

# Experts Unite To Clear New Norfolk Base Area

NORFOLK, June 11.—(AP)—Several weeks ago Edwin Glad, a high-trigger in an Oregon lumberjack camp, was dynamiting the tops off 185-foot trees . . . William Atcheson, a gold miner, was blasting glaciers and bedrock in the Yukon . . . John Randle was dynamiting in Texas oil fields.

Today the three men are pooling their knowledge of explosives to open ditches and remove tree stumps in ground-clearing operations at Allen, one of two bases in the Norfolk area for the training of the Navy's new construction battalions. The other base, for advanced training, is Bradford, near Little Creek.

Any day now, Boatswain's Mate Glad and Carpenter's Mates Atcheson and Randle, together with hundreds of other men skilled in various trades, will embark for far-flung destinations outside the continental United States to construct, repair and maintain bases required to support the fighting fleets of the United Nations.

They're husky and busy, these Seabees, many of whom gave up lucrative occupations to enlist in the Navy's newest arm. Take John Randle, he operated a 1,240-acre ranch near Coppell, Texas, where he raised white-faced cattle and yams.

Allen, where the Seabees receive the first half of their seven-week training course to teach them Navy ways and use of Navy equipment, is already at full strength.

Here the welders build their own school . . . others learn to camouflage Quonset huts with strips of vari-colored cloth hung on steel wires . . . still others learn to operate giant bulldozers, graders and other road-building equipment

Leaving Allen, you ride down the coast a bit, turn into an enormous grove of towering pines, and before you stretches a crazy-quilt pattern of hundreds of Quonset huts. This



American soldiers cover up against four-motored mosquitos as they train for bush warfare somewhere in the Caribbean area. (Signal Corps Photo)

Bradford, covering more than 1,000 acres. There are thousands of men in camp now. Ultimately there will be many thousands more.

A number of barracks buildings are under construction but at present all the men live in huts. Each hut houses 10 men. On the doors of many are home-made signs such as "Stay Out Inn." On the door of the hut housing the disbursing office is a sign lettered: "Rue de la Paix."

Bradford, where the Seabees receive their final training before leaving this country to build bigger and better bases in many foreign lands, was selected as the site for advanced training because the varied terrain offers many difficulties the Seabees will encounter abroad.

Adjoining and within Bradford are brackish swamps, tidal estuaries, a 100-foot fringed beach and a fresh-water lake. To make sand roads passable for vehicles, thin mats of steel mesh have been laid.

Distilling units take care of the drinking water supply. A refrigerating unit not only makes ice, but shaves it. The same equipment will go into the field with every Seabee contingent. Mobile medical and dental units operate at the camp just as they will in the field.

Keeping an ever watchful eye over the twin hives of humming Seabee activity is the commanding officer of both camps, Captain James G. Ware, U. S. N.

## Work On Fifth Street To Be Completed Soon

Completion is expected within 30 days of the extension of Fifth street two blocks southward to provide another "access" street for the five war housing projects of the local Housing authority. City Manager James G. Wallace said Thursday.

Due to the scarcity of paving materials because of the war, the city will be able to lay only a rough macadam surface on the two-block stretch into Greenfield street, the city manager said.

South Third street and South Front street have been the main arteries of travel between the downtown areas of the city and the five housing projects, totalling 1,275 units, now practically 100 percent occupied.

The original plans had called for making the extension the same width of the street, but on motion of Councilman Edgar L. Yow in city council meeting yesterday, Mayor Hargrove Bellamy requested members of the council to investigate the feasibility of widening the extension.

"Since the city is growing, I see no sense in continuing to keep our streets at 'the same old width,'" Councilman Yow said.

The South Fifth street plaza, separating the two lanes of traffic on the street will be continued through the extension, City Manager Wallace said.

## Cheese Shortage Over Due To Farmers' Help

WASHINGTON, June 11.—(AP)—A year ago Secretary of Agriculture Wickard asked Americans to eat less cheese so that ample supplies might be available for shipment to Great Britain.

Today, the secretary notified consumers that there was plenty of cheese for everyone—in fact enough for "two slices on your piece of pie instead of one."

Wickard said this was due to "the remarkable response of dairymen and the industry."

## VISION STANDARD LOWERED BY NAVY

### Men Can Qualify With 15-20 Binocular Rating; Officers Not Affected

WASHINGTON, June 11.—(AP)—The Navy Department announced today a relaxation of physical requirements for enlistment in the Naval Reserve Corps affecting teeth, vision, height and weight.

It said it thus expected to "bring about the enlistment of large numbers of applicants who could not qualify for service under former requirements."

Volunteers for enlistment now must have "sufficient teeth or suitable replacements to supply satisfactory biting and masticatory function. Natural teeth must be serviceable and the gums and supporting structures must be free from disease."

A binocular rating of 15-20 vision with not less than a 6-20 in the worse eye will be accepted, providing no organic defects are present.

There has been no change in the physical requirements for appointment to commissioned rank in the Naval Reserve.

## Major Hatt Is Named Billeting Officer Here

With the naming of Major Kendrick A. Hatt, CAC, Billeting officer at the Homes Registration office here Thursday, Captain S. D. Frederick was relieved of the duties and resumed his post as Assistant Provost Marshal at Camp Davis.

For the past year, Major Hatt has been Camp Police and Prison officer and Camp Range officer at Camp Davis. Major Hatt, his wife, and four children reside at Greenville Sound.

In assuming his new duties Major Hatt asked for the full cooperation of Wilmingtonians in listing their vacant apartments and houses with the Homes Registration office.

Captain Frederick lauded the cooperation he has received from the Greater Wilmington Chamber of Commerce; George W. Jeffrey, area rent director; H. R. Emory, executive director of the Housing Authority of the city of Wilmington, and all other federal agencies, realtors and the press.

## Town Has Three Churches But No One For Palpits

MOUNT OLIVE, June 11.—(AP)—This town boasts three churches—Baptist, Methodist, and Presbyterian—all supplied by regular pastors. But this week none of the flocks has a shepherd unto whom to turn. All of the preachers are away attending a school for pastors.

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## Boy Shoots Father; Waits For Officers To Arrive

COLUMBUS, O., June 11.—(AP)—An Ohio State University chemical engineer, Dr. Charles R. Owens, 37, was shot to death in his classroom today by his poetry-reading 16-year-old stepson, campus officer William North reported.

Judge Clayton Rose to the juvenile court said the boy was booked there as Sledman Thompson. Students and instructors in near-

by classrooms, hearing the shot, rushed to the laboratory. Officer North said they found the youth calmly waiting in the room.

North said "the boy told me his father had been aggravating his mother and this seemed to him to be the best way to end the trouble."

It gets hotter in Berlin than it does in Pernambuco, Brazil, which is only eight degrees from the equator.

## Construction Workers' Committee Dissolved On Orders From CIO

WASHINGTON, June 11.—(AP)—The CIO today dissolved its United construction workers organizing committee in a move to counter efforts to take the union into John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers. A. D. Lewis, brother of John L., has been chairman of the committee. He announced earlier this week that the union's policy board Workers Organizing Committee,

had voted to put the union under District 50 of the UMW.

Today, James B. Carey, CIO secretary, made public a letter to Lewis saying the construction workers organizing committee had been dissolved and asking return of the certificate of affiliation issued to it by the CIO.

"The Congress of Industrial Organizations has of course a distinct obligation to, and responsibility for, the membership of the local unions which have been formerly affiliated with the United Construction Workers Organizing Committee,"

Carey added. "These members will be afforded their opportunity to decide in a democratic manner for themselves their continued affiliation with the Congress of Industrial Organizations."

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<b>ORANGES</b>	Juicy California	doz.	30c
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