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#### WHERE AND WHY

For the past week the rumors have run wild over the Ellison. Supposedly, we have been assigned' to nearly every port in the world. but the fact still remains that no one knows where or when we are going anywhere. The only official word we have received on our rest week was that which came from CNO (Admiral Nimitz). He stated that re were not being allowed to make the port of Havana because of dip-Lomatic reasons, due to the recent disit of the carrier "Princeton". lowever the Tarawa has been granted permission to remain in Gitmo Bay for her week of recreation and she las requested that arrangements be ade to take her liberty parties to lantiago. This order; however, aid nothing about us.

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## MANY 15 CUT FOR SECREATION

According to AINAV 99, the navy is expending its recreation proiram to include some 30 different sypes of hobby crafts. To do this they have put out a special call for men who have had both production mates, evidently thinking that lowing lines: lettering, poster lesign, free hand drawing, mechanical drawing and many others. If ou are qualified and at all intersted, see Mr. Kitt for complete etails.

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After the Captain telling the OD's, "It looks like it's moderting a little", every two hours or four days, the wind finally ied down late Thursday afternoon. ust gos to prove the power of lought.

# GATTING THE PROPERTY

Last "lednesday evening all hands on the mighty H.J. were treat ed to a spectavo, the like of which hasn't been seen in many-a-day. The sharp eyes of Schneider, ships yeoman striker, and general quarters lookout, detected a small boat in distress during General junters. All hands promotly clambered torside and caned upon the startling sight of American flags upside down, blankets flying in the breeze, and assorted machting flags in addition to the wild gesturlations of five Cuban and American gentlemen. very much in distress.

After much stress and strain, the Ellison lay alongside, then be-gan the came of cunners mates, gunners mates, whose got the gunners mates. Foc'sle said fantail had him, fantail said foc'sle had him. Amidships -- no comment. At last the O division numbers were found on the fantail. They bravely fired and missed. Ther fared again and missed, but the eager efforts of the boat's crew finally snared one of the lines. One of the gunners mates, evidently thinking that all have one last shot and thereby cost one of the gentleman on the boat what was undoubtedly his best pair of pants and probably ten years of his life. But all's well that ends well and the Pelican, of l'iami, Fla. was taken into port at the end of a towline and was turned over to the hands of a Navy tug at Windward point, despite the unselfish off rs of several dozen poople to stay with her bravely until she was safely tied un to a dock. At the time of writing, the O division could not be reached for comment.

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Veterans knocking in vain at oblese doors may find some openng as the result of a survey of over 1,500 colleges to be conducted in Farch but he Veterans Administration in cooperation with edunational acencies.

Findance of the survey indicat sibility ing available college facilities are players. The expected to be made known at the eteress identistration regional a commit offices in time for summer and fall players inroblements.

A new twest to the problem of the voteren and his former civilian job comes out of the desciptia. Tiddlefield, this, concern that just could not afford for the sake of good business to get rad of the employe who had replaced a serviceman. The company made a deal with the vet, paring him in lieu of his old job the sum of \$8,000--his peak carnings before he entered the Navy.

Fore than a million veterals have found jobs scaled and are drawing 200 à week unemployment compensation. Randjustment allowandes haid for the week ending 9 February totaled 25,581,000. The number of recipients increased from 963,000 to 1,036,000.

You still qualify for the 10-point dependency credit on your critical score for release even if that dependency ceased after 15 August 1045. If you were married on or before that date but didn't get an allowance for it until later, you'll get the 10 points just the same. These rulings have been announced by BuPers in clarification of AlNav 395-45

#### בתית ד מחרמינה

TISOM TIT

ant rectional athletics not a shot in the arm with the announcement that Olympic G as well be resumed in London in 1948, first since 1936. Graff headache of the of the International Olympic Committee is the invitation list.

Lord Abordale, executive memof the committee, extends a welcome to "athletes from all parts of the world," while another official said that Gormany and Japan "cortainly won't be invited."

Another ticklish problem is the eligibility of subsidized Russian players.

The United States will set up a committee this summer to name players and teams for the games.

W.N. Greim, president of the National Amateur Athletic Union, expect returning servicemen and expanded peacetime sports activities to strengthen this country's chance in foreign competition.

program probabl rules out construction of a special stadium for the events and it appears now that the games will be divided between two arenas already in existence-

Wabler Sendium and Thite City. DITS IND D.HS: Hichigan Seate after 30 years as sponsor, has withdrawn from the annual state intercollegiate track and field met because it won too often ... All except one of the 23 Cleveland Indian bitchers are over six feet tall. Shorty Ambrose Palica is a mers 5'11' .... Former Yankee southpaw Lofty Gomez is managing a baseball team in Unracas, Vanezuela. Leftw speaks no Saanish; the team speaks no English ... Thile there was'nothing wrong with the old onetwo, Joe Louis has come up with a new atom punch...Babe Anth, the forgotten man of baseball, has a chance to come 'back-4as manager of the Manchester; M.H.; minor league club ... Bart M. Rouw, Canadian skiexpert, made the mistake of wandering around Ir. Tilson without his skies. He slid 500 feet down the almost vertical snow-covered mountainside, unhurt,

IT HAS BEEN NOTED THAT A NUMBER OF "THE BOYS" HAVE BEEN SPENDING THEIR LIBERTY AT SP HEADQUARTERS FOR FAILURE TO SALUTE. SERVES 'EM RIGHT. IT'S SUCH A SIMPLE PROCESS TO SALUTE AND IT SAVES A LOT OF ADMINISTRATIVE RED TAPE WHEN THE REPORT GETS BACK TO THE SHIP.



This is how Madonia and some of the other boys spend their Portland liberty.

## DIVISION NEWS

"C" DIVISION

Y2/C, WHO SPENT ONLY A SHORT TIME ON BOARD, THE H.J. WAS LEFT WITH OUR DAYS BACK, HOWEVER, BROOKS, Y2/C, REPORTED ABOARD FOR DUTY. WE OF THE DIVISION WELCOME HIM ABOARD.

IT COULDN'T BE --- BENNETT NO. IN CIVVIES, BUT THAT IS JUST ABOUT THE LOOKS OF IT. HE IS LEAVING WITH THE NEXT DRAFT OF MEN FOR DIS-GOOD LUCK BENNY.

WOW, DID SCHNEEDER HAVE A TIME AT THE ROSE GARDEN LAST NIGHT. WE BELIEVE HE WILL LIVE, BUT HE SURE HAD US WONDERING.

I GUESS G.Q. IS ABOUT THE ONLY TIME YOU CAN FIND THE C.I.C BOYS UP AND AT EM. THEY SURE DON'T KNOW WHERE TO HIDE THBIR MAIL

#### "O" DIVISION

THE DIVISION WISHES TO CONGRAT UNATE THE FOL! OWING MEN WHO HAVE BEEN ADVANCED TO THE FOOL OWING RA INGS; BLALOCK-GM1/C, HAMILTON-SEYBOLD GM3/C, HILD S1/C, FC3/C BRANDSTATTER-S1/C, AND ROSSI-S1/C HOW ABOUT THE CIGARS?

THE GANG HAS COME TO THE CON-CLUSION THAT HOLT IS PRETTY SLOW IN THINKING, IT ONLY TOOK HIM 20 MONTHS IN THE NAVY TO FIND OUT HE

WASN'T A RESERVES

WILL SOMEONE PLEASE INFORM SCHILLING THAT THE ELLISON IS A DESTROYER? HE IS UNDER THE !MPRES. SION THAT THIS IS A LUXERY LINER AND HE IS A 1ST. OLASS PASSENGER.

"SLEEPY" PALAKOWSKI BROKE "HO ZONTAL" HILDS RECORD FOR "SACK TIL BY .. A LONG SHOT. HE REMAINED IN HIS SACK FOR 4 STRAIGHT DAYS, NAT-URALLW HE WAS SUPPOSE TO BE ON THE SICK LIST, BUT HE CAN'T FOOL US!3: THE ORD. DIVISION HAS DONE IT

AGAIN: !!!! THE GANG CAME TO THE RESCUE OF THE 1ST DIVISION WHILE MODRING TO A BUOY. THIS TIME THE OPERATION PROVED SUCCESSFUL AND THE GANG WAS PERMITTED TO SECURE EARLY . WE'RE GETTING EXPERIENCED NOMS!!

EVERYTIME CLARK GETS A LETTER FROM HIS GIRL THE WHOLE DIVISION KNOWS IT. THE POWDER SHE PUTS IN THE ENVELOPE CAN BE SMELLED FROM A-3Ø4 TO THE FANTAIL. THEY PRAC-TICALLY HAVE TO USE ARTIFICIAL RES PERATION ON CLARK EVERY TIME HE GL A LETTER.

MR. MACK DOESN'T HAVE TROUBLE BETTING DELONG AND MEITZ TO WORK ANYMORE. THEY BOTH ARE WORKING SO WITH THE RECENT LOSS OF CRUTCHERHARD TO MAKE THAT ONE SECOND CLASS VACANCY THAT THEY DON'T NEED COAX-ING

#### "1ST" DIVISION

THE "O" DIVISION SEEMS TO BE GLAD TO GET IN ON THE SHOW WHENEVE WE MOOR. THANKS FOR HELPING US TI UP FELLOWS.

TWO NEW MEN ENTERED THE HAPPY COMPANY OF THE DIVISION. THEY ARE: LORDEN AND LOMELI, DON REAMY CLAIMS HE WILL BE THE COUNTRY'S LEADING SAX BLAYER IN A FEW YEARS. WE CERTAINLY HOPE SO.

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* "WE! RE NOW PASSING THE GUIDE: WORLDS LARGEST BREWERY." SAILOR: "I'M NOT."

IF YOU HAVE ANY NEWS THAT YOU I OULD LIKE TO HAVE APPEAR IN THE ECHO, PLEASE BRING IT TO THE SHIPS NEWSPAPER OFFICE. ONLY PRINTABLE MATERIAL PLEASE! THE PAPER IS NO REALLY A SHIP'S NEWSBABER UNLESS IT CONTAINS NEWS OF THE CREW. THE DIVISION REPORTERS ARE DOING A FINE JOB, BUT THEY ALONE CAN NOT GET THE NEWS. LET US IN ON THE SCOOP.

WE WOULD LIKE TO DEDICATE A FEW INES TO THE PHARMACISTS MATES. SURING ACHES AND PAINS OF ALL SORTS ALLY REMEMBER THEM FOR THE GLEAM N THEIR EYE AS THEY GIVE US SHOTS. LL KIDDING ASIDE, THEY COME IN ANDY WHEN WE NEED THEM. LOTS O LOTS OF UCK TO PHM.3/C MCCREADY, WHO IS OING BACK INTO CIVILIAN LIFE AND ELCOME TO F.D. SHEETS HA1/C WHO IS AKING HIS PLACE.

EAN PAINTING BULKHEADS. EN HIS TWO MASTERPIECES? PESSILLOCONN ON 19 JUNE. OOK ONE LOOK AT THEM AND SLASHED ONE WITH A KNINE. TAKE IT EASY PES-SILLO, REMEMBER MICHAEL ANGELO WAS N AMATUER ONCE.

#### "UNDER THE WARDROOM TABLE" BY EAGLE EYE FINKLE

THE LATEST ALNAV PROMOTES MESSRS. NEARBY WINDOW AND ONTO THE STREET KITT AND SADLER TO LIEUTENANT AND THE FOLLOWING TO LIEUT. (JG): MR. WASHINGTON (SEA)-A GOVERNMENT GIRL BODDA, MR. WILMARTH, MR. STURBA, ANDACCUSED OF ATTEMPTED MURDER, EX-IR. BOYER.

THAT WAS QUITE A GET-TOGETHER T THE GRAYMOOR COCKTAIL LOUNGE ON EDNESDAY NIGHT. WONDER WHO HAD HE DUTY.

FASTEST OFFICER IN THE "LIBERTY DAT DASH" NOW THAT MR. MERKEL HAS IVISION, AND A HEAD OF DEPARTMENT TATHAT

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#### SPORTIN' AROUND

GET THE ASPIRIN

(SEA)-PITCHERS WILL GET FIVE HEADACHES THIS SUMMER WHEN THEY DRAW AN ASSIGNMENT AGAINST BOSTON RED SOX. THE CAUSES ARE WILLIAMS, DOEBR, YORK, DIMAGGIO AND PESKY:
MARION REPORTS TO CARDS
(SEA)-SHORTSTOP MARTY MARION RE-

PORTED TO THE ST. LOUIS CARDINALS IN ST. PETERSBURG, FLA., WITH HIS 19-YEAR-OLD BROTHER, CHARLES, WHO

WANTED A TRYOUT.

MATHEWSON WAS BASEBALL STAR S THEIR DAILY ROUTINE, AND ALL ARE (SEA)-BUCKNELL AURHORITIES RE-URED BY THE MYSTIC MIGHT OF A LIT- VEALED CHRISTY MATHEMSON, NEW YORK (SEA) - BUCKNELL AUTHORITIES RE-LE PILL CALLED "SULFA". WE ESPEC- GIANT'S GREAT PITCHER, WAS A BRIL-LIANT BASKETBALL PLAYER IN COLLEGE. NEWHAUSER GITS GRAVY

(JIA)-SOUTHPAN HAROLD NEWHAUSER THE MOST VALUABLE PLAYER IN AMERI-CAN LEAGUE IN 1944 AND 1945, WILL RECEIVE \$45,000 SALARY THIS YEAR

FROM DETROIT TIGERS. BOULS CUTS WEIGHT

(SEA) - JOE LOUIS IS SHEDDING KESSLER, SC3/C, HAS TAKEN AN IN- WEIGHT AT HIS CAMP NEAR WEST BADEN SPRINGS, IND., IN PREPARATION FOR DON'T SPRINGS, IND., IN PREPARATION FOR HAVE YOU HIS CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT WITH BILLY

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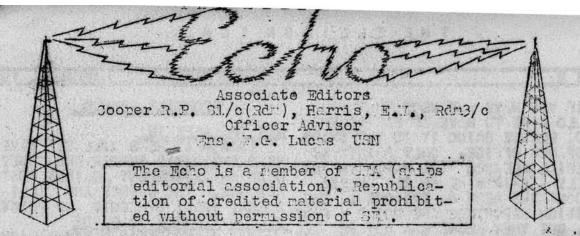
## ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN

FORT DOUGLAS, UTAH (SEA)-WHEN A MAN JUMPED INTO BED AT A SALT LAKE CITY HOTED, SPRINGS IN THE MATTRESS RECOILED AND SHOT HIT THROUGH A BELOW.

PLAINED TO POLICE THAT CONTENTS OF HER SUITCASE WERE "JUST GIFTS FOR MOTHER". IN THE SUITCASE WERE A .32 CALIBER REVOLVER, ICE PICKS, A HACKSAW WITH FOUR BLADES, A BUT-GRINDER, A STEAK TENDERIZER, AND EEN DEMOBILIZED IS STILL IN THE "C"NEWSPAPÉR CLIPPINGS OF RECENT MUR-DERS

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(SEA)-A NEW DUAL RESERVE PROGRAM DST: HALF A SHIP -- THE STERN SECT + PERSONNEL ON INACTIVE DUTY TO ENDOY NAVY PRIVILEGES AS CIVILIANS. ORGANIZED RESERVE PROVIDES A 14DAY ALF. ALL HANDS ARE ACCOUNTED FOR. YEAR -BOTH WITH PAY -- AS WELL AS SPECIFIC RECREATIONAL AND EDUCATION-AL ADVANTAGES NOW BEING FORMULATED.



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#### TRAINED PERSONNEL WANTED

SCIENTIFIC ORGANIZATIONS AND BUREAUS WITHIN THE NAVY DEPARTMENT (ORDINANCE RESEARCH INSTITUTE, ASHINGTON DC; MAVAL ORNANCE TEST STATION, INYOKERN, CALIFORNIA; DANIEL TAYLOR MODEL BASIN, CARDER-MYCK, MARYLAND; NAVAL PROVING GROUND, DAHLGREN, VIRGINAA, POST GRADUATE SCHOOL, USINE: BUPERS AND BUMED) ARE IN CONTINUING NEED OF TECHNICALLY TRAINED PERSONNEL, IN ORDER TO KEEP THE WAVYS RESEARCH PROHRAM FUNCTIONING IN THIS POST WAR PERIOD. NAVAL PERSONNEL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING TECH-NICAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF ONE OF THE ABOVE NAMED ACTIVITIES ARE INVITED TO SEND THROUGH OFFICIAL CHANNELS TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL, PE S 3176 FOR OFFICERS OR PERS 63 FOR ENLISTED MEN, THEIR APPLICATION FOR NAVAL TRANSFER TO ONE OF THE ABOVE COMMANDS. STATE-MENTS OF EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE PLUS ENDORSEMENTS OF COMMANDING OFFICERS SHOULD BEFURNISHED. AFTER HAVING BEET RELEASED FROM SERVICE THOSE DESIRING TO ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT AS CIVILIANS MAKE THEIR APPLICATIONS TO OFFICER OF INDUST-RIAL RELATIONS, OFFICE OF THE NAVY. ECHANICAL AND RADIO ENGINEERING, IAVAL ARCHITECTURE, PHYSICS, CHEM-ISTRY, MATHIMATICS, EDUCATIONAL SYCHOLOGY OR ADMINISTRATION PSY-CHOLOGY OR MORE ADVANCED WORK IN THOSE FIELDS ARE INVITED TO APPLY.

2,000,000 DISCHARGED;

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1.000 ENLISTING DAILY
(SEA) WHILE SOME 2.000,000 NAVY
PO3/C &F1/C
PERSONNEL HAVE B EN DISCHARGED AND S1/C &F2/C
HE DEMOBILIZATION BATE IS 7,000 S1/C &F2/C
O 8000 A DAY, THE REGULAR NAVY
AS BEEN CROWING AT THE RATE OF ALOST 1000 ENLISTMENTS A DAY. TOTAL
MLISTED REGULAR NAVY STRENGTH WAS

## ENLISTED MEN GOOD SOURCE OF OFFICERS SAYS BUPERS CHIEF

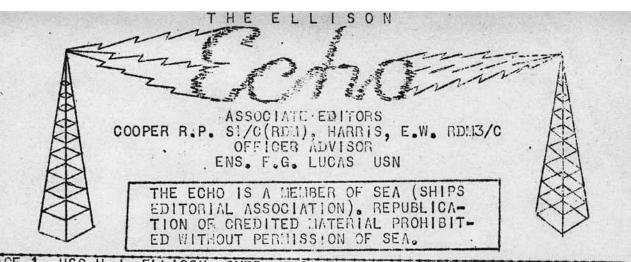
(SEA)-POINTING OUT THAT 56% OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF NAVY OFFICERS PROCURED DURONG THE WAR YEARS FORMED LY HAD ENLISTED STATUS AND 22% ACTUALLY HAD PERFORMED ENLISTED DURIES, VICE ADMIRAL LOUIS E. DENFELD, USN, CHIEF OF NAVAL PERSONNEL, SAUS THE NAVY IS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE FACT THAT ENLISTED MEN ARE ONE OF THE BEST SOURCES OF OFFICER CANDIDATES.

THE NAVY HAS SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS A PROPOSAL UNDER WHICH ENLISTED MEN MAY CULLIFY FOR TRANSFOR TO THE CODLEGE NROTC, AND THE
WARTIME PRACTICE OF AWARDING DIRECT COMMISSIONS WILL BE CONTINUED
IF RESENT PLANS ARE FOLLOWED.

THESE PROCEDURES WILL BEIN ADDITION TO APPOINTMENT OF MANY ENLISTED MEN TO THE NAVAL ACADEMY
AND ENROLLMENT OF THOUSANDS OF
OTHERS IN THE NAVAL ACADEMY PREPARATORY SCHOOL, WHICH PREPARES ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES FOR THE ACADEMY
ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS. SOME 66%
OF THE 1,142, PLEBS NOW IN THE
ACADEMY ARE FORMER ENLISTED PERSONNEL.

RIAL RELATIONS, OFFICE OF THE NAVY. OF 329,207 OFFICERS PROCURRED PERSONS WITH COLLEGE DEGREES IN BETWEEN 1 JAN. 1942 AND 31 DEC. 1945 AERONAUTICAL, ELECTRICAL, HYDRALIC, A TOTAL OF 182,957 FORMERLY SERVED BECHANICAL AND RADIO ENGINEERING, IN EVELISTED STATUS, INCLUDING 74,18: TAVAL ARCHITECTURE, PHYSICS, CHEM- MEN OF PREFIOUS ENLISTED DURY EX- ISTRY, MATHRMATICS, EDUCATIONAL PERIENCE.

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \$\$ HERE'S YOUR PAY---- IF \$\$ PRESENT PROPOSED OPO(PER) --\$138 \$165,50 CPO(ACT)----126 151,2Ø P01/C 114 136.8Ø P02/C 96 115,20 P03/C &F1/C 78 93.60 S1/C & F2/C 66 79.80 S2/C & F3/C 54



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#### CHECK-UP TO AID STUDENTS

(SEA)-TO SPEED UP SUBSISTENCE PAYMENTS TO VETERANS WHO HAVE EN-TERED SCHOOL UNDER THE GOVERNMENTS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM, VETERANS AD-MINISTRATION IS SENDING REPRESENTA- NAVAL SERVICE; ADMIRAL NIMITZ COUL VIVES TO SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES TO 11 VIVES TO SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES TO IT SELS PATIENCE, RESTRAINT AND GOOD MAKE DIRECT CHECK-UPS WITH THE STU- JUDGMENT IN SPENDING BY NAVAL PER-DENTS.

THESE VISITS WILL BE MADE THE FIRST WEEK OF EACH MONTH, AND VET-ERANS HAVING TROUBLE REGARDING RE-CEIPT OF THEIR SUBSISTENCE ALLOW. ANCE WILL BE INTERVIEWED PERSON-PRIORITY HANDLING WILL BE GIVEN CASES OF OVERDUE PAYMENTS REVEALED BY THESE INTERVIEWS. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

U. S. FORCES DESTROY 2881/2 ENEMY SUBS

SSEA)-UNITED STATES FORCES AC-COUNTED FOR ALMOST A THIRD OF THE ENEMY SUBS DESTROYED DURING WORLD MAR 11. WITH 288.5 OF A TOTAL OF 996 SUBS TO THEIR CREDIT.

COMPARATIVE FIGURES SHOW THE AMERICANS SANK 174 GERMAN, 110.5 JAP AND 4 ITALIAN CRAEY, WHILE THE BRITISH ARE CONSIDERED RESPONSIBLE FOR KILLS OF 524 GERMAN, 68 ITALIAN AND 95 JAP SUBS.

THE U.S. NAVY SANK 232.5 OF THE TOTAL, WITH SHIPS ACCOUNTING FOR 105, AIRCRAFT 99.5, SUBS 25 AND MINES 3. HALF CREDITS REFLECT JOINT ARMY-NAVY OR COMBINED ANGLO-AMERICAN OPERATIONS. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

"KEEP YOUR BONDS, BUY BISELY" -- ONO

(SEA)-MEEP YOUR SAVINGS BONDS, TAKE ADVANTAGE OF BETTER BUSINESS BUREAUS AND OTHER PUBLIC SERVICE AGENCIES, AND AVOID COMPETING FOR SCARCE GOODS AND SERVICES, ADVISES FLEET ADMIRAL CHESTER W. NIMITZ (CON'T NEXT COL.)

(CON'T.) WHILE STRESSING THAT IT IS EACH MAN'S PERSONAL CONCERN WHAT HE DOE WITH SAVINGS ACCUMULATED DURING HIS

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SONNEL COMING UP FOR DISCHARGE. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

#### NAVY RECONVERSION PROCEEDS RAPIDLY

(SEA)-ROLL-UP OF THE WARTIME NAVY ORGANIZATION HAS PROGRESSED AT A RAPID CLIP SINCE V-J DAY. FROM THAT DATE TILL 1 APRIL 1946, SOME 2,4000SHIPS WERE DECLARED SURPLUS; 1,052 OF THE 4,4000NAVY MARINE STATIONS, POSTS, CAMPS AND BASES OVERSEAS DROPPED FROM OPERA-TIONAL STATUS.

TO AID RECONVERSION AND CIVI-LIAN PRODUCTION, THE NAVY HAS DE-CLARED AS SURPLUS SOME \$2,100,000, DOD WORTH OF MATERIAL IN THE CON-TINENTAL U.S. TERMINATED CONTRACTS, INCLUDING 15,000 IN PROCESS OF COMPLETION, TOTAL \$16,300,000,000,1000 SHIPS,

NINETERTRESOF THEM MAJOR COMBATANT VESSELS, HASSBEEN COMPLETED, AND READY RÉSERVE FLEETS ARE VIRTUALLY AT PLANNED OPERATING STATUS.

REDUCTION OF AIRCRA T IS 50 PER CENT COMPLETE. SINCE V-J DAY CONTRACTS CALLING FOR 29,000 AIR-PLANES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED.

DEMOBILIZATION OF PERSONNEL

REMAINS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

## REPORT NEARS COMPLETION

BY 1 JUNE THE JOINT CONGRES-SIONAL COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING PEARL HARBOR EXPECTS TO COMPLETE ITS REPORT ON WHY THE US. WAS CAUGHT BY SURPRISE ON 7 DEC. 1941

















