

# Testimonial Dinner For Dr. Gares

by "Chuck" Vickers

On Tuesday evening, March 13, the International Relations Club was honored to be able to give a testimonial dinner in honor of their faculty advisor, Dr. Albert J. Gares, in acknowledgement of the fine service and extraordinary time and effort that Dr. Gares has put into the club to make it a successful one.

The main speakers for the evening were Admiral Durgin and last year's I.R.C. president, C/E Ohl 1/c.

Cadet Ohl related how co-operative Dr. Gares has always been, even when presented with ideas that he wasn't particularly in favor of. He has always listened to the viewpoints of the executive council.

## BIG START

Cadet Ohl also related how Dave Tuff had started the I.R.C. at Fort Schuyler after attending a conference at West Point in February of 1952, and then speaking to Dr. Gares on the possibility of starting a club here.

Dr. Gares, who was completely surprised to find himself at a dinner in his honor, gave what he felt were the reasons for the I.R.C.'s success:

1. A very conscientious group of members and officers.
  2. A program that has been adopted to the students' interests.
- He paid a special tribute to Phil Ohl for his fine work as president and said, "when Phil said he would do something you could rest assured that the job would be done."
- Dr. Gares cited some of the present I.R.C. activities such as:
- The present effort on part of the club to obtain books for Asian

students, and participation in the Student Conference held at West Point. Then he added that as to the future, the club is in the hands of good officers of the caliber of C/MGurty 2/c, and that the "Know Your Port Series" of the past would be renewed.

For the next fall, Dr. Gares spoke of a plan for the inviting of over 100 representatives of the Manhattan Area I.R.C. clubs to attend a convention here at Fort Schuyler.

## GETS WATCH

Paul Ohl then presented Dr. Gares with a watch as an expression of thanks from the I.R.C. for all the work he has done for them.

Admiral Durgin gave the closing speech, in which he related how he felt that the I.R.C. is one of Fort Schuyler's outstanding clubs because of all the work it does for the promotion of good public relation by sending representatives to colleges all over the country. The Admiral also said that the I.R.C. has his full co-operation and backing to promote an I.R.C. conference here next fall, but he added instead of having 100 representatives, let's have 200.

## Robert Mistron

"When an old immovable object (a tree) meets an irresistible force (you), something's gotta give." What's the matter, Lefty, you should know by now that F is equal to ma.

The Porthole staff really feels your absence. They are wondering if your time machine will soon be up to par. Wee-wee Casale is worrying about being placed on report for a dirty room. He can't reach the top of the closet to dust it off. This Thursday during turn-out he only cleaned half the windows. He says you can do the rest. Livvy-Babe attempted to pull his head out of the door the other day (compliments of J.G.). Foo wired Livvy's chair with a hot cathode. You should have seen him go. His emission velocity was tremendous. But we discovered one thing. He has a very low work function.

All kidding aside, Lefty, we miss you, so do as your nurse says (ahem!) and get well quick.



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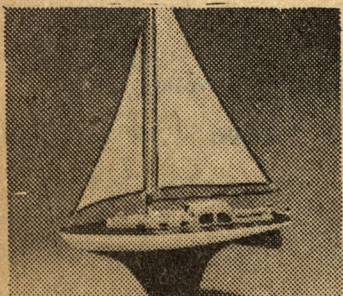
Dr. Gares Accepts Watch at Testimonial Dinner Held in the Messdeck. Ad. Durgin Looks on.

# Duke Invites Shoal Water To Race ; Cruise To Cancel Yacht Entry

by Dick Bracken

The college yacht club this week announced the receipt of an invitation to participate in this summer's Torbay (England) to Lisbon race which is sponsored by the Duke of Edinburgh. The event is the first of its kind, being designed primarily for larger craft. Two classes will compete, one being larger square rigged vessels, and the other being large sailing yachts. The committee expects about thirty vessels to enter, including the big windjammer class from Denmark, Spain, Portugal, Italy, and the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. Of course, the Shoal Water will not be able to enter, since the race will take place in July, during the cruise of the Empire State.

Club workers are still working



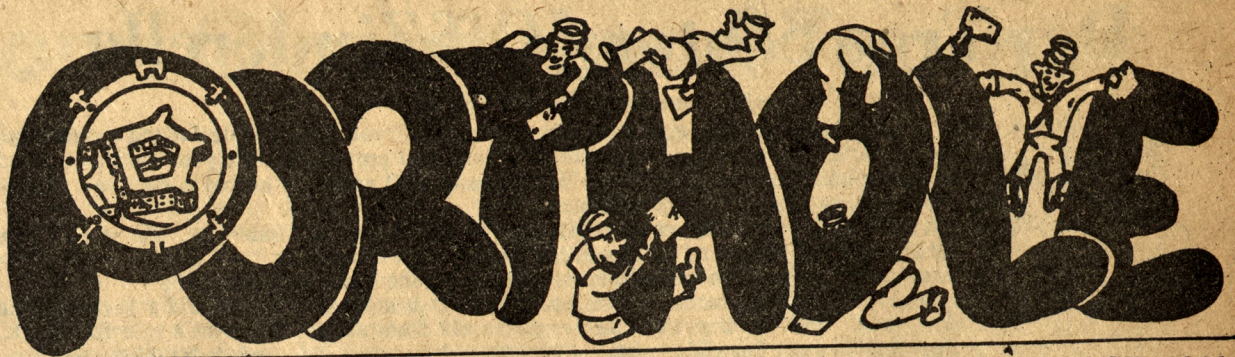
Salt Water

diligently preparing our big 72-foot schooner for the coming Bermuda Race, which is scheduled to start from Newport, R.I., on June 16. It is expected that there will be in the neighborhood of 100 boats in the 700-mile biennial classic.

While Commodore John Norris drives his charges to greater efforts on the club's nine plywood dinghies, your reporter noticed that the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy has ordered a dozen new Interclub dinghies of fiberglass construction. At the same time, Kings Point has ordered its existing 12 Interclubs reconditioned (professionally, that is).

Club supply officer Russell Roe, 2/c Engine, submitted a chilling financial statement to the executive committee Tuesday night. In brief, the Shoal Water needs \$3100 (rough estimate by Mr. Sklaire) to be operated as a racing yacht until October 1, 1956. Neither the State University nor the Student-Faculty fund assist the club in meeting these financial burdens.

Thanks from the NYSMC Yacht Club to Jake Cullen's father and his friends down at the shop for devoting so much of their time to the repair of the Shoal Water electric motors. Generosity like theirs is needed and appreciated.



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# SUMC Acquires Mercy

## European Sked May Now Need Revision

by Roy Gomez & Dave Martin

The cloud of doubt concerning the acquisition of a new training ship no longer hovers over Fort Schuyler. Admiral Calvin T. Durgin was determined to obtain a new training ship and nothing prevented his pursuit and final goal of getting the ship. The 1956 cruise will be made aboard the Mercy, a hospital ship, which has been one of several ships taken into consideration for this purpose.

When it had become evident that a new training would have to replace the present one, Empire State II, Admiral Durgin immediately set upon the task of getting a ship through the Maritime Administration. The procedure for such a plan entails much unreeling of red tape, and the ability to know the right people. At first Admiral Durgin endeavored to get the Mercy for the school, but the Maritime Administration said it could not be done in as much as the Mercy was not on the Navy's list of activated ships. When the Admiral found this out, he went to Washington, and by using his influence with the Navy Department he was able to get the Mercy placed on the list of activated ships. Once this was accomplished the Maritime Administration agreed to allocate the necessary funds for the reconditioning of the Mercy. The final and official announcement was made by the Maritime Administration on Wednesday morning, March 14.

At present, the Mercy is berthed in the James River, Virginia. All that remains which involves the Mercy is the acceptance of bids by the Maritime Administration for the reconstruction job—once this is accomplished the job will commence.

School officials hope the main overhauling job can be done in some yard here in New York where Admiral Durgin, Captain Olivet, Commander Maley, and Commander Kirchoff can have easy access to the ship in order to supervise the job. The drydocking of the Mercy could be done at either Newport News or Norfolk, Virginia. However, whether these plans will unfold rests in the hands of the bidders. Should it be a company located in a southern port, it would entail a great deal of time and effort, plus numerous trips on the part of the Admiral, the Captain, and Commanders Maley and Kirchoff to keep an eye on the progress of the job and to see what it is done according to specifications.

The Mercy, commissioned March 25, 1943, is one of three ships built from identical plans. The Comfort, the first of the three to be commissioned (March 18, 1943) and the Hope (Aug. 30, 1943) are her sister ships. The plans called for an overall length of 417 feet, a beam of 60 feet, a 27.5 foot draft a displacement of 6000 tons, and a shaft horsepower of 4000. They were designed to develop a top speed of 14 knots and a cruising speed of 14 knots. Each ship served as a hospital ship in the Second World War. At the end of the war, they were stripped, decommissioned, and put in the Navy's inactive reserve fleet.

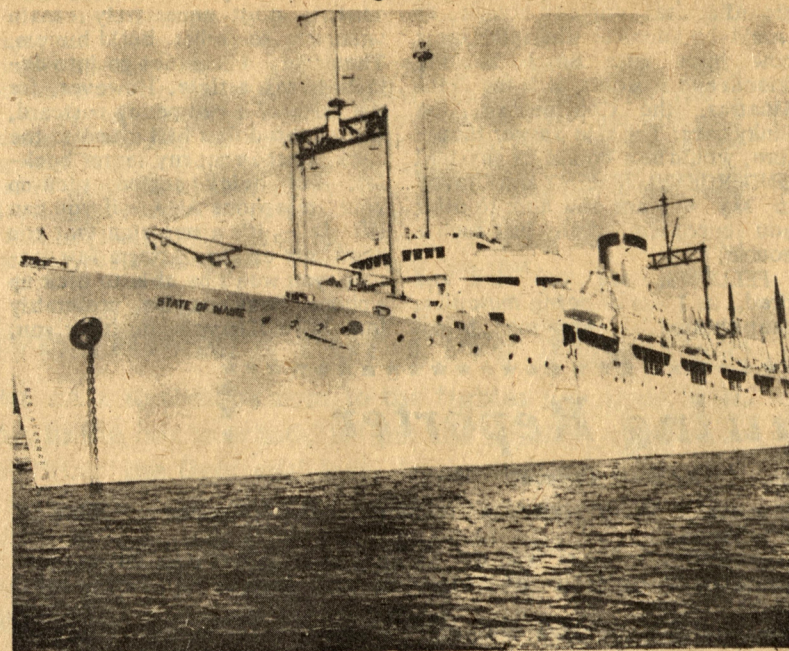
The Maine Maritime Academy acquired the Comfort in September, 1953 and renamed it the "State of Maine". They sought funds from the Maritime Administration for her "face lift". They were given \$200,000 with which \$160,000 was spent on the reconditioning of the Comfort, and the balance was used for the purchase of luxury items. The "State of Maine" is 413 feet long, 7000 gross tons, develops 4400 horsepower, and each of her three water tube boilers are capable of developing 450 psi. She is equipped with all the latest navigational aids such as radar, radio direction finder, and gyro compasses.

The school's 205 cadets make annual cruises to the Caribbean each year, and this year they stopped at New York City for a few days. Admiral Durgin, Captain Olivet, Dean Porter, and Commander Maley were welcomed aboard for an informal inspection. Commander Maley, executive officer of the Empire State, was given a tour that lasted about 8 hours, and virtually covered every inch of the ship.

The "State of Maine" has been completely rejuvenated to suit the purpose of a training ship, and has been found to be very desirable and comfortable vessel. Maine has all her first class rates sacking in individual staterooms and her non-rates sharing spacious staterooms. The underclassmen berth in compartments of not more than forty to a room. The bunks are two high and are of the CPO variety with inner spring mattresses. She has lounges galore. The laundry, mess-deck, and galley are all situated below the main deck. The laundry covers the full beam of the ship and is equipped with four washers, two dryers, and about six presses. There are many messdecks situated around the ship, the main one having accommodations for about 130 men.

The Mercy, built as a hospital ship, has room for 700 passengers of which 200 can be provided with comfortable staterooms. The "State of Maine" has several classrooms, and its reefer spaces can hold twice the amount of supplies that our cadets need. Two cargo hatches still remain fully equipped and they even have two elevators (one forward and one aft). The sanitary problem that prevailed upon the Empire State is now a

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## First Class Erects New Sign

Last year the Class of 1956 decided to put their treasury funds to good use by contributing toward the erection of a new and more imposing sign announcing the name of the college. Last year's class president, A.W. Flood, approached Admiral Durgin with the idea which was heartily welcomed.

Now that the sign has been completed, Admiral Durgin in a

recent letter to the present president, R.M. Bright, stated:

"Now that the College Sign has been built and erected at the entrance to the Fort, I want to express on behalf of the faculty and students our appreciation of what your class has done for the College.

The Class of '56 is to be commended on their initiative in suggesting this project and for their help in contributing to the cost of its construction. It was the idea of your classmates that got the ball rolling. For this we all thank you."

The sign has provided a means for the Class of '56 to leave its mark on the College, and should prove a stimulus for future classes to initiate worthwhile projects for the betterment of the school and themselves.

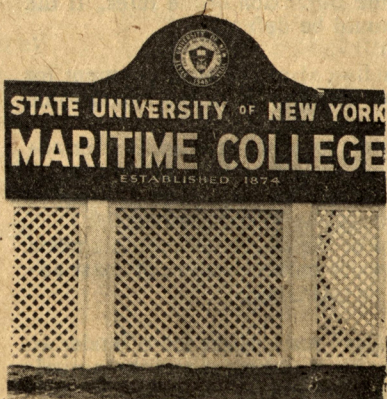


Photo by Gene Pfeiffer  
Schuyler's New Look



# Der Troo Schtory Off Zinderella

mitt Johann Volfgang Fugazzi



I harr been gettink reportz lately dot many off you haff trouble falling aschleep at nite. Vell, here is der zolushun to all off your problemz. Haf your roommate read youdis schtory as you lie in zack. You vill soon fall aschleep but as-to how your roommate vill -- vell, dot's his problem.

Vunce upon a time der vas a liddle gerl by der name off Zinderella. She vas a derdy liddel perzon vot had to kleen der mess dot her older zister und modder made. She vore raks und ate only der leftovers. All in all, she vas a liddel schlob.

Vun day der Messencher made a pipe dot der Brinz vas goink to hold a beer party in der local bool hall und dot he vas gonna pik frum all der frauleins a wife for hisself. Der modder got der older zister all schpruced up. But she voedn't let Zindy go.

Der nite off der dance kame und der older zister und modder left for der bool hall. Zindy was so mad dot she schpit in der struedel. Den she made mitt der tears. A bik lite appeared und Zindy looked up. Before her vas a old vitch in a kruddy vite flour zack mitt a Ballantine beer kan on her head. In her hand vas a rusty kurten rod mitt a Krismas ball on der end. Zindy zed, "Vas is dis mess?"

Der old hag zed, "No vise kraks, kid, or I belt you on der head mitt a vienerschnitzel. I iss your fairy Godmodder und liss gonna make it pozzible for you to go to dot blast. Go und get a big knockvurst, six veinerschnitzels, two schtrings off sauerkraut, und a piez of prune schtruedel."

Zindy got dem und browt dem too der old bag. Ven she vaved der kurten rod der knockvurst turned into a koach, der veinerschnitzels into horzes, der sauerkraut into two footmen, und der schtruedel into a shartrooz eefenink gawn mitt machink kombat boots. Der old bat zed, "Be bak before der klock makes mit der twelf dink-donks."

Zo off to der bool parlor dey vent. Dey looked pretty schtoopid in a koach becawz effery vun else vas usink automobiles. After dey got dere, Zindy bekame der life off der party. She vas der best bool player dere und vun sebben pecks of Old Mold cigarettes. Der Brinz zed, "How about you und me exchanchink bool kues und razing a kupel eight-balls." Chust as she vas about to say, "Yah, chalk nose", der klock vent dink donk twelve timz. Zindy ran out off der billyards establishment und jumped in der koach. But her foot got cawt in der door und vun off her dainty kombat boots fell off.

Der Brinz told hiss boy to go after der gerl und brink her bak. But ven he returned he zed dere vas no vun in site but a liddel schlob mitt struedel, sauerkraut, und veinerschnitzels all offer her. He gafe der dainty size sebbenteen boot to der Brinz.

Der next day der Brinz issued a proklamashun. He zed dot whoeffer fitted der boot had big feet but he vood schtill marry her. Ven he got to Zindy's house der older sizter vas vaitink mitt outstretched feet. She tried der boot on und skreemed, "It fits!" Den der Brinz yelled, "Lady, you iss only got vun toe in der shoe." Den Zindy fell down der schtairs und zed, "Let me try."

Der shoe fit und der Brinz zed, "Dis iss der gerl." He den schtuck hiss bool kue in der benzil scharpener, scharpened it und schtabbed Zindy in her green eye (he didn't touch her black, blue, or brown vuns). Zindy zed, "I tot you vas gonna marry me." Der Brinz laffed und answered, "If you tink I iss gonna marry a gerl dot kan beet me at bool und has size sebbenteen feet, you iss krazier dan der jerk vot rote dis rot."

Dere, dot's it. I hope you enchoy your schleep. I vill. Mine padded cell is very quiet und peaceful. Gute Nite!

## Women Prefer Bones

by Bob Lucas

One of the most exasperating factors in the lives of many of today's young men has been their complete failure to win any feminine admiration. Since the best remedy for this situation can be proposed by the person who has the least difficulty in such matters, I could find no one better qualified for this colossal task than myself. (For a fuller explanation, buy a copy of my "Self-Eulogies" and read Chapter IV, Boast x Exaggeration 68).

After much extensive research and deep reading, I found that the book covers of comic books unanimously agreed upon the development of a perfect physique as the only solution to the problem in question. Yet, while surveying the scene (looking in that cute blonde's window) one notices that the real ladies men are not the Mr. Americas but the half-pint, run down non-milk drinking weaklings whose pitiful structures arose the sympathetic mother instinct of today's women. The outstanding objects of female adoration are not the Charles Atlases or the Bill Sweeneys. They are not the apes in Matt's Gym, who are found every afternoon at the same time groaning over umpteen pounds, or would-be Adonises who spike their cow juice with Bosco. No, my friends and students, it is the Frank Sinatras, the Continentals, the Pinky Lees. The sale answer therefore, would be a course in physical UNDERDEVELOPMENT and - happy to say - I am now able to offer you unpopular men just such a course.

FELLOWS, are you sick and tired, as I was of being muscular, deep chested, sinewy armed, broad

shouldered, full of vitality, but unappreciated? Now, right this very minute, my course offers you a chance to become skinny, chicken breasted, narrow shouldered, half alive, yet adored. All I ask is 15 depressing minutes in the solitary confinement of your own padded cell.

What's my secret? Ray's Anemic Rot, that's the ticket. Thousands of perfectly normal human beings are becoming gruesome physical freaks my way. You will laugh at artificial muscle destroyers.

Would you believe it, I was once a 200 lb. strangeling. People used to gape at my tremendous build. I was proud to strip for sports or for a swim. Nevertheless, girls ignored me. They whispered "brute" "beast" and "gorilla" behind my back. It was then I began my research on this new discovery, this marvelous muscle-annihilating system. So successful have my efforts been that now I am deteriorating wonderfully. In fact, it turned me into such an incomplete specimen of manhood that today I hold the title: "The World's Most Horribly Developed Man" but the girls SMOTHER me with kindness.

My system, since it is so successful, must necessarily remain unknown to other build busters. Therefore, I can not go into details in this article. However, for the price of a two penny postcard, with a ten dollar bill glued to the back, you can get my secret booklet. For quick action, pick up your telephone AHA - if you can lift it - it's a sure sign that you need my course. After a few lessons, you won't be able to pick up a phone. Someone else, preferably female, will have to do it for you.

## Inquiring Reporter

by Walt Kayota

QUESTION: "Should it be necessary to attend "Mast" when one has no rebuttal to offer and is willing to accept the demerits which have been reported."

ANSWER #1 Yes, At one time this system was in effect, and the 4th class average was over seventy per man as compared with previous averages of 30-40. It makes the system too painless both for the man receiving them. (C/E P.M. Haskin 1/c)

ANSWER #2 The purpose of mast is not only to disseminate demerits, but also to make the person receiving them appreciate the inconvenience of such a situation. Also a person may iron out his problems much better by discussing them with the administrative group. (C/E S.A. Zaloumis 1/c)

ANSWER #3 No. Once a cadet is awarded his shot it is added to his scholastic record, causing more harm than the one hour of standing at attention could do. It is, in my way of thinking, a waste of time to get all roused out just to say, "No Sir," for a shot that he knows that he can't do anything about anyway. That is my way of looking at it. Maybe when our class comes into power, they will look at it differently. (C/M T.E. Hancock 3/c)

ANSWER #4 Yes. In the last four years we have seen both systems in effect and have viewed the advantages of each. In the present system, the reporting cadet and battalion rates have their duties considerably lessened and rightfully so. The offender also appreciates the added inconvenience. This system has been used successfully in the navy for years. (C/E R.S. Fiebelkorn 1/c)

ANSWER #5 Yes. I think that it should be necessary to attend mast even though no rebuttal is to be given since the standing at attention during mast is part of the punishment for the infraction of the rules. If the offender were allowed to "just take the demerits", the purpose of mast would be defeated. (C/M R.S. Ceriani 3/c)

ANSWER #6 Yes. I think he should have to attend mast. This hour of standing at attention is payment for the breaking of the rule. If one were to just receive the demerits without going to mast and losing some of his time, the demerit average would quickly rise. (C/M R. Snyder 4/c)

ANSWER #7 No. The reported cadet is forced to waste one hour of his time standing at attention for absolutely no reason. It also forces the reporting cadet to appear at mast and forfeit an hour of his time. I feel it discourages a cadet from placing another cadet on report because he can't afford to give up an hour of his time just to hear the reported cadet say, "Nothing to say Sir," (C/M R. Schabacker 2/c)

ANSWER #8 Yes. If attending mast weren't compulsory, the seriousness of the demerits wouldn't phase the reported cadet and he would not profit by his punishment. Without the present system of mast administration, the cadet corps, I feel, would not be as roused-out as it is at this time. (C/M J. Shokey 4/c)

ANSWER #9 Yes. Beside the awarding of punishment, a properly conducted mast offers the offender an excellent lesson in discipline. No one enjoys being officially awarded a punishment and the actual physical operation offered by a mast can be an excellent deterrent to second offenders. (C/E Anderson 1/c)

ANSWER #10 No. It shouldn't be necessary to take away time from a cadet in order to discourage him for coming to mast again. Resulting restrictions are discouragement enough. (C/M Palmieri 3/c)

# Editorial

Many cadets who go before mast try to get out of their demerits by "playing" on the words of the pap sheet. Another means often used to avoid demerits, is calling to the attention of those in charge of masts the absence of a reporting cadet. Both these excuses are quite lame in that neither correct a violation that has been committed.

Before any of us knew a military system existed we were taught the difference between right and wrong. When we were kids, a good spanking usually served its purpose to teach us not to repeat what we were being punished for. Now that we have reached the stage of young adults we are punished appropriately and with due cause. Without discipline and certain rules and regulations a military system couldn't possibly exist. Without rules and regulations governing people, the world would be possessed by such a chaotic state that life would be unliveable.

In a military system, discipline and rules are stressed in order to cultivate a sense of responsibility towards the conditions surrounding the cadet corps. Being able to take the bad with the good is a prime trait that each cadet should have instilled in him.

When a cadet knows he is wrong for a particular "shot", he should take his punishment and endeavor to prevent further violation of his particular infraction. The idea of trying to "pull a fast one" only lowers the respect of those in charge of mast towards the cadet who is doing this. Not only the reported cadet, but also the representative of that cadet's class is thought a lot less of when such an action is attempted. Each person involved knows the reported cadet is wrong, but the idea that some slight technicality in the wording of the report sheet should by no means make the violation void.

Each violation should be awarded with the proper amount of demerits. There should be a just amount of demerits awarded to each individual case. Should a cadet be warned several times by the reporting cadet about the breaking of a rule, and should the cadet continue to disregard this, then sterner action should be taken. Warnings are gifts, in so much as each cadet knows for the most part what is right and wrong, and he knows the consequences when a rule is broken.

As matters stand at present, the manual containing all the violations should be changed to eliminate any lame excuses that cadets might try to use. A committee has already been set up to revise the rules and regulations. Its goal will be to have the violations worded clearly and thus alleviate the vagueness which surrounds many existing regulations. This doesn't mean an effort is being made to eliminate all rebuttals. Should a cadet feel he has been acted upon unfairly his case will be given proper attention. The main purpose of the revising is to knock the pins from underneath those who try to crawl out of their punishment.

The representative of each class should keep the principle of "right and wrong" in his mind whenever he speaks for a classmate at masts. His job is to see that his classmate gets fair treatment. His job shouldn't be to argue a case, basing his argument on some law reason, but to see that the demerits awarded are proportional to the violation committed.

The absence of the reporting cadet should be stricken from the book. The only time a reporting cadet should have to attend a mast is when the reported cadet intends to say something at mast. Unnecessary wasting of his time is caused by the compulsion of his presence at mast no matter how the offender is going to plea. This fact certainly doesn't aid discipline by any means, for as mentioned in a previous editorial cadets will refrain from taking appropriate actions when the situation arises. Homework, studies or some other activity will often cause a cadet to look the other way. By eliminating compelled presence of the reporting cadet, the excuse used to avoid demerits for his absence can be thrown out.

Thus in order to create a better and a fairer military system these amendments should be taken into consideration and acted upon. It is senseless trying to correct something effecting the cadet corps if it goes in one ear and out the other. No over night change is expected but continual efforts on the part of each cadet will gradually correct the issue.



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# Hoopster Highlights

by Dave Martin & Neil Scala

The 1955-56 season came to an end with NYSMC's victory over Oswego S.T.C. by a score of 85-74. This gave the team an overall record of ten victories and seven defeats. The season was filled with such memorable events as the continuation of rivalry with Kings Point the return of the grads in the Alumni game, and the final two games played in and around the state's capital.

The Kings Point game will not be forgotten easily with all its amusing sidelights during and before gametime. The half time ceremonies were centered around the presentation of the Kings Point ram to their president, Admiral McLintock, by the cadets who had visited the Point's campus on the eve of the game. Though it was the first Privateer loss to the Pointers in six years, the game still retained all its thrills and excitement.

The next big highlight on the basketball court of Schuyler was the long awaited Alumni game. This game featured Mr. Bidgood, instructor in practical seamanship and graduate, with his fine one-hander. Also sharing honors with Mr. Bidgood was Homer Reiffenbaugh 1/C who played in his first and last varsity game. Reiffenbaugh's antics had the crowd in stitches and really gave the game that punch which made it a big success. Ex-court greats of Schuyler such as Lorenz and Vanderzee were also present. The only sad point of the game was the injury to Mr. Parnum, who at present is taking the post graduate course, sustained during play. However, today he is coming along fine and will be back at the books in no time at all.

As for the season's records, Jack Belton went on to smash all previous records and set up new records for future stars to shoot at. Belton, high scorer with 332 points (114 FG-104 FT), held the high individual game scoring honors with 38 points, made the most field goals in one game, 13, and made the most free throws in one game, 12, (all these individual game records were made against Hunter on 12 December, 1955).

Next year's squad will miss the

faces of Nemeth, team captain, and the "gold dust twins", Belton and McAllister.

The team had eleven players and two managers who were awarded varsity letters. The rules by which a player must qualify to get a letter are as follows: (1) play in half of the scheduled varsity game; and (2) in borderline cases, the player must be recommended by the coach and approved by the Athletic Director and Athletic Board. The award winners are as follows:

Cl.	Player	Pts.	Avg.
'56	Belton, Jack	332	25.5
'56	Nemeth, Dick	140	9.3
'56	McAllister, B.	64	12.9
'58	Meyers, Ken	229	14.3
'57	Bottas, Mike	87	6.2
'57	Huther, Ray	33	4.7
'59	Stannard, Gil	88	5.9
'59	Finnegan, Jim	76	4.8
'58	Richardson, B.	73	4.5
'57	Larsen, Bob	32	4.6
'58	Wendel, Al	01	.8
'58	Taynqr, Bob *	6	1.2

\*Not eligible for letter

† Alumni game not included.

## Fifth Sports Dinner

Those cadets whose names appear on the lists in the Canteen and Armory, are reminded to attend the fifth annual Sports Dinner. The uniform will be dress blues and all should be present before 1900, Monday 19 March.

Dr. John Theobald, Deputy Mayor of N.Y.C., on leave from Queens College will be guest of honor. The one-time track coach of Queens College will also speak.

The swing band will play before and during the special steak dinner. Captain Laurence, president of the Alumni Association has been invited, and Jack Coffee, Athletic Director and baseball coach at Fordham will also attend.

# Soph Glovers Lead Tourney

by Roy Gomez

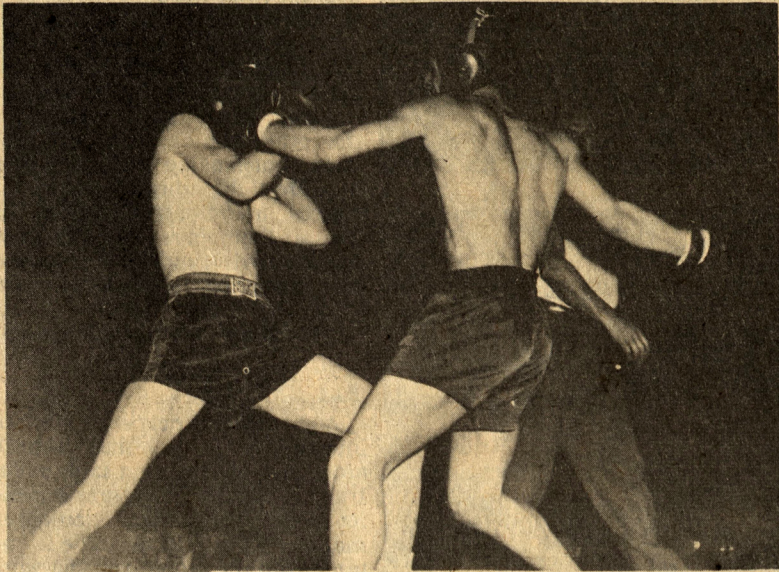
The third class ripped its way through 10 fights and came out victorious in seven of them last Friday in the Armory of the State University Maritime College.

A good crowd witnessed the opening round of the Tenth Annual Golden Gloves Boxing Tournament and saw eleven technical knockouts and five decisions. Fortunately, Referee Ed Sliney stopped the fights before the possibility of a cadet getting seriously hurt oc-

curred, which resulted in no one getting knocked out cold.

The fourth class won five fights which places them second in the race, and the first class is running a close third with four wins under their belt. The second class does not have any fighters in the tournament. The seniors, although lacking in quantity, proved their quality by winning all of the fights they were entered in.

In the first 132 lb. division



Lynch Counters. Fortunato Wins Decision. Photo by PFEIFFER

## Privateers In Spring Training

by Bill Zimmerman

I'll bet that Mr. Recordon and Mr. Reinhart were glad when the groundhog didn't see his shadow this year. They probably had great ideas for the beginning of baseball practise earlier this year, than in previous years. Mr. Recordon expected to get outside by March 19, even if he couldn't get down to Newport Field. The snow we just had however, has put a crimp in any early outdoor practices that were foreseen by the coaches.

Nevertheless, the majority of the team has been throwing indoors at the Armory for about two weeks. The infielders have just been loosening up their arms while the pitchers have been working hard to develop their fast balls and curves which have been in moth balls since last summer.

The team will not have its full strength of last year but quite a few fourth classmen and some third classmen are coming out for the first time. Mr. Reinhart and Mr. Recordon are hoping that some of these men will be able to fill the shoes of the men lost either by graduation, academic failures, or physical handicaps. The men who left school are Hank Schober, Tom

Killackey, Bob Vanderwarker, and Joe Driemiller. All of these men were first string material and were great assets to the team as a whole. Tony St. George, Captain in the 1955 season and a sparkplug in the infield as well as a good batsman, is the only player we lost by graduation. Mike Bottas is about to undergo an arm operation which will sideline him for the whole season while Ed Villela has a head injury and may not be able to play as a regular.

The team will have to put a great deal of time in practise to overcome the losses but with such men as Jim Hehn, Jack Rose, Ed Bacaglioni, Jack Belton, and Vinnie Casale returning and with a good reserve squad, N.Y.S.M.C. is hopeful of having a good baseball season this year.

fight of the evening, Don Fortunato outboxed classmate Dan Lynch and came out on the better side of a unanimous decision. Lynch suffered a bloody nose when Fortunato connected in the second round. In the second fight of the featherweight class, Frankie Nickels came back from a losing fight to TKO Jack Windels in 45 seconds of the second round. Windels was winning before the fight was stopped.

After a slow first round, in the 138 lb. division, Tommy McDonnell defeated Walt Kayota in 1:07 second of the second round. McDonnell's vicious left hooks and powerful rights scored repeatedly to Kayota's head while the loser couldn't break through McDonnell's alert defense. In the second fight of lightweight class, Bobby Schiesser scored an impressive victory over his shorter opponent, Jerry La Magna. La Magna, not being able to stop a barrage of left jabs by Schiesser, managed to stay the whole three rounds with the third classman. Bob Taylor had no trouble defeating shipmate, Dick Blatus as they battled away for only one round and fifteen seconds of the second round. Blatus hit the canvas twice before the referee had to stop the fight. Art McClelland managed to overcome Tony Palmieri and won the fight by a split decision over Palmieri. It was a very even fight as both boys hit each other equally hard. 148 lb/ Division:

The quick and sneaky movements by the much shorter Ray Horta almost was enough to beat first classman Fred Cohen in the first fight of the welterweight class. "Smiley" Horta did not quite find the mark enough times and came out on the short end of a split decision. Cohen, carefully, but firmly, worked away and hit Horta enough to cause his nose to bleed. The crowd really enjoyed the fight. Wally Courtney proved too much for fourth classman Dick Knight and the referee had to stop the contest in twenty seven seconds of the second round. Courtney who will face Porr this week, outslugged Knight in the quick battle. Johnny Flyntz mauled his way through John Horan, Horan, incidentally, was the only man to stay with Flyntz more than one round in two years. The referee stopped the fight after one minute and ten seconds of the second round had elapsed. Flyntz finished his mug opposition with unyielding, powerful blasts to the head and body. Walt Porr proved his speed and agility against Al Heath. Porr battered Heath's left eye with "lightening-quick" left hooks and TKO'd him; as Heath could not come out for the final round. 158 lb. Division:

Middleweights, John Beaghen and Bob Wolfe went all three rounds for a decision naming Beaghen the victor. It was a close fight and the decision could have gone either way. Jack Foster exchanged blow for blow with Chris Nickleoff and scored another victory for the third class as he TKO'd freshman Nickleoff. Dave Martin succumbed to (the ailing) Frankie Walsh's left hook. Martin was in very poor shape and exhibited the picture of a tired fighter. Fourth classmen, Mike Talay and Harry Finlay battled away in one of the shortest fights of the evening. Talay proved too much for the lanky Finlay who was forced to retire in 25 seconds of the second round. Don Feron bashed his opponent Dave Momot into oblivion in the quickest contest of the evening. Momot couldn't resist the smashing assortment of blows by Feron and almost hit the deck before Slibey stopped the fight. 168 lb. Division:

In the only fight of the Jr. Light Heavyweight division, Jimmy Dunne toyed with Earl Mochler for exactly two and one-half rounds and finally finished him in the final round. Mochler, saw a flurry of left jabs and smashing rights and has two black eyes to prove it.

Matt Twomey was in his usual corner with the fighters doing a great job. Next week is the semi-final round, so bring your friends and family for an enjoyable evening of the Golden Gloves.

## Rounding Third

with Sean Morris



The first round of the Boxing Carnival last Friday night was one of the best seen around here in some time. It was the newcomers who stole the show coming up with some real smashing victories. The boys who surprised us most were Don Fortunato, Bob Schiesser and Don Feron, all third classmen making their first appearance in the ring this year. The best fight from the point of view of boxing was the bout between Frank Nickels and Joe Windels; both boys were in fine condition, and for novices they exhibited a remarkable amount of prowess.

We feel that congratulations are in order for the boxing department and their selection of last week's fights. Out of sixteen picks, thirteen proved correct for an .812 batting average, not bad eh? Once again the experts went into conference, and once again decided to stick their collective necks out, and here's what they came up with on this week's affair.

Fight number one in the 132 pound class should wind up in a decision favoring Don Fortunato over Frank Nickels, but this is a hard one to pick because Nickels is in about as good shape as anyone we've seen this year. In the remaining bout in this division, Mike Cinquina should defeat his classmate Don Bradley. In the 138 pound class Tommy McDonnell representing the fourth class will beat Bobby Schiesser of the third class, and Bob Taylor should not have too much trouble with Art McClelland.

Walt Porr who gave the fans something to talk about last week will beat Wally Courtney by TKO in the first fight of the 147 pound division. Also in this class Johnny Flyntz, first classman, should KO Fred Cohen, also of the first class. The 158 pound division will start out with a squeaker between Jack Foster and John Beaghen. In a decision, Foster should come out on top. In the other contests of this division Frank Walsh will take care of Bill Almond in a not so close a battle.

Don Feron will start out the 165 pound class by finishing off Tom Seeley via the KO route and Jimmy Dunne should pull a repeat of his last performance in his encounter with Mike Talay. The 175 pound class is unique in that all its contestants are mugs. In the first bout of this division Don Vercruse will decision Joel Cox, and in the final battle of the evening Jim Finnegan might just edge the Stanfordville slugger, Don Krom in a real slugfest.

With the migration of the Major League clubs to southerly latitude, conversation is once again turning to the national pastime... Long range predictions: Brooklyn is in for some sledding this year due to the loss of southpaws Johnny Podres and Karl Spooner. The Giants' port-sider Johnny Antonelli will return to his 1954 form... The baseball team has been confined to the armory so far this year because of Jupiter Pluvius' untimely submerging of Newport Field. Original plans called for an outside workout last Wednesday.

## Five Dollars For Five Minutes

Put an x in the box next to the fighter you think will win. In the box marked "R" put the number of rounds you think the fight will last. In the last row of boxes put either the letters: "TKO" denoting technical knockout; "KO" denoting knock out; and "D" denoting decision. In case of tie, the prize of five dollars will be split. Deposit entries in box which will be provided in the armory at the sports desk before the first bout.

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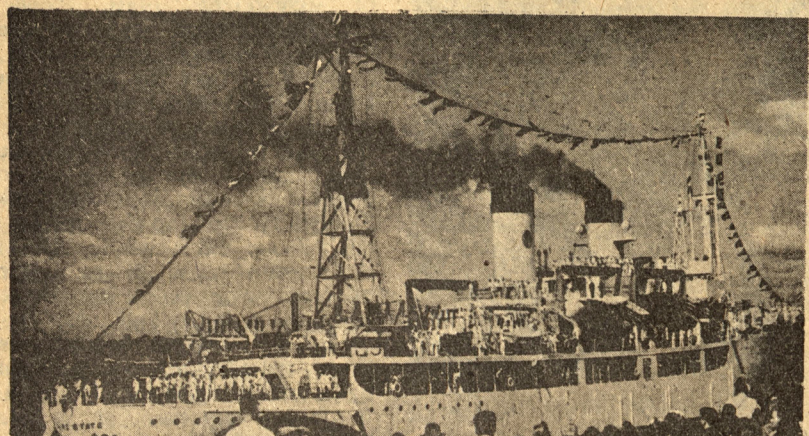
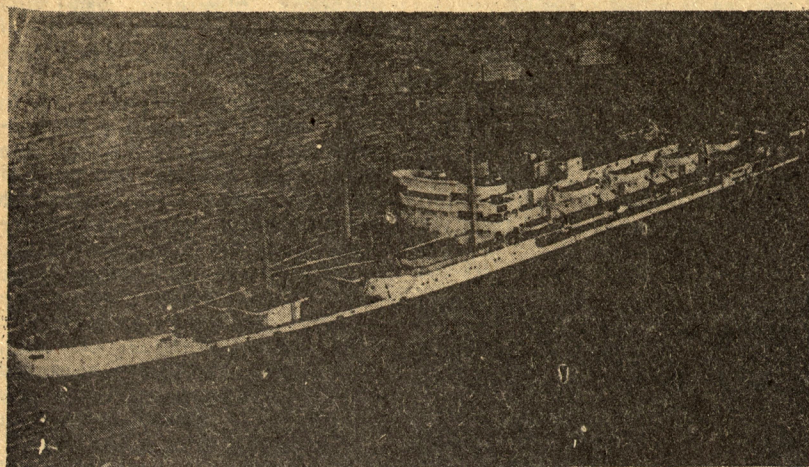
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## Get Mercy *(continued from page 1)*

### La Guardia and Empire State



thing of the past. The Mercy has clean and sanitary heads situated all over the ship. Many of the staterooms have their own heads. The "State of Maine" is an easy riding ship with a very smooth roll. She went through a 50 mile-an-hour wind off the Carolinas, and held her own quite nicely.

There will be no more carrying stores aboard by means of the "chain gang" method. The Mercy has side-loading ports which lead to the elevators that go to the dry stores and reefer spaces.

All these modifications which have been done on the Comfort can also be done on the Mercy.

The Federal Maritime Administration has given the school \$150,000 for the reconditioning of the Mercy. With the \$38,500 allotted annually to the school for the Empire State's voyage repairs, the total comes to about \$200,000 - the same amount that Maine obtained. What has to be done with this money all depends on the condition of the Mercy. If her engine room is in running order, then perhaps several thousand dollars will be ample enough to get her into proper working order. However, should the engine room necessitate a major overhaul the cost could run as high as \$70,000. If all goes well there should be enough money left to purchase some luxuries.

The potential that lies in the Mercy is limitless. The living conditions will be improved twofold. The summer cruise that had been considered a thing that "had to be done" will now be something the cadet corps will look forward to with anxious enthusiasm. Another advantage concerning the Mercy is that she has a geared turbine drive. The turbo-electric drive aboard the Empire State is not used to any great extent in merchant ships. Thus, the second and third class engineers will get experience with two types of power units.

One of the drawbacks on the Mercy is that she has so much superstructure that there is very little open deck space. The fore-deck and fantail are comparatively short, and the rest, except for the flying bridge, are covered decks. She has all wooden decks which means less scraping and painting and more scrubbing and holystoning.

All in all, the advantages of the Mercy far outweigh any of the disadvantages.

As mentioned before, the Mercy was not the only ship being considered to replace the Empire State. The Hawaiian Steamship Co. now owns the S.S. LaGuardia, a P-2 type ship, which has been under observation by school officials for a training ship. However, the knowledge of this ship being available was learned too late in order to get her for a new training ship.

Many plans had been set in motion which directly involved this ship. The ship's physical make up is: 610 feet long, 75.5 foot beam, 20 knot cruising speed, twin screws, and she provides one-class accommodations for 700 passengers. This latter fact had a direct bearing on the proposed future of the cadet corps. The proposal was brought up to have the cadets live aboard the ship year-round and evacuate the dorms. However, after the matter was thoroughly discussed it was agreed upon that though the living conditions were more than suitable for the cruise period, they would not be satisfactory for permanent living quarters. Also the fact that she would require a great deal of attention and work while not on the cruise, which would take a good deal of time away from the cadets' studies made the proposal impractical.

Her present owner has already had a \$1.7 million reconstruction job started on her at Bethlehem Steel's Baltimore yard. She will become a passenger liner to be used on the run between the Hawaiian Islands and San Francisco.

The Private Murphy, a World War II victory ship, was also considered in the quest for a new training ship. She was built in June 1945 by Bethlehem-Fairfield Shipyard, Baltimore, Maryland, and is 439 feet long with a beam of 62 feet. The reasons why the "Private Murphy" wasn't chosen were due to the great amount of work that had to be done on her. In so much as she only had living quarters for 34 men, a great change would have to be made in order to accommodate the some 400 or the some 400 or more cadets who make the annual cruise. This meant that bulkheads and deck structure plus other major changes had to be made in the present design of the ship. Also she needed more lifeboats to meet Coast Guard regulations, and the cost for these and accompanying gravity davits ran close to \$75,000. All this work had to be done before she could be classified as a training vessel.

When the Mercy has been reconditioned and ready to sail, she will be brought to the Fort and will be placed outboard of the Empire State. Equipment, gear, and lockers shall then be transferred from the Empire State to the Mercy. After this job has been completed, the cadet corps will then bid the Empire State a fond adieu as she steams up the East River and then to be placed in mothballs.

Whether the cruise will be altered or not has not been ascertained yet. This depends entirely on the amount of work needed on the Mercy. Whatever the outcome, it will be a cruise the entire cadet corps shall enjoy.

## Dance Elections

One might seem a bit outdated and sort of "Pony Express" style but on the night of February 23, the dance committee held its annual elections of officers. C/M Garate 2/C was elected chairman succeeding Harry Segara. C/M Krikawa was elected vice chairman. In the elections of committees the results are as follows: Finance-Shrodt 3/C; Secretary - Sands 4/c; Publicity - Markenzie, 3/C, O'Brien 3/c, Scala 3/C, Alter 3/C; Contact - Bast 3/C and Del Barto 3/C; Decoration - Horta 3/C and Redmond 3/C, and Sales - Nohmer 3/C and Scala 3/C.

The committee and I am sure the Cadet corps wishes to extend a most sincere thank you to Harry Segara, the retiring chairman and the other first classmen who have done outstanding work in making possible the highly successful dances in the past four years. Dr. Hess will remain as the committee's faculty advisor and there can never be too many thanks extended to him for his relating ideas and noteworthy work of the past years.

## In Brief :

Any student receiving an "E" or incomplete grade, must initiate procedure of removing said grade. If at the end of the present semester work is not made up, an automatic "F" or failing grade is entered into the record and the work must be taken again.

Next Wednesday, the French Club is going to show two movies entitled, "A Fisherman's Life in Brittany", and "Morning Comes to a French Village". The latter won a prize in the Venice Film Festival. Several members of the French Club went to see the celebrated Broadway play, "The Lark." The play is a new twist on the Joan Of Arc story.

This week's Propeller Club meeting was highlighted by a movie concerning a typical voyage of a Texaco tanker from Texas to New York. The movie was both interesting and informative.

A short business meeting followed the movie and all hands were reminded of the Prop Club dance to be held in the messdeck on April 21. Bids for the dance will be \$1.50.

## Drag Of The Week



Name: Miss Judy Albright

Address: Mapleridge Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

Smile: Pepsodent

Background: Kensington High School, vice-president of junior class, treasurer of senior class, baton twirler of football and basketball games, girls bowling team, Scholarship Club.

Plans: Buffalo State Teachers College.

B. S. in "Old Maid Engineering"

Likes to: Pack lunches for the boys in the thruway Commuters Club. No trouble on the highway until the 7-up took second place to a sparkling bottle of Miller High Life.

Swim (Well as far as you can go on one breath).

Run around in a pair of bermuda's during the summer, and snarl traffic.

Pile the girls in papa's '55 Chrysler, and go curb cruising.

Height: Just right - 51 9".

Weight: Perfect - (unknown).

Personality: The Grace Kelly of Western New York.

Remarks: Judy has a way of getting to your heart through the stomach.

Since I am always hungry this works out great.

Paul Mary, the wooden soldier who lives down the street a few houses, has been designing "Judy traps" for sometime. It's only a matter of time until her house is completely surrounded by many fine snares.

## Book Stockpile Growing

The recent book drive for "Books for Asian Students" sponsored by the International Relations Club, is rapidly gaining momentum as both students and faculty become aware of the need of combating communism by acquainting Asians with our Way of Life. To date 238 books on various subjects have been donated by faculty

and students, but many more are needed if the drive is to be a success.

It may be of interest to note what other colleges and universities have recently contributed through

the Asia Foundation. One fraternity of the University of Texas contributed 410 books; Davidson College, Davidson, N.C. gave 94 books; State Teachers College, West Chester, Penna. sent 75 books; Hartnell College, Salinas, Cal. shipped 94 books; Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. gave 235 books; Arizona Book Store, Tucson, Ariz. contributed 185 books; University of Rhode Island Book Store, Kingston, R. I. sent 305 books; St. Mary's Junior College Library, O'Fallon, Missouri shipped 140 books; University of California Library, Berkeley, Calif. sent 2,503 books and journals, and Concordia College Library, Moorhead, Minn. contributed 102 books.

"Our Maritime College can, and I believe will, get behind this book drive and make it an unqualified success," stated Dr. A.J. Gares, I.R.C. Faculty Advisor. "When the need is known, and the opportunity is presented," he stated, "I am sure our college will do its share to further the cause of the Free World." Let's all cooperate and finish the job!

## Alumni News

John H. Marshall, Engine '51, has been with General Electric since graduation. He is now serving in the capacity of design engineer for mechanical systems.

Kester A. Dutcher, Deck '49, is now on shore duty for the Esso Shipping Co. in New York City. He has been with Esso since graduation except for a two-year hitch in the Navy.

Donald S. May, Engine '50, has gone regular Navy and at present holds the rank of lieutenant. On his first tour of duty, he was administrative assistant to the chief engineer on board the super-carrier Franklin D. Roosevelt. There, for two years, he was an instructor of Marine engineering at the Naval Academy.

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