

Anti-Submarine Warfare Maneuvers Are Held Constantly Off Coast

(Editor's note: Americans are concerned about Soviet missiles in Cuba.)

But many military men — and particularly the Navy — feel there is a greater menace from enemy submarines prowling off the coasts of the nation.

(Their feeling is that Russia will soon have, if she does not already, nuclear subs equipped with Polaris-type missiles tipped with atomic explosives.)

(To meet that threat, U.S. Navy task forces are constantly engaged in anti-submarine warfare maneuvers. Here is a first-hand report from "Task Force Bravo" on how they operate.)

engine Skyraider equipped again on the airwaves, this with the latest in radar and radio transmission gear. The Skyraider relays the message to this huge, angle-decked carrier cruising slowly many miles away.

When the word of the "contact" is received, the Wasp's

calm routine is swiftly broken. The loudspeakers blare, bells jingle in the engine room, the engines begin to pound and the great ship heads into the wind to prepare for the order to "launch planes!"

On deck, 20 twin-engine SZF submarine hunter killers rev up their engines, unfold

their wings and roar swiftly off the flight deck into the night.

Deep inside the carrier, the "C-I-C" center (combat information center) becomes a beehive of activity. On large, clear plastic screens, the operation is plotted, as in a gigantic chess game.

Simultaneously, a half-dozen destroyers of Task Force Bravo, also cruising in the area, churn into wide turns and then charge through the stormy night, wakes foaming wildly behind them, spray cascading over the bridges.

While the "reserves" are coming up, two super-speed

helicopters flying at more than 200 MPH, have come out of the night to join the original "helos" in pinpointing and holding the "fix" on the still unsuspecting submarine.

Planes Are Over Area

Now, the SZF sub killers are over the area. They run out their "MAD" gear — a stinger-like projection which slides out just below the tail. MAD stands for Magnetic Anomaly Detection and it works on a principle involving the north-south magnetic field flux lines which girdle the earth.

Soon the submarine picks up, through its own sound gear, the throb of propellers as the destroyers and the carrier, racing at flank speed, approach. The sub skipper orders a deep dive and evasive maneuvers.

The sub twists and turns, stops its engines and tries to hide by "running silent." But, this helps not at all. Killing all sound leaves the sonar men without a clue. But the MAD gear then takes over and focuses on the sub.

The destroyers, guided by the airborne killers, zero in on the target, their depth charges rigged and ready to fire. On the destroyers, just forward of the bridge areas, banks of "Hedgehogs" — explosives which resemble somewhat old-fashioned potato mashers — also are set to be fired. These are fired off in groups which form set patterns, and explode on contact when they strike a submarine.

There is the ever-present rivalry between the men who fly the planes and the men who run the ships. And, even rivalry between the fixed-wing pilots and the helicopter crews. But it is a friendly rivalry, and competitive in the sense that each group tries to be the first to come up with a "solid contact."

The job of "ASV" is not a glamorous one.

The pilots are not "hot shot" jet jockeys whipping sleek jets through the air at fantastic speeds.

The ships are not nuclear powered.

But, the men and the ships and their comparatively "slow" planes are performing a vital function 24-hours a day, 365 days a year.

By EDWARD V. MCCARTHY
United Press International

Aboard Carrier USS Wasp — (AP) — It is night over the Atlantic ocean. On the surface, the dark waves heave endlessly, white foam forming a frothy top which is whipped into spray by gusts of wind. A chill rain is falling.

A bare 50 feet above the crests is an inconspicuous sight. Hovering like some fantastic beast from another world is a helicopter, a dark blob in the sky. From it dangles a long steel cable which plunges beneath the surface into the "quiet" depths.

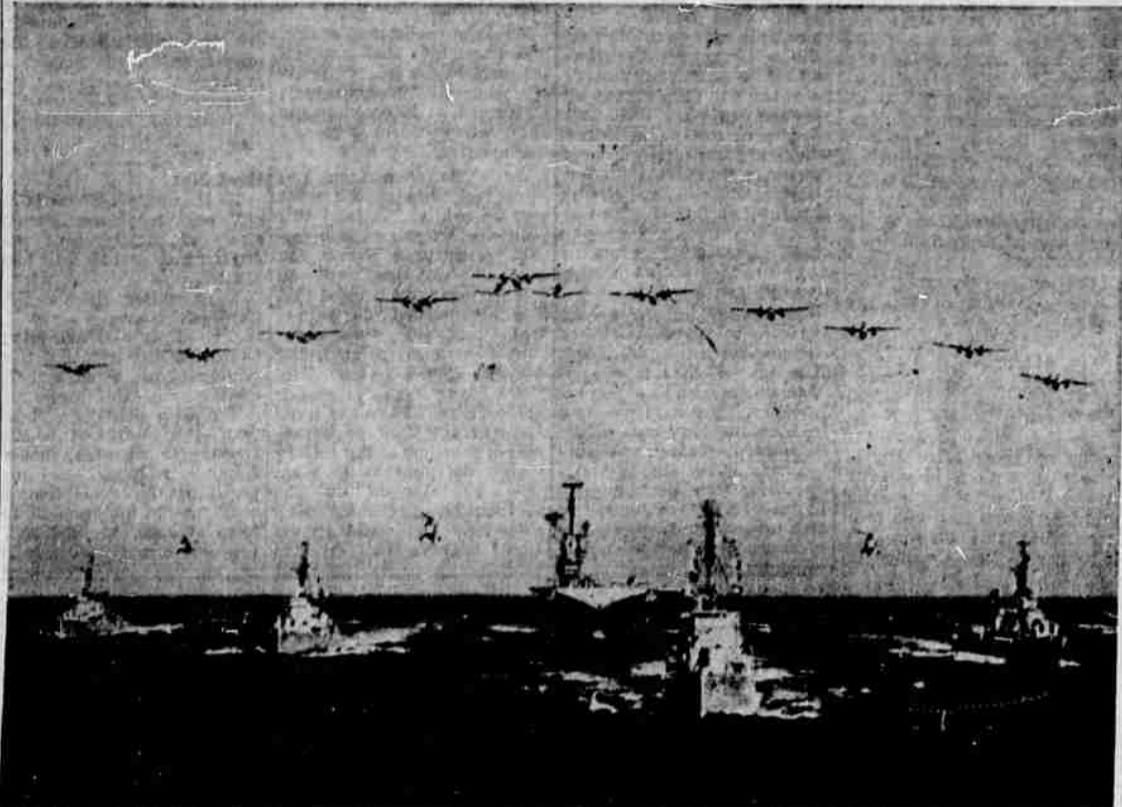
While the two pilots struggle against the wind and rain to keep the copter almost motionless, a third crewman sits with earphones listening to the sounds of the deep. There is the usual fish "talk" and the hundreds of other eerie sounds which echo endlessly through the very unquiet ocean currents.

The sound is being picked up by sonar listening gear in a ball at the other end of the cable suspended from the helicopter. The sonar even records the rain drops striking on the surface of the ocean.

Suddenly, the man with the earphones stiffens. To his trained ears, a new sound separates itself from the others. It is the regular, pulsating throb of a propeller — the sound of a submarine sinking along, safe from the prying "eye" of radar.

He speaks quietly to a crewman sitting next to him, also wearing earphones. The second man is a radioman. He passes the word to another helicopter operating some distance away. The second copter also picks up the "contact" and a "fix" is made on the location, speed and heading of the unidentified sub.

The word is now passed, time picked up by a single-



WARFARE MANEUVERS—Many U.S. military men, and particularly the Navy, feel there is a great menace from enemy submarines prowling off the coasts of the nation.

This picture was taken of the USS Wasp during anti-submarine warfare maneuvers, "Task Force Bravo," in the South Atlantic. (Official Navy Photo via UPI)

65 Jackson County Youths Will Attend 4-H Summer School

Sixty-five Jackson county 4-H club members are scheduled to attend the 4-H summer school at Oregon State University in Corvallis June 10-15, according to County 4-H Agent Jerry Brog.

Applegate members planning to attend are Robert Earl Pate, Mike Emore, Bill Pate, Randy Myell, Tom Pate, Gene Fowler, Bill Keyes, Mary Anne Cantrill, and Adrienne Brion.

Central Point members attending are James Anhorn, Vicki Caldwell, Donna Ham-

mond, Lynda Mang, Sue Cornutt, Conny Varner, Susan Trully and Mary Williamson.

Eagle Point members planning to attend are Darrell Dowell, Jary Manson, Laura May Noble, Pauletta Anderson and Linda Armitage.

To Attend From Medford

Medford members planning to attend are Charley Hugh, Patsy Sutton, Mary Cheney, Lynne Culbertson, Jean Levitow, Cathy Carlson, Margaret Goodwin, Kathi Kula, Lynn Sheldon, Susan Vroman, Bev Biehn, Dale Drager, Janet Lee, Jan Main, Ilene Mitchell, Marlene Nougier, Kathy Renz, Margaret Carnegie, Cynthia Charley, Linda Denbo, Marla Hefner, Ruth Ann Henny, Peggy Lee Hilton, Dixie Schefer, Marti Steeck, Susan E. Whithian, and Carolyn Zeronski.

Others planning to attend are Don Gail and Peggy Martin, Gold Hill; David Strickland, Bob Trichey, Julie Ann Smith, Rogue River; Wayne Fletcher, Cynthia Holtgrave, Joyce A. Gunther, Amy Jo Helm, Lora South and Teresa Bradshaw, Ashland; Sam James and Lorna Fowler, Talent.

All of the 4-Hers will be housed in OSU dormitories with college students as counselors. During the week, they will attend special classes each morning, have recreational activities and assemblies in the afternoon, and attend a variety of programs in the evening.



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BIRDING

By JOSEPH HICKS

On May 30, 27 members of the Thomas McCamant Bird Society participated in the annual Memorial Day Bird Count. As in previous years the count was restricted to Jackson county.

With two more observers than last year, the count this year of 124 species is still less than the 132 species observed in 1962, or the 137 species noted in 1961. One reason for the low count was the shortage of ducks and geese, although most of the ponds and lakes were filled with water.

John Linn Jr. found the most interesting bird, a short-tailed, flat headed, small sparrow with a pale striped crown, and an unbreasted, buffy breast. Named the grasshopper sparrow, this bird is very rare in western United States.

Again the Memorial Day bird counts are establishing nesting records of species that are not listed as nesting in this area.

A female blue-gray gnatcatcher was seen on her nest by Mr. and Mrs. E. Lasher and the compiler of the count. Doctors F. Sturges and J. Reynolds again located two nesting black phoebes on the Applegate river. A pair of nesting yellow-headed blackbirds were spotted in a new location east of the large game pond. A common merganser with young was seen by Mrs. H. Pringle near Dodge bridge. Four broods of small wood ducks were also observed on the series of ponds leading to the Old Military bridge. Black-billed magpies were counted in their nesting area east of Ashland.

Tricolored blackbirds seem to be increasing in the valley. More tricolored and Brewer's blackbirds were seen than any other species. Nine western bluebirds were counted this year. This is a slight increase over the 6 found last year but far under the 52 total reported on May 30, 1961.

The two cold winters have undoubtedly had a severe effect on the bluebird population.

Very few Rufous hummingbirds were seen this year; however, Calliope hummingbirds were noted by several observers. Other interesting birds were the American bittern seen by Mrs. T. Conway and Mrs. R. Briggs and the purple martin observed by R. Hubbard.

Participating in the count were Dr. John Reynolds, Dr. Franklin Sturges, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Conway, Mrs. Howard Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hubbard, John Linn, Jr., Mike Alesko, Jr., James Temrite, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Lasher, Mrs. Ray Briggs, Mrs. Leroy Tompkins, Mrs. George Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Scott, Ralph Browning, Mr. and Mrs. H. Pringle, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Mentzer, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Fitch, Miss Betty Jo Hicks, Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Joseph Hicks.

The species follows: Pied-billed grebe, green heron, black-crowned night heron, American bittern, Canada goose, mallard, cinnamon teal, wood duck, common merganser, turkey vulture, red-tailed hawk, osprey, sparrow hawk, ruffed grouse, California quail, mountain quail, ring-necked pheasant, American coot, killdeer, common snipe, spotted sandpiper, Wilson's phalarope, ring-billed gull, band-tailed pigeon, rock dove, mourning dove, barn owl, burrowing owl, common nighthawk, Vaux's swift, Rufous hummingbird, Calliope hummingbird, belted kingfisher, red-shafted flicker, pileated woodpecker, acorn woodpecker, Lewis' woodpecker, yellow-bellied sapsucker, hairy woodpecker, downy woodpecker, western kingbird, ash-throated flycatcher, black phoebe, Say's phoebe, Hammond's flycatcher, western flycatcher, western wood pewee, olive-sided flycatcher, horned lark, violet-green swallow, tree swallow, rough-winged swallow, barn swallow, cliff swallow, purple martin, Stellar's jay, scrub jay, black-billed magpie, common raven, common crow, black-capped chickadee, common chickadee, chestnut-backed chickadee, plain titmouse, common chushtit, white-breasted nuthatch, red-breasted nuthatch, brown creeper, wren-tit, dipper, house wren, winter wren, Bewick's wren, long-billed marsh wren, rock wren, robin, hermit thrush, Swainson's thrush, western bluebird, mountain bluebird, Townsend's solitaire, blue-gray gnatcatcher, golden-crowned kinglet, ruby-crowned kinglet, cedar waxwing, starling, solitary vireo, warbling vireo, Nashville warbler, yellow warbler, myrtle warbler, Audubon's warbler, hermit warbler, MacGillivray's warbler, yellow-breasted chat, Wilson's warbler, house sparrow, meadowlark, yellow-headed blackbird, redwinged blackbird, tricolored blackbird, Bullock's oriole, Brewer's blackbird, brown-headed cowbird, western tanager, black-headed grosbeak, Lazuli hunting, evening grosbeak, purple finch, Cassin's finch, house finch, pine siskin, American goldfinch, lesser goldfinch, Rufous-sided towhee, brown towhee, Savannah sparrow, lark sparrow, Oregon junco, chipping sparrow, fox sparrow, song sparrow, vesper sparrow, and grasshopper sparrow.

PET TALK

By M. I. L.

BULLFIGHT ON TV

On Saturday afternoon, Feb. 2, 1963, N.B.C. chose to devote 1 1/2 hours of time to present a show called "Bullfight in Spain."

Newsweek magazine, issue of Feb. 4, 1963, carried a story about this show, pointing out that some of the more objectionable scenes had been cut and that the network still expected objections to the film from those opposed to bullfighting. Hundreds of telegrams, in fact, were sent, but to no avail.

The spectacle we saw that afternoon was as horrible as any we have ever witnessed. The unfortunate bull was tortured in the prescribed manner of first getting him tired with various cape maneuvers, then six or more long, sharp banderillas were sunk deep into his withers, and the blood flowed freely. Then the picador on his blindfolded horse sank his pic deep into the large neck muscle. Now the bull's head was lowered and the blood spilled out, covering the suffering animal's side.

Finally, after more cape work to further wear out the animal, the matador plunged his long sword into the bull's body so that only the hilt was visible. The slowly dying beast stood for a few seconds and looked at its executioner — then slowly sank to its knees and died.

This is the scene that was viewed on N. B. C. on that Saturday afternoon and, of course, thousands of children had opportunity to see this cruel and needless torture. American children are taught sportsmanship and fair play. Some are also taught in church, school and at home that kindness is a great virtue. We wonder about the children's reaction to the final ghoulish bit when the matador was "honored" by receiving the bloody ears and tail from the once proud and beautiful creature he had just tortured and killed.

Will the showing of this film encourage the introduction of bullfighting in the U.S.? There are several promoters eager to do just that. N.B.C. did nothing to improve TV's so-called "wasteland" by the showing of this film — in fact, the network rendered a disservice, especially to young people. Dr. Schweitzer's philosophy of Reverence for Life is apparently not understood by the powers at NBC who fouled the airwaves with such a disgusting show.

Grants Pass Firm Buys Klamath Logs

With a bid which more than doubled the forest service appraised price, the Mountain Fir Lumber company of Grants Pass, purchased the West Long John timber sale unit in Jackson county, Klamath National Forest Supervisor Joseph F. Thornton announced.

Fourteen million feet of mixed conifer timber in the Yreka-Yorking Circle was bid at a total value of \$214,720. The appraised value was \$105,928. The sale is located in the Jackson county portion of the working circle.

Max M. Ryce, timber management assistant, Oak Knoll Ranger station, will administer the sale.

BOND ISSUE LOSES

Troutdale — (AP) — Voters in the Reynolds School District Thursday defeated for the fourth time a proposed \$1,250,000 bond issue to build a junior high school. The vote was 889 no and 791 yes.

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