since his first hole-in-one □ □ □

COFFEE AND DO(N)UTS: **Comic Chevy Chase** relaxing on **Maui** . . . Instead of relaxing after his big **Shell** show Fri. night, **Frank DeLima** put in two benefit shows on Sat., with his special audience including college-age aides in the **Summer Fun** program. **Bd. of Water Supply** chief **Kazu Hayashida** thanked **Frank**, who said: "Hey, I seen you on the TV." **Kazu** said: "I seen you too" . . . Reason attorney **Tom Jordan** was walking around town yesterday with a case of apples was a new adopted son, **Andrew Thomas**, for him and wife **Pat**. Because "cigars are nowhere!" . . .



Chase

It's tough to get the daytime regulars off their stools at **Lin Comito's**. But when a tourist, obviously fresh from **Ala Moana Center**, came in and with much effort put on his new thongs over his long, dark socks and stumbled outside, the regulars had to follow in wonder . . . After several time switches, the **Honolulu Press Club** finally will get all five city prosecutor candidates together at one time: tomorrow at 5 p.m. . . . **Midway Island** (1.9 square miles in area) doesn't have a **McDonald's**, but Navy people there received a cargo plane full of **Big Macs**, etc., last week. Proceeds, \$2,000, went to the **Midway Navy Relief Fund** □ □ □

Navy Cutting Budget

By Koy Lynch

MIDWAY (UPI)—Luxury family tours of duty on Midway Island are at an end for American sailors. From now on, assignments to the Pacific jewels will be conducted like a ship's tour — without the wife and kids.

Once the keystone for the World War II Pacific triumph, Midway is now just a way station and the Navy has decided to stop sending dependents there, it was disclosed yesterday.

Officials planned to tear down, rather than renovate, most of the atoll's old buildings.

"To put it rather bluntly, Midway is now operated as a luxury the Navy — or more properly the Department of Defense — can no longer afford," said David H. Fischer, Midway's commanding officer.

Actually two small island jewels in a coral ring 2,800 miles from San Francisco, 1,200 miles from Honolulu and 2,235 miles from Japan, Midway had a \$2.2 million budget in 1977 and will spend \$1.9 million this fiscal year.

Families Will Leave Midway

The order has been to pare down So the doors of George Cannon School will close for good this June, said Fischer, who expects parents of the school's 200 students to get early orders out and be gone by August.

The departure of dependents will cut Midway's 1,600 population by more than half.

The number of men and women on active duty, now 700, will also be reduced, but the size of the cut will depend on the outcome of a review of Midway's status, which is still in progress in San Diego, Honolulu and Washington.

"It's purely economics," said Fischer. "This will in no way affect what Midway does operationally. But we're looking at what we're doing and think it can be done with fewer people."

"We have 25 teachers in our school. Our medical facility is one-third larger than it would be without the dependents. We also have a large exchange and commissary. And we were looking at a cost of millions of dollars to replace family housing built in the 50s."

As of Jan. 13, what had been a pleasant, two-year interlude on "the Navy's most beautiful isle" for officer families and a 15-month tour for unaccompanied personnel will become a one-year, unaccompanied tour for everyone, like a ship tour.

The Navy took note of Midway's strategic location and completed an air station there in August, 1941. Four months later, Midway was bombed by Japanese war planes returning from the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The Midway submarine and air bases came to glory in June 1942 as the Battle of Midway, waged in waters around the atoll, turned the tide against the Japanese.

But now the wash of turquoise waters on white beaches, the clack-clack of gooney birds and the swish of bicycles are the sounds that Midway hears between occasional aircraft landings and takeoffs.

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Midway for fishing

The status of Midway Island is about to change and with that the U.S. Navy should give positive consideration to opening the now closed naval port to commercial fishing operations.

The last time a formal request was made to open Midway, just after the U.S. had expanded its fishing boundaries from 12 to 200 miles off all coastlines, the Navy's reply was that the tiny island's "limited facilities are extensively used."

NOW THE NAVY has definitely decided to reduce by more than half the population of the island 1,200 miles from Honolulu by ending the tours of duty there for military personnel accompanied by their families. By stationing only unaccompanied personnel there the Navy will avoid rebuilding aging facilities and can cut back other services.

Governor Ariyoshi has recently renewed the request to the Navy, asking that it investigate letting one or more factory ships dock at Midway with a fleet of smaller vessels. Although there are some questions of jurisdiction and control of civilian visitors there, Navy officers on Midway seem supportive.

The decision will be made in Washington, however. With the spouses and children leaving the island by this summer there will be many adjustments to be made. Accommodation for transshipment, fueling, supplies, recreation and storage for the tuna industry could be arranged.

LARGE JAPANESE and Russian ships have reportedly fished areas north of Midway for some years, occasionally putting into Midway after emergencies. In an experiment last summer, a pair of small fishing boats out of San Diego found great schools of albacore tuna north of the island.

But for the smaller boats operating out of Hawaii ports the trip to Midway and beyond is too long. Despite the feeling that local Hawaiian waters are "fished out," small-scale commercial fishermen are not willing to risk the trip.

If there were facilities available at Midway the venture would be much more attractive. As such the remote island could play a part in the development of the U.S. tuna industry, and particularly Hawaii's.

The use of the harbor at Midway could be a boon not only to Hawaii fishermen, but to the tuna canners here in Honolulu. The local industry may require some adjustments to take full advantage if the new opportunity develops.

SO FAR THERE has been no response to the governor's latest request. The state, through the governor, the legislature and the congressional delegation, should continue to press for the facilities that will make further development of this industry possible. It could fit nicely with plans to enlarge our economic base, make better use of our ocean resources and expand opportunities for people of Hawaii more in line with traditional pursuits.



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Q — Why has the Navy at Pearl Harbor given a large government contract to a company that employs numerous foreigners from Asia to work at Midway Island? Midway is a U.S. territory not too far from Honolulu. Why weren't these jobs made available to the people of our state?

A — People from Hawaii and the U.S. Mainland also work on Midway, as well as large numbers from foreign countries. A New Jersey company, Base Support Inc., won the contract by bid to handle the day-to-day operation of Midway. Its contract with the Navy does not mention what hiring practices must be followed, according to Cmdr. Bob Behrend, executive officer of Barbers Point.

The Barbers Point command has overall responsibility for Midway. Letting the contract to the private company last

April freed about 500 Navy personnel to perform duties elsewhere, Behrend said. Some Navy personnel still remain on the island to administer the contract. Behrend said Midway is a naval air facility which provides a landing field for the military and some civilian airlines in the mid-Pacific.



It's wall to wall gooney birds who pay no mind to privacy when it comes to nesting and sitting on their eggs.

Despite goonies, life on Midway not for the birds

By JOHN C. GIVEN

Advertiser Military Writer

MIDWAY — Living on Midway atoll, it appears, is rather like submarine duty: If you're not cut out for it, you'll probably loathe every minute.

But one thing's for sure: It's different. And believe it or not, there are people who say they're quite happy here.

Right now the two-square-mile atoll is covered with wall-to-wall gooney birds whose constant beak-clacking, whistling and chirping continues into the dark of night, then greets you when you wake up.

The birds arrive on Midway about Nov. 1. They mate, then lay their eggs, which begin hatching about now.

This means, of course, that the gooney population will soon be practically doubling. And they won't fly away until July.

No doubt life with the gooneys would drive some people absolutely batty.



Billye Stinson

But on Midway, it appears most people have a special affection for the birds.

"Most people here are very protective of wildlife," said Capt. David H. Fischer, Midway's commanding officer. He estimated that 90 percent like the gooney birds, 8 percent "don't care one way or the other," and 2 percent "don't like them to the extent that they would do them physical harm."

That happens from time to time. The last man found guilty of gooney bird massacre with a knife ended up in the brig, Fischer said.

Those who say they aren't happy tend to be the young, single personnel, who currently serve 15-month tours.

Their biggest complaints are usually feelings of confinement in a place about three times the size of Walkala — but with "nothing to do."

There are three scheduled weekly flights to Honolulu, 5½ hours and 1,200 miles away. But catching a space-available seat on one of these planes is not always easy.

Of course Midway does have a library, clubs, a hobby shop, television and other recreational facilities.

But without those city lights, as one young sailor put it, "the club gets old fast."

"Most people here eagerly await the commercials on television," joked one NCO, who said that actually, he finds Midway "a nice place to live."

"Everybody knows everybody. It's like the way we used to live. And I guess I missed a lot when I was a kid, because now I find myself enjoying things like painting, wood carving, and scuba diving — things I never did then."

"I really like it here, but I think I'm in the minority," said Billye Stinson, a secretary and Navy wife. "My children are seven and ten. We love the beach, and like to do quiet things. We even like the fact that we

Have to have the right frame of mind

don't have a car, being out of that rat race.

"But you have to have the right frame of mind not to let little things get you down," she went on. "You can easily get disgruntled when you go to the commissary and there is no milk or no eggs — things like that."

Stinson pointed out that for many of the families the isolated tour on Midway is a substitute for three-year periods of six months of sea duty at a time. "Most of them are pretty satisfied, unless they're the kind who tend to forget," she said.

Another NCO spoke of "being glad to get back" after a trip to Honolulu.

"You've got to watch the cars where you walk. Here you just have to watch the gooney birds," he said.

"A guy who was working for me was riding his bike, a gooney bird walked into him and he fell off and broke his collarbone."

Life on Midway even has its unique aspects in the legal sense, according to commanding officer Fischer.

"When someone has a baby out here, we've had trouble getting a birth certificate. What state are we in? What city? What county?"

"You're not in the United States and you're not in the state of Hawaii. You're on a U.S. possession operated and controlled by the United States Navy."

In the case of the birth, the child ultimately got a Hawaii birth certificate, Fischer said. But questions about the Navy's legal jurisdiction over civilians who commit crimes on the island are untested, probably because there have been no significant crimes fitting that description.

Fischer added that the haziness of Midway's status has even appeared in his own correspondence.

"I've gotten letters addressed as 'Governor' of Midway," he said.

Tuna fleets can use Midway now

The state and Navy yesterday announced a formal agreement that will permit tuna fleets to use the facilities of Midway-Island Naval Air Facility.

The agreement, which was reached in principle in May, will be for one year and is retroactive to Oct. 1. It will allow fishing companies to dock a "mother ship" with freezer facilities to receive tuna catches from smaller fishing vessels. Two mother ships are allowed in the area, but only one can dock at Midway at one time.

The state will process applications for use of Midway, but such applications will be jointly approved by the state and the Navy.

The one-year limit on the agreement was set as a trial period "to see how it works," said Rear Adm. R.S. Wentworth Jr., 14th Naval District commandant.

Gov. George Ariyoshi said the agreement could create more jobs and strengthen the fishing industry.

The agreement allows American fishing boats to better work in rich fishing areas in the waters surrounding Midway.

Separate trials set

Two Waipahu brothers accused of the robbery of the Kailan Restaurant in Lihua Feb. 10 will be tried separately, Circuit Judge John Lanham has ruled.

Solonu'u Tuua, 18, who was also indicted on a charge of murdering the restaurant owner, Kenna Kai Man Leung, is scheduled to go on trial on robbery-murder charges Monday before Lanham.

Iupeli Tuua Pusi, 28, who faces only robbery charges, will be tried later.

have to pay.

The suit is against the federal government.

ERA foe to speak

Arizona Rep. Donna Carlson, national chairman of Stop ERA, will speak on the latest developments on the Equal Rights Amendment tomorrow. Carlson's speech is being sponsored by Hana Pono, an association that "serves as an educational forum and source of information in areas of concern which affect the welfare of women, the family and the community," according to a news release.

The public is invited to the event, which begins at 2 p.m. in the McCully-Moiliili Library, 2211 S. King St.

Oahu news

A time for dreams

A public lecture followed by a half-day seminar on "Dreams, Feelings, Consciousness" will be given at the Art Building Auditorium at the University of Hawaii Manoa campus today and tomorrow.

Dr. Joseph Hart, associate professor of psychology at the University of California at Irvine, and Dr. Richard Corriere, a founding therapist at the Center for Feeling Therapy, will lead the lecture and the seminar.

The lecture will be from 7 to 10 p.m. Friday. The seminar will be from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday.

The lecture offers listeners an opportunity to find out more about their dreams and lives. It discusses the theory and practice of breakthrough dreaming.

The seminar, also based on that theory, is designed for professionals in the healing arts.

For further information on registration, fees and parking, call the College of Continuing Education at the University of Hawaii, 948-8581.

Legal Aid's tax suit

The Legal Aid Society of Hawaii yesterday filed a federal lawsuit asking for the return of about \$163,922 in Social Security taxes it says it paid in 1972 through 1974.

The lawsuit said the society was exempt from such taxes and it didn't



1941 file photo

ALL, ALL ALONE — Ironwood trees brought from Australia creep over the sandy beaches on Midway Island.

Truth about Midway: It's out there

By RICHARD C. GROSS

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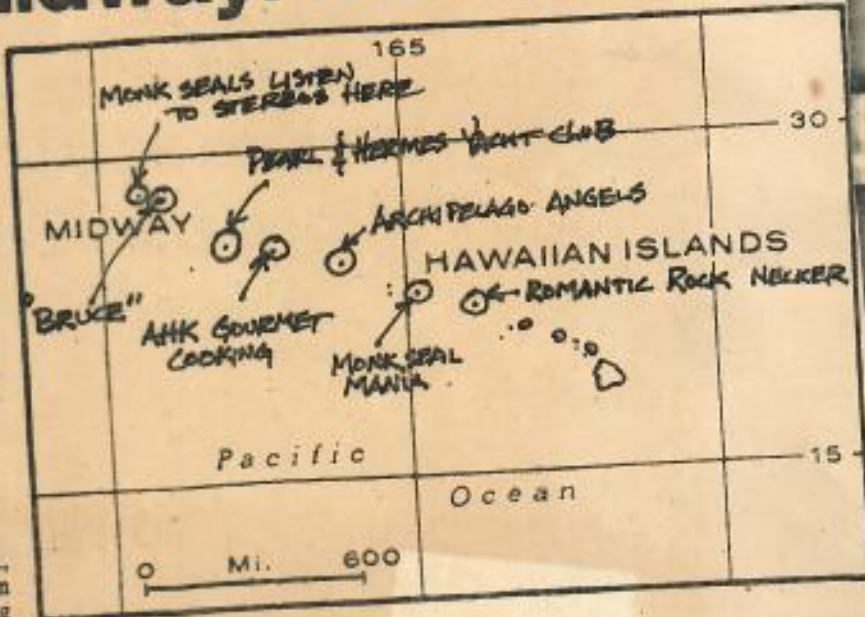
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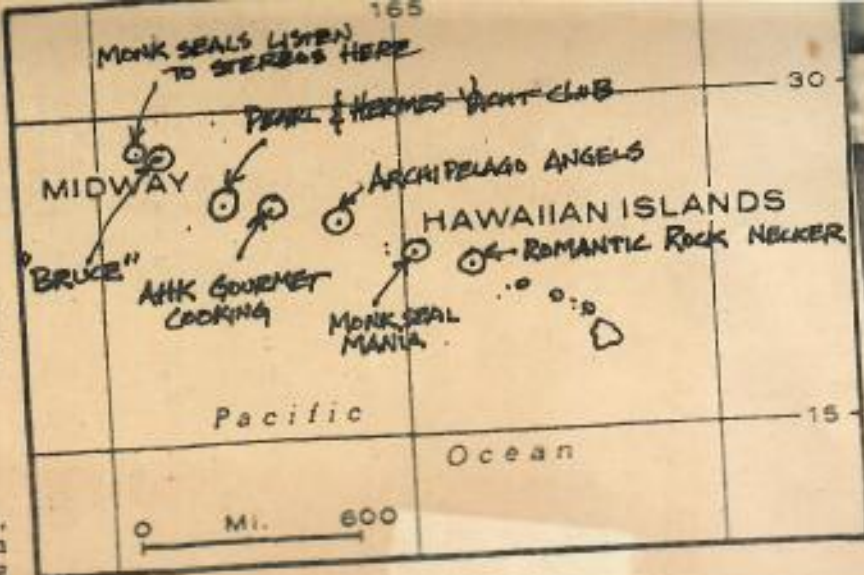
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But what put Midway on the map for most Americans was the U.S. defeat of superior Japanese naval forces that tried to capture the island and destroy the U.S. Pacific Fleet at the same time. The battle marked a turning point of World War II because Japan never fully recovered from its losses. The June 4-6, 1942, battle was the first U.S. naval victory of the war.



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Life Amidst



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Star-Bulletin photos by Ken Sakamoto.

the Gooney Birds

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MIDWAY ISLAND—Officially, Midway Island belongs to the U.S. Navy. Realistically, it's for the birds.

The gooney birds.

They were here long before man. They will probably be here long after he's gone.

You step from a plane for your first look at the island. The overwhelming initial impression is the concrete of the airstrip and the huge, corrugated metal hangar. Then the eye goes a little farther, to an open field next to the airstrip. The initial impression of that field tells the mind that it's an old cemetery, filled with hundreds of headstones.

Then the mind says no. Research into Midway says the island has only five graves.

Those are not headstones. They are gooney birds.

EVERYWHERE YOU GO here, if the ground isn't covered with a building or with pavement, there are gooney birds. They far outnumber the human population of 1,600—700 Navy personnel and 900 dependents. Estimates on the gooney census run up toward 200,000.

The birds build their nests right on the ground, constructing the rough equivalent of a small child's sand castle. They nest where they please, next to sidewalks, smack in the middle of a yard, under hedges. A human presence doesn't phase a gooney. The birds merely snap their beaks togeth-

er rapidly in a strange parody of applause when someone comes close.

All day long, the gooneys do their courtship dances. They rock from foot to foot and extend their beaks skyward while they emit a variety of whistling noises. Then they click beaks with each other and let out loud, peculiar moans, rather like a whoopee cushion on its last legs. Then the beaks clap again, sometimes sounding like someone running in zoris, sometimes in the more rapid mock applause. After that, there's a kind of short, mewling sound, and then that rude sighing again.

THE GOONEYS MATE for life and share the responsibilities in raising the young. They take turns sitting on the single baked-potato-sized egg in the nest, and after hatching take turns feeding their baby. They fly to the nest, regurgitate squid they have caught in the waves, and the baby pecks the squid from its parent's mouth. It is not pretty.

The birds are a navigation hazard on Midway, and over the years the Navy has tried a number of schemes to reduce the gooney population. They've tried high-frequency radio signals, roman candles, shotguns loaded with blanks, relocating birds to the Philippines, Japan and Guam, moving eggs to another atoll and beheading them with baseball bats.

Nothing worked.

One of the central problems is the gooney instinct.

Once a gooney is mature, it returns to within 10 or 12 feet of the spot where it was hatched. So the gooneys keep returning to Midway.

It's detente now, between man and gooney here. The birds are protected by law, and there's a \$500 fine and/or six months in jail for harming one.

FOR ALL THEIR NUMBERS, the birds are accepted with something resembling affection by Midway's humans, which just goes to show you that one man's infestation is another man's treat.

The Midway community is nestled among tall ironwoods and looks like a cross between a plantation camptown and military quarters.

Bicycles outnumber motorized vehicles by about the same ratio as birds to people and the population pedals about, avoiding the gooneys as they waddle across the streets.

Midway for people is like going back 10, 15 or maybe more years. It's the home of the 35-cent pack of cigarettes out of vending machines, and the 40-cent beer, also out of vending machines.

There's a bucolic quality to the town, and on a drizzly, windless day, beads of water cling to the ironwoods like frost.

This is the last year for Midway as a true community. Starting in the summer, dependents will be sent home and it will become a base strictly for Navy personnel.

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Life Amidst the Gooney Birds

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There is a sense of impermanence on Midway, probably because of the phase-out of dependents. Some of the family housing is shabby. A couple of the barracks are downright slums. Over and over, there are broken windows and torn screens and peeling paint and mildew.

The Consolidated Club, a low blue-and-white wooden structure near the lagoon, has a dining room, bar, game room and lounge. All of it smells of mildew and popcorn.

A waitress at the club informs a customer that she can't fill his order for a glass of milk. He makes light of it, saying that it's probably better that the milk is going to a child on the base somewhere.

"THIS COMMAND IS SCREWED," says the waitress by way of unsolicited reply. "I doubt it (that a child would get the milk). They're probably all breast fed. That's the only way they're going to get it."

Actually, the waitress indulges in hyperbole. There's plenty of milk at the Navy exchange. It's no great bargain at \$1.08 a half gallon, only pennies less than Honolulu prices. The exchange looks like a fine place for groceries, except for produce. The broccoli is on the yellow side, and the celery is tan and the tomatoes are green.

As a place to live, there's a range of opinion among Midway residents.

The athletic director for the base, who moonlights as a bartender, loves it. He praises the quiet living, the lack of cars and the good fishing. He is on his second tour on Midway—voluntarily. Some of the single people assigned to Midway aren't as happy.

A trio of single women, at the absolute bottom of the heap in the Navy pecking order, have a host of complaints.

"I'm doing time here. It's like a prison," says one. "That ain't fair."

ANOTHER COMPLAINS "YOU'RE SO far away. Nothing's here. And it's filthy. A mess. Rats all over the place like you wouldn't believe."

Yet another echoes these sentiments:



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"There's more animals and bugs than people."

Clustered near the center of "town" are the recreation facilities. The gym. The enlisted men's club—which is a room with pool tables, and a larger room that's a disco, all quite modern and jazzy. And there's a 12-lane bowling alley that's as spanking-new-sneazy as anything you'll see in Southern California.

At night, at the enlisted men's club, a man dressed in a sharp three-piece suit and high-heeled shoes flashes his Cartier lighter. He's obviously cultivating an image as the baddest dude on Midway. He offers an unsolicited opinion of Midway:

"It's a Great place."

Outside, in the nearby square where there's a gazebo and a huge cannon, a 15-foot statue of a gooney bird dominates the scene.

Late at night, the photographer sharing a room with this writer wakes. He can't figure out why his roommate is typing in the dark.

He isn't. It's merely the gooney birds outside, snapping their beaks.

—Pierre Bowman
Star-Bulletin

Hawaii fishing

By JOHN C. GIVEN
Advertiser Staff Writer

The two battered piers are deserted. The water is calm, and of such a dazzling turquoise color it almost takes your breath away.

During World War II, this deep-water harbor at Midway Atoll was a busy submarine base. Now, its only visitors are an occasional military ship stocking up on provisions, or a civilian vessel in for repairs after running into trouble at sea.

But a move is under way to change that. Fishing industry officials, backed by the state, are urging the Navy to let civilian fishing vessels operate out of the port. Under the Navy's administration, it is now off-limits to non-military ships, except in emergencies.

In a December letter to 14th Naval District Commandant Rear Adm. Ralph S. Wentworth Jr., Gov. George Ariyoshi asked the Navy to investigate the possibility of letting one or more factory ships dock at Midway, along with a fleet of smaller vessels.

The latter would head north into

grounds which, if recent catches are any indication, have proven to be a fertile area for albacore tuna and other fish.

According to 14th District spokesman Cmdr. Al Andrade, Ariyoshi noted in his letter that the Japanese

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have been fishing there "for years" and have harvested "30,000 to 70,000 tons annually."

He also reportedly observed that if Hawaii-based fishermen were able to operate out of Midway, the savings in fuel and travel time (far less



Capt. David Fischer

No problem with self-contained fleet

for Midway rights

than the present 10 to 14 days back to Honolulu's tuna packing plant) would give a substantial boost to the industry here.

Among the areas Ariyoshi asked the Navy to investigate, Andrade said, were possibilities for "food and other supplies, water, fuel, and recreational facilities."

He noted that the request is now moving through Navy channels on its way to a final decision in Washington. A similar request, in the form of a state Senate resolution (that the Navy allow commercial fishing operations on Midway "at the earliest possible date"), was sent to President Carter and Hawaii's congressional delegation last April.

But according to a spokeswoman from state Sen. Francis Wong's office, which forwarded the resolution, no response has been received.

In any case, the question remains: can the idea work?

On Midway, base commanding officer Capt. David H. Fischer said last week that he sees "no problem" with the proposal of basing a self-contained fleet — including a factory ship — there.

"But as for on-shore commercial facilities, that's another problem," he added. For if in the future, there developed a need for freezers or other facilities, then "a civilian company would have to build them."

In this regard, all kinds of legal complications would have to be settled. The Navy has jurisdiction over the two islands of Midway Atoll. How would this affect ownership and operation of a civilian facility there? What laws would cover non-federal employees? Who would enforce them?

Several Midway residents raised other questions in a discussion about the matter.

One pointed out that much of the island's drinking water comes from reservoirs between runways on the base. Sometimes, he said, the island has had to live with shortages. One crucial question, then, is how much water could the island spare?

"Policing the extra drunks would be another problem," said another man, who serves as one of Midway's six game wardens. "Then it would be our concern, if they started going

around kicking the gooney birds."

Finally, one knowledgeable observer noted the possibility that Hawaii might not profit from the opening of Midway as much as it might first appear.

If civilian ships were permitted to dock in Midway's small harbor, he asked, who would decide which companies get berths?

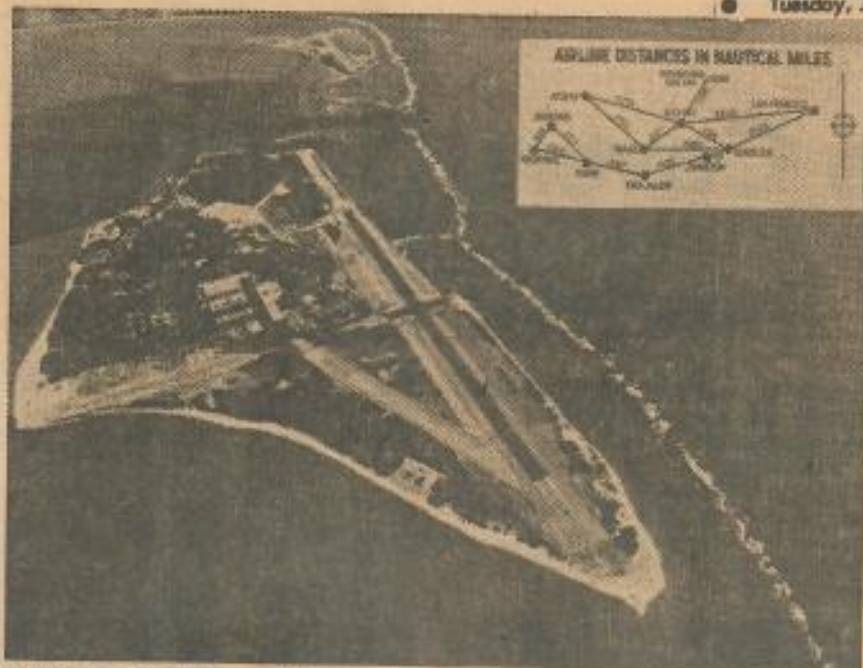
Would — and could — a foreign factory ship be turned away?

"What happens if 10 (fishing) companies from the West Coast want the same thing, and 10 companies from Texas, and 10 from Hawaii?" he asked.

"And it would not aid the state of Hawaii if another company like Star Kist came here. They send their factory ship out to Midway from the West Coast, then back home to the West Coast, and that wouldn't help the state of Hawaii one bit."

Whatever the problems, Midway's commanding officer said he was still basically in favor of trying to find the right solutions.

After all, he explained, "I'd just as soon see American citizens getting the albacore up there as Japanese."



TUNA PORT?—Tuna fishermen want to operate out of Midway Island and the Navy says it could resupply and refuel them. —Navy Photo.

Isle, Calif. Fishermen Want to Use Midway

Hawaii and California fishing interests are urging the Navy to allow them to use Midway for refueling and replenishing their boats, Navy Capt. David H. Fischer says.

Fischer, commanding officer of the Navy installation, said in an interview that commercial fishermen are leaning toward using a factory ship to support tuna fishing in the North Pacific.

"What they're proposing is to put in a single ship that would be the repository for the catches. That factory ship would be self-sustaining," Fischer told United Press International.

Two San Diego fishermen hauled in 50,000 tuna in 10 days last summer during an exploratory five-month charter that was sponsored by the Pacific Tuna Development Foundation and supported by the state and federal governments.

THE MEN MADE an eye-opening catch between Midway and Attu, the westernmost Aleutian island.

The fishermen later predicted word of their catch would stimulate West Coast tuna interests.

Gov. George R. Ariyoshi expressed support for developing the tuna

Elysian Fields as an economic booster.

The fishermen said freezers would be needed to establish a land-based fishing port. And, of course, the fishermen will need resupply and refueling support from the Navy in order to extend their fishing range that far away from either Hawaii or the West Coast.

Fischer said there would be no problem for the Navy in resupplying ships with fuel and food.



DENTED AND BLESSED—Despite a collision with a gooney bird, First Hawaiian Bank's Learjet 35-A arrived in time for its blessing ceremony today. Due to unusually high winds the jet came via Alaska and Midway. It was taking off from Midway last night when it met the gooney bird. The bird left an 18-inch dent in the left engine's cowling, which will be replaced. The nine-passenger jet is framed by a 1931 Waco biplane in this picture by Star-Bulletin photographer Warren R. Roll.

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Advertiser photo by David Yamada

Ready for battle

Firefighter unrolls hose along blocked-off Queen Street to fight a warehouse blaze that did an estimated \$5,000 damage to Commercial Enterprises walk-in refrigerator equipment at 925 Queen. The fire apparently started in the area of an electrical panel, damaging it, nearby reefer compressors and the reefer's exterior walls, officials said.

Rare monk Midway for

By JOHN C. GIVEN
Advertiser Staff Writer

MIDWAY ATOLL — Game wardens here say there is evidence that rare Hawaiian monk seals are beginning to use the area as a breeding ground for the first time in more than 30 years.

At the same time, they are also worried that another recent arrival might threaten the safety of the island's thousands of gooney birds if an ongoing extermination program proves unsuccessful.

The villains in the latter case are a small but growing number of Indian mynah birds. Unlike the gentle goonies, the mynahs "do things like tear up nests, pull feathers and break eggs," said Navy Natural Resources Specialist Gerry Swedberg.

Swedberg was on Midway for a recent meeting with six men who serve as part-time game wardens there.

Located about 1,200 miles northwest of Honolulu, Midway actually consists of two islands, both administered by the Navy. "Sand," the larger, is where the airstrip and the base's 1,600 personnel live; "Eastern," once a signal station, is now essentially a wildlife preserve.

Referring to the seals, Swedberg said that "for the last few years, we've been seeing adults on Eastern Island and nearby spits of sand." That in itself was an important development, he observed, since the animals had not used Midway as a breeding ground since World War II.

But the real "big deal," he said, was the birth last year of the first two pups to be seen there since the 1940s — and the real possibility that others may be born there this year as well.

Listed as an endangered species in November 1976, the Ilio Holo I Kauaua (dog running through the roughness) were once common throughout the Hawaiian Islands, but now are found mainly in the northern areas.

One reason for the decline of the species, Swedberg said, was that they were "hunted as a supplement" during the whaling days. Another factor also partly explains why they are no longer found around the main islands: Speaking facetiously, he said the seals had been "driven away by people building their homes on Kahala Beach."

"They can be quite a docile animal, quite tame. But they are not too good about being around humans," he explained.

Accordingly, the seals retreated to join others of their kind in relatively unpopulated areas to the northwest. Until the establishment of air and sea bases there this century, Midway apparently continued to be a favorite breeding place, despite the presence of sharks in surrounding waters.

But the arrival of people on the islands had a harmful effect.

Swedberg explained the usual pattern for seals is that every year about this time "they come up on sandy beaches to have their pups (one pup per mother)." Then people come along, the mother goes into the water, the pup follows.

"Sharks-like young pups," he said.

In an effort to save some of these young seals — not to mention the breed itself — the Navy conservationists made Eastern island off limits to casual visitors more than three years ago.

Schoolteacher Gary Means, who also serves as Midway's senior game warden, noted that as of April 1977, the official count of Hawaiian monk seals was "625 left in the world."

During a recent visit to Eastern Island, he said he "saw two females, both resting. I assume they were pregnant — but it is hard to tell."

Not surprisingly, with this and last year's sighting very much in mind, the wardens are looking forward to their next check of the island later this month.

Joked Swedberg: "We're all expectant fathers!"

No one was laughing about the Indian mynah problem, however.

The first few birds were observed on Midway about four or five years ago. Now, Means said, the islands "are having quite a population explosion," estimating the current number at "about 150."

"They haven't been doing any-

seals using breeding?



Monk seal at rest: They're making a breeding comeback on Midway.

thing bad yet," said Swedberg, "but we are afraid they will."

The main fear is that the mynahs will do to Midway's gooneys what man did to the seals there: destroy an important breeding ground.

For the gooneys — actually black-foot and Laysan albatrosses — are very much creatures of habit. Sticking with one mate for most of their

place of its birth, where the females produce a single chick each year.

Naturally, no one can predict the success of Midway's mynah war. The small brown birds are fast and well camouflaged, while the hunters are forbidden to shoot at them in populated areas.

Since October, when the campaign began, the score is at the most:



FOWL DISEASE—Hundreds of gooneys on Midway have died with a pox virus.

Pox Threatens Gooney Birds

By Helen Altorn
Star-Bulletin Writer

A virus similar to the one that causes small pox in humans and pox infections in domestic animals has killed hundreds of gooney birds on Midway Island.

Dr. Milton Friend, the top man in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's National Disease Laboratory in Wisconsin, flew to Midway recently to inspect the bird population and collect specimens.

H.A. Hansen, Fish and Wildlife director in Honolulu, said Friend identified the disease and the method of transmission.

He said the fowl pox is confined to a rather small area on Sand Island, one of two islands comprising Midway, but a high percentage of chicks is infected.

In a report on his findings, Friend said the particular virus is called Avian Pox and only affects birds. "Neither man or any domestic mammals, such as dogs, are in danger of becoming infected from the birds," he said.

He said it appears that flies are spreading the disease on Midway, with the infection primarily occurring behind the hangars.

HE SAID, "The problem is presently confined to the chicks and many of these birds are severely infected and will have to be destroyed."

Friend reported that the area where the problem is most severe has a lot of vegetation that supports flies, and fly control is necessary to help stop the spread of the disease.

He said the duration of the disease in the birds can be as long as a year but birds that survive "will become immune in the same manner as small pox vaccination protects man from small pox."

Hansen said a crew of Young Adult Conservation Corps members will be sent to Midway from Honolulu to dispose of the dead and seriously diseased birds, to improve the habitat and remove some of the growth for environmental control.

Although the albatross is not an endangered bird species, Hansen said, "it is a desirable and important member of the marine fauna," and the outbreak is "a serious problem."

But, he added, "We expect this to run its course. Looking back through history out there, it appears that it has happened before, but only reached epidemic proportions once."

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Joint Use of Midway Is Sensible Plan

The Navy's grant of permission for use of facilities at Midway Island by commercial fishermen should be an important boost for Hawaii's fishing industry.

Commercial tuna fishermen have found apparently rich fishing grounds north of Midway. But without stopover privileges at Midway, the distance was too great to permit economical trips by small vessels based at Honolulu.

Under terms of the agreement, the fishing fleet will be permitted to purchase certain services at Midway; and it should insure emergency medical care. The fishermen in port would have to be prepared for evacuation on short notice if required by Navy operations.

The agreement was announced by Gov. Ariyoshi, who had proposed it to the Navy Department. He said the pact "means the Navy and our fishing industry will work together both to protect our vital national defense interests and help our Hawaii fishing industry expand production."

Initially, four tuna vessels chartered by the Pacific Tuna Development Foundation will make use of the agreement to refuel at Midway this summer. This will enable them to remain in the area much longer.

The state's plans for the industry involve use of a "mother ship" that would service a number of smaller vessels in the Midway area. This more ambitious program would also benefit by the Midway use agreement.

With the advent of longer-range aircraft, Midway's importance to the Navy has declined. At the same time, Hawaii's fishing industry needs the sort of boost that the use agreement should give it. The agreement makes sense.

Navy Taking Personnel Off Midway

Pearl Harbor officials announced today that the Navy will pull out 196 sailors, 1,000 dependents and all 41 civilian workers from Midway Island between now and Sept. 1.

The reduction will cut the population there from 1,580 to 343, officials said.

The pullout is expected to cut Navy costs by about \$8 million annually.

Navy activities and missions at Midway will remain the same, Pearl Harbor spokesmen said.

This includes serving aircraft and ships, operating search and rescue missions with Coast Guard help, and provisioning several tenants doing classified work.

Navy men assigned there now will serve one-year tours and will not be joined by their dependents.

Civilians leaving the Island will be offered other jobs in the defense establishment.

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MASH goes to Midway in

By MARK MATSUNAGA
Advertiser Military Writer

With a storm raging outside and only telephone instructions from a faceless voice hundreds of miles away to guide him, a Navy doctor used a dental drill to bore through the skull of an injured young sailor on Midway Island last week.

Thanks to the doctor, an Army surgeon in Honolulu, a Coast Guard flight crew and more than 100 fellow sailors on Midway, Seaman Apprentice Paul D. Dubos, 20, was in good condition at Tripler Army Medical Center last night.

Dubos, a Navy ocean systems technician stationed at Midway, suffered a massive skull fracture when he fell from a moving

fire truck Jan. 9 on the tiny island.

At about the same time, the winter storm that ravaged Hawaii last week was descending upon Midway, site of a small naval station.

Lt. Cmdr. Donald Bliss, a doctor assigned to the Navy Regional Medical Center at Pearl Harbor, just happened to be on Midway on a two-week tour of duty.

As the storm began battering Midway, Dubos' condition became very critical and was deteriorating rapidly. Pressure was building inside his skull. Bliss called Tripler.

A doctor there contacted Capt. Troy M. Reyna, the on-call surgeon, at his Makakilo home. With the doctor at Tripler relaying the conversation between two phones, Reyna diagnosed the problem.

"He needed to have surgery done," Reyna said. "Bliss wanted to have the kid shipped out on a plane. . . . But it didn't make any difference how fast a plane could get there if there wasn't somebody to do something within half an hour to an hour."

"He (Dubos) was hemorrhaging into the head and the pressure had to be released."

With the help of Midway's dentist, Lt. George McQueen, Bliss — a specialist in internal organs — began to look for surgical instruments. They came up with a dental drill.

"Bliss said he had done it once as a med student or intern," Reyna recalled. So he talked Bliss through the operation.

"I had to do it or he would have died right there," Bliss said afterward.

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Dubos was unconscious but still moving as they started the operation.

"With no general anesthesia available, I used a local, and had the corpsmen, nurse and chaplain hold Dubos down," Bliss said.

With instructions from Reyna, Bliss drilled a hole in Dubos' skull and successfully relieved the pressure.

Now the problem was evacuating Dubos. The storm, still blowing full force, had knocked out electricity on Midway's only runway.

A Coast Guard C-130, which can land on shorter runways, took off from Barbers Point, flown by Coast Guard Lt. Cmdr. Kyle Jones and carrying an Air Force medical team.

As violent rain and winds pelted Midway,

more than 100 people began setting up lights near the runway, the Navy said. They used cars, trucks and even road graders — anything with headlights — to provide runway lights for the incoming plane.

Jones landed the huge transport smoothly on his first pass, then, after landing "saw what I had landed on — tree stumps all over the place."

After the landing, Midway's sailors refueled the plane, loaded Dubos and, just after midnight Friday morning, sent the plane off. The whole stop lasted 75 minutes.

"It was a matter of life and death," Reyna said last night. "His condition now is good. If nothing had been done, it could have been a lot worse — poor to dead."

Midway will gooney birds

By JOHN C. GIVEN

Advertiser Staff Writer

The existence of dependents on Midway is "a luxury the Department of Defense can no longer afford," the base commanding officer has confirmed.

Navy Capt. David S. Fischer said the Defense Department has decided to phase out the dependents and some dependent support facilities, making Midway a one-year hardship tour for military personnel assigned there.

Meeting with visiting members of the press Thursday, he said the decision — which had not yet been made public — became effective "about two weeks ago."

Midway's current population is about 1,600, breaking down roughly into 700 Navy personnel and 900 dependents. Fischer said that because of decreased need for support personnel, the ultimate prospect is for a base population of "somewhere below 600, when it stabilizes out."

The base consists of two islands, of which only one is inhabited, about 1,200 miles northwest of Honolulu. Fischer stressed that the scaled-down "will in no way affect" Midway's role as a support, supply, weather, and oceanographic study station.

He said the reason for the decision is economic. During fiscal year 1977, Midway's operating budget was \$2.2 million. Defense Department planners expect to reduce this figure considerably by removing the dependents and many of the personnel and facilities there to support them.

It is a move, Fischer said, that "makes a lot of sense." He listed a number of the recreational and ordinary support activities that make Midway "in a lot of ways . . . like a ship in the middle of the ocean."

Among those scheduled for elimination this year are the base commissary and the school, which now has about 210 students in grades one through 12. In addition, he said, the medical care facility "is probably a third again larger than we need because of the dependents."

While not all details of the plan are available, it is known that the school will be closed after the end of the regular school year. Some time after this, Fischer said, "I expect the families with kids will get orders out."

Besides the day-to-day costs of keeping dependents on Midway, there were other reasons for the decision.

One is the obvious state of disrepair of some buildings on the base (even though many are also well cared for). A glaring example of this is one enlisted barracks which, besides needing a new coat of paint, has a number of broken and boarded-up windows.

"We're looking at millions of dollars in housing replacement," Fischer said. "Can we really afford that?"

It is a question, which in a larger sense symbolizes the situation of Midway itself.

Time was when the strategic location of the atoll made its possession worth virtually any expense, in money — or lives.

In 1942, the defeat of an all-out effort to capture the islands by Japan marked the turning point of the war in the Pacific. Later, in the Cold War days of the 1950s, Midway became an important staging area for patrol planes that were part of America's early warning defense system.

Because it was assumed at that time that "people would be out here for accompanied tours (i.e. with dependents)," much of Midway's existing housing was built during those years, Fischer said.

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But in 1965, the patrol missions were canceled, out-moded by the advent of spy satellites. In addition, the development of large jet aircraft reduced Midway's value as an air refueling station — a role it had played for Pan American Airways since the 1930s.

Sitting in his office overlooking the flightline, the commanding officer said that once the dependents have gone, "we will be looking at all buildings on base . . . and we're going to tear down just as many as we can."

While its strategic importance has diminished militarily in recent years, Midway still does serve a number of useful purposes. Some military planes do use the base for refueling stops, including Coast Guard planes making regular patrols of the 200-mile fishing zone around Hawaii.

It also is the main support facility for the nearby Coast Guard signal station on Kure Atoll, home of 20 men on one-year unaccompanied tours.

And in addition to providing food and fuel to military ships, and civilian vessels in need of repairs, Midway has served as an important staging site for rescue efforts in the rough waters of that part of the Pacific.



School kids, on rainy Midway day, pass omnipresent gooney bird.



Midway from the air: Current population of 1,600 will be reduced as dependents are moved out.

Midway's People Are All Navy Now

Can 184 sailors find happiness alone on an island with 58 lady sailors? Yes, says the Navy.

More than 1,000 dependents, including the little kids whose scooters often threatened to run over the immovable gooney birds, left Midway before Sept. 1.

That's when Naval Station Midway changed names to Naval Air Facility Midway.

Some 41 civilians also left the atoll leaving only 242 men and women in blue, counting 12 officers.

The 14th Naval District checked with Moffett Field in California, now the command link to Midway, for a strength report.

As of Sunday, it will be 242 which is something below earlier Navy estimates that the population, 1,247

the Marine Corps Air Station returned home this week from its Far East deployment, and many members of the All-Hawaii recruit company flew in from San Diego via Western Air Lines for home leave, and eight F-4J Phantoms from Attack Squadron 235 at K-Bay have gone to Yuma, Ariz., to dogfight with Navy F-14s from Miramar.

At Pohakuloa to show members of the 25th Division a few tricks from their arsenal are 75 Special Forces troops from Ft. Bragg, N.C.

Robert L. Stevenson, insurance executive and former state adjutant general, bowed out as chairman of the U.S. Army Support Command Civilian Advisory Group and was handed an Army Outstanding Civilian Service Medal.

The presentation took place at Fort Shafter and banker John Bellinger moved in as the new chairman.

T. Sgt. John McMahon of 104 Kuu- lei Road, Kailua, an Air Force recruiter, needs men interested in joining an Information Squadron Flight for reservists here.

Meetings are held one night a week, no summer duty and no pay. But, the reservist gets the "H" card which opens up the PX and commissary and leads to point accumulation, which counts towards retirement pension benefits.

McMahon is looking for ex-Air Force majors or under not on active duty, or enlisted men from any branch with background in information or related fields. The work will include public relations, promotion, audio/visual speaking dates, and such. Some active duty, with pay, is possible under a volunteer program termed "manday" tours.

The Army ROTC unit at the University of Hawaii held its annual awards ceremony at Kennedy Theater last week with winners picking up citations for work in the Ranger and Recondo schools at Fort Benning, Fort Lewis and Schofield Barracks.

The Army Reserve Center in Hilo dedicated its new building named after Sgt. I.C. Minoru Kunieda who died in Korea.

Alme R. Bernard of Kaneohe has been elected a national vice commodore of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and will serve two years starting Jan. 1. The honor is a first for the auxiliary in Hawaii. Bernard is a member of Flotilla 14.

The Iroquois Housing carnival starts at 5 p.m. tomorrow for a two-day run and a country fiddler will scratch out "Foggy Mountain Breakdown," the Navy says.

The Armed Forces

By Lyle Nelson



before the dependent withdrawal, would be reduced to 343.

Moffett reports the male/female ratio is working out just fine.

The all-Navy population changes only when one of the commercial tuna boats comes in for supplies.

Lt. Gen. Leslie E. Brown will cap 38 years in the Marine Corps by retiring at 10 a.m. tomorrow on the flightline at the Kaneohe air base. His replacement as FMFPac commander will be Lt. Gen. Andrew O'Donnell.

Gen. Louis H. Wilson, the commandant who once held the same command at Halawa Heights, said Brown deserves a "salute of all Marines for your unswerving devotion and determination."

Then Wilson brought out an economic point by saying Brown managed to keep the Marines in a state of high readiness despite the drop in the value of the dollar in relation to the ascending yen.

Brown's accounting methods carried the day, Wilson said of the man who now enters the banking business in Tulsa. Brown's Marine career began as a private and included being the first Marine to fly a jet in combat.

Three more Marine items: an amphibious assault unit from the Kane-

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Life Amidst



It's detente between man and gooneys on Midway after years of trying to get rid of the birds which nest where they please, next to sidewalks, in the middle of a yard or under a hedge.—

Star-Bulletin photos by Ken Sakamoto.

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the Gooney Birds

MIDWAY ISLAND—Officially, Midway Island belongs to the U.S. Navy. Realistically, it's for the birds.

The gooney birds.

They were here long before man. They will probably be here long after he's gone.

You step from a plane for your first look at the island. The overwhelming initial impression is the concrete of the airstrip and the huge, corrugated metal hangar. Then the eye goes a little farther, to an open field next to the airstrip. The initial impression of that field tells the mind that it's an old cemetery, filled with hundreds of headstones.

Then the mind says no. Research into Midway says the island has only five graves.

Those are not headstones. They are gooney birds.

EVERYWHERE YOU GO here, if the ground isn't covered with a building or with pavement, there are gooney birds. They far outnumber the human population of 1,600—700 Navy personnel and 900 dependents. Estimates on the gooney census run up toward 200,000.

The birds build their nests right on the ground, constructing the rough equivalent of a small child's sand castle. They nest where they please, next to sidewalks, smack in the middle of a yard, under hedges. A human presence doesn't phase a gooney. The birds merely snap their beaks togeth-

er rapidly in a strange parody of applause when someone comes close.

All day long, the gooneys do their courtship dances. They rock from foot to foot and extend their beaks skyward while they emit a variety of whistling noises. Then they click beaks with each other and let out loud, peculiar moans, rather like a whoopee cushion on its last legs. Then the beaks clap again, sometimes sounding like someone running in zoris, sometimes in the more rapid mock applause. After that, there's a kind of short, mewling sound, and then that rude sighing again.

THE GOONEYS MATE for life and share the responsibilities in raising the young. They take turns sitting on the single baked-potato-sized egg in the nest, and after hatching take turns feeding their baby. They fly to the nest, regurgitate squid they have caught in the waves, and the baby pecks the squid from its parent's mouth. It is not pretty.

The birds are a navigation hazard on Midway, and over the years the Navy has tried a number of schemes to reduce the gooney population. They've tried high-frequency radio signals, roman candles, shotguns loaded with blanks, relocating birds to the Philippines, Japan and Guam, moving eggs to another atoll and beaning them with baseball bats.

Nothing worked.

One of the central problems is the gooney instinct.

Once a gooney is mature, it returns to within 10 or 12 feet of the spot where it was hatched. So the gooneys keep returning to Midway.

It's detente now, between man and gooney here. The birds are protected by law, and there's a \$500 fine and/or six months in jail for harming one.

FOR ALL THEIR NUMBERS, the birds are accepted with something resembling affection by Midway's humans, which just goes to show you that one man's infestation is another man's treat.

The Midway community is nestled among tall ironwoods and looks like a cross between a plantation camptown and military quarters.

Bicycles outnumber motorized vehicles by about the same ratio as birds to people and the population pedals about, avoiding the gooneys as they waddle across the streets.

Midway for people is like going back 10, 15 or maybe more years. It's the home of the 35-cent pack of cigarettes out of vending machines, and the 40-cent beer, also out of vending machines.

There's a bucolic quality to the town, and on a drizzly, windless day, beads of water cling to the ironwoods like frost.

This is the last year for Midway as a true community. Starting in the summer, dependents will be sent home and it will become a base strictly for Navy personnel.

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Life Amidst the Gooney

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There is a sense of impermanence on Midway, probably because of the phase-out of dependents. Some of the family housing is shabby. A couple of the barracks are downright slums. Over and over, there are broken windows and torn screens and peeling paint and mildew.

The Consolidated Club, a low blue-and-white wooden structure near the lagoon, has a dining room, bar, game room and lounge. All of it smells of mildew and popcorn.

A waitress at the club informs a customer that she can't fill his order for a glass of milk. He makes light of it, saying that it's probably better that the milk is going to a child on the base somewhere.

"THIS COMMAND IS SCREWED," says the waitress by way of unsolicited reply. "I doubt it (that a child would get the milk). They're probably all breast fed. That's the only way they're going to get it."

Actually, the waitress indulges in hyperbole. There's plenty of milk at the Navy exchange. It's no great bargain at \$1.08 a half gallon, only pennies less than Honolulu prices. The exchange looks like a fine place for groceries, except for produce. The broccoli is on the yellow side, and the celery is tan and the tomatoes are green.

As a place to live, there's a range of opinion among Midway residents.

The athletic director for the base, who moonlights as a bartender, loves it. He praises the quiet living, the lack of cars and the good fishing. He is on his second tour on Midway—voluntarily. Some of the single people assigned to Midway aren't as happy.

A trio of single women, at the absolute bottom of the heap in the Navy pecking order, have a host of complaints.

"I'm doing time here. It's like a prison," says one. "That ain't fair."

ANOTHER COMPLAINS "YOU'RE SO far away. Nothing's here. And it's filthy. A mess. Rats all over the place like you wouldn't believe."

Yet another echoes these sentiments:



"There's more animals and bugs than people."

Clustered near the center of "town" are the recreation facilities. The gym. The enlisted men's club—which is a room with pool tables, and a larger room that's a disco, all quite modern and jazzy. And there's a 12-lane bowling alley that's as spanking-new-sneazy as anything you'll see in Southern California.

At night, at the enlisted men's club, a man dressed in a sharp three-piece suit and high-heeled shoes flashes his Cartier lighter. He's obviously cultivating an image as the baddest dude on Midway. He offers an unsolicited opinion of Midway:

"It's a great place."

Outside, in the nearby square where there's a gazebo and a huge cannon, a 15-foot statue of a gooney bird dominates the scene.

Late at night, the photographer sharing a room with this writer wakes. He can't figure out why his roommate is typing in the dark. He isn't. It's merely the gooney birds outside, snapping their beaks.

—Pierre Bowman
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Birds

All day long the gooneys do their courtship dances. They rock from foot to foot and extend their beaks skyward while they emit a variety of whistling noises.



SEABEES "CAN DO"

HAPPY 36TH BIRTHDAY

There are several definitions which vary with the knowledge and perception of the definer.

Perhaps most colorful is the one given by "Spider" Rowland. "Called 'Construction Battalions' by the Navy, and 'Seabees' by the public, they can do anything up to and including stringing a telephone line, constructing a bridge, building an out-house, or repairing a cigarette lighter."

Actually, the Seabees of WWII were, for the most part, typical American artisans and professional men: plumbers, carpenters, masons, steam shovel and bulldozer operators, truck drivers, wharf builders, stevedores, engineers, architects, surveyors, draftsmen, accountants, stenographers, clerks, lawyers, teachers, preachers, doctors, dentists, cooks and bakers. It is probable that every profession, trade vocation and avocation was represented in the ranks of the Seabees. Although the Construction industry had by far the largest contingent. They were a true cross-section of the American social structure.

As WWII drew near, there was an urgent need for more overseas bases. Airfields and landing strips had to be rushed into existence on far away islands.

Under international law, civilians are not authorized to fight and could be summarily executed as guerillas. Thus, the militarized Construction Forces - the Seabees, were formed in January 1942, with March 5th the actual birthday.

Seabees served with the assault forces in almost every major in-

vasion in WWII going ashore in most cases with or directly behind the first wave of troops.

In light of the many tributes paid the Seabees during WWII by high ranking Commander of the Army and Navy and Marine Corps, it is interesting to speculate on "what made them tick?" What motivation impelled these men to establish records for achievements which induced one of their admirers to remark, "the impossible takes them a little bit longer!"

The Seabees have since demonstrated "Can Do" in two more wars Korea and Vietnam and in countless civic action programs throughout the world.

Today's modern Seabee in time of peace, exists to train a nucleus of active duty personnel around which full-scale mobilization may be effected if required, and to provide a limited force-in-being for military construction required in support of possible contingency emergency operations of a smaller scale where rapidity of response is of major consideration.

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The following letters of thanks were received by the commanding officer, of Naval Station, Midway Islands for services provided.

From the Master of the C.S. Seatrain Trenton:

Dear Sir,

I should like to thank; on behalf of my owners, myself and all my crew, all those members of Midway Rescue who assisted in the evacuation of the ship's Bosun, R. Heppenstall, on February 2.

Please convey our appreciation to the pilot, corpsman and crew of rescue helicopter No. 150962 whose skill in handling what to us on board seemed a very precarious lift, was a pleasure to watch.

Our thanks also to the men manning the Radio Station at Midway for all the help and advice we received from them throughout the operation and the trouble they went to in attempting to have our Breathing Apparatus air bottles filled for us. This also applies to the skipper and crew of the tug YTB 776 whose assistance in this matter was very much appreciated.

Last but certainly not least our thanks to the medical staff at the hospital and though at this time we have had no further news of the Bosun's condition we are sure he's in very capable hands and will hopefully be rejoining us in Japan.

I sincerely hope that I shall not have to call upon your services again but it is nice to know that should the necessity arise we only have to ask to receive assistance of the highest quality.

Yours Sincerely,
J.B. Turnbull, Master

From the 3380th Air Base Group Maintenance Personnel:

We, the 3380th Air Base Group Maintenance personnel, do appreciate the BEQ for staying open longer than normal duty hours to accommodate the "Team Spirit" movement of troops from point A to point B. As we needed a boost in the moral, as we worked 25 straight hours at the last station on our "hop", these people helped us get the old "team spirit" back. We do very much thank them for all they have done for the moral of all the maintenance people of this movement. We believe that movements would be alot easier on the maintenance people if they were greeted in more places by people like this. Once again let us thank them. We thank you.

Congratulations to these personnel mentioned in the above letters for proving that the Navy provides assistance when needed and in the highest tradition of the Navy.

COMPATWINGSPAC COMMAND MASTER CHIEF

I am pleased to announce that AVCM B.J. McMillin, USN, of VP-48 will relieve AVCM L.V. Gauvin, USN, as Command Master Chief on the 17th of March 1978.

RADM Prindle

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

It really would be an unpleasant place in which to live, this world, if all of us were alike and thought alike and believed alike. Even though we are different, all coming from different backgrounds and having different beliefs about life and ultimate reality, there is no reason that we can't live together in a spirit of love and understanding. Too often, however, many of us prefer to emphasize and dwell on the differences between us, permitting those differences to keep us from having wholesome relationships with those who look, think, believe, or act different than us.

In A Reasonable Faith, Russell J. Clinchy tells the following story involving John Frederic Oberlin, a Protestant pastor of a French village church. "One morning he rescued a Jewish peddler from a threatening mob. Taking him home, the minister placed him at the table with the rest of the family. That evening the Catholic priest came in for a chat, and the three of them - the Protestant minister, the Catholic priest, and the Jewish peddler - sat down before the fire. The mood of the evening was mellow, and the priest turned to the minister and said, 'How I wish, my friend, that you and I were of the same religion!' The minister was silent a moment, and then, putting one arm around the Catholic and the other around the Jew, he said, 'Those who love are of the same religion.'

Think about it!

The following schedule of Holy Week Services will be held at the Naval Station, March 19 through 26:

Palm Sunday - March 19
Catholic Mass 9 a.m.
Protestant Divine Service 10:30 am

Monday - March 20
Catholic Mass 11:45 am

Tuesday - March 21
Catholic Mass 11:45 am

Wednesday - March 22
Catholic Mass 11:45 am

Maundy Thursday - March 23
Catholic Mass (first Communion) 5 pm
Protestant Sacrificial Meal and
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
(in the Community Center) 6:30 pm

Good Friday - March 24
Ecumenical Service (Personnel will
be excused from work to attend on
an individual basis) 4 pm
Catholic Celebration of the Lord's
Death 6 pm



Holy Saturday - March 25
Easter Vigil and Mass of the Resurrection 11 pm

Easter Sunday - March 26
Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service
at the Chapel Point Cross in the
harbor area; dress warm. (In the
event of inclement weather the
service will be held in the Chapel)
6:30 am
Catholic Mass of the Resurrection
9 am

All services are at the Chapel
unless otherwise indicated.

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NAME THE T-SHIRT

The Navy Wives Club of America is offering a \$25 prize for the submission of a slogan. We are going to sell T-shirts for the whole island. We have a round emblem with the Goosey Birds waving 'goodbye'. Help us come up with a slogan regarding the realignment of Midway. Submit ideas with your name and work or quarters phone number. Any Navy Wives Club member will be glad to accept your effort or you may place them, (yes, you may submit more than one) in the box on the counter of BEQ Bravo. This contest will run from March 10 - 20. Make your decision quick and short. Remember the slogan has to go around the outer rim of a circle. Good luck and happy thinking!

NWCA 204 NEWS

The "Going Out of Business Sale" on Sunday was a great help to the womens clubs. We want to thank the 621st Mess Kit Repair Co. for their great organization and the opportunity to distribute all of our goodies. NWCA 204 will be having their monthly meeting March 14, in Alison Bryant's qtrs B-59, at 7 p.m. Remember you may join here and be ready for your next duty station. If you've never attended a meeting, feel free to attend and look the situation over. You might enjoy yourself or you might find it's not your "thing", but you will never know until you try it! The club has many activities planned to make life easier through the realignment.

CPO WIVES NEWS

The CPO Wives Club had their monthly meeting and voted to close down their club in July, so they still have time for activities. A coffee for all chiefs wives in the command will be held March 16, at the home of Hiroka Slaughter, qtrs 863. The time is 1-3 p.m. We have three new wives to the chiefs rate, so come and enjoy meeting them.

A LETTER FROM THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS TO THE NAVY WIVES CLUBS OF AMERICA

I take pleasure in sending greetings to the Navy Wives Clubs of America as you celebrate National Membership Month in March.

Navy Wives Clubs continue to provide an enjoyable and meaningful way for the wives of Navymen to get together with women of similar interests for social, charitable and civic activities. But Navy Wives Clubs offer more, a special camaraderie and unity of purpose that is a great strength of the Navy family.

I, personally, believe membership in NWCA is most rewarding and beneficial, and I would urge those wives who are not participants now to look into this fine organization and give serious consideration to joining. You will find it very worthwhile.

I wish the NWCA a most successful Membership Month and a most productive and meaningful year in 1978.

J. R. Holloway
J. L. HOLLOWAY III
Admiral, U.S. Navy

YARD OF THE QUARTER

The winner of the Yard Of The Quarter is LCDR and Mrs. D.W. Orhood, qtrs 416. The Orhoods will be awarded a \$25 Savings Bond donated by N.W. C.A. and the right to display the "Yard of the Quarter" sign in their yard. Presentation will be made by Captain Fischer on KNTH News 5:15 pm, Wednesday, March 15.

Honorable mentions: SE2 R.H. Aljentera, B-33; ABFI G.B. Hicks, B 30; OT3 W.G. Vasil, C-4; RM1 M.P. Deasy, C-13; BUC G. Fleming, C-32; AMSC T. Johnson, C-60; ENC E.C. Getts, C-62; A02 Baireuther, D-4; SK2 Gonzalez, D-41; PNCS J.R. Brown, 4140; YNC C.W. Carlisle, CPO-10; H.J. Lovell, 622; CW02 S.F. Lowe, J-P; G. L. Means, S-8; G.D. Moor, J-4 and K. P. Rhea, 424.

GEORGE CANNON SCHOOL NEWS

Through funds raised from various activities, the Student Council, grades 7-12, has donated a year's subscription for the BEQ lounge the following magazines: People, Time, Sports Illustrated, Readers Digest, National Geographic, and Good Housekeeping. We hope that all of you who get a chance to look at these magazines will enjoy them.

There's lots of excitement at the school these days with transfers coming in. So far two of the teachers have been assigned to Korea for next year, two to Japan, and two to the Philippines. It's going to be an exciting year for all of us for sure!!

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) was administered to our students in grades 10-12 in December. The results have just arrived and our students did exceptionally well. Each student was graded according to the National percentile by grade level, which means their scores were compared with all high school students in the U.S. A score of 90 percentile means the student scored better than 90 percent of all other high school students. The test measured the following areas: Verbal, Analytic, Quantitative, Clerical, Mechanical, Trade Technical, and Academic Ability. Grade 10 had scores ranging from 66 to 93 percentiles. Grade 11 had scores from 71 to 94 percentiles, and grade 12 had scores from 45 to 85 percentiles. It should be noted the 45 score was in the Trade Technical area with which our students have limited contact. The students did a fine job on these tests and should receive our congratulations.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent-teacher conferences for high school students, grades 7-12, will be held on Friday, March 17, at George Cannon School. Parents can come anytime between the hours of 8-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-3 p.m. Please pick up your student's report card from the following teachers: 7th grade - Mr. Elliott, rm B-8; 8th grade - Ms. Atkins, Home Ec Room; 9th grade - Mr. Graham, rm A-12; 10th grade - Mr. Rupley, rm B-7; 11th grade - Ms. Means, rm B-10; 12th grade - Ms. Means, rm B-10.

Parents will then proceed to each of their student's teachers for a conference and to have grades recorded on the report cards. Students are encouraged to accompany their parents, however, report cards will not be issued to students without their parents.

Students in grades 1-12 will not attend school on that day, March 17. All kindergarten children will attend school as usual.

GO-KART TRACK CLOSURE

The Go-Kart Track will close on March 20. The last day of operation will be March 19, so if you haven't tried the karts, come out and do so before the 20th.

NAVFAC WIVES MEETING

The NAVFAC Wives meeting will be held on March 13, at 9:30 a.m. in the home of Carol Zeeck, qtrs. C-44. More details are being given through the Call Tree. All NAVFAC wives are invited.

NEX/COMSTORE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

A meeting of the NEX/COMSTORE Advisory Board will be held March 15, at 1:30 pm in NEX Training Room.

LOG FLIGHT INFORMATION

The late arrival and departure of the Saturday log flight has been extended indefinitely. The check in of baggage will be from 12-1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday log flights will remain the same.

Also, for any sponsor's who have dependents that are foreign nationals, please ensure that they have the proper documents or I.D. cards in their possession when arriving at Hickam AFB for immigration purposes.

SAILING CLUB MEETING

The Sailing Club will hold a meeting, Tuesday, March 14, at 7 p.m. in the Sailing Boathouse.

NAVY LODGE HOUSEKEEPER WANTED

Applications are now being accepted by the Navy Exchange until March 17, at 4 p.m. for a housekeeper for the Navy Lodge, salary, \$2.87 ph. Applicants may apply at the Navy Exchange Office or call 661 during working hours.



ALL
ISLAND
GOLF
TOURNAMENT

EASTER BUNNY TO VISIT MIDWAY

The Easter Bunny is coming to Midway! NWCA, CPO and Officer's Wives Clubs are sponsoring this year's Easter Egg Hunt. Children ages 1 year old through 6th grade are eligible to participate. Prizes will be given to those who find the hidden mystery eggs.

The Easter Bunny will be here March 26th, at the Pil-As Pavilion, at 12 noon. Come and join in the fun and excitement.

ARSON CARRIES STIFF PENALTIES

Last year arson fires killed over 1,000 people, including 45 fire fighters, and caused more than 650 million dollars in property damage. The concern over the rapid increase in arson cases has resulted in new laws that require persons found guilty of arson be given a stiff penalty. In Washington state, arson in the first degree is a Class A felony. The penalty is 20 years to life in prison. It is expected the rest of the nation will soon follow suit.



CLASSIFIED ADS

4-sale, a three-wheel, 3-speed bike, \$50, call 2461 awb, 782 dwh.

4-sale, a stereo receiver SX-550, \$120; turntable TL-115, \$60, both in new condition, OTC Adair, 804 after working hours.

4-sale, an 18,000 BTU, 220 volt a/c, \$200; an 11,000 BTU, 110 volt a/c, \$150. Call 2104 after working hours.

The Gooney Dunes Golf Club is hosting an all island golf tournament on Sunday the 12th of March commencing at 1:00 P.M. Entry fee for the tournament will be \$3.00 which may be paid in advance at the golf shop. Mr. Ben Mendoza of the Windward Moving Company will be providing 9 trophies for this three flight tournament. The trophies are presently on display in the Commissary Store window. Since this will be an all island tournament those personnel desiring to participate do not have to have an established handicap but will be scored under the Callaway handicap system. Gooney Dunes members will be utilizing their established handicaps. Non-members may turn in 5 complete 18-hole scores to Cal Edwards at the Commissary Store or John Jackson at Communications if they want to establish a handicap for the tournament. As a courtesy the Gooney Dunes Golf Club will figure non-members handicaps on a one-time basis for this open tournament. Personnel desiring to participate in the tournament should sign the sign-up board located at the Clubhouse prior to 5:00 P.M. on Saturday the 11th of March. This will allow the club officials to pair foursomes and tee-off places. Beer, soda, hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided by the Gooney Dunes members for all participants.

Anyone desiring to join the Gooney Dunes Golf Club may do so by paying a \$5.00 initial fee with \$1.50 for dues for each month thereafter. With good weather fast approaching now is the time to get out and try your luck on the golf course.

WOULD YOU BELIEVE???? For GDGC members- There will be 6 tournaments during the next three months. Your Club Officials are in action!!!

"The Duffer"

FACTS ABOUT FEDERAL WILDLIFE LAWS

What can't I import?

Some of the most beautiful and interesting souvenirs that are for sale to travelers are made from the furs, hides, shells, feathers, teeth, and flesh of animals threatened with extinction. Although such souvenirs can be bought legally in many foreign countries, Federal Law makes it illegal to import them into the United States.

Endangered species.

Over 400 species of animals are officially listed as endangered. They may not be imported live, as parts of manufactured items, or as hunting trophies. Items commonly sold abroad include, whole shells, and "tortoise shell" jewelry. Rugs, pelts, and a wide variety of manufactured articles made from the skins or furs of endangered animals. Whale teeth decorated with carvings or made into figurines or jewelry. Crocodile, alligator, and sea turtle leather products.

Marine mammals.

Seals, whales, porpoises, walruses, sea otters, polar bears, manatees, and sea cows, alive or dead, or their parts or products may not be imported.

Birds or bird feathers.

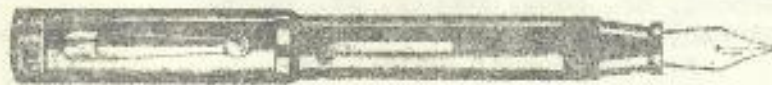
The entry of wild bird feathers, eggs, nests, mounted birds, and skins with or without feathers is prohibited by U.S. Customs law. Migratory birds are protected by treaty and may not be imported in any form. The above applies to all the birds found on Midway.

Perform a death-defying act.



Eat less saturated fat.

American Heart Association
We're Fighting For Your Life



Crossword 2

Country QUALITY CROSSWORD PUZZLES
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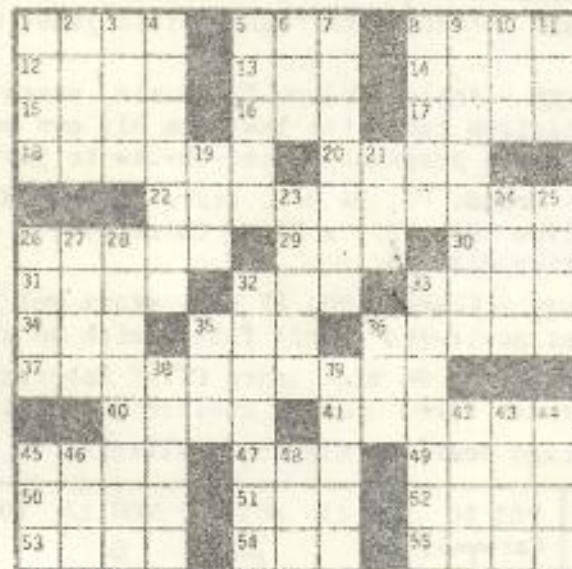
ACROSS

- 1. Declare
- 5. _____
Winston Churchill
- 8. Festive
- 12. _____ of the
Ancient Mariner
- 13. Sorrow
- 14. Highways (abbr.)
- 15. Mine entrance
- 16. _____ and
outs
- 17. Lawyers (abbr.)
- 18. Empty
- 20. Bark cloth
- 22. Admirer of
England
- 26. Charm
- 29. Before (poet.)
- 30. Bow the
head
- 31. Actor's
part
- 32. Fish eggs
- 33. Only
- 34. Contraction
- 35. Even

- (poet.)
- 36. Burdened
- 37. Fictional
sitcomy
(2 wds.)
- 40. Taken (poet.)
- 41. Buries
- 45. _____ the
Red
- 47. Likely
- 49. Stead
- 50. Trailing
plant
- 51. Born
- 52. New York
canal
- 53. Ova
- 54. Small
amount (sl.)
- 55. Trans-

DOWN

- 1. Bedouin
- 2. Baseball
pitcher
Blue
- 3. Moslem
ruler
- 4. Go back
over
- 5. Sway
- 6. Charged
atom
- 7. Renew
- 8. Diagram
- 9. Achieved
- 10. Allow
- 11. Donkey
- 19. Compass
point
- 21. Primate
- 23. Gal's name
- 24. Knowledge
- 25. Paradise
- 26. Firm hold
- 27. Roam
- 28. Warning
- 32. Leftover
- 33. Cloaks
- 35. Stereo
center
- 36. Actor
Chauncy
- 38. Runs
- 39. Located
- 42. Ireland
- 43. Bridle strap
- 44. Fat
- 45. Ms. Arden
- 46. Equipment
- 48. Legume



Answers in next week's Islander

DOUBLES PING PONG GOES TO SCHMIDT AND MOORE

The Men's Doubles Ping Pong ended with Schmidt and Moore of the Silver Eagles taking first place. PW came in second and NAVFAC took third.

BADMINTON NEXT MINOR SPORT

Badminton will start for both men and women on March 27. If anyone is interested, please contact your representatives. For the men: PW, Ellsworth; MCB-1, Davis; Silver Eagles, Gist; MMADS, Ommen; High School, Mr. Long; Supply, Mr. Parnell; NAVFAC, Salay; Mean Machine, Burks.

For the women: NAVFAC, ENS Miller; Waves, Potter; A & D Housing, C. Pacheco; B & C Housing, K. Tallieu; Officers Wives, Jan Bekelder; High School, L. Means.

WOMEN'S TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

A Women's Table Tennis Tournament will be held March 18 & 19. Call the same people except, B&C, P. Hovey.



"THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS SUMMER CASUAL!"



While you were on your recent vacation, Hixlesby, we made an interesting observation . . .

MOVIES

March 10 - 16

New Releases

- *A. HEROES - Comedy Drama, PG, 120 min, stars Sally Field, Henry Winkler. A patient with psychological problems escapes from a veteran's hospital to start a worm farm.
- *B. DEATH RAGE - Action Drama, R, 92 min, stars Yul Brynner, Martin Balsam. By killing a mafia chieftain a professional assassin will avenge his brother's death.
- D. PEEPER - Comedy, PG, 87 min, stars Michael Caine, Natalie Wood. Follow a zany private detective through traffic jams, chases and ocean-liner mob scenes.
- E. FIGHTING MAD - Action Drama, R, 88 min, stars Peter Fonda, Lynn Lowry. An outraged citizen takes the law into his own hands to bring the killers of his brother and pregnant sister-in-law to justice.
- F. ST. IVES - Drama, PG, 94 min, stars Charles Bronson, John Houseman. A former police reporter is hired to retrieve a corrupt millionaire's self incriminating diaries.
- G. SILENT MOVIE - Comedy, PG, 87 min, stars Mel Brooks, Marty Feldman. This is a silent movie (no sound) filled with an array of Brooks lunacy.
- H. SHOOT - Drama, R, 94 min, stars Cliff Robertson, Ernest Borgnine. A group of hunters are fired upon by another group starting a shoot-out.
- I. NFL - Chicago Bears vs Minnesota Vikings, 20 min.

Theater	FRI 10	SAT 11	SUN 12	MON 13	TUE 14	WED 15	THR 16
8 p.m.	Farewell	G	I/E	D	A	F	H
10 p.m.	My	B					
Cons.C.	Lovely	A	H		E	B	F

KMTH TELE-TIPS

SONG REQUESTS

By JOI Gary Gunderson

We do take song requests on KMTH AM radio. But, it is to everyone's advantage to write down the request and send or deliver it to the station. That way the D-J can work your request into an upcoming program.

The D-J is normally the only person on duty and has plenty to do reading announcements, giving the time, weather and cuing up records. The D-J must also prepare a newscast every hour. All of these things take precedence over song requests.

"Why doesn't he answer the phone? I know he's there. He's talking on the radio!"

Of course he's there but he can't answer the phone. If you feel you must phone in your request, do it during a prerecorded program not while the D-J's on the air.

SATURDAY 11 MARCH

- 10:00am Dusty's Treehouse & Cartoons
- 11:20 Wyatt Earp b/w
- 11:45 Movie: Lil' Scratch
- 1:20 pm Olympic Boxing
- 2:10 Soul Train
- 3:00 Wide World Of Sports
- 4:45 Wild Kingdom
- 5:10 Bobby Vinton b/w
- 5:35 All's Fair b/w (PG)
- 6:00 Washington Week in Review
- 6:30 Mary Tyler Moore-Murray's Father falls for Mary.
- 6:55 Variety Special: Bravo Julie (Andrews)
- 7:45 Movie: The Godchild (1974) Jack Palance-western adventure.
- 9:00 Laugh-In
- 9:50 The Protectors
- 10:20 News Update
- 10:25 Visions (PG)- two portraits of black women.
- 11:50 NBC Saturday Night-Ruth Gordon guest hosts, Chuck Berry joins in. (PG)

SUNDAY 12 MARCH

- 10:00am Clue Club/cartoons
- 10:30 The Athletes
- 10:45 Sacred Heart b/w
- 11:00 Rifleman b/w
- 11:25 Christopher Close-up
- 11:55 The Racers
- 12:15pm The Way It Was b/w Jackie Gleason Inverrary Golf Classic
- 12:45 Pro Bowler's Tour
- 2:25 Matinee: Instinct for Survival (1973) documentary of animal life contrasted with human life.
- 3:35 Panama Canal: An Opposition View
- 5:20 Star Trek
- 5:45 Bob Newhart
- 6:35 Baretta
- 7:05 Tony Randall
- 7:55 Movie: Kingfish Caper
- 8:20 Hayley Mills & David McCallum
- 9:50 News Update
- 9:55 Late Show: Last of the Buccaneers b/w
- 11:15 Religious Special: Path in the Wilderness

MONDAY 13 MARCH

- 3:05 pm General Hospital
- 3:40 Sesame Street
- 4:40 Hollywood Squares
- 5:00 Evening News
- 5:30 Native Americans
- 5:55 Truth or Consequences
- 6:20 In Search Of- voodoo
- 6:40 Starsky & Hutch-Starsky is kidnapped
- 7:30 Final Interview-Nixon/Frost
- 8:50 The Practice
- 9:15 Movie: Pursuit b/w Ben Gazzara, E.G. Marshall.
- 10:30 News Update
- 10:35 Maude (PG)
- 11:00 Love Story (PG)-series ends

TUESDAY 14 MARCH

- 3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:45 Electric Company b/w
 4:15 Body Buddies
 4:35 Wally's Workshop b/w
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 News Special:
 The Advocates
 6:25 \$20,000 Pyramid
 6:50 Hee Haw- Country
 humor with Roy Clark,
 Buck Owens & the gang
 7:40 Hawaii Five-0
 8:35 Police Story- Steve
 Lawrence guests.
 9:25 Lohman & Barkley
 (PG) comedy show
 10:15 News Update
 10:20 Movie: Three Men in
 a Boat b/w (1956)

WEDNESDAY 15 MARCH

- 3:20 pm General Hospital
 3:55 Sesame Street
 4:35 Break the Bank
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Latino Consortium
 5:55 *Navy Spotlight-
 a look at Navy ocean-
 ographers and their
 research.
 6:25 Strauss Family
 7:15 Paper Moon
 7:45 Bionic Woman
 8:35 NBC Mystery Movie:
 McCloud- McCloud stops
 a 'white slavery ring'
 where victims are sold
 to wealthy Mid-East
 clients.
 10:15 Adam's Rib
 10:40 News Update
 10:45 Bronk

THURSDAY 16 MARCH

- 3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:45 Electric Company b/w
 4:15 Price Is Right
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Information Special:
 Castro's Cuba
 6:25 The Muppets
 6:50 Six Million Dollar Man
 7:40 Charlie's Angels (PG)
 Sabrina becomes a race
 car driver.
 8:35 Rhoda
 9:00 News Update
 9:05 Movie: The Lion in
 Winter (1970) Peter
 O'Toole, Katharine
 Hepburn (PG)
 11:20 Talk About Pictures

FRIDAY 17 MARCH

- 3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:40 Sesame Street
 4:40 Hollywood Squares
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Merv Griffin
 6:45 American Documents-
 the 1930's
 7:35 Rookies
 8:30 Movie: From the Earth
 to the Moon- Jules
 Verne (1959)
 10:10 Soap (PG)
 10:35 News Update
 10:40 Jeffersons- George con-
 vinces Lionel to sign
 a financial agreement
 with Jenny.
 11:05 Late Show: The Glass
 House (PG) Truman Ca-
 pote's look at prison
 existence.

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U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE YACC CREW ON MIDWAY

Six members of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service's Young Adult Conservation Corps and their supervisor, Larry Luna, have arrived at Midway to assist the command in disease control work in the albatross population.

The crew will be assisting in fly control, vegetation control, dead bird pick-up, and banding. Station personnel can assist in the disease control effort by bagging all dead birds in the residential areas and reporting dead birds and seriously infected areas to Gary Means extension 2300, Chief Game Warden, or to the General Service Office extension 485. Your cooperation is also requested in reducing fly breeding areas around your quarters such as open trash container, dense vegetation, keeping dumpster doors closed, etc.

Some 2 to 3,000 birds (both healthy birds and infected birds that are expected to recover) will be banded in order to study survival and mortality rates. Most of the infected birds are expected to recover. However, game wardens and YACC personnel may have to dispose of badly disfigured birds for humane reasons. It should be noted that only the above individuals have the authority and training necessary to conduct the disposal.

The YACC crew will be present until at least May 5. Your cooperation and assistance to them will be greatly appreciated.

FREEDOMS FOUNDATION OPENS '78 CONTEST

Write a letter on "Why Am I In The Uniform Of My Country?"

Awards will include: \$100 U.S. Savings Bond-Series E and the Defender of Freedom Award, additional awards of \$50 U.S. Savings Bonds and the George Washington Honor Medal, plus Valley Forge Honor Certificates.

The top winners will receive a formal written announcement from the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge on Washington's Birthday, February 22, 1979.

This contest is open to all members of the Armed Forces of the US Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard and to Reserve Forces including National Guard and ROTC.

Entries should be no less than 100 or more than 500 words in length and have full name, rank, Social Security number, full military address, Service or Reserve component, full home address and zip code.

Send to: Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania 19481. The deadline is October 1, 1978.

21ST CENTURY FOX USO SHOW SCHEDULED FOR MIDWAY

Personnel who are interested in attending the USO Show "21st Century Fox" scheduled for May 7 & 8, are requested to contact their department representatives no later than May 1. The USO Show will be held in the Station Theater at 7 p.m. on both nights.

George Cannon School	
Mrs. Stinson	435
MCRD	
Mrs. Digos	391
Communications	
RMCS Jackson	871
Navy Exchange	
Mrs. Gaudet	661
Administrations	
VN2 Schieffer	541
Operations	
AN Richard	731
Commissary	
SK1 Gannan	580
NMCS Det	
BU2 Swank	623
NWSED	
AGC Garrett	517
Supply	
SKC Larosa	408
Comptroller/Disbursing	
SA Vigue	981
NAVFAC	
VN1 Weddington	307
Medical/Dental	
HM3 Damon	614
Public Works	
AMCS Berger	458
KMTH	
J01 Gunderson	330

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Friends are among the most important treasures one can have in a lifetime. Someone has said that "to have a friend, you must be a friend". The truth of that statement is obvious. For some folks, friends are to be used for themselves. Others do in fact, look upon friends as rare treasures and do their best to hold on to the relationships. Each person must evaluate what kind of friends they will be.

Leslie D. Weatherhead tells of two soldiers who became fast comrades during World War I. When, after an unsuccessful night sortie, one of them was missing, the second youth heard a

cry from no man's land. His commanding officer granted permission for a rescue attempt, but added, "It's not worth it. Your friend is probably dead by this time, and you will throw your life away." The attempt was immediately made. When, some time later the rescuer returned, he was dragging the body of his dead comrade, and he himself was mortally wounded. Looking up to his commanding officer he said with joy, "Sir, it was worth it. When I reached him, he looked up and said to me, 'I knew you'd come.'"

Jesus once said, "The greatest love a person can have for his friends is to give his life for them." (John 15:13) Seldom are we called upon to make a radical sacrifice for those we love. However, we could be alot more unselfish in our relationships. Give some thought to the kind of friendships you have and to the kind of friend you are!

GEORGE CANNON

The ecology class at George Cannon High has completed a survey begun in November to determine the number of nesting albatrosses on Sand Island. The students marked off one quarter acre plots in all the areas of the island and counted all the nests in each area. The average number of nests per plot was 65.4.

The next problem was to calculate the total number of acres available for nesting out of Sand Island's 1,205 acres. The parts of the island taken up by buildings, roads, runways, taxiways, and other paved areas was determined with the help of Public Works. Out of the 1,205 acres, 591.5 acres may be used by the nesting birds.

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ELEPHANT SEAL, EAGLE COME FROM FAR AWAY

Unique Visitors Arrive by Air, by Sea

By Helen Altom - Star-Bulletin
 Writer (Reprinted by permission
 of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin).

Two unique creatures recently turned up in the Hawaiian Island chain, one traveling at least 3,500 miles by sea and another arriving by air, possibly from the Siberia region.

They are an elephant seal, discovered on Midway, and a sea eagle which apparently was blown onto Kure Atoll by a storm.

Hawaii has native monk seals but the elephant seal is the first identified in the Hawaiian Islands since 1825, said George H. Balazs, University of Hawaii research biologist.

A golden eagle was spotted flying over Kauai in 1967 and was reported still soaring there in 1976. But no sea eagles have been sighted in Hawaii until now.

BALAZS IS AN authority on turtles and has been conducting a three year survey of the turtle population in Hawaiian waters, including the remote Leeward chain.

He happened to be on Midway last month for his research project and was told a seal had come up on the beach.

He said it's very rare to see any seal on the Navy-occupied island, but this one stayed 10 days.

It was thought at first to be a monk seal, but Balazs saw that it was an immigrant elephant seal when Gary Means, honorary game warden on Midway, took him to look at it.

Balazs said an early sailing explorer reported seeing "sea elephants and sea leopards" at Pearl and Hermes Reef and Kure Island in the last century "but most people thought it was a mistake or misidentification...."

"WITH THIS report (of the Midway seal) I wonder if he did make a mistake?" Balazs said.

He said elephant seals don't get their name because of their size, although males can get up to a couple tons. The name comes from their upper nose, which gets very long and curls over, he explained.

"But the female doesn't get near that big and doesn't have that nose," Balazs said.

The Midway seal was a northern species, which breed in the Channel Islands off California and at Guadalupe off Baja, California.

She was a young female and appeared in good shape, although she had some superficial wounds, Balazs said. "She was sleeping on the beach most of the time there. She seemed to be exhausted and was getting a long sleep."

HE SAID THE seal had a tag with numbers on it and he called John Naughton, biologist with the National Marine Fisheries Service in Honolulu, in hopes of finding out where it had originated.

Naughton checked with the Northwest Fisheries Center in Seattle and learned the seal had been tagged by the center's biologists at San Miguel Island in February 1977.

Their reaction was, "Oh, wow!" Naughton said.

"The only strays they have gotten from tag returns have been off the Aleutians. . . But this was a young female (on Midway) - maybe they are more adventuresome," he said.

He said elephant seals at one time may have ranged throughout the Pacific. "They were very docile and could have been exterminated rapidly."

ELEPHANT SEALS were slaughtered for oil in the 1800s and their population fell to as few as 20 animals.

(Continued page 3, see Visitors.)

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

OLD AND NEW DEVILS

As Christians we believe that Christ has delivered us from the darkness of original sin to bring us into the light of his grace and friendship. It's the beginning of a relationship that can grow and develop all through life, and then is fulfilled when he calls us to himself.

But the devils we rejected at our baptism are insidious and persistent in trying to plague us over and over again. There are several modern tricky devils about whom we should be especially vigilant and on guard.

The first devil is that of rugged individualism, because in its selfishness it fails and often refuses to love all men as Christ loved us.

Another devil is materialism, which considers the accumulation of material possessions as the ultimate goal of man's destiny, this devil very often becomes increasingly unconcerned and callous about the needs of people around us.

Allied to these two is the devil of indifference making the Christian unaware of the reality around him, and unconcerned with anything but his own goals and priorities.

And then there is the devil of smug complacency. He makes the Christian feel that simply because he has been baptized a Christian his eternal salvation is assured and nothing more need to be done except to fulfill the letter of the law.

This last devil is usually the first one to get in, and then he quietly and subtly allows the rest to enter.

Let us turn to the Lord in confidence and trust. Let us thank him for the privilege of belonging to him. Let us seek Him and serve Him above all things.

Sincerely your Chaplains,
John Grove - Bernard Blasich

BOATING

All boaters are reminded that the helicopters have been transferred off the Island, leaving the Station with no air search capability. While all possible resources will be utilized if a SAR is required, the lack of aircraft seriously reduces the effectiveness of a search. Accordingly, boaters are encouraged to ensure that all equipment is maintained in excellent condition. This is particularly important for boats operating outside the reef. Motors and radios, especially, should be checked at regular intervals and before each launching.

SAFETY

If any doubt exists about their operational capability, DON'T GO. All boats must return and close out their float plans one hour before sunset. If operating outside the reef, it is recommended that you return to the vicinity of the channel entrance at least two hours before sunset, or earlier if weather conditions dictate, the probability of locating a disabled boat after sunset is almost zero. Again, keep all equipment in a good state of repair, use sound judgement, keep an eye on the weather, and have a safe and happy boating season.

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MIDWAY MINUTES

By Bettie D. Siebuhr

The monthly board meeting of the NWCA will be held May 2, at Allison's Bryant's quarters, B-59, at 7 p.m.

The typo in last week's article is two-fold. I made a mistake on Mrs. Stinson's name, it's Billie, not Jackie. My re-typist put Chief Stinson in San Diego, he really is and was on Midway. What we were supposed to say is that he was at the club being initiated.

The Kiddie Movie has arrived for Saturday, April 29, at 1 p.m. The movie is Walt Disney's Treasure Island. I hope the kiddies leave a seat for me - I love "lollipoppers". IT'S FREE!

The President of CPO Wives would like to invite all of the Chief's wives to the monthly coffee. This month it will be at the home of Judy Simmons, #451, on May 16, 1-3 p.m. Every wife of a CPO is cordially invited and expected, so get off the beach, out of the ceramic shop, drop the groceries and come and have a social time with all of the CPO Wives.

The Nursery has the tickets for the fishball they are raffling, so if anyone missed getting a ticket, just drop in and buy it.

VISITORS

But Naughton said the population has been growing under federal protection and the animals may be ranging to their original islands.

"It would be extremely interesting if it (the Midway seal) gets back to its rookery (at San Miguel). It would be an indication she knew what she was doing, and wasn't just lost," he said.

Just before leaving for Midway, Balazs received a call from the commander of the Coast Guard Loran Station on Kure with the startling information that "an eagle took up residency there in early February."

So he went on to Kure from Midway to get a look at it and continue his work on turtles.

HE CAME HOME and went to the books to try and identify the eagle. He believes it's an immature Steller's sea eagle, which breeds on the coastal area of the Bering and Okhotsk Seas and in Kamchatka in Siberia, and is distinguished by a yellow bill.

He said the Kure visitor has a prominent yellow beak and yellow, featherless legs.

He said it was probably blown off track during a storm because Coast Guard officials said it was soggy and beat up when it landed on Kure.

But he said it appears to have

recovered nicely from its harrowing journey - and is feasting on gooney birds (black-footed and Laysan albatrosses).

"IT'S ALMOST like an eagle paradise for him," Balazs commented. He said thousands of gooneys are on Kure now breeding and raising their young.

"If the eagle stays alive during the next six months or so, somebody ought to think seriously about what's going on," he said, questioning the effects of the eagle's diet on the gooney bird population.

Kure Atoll is part of the City/County of Honolulu and technically under the jurisdiction of the state Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Balazs reported the eagle to Ron Walker, state wildlife chief, and will provide him with information and photographs so he can try to identify it positively.

Adding to the excitement of the elephant seal and eagle, Balazs captured six green turtles on Midway and nine on Kure, and in each batch was a turtle which had been tagged in his research to monitor their travels and growth rate.

"I was very fortunate," he said.

His research is funded by the state marine affairs coordinator and the National Sea Grant Program.

COMMISSARY STORE INFORMATION

The Commissary Store on Midway will close on July 15. Until that time, all those items that are currently being carried will continue to be carried. This is not to say certain items may not appear on the shelf from time to time, but with your patience and cooperation, they will be on the next ship or possibly the next log flight. Over the past several weeks, we have even seen new items on the line, liver and most recently ice cream. The ice cream received this past week was on a trial basis to make sure there was no melting and there wasn't, so expect to see ice cream, solid and with a bit of variety.

On July 18, a Commissary Store Annex will open. The Annex will carry only the basic items to supplement your menu, see below list. There will also be limited chill and freeze items and limited dry provisions. The option to special order items by case lot, will be available. These items will be flown out on Mac log flights for timely delivery. The Commissary Store Annex will close on August 25.

ITEMS TO BE CARRIED

MEAT	PRODUCE
T-Bone Steak	Apples
Round Steak	Oranges
Porterhouse Steak	Lettuce
Sirloin Tip Steak	Tomatoes
Pork Chop	Potatoes
Rump Roast	
Chicken	DAIRY
Ham	Milk
	Cheese
BAKERY	Cottage Cheese
Bread (3-types)	Yogurt
Donuts	Whipping Cream
Rolls	Sour Cream
Small Snak Pies	Eggs

NEX HOURS OF OPERATION

The hours of operation for the Main Retail Store and the Convenience Store will be modified as follows on May 2:

Main Store Tues-Sat 10 am - 2 pm
 Convenience Store Tues-Sat 10 am thru 6 pm Sun, Mon, Holidays 12-6 pm

All other hours of operations for NEX activities remain unchanged.



ST PAUL'S PARISH POT LUCK SUPPER

St. Paul's Parish will be having it's last Pot Luck Supper on Friday, May 12, at 6:30 in the Community Center. All the members of the Catholic Community - young and old - married or single are invited to attend. The families are being asked to bring along a dish or two for the supper. Please call Cathy Daugherty at 2246, or Bea Kubal at 775 to let them know what you plan to contribute. Please be sure and join us in the Community Center on the 12th.

Personal

Happy 25th birthday, sweetie.
 Anonymous



"IT HAPPENED RIGHT AFTER HE FILLED IT UP WITH ANTI-FRECKLE."

CRAFT FAIR CANCELLED

Due to lack of response the All Island Craft Fair scheduled for April 29, has been cancelled.

SPRING POTPOURRI CONCERT

The fifth and sixth grade choir of George Cannon School will present their spring concert entitled "Spring Potpourri" on Wednesday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Base Chapel. All island residents are invited to attend this final concert.



* U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE YACC CREW ON MIDWAY

Six members of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service's Young Adult Conservation Corps and their supervisor, Larry Luna, have arrived at Midway to assist the command in disease control work in the albatross population.

The crew will be assisting in fly control, vegetation control, dead bird pick-up, and banding. Station personnel can assist in the disease control effort by bagging all dead birds in the residential areas and reporting dead birds and seriously infected areas to Gary Means extension 2300, Chief Game Warden, or to the General Service Office extension 485. Your cooperation is also requested in reducing fly breeding areas around your quarters such as open trash container, dense vegetation, keeping dumpster doors closed, etc.

Some 2 to 3,000 birds (both healthy birds and infected birds that are expected to recover) will be banded in order to study survival and mortality rates. Most of the infected birds are expected to recover. However, game wardens and YACC personnel may have to dispose of badly disfigured birds for humane reasons. It should be noted that only the above individuals have the authority and training necessary to conduct the disposal.

The YACC crew will be present until at least May 5. Your cooperation and assistance to them will be greatly appreciated.

FREEDOMS FOUNDATION OPENS '78 CONTEST

Write a letter on "Why Am I In The Uniform Of My Country?"

Awards will include: \$100 U.S. Savings Bond-Series E and the Defender of Freedom Award, additional awards of \$50 U.S. Savings Bonds and the George Washington Honor Medal, plus Valley Forge Honor Certificates.

The top winners will receive a formal written announcement from the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge on Washington's Birthday, February 22, 1979.

This contest is open to all members of the Armed Forces of the US Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard and to Reserve Forces including National Guard and ROTC.

Entries should be no less than 100 or more than 500 words in length and have full name, rank, Social Security number, full military address, Service or Reserve component, full home address and zip code.

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

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Leslie D. Weatherhead tells of two soldiers who became fast comrades during World War I. When, after an unsuccessful night sortie, one of them was missing, the second youth heard a

cry from no man's land. His commanding officer granted permission for a rescue attempt, but added, "It's not worth it. Your friend is probably dead by this time, and you will throw your life away." The attempt was immediately made. When, some time later the rescuer returned, he was dragging the body of his dead comrade, and he himself was mortally wounded. Looking up to his commanding officer he said with joy, "Sir, it was worth it. When I reached him, he looked up and said to me, 'I knew you'd come.'"

Jesus once said, "The greatest love a person can have for his friends is to give his life for them." (John 15:13) Seldom are we called upon to make a radical sacrifice for those we love. However, we could be alot more unselfish in our relationships. Give some thought to the kind of friendships you have and to the kind of friend you are!

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FOWL DISEASE—Hundreds of gooneys on Midway have died with a pox virus.

Pox Threatens Gooney Birds

By Helen Alton
Star-Bulletin Writer

A virus similar to the one that causes small pox in humans and pox infections in domestic animals has killed hundreds of gooney birds on Midway

Island.

Dr. Milton Friend, the top man in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's National Disease Laboratory in Wisconsin, flew to Midway recently to inspect the bird population and collect specimens.

H.A. Hansen, Fish and Wildlife director in Honolulu, said Friend identified the disease and the method of transmission.

He said the fowl pox is confined to a rather small area on Sand Island, one of two islands comprising Midway, but a high percentage of chicks is infected.

In a report on his findings, Friend said the particular virus is called Avian Pox and only affects birds. "Neither man or any domestic mammals, such as dogs, are in danger of becoming infected from the birds," he said.

He said it appears that flies are spreading the disease on Midway, with the infection primarily occurring behind the hangars.

HE SAID, "The problem is presently confined to the chicks and many of these birds are severely infected and will have to be destroyed."

Friend reported that the area where the problem is most severe has a lot of vegetation that supports flies, and fly control is necessary to help stop the spread of the disease.

He said the duration of the disease in the birds can be as long as a year but birds that survive "will become immune in the same manner as small pox vaccination protects man from small pox."

Hansen said a crew of Young Adult Conservation Corps members will be sent to Midway from Honolulu to dispose of the dead and seriously diseased birds, to improve the habitat and remove some of the growth for environmental control.

Although the albatross is not an endangered bird species, Hansen said, "it is a desirable and important member of the marine fauna," and the outbreak is "a serious problem."

But, he added, "We expect this to run its course. Looking back through history out there, it appears that it has happened before, but only reached epidemic proportions once."

AVIAN POX INFECTING GOONEYS

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The infection is primarily localized in the area behind the hangers, although, small numbers of infected birds have been seen elsewhere on the island. A check of Eastern Island failed to disclose any infected birds at that location. The problem is presently confined to "chicks" and many of these birds are severely infected and will have to be destroyed. Blindness, deformed bills and inability to feed will result in these birds dying a slow death from starvation even if they survive the infection.

Avian pox virus can't penetrate unbroken skin, therefore, small abrasions are necessary for the virus to infect the birds. Those abrasions occur in the young during feeding by the adults. The sharp, hard bills of the adult inflict small wounds around the eyes and on the soft bill of the chick as the young bird attempts to feed from the mouth of the parent. These abrasions then become focal points for the virus to enter the body. As the infection spreads and the pox grows, flies feeding on the open wounds pick up the virus on their feet and mouth parts. These flies then transmit the virus to other birds when they land on them.

The area where the problem is most severe has a large amount of high ground cover (vegetation) that protects the flies from the wind and allows them to feed on the birds with greater ease than in the more open areas. Control of the problem at this time will need to involve fly control. A reduction in the amount (density and height) of vegetation would also be helpful, but this will be difficult due to the presence of the birds. It will also be necessary to selectively destroy the badly infected birds since they are constant source of infection for other birds, they will eventually die, and upon death their carcasses will become fly-blown and the resulting fly population will continue to perpetuate the problem.

The incubation period of the virus in the bird varies from 1 week to 1 month, therefore, many birds that have already been infected still will develop pox lesions. Also, the duration of the disease in the birds can be as long as a year. Birds that survive will become immune in the same manner as small pox vaccination protects man from small pox.

This article was prepared by Dr. Milton Friend from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

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AVIAN POX DISEASE SPREADING

The Avian Pox disease that is infecting the Albatross fledgings has now spread over most of the islands' inhabited areas.

To curb further spread of the disease several things must be done by all island residents:

Pick up and bag all dead birds (fledgings and adults). These bags will be picked up daily.

Make sure all materials that attract flies are placed in closed containers and not scattered about your yard or the island.

Do not go to Eastern Island wearing clothing or shoes that have been worn around the birds on Sand Island, as this spreads the virus.

Report seriously infected fledgings (ones in which the eyes have been destroyed) to Security, ext. 565. Records are being kept of infected areas and periodically seriously diseased birds will be picked up and destroyed by the game wardens.

Do your part to help preserve the well being of Midway's unique wildlife resources.

VACATING GOVERNMENT QUARTERS ON MIDWAY

Due to the government quarters not being reoccupied, certain requirements in regards to cleaning will not be required. The following is a list of instructions for cleaning when you vacate your quarters:

Floors must be swept and mopped; all appliances are to be thoroughly cleaned (range, refrigerator, freezer, washer and drier); all the furniture should be cleaned and dusted; thoroughly clean and remove all stains from the kitchen sink, toilet bowl and bathtub; clean out all drawers and cabinet spaces; all dresser drawers, chest of drawers, end tables, drawers, etc., are to be cleaned; take down all fences and any man made object that could hamper bird nesting.

Amplifying instructions will be furnished by the housing manager when they come up.



have a
nice weekend



21ST CENTURY FOX USO SHOW SCHEDULED FOR MIDWAY

Personnel who are interested in attending the USO Show "21st Century Fox" scheduled for May 7 & 8, are requested to contact their department representatives no later than May 1. The USO Show will be held in the Station Theater at 7 p.m. on both nights.

George Cannon School	
Mrs. Stinson	435
MCRD	
Mrs. Bigos	391
Communications	
RMCS Jackson	871
Navy Exchange	
Mrs. Gaudet	661
Administrations	
VN2 Schieffer	541
Operations	
AN Richard	731
Commissary	
SKJ Garman	580
NMCR Det	
BU2 Swank	623
NWSED	
AGC Garrett	517
Supply	
SKC Larosa	408
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SA Vigue	981
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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

THE WORD OF GOD

One of the greatest gifts God has given us is the power of speech, or communication. Through words and gestures we can tell others our thoughts, our feelings, our hopes, our joys and sorrows. What we say to others in words can completely change their attitude toward us, and establish a new relationship.

God's word for us is found in Sacred Scripture, in the Bible; a word that we indeed can and should read every day. Through his word, God tells us of himself, his thoughts and his desires for us. Through his word God wants to establish a special relationship with us, a relationship of love. God's word has a real power to accomplish a change within us. God tells us in Scripture: "My word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, accomplishing the end for which I sent it."

God's word, however, will not produce its effect in us without our cooperation. We must try to listen to God's word actively and attentively and diligently apply it to ourselves. We need to do this because of God's warning to us, "My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are my ways your ways."

Perhaps we need a change of heart, a complete turning of ourselves toward God. Through the Scriptures, we have a way of knowing what our change of heart should be. Let us read God's word in Scripture today and everyday. Let us pray that through the faithful and diligent reading and reflecting on the Scriptures our thoughts may indeed become God's thoughts, and our ways, his ways.

Sincerely, your Chaplains
John Grove, Bernard Blasich

My ever present friend
He's my ever-present friend -
When I need a shoulder to
lean to,
He's always there.
When I need a hand to
guide me,
He's always there.
When I need someone to
talk to,
He's always there.
He's my ever-present friend -
When I need comforting,
He's always there.
When I need reassurance,
He's always there.
When I need forgiveness,
He's always there.
He's my ever-present friend.
Who is, most of all,
My Lord and Savior.

-Laurie Potter-

VISIT WASHINGTON D.C. WITH THE HELP OF THE USO

Summer is a wonderful time to visit your Nation's Capital, Washington, D.C. Free outdoor events are numerous and major sights have extended evening hours.

To make your visit extra special and hassle-free, contact the Washington, D.C. USO before you go. They will send you prompt information on military discount hotels and motels, how to get around the city, and schedules of special daily attractions. They can suggest good restaurants to suit your tastes and budget, as well as night life and family events.

Let the USO help you plan your itinerary to save time and steps, and be sure to ask about the V.I.P. tour of the White House.

Simply write:

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COL. WALNUT?! NO!

It's private Goober In Disguise!!

Despite the peanut's current political publicity, Americans are eating less peanut butter, the end product of half the edible peanuts produced in the United States.

As meat prices have leveled off in recent years, consumers have been relying less on peanut butter for protein. About 822 million pounds of the spread were consumed in 1976, 56 million pounds less than in 1973 when meat prices peaked.

Declining Market

Zero population growth has caused a shortage of peanut butter's best customers—children, says the Agriculture Department. And adults, peanut butter's other constituency, have been cutting peanut butter from their diets, as more calorie-conscious grownups take into account that peanut butter is about 40 per cent fat.

Another reason for declining consumption is that Americans are eating more and more meals away from home, says the National Geographic Society, and people just don't go to a restaurant and order a peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

But at least two peanut butter sandwiches were eaten out in 1977, according to the maitre d' at an elegant French



restaurant near the White House which featured the sandwich speciality on Inauguration Day. The menu listed two varieties: plain, for

\$7.75; and French style (with parsley), for \$10.50.

To offset the downturn in peanut butter sales, peanut processors are disguising peanuts as walnuts, almonds, and pecans. The fake nuts, made by removing the peanut's oil and replacing it with synthetic flavoring, cost a lot less than the nuts they are made to imitate.

Concerned about the U.S. peanut surplus, the Agriculture Department is pushing peanut butter abroad. Companies in Great Britain are turning American peanuts into English peanut butter, and American-made peanut butter is being shipped to Japan, where it is reprocessed into a sweeter, creamier spread to suit Japanese tastes.

26% Protein

Originally concocted by a St. Louis doctor seeking a nutritious, easily-digested food for his patients, peanut butter is an excellent source of protein, and rich in vitamin B, phosphorus, thiamine, and niacin. Because it is high in food value, peanut butter has traveled to outer space with astronauts on Mercury and Apollo missions, and has gone under the ocean in U.S. Navy Sealab experiments.

Credit card liabilities explained

Credit cards have become a convenience. Many businesses even prefer that their customers use a credit card instead of cash when paying for a purchase since it means that large amounts of money will not be held in the store.

But a credit card must be considered as a form of money by the holder and must be protected with the same care that you would take if it actually were paper money or coin.

You do have help. Federal laws are at work protecting the rights and liabilities of the credit card holder.

Along with other members of today's society, Navy men and women use many different credit cards daily to purchase everyday items such as gas or clothing as well as to pay for motel-hotel rooms and other services while traveling on vacation, temporary duty assign-

ments, or a permanent change of station.

As the use of credit cards has expanded over the last decade, so has the unauthorized use of credit cards that have been lost or stolen. In some instances, credit card holders have been held liable by the card-issuing agency for thousands of dollars of charges that were run up on stolen credit cards.

This led Congress to amend the Truth in Lending Act in October, 1970, to include certain provisions relating to the liability and issuance of credit cards.

Issuance No one can be issued a credit card unless he or she asks for it. This prohibition does not apply to the issuance of a credit card in renewal of, or in substitution for, an accepted card. An "accepted credit card" is one which the holder has requested and received, signed and used for the purpose of obtain-

ing money, property, labor or services on credit.

Liability In the event of the loss or theft of a credit card, you are liable only:

- if the card was an accepted one;

- for an amount not in excess of \$50;

- if you had been notified previously of the potential \$50 liability (This means that the card issuer must have given you a printed notice which set forth the pertinent facts clearly and conspicuously.);

- if you have been provided with a self-addressed pre-stamped notification or mail to the card issuer in the event of the loss or theft of your credit card;

- if unauthorized use occurs before you notified the card issuer of the loss or theft.

Credit is a convenience, but it's important that you don't abuse it.

MARINE DUMP RESTRICTED AREA

The command reminds all personnel and all civilians that the Marine Dump is restricted. Access is limited to those with the authority and the need to enter the area. Everyone is put on notice that regardless of the condition of the items discarded at the dump they remain the property of the United States Government. Unless made available pursuant to government regulation, this property must be left where it is.

Members of the military are subject to punishment as provided by the UCMJ, for wrongfully taking, obtaining or withholding from the government any of the property including home furnishings subject to disposal. Every person on Midway, whether military or civilian, is subject to federal prosecution for taking any of the property now being discarded.

The law which forbids the theft of government property also makes it a crime to knowingly and without authority convert government property to your own use or the use of another, sell government property or receive, conceal, or retain it with the intent to use it or derive gain from it. If convicted, a violator can be fined \$10,000 and imprisoned for 10 years.

As far as the Navy and the U.S. Government are concerned, there is no gray area when it comes to property and its disposal. Unless and until the authority is received for making the property now being disposed of, or discarded, available to the public it must be turned in and must not be reclaimed from the Marine Dump or any other area. Violations should be reported to Public Works or Security.

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At Christmas and Easter I have found it meaningful to pull out an old Christmas card that has been worth saving over the years. The content of the card is an anonymous statement of nineteen sentences and which goes by the simple title, "One Solitary Life". I hope that repeating this simple statement here will help you put some things in perspective as you try to fit Easter into your life.

He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in still another village, where he worked in a carpenter shop until he was thirty. Then for three years he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never had a family or owned a house. He didn't go to college. He never visited a big city. He never traveled two hundred miles from the place where he was born. He did none of the things one usually associates with greatness.

He had no credentials but himself. He was only thirty-three when the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends ran away. He was turned over to his enemies and went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While he was dying, his executioners gambled for his clothing, the only property he had on earth. When he was dead, he was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend. Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today he is the central figure of the human race and the leader of mankind's progress.


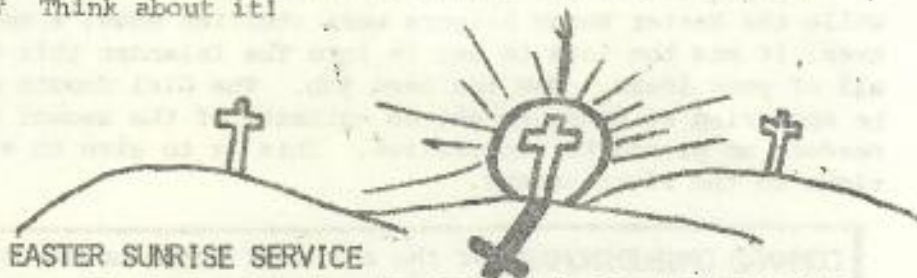
All the armies that ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the parliaments that ever sat, all the kings that ever reigned put together, have not affected the life of man on this earth as much as that ONE SOLITARY LIFE.

One question remains to be answered - to what extent has this one solitary life affected your life? Think about it!

**Give
till it
helps.**



**Red Cross
is counting
on you.**

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

On Easter Sunday, March 26, the last Easter Sunrise Service to include families on Midway Island will be held at the Harbor Cross at 6:30 a.m. Midway is the last location each year to have a sunrise service due to the proximity of the International Dateline. Your participation in this service will help to make this year's a memorable event! Bus service will be available at the chapel at 6 a.m. making as many trips as is necessary to accommodate those attending the Sunrise Service. This service will also be available following the worship service for those who wish to return to the chapel. Also, the Jack and Jill Nursery will be available from 6 a.m. and will be free for those who attend the sunrise service. It is recommended that those who attend the service dress in warm clothing. In case of bad weather, the service will be held at the chapel.

WIVES CLUB NEWS

The CPO Wives had a delightful coffee for the new chief's wives. On Thursday, March 16, at Hiroka Slaughter's house we were treated to Japanese delicacies and more food than you could believe. The new wives, Mickey Procopio, Sue Gish and Masako Washilewsky, received hats and corsages (made by 'our artist in residence' Jo Cornelison). With such a great welcoming, I'm sure these ladies will enter the activities for CPO's from this day forth.

On March 17, the CPO Association took their wives to a St. Patrick's Day dinner-dance. Like alot of people I don't like corn beef and cabbage but it was so delicious the plate was clean and the dessert was outstanding. It appears to be the biggest crowd at the function for CPO's since I've been here and everyone enjoyed themselves immensely. Thanks go to the Chiefs and Chief Johnson as Aloha chairman, Sue Johnson and her committee for the lovely decorations. She had a good working committee and it showed. I've never seen so many shamrocks! Speaking of decorations, there was a Hallmark Leprechaun in the coat room and on Sunday it was gone. That was a personal item borrowed for the event, so would the person that removed it please return it to the club - how about just leaving it on the bar? I'll even thank you in advance!

This is a very busy week on the island, with First Communion, vacation and the BIG Easter Egg Hunt. So BMCS Cooke (that 'S' is new) welcomed his sister from New York City on March 21st. For the next ten days we have another Cooke aboard. Welcome to Midway, Barbara Cooke!

The Navy Wives Club (NWCA) are having a donut/coffee sale on payday. We'll be in front of the Exchange by 8:30 a.m. with lots of home made donuts, so take your coffee break with us.

This may be hard to believe but the club welcomed FIVE new members this month. Since we're the only club in the Navy that transfers members we welcome members right up to the day they board the plane from here.

Our Gooney Bird jewelry order will be sent in March 31st, so anyone on the island that hasn't had the opportunity to order, call Carmen Hoffman. We've tried to show the jewelry to everyone, but if we missed you, you still have an opportunity.

Many great slogans were received for the T-shirts and Wednesday night while the Easter Bunny helpers were stuffing eggs, a selection was made, however, it was too late to get it into The Islander this week. Thank you for all of your ideas. Now the hard job. The Girl Scouts and NWCA members will be appearing at doors to get an estimate of the amount and sizes of T-shirts needed, so please be cooperative. This is to give us a guide line on ordering close to the right amount.

COMMAND OMSBUDSWOMAN for the enlisted wives is Amy Rogers, extension 2231.

NURSERY BOARD MEETING

The Nursery Board met and would like to introduce the island to the new manager, Glenda Tedford. Policy of price remains the same - 60¢ for one child per hour, 90¢ for two, and \$1.05 for three children. The Nursery is a non-profit organization and receives no federal funds. The usual hours are 7:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. and the new manager need only be contacted to arrange to have the nursery open evenings or for special events. Two new attendants have been hired and the board, chaired by Jo Anne Cooke, established a policy of

'tagging' the children with their names on them, tighter control of the children within the nursery and a general clean-up of the premises.

All parents that leave children in the Nursery will be contacted within the next week toward a fund raising activity. The Nursery is in the black only a month behind, so it was decided to take care of this problem. There is a new suggestion box which is yielding some fine suggestions, so feel free to add your two cents and help give your children the best possible care.

EASTER BUNNY IS COMING TO MIDWAY!!!

The Easter Bunny is coming to Midway, March 26, at 12 noon at the Fil-Am Pavillion. The NWCA, CPO and Officer's Wives Clubs are sponsoring this years Easter Egg Hunt. Children ages 1 year old to 6th grade are eligible to participate. Prized will be given to those who find the hidden mystery eggs.

GOONEY DUNES GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Gooney Dunes Golf Club will be having a "Three Club Tournament" tomorrow commencing at 1 p.m. This tournament will be for Gooney Dunes Members only and all members should have received a flyer giving all details.

IRO CLOSED APRIL 6 - 12

The Industrial Relations Office will be closed April 6-12. Please take care of all your business before this period.

SPECIAL SERVICES INVENTORY

All Special Services retail facilities will be closed for inventory, March 29, through March 31. The Golf Course, Bowling Alley and woodshop will remain open during their normal hours, but no retail merchandise will be sold. The Hobby Shop and Ceramics Shop will be closed to all patrons.

O'BEACH PAVILLION RESERVATIONS

The O'Beach Pavillion may be reserved by any Crest & Anchor Club member by calling the club at ext. 427. The persons reserving the pavillion will be responsible for proper clean up of the area when finished with the pavillion.

CLASSIFIED ADS

4-sale, two 11,000 BTU a/c, \$100 each; a new marine CB antena, \$40, call 2400 anytime.

4-sale, a 15,000 BTU a/c, call Harry or Larry at 449 dwh.

Lost, a fielders mitt. Dirty blue with an R inside a big yellow circle, inside the web, has name on thumb. If found contact BUCN Trotter at work, 446/408/413.

SPECIAL ISLANDER DEADLINE

The deadline for articles for the March 31, issue of The Islander, will be Monday, March 27, at 4:30 P.M.

THANK YOU FROM THE SEABEES

The Seabees of Midway would like to extend their thanks to all personnel responsible for making the 1978 Seabee Ball a great success. We wish to extend special thanks to the staff of the Crest & Anchor Club, to the Operations Department for standing our watches, and to Al Onyika for baking and decorating our birthday cake. Well Done.

Congratulations to the 1978 Seabee Queen and Court on their selection during the Ball: Seabee Queen, Ms. Laurie Potter; the Court, Mrs. Susan Tihista, Ms. Debbie Martinez, Mrs. Jane Salosa, Ms. Lynn Denton.

SS BOAT HOUSE OPENS APRIL 1

The Special Services Boathouse is scheduled to open on April 1. Operating hours will be 8 am until 6 pm, Saturday and Sunday, and 12 noon until 6 pm, Friday and Monday. A new facility located at the inner harbor, the boathouse offers Boston Whalers for rent at \$1.75 ph, and two 19 foot fishing boats which rent for \$45 per day. Licensing classes will be held on Mondays at 2 pm, starting March 27. Contact Special Services at 391 to sign up for a class.

SOFTBALL OFFICIALS NEEDED

Officials for the 1978 Captain's Cup Softball season due to start April 3, are needed. Anyone interested please contact the Athletic Director at ext. 391.

TEE BALL SCHEDULE

T-Ball schedule: Saturdays 10 am-12 noon; Sundays 1-2:30 pm, and Wednesdays 4:45 pm till finished.

This will be every Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday through April 29.

Movies

March 21 - 27 *New Releases

- *A. SUSPIRA - Horror Drama, R, 93 min, stars Stefania Casini, Jessica Harper. At a ballet school an unknown force savagely kills the students.
- *B. KID VENGEANCE - Western, R, 90 min, stars Lee Van Cleef, Jim Brown. After a gang of outlaws kills his family, a young boy sets off for revenge.
- C. THE MAN CALLED NOON - Western, R, 96 min, stars Richard Crenna, Stephen Boyd. A gunfighter suffering from amnesia joins with the man who tried to kill him.
- D. THE DOVE - Adventure Drama, PG, 105 min, stars Joseph Bottoms, Deborah Raffin. The true story of Robin Lee Graham, a 16 year old, who sails around the world by himself aboard the Dove.
- E. MAN FRIDAY - Adventure Drama, PG, 103 min, stars Peter O'Toole, Richard Roundtree. Following the story of "Robinson Crusoe" is the story "Man Friday" with the roles reversed, Friday master, Crusoe slave.
- F. ZORRO - Adventure, PG, 95 min, stars Alain Delon, Ottavia Piccolo. A swordsman single-handedly takes care of the tyrannical soldiers of a small Spanish village where they try to make everyone a slave.
- G. A SMALL TOWN IN TEXAS - Action Drama, PG, 96 min, stars Timothy Bottoms, Susan George. After being released from prison, a man returns to Texas to clear his name and find the man who framed him.
- H. BUGSY MALONE - Comedy, G, 94 min, stars Scott Baio, Florrie Dugger. A musical parody of the 1930's gangster type film, with one distinct twist, the entire cast is comprised of kids.
- I. NFL - Highlights, 20 min.

Theater	Fri 21	Sat 22	Sun 23	Mon 24	Tue 25	Wed 26	Thu 27
8 p.m.	E	F	I/D	C	G	B	H
10 p.m.		A					
Cons.C.		B	H		C	D	G

WOMEN'S TABLE TENNIS RESULTS

This past weekend saw the women battle it out for the Captain's Cup Table Tennis Championship. There were some outstanding games in both singles and doubles matches, with the following overall results:

- 1st Officer Wives
- 2nd Enlisted Women
- 3rd NAVFAC Women
- 4th A & D & CPO Wives
- 5th B & C Wives
- 6th High School Women

FIL-AM BARN DANCE

Fil-Am Club members are reminded that there will be a barn dance in the Community Center, Saturday, evening at 7:30.

Sat 25	Sun 26	Mon 27	Tue 28
E	A	1-2 3-4	5-6 7-8
		B	C
Wed 29	Thu 30	Fri 31	Sat 1
2-3 4-5	6-7 8-1	A B	C
D	E		
Sun 2			

SOFTBALL PRACTICE SCHEDULE

- Men's teams
- 1. Silver Eagles
 - 2. PW
 - 3. MMADS
 - 4. Supply
 - 5. Mean Machine
 - 6. NavFac
 - 7. MCB-1

- Women's teams
- 8. High School
 - A. High School
 - B. A & D & CPO Wives
 - C. Officer Wives
 - D. Enlisted Women
 - E. B & C Wives

Practice times Mon-Fri:

- 1. 5 - 7
- 2. 7 - 9
- 3. 9 - 11

Sat and Sun practice for the women will be from 6 - 8.

This schedule is for Hartley Field.

KMTH TELE-TIPS

RAFFLES, ROLLS AND TOURS

By Jol Gary Gunderson

Raffles are a great way to raise money for your club, but like everything else, of course, there are restrictions. KMTH is not permitted to participate in them, unless the organization conducting the raffle has Secretary of the Navy approval.

The Legal Officer has a list of approved organizations. Here's a hint as to what organizations are approved to conduct raffles-- CFC.

That distracting, frustrating, rolling picture on your television set is caused by one of two things. Most frequently, an automatic circuit is not being completed because of mechanical malfunction. In this instance, the engineer must get out a screwdriver and manually complete the circuit. In the other instance, excess heat is suspected.

When the temperature in TV Control rises to 80 degrees, the equipment will not function properly. This doesn't happen too often but when it does it's usually because the air conditioning has stopped working.

All we can do, in this case, is notify Public Works and shutdown while waiting for things to cool off with the restoration of the air conditioning. If we continue to operate at temperatures in excess of 80 degrees, irreparable damage to the equipment may result and we'd be off the air for good.

And finally, groups or individuals are welcome to tour KMTH. But first, telephone me at 330 during regular working hours to make arrangements for the tour.

SATURDAY 25 MARCH

10:00am Cartoons
 11:00 Wyatt Earp b/w
 11:30 Movie: Geordie- Bill Travers, comedy
 1:05 pm Olympic Boxing
 1:55 Soul Train- Rolls Royce, the Manhattans
 2:40 NCAA Basketball: Kentucky vs Florida St

4:35 NCAA Basketball: UCLA vs Kansas
 6:05 Wild Kingdom
 6:30 All's Fair b/w (PG)
 6:55 Mary Tyler Moore- John Carson guest stars as himself.
 7:25 Variety Special: Julie Andrews with Jackie Gleason
 8:20 Movie: The Magician Bill Bixby, pilot movie for the TV show
 9:35 The Protectors
 10:00 News Update
 10:05 Leonard Bernstein (series begins)- conducting the Vienna philharmonic.
 11:25 Late Show: The Sellout (PG) Richard Widmark spy chiller

**Programming subject to change without notice.*

SUNDAY 26 MARCH

10:00am Cartoons
 10:25 Easter: Sunday in Galilee b/w
 11:25 Rifleman b/w
 11:55 The Racers
 12:15pm The Way it Was b/w
 12:45 NBA Basketball: Chicago vs Denver
 2:35 Pro Bowler's Tour
 3:50 Doral Eastern Open Golf Tourney
 5:15 Star Trek
 6:10 Easter Island (kids special)
 6:35 Bob Newhart- Bob decides to start a rent strike.
 7:00 Baretta
 7:55 Tony Randall
 8:20 Movie: Love and Larceny b/w (1963) Italian film
 9:50 News Update
 9:55 Tonight Show- Steve Lawrence guests.
 11:05 Easter Sunday: Music of the Resurrection

MONDAY 27 MARCH

3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:40 Sesame Street
 4:35 Hollywood Squares
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Presidential Press
 Conference (3-9-78)
 6:05 Truth or Consequences
 6:30 In Search of- a woman
 pilot who vanished in
 1937 attempting to
 circumnavigate the
 world.
 6:30 Starsky and Hutch
 7:45 Special: Charlie Com-
 pany at Home
 8:35 The Practice
 9:05 Movie: Nick and Nora
 Craig Stevens- mystery
 10:10 News Update
 10:15 Maude (PG)- Arthur
 has a twin brother.
 10:45 Switch

TUESDAY 28 MARCH

3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:45 Electric Company b/w
 4:15 Body Buddies
 4:35 Wally's Workshop b/w
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 \$20,000 Pyramid
 5:50 Native Americans
 6:20 Hee Haw- Jimmy Dean
 & Margo Smith
 7:10 Hawaii Five-0
 8:00 Police Story- Ed Asner
 stars as a veteran
 police officer.
 8:55 Lohman & Barkley (PG)
 9:40 News Update
 9:45 Movie: Escape Me Never
 (1947) Errol Flynn,
 Ida Lupino b/w

WEDNESDAY 29 MARCH

3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:40 Sesame Street
 4:35 Break the Bank
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Latino Consortium
 6:00 Strauss Family
 6:50 Paper Moon- Addie en-
 ters Moze in a boxing
 match.
 7:20 NBC Mystery Movie:
 Columbo

8:35 Rich Man, Poor Man
 (series begins, 11-
 episodes) story of a
 family from WWII un-
 til the 1960's. (PG)
 10:15 News Update
 10:20 Adam's Rib
 10:50 Bronk

THURSDAY 30 MARCH

3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:45 Electric Company b/w
 4:15 Price is Right
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Information Special:
 Will Rogers U.S.A.
 6:25 The Muppets- Candice
 Bergen.
 6:50 Six Million Dollar
 Man
 7:40 Charlie's Angels- a
 widow has her jewels
 stolen.
 8:35 Rhoda- Rhoda and Bren-
 da at a pajama party.
 9:00 Kojak- Kojak goes to
 Vegas to bring back
 a witness.
 9:55 News Update
 10:00 Movie: The Young
 Savages (1961)

FRIDAY 31 MARCH

3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:40 Sesame Street
 4:35 Hollywood Squares
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Merv Griffin-
 Tony Randall, Dionne
 Warwick.
 6:40 American Documents-
 a look at America's
 inventors.
 7:35 Rookies
 8:25 Movie: The Night that
 Panicked America
 10:05 Soap (PG)
 10:30 News Update
 10:35 Jeffersons- George
 won't attend the wed-
 ding because the min-
 ister is white.
 11:00 Late Show: Underground
 Man (1974) Peter
 Graves

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PROTECTION OF MIDWAY'S BIRD LIFE

Twenty-five species of birds regularly found on Midway Island, plus all other migratory birds that pass through our area are protected by international and federal regulations. Some of these regulations are the Migratory Bird Treaty Acts, the National Wildlife System Administration Act of 1966, and the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

A cooperative agreement between the Department of the Navy and the Department of Interior was signed in 1972 in which both parties agreed to develop a program of protection and management of fish and wildlife resources on Midway Islands. This agreement ensures that international and federal regulations are adhered to on Midway. Further all the wildlife on Midway is protected under SOPAMIDWAYINST 11015.1A.

A summation of the above regulations pertaining to bird life follows:

Killing, attempting to kill, capturing, attempting to capture, molesting, attempting to molest, injuring, attempting to injure any wildlife, without a permit from the U.S. Wildlife Service, or disturbing, or attempting to disturb their habitats, nest, eggs, and collecting of nests, eggs, feathers, or parts of any wildlife is prohibited.

Persons violating any part of the above may be prosecuted by both military and/or federal authorities. Those judged guilty may be fined as much as \$500 and imprisoned for six months or both.

As of February 1, the following reported Albatross kills have occurred:

Vehicle run over	12
Mutilation	16
Clubbing, kicking	
etc.	7
Burning	1
By children	2

As a member of the Midway community it is your responsibility to insure that none of the wildlife regulations are violated by yourself, your dependents, or your dog, and to report any violations you may witness to Security or one of the game wardens: C. Alcock, 572; G. Means, 2300; J. Salvemini, 772; C. Sederlin, 2177; P. Stevenson, 2289; J. Smith, 565; R. Weddington, 2289.

KORAL KINGS KORNER

Scientists from the University of Hawaii Marine Lab have attached Yellow and Orange instrument packets to the coral in various parts of the lagoon. These instruments are used as part of a study of coral growth and water conditions. Please do not disturb or remove these instruments from the coral.

Gary Means will present a lecture on Marine Safety at the Clubs next regular meeting night at 7 p.m., Feb. 15. This meeting is mandatory for members.

Nominations for Club Officers will be held March 15, with elections April 5.

The Korals Kings Diving Shop hours of operations are as follows:

- Wednesdays - 6 to 7 p.m.
- Thursdays - 6 to 7 p.m.
- Saturdays - 12 to 4 p.m.
- Sundays - 12 to 4 p.m.

Korals Kings diving club members would like to take this opportunity to extend their thanks to Curt Haney for the many outstanding contributions he made to the club both as a member, past president and safety officer.

The Club Officers thank Roger Schweltz for the success of the last party and all the members who contributed by bringing their shell (continued on page 3.)

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

ILLUSIONS

A mirage can be described in one of the following ways: "Something that is there, but isn't"; "You see it, but not really"; "You go toward it, but when you get there, or where you thought it was, it's gone"; "A mirage is an optical illusion".

The mirages that we are most familiar with can be seen in the desert. We're all familiar with the stories of lost, thirsty travelers stumbling for miles and miles across the blazing sand toward a lake they thought they saw in the distance, only to discover that there was no lake there - only more sand - when they reached the spot.

There is a scientific reason for mirages in the desert: It is caused by the bending of light rays from the sand through layers of air having different density as a result of unequal temperature distribution.

Here are some concrete examples of mirages that we can relate to and understand. On a television commercial a toy car can look very large and impressive and powerful, but when you actually see it in the store you realize that it is small and plastic, and really not so impressive.

Often too, we might have looked forward to a birthday, sure that when it finally came we would enter into a magic age - things will really be different, we say. We expect to feel different, even to look different, to be all of a sudden more mature and grown up. But then, when the day comes it's a disappointment, it's a day just like the day before. We are not suddenly taller, stronger or wiser, the magic day was only in our mind.

Parties are often like that too. We are excited thinking about as we anxiously wait for the day to arrive, but then things do not turn out so exciting, and it may in fact turn out to be a big bore.

Or maybe we wish that we would get to our next assignment, and we say to ourselves, "Things will really be different once I'm out of this place." But then, when we get there we realize that nothing has changed, it's the same old stuff as before.

Life on earth can be filled with mirages, and one of the best things to learn is how to tell the difference between the fake and the genuine. The difference between things that are passing, and things that are real and solid and lasting.

Isn't it wonderful that God does not give us any mirages. His word and his love are lasting. The promises God makes are lasting and sure. The challenge to respond to him, and to seek His will and to obey His laws is real and satisfying in this life and leading us to the blessedness God promises in union with Him.

May we have the courage in our life to seek the things that are of real value and lasting.

Sincerely yours,
Chaplains,
John Grove, Bernard Blasich

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NAVY WIVES CLUB NEWS

NWCA 204

The February meeting of the Navy Wives Club will be held February 14th, Valentines Day. We have a meeting room now in the old Admin Building, just above the library, in "downtown" Midway. The meeting will commence at 7 p.m. All interested Navy Wives are invited, including WAVES. NWCA 204 is the only wives club that has a National Charter, therefore, you may join here and be welcomed at your next duty station. Membership is opened to all wives of enlisted personnel.

We are looking forward to the next six months on Midway. This may be the only time a club did not have to worry about "making money". We get to fulfill our commitment to the command by supplying fun and activities for the community. If you have any questions concerning our club, please call extension 712 or 2359.

CPO WIVES CLUB

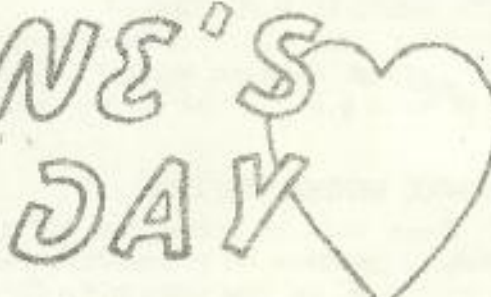
The Chief's Wives have elected new officers: President, Judy Simmons; Vice-president, Lee Jackson; Secretary, Bettie Sieburt; Treasurer, Shirley Sheadel; and Chaplain, Jo Ann Cooke.

We have a meeting once a month on the first Wednesday of the month at one of the members house. This month was hosted by Ethal Stevenson. Next month, March 1, we will meet at the home of Judy Simmons at 7 p.m.

We have a coffee social every month, and every Chief's lady in the command is invited. The coffee for this month will honor our newest Chief's wife, Mrs. Diane Johnson, whose husband Neil Johnson is now a Chief Boatswains Mate.

Also, our outstanding member of the club for the last six months, Mrs. Judy Williams. Judy spent the most time, talent and love as a member toward the achievements of the activities of the CPO Wives Club. We would enjoy the attendance of every Chief's wife at our next coffee, on February 16, from 1-3 p.m. in the home of Peggy Prentiss, CPO Row-7.

VALENTINE'S DAY



KORAL KINGS KORNIE

(continued from page 1)
collections for others to see. Also, thanks to Gary Means for the excellent slide and film presentations.

A club grounds and building clean up will be held on Saturday the 18th of February, at 10 a.m. All members should be present. A cookout will follow for all who participate. The food is free and there will be plenty of beverages, so come on out and help with the clean-up and get it on with the party!!!

Love is patient; love is kind. Love is not jealous, it does not put on airs, it is not snobbish. Love is never rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not prone to anger; neither does it brood over injuries. Love does not rejoice in what is wrong but rejoices with the truth. There is no limit to love's forbearance, to its trust, its hope, its power to endure.

There are in the end three things that last: faith, hope, and love, and the greatest of these is love.

—1 Cor. 13:4-9

NAVFAC FINDINGS

The next NAVFAC Wives meeting will be held on Monday, Feb. 13, at 7:30 p.m. in qtrs. 5-7. All NAVFAC wives are invited to attend.

Welcome to OTESN Olson.

FIL-AM ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Fil-Am Association will elect new officers at 7 p.m. Feb. 25, in the Community Center, with a pot-luck dinner served before the elections. Members are reminded that attendance is mandatory for elections.

SAILING CLUB MEETING

The Sailing Club monthly meeting will be held Sunday, Feb. 12, at 12 noon in the old Special Services Boathouse, the new Sail Club House. All interested persons are welcome to attend. The summer sailing season will soon be upon us.

MIDWAY PIZZA PARLOR DELAYED OPENING

Due to a delay in receipt of supplies, the grand opening of the Pizza Parlor has been delayed until Feb. 14.

F-STOP PHOTO CLUB MEETING

The F-Stop will hold an important business meeting Monday, Feb. 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Photo Lab.

PRESCHOOL GENERAL MEETING

There will be a meeting for all Preschool parents on Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. It is time again for the annual election of officers, and the parents of all Preschool children are encouraged to attend.

GEORGE CANNON SCHOOL NEWS

The school's new policy concerning the log flight is effective immediately. From now on, students who are excused to go to the log flight will be required to make up work they missed and turn it in no later than the following day's class. Those special subjects where activity is involved such as P.E., Art, music, and typing will have to be made up

after school the same day.

Also, on log flight days, there will be three short rings of the bell which means excused students are dismissed at that time to go to the hangar. Listen for the bells to dismiss you, and please do not stop by the office to ask if it is time to go.

LOG FLIGHT INFORMATION

The arrival time of Saturdays log flight, 3 p.m., will only be in effect for the month of February. Baggage check-in is 12 to 1 p.m.

Midway residents are asked to please insure they have the proper documents for Hickam Immigrations in their possession when arriving in Hawaii as in the case of foreign nationals. Aliens must bring military I.D. cards, alien registration cards, and/or passports with them. Aliens who have children that are U.S. citizens should bring proof of citizenship (birth certificates, etc.). If the necessary cards or documents are not provided, a considerable delay may occur.

FOR SALE

Automatic dishwasher, \$60; air conditioner, \$10; other items include dog carrier; bar stool; barberque grill, bronzeware set, bike parts, plus more, call Mr. Weaver, 664 dwh, 736 awb.

CAPTAIN'S CUP BILLARDS RESULTS

1st	MCB-1	34 points
2nd	MMADS	26½ "
3rd	NAVFAC	24½ "
4th	Mean Machine	24½ "
5th	Silver Eagles	24 "
6th	PW	20 "
7th	High School	17½ "
8th	Supply	16 "

1977 CAPTAIN'S CUP WINNERS

1st	Silver Eagles	195½ Points
2nd	Green Machine	177 "
3rd	Supply	175 "
4th	MMADS	170½ "
5th	Mean Machine	157½ "
6th	NAVFAC	144½ "
7th	High School	91 "

MOVIES

February 10 - 16

*New Releases

- *A. KOJAK: A QUESTION OF ANSWERS - Drama, TV, 111 min, stars Telly Savalas, Eli Wallach.
- *B. LANNIGAN'S RABBI - Comedy Drama, TV, 105 min, stars Art Carney, Stuart Margolin.
- C. MAN ON A SWING - Mystery Drama, PG, 110 min, stars Cliff Robertson, Joel Grey.
- D. DOG DAY AFTERNOON - Comedy Drama, R, 131 min, stars Al Pacino, John Cazale.
- E. FRIDAY FOSTER - Action Drama, R, 90 min, stars Pam Grier, Thelma Resula.
- F. LEADBELLY - Drama, PG, 126 min, stars Roger Mosely, Paul Benjamin.
- G. THE PREMONITION - Suspence Drama, PG, 94 min, stars Jeff Corey, Richard Lynch.
- H. DEADLY HERO - Suspence Melodrama, R, 92 min, stars Don Murray, Diahn Williams.
- I. NFL - Baltimore vs Denver, 20 min.

Theater	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THR
8 p.m.	F	G	I/A	D	C	H	B
10 p.m.		E					
Cons.C.		D	B		A	F	C

KMTN TELE-TIPS

TV TALK WITH JOE R. Lloyd Burgess

Now that football season is over we are receiving fewer sports programs. Consequently we have a shortage of programming. We do of course have a film library, which was overtaxed during the recent re-run season and over the past year.

Because of this problem we will trim our schedule slightly. On Saturdays and Sundays we will come on the air one hour later, or at 10 a.m. starting Saturday, Feb. 18.

From now on, all TV shows that AFRTS-IA deems as being adult viewing, will be designated by a PG rating by this station.

SATURDAY 11 FEBRUARY

- 9:00 am Dusty's Treehouse b/w
- 9:25 Cartoons
- 10:00 Movie: Gentle Giant (1968)
- 11:30 Olympic Boxing
- 12:30 pm Soul Train
- 1:15 Sports Special: U.S. Grand Prix West
- 2:15 Matinee: Guadalcanal Odysey (1974)
- 3:50 NHL Hockey: Montreal vs Los Angeles

Saturday continued

- 5:35 The Loyal Opposition - the Republican answer to the President's State of the Union.
- 6:35 Mary Tyler Moore
- 7:00 Variety Special: Herb Alpert & The Tijuana Brass
- 7:55 Movie: African Queen (1952)
- 9:35 The Protectors
- 10:05 News Update
- 10:10 Visions (PG)
- 11:35 Late Show: Love American Style (1969) (PG)

SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY

- 9:00 am Cartoons
- 9:30 The Athletes
- 9:45 Sacred Heart
- 10:00 Laredo
- 10:50 Christopher Close-up
- 11:20 Movie: Blue Print For A Million (1966)
- 12:45 pm Motorcycles
- 1:10 The Way It Was b/w
- 1:35 NBA Basketball: Houston vs Portland
- 3:15 Pro Bowler's Tour
- 4:25 Matinee: Blue Safari
- 5:55 All's Fair (PG) b/w
- 6:20 Presidential Press Conference

Sunday continued

- 6:55 Good Times
 7:20 Baretta
 8:15 Tony Randall
 8:40 Movie: Wheeler & Murdock
 9:55 Tonight Show
 11:05 News Update
 11:10 Music & The Spoken Word

MONDAY 13 FEBRUARY

- 3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:35 Sesame Street
 4:35 Hollywood Squares
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Native Americans
 5:55 Truth or Consequence
 6:20 In Search Of
 6:40 Starsky & Hutch
 7:35 News Special: Former President Nixon interview with David Frost
 8:55 American Music Awards
 10:35 News Update
 10:40 Maude (PG)
 11:05 Love Story (PG)

TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

- 3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:45 Electric Company b/w
 4:10 Body Buddies
 4:35 Wally's Workshop b/w
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 \$20,000 Pyramid
 5:50 Bobby Vinton b/w
 6:15 Cop and the Kid
 6:40 Hawaii Five-O
 7:35 Captain & Tinnille
 8:25 Police Story
 9:20 Assignment Vienna
 10:10 News Update
 10:15 Movie: Scenes from a Murder (1974)

WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY

- 3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:40 Sesame Street
 4:35 Break the Bank
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Latino Consortium- A view of the origin of Lation music.
 6:00 Bionic Women
 6:50 KMTB Information Special: The Gooney (featuring- 'The Bird that beat the U.S. Navy')
 7:35 Chico & The Man b/w

Wednesday continued

- 8:00 NBC Mystery Movie: McCloud
 9:45 Bronk
 10:35 News Update
 10:40 Peter Marshall (PG)

THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY

- 3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:45 Electric Company b/w
 4:15 Price is Right
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Sixty Minutes b/w
 6:20 The Muppets
 6:50 Six Million Dollar Man (SB)
 7:40 Charlie's Angels (SB)
 8:55 Rhoda
 9:20 Kojak
 10:10 News Update
 10:15 Movie: The Silent Gun (1969)
 11:30 Ebony Affair



"You know I'd take my turn if I could!"

FRIDAY 17 FEBRUARY

- 3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:40 Sesame Street
 4:40 Hollywood Squares
 5:00 Evening News
 5:30 Nerv Griffin
 6:45 American Documents
 7:35 Rookies
 8:30 Movie: The Lives of Jenny Dolan (PG) (1975)
 10:05 SOAP (PG)
 10:30 News Update
 10:35 Talk About Pictures
 11:10 Late Show: Nice Girl Like Me (PG) (1970)

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PUPPING SEASON FOR HAWAIIAN MONK SEALS

The period from early February to June is the pupping season for the Hawaiian Monk Seal on Midway. This is a very critical time for these endangered animals and all island residents are reminded not to go near enough to disturb them in any way.

The female seals only pup once every two years. Pups weigh approximately 35 pounds at birth and nurse for 5 to 6 weeks before being weaned at a weight of about 135 pounds.

Seal pups are very susceptible to shark attack and should not be frightened so that they go into the water. (See Oceans magazine, November 6, 1977, page 21) For more detailed information an article on the "Life History of the Hawaiian Monk Seals", by Keyton and Rice, may be checked out from the senior game warden. This article is the result of research done on Midway Island during 1957.

The Sand Spits were set aside for the seals and turtles and are off limits at all times. The station game wardens conduct a once a month survey and clean up on the spits. The glass floats they collect are turned in and will be sold to help finance the game warden program.

GALLEY HOURS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

To give on-duty food service personnel a chance to attend a Food Service Division party, the following meal hours will be observed on Sunday, February 19:

Breakfast	6:30 - 9 a.m.
Brunch	10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Dinner	3:30 - 5 p.m.

GI HOME LOAN NUMBERS HIGHEST IN TWO DECADES

Interest in GI home loans reached levels in Fiscal Year 1977 that haven't been seen in more than two decades, according to the Veterans Administration (VA).

VA loan guaranty officials attribute some of the new business to a 1975 law that eased GI loan eligibility.

Prior to Jan. 1, 1975, a veteran who had once used his GI

loan eligibility could have it restored only under special circumstances. VA had to be relieved of liability and the property had to have been disposed of for "compelling reasons." But since Congress removed the "compelling reasons" restriction, entitlement can be restored if the property has been disposed of and the

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IF YOU
LOOK,
FEW WILL
CARE!
BUT THEY
WILL
IF YOU
STARE.

APRIL 1978



USO SHOW QUICKSAND TO PERFORM AT MIDWAY

Personnel who are interested in attending the USO show "Quicksand" on March 9 or 10 are requested to contact their department representatives no later than March 3. The USO show will be held in the Station Theater at 7 p.m. both nights.

George Cannon School	
Mrs. Stinson	435
MCRD	
Mrs. Digos	391
Communications	
RMCS Jackson	871
Navy Exchange	
Mrs. Gaudet	661
Administration	
VN2 Schieffer	541
Air Operations	
AN Clinton	731
Commissary	
SK1 Garman	580
NMCS Detachment	
BU2 Swank	623
NWSED	
AGC Garrett	517
COMTH/PAO	
J01 Gunderson	330
Supply	
SKC Cornelison	522
Comptroller/Disbursing	
SA Vigue	981
NAVFAC	
VN1 Weddington	307
Medical/Dental	
HM3 Damon	614
Public Works	
NMCS Berger	458

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

GIVE YOURSELF A BREAK

One of the most beautiful and fascinating trees living in the desert is the Joshua Tree. In the Mojave desert in California they sometimes reach to a height of 25 feet of strong, twisted trunks against the sky.

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SATURDAY 18 FEBRUARY

- 10:00 am Dusty's Treehouse b/w
- 10:25 Cartoons
- 10:35 New Tom And Jerry Show
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- 11:09 Movie: Territory Of Others

Saturday continued

- 12:44 pm Boxing From The Olympic
- 1:34 Soul Train
- 2:21 NCAA Basketball: Marquette vs S. Carolina
- 4:09 Wild Kingdom
- 4:33 All's Fair b/w (PG)
- 5:00 News
- 5:01 The Advocates
- 5:58 Mary Tyler Moore
- 6:26 Variety Special: Steve And Eddie
- 7:19 Movie: Oklahoma
- 9:39 The Protectors
- 10:06 News
- 10:11 Visions (PG)
- 11:28 Late Show: Operation Cross Eagles

SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY

- 10:00 am Clue Club
- 10:23 Sacred Heart
- 10:37 Listen
- 10:51 Laredo
- 11:43 Christopher Close-Up b/w
- 12:11 pm Motorcycles
- 12:35 The Way It Was b/w
- 1:04 NBA All-Star Game
- 2:50 Pro Bowler's Tour
- 4:04 Matinee: Where The Red Fern Grows
- 5:41 News
- 5:42 Star Trek

Sunday continued

- 6:33 Good Times
 7:00 Baretta
 7:52 Tony Randall
 8:20 Fifty Years Of Country
 Music
 10:51 News
 10:56 Tonight Show

MONDAY 20 FEBRUARY

- 3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:35 Sesame Street
 4:35 Truth Or Consequences
 5:00 News
 5:30 Native Americans
 5:56 In Search Of
 6:20 The Practice
 6:46 Starsky and Hutch
 7:36 Nixon Interview With David
 Frost (number 2)
 8:55 Movie: The Widow (PG)
 10:33 News
 10:38 Maude
 11:06 Love Story (PG)

TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY

- 3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:45 Electric Company b/w
 4:10 Body Buddies
 4:35 \$20,000 Pyramid
 5:00 News
 5:30 President Carter Fireside
 Chat
 5:55 Cop And The Kid
 6:21 Hawaii Five-O
 7:13 Captain And Tennille
 8:07 Police Woman
 8:59 Assignment Vienna
 9:51 News
 9:56 Movie: The Steagle (PG)
 11:27 Medicine #41
 11:31 Music And The Spoken Word

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- 3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:40 Sesame Street
 4:35 Break The Bank
 5:00 News
 5:30 Latino Consortium
 6:02 What's Happening
 6:28 Bionic Woman
 7:18 Chico And The Man
 7:45 NBC Mystery Movie: McCoy
 9:25 Adam's Rib
 9:50 Bronk
 10:41 News
 10:46 Peter Marshall (PG)

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- 3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:45 Electric Company b/w
 4:15 Price Is Right
 5:00 News
 5:30 Six Million Dollar Man
 6:21 The Muppets
 6:46 Charlie's Angels
 7:38 Rhoda
 8:04 Kojak
 8:56 Medicine #45
 9:00 Information Special: How To
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 survive
 9:52 News
 9:57 Movie: Pretty Boy Floyd (PG)
 11:36 Ebony Affair

FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY

- 3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:50 Medicine #44
 3:53 Sesame Street
 4:53 Tips From Wally's Workshop
 4:56 Medicine #43
 5:00 News
 5:30 Merv Griffin
 6:43 American Documents
 7:36 Rookies
 8:29 Movie: Crunch
 10:10 Soap (PG)
 10:36 News
 10:41 Jeffersons
 11:08 Late Show: Stiletto (PG)



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The Sand Spits were set aside for the seals and turtles and are off limits at all times. The station game wardens conduct a once a month survey and clean up on the spits. The glass floats they collect are turned in and will be sold to help finance the game warden program.

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George Cannon School	
Mrs. Stinson	435
MCRD	
Mrs. Digos	391
Communications	
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Navy Exchange	
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The Flashing Picture At KMTH

By Jol Gary Gunderson

Many of you have questions about radio and television and in the past we've answered them individually. I'm sure others, even though they don't ask, would also like to know the answers. So, in the future I'll use this space to answer questions and explain the operation at KMTH.

The flashing on your TV screens is caused by a piece of equipment called the neutral density filter. It is nearly worn out. However, it will be replaced withing 60 to 90 days.

Please don't call KMTH or complain to the Navy Exchange, if that is where you bought your TV set. There is nothing wrong with your TV set.

Next week we'll talk about programming for radio and television. If you have any questions that you'd like answered, call me at 330 during working hours, or send your question to me in the guardmail.

SATURDAY 18 FEBRUARY

- 10:00 am Dusty's Treehouse b/w
- 10:25 Cartoons
- 10:35 New Tom And Jerry Show
- 10:59 Cartoons
- 11:09 Movie: Territory Of Others

Saturday continued

- 12:44 pm Boxing From The Olympic
- 1:34 Soul Train
- 2:21 NCAA Basketball: Marquette vs S. Carolina
- 4:09 Wild Kingdom
- 4:33 All's Fair b/w (PG)
- 5:00 News
- 5:01 The Advocates
- 5:58 Mary Tyler Moore
- 6:26 Variety Special: Steve And Eddie
- 7:19 Movie: Oklahoma
- 9:39 The Protectors
- 10:06 News
- 10:11 Visions (PG)
- 11:28 Late Show: Operation Cross Eagles

SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY

- 10:00 am Clue Club
- 10:23 Sacred Heart
- 10:37 Listen
- 10:51 Laredo
- 11:43 Christopher Close-Up b/w
- 12:11 pm Motorcycles
- 12:35 The Way It Was b/w
- 1:04 NBA All-Star Game
- 2:50 Pro Bowler's Tour
- 4:04 Matinee: Where The Red Fern Grows
- 5:41 News
- 5:42 Star Trek

Sunday continued

- 6:33 Good Times
 7:00 Baretta
 7:52 Tony Randall
 8:20 Fifty Years Of Country
 Music
 10:51 News
 10:56 Tonight Show

MONDAY 20 FEBRUARY

- 3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:35 Sesame Street
 4:35 Truth Or Consequences
 5:00 News
 5:30 Native Americans
 5:56 In Search Of
 6:20 The Practice
 6:46 Starsky and Hutch
 7:36 Nixon Interview With David
 Frost (number 2)
 8:55 Movie: The Widow (PG)
 10:33 News
 10:38 Maude
 11:06 Love Story (PG)

TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY

- 3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:45 Electric Company b/w
 4:10 Body Buddies
 4:35 \$20,000 Pyramid
 5:00 News
 5:30 President Carter Fireside
 Chat
 5:55 Cop And The Kid
 6:21 Hawaii Five-O
 7:13 Captain And Tennille
 8:07 Police Woman
 8:59 Assignment Vienna
 9:51 News
 9:56 Movie: The Steagle (PG)
 11:27 Medicine #41
 11:31 Music And The Spoken Word

WEDNESDAY 22 FEBRUARY

- 3:05 pm General Hospital
 3:40 Sesame Street
 4:35 Break The Bank
 5:00 News
 5:30 Latino Consortium
 6:02 What's Happening
 6:28 Bionic Woman
 7:18 Chico And The Man
 7:45 NBC Mystery Movie: McCoy
 9:25 Adam's Rib
 9:50 Bronk
 10:41 News
 10:46 Peter Marshall (PG)

"We've been playing with our bed again, haven't we, Wentworth?"

THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY

- 3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:45 Electric Company b/w
 4:15 Price Is Right
 5:00 News
 5:30 Six Million Dollar Man
 6:21 The Muppets
 6:46 Charlie's Angels
 7:38 Rhoda
 8:04 Kojak
 8:56 Medicine #45
 9:00 Information Special: How To
 Say No To A Rapist And
 survive
 9:52 News
 9:57 Movie: Pretty Boy Floyd (PG)
 11:36 Ebony Affair

FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY

- 3:10 pm General Hospital
 3:50 Medicine #44
 3:53 Sesame Street
 4:53 Tips From Wally's Workshop
 4:56 Medicine #43
 5:00 News
 5:30 Merv Griffin
 6:43 American Documents
 7:36 Rookies
 8:29 Movie: Crunch
 10:10 Soap (PG)
 10:36 News
 10:41 Jeffersons
 11:08 Late Show: Stiletto (PG)



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Letters from Midwe

By Pierre Bowman
Star-Bulletin Writer

(Last of two articles)

When Edward May wrote his letters in 1867 describing Midway Island from a U.S. naval officer's point of view—excerpts of which were published in yesterday's Today Section—he was 29.

"Home" was Leicester, Mass., and he wrote long, vivid letters in close, beautiful handwriting that shows the precision of calligraphy.

Jim May, his great grandson, is a Honolulu social worker and offered to share some of his letters.

Today we publish excerpts from a letter to his mother, written Sept. 3, 1867, just after his return to Honolulu after claiming Midway Island as a U.S. possession:

"Sixty-four days from the time we left here, and an awful long 64 days it has been. We laid in mess stores for seven weeks, but they didn't last that time and for the last 20 days we have been living exclusively on ships provisions—hard tack, salt beef and salt pork....

AT ALL EVENTS I made good time yesterday morning with a rare beef steak....

Now I must tell you of the letters I found for me here, for which I have been 'hungering' as Father says, all the way back. Our anchor was hardly down when the mail was brought on board, finding me sound asleep. But I woke up, rather, and turned out to assort it, in my sleep clothes, handing the letters out to their respective owners through the slats in my stateroom door, regular post office fashion.

I had home letters by each mail since last accounts....

I have been in such a whirl since we came in (the mail goes tomorrow) that I have only had time to read them over once carefully so I shall probably be obliged to overlook some points in them this letter....

I am more sorry than I can tell you to hear how miserably you have been this summer—so far away as I am I can only say so, and do nothing, but I do so wish I could feel that I might help you in any way....

I ASSURE YOU there is no way in which anything that I have can be spent, which will give me more pleasure than in aiding your health and comfort....

I have so much to do in getting ready my official mail, and so many ships affairs to look after for



The Beretania Street home of Jim May's great grand

the first few days that I haven't a moment to myself.

I have an engagement now at the dentists (worse luck) and must go and attend to it—that will probably consume the balance of the day and I don't believe I will have any nerves left to write tomorrow...."

May resumed writing the next day:

"Oh Lord! Didn't I catch it yesterday. It makes my feet dance now to think of it. I was five mortal hours (or was it years?) enjoying the tender mercies of Dr. Smith—it is a comfort to know that he has the reputation of being a capital dentist—and had five caverns explored and filled; there are two more to come next week but he says they are simple ones—the powers grant it.

I have been putting off this business for years, and vowed a vow, while we were out this last time that it should wait no longer. A sharp toothache is a powerful reminder.

IN THE EVENING I went to the public hall to a tableau exhibition. It was very good but I was too nervous to be appreciative....

There were lots of newspapers

from Father waiting for me, but haven't had time to open them yet. I will give them due attention soon as I get settled down. I feel you will think I always write in hurry from here. It does seem so me....

I am living in my cottage, shore again, and find it very refreshing after being shut up so long on board ship. The mere sight of the fresh green was like a rest to the eyes at first—everything looking so clean and bright a green after frequent showers. I think I never saw Honolulu look so attractive before."

Edward May's warm feelings toward Honolulu extended beyond his comments to his mother.

Jim May, his great grandson, speaks of his ancestor as though they were a first-person acquaintance and well he might in light of his letters.

The younger May received a packet of the original letters in 1973. It was a modest bundle, perhaps filling half a shoebox. May transcribed them on a typewriter over an 18-month period, and his transcription ran to some 5

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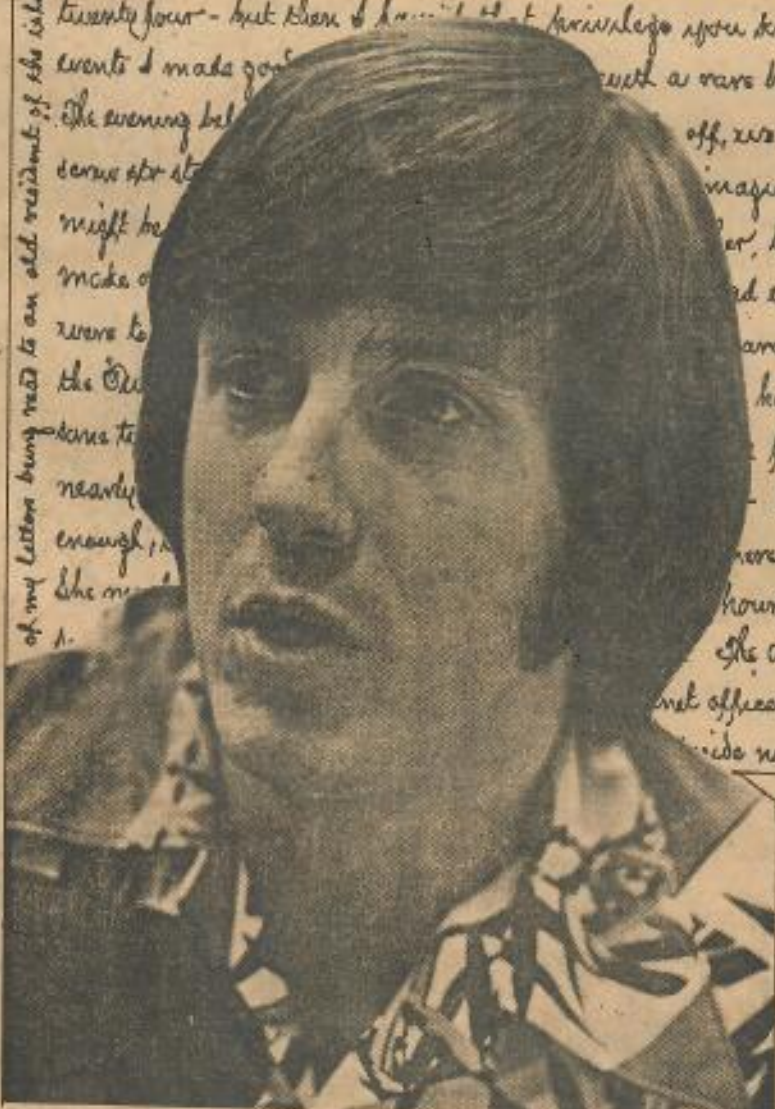
Honolulu, Oct. 3^d. 1867

Dear Mother,

I shall have to be careful what I tell of my letters being read to an old resident of the islands.

For the above you will see that I am back again from our exploring expeditions, and glad enough I am I give you my word, to be once more in the region of, at least semi-civilization, and something good to eat - we came to anchor in the harbor yesterday morning at daylight, having been off the point at 2 o'clock the evening before, too late to get in - sixty-four days from the time we left here, and an awful long sixty four days it has been. We had in milk stores for seven weeks, but they didn't last that time and for the last twenty days we have been living exclusively on ship's provisions - hard tack, salt beef and salt pork - good square wholesome food for a man who works twelve hours out of the twenty four - but there is a privilege you know - at all events I make good use of it with a rare beef steak.

The evening before we came off, we met a large crowd of people, and I imagine what it might be, but we could make out nothing. I had enough to see that we were to have a grand time. The fact was that we had been here nearly a week, and I am coming home with a good many things. The authorities and officers gave large amounts of money.



Jim May and a letter from his great grandfather. May wants to get this and other letters published.



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Letters from Midway, 1867

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THE LETTERS had been carefully saved by the elder May's parents and sisters, and were then handed down generation-to-generation, often unread. In 1919, one of the elder May's daughters read the letters, a few at a

time each night, and wrote a note urging that they not be destroyed.

Now Jim May has them, and they are in almost perfect condition on thick, crisp paper with a swirly design in it, written in a fine, precise hand, probably in India ink with a metal pen.

The May family in Leicester, Mass., had maintained its family home there through the generations.

"About 1973 or so," said May, "my mother wrote from Massachusetts and told me she'd come across these letters. After some talking, she sent them to me. It was like being taken back 100

years.

"I was always interested in history—I guess everyone is if they're from New England—but the letters really made Hawaii come to life for me.

"Many places he went are still here.

"ON HIS FIRST trip to Hawaii, he stayed with the attorney general of the Hawaiian Islands. Later he stayed at a small cottage on Alakea Street and boarded (took his meals) at Washington Place with Mrs. Dominis, the mother of John Dominis, who was then the governor of Oahu."

The elder May had left home at a young age and shipped off to Singapore, where he lived for a time. His father was a well-known New England abolitionist preacher—which

appressed her husband.

After May's voyage on the Lakkawanna to Midway Island, he and the ship returned to New England. He had been commissioned as a naval officer by Abraham Lincoln and was a career officer.

In 1871, in Massachusetts, he married Mary Blodgett and they almost immediately set out for Hawaii again. They took the recently completed transcontinental railroad, got stuck in a blizzard in Omaha, Neb., and eventually reached the West Coast. Then they took a ship to Hawaii.

FOR THE NEXT three years, May was in charge of the U.S. coaling station in Honolulu.

He and his wife lived in a house on Beretania

May notes that writing was a trait common in the family.

Edward May's preacher-father had a reputation as a writer through his sermons. And a cousin in the family was Louisa May Alcott, author of "Little Women."

After his commission in Hawaii was over, Edward May returned to New England. He spent much of his naval career in Boston and ended up an admiral. He died in 1917.

Jim May knows that his great grandfather's letters are a treasure. He is considering working on a project to get them published.

In the meantime, he keeps them in a safe deposit box.

Natural Insecticide

at the purchase of a coolie in Honolulu—and he was aghast that his son wanted to leave home. Edward May's mother, however, did not think the idea so strange and eventually

Love is ...



... an open road,
no set plans and
each other.

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his great grandfather and great grandmother barely visible on the front steps, all dressed up in their Sunday best. In the yard, there's a wicker baby carriage, presided over by a nurse in a billowing muumuu, who is watching their first baby.

Next to the carriage, under a keawe tree, is the gardener. Way in the distance, next to a lawn sprinkler which the photographer hoped would pass for a fountain, is the Chinese cook.

The picture, coupled with May's letters, present an uncommonly vivid look at the past. He wrote of a picnic in the Nuuanu highlands with Princess Bernice Pauahi.

HIS LETTERS
spring to life, and Jim



Jim May with some of his great-grandfather's letters.

Midway Letters

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In May's letters, there are vivid insights to a vanished world. Part of his Aug. 29, 1867 letter, tells about buying a coolie in Honolulu:

"I am quite sure I have not told you of what, at first sight you will doubtless look upon me with great indignation for—which is that some weeks ago I went into the market for flesh and blood and bought a Chinese coolie for my own servant on board ship....

Last April a ship arrived from China with a cargo of coolies—the second lot which has been brought to the islands, for service on the sugar and rice plantations.

On their arrival at Honolulu they are sold to whoever will pay \$100 for each of them, and agree to give them the stipulated wages—the \$100 goes to the parties who enter into the speculation of bringing them over. This last ship brought some 300, and I was told that they were an unusually intelligent set, so one day I went down to the premises where they were on view to have a look. Most of them had been disposed of, but I noticed at once a particularly neat looking fellow, who was tidily dressed and had a general air of a 'savee.' I thought I would spear a little pigeon English at him, not expecting at all that he would understand it, and was surprised to find that he answered promptly and that he had been a house servant in Hong Kong.

As soon as I was satisfied I paid my \$100 and received the contract in English and Chinese, binding 'A Com' to work for me for five years for \$4 a month....

The day before we went to Lahaina I bought him on board, dressed him up in sailors rig and had him shipped as a landsman. He signed the 'articles' in Chinese, and then I produced his contract.

He said that was his agreement, and then I told him that instead of \$4 a month he would get 15, and that he would only have to serve two years in place of five, and tore his contract down the middle. You may be sure he was not a little astonished, and showed it, too, all over his face, which is a good deal for a Celestial to do. He was evidently as pleased as punch.

I told him that I should expect him to pay me back the \$100 I had paid for him, out of his wages, to which he very willingly agreed, but if he behaves himself I shall not take more than half.

If he is careful and saving, as his people almost always are he will probably have about \$250 due him at the end of his service—and that is a fortune to a Chinaman. So all things considered, I don't think you will consider my purchase a very culpable one.

Two or three days after I brought him on board he came down into the ward room with his cue razed (cut off) and his hair cropped short. I was disgusted enough for I thought some of the men must have been playing a trick on him as a Chinaman's tail is his chiefest pride.

I asked him about it and found it was done at his own request. (He said.) 'My wantee be all same that 'Melican man.' He seems perfectly contented and happy, and I think he has good reason to be so."

(More of Edward May's letters will be published in the Star-Bulletin tomorrow, offering some vivid glimpses of a U.S. naval officer's life in Honolulu in 1867 and an interview with his great grandson.)

John Howard - 577-2917

Letters from Midway, 1867

By Pierre Bowman, Star-Bulletin Writer (First of two articles)

In more than a century, some things have changed very little on Midway Island, at the extreme northwest tip of the Hawaiian Chain.

Jim May, a Honolulu social worker, read recent Star-Bulletin stories from Midway with particular interest. He had a clutch of Midway stories too, and at least as interesting. They were in letters from his great grandfather, Edward May, who was the paymaster aboard the U.S. Lackawanna in 1867 when that ship went to Midway and took possession of it for the United States. May offered to share some of his letters with the Star-Bulletin, and

with a possible shoal to bring you up standing on your track. I don't fancy exploring work anyway—it is tedious to begin with, and in this ocean, particularly this part of it, which is comparatively so little known, unless with great caution, it is dangerous.

THERE ALWAYS OUGHT to be at least two vessels in company when exploring; then if one gets brought to grief the other is to the fore for a rescue. However we have finished that business for this time, I suppose, and in returning from here we shall go far to the northward to get the westerly winds, and

footed and so good to eat, but there are plenty of curlew and plover and they are great feeding. Perhaps you know that at home curlew are the very wildest birds—you can't get within 40 rods of one if he sees you, and I have spent hours on the sea-islands near Charleston trying to get a pop at a single one—well, I knocked over 16 fine fat ones, with a stick the other day in less than

half an hour, and only stopped because I had plenty for the mess!

They were so tame that I really felt rather mean for pegging away at them and abusing their confidence so—still they tasted just as good, and after all—what was the odds of them whether I capsized them with an ounce of lead or a hickory stick?

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Both islands, but especially the one with the bushes on it, are fairly covered with birds, and they don't care any more for a man than for one of their own kind...it is really difficult, yes, impossible, to walk about without treading on the creatures...

today we print excerpts from two of them to his family:

"U.S. Str Lackawanna
Off Middlebrook (Midway) Islands,
Long. 177 degrees w.
Lat 28 degrees n.
August 20th, 1887

Dear Ade (May's sister),

When I wrote my last note from Honolulu, July 28th, I had no expectation that I could send another before our return there; much less that my next letter would be written under the dominion of our Uncle Samuel—but such is the fact for we have hoisted the American flag over these islands and taken possession in the name of the United States—ergo this is a portion of the U.S. and we can imagine ourselves to be in civilized society once more....

We were two weeks exactly coming here which was very long, considering that we had fresh, fair winds all the way, but we had instructions from the Department to hunt for about a dozen islands and shoals which are laid down on the charts at various points between the Sandwich Islands (Hawaii) and these, and this search consumed at least half the time...

We made exceedingly close examination of all the supposed localities—sometimes we had to heave to at night, because it's no fun to go booming along in the dark

so over a route well known and much travelled....

The description given of the islands in the paper I sent from Honolulu is incorrect in one of the most important points—that large vessels can go into the lagoon....

We draw nearly 17 feet, so with any swell on of course we could not go in, and the steamers of the China line, which draw 20 to 23 feet, and for which it is purposed to make this a coaling station, would stand a poor chance....

There are two little islands, each perhaps a mile wide by four or five long—one is a mere white sand heap, and the other ditto, ditto, except that it is covered with low stunted shrubs—a species of laurel[?] it would seem though how in nature it came here is more than I can imagine....

BOTH ISLANDS, BUT especially the one with the bushes on it, are fairly covered with birds, and they don't care any more for a man than for one of their own kind—absolutely they won't move off their nests unless you push them over—all sizes there are from as big as an albatross down to a sand-piper, and it is really difficult, yes, impossible, to walk about without treading on the creatures—in going through the bushes I twice trod on young birds though I tried to be careful not to do it.

Most of them are seabirds—web-

Women in the 25th Jump Closer to Combat

Women jumping out of airplanes is not new but having jump-qualified women in the 25th Division's officer corps is.

The airborne contingent includes lieutenants with the Security Agency, Division Artillery and 125th Signal.

A 25th spokesman said the women are not headed for combat duty but someday might have to jump in a combat-support role depending upon what assignment their unit had.

The development, described as "fairly new," puts women a bit closer to the roar of the cannon.

Other changes at the 25th include promotions for Americans of Japanese ancestry. Lt. Col. Ted K. Yamashita of Idaho has taken over the Golden Dragons and his executive officer is Maj. Alvin Takata of Kailua. New in a field artillery command is Capt. Michael F. Tanigawa of Honolulu.

The Pacific Command reports its Air Force and Navy aircraft and ships have not cut flying or steaming times despite a 10 percent cut in fuel availability announced earlier by the

Today Capt. Frank M. Newcomb has an organization that provided \$75 million in public works support last year with a \$29 million payroll for its 1,600 civilian employees.

With the Navy getting dependents out of Midway the Seabees moved in reservists from as far away as Dubuque, Iowa, to demolish dependent housing, pour dumpster pads and clear out some gooney bird vegetation growth near runways.

The Navy reports that military forces from France, Canada and New Zealand dropped ordnance on Kaboolawe during fiscal 1978 but that no foreign use is on the schedule today.

Shoplifting apprehensions at the Hawaii Area Exchange increased to 54 in May and Col. Sharman Stevenson commander of the 15th Wing at Hickam said "This trend of misconduct is intolerable and it must stop." He said shoplifters will lose privileges for a year when mailed.

Disabled American Veterans is worried about Agent Orange, the herbicide used in Vietnam, and asks all veterans of Southeast Asia who

feel they were exposed to contract DAV headquarters, 807 Maine Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20024.

Two new Air National Guard facilities were opened at Barking Sands, one for communicators, the other for maintenance of aerospace ground equipment.

And an old Air Guard F-86 has been added to the display next to Hickam's Base Operations.

The Air Guard now uses F-4s and has decided to change the Phantom colors from lizard green to light grey.

Keohokapu Reunion

The family of Joseph K. Keohokapu, 80, is getting together at 9 a.m. tomorrow in Mokuleia.

Although the exact size of the family is not known, it is estimated at around 500. Keohokapu has 13 children, 53 grandchildren and 45 great-grandchildren and his three brothers and three sisters also have large families.

Family members may call 261-1092 for more information.



The Armed Forces

By Lyle Nelson

Pentagon. Tight energy conservation programs, however, continue at all installations.

Tomorrow the Navy Public Works Center kicks off its 25th birthday doings with a Pau Hana Day program at the center's recreation area. A picnic follows at Kualoa Beach Park Saturday and a luau at the Blaisdell Center Sunday.

The center actually dates back to 1931 when Shop 08 was opened at the shipyard but several consolidations in 1952 led to the new name and management functions in 1964 and PWC was officially born at that point.

BWARE! THE BIRDS ARE RETURNING

Only a few more days until Dionides insularis arrives back on Midway. Have you put protectors around your favorite plants? Checked the brakes on your horse? Bought film for your camera? Prepared yourself for the clacking, whistles, and groans? The Goonies are coming! The Goonies are coming!

For the new personnel of the island, the Gooney Bird or Laysan Albatross is a very large white bird with black wings that span 64-7 feet. The Laysan Albatross is native to the Hawaiian Islands but only found in abundance on Midway, Kure, Laysan and Lisianski Islands. Midway has approximately 500,000 Laysan and Black Albatross which is about one-fourth the total population.

For the past 4 years, the first Laysan Albatross has arrived back on Midway by Halloween. In November the female lays one egg about 3 inches long. The incubation period lasts 63 days. Both adults incubate the egg and care for the young. Adults replace each other on the nest at about 24 day intervals. The young birds do not return to Midway until they are 4 or 5 years old and do not breed until age 7 or 8. They live to be 30 years old or more, and usually mate for life.

If you have any questions or see anyone harassing one of the birds please contact one of the island game wardens: G. Means, 2300; B. Weddington, 2327; J. Smith, 565; G. Gish, 2268; F. Stevenson, 2289; B. Crouch, 2357; C. Sedarlin, 2177; C. Alcock, 594.

LIBRARY NEWS

New books at the Station Library this week include: Fishbait, by William "Fishbait" Miller, as told to Frances Spatz Leighton; The Best Dad Is A Good Lover, by Dr. Charlie Shedd; The Taster's Guide To Beer, by Michael A. Weiner; Finding Your Roots, by Jeané Eddy Westin; and Between My Legs, by Chaim Sil, the book about one man's two-year bicycle trip across America.

New fiction includes: The Finalists, by Russell Braddon, the setting for this suspense novel is the Wimbledon tennis matches; A Gull Against The Wind, by J.J. Gonzalez; Seawitch, by Alistair MacLean; and the best seller, Coma, by Cook.

The staff of the Station Library would like to say Thank You to all the people in the working parties who moved us into our new home.

Library hours: Mon-Fri, 10 am-8 pm; Weekends, 2-7 pm.

AS I SEE IT

Thanks to Ch. of Oswald, his br and many others too numerous to mention: it was a wonderful ball and a memorable occasion.

The birds are back!

Thank you Skipper for a "very" articulate, humorous speech at the CPO Ball. Well done.

To Whom It May Concern: Overheard, some things you just have to tell in confidence, otherwise no one would listen.

Oops. A businessman attending a convention sent his wife a telegram that contained a typographical error, "Having a wonderful time, wish you were 'her'!"

Inferiority complex. I don't say that I have had luck, or am really under a hex, yet in the long commercial of life I feel I'm the brand marked XI. It was a grand ball y'all.

From a friend of mine...Craft-y replies: Question: Would you like to be a drill press operator? Answer: Too boring. Q: A banker? A: No interest. Q: A dry cleaner? A: Too pressing. Q: A Taxidermist? A: Too stuffy. Q: A golfer? A: Not enough drive. Q: A boxer? A: Count me out. Q: A soldier? A: No tanks. Q: A farmer? A: Shucks no. Q: An astronomer? A: Heavens no. Q: A philosopher? A: I think not. Q: A judge? A: Too confining.

A teacher was trying to explain the difference between involvement and commitment, but his students couldn't seem to understand. He finally got through to them when he said: "Let us consider a breakfast of ham and eggs. In a ham and egg breakfast, the chicken is involved, but it is the pig who is committed."

Have a nice holiday weekend.

A LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY

The Jack and Jill Nursery is located in the sunset but building next to Bartely Field on the other end of the Scout Hut. Children from the ages of six months up are provided with baby-sitting care, Monday - Friday. The Nursery is well equipped with cribs and playpens and has a variety of toys appealing to all ages. One attendant is provided for every ten children, although ideally the Nursery would like to have two attendants at all times. The children would not only be better supervised at play but it would also allow each child to receive individual attention in accordance with his or her needs. The attendants would also have time to organize games and read stories.

The Nursery can barely afford

now to pay the salary of one attendant. All of the clubs on base are being asked to pledge a donation or monthly sum and have one of it's members sit on the Nursery Board. The Nursery can and does provide a valuable service to the community but it is having to cut back on the hours it is open and there is a threat of closure.

With the cooperation of the parents and other concerned island residents, the Nursery can be a place where children receive top notch care and where they can interact with other children in a healthy, happy environment. If you have any complaints or criticisms about the Nursery or ideas and suggestions, please contact JoAnne Cooke at extension 569.

HAWAIIAN MONK SEAL

As residents of Midway we are very fortunate in being able to observe and help preserve one of nature's endangered species. The Hawaiian Monk Seal is native to the Hawaiian Islands, and is now found only in the Northwest Chain. They breed only on Laysan, Lisianski, Midway, Kure and Pearl and Hermes Reef. The adult male is blackish grey and weighs 380 pounds or more. The adult female is pale grey and weighs 600 pounds. Pups are jet black for the first month and weigh 35-38 pounds at birth. The gestation period is about 330 days with one pup per litter. The seal's food consists of eels, fish, squid, octopus and an occasional lobster.

The latest survey conducted from April through August of this year, found there are only 625 of the seals remaining. Of the 625, 400 were observed in the Midway Atoll area. If the seals are not disturbed they will be pupping on the Spits during the period of January through March. During the rest of the year they use the Spits and our beaches to bask or escape from sharks.

Two seal pups were born on the Midway Island Spits last season and hopefully more will be born this year. Do your part by remaining at least 200 yards away from the Spit sanctuary, (this is a station regulation). Also do not disturb the seals when you find them on the other beaches. We recommend that you remain at least 50 feet away.

CLASSIFIED ADS

4-Sale. Sony stereo music system, \$195; U.S. Divers aluminum twin 50's SCUBA tanks, \$195; 12" Admiral Color TV, \$225; Royal electric adding machine, \$15. Call Curt for more info at 608 dwh or 533 awl.

4-Sale. 18,000 BTU air conditioner, \$200, call 524 dwh or 852 awl.

A washing machine in working condition is needed for the Jack and Jill Nursery. If you are willing to donate or sell one call Karlan at 2495.

If you are interested in having the Jack and Jill Nursery open in the evenings on the weekends, call JoAnne Cooke at 569.

Navy May Cut Strength on Midway

By Lyle Nelson
Star-Bulletin Writer

The Navy may be preparing to pull women and children out of Midway Island and make it a "hardship" tour, leaving the men alone with the gooney birds.

Last week two commercial fishermen from San Diego said in Honolulu that they were told by the Navy the Midway population would be trimmed to 400.

A Pacific Fleet spokesman said there are 1,600 persons there today, including dependents.

Asked to comment on the reported drawdown, the spokesman at the Makalapa headquarters said Midway's status as a base is "currently"

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under review with officials looking at it in the light of operational, mission and budgetary considerations.

Ways to trim the Navy's budget may be at the heart of the matter.

MIDWAY HAS AN airport and port facility and a reasonably good life for its service families despite its isolation.

Midway has television, a post exchange, clubs, beaches, a cool climate and bicycles that are outnumbered only by Laysan albatrosses.

Midway is an important search and rescue center for that part of the North Pacific susceptible to violent winter storms. Last winter five tankers or freighters sank near the atoll located about 1,300 miles from Honolulu.

Midway also hosts sensitive classified operations relating to oceanography and may have figured in the Central Intelligence Agency's Glomar Explorer operation to raise a sunken Soviet submarine.

Soviet tracking ships operate near Midway observing Russian missiles on impact following test flights from Central Asia.

FISHERMEN KEITH COLBURN and Bill Michael, following a recent large catch of tuna in waters north of Midway, said the island is absolutely essential to make commercial fishing feasible in that area.

Governor George R. Ariyoshi is interested in the island's possibilities for that use and what it could mean in the development of the State's fishing industry.

What fishermen need at Midway is hospitality in providing fuel, food and cold storage for fish.

Earlier approaches by the State on the subject found high Navy officials cool. Former Secretary of the Navy J. William Middendorf II said the island was too crowded and continues to have a significant defense value to the United States.

But Wilvan G. Van Campen, executive director of the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council, said he was told by the Navy that there were no important security problems involved in introducing a commercial fishing operation there.

MIDWAY'S IMPORTANCE as an air refueling stop diminished in the jet age. Airborne Early Warning Barrier Squadron flights between Midway and Adak, as protection against a Russian air attack, were suspended in 1965 after nine years. The island's population has dropped since. It was 2,200 in 1970.

If dependents are removed some of these families might seek housing at Barbers Point or the new Aliamanu housing project.

Japan sought to invade Midway in 1942 as a prelude to the occupation of Hawaii. The U.S. victory in the Battle of Midway ended the threat.

Life at Midway later was reduced to a frustrating struggle between the Navy and the gooney birds, always a threat to aircraft.

In 1969 the atoll returned briefly to the news when the diamond-shaped area 2½ miles long by a mile wide hosted a summit meeting of President Nixon and South Vietnam President Nguyen Van Thieu.



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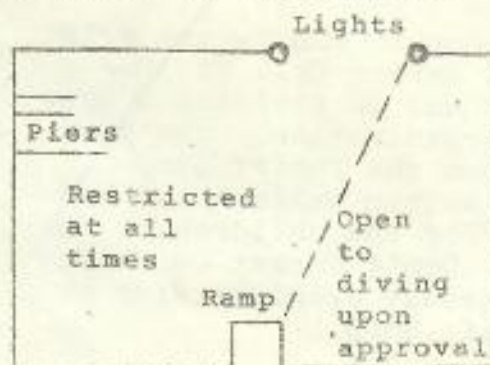
Anyone who is interested in taking a NAUI diving course, advanced and basic classes will be starting soon. A meeting for the advanced class will be held at Koral Kings on Saturday, February 26, at 1 p.m. A meeting for the basic course will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, February 28. There will also be a meeting for anyone interested in swimming lessons at Monday's meeting.

At the Feb. 23 meeting there will be a club clean up beginning at 5:30 p.m. This is a club function and all members are required to attend. Private boat owners are reminded they are responsible for cleaning around their own boat. Also at this meeting the combination for the front door lock will be changed.

New by-laws have been published and are available at the dive shop. Members are reminded that by-laws will be strictly adhered to.

On future night dives the Quarterdeck, Security and the Safety Officer must be notified as to who is diving, where, etc.

Anyone interested in diving in the inner harbor must submit a special request chit to the Harbor Officer, again if approved, the Quarterdeck, and Security must be notified before the dive. Diving is restricted to the following area:



March is membership drive month for Koral Kings Dive Club. Anyone joining Koral Kings during this time will receive March and April's dues free.

Qualifications for membership are:

Snorkel (skin) Divers; swim 200 yards (with no aids). Swim underwater 25 feet. Float and tread water for 15 minutes. Do a snorkel bailout.

S.C.U.B.A. Divers; be a qualified snorkel diver. Do a S.C.U.B.A. bailout and check dive with the safety officer. (You must hold certification for S.C.U.B.A. through EOD, UDT, Navy Diving School, YWCA, YMCA, NAUI, PADI, Red Cross or any other nationally recognized organization.)

All members are required to be physically fit and an examination by the station Doctor is mandatory.

New members must attend lectures on by-laws and constitution, underwater marine life, care of boats and motors, and use of our air compressor.

There is a one time initiation fee of \$25. Monthly fees are \$4 for snorkel divers and \$6 for S.C.U.B.A. divers. Honorary membership is available to people who make outstanding contributions to the club. If you are interested, contact Curt Haney at 533.

Congratulations to Chief Klam who was awarded an Honorary membership, and also to Bob Becker who was elected to the Board of Directors as the Conservation Officer.

Appreciation is extended to R. Bosch, G. Means, J. Keele, L. Reiter and C. Haney for their help in removing the lockers from outside the building on such short notice.



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Any Koral Kings member interested in forming a bowling team call Curt Haney at extension 533.

Koral Kings is holding a raffle. Tickets are available to Club members at 50¢ each. Prizes will be determined by the amount of tickets sold. When the drawing is held, lucky ticket holders must be present to win.

A shell display case has been made for the bank. Members with shells they wish to display call John Ross at extension 431. A display case is also being made for the Club.

Don't forget, March is membership drive month. Anyone joining K.K. at this time will receive March and April's dues free.

As the nice weather begins to return to us, many of our thoughts return to the beaches. Since part of Koral Kings purpose is furthering the knowledge of the marine environment, we thought it would be helpful

if every week or so we publish information concerning various aspects of the marine life we find around us.

This week we'll look at the Portugese Man of War.

Portugese Man of War stings rarely prove fatal. Their stings are very similar to a bee sting. Some people are more sensitive than others. A small bottle of spirits of ammonia carried with you in your boat survival kit or with your fishing tackle and applied immediately and repeated every 30 minutes (3 times) may save you considerable discomfort from the would be welts, burning and itching later. These animals are quite common in our lagoon. They are difficult to see for the tentacles are as fine as silk thread, generally several feet long, attached to a small aqua colored balloon-like structure generally not larger than an English walnut. They often wash up on the beach in large numbers.

INCOME TAX



YOUR STATE IS WAITING TOO

SEABEES ARE THERE WHEN NEEDED

The last few articles on the Seabees have told about their war time experiences, however, they were just as active between wars.

Like all other branches of the Armed Forces, the Seabees were demobilized rapidly after WW II, the Korean War and the Vietnam Conflict, however, this cut-back did not dampen their "Can Do" spirit.

They have served in practically all parts of the world. Most important, they have added a new and important dimension to their functions by their humanitarian programs for the relief of human suffering, at home and abroad. Seabees have helped rebuild roads, bridges, hospitals,

schools and much more after earthquakes, floods and hurricanes destroyed them.

By being there when the people needed someone to look to, the Seabees helped promote goodwill for the United States.

The Seabees motto, "Construimus Bathimus," or "We Build, We Fight" could be modified by adding these words, "and we help our fellow man in his hour of need."

All of our remote Navy bases were build by Seabees and they provide 95 percent of the maintenance for most of these bases.

They provide for many people who would feel it if they were not there.



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A reminder to people who are interested in taking the new N.A.U.I. dive classes, qualifications will be held this weekend. Advanced-course swim quals will be Saturday at 1 p.m. and the basic course swim quals are Sunday at 1 p.m. If you haven't signed up yet please make the quals at Korals Kings. This is the last time you will be able to enroll for this course. The instructor for the course is Ian McFarland, and assistant instructor is Curt Haney.

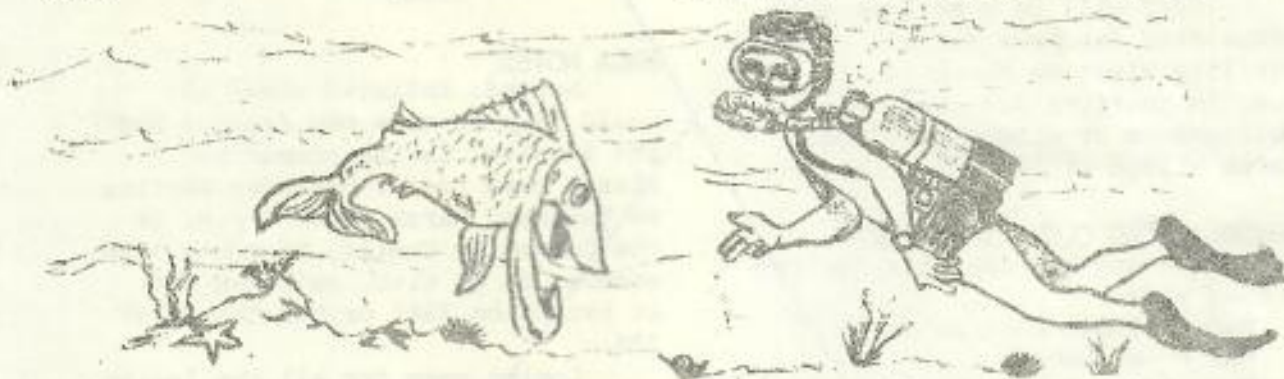
The combination to the front door has been changed. This will be done on a regular basis from now on. See a fellow member for the new combination.

Members who owe back dues please pay them, \$600 is currently owed the Club.

skin wounds caused by living or dead coral takes considerably longer to heal than the usual abrasions or cuts, and often lead to serious infection, gangrene and loss of an extremity if not properly treated.

Coral is really an animal. The hard part is its house, or skeleton, in which millions of tiny soft coral polyps live. This skeleton structure is primarily calcium carbonate. The calcium carbonates are readily soluble in weak acids such as household vinegar.

Millions of microscopic particles are deposited in a cut or scratch and act as a foreign body causing continuous irritation such as a foreign substance which causes stings, but these species are rare on Midway. Therefore, the way to



Private boat owners are asked to use the hose near the ramp when washing down their boats to avoid conflicts with dive classes on weekends.

A new lock was placed on the gas tank, please replace it if you remove it. The gas log is missing. If you know where it is please return it. Anyone who bought gas in the last two weeks please contact Tim Kurashima about your bill.

Appreciation is extended to Bob Weddington for his work on the boats.

SEA SECRETS: Coral Poisoning. Coral poisoning is not really a poison, and there is nothing mysterious about the big enigma which seems to surround the reasons for coral abrasions, scratches and cuts taking so long to heal. Most often the open

care for coral scratches is by very vigorous and thorough scrubbing and rinsing the wound with vinegar. This vigorous scrubbing with soap and brush mechanically removes most of the microscopic coral particles embedded in the wound and the final scrubbing with vinegar dissolves any remaining particles of calcium carbonate and flushes them from the wound. Keep the wound clean and dry except to scrub thoroughly daily. If it is too painful to scrub your scratches with a stiff brush go to the dispensary where it can be anesthetized with novocaine and then adequate debridement can be performed. If these scratches and cuts are just let go, they can become quite infected and cellulitis and gangrene can set in.



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Island residents are reminded that March is membership drive month. Anyone joining K.K. at this time will receive March and April's dues free.

A note to the membership, 18 ways to wreck an organization:

- 1) Seldom, if ever, attend a meeting.
- 2) If you do, find fault with the work of the officers.
- 3) Never accept an office. It's easier to criticize than to do things.
- 4) If asked your opinion on a matter, tell the chairman you have nothing to say. But say plenty after the meeting.
- 5) Do no more than is absolutely necessary. When others roll up their sleeves and help matters along, howl that the organization is run by a clique.
- 6) Never exercise your voting privilege, but shout that your opinion is never asked.
- 7) When a banquet is given, tell everyone that money is wasted on big noisy blowouts that accomplish nothing.
- 8) When no banquets are given, say the organization is dead.
- 9) Don't tell the organization how it can help you; if it doesn't help you, resign.
- 10) If you receive service without joining, don't join.
- 11) Look out for something wrong; when you find it, yelp.
- 12) At every opportunity threaten to quit and get your friends to resign.
- 13) When you attend a meeting, vote to do something,

then go home and do the opposite.

- 14) Agree to everything said at a meeting; disagree with it outside.
- 15) When asked for information, don't give it.
- 16) Cuss the organization for incompleteness of its information.
- 17) Get all the organization gives you, but don't give it anything.
- 18) Kick about the cost of membership, though the cost to you is actually negligible.

SEA SECRETS: Moray Eels. Moray Eels have no poisonous venom, however, their bite alone will hurt you. Also they are powerfull and could easily hold one in a coral cavern and cause drowning. The flesh of some Moray Eels, if eaten could produce serious illness. Don't eat Moray Eels!

Conger Eels. Conger Eels are also present in our lagoon. Usually they are larger and more powerful than Moray Eels. The Conger Eel has no poisonous venom. It is not known if ingestion is harmful, but it is not recommended for eating.

Sea Snakes. All Sea Snakes are poisonous, some more so than others. The venom of many Sea Snakes is extremely lethal. There is no available anti-serum for most Sea Snake bites and no specific treatment. There are no land snakes on Midway, and as far as we know, no Sea Snakes in our lagoon. Remember Moray Eels should not be confused with Sea Snakes.

EXCHANGE SHOPLIFTING INCREASES

WASHINGTON, D.C. (NES) . . . Department stores call it "Inventory Storage." And critics refer to it as larceny. But the crime is better known as shoplifting.

When shoplifting takes place in an exchange, the thief is, in essence, robbing from his or her "sharemates." These exchange profits are used to support recreation, welfare and other morale building activities. And sadly,

shoplifting activity in exchanges seems to be increasing.

Unlike large commercial stores, exchanges don't have a profit cushion capable of offsetting losses caused by theft. To compensate for "Inventory losses," exchanges must raise prices, reduce merchandise selection or curtail some services. And money to pay for security staffing or theft-detering devices comes out of the profits,

cutting into the funds needed to support your hobby shops, bowling alleys, golf shops or recreation areas.

Penalties faced by an apprehended shoplifter are stiff. They can include loss of exchange privileges and disciplinary action. Offenders not subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice, such as dependents, face possible prosecution in Federal and State courts.

HAWAIIAN MONK SEALS PRESENT ON MIDWAY

The rare Hawaiian Monk Seal has been seen in increasing numbers on the beaches of the island during the last several weeks. Between March and July, mother Hawaiian Monk Seals haul out on beaches to give birth to a single, fully developed black pup. During the nursing period of the pup, the mother does not go out to sea in search of food, but rather stays continually with her offspring. The pup grows rapidly and its coat changes from black to silver gray. The food of Monk Seals consist of eels, small octopus and reef fish which are captured at night.

Only two locations exists where these rare mammals remain in the world. One is the remote areas

of the Mediterranean Sea, and the other in the leeward chain of the Hawaiian Islands. The seals were recently placed on the endangered species list and are thus very strictly protected. The nature of Monk Seals is such that they are unable to adapt to the continued presence and activities of man. Island residents are reminded not to disturb the seals if found on island beaches. The seals also use the small Spit Islands as breeding grounds and these islands are restricted to all personnel.

If any seals are seen locally please notify one of the game wardens at the following extensions: 2268, 539, 2300, 683, 675, 472 and 440. Do your part in preserving one of nature's rarest creatures.



~~Well actually, this blue type uniform represents the Narcotic Interdiction Team. It has nothing to do what-so-ever with MIDAS MUFFLERS!!!~~

OVER OR AROUND

~~Give some thought to this. If you operate a vehicle, including bicycles, about the island, think *over or around*. To drive a vehicle over any living thing would seem absurd but, as I'm sure some of us have observed, there are those that do intentionally drive right directly over whatever is in the road.~~

~~The Gooney chicks have started wandering from their nests and the Knotty Terns are still in the process of gathering nesting material. This brings these and yet other birds onto the roads; where there are roads there is vehicular traffic.~~

~~Please have respect for the wildlife, for a living thing. Don't be one of those that keeps right on going no matter what's in the path of travel. *Go around*, what's the hurry? There's always a way to get where you want to go even if it isn't the most direct route.~~

~~Be aware, be humane and think. Think of those birds in the road as a child if that will help you make a decision as whether to go *over or around*, please go *around*. And remember, *Look before you back!*~~

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The following officers were nominated and will be voted on at the next meeting April 6: Pres: McDonald, Loesh, Peckelder; V. Pres: Hahn, Schmeltz, Berger, Barretto, Wirth, Peckelder; Sec: Vara, Mish, Schieffer; Safety Officer: Ross, Triveno; Con. Officer: Becker, Berger.

Bob Nedington was elected as club treasurer.

The air compressor is temporarily down for a short period of time for minor repairs and adjustments. It is expected to be back on the line soon. Members are requested to have patience and remember, no air is still better than bad air.

The gas selling system has changed. Gas will be sold only when the dive shop is open for business, which will be Sunday, Saturday and Wednesday evenings. For more info on gas sales contact Bob Weddington.

Special Services boats will be available starting this weekend on a three month trial basis. Boats can be reserved on Wed. nights following meetings or when there is no meeting on Wed., they can be reserved after 6 p.m.

A Special Services boat license will be required to operate the boats, also members will be held fully responsible for the clean and safe storage of all K.K. & S.S. boat equipment. Members will also be responsible for damage or loss due to negligence on the members part. Any part of an hour will be considered a full hour. Payment of \$1.50 per hour per boat usage will be expected by the meeting night following the use of a boat. If not made by then, a grace period will extend to the following Sundays close of business in the dive shop. If not paid by then, a \$5 fine will be charged and actions taken by the Board of Directors towards a possible suspension.

The clubhouse door and access combinations have been changed again. They will be changed on a monthly basis. See a fellow member for the new combo.

Stan Gearhart was appointed as the K.K. 4th of July Committee Chairman. See Stan if you would like to volunteer your services. This will be an all club project this year. Be at the next meeting to find out what your job will be & maybe choose what committee you would like to help with.

A new raffle has been started, chances are 50¢ each to members. The drawing will be held on April 20, at 7 p.m. Members must be present to win.

A club boat repair committee has been formed. See D. Berger if you have a talent at repairing boats. We need your help.

Honorary membership was awarded to Phil Slaughter for his outstanding contributions to the club.

CONSOLIDATED CLUB HAPPENINGS

Here are the specials for the coming week:

- Apr 3 Roast Turkey
- Apr 5 Steamboat
- Apr 6 Braised Beef with noodles
- Apr 7 Ecumenical Service
(Dining Room Closed)
- Apr 8 Shrimp Creole

Tacos are our April 7, lunch special. Remember...all you can eat for \$1.45.

The Dining Room will be closed for dinner on Thursday, April 7, for the Ecumenical Service and dinner. Bar hours will be 8-11:30 p.m.

The Consolidated Pinochle Club will meet Friday, April 8, at 7 p.m.

ATTENTION! MILITARY DEPENDENTS, are you interested in seeing more off-duty education made available to you? If so fill out the attached questionnaire and return it to the Educational Services Office as soon as possible. (The questionnaire is attached on the back of the paper.)

The cleaning deposit for the Community Center has been reduced to \$25.

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Memorial Day: Remembering Those Who Served

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For 35 years, the Unknown Soldier of World War I was the sole occupant of the crypt on the hill overlooking our Nation's capital. On Aug. 3, 1956, a bill to honor the unknown military dead from World War II and the Korean War was signed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

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World War II unknown military dead were chosen from national cemeteries in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters of war. After the caskets were placed aboard the U.S.S. Canberra, the ship sailed to a spot off the Virginia Capes in late May. There, Hospitalman First Class William R. Charette, the Navy's only remaining active duty Medal of Honor winner, placed a wreath on the casket of the man who was to become the Unknown of World War II.

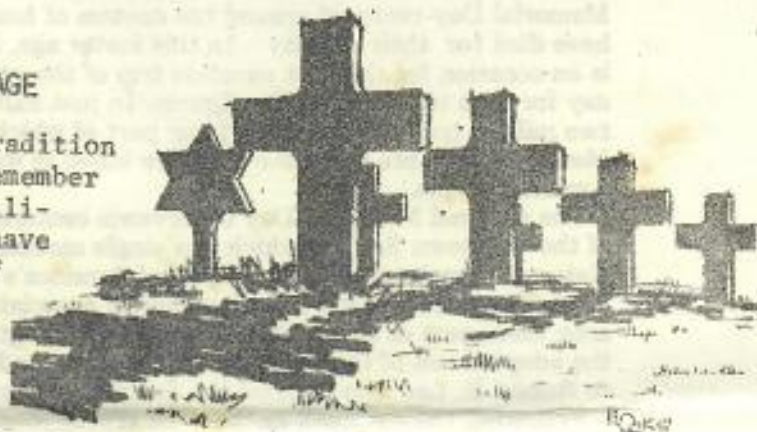
The selection of the Korean War unknown dead was made by Master Sergeant Ned Lyle in the National Cemetery of the Pacific at Honolulu, Hawaii.

After lying in state in the Capitol rotunda, just as the Unknown Soldier from World War I was honored, the two Unknowns from World War II and the Korean War were laid to rest beside their comrade from World War I. No Vietnam War dead has been interred at the site because there have been no unidentified military dead from that war.

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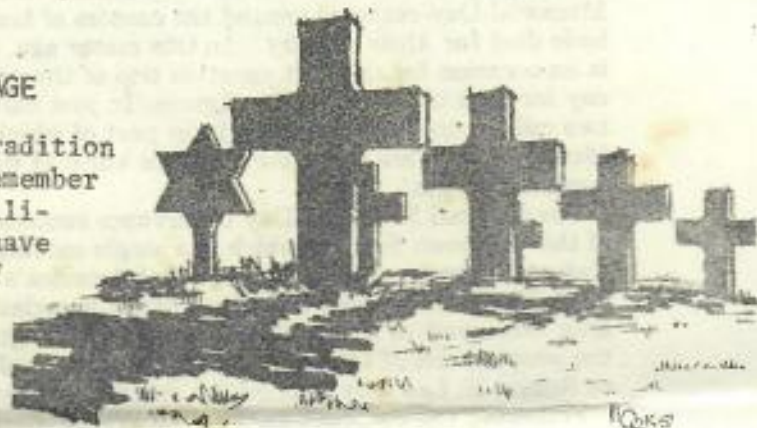
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SETTING GOALS

"Memorial Day (Decoration Day), in the United States, a holiday observed in the northern states on May 30, originally in honour of soldiers killed in the American Civil War but subsequently also in honour of those who fell in later wars." (Encyclopedia Britannica).

This weekend as we take time off from work, let us spend time in reflecting on our own lives. Let us consider what we are living for. (We frequently are told what people died for, especially if they happen to die in the line of duty.) But what did they live for? It's what we live for that's really important.

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After all we have done things, gone places, own possessions. Will more of the same be all you seek in life? Will greater quantities of what you have already had bring greater satisfaction?

In considering "what" you are living for, it is important to also think about "who" you are living for now, and the kind of person you are becoming as you live.

The result of our rightly living the answers to these questions is exactly what most of us want in our lives -- the peace of God.

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Age brings wisdom, or at least a growing familiarity with the somewhat logical movements of the world. Time is one unchangeable element of our lives, and we are tasked with the awesome problem of using what we have to its fullest extent, to more efficiently fulfill our purpose here. What is our purpose here? That is a question philosophers and theologians have been pondering for years, and one that God will no doubt answer for each of us when we reach our respective day of judgement. In the meantime, our allotted time ticks mercilessly on, and we must either spend it wisely, or lose it through neglect. The success of our lives depend on the way we utilize our time.

We are each individuals with vastly different desires and dreams, judging ourselves and others through self-imposed or learned standards of comparison. So it stands to reason that the final outcome of our lives should be different, in direct proportion to our respective energy levels and goals.

Goals. Ah, there's the magic word! None of us would think of initiating travel plans to another state without the aid of a map or travel guide. Yet we embark into our future, the most unpredictable wilderness known, without the slightest idea of where we are going, or even how we are going to get there. Is there then any wonder that we see many stranded persons along our road, obviously ill-prepared to handle the hazardous conditions? Not meaning that we should stop on each step of our life to strict rules, unwavering in its execution. No, such action could only lead to frustration. But setting major goals is the only way of knowing if we have reached our destination. For those of us with families, it can be a time of togetherness, a sharing of dreams and development of family unity. For those of us unwilling to think about our future, winter eventually comes, and it is better to have food and a warm stove to fight it. Unless our goal is to test our endurance of cold and starvation. The future is inevitable. Maybe right now is when we should start getting ready for it.

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Peace be with you.

**How's Your
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Answers on page 6

1. What is a bathyscaphe?
2. To become a U.S. Senator, must a candidate be a native American?
3. Which star is nearest the earth?
4. What was the Philosopher's Stone?
5. For what is Sutter's Mill famous?

MESS COORDINATOR RECREATION DEPARTMENT

There have been many questions as of late concerning the Mess Coordinator Recreation Department (MCRD). Exactly what is it? MCRD is the department responsible for the financial and administrative operation of five separate non-appropriated fund (NAF) activities. These are the Bachelor Officers Quarters (BOQ); Consolidated Mess Open (CMO); Consolidated Package Store (CPS); Enlisted Mess Open (EMO); and Special Services. It is important to note that while these five activities are grouped under one department they are totally separate and independent financial entities. They all manage their own resources and operate under similar but varied rules and regulations. For instance, while all five NAF's operate under the Chief of Naval Personnel, Special Services utilizes a completely different accounting system than the other four activities. This is because the Bureau has organized all NAF's into two sub-categories. Recreation and Mess activities.

MCRD hires approximately 150 off duty military and full/part time dependent personnel. This, combined with operations in excess of 2 million dollars, make us one of the larger departments on the Naval Station.

Questions or comments concerning a particular operation should be addressed to the manager of that activity to ensure a prompt response. These key men are: BOQ Manager, LTJG Gordon Martin; CMO Manager, MSC Mel Floresca; CPS Manager, LTJG Gordon Martin/ MS2 Domingo Devera; EMO Manager, MSCS Larry Cauble; Special Services Officer, ETCS Stan Gearhart.

In addition, most activities have either a committee or an advisory board. These boards meet on a monthly basis and make recommendations to the management of each activity. If you have a recommendation, bring it to the attention of your department representative. We can only continue to provide the service you desire if you let us know what it is. We are here to serve you; help us do that!

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Have a happy Memorial Day weekend and don't forget the meaning of Memorial Day.

NEW CHAMPUS REGULATION

CHAMPUS REGULATION AVAILABLE THRU GPO

Copies of the new regulation governing the Civilian Health And Medical Program Of The Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) are now available to the general public through the Government Printing Office at a cost of \$4.25 each.

To obtain a copy, write to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402 and ask for "Civilian Health And Medical Program Of The Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS)," stock no. 008-001-00102-9. Each request must be accompanied by a check or money order for \$4.25 per copy made payable to Superintendent Of Documents.

The regulation is currently being distributed through normal service channels to CHAMPUS advisors and others who use it in their official duties.

Also, a handbook for beneficiaries which summarizes provisions of the regulation, is being prepared and should be available through the services sometime this summer.

This is the 3rd in a series designed to assist in understanding CHAMPUS more fully. Each item deals with one particular aspect of the new CHAMPUS Regulation.

PSYCHOTHERAPY

CHAMPUS will share the cost of one hour of psychotherapy treatment, individual or group or a combination, during a 24-hour period, up to a maximum of five one-hour sessions per week for inpatient care and two one hour sessions per week for outpatient care.

In crisis intervention cases, two hours of psychotherapy treatment during a 24-hour period will be cost shared.

Although previously used as guidelines, these specific limits are new.

Outpatient treatment is reviewed automatically by CHAMPUS at the eighth visit. If approved for continuation, it again is reviewed automatically at the 24th visit, although more frequent review may be made. At a maximum of 60 visits, the case must be referred for peer review before further care can be authorized.

from hospitals meeting its standards. Furthermore, it shares hospital costs only for care from those that do not practice discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin, those that comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.

Exceptions to these rules are made for emergency inpatient admissions. To qualify as an exception:

*The care must be medically supported as an emergency.

*The care must require admission as an inpatient (it could not have been provided as an outpatient).

*The care must be provided by the nearest hospital.

CHAMPUS benefits are payable for care from an unauthorized hospital for the duration of the medical emergency. A CHAMPUS medical consultant determines when the medical emergency is over, and the beneficiary is notified. Benefits cease for a stay in an unauthorized hospital on the day of notification. Where, appropriate, CHAMPUS will share the cost of ambulance service to transport the beneficiary to an approved hospital.

Most hospitals in the United States comply with CHAMPUS standards and with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. A CHAMPUS advisor or contractor can advise beneficiaries of those few that do not comply.

CUSTODIAL CARE

The Regulation explains the meaning of custodial care, a meaning that has not been clear for many beneficiaries in the past. A clear understanding is especially important because custodial care is excluded from the CHAMPUS benefits package by the statute governing the program. CHAMPUS cannot share its cost.

Generally, custodial care is long-term care provided primarily to support the essentials of daily living in situations where the patient must have a protected, monitored and controlled environment.

In addition to not sharing the cost of custodial care itself, CHAMPUS does not share the cost of any related service or supply provided in a home or institution with the following exceptions:

*Prescription drugs and medicines will be cost shared.

NAVY RELIEF, WHAT IT MEANS TO YOU

This is the second of a two part article on the Navy Relief Society.

(3) What are the services provided? It is the aim of the Society that all its services, financial as well as counselling, be of a truly constructive value. In many cases direct financial assistance is indicated, in others, no monetary expenditures are involved since the help needed may be for the services of the Navy Relief Nurse, seeking information about dependency, allowances, pensions, government insurance, or advising about available community resources. Typical situations for which financial aid may be rendered when there is an emergency need are:

(a) Basic living expenses because of non-receipt of allotments, government benefits or other emergency situations which make resources temporarily inadequate. Financial assistance may be in the form of an outright grant, a loan without interest, or a combination of the two, depending on the circumstances in each case and the degree of hardship involved in the repayment of the loan.

(b) Transportation in cases of illness or death of members of the immediate family.

(c) Funeral expenses, \$500 limit.

(d) Vocational training where needed to make a living for widows or orphans.

(e) Special care and training of handicapped children.

(f) Supplemental assistance to widows over 65 years of age.

(g) Assistance with basic essential dental work.

(h) Medical expenses in excess of coverage by CHAMPUS or state sponsored programs.

NOTEThe Society is unable to finance cases involving truly chronic illness or situations which require long-term commitments; it may, however, within certain limitations, assist in so-called chronic illnesses where reasonable and definite improvement may be expected within a predictable time, or for a temporary period pending permanent care by the use of other resources.

Other services provided include baby layettes made by volunteers, thrift shops where clothing and essentials may be purchased at rock-bottom prices, children's waiting rooms at medical facilities, counseling on financial management, educational programs providing opportunities for higher education to dependent children who might otherwise be unable to pursue their education beyond high school, and referral service to other community agencies such as the Veterans Administration, Legal Aid, Family Counseling Service, Social Security and the American Red Cross.

While the foregoing briefly describes the many services provided by the Navy Relief Society, the funds of the Society are not available to assist personnel to live beyond their normal income, to finance business ventures, purchase a home, an automobile or similar permanent investment, to finance vocations, annual leave or liberty, to pay debts contracted prior to entry into the service, to pay income or other taxes or loan interest, to purchase non-essentials, to pay fines or legal expenses, or to finance marriage, divorce, or adoptions. Although the above are typical of the more frequent situations in which aid can or cannot be rendered, they are by no means complete and all cases presented are given full and sympathetic consideration. Emergency need is the deciding factor.

To those personnel who have been a recipient of the services provided by Navy Relief, the value of this fine organization should be well known. To those who have not yet found themselves in a situation where such aid has been urgently required, it should be a comforting thought to know that it is available. When it comes to Navy Relief, the theme "The Navy Takes Care Of Its Own" is proven daily in action and deed. The funds you contribute today help to ensure that these vital services will be available to you, your dependents, and shipmates tomorrow.

So dig down in your pocketbook; give what you can to Navy Relief, no contribution is too small. Our goal is, quite simply, 100 percent participation by each and every person.

AMERICA DEFENDS MIDWAY

(This is the 3rd in a series of articles on the Battle of Midway, and the up-coming 35th Anniversary of the battle.)

Unknown to the Japanese War Lords, U.S. intelligence personnel had broken their code and were gathering bits and pieces of information on the up-coming Midway attack.

Admiral Nimitz visited Midway to see how defense plans were going. Commander Simard, Atoll Commander, and Marine Lieutenant Colonel Shannon, Commander of the Ground Forces, were working together in setting up defense positions.

Sand and Eastern Islands were ringed with anti-boat and anti-aircraft guns. Additional men, equipment and supplies were brought in, bomb-proof dugouts were constructed, beaches were lined with barbed wire, mines and underwater obstacles were planted.

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The Japanese fleet was sighted by Ensign Jack Reid, a Midway PBY pilot, at 9 a.m. June 3rd. Two attacks against the Japanese fleet followed on that day and evening. The first attack made no hits on the enemy fleet, the second, a moonlight attack, scored one hit on a Japanese transport.

At 6:35 a.m. June 4th, the Japanese bombers, led by Air Group Commander Tomonaga, were over Midway, with no fighters to oppose them. One flight winged over Sand Island to the left, on whose northeastern shore were barracks, a large hangar, seaplane ramps, and fuel storage tanks. Another flight pushed over to smaller Eastern Island to the

right, where the triangulated runways for land-based planes, a Marine Mess Hall and a galley were located.

The huge bombs tumbled down and detonated all along the northern shores of both islands. One bomb crashed into the seaplane hangar, setting it afire, another tore through a huge fuel storage tank, creating an inferno and sending fat clouds of black smoke skyward.

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By now many storehouses were in flames, and the whole western part of the atoll was blanketed with clouds of heavy smoke which drifted westward with the wind. One missile hurtled into the Post Exchange, erupting it in a cloud of razor blades, cigarettes and candy bars. An enemy bomber pilot tore across Eastern Island at an altitude of 50 feet, rolled over in a flaunting stunt, and thumbed his nose.

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MEMORIAL DAY U.S.A.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

"Memorial Day USA" is the official title of Midway's annual all island celebration. This celebration will take place on Monday, May 30th. The purpose of the celebration is to give all island residents an opportunity to both observe the Memorial Day significance and enjoy the holiday.

Memorial Day was first observed on May 30, 1868 by order of General John A. Logan, Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic. The flag is flown at half-staff until noon as a memorial to those brave American men and women who have fought and died to protect the freedom which has made our country great. It is fitting that this day be used to rededicate ourselves to the ideals of freedom and peace so hard won and maintained throughout our history.

9 a.m. A Memorial Day Service will be held at Hartley Field. The opening prayer will be given by Chaplain Heslop, the closing prayer by Father Connor. There will also be an address by Captain Fischer. After the ceremony, the island scouts will depart to decorate the graves in the cemetery behind A housing and the Station Memorial. All personnel are welcome. Casual attire is permissible.

10 a.m. The Gooney Bird Train and Gooney Bird Ride will begin operation at Hartley Field. The cost of the ride is 30¢.

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10:30 a.m. Memorial Day Go Kart Race. 30 laps on the Midway Go Kart Track, between representatives from each department of Captain's Cup Teams.

11:45 a.m. Catholic Memorial Service at the Chapel.

12 p.m. The "Midway 500" unlimited class race will begin. In this race the riders may use all speeds for their horse entered. Captain Fischer will present the cash prizes to the winners of the race. The race will start and finish at Hartley Field. All spectators are encouraged to be in the grandstand area ten minutes prior to race time and are asked to keep clear of the track area immediately around Hartley Field. The list of entrants and the organizations represented follows:

Name & Number	Organization
Deoliveira 1	Public Works
Burkett 2	Navy Exchange
McKinnon 3	NAVFAC
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4 p.m. Its the game of the year. The one you have been waiting for. Khaki vs White Hat. With years of practice between them at out-foxing the Khakis, the White Hats are favored by a slim margin. The Khakis however, are sure to provide some surprises, after all they provide White Hats with surprises everyday, don't they. Captain Fischer will officiate this game. If you are interested in playing in this game contact PO2 Allen, extension 317 for the White Hat Team and Chief Roseberry at 603 for the Khaki Team.

6 p.m. The Womens All Star Softball Team will play against the Enlisted Women. The following women are on the All Star Team: High School; Judy Brown, Terri Fullagar, Dody Napolitano, Lori Rhea; A&D&CPO Housing, Kathy Lang, Cathy Kimble, Philis Norfleet, Collette Rippe; O Wives, Diane McClure, Linda Neitman, Fran Bates; B&C Housing, Carol Kimmel, Vera Fullagar, Karlan Hahn, Marie Pharr. Captain Fischer will officiate this game also.

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6 p.m. The Womens All Star Softball Team will play against the Enlisted Women. The following women are on the All Star Team: High School; Judy Brown, Terri Fullagar, Dody Napolitano, Lori Rhea; A&D&CPO Housing, Kathy Lang, Cathy Kimble, Philis Norfleet, Collette Rippe; O Wives, Diane McClure, Linda Neitman, Fran Bates; B&C Housing, Carol Kimmel, Vera Fullagar, Karlan Hahn, Marie Pharr. Captain Fischer will officiate this game also.

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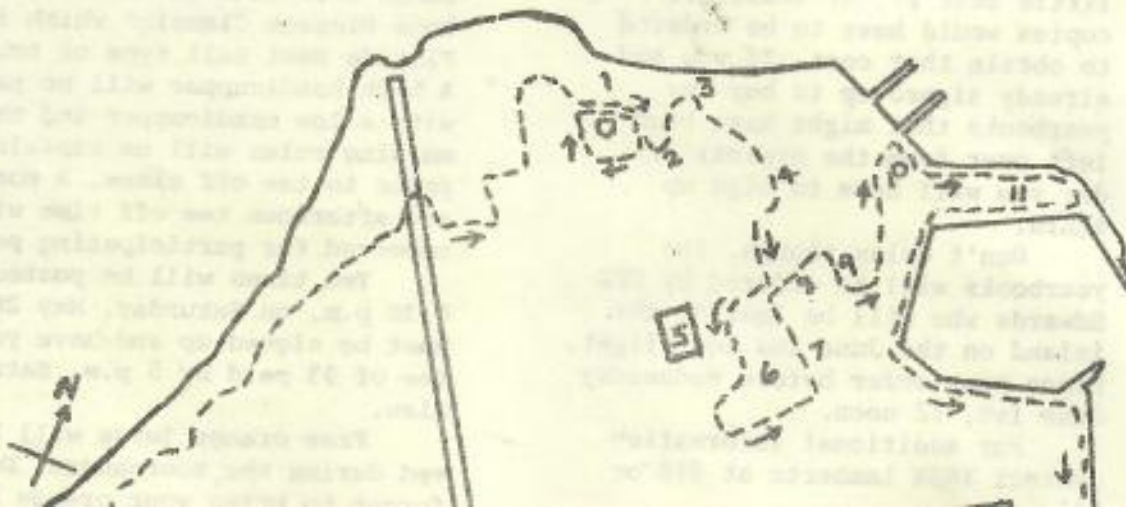
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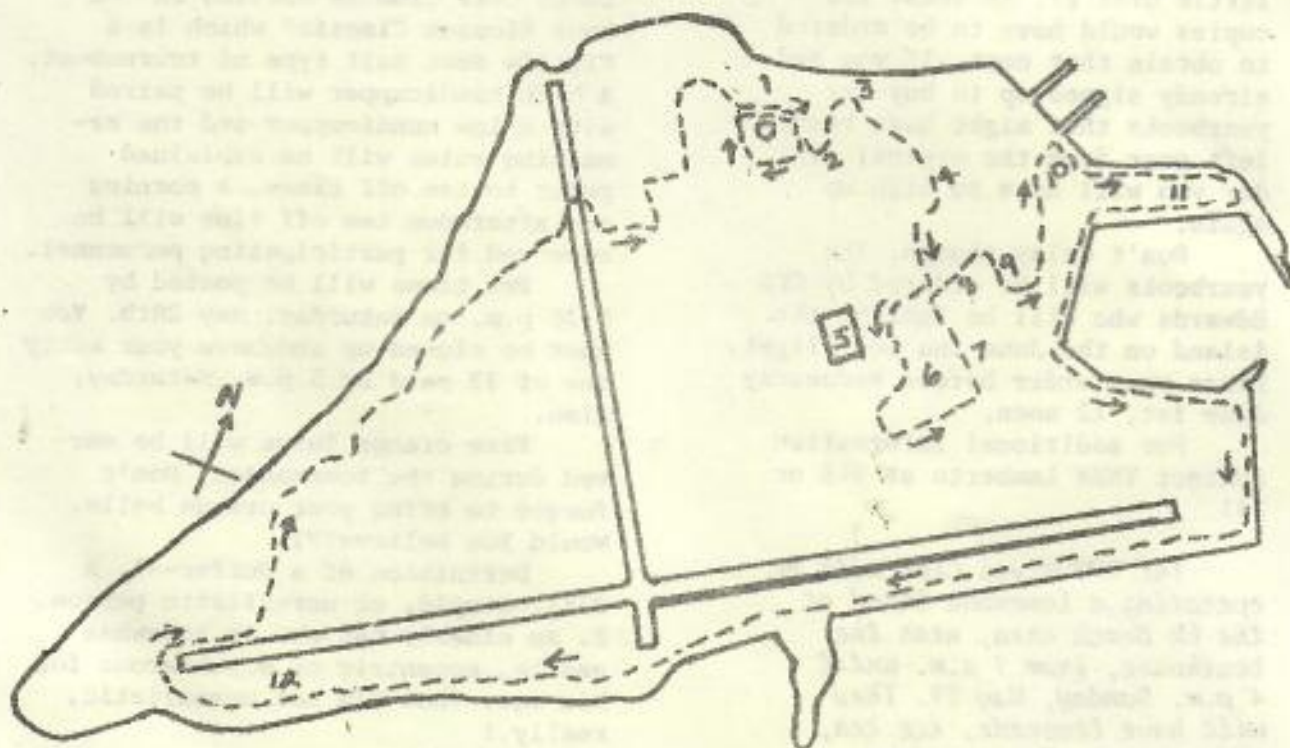
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The following activities will be closed on Monday, May 30th; The Wood Shop, the Hobby Shop, the Ceramic Shop, the Gym, the E.M. Club, the Acey Ducey Club, The Ironwood Inn, the Kornerstone Kafe and the Station Library.

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CONSOLIDATED CLUB HAPPENINGS

Here are the specials for the coming week:

May 29 Beef Stew with hot biscuits

May 31 Steamboat

June 2 Barbeque Spareribs

June 3 Chicken Adobo/Fried Rice

* The dining room will be closed Saturday, May 28 for the CPO Aloha. The bar area will be open.

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"The Duffer"

FRIDAY, MAY 27

3:45 pm Weekend
 5:00 Evening News
 5:10 Blue Knight
 6:00 KMTH 1977 NAVY RELIEF
 TELETHON

SATURDAY, MAY 28

9:00 am Dusty's Treehouse (B/W)
 9:25 Cartoons
 9:55 The Flintstones (B/W)
 10:20 Cartoons
 11:00 All Star Wrestling (B/W)
 11:50 NBA Playoffs: Portland
 vs Los Angeles
 1:30 pm Baseball: Los Angeles
 vs New York Mets
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 from the Inside
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 9:35 The Rookies
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 5:55 High & Wild
 6:20 Victory at Sea
 6:45 Happy Days
 7:15 I Spy
 8:05 Joe Forrester
 9:00 Carol Burnett
 9:50 MOVIE: The Americanization of Emily (1964)
 11:45 Andy Williams

MOVIES

May 27 - June 2

- A. **ROLLERBALL**, drama, R, 123 mins, stars James Caan, John Houseman. In this futuristic portrait of the world, "Rollerball" is a sport which has replaced the wars of the world.
- B. **DETH RACE 2000**, science fiction, R, 80 mins, stars David Carradine, Simon Griffeth. In the year 2000, during a transcontinental road race, the drivers not only win by the finishing position but also by points gained in running down and killing pedestrians.
- C. **THE FAMILY**, drama, R, 96 mins, stars Charles Bronson, Telly Savalas. Charles Bronson is a professional killer, his victims in the past have always been impersonal targets until his last assignment.
- D. **THE BEARS AND I**, human interest story, G, 89 mins, stars Patrick Wayne, Chief Van George. A Vietnam veteran seeks peace and quiet through a return to nature.
- E. **BAA, BAA BLACK SHEEP**, drama, TV, 98 mins, stars Robert Conrad, Simon Oakland. The story of Pappy Boyington, and his crew of black-sheep fighter pilots.
- F. **THE GREAT WALDO PEPPER**, drama, PG, 108 mins, stars Robert Redford, Bo Svenson. Former WWI pilot daydreams of a battle against a famous German Ace he never fought. While making a picture he meets the German Ace and they engage in a realistic dog-fight.
- G. **SHAMPOO**, comedy - drama, R, 110 mins, stars Warren Beatty, Goldie Hawn. During the 1968 elections, Beverly Hills hairdresser accommodates his customers with extra curricular services.
- H. **MOONRUNNERS**, action comedy, PG, 103 mins, stars James Mitchum, Rex Martin. A couple of modern-day dare-devilish drivers transport bootleg liquor in the Carolinas.
- I. **NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE**, playback

THEATER	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS
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EM/AD			A	B	G	BINGO	C
CONS/CLUB		CPO ALOHA	H	CLOSED	B	G	A

KIDDIE MOVIE

Saturday May 28th 10:00am, SHAGGY DOG 75¢ admission, Wilby Daniels utters some magical words from the inscription on an ancient ring and . . . presto! He's a shaggy dog! From that day forward the word is chaos for the Daniels family, perplexity for the police as they follow "Shaggy's" hot rodding around town, and hilarity for the audience.

MARS STATION HOURS OF OPERATION

MON TUE WED THUR FRI SAT SUN

This is the last in a series of articles on the Battle of Midway, for the 35th Anniversary of the battle.

Upon receiving word that another attack on Midway Atoll was necessary, Admiral Nagumo "broke the spot", discontinued the stand-by condition of 93 reserve aircraft in case enemy ships were sighted. These aircraft were taken down into the hangars to make room for the returning strike planes.

While in the process of refueling and rearming these planes the Japanese fleet came under attack from 41 torpedo planes from the USS Hornet, Yorktown and Enterprise. No hits were scored upon the Japanese fleet and only 6 planes returned from the attack.

The radical maneuvering they imposed upon the Japanese carriers prevented the launching of more planes and the attack brought the covering "Zeros" and "Zekes" down to water level.

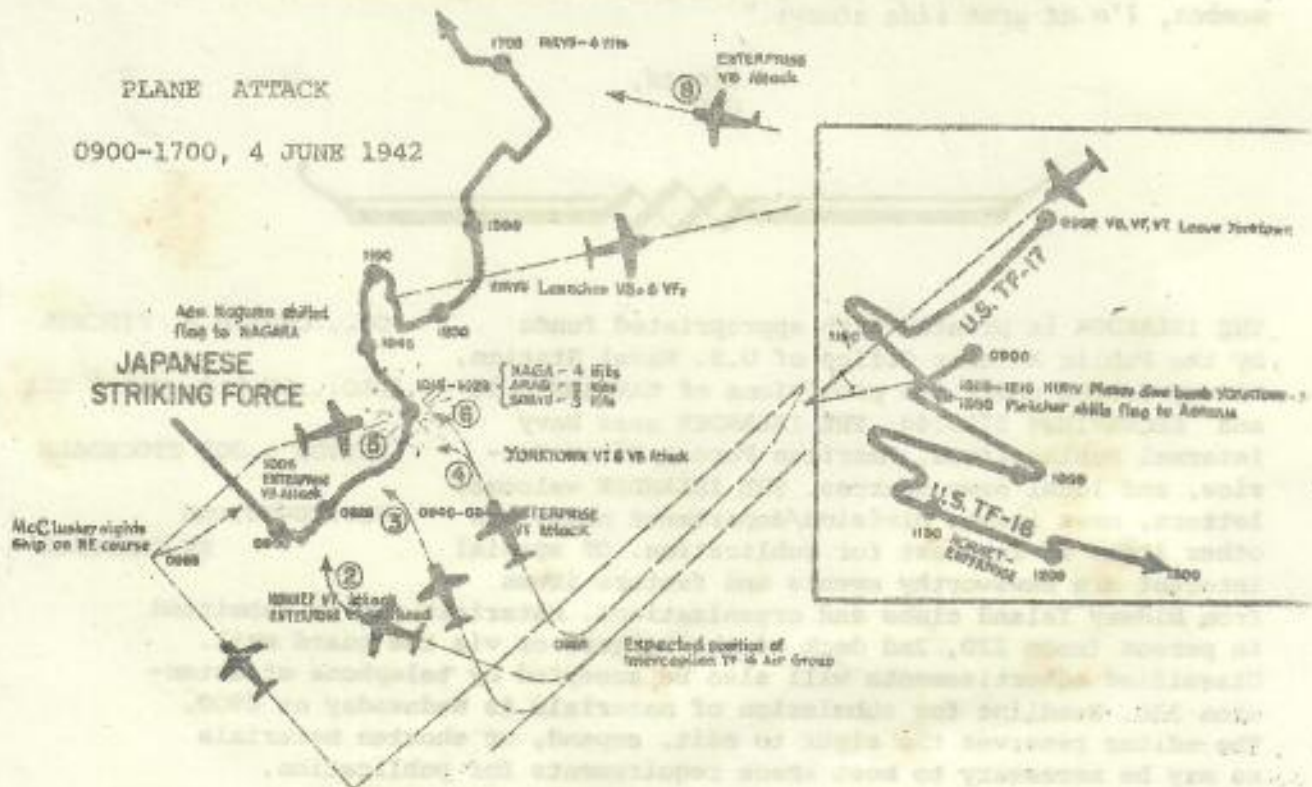
Following behind the TBD's were the divebombing squadrons. They hit the carriers almost unopposed. In a matter of minutes three Japanese carriers were afire and sinking, 3 hits on the Akagi, 4 hits on the Kaga and 3 hits on the Soryu.


The Hiryu escapes the attack and launches a counter attack. At 2:42 p.

m. the Yorktown was hit by 3 bombs and fires were blazing around the island and on the flight deck. The fires were put out and the ship was getting underway when another attack wave was picked up on radar. The planes got through the defense cover and 2 torpedoes found their mark on the port side of the Yorktown. All power was lost and "abandon ship" was ordered. Tow lines were rigged and the Yorktown was being towed to port when she was hit by torpedoes from an enemy sub. The next day the Yorktown turned over and sank.

Scout planes from the Yorktown sighted the Hiryu and the Enterprise launched an attack against her while her planes attacked the Yorktown. Divebombers scored 4 hits on the Hiryu. Damage was so bad that she was later sunk by Japanese destroyers.

Japan had never experienced such a total defeat. Four fleet carriers, a cruiser and about 250 carrier planes and crews were lost. The cream of Japan's naval aviation was gone. The Japanese command was so strained that absolute secrecy was placed upon the battle information. In Japan, false reports were published to hold up the public morale, but in the United States, the truth was known and the extreme tension of the Pacific War was eased a little.





MY LAST WALK ON THE MIDWAY BEACH
By CDR W. J. Edwards

As I nostalgically strolled down the white coral sand beach reminiscing about the memorable events that have occurred in my life during the last 24 months, a shining object attracted my attention. My immediate response was, "fishball!" What a coincidence to find my first "fishball" on my last walk on the beach. As anticipation quickened my pace and I moved closer to the object, I discovered several smaller objects reflecting the bright sun above. It was not a "fishball" or an interesting shell or anything from the sea. It was a shattered bottle. Not just one, but several along with a peach can that had been opened with some sharp object; the jagged edges peeled back.

As I slowly picked up the debris, I found myself trying to gain insight into what type of people could do this careless act and walk away with no remorse, no guilt. With the sky and the stars as their witness, how could they do it? I was puzzling over the rubbish problem as I continued down the beach, when again the sun's reflections gained my attention; a different shape and color this time. The bright colors on the two beer cans told me they had not been there very long, as the sun would have bleached the colors.

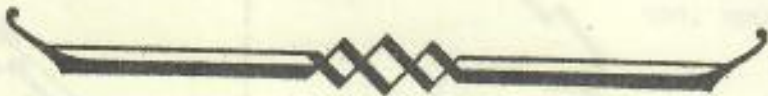
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Suddenly, to my surprise, the peach can in my hand hit a hard object. It appeared to be a rusty metal box. I carefully dug the sand away and tugged at the object until I could lift it free. The rusted lid was difficult at first to move, however, after much effort it finally opened. Inside the container was a white parchment paper rolled in a waterproof substance which glowed.

Slowly and very carefully I took the paper from the plastic like cover and tried to make out the printed note. In very clear print I read, "Well Walt, you gave Midway your best shot. You touched some people and they will remember you. You probably turned some people off and they're glad to see you go, but you had good intentions and you cared. Tell your friends they can expect to pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that they can do, or any kindness that they can show to any fellow creature, let them do it now...for they shall not pass this way again!"

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AS I SEE IT

ABC M BLUM

Short and sweet: To all of you who gave me fish--Thank You!

Sorry y'all couldn't come up with two grand, I'm glad you didn't.

To Whom It May Concern: Nothing is more disappointing to me than disappointment itself.

The three best ways of communication--telegraph, telephone, and last but not least, tell a woman.

For Me: One of the best ways for a wife to surprise her husband on their anniversary is to mention it.

My own: The reason life is extinct on other planets is because their scientists were more advanced than ours.

Log Flight: Pinagle's Law -- If it can happen, it will; if it can't happen, it probably will anyway.

I can remember when T-shirts were underwear. Now they're more like bumper stickers for humans.

To Whom It May Concern: Few things are as uncomfortable as an afterthought.

If women dress to impress other women, it's certainly hard to explain their appearance in the commissary.

Thought for the week: No snowflake in an avalanche ever feels responsible.

Chief Blum to a fellow Chief: I just can't get used to seeing a beard and a pony tail on the same head.

For CDR Edwards: Thank You!
For the Padre: See you in church next Navy Relief Telethon.
Have a good weekend.

KIDS PICK UP EVERYTHING

The rational person has clearly defined goals. No matter what the endeavor, every action he performs gains its meaning only in relationship to the goal he strives to attain. Find the person without a goal and you will find a meaningless life. Even when the goal is foggy and unclear the actions become uncertain and confused.

That's very true in a spiritual life as well. How can I communicate clear and certain way to Christ if I'm cloudy and foggy about leading a Christian life. In other words to come across as believable, I first must have my act together.

In your own mind get yourself together so that others can see and take example.

Oh yes, kids pick up everything...and grown-ups too!

God Bless You

Chaplain's

column

Father Connor

NOTE OF THANKS

This year's telethon for Navy Relief was a very successful venture. The money raised will definitely benefit personnel of the island for emergency assistance in their time of need.

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Log Flight: Finagle's Law -- If it can happen, it will; if it can't happen, it probably will anyway.

plain their appearance in the commissary.

Thought for the week: No snowflake in an avalanche ever feels responsible.

Chief Blum to a fellow Chief: I just can't get used to seeing a beard and a pony tail on the same head.

For CDR Edwards: Thank You!

For the Padre: See you in church next Navy Relief Telethon. Have a good weekend.

Chaplain's

column

Father Connor

KIDS PICK UP EVERYTHING

The rational person has clearly defined goals. No matter what the endeavor, every action he performs gains its' meaning only in relationship to the goal he strives to attain. Find the person without a goal and you will find a meaningless life. Even when the goal is foggy and unclear the actions become uncertain and confused.

That's very true in a spiritual life as well. How can I communicate clear and certain way to Christ if I'm cloudy and foggy about leading a Christian life. In other words to come across as believable, I first must have my act together.

In your own mind get yourself together so that others can see and take example.

Oh yes, kids pick up everything...and grown-ups too!

God Bless You

NOTE OF THANKS

This year's telethon for Navy Relief was a very successful venture. The money raised will definitely benefit personnel of the island for emergency assistance in their time of need.

To list each and every name of the many individuals who participated, donated articles, or helped with the telethon would easily take up a full page of the paper. For those who did lend their support to this worthwhile enterprise, my sincere thanks.

Your support of the community and the Navy Relief Society was greatly appreciated.

LT Clay Haile

First Aid For Eye Emergencies



For cuts and punctures of eye or eye lid The National Society for the Prevention of Blindness recommends that you should bandage lightly and see a doctor at once. Do not wash eye with water or try to remove objects stuck in eye.

NEW CHAMPUS REGULATION

This is the 4th in a series designed to assist in understanding CHAMPUS more fully. Each item deals with one particular aspect of the new CHAMPUS Regulation.

DENTAL CARE

Under the law governing CHAMPUS, dental benefits are limited to adjunctive dental care, care that is medically necessary in treating a medical problem covered by CHAMPUS, is an integral part of such treatment, and is essential for controlling the medical problem.

The Program cannot share the cost of dental care provided solely for dental purposes. Emergency dental care is not covered unless it otherwise qualifies as adjunctive dental care. Orthodontia (straightening of teeth) is not covered except where directly related to, and an integral part of, surgical correction of cleft palate.

Examples of adjunctive dental care are:

*Elimination of a non-local infection such as an infection of a tissue (cellulitis) or infection of a bone (osteitis) that is causing problems related to a medical condition being treated.

*Removal of a tooth or tooth fragments to repair a facial injury.

Preauthorization is required for dental care, except in emergency medical situations. The waiver of this requirement for emergency medical situations applies only to essential adjunctive dental care related to the medical problem.

ORAL SURGERY

The Regulation specifies that oral surgery performed by a physician or oral surgeon will be considered as medical care, not as dental care. It, therefore, is not subject to the limitations on dental care contained in the Regulation. Also, preauthorization is not required.

The list of covered oral surgery procedures has been expanded and includes:

*Removal of tumors and cysts of the jaw, cheeks, lips, tongue, roof of the mouth and floor of the mouth when such conditions require an examination of tissues.

*Surgery of accessory sinuses, salivary glands and ducts.

*Reduction of dislocations and removal of certain joints, when surgery is a necessary part of the reduction.

Under the Regulation's oral surgery provisions, CHAMPUS does not share the cost of preparing the mouth for dentures. Neither does the program share the cost for removal of unerupted teeth, teeth that are partially erupted, teeth that are not in their normal position, or impacted teeth.

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COURT-ORDERED CARE

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Also, CHAMPUS does not share the cost of inpatient stays directed or agreed to by a court as an alternative to jail, reform school or a similar institution for a criminal act. For example, the Program does not share the cost of care received at a Residential Treatment Center when a judge agrees to suspend care

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*Removal of tumors and cysts of the jaw, cheeks, lips, tongue, roof of the mouth and floor of the mouth when such conditions require an examination of tissues.

*Surgical procedures required to correct accidental injuries of the jaws, cheeks, lips, tongue, roof of the mouth and floor of the mouth.

*Treatment of oral cancer.

*Treatment of facial cancer.

*Treatment of fractures of facial bones.

*External incisions and drainage of infected tissue.

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TRADITION DIES HARD
OR "WE'VE ALWAYS DONE IT THIS WAY"

We're living in a different world than we were yesterday, and tomorrow will be here soon, bringing with it a totally new set of revelations for us all to deal with. As we get older, we learn more, and we become more aware of our limitations and faults. None of us would think of trying to put a 1946 transmission in a 1977 car, but why don't we use the same logic in our everyday life? We have all used the phrase "we've always done it this way!" before, and to a certain point stability is good. But not when it inhibits growth. We are part of the "New Navy" and in the rest of the world, products loudly proclaim their improvements. We all attend seminars and schools to enhance our knowledge of people. We even have courses to allow us to get in closer contact with ourselves. In

spite of it all, most of us are "old timers" at heart, finding it easier to cling to the proven way of getting it done. Unfortunately, this causes one very definite problem. While we are resisting change, the rest of the world is growing, leaving us in the back wash.

Sometimes we are not aware of our hesitancy to change, until it's too late. Our children are coming into a world of social, educational, and cultural revolution. They are learning to adapt to, and exist in our changing life patterns. Within the next few years, the proposed change to the metric system is going to totally disrupt the lives of many of us. Who will be hit hardest? Why, those who "have always done it this way!" Change, like time, is imminent. Are you ready for it?

Peace be with you.

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During this waste of time, lethal smoke and gases from the glowing blaze swept upstairs, causing the mother to jump out the window. Her injuries put her in the hospital, but their eight children weren't so lucky. They were asphyxiated by the time the firemen had responded to the tardy alarm. Yet they would be alive today if: The father had alerted his family to leave the house immediately; and he had called the Fire Dept. himself, trifling as it seemed at first.

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With the high mark from the 30th NCR, MCB 40 is looking forward to the visit from their operations officer, LT Spruitt.

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

The following is a list of classes for the summer recreation program, and names of those attending each class.

MACRAME; This class will meet at C-45, from 3:30pm to 5:00pm. Thursday June 23rd, Wednesday June 29th, Thursday July 7th, Thursday July 21st, Wednesday July 27th and Thursday August 4th.

Todd Kumro, Dawn Stinson, Gordon Schmidt, Christine Meador, Beth Patterson, Cindy Carlisle, Loretta Abeyta, Clarissa Abeyta, Tina Lessard, Theresa Cano.

ARTS AND CRAFTS; Ages 6 to 8 will meet Tuesday and Thursday 3:00pm to 4:00pm, at the community center.

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STORY HOUR; Class I, this class will meet at the Station Library, Monday, 1:30pm to 2:30pm.

Greg Sutton, Tommy Baxter, Gary Baxter, Marlon Abdon, Brian Hagan, Sandy Russell, Marivic Abdon, Lenny Prescott, Randy Hovey, Theresa DeOllos, Brent Choate, Jason Schmidt, Paul Snyder.

STORY HOUR: Class II, this class will meet at the Station Library, Thursday 1:30pm to 2:30pm.

Christi Kline, Donnie Curry, Christopher Kelly, Cedric Calhoun, Erick Hahn, Justin Prentice, Brian Wilson, Jimmy Griffin, Jennifer Griffin, Shelly Ryan, Todd Hadley, Kim Hadley, Mathew Kubal.

TENNIS GROUP I: This class will meet at the BOQ court on Monday and Wednesday from 9:00am to 10:00am.

Lauri Green, Joni Fabricus, Jeff Cornelison, Richy Heslop, Christine Meador, Loretta Abeyta.

TENNIS GROUP II; This class will meet at the BOQ court on Monday and Wednesday from 10:00 am to 11:00 am.

John Hamilton, Joseph Daugherty, Kelly Killen, Brian Sheadel, Denise Coffey, James Kubal.

TENNIS GROUP III; This class will meet at the BOQ court on Tuesday 4:00pm to 5:00pm and Friday 3:00pm to 4:00pm.

Danny Mitchell, Corky Hamilton, Jo Marie Fabricus, Valerie Cornelison, Chuck Heslop, Lisa Richards, Barbara Lowe, Clarissa Abeyta.

TENNIS GROUP IV; This class will meet at the BOQ court on Tuesday 5:00pm to 6:00pm, and Friday 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

Trevor Gentry, Marilou Echon, Angela Carpino, Frank Coffey, Phillip Kubal, David Cano.

ARTS AND CRAFTS; ages 9 and UP, this class will meet twice a week at the Community Center on Monday and Friday from 3pm to 4:30pm.

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BOWLING; This class will meet at the Bowling Alley twice a week on Monday and Thursday from 1 pm to 2:30 pm.

Tina Lessard, Beth Patterson, Christine Meador, Gordon Schm Schmidt, Valerie Cornelson, Joni Fabricus, Jo Marie Fabricus, Monica Allen, Lori Green, Theresa Cano. Students are to bring a \$1.10 to each class for shoes and bowling charge.

MUSIC; This class will be held at the George Cannon School Music Room on Friday afternoons from 1pm to 2pm.

Tommy Baxter, Renya Wilson, Scott Ross, Jeff Ross, Jeff Allen, Jenny Lathrop, Patches Harwell, Gwen Edmonds, Christopher Kelly, Cedric Calhoun, Brian Sheadel, Jason Schmidt, Donald Caldwell, Jimmy Griffin, Jennifer Griffin.

CAKE DECORATING; Ages 5 to 9, will be held at the Community Center on Wednesday afternoons.

Class No. 1; 1pm to 2pm; Karen Abeyta, Kathy Lessard, Phillip Kubal, Peggy Thomas, Joy Larosa, Dawn Larosa, Heather Stinson, Jeffrey Mitchell.

Class No. 2; 2:15pm to 3:15pm; Gwen Edmonds, Scott Wilson, Pam Allen, Steven Fischer, JoAnna Russell, Donald Caldwell, Tracy Daugherty, Chris Torrence.

Class No. 3; 3:30pm to 4:30pm; Shelly Ryan, Stephen Kimmel, Lenny Prescott, Jenny Lathrop, Susan Green, Patty Ryan, JoAnne Hayes, David Cano, Jenny Oswald, Charolette Oswald.

CAKE DECORATING; ages 10 and Up, this class will meet at C-42 on Tuesday 1pm to 3pm.

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL; This class will meet at the Chapel Annex.

Mondays - 3 and 4 year olds	9am to 10am
Tuesdays - 1st and 2nd grade	1:30pm to 2:30pm
Wednesdays - Kindergarten	1:00pm to 2:00pm
Thursdays - 3rd and 4th grade	1:30pm to 2:30pm
Fridays - 5th and 6th grade	1:30pm to 2:30pm

SUMMER READING PROGRAM AGES 6-15

This class will meet at the Station Library on June 15th, 1:00pm, to 2:00pm. The students will receive a copy of the rules a membership card and a book mark. The final meeting will be held on August 5th, at 10:00am, a party and awards ceremony. Parents are welcome.

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SWIMMING SCHEDULE; Glen Rutledge will have a swimming evaluation day on Tuesday June 7th, at 10am at the EM Beach. A schedule will be posted in the Islander June 17th. All those who have signed up for this course are required to be at the EM Beach for their individual evaluation.

For more information about the Summer Recreation Program call Pam, ext. 2469, Carol, ext. 2446, or Linda ext. 2311.

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HOSPITAL STAFF THANKS PEOPLE

The staff of the Branch Hospital extends its gratitude and appreciation to the many people, both military and civilian, who responded to our request for blood donors, May 21. A dozen people came in person and many others phoned in. Their willingness to donate blood shows much care and concern for their fellow men and women here on Midway. We thank and commend each and every one of them.

NAVFAC WIVES MEETING

There will be a NavFac Wives meeting for all NavFac wives on June 13th in qtrs C-24. More details can be found in next week's Islander. Plan now to attend.

FIL-AM PICNIC

The Fil-Am Association is having a picnic/General Assembly meeting for all club members to celebrate Filipino Independence Day, June 12, at noon, on Harbor Field. There will be fun and games for the kids and plenty to eat. Tickets are on sale and can be purchased from your department representatives. The Association will also vote on Mr. & Miss Fil-Am, age groups 4-8, and 9-18. Those parents interested, please have their children present for the contest at 1:30 p.m. Selected children will represent the Fil-Am on the 4th of July float.

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MCRD STUDENT SUMMER HIRE

The Special Services Officer, BOQ Officer and Enlisted Mess Manager are pleased to announce the opening of summer jobs for eligible Midway students. To qualify, students must be U.S. citizens and between 16 and 21 years of age.

The pay will be Federal minimum wage of \$2.30 per hour for all jobs. The Industrial Relations Office will accept applications until 1 p.m. June 7, for the following positions:

Special Services	Required
Ceramics Recreation Aide Hr 5-9 p.m. Thur-Mon	1
Gym Attendant Hr 1-5 p.m. Mon-Sun 5-9 p.m. Mon-Sun	2
Enlisted Mess Open Bus Person Hr 10 am-2 pm Mon-Fri 7:30-9:30 pm Mon-Fri	2
Dishwasher Hr 6-10 p.m. Fri-Mon	1
Bachelors Officer Quarters General Maintenance Hr 8 am-12 noon Mon-Fri	2

CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale

Kimbal 800 Swinger Electronic Organ. You saw and heard it during the Navy Relief Telethon. Original cost was \$1,895, will sell for \$1,100. Contact LR Haile at 330 dwh or 737 awh. It can be seen at KMH Studios, 2nd deck of the hangar.

A 19 inch B&W TV for \$75, call 302 in the evenings.

A 16 inch B&W TV, excellent condition, \$75; a dehumidifier, \$30, call 633 dwh, after 6 p.m. call 491 and ask for Mrs. Marsh.

A baby bed and mattress, call 2285 anytime.

Wanted: A serviceable refrigerator, will make an offer. Call Julie at

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Ceramics Recreation Aide Hr 5-9 p.m. Thur-Mon	1
Gym Attendant Hr 1-5 p.m. Mon-Sun 5-9 p.m. Mon-Sun	2
Enlisted Mess Open Bus Person Hr 10 am-2 pm Mon-Fri 7:30-9:30 pm Mon-Fri	2
Dishwasher Hr 6-10 p.m. Fri-Mon	1
Bachelors Officer Quarters General Maintenance Hr 8 am-12 noon Mon-Fri	2

CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale

Kimbal 800 Swinger Electronic Organ. You saw and heard it during the Navy Relief Telethon. Original cost was \$1,895, will sell for \$1,100. Contact LT Haile at 330 dwh or 737 awh. It can be seen at KMTH Studios, 2nd deck of the hangar.

A 19 inch B&W TV for \$75, call 302 in the evenings.

A 16 inch B&W TV, excellent condition, \$75; a dehumidifier, \$30, call 633 dwh, after 6 p.m. call 491 and ask for Mrs. Marsh.

A baby bed and mattress, call 2285 anytime.

Wanted: A serviceable refrigerator, will make an offer. Call Julie at 350 dwh.

Girl Scout Troop 415 is still collecting old clothing to use for grease rags. If you are moving soon and have a bunch of old dirty rags, they will even take care of washing them. Call 2395 or 2448 anytime.

SPORTS PAGE

MIDWAY 500 WINNERS

The seventh annual Midway 500 bike race was almost a clean sweep for NAVFAC. Only the persistence of Weather's rider kept NAVFAC from placing all three of its riders.

The winner, BUCA Dave McKinnon, broke the previous track record of 26:50 by ten seconds. Second place honors went to OT2 Dan Clark, and AG2 Aaron Lowe of Weather completed the top three finishers.

JOGGING ANYONE

Are you interested in jogging? from the number of people seen out jogging on any given day, many persons are involved in this activity. Obviously more people should be involved, but many are reluctant. Jogging is not a magic cure for all bodily ills, but it can certainly help you in many ways. For all joggers, and for those needing some encouragement, let's get together at Hartley Field Bleachers on Saturday morning at 8am to talk about the subject and then do some jogging. No one need feel embarrassed about not being able to run a great distance or in a fast time. Everyone must start somewhere and your only competition is yourself. You'll be surprised at the good physical condition you can attain, but it takes time. Come out and run for fun and for your health. Saturday, Hartley Field Bleachers, 8 am.

BOAT HOUSE HOURS

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Monday and Friday 1 - 7 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday 8a.m. - 7p.m.

MANU KAI READY

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Minimum Charter 1 person

Island Billiards Ladder. For more information contact, Pickering at ext. 772.

FINAL SOFTBALL RESULTS

1. Silver Eagles	17	4
2. Deadly Dealers	14	7
3. Mean Machine	13	8
4. NAVFAC	12	9
4. MMADS	12	9
5. Green Machine	11	10
6. High School	3	18
7. MCB-40	1	20

1. Enlisted Women	6	2
2. B & C Housing	5	3
3. High School Girls	4	4
3. O'Wives	4	4
4. A & D & CPO Housing	2	6

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Pitcher	AT2 Rhodes
Pitcher	Lt. Wilson
Pitcher	RM1 Flick
Outfielder	OTSN Tenant
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"	ABHAN Irons
"	AZ2 Lawson
"	BUCA Latting
"	Lt. Giordano
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"	CECN Kelly
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Lobster with eggs unlawful to take at any time. Minimum size, Slipper Lobster, not less than one pound; Spiny Lobster, not less than 8.1 cm carapice length. Limit, 6 per day. Trapping is authorized only from the piers and seawalls of uncontrolled areas. Spearing is prohibited from May 1 through August 31.

CONSERVATION

A tour of duty on Midway often removes some of the realities of the real world. Smog, high gasoline prices, insurance premiums, traffic jams, etc. However, the tour on Midway does present a new set of challenges. Among them are isolation, birds, bicycles, and living within the framework of limited resources.

Back in the real world, the utility companies thrive on human wastefulness. They charge for everything, make a decent profit, return a portion of the profit to improvements of their plants, and if things get a little rough, they raise their rates. Very neat arrangement.

Here on Midway we have *limited resources.* The Power Plant can only produce just so much electricity. The brackish water wells can produce just so much brackish water, and the fresh water storage capacity is just so much. A couple of weeks ago, we discussed brackish water conservation. Some of you read and heeded the article. Others did not.

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that magnitude will overload the plant, and feeders will have to be tripped, even though the power generation equipment situation has improved considerably since last year. The maximum we can produce is 3600kw without exceeding the design limits of the power plant.

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Have you noticed that we haven't had much rain lately? You can rest assured that the fresh water storage tanks reflect the lack of rain. We now have in storage approximately 9,750,000 gallons of fresh water. That supply cannot be increased without rainfall. It will last till the fall/early winter rainy period only if you, the user, make some concerted efforts to not waste water. Water hours may be required if the daily usage rate does not decline.

YOU can prevent that. If these situations occurred back in the states, the local utility companies would simply put in more equipment and raise their rates for us to pay for our wastefulness. Here, the resources we have are what we have to live with-in. Please do your part.

WHAT TO DO WITH DEAD BIRDS

Through natural causes, flying accidents or other mishaps involving the natives of this island and the foreigners to her shores, the natives usually end up second best; either dead or disabled. We, the foreigners, have a responsibility to ourselves and to each other to try to keep our adopted environment as clean and healthy as possible.

When a bird dies or is disabled, it becomes a target for flies who find the carcass an ideal place in which to deposit its eggs. This is a

significant step in the right direction.

Dead birds should be placed in a plastic garbage bag and tied off to prevent the entry of flies. All departments and tenants and housing residents share this responsibility. The tied garbage bag can then be placed in the nearest dumpster or garbage can. Do not put dead birds in any trash receptacle unless it is in a tied garbage bag.

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Flies, as well as other pests such as mice and rats, can never be eliminated. They can, however, be controlled through the constant effort of all us foreigners. If we can eliminate the habitat in which they nest or reproduce we have made a

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The taxi drivers, security patrol, follow-me truck, OOD, and other vehicles on routine duty should all be conscious of the problem and be instructed to stop and pick up any dead birds. In the interest of reducing the fly problem and helping to maintain the beauty of the island, the cooperation of all hands is solicited.