



CALIFORNIA MARITIME ACADEMY

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW FOR THE ALUMNI DANCE!!!!

Anyone having photographs that they wish to lend to the Hawsepape please turn them in to M/S Bryant as soon as possible.

EDITORIAL

Before we start complaining about censorship, restrictions, and "our free press being used as a tool", we would do well to look at the situation of some of our contemporaries. I will use for an example, the Daily Californian, Cal's newspaper:

School policy there requires all letters to the Editor to be signed. The letters must also be tendered in person or the author verified over the phone. It seems that we have no more restrictions, in practice, than Cal - civilian institution.

MARINE LEOPARD SINKS OLSEN LUMBER SCHOONER

The ten thousand ton freighter MARINE LEOPARD collided with and sunk the 2,500 ton lumber schooner HOWARD OLSEN at 0255, May 15, about 2-1/2 miles off Point Sur.

The Luckenbach MARINE LEOPARD struck the OLSEN amidships or slightly forward on the starboard side. She broke in half, the stern sinking almost immediately. The OLSEN had

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the right of way but it is rumored that the LEOPARD could not turn off because of the proximity of another ship with a tow.

Assisting in the rescue operations were the LEOPARD, the freighter JOHN B. WATERMAN, a tug, an Associated Oil tanker FLYING A, and two coast guard cutters. There were three known dead, two missing, and twenty-three were rescued.

The accident occurred in clear weather and in a well-traveled seaway. It will result in considerable investigation.

MARITIME DAY DINNER IN SAN DIEGO

San Diego's stake in the Merchant Marine will be emphasized at the National Maritime Day dinner in the Grant Hotel on Tuesday, 22 May.

Louis S. Rothschild, under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation, will talk on ships and shipping of the future, including possibilities for atomic powered truck trailer carriers to revive the intercoastal and coast-wise trades.

Awards will be presented to high school students in the Port of San Diego Propeller Club's annual Merchant Marine essay contest.

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National Maritime Day celebrates the first crossing of the Atlantic under steam by the American Auxiliary steamer, SAVANNAH, from Savannah, Ga., to Liverpool, in 1819. It made the passage, partly under steam, in 26 days.

THE BINNACLE

Editor - Knick Pyles
Acting Editor - Jon Lucas
Sports Editor - Rick Morris
Art Editor - John Mikesell
Faculty Advisor - Cdr. Heron

THE LEE SCUPPER

From H. S. Olcott comes this letter regarding the Late Study situation:

To the Editor: I believe this letter is in order as I am stating the opinions of quite a few individuals. It is in regard to the Commandant's order concerning late study.

It is my opinion that the restricting of late study to the classrooms is unnecessary. If all the occupants of a Barracks room request late study, the light restricted to the room by the use of blinds, and the noise kept to a minimum as it should be during study, it does not appear that any other persons would be inconvenienced or disturbed.

A classroom full of people, all studying various subjects, is not as conducive to study as would be a small room with only two or three people studying the same thing. The necessary materials are also readily available in the room.

Apparently, the thought behind the order was to discourage staying up after taps. With 0600 reveille, most people are more inclined to "wrap up" the subject and turn in than to waste that extra "sack time" in making noise.

Studying in the room has been practiced in the past, and to my knowledge with no serious consequences.

On this idea, it is suggested that late study in the rooms be tried on an experimental basis, to determine whether such a system would be acceptable to all parties concerned.

H. S. Olcott

This seems to call for the profound statement that the question has two sides: Pro and Con.

We have seen the pro and it is largely true; but the fact remains that even a conscientious effort to be quiet is likely to make some disturbance. Also it is often better to get a night's rest than to "cram" till all hours of the night. However, I don't think it would hurt to try it on a tentative basis. - Editor

THE ROSE BOX

There will be a first class picnic circa 7 July.

E. I. Lockwood, class of '55, is now third mate on the SS HILLYER BROWN of the Standard Oil Co.

On Tuesday, May 15, Members of the C. of C. Committee on Maritime Academy affairs had luncheon and held their meeting at the Academy.

On Thursday evening, members of the teaching staff of Franklin Jr. High school had dinner in the Mess Hall and toured the Base.

CEREBRAL PALSY DRIVE

Captain Richter is the chairman of the Solano County Cerebral Palsy Campaign. The following Midshipmen will act as District Chairmen of the city of Vallejo to assist in the Cerebral Palsy Drive, Friday, 25 May:

Hegeman (coordinator)
Hartshorn, D. R.
Smith
Koren
Hermes
Byrne
Coppe
Burke
Hartshorn, D. A.
Autem
Fleming

NAUTICAL QUERY OF THE WEEK

What is Baleen?

Can a loose footed sail be reefed?

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THE BOX SCORE

Softball

With the experience of one game behind them, the CMA infield is beginning to look strong.

At first base is Ken Franks, who has shown excellent ability at stopping anything thrown his way. Moving towards the keystone we find one of the three first classmen on the team, L. M. Smith. Smith has been acting as the uniting factor on the team throughout the early season. On the left side of the infield, Don Allison, patrols the area around third base and has proved himself capable of handling the "hot corner". Rounding out the infield, Barney McLaughlin fills in amply at shortstop.

Mr. LaBombard feels that his infield should develop to the same caliber as last year's team.

Intramural

A loose infield by E Co. allowed 2 runs to cross the plate in the 6th inning as C Co. defeated E Co. 6-5. E Co. had been plagued by errors throughout the game and could not hold back the hard hitting of C Co. E Co. - McMillan and Nobrega
C Co. - Koren and Coleman

Tuesday, the softball team defeated B Co. 16-1. Highlight of the game was Don Gurke's 2 home runs and 1 triple.

Water-polo

George Coppo has been putting the water polo team through numerous hard workouts and things are beginning to shape up for the team. More about the water polo team in a later issue.

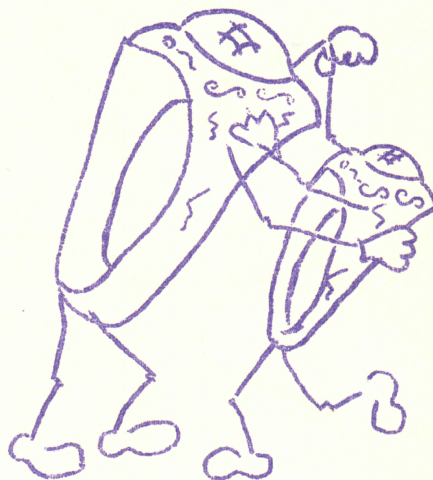
Tennis

The call has gone out for all Midshipmen interested in playing tennis. Mr. Behm is looking for material to build a team with. If you have any talent or desire, come out.

Coming

Softball - Thursday, May 17, Napa
CMA vs. Sawyer Tannery

Softball - Monday, May 21, baseball
diamond - A Co. vs. D Co.



COME TO
THE
RING
DANCE!