



## Cruising with Covey

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In the future, if any of you desire to "Cruise With Covey," you're going to have to do it in a very literal sense. Yes, by the time this goes to press, I will be well on my way to duty "somewhere over there." Where I'm going, or what kind of duty I'll get, I don't know, but I do know that I'll be getting 20% increase in pay for duty "outside."

It has honestly been a privilege to have been stationed at Chapel Hill, and my two years, three months, one week, five days, two hours, and thirty-seven minutes on board have been most thoroughly enjoyed. I don't think another station in the Navy offers any better working conditions, as much liberty, and as congenial an all-around atmosphere as PFS at Chapel Hill, and to be perfectly frank, "I've been glad to have been aboard."

I am glad that I have had a part in building this station from a mere idea into one of the outstanding training activities in the Navy, and as I depart, I feel like I'm leaving my Naval Alma Mater.

I attempted to bid each of you  
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## Extra Gas Rations Allowed for Leave

Under a new OPA ruling all service men will be granted a gallon of gasoline a day for leaves of more than 72 hours. Application should be made to the local board in the community where the automobile is to be driven, and should be accompanied by satisfactory evidence of the car which is to be used. Leave papers will be endorsed to show the ration issued.

## 52nd Battalion Scores 225 Points To Win In Overall Competition

### Headquarters For French Naval Aviation Moved

National headquarters for the French Naval Aviation Training Program are being moved from Chapel Hill this week, but the training of French Naval Cadets will continue here the same as in the past.

Lieut. Comdr. Raymond L. Arnoud and Lieut. Louis LeCoz both leave this week-end for Norfolk and thence to Washington, D. C. for further assignment. The training of French Naval Cadets here will continue with the assistance of liaison officers, the first of whom reported aboard this week.

Lieut. Comdr. Arnoud expressed a warm appreciation for the fine reception and cooperation extended the French Unit by the entire personnel of this Pre-Flight School. "We are looking forward," he said, "to the day when the French cadets will prove in active combat the high quality of their training here and in other Navy schools in the United States."

### New Ear Protector To Aid Navy Pilots

A new ear protector, called an ear warden, which guards the wearer against the severe noise shocks of gun blasts and high noise levels of diesel and airplane engines, has been officially adopted by the Navy.

Placed on the allowance lists of the Bureau of Ships and the Bureau of Aeronautics, it is now being produced in small quantities and shipped out to the Fleet and to Naval installations.

The warden, made of a special compound of neoprene, goes a long  
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### Soccer Team Scores Fourth Straight Victory

Had the 55th Battalion had a couple of more teams in the Sports Program Championships on Wednesday evening, it is very likely that they would have won the battalion competition for the past two weeks. As it was, they ended up in second place, some 49 points behind the new champions, the 52nd Battalion.

With Capt. O. O. Kessing, USN, the first Commanding Officer here, present to serve as Honorary Referee, the 52nd and 55th went into the finals tied for top honors. But the 55th ran into trouble with only one team in the finals, while the 52nd, on the other hand, had four.

Only in wrestling did the 55th excell, and in the championship finals they won over the 52nd, 38 to 22. Other results gave the 52nd a 9 to 8 win in boxing, the 53rd a 53 to 30 victory over the 56th in swimming, the 52nd a 4 to 0 win in soccer, and the 54th an easy 51 to 36 verdict over the 52nd in track.

Most outstanding of any of the competition was the 52nd's 4 to 0 win over the 56th in soccer. It marked the fourth straight competition that the 52nd has won, and set a new record so far as sport championships are concerned. Cadet Wally Suess and his  
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### Glee Club to Sing Wednesday

The cadet glee club will be featured on the entertainment program for the regiment of cadets in Memorial Hall next Wednesday evening starting at 1920. In addition, there will be music by the Pre-Flight band, and movie shorts will be shown.

## Absentee Voting Plans Being Made At This Station

Plans are now being made at this station to enable all cadets, enlisted personnel, and officers, who are eligible, to vote in the coming Presidential election.

Every person eligible to vote will be given the opportunity to do so, the only qualification to be established here being that of age—a minimum age of 18 years for those from Georgia, and 21 years for those from all other states.

As explained by Ens. William Dye, station Voting Officer, cards requesting absentee ballots will be distributed to the members of the crew on Aug. 16 and to the regiment of cadets and officers on Aug. 17. These cards properly filled out should be mailed to the Secretary of State of the various states.

Under present plans, voting booths will be open during certain hours in Navy Hall between Aug. 17 and Sept. 15 for the convenience of station personnel. A number of officers will be designated to do the necessary witnessing of signatures.

A poster outlining the various voting requirements by states is posted on the main bulletin board in Alexander Hall, and similar ones will be posted in each of the dormitories shortly. Maps showing a division of the country into Congressional Districts are on display in Navy Hall and at Woollen gym.

### Movie Schedule

Sat., Aug. 5—Free movie at Village Theatre, "See Here, Private Hargrove" with Robert Walker and Donna Reed. Feature starts at 1900 and 2048. Complete show one hour, 48 minutes.

Sun., Aug. 6—Free movie at Village Theatre, "Two Girls and a Sailor" with Jimmy Durante and Van Johnson. Feature starts at 1300 and 1512. Complete show two hours, 11 minutes.