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At 'Em Arizona



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FOOTBALL AND NAVY RELIEF

Society Now Thirty-Five Years Old

Few of us know that it was a football game played 36 years ago that first made possible the present far-reaching services of the Navy Relief Society. Many naval officers had long hoped to be able to form an organization "to relieve the personal distress in the families of officers and men of the Navy and Marine Corps, where their bread winners had been incapacitated by disability or removed by death." Someone hit upon the idea that the annual Army-Navy football game of 1903 would afford a fine launching for this as yet unborn society. It was agreed that the proceeds of that game should be divided equally between the Army and Navy and should be used "for the relief of dependent widows and orphans" of the two services.

Yes, the Navy lost the game, but gate receipts netted \$27,000, and after paying \$9,000 to the University of Pennsylvania there remained another \$9,000 as the Navy's half of the balance. The result was that on 23 January, 1904, with full approval of Admiral Dewey and Rear Admiral Taylor there was incorporated in Washington under the laws of the District of Columbia "The Navy Relief Society."

Thirty-Five Years of Growth

The work of that society has grown tremendously. Today there are twenty five auxiliaries located wherever there is a concentration of Naval or Marine Corps personnel. These auxiliaries are under the supervision of and cooperate with the Headquarters Society in Washington to meet the ever growing need for emergency relief and assistance to our officers and men. The \$9,000 of the 1903 football game has grown into present assets of over \$760,000. Every effort is being made to keep this reserve intact. In view of possible emergency, which might conceivable arise at any time, it is desirable that this amount be increased. This can be done only if each year's burden of service is met by contributions from fleet and shore activities.

How Your Dollar Is Spent

A casual breakdown of the 1938 reports submitted by the auxiliaries indicates that over \$83,000 was spent in the form of direct grants to the families of men in such need that they could not be expected to repay. Most of this money went to widows, orphans and dependent mothers. About \$20,000 was spent for endowed beds at various hospitals making possible reduced rates for those who needed these beds.

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COMMANDER W. B. PHILLIPS DETACHED

Today we regretfully bid farewell to an able Executive Officer. Commander Phillips' duty in this capacity has carried the ship and her personnel through fifteen months of strenuous service. It has been a happy, clean and increasingly efficient ship, and we feel that no small amount of the credit for this record belongs to the Commander's position as second in command.

He has asked us to say that for him too the cruise has been a very happy one and that he deeply regrets leaving the Arizona.

His orders direct him to report for duty on the U. S. S. Argonne as Base Force Operations Officer on the Staff of Rear Admiral G. J. Meyers, Com-BaseFor. We extend our very best wishes to Commander Phillips for happiness and continued success in his new duty.

FROM BRAZIL TO LONG BEACH

Commander Paulus P. Powell, U. S. Navy, reports today as our new Executive Officer. He entered the Naval Academy in June 1909 and graduated with the class of 1913. Commander Powell comes to us from two years of duty with our Naval Mission in Brazil. As this goes to press none of us has had the privilege of greeting him. We therefore do so now: Welcome on board, Sir! May our cruise together be a happy one!

A FRIEND OF THE SERVICE

Most people think of the American Red Cross as a national, efficient but rather impersonal organization which takes care of large scale emergencies. A hurricane in Miami or in Newport, a flood in the Mississippi valley, a fire in Chicago, a drough in the dustbowl, an earthquake in Long Beach,—anyone of these will immediately call forth all the resources for relief at the command of this great organization. The Red Cross will be on hand even before the community can plead for help.

We in the Service know the Red Cross in a much more intimate manner. We know it as an organization dedicated to helping us in very personal problems, be they great or small. Nor does a man have to be married in order to be eligible for this service. This criticism of both the Navy Relief Society and the American Red Cross sometimes made by younger men is based on ignorance. Regardless of a man's rate or family condition, no genuine case of need is ever turned down. During the past year dozens of our own men have faced problems so serious that they hardly knew which way to turn. The Chaplain could not help them because he, like themselves, was too far removed from the difficulty itself. The Executive Officer could not help them because regulations do not permit him to authorize a loan from the Welfare Fund for their particular type of emergency. Not even the Navy Relief could help because its function is to take care of dependents such as mothers, wives and children. The only place we could send these men was to the Red Cross Office in whatever port we happened to be at the moment. Everyone of them who had a genuine case was agreeably surprised at the way the Red Cross lifted his load of worry.

Just before Mother's Day one of our men, a Seaman 2c, received a telegram stating that his mother must have an operation which might leave her blind.

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A ship's semi-monthly paper published on board the U. S. S. ARIZONA in the interest of our ship and the United States Navy.

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YOUR LANGUAGE IS YOU

The first sailorman swore at the elements for upsetting his boat. Subsequent sailormen have sworn at the elements, the ship and each other for upsets of any kind. Lusty language has been the mark of the seagoer since the beginning of time. The fury of the seas, and the force of many gales have strengthened the sailor's language until it is as salty as the sea itself.

The passing of the windjammer and her hardy topsailmen have marked the beginning of a new era at sea and the birth of a new type of sailorman afloat. Along with this change has come a change in sea language. And this change is definitely for the better.

In contrast to the clean cut sailorman of today there are a few unhealthy landsmen who find their way on board ship. These few, unable to grasp and appreciate the real decency of the seagoing man, try to impress their betters with a constant stream of filthy language. They labor under the impression that it is manly to be vile.

A man whose language is unclean must of necessity have an unclean mind and along with an unclean mind goes an unclean body and unclean habits.

There is little room on an American vessel for the filthy minded. We pride ourselves for our clean ships and our clean bodies. Clean minds must and do go along with the two.

No one ever learned filthy language at home. For the moment your home is here. Treat it as such.

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She begged to see him once more. The man had no money to make the trip. But he will never forget that the Red Cross Office on the Navy Landing here at Long Beach bought him a roundtrip ticket as soon as it had verified the truth of his telegram, and then let him pay for it by means of an allotment.

Last week another Seaman 2c reported that all his letters to his dependent mother in the middle-west were being returned unclaimed. She had no other source of income than the small amounts he was able to send her, and even these were coming back because his mother was no longer at the home address. When a man faces a situation like that he is worried to the point of distraction. A letter has gone to the local Red Cross Chapter requesting that it contact by wire the boy's home chapter and request an immediate investigation of the mother's whereabouts and condition. There is good reason to believe that the Red Cross will be successful in this and that it will be able to tell this man of ours how things stand and on basis of that to advise and assist him in a solution to the problem.

Here is another type of case that comes up again and again. The man in question has ten years of good conduct service to his credit. Last year he may have been a bit foolish in his expenditures. Now he is faced by a series of minor family emergencies which have made it impossible for him to pay his rent and grocery bills. Letters start coming to the Executive Officer hinting that the man is unreliable and threatening to mar his record. If that man can be persuaded to take his case to the Red Cross, they will investigate the truth of his statements, and, if they find the case worthy, they will request permission from the ship to arrange for paying his creditors on basis of an allotment which the man is asked to register.

That is one of the reasons why the Red Cross is included in the annual appeal for contributions to the Navy Relief. It is also the reason why it is anticipated that all hands will be glad to respond to this joint appeal.

The keels of the Squalus and the Thetis were laid four days apart and both sank on their trial runs within ten days of each other.

Divine Services



Sunday, 3 September, 1939

0920—Catholic Church Party will muster and leave by Port Gangway for Confessions and Holy Mass on U. S. S. Nevada.

1000—Protestant Divine Services in "F" Division Part of Ship.

Word has been received that a Catholic Field Mass will be held at Trona Field at 1100 as an event of Harbor Host Days under auspices of San Pedro Fiesta Association. Chaplain Mahler of the Medusa will be the celebrant. A cordial invitation is extended to all Fleet personnel.

ALL HANDS INVITED TO WORSHIP!

OFFICER CHANGES

Gunner H. L. Outlaw will conclude twenty-five months of Arizona duty within a few days and leave us for duty at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland. He will be relieved by Gunner O. D. Drain from Asiatic Station duty.

Radio Electrician C. Shumaker winds up fifteen months of sparking for the ship in order to attend the Radio School in Washington, D. C. His relief is Chief Radio Electrician A. J. Smith from Norfolk Navy Yard.

Lieutenant M. B. Duffill left the Staff of Combatdiv Three on the Idaho to take over our Third Division and No. Three Turret. The other deck duty officers have been particularly effusive in their welcome.

It's a bit late to mention it, but promotions don't come every day or even every year, so here are our congratulations to Commander E. F. Ney, Supply Corps, and to Lieutenant Commander V. D. Long, L. F. Teuscher and P. S. Reynolds.

Not to be forgotten is the happy event in the family of Lieutenant and Mrs. R. A. Guthrie. It's a ten pound boy.

Send the At 'Em home.

"A" DIVISION GOINGS-ON



It has been rumored that H. W. Jones is especially fond of milk—can this be true Herman?

For the past week F. D. Phillips, MM2c, has been suffering from an acute case of "chest expansion,"—the reason we find, is a 10¼ pound son, born August 24.

We are very glad to welcome J. D. Kramb, F2c, back from leave even though he is suffering from the pangs of nostalgia. Could it be the fair "Marion," or the "old homestead?"

The song "Those Wedding Bells Are Breaking Up That Old Gang of Mine" rings true in the case of the Log Room. W. H. "Wooden Shoes" Zeiler should know something about this.

Why does F. "Spanky" Bunton want to be transferred to the East Coast—and is he going to be transferred???

What can G. A. "Beast" Fordyce have that Clark Gable hasn't? Perhaps his many girl friends can enlighten us to a certain extent.

ARIZONA'S MIGHTY HUNTER

Have you seen our mighty hunter in action? Have you heard of his unerring "Dead Eye Dick" shooting? Perhaps you haven't since he's so skillful in his hunting and so backward in boasting of his mighty deeds.

He hunts only at night for he believes there is no greater sport than carefully coming up on his prey under cover of darkness. There is no greater thrill for him than to lie in wait until the object he is stalking makes its first move, then letting fly with the tiny missile of his trusty air rifle. No greater satisfaction can be his than to hear the resounding crash as another light bulb shatters in the night. He can hit the bulbs, 'tis said, at terrific ranges, sometimes as great as 10 and 15 yards! Beware, lest you arouse his ire and he stops hunting inanimate targets and goes on a safari after you.



We take this opportunity of expressing the deep sympathy which all of us feel for James G. Meyers, S.K.2c, and his two sons in the loss of their wife and mother.

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Several additional thousands were paid for the services of visiting nurses, who may be sent into the home to take care of the children while mother is in the hospital or to enable mothers to return days earlier from the hospital while the husband is at sea.

In addition to these and other direct and gratuitous services the Navy Relief last year granted \$365,000 worth of emergency loans without interest. In most instances these loans spelled the difference between despair and courage to carry on, for it is a well known fact that civilian agencies are not ready to extend credit to those who need it most, least of all when the breadwinner himself is not present, as is so often the case in our service. It is a great comfort for John Doe, P.O. 3c, on the Arizona to know that though his wife and child are in Chicago they may take any bonafide emergency to the Navy Relief Auxiliary at Great Lakes and that this auxiliary will immediately contact the ship by wire and offer to take care of that emergency subject to his permission and promise to repay the costs. He can bank on this service no matter where the ship may be anchored or cruising.

This Year's Appeal

The 1940 appeal for contributions to this our own organization will be presented during September. Even if men in our own midst had not received the fine assistance rendered them during the past year in times of illness, birth and deaths, it is confidently hoped that every officer and man will cheerfully cooperate in keeping this vessel near the top in the list of contributions.

Send the At 'Em home.

MORE RATINGS

The below named men are the proud possessors of the new rates appearing opposite their names:

West, M. A., CMM(PA); Van Winkle, L. L., CMM(AA); Dudley, A. L., CMM(AA); Lilley, E. J., QM2c; Hipp, A. L., QM3c; Stivers, E. J., Ptr2c; Thompson, H. J., RM2c; Krack, A. F., FC3c; Stier, R., EM1c; Warwick, L. L., EM3c; Foth, J., EM3c; Goddard, A. R., EM3c; Smith, L. T., EM2c; Cavanaugh, J. C., EM2c; Turpin, C. F., EM2c; Ball, M. A., S1c; Farquar, L. A., S1c; Hill, R. H., S1c; Sare, B. L., S1c; Burke, F. E. Jr., S1c; Brown, C. D., S1c; Bell, H. H., S1c; Restivo, J. M., S1c; Deaton, C. E., S1c; Koless, L. G., S1c; Judd, A. J., S1c; Tanner, R. E., E1c; Burke, R. W., S1c; Ervin, D. H., S1c; Lott, R. A., S1c; Mommer, R. E., S1c; Kramb, J. H., S1c; Kien, R. W., S1c; Summers, H. E., S1c; Elling, F. P., S1c; Ryan, R. N., S1c; S1c; Smith, E. W., S1c; Haught, P. Walker, J. E., S1c; Swenson, C. E., R., S1c; May, L. H., S1c; Leggett, J. G., S1c; Kotasek, R. Y., S1c; McCarty, H. E., S1c; Boviall, W. R., S1c; Turner, L. C., S1c; Hartland, A. J., S1c; Becker, H. H., S1c; Bruns, M. B., S1c; Koppe, P. S., S1c; Jones, J. W., S1c; Eyed, G., S1c; Richardson, W. J., S1c; Dickerson, W. C., S1c; Alsop, C. L., F2c; Ballaster, R., F2c; O'Bryan, J. B., F2c; Cartmill, C. A., F2c; Davis, D. M., F2c; Fordyce, G. A., F2c; Fultner, A. H., F2c; Jones, H. W., F2c; McIntire, R. E., F2c; Bush, R. O., F2c; Carson, F. T., F2c; Kelly, S. L., F2c; Kelley, A. W., F2c; Koke, E. O., F2c; Upchurch, R. O., F2c; Leiniger, E. H., F2c; Mathein, H. R., F2c; Arrant, J. A., F2c; Morrison, L. I., F2c; Poor, R. E., F2c; Schmittner, J. C., F2c; Schefers, E. H., F2c; Riley, H. N., F2c; Zymroz, C., F2c; Yunker, R. A., F2c; Allen, J. D., F2c; Rothgeb, D. E., F2c; Jeans, V. L., F2c; Cull, W. S., F2c; Wagner, N. J., F2c; Giovenazzo, M. J., F2c; Grosnickle, W. W., F2c; Kramb, J. D., F2c; Anderson, I. C., Matt1c; Schurr, G., F1c; Barker, S. D., F1c; Dewey, H. S., F1c; Pitcock, J. W., F1c; Rusher, O. L., F1c; Jones, W. B., F1c; Diederick, W. T., F1c; Amis, J. R., F1c; Rozar, J. F., F1c; Young, A. H., F1c.

Captain: "How did you get that black eye?"

Sailor: "I went ashore last night looking for trouble and that's the eye I found it with."

NEWS ABOUT TOWN

(By J. A. Diamond and B. E. Thomas)

New York has "Winchell." Hollywood has "Fiddler." The Arizona has combed these two cities and found two erstwhile scribes who are willing to undertake the task of preparing a column, "News About Town," to be printed in each issue of the "At 'Em."

In the past you have been greeted with the familiar "Divisional Soundings." For some reason the scribes of that column have fallen down on the job, and as a result we have no real column we can call our own. Do not be under the impression that we would replace "Divisional Soundings;" it is to be only an addition, at least for the time being.

We, the writers, want to make this column one of the most successful that has ever hit the Arizona's presses. In order to do so, we must have the cooperation of all hands. Perhaps something funny, odd, or seemingly dumb has happened in your presence, which would give a chuckle to your shipmates; perhaps you are contemplating a drive home; desire to have passengers to help defray expenses; perhaps you are a poet or writer of unknown ability. If so LET US HEAR ABOUT IT, we may be able to help you in your plight.

We do not intend to criticize anyone; nor do we wish to incur ill feeling among our shipmates. Just good clean fun in an interesting way.

Come on you divisional scribes, start collecting your script for the next issue of the "At 'Em," which will be two weeks from today. Turn any articles over to either Jimmy Diamond, in the Pay Office, or Tommy Thomas, in the Print Shop.

This is your column, written for you, and in your interests. LET'S ALL HELP MAKE IT A SUCCESS.

A kitten is usually as active and as lively as anything you can think of, while an old cat is usually very calm and peaceful; but when you call a girl a kitten, she is pleased and will probably curl up quietly in your arms and purr sweet things to you. Call her a cat and she will be insulted and probably start clawing.

FOOTBALL

The Arizona gridmen are getting into physical and mental shape for their battle with the formidable Idaho squad. Our opponents will miss Ensign



Sneed Schmidt, who was an important factor in their attack last year. Nevertheless they promise to be one of the toughest teams in the field. Ensign Ben Jarvis, a big 240 pound tackle, will help to overcome the loss of Schmidt in both coaching and playing departments.

Our coaches have stressed the idea that team spirit plus condition plus blocking and tackling equal a winning team.

The entire ship's company can play an important part in the squad's success by developing shipmate spirit. Lets all get behind the team.

The conditioning exercises which the squad takes every day have driven all but the best men off the squad. Those who remain are getting into excellent shape.

The men are learning to make effective blocks and vicious, sure tackles.

Mr. Chunghoon has drawn up some fine plays, trick as well as basic power plays. He also has plenty more in the bag for use when the squad has mastered the present set.

Pace is looking good in the center position, but will have to step to keep ahead of Wagner. Bush and Brown are working against able competition to hold down the guard positions. Storm and Dingman are looking good in the tackle berths. Holt, Sharon, and others are hot on their heels. The end positions will be strongly contested by Charlton, Duncan, Martin, Haynes, Nusser, Rose and others. The line will be reinforced by 2nd Lieutenant Stewart. The backfield promises to be rough and tough with such men as Price, Kosovich, Huzar, Watson, Ruegsegger, Kelley and Rothgeb scrapping for starting positions. Lieut. (jg) Chunghoon and Ensign Baughmann will work in with this promising backfield.

Price is big and fast, but needs raw meat to put a little more fire into his playing. Kelley and Huzar should play great ball, if they learn to get started

BOXERS SUFFER SETBACKS

With only a few weeks to go before the first meet on September 16th, the Boxing Team has been dealt some severe blows which will call for the support of all hands to rectify.



Scuzko in the heavy weight class will be out for the major part of the season with an injured nose. Deickman, flashy welterweight, is out for the season with the recurrence of an old ring injury, a parted muscle. Adams, featherweight hope, has dropped off the team, not being able to keep up his workouts due to his ship duties. All in all, it doesn't look well for the team. New men are needed badly, and all hands interested are requested to turn out for the team.

Ewing is looking better in the heavyweight class, as is Chadwick in the light-heavy class. Clarke, Tancik and Whitmore, 160 pounders, are coming along steadily. Toth and Taylor, welterweights, are working hard, Toth being badly out of condition and Taylor needing a lot of experience. Burns has been doing well in the 135 pound class, but needs a good more workouts. Pigon, a new lightweight, has promise, and Johnston, 118 pounder, looks good, but out of condition. Fordyce, a wrestler in the 118 lb. class looks good in that weight in the sparring he has done with team members. If the wrestlers can spare him, he'll make a fine Bantam.

The Team needs men. Interested men see Dr. Norwood or Ensign Fargo.

Girl Friend: "How can I paint thee as thou art? So fair in face, so warm in heart."

S. I. Kelly: "Huh! Tell me more."

faster. Ruegsegger is a deadly blocker but needs to get down and work harder.

A few of the stars of the great '36 team, among them Hostinsky, all-feet for 5 years, Felker, Herrington, Wright, and Bertok have not yet come out.

The Arizona has the makings of a winning team; let's make them feel that every man on board is out there fighting with them, 1100 men against 11.