

Dr. Elder Guest

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was also briefed daily on events transpiring in connection with the exercise.

On August 24, for example, the "briefing notes" included the following summary:

"The Task Group, including U.S.S. NORTHAMPTON, this morning continues anti-submarine warfare exercises with three conventionally powered submarines and the nuclear-powered submarine SKIPJACK. The exercise is called ASWEX Free Play. Last night at 9:35 P.M., the NORTHAMPTON reported a 'green flare' off the starboard quarter at a range of 2,000 yards. The submarine claims a successful attack on the ship. ASW exercises continue today.

"Ships have made five possible submarine contacts during the last 24 hours. These contacts are designated as 'goblins'. Goblins 'C' was the submarine which claims a NORTHAMPTON 'hit'. One of these contacts was made by an ASW aircraft from the support aircraft carrier U.S.S. ESSEX, followed by a simulated attack on the submarine."

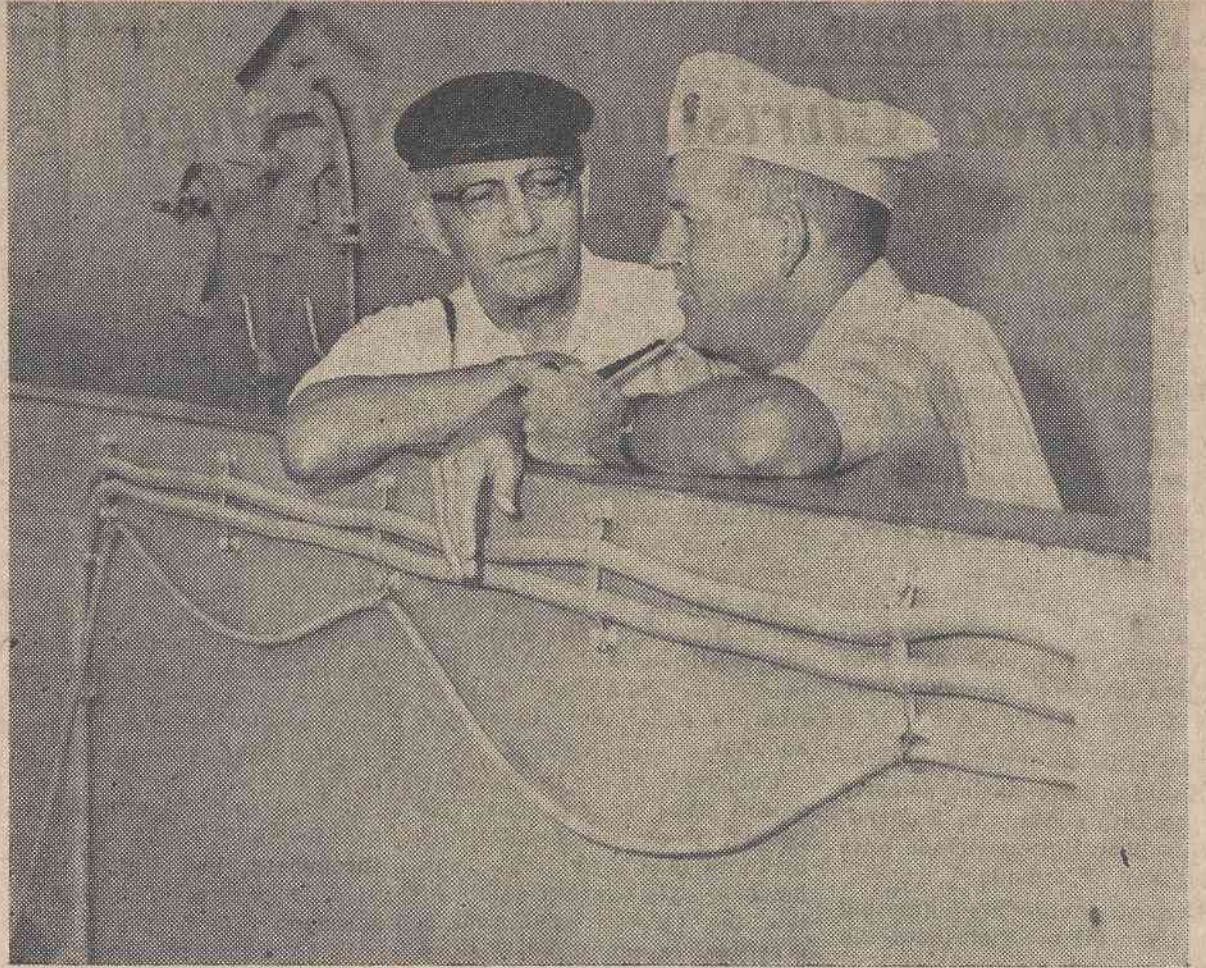
The extremely realistic exercises included air strikes, anti-

air warfare and anti-submarine warfare exercises. Approximately 50 ships participated. Ships were constantly stalked by submarines, and anti-submarine warfare techniques were used against them by day and night. Dr. Elder described the entire experience as "completely fascinating and absorbing."

The maneuvers witnessed by the President and other members of his party were preliminary to Exercise Swordthrust, a North Atlantic Treaty Organization Operation scheduled for this month. This exercise will involve 50 combat ships from six nations, the U.S.A., Great Britain, France, Canada, Belgium, and the Netherlands.

Vice Admiral Harold T. Deutermann, who with Captain Harold G. Bowen, Jr., served as immediate host for the distinguished guests, was graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1923. He was made Vice Admiral last January. During World War II, he took part in the Guadalcanal Campaign, and the campaigns for Tarawa, the Marshalls, Marianas, Philippine Islands, and Okinawa.

He was awarded the Silver Star Medal, the Legion of Merit with a Gold Star in lieu of the second award; the Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V"; and two letters of Commendation



President Alfonso Elder is shown above discussing operations of the USS Northampton with Captain H. G. Bowen Jr., during his recent 300 mile cruise on the gigantic flagship of the Second Fleet. President Elder was later declared an "Honorary Shipmate."

from the Commander in Chief, U. S. Pacific Fleet.

He commanded the U.S.S. Conway (DD 507) during 1943 and 44, seeing action at the Treasury Island, Bougainville, Green and Emirau Islands. Captain Bowen also commanded a vessel, the U.S.S. Maddox (DD 731), which operates in the Korean area during the hostilities there. For his services, he has been awarded a Bronze Star and a Gold Star in lieu of a second Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit.

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cause she feels the school builds the individual in truthfulness and service.

Donald Huffman. This Fayetteville Biology major says: "Among other things I have taken note of the friendliness of the upperclassmen. As I am able to compare this school with other schools I have visited, I find the family-like atmosphere

existing here unsurpassed."

Mr. Huffman is also pleased with living quarters at Chidley Hall. "The facilities are really more than I had expected," joked the freshman.

Chinita Trotter, an honor student from Raleigh who plans a Psychology major, has this to say about NCC.: "I am most impressed by the beauty of NCC's grounds and buildings. The broad field of study is another factor in determining my fondness for the school."

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