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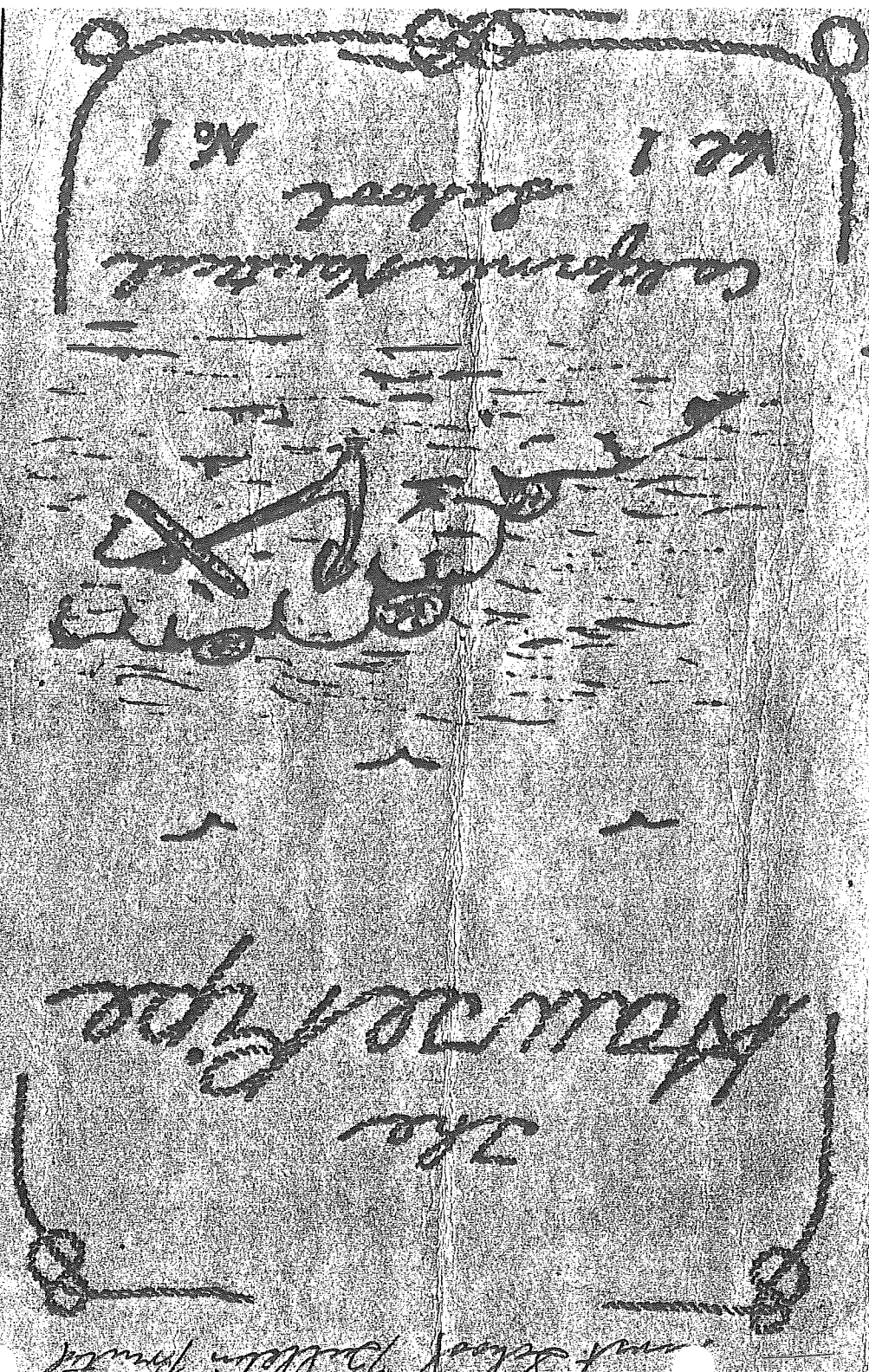
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cadets ever to board the new schoolship; a vessel which we hope will be famous in the annals of the state of California.

We'll all gladly welcome the day when we may be relieved of the lonesome gate sentry detail and be assigned details in the actual management of the vessel. Which gives us reason to speculate upon how many of us will inspect the crow's nest for eggs, search for the key to the keelson, or red and green oil for the side lights, or wait anxiously in the bow for a glimpse of the mail buoy so we may send a letter home to our dotting parents who are wondering if we are in need of Mothersill's Seasick remedy.

#### CADET PETTY OFFICERS APPOINTED

The leading men have been picked and given petty officer's positions. The most important factors which decided this choice were leadership and scholastic ability. The men who have been chosen for these positions were follows:

Boatswain's Mates, (petty officers, 1st class) R.M. Phelps, R.M. Gregory.  
Crew Captains, (petty officers, 2nd class) J.M. Fitzsimmons, J.R. Craig, M.O. Tomme.  
Crew Captains, (petty officers, 3rd class) L.L. Langran, J.N. Davitt, R.J. McGowan.  
R.M.G. Swaney Jr. was appointed to the position of Gunner's Mate with a 3rd class rating.

Jack Brewster certainly deserves the thanks of the entire cadet corps for the use of his snappy radio set. It is a great addition to the entertainment facilities of the school, and we all welcome it.

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Let's hope the cadet corps does not abuse the privilege of the use of the set and if each fellow makes it his business to take the best possible care of this piece of equipment we will all derive much pleasure from it.

#### CRUISER

On May 28, the Velero II was made fast to our dock. Among those who stepped off the gangway were Capt. G.A. Hancock, the owner, Capt. Topp, Mr. Crossman, and Mr. Boudinot, who went down to Los Angeles to bring her back.

The whole cadet corps was overjoyed on sight of her. She is a beautiful little ship, 125 ft. in length, containing the latest of navigational instruments and luxuriously fitted. Powered by twin diesel electric engines she is capable of doing nine knots and has a cruising speed of about eight.

Several short cruises have already been enjoyed by the cadets and we are eagerly looking forward to more and longer trips.

J.J. "Butch" Adams, the boy with the Chicago accent, is out "gunning" for the "Guy wot framed me". Mr. Crossman, on his Saturday morning inspection, found Butch's locker with a neat powder puff hung in it. Butch vehemently protested that he had been framed and the "Exec." acquitted him of the charge of being a "powder puff sailor".

"All hands in Uniform of the Day plus leg-gins in five minutes."

Tweet-tweet. "All hands in Uniform-----"

Voice from the shower room: "Who said that?"

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## ESPIRIT DE CORPS

"United We Stand, Divided We Fall". Our cadet corps is not united. We are not pulling together. It's every man for himself. There's not enough team work or "school spirit".

Do you realize that we are the first class of the California Nautical School? That we are going to make traditions that classes years from now will respect? We are setting the standards now - let's make them high. "Hitch your wagon to a star". Set a standard that'll make the classes who follow struggle and sweat in attempting to follow in our footsteps. And, if they don't keep up to our standards and hit the ball, they won't stay here long, and we'll be able to look back and with pride in our hearts say, "there's one school where you have to put out or get out".

Listen fellows, we all intend to go into the Merchant Service and we all intend to make good. When we go in as third officers or third assistant engineers there will be plenty of men above us and we'll have to take plenty of orders. So why not get used to it? Let's quit griping and carry out the order when we get it. Take pride in doing our work and try to accomplish something.

The future cadet officers and petty officers will be picked from our class, and by the time we have a full complement of cadets we'll all be holding down a position of responsibility.

Habits formed now will remain with us throughout life. Let's form one of doing our utmost all the time. That's the only way we'll get to the top.

## STAFF

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Isham, P. H. Publishers  
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### Mr. Jaeger Marries

Mr. Jaeger, our first engineering officer, stepped into matrimonial life when he and Miss Alice J. Phetteplace were united by the Reverend John Jefferson Canoles of San Rafael.

The ceremony was held in the Captain's garden and was attended by the entire cadet corps as well as many friends of the family who were also present. Mrs. Henry W. Russell of Boston was the Matron of Honor, while Captain Emile Topp gave away the bride. Mr. Crossman assisted on Mr. Jaeger's side, acting as best man.

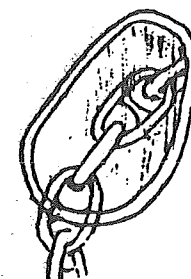
After the wedding much rice and a few shoes were noisily lodged upon the happy couple.

To make the celebration complete the cadets were given an evening of leave.

The cadet corps wishes to extend best wishes for a long and prosperous married life.

Exclusive??

The C.N.S. broke into the "Big Leagues" with the formation of the first fraternal  
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organization, the Etta Tinna Tuna yachting club. Mr. Crossman enrolled fifteen charter members of this exclusive new club, and in honor of their enrollment they will stand all the watches for the two weeks following their enrollment.

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### And Still Another Heap Appears

We often used to wonder what became of Henry's superceded prodigy after the Model A's appeared, but now we know. They were put on ice and preserved until the California Nautical School had weighed anchor and gotten under way, and then they were hauled out and peddled to cadets of said institution.

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### DANCES HELD

The cadet corps turned out en masse to stage two dances held in our beautifully decorated recreation hall on April 25th and again on May 13th.

With the bulkheads decorated with flashy signal flags, the cadets, as well as the officers and their ladies, danced to the music of the Musical Midshipmen.

Refreshments for the first dance consisted of baked beans and hotdogs, a sea-going repast. To vary the menu, for our second dance we had the "dog" theoretically, and spread ourselves to sandwiches and cake.

Much credit is due to Cadets Engs, Davitt, Dallas, Temme, Fitzsimmons, and Bright.

Everyone who attended these dances enjoyed themselves immensely.

The possibility of another dance in the near future is not probable due to the lack of support by some of the cadets who fail to re-

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alize that it is impossible to have a dance without sufficient "dinero".

Our dances have been characterized by a marked attitude of combined retirement and bashfulness on the part of the fellows who can't dance. Here is an opportunity to change all that.

The fellows who do dance have offered to teach dancing. We can congregate in the messhall or move some bunks in the barracks, and, to the music of our phonograph, trip the light fantastic.

This is an opportunity to learn to dance, fellows, and every Kaydet should take advantage of it.

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Larsen: "Have you heard the tale of the absent minded professor who stepped into his car and fell over because it wasn't there?"

McBride: "No, but did you hear of the man who struck a match to see if he had switched off the electric light?"

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"Lil" Doc. Hopkins has evidently learned the secret of "popularity in fifteen minutes a day". "Doc" condescends to entertain his friends with his "talent" on any and all occasions. The talent is that \* \$ # ? % yodeling.

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The Yeoman seems to think that some of the members of the galley crew should take a short course in the "Prevention of Cruelty to Animals". This setting of traps for the ensnarement of innocent young mice in raisin jars does not always work out as planned. But then just how was that particular mouse-trap supposed to enforce the discipline and sanctity of the Chef's domain?

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## SPORTS

### CREW RACE

The cadets of the C.N.S. entered the field of competitive sports with a bang when they easily outdistanced the Marin Junior College in a whaleboat race.

The standard bearers of the Green and White outclassed their opponents from the start and when the 24 foot whaler snapped the tape they had a lead of about eight lengths.

Each crew consisted of five oarsmen and a coxwain in a single-banked twenty - four foot whaleboat. Both crews pulled hard and it was a good clean race from the start to the finish.

The C.N.S. crew, after annexing the honors, added a little humor to the situation by dumping cox'n Durham into the drink. The crew consisted of Anderson, Bow; Langran, 1st oar; Masse, 2nd oar; Fitzsimmons, 3rd oar; and H.O. Lindgren stroke, with Jeff Durham cox'n.

### BASEBALL

Baseball, as a major sport, has been officially organized under the able direction of Mr. Jaeger. Approximately thirty candidates have signed up for the team. A squad of fifteen have been picked to practice daily.

Mr. Jaeger, who evidently knows his horsehide, has graciously agreed to do the coaching in addition to his regular duties. He has had quite a bit of experience, playing for the Massachussettes Nautical School during the time he was there.

A manager and a captain have been appointed and are working with the team at all practice sessions. Jim Davitt, fast moving, hard

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slugging shortstop, has been appointed captain. Jim has had experience in High School and Humboldt Teacher's College teams and seems to know his baseball. Cy Hansen has been entrusted with the equipment and management of the team.

Among those out for the team are, Hal Lindgren at pitcher, Milt Cunninghame at catcher, Jim Adams and Red O'Connell in the infield, and Leon in the outfield. The boys look like a bunch of veterans.

To date the squad is lined up as follows: Cunninghame, catcher; H.O. Lindgren and Engs, pitchers; Masse, first base; Adams, second base; O'Connell, third base; Davitt, shortstop; Leon, Shields and Craig, outfield; Liden, relief catcher and outfield.

### FIGHTING SPIRIT SHOWN

Boxing is sure having its hey-day around the C.N.S. base these days. The great new ring, for which Mr. Crossman and the rest of the officers have the thanks of the corps, has recieved its proper christening, baptising, or what-have-you.

The preliminary rounds of the first great Championship (?) tournament have been run off, and a casual observer would like to hand you a bit of the low down on the situation. In the first place your attention is called to the notable work done by the athletic committee. They've done great work and lots of credit is due them.

The results of the rounds were as follows: (First name denotes winner)

Featherweights: Sweetser, Patterson - decision; Durham, Jenkins - technical KO; Neilson, O'Connell - decision.

Lightweights: Henderson, Georgian - decision; Castle, Swany - KO; Carpenter, Squire - default;

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Davitt, Bright - decision; B.R. Adams, Morris - technical KO; Liden, Shields - decision; Sterling Bennett - decision.

Welterweights: Turnbow, Melanson - decision; Isaac, Harlow - draw; Dallas, Hopkins - decision.

Middleweights: Almonrode, McBride - decision; Stout, Temme - technical KO; Holcomb, Sheward - decision; Taylor, McGowan - decision; Kell, Fitzsimmons - decision; Hansen, Strain - decision; Ware, Engs - decision; Phelps, J.J. Adams - decision.

Light Heavyweights: Lindgren H.O., Schwartzkopf - technical KO; Duncan, Larsen - technical KO; Cunninghame, Leon - decision; Hicker, Brewster - decision.

Heavyweights: Craig, Graham - technical KO; Isham, Lindgren R.J. - technical KO; Gregory, Smith - decision.

A few of the highlights of the fracas were: The Stout-Temme tangle; these boys showed the greatest of scraps. Speaking of intestinal fortitude, these fellows handed 'em and took 'em all on the same grin. Neither one of them flinched an inch. It was a real joy to see this scrap. That young fellow McGowan showed a good margin in his bout until Taylor cut loose in the final circle-- and then! And Dallas, that gorgeous southpaw, showed some sweet technique against a good reply from Hopkins. And then came the war. Isaac and Harlow introduced the Heavy-Artillery type of persuasion. These boys slammed and slugged with a hearty will, and both showed the effects.

Swany couldn't seem to make Castle see his point of view, because Castle dropped a heavy sock on a glass chin, as a result of which he handed in the first KO in the preliminaries. And speaking of laughs-- Back to the sticks with Charlie Chaplin and the Laurel-Hardy combination. Duncan and Larsen gave us one of the funniest shows that was ever produced at less than  
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\$5.00 a seat. If Ziegfield could ever see these guys tangle, he'd send Amos 'n Andy back to the "goofer feather" business. Duncan finally ended this fun-fest by taking a technical K. O.

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### BREEZY NOTES

U. S. A.

Sweet Lucy Falor  
Is only a fraud,  
Been in love with a sailor,  
But never been abroad.

### OUR WATER TOAST

Here's to the ships of our Navy,  
Here's to the girls of our land,  
May the former always be well rigged  
And the latter always well manned.

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A sample of what some of the rookies will receive was demonstrated when Phelps celebrated his twenty-first birthday. He was "persuaded" to take a bath in the bay with the attire consisting of a suit of standard "blues". Phelps was game and after the original plunge took a couple of extra dives for practice.

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"Rabbit Ears" McGowan, newly appointed crew captain, and the most beautiful cadet at the base seems to be spending most of his allowance phoning Belvedere 101.

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### "QUESTION"

Are old batteries worth anything??  
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Francis Hereford, alias "Adonis", Hicker goes home more regularly than any other cadet. I wonder, is she a blond or a brunette?

"When Francis dances with me,  
Hully Gee!

Ain't young love grand?"

Jim Davitt, of the tall timbers, noted for being in everything, is now making more trips to Mill Valley and less to San Rafael. No, she didn't move---variety is the spice of life.

"Mark Under Water" Temme, the Hayward Play-boy, found that overhanging pipes lead to drink and received a good ducking in the learning. This tow-headed, good-natured chap recently added another stripe to his rating.

"Slim" Anderson, six feet five in his clean (?) socks, seems to get into a lot of trouble over the eating habits he has acquired. Hot-cakes, sardines and pineapple seem to be his specialties.

Is there any Kaydet who has not heard all about the dog that "Gus" Melanson left behind him in Eureka? Gus spends all of his spare time trying to find some one who will listen to the marvelous tales of what "Rube" did. He even writes letters to the pooch.

The Kaydets have about given up the idea of having their girls call. The gate sentries have too much of an advantage-"I saw her first".  
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Maddet Engs, rosy-cheeked boy from Oakland, has developed quite a racket in the film developing business. The business receives some decided set-backs from the fact that Maddet is unable to predict when he will be able to get home to do the work.

Don Holcomb uses very poor judgement in his choice of parking places. He was observed the other night entertaining a guest in a very conspicuous place on the base. At least we were hoping the guest was entertained-- Don was trying hard, anyway.

Ladies Man Carpenter cannot see why the San Rafael "babes" (Figuratively not literally) cannot or do not fall for his Beverly Hills mannerisms.

"Wolf" Larsen, the pride of the commonwealth of Templeton, came barging back after the Fourth of July vacation with a swanky roadster. Wolf, we presume, is going to become a regular rounder and ladies man.

Some of the boys took out Paul Isham the other night and endeavored to educate him in the ways of the world. The excursion was a decided failure. In order to train a dog you must know more than the dog. Must we go on?

#### FAMOUS LAST WORDS

"An Oertz Ruddor was invented by a guy whose first name was Rudolph".

"Paddy, what did you do with that box?"  
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# ROSTER OF STAFF

Captain Emile Toop - Superintendant and Comman  
 Malcolm E. Crossman - Executive Officer-head o  
 dept. of seamanship and  
 ship construction.  
 George Barkley - Second Officer-head of d  
 of navigation and mathem  
 ics.  
 Ralph M. Sheaf - Third Officer-instructor  
 seamanship and ship con-  
 struction.  
 R. W. Dwyer - Chief Engineer-head of d  
 of Engineering.  
 Edward F. Jaeger - First Assistant Engineer  
 Instructor in Physics,  
 engineering and mechanic  
 drawing.  
 Jarret M. Caldwell - Commissary Officer.  
 Dr. C. W. Clark - Medical Officer- instruc  
 in first aid and hygiene.

## ROSTER OF CADET CORPS

Adams, Burton R.,	Booneville, Calif
Adams, James J.,	San Diego, Calif.
Almanrode, Harold B.,	Klamath, Calif.
Anderson, Wallace A.,	Los Angeles, Cali
Brewster, John F.,	Lodi, Calif.
Bennett, George R.,	Philo, Calif.
Bright, Ernest,	Los Angeles, Calif
Carpenter, Charles B. Jr.,	Los Angeles, Calif
Craig, James R.,	Burbank, Calif.
Cunningham, Milton J.,	Santa Rosa, Calif
Dallas, John M.,	Long Beach, Calif
Davitt, James N.,	Arcata, Calif.
Duncan, Perry G.,	Pasadena, Calif.
Durham, Geoffrey A.,	San Diego, Calif.
Engs, Madett N.,	Oakland, Calif.
Fitzsimmons, John M.,	Los Angeles, Cali

# Roster of Cadet Corps Cont'd.

Fox, Joseph Jr.,	Berkley, Calif.
Georgian, Richard,	Oakland, Calif.
Graham, Richard W.,	Oakland, Calif.
Gregory, Martin M.,	Long Beach, Calif.
Hansen, Cyril G.,	San Luis Obispo, Cal
Harlow, George L.,	Fontana, Calif.
Hicker, Frank I.,	Sacramento, Calif.
Holcomb, Don C.,	Los Angeles, Calif.
Hopkins, Arthur J.,	Santa Monica, Calif.
Isaac, Aaron A.,	Los Angeles, Calif.
Isham, Paul H.,	Redlands, Calif.
Jenkins, Bruce T.,	Live Oak, Calif.
Kell, Waldo G.,	Claremont, Calif.
Langren, Louis L., Jr.,	Alameda, Calif.
Larsen, Walter H.,	Templeton, Calif.
Leon, Strauss J.,	Santa Monica, Calif.
Liden, Harold E.,	Stockton, Calif.
Lindgren, Halvar O.,	Tulare, Calif.
Lindgren, Robert J.,	Los Angeles, Calif.
McBride, Asa M.,	Los Angeles, Calif.
McGowan, Robert J.,	Marina, Calif.
Massee, Ned R.,	Claremont, Calif.
Melanson, George E.,	Eureka, Calif.
Morris, Edward C.,	Calistoga, Calif.
Nielson, Frederick C.,	Santa Barbara, Cal.
O'Connell, Richard P.,	Palm City, Calif.
Patterson, John A.,	Santa Monica, Calif.
Phelps, Robert M.,	Santa Monica, Calif.
Sheward, Myron A.,	Fontana, Calif.
Shields, Charles J.,	Oakland, Calif.
Smith, Max F.,	Berkeley, Calif.
Sterling, John E.S.,	San Bernaddino, Cal.
Strain, William E.,	Santa Barbara, Cal.
Stout, Maxwell J.,	Alameda, Calif.
Swany, Ralph M.G., Jr.,	Hollywood, Calif.
Sweetser, Harry C.,	Santa Barbara, Cal.
Taylor, Boyd A., Jr.,	Clarksburg, Calif.
Temme, M.O.,	Hayward, Calif.
Ware, Phillip W.,	Chico, Calif.