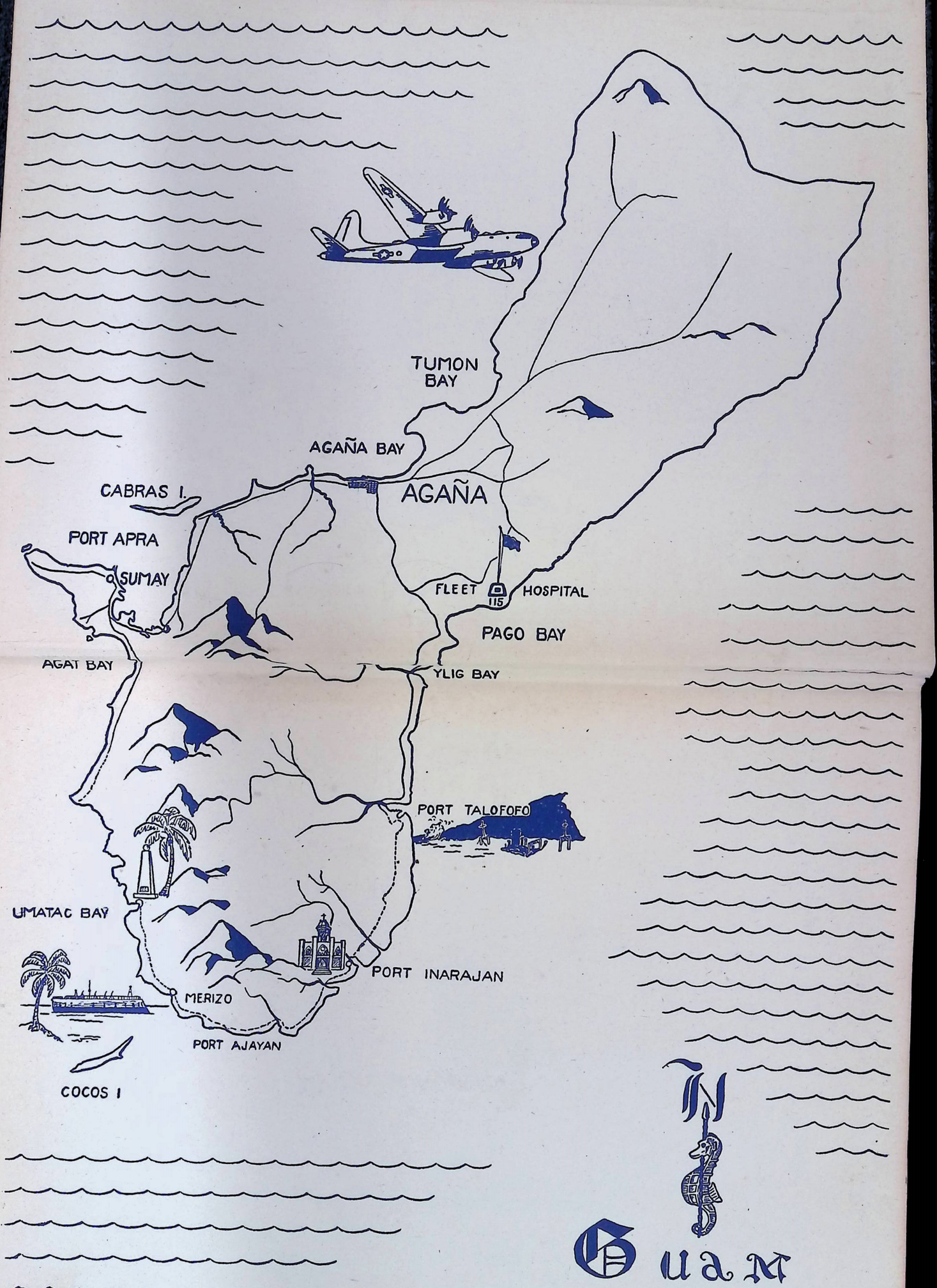
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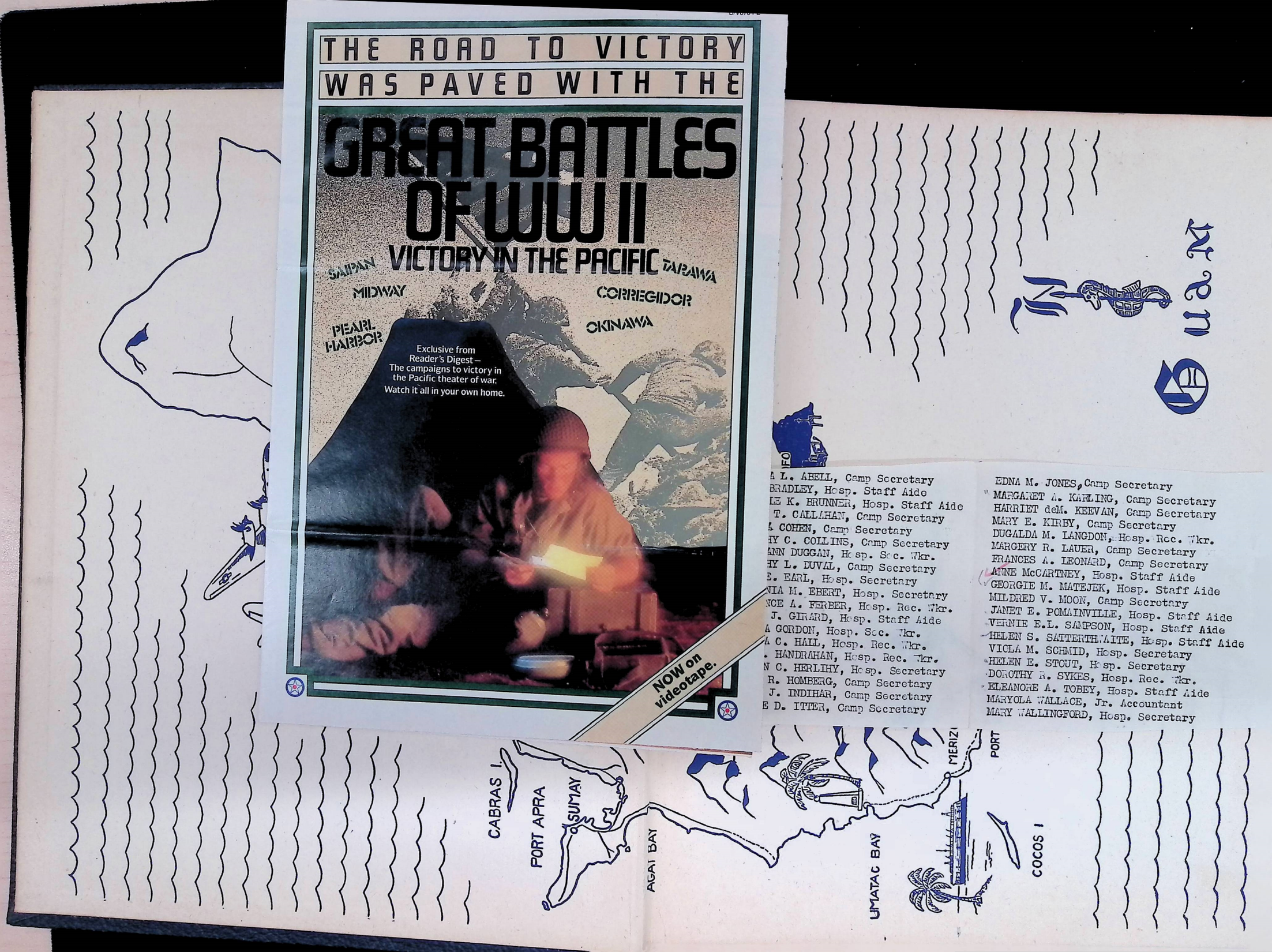
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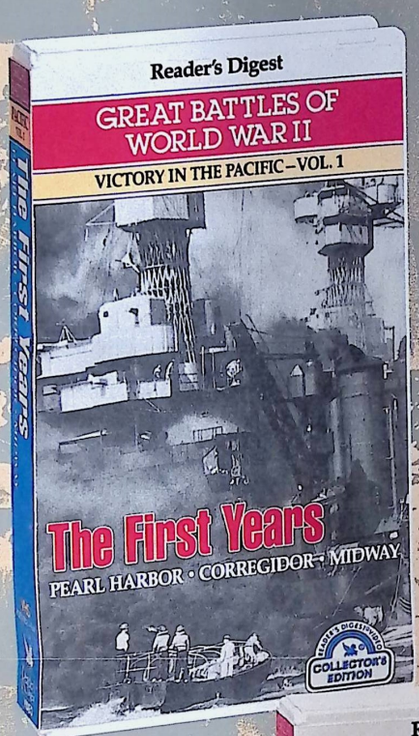
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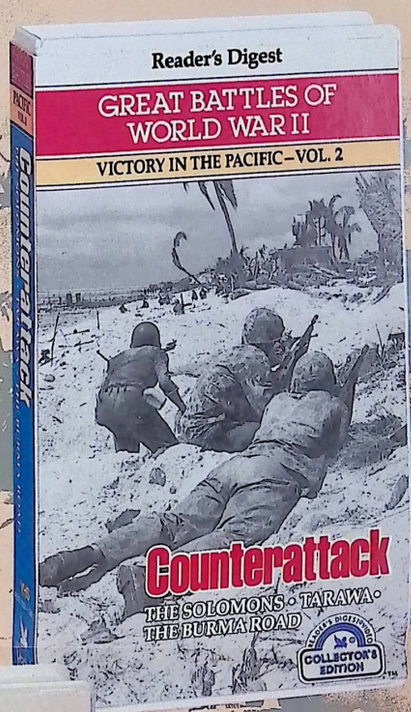
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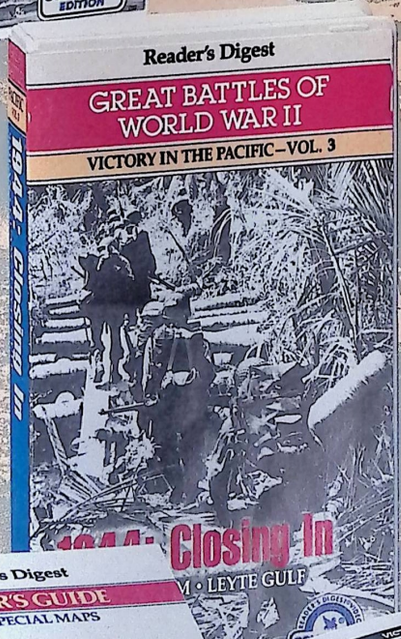
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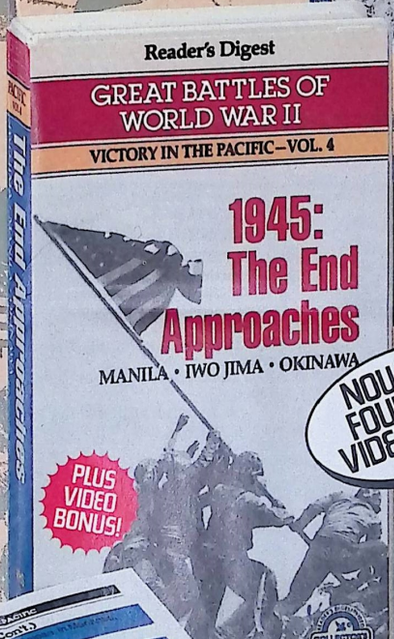


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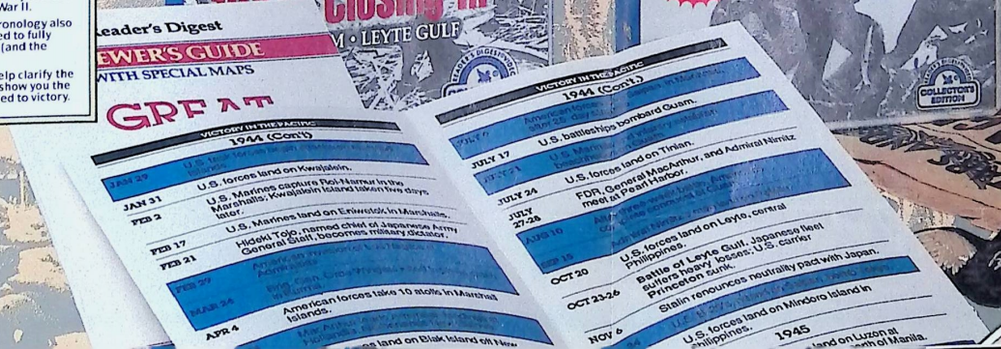
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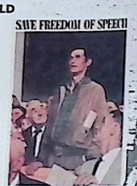
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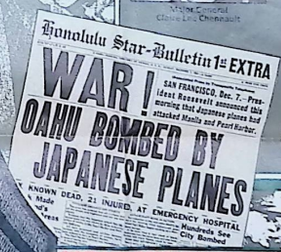






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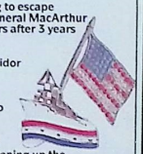
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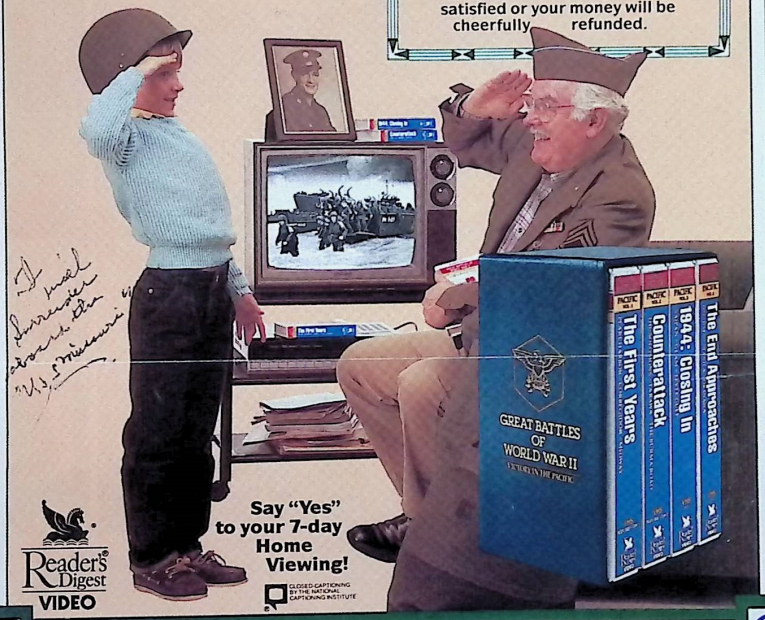
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COMMANDING OFFICER
CAPTAIN J. N. C. GORDON (MC) USN

Captain Gordon was born in Mt. Carmel, Illinois, April 20, 1903. He attended elementary and high school in Covington, Kentucky, then graduated from the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine in 1925. He entered the Naval Medical Corps the same year.

His tours of duty have taken him to Naval Hospitals at Chelsea, Massachusetts; Norfolk, Virginia; Pensacola, Florida; Bremerton, Washington; and to Shanghai, China, with the 4th Marine Regiment. He also served as Medical Officer aboard the USS Arizona, USS Tuscaloosa and USS St. Mihiel. He assumed command of U. S. Fleet Hospital No. 115 on December 7, 1944.

Fleet Hospital No. 115 was commissioned in San Bruno, California, on December 7, 1944. Scheduled to be completed by July, the hospital was in full operation by April and cared for more than 10,000 patients during the Iwo Jima and Okinawa campaigns.

To you men and women of the staff who by your enthusiasm and untiring efforts made that enviable record possible, I want to express my heartfelt appreciation.

Now that the war has ended may each of you, in all the years to come, enjoy the peace and happiness that you so richly deserve.

J. N. C. Gordon.



EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CAPTAIN EARL F. EVANS (MC) USN

Born in New Orleans on March 15, 1905, Captain Evans graduated from the College of Medicine at Tulane University and entered the Navy Medical Corps in June, 1930, with the specialty of Internal and Tropical Medicine.

Prior to joining Fleet Hospital 115 in February, 1944, and during his previous years of Navy Service, the ships and submarines that Captain Evans served on reads like a roster of the Fleet. In addition he holds five campaign ribbons and two stars.

A member of the American Medical Association, the Association of Military Surgeons, Phi Chi medical fraternity, Delta Tau Delta social fraternity, he also is an Associate of the American College of Physicians.

HISTORY





SAN BRUNO

We moved in on this formerly renowned racetrack from all parts of the U.S.A. Some came by pullman; others, like the 40 & 8'ers of World War I, in "horse" cars. Debarking from diversified transportation at all hours of the day and night, we, the assembling personnel of Fleet Hospital 115, were already overseas conscious. We had it on good authority that the hospital was on Attu, in Australia, in the Philippines, in China and on Guam.

Here at "Tantalizing Tanforan" to those sturdy salts who took the full six weeks' training, yes, even to those who took any training, the word "grinder" had a very significant meaning. It meant that's where you would be practically all day and all night during the overseas "prep course." Drilling, marching, climbing cargo nets, running obstacle courses, smelling gases and hearing lectures were all a part of the activity everyone experienced in his daily grind on the "grinder."

Finally, all hands (except those still in 'Frisco on liberty), were moved from the stables and bedded down in three of the newly constructed barracks across from the track.

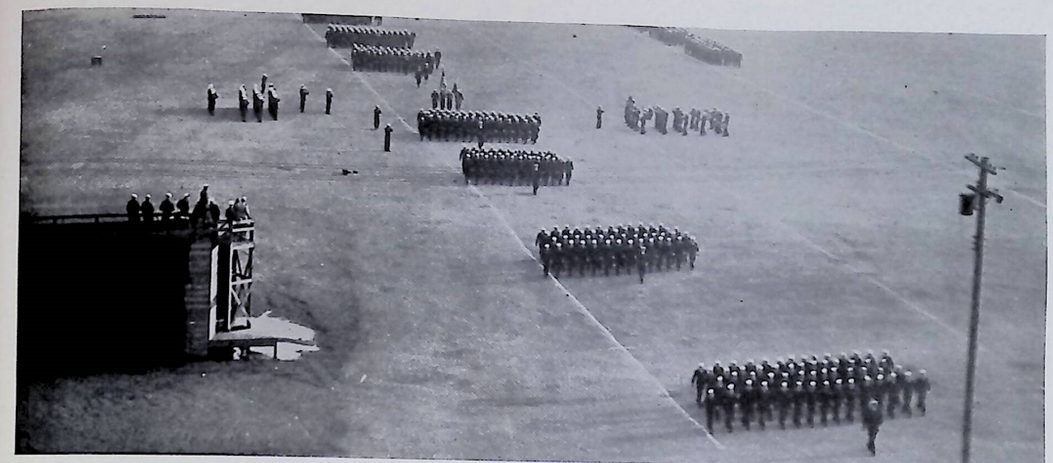
On December 7th, 1944, the entire unit donned their dress blues and paraded in grand military splendor before Captain Gordon, visiting dignitaries, and a host of spectators in the once famous grandstand, as Fleet Hospital 115 was officially commissioned.

After ten days of card playing, 'Frisco liberties, inspections, instructions and packing, the word finally came, "We Go Aboard Today."

Some stumbled and fell, others quivered like jell, but all went through hell as we struggled and slipped in the rain from the shed on Pier 46 across the gangplank onto the deck of A.P. 147 for what we hoped would be a pleasant voyage aboard the USS General E. T. Collins.

















U.S.S. GENERAL E. T. COLLINS

The first few moments aboard this scandalous scow were spent winding down steel ladders with full load of gear into crowded compartments and locating bunks. These were arranged four high; the lowest approximately one-eighth of an inch from the deck, the top one just far enough from the overhead to allow room for breathing. If hot water or steam pipes ran through your immediate sleeping vicinity, one position was probably all that was possible in which to stretch out.

Two full days of finding vantage points topside from which to get a final view of San Francisco were broken only by the superhuman job of getting fed. The inmates of 3 Charlie and 3 Dog were chosen to work in the Turkish bath called the galley and mess hall.

On December 20th, 1944, we sailed as cries of, "Golden Gate in '48," were being secretly foiled in far off Kingsport, Tennessee, by scientists then perfecting the atomic bomb.

The third night out a rough sea had an appalling effect on sturdy fellows who up to now were supposedly sailors. The chow line decreased rapidly for 48 seasick hours. The main line became the one awaiting entry to the heads. From there the men usually retired to their bunks to contemplate on the sad possibilities of the future. A Jap torpedo would have brought relief to many at this point. Even to those still eating it was a problem to manipulate a tray so as to enable a mess cook to load it with grub. Food, equipment, men and ship were all headed in opposite directions in this cycle of topsy-turvy bewilderment. On Christmas Eve the orgy of waves still continued and to add insult to injury, some salt set off the abandon-ship alarm. Earlier in the evening each man had been presented with a gift package as a token of the holiday season. These were packed and sent by thoughtful individuals and organizations from all the 48 states. During the alarm scare, men realized for the first time that this might be the last visit of Santa Claus.

At Pearl Harbor we docked for three days. While other ships in the convoy granted liberty, we enlisted personnel aboard the Collins, stood silently by watching the revelers return from a few hours of relaxation. Wishful thinking of the joys of Honolulu rose to the heights. To make matters worse, we took aboard more passengers on our already crowded transport.

New Year's Eve found us on the high seas enroute to the Marshall Islands. Scuttlebutt said we would stop at Eniwetok and end up on Guam. By this time we accepted these rumors as gospel truth. Before dropping anchor off treeless Eniwetok sleeping aboard the Collins was still practically impossible. By now the heat and stench in each compartment was almost unbearable. Devious, dubious and drastic maneuvers were engineered by all hands in an effort to locate even a seat in which to catch a few winks of much needed slumber. Night sleeping on deck was strictly forbidden. Those who tried it were unceremoniously driven below.

During six days' anchorage in the Marshalls, each man was allowed ashore once on Parry Island. On this isle the good fellowship and congenial atmosphere destined to become the trademark of Fleet Hospital 115 had its inception. Besides swimming, shell and souvenir hunting and beach ball games, beer was plentiful to those who knew the ropes.

Leaving the Marshalls our convoy was increased to nine freighters and transports. Card playing, chiselling ice cream, watching our two sub-chaser escorts, the horizon or flying fish and talking to our new-found friends was the daily routine aboard. The promenade of nurses on the decks immediately above and below had ceased to be a source of entertainment although it was still interesting to speculate.

On January 16th, the cliffs of Guam appeared on the horizon. Circling the "rock" we pulled into the harbor which was already crowded with almost every type of naval vessel afloat. The next day our sea bags were dumped 40 feet into an LST followed by officers and men of Fleet Hospital 115 down the cargo nets as we bid fond farewell to the Collins.

After an appropriate wait ashore, trucks were commandeered to haul us from the beach, through war-ravaged Agana, capital city of Guam, to the site of our hospital. The battered coast line studded with stalled and deserted tanks and other equipment, the desolate shell shattered ruins of Agana gave most of us our first glimpse of the horrible devastation of modern war.

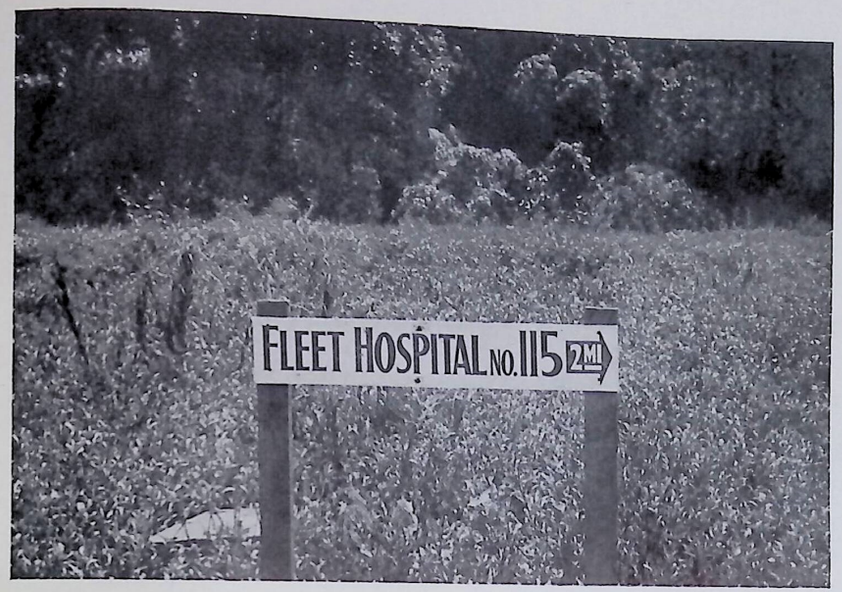












To properly describe the experiences, the mental and physical toils, the hopes and apprehensions of the first frantic and frolicking days we spent on the site of our future hospital, a volume—or a shelf of volumes—would be far from adequate.

To those of us who came in at the beginning, weary from life aboard the Collins, looking to showers and food and a little "lebensraum," to find our "hospital" a stretch of jungle tagged with our name—to those, these earliest days are a brightly burning memory that time will not dim. To those of us who joined 115 at a later time, the story of "pioneer days" was a narrative heard and reheard. To all of us it is a period of which nothing new can be said, little historic appraisal remains to be made.

Lizards and cocoanuts were among the first new acquaintances made, and for many ensuing weeks the love for the latter remained. Warehouse No. 2, known to us as THE building, became the immediate hub of our daily life. At that spot we got our memorable introduction to K-rations, and from there these appetite-teasers first were dispersed. There our back-logged mail for a month was distributed as the Post Office crew worked night and day to restore our mauled morale with 25,000 precious pieces of mail; there the many work details were organized and mustered, sea-bags were stowed, and much of our vital gear for the era was issued.

Cocoanut trees gave us shade and food, and supported our hammocks in tiers of three and four. At night they framed a moving picture of search beams, carefully picking their way across the heavens. "Tokyo Rose" was calling the turn on a big attack upon Guam, we were gravely told by unauthoritative informers. Sometimes we thought that over as we lay, unsleeping.

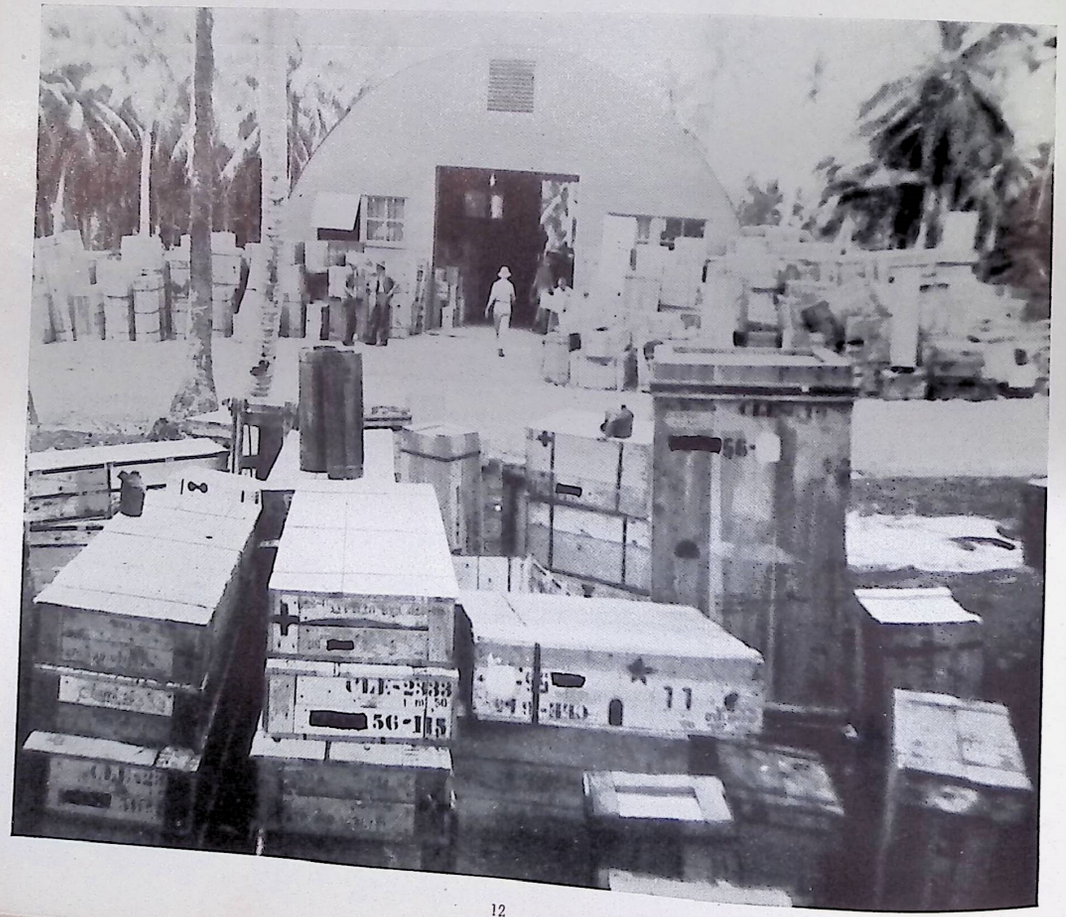
Then came our pup-tent phase, and at that stage a very informal social life sent down its first roots, nourished with salvaged rations and accompanied by soggy K-ration "weeds," as we fellowshipped around crude fireplaces until and after "lights out."

There were some high spots: movies and beer call and ships store appeared during the first week—and the day we moved into platformed house-tents. After days and weeks of unsuccessful struggle trying to wash ourselves free from the reddish-brown Guam grime in helmets, oil cans, and buckets, the opening of our bonafide showers came as the highest spot of all.

There were some petty problems—Lister bag drinking scenes, latrines, and home-laundry labors, the seaman guard action and antics on the outskirts, and spurious-sounding scuttlebutt, and occasionally it rained! Unofficial details were innovated to watch and report on the progress of the new mess hall—and we hopefully faced the day when we'd come into our rights with genuine chow and rain-tight quarters.

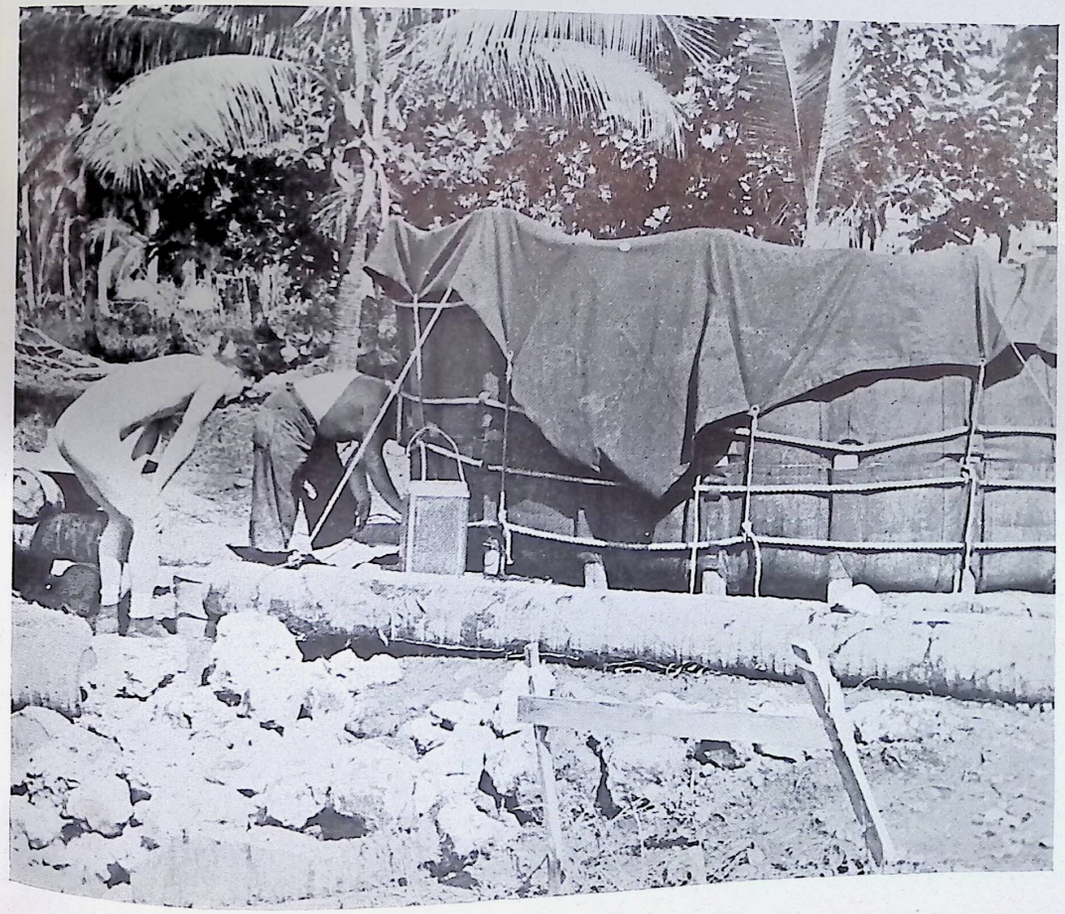










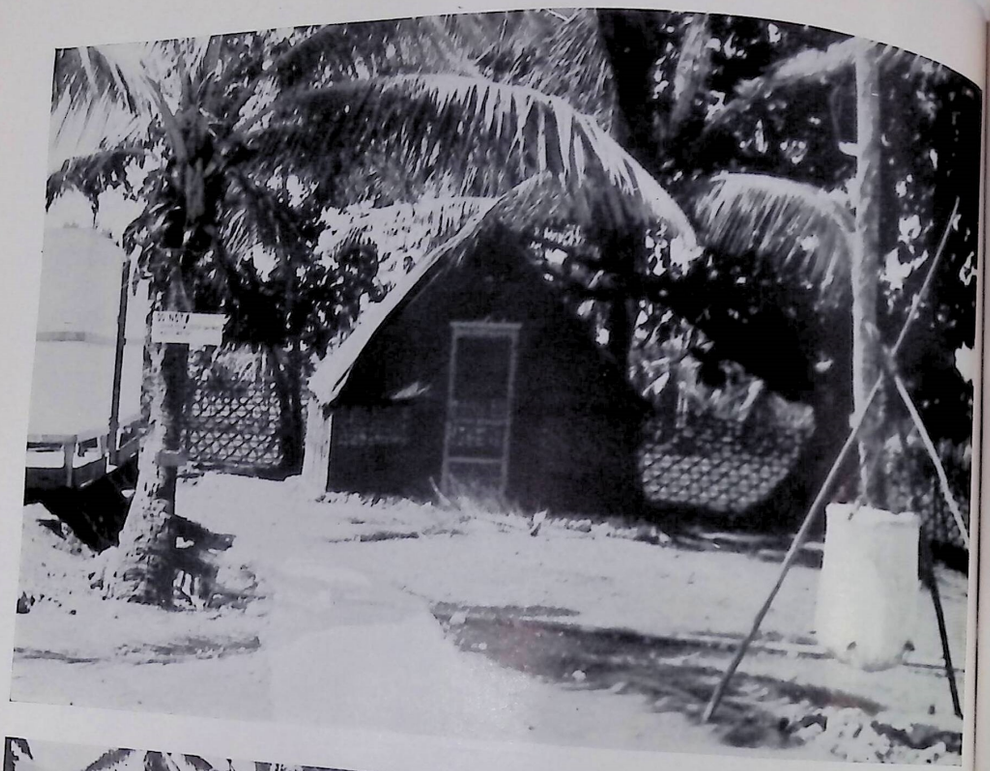






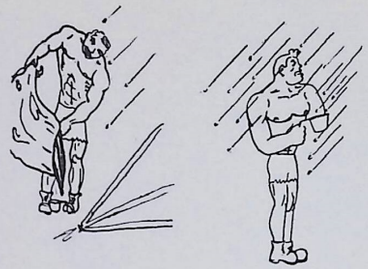



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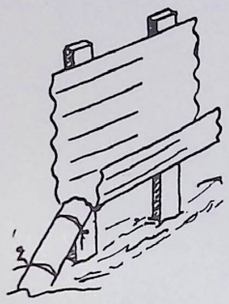


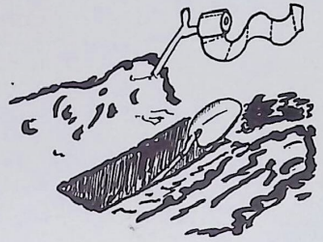










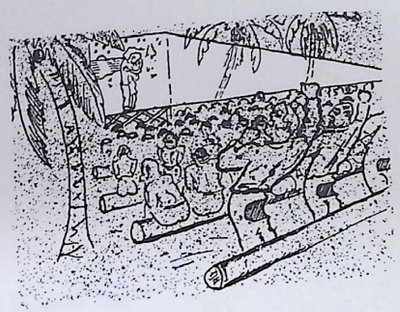




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CONSTRUCTION

The transformation from cocoanut grove to hospital was accomplished by men of the 48th Naval Construction Battalion and the staff of Fleet Hospital 115. Our corpsmen, seamen and artificers who had been salesmen, teachers, undertakers, truck drivers, storekeepers, pharmacists, farmers and high school and college students in civilian life surprised themselves with the ease and speed with which they adapted to the contracting business under less than ideal conditions.

A sub-assembly plant was set up next to the building material dump. Here, sections of steel framework were assembled on mass-production lines, trucked to each building site and erected. Other men applied roofing, insulation, siding and flooring. Then the plumbers and electricians added the final stateside comforts of running water and electricity. Other crews worked simultaneously at other jobs—the cement men hauled, mixed and poured; levellers and graders smoothed out rough spots on the compound; our own cement sewer-pipe was made in special molds; other men drove trucks while others unloaded them; others opened crates—supplying the salvage detail with boards with millions of nails to be pulled; and all around us—day and night—seamen stood guard against stray Japs still at large on the island. We worked—and griped—and from the contents of approximately 25,000 crates, on 122 acres of ground, we built and equipped a 1,500 bed hospital.

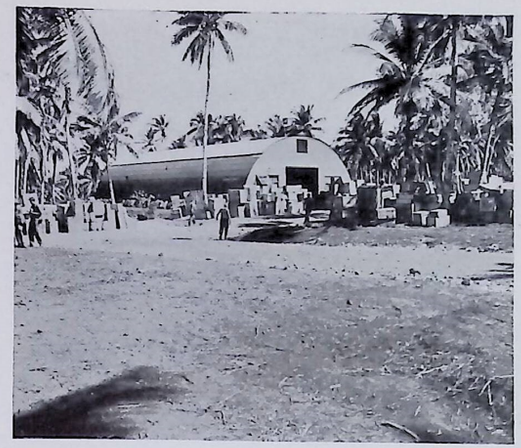
Almost two miles (11,650 feet) of Butler Huts make up the wards, barracks, heads and some auxiliary buildings. In addition, there are eight 40' x 100' Quonset huts housing the galley, mess hall, warehouses, laundry and recreation hall. The buildings are linked by a central switchboard with almost 100 "subscribers." Water is supplied by an artesian well via a 420,000-gallon storage tank and two 15,000-gallon gravity pressure tanks.

Specialized medical facilities have a capacity far beyond our original 1,500 beds—two X-ray departments which can handle at least 200 cases per day with the latest type equipment and dark rooms; a laboratory prepared to do 3,000 examinations weekly; four major operating rooms; five complete dental offices and a prosthetic laboratory; an eye, ear, nose and throat clinic.

While we built, the bloody battle for Iwo Jima raged to the north. We did not know whether we would be called upon to serve the wounded of that campaign, but we felt confident we would be ready if necessary. The speed of our own construction amazed us and pleased the skipper who issued the following commendation:

> The Commanding Officer wishes to commend all hands, with very few exceptions, for their efficient, loyal and untiring efforts displayed in the construction of this hospital during the period January 17 to April 1, 1945.
>
> Although the 48th CB's were assigned to the construction job, both officers and enlisted personnel of that command have told me repeatedly that of all the projects they have built, they have never come in contact with a more industrious and enthusiastic group of personnel than those here at this hospital.
>
> This commendation will be reflected in the fitness reports and service records of all hands.
>
> CAPTAIN GORDON























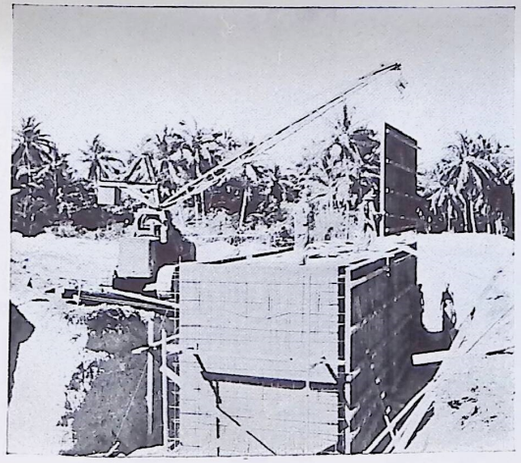


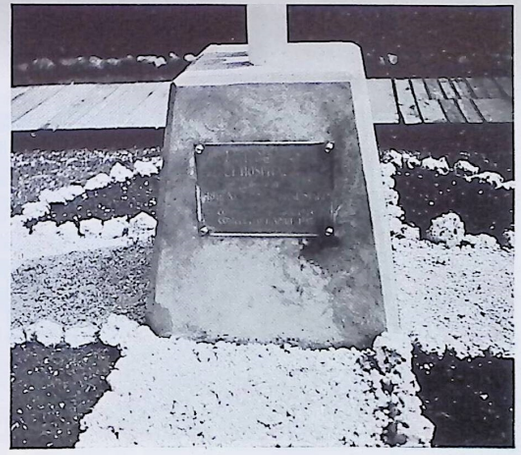












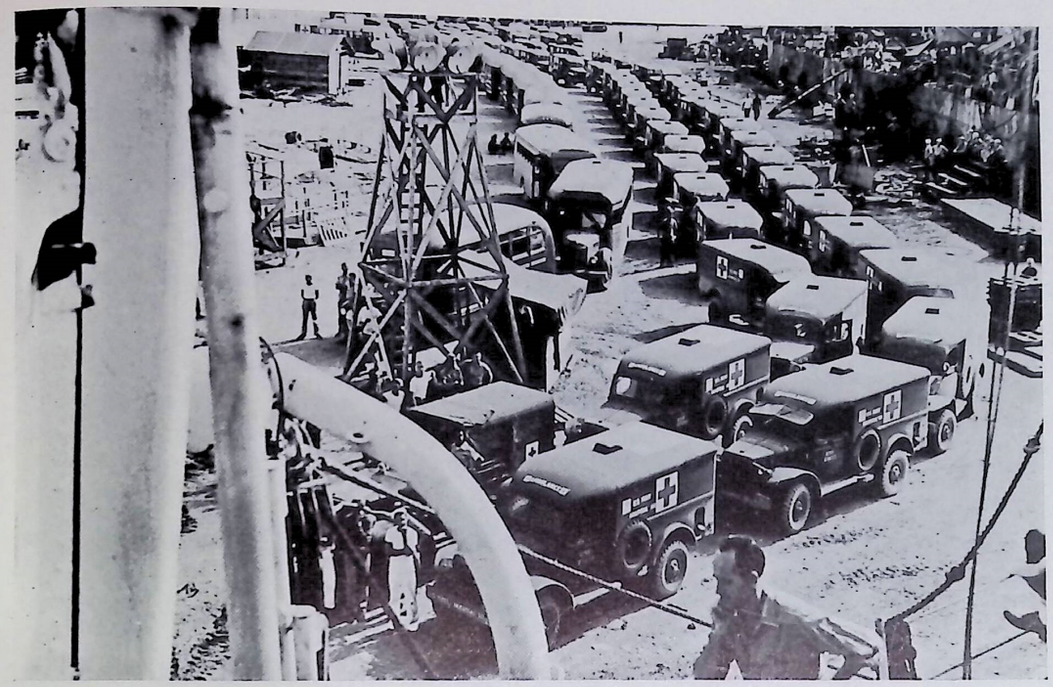
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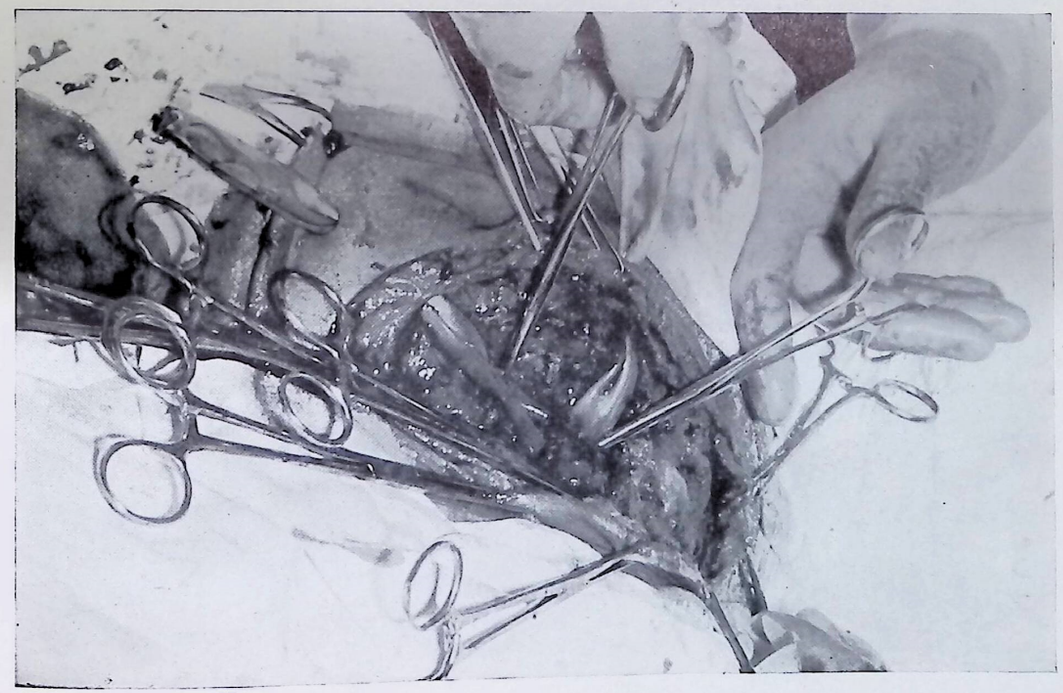
This was it! This was March 17, 1945, and the long line of field ambulances that filed into our compound symbolized the real reason we had been sent overseas; why we had worked feverishly day and night in a race against time. And we had beaten time itself, for in 57 days after our landing on the island we had built a hospital on a site that had been covered with tangled undergrowth and trees.

Everyone of us had a feeling of pride in the accomplishment as we saw the first group of casualties from the bitter fighting at Iwo Jima taken into the wards assigned to them. Mingled with this pride, however, was a touch of apprehension for we wanted these men from one of history's bloodiest conflicts to have the finest care they had so deservedly earned. We wanted each one of these veterans to receive every possible bit of attention and skill that would assist them toward recovery and, now that they were here, we couldn't help but wonder how our newly established hospital would function as compared with the smoothly operating hospitals we had been a part of back in the States.

But, if there had been doubts in our minds, they soon vanished in the burst of activity that encompassed us as we began the work necessary to the care of our patients. Doctors, nurses and corpsmen turned to with a vigor and skill that overcame any obstacle that arose due to our hurried preparations. The patients were carried to metal beds, dressed in clean, new pajamas, placed on clean, new sheets and given hot, well-prepared food carried from the galley by corpsmen. Doctors stopped at each bed, talked to the patients, made diagnoses, prescribed treatments, gave orders. Nurses, too, went among the patients, seeing that they were made as comfortable as possible and supervising the activity of the ward. And the corpsmen did the million and one things necessary to the routine of a hospital ward, ranging from the most menial tasks to the giving of morphine, penicillin, IV's and the standing of special watches.

As the days passed and each member of the staff became more familiar with his particular job we knew that this group of men and women, banded together from most of the 48 States, and officially called Fleet Hospital 115, had turned out to be a very well-equipped, smooth-running team.





OKINAWA

Even before the last of the Iwo patients were evacuated, we began receiving casualties from the Okinawa campaign. These taxed our facilities to the utmost and necessitated increased bed space by double-decking bunks in many of the wards and utilizing the abandoned tent area. By this time we were a seasoned unit and the apprehension we had formerly felt had entirely vanished as each evening brought the announcement that more patients would arrive by plane through the night. Interruptions at the movies calling for the delousing squad, litter bearers and ambulance drivers were a nightly occurrence. Men who worked all day in various departments often spent the entire night carrying stretchers. Ward corpsmen who tended the sick all day were called out repeatedly at night for special watches on seriously ill patients.

During the months of this campaign, refrigerated whole blood flown from Red Cross blood donor centers in Oakland, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Denver and Chicago was in constant life-saving use. Before the end of this period we had used 2 billion, 280 million units of Penicillin.

In addition to casualties from Okinawa we received many patients from ship and shore establishments and from the 3rd Marine Division just returned from Iwo. The latter, who had fought through the fury of Iwo, were fatigued and battle weary and required careful attention. Other taxing cases brought to 115 were those involving hundreds of men stricken at one time with food poisoning. Morphine, paregoric and normal saline intravenous injections were given wholesale. In every case the men were relieved of their misery before morning.

We continued to receive Okinawa patients until V-J day. Towards the end most of these came from our newest neighbors, the 6th Marine Division, recently returned to Guam.

After the surrender of Japan a hundred released prisoners were quartered in our wards awaiting repatriation to the States. Many of them were captured when Japan took Guam and five were survivors of the Cruiser Houston who had spent 7 months in Java and over two years in Japan as prisoners.

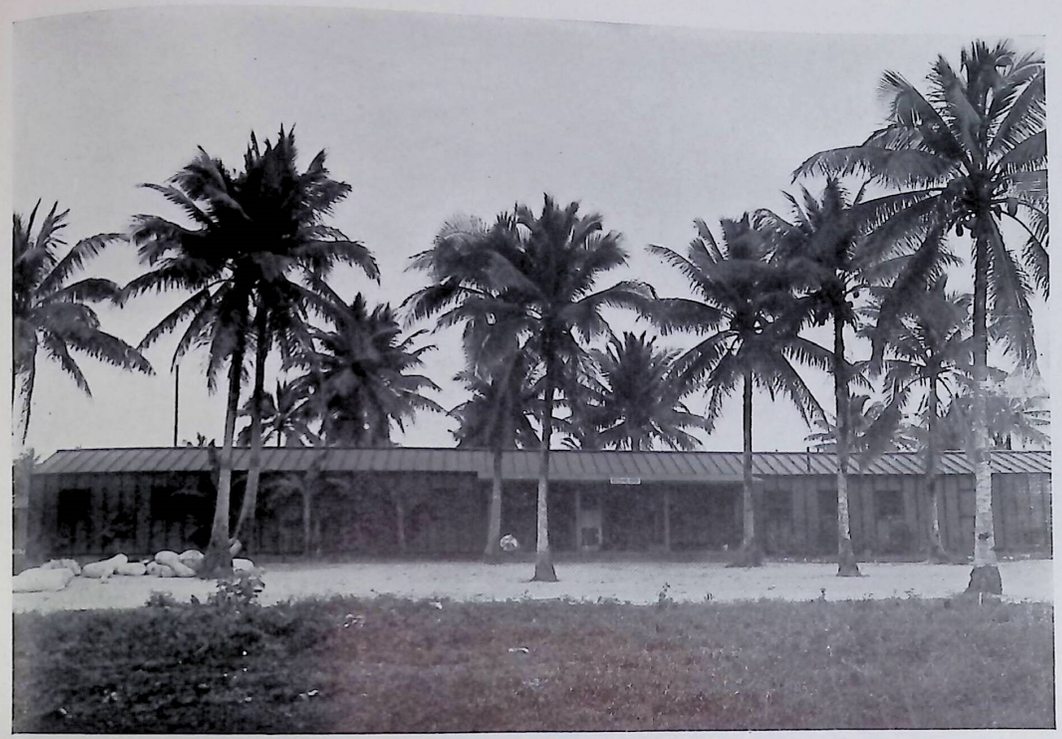
On October 10, 1945, the last of our patients were transferred to other hospitals on the island and we were readied for decommissioning.



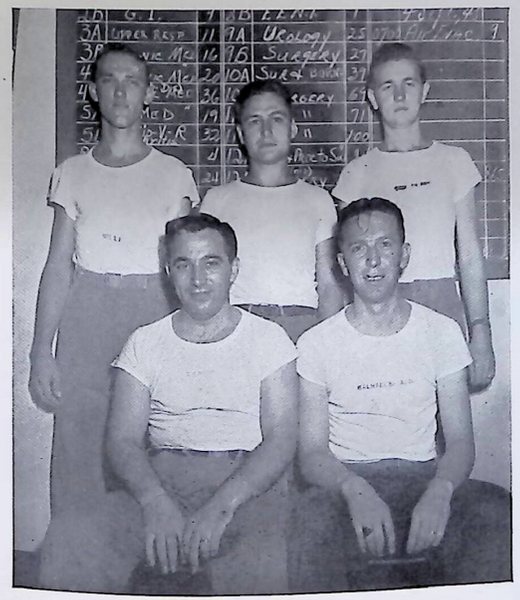


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RECEIVING WARD



Seated—DiGeso, Kalhagen
Standing—Hoyt, Spargo, T. Clark



EMERGENCY SUTURING

WARD 1A . . . Contagious Diseases



Seated—Comdr. R. E. Ching, Lt. (jg) M. Rosenthal, Wightman *Standing*—Dyar, Eltzroth, Benedict, Parker

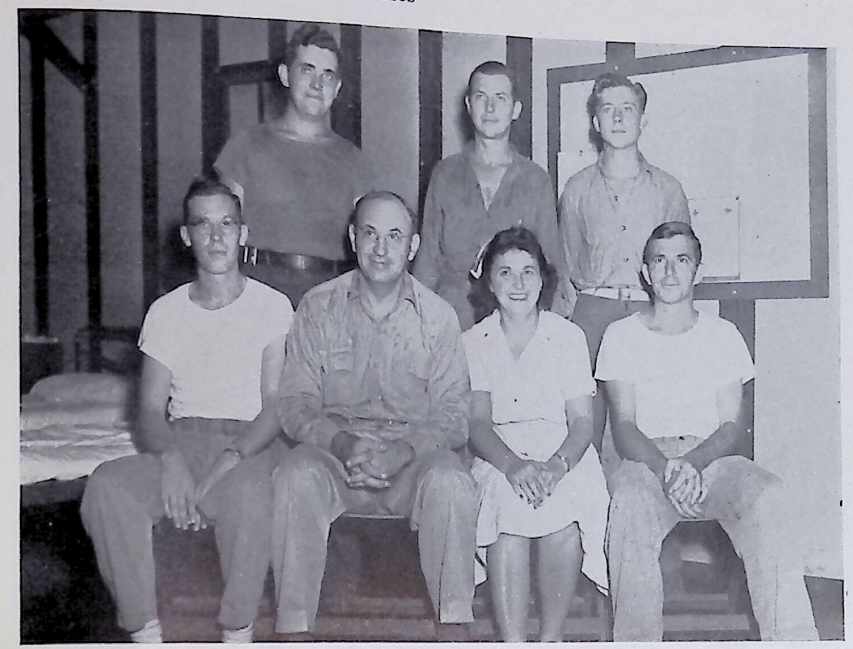
WARD 1B . . . Dermatology





Seated—Yedwab, Lt. (jg) R. E. Sumner, Lt. (jg) D. M. Eckler, Bex
Standing—J. E. Wagner, Fagan, McClure, Dozemann

WARD 2B . . . Gastro-Intestinal Diseases



Seated—Becker, Lt. Comdr. J. A. Harter, Lt. (jg) M. M. Opsuth, Boyce
Standing—Atterberg, Dromgoole, Brack

WARD 2A . . . Parasitology



Seated—Lt. (jg) G. L. Frazer, Lt. Comdr. J. A. Harter, Lt. (jg) J. M. Winn *Standing*—Audette, Ray, Fuson.

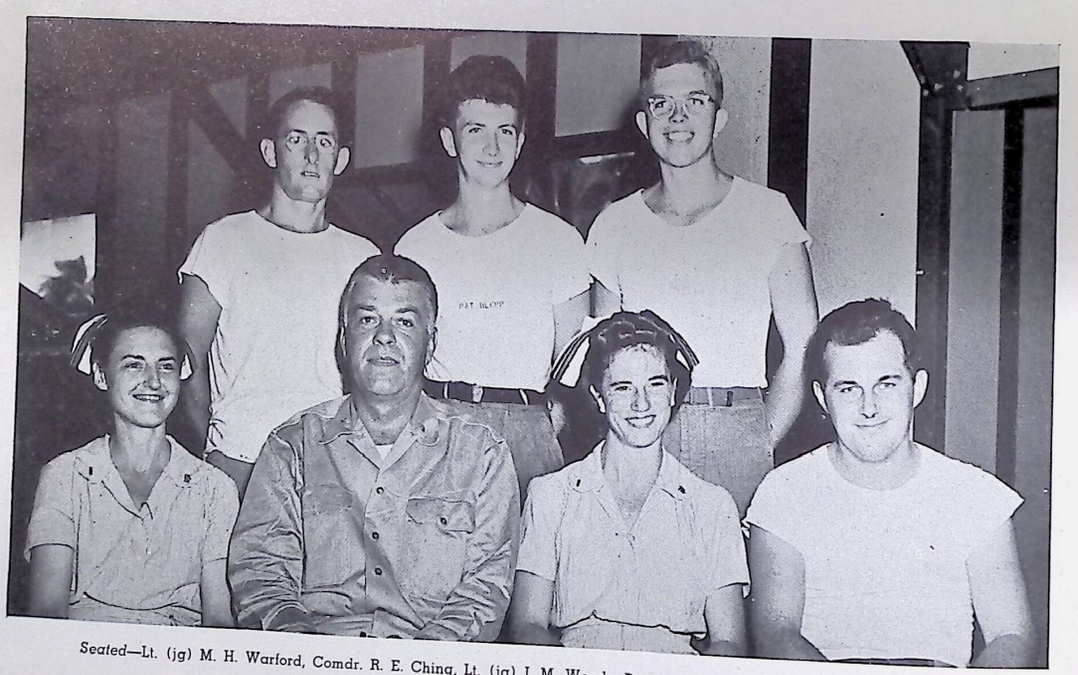


WARD 3A . . . Respiratory Diseases



Seated—Mullaney, Lt. Comdr. S. E. Chapin, Lt. (jg) A. V. Welty, Cormier *Standing*—Garrett, Ells, Schock

WARD 3B . . . Chest Diseases



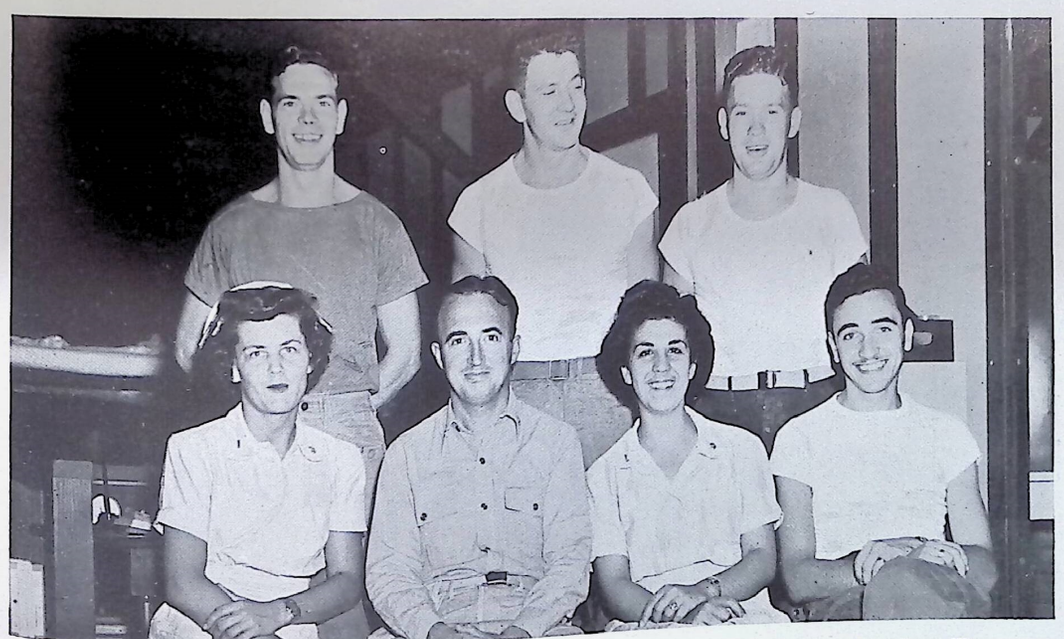
Seated—Lt. (jg) M. H. Warford, Comdr. R. E. Ching, Lt. (jg) J. M. Woods, Brown *Standing*—Ross, Blepp, Briggs

WARD 4A . . . Internal Medicine (general)



Seated—Lt. (jg) H. Bochnik, Lt. Comdr. J. L. Jackson, Lt. (jg) L. M. Schulte, Glunt
Standing—Kalt, Griffiths, Rabinowitz, Barber, Hitchcock

WARD 4B . . . Internal Medicine (general)



Seated—Lt. (jg) L. M. Beane, Lt. Comdr. R. T. Warburton, Lt. (jg) T. Parella, Fox *Standing*—Dunn, Ritter, Winn

WARD 5A . . . General Medicine (internal)



Seated—G. M. Fisher, Lt. (jg) R. M. Dagnon, Lt. C. E. Pruett, Lt. (jg) H. G. Rittenhouse, G. C. Murphy, Jr.
Standing—Engelkes, Birmer, Gerow, Gordon



Gastric Analysis



Chow Delivery

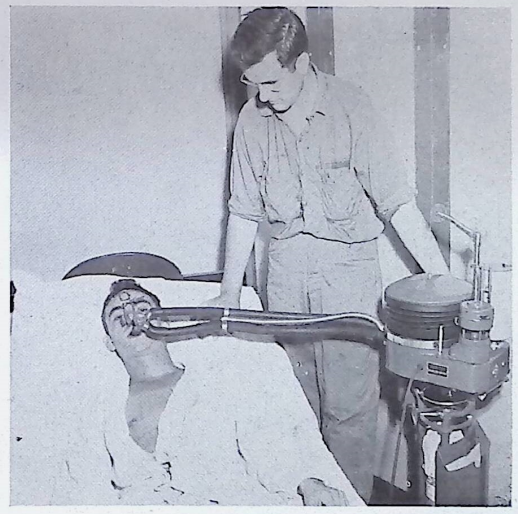
WARD 5B . . . Cardiology



Seated—Mikel, Lt. Comdr. J. B. Schwedel, Lt. (jg) M. C. Burch, Lt. (jg) W. D. Grant
Standing—Parrack, Heiney, Allard, Lockhart, O'Donnell



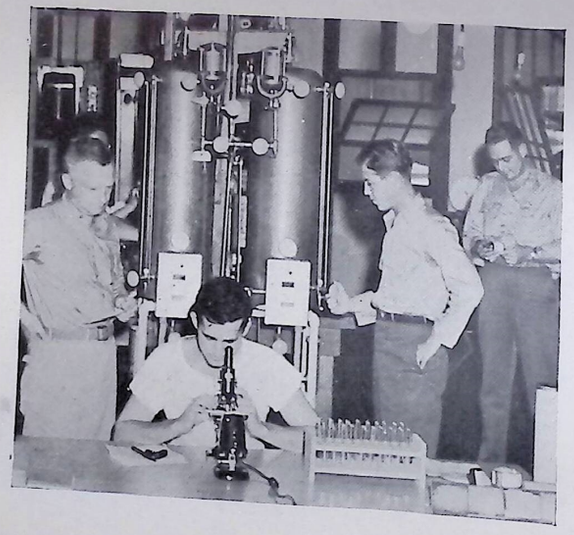
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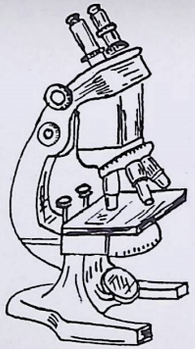


Basal Metabolism Rate



Seated—Schultz, Choate, Comdr. A. A. Humphrey, Reeves, Preston, J. C. Alexander
Standing—C. R. Davis, Dubuisson, Petrey, Stingley, Brotman, Ptak

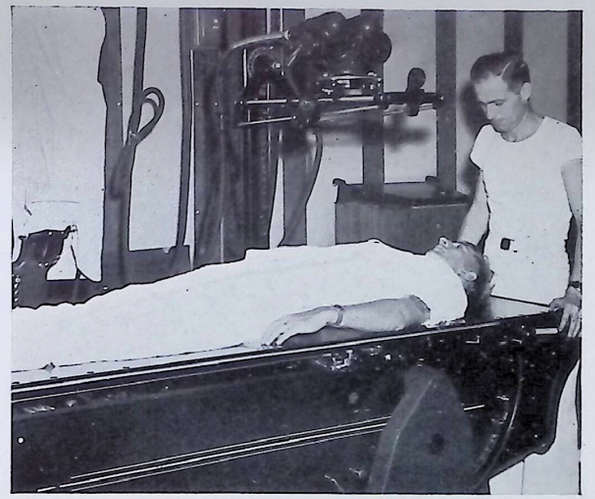




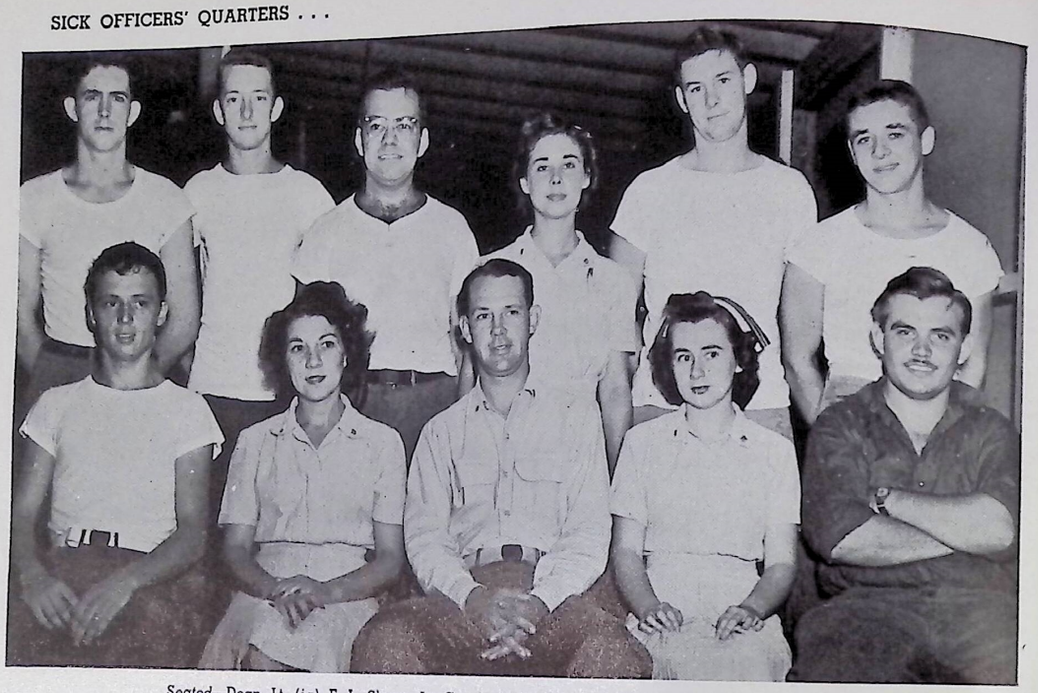


Seated—Lt. Comdr. M. W. Mason, Grogg, Edgar, Bernard, Wellmeier
Standing—Boone, Weichert, McDevitt, Eger, Royek, Bertrand





SICK OFFICERS' QUARTERS . . .



Seated—Dean, Lt. (jg) F. L. Slacer, Lt. Comdr. L. M. Woodruff, Lt. (jg) C. Maguire, Noblitt
Standing—Sprague, Linville, Morse, Lt. (jg) M. M. Lemon, Watson, R. C. Smith



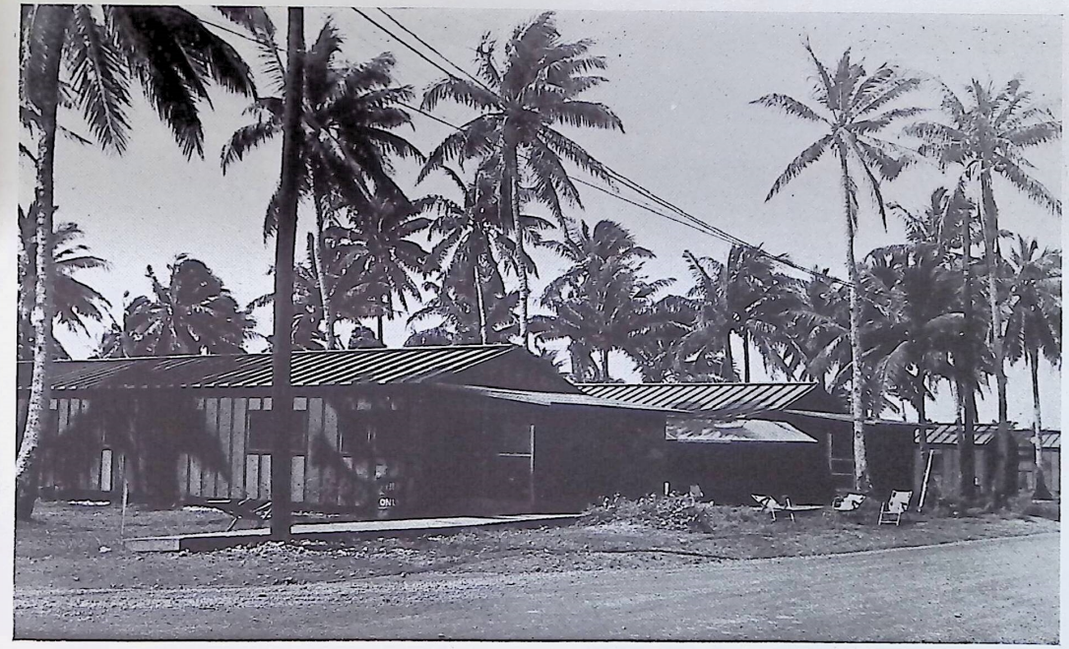
CAPTAIN'S INSPECTION . . .

SICK OFFICERS' QUARTERS



Seated—Cade, Lt. R. A. Mackey, Lt. F. L. Overton, Lt. (jg) A. V. Pekarski, Lt. (jg) M. K. Urps
Standing—Neeley, R. F. Bennett, Hahn, Hogue, Van Pelt, Kohler

OUTSIDE SOQ . . .



WARD 6A . . . General Surgery



Seated—Brist, Lt. (jg) P. E. Grove, Lt. Comdr. W. W. Ayres, Lt. (jg) F. L. Oesting, A. F. Walters
Standing—Giuliani, Morrell, Harmon, O'Rourke, Walton

WARD 6B . . . General Surgery



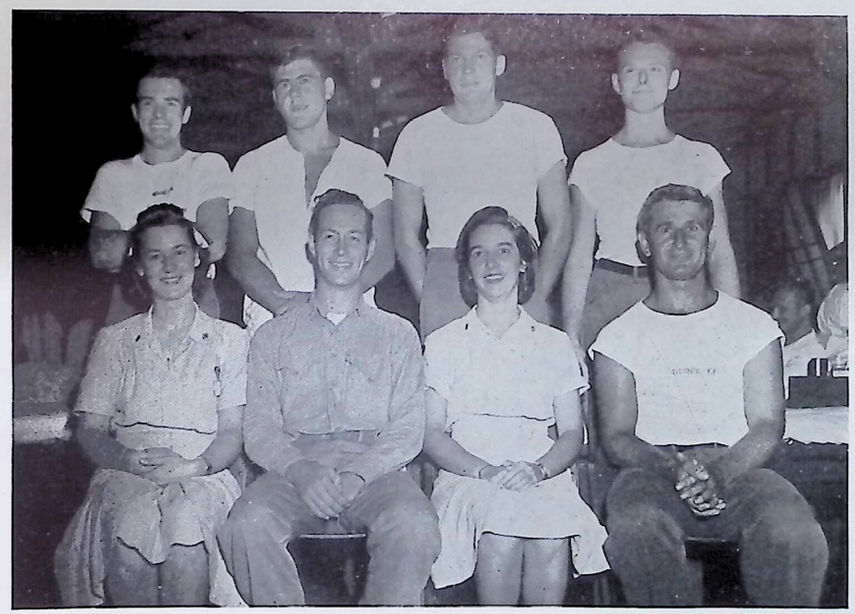
Seated—Lt. (jg) E. V. Koehler, Comdr. R. E. Doran, Lt. (jg) J. G. Poli, Ilacqua
Standing—Leming, W. J. Murphy, Merrill, W. H. Robinson, Giorgianna

WARD 7A . . . Orthopedic Surgery



Seated—Lt. (jg) M. J. Kinter, Lt. E. L. Jackson, Lt. (jg) N. G. Clifford, Bolognese
Standing—Chandler, Galbo, Sukeforth, Sennett

WARD 7B . . . Orthopedic Surgery



Seated—Lt. (jg) V. L. Podobed, Lt. (jg) H. E. Hopple, Lt. (jg) M. E. Wakeham, Dudek
Standing—Murkland, Kay, Bondorf, Barton

WARD 8A . . . Orthopedic Surgery

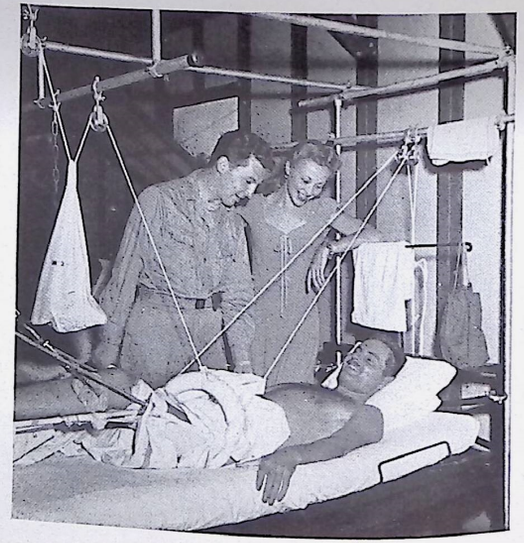


Seated—Lt. (jg) N. P. Klemenok, Lt. (jg) R. W. Zitek, Lt. (jg) E. O. Aronson, Wiggins *Standing*—Watson, Coleman, Hribar, Walls

Eddie Bracken Entertains



Bracken and Blonde



WARD 8B . . . Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat



Seated—Lt. (jg) D. L. Rice, Comdr. C. W. Rainey, Lt. W. M. Glass, Lt. (jg) E. Daget, Boyles
Standing—Morse, Rabalais, Gochenauer, Flad, Nelson, Kolber

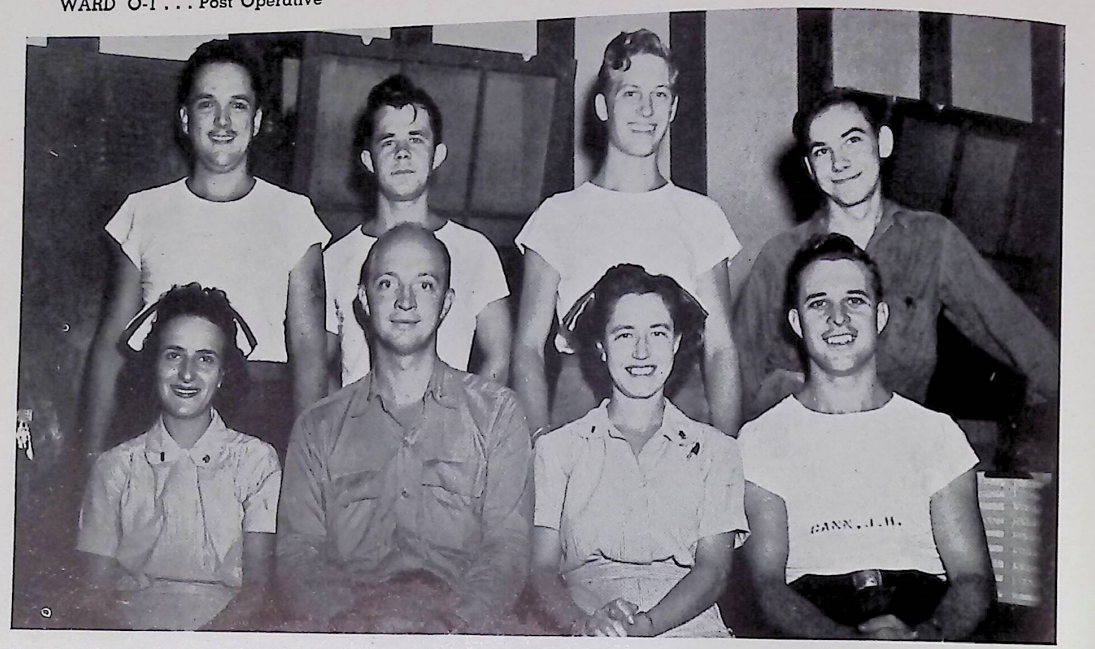
EENT Clinic



Chemical Conjunctivitis



WARD O-1 . . . Post Operative



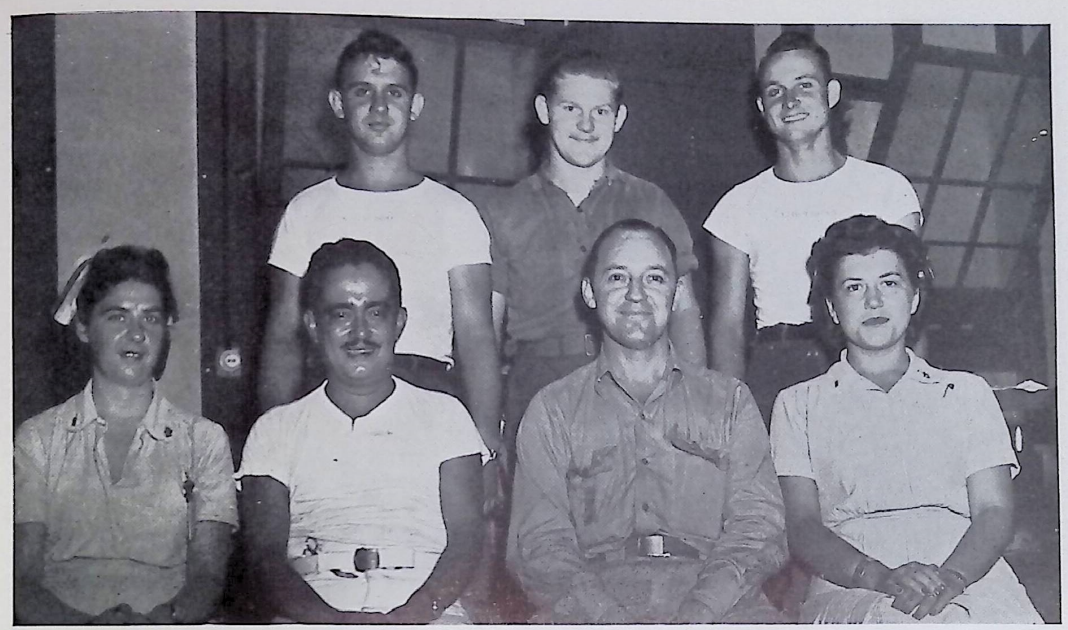
Seated—Lt. (jg) M. E. Orlando, Lt. (jg) R. A. Porterfield, Lt. (jg) E. I. Casey, Gann *Standing*—Kleiser, Spillman, Van den Burgh, Pappas

CENTRAL SUPPLY . . .



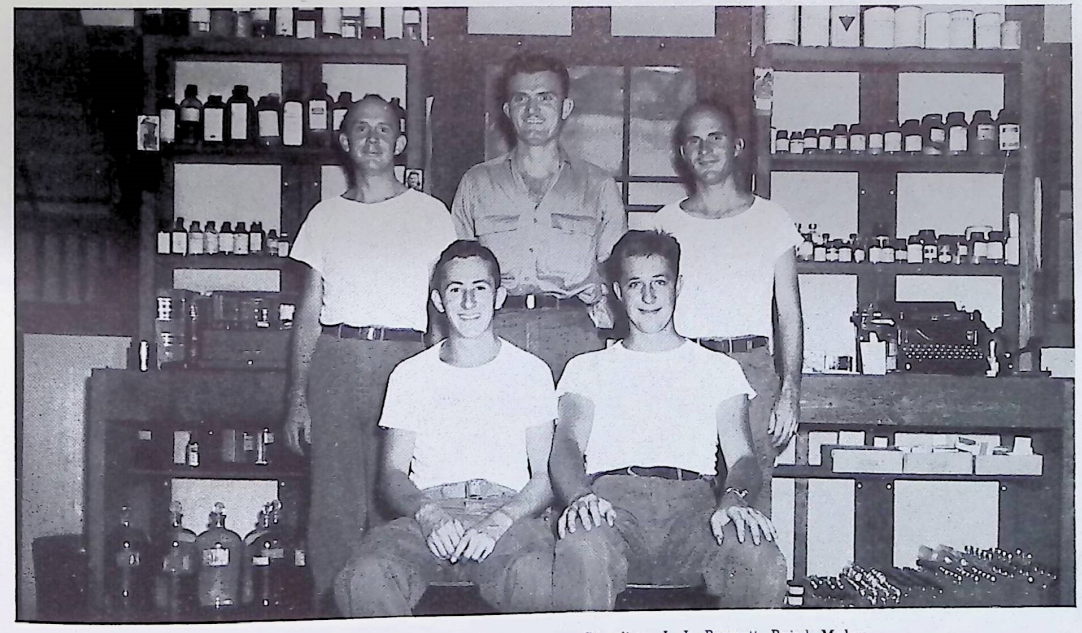
H. A. Wilson, Shafer, Lt. (jg) E. B. Moffatt, Plessinger, Genkinger, Lt. (jg) D. E. Pace

WARD O-2 . . . Post Operative



Seated—Lt. (jg) Crogan, Toro, Lt. Comdr. J. Siris, Lt. (jg) V. McGuire *Standing*—Siburt, Hintz, Tarter

PHARMACY . . .

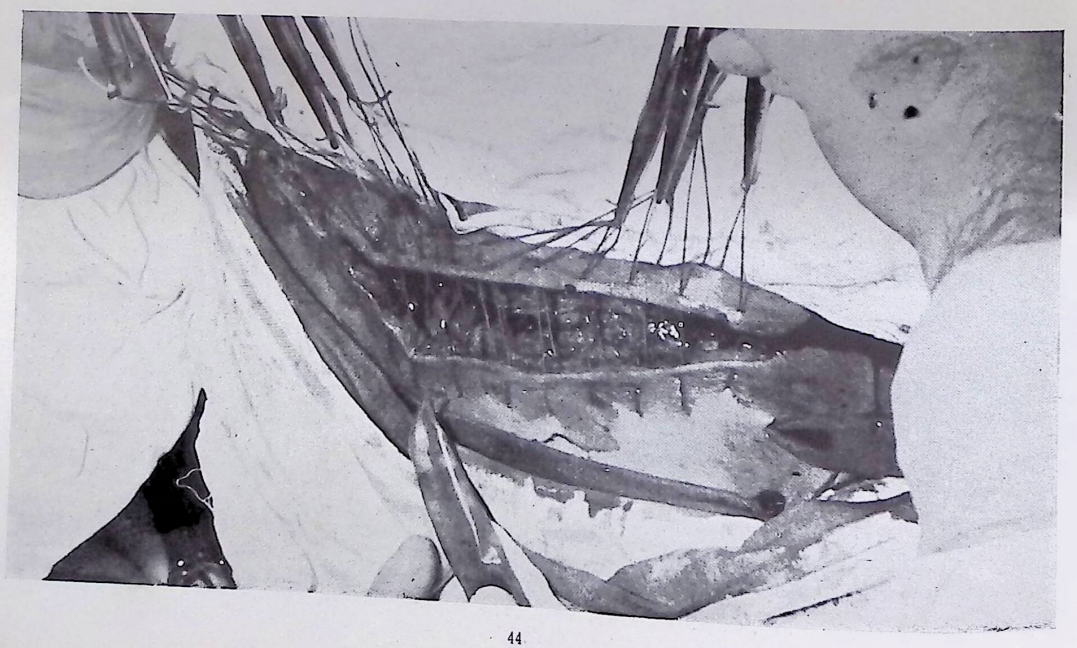


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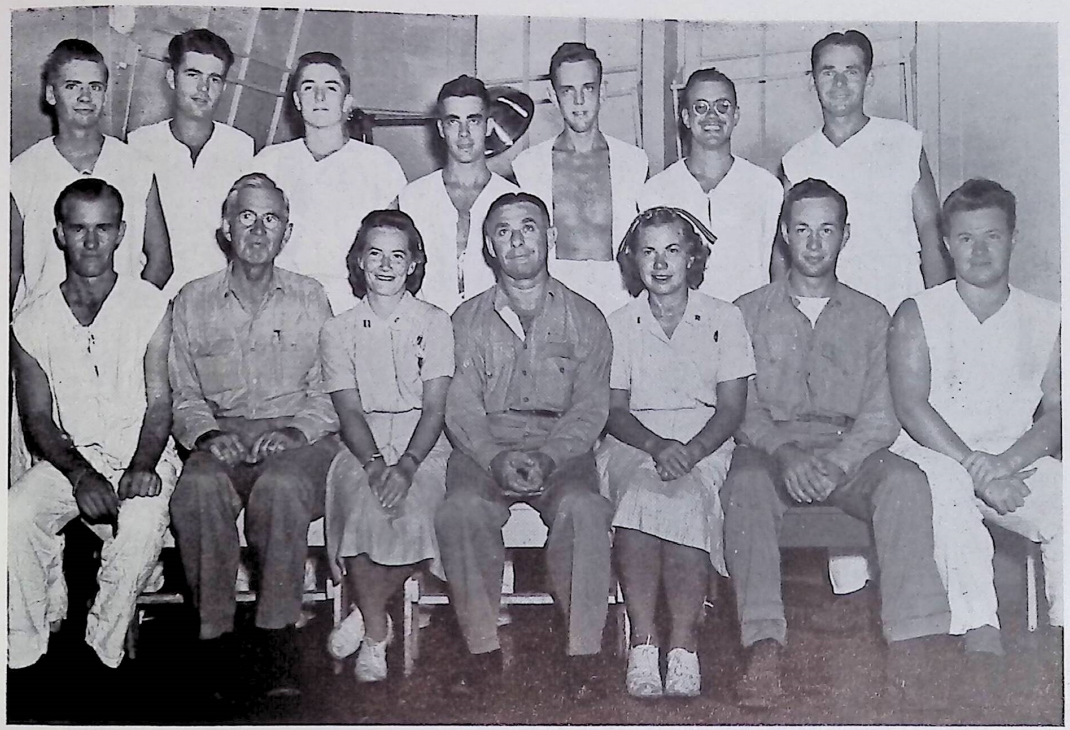
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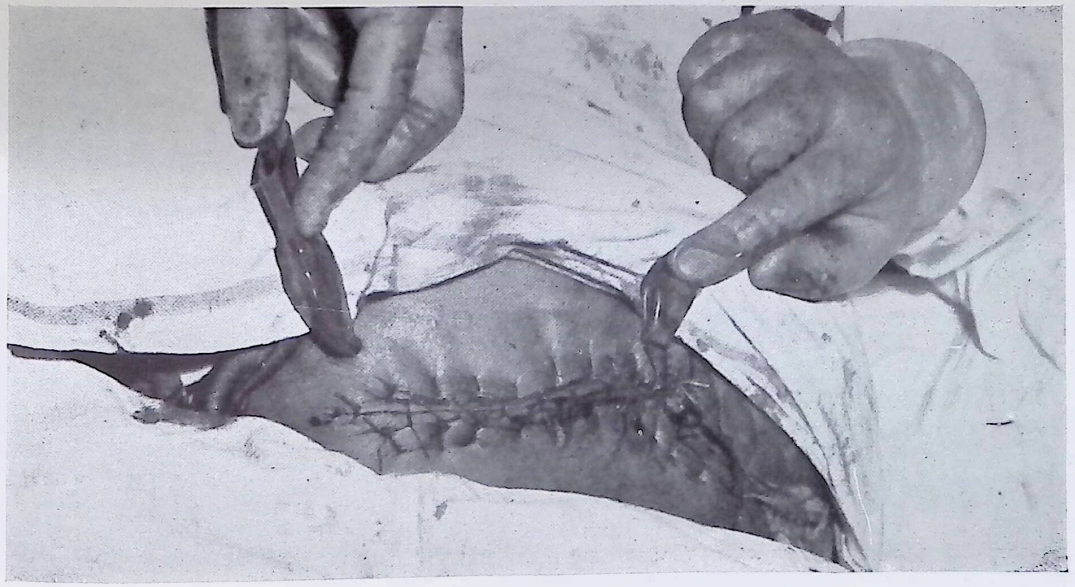
Seated—O'Grady, Hagler, R. L. Williams, Sturm, Cripps, Law, Simpson
Standing—Pedicino, Pace, Lt. (jg) H. J. Gerdes, Lt. Comdr. E. W. Coyle, Lt. (jg) J. S. Polecki, Comdr. R. E. Doran, Lt. (jg) R. A. Porterfield, L. C. Baker



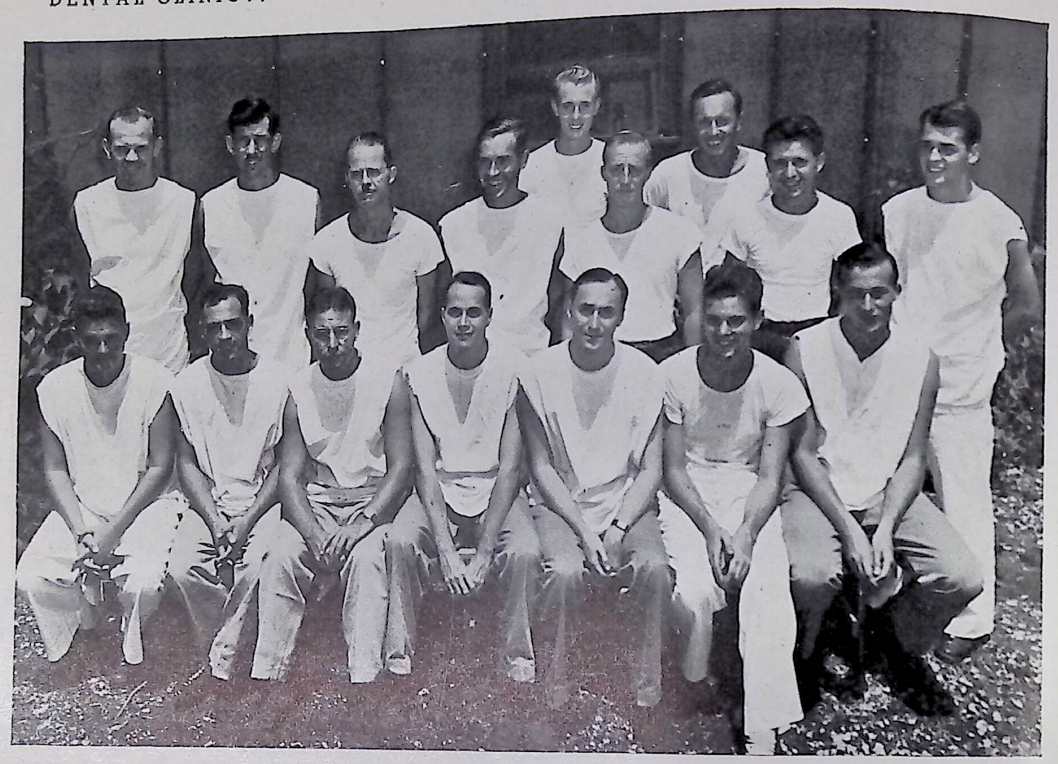
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Seated—Gilbert, Comdr. M. H. Tibbetts, Lt. J. V. Robinson, Lt. Comdr. A. L. Bassin, Lt. (jg) V. H. Hoiby, Lt. (jg) H. E. Hopple, Millhouse
Standing—Hamel, Davies, Kayser, J. A. Wilson, Line, V. R. Long, Wallstedt

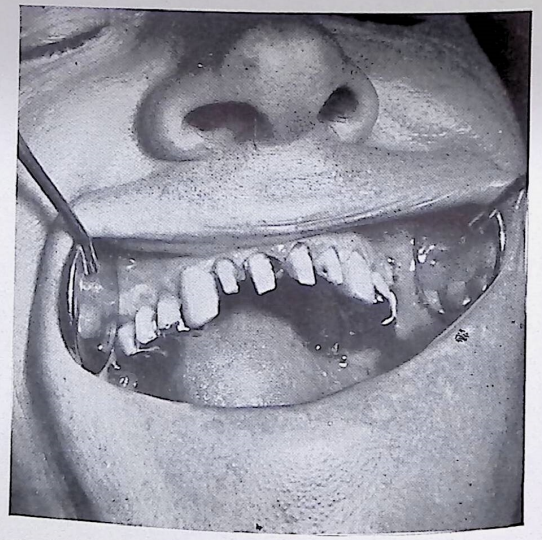


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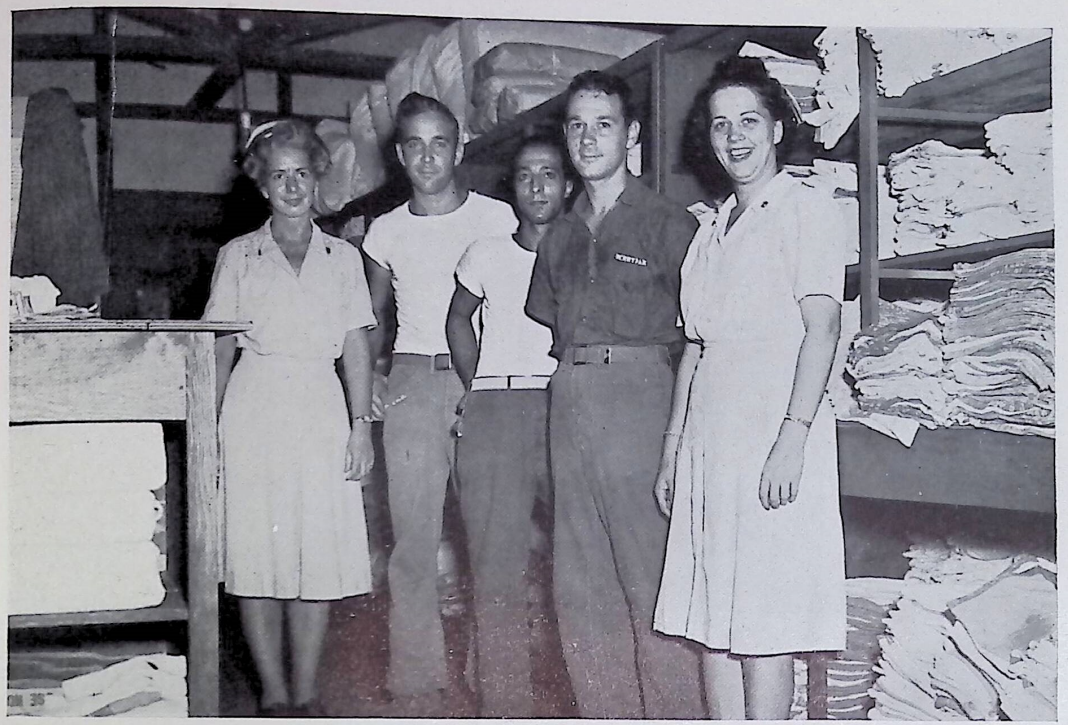


Seated—Steiner, Lt. F. M. Famiglini, Lt. J. M. Martin, Lt. R. H. Buecker, Lt. J. A. White, Veale, Layefsky
Standing—Leland, K. Cohen, Dodge, Riester, Nance, G. R. Williams, Spencer, Gatti, Ohland

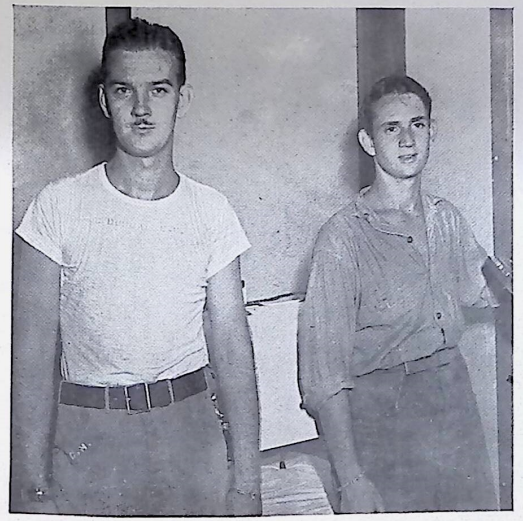




LINEN ROOM...



Lt. (jg) M. V. Taylor, Allen, Trepasso, Berryman, Lt. A. C. Nelson

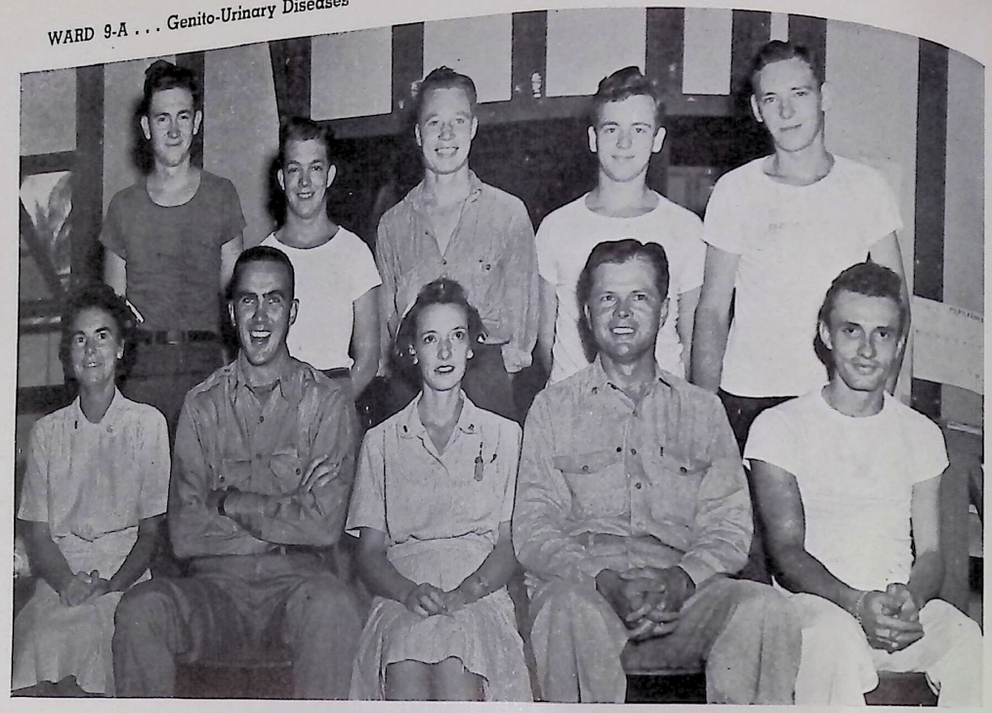


Physiotherapists—McDougal, Belfer



PBX—Kahn, R. J. Fisher, Dority, G. C. Clark

WARD 9-A . . . Genito-Urinary Diseases



Seated—Lt. (jg) M. M. McGowan, Lt. (jg) J. C. Danforth, Lt. (jg) A. M. Weir, Lt. Comdr. F. M. Woods, Deiler
Standing—Wheeler, Poarch, Lafferty, Barker, Damko



UROLOGY DEPARTMENT . . .

WARD 9-B . . .

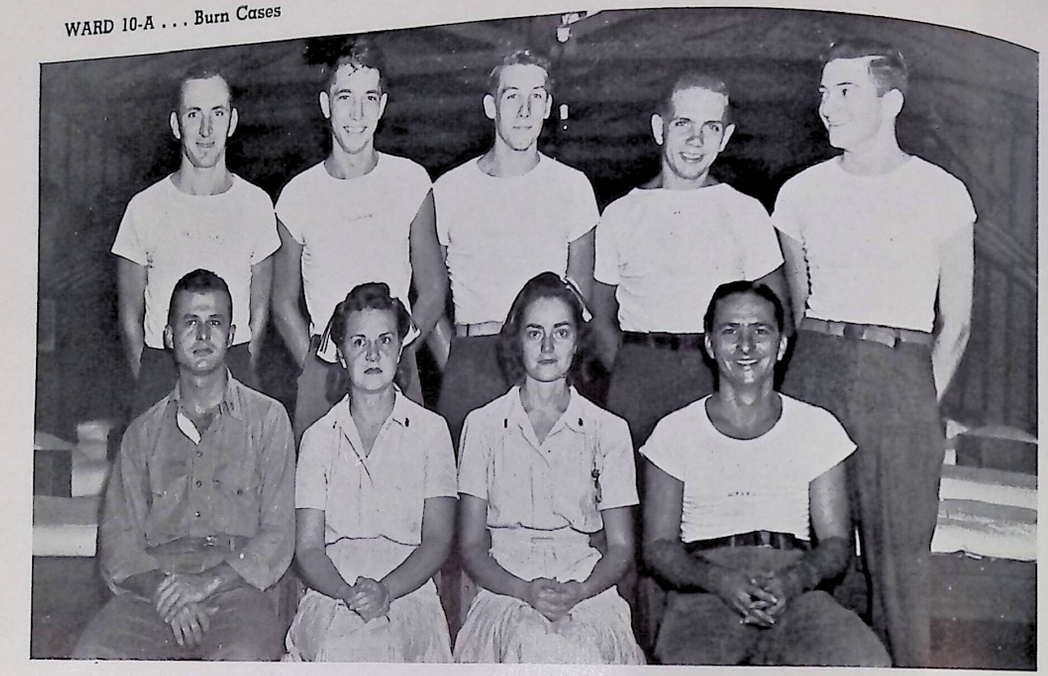


Seated—Lt. (jg) R. E. Alling, Lt. (jg) J. Martin, Lt. (jg) P. L. Gorsuch, Lt. (jg) D. M. Brush, Cookus
Standing—R. R. Johnson, Worster, Bowden, Garrity



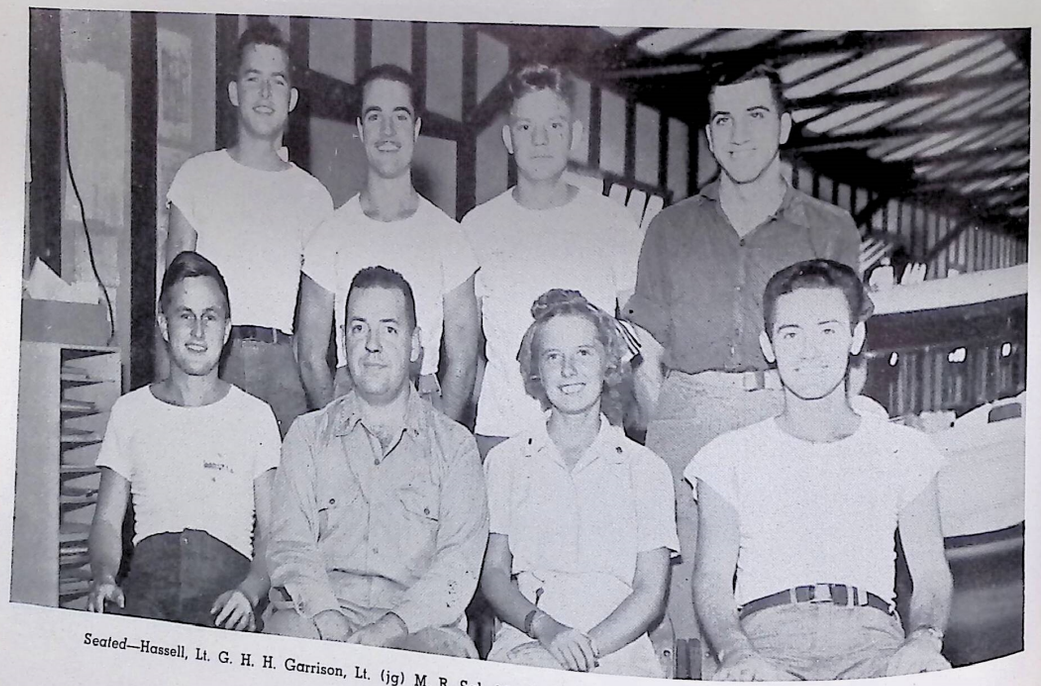
WARD INTERIOR . . .

WARD 10-A . . . Burn Cases



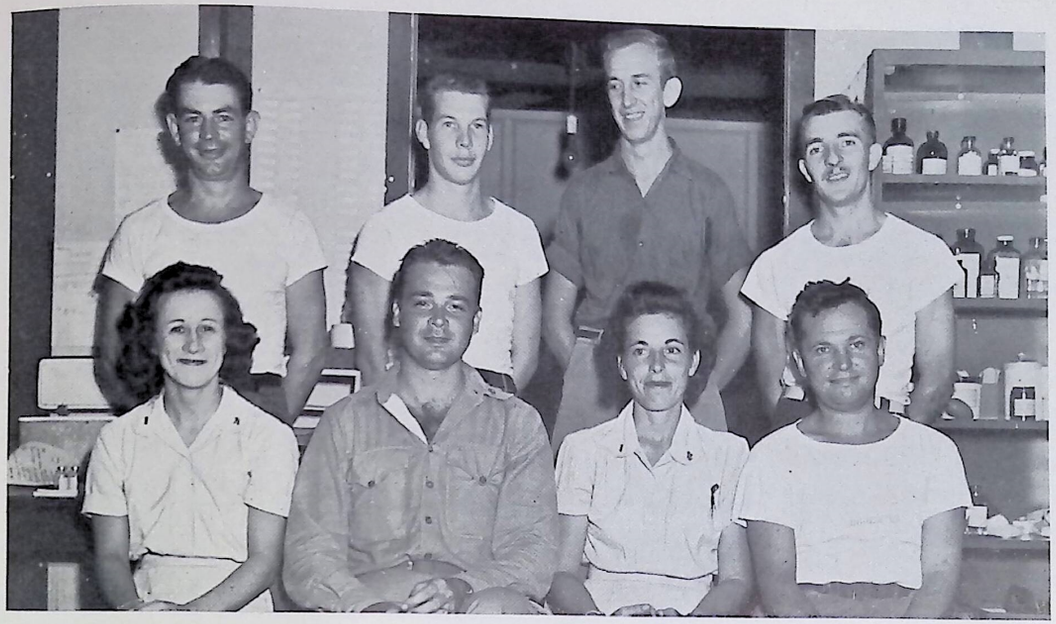
Seated—Lt. (jg) D. L. Bashline, Lt. (jg) J. K. Ochs, Lt. (jg) H. A. McGuire, Galy *Standing*—Deis, Stambaugh, Peters, B. W. Miller, Kelly

WARD 10-B . . . More Burn Cases



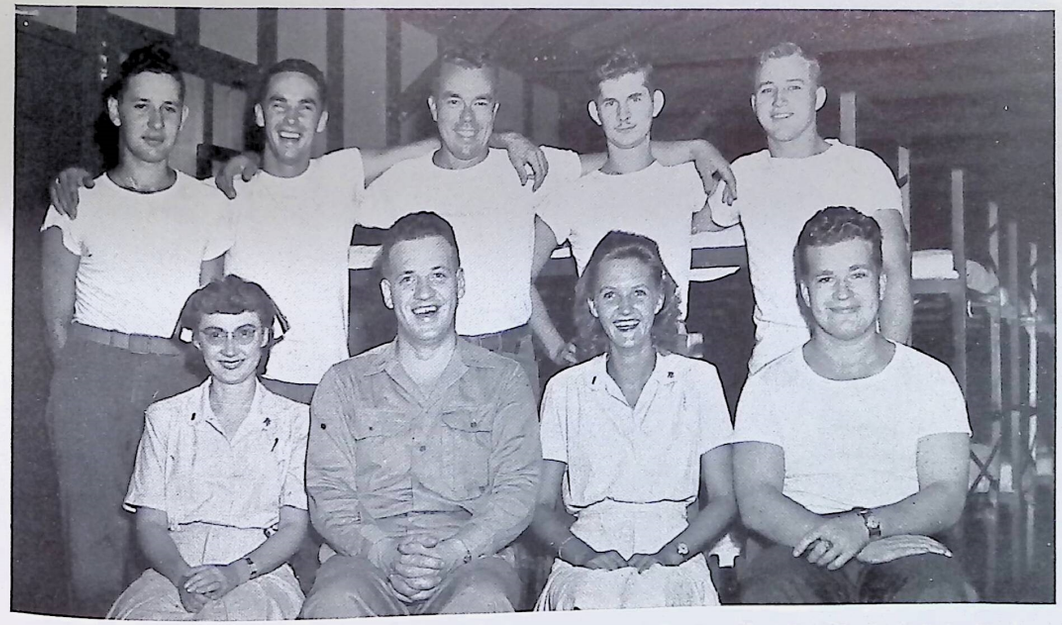
Seated—Hassell, Lt. G. H. H. Garrison, Lt. (jg) M. R. Sabaitis, Ray *Standing*—Willard, Plaisted, Nystad, Silva

WARD 11-A . . . General Surgery



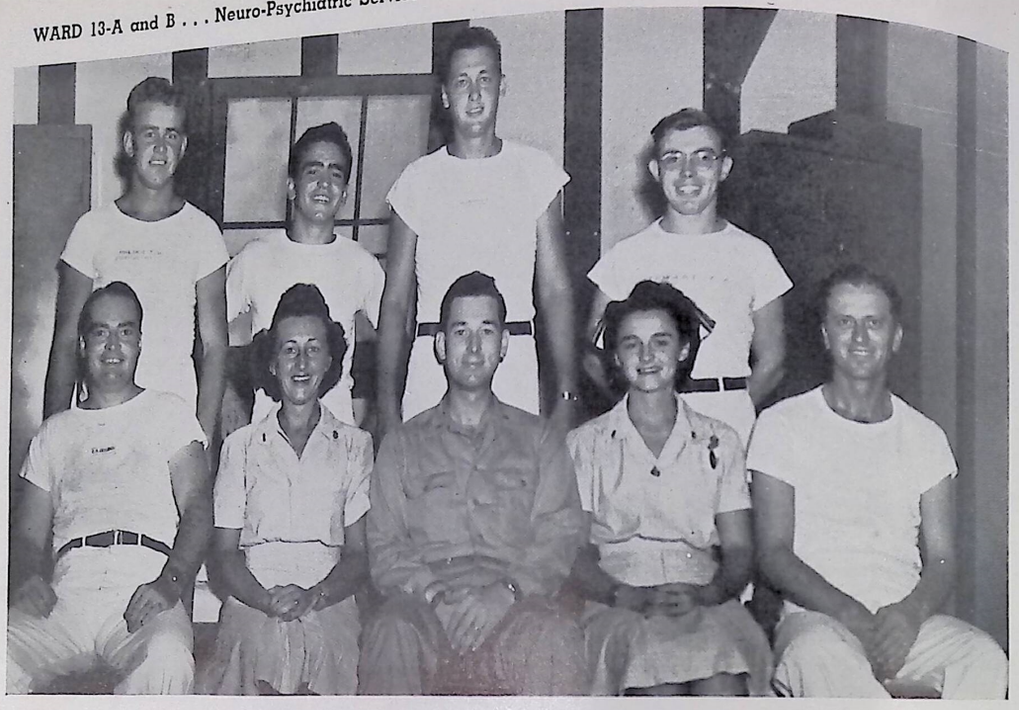
Seated—Lt. (jg) R. M. Price, Lt. J. D. Moatz, Lt. (jg) M. A. Bisenius, N. H. Cohen *Standing*—Fox, Moran, Crowley, Koontz

WARD 12-A . . . Procto-Surgery

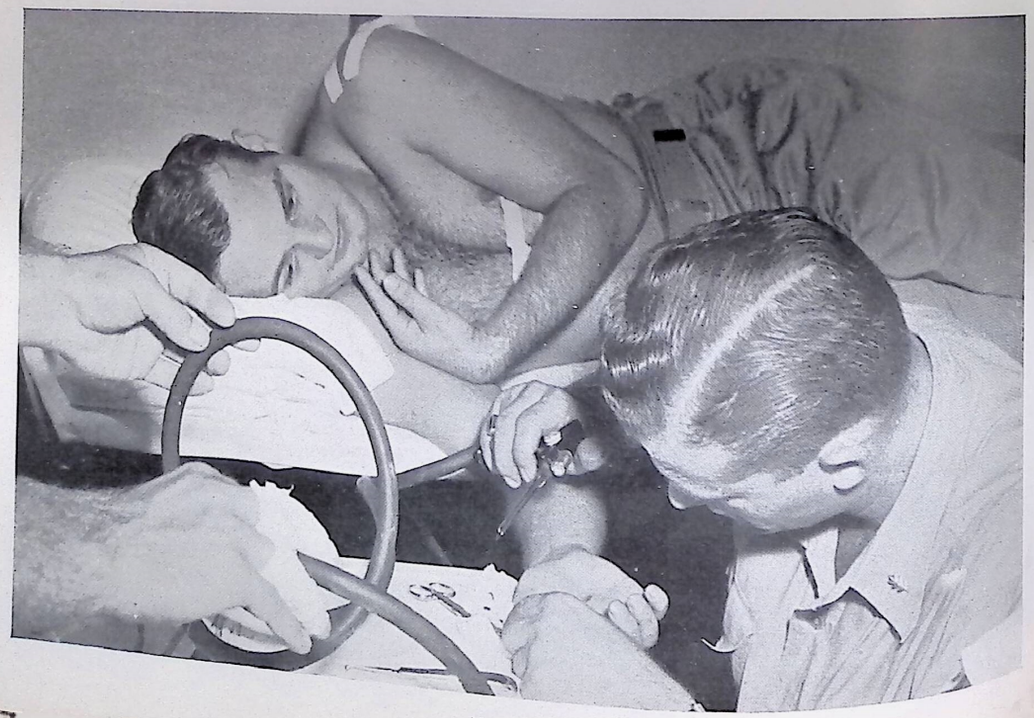


Seated—Lt. (jg) H. Bantz, Lt. R. W. Merrill, Lt. (jg) L. E. Carlson, Brogan *Standing*—Risch, Wood, Dornbush, Simko, Kirsch

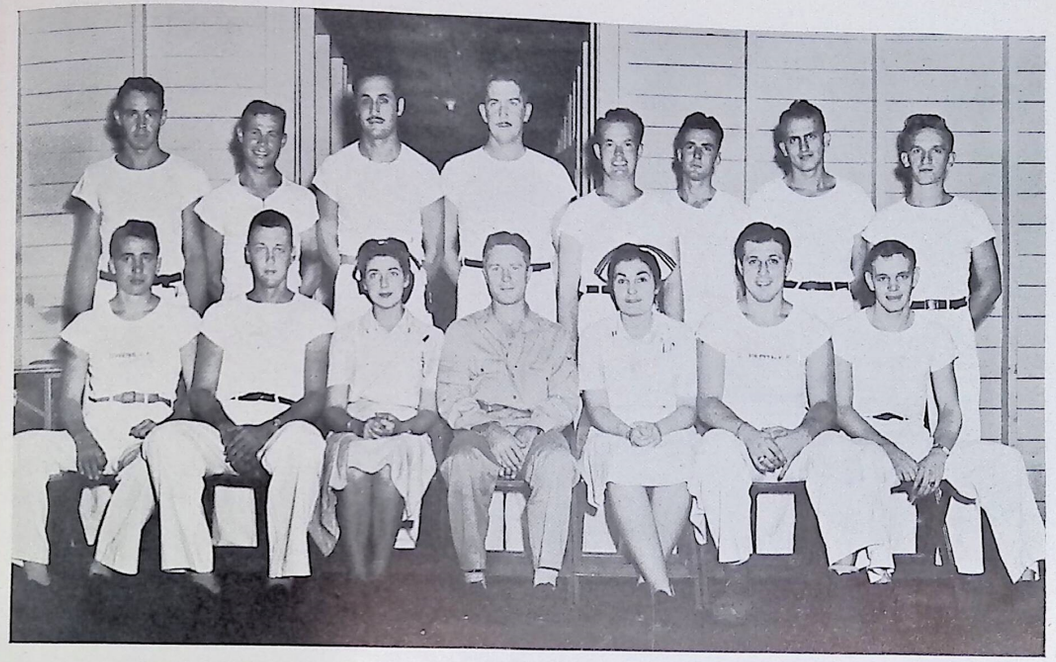
WARD 13-A and B . . . Neuro-Psychiatric Service



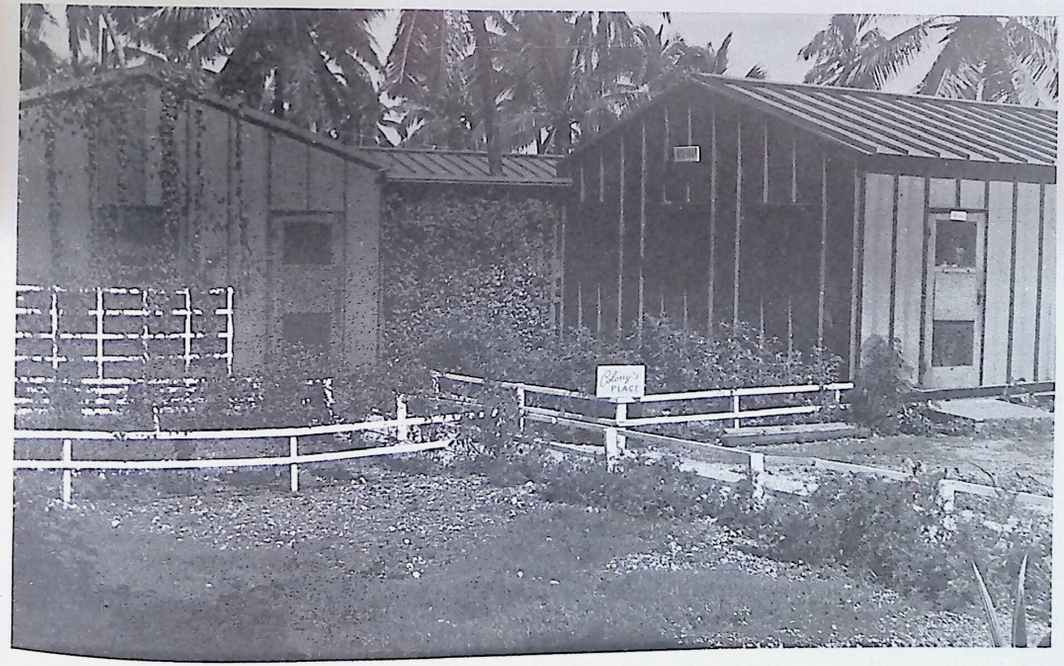
Seated—Osterhout, Lt. (jg) S. E. Baron, Lt. (jg) G. P. VanBuskirk, Lt. (jg) M. H. Schnez, Chalker
Standing—Holder, Livornese, MacKinnon, Stewart

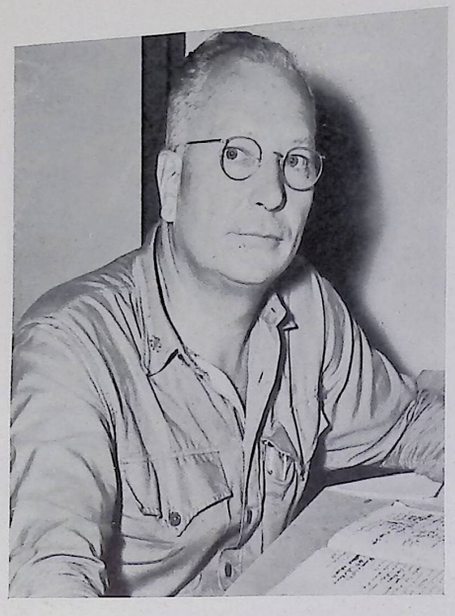


WARD 14-A and B . . . Neuro-Psychiatric Service



Seated—J. A. Owens, MacKinnon, Lt. (jg) L. Schinske, Lt. Comdr. H. S. Colony, Lt. A. Vitillo, Auletta, Gore
Standing—Lincourt, M. C. Davis, Ahlers, J. F. Murphy, Pearce, J. A. Dunn, Parks, Kays





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Chief of Surgery



COMDR. A. A. HUMPHREY
Pathologist



LT. J. C. CROUSE
Chief Nurse



COMDR. H. J. F. KULLMAN
Chief of Medicine



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G. L. Lorant
M. L. Cook

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M. C. Reading
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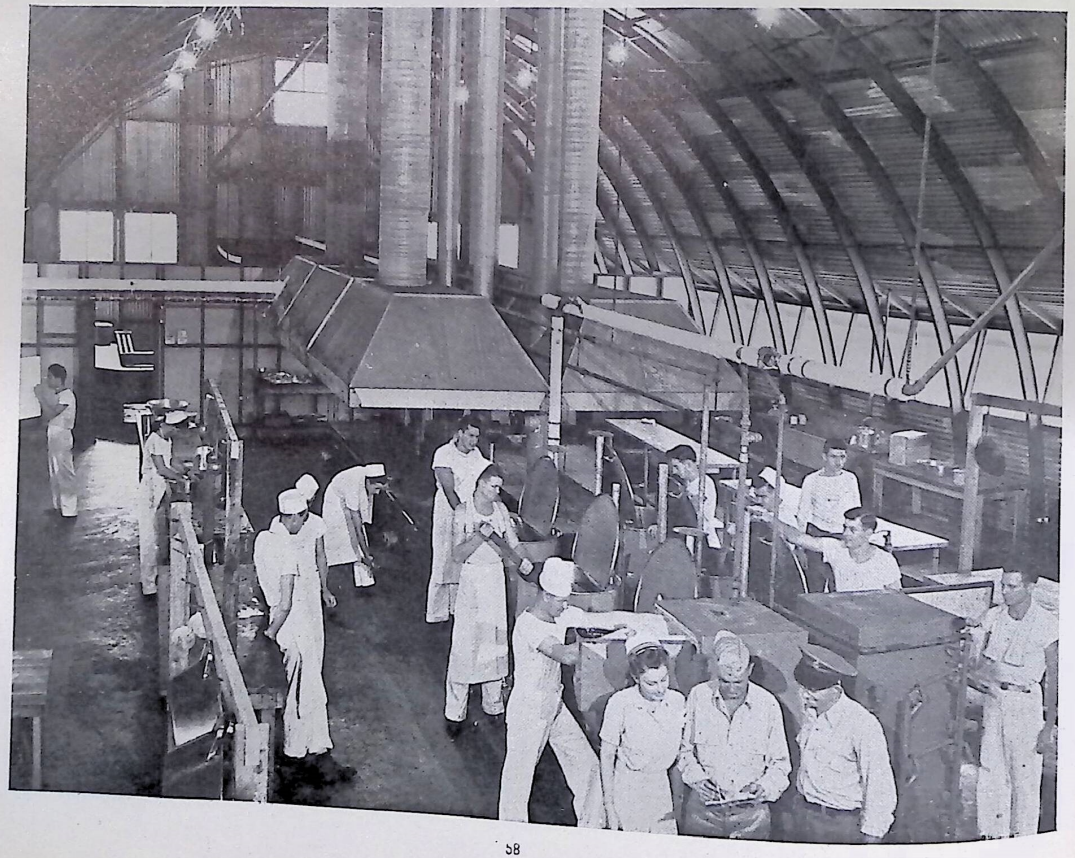
Lt. (jg) C. Pogreba
Antonio, Maria
Isabel, Maria
Isabel, Anna
Martha
Lt. (jg) J. J.
Puterbaugh

DEPARTMENTS

On the following pages are pictured the non-medical departments which made possible the smooth operation of the hospital and without which the medical staff would have been unable to serve the 10,000 patients admitted up to V-J Day.

The Commissary Department fed us in spite of the triple handicap of supply, equipment and manpower shortages. The "Black Gang" staved off the normal tendency of all things mechanical to fall apart in the tropics. The Sanitation Squad kept the ants and mosquitoes from taking over completely. Disbursing the Ship's Store provided money and liquid refreshment—'nuff said! The Post Office—God bless 'em—brought news and views from home. The Laundry relieved us of our "Blue Mondays."

And so it was with all the men of all the offices and departments—each made life more liveable on Guam.

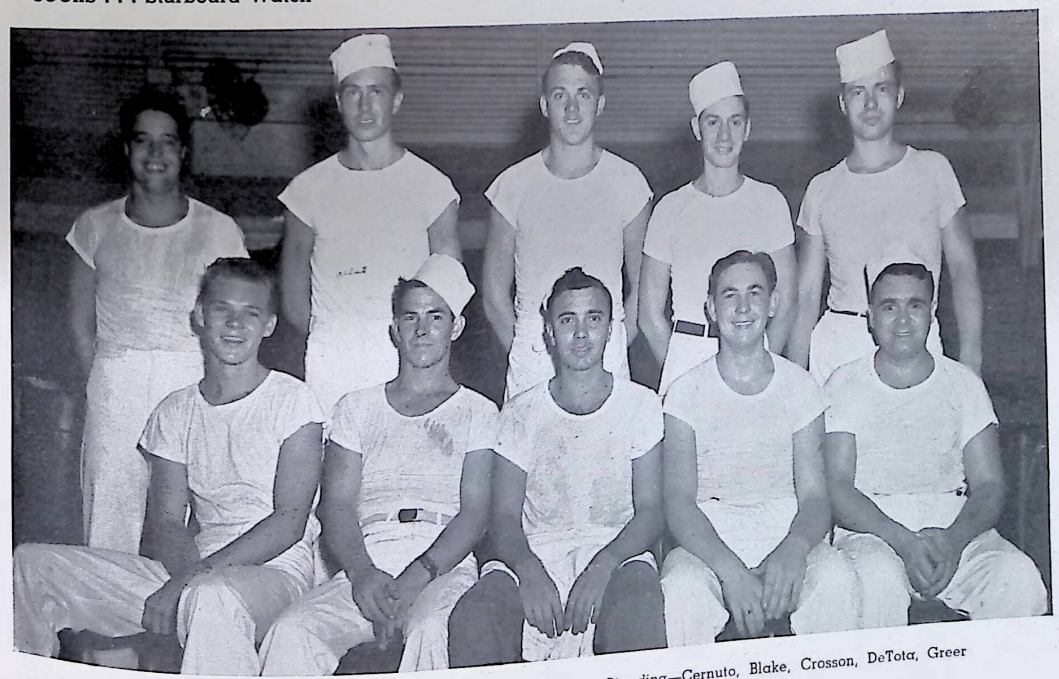


COOKS . . . Port Watch



Seated—Prouse, P. A. White, Solberg, Snyder, Sater, Leisch
Standing—C. J. White, M. H. Rogers, Lucas, Kruder, Panewicz, J. Collins, Alsleben, Bolton

COOKS . . . Starboard Watch



Seated—David, H. Davis, Lively, Bohannon, Magi
Standing—Cernuto, Blake, Crosson, DeTota, Greer

COMMISSARY OFFICE . . .

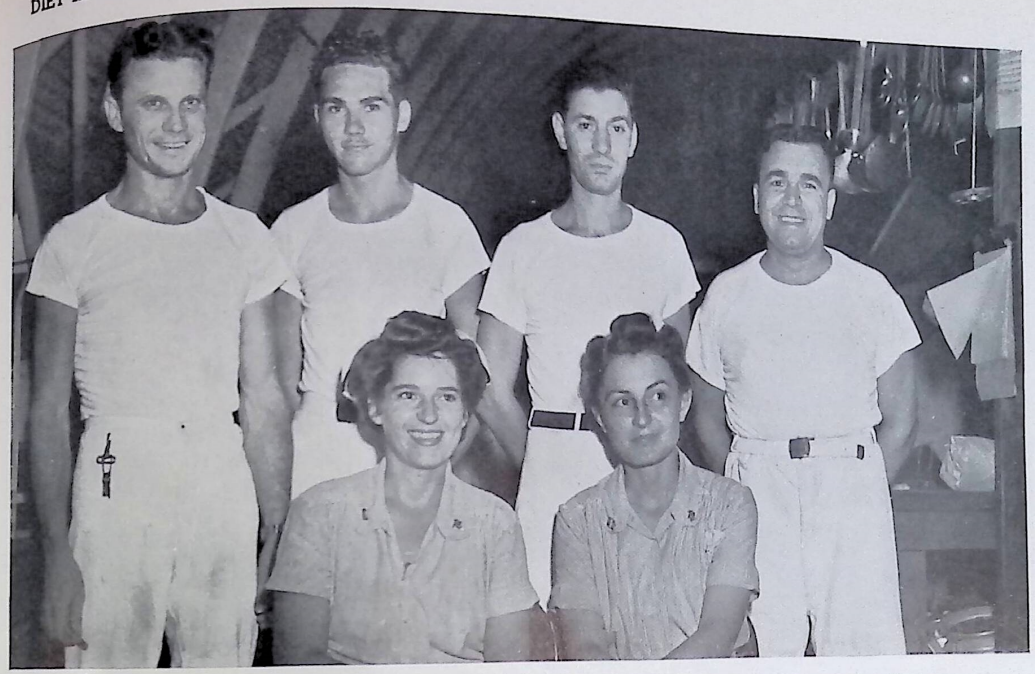


King, Pharm. L. I. Johnson, Lt. R. Klase, Pharm. O. V. Neidigk, Garnett

SERVING LINE . . .



DIET KITCHEN STAFF . . .



Seated—Lt. (jg) M. J. Wolfe, Lt. F. L. Cox *Standing*—P. H. Williams, Panewicz, DeTota, Magi



CHOW LINE . . .

MESS COOKS . . .



Seated—Sherry, Heidenreich, Eltzroth, Williamson, Elliott, Mundy
Standing—R. H. Thompson, Huber, Nielsen, Russell, Walker, Richards, C. O. Miller

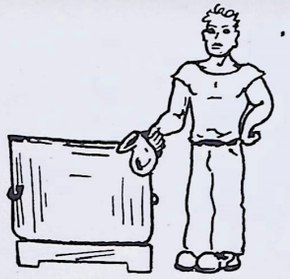


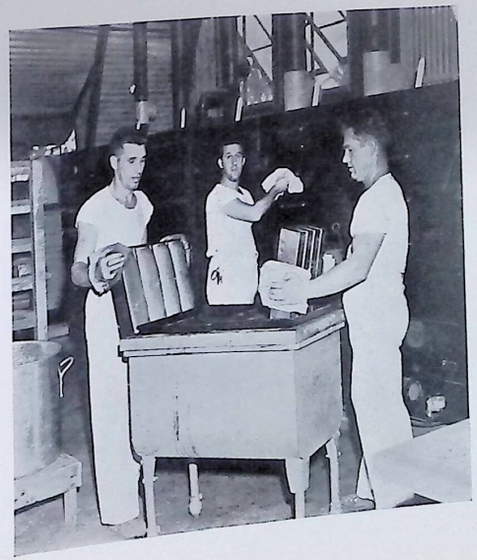


STEWARDS' MATES . . .

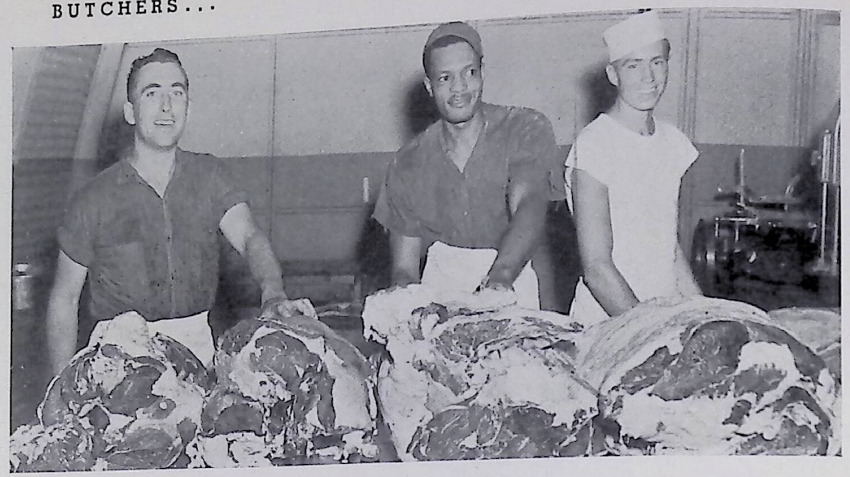


Seated—Rendew, Henery, McKnight, Johns, N. N. Johnson
Standing—Olds, Patton, Mumphord, Carr, Henson



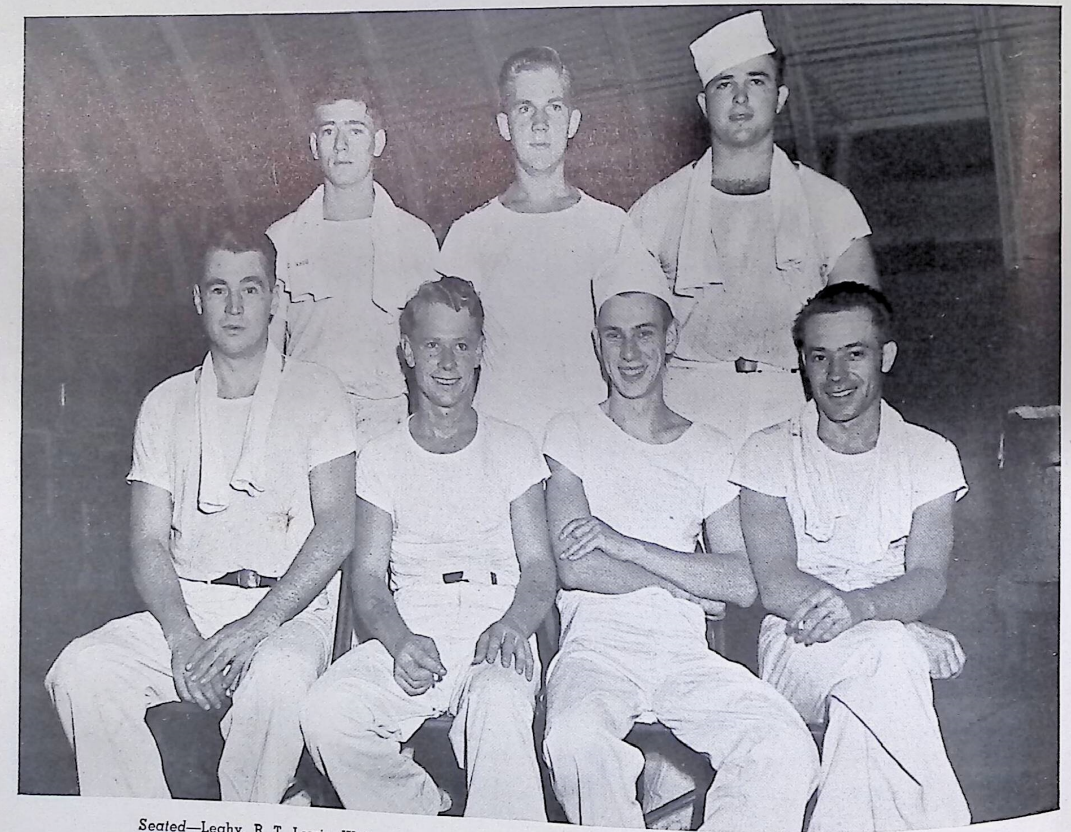


BUTCHERS . . .



Cunningham, Lindsay, Blake

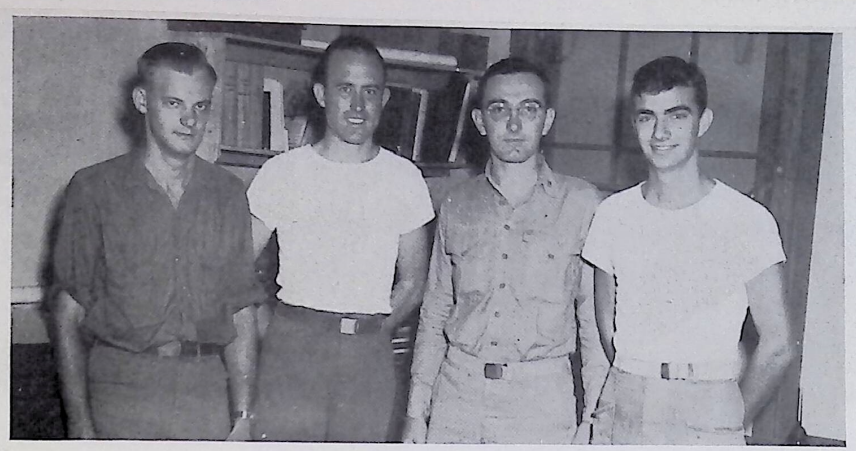
BAKERS . . .



Seated—Leahy, R. T. Lewis, Welteroth, Spencer

Standing—Hammond, W. S. Moore, Elsensohn

PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE . . .



Sault, Hall, Lt. E. A. Beck, Beaird



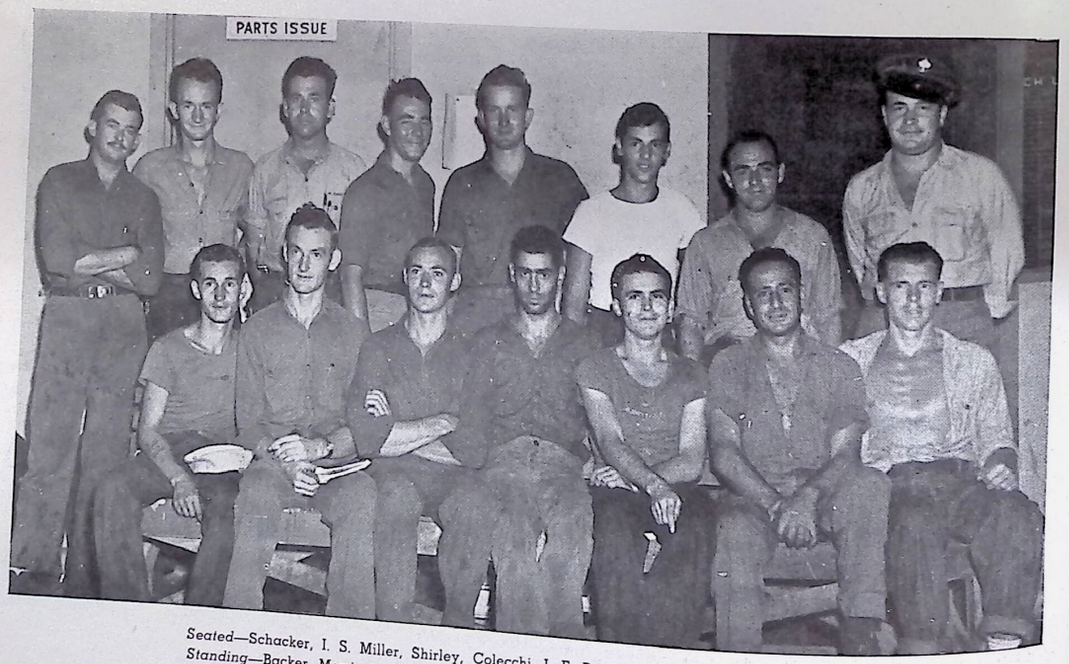
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Standing—DeJarnette, Guy, Yuskauskas, Van den Brink, R. O. Sayler, J. P. Dalton, Montgomery.

ELECTRICIANS...



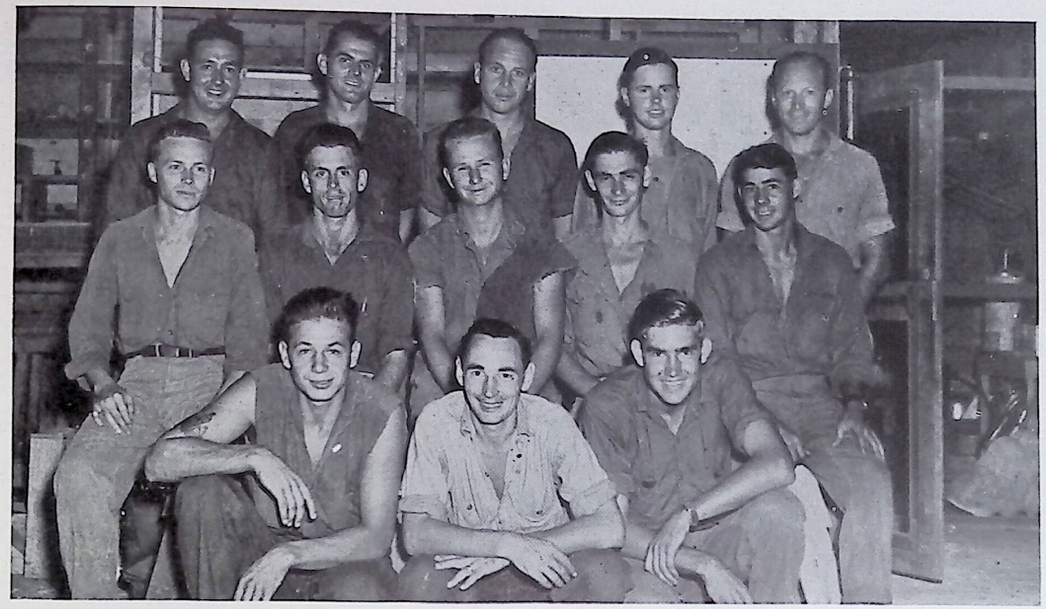
Seated—Grinslade, Gilland, Chief WO P. Kernan, McCann, Fallis
Standing—Clute, Swiger, C. Roberts, Widman, Townzen, Frist

MECHANICAL MAINTENANCE ...



Seated—Schacker, I. S. Miller, Shirley, Colecchi, J. F. Bennett, Saadallah, McClellan
Standing—Backer, Merriman, J. O. Powell, Kiessel, Blackburn, Ouellette, Saunders, Norling

CARPENTERS...

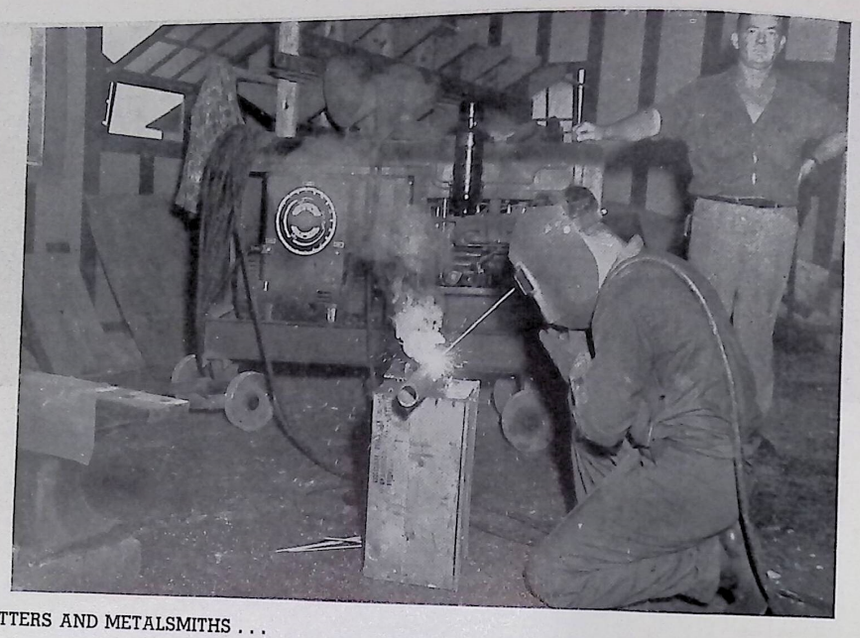


Kneeling—Sadowski, R. A. Wilson, Horton
Seated—Austin, Bogue, R. E. Davis, Plumb, R. C. Hitchcock
Standing—Billings, Nickerson, J. A. Farrell, Stebbins, Flannery

PAINTERS...



Seated—Fowler, V. E. Long, Newsome, Magnus, Stromberg
Standing—W. C. Moore, Robson, H. G. Johnson, R. B. Lee, Pierron, R. F. Bennett, V. F. Lee



SHIPFITTERS AND METALSMITHS . . .



Seated—Coen, Cherry, Kluttz, Titcomb

Standing—J. C. Dyson, E. C. Cox, Cole, Davison, Reames



SANITATION DEPARTMENT . . .



Kneeling—C. C. King, Alford, Keays

Seated—Golden, Reynolds, R. A. Williams, D. C. Murphy, Martz, T. W. Alexander

Standing—Opsahl, Dunigan, Bauman, C. J. Lewis, H. W. Brown, Benefiel

LAUNDRY . . . Small Group



Seated—Mollohan, R. T. Smith, Murray, W. A. T. Hoffman, Richman
Standing—Halstead, Boynton, W. M. King, Cunha, Webb, M. W. Taylor, S. E. Dalton, B. F. Lewis

LAUNDRY . . . Large Group



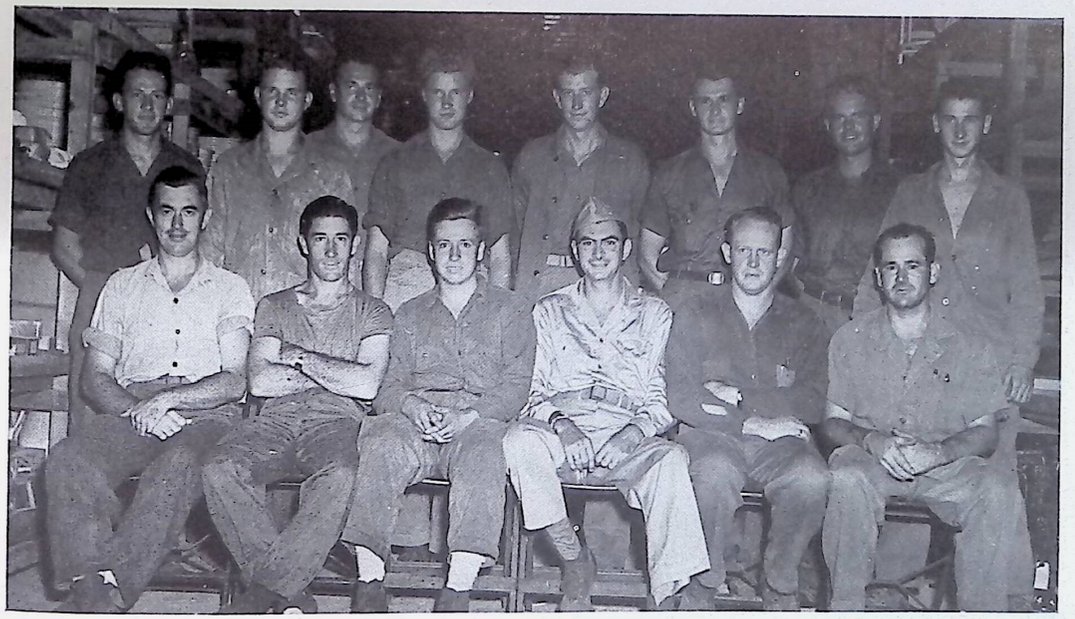
Seated—V. F. Woods, H. D. Green, Marander, Mateer, Morley, L. Shepherd
Standing—Halstead, Tanner, Brucker, Rudy, McNally *Back row*—Reeser, A. G. Miller, Oberosler, Lowman, Summers

PROPERTY AND ACCOUNTING . . .



Seated—Eber, Chief Pharmacist H. M. Kellogg, Marlotte, Milburn *Standing*—Rumsey, Caughey, Mayer, T. S. Murphy, Brundage

WAREHOUSE . . .



Seated—Apgar, Hough, Clemans, Smolens, Purviance, Norman
Standing—Wombacher, Slagor, Demers, Paulson, Melton, Langevin, L. E. Barker, Granski



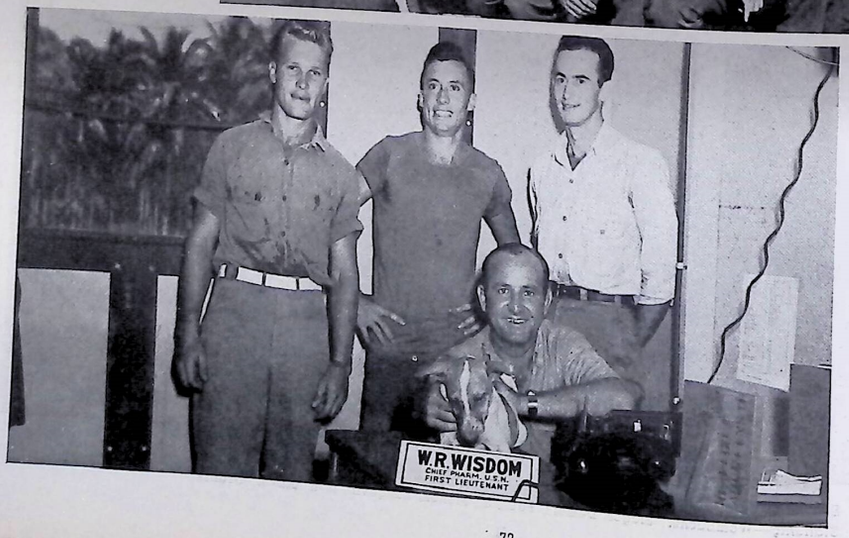
STAFF PERSONNEL

A. J. Smith
Lt. (jg) W. V. Samples
McMahon
G. M. Jones
Schimmel
McAllister



MAA SHACK

H. G. Johnson
W. C. Moore
V. L. Fisher
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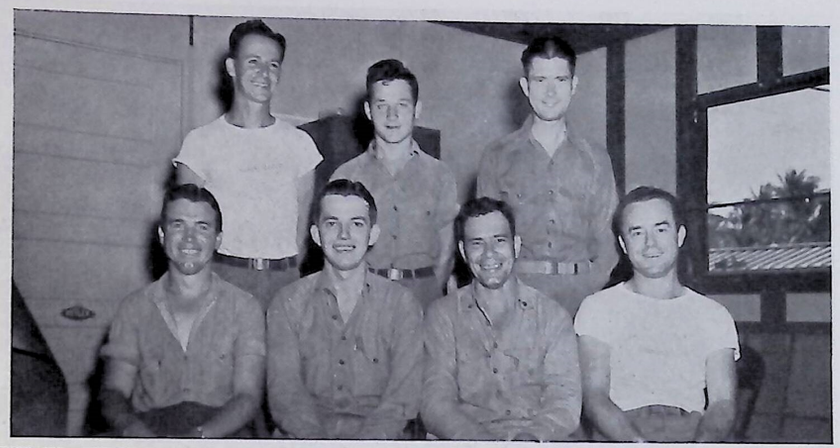


FIRST LIEUTENANT'S OFFICE

W. R. Wisdom
Thrower
Lewallen
McKenzie

DISBURSING OFFICE

Southward
Lt. Clemmensen
APC L. W. Finton
R. Thompson
Madrid
G. T. Ryan
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SHIPS STORE

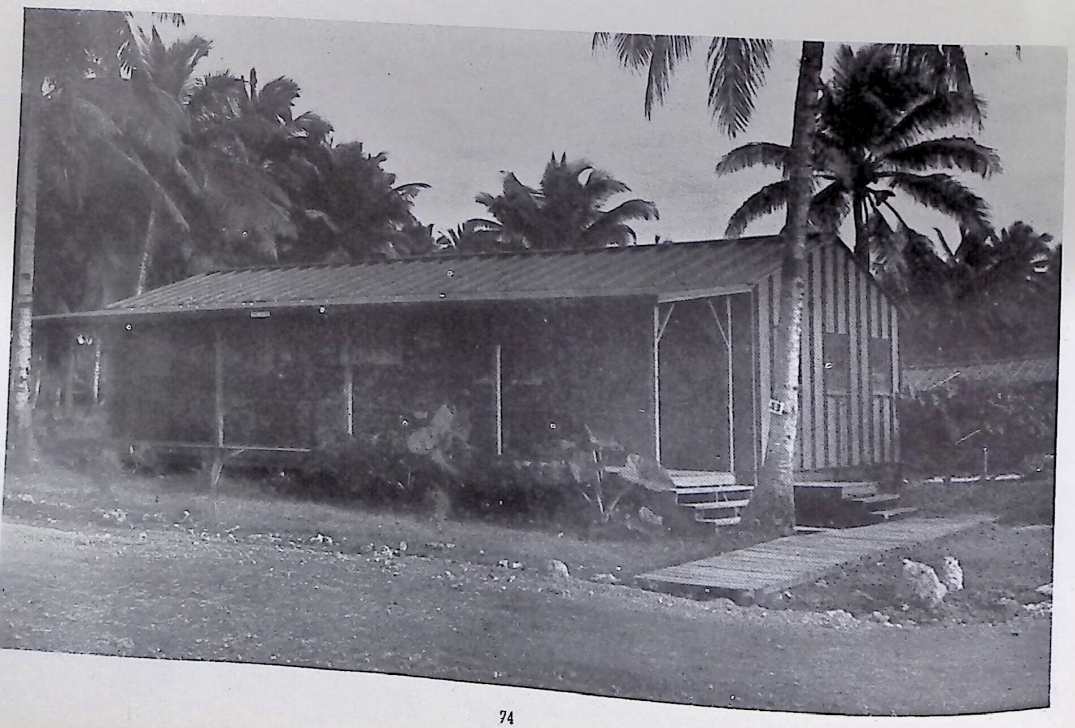
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Cotton



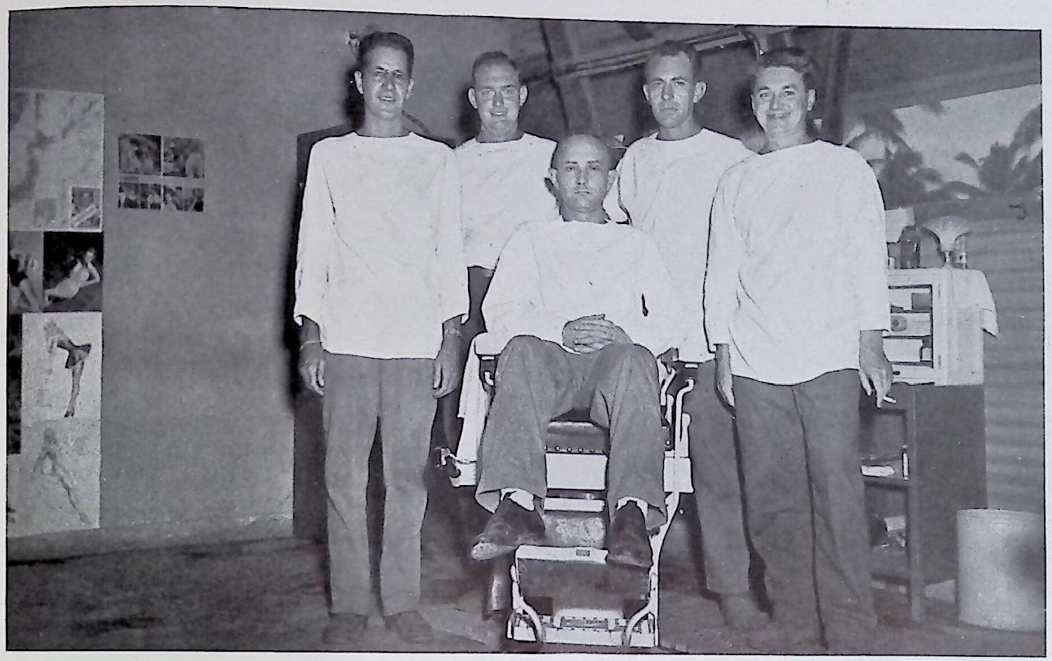
POST OFFICE...



Brewer, Forsyth, Earnheart, Elkin, Fichthorn, Daniel, Crockett



BARBER SHOP...



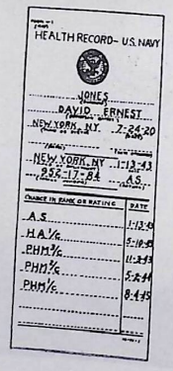
Seated—Lofton *Standing*—P. W. Jackson, Bobo, Pentz, Varoski



RECORD OFFICE...



Kneeling—Dunbar, Lerner, Sommervold, Ellis, VanLoo, Crowder
Seated—Hammerstrum, Saxton, Zamara, Swindal, Lt. (jg) E. Wilkinson, Pulliam, Solan, Lennan, Wynkoop
Standing—Quick, Pecharka, Bohlander, G. R. Arnold, T. N. Smith, Terrell, Lafleur, T. C. Smith, Ramey

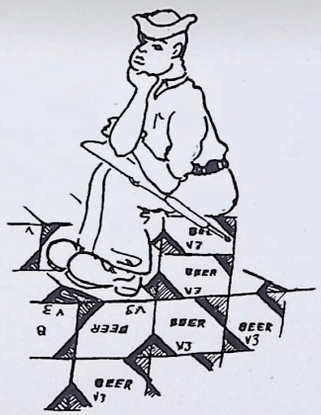




SEAMEN GUARD...



Front row—J. W. Saylor, Eckles, Colucci, Trotter, Breen, Erickson, Reinhardt, Schmookler, Freeman
Second row—Rearick, Medak, J. A. Long, F. H. Robinson, LaValley, Burgess, deLuccia, Sweeney
Third row—Mauldin, Blackwelder, Anderson, Tadewald, Deslauriers, Lacy, J. Barker, Peavy, W. S. Moore



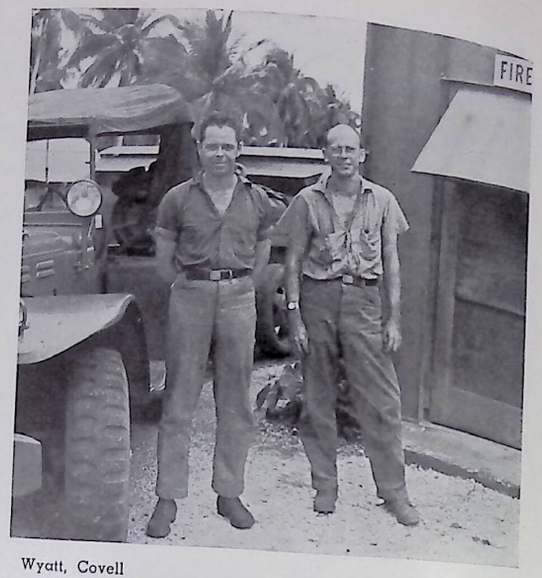


SEAMAN GUARD . . .



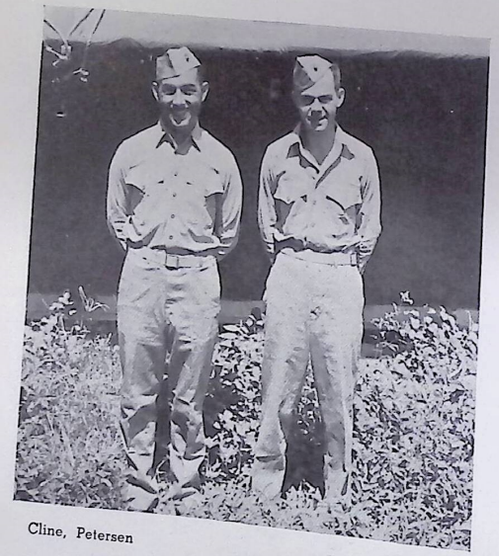
Gross, Bond, Stamp, I. Schmidt, Blake

FIRE DEPARTMENT . . .



Wyatt, Covell

MARINE LIAISON . . .



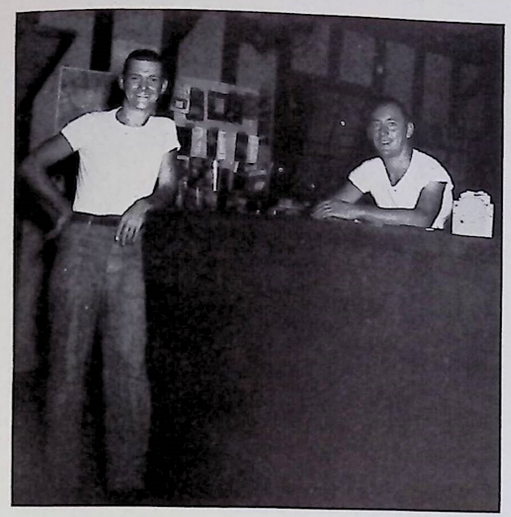
Cline, Petersen

BAG ROOM . . .



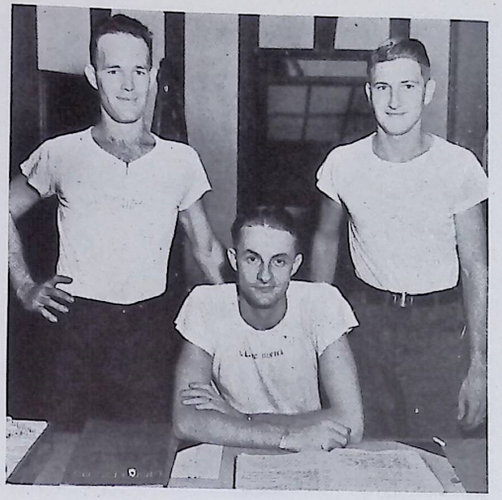
O. G. Lewis, M. K. Arnold, D. R. Hansen

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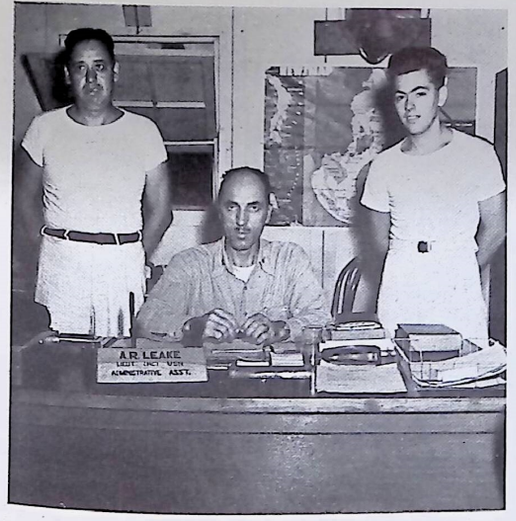
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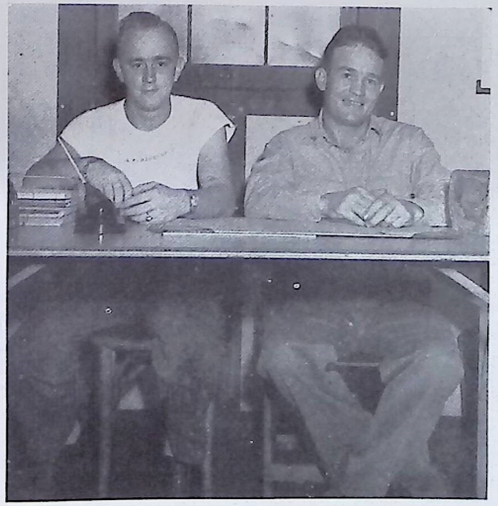
Speck, McDaniel, La Borde

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT . . .



Boyte, Lt. A. R. Leake, Omnitz

DETAIL OFFICE . . .



Bahner, Pharmacist G. G. Stamper

FIRST TO LEAVE UNDER THE POINT SYSTEM . . .



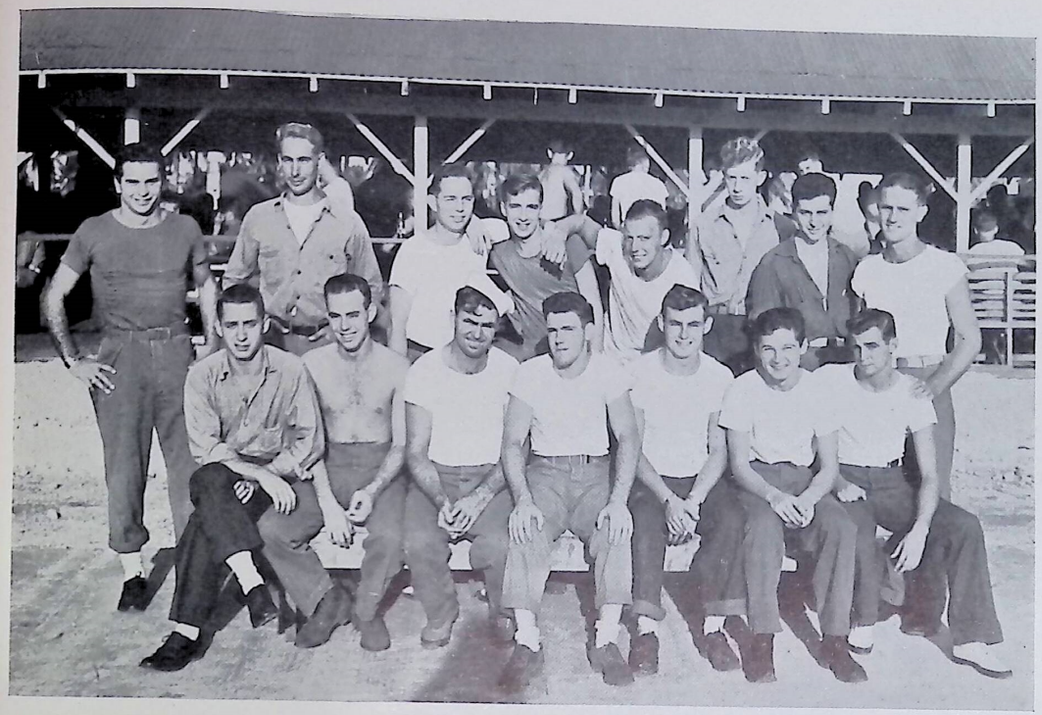
Front row—Voorhees, MacRae, MacNeil, Christiansen, W. R. Taylor *Second row*—C. A. Cox, Hayden, Walther, Newton, Listul
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GENERAL DETAIL . . .



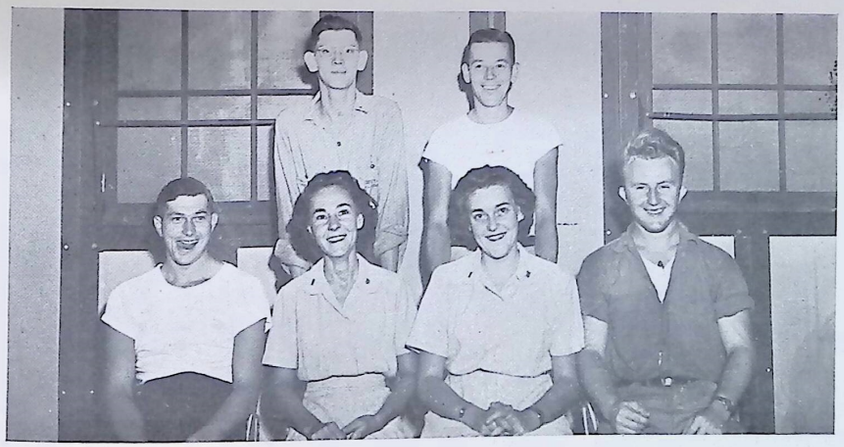
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DEPARTMENTAL ABSENTEES . . .

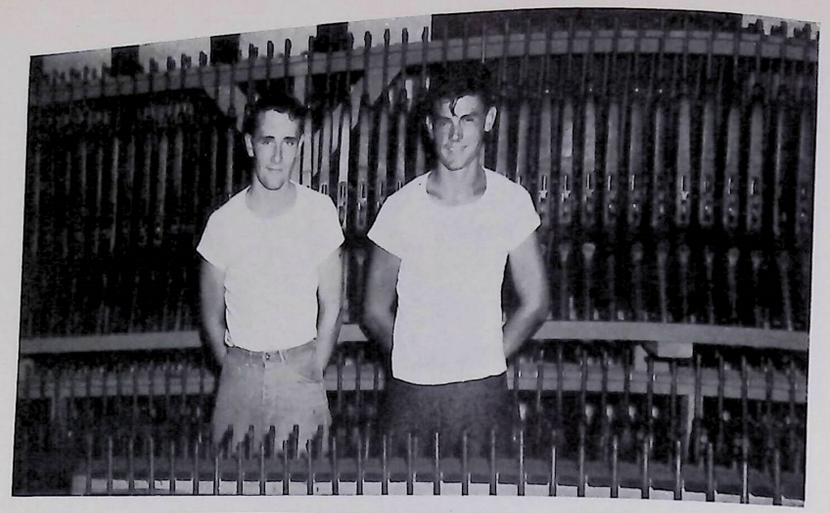


Seated—Sweet, R. F. Thompson, B. V. Samples, L. F. Kelly, Cunningham, Banville, Mussato
Standing—Sartory, Waddell, Whitehurst, Wolfe, Swope, VanGilder, Alderman, Fenter

MORE ABSENTEES . . .



Seated—Young, Lt. (jg) B. M. Showers, Lt. (jg) L. J. Plunkett, Gross *Standing*—Docy, W. M. Smith



ARMORY

Sutherland
Fudge



MOVIES

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CHIEFS

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EVACUATION

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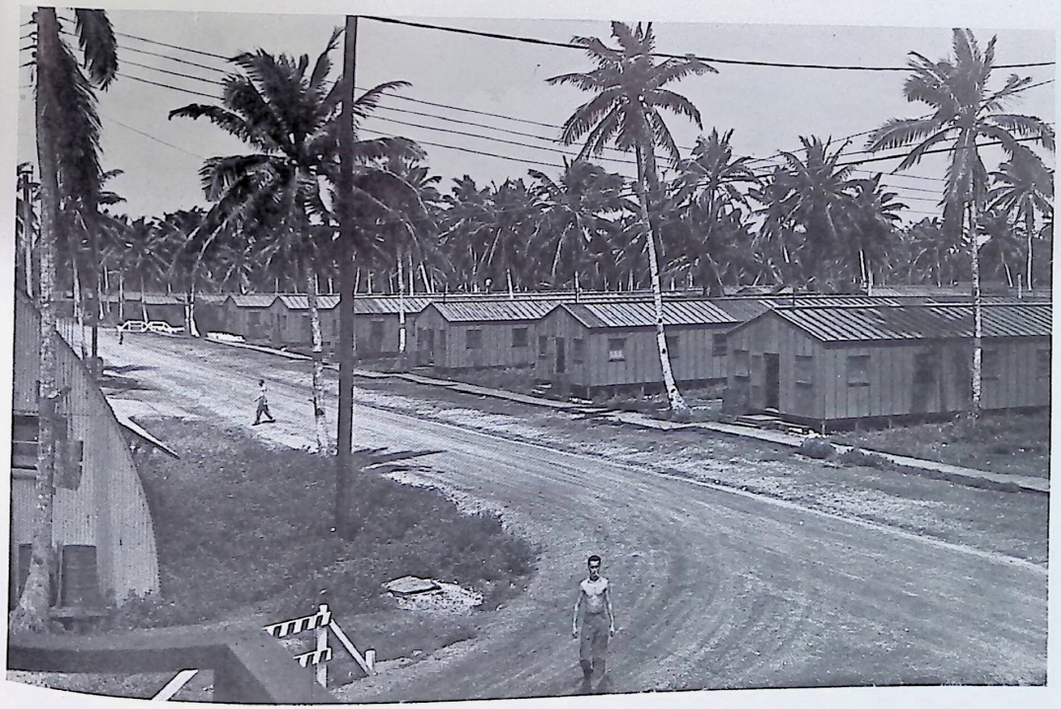
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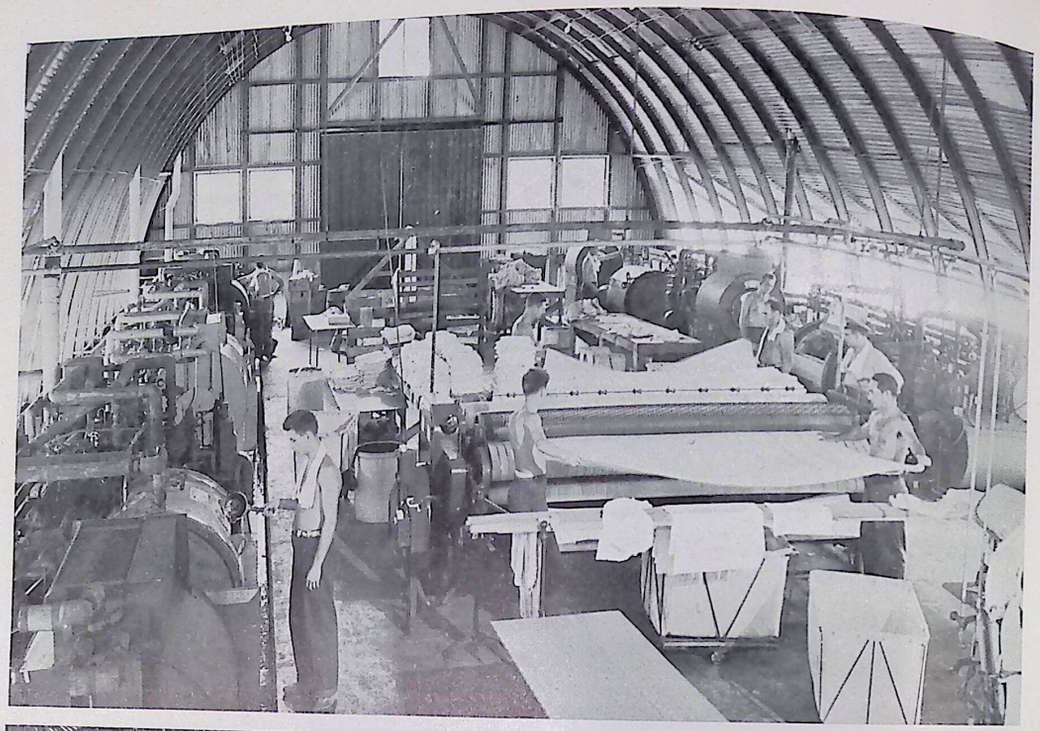


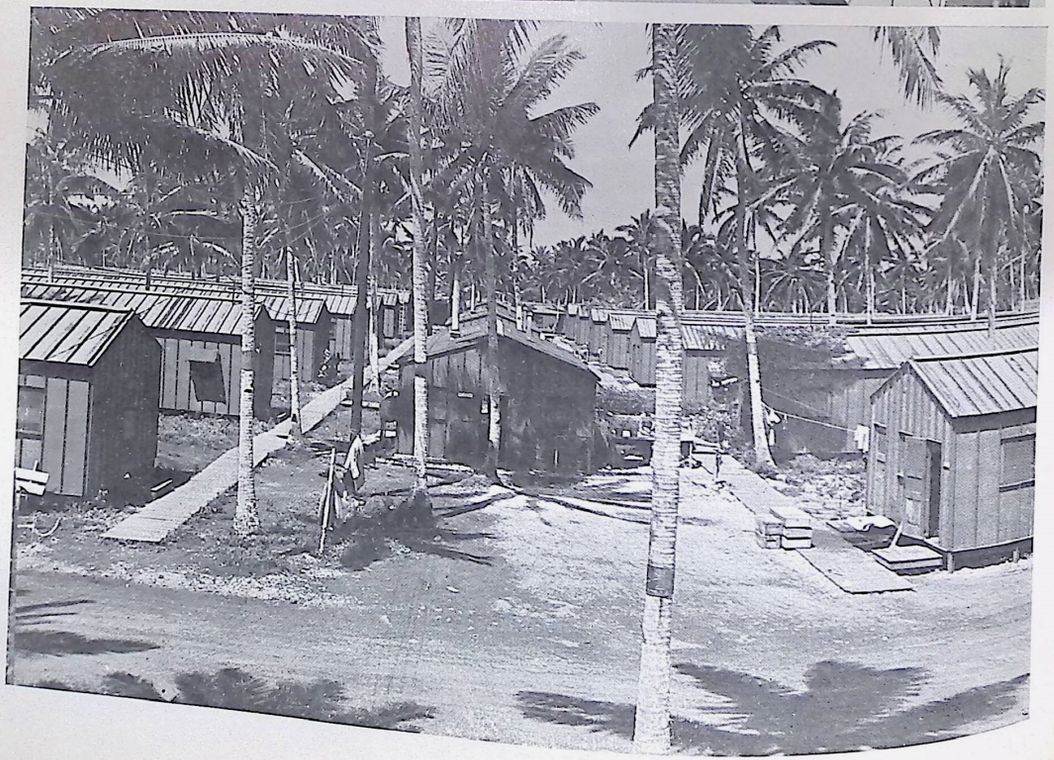

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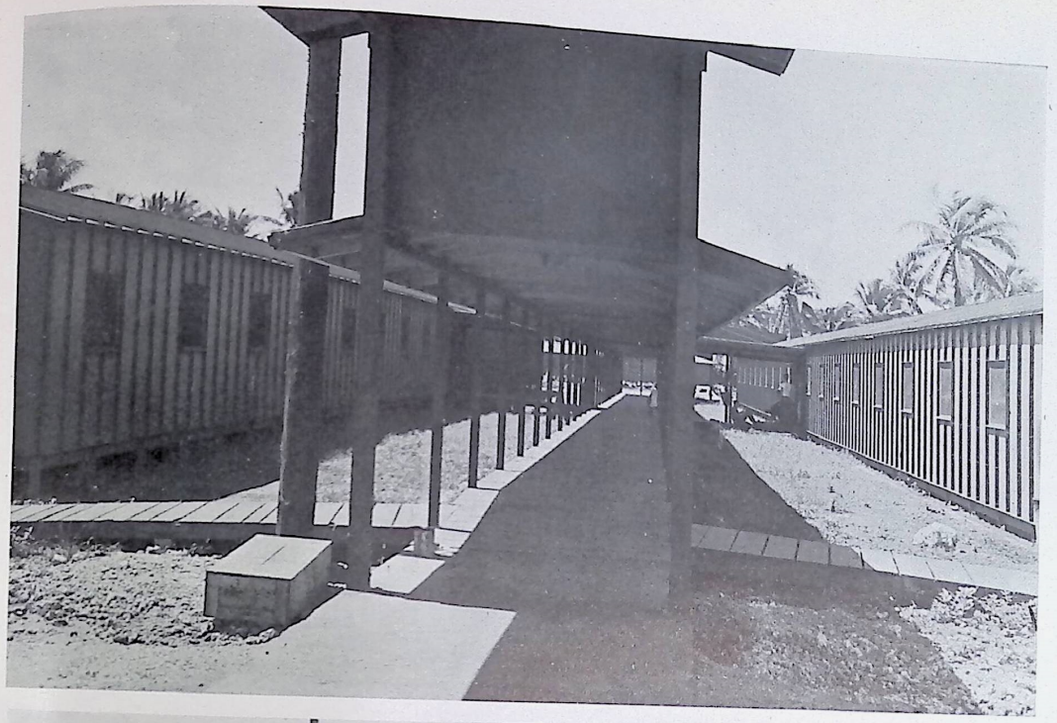






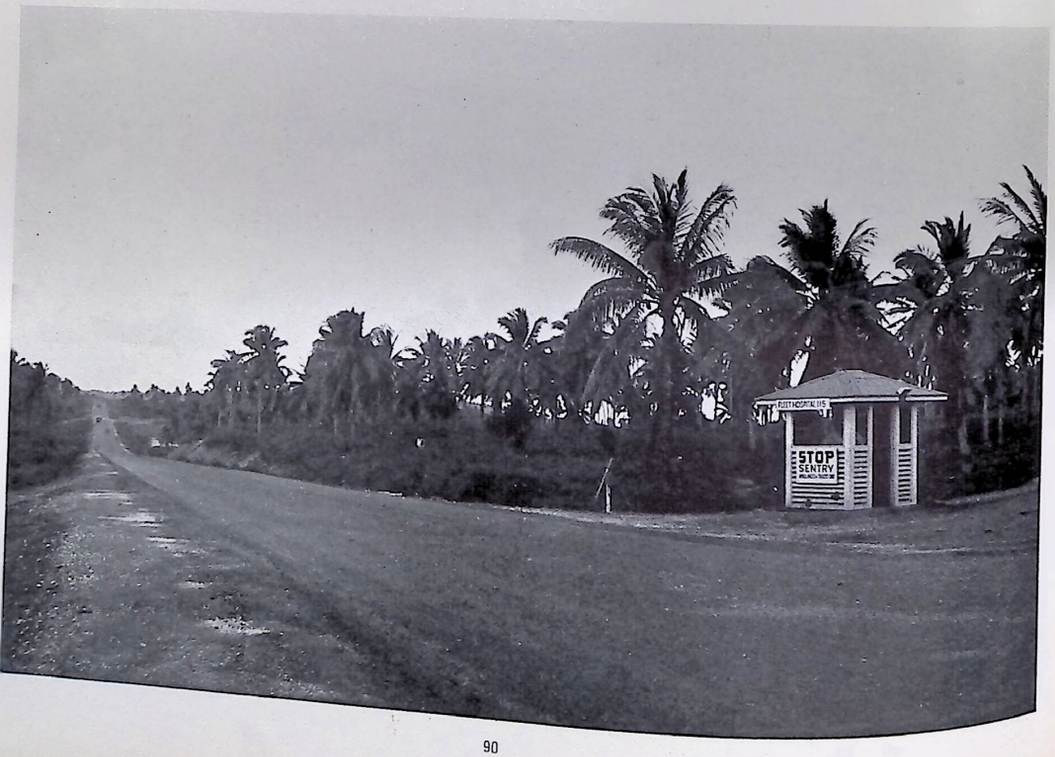


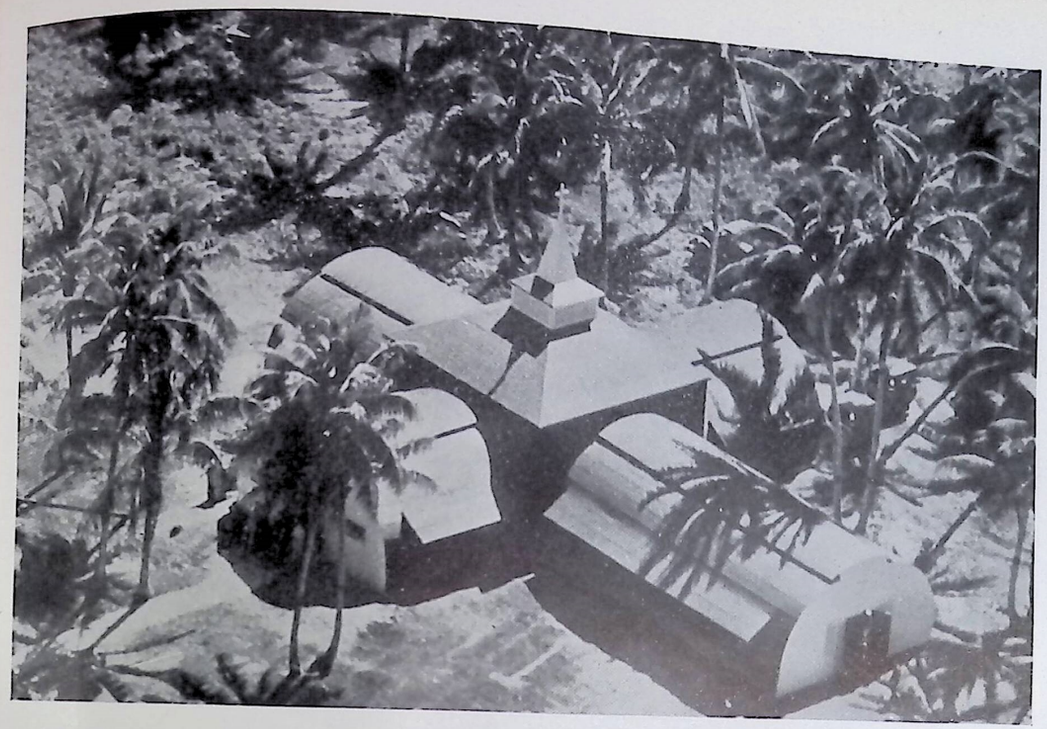





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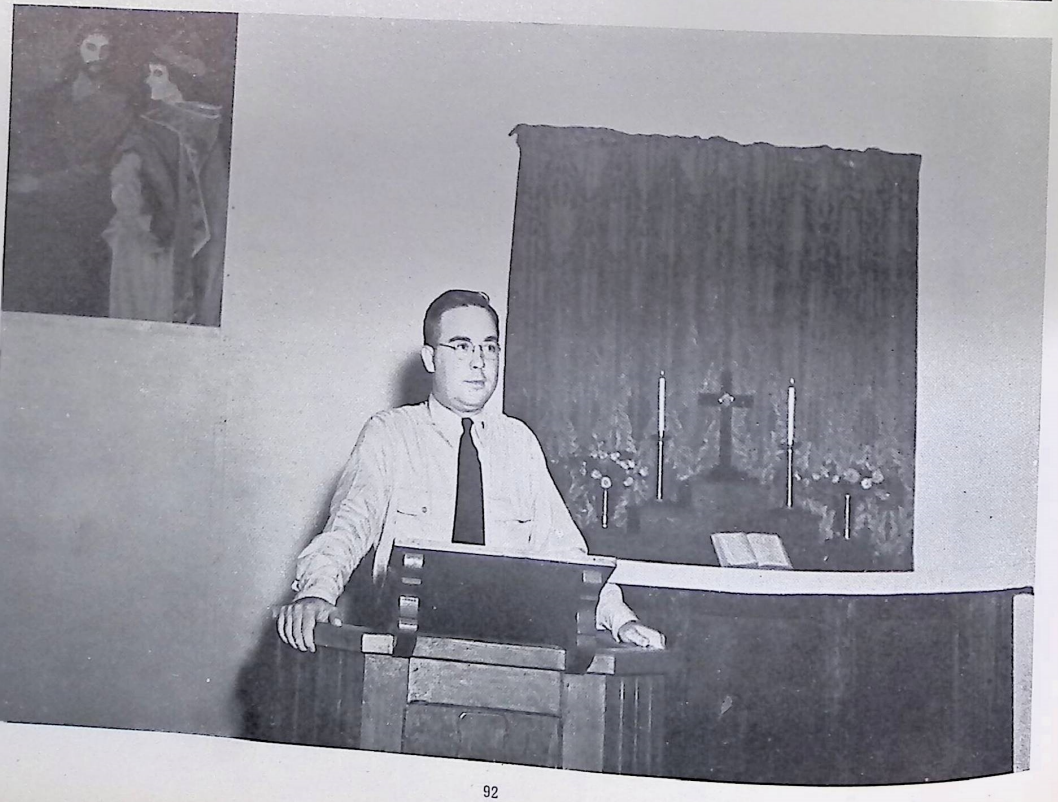

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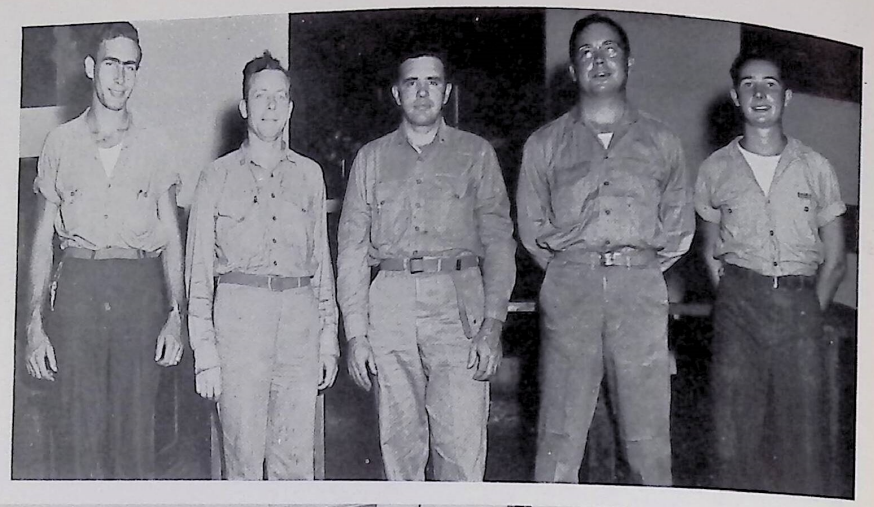












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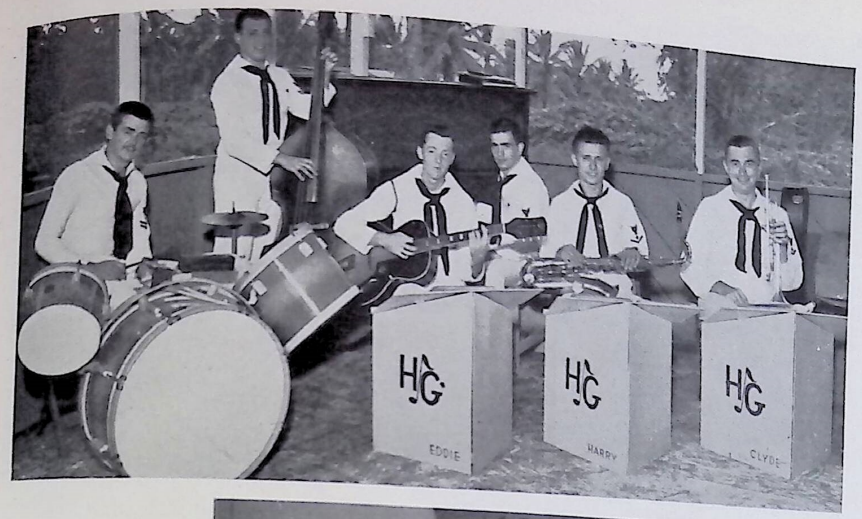
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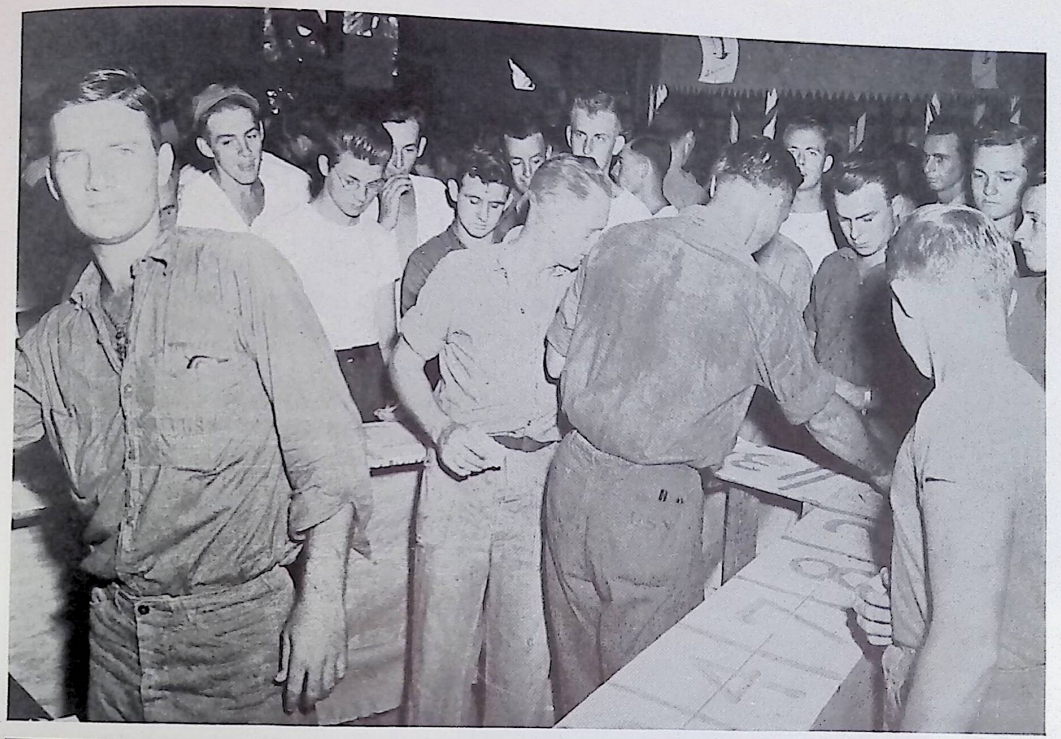


Seated—A. McCartney, T. Nathanson, C. Sabin

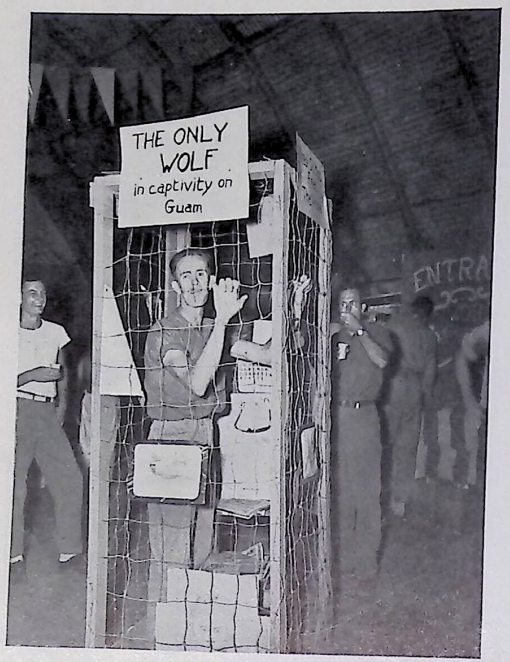
Standing—H. Stout, L. Foster, C. van Wyck, H. Horn



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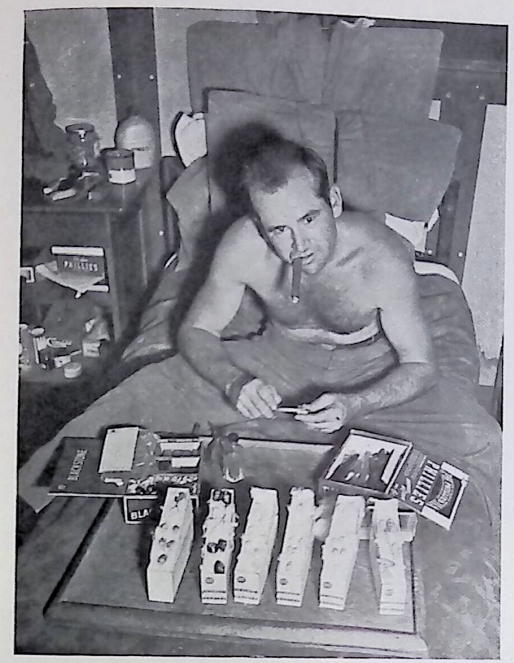





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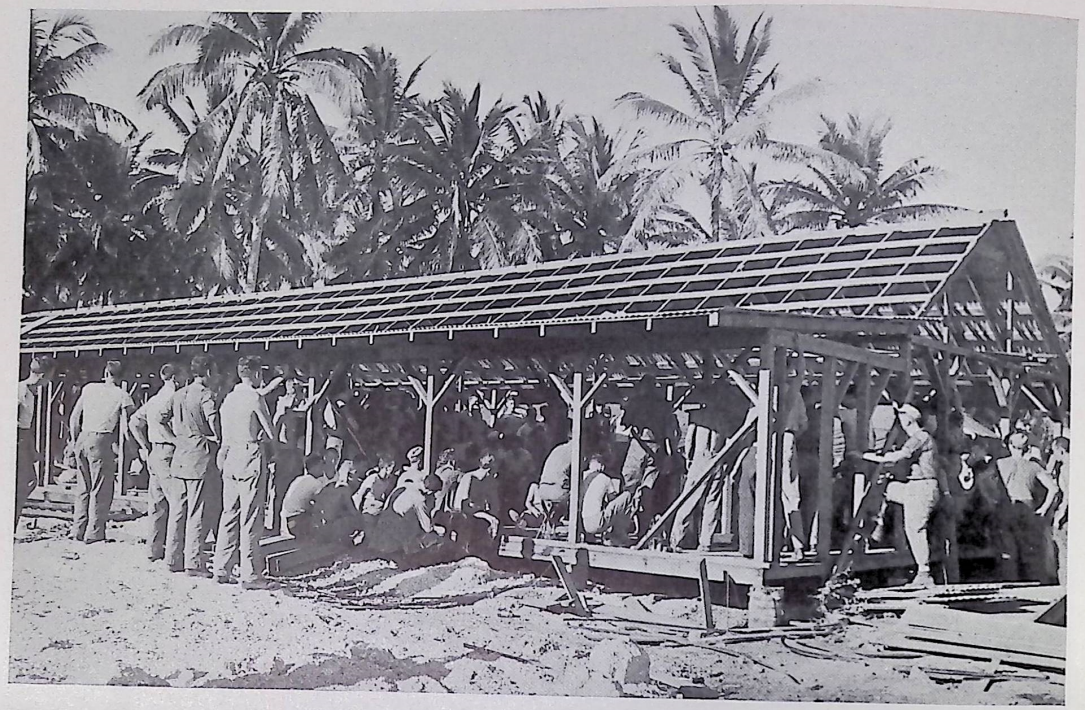








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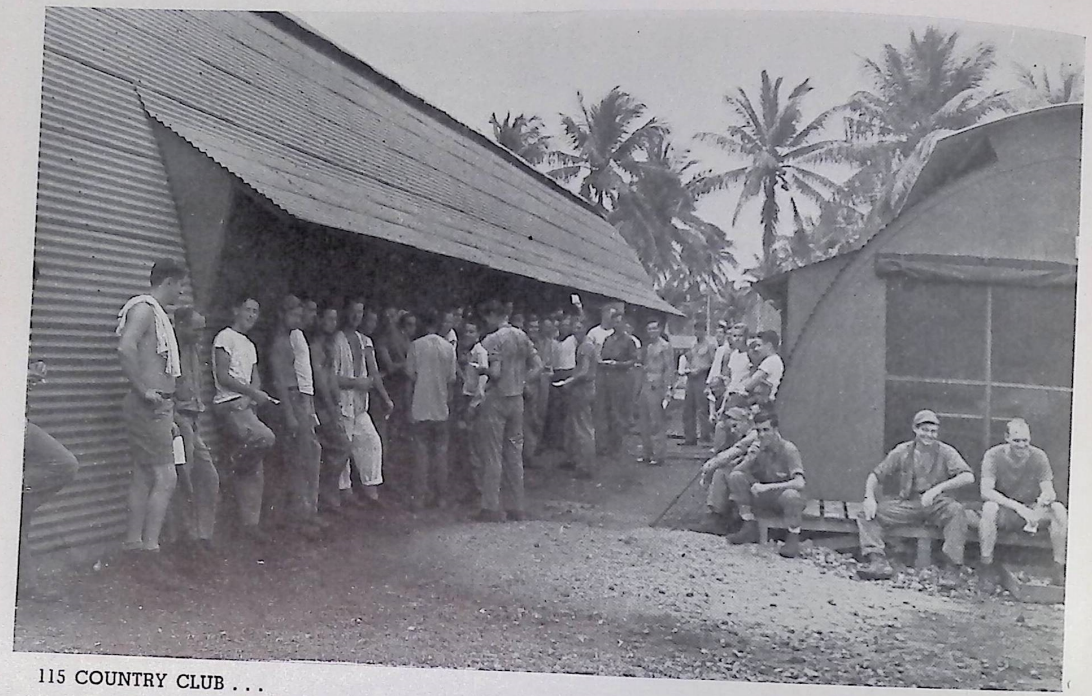


MORE V-J CELEBRATION . . .





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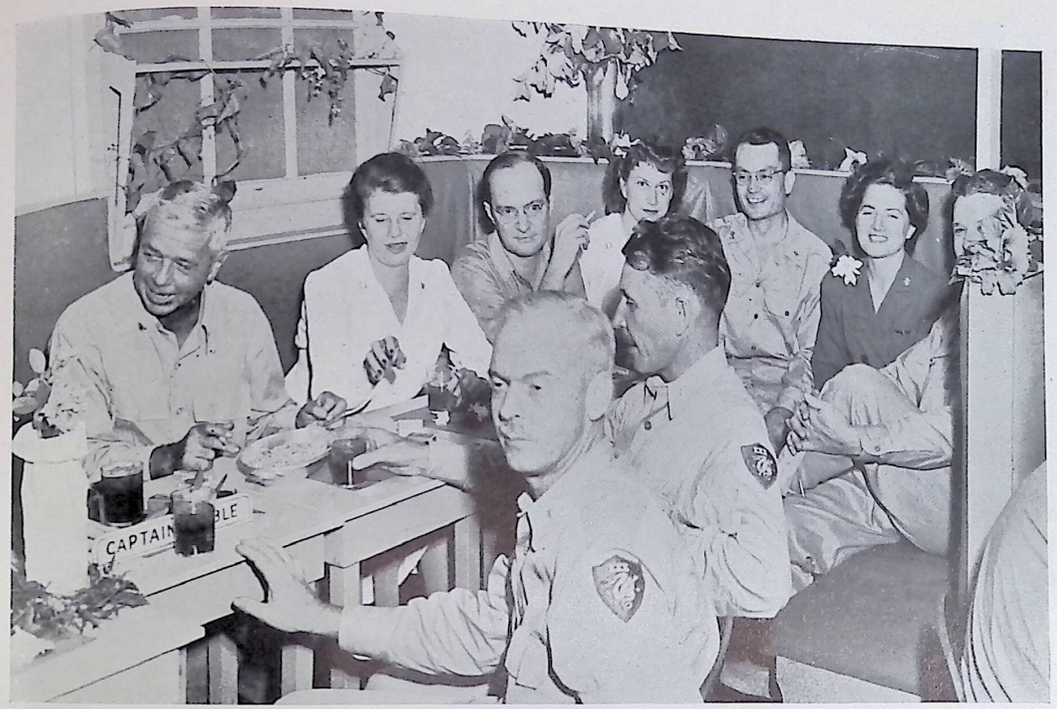
115 MASONIC CLUB . . .

CHIEFS' PARTY...





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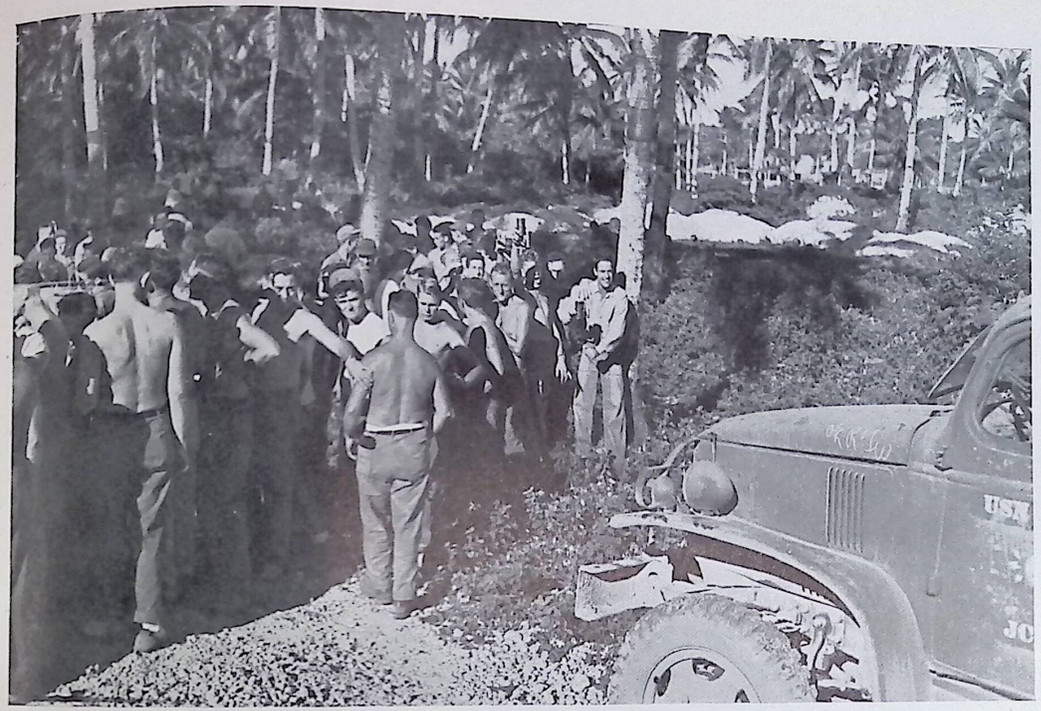


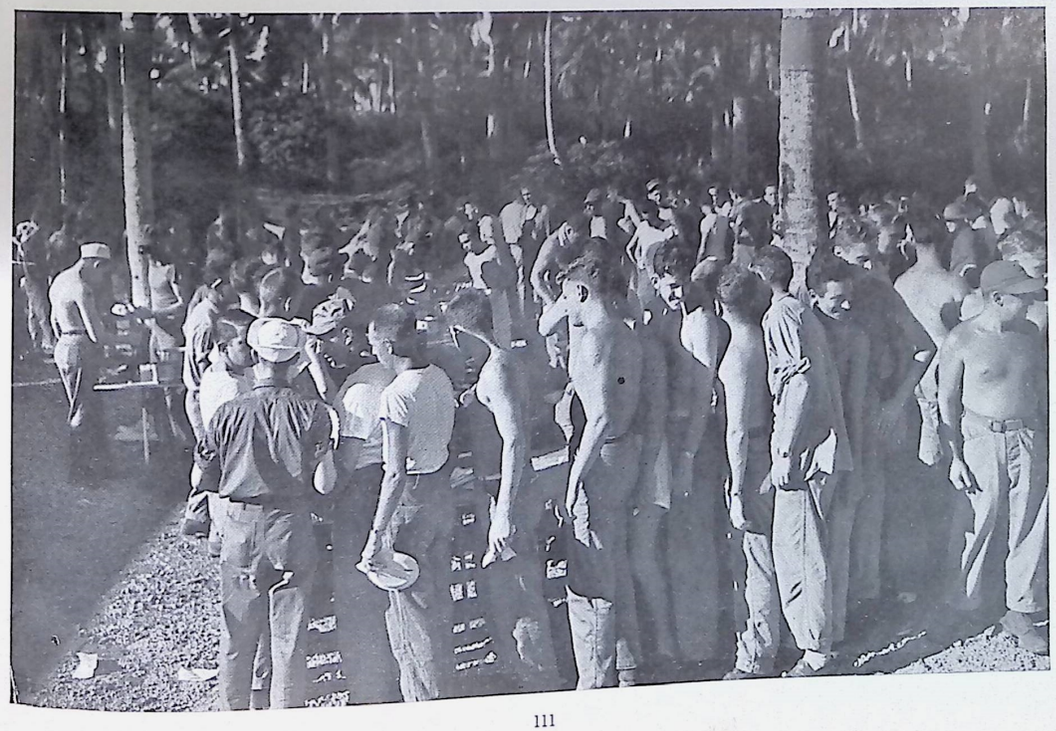
TUMON BAY PARTY . . .





FINAL BEER BUST—OCTOBER 13, 1945 . . .





TPR STAFF...



Seated—P. E. Williams, Bach, Gordon, Workman, Schwedel, Evans, Plaisted
Second row—Zamara, Alessi, Yedwab, G. M. Fisher, Schultz, Bodner, Lennon
Third row—Plessinger, Lerner, Line, Solan, Newsome, Stamp

From its original form, the Weekly TPR, our paper developed into a Daily, operating in conjunction with the Daily Advance of CinCPac. When the Navy News, a four-page lithographed sheet, made its debut on Guam, the local paper appeared each morning as a slip sheet supplement. Complete general and local news coverage intermingled with appropriate cartoons, witticisms and famous quotes were all popular features of the TPR.

I hope the personnel of 115 received as much satisfaction and pleasure from perusing the various columns of said publication as the entire staff did in assembling and producing the finished product.

Positive proof of the great amount of interest shown in the TPR, official publication of the hospital, is evidenced by the great number of men who were attached to the staff. Besides the members listed above, there were two others, Armando Dominguez, alias Wong Watt, and Cliff Smith, cartoonist, who were transferred before the picture was taken.

I advise everyone to leave a change of address when moving during the coming years as "Ye Ed" contemplates putting out an annual TPR during the Xmas holidays of 1946, and mailing a copy to each individual listed in this book. The Temperature, Pulse and Respiration of intervening events as well as up-to-the-minute scoops on the current activities of ex-115 personnel will be featured in the '46 edition.

Always your friend,

JAMES H. WORKMAN

115 YEARBOOK STAFF . . .



Seated—P. E. Williams, F. Fisher, Bach *Standing*—Zamara, Workman, Schwedel, Plessinger, Lerner, Omnitz

The preparation of this Yearbook has been a race against time. Deadlines have been forced upon us by orders from higher up transferring personnel, closing the photo laboratory and, finally, decommissioning the hospital itself. This is being written the day before the editor's transfer.

We regret the omission of pictures of detached personnel, but hope that you will remember them by reference to the complete muster list at the end of the book.

The editors have intentionally refrained from printed comments about departments and people. We have neither praised nor condemned. We are still too close to the activities and people of 115 to form dispassionate appraisals of their merits or faults. We urge each reader to write his own captions in his own book after enough time has elapsed to give the proper historical perspective.

Thanks to each of you for your confidence that this planned book would become a reality.

Sincerely,

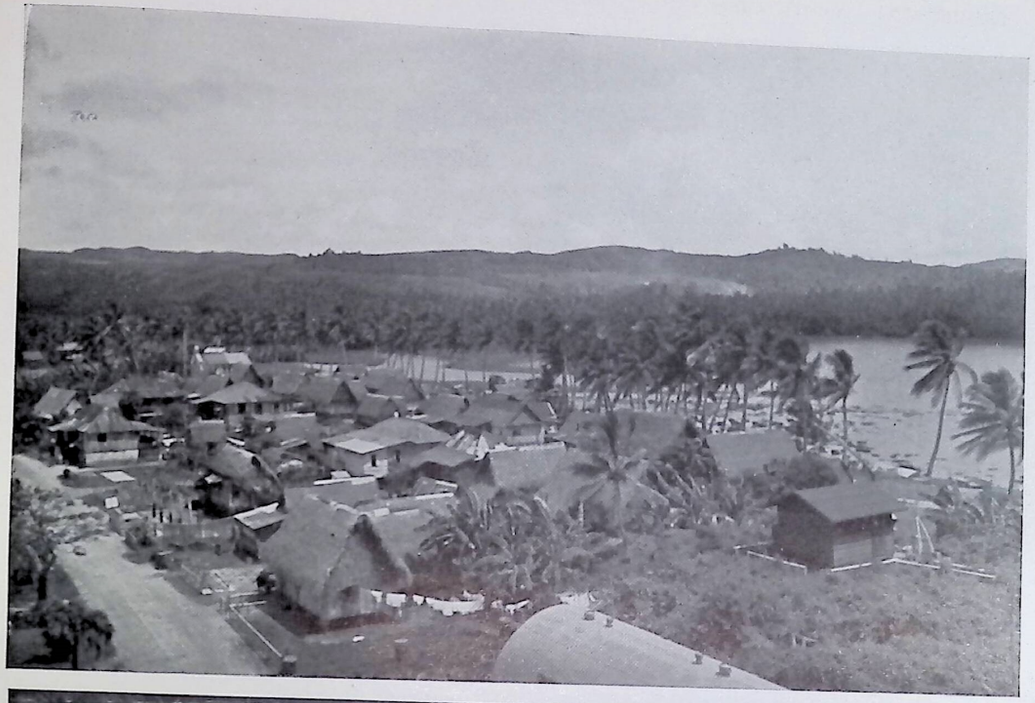
FRED FISHER, *Editor*

BARRIGADA...



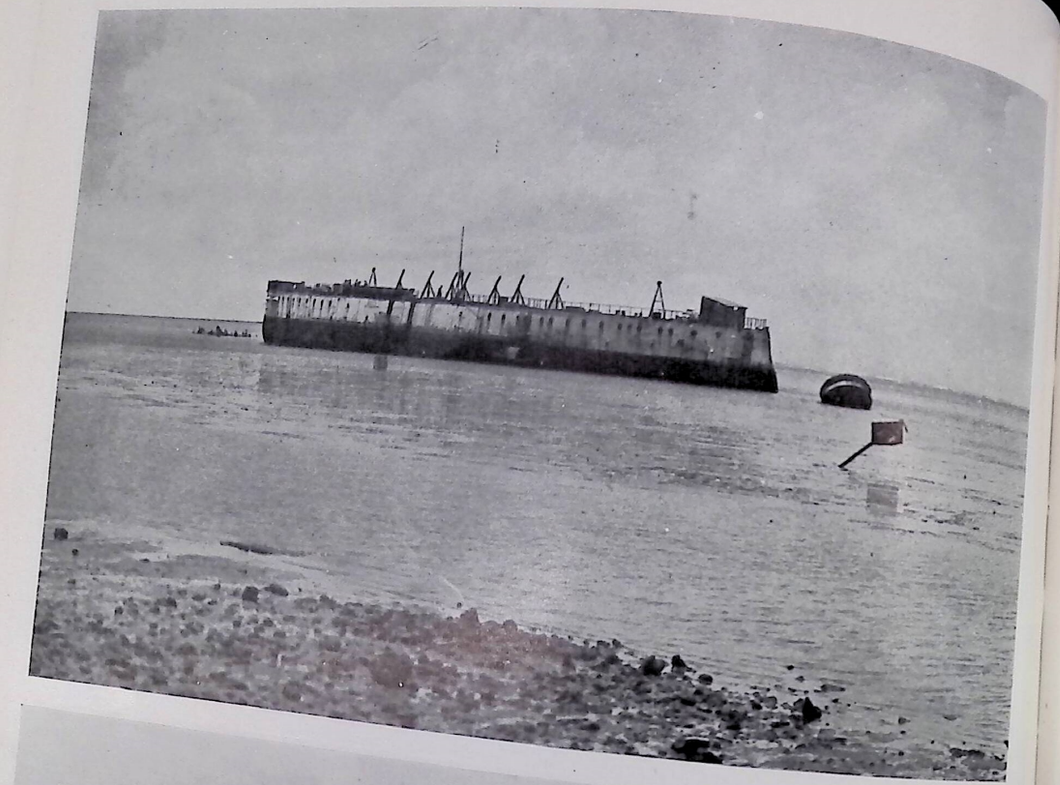


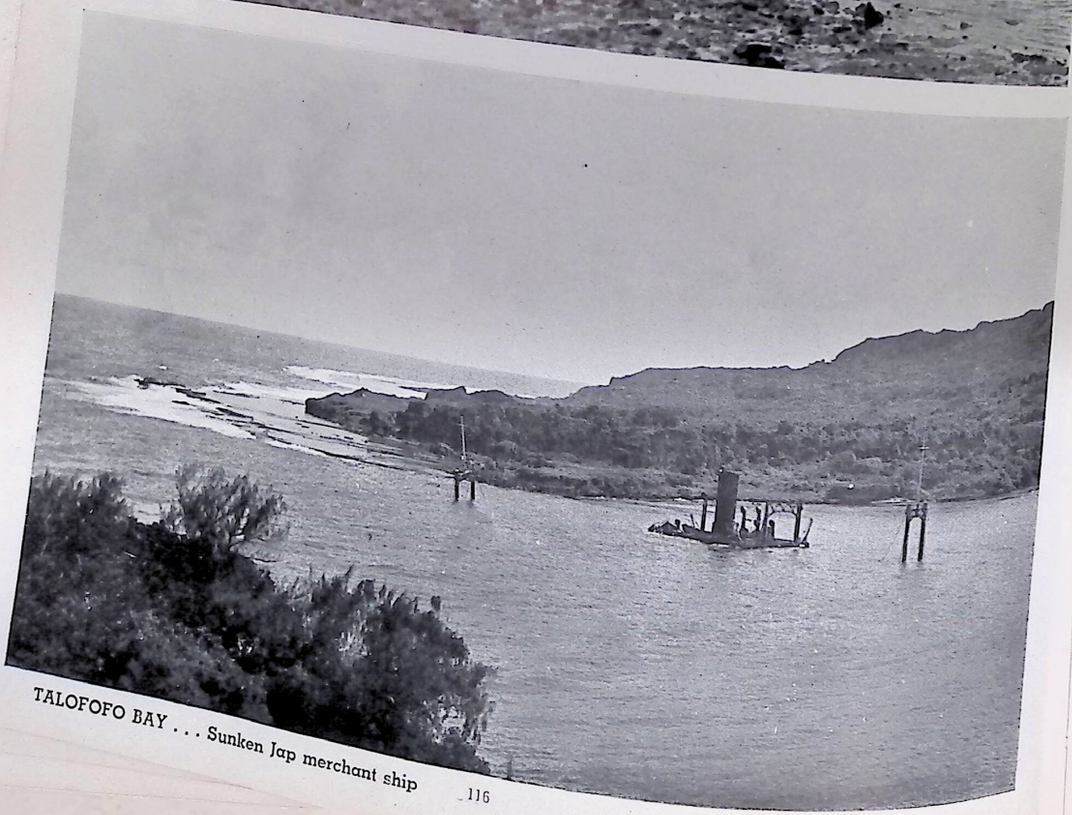
INARAJAN VILLAGE...





USS OREGON . . . Veteran of three wars





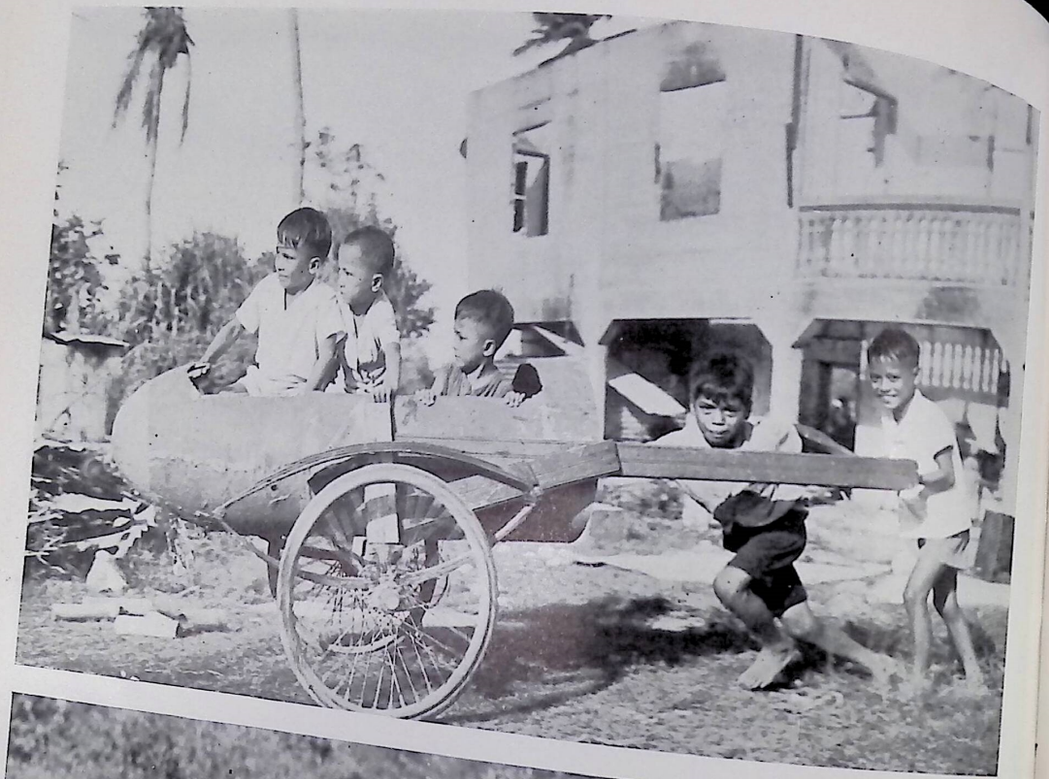
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AGANA PLAZA . . .

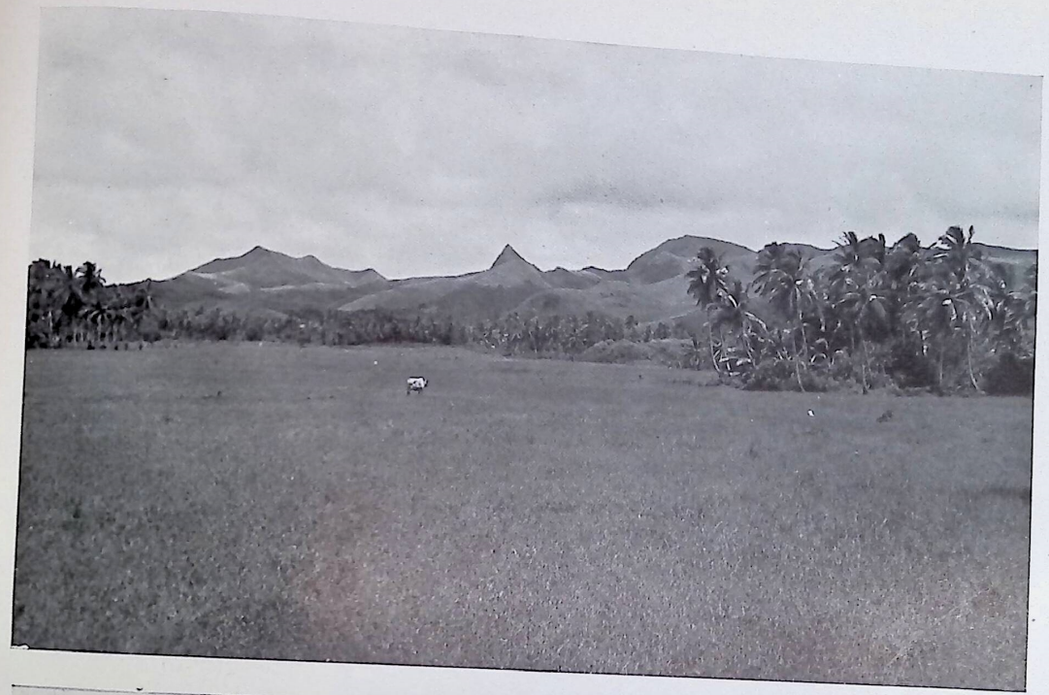




MERIZO . . . Street scene

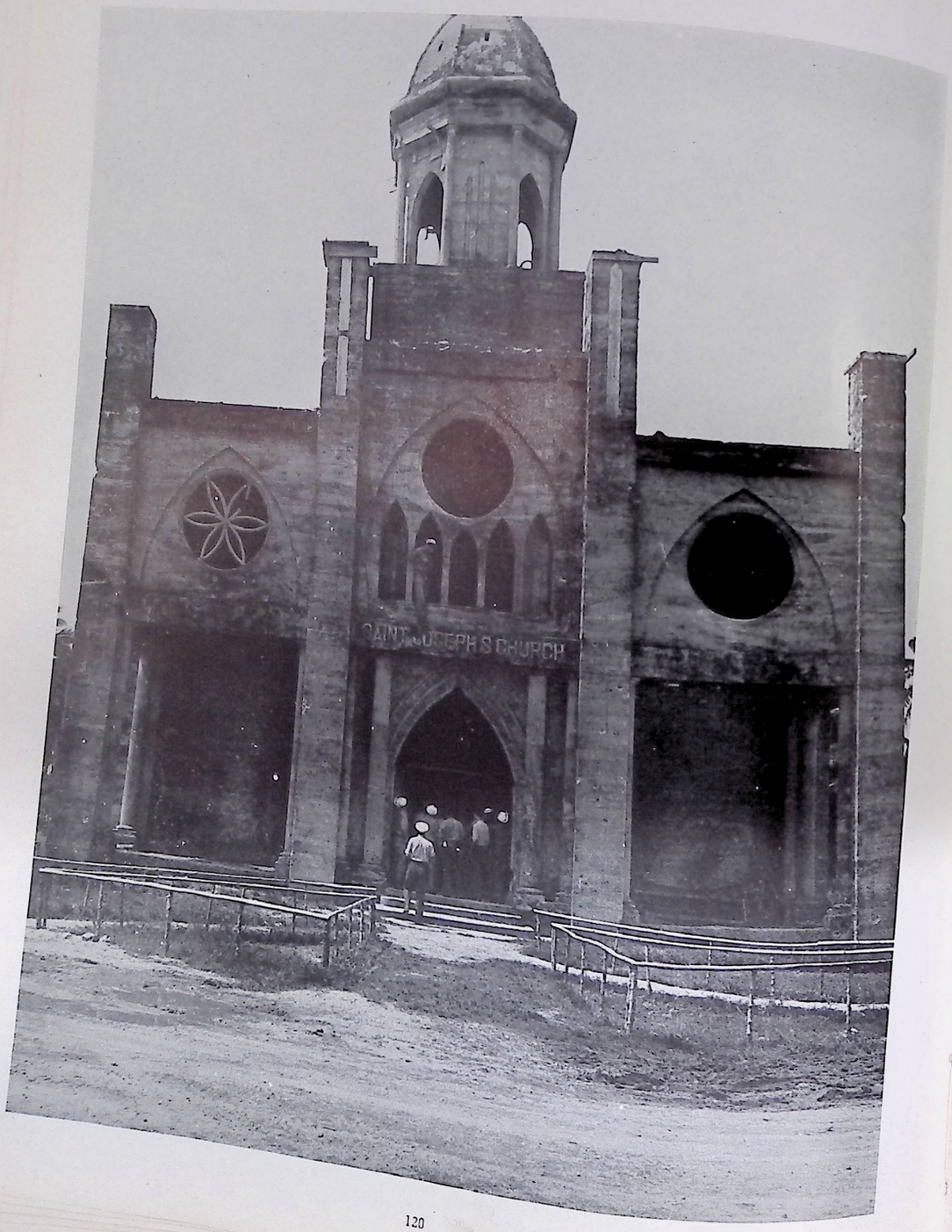


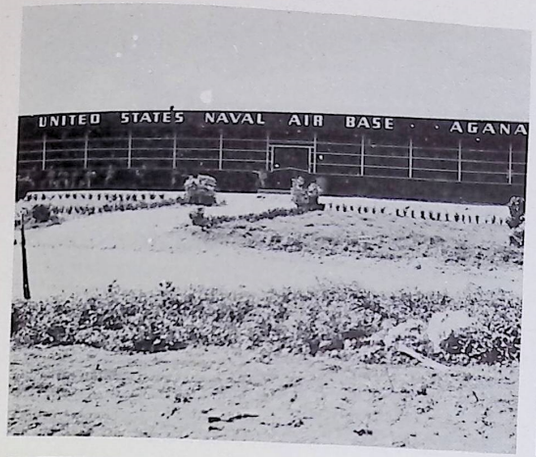


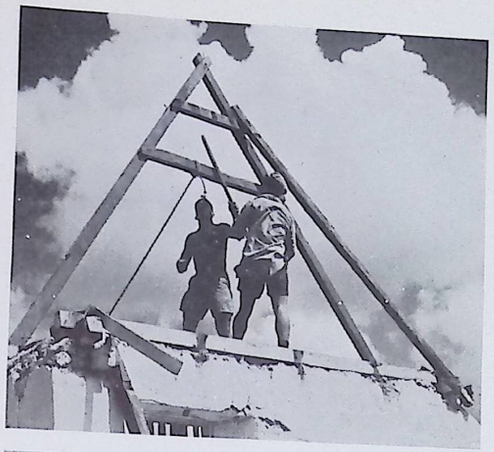




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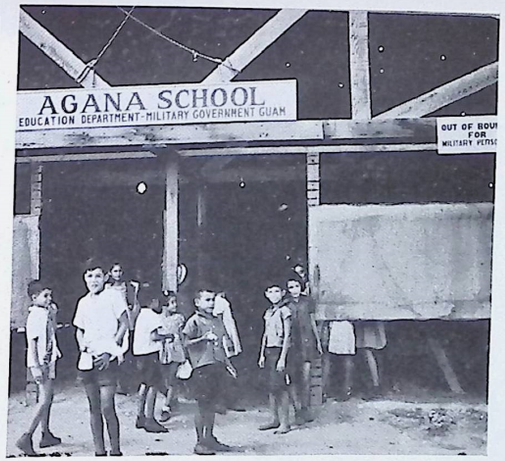






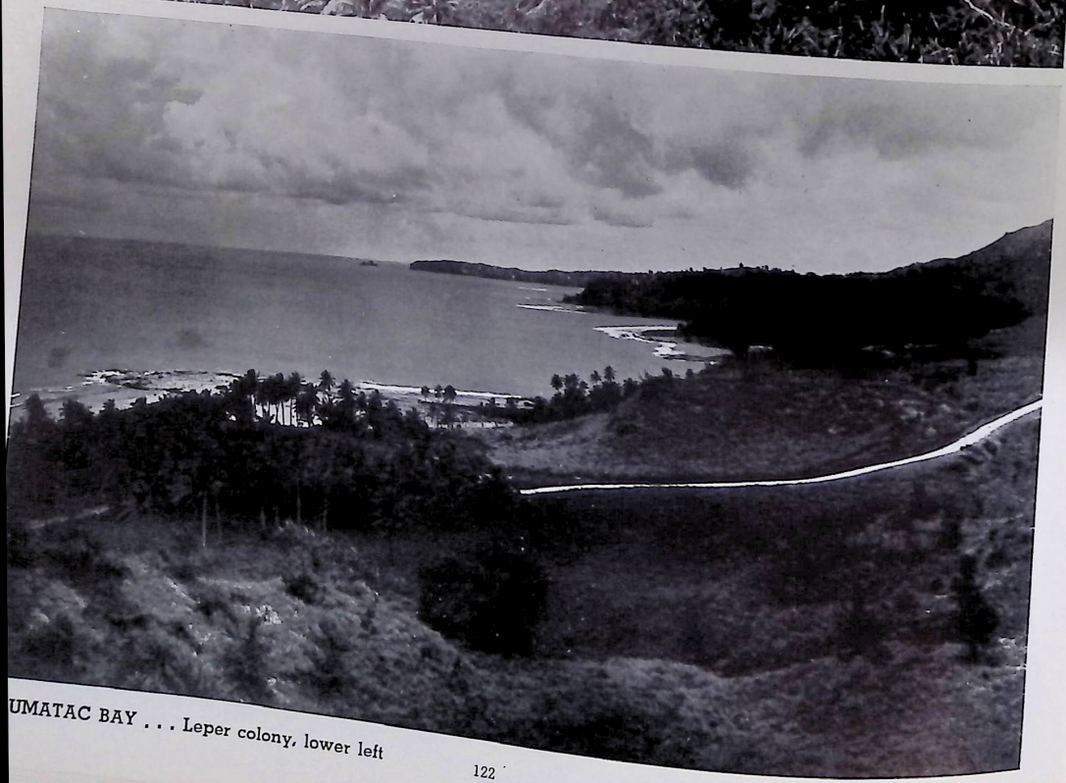






TREACHEROUS PAGO BAY . . .





UMATAC BAY . . . Leper colony, lower left

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