

OFFICER PERSONNEL

REPORTING OF ERRORS IN ANNUAL REGISTER.

Frequent report of omissions in listing courses and special qualifications of officers in the annual Register have been received by the Bureau. This information is highly desirable as it is constantly used by detail officers in making assignments to duty.

It is requested therefore, that each officer check the entries in the course and qualification column of the Register and report to the Bureau any omissions so that the next edition may be corrected.

Commanding Officers are requested to circularize this notice.

ARMY NAVY COUNTRY CLUB, WASHINGTON, D. C.

The recreational facilities of the Army Navy Country Club, Washington, D. C., are proving popular with the officers on duty in the Navy Department. 42% of the officers on duty in the Bureau of Navigation already are members of the Club.

In addition to the five excellent "All-Weather" tennis courts recently completed, hand ball courts, bowling alleys, and an additional 18 hole golf course, 9 holes of which are now under construction, are among the development projects.

LOCATION OF ONE HARRIETT MONTGOMERY.

The Bureau has been requested to locate one Harriett Montgomery who is believed to have married a Naval officer and who is heir to an estate. She is now approximately forty-five years of age, and the daughter of Henry Montgomery, now deceased.

Anyone having information regarding the above individual is requested to communicate with Heffernan & Heffernan, Attorneys-at-Law, Washington, Indiana.

ENLISTED PERSONNEL

COMMENDATIONS.

The following men received letters of commendation from the Chief of the Bureau of Navigation for reasons indicated:

Anthony Zito, Boatswain's Mate first class, 238-17-95, U.S.Navy, U.S.S. GANNETT, for the prompt and efficient action

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

displayed when a gasoline explosion and fire occurred on a fishing boat moored in close proximity to U.S.S. GANNETT.

Temple Berry Mounger, Machinist's Mate second class, 336-43-15, U.S. Navy, U.S.S. NEW MEXICO, for valuable assistance rendered two men who were seriously injured in an ice machine explosion.

ADVANCEMENT TO WAR-TIME RANK.

By an Act of Congress approved 7 May, 1932, 17 retired warrant officers and about 250 retired enlisted men are eligible for advancement on the retired list to their war-time rank held during the Spanish-American or World Wars. Notices of such advancement are being issued by the Department.

Enlisted men in the Fleet Naval Reserve who served as commissioned or warrant officers during the war will not become eligible for consideration for advancement on the retired list in accordance with the Act of 7 May, 1932, until they have been transferred to the retired list.

NEW TRAINING COURSES.

The following new Navy training courses including Progress Tests and Examination Questions are announced ready for issue:

Instructions for Use in Preparation for the Rating of Ship's Cook 3c.

Instructions for Use in Preparation for the Rating of Radioman 3c.

TRAINING COURSES COMPLETED.

During the quarter ended 30 June, 1932, the following number of training courses were completed:

Seaman Branch	1401
Artificer Br. (E.R.)	1121
Artificer Br. (Deck)	389
Special Br.	241
Commissary Br.	74
Messman Br.	46
Aviation Br.	253
Special Courses	32
General Courses	<u>7</u>

Total 3564

NAVAL OBSERVATORY

CHEMICAL SOUNDING TUBES.

The Navy Yard, New York, in 1926, conducted extensive tests of chemical sounding tubes, some of which had been in stock since 1917. Some tubes seven years old were found suitable for use. The useful life, however, of chemical tubes is considered to be five years, if the tubes are kept in places that are not excessively hot.

The Naval Supply Depot, Brooklyn, New York, purchases chemical sounding tubes, effects recoating of tubes by contract, and distributes these tubes to all naval activities. The Bureau of Navigation Manual, Article G-3308, directs vessels to turn in tubes that have been aboard ship more than three years. It was the intention of this article that allowing for delays in distribution, tubes would not be used aboard ship that were more than five years old or which had not been recoated within five years. Vessels receiving chemical tubes should note the date of purchase or recoating and not use tubes that do not comply with the five year period of estimated serviceability.

MISCELLANEOUS

PATRONIZING UNITED STATES INTERESTS ABROAD.

A definite policy has been established of favoring United States products and business concerns in the expenditure of official funds.

The attention of the service is invited to the desirability of ships and stations following a similar policy when arranging trips or tours for liberty parties abroad even though no official funds are involved.

JANE'S "FIGHTING SHIPS".

There is a demand for copies of Jane's "Fighting Ships" other than the current issue. If any ships or stations have copies of this book for the years 1930 or 1931, which are not in use, it is requested that they be forwarded to the Naval Supply Depot, Brooklyn, New York, so that they may be made available for those who can use them.

UNIFORMS AND BEDDING OF ENLISTED RESERVISTS PERFORMING TRAINING DUTY.

Commanding officers of vessels cruising enlisted Reservists should make due allowance for shortages in clothing of such men reporting on shipboard for training duty.

As indicated in Articles H-1511, 2817, and 3705 of Bureau of Navigation Manual, enlisted Reservists are issued only such items of uniform as are required for their armory drills and short periods of training duty. They are not issued full bags of clothing, and the issues differ somewhat according to class and climatic conditions.

Hammocks, bags and bedding are not issued as a part of their permanent outfit. As indicated in Article H-1514 of Bureau of Navigation Manual and 1613(2) of Bureau of Construction and Repair Manual, each Naval District should procure a stock of these items for loan to Reservists, when reporting on shipboard for training duty.

NAVY RELIEF SOCIETY.

The effects of the current nation-wide depression have been severely felt by the Navy Relief Society. Not only have demands for relief resulting from cases of deaths of men in the Naval service been greatly increased, but the normal receipts of the Society have at the same time been reduced.

The President of the Navy Relief Society has recently issued a circular letter to Auxiliaries and to commanding officers, afloat and ashore, outlining the situation, and requesting on the part of commanding officers every possible effort to raise funds for the Society.

The Bureau of Navigation is in close touch with the work of the Navy Relief Society, and feels that this Organization is of the greatest importance to the Navy as an aid to morale through its activities in relieving financial distress resultant from the death of naval personnel. The Chief of Bureau wishes to bespeak the earnest cooperation of all naval personnel in supporting this worthy Organization.

SUBMARINE SELECTIONS.

Selections have been made for the class in submarine training which will convene at New London, Conn., on 4 January, 1933. The class will consist of the following officers:

Name	Rank	Class	Signal No.	Station
Daspit, Lawrence R.	Lt.(jg)	'27	4311	Childs
Seabring, Cornelius S.	"	'27	4341	Salt Lake City
Rice, Robert H.	"	'27	4357	Eagle 58
Chappell, Lucius H.	"	'27	4561	Whitney
Fitzwilliam, Albert E.	"	'27	4585	Truxton
Danhoff, Joseph B.	"	'27	4588	Yarnall
Shute, Corbin C.	"	'29	4879	Raleigh
Moore, John R.	"	'29	4903	Northampton
Laning, Caleb B.	"	'29	4908	Oklahoma
Lynch, Ralph C. Jr.	"	'29	4927	Arkansas

Name	Rank	Class	Signal No.	Station
Peterson, Carl A.	Lt.(jg)	'29	4928	Barney
Phillips, Charles F.	"	'29	5052	Beaver
Trippensee, Bruce	E.S.Ensign	'30	5078	Jacob Jones
Whelchel, David L.	"	'30	5102	Oklahoma
Earle, Otis J.	"	'30	5159	Humphreys
Rutter, Royal L.	"	'30	5217	California
Andrews, Charles H.	"	'30	5275	Concord
Tisdale, Wm. G. Jr.	"	'30	5298	Arkansas
Mayo, Raymond L.	"	'30	5307	New York
Newsome, James H.	"	'30	5347	Talbot