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# IOWAVE



Dedicated to all IOWAVES in Training and Afield

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## War Highlights

### FRANCE

With victorious American armored units breaking out of the Norman Peninsula into Brittany the Allies united in an offensive along a 100-mile front in France, designed to smash the German lines barring the roads to Paris. British forces deepened their wedge in the French front and with Canadian troops launched an attack southeast of Caen against the only intact German line.

### WARSAW

Moscow reports said Warsaw was in flames as the Germans applied the torch after evacuating Nazi officials and 25,000 civilians. The Russians captured Tukuma, cutting communications between the Baltic States and East Prussia and isolating 200,000 German troops. The Russians announced the occupation of Kaunas, Lithuanian gateway to East Prussia.

### ITALY

Germans threw an estimated 75,000 troops into a mountain line below Florence in an attempt to halt the Allied 8th Army advance, but Allied Units still moved yard by yard through rugged hills and small villages on the fringes of the city.

### PACIFIC

Adm. Chester A. Nimitz said Japanese on Tinian Island have "little means of resistance and no means of escape." American forces repulsed counter-attacks as they fought to complete conquest of the island. Dutch New Guinea engineers were hewing out an air strip in the jungles of the Vogelkop Peninsula after a 200-mile hop by U.S. amphibious forces along the coast.

### TURKEY

On Wednesday, Turkey severed diplomatic and economic relations with Germany.

## WR Commended At Anniversary Rally

Among guests who were invited to attend the second anniversary rally of the Women's Reserve, U. S. Naval Reserve, in the Sylvan Theatre, Washington Monument Grounds, at 1830 Sunday 30 July 1944 were the following: Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Secretary and Mrs. James Forrestal, Admiral and Mrs. Ernest J. King, Admiral William D. Leahy, Members of Congress, Representatives of the Women's Military Services, Captain and Mrs. William F. Amsden, and Lieutenant Commander Eleanor B. Rigby.

Admiral Ernest J. King, U.S. N., Commander in Chief of the United States Fleet, and Chief of Naval Operations, has issued the following statement congratulating the Women's Reserve, U.S. Naval Reserve, on the occasion of the second anniversary of that branch of the Naval Service:

"In two years, the Women's Reserve has become a vital part of the United States Navy. Accepting and resolving their increased responsibilities as the war has progressed these women volunteers have won the admiration and the warm approval of the entire service.

"WAVES are skilled in numerous and varied Naval activities which are directly connected with winning the war. They are not only releasing men for duty with the fleet, but are assisting in training them for attack and in safeguarding their lives. Their military discipline, enthusiastic spirit and efficient performance of duty have been thoroughly proved.

"On this second anniversary, the male personnel of the Naval Service join in extending hearty congratulations to the members of the Women's Reserve; they are confident that the WAVES will continue to meet every challenge, in accordance with the high standards they have set for themselves, until victory is won."

Secretary of the Navy, James F. Forrestal, further commends the WAVES for the fine work they are doing. In connection with the second anniversary, he has issued

## MANY CIVILIANS ATTEND 2ND BIRTHDAY ACTIVITIES

### Two Crew Members Receive Advancements

As of the first of August, two members of Ship's Company became Yeomen first class. They are—Jeanette Wright and Nadeen Miller.

Yeoman Wright was a "boot" at Cedar Falls in March of 1943 and stayed on board as a member of Ship's Company. After sewing on all her new badges, she left for a week's vacation at her home at Storm Lake, Iowa.

Yeoman Miller comes from Marshalltown, Iowa.

### Ens. Woodley Arrives From Great Lakes

Ensign Waita Mae Woodley, (NNC) USNR, reported aboard this station, 2 August, from Great Lakes, Illinois. Ensign Woodley has been on duty for the past eight months at the McIntire Dispensary.

the following statement:

"This second anniversary of the Women's Reserve is an occasion of rededication for 72,350 women in Naval uniform. It also offers an opportunity for the entire service to express appreciation for outstanding accomplishment.

"The WAVES uphold the highest traditions of the Navy; they increase the efficiency of the Navy afloat by taking their places beside the Navy ashore in the execution of essential work.

"I speak for the officers and men of the United States Navy in saying to the members of the Women's Reserve. Your third year of service will be of increasing importance as our forces attack. Every man of the fleet is heartened by the knowledge that your willing efforts will support him in the battles ahead until our enemies are completely driven from the seas!"

### Open House, Classes, and Corn Detasseling Part Of Day's Schedule

On 29 July 1944 the Women's Reserve of the United States Navy celebrated their second anniversary.

Since the opening of this station on 15 December 1942 more than 9,000 seamen have been stationed in Cedar Falls. Of the original staff there are Comdr. E. E. Pettee, Lieut. W. N. McCown, Lieut. F. J. O'Grady, Lieut. Elizabeth Hall, Lt. (jg) Juliet Brussel, Lt. (jg) Gladys W. Hearst, and Helen Adams, Y1c, holds the record of being the senior member of Ship's Company.

Captain Ransom K. Davis, who is now in the European theatre of war was the first officer in command of this station. He was relieved on 10 May 1943 by the present commanding officer, Commander E. E. Pettee.

Open house was held aboard the "USS BARTLETT" on Saturday, 29 July, and many civilians visited the billets and medical department.

The instruction department demonstrated the educational program for IOWAVES by presenting exhibition classes showing the progress made by the different groups learning the stenographic skills—shorthand and typing.

One hundred and fifty officers and trainees spent their liberty hours in Reinbeck, Iowa last weekend detasseling 98 rows of corn. Since the detasseling has to be done within about ten days and war has caused extra labor shortages, this contribution of time and effort was very important. The seed from five acres of corn equals 50,000 bushels of corn or three million pounds of explosive or 666,000 pounds of pork.

Paramount, Fox Movietone, and Universal news-reel photographers took pictures of the WAVES from the time the group left the Green

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# THE IOWAVE



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## EDITORIAL

### KEEP DREAMING

The last notes of "Taps" have faded into the night. In a few moments, my WAVE, you will be asleep, but in that interval between your conscious thoughts and the night, familiar thoughts will come to you. They are your conscious dreams.

You dream of a free world, and a day when you will be with your family again. That "man in your life" is working on his "gillope" again, playing baseball, . . . Taking you out on a heavy date . . . Your brother is back home too, razzing you about your latest hat and your new hair-do . . . That lad next door is mowing the lawn and whistling the tune that is first on the "Hit Parade" . . . Suddenly, you realize that what you want in life is not wealth and prestige and fame, but simple things like these.

Our responsibility did not end when we took our oath of allegiance. It started then, and will be with us every day of this war. For some of us it may be in filling a large, important job. For others, it may be the faithful performance of small routine tasks. But let us remember that it is the little things that shape the pattern—the pattern of a brighter tomorrow. Remember this now. Think of it when you march, when you muster, in your classes, in your free time, in your relations with others. Are you doing your best,

Don't stop dreaming, but don't stop working either. In everything that you do, resolve that it will be your finest effort . . . In that interval, include a prayer to strengthen your purpose, to give you the courage you will need . . . Goodnight, dear WAVE, there's a big job to be done tomorrow.

## BARTLETT BINNACLE

After quiet hour I asked my roommate how she found time to play train. Imagine my surprise when she told me she was studying to-two-too for shorthand.

Cecilia Macko of Platoon 34 has good reason to like Cedar Falls. On arriving here she received the first letter in a year from her boy friend who is in a prison camp in France.

Since there have been many requests for the words to "The Navy Took the Glamour Out of Me," which was new with Regiment 35 at Hunter, here they are:

The Navy took the glamour out of me

And now I'm just as carefree as I can be,

I used to have long tresses and beautiful dresses

But now look at the change in me.

I used to have a date on Saturday night

Dancing cheek to cheek in the pale moonlight,

I used to jitterbug and tear up the floor

But now I do my dancing to hup-two-three-four.

The Navy took the glamour out of me

But in my Navy blue, I'm as chic as can be,

And now that I'm here and wearing this gear

There's a bigger and better change in me.

WARNING: Future Security Hoofers: Be guided by the sad experience of a trainee in Section 14, who, with her sleepy mate, was doing a too meticulous job of door checking. Result—both found themselves locked out. How they got back in remains a military secret.

During last Saturday's Captain's Inspection, Ensign Wandelt complimented one seaman on her tie, which was a thing of beauty and advised her roommate to observe and copy—much to the amusement of the two seamen. It seems the well-done job was the work of the roommate, whose own bedraggled tie had been tied by the complimented one! Do you, too, need "A Guy To Tie Your Tie?"

At a Naval Training Center a Pharmacist's mate was preparing to finger print a recruit "Wash your hands," she instructed.

"Both of them?" the WAVE-to-be asked.

After a pause the mate answered: "No, just one. I want to see how you do it."

If you haven't as yet visited the local USO you should make it a must on your list of things to do. Especially since a free fortune is yours for only a few minutes of your time. The Star is none other than OUIJA—the great mystic. She promises to answer all questions you ask and even some you are afraid to think about.

Not that they have never used any of the modern conveniences of this civilization but can someone please tell the "new trainees from Hunter what the hooks on the coffee cups are for?"

Once upon a time, the story goes, a lady opened her Westinghouse refrigerator and there sat a little white rabbit.

"My goodness," she cried, "what are you doing here?"

"This is a Westinghouse, isn't it?" asked the rabbit.

"Yes it is."

"Well," sighed the little rabbit, "I am westing."

Speaking of rabbits — it seems that one of our girls received a pair of rabbits for Easter. The latest word from home states that there are at present date, ten. Unless some solution can be found in a hurry—it looks as if her life work (post-war) is already getting a good start.

From the publicity office of the WAVES at Key West came a release with a slight typographical error, it urged women to enlist so that they might "release young able sailors for more active cuties."

All the way to Iowa, Emily Nowocin prayed for tall corn and low buildings. How about that, Emily, second deck is better than fifth—isn't it?

## MOVIES

Saturday, 5 August 1944

2000—"The Canterville Ghost"—Comedy-Drama with Margaret O'Brien, Charles Laughton, Robert Young, William Gargan, Reginald Owen, "Rags" Ragland and Una O'Connor. "Innertube Antics"—technicolor cartoon. RKO News.

Sunday, 6 August 1944

1400—"Mr. Skeffington"—a drama with Bette Davis, Claude Rains, Walter Abel, and Richard Waring. "Young and Beautiful"—a featorette in technicolor with Gracie Fields. "My Little Buckaroo"—technicolor cartoon.

## "POP" SAYS

## Addressing of Mail

Special attention is called to addressing of mail going from this station. Here are a few suggestions that will insure prompt and certain delivery of mail:

Do—Write plainly or print; use typewriter when available.

DO—Use full name and serial numbers on mail addressed to military personnel.

DO—Use large envelopes. Make addresses compact, but include all numbers when available. Leave room enough to allow directory service when mail must be forwarded.

DO—Use mail number in return address.

DO—Come to the post office when mailing information is needed; personnel there are glad to help trainees. All postal services are available at the Navy Post Office.

DON'T—Use small envelopes where there is not room for legible address and room for directory service if mail must be forwarded.

DON'T—Scrawl address all over the envelope.

DON'T—Write return address across the top of the envelope. Use only upper left hand corner for this, as there must be room for the cancelling post mark.

DON'T—Use nickname or just initials.

DON'T—Take a chance on air mail that is considered heavy. Take it to the post office so that it can be weighed and the right amount of postage can be put on, so as not to cause delay. Overseas mail is 6c per half-ounce, domestic mail is 8c per ounce.

DON'T—Put parcel post pack-

## Officers Entertain Visitors This Week

Officers of the Instruction Staff have visitors this week. Ensign Margaret Thompson's mother is visiting her from Boston, and Ensign Sally B. Thomas' sister is here from Pennsylvania.

Lt. (jg) Dorothy Ford's brother-in-law, who is a major in the Army Air Corps, visited her last week-end.

Miss Maude Cuenod from Texas has been a guest of Ensign Vida Dunbar during the past week.

## Officers Receive Instruction

Lt. (jg) Gladys W. Hearst, public relations officer, attended a school of instruction for voting officer in Minneapolis last week.

Lt. (jg) Bess Campbell, personnel officer, went to a one-day school of instruction for civil readjustment in Chicago.

ages or photographs in the box for mates to bring to post office. Whether these are 1st, 3rd, or 4th class must be known. Take them directly to the post office.

"POP"  
Navy Mail Clerk.

## Friendly Hour Has Questionnaire Box

The weekly FRIENDLY HOUR, held at 1830 each Sunday in the East Lounge, is only as successful as the trainees care to make it. Suggestions of the type of entertainment desired are welcomed and may be contributed by attending the Council meetings held at 2100 each Tuesday in the Rose Lounge.

This week a "questionnaire box" is to be placed in the East Lounge during the FRIENDLY HOUR with the Chaplain J. D. Kettle answering questions that are presented.

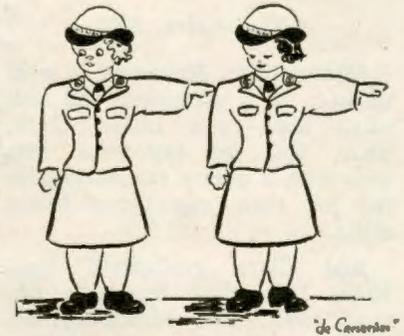
The program is designed solely for the benefit of the trainee and offers an opportunity for new students to become acquainted with the older students as well as learn some of the new songs that are popular here at NTS.

The Chaplain is of the opinion that the best programs are those when the new trainees join in, bringing new songs from Hunter.

## Ship's Company Members Transferred to Great Lakes

Helen R. Marchbanks, Y2c; Martha McDade Lehmann, Y2c and Donna Mae Carter, Y2c and Vera Katherine Steeb, Y2c, were transferred on 1 August from Ship's Company at this station to Great Lakes, Illinois.

## Dress Right, Dress!



Our grandmothers never wore anything as good looking as our gym dress even though it is classed as an old bag, outdated, with no style or fit, by a lot of enlisted Women's Reservists. Let's see how the good points stack up against the so-called bad.

First of all, if the dress is laundered with starch you have a real cute outfit designed to conceal a gal's curvier curves and slenderize her waist. The starching process takes practically no extra time at all and the difference it makes in the looks of the dress is really something. The dress goes over a sun suit like a breeze and is a good cover-up when the sun gets too hot. It's just the thing to climb into for quiet hour or leisure time in the barracks. It's easy to wash and presses out well. The shade of periwinkle blue is very becoming to blonde and brunette alike.

For sports one has plenty of freedom in this dress without being overly exposed to wind, sun, and onlooker's prying eyes. As for the matching rompers, they are practical and useful.

With a little thought and analysis, it is quite evident that our uniforms were carefully planned down to the minutest detail to serve us as well as become us. When we take pride in them and keep them up to snuff, we can get all the more enjoyment and satisfaction in wearing them, as well as getting them to do something for us.

## Nation Makes 4.0 On Handbook Test

Edith Pauline Nation, section 11, made 4.0 on her handbook test. Lieut. Elizabeth Hall, officer-in-charge of seamen, has announced.

WE DID IT!  
SO YOU CAN DO IT, TOO!

"I can never learn it!"; "It is impossible!"; "It cannot be done!"; Oh, why didn't the Navy send me to storekeeper's school, direct assignment, anything, but yeoman's school!" So go the proverbial phrases I heard haunting the corridors of USS BARTLETT today.

The amazing thing to me is the familiarity of those phrases. Two and a half months ago I heard much the same words.

Today, as I was going about my duties, learning to be a yeoman, the Navy way, I heard the same people saying such things as "I took my first 60 today and passed!; I typed 65 with 2 errors!" Certainly a different attitude than two and a half months ago.

Instead of saying "welcome" to you, we're going to say "It is possible; you will learn it and you will like it." There is al-

ways a great deal of satisfaction in knowing that you have licked something when the odds were against you. Remember that the Navy sent you here to take shorthand, not for it to take you!

By this time we hear you saying to yourselves, they probably came here taking shorthand at 100 WPM, they can afford to talk!" To abolish all doubt in your minds, we came here the same way you did, even less prepared than some, for we didn't know a pot-hook from a swiggle. Now after honest concentration and a will to learn, we can see at least a normal clarity coming from those lined pages.

So, from one group of three month IOWAVES to another, you'll learn it, too, and remember the line of that typical Navy song, "Don't Give Up The Ship!"

## Chevrons Of Ship's Company

Lillian Clark, SK2c

"Moose Lake, Minnesota is wonderful" is a statement you will often hear from Lillian Clark, SK2c, and the expression that goes with it does a far better sealing job than any travel folder could.

Miss Clark graduated from Moose Lake High School in her home town. Her enthusiasm for people dates back to her civilian jobs working at a summer resort, and later in a store.

Ballroom dancing, interpretive dancing, yes, even shades of jitterbug are "tops" with her. Exploring a wooded trail and communing with nature via the hiking method rate high also, while Perry Mason's murder mysteries are her favorite indoor sport.

If, in the future crowds of wealthy old men are seen rushing toward this station, it will probably be because Miss Clark has jokingly stated that she is looking for a "sugar daddy."

Her favorite serviceman is a brother now in England with the Army Air Corps.

Storekeeper Clark is a WAVE of seventeen months standing, having received her boot training at Hunter College in New York City, and further training in Boston. At present she is doing a "man-sized" job in the Disbursing office on this station.

Velma Nadeen Miller, Y1c

Marshalltown, Iowa is well represented by Y1c Velma Nadeen Miller, who enlisted in the Navy on 23 January 1943. She had her boot camp training here in Cedar Falls, also her yeoman training, and has since been stationed here.

Yeoman Miller is a graduate of the Marshalltown Senior High School. She plays the accordion, loves to play tennis, and does quite a bit of swimming. She is "Coordinator" of the Drum and Bugle Corps.

She has a brother in the Navy, who is stationed in Hawaii.

## Seaman Awarded For Recruiting WR Member

Marjorie Elizabeth Gibson of section 13 has been awarded a Letter of Commendation for her assistance in recruiting one member for the Women's Reserve.

## PE Department Sponsors Tourneys

A series of tournaments began Thursday evening of this week. These tournaments are purely for fun and recreation and a chance to relax.

Here is an opportunity to play any kind of game—softball, volleyball, ping pong or tennis.

Watch the IOWAVE closely for results on how the teams are doing, and come out and play a few games, too.

## Four of Ship's Company On Leave

Augusta Watkins, Sp (S)2c is spending her leave in Pennsylvania with her husband, who is also on leave.

John C. Chew, EM2c, is on leave in New Jersey.

Charles F. Daniels, CSKD, is on leave in Springfield, Illinois

Melba Durchenwald, SK2c, is on leave in Waterloo, Iowa.

## Lt. Commander Holden Visits Station

Lt. Comdr. P. Holden D—V (S), USNR, District Ship's Service Officer from Great Lakes, visited the station 31 July.

## TRANSFERRED

There was a grumbling sailor, growled the whole year long, What wasn't, "ought to be"; what was, was always wrong. He didn't like his station, and he made it plain to me, That anywhere he wasn't was the place he'd rather be.

He didn't like his captain; he cursed the C.P.O.'s too, He saw no rhyme or reason in the choices they made him do. He wished that they'd transfer him to some port across the sea, For anywhere he wasn't was the place he'd like to be.

They sent him o'er the ocean with his hammock and his pack, But no sooner had he landed than he wished that he were back. He couldn't stand the tropics with the hot sun blazing down, The place to be a sailor was some good old Yankee town.

At last death's final transfer moved him on to realms afar, He drew a post in Heaven where the perfect quarters are. But hardly was he seated when he passed around the word, If St. Peter could arrange it, he would like to be TRANSFERRED.

Sub-Base Gazette.

## Meet the Staff

Ensign Vida H. Dunbar

One of the most impressive personalities on the station is Ensign Vida Hall Dunbar. Mrs. Dunbar, who comes from Austin, Texas, has B.A. and M.A. degrees in English from the University of Texas. She formerly taught commercial subjects at the Austin High School and she enjoys teaching. Judging from the natural enthusiastic response from trainees in her classes here at Cedar Falls, she has made learning enjoyable for them.

Gardening is Mrs. Dunbar's favorite pastime and she has had entries in the Garden Club, of which she was a member. She has sung in light opera, at recitals, and was a soloist in many choirs. She loves to cook, but of late she has had little time for culinary achievements. However, she is learning to play bridge and after the war she is going to Mexico City to live "on two \$25 War Bonds a month, and spend the time playing bridge and floating around on lily ponds!"

That sounds like a fascinating post-war pastime.

## Three More Additions To Ship's Company

Ship's Company was increased by three new members again this week. Helen Kiska, Y1c, reported here from San Francisco, California where she has been on duty until recently. Yeoman Kiska enlisted in the WR in October, 1942. Her home is in Chicago, Illinois.

Gerald H. Young, CSK, of Springfield, Vermont, came to Cedar Falls from sea duty. He has been in the Navy for five years.

Billy G. Horton, SA(1)3c, was on duty at Brooklyn, New York before his transfer here. His home is in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

## MANY CIVILIANS ATTEND

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lounge of BARTLETT until they returned.

Jack Barnett, of Fox Movietone, showed films to an audience of WAVES after the Saturday evening movie, and told of his experiences in the European theatre of war where he spent twenty-six months as a war correspondent and photographer.



Navy War Bond Cartoon Service

"Dames? I treat 'em like War Bonds. I get a new one every month."