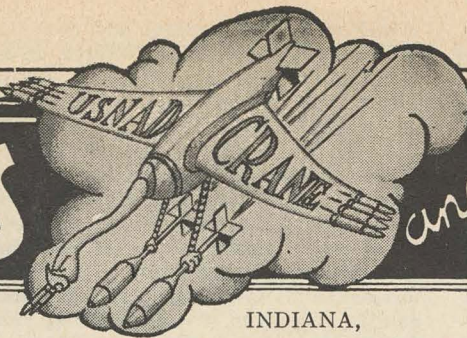


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Two Greek Officers Visit NAD Crane

Two distinguished visitors at NAD Crane are LT Apostolas Vardacastanis, and Chief Warrant Officer Panogy Kiapekakis, representatives of the Royal Hellenic Navy here for Ordnance training in the storage and surveillance of ammunition.

These two very interesting gentlemen visited the B & D office for an interview even though we couldn't speak Greek and they couldn't speak English. However, through the efficient cooperation of Mr. James Chopas, a resident of Bedford and known familiarly as "Firpo" to employees from that city, who acted as interpreter, we managed to find out a little of their background.

LT Vardacastanis is from Piraeus, Greece. He was formerly a member of the Army for two years and has been with the Navy for two years. He is a graduate of Athens University and holds a degree in Chemistry. He explained that in Greece they attend college 5 years which gives them a degree similar to our Master's degree. Although it is necessary for Mr. Chopas to act as translator, the Lieutenant understands some carefully spoken English since he studied it for 9 months in college. Upon noticing that Mr. Vardacastanis could understand a few words we were saying, we commented to the interpreter that he must have had experience in speaking English somewhere. After a moment's silence on my part while the two conversed in Greek, the Lieutenant smiled and said for our ear, "I can't speak English."

CWO Kiapekakis' home is in Kymi, Greece. He is a Navy careerist and began his career in the Greek Navy 25 years ago. We asked the interpreter if Mr. Kiapekakis had any highlights on his career that he would like to share with us. After much discussion in Greek, about all the modest officer would admit was that he had served some 6 years during WWII at an Ammunition Depot in Egypt and had sailed the Red Sea. We also learned that he is married and has 3 children back home—ages 15, 14, and 8. Mr. Vardacastanis is single.

This is the first visit of these two officers to the United States. They remarked, in Greek, that they considered the United States "wonderful." As far as Indiana was concerned they are particularly impressed with Bedford limestone. The equipment used in the

1954 CRUSADE FOR FREEDOM

Any depot employee who wishes to contribute to the 1954 Crusade for Freedom for the aid of radio free Europe may do so before February 22. Coin containers have been placed in convenient places or you may contribute through your supervisor.

quarries, which they have visited, astonished the men since in their country mules and carts are still used to pull stones out of the pits. A frame house is unusual to Greece since they have a very hard marble characteristic to their country of which most of their buildings are constructed. They also remarked that American women are sometimes prettier and better dressers than they have seen elsewhere.

NAD Crane is the second stop for the two Greek officers. Prior to their arrival here, they spent a month at the Bureau of Ordnance in Washington, D. C. After a two months stint here they will go to the NAND Seal Beach, then to the NM Port Chicago, California, for several months additional instruction before returning to their native country to take command of an Ammunition Depot in Greece.

As the officers left they thanked us in English. Since this had been our first experience in talking through an interpreter, we thought to ourselves, "The pleasure has been all ours."

Bursts & Duds Begins Twelfth Year

This issue marks the beginning of the twelfth year of publication for BURSTS & DUDS. For the past eleven years, B & D has been serving as the depot's news medium and has tried to bring to its readers feature articles of interest as well as official information.

This news sheet owes its origin to CDR S. K. MacLean, a former Executive Officer in 1943. W. C. Hale was the first editor and continued in the post for a year. He was succeeded by "Perc" Turner, who edited B & D until 1947. Paul F. Ryan assumed the responsibilities until 1948, when LT O. L. Duffey took the reins. In December of the same year LT W. H. Farmer became editor and guided the paper until 1949. At that time Donald E. Voelker, now Chief Clerk, was named editor of the Depot newspaper and held the position until November 51, when Robert Johnson reported aboard to assume the responsibilities for two years prior to the present editor, Otto A. Moore.

BURSTS & DUDS welcomes constructive suggestions at any time from its readers. As a suggestion to you, why not save your copies—they will bring back memories of your depot days in years to come. This is the beginning of a new year for B & D and a good time to start your personal file.

TWO VISITORS FROM THE ROYAL HELLENIC NAVY



Seated left to right above are LT Apostolas Vardacastanis and Chief Warrant Officer Panogy Kiapekakis, representatives of the Royal Hellenic Navy, being interviewed by Eva Ellis in the BURSTS & DUDS OFFICE. Standing is Mr. James Chopas, a resident of Bedford, formerly of Greece, who is acting as interpreter.



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"I Cannot Tell A Lie"

On Monday, February 22 we will celebrate the birthday of the great soldier and statesman to whom we owe all honor for being about the only country in the world to have a legitimate birthday; we celebrate our 178th as a nation on Independence Day next July 4. That soldier and statesman is the one whom we perhaps remember best because he said, "I cannot tell a lie."

George Washington realized when he confessed to chopping down the cherry tree that he would have to take his medicine for what he had done. Even as a child he showed remarkable characteristics and self-discipline that were to carry him through a brilliant career in the service of his country. He knew as a small boy that words, once spoken, can never be retracted, and that he must be ready to accept responsibility for his words. This early self-discipline proved invaluable in fashioning the career that led to the first Presidency of a new nation which in time grew to be the greatest nation in the world.

Unhappily, too many people today want all the privileges of life but are reluctant to shoulder the responsibilities. They want to eat their cake and have it too. In other words, get something for nothing - the world owes them everything and they owe "nothing to nobody." So they think!! These "irresponsibles" are the direct result of absence of self-discipline and training. Nowadays too much dependence is put on fast talking and glib outbursts to avoid the consequences, or just punishment for misdeeds. Anyone who can dodge punishment by what is humorously termed the "white lie" is considered a clever fellow, until his luck runs out, then whimpering he begs for mercy or forgiveness. But remember, it might be possible to forgive but it is never possible to forget. Is this "chiseling" a state of mind of a minority, or a deterioration of high principles and convictions? Let's settle for the former. To call it the latter

would sound too general and condemn too many good citizens. There is no panacea for this minority as a group. The treatment must begin with individuals. Each one by himself, must realize that the basis of real knowledge and character building is the understanding of oneself. To know your own mind and to stand by your integrity is evidence of a manly character. If you know you are right be true to your convictions and carry out your decisions boldly. However, if you are wrong your decisions should be just as bold - not to do it.

If you have a firmness of purpose and a clear thinking determination you can be a leader - if you show feebleness of purpose and wishy-washy decision you will always be a follower. It is bad practice to make up your mind and then look for an excuse - if you are right by chance you have not solved any problem, nor learned anything as a result of your experience. Perhaps the best way to start is to take an inventory of yourself with this thought in mind, "A good citizen thinks before saying things for which he should be responsible." If you live up to that thought you will weigh your words carefully and make your decisions wisely, and be ready to accept responsibility for them. A five-word quotation from the Bible, "How forcible are right words," is a good one to remember, and heed. Words reflect thought, and thought is the soul communicating with itself. But, don't get caught thinking with your mouth open-

If you must deal in "white lies" or any lies or falsities you must be prepared to take the consequences, the impact of which cannot be predicted any more than you can predict the full extent of any other sickness. George Washington lost little time in making his decision to accept the responsibility for his act and his words of the moment and to take the punishment he knew would be his just due.

The enjoyment of privileges is rich if you know you have earned it by accepting commensurate responsibility. Truth has its rewards too, in a clear conscience and the knowledge that you have been honest with yourself and the world. You'll be a good citizen and a valuable employee as long as you do that. "And this above all— to thine own self be true."

NAVY'S 'MINISUB' TO BE LAUNCHED SOMETIME IN '54

Farmingdale, N. Y. (AFPS) The Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corp. has predicted it will complete the revolutionary X-1 "Minisub" sometime this year. The keel will be laid here within two months.

The small sub will be capable of planting atomic mines in enemy harbors and launching or steering guided missiles.

One man will be able to operate the tiny sub without aid, Fairchild officials

EVERY SUNDAY



Depot Chapel

Catholic ----- 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days ----- 6:30 a.m.

Confession before Mass

Protestant ----- 11:00 a.m.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."— John 3:16.

said, while several additional members of the crew carry out special tasks.

Most of the details of the new sub are classified but George F. Chapline, vice president of Fairchild, said the undersea craft would be about 50 feet long, "as sleek as a jet airplane" and driven under the surface by a "unique power plant."

Several nations, including Britain, Germany, Italy and Japan, have experimented with midget submarines and during WWII the U. S. Office of Strategic Services ordered several for landing saboteurs in Nazi-occupied Europe. But the Minisub is the first of its type to be constructed for the Navy.

The Navy previously disclosed that it wanted a 25-ton midget submarine— not much heavier than a fighter plane— which could be transported overland by huge helicopter "flying cranes."

Navy experts have also suggested that midget subs could accompany either undersea or surface mother craft on long cruises and be assigned special missions.

Bond Participation

February 9, 1954

	Em- ployees	Partici- pants	Total Per- centage
Ordnance	2053	1463	71.36
Public Works	1097	835	76.12
Supply	449	385	85.75
Administration	48	33	68.75
Ind. Relations	24	24	100.00
Fiscal	83	55	67.47
Security	167	110	65.87
Inspection	220	144	65.45
Medical	1	1	100.00
Safety	11	10	90.90
Total Payroll	4153	3060	73.75
Previous Month			73.93

New Traffic Signals Explained To Drivers

The traffic signal is a valuable device for the control and safe facilitation of vehicle traffic. Because of its arbitrary or traffic-induced assignment of right-of-way to the various movements necessary at intersections and at other street



and highway locations, the traffic signal exerts a profound influence on traffic flow. The following is an explanation of the operation of the traffic signals recently installed at the intersection near the Inspection Office and lanes which should be used:

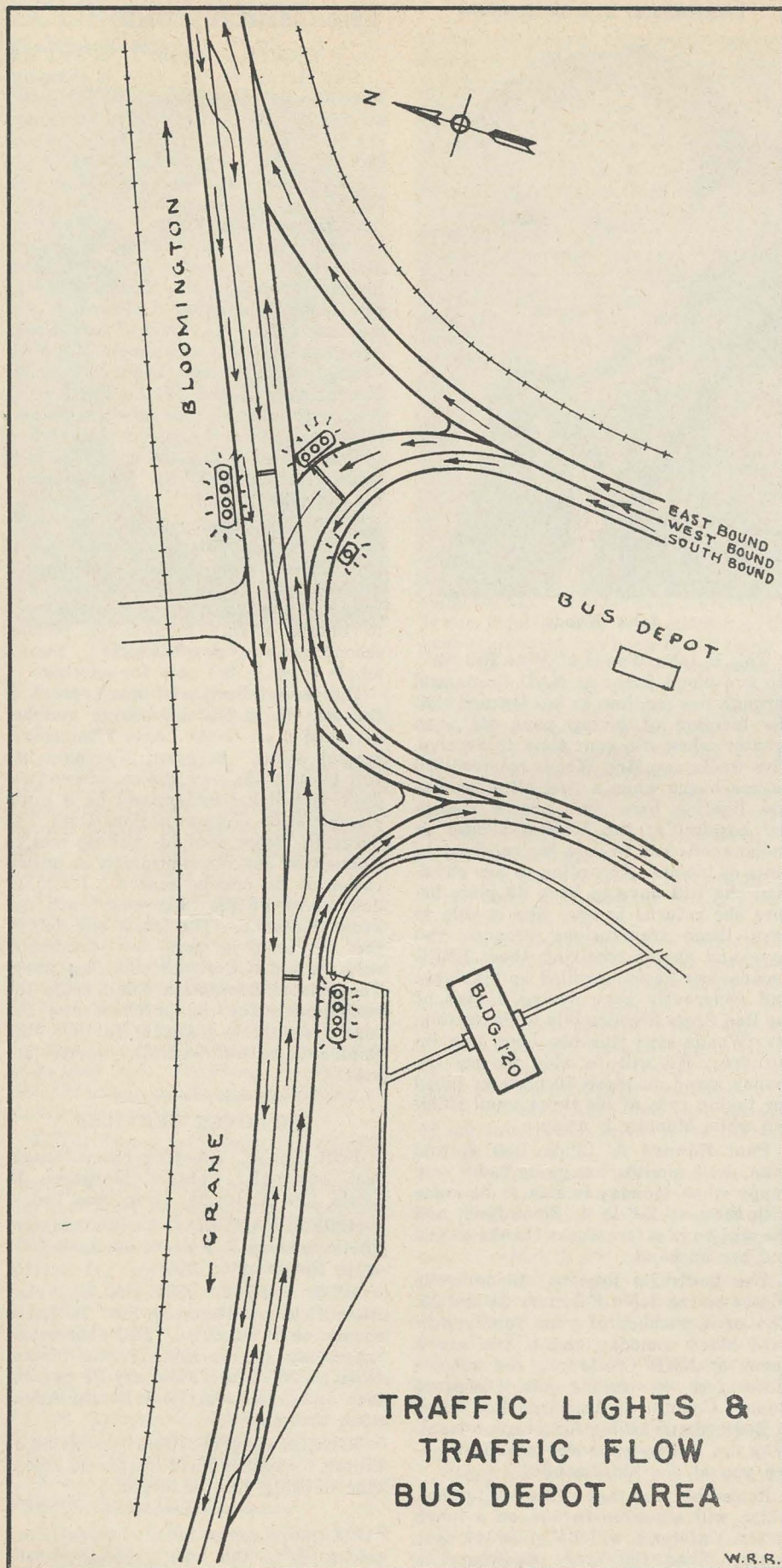
Westbound through traffic from the east may proceed in the north lane on green (GO) signal and green arrow. Traffic coming from the east heading south must move into the center lane at opening provided and proceed to the south only when light is green (GO). This Southbound traffic must merge with Southbound traffic coming from the west and also thru traffic coming from the south, returning south. Eastbound thru traffic coming from west must use center lane and proceed only when light is green (GO). After obeying the traffic light this Eastbound traffic must keep to the right of the yellow barrier line and move into the south lane and proceed east. Southbound traffic coming from west move into the south lane at the opening provided by the lanes and may proceed at all times as indicated by the green arrow. This Southbound traffic must merge with other southbound traffic at the point of intersection. Southbound traffic coming from the south must move into west lane, and may proceed at all times as indicated by the green arrow and merging with other southbound traffic from east and west. Westbound traffic coming from the south must move into the right lane and proceed only when the light is green (GO). Eastbound traffic coming from the south must stay in east lane and may proceed at all times. This eastbound traffic must merge with the eastbound traffic from the west at point of intersection.

Make safety **FIRST** and make it Last.

"ALERTNESS AND AWARENESS are the things which will assure you of freedom from injury under any and all conditions."— Delores Berg

Confucius Says: "He who is careless with ammunition, will join honorable ancestors early."— Pete Kuzer

"Everybody is ignorant, only on different subjects."— Will Rogers



Public Works Whispers

By Pershing & Murphy, Esq.

Welcome to our new Public Works Officer, CDR J. F. Staniunas, who has reported aboard to assume the duties of CDR A. S. Klay. CDR Klay is leaving us for a new assignment. We of the Public Works Department wish to extend to CDR Klay a bon voyage and pleasant tour of duty at his new station. And to CDR Staniunas a very pleasant tour of duty with us here at NAD Crane.

Best wishes to Marcia Pershing in her new job with Budget Control Section, and our congratulations on her upgrade. Marcia replaced Sue Bogard who has left us for a job with the U. S. Army in Germany.

Our welcome mat is out for Doris J. Strange and Joyce Souerdike who joined the Office Services Section of Public Works Office. Doris came to us via the Industrial Shops and Joyce from the Railroad Office. Their loss is our gain. Glad to have you with us, girls.

Along with the good news must go the opposite, so we report with regret the lost of Kathryn Marlin, who has been with the Public Works Department for some time. Kathryn was employed at the Master Mechanic's Office, Transportation, for five and a half years. Mr. and Mrs. Marlin have purchased a home in Florida, where Mr. Marlin will be employed. Our best wishes go with the Marlins for a very happy future.

LEARN TO RECOGNIZE DANGER ON A LADDER

Here are some important precautions:

1. Make sure the ladder is not defective.
2. Use a ladder with safety feet suitable for the floor or ground it stands on.
3. If the floor is extra slippery, tie the ladder at the base or have someone hold it.
4. If the ladder is placed before a doorway, lock the door or have someone guard it. Protect the ladder base from traffic, if necessary.
5. When using a stepladder, make sure it is fully extended before you climb.
6. If your shoes are muddy or otherwise slippery, clean them before you climb.
7. Be sure the ladder is placed at a safe angle against the wall or other solid backing. An angle of about 75 degrees with the horizontal is recommended.
8. Always face the ladder and hold on with both hands, whether climbing up or down.
9. Carry tools in suitable pockets; or have tools and all other objects hoisted with rope and bucket.
10. Turn in all defective ladders to your supervisor who in turn will notify same to Public Works Department.

THANKFUL BLOOD DONOR



John Woods

This is John Woods of Mine Fill "A". He is a blood donor at NAD Crane and through this medium he has learned that the blessing of giving pays off even greater when it's your time to receive. Five weeks ago Mrs. Woods received 3rd degree burns when a fuel oil stove she was lighting blew up. She is still in the hospital at the Medical Center in Indianapolis and to date has received 13 pints of blood. According to her physician she will have to have 30 pints before she returns home. She is able to have these transfusions because you gave and she is receiving them FREE because her husband rolled up his sleeve and generously gave during a visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile to the station. Mr. Woods says this has been like insurance. He will be able to use the money saved on those 30 pints of blood for taking care of his three small children while Mommy is away.

Paul Edward 6, Linda Lou 3, and John, Jr. 3 months, are going to be very happy when Mommy is able to be home with them at R.F.D. 4, Bloomfield, and she will be in a few weeks thanks to you and her husband.

The Louisville Regional Bloodmobile will be on the depot February 24 and 25. You or a member of your family may need blood someday and if you are a donor at NAD Crane you can receive blood free by calling the Lawrence County Chapter of American Red Cross in Bedford and asking for a replacement. Why not roll up your sleeve and give—see you at the bloodmobile.

Remember also that a free meal ticket, which will allow up to 50¢ on a lunch at the Cafeteria will be given to each donor. Read the story elsewhere in B & D.

The Military Side

By Cpl. Norm Levin

Our Marine of the week is Sergeant Shreeve of the galley. "Charlie" entered the Marine Corps in 1946 and spent the first two years of his Marine career including his boot training at San Diego. He was then stationed at the Boston Navy Yard and remained there for 8 months until he was transferred to Camp Lejuene, South Carolina, where he remained until September of 1950. After his tour of duty there, Charlie was sent to Camp Pendleton, California, and overseas duty. He returned from Korea one year later and was assigned to NAD Crane, where he has been ever since. The primary duties of the Chief Cook is to insure that all food handlers properly prepare and serve meals: I'm certain that our chief cook is doing his job very satisfactorily, as all the Marines seem healthy and content.

The "Raiders" played their first AAU tournament game last Saturday and as usual made a good showing. The Marine "Basketeers" of "53" did exceptionally well in a similar tourney and managed to obtain a fine trophy for placing second. Let's go "Raiders", there's ample room in the case for another.

Cpl. Longfellow, who was entered in the 9th Naval District boxing matches returned from Great Lakes after a successful debut. Sergeant Needham has just become the new Police Sergeant, a position which I understand he is quite pleased with. Congratulations Don! The Sergeant Major sent his fishing reel to Kalamazoo for reconditioning in anticipation of the coming season. I wonder how many of the "big ones" will get away this year. The latest addition to the barracks is two new automatic washers which were installed last week. The Marine Recreation Fund made the contribution for the purchase and I'm sure everyone is thankful for it. Just think fellows, our wash day worries are over.

EMPLOYEE SERVICES

FOR RENT: Sleeping rooms, breakfast optional. Contact Margaret E. Doyle, 500 W. 1st St., Loogootee, Ind.

RIDER WANTED from Bloomington. Phone Spencer R. Fulford on depot 7031 or in Bloomington 9060.

NEW HOUSE FOR SALE near Bloomfield on Highway 54. It has 5 rooms and dinnette, full basement, breezeway and garage. Phone Bloomfield 158J5 before February 22 or contact J. L. Jackson, Real Estate Agent after that date.

RIDERS WANTED from Jasonville or Linton. Contact Fred Sexten at Jasonville or Bldg. 106 on depot.

"If the power to do hard work is not talent, it is the best possible substitute."— James A. Garfield

LCDR Gilbert S. Young Is New Fiscal Officer



LCDR Gilbert S. Young

Depot Fiscal Department Head, LCDR Gilbert S. Young, reported for duty February 3.

A member of the U. S. Navy since 1942, LCDR Young is a graduate of Hiedelberg College, Tiffin, Ohio, with an AB degree in Business Administration. He received his Masters from Harvard University in 1947.

The Commander's first tour of duty was with the Armed Guard in the S. S. BEACONHILL making trips into Murmansk, North Russia. His next stint was with a Motor Torpedo Boat Sqd. 13. In 1944, Commander Young was Officer in Charge of Floating Equipment Maintenance Unit for Commander Motor Torpedo Boat Sqds., 7th Fleet. He was then detached from the Navy and finished his College education.

LCDR Young went back into regular Navy in 1947, as a Lieutenant in the Supply Corps. After attending Supply Corps School, Bayonne, New Jersey, he was transferred to the Navy Purchasing Office at San Francisco as Contracting Officer for two years. In '49 he began a tour of duty with the Office of Naval Material in the procurement Division, Washington, D. C. Prior to coming to NAD Crane, LCDR Young was Supply Officer of the USS MONROVIA, which operated out of Norfolk, Virginia. The Attack Transport visited ports from Spain to Istanbul, Turkey. They also aided in the relief administered by the U. S. Navy during the Greek Earthquake disasters last summer.

A native of Fairborn, Ohio, LCDR and Mrs. Young and three children are making their home in Quarters "I".

CAFETERIA BULLETIN

The four lucky employees that received a seven-course dinner at the Depot Cafeteria Thursday, February 11, were: Marion Knowles, Star Shell; Hayden Ritchey, Star Shell; John R. Fisher, Q. E. Laboratory; and Robert Neidige, Star Shell. They sat in the attractively decorated special booth and ate food fit for a king, - thanks to buying their meal book in advance.

Have you tried this new method of buying your lunch? Meal books containing five lunches are on sale at the cafeteria for \$2.00. The number of free lunches given each week will be determined by the amount of meal books sold.

Safety Sallies

By the Safety Department

Nearly two months of the New Year have elapsed, but it is not too late to incorporate into our daily actions the following resolutions for 1954. If each of us actually promise to follow these suggestions, I promise that there will be fewer injuries and less suffering this year than there has been in the past.

In the interest of my own personal Safety and the Safety of all the other members of my family and of my fellow workers, I promise myself that -

1. I will work safely on any job on which I may be employed.
2. I will also urge, and help others to work safely, and will take an active part in the Safety Program sponsored by NAD Crane, Indiana.
3. I will observe Safe Practices in my home, and I will teach my family always to follow Safe Ways.
4. I will inspect my home periodically, for any unsafe and hazardous conditions and will, to the best of my ability, correct any that may exist.
5. I will be a careful driver, and will set an example of Safe Driving to others.
6. I will observe all traffic signs, signals, and other traffic regulations.
7. I will make sure that each member of my family who drives a car becomes a Safe Driver.
8. I will discuss Safety matters with my friends and neighbors.
9. I will endeavor to encourage interest in Accident Prevention in the organization of which I am, or may become, a member, and will try to influence each and every one of my fellow workers to carry out some definite Safety Activity.
10. I will support by my personal influence, all the Safety Work undertaken or carried on in the community in which I live.

—Eli Baumgarner

"They tell me your wife is outspoken."
"By whom?"

Teacher: "Junior, if I take 51 from 100— what's the difference?"

Junior: "Yeah— who cares."

CDR Staniunas Heads Public Works Dept.



CDR J. F. Staniunas

Commander J. F. Staniunas arrived on station January 28, to assume duties as Public Works Officer vacated by CDR A. S. Klay. Prior to assignment here CDR Staniunas was Staff Civil Engineer, Commander Amphibious Force, Pacific Fleet.

CDR Staniunas is a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., where he received his C. E. degree in 1932 and his M.C.E. in 1933. After graduation, he was employed as highway engineer and later as engineer for the Public Works Department, Hudson, Mass., and was responsible for design and construction of Water Works, Sewage Treatment Plant, Electric Generating Plant Facilities, and Highways. In 1936 and 1937 - he was employed as the designer for two model towns for the Resettlement Administration, one of which, Greendale, Ohio, was built.

The Commander began his Navy career as LTJG (CEC) in 1938, and was ordered to the Public Works Dept., Naval Shipyard, Boston, Mass. In January 1941, he was ordered to the Naval Air Station Alameda, and under the direction of the Officer in Charge of Construction, organized the Public Works Department, accepting buildings and facilities for the station on the contractors completed construction.

In January 1943, he was stationed in Washington for duty in connection with the Seabee Program. With headquarters in St. Louis and Kansas City, Mo., he canvassed the Middle West for officers to fill billets created by plans for use of Seabee Battalions for Pacific Operations.

In 1944, he was transferred to Staff,

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Pictured above are three of the four Beneficial Suggestion winners for the month of January. They are left to right: Derward Davidson, Alva Phillips, and John Hasler. Stanley Pate was absent at the time the picture was taken.

CDR STANIUNAS

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Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Fleet. After cessation of hostilities he was assigned to the Public Works Dept., Naval Shipyard Bremerton, as Progress Control Officer and Design Superintendent. A year later he was sent to Headquarters 13th ND and made resident officer in Charge of Construction of 4½ million cost plus a fixed fee contract for public quarters at Tongue Point, Oregon. Work was started without plans or surveys on land donated to the Navy by the City of Astoria. The site had a stand of virgin timber, so topographic surveys proceeded simultaneously with logging and clearing operations. An architectural and engineering contract was negotiated and all A&E work was accomplished at the site in construction headquarters erected for this purpose. The architects and engineers were hard put to keep ahead of the construction forces but managed to win out and complete their work a month or two before completion of construction. From Astoria, Oregon, he was attached to NTC Great Lakes as Assistant Public Works Officer, and in September 1949, as Public Works Officer, Naval Station, Treasure Island. Two years later he was ordered as Commanding Officer of Amphibious Construction Battalion One, for duty in the Japanese - Korea area.

CDR and Mrs. Staniunas will reside in Quarters "G". They have four children— Lisa Mary 5; John Jr. 9; Elizabeth Ann 14; and Gretchen 16, who will join the family after graduating from high school in San Diego, California, this spring.

Four Benny Suggs Adopted For Jan.

Two beneficial suggestions were awarded cash prizes for the month of January and two were given a certificate of merit.

DERWARD DAVIDSON of Ordnance Stores, Supply Department, suggested and devised a sheet metal pallet skid to be used in handling sheet metal. This special type pallet is designed to hold sheet steel so that it will not shift or sag. A considerable saving was realized due to the elimination of damaged steel. It is also a safety device greatly reducing the danger of cut hands and feet in handling. Mr. Davidson was awarded \$85.

The second cash award was presented to JOHN O. HASLER, Illuminant Building, Pyro, for suggesting a loading machine to handle illuminating hand-grenade bouchon primers. This device has given an increase in production. He received \$30.

ALVA PHILLIPS, North East Area, Ordnance, received a Certificate of Merit for an excellent safety suggestion. He suggested that the metal box bands be cut straight across to avoid long sharp points that are very dangerous.

A Certificate of Merit was also presented to STANLEY P. PATE of Mine Fill "B", Ordnance, for devising a jig to hold a supply of data cards on the assembly lines where data cards are used. This helpful jig tilts the cards in such a manner that they can be picked up one at a time as needed.

Every depot employee is capable of thinking of something to benefit the station. Why not let it be known through the Benny Suggs program?

Free Meal Given Blood Donors

According to Jess Maxwell, Depot Cafeteria Manager, the Employees Cop, Inc. has voted to give each person that donates blood during Louisville Regional Bloodmobile visit February 24 and 25, a FREE LUNCH TICKET good for one meal up to 50¢ at the cafeteria. It can be redeemed anytime until Mar. 5.

If you are eligible to give a pint of blood turn your name in when your department representative asks you to donate. During the last two visits of the bloodmobile, donations were less than anticipated. The demand for blood is still urgent and you can help. Not only are you aiding your fellow-man by giving, but also yourself and your family. Each donor at NAD Crane and his immediate family is eligible for FREE blood when the need occurs by calling the Lawrence County Chapter of the American Red Cross for replacement. See you at the collecting station— and don't forget, the Co-op will feed you to put back the blood you give.

BUY U. S. SAVINGS BONDS



THOMAS S. GATES, JR.

Under Secretary of the Navy

An investment banker of Philadelphia, Thomas Sovereign Gates, Jr., the present Under Secretary of the Navy, is the son of the late Thomas S. Gates, former President of the University of Pennsylvania.

He was nominated to be the Navy's Under Secretary by President Eisenhower on Oct. 2, 1953 and sworn in on October 7.

He was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1928 and since that time has been associated with Drexel and Company of Philadelphia and became a partner in 1940.

He was commissioned a lieutenant in the Naval Reserve in April 1942, and served with the Atlantic Fleet Naval Air Intelligence Center until 1943 when he was assigned to the USS Monterey, a light aircraft carrier.

In 1944 he participated in the invasion of Southern France. Several months later he was transferred to the Pacific theater and took part in the liberation of the Philippines and the landings at Iwo Jima and Okinawa. Upon release to inactive duty in 1945, he was promoted to the rank of Commander, USNR.

In addition to his business and civic interests, Mr. Gates served as Director and National Vice President of the Navy League of the United States.

CHIEF MORRIS LEAVES FOR PEARL HARBOR

Chief Eddie Morris, who has been stationed at the Dispensary for the past two years, left recently for duty aboard the USS NATCHNAUG in Pearl Harbor.

Mrs. Morris, also employed in the Dispensary, plans to travel with her husband to his new duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris have been making their home near Bloomfield on Highway 54. Both will be greatly missed by their many friends they have made while stationed in Indiana.

MAKE SAFETY A HABIT

Ordnanceology

By Betty Cunningham

I may be an incurable optimist, but it seems to me that spring is just around the corner. Anyway, it's a beautiful day today.

The Ordnance Department was honored with two distinguished visitors last week. Our guests were LT Vardacastanis and CWO Kiapekakis of the Royal Hellenic Navy. We understand that they will be at NAD Crane for two months and we certainly hope they enjoy their visit here. Mr. James Chopas of Bedford, Ind., and Cpl. George Ramos, U.S.M.C., who is a Bookkeeper at the PX, are serving as interpreters while the two gentlemen are here.

LCDR Behlert, LT J. G. Hammond and Mr. John Steele were in Rockford, Ill. from 1 Feb. to 4 Feb. They spent those few days with the Briggs Consulting Engineers.

LCDR Sherwood was also away from Crane for a few days from February 8 through February 12.

A. S. & C. welcomes a new comer to the ranks this week. Ray Collins, formerly at the Torpedo Shop has joined our Shipping Branch. Ray replaces Jesse Shaw who has transferred from Shipping to the Records Branch of A. S. & C. Division.

It doesn't seem as though a month has passed, but here it is time for Anniversaries again. There aren't too many for the month of February. Maybe it's because that's usually a cold month and people don't like to be out job hunting. Howsomever, here's the list of Depot Valentines. Billy Ockerman is leadoff man this time with 10 years to his credit. Bill is a member of our Inventory Branch (Field). Jessie Frye, also of Field Inventory follows along with 8 years on the Depot. Third on our list is Charles Fisher, Inventory Branch, who passed his 3rd Depot anniversary this month. Kenny Fish and Carl Trenta are treading on Charlie's heels with two years each. Inventory Branch claims these two fellows also. In fact I would say that this is almost Inventory's column as far as anniversaries are concerned. However, we do have a few representatives from other Divisions. Frances Freed of Planning Division and Myrtle Edwards and Frank Hawkins of our Shipping Branch, AS&C Division have celebrated their first anniversary at Crane. Happy Anniversary folks!

Yours truly has discovered that you can't stay away from your job too long around here, because all sorts of things are liable to happen in your absence. The point of my story is that when I returned to work after a week's absence I found something new had been added, and a really fine thing it is too. The Records Branch of Amm. Supply & Control Division as most folks probably know works in Kardex Files most of the time. Up until last week these files were kept in cabinets in a vault adjoin-

ing our office. Needless to say, we walked a lot of miles to and from the vault and carried a lot of slides in and out each day. However, that is all changed now. Suggestion of putting the records on wheels was followed through. Dollies with six inch rubbered tired wheels were constructed to hold four Kardex file cabinets. Each morning since, the boys in our Branch simply wheel these cabinets out of the vault to various sections of the office. I have gone into considerable detail on this project, because, believe me it has been a really good thing for us poor little P&S Clerks. The time and steps that have been saved would be hard to estimate. So— our personal thanks to Captain Rook. It certainly is making things more convenient for all of us.

By now— and I hope all your Valentines were't Comic!!

LTJG QUILLEN COMPLETES SECOND STINT AT NAD

LTJG C. J. Quillen, a native of Bedford, Indiana, completed his second stint on the depot February 5. He is being assigned to the Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Massachusetts, as Public Works Officer.

He previously served at NAD Crane from '49 to '50. He has been Assistant Resident Officer in Charge of Construction since his assignment here in August 1952.

HOUSING IN C. V. NORTH

Crane Village North has 20 three-bedroom and 5 two-bedroom apartments available for occupancy immediately. Interested employees should contact James Walker, Resident Manager.

MAKE SAFETY A HABIT

SWORDS ABOARD . . . NAVY RE-ADOPTS DRESS WEAPON



According to the February 1, edition of NOW, "Cut and thrust" swords soon will begin appearing as an item of apparel for naval officers on dress occasions. Banished during World War II, the Navy ordered the swords to be worn again as symbols of rank. The once-functional weapons have been traditional symbols of John Paul Jones.

LTJG Richard C. Randall, Assistant Administration Officer, stationed at Crane since March 1952, is the model.

Warrant Officer, Navy, being interpreted by Mr. James Walker, interpreter.

BOWLING!

By Lois Gootee

LEAGUE STANDING FOR WEEK ENDING 12 FEBRUARY 1954

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Inspection, Team 7	37 1/2	22 1/2
Marine 'B', Team 2	36	24
Administration, Team 4	35	25
Ordnance No. 1, Team 1	35	25
Marine 'A', Team 8	31 1/2	26 1/2
Public Works, Team 5	31	20
Navy 'A', Team 6	27	33
Ordnance No. 2, Team 9	26	34
Supply, Team 3	20	40
Navy 'B', Team 10	19	41

INDIVIDUAL HONORS

High Average

Blackett	177
Reed	173
Henderson	171
Carlsen	167

High Game Actual

A. Sutton	265
Frey	240
Henderson	237

High Set

Henderson	604
Parkes	602
Blackett	598

Schedule for Week of 22 February 1954

Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
10-5	2-7	9-4	1-6	3-8

Weekly Prizes

High Actual	Henderson	237
High w/handicap	Henderson	260

WHAT - AGAIN?

Don McNeill has a dentist friend who told him: "Making bridges is nothing compared with getting the patients to come across."

A pessimistic wife is one who has the pork chops cooked when her husband comes home from a fishing trip.

"I'm not going to school tomorrow," said little Johnny.

"Why not?" asked his mother.

"It's no use," he replied. "I can't read and I can't write—and they won't let me talk."

The young lover was trying hard, but the sweet young thing was unimpressed. "Those lovely soft hands," he sighed. "Your warm lips. And those beautiful eyes! Where did you get those eyes?"

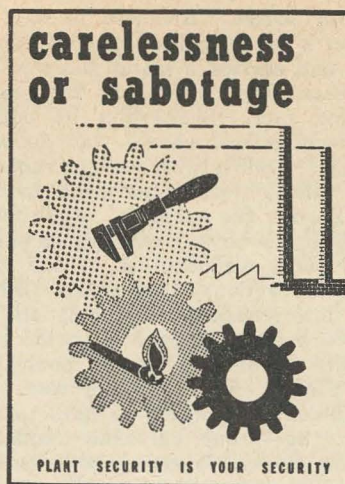
"They came with my head."

Overheard on the rifle range:

"This ball ammunition will penetrate Jap's inches of solid pine, men, so remember to keep your heads down."

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join the fanonly young once, but if you high school inthat's enough." this spring.



Everyone realizes that a saboteur hidden within a defense plant can cause untold damage and disruption, but the important thing to remember is that a careless worker can cause just as much trouble.

If a spark from a carelessly handled acetylene torch sets fire to an important plant, the loss is just as great as it would be if a saboteur had done the job. In either case, production is stopped. In either case, America's great industrial strength is weakened - perhaps temporarily - but nevertheless weakened.

A great industrial plant, gutted and devastated, represents the financial loss of all those whose jobs went up in smoke with the factory. It stands as a symbol of disaster and ruin to the owners. It is a reminder of a weak spot, newly created in our national defense structure.

It's a grim thought, but the truth, that your job and maybe your life, could be snuffed out by a huge bomb falling from the sky or from a tiny spark falling from the end of a cigarette.

Whether caused by a saboteur too smart to be caught or by a worker too careless to observe the rules of safety, the results could be disastrous.

Safety regulations were set up for your protection - and the protection of your plant. They are based on scientific study in hundreds of industrial plants over a period of years.

To help you make your work safer, many safety devices have been developed - use them, take care of them, respect them - they may turn out to be your best friends.

Plant protection rules become meaningless and ineffective when the workers become careless and indifferent.

So, practice the rules of safety. Make good plant protection habits a part of your daily routine. Help keep America strong by keeping yourself alert.

American production is one of the greatest weapons for freedom in the world today. Do your part to protect it. Use common sense - be careful.

JOHN A. HANNAH

Assistant Secretary of Defense
(Manpower and Personnel)

HELP WANTED

The Industrial Relations Department desires applications from Depot employees for the following position:

STATISTICAL CLERK GS-4

For the GS-4 level the following experience and training standards are used:

(a) Two years' satisfactory clerical experience, one year of which must have been equivalent to Federal experience at the GS-3 grade; or (b) three years of study in a residence school above high-school level; or (c) eligibility in a written examination appropriate for the position.

Applications from qualified personnel will be accepted by the Placement Branch, Industrial Relations Department, telephone 5101, until 1600 on 19 February 1954.

The U. S. Naval Ammunition Depot, Charleston, South Carolina, desires applications for the following position:

LEADINGMAN TRANSPORTATION

Rate of Pay: \$4825.60; \$5033.60; \$5241.60; \$5428.80 p.a.

Duties and responsibilities: Supervision of a group of non-supervisory employees of the same or related trades in the maintenance, upkeep, repair, and minor overhaul of approximately 75 pieces of construction, automotive, and railroad equipment. It also includes all phases of work for the efficient operation of the Transportation Section in connection with the dispatch of equipment, maintenance of records, inspection of vehicles, etc. Supervision of the position is from a Quartermaster or higher authority.

Application: Applications are requested only from personnel now serving in this or higher rating or from personnel who have previously held the following ratings without contingency; leadingman auto mechanic; leadingman engine-man, H&P; leadingman public works; leadingman mechanic, or other appropriate supervisory position when assigned to duties in the Transportation Department. Address correspondence concerning this position to: U. S. Naval Ammunition Depot, Charleston, South Carolina.

SAFETY DEPARTMENT MOVES TO NEW QUARTERS

The Depot Safety Department, which has been sharing part of the Industrial Relations Building since its organization, moved February 5, to their new location next to the Fire Department. The building was formerly occupied by the Inspection Department.

It is planned that Training will occupy the rooms vacated by Safety in the Industrial Relations Building.