

## "V" FORMATION

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will be tough too, but you just wait and see—the Allies will win. You know, it wouldn't surprise me if we went to a bowl.

I know you'll like this, we've been getting ready for our next game—with Italy—it's coming up soon. Already had one scrimmage with a small team from Sicily—ran all over them. Some of the Axis Alumni heard about our powerful team and they put so much pressure on their coach, he quit, right in midseason. Never did think much of him as a coach, he didn't treat his players right, lied to his Alumni too—that's bad. His record is bad—always played weak teams. Doubt if he'll ever get another coaching job.

The other games on the schedule are tough but we're already pointing for homecoming. Playing in Berlin this time,—Axis didn't want it there but the Allies put on some outside pressure. We'll be there.

The Allied coaches are smart, they've been sending scouts over Berlin and they drop enough "stuff" all around to keep the Axis Alumni "restless." You know what that means, that Axis Coach better look for another job. He's another coach I don't like,—nothing but a slave driver—plays favorites too—kicked some of his players off the team and only played his kinsfolk. Talk about a liar,—he's tops—never tells his Alumni the truth and they never know what's going on. The thing I didn't like was the false stories he told about our coaches—just because he didn't like our system. He's a mean cuss, wants to win all the games, no matter how, and he made out his own schedule—all except homecoming—he wanted to play on our field but our coaches outsmarted him and it'll be in Berlin. The Allies have a convincing way—confidentially, I think it's the "V" formation, and I'm certain they'll play in that bowl game against Tokyo—boy, do we have some surprises for them!

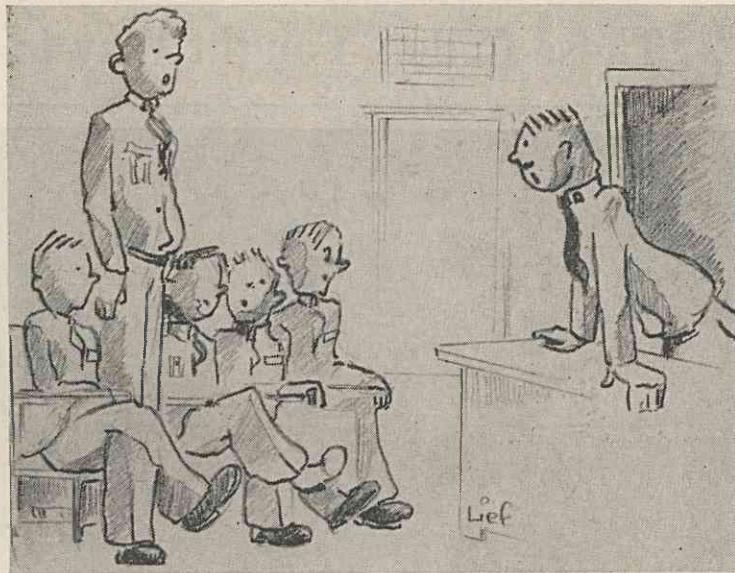
## ENLISTED MEN

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Reed Paterson, and from PhM2c to PhM1c Julian L. Baker, and Robert Eugene White advanced.

James Dudley Brown advanced from SK3c to SK2c, and Donald Chambers moved up from HA/1c to PhM3c.

Third Class Yeoman advancing to second include Henry Selfon,



Cadet E. Beaver, 29-I-3, Squad 3, Lewis 303, V-5, U.S.N.R. Yes, Sir!

## ITALY

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island bastions, Crete, Leros, and Rhodes, that guard the direct sea approach to that land.

If Salonika (at the head of the Aegean Sea) were to be captured by such a move the Balkans would be exposed to attack. Movement northward into Yugoslavia would aim at the Danube, Germany's greatest internal artery, and at the vast bread lands in the Danubian basin. History might repeat itself if an army drove eastward from Salonika, for in September, 1918, an Allied drive knocked Bulgaria out of the war and started the downfall of the Central Powers.

Though the occupation of Italy may not yield opportunities for the land invasion of real centers of German strength, the air war against Germany can be carried on with great vigor from Italian bases.

The entire eastern zone of German war industries, now beyond the range of bombers based in Britain, can be attacked. Heavy industries in lower Austria would be exposed to devastating assaults. The Skoda works at Pilsen lie only 400 miles from Bologna. Even shorter flights would put Allied bombers over Nuremburg, Leipzig, and Augsburg. Ploesti, the Rumanian oil refining center and principal Axis source of lubricating oil and high test gasoline, is 600 miles east of Bari in the heel of Italy.

Wayne Gass, Orville Campbell, and Joseph Campbell.

Reporting aboard from Anacostia NRAB was Joseph Jacob Nowicki.

## SPORTS PROGRAM

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Victories in track and volley ball were largely responsible for the advancement of the Mustangs.

The Devastators, with five wins and two ties in boxing, and the Vindicators, with seven victories and two ties in wrestling, are the only two squadron teams which remain undefeated.

Other squadrons have the following points: Catalinas 56; Helldivers 54; Devastators 51; Mustangs 41½; Buffalos 39½ and the Coronados 39.

Last week the Helldivers and Catalinas had the best record and were winners of the special liberty award.

## RANGER

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fore suffering its first defeat which dropped it into a tie with the Ranger and Essex for first place in the current schedule.

In other games last Wednesday, Saratoga came through with its first win, beating Cowpens, 9-5, and the Hospital Corps nosed out the Satellites in a 10-inning tilt, 6-5.

The present standings:

	W	L	Pct.
Essex .....	3	1	.750
Lexington .....	3	1	.750
Ranger .....	3	1	.750
Cowpens .....	2	2	.500
Enterprise .....	2	2	.500
Hospital Corps .....	1	3	.250
Saratoga .....	1	3	.250
Satellites .....	1	3	.250

Games for next week are Lexington vs. Cowpens, Saratoga vs. Hospital Corps, Essex vs. Ranger, and Satellites vs. Enterprise.

## BASEBALL

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an infected foot, but Pesky, Grep and Coleman played major roles in the Cloudbuster victory.

Pesky came up with several nice plays at shortstop besides getting two hits in four times at bat; Grep got three hits in four times up, and Coleman handcuffed the Bulls with four hits in the eight innings he pitched.

The losers scored a run in the second, and that is as close as they came to the Pre-Flighters. The locals tallied once in the fourth on two hits and a stolen base; three in the fifth on three hits, and two bases on balls; one in the sixth on two hits; two in the seventh on Ensign Ray Stoviak's homer to left field, a walk, an error, an infield out and a wild pitch; and one in the eighth on a walk to Grep and a triple to left by Lieut. Alexander Sabo.

It was Coleman's 10th victory against two reverses. He fanned eight men. Ensign Ray Scarborough, here for indoctrination training, hurled the last inning and struck out three men in a row after allowing the first two hitters to face him to single. He pitched with the Washington Nationals of the American League before being commissioned in the Navy.

## Detachments Equal Attachments Here

Detachments and attachments at this station were all even this week as five officers left and a like number reported aboard.

Leaving for other bases were Lt. (jg) Daniel P. Rose, USNR, to USNFPS at St. Olaf's College, Northfield, Minnesota; Lt. (jg) Ralph A. O'Connell, USNR, to USNFPS at University of Texas, Austin, Texas; Lt. (jg) Lewis E. Caswell, USNR, to USNFPS at Murray State Teachers College, Murray, Ky.; Ensign George H. Grover, USNR, to USNFPS at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., and Ensign Harry Craft, who was here for temporary duty, reported to the U. S. Navy Pre-Flight School at Del Monte, Calif. Reporting aboard from the Navigation School at Hollywood, Florida to serve as Academic Instructors in Navigation here were Lt. (jg) Ross W. Matteson, USNR, and Lt. (jg) Lonie Langston, USNR.

Lieut. John J. Hoban, USNR, Lieut. Michael A. Cielusak, USNR, and Lt. (jg) W. C. Hanson, USNR, reported aboard from the Naval Air Station at Minneapolis.