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Navy Relief Society

While we see little of the work of the Navy Relief Society here the accepted form, regardless of dein Chapel Hill, it is, nevertheless, doing one of the most worthwhile jobs in the country.

As representative of some of the unspectacular but humanely useful work being accomplished by the Society, let's look briefly at two cases recently brought to our attention.

Example One: An ensign's wife travelled with her baby all the way from California to Norfolk only to find, upon arriving, that her husband had sailed that day. Having only two dollars to her name, she went to the Navy Relief, and they found her a hotel and lent her sufficient money to go on and meet her husband.

Example Two: A doctor at the baby clinic at the Naval Dispensary in Washington wondered why a certain baby he was treating continued to have miserable colds so he asked the Navy Relief to find out how the parents were housed. It was discovered that this sailor and his family were living in half of a cellar. There was no partition between their section and the section which housed the furnace—only a couple of sheets hung on a string. The baby had been breathing in ashes and coal dust. There was no running water, and the wife of the sailor had to climb three flights of stairs carrying buckets. Rent was \$22.00 a month.

The Navy Relief Society immediately found the man another apartment, and reported the former conditions to the Health Department which, in turn, forbid the rental of the cellar as a dwelling from then on.

During the week following Pearl Harbor the Society gave away \$50,000 to wives and families of men who had been killed.

These examples are typical of the work that Navy Relief is doing. Those in charge of the recent membership drive at this station should be commended for the success of their efforts. The total of \$487.50 which was raised here will prove very helpful to needy Navy men and their families.

The Regimental Review

The CLOUDBUSTER congratulates the military department, at that time headed by Lieut. James P. Raugh, Lieut. Robbie Robinson, drill master, and First Lieut. Christopher Dale of the Marine Corps, for the precision and military appearance of the regimental review for Comdr. O. O. Kessing last week. Also to be commended for their part in arranging the many details of the program are Lieut. Howard Hamilton, head of the academic department, and Lieut. Frank Gillespie, assistant welfare officer.

Such a review reminded the large crowd present of the work of the Pre-Flight School, and the efficient way in which it is training future air pilots for the Navy. Further still, it was a fitting tribute to Comdr. Kessing and his excellent work with the Pre-Flight School here.

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By LIEUT. ERIC H. ARENDT Chaplain Corps, USN

Next Sunday, throughout the many churches of our country, there will be an observance of "Pearl Harbor Day." From the various pulpits of the many churches the interpretations will differ greatly. The vast majority of churches, however, will observe this day in the most solemn, serious and dignified way which is possible to the Christian Churches — Holy Com-

Chaplains of the armed forces are going to offer the opportunity for a rededication to the ideals for which each of us is striving. Communion is nominational interpretation, of makng this opportunity possible. Hence, there will be a Communion Service at this station, Sunday, Dec. 6.

The Communion which is offered by your Chaplain is, of necessity, interdenominational. It is a Navy Comnunion. It is as meaningful to the participants as they, individually, make it meaningful. All are welcome, regardless of religion or creed.

The Episcopalian cadets will have the opportunity to leave the general service in time to take their Communion in their own church. This is made possible because of the practical reasons involved. We are very grateful for this opportunity, which as

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time goes on, will in most cases be- and observe Communion with his fel-Navy. Anyone who prefers to remain to do.

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The Glory of Democracy

THE sacrifices that are needed in order to win the war are apparent to us all.

The Treasury's appeals to buy War Bonds, the Government's pleas to conserve gas and rubber, the economies required to avoid inflation, the necessity of rationing many essential commodities—all these have become vital in the minds of our people.

Necessity has awakened us, not only to the size of the task before us, but to the fact that our future as a nation is at stake; and in characteristic fashion we-all are responding.

Our hearts speak, our purses are open wide; and regardless of creed, or color, or political convictions, our honest differences of opinion are being dissipated before the issue that confronts us.

This is the glory of democracy: that a man may think as he will, speak as he will, vote as he will, and worship God in his own way; yet in the hour of peril to the State, that which is for the greatest good of all is not only his most compelling thought but the strongest prompting of his heart.

In that hour his thought is no longer of himself but of his country; and it is as though his soul were crying out those memorable words of Plato: "Man was not born for himself alone but for his country."

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