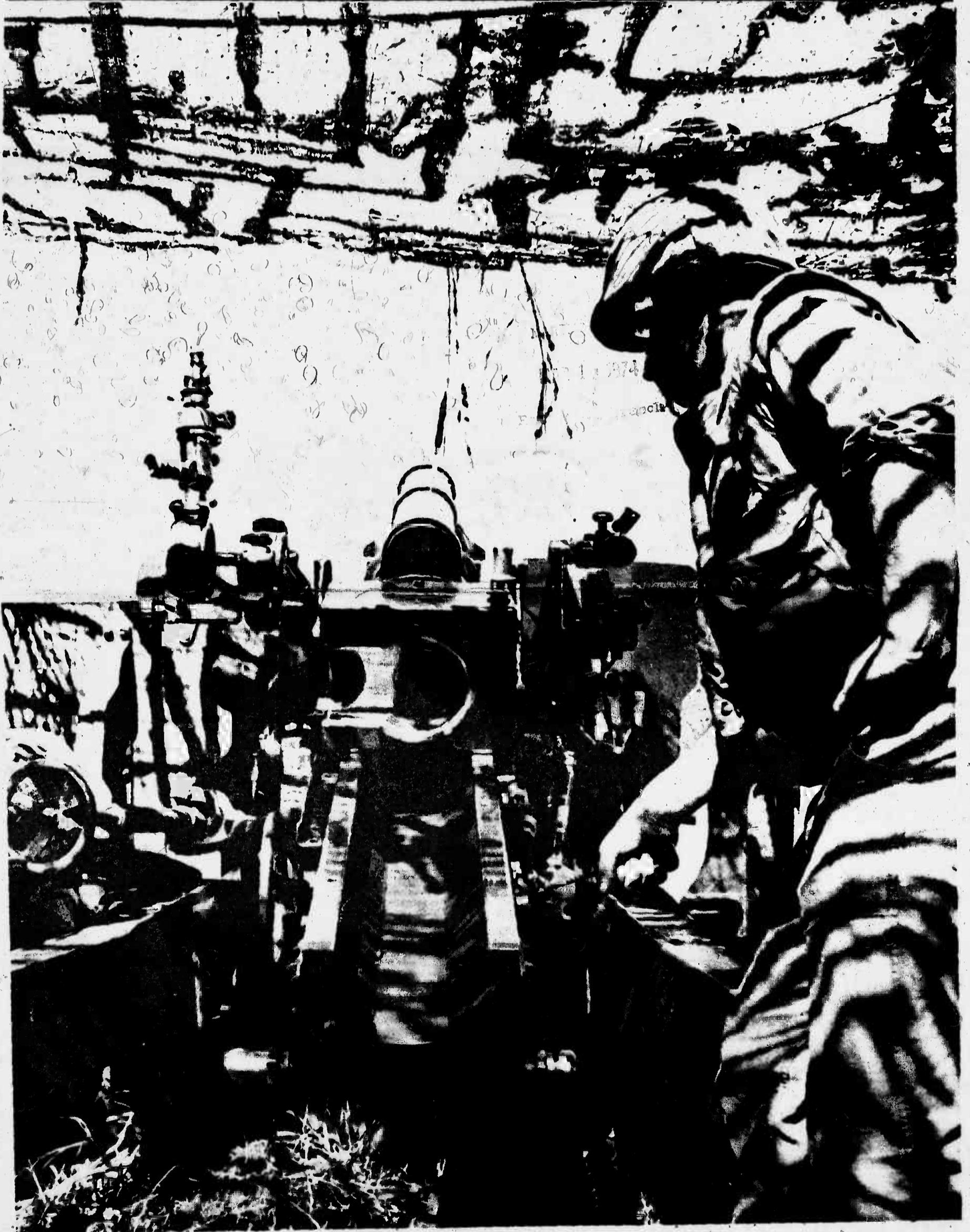


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In My Opinion

Do you pick up hitchhikers?

CPL. DAN SCHANDEL
FORCE AWARDS, CAMP SMITH

Yes, I don't see anything wrong with it. Over here you don't see too many hitchhikers like you do back on the mainland. I don't have any worries about it.



PHYLLIS LaFOREST
EXCHANGE EMPLOYEE

I usually only pick up people I know but if I'm nearing the main gate and see a guy who looks like a Marine, I'll bring him on. I won't bring civilians on the base because they usually have no business here anyway. Once I had a bad experience with a hitchhiker which now makes me particular as to who I pick up. The only way I would hitchhike is if it was the only type of transportation available but I would rather walk first.

LCPL. MICHAEL MURDOCK
HMH-463

Occasionally. I think most people pick up hitchhikers on impulse and they don't give rides to everyone they see on the road. I'm a little leery about it at night but if the person is wearing the proper attire, I'll pick him up. Several times I've seen Marines at the pick-up stations on base wearing parts of the uniform and that's not right. If someone needs a ride, they should have enough initiative to dress properly.



MURDOCK



PEGGY ASHTON
DEPENDENT

Not too often. Only when I'm on base, going off, and I have someone else in the car with me. But I would never pick someone up out in town or sponsor someone on base and be responsible for them. I came from a small town in Pennsylvania and hitchhiking was something girls never did. I'm just surprised that girls do it now. I would never hitchhike and I'd bust my children's heads if they did.

LCPL. WAYNE CLOBES
H&HS

Due to financial reasons, I had to sell my car but I used to give hitchhikers rides. Now, I'm forced to hitchhike. I think drivers should put themselves in that position. What if it was you hitchhiking? Wouldn't you want someone to pick you up? I think people believe hitchhikers are "out to get you" from a few bad instances that have been over-exaggerated. But then that's your privilege. When I had my car I didn't pick up everyone on the road and I don't expect the first car to pick me up but you should at least give the guy a fair chance.



CLOBES



SCHANDEL

Editorial

They call me 'Rip-Off'

You don't know me and probably you've never seen me. You might have been around, though, when I did my thing. I've been everywhere. I've lived in your barracks and worked in your office. I've gone to the field with you and been aboard ship and plane with you. I've even gone on liberty with you. You never know I'm around until it's too late. Who am I? I've had many names, but today I'm known as "Rip-Off".

I get my best results in the barracks—for some reason military people tend to be a little more careless with their belongings there. There's a false sense of security there, I guess. Someone always leaves his locker open when he goes to chow, or he thinks his wallet is safe in his shaving kit while he takes a shower. Hardly anyone leaves money on his rack anymore, but now and then I still find a wallet under a pillow.

Money isn't the only thing I like to take. Clothing, radios and tape decks, are always available. In fact, any item that I find unattended can be ripped off. Of course, when I get a piece of gear that has a serial number I know it can be traced, so I have to be a little more careful. That's why I hate to see them mark their gear. I wish the first sergeant didn't have that electric engraver. You can mark all their hardware with it—radios, watches, tape decks, even wedding rings. Makes it all the more difficult for me, although there's always someone who doesn't take the time to mark his belongings.

For your protection, here are some common sense reminders to help you prevent the theft of your money and personal belongings:

Don't endorse your paycheck until you are at the cashier's window.

Write down the serial numbers of large bills and keep the list in a safe place. Do not keep the list with your money.

If you draw a large paycheck, keep only what you need. Put the remainder in the bank or send it home by postal money order.

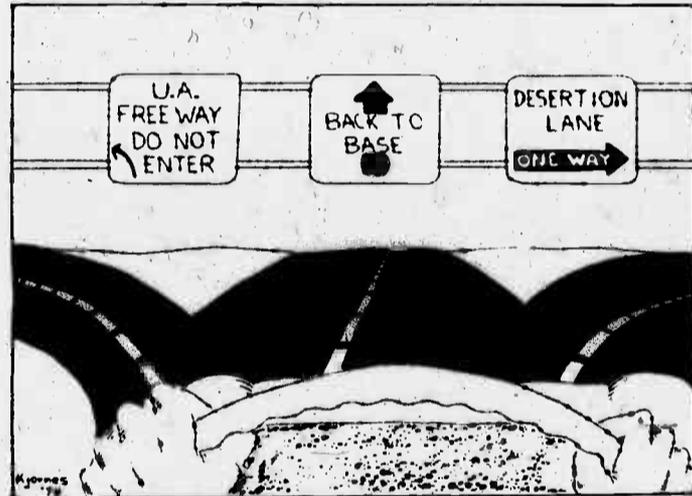
Mark all your property. Put your Social Security account number on valuable items.

If you own serialized items such as radios, cameras, or tape decks, write down the serial numbers and brand names and keep this information in a safe place.

Keep your wall lockers and foot lockers locked whenever you are not physically present in your area.

Report all thefts immediately.

Keep all strangers out of your barracks.



Editorial

Dangers of gas storing

Warnings of spot gasoline shortages have prompted many motorists to carry spare cans of gas to prevent being stranded along the road.

The practice may save delays and hurried tempers, but it could cost your life, safety officials warn.

To prove their point, they cite the experience of two experimenters who placed a safety can full of gasoline in the trunk of a car, left the engine running, moved to a safe distance and waited.

WITHIN 20 MINUTES THE entire back of the car exploded, according to the story recently reported by the Workmen's Compensation Board of Alberta, Canada.

Why? The safety container is designed to breathe. As the trunk became warmer, the gasoline generated enough pressure to force vapors out past the cap.

In a compartment the vapors ultimately reached explosive proportions which need only some ignition

source—a defect in the ignition or a short in the tail-light circuit—to touch off an explosion.

Extra cans of gasoline, if they must be carried, may be stored outside on pick-ups and trucks without any difficulty. The big hazard potential is the passenger car with its enclosed trunk.

SAFETY EXPERTS WARN that carrying any spare cans of gasoline regularly is dangerous.

However, if you must carry extra gasoline in your car, follow these precautions:

Use only a container approved by a recognized testing authority.

Carry the approved safety can in the back seat. Don't carry it up front with the driver or in an enclosed trunk.

Keep your windows open for good ventilation.

Avoid smoking in the car.

Use a small safety container—no more than one gallon—and keep it in the car as short a time as possible.



SECURITY experts advise that you engrave your possessions with your Social Security number to deter theft.

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Helping children helps mother Win K-Bay's Wife of Year title

K-BAY — A 31-year-old housewife and mother of four has been named to represent the Air Station and 1st Marine Brigade as Military Wife of the Year, 1974.

Ms. Grace Kropf of 2064-B Campion Drive here was singled out for her efforts to promote people-to-people relationships within the civilian and military communities.

For the eighth consecutive year the search is again underway around the world to find the five military wives who best represent the one and one-half million wives of men



KROPF

Pilot awarded medal For aviation heroism

CAMP SMITH — The Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism was recently awarded to Colonel Richard E. Carey, deputy G-3 officer, by Lieutenant General Louis H. Wilson, commanding general, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific.



CAREY

Carey was a pilot with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 115, Marine Aircraft Group 13, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, engaged in operations against the enemy in the Republic of Vietnam during the time his award covers.

His citation reads in part: "Arriving over the hostile area, he was briefed on the ground

Bus runs changed To new schedule

K-BAY — The woes of the gas crisis have struck again.

City transit service is the latest victim of the lack of fuel. The Bus has curtailed its service to many areas, the Air Station among them.

In the past, buses arrived aboard K-Bay hourly, seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Effective immediately, runs to the Station are curtailed severely. The Bus will arrive at K-Bay only four times a day, twice in the morning and twice in the afternoon. New times for the buses to arrive are 7:15 and 8:15 a.m. and 4:15 and 5:15 p.m. Also the buses will run Monday through Friday only.

No changes have been made in the pick-up route; stops will still be made at each designated point aboard the Air Station.

situation by the tactical air controller (airborne) and, despite adverse weather conditions, quickly pinpointed the hostile targets and commenced the attack. Although his aircraft immediately came under intense small arms and .50 caliber automatic weapons fire, he executed seven bombing and strafing runs and delivered all his ordnance with devastating accuracy."

"Largely as a result of his professional and determined efforts," the citation stated, "the enemy fire was silenced and the friendly unit was able to continue its advance and rout the hostile force from the area."

Grunts learn infantry life With on-job training plan

K-BAY — The opportunity to pass up Basic Infantry Training School fell to 38 Marines who recently joined 2d Battalion, Third Marines. They are the first trainees here to become directly involved with the Marine Corps Field Skill Training Program.

"This program," according to First Lieutenant Lloyd Hardin, officer-in-charge for the 2/3 FST program, "is designed to qualify Entry Level Marines in primary '03 military occupational specialties, through a formal training atmosphere while within their assigned unit." This is opposed to the previous concept of sending a Marine from boot camp to a formal school and finally on to his duty station.

The training will be conducted in three phases with emphasis upon tactics, weapons and general military subjects. Phase I, 10 training days, features general training for the men in subjects all must learn. During Phase II the '03s are divided into their respective MOSs, either 0311, 0341 or 0351. Once segregated the Marines will train in their specialty for seven days. Phase

III again has the MOSs grouped together for their final exam and a graduation for all of the trainees who pass the course of instruction.

Field Skill Training is a new program and will be in the limelight during its preliminary stages, even though training is something hardly new to Marines and that is what FST is all about.

Each of the five services' Military Wife of the Year will be named in April and will make two public appearance tours in the United States, during the year visiting military installations and major cities.

During the 10 years her husband has served in the Marine Corps, Ms. Kropf has compiled a long list of public service achievements. In addition to working with church youth groups and choirs, she found time to serve as a teachers' aide working in remedial programs with first and second graders. More recently, the High Point, N.C., native was in charge of buying toys donated to the Air Station's Child Care Center and helped organize the Station's Christmas and Easter parties.

Since her husband, Philip, a staff sergeant and radio technician with the Brigade's 1st Radio Battalion, was assigned here in September, 1972, Ms. Kropf has been active in the Moanalua Gardens Missionary Church of Honolulu, serving as a Sunday school teacher and chairman of the church nursery.

Aboard the Air Station, Ms. Kropf has been involved in numerous activities during the past year, particularly in the Staff Non-Commissioned Officers' Wives' Club and Navy Relief Society.

leading to the Master of Business Administration Degree. Classes will start in early-May.

Plan I - designed for the recent college graduate - requires approximately 12 months to complete. Plan II - designed for the middle manager with at least five years of business or service experience - requires 16 months. An undergraduate major in Business is not mandatory.

Noggin 'nouncements

K-BAY — Applications are now being accepted by Pepperdine University for the Spring Trimester of the Master of Arts in Education program to be offered at Tripler Army Medical Center.

All classes are on weekends. Students who begin the program in May will have all requirements completed by the middle of April, 1975.

For additional information contact the Joint Education Center at 257-2061.

The School of Business and Management of Pepperdine University is now accepting applications for the programs



VIEW FROM KANSAS TOWER — Air Station Commanding Officer, Colonel Dean C. Macho points out the new facilities to Brigadier General Adolph G. Schwenk, Director Facilities and Services, Headquarters Marine Corps. The general visited here March 1.

Photo by Sgt. E.S. Saylor

Navy Relief gives class About military for wives

K-BAY — Marine and Navy wives who would like to learn more about the military will no longer have to let guess work take the place of facts and figures.

The Navy Relief Society will be conducting a two-week course March 19-April 2 at the 19th Puka. The course will cover military pay and allowances, health benefits, survivors benefits, educational loans and the military in general.

Participants will also learn about the Navy Relief and what it has to offer. The thrift shop, the children's waiting room, the layette program, hospital visitors, helping hands, widows visiting and assistance committee and education opportunities are only a few of the services and programs the Navy Relief has to offer.

Registration for the course must be completed by March 18 at the Navy Relief Office behind the Old Mokapu school. Free

babysitting service will be provided at the Child Care Center for mothers needing it. If mothers desire the service they should inform Navy Relief at the time of registration. For further information contact Navy Relief at 925-1327/1328.

About the Cover

In garrison they're the "cannon cockers" but in combat their guardian angels constantly on call to put down a few well-placed rounds on an enemy threatening friendly units. The cockers of Battery A, 1st Battalion, Twelfth Marines, had a chance to practice their guardian role during a recent deployment and the *Hawaii Marine* got a chance to observe the activities. The man at the lanyard of the 105-mm howitzer is Private First Class Russell Tierney. He and other artillerymen appear in our feature article on pages 6 and 7. The cover photograph was taken by contributing editor Gunnery Sergeant Dale Dye.



What It's Like To Be An Engineer

Eager editorialist enjoys engineers' exercise

By Cpl. C.W. Rowe

Photos by Sgt. E.S. Saylor

K-BAY — Strolling through the company area of 3d Engineers, I had visions of myself doing romantic things with explosives during my one day sojourn with these multi-talented builders.

I was introduced to Staff Sergeant Richard Beatty; I worked with the six year Corps vet and his six-man team. Beatty explained that our job was to work on the new boat docks at the Marina. Noticing my somewhat crestfallen expression (pouring concrete into empty barrel pilings isn't exactly the stuff of legends), he pointed out, "We don't work with explosives all that much. Most of our jobs involve building something. It may not be very exciting but it's things that have to be done and we find it satisfying."

After changing into very casual civilian attire (pouring concrete tends to be dirty work) we waited at the Marina for the concrete trucks to arrive. I listened to the easy banter of the seven men. It was easy to see that they liked and respected one another and even felt a genuine camaraderie.

DIVERS ASSIST

Helping us on the project were three gents from the Naval Underseas Center (NUC), two divers and Bill Steel. The Marina's dock is patterned after one at NUC so Steel volunteered his experience to oversee the project. The two divers were necessary because some of the barrels were under water.

Steel prepared a pipe for the submerged barrels. One end would be placed in the barrel and the other would extend several feet above the surface, allowing the hose bearing the concrete to be plugged in it. Once a rope was attached to the 10-foot long pipe, enabling us to keep the pipe upright with one end above water. Steel motioned to me and Corporal John Wiseman to pick up the cylinder and carry it out to the first piling.

This proved to be no easy task. The pilings were connected to the shore and each other by narrow planks. Looking at the miniscule width of those boards I gave Steel one of those "you've-got-to-be-kidding" looks. I didn't seriously believe he wanted me to balance my body on those little bitty pieces of wood while carrying this gargantuan pipe. (I have trouble navigating in a straight line on dry land).

He was serious.

Misunderstanding my fearful hesitation, Wiseman said, "Okay, we can take it out now." Just the word I was waiting for.

WALKING THE PLANK

Stumbling down the planks, I felt much like a very inexperienced tightrope walker. The first two were warped and wobbled like two drunks walking down the street after hitting every bar in town. I consigned my soul to Neptune because I knew I was going in the drink.

After we weaved, bobbed and shuffled what seemed like many miles to the piling, one of the divers told Wiseman to drop his end in the water. I was supposed to hold onto my end since it had the rope attached.

I dropped my end too and the pipe sank.

Muttering imprecations about "fumble-fingered dummies," the diver went after the tube. Retrieving it, he handed me the rope and sweetly inquired, "Can you hold onto it?"

I gave him one of my "I'm-with-you-pal" grins and firmly grasped the line. He didn't look impressed.

While I was playing games with the pipe, the rest of the team was following us out onto the dock and the civilian contractors were connecting the concrete mixer to a long hose that was controlled by a boom. The boom made it possible to move the hose to each piling and keep it under control. Several ropes were tied to the hose at our end so we could keep it steady. At the time I didn't see the need for them.

POURING BEGINS

When everything was connected, Beatty gave a signal and the concrete began to pour out. Then I realized the reason for the ropes. That damn hose bucked and jerked like a rodeo bronc. Trying to hold it down, I left my feet several times. Deciding to change tactics, I firmly grasped one of the ropes on the hose and pulled it taut.

The knot slipped, the rope unbound and I went jitterbugging backwards, my feet trying to find purchase on a plank that suddenly wasn't there and a surprised look plastered all over my puss. I was still dancing when I plunged fanny first into the water several feet below.

When the engineers recovered from their fit of laughter (I failed to see any



PLUG IT IN — Wiseman and I are hidden by (from left) Wight, Rose and Thompson as the five of us try to keep the rodeo bronc of a hose in the tube as it pours concrete into a submerged barrel.

humor in the situation), they pulled me from the concrete muddied soup. Dripping wet, I somehow felt triumphant because I'd managed to hold onto that blasted rope.

When we finished filling the piling, some of the concrete spilled over onto the plank. Having no desire to slip on the stuff, I kicked it over the side.

It landed right on the face plate of one of the divers (my friend from the pipe incident) who had surfaced. He recognized me, shook his head and immediately submerged, stammering curses into his regulator. I feared any hope for a lasting relationship had vanished. Beatty politely suggested I join Lance Corporal Joe Ybarra in the water, pulling boards to the shore after each piling was filled. I believe he feared I was waging a campaign to undermine or destroy the years of harmony between the company and NUC.

MISTER KNOW IT ALL

Donning the snorkel and fins I had brought along, I was determined to prove myself an asset. I easily tipped one end of a board into the water and swam down to

attack the remaining one. As I was tugging on it, Corporal Robert Young called out, "Careful or you'll drop it on your head." I responded with a "I-know-what-I'm-doing" look and continued to tug.

It fell on my head.

This gave me a headache which only seemed to get worse when I returned to helping the hose team get the concrete in the barrels. The sun beat down with infuriating intensity but those guys just ignored it and went about their business with a cheerful and professional competence.

Against the advice of Corporal George Wight, I took off my tennis shoes for better footing on the planks. Later I realized the sagacity of his suggestion.

Lance Corporal Jack Rose accidentally landed on my unprotected tootsies with his size 10 combat boots. As I hopped around on the plank in paroxysms of pain, he apologized and even saved me from going overboard again. When the day was over, I spent several hours picking long, nasty, barbed splinters from my tender appendages and wondering why I didn't listen to people who knew what they were talking about.

CLIMAX OF THE DAY

The climax of the day came when I was helping Sergeant Daniel Thompson keep the hose firmly inside the tube as we were filling one of the last pilings. Dreaming only of getting home, taking a hot bath and going to bed, I didn't notice the barrel was full. Thompson signaled the contractor who pulled the boom up.

As the hose passed over my head it dumped what felt like a ton of wet, gravelly concrete right on my head.

I said nothing, I just turned and walked off the edge of the plank. With the polite laughter of the engineer ringing in my ears, I sank under the surface hoping I'd stay down.

This proved to be the last event of the day. In spite of my antics, we managed to get all the concrete poured. No one seemed any the worse for wear except me. I felt crippled for life.

As I shuffled off, returning to my office, Beatty rang out: "Come back next week; we're going to put a culvert in at the golf course." I said nothing; I just shuffled faster.

Despite my aches and pains, I'd had a great time. I'd also had the unique opportunity to work with some fantastic people.

It's the kind of opportunity that only comes around once, I hope.



PULL IT OUT — After filling a bottom barrel we jerk the hose out side of the tube. Wiseman pulls another rope while (from left) Rose and Thompson guide the hose itself.



Why drive?

Since the gas shortage came into being, you've probably heard quite a few complaints about the high gas prices and the long gas lines. The majority of these people, however, don't seem too concerned with really doing something about the situation. Sure, they cut down the amount of driving they do but only because they can't buy gas any time they want it! When they do have the gas, they drive just as much as ever!

If driving is a necessity, fine, but must you start your car to drive to the disbursing office or to the club for lunch? It is evident from the panic at the gas stations that Americans have become so mechanized that the only walking most of them do is to the TV or the refrigerator.

People would rather spend an hour or more waiting in line for gas than spend an extra 30 minutes walking to and from work. Many Marines, who drive everywhere they go, could use that daily walk to burn off a few of those extra pounds they have no business carrying around anyhow.

The automobile is the biggest single reason that Americans are in such an overall poor state of physical condition! It's time we all re-examine our habits. With a few adjustments, we could all enjoy a more healthy and pollution free life.

Walking or riding a bicycle can be one of the most enjoyable experiences you've ever discovered. For those of you with teenagers in the family, how many times have you related the story about how you had to walk for miles in the rain and snow to get to school when you were young? You should try practicing what you preach!

To all of those people I see walking or riding their bikes to work, keep it up, it's fantastic!

1st Lt. Dan W. Erickson
H&S Company, 1/3

Praise for the MPs

Dear Sirs:

This letter is to commend the MPs at the front gate. Public Works recently conducted a transportation study to attempt to improve commercial bus service to the Air Station. In connection with the survey, I had occasion to be at the front gate for several days during rush hour.

I personally observed many incidents which would have given the Lord grounds to lose His patience. The MPs stayed cool and courteous.

People who criticize the performance of the MPs should spend a few hours observing their problems. Perhaps the critics would come to sing a different tune.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lt. (jg) Kirk Jennings

Support units eligible To get Army citation

WASHINGTON — Headquarters officials have announced the list of supporting units eligible for the Presidential Unit Citation (Army), awarded to the 9th Marines.

Marines who were either serving with or supporting the 9th Marines in Southeast Asia from Jan. 22 to March 18, 1969, are eligible to wear the ribbon.

The following is a list of supporting units:

2d Bn. (less F and H Cos.), 3d Marines; Co. C, 3d Engr. Bn.; Co. A, 3d Shore Party Bn.; Detachment, Co. B, 3d Shore Party Bn.; Detachment, Co. C, 11th Engr. Bn.; Detachment, Support Co., 3d Engr. Bn.; Provisional Recon. Co., 3d Recon. Bn.; Scout Dog Pl., 3d MP Bn.; Detachment, 4th Pl., Operations Co., 1st Radio Bn.

Also included were Detachment, Naval Mobile Construction Bn. 7 and 128, USN; Detachment Comm. Co., Hq. Bn.; Detachment, EOD Pl., FLSC-B; Provisional Rifle Pl.,

Quang Tri Combat Base; 1st and 3d Provisional Btrys., 12th Marines; 2d Bn., 12th Marines; and Btry. C, 1st Bn., 83rd Artillery, XXIV Corps Artillery, USA.

Two bases alter ranges, Use new target system

WASHINGTON — The Marine Corps Development and Education Command, Quantico, Va., and Marine Corps Base, Camp Butler, Okinawa, are the first Marine installations to receive an innovative rifle range system known as SARTS.

The Small Arms Remoted Target System consists of a radio transmitter and 10 groups of target-raising mechanisms that work like this: Instructors or umpires carry a transmitter while moving with trainees. A signal from the transmitter raises



FOOD OF FRIENDSHIP — Mrs. Brenda Ferich tastes one of the grapes from the vine (background) planted at Beecroft in 1968 and now growing at Lake Murrumbidgee. Looking on are Mr. and Mrs. John Lucas (left) and Major Ferich.

Friendship vine bears fruit For Australia-U.S. families

CAMP SMITH — A grapevine growing in the backyard of a motel at Lake Murrumbidgee, Australia, has become the symbol of a strong friendship between two young families—one American, the other Australian.

The vine was planted in December, 1968, when Major Barry Ferich (then a captain) was spending leave in Sydney, Australia, with Mr. and Mrs. John Lucas (then of Beecroft, Australia).

Ferich was on a tour of duty in Vietnam as a telecommunications officer and, in applying for leave in Australia, he asked to meet, if possible, a family with children the same age as his own.

Mrs. Mary-Louis Lucas was working at the rest and recreation center and heard of the request.

Ferich was made welcome in the Lucas home and, during his stay, planted the grapevine.

Among the speeches made at the time was a promise to meet again when the vine bore fruit.

The grapes came this season and so, a month ago, did Ferich, his wife Brenda and two children, Barry junior, 10, and Sharon, 7.

The families had kept in

touch since the first visit in 1968.

The wives corresponded regularly, though, of course, they did not meet until a month ago.

After his tour in Vietnam, Ferich was sent back to the states. He transferred to Hawaii in January 1972, the same time the Lucas' moved to Lake Murrumbidgee with their three children, Mathew, 11, Beth, 8, and Simon, 5.

The vine went with them and, despite early fears that it would die, it began to flourish.

The Ferich family were given progress reports of its condition and the letters on both sides promised another meeting.

The Ferich's planned their trip over six months ago. Suitcases were packed a week before they left Hawaii because they had to take a "space available" flight—they were called at 3 a.m. and told the plane left at 6 a.m.

The two American children caught a glimpse of what it's like to be very young and living in Australia.

Both Barry junior and Sharon spent two days "sitting in" at Lake Murrumbidgee Public School. They mixed easily with the local children and both were keen to ride on a train and a

double-decker bus.

They went fishing and prawning with the Lucas children and became adopted "Aussies" in a short while.

The Ferich's enjoyed their two week stay at Lake Murrumbidgee. The slight language differences had them bemused at times. Tuckshop (snack bar), ripper (right on), muck-up (horse around) and newsagent (newspaper boy) were among the words that were foreign to American ears.

The families exchanged views on such things as the social differences and benefits in each country and the Ferich's said a TV show like "The Box" would never be allowed on American TV (according to Ferich the show is kind of filthy and wouldn't make it past the censors).

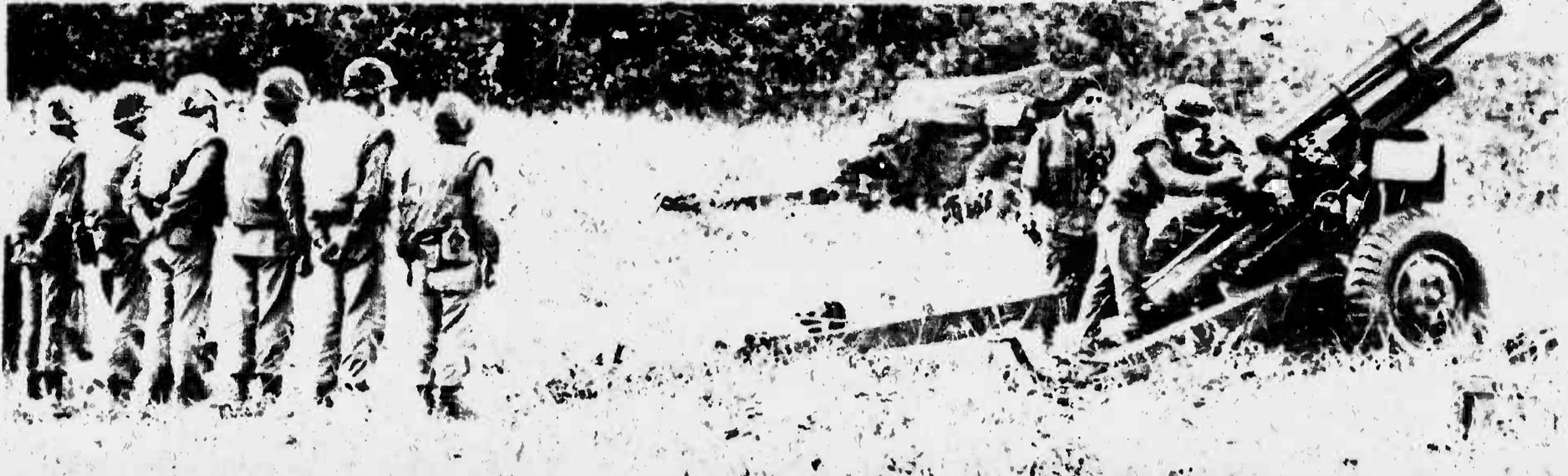
Ferich, who has been in the Marine Corps for 14 years, is in charge of the Telecommunications Center here. He was awarded the Bronze Star for gallantry in Vietnam.

He chose Australia for his R and R in 1968 because he understood Australians were "relaxed and friendly" people.

The family returned to Hawaii bringing with them memories of a holiday that included meeting many of those relaxed and friendly people.



THIS IS HOW TO DO IT — Sharon Ferich, 7, gives a demonstration of the hula dance to some of the children of Lake Murrumbidgee Public School. She visited the school for two days.



CANNONEER'S HOP — At the command "To the rear of the piece, fall in," what's known as the "Cannoneer's Hop" begins. The howitzer crew falls in formation behind the gun while the section chief and a safety NCO check the sight setting.

Alpha, 1/12, spends three days at Schofield

Artillerymen sharpen skills with

K-BAY — In most cases, batteries wear out with prolonged use. In the case of artillery batteries such as Alpha Battery, 1st Battalion, Twelfth Marines, the more they're used, the more spark they have in the electrified atmosphere of combat.

To keep the juice flowing, most batteries like to hook up their howitzer and head for the field as often as possible. Alpha is no exception, but "the field" is sometimes hard to find.

Like most Marine infantry commanders, artillery COs here at K-Bay complain about a lack of areas in which they can emplace their cannons in varying terrain and actually have the gun crews launch a live round.

IN THE FIELD

During a recent firing exercise at the U.S. Army's Schofield Barracks artillery range where some 80 Alpha Battery Marines spent three days practicing their trade, everyone from the commanding officer to the truck drivers seemed more than happy to be back out actually firing the 105-mm howitzers which make up their main armament.

"We have our range problems," commented 1/12 S-4 Officer Captain David Randall while observing Alpha Battery in action, "between finding time in the Brigade training schedule and going through the red tape of getting on to a live fire artillery range, but these shoots are worth it. They're a great motivating factor."

Once Alpha Battery leaves the Air Station main gate for the long drive across Oahu to Schofield, the Marines consider themselves "tactical." That is, from that point on the exercise is run for the most part as it would be if the battery were being called on to deliver fire support in combat.

The initial problem concerns practice of an artillery acronym called "ARSOP." In fact, the abbreviation is "R.S.O.P.," the initials for Reconnaissance, Selection and Occupation of Positions.

GUN GUIDES

In Alpha's particular case, each of the five howitzers which accompanied them to the field was towed by a two and a half ton truck inside which was the section equipment and the gun's five or six man crew. One of these crew members is designated as "gun guide" making him the first man into the selected battery position.

Under the guidance of Alpha's Commanding Officer Captain John Yarrison, gun guides are directed to drive a yellow stake in the ground in the area where a howitzer will be located. Yarrison



DRILL IT — Howitzer gunner Private First Class Ronald Rush squints into his sight while directing a crew member in moving an aiming stake. The clenched fist signals the stake is in position and should be drilled into the ground.

decides on the employment of his guns depending on the mission to be fired, terrain situation and time element involved.

Once the gun guides are positioned, the gun trucks, led by another crew member walking ahead, roar into the location. Drivers carefully position the howitzer so its main sight will be in line with the gun guide's stake.

From that point, the crew scrambles to get the gun unhooked, the sights aligned, aiming stakes out, ammunition prepared and the first round on its way to a target.

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

It's an incredibly swift process considering the intricacy involved in sighting and making sure each gun is safe to fire. "We should be able to get a round off in two minutes," commented Yarrison, "although we took considerably longer the first day. We should get to the field at least once every two months, but we haven't fired the guns in quite some time and speed and proficiency is easy to lose without practice."

After a tactical decision concerning location of the battery has been made, the Battery Executive Officer (XO) actually becomes the "gun boss" of the unit, supervising firing.

"Support for the grunt is always in my mind whenever we get ready to fire the guns," said Yarrison, "but in the field I rely heavily on my staff. In fact, the Battery XO and the Battery Gunny do most of the work."

Battery Executive Officer First Lieutenant Craig Masterson supervised several "ARSOP"s during Alpha's first day in the field. During this exercise, the Battery's supply, communication, motor transport and fire direction control support sections were busily getting things ready for the first fire mission.

FOUR SECTIONS

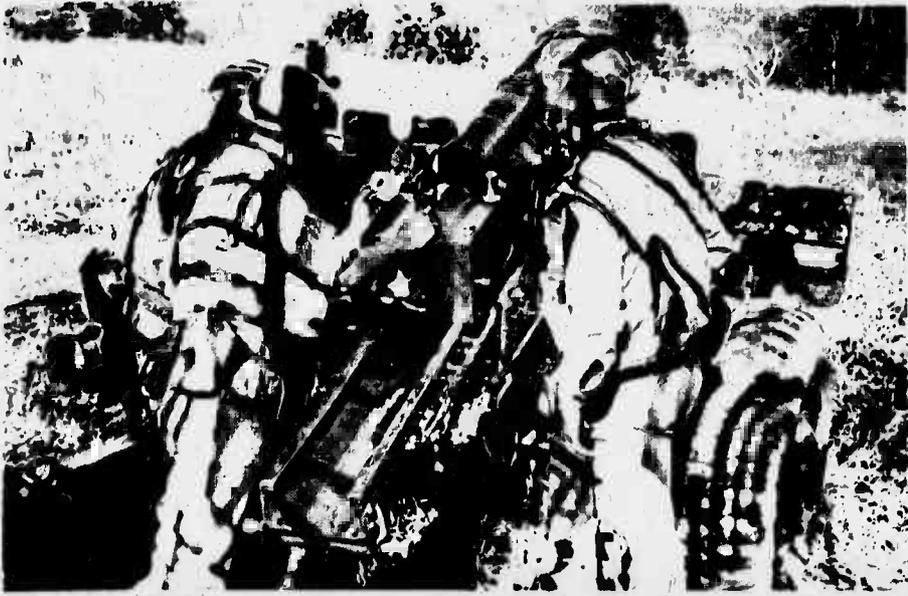
While supply, motor transport and other logistical operations always accompany a battery's movement, the firing concerns four distinct sections.

Forward observers, under the direction of First Lieutenant Mark Schultz, take a position between the battery and

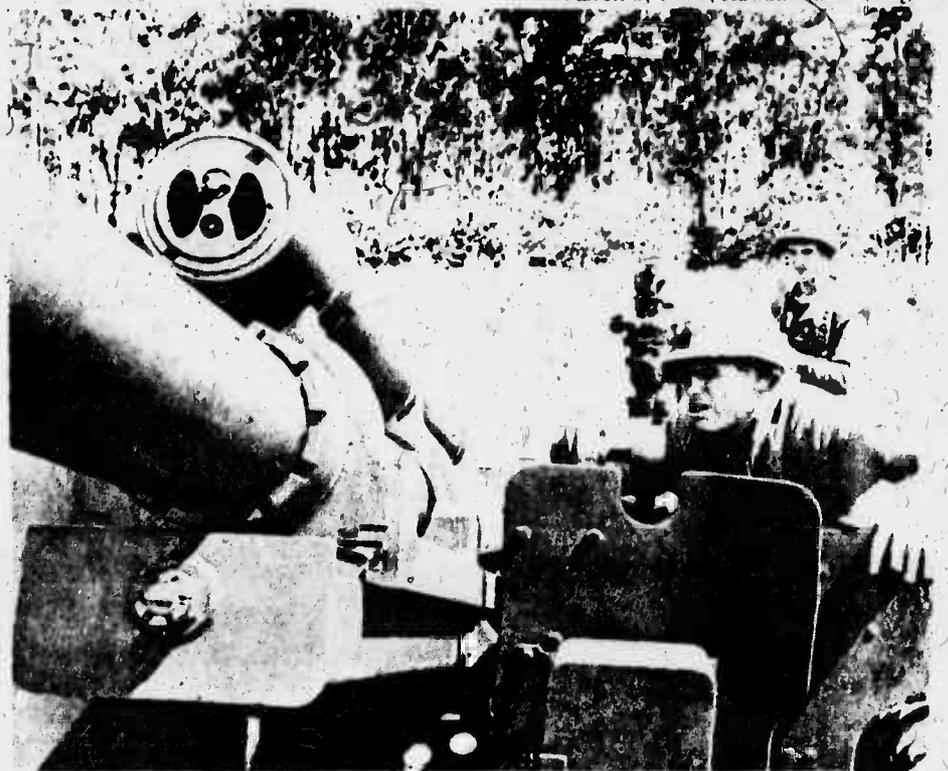


COMMUNICATING — Alpha Battery Executive Officer First Lieutenant Craig Masterson (above) directs firing of the battery's howitzers from the "Exec Pit" located to the rear of the gun pits. Below, Alpha's acting Communications Chief Corporal Guy Marx (center) teaches Private First Class Robert Cramer (left) and Sergeant Wayne Johnson the technical points of operating the radio.





CONSTANT CHECK - Gun Two gets a final check (above) from Safety NCO Sergeant Daniel Calderon before firing. Safety NCOs check the settings placed on the howitzer by crew members such as Lance Corporal Frank Burbade (left) and assistant gunner Private First Class Russel Tierney. Private First Class Ronald Rush (right) makes corrections to the sight on a howitzer nicknamed "Cheap Thrill."



th live fire field exercise

the impact area from which they spot targets and call fire missions to the Fire Direction Center or FDC.

In the FDC, communications (both wire and radio) under Corporal Guy Marx, receive the initial fire mission by radio and pass it along to the computing crew who will figure fire commands and corrections for the guns.

FDC is directed by First Lieutenant Michael Cavallaro and Operations Chief Staff Sergeant Jim Wiatt. They will direct operations of a "computer", a Vertical Control Chart operator and two Horizontal Control Chart operators. Figures from these men will translate geographical directions from the forward observers into understandable terms for the gun crews.

The gun crews correct their sights for proper deflection and elevation, prepare the round for firing and send it on its way to the target.

The entire dizzying process is controlled from a central location known as "the Exec Pit," which is Masterson's domain assisted by the commanding officer and a communicator who relays corrections to the XO from FDC.

FIRST DAY OF FIRING

Alpha's first day at Schofield was full of moving and shooting with Masterson demanding, and getting, constant repetition and complete accuracy. He frequently halted a fire mission to check on the accuracy of sight settings made by section chiefs on the guns.

"This first day's firing may have seemed slow," he grinned as dusk fell, "but we need to slow down and make sure everything is right first, then we'll work for speed tomorrow. You can't afford to make

a big mistake in accuracy with artillery."

One of the more incredible artillery exercises to the novice observer is an ARSOP accomplished in complete darkness. Alpha managed the feat during the first night under complete noise and light discipline. Trucks were brought into the battery position using only black-out driving lights and the howitzers were laid into battery using only minimal lights on the main aiming circle in the Exec Pit and low-level red and green lights on aiming stakes.

NIGHT FIRING

Alpha fired illumination and high explosive rounds late into the night and right on target proving accuracy is not sacrificed when night falls. On the second day, the battery received the command "Close Station, March Order" or "CSMO" for a move to another firing range where they continued to pump out rounds called by their forward observers. Now things were getting swift and it was obvious that the crews had gained a great deal of experience the day before. Competition for speed in delivering rounds began between the gun crews and, on the final half-day's firing, crews were receiving fire commands, setting sights and firing a round in less than 20 seconds.

Although CSMO was not an unwelcome command at the end of the batteries' three-day field exercise, most crews indicated they could do with another day or so of firing, or at least the opportunity to fire more often.

Troops were tired, trucks were dirty, fire direction crews were slightly dizzy and howitzers were well worn, but there was a lot of juice in Alpha Battery.



FIRE MISSION - Gun Three (left) pumps a round into the Schofield artillery range. After the first day of practice, Alpha Battery crews were managing to get rounds out to target in less than 20 seconds. After completing a mission (above), crewmen from each howitzer return unused powder charges to a safety NCO for burning.

**Story and Photos
by
GySgt. Dale Dye**

Stafford named outstanding boxer of tourney

Marines capture 11 bouts in Hawaii Golden Gloves

By SSgt. Jack Michalski

CAMP SMITH - The FMFPac Boxing Team, composed of boxers from Okinawa and Japan, captured four championships in the Hawaii Golden Gloves Monday and Tuesday at the HHC.

The Marines were led by Roger Stafford, the 125-pound class champion, named the "outstanding boxer" of the tournament.

In all, the FMFPac team won 11 of the 14 bouts they participated in to put on the best showing of any team in the tournament.

Stafford won all three of his fights. He knocked out Army's Jake Hipps with a stinging left at 1:59 of the first round, floored Conrado Morales also of the Army with two powerful lefts to the head in 48 seconds of the first round and scored a unanimous decision in the championship fight over defending champion, Conrado Martin of the Keone's Boxing Club.

The next Marine to win a title was southpaw Dan Snyder in the 139-pound division.

He used a good right jab to defeat Kaneohe Boxing Club's Robert Ishiki by a unanimous decision on Monday and gained a split decision in the title bout over Mark Ibanez of the Waimanalo

Boxing Club, a knockout winner in his first fight. Snyder used his reach advantage and right jab to keep Ibanez at bay through most of the fight.

Nick Kloppenborg, who didn't have to fight his way through the ranks, took the

championship in the 165-pound class, by scoring a unanimous decision, over Ilio's Anthony Maldonado.

Kloppenborg used a good right hand to the head and a right uppercut in close to earn the victory.

Leis Provo, who also didn't have to fight until the finals, made short work of Raymond Rivera of Hawaii Youth sending him to the canvas in 1:14 of the first round. Provo used a thundering left hook to send Rivera reeling with only 50

seconds spent in the fight and then ended it a few seconds later.

Riley Smith, fighting in his second bout of the night and fourth of the tournament, lost a close decision to Ernest Carvalho in the championship fight in the 147-pound class.

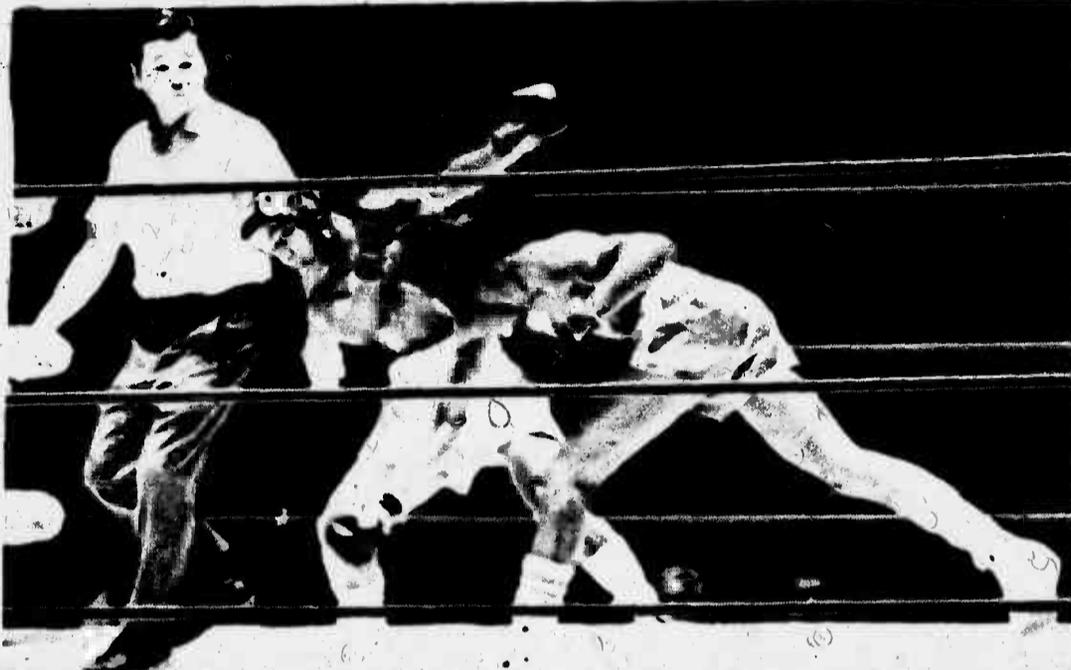
George Haynes lost a decision to the Kaneohe Boxing Club's Ralph Paris, the eventual champion, in the semi-final of the 132-pound class.

Alvin Towns, who drew a bye in the quarter-finals, dropped a decision to Frank Hesia of the Keone's Boxing Club, although he cut his opponent badly, in the semi-finals. Hesia went on to win the 119-pound championship.

Coached by Roosevelt Sanders, the FMFPac team now goes on to the All-Marine Championships at Camp Lejeune, N.C. later this month.

Sanders praised the fine showing of his team at the conclusion of the tourney. "These are really a dedicated bunch of guys and know where they want to go. Our next goal is to win the All-Marines as a team, something an FMFPac team has never done."

In addition to the boxers that fought here, the team will be augmented by Larry Carlisle, a five-time All-Marine and silver medalist in the Pan American Games.



DEVASTATING PUNCHES - Roger Stafford (right), of Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron 1, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, scores devastating punches against Conrado Morales of the U.S. Army. Stafford scored a knock-out over Morales in 48 seconds of the first round during Golden Gloves semi-final competition at the Honolulu International Center Monday.

Photo by Sgt. W.H. Henson

HqCo., Brig., edges out PSB 31-27, Camp Smith shatters 2/3, 7-0 record

By SSgt. George Spear

K-BAY - Headquarters Brigade slipped by Provisional Services Battalion (PSB) 31-27 and Camp Smith slaughtered Second Battalion, Third Marines 56-28 in Over 30 Basketball action Monday night.

In the first game with only three seconds into play, PSB's Hal Scarborough stripped the net to put PSB on the scoreboard first. Chuck Ulmstead was first to tally for Brigade as he sank one of two free throws. From then on, it was anyone's ball game as the lead changed hands seven times during the first half. When the buzzer finally sounded at halftime, PSB had topped Brigade by one point, 13-12.

The see-saw battle resumed after halftime with James Hansen lobbing the first basket for PSB. The second period was almost as hectic as the first with the lead switching six times. Scarborough was responsible for six points while Hansen took credit for four baskets and David Nelson and Chuck Derreker both connected with the net once.

For PSB Dee Desjardin was high scorer with two goals and three free throws. Dick Maresco sank three baskets, Jim Whiteside captured two baskets and Kirkland made two free throws to bring PSB under Brigade 21-37.

SMITH TAKES 2/3

It could hardly be called a

contest between Camp Smith and Second Battalion, Third Marines. Before the grunts could even set up a good defense, Smith had already pocketed 10 points through the efforts of Art Reynolds, Chuck Tucker and Lynn Fahrni.

Jerry Browning got the ball rolling, or rather scoring, for the grunts when he sank one. Barry Ferich countered for Smith by slapping the net but, for the next three minutes or so, Camp Smith's accuracy disappeared completely. Third Marines took advantage of the slump and narrowed the lead to 10.

It was for naught, though, as Al Finger and Ferich blasted the visitors back to a 16 point lead.

Two baskets by Herbert Frazier and Browning were the only barricades against a blaze of scoring by Smith that made the tally read 39-12 at halftime.

Corps' distance trotters win third

At national track championships

GAINESVILLE, FLA. - The Corps' Cross-Country Team, captured third place honors in the National Amateur Athletics Union Championships held recently in Gainesville, Fla.

The six-man Marine team ran against a field of more than

An eight point scoring rampage assembled by Dwight Timmons, Browning and Mike Smith launched the second half for the grunts.

Then things began to fall apart; fouls by 2/3 were converted into a five point gain for their opponents. When Smith finally finished at the charity stripe, Timmons sank two points for the grunts. Then the bombardment began. Reynolds, Finger and Tucker teamed to net 11 points for Smith and gave them a 53-22 advantage.

With imminent defeat, 2/3 tried at least to narrow the margin. Browning began by sinking one, countered by Ferich. Dick Trapp stripped the net, followed by Browning again with two points. But time had run out and Camp Smith walked away with a solid 56-28 victory.

League championship will be decided Monday and Tuesday night.

The host Florida Track Club placed first and the New York Athletic Club took second.

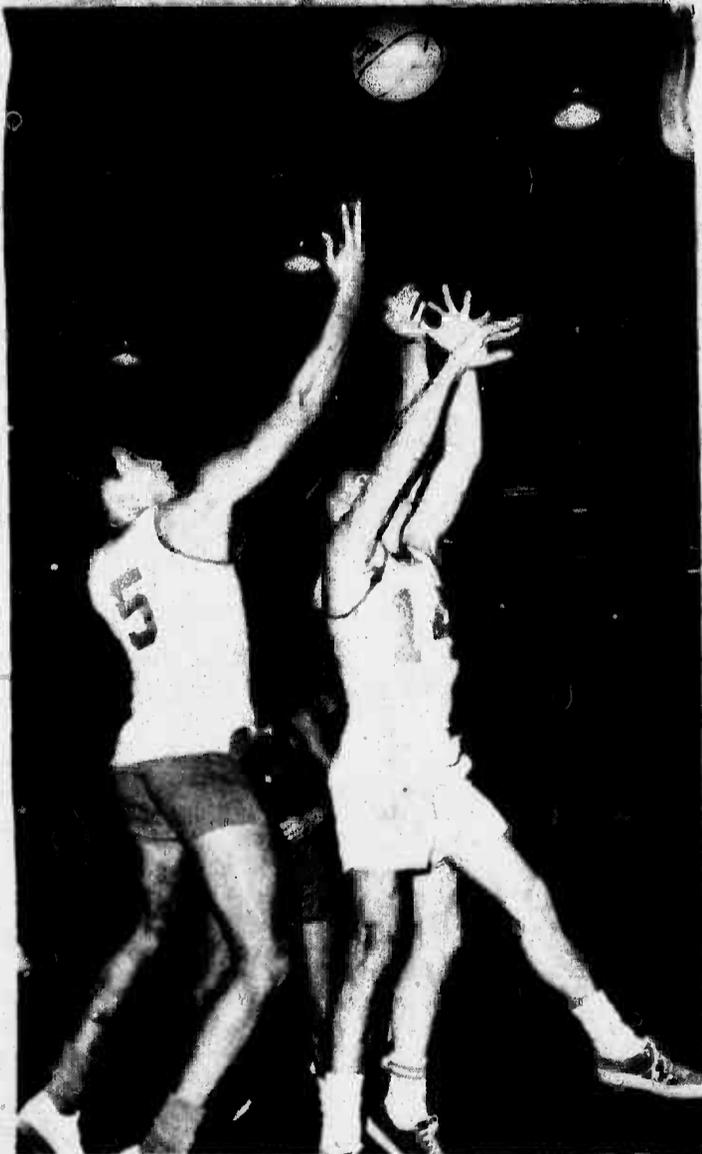


Photo by GySgt. Larry Sasaki

WHAT GOES UP... High rebounder Herbert Frazier (5) and teammate Dick Trapp join efforts in snaring a shot made by Camp Smith. Frazier hooked eight rebounds and Trapp captured five in the Over 30 Basketball game that had Smith over 2/3, 56-28.

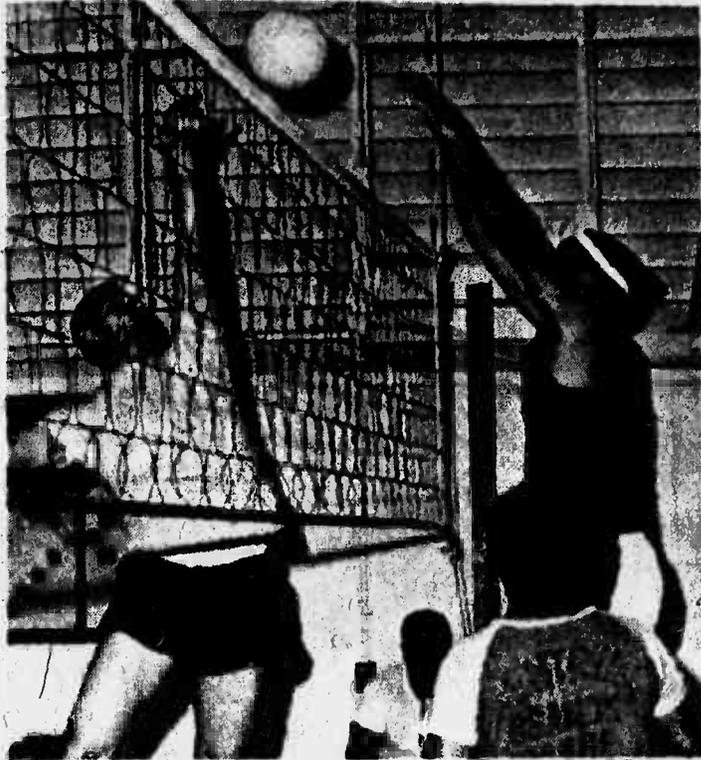


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UP FOR A SPIKE - Willard Poe of S-1 goes up high for spike and HAD's Mike Witsell tries to block in intramural volleyball action that saw S-1 halt HAD's 13 game winning streak, 15-10, 5-15, 15-11. Looking on is Fred Ing.

S-1 slips by HAD, Delivers first loss

By SSgt. Jack Michalki

CAMP SMITH - S-1 stunned Human Affairs Division (HAD), 15-10, 5-15, 15-11, to halt the league champions winning streak in intramural volleyball action here.

The teams battled on even terms in the first game until the score was tied at six. Two spikes by Willard Poe and one by Fred Lash gave S-1 a three point margin.

Gary Farrington and Mike Witsell led a HAD surge for a 10-9 advantage. But S-1 scored six straight on the play of George Luke, Lash and John Kelbaugh for the win.

With the score knotted at 4-4 in the second game, HAD reeled off eight straight points on the hitting of John Tolmie, Witsell and Darrel Shea.

S-1 managed one point but a block by Amil Vazquez and two Tolmie spikes ended it.

The lead changed hands four times in the decisive third game before S-1 grabbed the lead for good, 11-8 behind Luke, Lash and Hans Heinz.

Spikes by Tolmie and Witsell narrowed the gap to one but a spike by Lash and a ding by Poe upped the gap to three. Tolmie added another spike before S-1 clinched it on a service ace by Kelbaugh and a placement by Heinz.

MOTOR T TAKES RUNNERS.

In other action, the Motor Transport Truckers captured two games downing the Roadrunners, 15-10, 15-13 and S-1, 17-15, 12-4.

Rich Harris and Jerry Robles carried the Truckers to the first game win as they combined to score 10 points.

With the score deadlocked at nine in the second game, the Truckers netted three in a row on a service ace by Terry Bottoms and two spikes by Jim Patrick.

The Roadrunners narrowed the gap to one but spikes by Pitstick and Robles upped it to three before Jim Edwards brought it back to one, 14-13. A service ace by Pitstick won it.

TRUCKERS SHAKE S-1

In the match with S-1, the Truckers rallied from a 14-6 deficit for the first game win paced by Mike Eifner and Robles.

In the second game, the Truckers used the hitting of Dave Steele and Robles to win easily as S-1 had to play with only five men during most of the game.

HAD outlasted Supply, 15-13, 15-9, on the spiking of Tolmie, Witsell and Shea.

Trailing 13-11, HAD rallied on two Witsell spikes, and service aces by Tolmie and Vazquez for the win.

The teams fought to a seven all tie in the second game before HAD opened a four point lead on the spiking of Tolmie. A pair of spikes by Waf Taum brought Supply to within two but HAD netted the next four points for the triumph.

Marine ladies shell flygirls, Nab second in Interservice

K-BAY - The Marine wahines defeated the Air Force ladies by three points in their final match Feb. 28 at Leilehua but did four points shy of first place in overall Interservice Golf competition.

The lady Leathernecks were constantly ahead throughout the tourney until their game with Army, a fatal seven point loss that gave the Army gals a comfortable lead that lasted through the last hole of play.

Also in the final day of

Beat Kaya Builders 8-6

Hawaii Marines tally second victory

By SSgt. George Spear

K-BAY - The Hawaii Marines shook loose their second victory of the season in the Puerto Rican Baseball League by overpowering the Kaya Builders 8-6 at Lanakila Field, Sunday.

Not since their first game with Army, a trim 2-1 victory, have the Marines looked so promising.

Kaya scored in the first inning when Stan Higa rocketed one deep into left field, giving Peter Fern, who was waiting on third, a chance to slip home.

The Marines' first run came in the second inning when Bill Schoen doubled. John Kirkland followed and pushed Schoen to third when he took first on an error by first baseman Mark Bleuenstein. In an effort to keep Kirkland from stealing second, catcher Mickey Walsh threw wildly to second base, giving Kirkland an open door to home plate.

Things began to click for the Marines in the third inning when they cracked open their biggest scoring streak yet. Gary Cusick got the ball rolling when he catapulted a double into left field. Glen Landrum then fired a single deep into center field and Cusick advanced to third. With two of three bases filled, Bud Simpson stepped up, cracked a homer and drove in three runs to give the Marines a 4-1 advantage.

It's safe to say that at least thirty percent of a baseball game depends on the pitcher, and Marine pitchers Dick Keith and Ralph Saverine, who fired constantly on target and gave up no walks, did more than their share.

Both teams earned one run apiece in the fourth inning as Keith drove in Kirkland for the Marines and Frank Grilho made it home for the Builders on a

wild pitching error by catcher Jim Salazar.

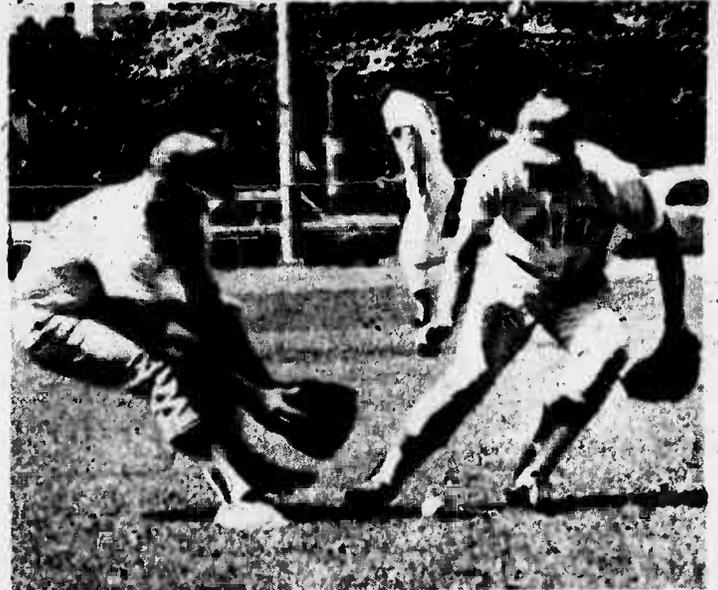
Things looked threatening for the Marines in the bottom of the fifth when Kaya's Bud Morrison socked a homer and batted in Peter Fern to trail the Marines by one.

The Marines returned in the seventh to plaster three more runs on the scoreboard. Pitcher Ralph Saverine began by popping a home run, then Cusick and Simpson made it home through a barrage of errors

by leftfielder Bud Morrison, catcher Mickey Walsh, and short stop Frank Grilho.

To make amends, Grilho redeemed himself in the eighth by knocking a homer and bringing the Builders to only three behind the Marines, 5-8.

Unable to score any runs in the ninth, the Marines' hopes rested on containing the Builders. Kaya tried their best but was able to scrape only one run, placing them under the Marines 8-6.



Photos by Sgt. E.S. Saylor

BOTH EYES ON THE BALL - Jim Hawkins (left) and pitcher Ralph Saverine scramble for a bloop hit by Kaya Builders' Frank Grilho. A combination of good pitching and outfielding rewarded the Hawaii Marines with an 8-6 victory.

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K-BAY

Scuba lessons begin Tuesday at the Station Pool for Tuesday and Thursday night sessions.

Silent Five take league title, Henshaw bowls record game

CAMP SMITH - Jeff Henshaw rolled a new league high game, 252, and a 602 series to lead the Silent Five to a four game sweep over the Bar Bums and clinch the league title in the Mixed Intramural Bowling League Monday.

The victory gives the Five a 16 game lead with only three weeks of bowling left.

Rich Burns added a 575 for the Five while Ike Goodman had a 202/566 series and Ken Foley a 202/518. Rod Cook was high for the losers with a 488.

The sixth place Bums captured four games from COM (Closed). George McDaniel paced the winners with a 485. Ernie Smith rolled a 202/516 series for the losers who fell into fourth place.

The second place Renegades won three games from J-5 behind Ben Sarte's 204/561 series. George Luke added a 516. Vaughn had a 490 for J-5.

The J-8 Ballers climbed into third place by winning four games from ninth place Special Services. McVeigh was high for the winners with a 532. Stevens led Special Services with a 442.

The match between the Wino's and Zig Zags was postponed.

Entrants must pass a swimming test prior to enrollment. The course is \$35 with all equipment furnished except mask, fins and snorkel. Upon completion of the course, students will receive triple certification (NAUI, PADI, YMCA). More information can be obtained by calling Dennis Kirwan at 261-5652.

The K-Bay Women's Softball Team is facing a dilemma, a shortage of players. Any girl who is at least 18 and interested in playing should call SSgt. Leon Barrett after 6 p.m. at 254-2452.

The monthly Scotch Foursome played recently was hosted by the Larkins and Jean Wallace. The winners of the Ladies' and Men's Best Ball Tournament were Ed and Polly Carlstead and Lou and Owen Smith. The next Mixed Event will be March 31, hosted by the Stephens and Murphys.

Tryouts for the Hawaii Marine baseball team will be held Monday through Thursday beginning at 4:30 p.m. at Risely Field. The team tangles with Merced Jr. College in a doubleheader beginning at noon, March 15 at Risely Field. They'll also clash at Fort Shafter with the University of California at Irvine March 27, beginning at 3 p.m.

Places in Hawaii

Park displays ocean life For education of visitors

By Cpl. R.E. McManus

K-BAY — Both the best and worst aspects of financing private research through public commercialism is represented at Sea Life Park, located about 15 miles south of here on Makapuu Point.

Sea Life Park, privately, is a long-term research and development center dedicated to gaining knowledge of the sea, sea life and its relationship to man. Publicly, Sea Life Park is a commercial enterprise that appeals to and depends on the



ABOVE AND BELOW — Cindy Cookinham (above) pleases a passing Redfooted Boobie with a tasty smelt. Diana O'Neil (below) swims among the fish located in the Park's 300,000 gallon Hawaiian Reef tank.



tourist dollar for support and continued growth.

At its best, this means of financing opens areas of exploration to a wide audience (four million since the Park opened in 1964) who might otherwise never share the experience. At its worst, it breeds "exhibits" that hardly live up to the expectations of their promoters, let alone customers. Such is the case with the Park's Kaupo Fishing Village, which turns out to be nothing more than a string of thatch-roofed souvenir stands common to the International Marketplace in Waikiki.

Such pretenses are at least understandable if one has visited such large scale "natural" attractions as California's Lions Country Safari (which, along with the Bishop Corporation of Honolulu, became majority owner of the Park last year) or Marineland. By comparison, Sea Life Park with only three major exhibits, seems quite small. But quantity doesn't necessarily guarantee quality and far from being a rip-off, what Sea Life Park does offer is well worth the price of admission — even at Hawaii's inflated tourist rates.

REDUCED RATES

Cost is \$3.50 for adults, \$1.75 for children ages 7-12; children under 6 are admitted free. The Park periodically offers reduced prices for military personnel upon presentation of an I.D. card: \$2.50 for adults and \$8 for an annual family pass which normally costs \$10. Reduced military rates are currently in effect through April 14.

The Park features three main attractions: the Hawaiian Reef, Ocean Science Theatre and Whaler's Cove with scheduled shows running from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Continuous exhibits include sea lion, seal and turtle feeding pools; a yet to be



Photos courtesy Sea Life Park

FLYING PORPOISE — While Sea Life Park's star jumper, Hanauma, coasts over the mark set by trainer Paula Look, canine Kihai nibbles on the reward food.

completed Kaupo Falls area complete with fish ponds and waterfalls; and telescopes that pan the Pacific. For the visitors' comfort and convenience, there's also a restaurant, bar and gift shop.

THE HAWAIIAN REEF

The man-made Hawaiian Reef, modeled after reefs typical of the Hawaiian Islands, is the center of a 300,000 gallon tank containing several hundred kinds of marine life.

The denizens of the Reef pointedly ignore the stares of visitors who wind down three fathoms of spiral viewing space, gazing at the flashing tang or stolid tuna on the other side of the glass wall. The reef shark, barracuda and huge eagle and manta rays dwell in apparent harmony with the plodding sea turtles and small reef fish.

At regular intervals, a scuba-clad trainer enters the tank and, via underwater telephone, talks to the audience about these aquatic personalities and their habits.

OCEAN SCIENCE THEATRE

The successful marriage of science and showmanship is reflected in the Ocean Science Theatre, a circular pool with enormous windows behind which porpoises, seals and penguins are put through their aquatic paces while trainers explain what is happening and why.

WHALER'S COVE

A 5/8ths replica of an old whaling ship, the Essex, "floats" majestically in a man-made lagoon filled with porpoises and a false killer whale named Makapuu, making up Whaler's Cove.

The original Essex was stove in by a sperm whale, but Makapuu, the trainer is quick to point out, is much too gentle to sink anything.

Makapuu, in fact, charges and upsets a whaling dory, gives a ride to a pretty polynesian maiden, leaps over an outstretched lei, and does other things on the command of a trainer aboard the Essex. Alongside the whale, porpoises spin, leap and do a wicked hula in unison.

As with all the water demonstrations, it's quite an impressive performance.

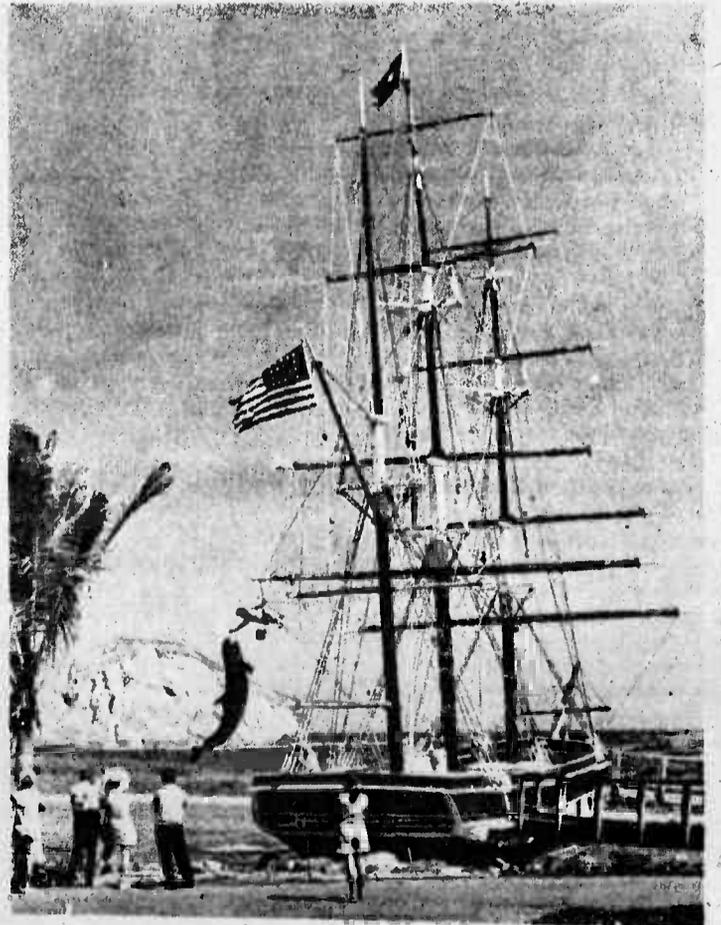
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While research continues at the now autonomous neighboring Ocean Foundation, Sea Life Park continues to fulfill its role of providing educational recreation.

Sea Life Park, located on the site of a fishing village that took its sustenance and pleasure from the sea a thousand years ago, is a modern day aquatic fascination that those ancient fishermen would understand perfectly.



OPEN WIDE AND SAY AH! These smiling but hungry false killer whales are two of the aquatic attractions offering oceanarium thrills daily at Sea Life Park.



HIGH JUMPING WHALE — As part of the Whaler's Cove show, Sea Life Park's false killer whale, Makapuu, meets the rising cost of food by leaps and bounds.



Photo by GySgt. Dale Dye

FIRE FOR EFFECT - Alpha Battery's Forward Observers check on the strike of a round they've called on a target in the front of their position. First Lieutenant Mark Schultz (left) observes while Lance Corporal Leroy Jimenez (center) and Sergeant Tom Anderson call corrections.

Observer talks softly, Controlling a big gun

By GySgt. Dale Dye

K-BAY - Give him a map, a pair of binoculars, an artillery piece to his rear and a friendly unit in need of support or an enemy unit in need of destruction, and he's in business.

He's an artillery forward observer, commonly known as an "FO," and ever since direct support artillery became a common tool for infantry commanders, he's the man who can save a threatening situation in combat.

He's used to call fire from a distant battery on enemy positions or advancing troops; to cover a friendly unit withdrawal; to give direct covering fire for a friendly attack and many other purposes. Mostly, though, he's used to make sure the right round gets on the right target in the right time and with the right effect. That's what his training is all about, and that's what makes him so valuable to the infantry with whom he travels.

Depending on the size of available artillery, a forward observer may be calling for a single round to impact on a point target at ranges measured in miles. That takes an initial generous helping of overall artillery knowledge and not a little bit of practice.

For FO's such as those assigned to Alpha Battery, 1st Battalion, Twelfth Marines, training is a constant part of life, but the real action occurs when the battery goes to the field to fire live rounds.

During a recent three-day exercise at the U.S. Army's Schofield Barracks artillery ranges, five Alpha FO's, under the direction of First Lieutenant Mark Schultz, knocked out troops, tanks, fuel farms and just about any other target Schultz' imaginative mind could invent for them to destroy.

Church Services

K-BAY

CATHOLIC: Saturday: 6 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

PROTESTANT: Chapel: 10 a.m.
Sunday School: 8:30 a.m.
CAMP SMITH

CATHOLIC: Sunday: 8:30 a.m.
PROTESTANT: Chapel: 10:30 a.m.

One of the key factors in their training was proper employment of various fuses and artillery rounds available to their call from Alpha's five guns in the rear.

Schultz would invent a target and give an approximate location in the artillery impact area. It was then up to one of the five FO's to pinpoint the target, select the proper round for its destruction and call it on target in the minimum possible time.

"Being an FO is probably the greatest challenge I've faced yet," said Sergeant Tom Anderson from his position atop a high Schofield hill. "This job must be done well and you just can't be wrong with friendly troops in the area like you'd have in combat. There's not much margin for error."

The margin was relatively wide on the Schofield range, but Schultz demanded and got accuracy from his FO's.

"Practice makes perfect," grinned Anderson squinting through his binoculars, "and that's what we intend to be."

Theater showing classic films, Featuring movies' great comics

K-BAY - Part of the current wave of nostalgia that is sweeping the country is a revival of interest in many of the early, now considered classic films of the golden age of Hollywood.

Hoping to attract early movie buffs, Special Services will offer Classic Night at the Family Theater beginning Wednesday and running for the next three Wednesday evenings. The special program will consist of films of the past with a heavy concentration of comedies.

These "classics" will star many of the stars from the past including the Marx Brothers, Mae West, W.C. Fields, James Cagney and many more.

The first presentation of the series is "Cocoanuts". A comedy that has the Marx Brothers helping a wealthy widow recover a valuable necklace that has been stolen. This film has been classified as one of the all-time greats in the field of comedy.

Next comes "My Little Chickadee" with W.C. Fields and Mae West. This burlesque western has Miss West as a big city siren who tries to take the wild west by storm only to be thwarted by the incomparable Fields. This show will play March 20.

"You Can't Cheat An Honest Man" starring W.C. Fields and Edgar Bergen will run March 27. This uproarious comedy has Mr. Fields exchanging verbal barbs with that animated wooden head Charlie McCarthy who has little

protection against a never to be forgotten Fields.

The fourth offering is "Duck Soup" with the Marx Brothers. Here the Marx Brothers find themselves involved in a riotous war. This is a comedy classic that has lived on for decades. April 3 will be the showtime for this movie classic.

If these four films are well received on base, the program will become a weekly occurrence.

In the future such famous

pictures as W.C. Fields in "Never Give a Sucker An Even Break," "Blood and Sand" with Rudolph Valentino, "Horse Feathers" featuring the Marx Brothers and Errol Flynn in "The Adventures of Robin Hood" will be brought in.

These feature films will run as a double feature with the regularly scheduled picture. The classic will show at 6:30 p.m. with the regular feature appearing at 8 p.m. The admission price for these specials is 40 cents.

Food Scoop

K-BAY TODAY

LUNCH - Chili con carne w/beans, grilled ham & cheese sandwich, rice, fried potatoes, okra, lima beans, peach short cake w/topping.

DINNER - Grilled pork slices, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, blackeye peas, carrots, cookies.

SATURDAY

DINNER BRUNCH - Pot roast of beef, French baked potatoes, onion rings, broccoli w/cheese sauce, strawberry short cake.

SUNDAY

DINNER BRUNCH - Charbroil steaks, barbecued chicken parts, fried potatoes, peas, peach turnovers.

MONDAY

LUNCH - Stuffed meat loaf, potatoes, mixed vegetables, club spinach, peach short cake.

DINNER - Grilled ham steaks, sweet potatoes, lima beans, carrot sticks, fruit pudding.

TUESDAY

LUNCH - Beef & pork chop sub, Chow Mein noodles, fried rice, Egg Foo Young, mustard greens, fried egg plant, apple turnovers.

DINNER - Pan roast of beef, risotto potatoes, bread dressing, green beans, summer squash, chocolate trinkets.

WEDNESDAY

LUNCH - Turkey ala king,

snowflake potatoes, hot spiced beets, asparagus, cranberry sauce, coconut cream pie.

DINNER - "International Night" - Tacos, Chili con carne, tamale pie, Spanish rice, refried beans, corn, devil's food cake.

THURSDAY

LUNCH - Spaghetti, pepperoni pizza, garlic bread, vegetable medley, chocolate cream pie.

DINNER - Swiss steak, fried onion rings, broccoli, apple dilly cake.

CAMP SMITH TODAY

LUNCH - Fried fish, fried scallops, fried shrimp, potatoes au gratin, cauliflower w/cheese sauce, Navy beans, cornbread.

DINNER - Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, rice, fried cabbage, broccoli.

SATURDAY

DINNER BRUNCH - Ginger pot roast, baked potatoes, cauliflower au gratin, carrots, dressing.

SUNDAY

DINNER BRUNCH - Roast fresh pork, applesauce, potato cakes, lima beans, fried potatoes.

MONDAY

LUNCH - Teriyaki spareribs, braised spareribs, buttered potatoes, green beans, fried cabbage.

DINNER - Oven roast of beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, corn.

TUESDAY

LUNCH - Chicken ala king, barbecue beef on bun, rice, rissole potatoes, corn.

DINNER - Pork slices, applesauce, Lyonnaise potatoes, pinto beans, broccoli.

WEDNESDAY

LUNCH - El rancho stew, franks, noodles, O'Brien potatoes, Brussels sprouts, green beans.

DINNER - Roast turkey, cornbread dressing, chilled cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, corn.

THURSDAY

LUNCH - Pork sandwiches, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, blackeyed peas.

DINNER - Sukiyaki, fried rice, sweet and sour pork, egg foo young w/brown sauce, sweet and sour greens, peas and mushrooms, chow mein noodles.

Leisure Lines

K-BAY

SALE!!

The Staff NCO Wives Club will hold a ten cent sale at the Thrift Shop March 15-30. The sale will run Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon and Thursday nights from 6:30 to 8:30.

FAMILY SERVICES CENTER

A 24-hour course on modeling will be taught by an accredited school at a cost of \$225. The classes will cover visual posture, make-up, wardrobe, social grace and speech. Also, a four-week course on Macrame is offered. Cost is \$10. Call Family Services at 257-3168 for more information.

SCHOLARSHIP

A \$500 scholarship will be given to two students from the 1973-74 graduating high school class by the Staff NCO Wives' Club. Only students who are dependents of Staff NCOs stationed aboard the Air Station are eligible. Applicants can be from any high school in Hawaii but must be members of this year's graduating class. The deadline for applying is April 1. Further information and application forms can be obtained by contacting Mrs. Carol Evans at 254-1361.

News Worldwide

By GySgt. Dale Dye

BLIMPS

MAY BE BACK

In the best traditions of Phineas Phogg, Russian aviators may well be cruising around the world in the near future in a

nuclear-powered blimp.

The Jane's Publishing Company of London, publishers of technical journals dealing with aircraft, ships, weapons and freight containers of the world, indicates in one of its latest editions that several Soviet ministries are behind a new blimp project.

Reports indicate the nuclear version of the blimp would have a freight payload of 180 tons, a passenger capacity of 1,800 and a cruising speed of 190 miles an hour. Jane's also indicated the Soviets are working on a smaller blimp which would have a cruising range of some 10,000 miles.

SLOGAN SWITCH

Despite what we've been seeing and hearing lately, the U.S. Army no longer wants to join us. The Army has turned thumbs down on their recruiting slogan "The U.S. Army wants to join you." From now on recruiting themes will be geared around the less specific theme "Today's Army."

Pressure to change the slogan reportedly came from veterans and active duty NCOs who thought the whole image of an Army joining an individual was too permissive.

At the Flicks

	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur
BOONDOCKER 6 p.m.	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
7 p.m. (Thursday)							
FAMILY THEATER 7:15 p.m.	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
8:15 p.m. (Thursday)							
BARBERS POINT 7:30 p.m. (Outdoor)	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CAMP SMITH 7 p.m.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
MARINE BARRACKS 7 p.m.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

1. **THE OPTOMISTS** - Peter Sellers, Donna Mullane, PG
2. **THE SPOOK WHO SAT BY THE DOOR** - Lawrence Cook, PG
3. **TALES THAT WITNESS MADNESS** - Kim Novak, R
4. **INTERVAL** - Merle Oberon, Robert Wolders, PG
5. **TWO MULES FOR SISTER SARA** - Clint Eastwood, PG
6. **MASH** - Donald Sutherland, Elliot Gould, R
7. **FIVE ON THE BLACK HAND SIDE** - Clarice Taylor, PG
8. **HUX** - Keith Carradine, Tina Turner, PG
9. **INVASION OF THE BEE GIRLS** - William Smith, R
10. **CHARLEY AND THE ANGEL** - Fred MacMurray, G
11. **CABARET** - Liza Minnelli, Joel Grey, PG
12. **MYSTERY SUBMARINE** - Edward Judd, None
Extra Long Running *

Classified Ads

Spring Boutique

SNCO WIVES Spring Boutique, March 30 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Games for all at Platt Field. Hawaiian items, baked goods and much more at Mokapu School cafeteria. Door prizes! Parcel post auction at 2 p.m. For more info call Mrs. Kroft at 254-3027 anytime.

For Rent

HOUSE, three bedrooms, two baths, partially furnished. Enchanted Lake area, \$375 per month plus utilities, no pets. Avail. March 15. Contact C. Tanga, 261-3817 after 5 p.m. and weekends.

KANEOHE, partly furnished house, three bedrooms, two baths, fenced yard, enclosed patio, \$375. Call 247-1049 after 5 p.m.

THREE BEDROOM HOUSE, fully furnished, \$350 per month. Located at 45-108 Mikihina St., Kaneohe. Available March 16. Lease-military clause.

Services Offered

MOVING? Will expertly clean your house. Inspection pass guaranteed! Call 254-2176 for estimate. We will come to fair terms.

Tickets on sale For Mess Night

CAMP SMITH - Tickets are now on sale for a Leeward Staff Noncommissioned Officers' Mess Night to be held Friday, April 19 at the Staff NCO Club here.

The cost is \$6.50 per person and tickets must be purchased by March 20.

Dress for the 7 p.m. affair is blue "A" or "B", evening or mess dress.

The menu includes shrimp cocktail, soup, steamship round of beef, baked potato, green beans, garden salad, parfait dessert, the toasting wines, and rum punch.

For further information and tickets contact GySgt. Montemayor at 477-6302, GySgt. McNaughton at 477-6701, SSgt. Blackburn at 477-6451, or SSgt. Cope at 477-6809.

Sign-up scheduled For Pre-schoolers

K-BAY - Children too young to enter grammar school can still get a head start on their education.

Registration for the Menchune Pre-school will be held March 18-20 at the Pre-school, in the Family Services Center, from noon to 1 p.m.

Before children can be registered they must have an up to date immunization record, a birth certificate or other legal proof of birth, and a \$5 registration fee. Youngsters for three-year old classes must be three before Oct. 31 of this year and applicants to the four-year old classes must be of age by the same date.

Classes for the kids run from 8 to 11:30 a.m. Two, three and five day a week sessions are available for three-year olds but Monday through Friday classes are all that can be offered to four-year olds.

For further information contact the Pre-school at 257-2253.

WILL SEW CHEVRONS on shirts, 75 cents a set and \$1 a set for jackets. Call 254-3178 anytime.

For Sale

UPRIGHT SOLID STATE STEREO, one of a kind; AM/FM radio. Eight track stereo tape player included. Call 257-3101, Sgt. R.D. Williams DWH.

HOUSE, three bedroom, two bath, pool, leasehold, architect design, call Major Boeck 262-6055 AWH.

1955 FORD four door sedan, good running condition, valid safety sticker, \$200. Call 254-3460 anytime.

1970 MALIBU Chev, air, good shape, best offer. Honda hard hat, \$10. Call 257-3187 DWH.

HIDE-A-BED, \$75; Seven foot sofa, \$50; upholstered chair, \$25; dog house, \$10; clothes hamper, \$5; child's electric organ, \$25; Victorian chair, \$50. Call 257-3169 DWH, 254-3245 anytime.

WHIRLPOOL PORTABLE DISHWASHER, old but works well, \$50; one pair ladies golf shoes, white/yellow, size 9 1/2, shoes worn one time. Cost \$10, sell \$10. Call 257-2779 DWH, 254-1197 anytime.

CAMERA, Contax 35mm, through the lens focus. Light meter is on the camera. Asking \$45. Call 257-2722 DWH.

1969 BUICK LeSabre, one owner, excellent condition. Trade for smaller car/offer. Air conditioner, 11,500 BTU; carpeting couch/chair; patio sun shades. Call 839-6202 anytime.

1970 Pontiac FIREBIRD, six cylinder, 30,000 actual miles, excellent overall condition, good gas mileage, \$1,500. Call 477-6891/6869 DWH, 455-9865 AWH.

REEL POWER MOWER, like new, \$45 or best offer. Call 254-3691 anytime.

1964 FORD FALCON, four speed, two door hardtop, 260 V8, Keystone mag, front, chrome on back, olive green, \$328 or offer, Call Eddie 239-8938 DWH, 261-2826 AWH.

1971 XS1B, 650cc Yamaha, only 4,200 miles, excellent condition, extra, only \$725. Call 471-3598 DWH, 254-1272 AWH.

1962 COMET, very clean, reliable trim, radio, bucket seats, \$225 or best offer. Call 732-6714 anytime.

1969 FORD LTD Country Squire station wagon, full power, air conditioned, AM/FM radio, new tires, 38,000 miles, \$1,500. Also luggage rack included. Call 261-4806 anytime.

1966 BONNEVILLE, good condition, \$325. Call 257-2068 DWH, 254-2624 AWH.

1969 YAMAHA 180, \$200. Call 261-2349 anytime.

1970 AMX, pwr steering, pwr disc brakes, auto, low mileage, air conditioned. Call 254-2219 DWH.

1966 VW, good condition, available March 20, \$700. Call 257-2974 DWH, 247-3037 AWH.

WHIRLPOOL gas dryer, like new, \$80; Electric fuel pump, brand new, fits any 12 volt system, \$25. Call 235-5109 anytime.

1965 PONTIAC Grand Prix, two door hardtop, auto trans, full power, \$450/best offer. Call 254-4656 anytime.

1967 PONTIAC SAFARI station wagon, V-8 automatic, excellent condition; on island only five months, air conditioned, power steering, new battery and exhaust system, \$650 or best offer. Call 488-0827 anytime.

CURTIS MATHS 25" color console TV in heavy Mediterranean cabinet. In good working condition, \$937 new, \$300 now. Whirlpool washer and dryer, \$589 new, \$250 now. Port-a-crib, \$10; walker, \$5; hand mixer, \$5. Portable dishwasher, \$15; two early American couches, four ft. each, need new covers, \$10 each. Auto cassette stereo and tape. Baby crib, \$10. High chair, \$5; stroller, \$5; cot, \$5. All items in good condition. Call 257-2962 DWH, 284-3754 anytime.

MAGNAVOX CONSOLE color TV, must see to appreciate. Can be seen at 1910B McLennan Dr., KMCAS from 3-8 p.m. daily. Call 254-2838 anytime.

CHEVY VAN 1972, one ton, heavy duty suspension, 350 engine, power brakes, radio, heater, GVW 8300 lbs., Asking \$2,500. Call 257-2722 ask for Sgt. Johnson.

1968 PONTIAC Tempest, convertible, automatic, low mileage and in overall excellent condition. Must sell, priced below low book. Call 455-9319 anytime.

1972 SL HONDA motorcycle, 950 actual miles, \$450. Call 477-6807 DWH, 455-5866 AWH.

1970 70cc HONDA trail, good running condition, \$75. Two end tables, one coffee table, cherry wood, \$15 each. Call 477-6807 DWH, 455-5866 AWH.

RCA 23" color TV, good condition, \$220; Play pen, \$10; Fan, \$7; Eight millimeter movie projector, \$50; Adult early films, reasonable; new leather items. Call 254-3178 anytime.

SKI BOAT, 17 foot Challenger, tunnel hull, 100 hp Mercury outboard and trailer, \$1,700/offer. Call 477-5066 DWH, 839-4737 AWH.

PICNIC TABLE/benches, \$10; Lady Sunbeam hair dryer, new, \$10. Call 254-2582 anytime.

GOLF BAG, red, white and blue, \$13. Wood and iron covers free with purchase. Call 257-2812 DWH.

NORGE Heavy Duty gas dryer, permanent press cycle, copper tone, in very good condition, \$75. Call 254-1735 anytime.

PHILCO Black and white 23" console TV, new picture tube. Good condition, \$75. Call 254-1735 anytime.

WARDS AIRLINE 19" color TV, portable with stand, good condition, \$125. Call 254-1735 anytime.

Found

ONE child's white sandal with sock, size 7, on Lawrence Road in vicinity of new housing. May be claimed by calling 254-1197 anytime.

MALE KITTEN, gray and black striped, Feb. 23 on Bancroft Drive, no ID. Call 257-3520 DWH, 254-1494 anytime.

Free

TWO CUDDLY KITTENS six weeks old and mother cat, one year old. Call 254-3995 anytime.

GIFT SUBSCRIPTIONS to Chicago Tribune for active duty armed forces personnel who have six months or longer left in service. Pickup at JPAO, Bldg 301, KMCAS.

Wanted

195 CUBIC INCH Rambler Engine Block - aluminum. Call 257-2203 DWH, 254-3282 AWH.

DONATIONS of useable items. Call Family Services, KMCAS, 257-3168 or 257-3606 DWH for pickup or deliver items to FSC.

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD, newspapers, (no magazines). Tie in neat bundles, deposit in box at 7-Day Store or KMCAS Commissary, K-Bay Scouts.

TOYS FOR TOTS may be left at 403B O'Neal Street, KMCAS, near the Credit Union. Call 254-4538 anytime.

HAVE SOME CLOTHES you've outgrown and don't know what to do with them? Drop them off at 2432B Cochran Street, KMCAS, and they will be packaged and sent to needy families in U.S. and foreign countries. Call 257-3112 DWH, 254-1427 anytime.

Marines offered Discount tickets

K-BAY - For Marines on Oahu, March will be a special discount month at Paradise Park.

The park, at 3737 Manoa Road, is offering an admission special until March 17 to all Navy/Marine personnel and their dependents and civil servants based on Oahu. The revised admission prices during this time will be \$1 for each adult and \$.50 per child between 7 and 12 years of age.

All that is required for one to take advantage of this offer is to present a valid military ID card or civil service badge at the time of ticket purchase.

Club Jottings

CAMP SMITH STAFF CLUB

TODAY - Happy Hour drinks will be half price from 5 to 7 p.m.

SATURDAY - Dinner will be served from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Music for the evening will be provided by the Uniques from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

WEDNESDAY - Go-go girls will be featured during the noon hour.

ENLISTED CLUB

TODAY - A variety of musical sounds will be presented by the Majestics from 8 p.m. to midnight.

K-BAY

OFFICERS CLUB

TODAY - The Velvetones will be on stage from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Ladies Happy Hour will go in the Green Room from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY - Musicman on stage from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

TUESDAY - A Mongolian barbecue will heat up in the lower lanai from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Crisis Prevention Hotline: 257-3240



Sally Meanley