

Merchant Marines Train Ashore for Life Afloat

Washington — Next to the infant Air Academy, born last year, the United States Merchant Marine Academy is the youngest of the service schools that train America's officers of the future.

Set up at Kings Point, Long Island, within sight of New York City's towers, the academy is 12 years old this year. Yet already Kings Pointers have developed a regimental spirit that surprises members of older services with long established traditions.

The reason, says Nathaniel T. Kenney, is that the youths who will sail tomorrow's merchant ships "make do with one of the most glorious of all American traditions — the United States Merchant Marine. Not the history of the school but that of the calling it serves binds them in the brotherhood of the sea."

Doers and Scholars
To report on the mariners' college in action, Kenney visited their 65-acre campus beside Long Island Sound just as the school year opened. He found the students — from plebes, or freshmen, to upper-classmen — busy learning how to live as well as how to be seamen.

In addition to the usual college sciences such as chemistry, mathematics and physics, classroom subjects include those of liberal arts and humanities, grouped on campus as the "Longhair Department."

"It doesn't try to produce poets and artists," Rear Adm. Gordon McLintock, Academy superintendent, said, "but it does help make Merchant Marine officers cultured gentlemen, and this is as it should be." On the practical side, cadets learn the art of rope splicing along with intricacies of machine-age craft. They practice loading procedure with models that show what poorly stowed cargo can do to a ship. They learn about sextants, weather balloons, and radar — and how to handle lifeboats under sail should the order come, "Abandon ship."

Future navigators study the stars in a compact planetarium. They learn what powers a steamship in an engine room transferred intact from a Liberty ship—boilers and all. Two and a half decks high, this remarkable piece of equipment also is used to heat campus buildings. Engineer cadets man it around the clock, and when necessary make repairs.

Case of 'Lost' Class
In studying the Academy's insignia, Kenney suddenly realized he had seen no third classmen. Inquiring for the elusive students, he discovered they were traveling the seven seas in American merchant vessels on regular runs. Some cadets have sailed three times

around the world in their sea year.

The system recalls the early days, following the government's 1938 inauguration of the merchant marine program, when all training was aboard ships. Later shore training was introduced at temporary bases. Finally, under wartime pressure, the need for a permanent school became apparent.

"For \$100,000 the Federal Government bought the million-dollar estate of the late Walter P. Chrysler at Kings Point, on the edge of Great Neck," Kenney writes. "The campus was later enlarged... but the Chrysler place, with its gardens, terraced lawns, and Italianate mansion, now used as administration building, remains its hub."

Near the mansion towers a 172-foot unguied steel flagpole, reputedly the country's tallest. It was made that high, cadets solemnly assure visitors, so that on week end leave in New York can't argue they didn't see the recall signal.

Experts Seek Clear Atom Heart Picture

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Atomic experts at the University of California at Los Angeles are seeking a clear picture of the atom's heart. Reams of data from all over the world will be sifted for condensation and clarification.

Dr. David Saxon, head of the group of physicists trying to uncover the atomic core, admitted "it's a rather fuzzy picture."

"This is apparently because of the nature of the atomic nucleus," he said. "Our studies have indicated that the nucleus is like a ball of yarn with a very fuzzy edge. Or perhaps it's like a cloud whose trailing edges gradually disappear into the blue."

The doctor said the idea of the U.C.L.A. "atomic clearing house" is to reduce the tons of data collected by way of the "ball bouncing" technique of trying to find the atomic nucleus' shape.

The bombardment technique is described by Dr. Saxon as being "like trying to determine the shape of a house in pitch-black darkness by bouncing tennis balls off it. By noting the way the balls bounce we are beginning to get an idea of the shape of the atom's core." Cyclotrons and linear accelerators are used in this method of detection.

"The electric computer," Dr. Saxon said, "is helping to reduce former data to meaningful mathematical models."

Daily Weather Report

Sunset tonight 6:02 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 6:43 a.m.

FORECASTS
Medford and vicinity: Mostly cloudy with occasional light rain tonight and Saturday. Low tonight 38. High Saturday 52.

Western Oregon: Mostly cloudy with intermittent rain tonight and Saturday. Low tonight 38. High Saturday 46-54.

Northern California: Fair in south portion, but increasing cloudiness north portion tonight. Rain near Oregon border Saturday, spreading southward to Santa Rosa and Marysville by evening. Increasing cloudiness in south portion Saturday. Little temperature change.

LOCAL DATA
TEMPERATURE: Mean yesterday 45; normal 48.
Record high this date 73 in 1936.
Record low this date 16 in 1917.

PRECIPITATION: 24 hours to midnight, trace. March 1 to 10 a.m., none. Total this month trace, .06 inch, below normal.

Total since Sept. 1, 26.47 inches, 13.45 inches above normal.
HUMIDITY: Lowest yesterday 58%. Highest this a.m. 98%.

CITY
Brookings 49 45 .02
Crater Lake 50 34
Grants Pass 54 39
Klamath Falls 41 36
Medford 50 39
Portland 48 45 .05

Seattle 46 41 .07
Spokane 42 32
Yakima 50 34
Eureka 51 45
Red Bluff 68 41
Sacramento 66 43
San Francisco 58 44
Los Angeles 68 30

Phoenix 74 41
Denver 49 34
Chicago 58 33 .84
Miami 72 66
New York 42 38 T
Washington 58 43

FIVE-DAY FORECASTS
(Through March 1):
Western Oregon and Western Washington—Mostly cloudy and showery weather through Wednesday. Temperatures continuing near normal. Highs in western Oregon 46-55; western Washington 45-50. Lows 36-44. Total precipitation heavy averaging about 1 inch in interior valleys, except a little less in interior southwestern Oregon.

Northern California—Occasional rain Eureka northward, probably extending over area early in week. Snow in mountains. Temperatures near normal, except becoming below normal in mountains first of week.

As We Live

By ELIZABETH HURLOCK, PH.D.

Neglected Family Needs
Professional Counseling

When a husband refuse to assume his responsibilities and makes his wife and children suffer the time has come to put the problem in the hands of a professional.

(Q) "I am 20 years old, married to a man of 21. We have a four-month-old baby and I am now expecting another baby. I don't want this child because my husband goes out at night, dressed fit to kill, runs up bills and never pays anything. If it weren't for my parents buying clothes for me and the baby, we would have nothing to wear."

"My husband has wrecked two new cars inside of two years, but gets another before the last one is paid for. We owe for furniture, car, gasoline, groceries and the clothing he buys for himself. I told my doctor about my situation but he tells me not to worry."

"Our minister has tried to talk to my husband but he only laughs at him. What am I to do? I feel like putting an end to it all but then I think of my darling baby girl who would be left all alone with a father who doesn't pay any attention to her."

M.P.
(A) For the sake of your baby and the baby you are carrying, you must try not to worry too much about this situation. However, this does not mean you should sit down, fold your hands, and hope things will turn out all right in the end. I can assure you they won't correct themselves.

You cannot do anything yourself to improve this situation. It has gone beyond your control. If your husband won't listen to your minister and won't assume his legal responsibilities to you and the baby, the time has come to take legal action.

Tell Story to Judge
Ask your minister to make arrangements for you to see the domestic relations judge in your district. Then tell the judge how your husband spends money,

pays no bills, drives recklessly enough to smash up two cars in two years, and is out every night. I think it would be a good idea to have your mother accompany you when you see the judge so she can tell how she has had to help you financially.

The judge will require your husband to take proper care of you and the children. He will likewise require him to pay the bills he owes. In addition, he will send your husband to a marriage counselor who will try to make your husband realize that a married man has legal obligations he cannot shirk.

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Oregon Coast Gets Heaviest Rainfall

By UNITED PRESS
The heaviest rainfall in the nation fell last night along the Oregon coast. Newport had 1.82 inches of rain and Astoria 1.10 inches. The latest series of storms sweeping inland from the Pacific, however, left only .05 of an inch in Portland.

At higher elevations the precipitation in the form of snow. Timberline lodge on Mt. Hood had 24 inches on top of an already record-smashing snowpack of 303 inches. Poor visibility made skiing conditions poor.

The weather bureau expected the ocean-born storm system to persist over Oregon for the next five days but with mild, seasonal temperatures.

Meanwhile, the weather bureau said a possible river crest of between 25 and 28 feet was expected this spring in the Portland-Vancouver area. That would be 7 to 10 feet over flood stage at Portland and 10 to 13 feet over flood stage in Vancouver. But with favorable conditions, the crest could be as low as 22 feet.

Physical Therapy Offices Open Here

Robert D. Scofield and Harold L. Gilbert have announced the opening Monday, March 5, of offices at 524 East Main st., for the practice of physical therapy and rehabilitation.

They also practice in Klamath Falls and will alternate in conducting the practice here. The space recently remodeled was the location of the Rogue Camera shop.

Treatment will be done on physician's prescription only. Both are graduates in physical therapy from Stanford university and both are graduates of Linfield college. They did internships in the San Francisco area before opening practice at Visalia and Hanford, Calif., where they practiced for 2½ years.

They have had offices in Klamath Falls since Nov. 1. When the school term closes in June one of the men will move here with his family while the other will remain in Klamath Falls.

Births
OLSON—To Mr. and Mrs. Ben, 281 Lozier lane, March 1, 1936, a boy, 7 pounds, at Sacred Heart hospital.

McGEE—To Mr. and Mrs. Orlo, 635 Oakdale dr., March 2, 1936, a girl, 9 pounds, at Sacred Heart hospital.

HALL—To Mr. and Mrs. Lee, route 2, box 56, Jacksonville, March 2, 1936, a boy, 8 pounds, at Community hospital.

The Clock
Main at Bartlett, Phone 2-6766

Kapers to Conclude Show Here Saturday

Medford Kiwanis Kapers show, "Holiday Revue," will continue with a performance tonight and will conclude Saturday night at the Medford Senior High school auditorium.

The show, which opened Wednesday, played last night to a large and receptive second night audience.

Production numbers, song and dance chorus selections, comedy sketches and other group and solo songs make up the program which lasts more than two hours. The presentation has all local talent with professional direction.

Holidays of the year is the general theme of the Kapers. First act presentations reviews a number of holidays. Second act is an Ocean Cruise.

Funds raised in the Kapers will be spent in Jackson county by the Kiwanis club for its underprivileged children's projects and boys' and girls' work. The show is the major fund-raising activity of the club.

Reserved seat ticket sales for the Saturday performance will continue through Saturday at Barker's Men's store and tickets will be available at the auditorium box office. Kiwanians said there are ample good reserved seats left for the Saturday show.

Oregon Corporations Sign Stock Option

San Francisco — (U.P.) — Officials of two of Oregon's largest corporations have signed a transaction optioning more than \$100,000,000 worth of stock to Blyth & Co., an investment firm.

James Miller, a Blyth official of Portland, said details of the option must still be worked out. The Oregon concerns, Coos Bay Lumber Co. and Dant & Russell Inc., a lumber and shipping firm, signed at a meeting in the Blyth offices here yesterday.

Miller declined to reveal any details of the transaction. Blyth has until June 28 to decide whether to accept the stock. An official of the investment firm denied that Blyth & Co. was acting for a fourth party and said "if we buy the stock we'll buy it for ourselves."

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Whitewashing Coal, Unwanted Horseshoe Nails Stir Debate in British Commons

For want of a nail, the shoe was lost;
For want of a horse, the rider was lost;
For want of a battle, the war was lost.

London — (U.P.) — The British Army, under criticism for painting coal white so soldiers would not stumble over it in the dark, was disclosed today to have hastily disposed of 12,000,000 unwanted horseshoe nails to avert further criticism.

The war surplus nails, rusty with disuse, were said to be enough to keep 731 horses shod for the next 38 years. Left unanswered was whether the Army had enough horseshoes to use up the nails if it had enough horses.

Another Light Brigade?
"What was the army doing

with 12,000,000 horseshoe nails," the tabloid Daily Mirror asked. "Did it imagine that there was going to be another charge of the Light Brigade?"

The huge surplus of horseshoe nails came to light as result of a debate in the House of Commons in which War Minister Anthony Head said he had discovered some soldiers whitewashing

coal so they wouldn't stumble over it in the dark.

Head admitted that many Army practices were carried out today because of tradition and that they do not make sense. He cited such practices as polishing the soles of military boots as well as the tops and then polishing the tin can the polish came in.

Subject of Complaint
The coal whitewashing operation was the subject of a complaint by a member of Parliament, Head said, and he admitted "I got into a rage" when he heard about it.

"In fact, the coal was dumped in the middle of a very dark yard and soldiers were always falling over it, so they whitewashed it so it would show in the dark," Head said.

Laborite Richard Stokes suggested red lamps should have been placed around the dump instead.

"I thought you were rather against red lamps," Head retorted.

Parliament appointed a three-man civilian committee to inquire into humdrum jobs, menial jobs and the waste of time by servicemen.

Wimer Group Seeks To Reopen Bridge

A delegation from Wimer Thursday presented to the county court a petition signed by Wimer residents asking that the county repair and reopen the covered bridge across Evans creek as soon as possible.

They said the bridge, which was condemned following the December flood, is "on the main established route, regular mail route and Wimer school bus route."

Members of the court said they had the petition under advisement. They added that another bridge about one-fourth mile below the other is presently serving the community.

Miss Pat's Dance Studio To Move

Miss Pat's Dance studio is being moved into a permanent downtown location at 31 North Grape st., from Jacksonville highway. The studio is in the same building in which Miss Pat (Mrs. Cliff Aldrich) originally opened studios here several years ago but in a larger section.

Registration of new students and open house will be held at the new location, Thursday, March 8 from 3 to 7 p.m. Classes in various types of dancing will be open for both children and adults.

In addition to dance classes, dancing equipment will be available to the public as well as students including slippers, leotards, recordings and other items.

Miss Pat will be assisted by two instructors, Miss Karen Adele and Miss Carol Jones.

The kindergarten department conducted at the Jacksonville location is being moved into the dance studios there. New enrollments for the kindergarten are now being taken for the larger quarters.

Boy Scouts
Pack 60 held their Blue and Gold dinner Wednesday evening at the Latter Day Saints church. The dinner also marked the pack's first year in scouting. It was organized Dec. 31, 1934.

Dinner was followed by a presentation of the pack charter for the new year and award ceremonies. Guests included Cliff Hansen, Scout executive; Carroll W. Smith, member of the executive council and Mrs. Smith; Bishop and Mrs. D. W. Shepherd and Dr. Dwaine Nelson, institutional representative.

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