

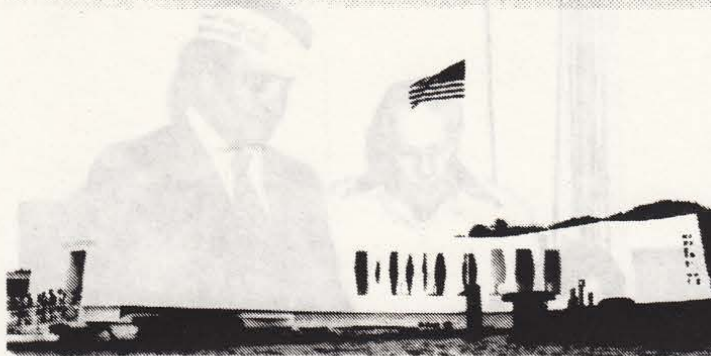


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their country on December 7, 1941.

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## BO WILSON CHAPTER HAS MEMORIAL SERVICES

The Pearl Harbor Survivors who were at Memorial Park in Omaha, Nebraska, on Sunday, December 5th, envied their counterparts in Hawaii.

Wind and snow made the short service a cold experience for the twenty Nebraskans who commemorated the 35th, anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The Bo Wilson Nebraska Chapter had their meeting Dec. 4-5th at the Holiday Inn in Omaha with Robert J. Dunn, Jr. (Hickam Field), vice president, presiding at the business meeting.

A short talk was given by Robert Osborn (USS California), state chairman.

"We are trying to keep America alert so that this kind of thing will never happen again," Osborn said. "That is the motto of our organization: Keep America Alert — Remember Pearl Harbor."

Benediction was given by the Rt. Rev. E.P. McCaslin of St. Bernard's Church. A presentation of arms and a gun salute were rendered by the Veterans of Arms Post 2503.

Forty-three members had attended the banquet and business meeting on Saturday. Snow and hazardous driving condition caused many survivors to depart for home before the memorial services.

The Spring meeting is scheduled to be held in Kearney.



## NATIONAL PRESIDENT Pearl Harbor Survivors Association 1976 - 1978



**GEORGE E. SLAVENS**  
Walnut Creek, California



## MEMORIAL SERVICES AT FORT SHERIDAN

Memorial services were held by Northern Illinois Chapter One on Sunday, December 5th in the Grand Ballroom of the Officers' Club, Fort Sheridan, Illinois. In attendance were 25 survivors and their guests.

The services were also attended by national and local officers of the Fleet Reserve Association. R.J. McGarrigle of Branch 53 presented the Fleet Reserve Two-Bell memorial prayer as part of the services. Music was furnished by the 81st Army Band.

Welcome to the Post was given by Colonel Herbert B. Allen, Post Commander, who introduced the guest speaker, Major General Richard A. Bresnahan, Commanding General, Army Readiness Region Five. General Bresnahan spoke on the Army's preparedness to prevent another Pearl Harbor.

A memorial wreath was dedicated to those of our shipmates and buddies who gave their lives at Pearl Harbor. The services were terminated by the playing of "Taps".

Robert S. Moore (USS Whitney), chapter treasurer, was chairman of the Memorial Services Program.

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**GOVERNOR SIGNS PROCLAMATION**



Governor Richard F. Kneip of South Dakota signs proclamation declaring December 7, 1976, as Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day in South Dakota. Survivors observing the signing are:

left to right, standing: George Kappelman (USS San Francisco), Gabe Verdi (Ford Island) and Marvin Melius (USS Ralph Talbot), secretary-treasurer of North Dakota Chapter No. 1.



**STATE FLAGS DISPLAYED CEMETERY OF PACIFIC**

The displaying of the fifty state flags at the Cemetery of the Pacific during our memorial services on December 7, 1976, were kindly donated to the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association due to the efforts of various state chairmen, chapter officers, members of the association and officials of several states.

At the conclusion of the 35th Anniversary Convention and Reunion the executive board, at the request of Joel E. Bachner, national president 1974-1976, voted to give the entire collection to Mr. Schanze, superintendent of the Cemetery of the Pacific.

Mr. Schanze graciously accepted the flags and advised us that he will display them at appropriate occasions. The flags will eventually become a part of a permanent display at the Punchbowl Cemetery.



**NATIONAL DIRECTIVES AND RESULTS OF VOTING**

**DIRECTIVE NO. 20-76:**

Concerns the Statue of Liberty Chapter's Welfare Committee Chrm. using the Nat'l Membership Lists to raise funds for a "Good and Welfare Fund" and "A Chapter House".

**DIRECTIVE NO. 21-76:**

Concerns selling price of bronze medallions and the purchase of 250 pendants and chains for medallions.

**DIRECTIVE NO. 22-76:**

Concerns payment by PHSA for transportation, lodging and per diem for National Parliamentarian to 1976 Convention.

**DIRECTIVE NO. 23-76:**

Concerns payment by PHSA for transportation, lodging and per diem for National Resolutions and Legislative Chairman to 1976 Convention.

**DIRECTIVE NO. 24-76:**

Concerns payment by PHSA for transportation, lodging and per diem for Chief Editor of the Pearl Harbor-GRAM to 1976 Convention.

**DIRECTIVE NO. 25-76:**

Concerns purchase of 25 chains and pendants, sterling silver, to be used in conjunction with the silver medallion.

**DIRECTIVE NO. 26-76:**

Concerns recommendations by Hall Pickard for the 1978 Convention in Las Vegas.

**DIRECTIVE NO. 27-76:**

Concerns the donation, by the Japan Association of Businessmen, toward the USS Arizona Shoreside Facilities.

**DIRECTIVE NO. 28-76:**

Concerns a proposal offered by the Valley Forge National Park and the Liberty Bell Chapter, PHSA. This would allow trees to be donated by Survivors or Chapters, to be maintained by Liberty Bell.

**DIRECTIVE NO. 29-76:**

Concerns microfilming of all

applications now in the possession of PHSA and future applications.

**DIRECTIVE NO. 30-76:**

Concerns round trip air fare for President Bachner, to Washington D.C., at the invitation of President Ford, in order to witness the signing of a bill concerning Veterans.

**DIRECTIVE NO. 31-76:**

Concerns a request from the California State Chairman regarding changing the color of the Crown of the State Officers to a light blue. This would be for easier identification.

| RESULTS OF VOTING ON NAT'L DIRECTIVE | 1st District Director J. F. Dierks | 2nd District Director J. E. Sinnott | 3rd District Director E. G. Robinson | 4th District Director R. Helmer, Jr. | 5th District Director H. I. Hansen | 6th District Director C. W. Vaughn | 7th District Director D. E. Speelman | 8th District Director T. J. Stockett | National V. President G. E. Stevens | National Secretary F. R. McNamany | National Treasurer J. E. Pond, Jr. |
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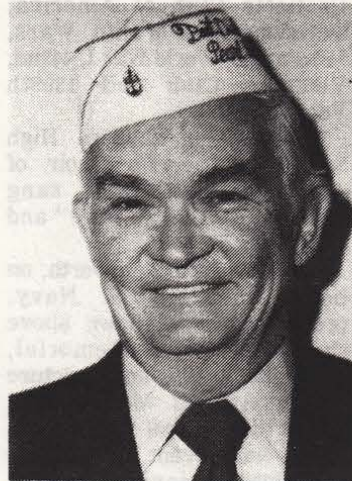
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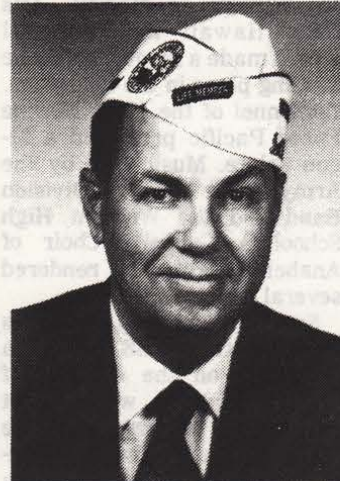
# NATIONAL DIRECTORS FOR 1976-1978 TERM



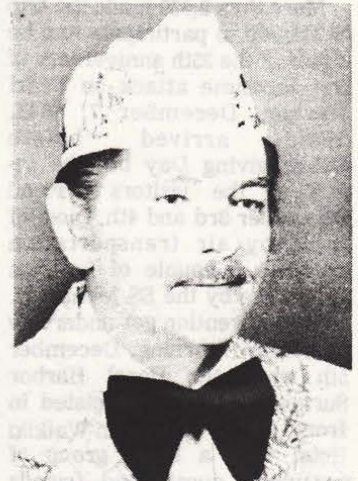
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(USS Medusa AR-1)



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**JESSE E. POND, JR.**  
Treasurer  
(USS Chew DD-106)



**FRED R. McENANY**  
Secretary  
(USS Honolulu CL-48)

I would like to thank the membership for electing me your National President. I will endeavor to carry out the duties of this office to the best of my abilities.

It will be an honor to represent you as National Vice-President. My sincere thanks to you all for your support.

May all fellow Survivors and their families have a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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### SOUVENIR MEDALLIONS

Over 1,800 medallions were distributed at the 1976 National Convention for the "souvenir" ticket contained in the registration package. If anyone did not redeem his ticket it may be redeemed by mailing it to the National Treasurer who will mail out a medallion.

There is still a large supply available at \$3.00 each.

There are still some serialized silver medallions left, while the supply lasts.

Prices include all postage paid: Bronze medallion at \$3.00 each Chain and ring for bronze at \$3.00 each. Silver medallion at \$15.00 each. Silver medallion with chain at \$25.00 each. Please make your check

payable to "PHSA, Inc." and mail to: National Treasurer's Office, PHSA, P.O. Box 106, McLean, VA 22101.

### WHEN WERE YOU BORN?

F.E. Aisso, survivor of the USS Phoenix, would like to hear from the members who were born before September 12, 1893. Too, he would like to hear from any member that enlisted into the military service prior to November 6, 1912.

Mr. Aisso's address is: 345 Wisconsin (No. 107), Long Beach, CA 90814.



### PHSA FLAG CARRIED IN INAUGURAL PARADE

Our PHSA flag, alongside of the Stars and Stripes, was carried in Division 2 of the Inauguration Parade for President Jimmy Carter and Vice President Walter Mondell in Washington, D.C. on January 20, 1977.

George R. Sanner, Jr. and Gerald W. Hamil, retiring president of Maryland State Chapter No. 1, carried the flags.

Arrangements for participating in the inaugural parade were made by George Sanner, Jr., Maryland State Chairman and, also, Secretary of the Veterans Advisory Committee for Mayor Walter Washington of Washington, D.C.



### 1977 DUES PAYMENTS

All 1977 dues bills were mailed in November and because of the National Treasurer's office being closed the first two weeks of December, the membership cards did not start to be sent back to the members until just before Christmas. At this time over 3,000 checks have been received, processed, and the 1977 cards mailed out.

The final date for paying annual dues (\$6.00) without penalty is March 7, 1977. After that date there is an additional \$3.00 reinstatement fee.

Life membership is \$70,000 for members who have not paid their 1977 dues.

## 35TH ANNIVERSARY IN HAWAII

More than 2,500 made the trip to Hawaii to participate and be a part of the 35th anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. Some arrived before Thanksgiving Day but the influx of the visitors arrived December 3rd and 4th, most of them by air transportation although a couple of families did arrive by the SS Monterey.

Our convention got underway on Sunday morning, December 5th when the Pearl Harbor Survivor's flag was hoisted in front of the Sheraton-Waikiki Hotel with a large group of survivors, guests and friends looking on.

Then we had brunch in the beautiful Monarch Room of the Royal Hawaiian Hotel.

Church services were held Sunday afternoon for the survivors, their families and friends on the Royal Diamond Head Lawn by the Rev. Abraham Akaka of the Kawaihahan Church.

Many started taking scheduled tours which included a free tour of a garment factory featuring Hawaiian wear; a moonlight sail with dinner on the calm and tranquil blue Pacific Ocean-enjoying the music and view; a narrated historic tour of Pearl Harbor-also, seeing the Honolulu shoreline; a variety show featuring Polynesian dancers, contemporary music and Don Ho; the taping of the Don Ho television show; enjoying the free Kodak show which is "tops"; all day visit at the Polynesian Cultural Center seeing the homes, crafts, cultures and lifestyles of the people of the South Pacific-have a good dinner and see a show that you would never see on the mainland; and then the Little Circle Island tour which is a drive along the coast of Oahu where you can see the area of Diamond Head, Kahala, Hawaii Kai, Hanauma Bay, Makapuu Point, Waimanalo, Kailua and return via the famous Nuuanu Pali.

The Memorial Services at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific on December 7th, were emceed by Janes S. Daw (USS St. Louis). The principal speaker was Governor George

R. Ariyoshi of Hawaii. Jets from Hawaii Air National Guard made a fly over with one missing plane in the formation. Personnel of the Fleet Marine Force Pacific presented a 21-gun salute. Music was by the Army's 25th Infantry Division Band and the Western High School A Cappella Choir of Anaheim, California, rendered several groups of songs.

Sunset Memorial Services aboard the USS Arizona Memorial on the evening of December 7th, were most solemn and impressive to the 250 people attending the services aboard the Arizona Memorial and to the hundreds of people watching the services from Ford Island. Presiding over the services was Rear Admiral R.S. Wentworth, Jr. U.S. Navy, Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District.

Admiral Thomas B. Hayward, Commander-in-chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet, introduced the guest speaker, The Honorable J. William Middendorf, II-Secretary of the Navy.

John D. Anderson, BMC, USN Retired, a Pearl Harbor Survivor off the USS Arizona (BB-39), led the Veterans and Patriotic Organizations in presentation of wreaths-Mr. Anderson's twin brother, Albert B. Anderson, BM2, U.S. Navy, rests aboard the USS Arizona.

Organizations laying wreaths during the Sunset Services aboard the Arizona Memorial included the American Battleship Association, American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Fleet Reserve Association, Fil-American Veterans Club, Hawaii Filipino Veterans Club, Hawaii State Veterans Council, Lions Club International, Military Order of the World Wars, M.I.S. Veterans Club, Naval Enlisted Reserve Association, Navy League of the United States.

Navy Wives Club of America, Non-Commissioned Officers Association, Pearl Harbor Attack Veterans, Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, Pennsylvania Survivors of the Pearl Harbor Attack, Retired Enlisted Association, Retired Officers Association, Ryukyu Interpreters Club, Supreme

Cootiette Club of America, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Veterans of World War I, 442nd, Veterans Club and 1399th Veterans Club.

The 85-voice Western High School A Cappella Choir of Anaheim, California, sang "Nearer My God To Thee" and "Be Still My Soul".

Rear Admiral Wentworth, on behalf of the U.S. Navy, presented a flag flown above the Arizona Memorial, December 7, 1976, and a picture of the Arizona Memorial at sunset to PNP Joel E. Bachner.

The final event of the 35th anniversary convention and reunion was the memorial banquet December 8th at the Sheraton-Waikiki Hotel.

The memorial banquet was opened by Susie Harrigan offering a prayer in Hawaiian.

Major General Henry Mohr, a Pearl Harbor Survivor of Schofield Barracks, was the keynote speaker of the evening.

Roll Call of ships and stations was conducted by George E. Saunders (USS Ralph Talbot).

Elected national officers and district directors for 1976-78 were installed by Wilson M. Rutherford, National Parliamentarian.

Following benediction by Father Marcus, A. Valenta, dancing took place with music by Com 14 dance band. Another PHSA convention in Hawaii was coming to an end.

### LAYS WREATH AT FORT SHERIDAN



Colonel Herbert B. Allen (L), Post Commander of Fort Sheridan (Illinois); Robert Moore, (USS Whitney); and Major Roy F. Carlton, DPTSEC; lay a wreath at Chaplain Vattman's grave in the Post Cemetery in memory of the honored dead of Pearl Harbor. The ceremony took place on December 7-the 35th anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. (Photo by Eric Lundahl)

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

The GRAM extends "Congratulations" to those couples who have recently observed or will soon be observing their wedding anniversaries:

### 25th Anniversary

R.W. "Stan" (23rd Mat. Sqdn., Hickam Field) and Ann L. Stanley, 426 Chickasaw Trail, Shreveport, LA 71107 — October 26, 1976.

Russell (USS Oklahoma BB-37) and Wanda Davenport, 2525 Pall Mall, Sterling Heights, MI 48077 — January 5, 1977.

Lewis M. (USS Pennsylvania BB-38) and Juanita N. Bird, Box 48 Liberia, Gte, Costa Rica, C.A. — August 24, 1977.

### 30th Anniversary

Glenn D. (USS Rigel ARB-1) and Helen Matson, 1134 Cherokee Drive, Kissimmee, FL 32741 — December 19, 1976.

Warner (USS Tautog SS-199) and Frances Cross, 1750 Coit

### ELECTED NAT'L V.P. FLEET RESERVE

Royce J. Hatfield (USS Honolulu CL-48) was elected National Vice President of the Fleet Reserve Association at the association's national convention in Honolulu last September.

Royce is an active member of Fleet Reserve Branch No. 12 in



Royce J. Hatfield

Chicago. Also, he is a member of Northern Illinois Chapter No. 1 of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association.

Royce's address is: 8214 W. Enger Lane, River Grove, IL 60171.

Our congratulations, Royce!

Avenue N., Grand Rapids, MI 49505 — January 4, 1977.

Bill (USS Hull DD-350) and Marge Wenger, 318 Blarney Court, Niles, MI 49120 — January 5, 1977.

John D. (98th Coast Artillery, Schofield Barracks) and Gertrude E. Winkler, 1524 Ringgold Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46203 — January 31, 1977.

John P. (USS Nevada BB-36) and Virginia Chapman, 774 Columbia, Berkley, MI 48072 — February 8, 1977.

Joe B. (34th Engineers, Schofield Barracks) and Dorothy M. Queen, Route 6, Box 1427, Hickory, NC 28601 — February 15, 1977.

John D. (USS Oklahoma BB-37) and Eda R. Grand Pre, 73 Forest Lane, Wilton, CT 06897 — February 26, 1977.

Donald L. (USS Detroit CL-8) and Pauline L. Hollandsworth, 1819 S. Jackson St., Casper, WY 82601 — April 7, 1977.

James L. (USS California BB-44) and Marion Brown, 1935 Parkard Hwy., Charlotte, MI 48813 — April 11, 1977.

John W. (USS Ramsay DM-16) and Estella Cates, Jr., 1521 Nottingham Court, Muskegon, MI 49445 — May 17, 1977.

Lloyd T. (USS Oklahoma BB-37) and Julie Hefferman, 214 Springer Ave., Edwardsville, IL 62025 — May 29, 1977.

Paul S. (USS Tangier AV-8) and Betty Harvey, Route 5, Box 5568, Poulsbo, WA 98370 — June 25, 1977.

### 35th Anniversary

Delano R. (USS Honolulu CL-48) and Betsy D. Matson, 600 S. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge, IL 60068 — September 23, 1976.

Joseph A. L. (Hickam Field) and Geraldine Greco, 14655 Silverton Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80908 — September 27, 1976.

Raymond E. (31st Bomb Sqdn., Hickam Field) and Mary Jane Holsey, 204 Cardinal Circle S., Altus, OK 73521 — December 16, 1976.

Lloyd E. (USS Maryland BB-46) and Gloria J. Prisk, 920 Notre Dame Ave., Concord, CA 94518 — January 24, 1977.

John B. (USS Shaw DD-373) and Mary J. DeFields, 342 W. Maple St., Coloma, MI 49030 — March 21, 1977.

Paul "Hunky" (USS San Francisco CA-38) and Rena Verastek, 67 Hersey St., Portland, ME 04103 — May 19, 1977.

Raymond R. (USS New Orleans CA-32) and Anna B. Thomas, Route 3, Irvine, KY 40336 — February 1, 1977.

### NEW JERSEY STATE CHAPTER NO. 1



PNP Merle E. Stouffer (left) presenting plaque to Michael Hayducko, New Jersey State Chairman. (Photos by Ralph Jeffers)

The New Jersey State Chapter No. 1 held their regular business meeting at the Milltown V.F.W. Post on October 15, 1976, and the following officers were elected for the 1977-78 term: Michael Hayducko, state chairman; Earl E. Warden, president; George Wartman, vice president; Alton C. Crosby, secretary-treasurer; George Hreha, Joseph Fedor and Viggo Zangenburg were elected trustees. Merle E. Stouffer, past national president, PHSA, Inc. administered the oath of office to the state chairman and the new chapter officers.

The state chairman and the outgoing president, vice president, secretary-treasurer and the chapter chaplain, were awarded beautiful solid pewter and polished brass plaques with the PHSA seal mounted on blue velvet within the pewter frame

and the USS Arizona Memorial above the frame and seal. A brass plate with their names and respective offices, with ship or station on December 7, 1941, was inscribed and mounted below the frame and seal.

George Molnar, Stanley Stawicki, Joseph Fedor, past chapter presidents and George Wartman, past chapter chaplain from 1964-1976, were awarded similar plaques in recognition of their individual contributions to the improvement and betterment of the state organization.

Following the business meeting, the ladies auxiliary had a covered dish buffet which satisfied the survivors' palates to no end.

Mrs. Angie Crosby, president of the Ladies Auxiliary, was presented a plaque in recognition for her many contribution to the state organization.



Front row (left to right): Alton Crosby, Earl Warden, Michael Hayducko and Viggo Zangenburg. Back row (left to right): George Hreha, Joseph Fedor and George Wartman.

### MINI-NEWS

Election of officers was held in May for the Binghamton (NY) Chapter No. 1. Those elected were: John Kuzma (Ford Island), president; William Lamoreaux (USS Sumner), vice president; Edward Boncek (U.S. Navy), secretary; Bernard Kirwan (Schofield Barracks), treasurer; Kenneth K. Dury (USS Phoenix) 1-year trustee; John R. Pilcher (Schofield Barracks), 2-year trustee; and Leslie Simons (Fort Weaver), 3-year trustee.

The chapter meets every third Saturday of each month at the American Legion Post 1254.

Frank Schilling (USS St. Louis), secretary of National Chapter One, Los Angeles, attended the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors meeting on December 7th and lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Were you in the U.S. Submarine Service during WWII? The U.S. Submarine Veterans of WWII is seeking all men that served on submarines or submarine relief crews from December 7, 1941 to September 2, 1945. All ex-shipmates are urged to contact Neal N. Cotner, National Membership Chairman, Route 3, Box 711-F, Yakima, WA 98901.

**Crow's Nest** — The crow (the bird, not the rating badge) was an essential part of the early sailors' navigation equipment. These land-lubbing fowl were carried on board to help the navigator determine where the closest land lay when the weather prevented sighting the shore visually. In cases of poor visibility, a crow was released and the navigator plotted a course that corresponded with the bird's because it invariably headed toward land.

The crow's nest was situated high in the main mast, where the look-out stood his watch, often he shared this lofty perch with a crow or two since the crow's cages were kept there: hence the 'crow's nest'. (From the 'Globe' and 'Silver State (NV) Chapter 2's, Newsletter dated Nov. 27, 1976.)

The new officers of California Chapter No. 14 are: Fred

Greene (USS Dobbin), president; Andy J. Antosik (USS Tennessee), vice president; Joe Morano (USS Dobbin), secretary; Al Freeman (Hickam Field), treasurer; Dick Crawford (USS West Virginia), trustee; Lou Grabinski (USS West Virginia), trustee; and Earl Spigler (Camp Malakole), trustee.

All former members of the 72nd Bomb Squadron who became attached to the 11th Bomb Group (H) during WWII are now eligible for membership in the 11th Bombardment Group (H) Association. For information contact: Robert E. May, Secretary-Treasurer, P.O. Box 11, Perrysburg, OH 43551.

On behalf of the membership of Mare Island Chapter (California) No. 11, Chaplain Dick Remmers presented to Mayo Fowler (Hickam Field) a certificate which named him the chapter's 'Outstanding Man of the Year'.

OrCo Chapter No. 14 of California had their annual family Christmas party on Sunday, November 28th at the American Legion Post No. 716 in Los Alamitos. Special guest for the day was Mr. Santa Claus from the North Pole with treats for all the kiddies and "goodies" for the adults, too!

The new elected officers of the Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors are: Teri Giordano, president, of Connecticut; Michael Little, vice president, of California; and Karen DeWeese, secretary-treasurer, of Minnesota.

Four California Chapter Newsletter Editors meet with Wally France, State Chairman, October 23rd, to discuss the purposes and feasibility of establishing a state newsletter to be sent to every PHSA member within the state of California. The editors attending were Frank Balas of Chapter 12, Andy Antosik of Chapter 14, Tom Rowe of Chapter 3 and Ken Creese of Chapter 18.

Indiana Chapter No. 2 had an election of officers in October and all present officers were re-

elected. The officers are: Herbert Roach, president; George Churley, vice president; and Raymond Crane, secretary-treasurer. The newly elected trustees were Herman Krumdick, Edward J. Jagiela and Mario Jobbe.

The Executive Board of the Sons and Daughters of the Pearl Harbor Survivors made Harold F. "Sarg" Cook an Honorary Life Member for his diligence, hard work and promotional activities on the behalf of the Sons and Daughters, PHS.

These survivors from the USS Oklahoma (BB-37) attended the 35th Reunion and convention in Honolulu this past December 7th: Eugene Byers, Leon Koll, Harold Johnson, Edwin Mitschek, Sam Smith, Claude Blondin, Ray Wosick, Jack Parson, Homer Robinson, Walt Atff, Charles O'Donovan, Don Baily, Royal Bergstrom, Russell Davenport, Harr Haskmor, Jack Chassereau, Jack Timm, Joseph Szewerenco, J.L. Kelly, M.E. Smith, Leon Kolb, Dick Husted, Roland Burr, and Delbert Portien.

Leo Smith, a petty officer who was stationed at Ford Island on Dec. 7th, 1941, and his wife, Helen, who worked at the Pearl Harbor Navy Supply Office at the time of the attack, were among six PHSA couples from Albuquerque, New Mexico, who made the trip to Honolulu for the 35th Reunion and convention.

Memorial services were held in Albuquerque commemorating Pearl Harbor Day at the Sandia Baptist Church. The Rev. Doyle N. Winter, who lost a brother at Pearl Harbor, was in attendance.

As of last October, North Central Texas Chapter shows 73 members.

Robert Culwell, an announced candidate for the office of national secretary at the 1976 national convention, withdrew his candidacy in November stated he had learned his bread-and-butter job would evidently not leave him sufficient time to perform his duties.

Aaron Morah (Fort Kamehameha), president of Florida Chapter No. 8, donated his 133rd pint of blood on December 23rd in memory of all departed shipmates that were killed December 7, 1941, on the island of Oahu.

Alamo Chapter, Texas, No. 2 of San Antonio held their annual election and installation of officers on November 11th at Luby's Cafeteria in San Antonio. The guest speaker was Mr. Jose R. Coronado, Director of Audie Murphy V.A. Hospital in San Antonio. This meeting was dedicated to the recent departed shipmate and friend, secretary of the chapter, Ken Isaacs. Twenty members and guests attended the meeting.

A scale model of Pearl Harbor made by Tom Higdon of Nutonia, Missouri, was exhibited at the fifth annual reunion of the Missouri PHSA Chapter in Osceola. Higdon is a Vietnam veteran and a war history buff. Approximately 40 persons from the western part of the state attended the annual affair held in the Osceola City Park. The group had dinner at the North Side Cafe followed by films shown in the park later in the evening. The group holds a regular dinner meeting the fourth Sunday each month at

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the American Legion Post in Claycomo, Missouri.

Willard C. Buska (23rd Bomb Sqdn., Hickam Field) tells us the best part of the 35th anniversary convention and reunion was when he met two buddies from the 23rd Bomb Squadron that he had not seen since December 7, 1941 — William Benn of Hawaii and Leo Dougherty of New York. Also, he said, "Let's have a reunion of the 23rd Bomb in the near future." His address is: P.O. Box 95, Crossville, TN 38555.

James and Marion Brown (USS California) of Charlotte, MI, had a surprise visit, while they were in Hawaii, from their son, Sgt. Eric J. Brown, who flew in from Korea.

The auxiliary of Texas Victoria Chapter 1 held a bake sale in November to raise funds to sponsor a child at the Bluebonnet Youth Ranch in Yoakum, Texas. This is to be an annual affair and project.

PHSA members interested in having interviews made for the oral history project in Denton, Texas should contact Dr. Ronald E. Marcello, Coordinator of Oral History Collection. His address is: Dr. Ronald E. Marcello, Coordinator Oral History Collection, North Texas State University, P.O. Box 13734, North Texas Station, Denton, Texas 76203.

From January 1, 1977, through mid-May, 1977, he is free to make PHSA Oral History interviews daily on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. During months of June, July and August he will be available for interviews Monday through Friday all day long. Special arrangements can, in some cases, be made for times and days other than those listed previously by contacting him directly.

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cost of getting to and from Denton, Texas. By the way, Denton is a nice place to visit.

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The Florida State Chairman invites the members of PHSA to join with him in a Florida State Reunion and fun trip aboard the SS Emerald Seas, sailing out of Miami for the Bahamas for four nights and hitting the ports of Nassau and Freeport. Cruise will leave Monday, June 6th, at 1545 hours and return to Miami on Friday, June 10th, at 0900 hours. For information please write: Harold F. (Sarg) Coe, Florida State Chairman, 10926-87th Avenue North, Seminole, Fl. 33542 (Tel: 813-391-0053). Guests are invited.

On October 1, 1966 the Wolverine (Michigan) Chapter 1 received its charter from the National Pearl Harbor Survivors Association. The following names appear on the original charter signed by PNP Gene M. Lindsey and John C. Berlier: Donald L. Bloomfield (Hickam Field), Donald K. Branson (USS West Virginia), Russell E. Buckhart, Edward I.

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Saturday, September 25, 1976 — The Motor City (Michigan) Chapter's Arizona Memorial Float was awarded the second place, "Johnny Appleseed Trophy", at the 1976 Niles, Michigan, Area Apple Festival. Al Pottkotter (USS Raleigh) and his Motor City Crew can be very proud of the trophy.

Chapter officers for the next

two years of the Silver State (Nevada) Chapter No. 2 are: John Cottam (Small Craft), president; Bill Simshauser (Bellows Field), vice president; Al Guhman (Marine Barracks), secretary; Bill Meskell (Ewa Air Base), treasurer; and Dick McCue (USS Pennsylvania), 3-year trustee.

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Schofield Barracks)
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- JOINER, James F.  
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(USS West Virginia)
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(USS Arizona)
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(USS Cummings)
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Bayonne, NJ 07002  
(VP-23, Ford Island)
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(Fort Ruger)
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(USS Pennsylvania)
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(USS Dale)
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(USS Helena)
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(Yard Craft-Hoga)
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Escondido, CA 92026  
(HQ, 11th Bomb Group,  
Hickam Field)
- ZERBE, Howard R.  
Apartado Postal 1006  
Quito, Ecuador, S.A.  
(USS Nevada)
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Fremont, NB 68025  
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Cordell, OK 73632  
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Vallejo, CA 94590

**MAYO C. FOWLER  
WITH TOW TARGET  
DETACHMENT  
HICKAM FIELD**

Training for the Tow Target Detachment began at Biggs Field, El Paso, Texas, in 1940 where the personnel trained in the operation and maintenance of radio controlled targets which were BT-2 aircraft (old basic trainers).

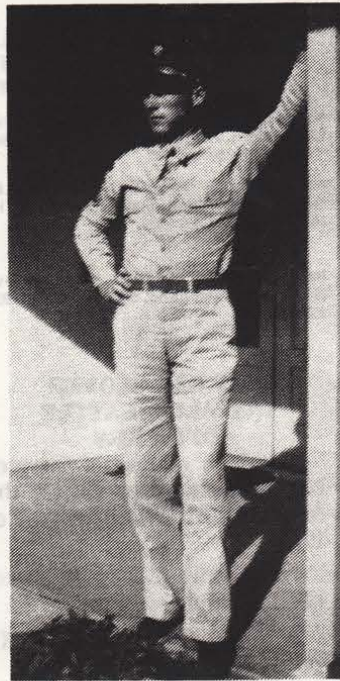
Then in December, 1940, the group was sent to Hickam Field. The outfit consisted of five officers and four aircraft repairmen.

When the radio controlled targets at Wheeler Field were used, the crew began towing sleeve targets for the Infantry and Coast Artillery.

About September, 1941, the Detachment acquired nearly 100 men (see photo on page 24 in this issue of the GRAM). From then until December 7, 1941, the men continued to tow for ground to air training, flying B-18 and B-12 aircraft.

After January 1st, 1942, the Detachment became a material squadron and worked assembling new aircraft in the Hawaiian Air Depot, and some of the men later went into the 11th Bomb Group in bases around Guadalcanal.

Mayo C. Fowler, a PHSA member since 1965 and a past president of Mare Island Chapter No. 11 in California, retired from the USAF in 1960, and then spent thirteen years in aircraft repair at Travis Air



Mayo C. Fowler

Force Base, retiring in 1976 with 35 years total of Federal Service.

Mayo told me that he certainly would like to hear from some of his old buddies. His address is 476 Banning Way, Vallejo, California 94590. Mayo is the fourth man, left to right, in the front row of the Tow Target Detachment photo on page 24.

**ALAMO CHAPTER ELECTS  
AND INSTALLS OFFICERS**

The following officers were elected and installed at the Alamo Chapter Texas Chapter 2's meeting November 11th:

President: Gordon Poling (U.S. Marine Corps), 430 Koeler, San Antonio, TX 78223.

Vice President: Joaquin Gomez (Schofield Barracks), 1319 Lullwood, San Antonio, TX 78201.

Secretary: Eugene C. Camp (Camp Malakole), 1402 Haskin Drive, San Antonio, TX 78209.

Treasurer: George J. Deckard (Schofield Barracks), 3923 S.W. Military Drive, San Antonio, TX 78211.

Trustee: Alex G. Prochnow (USS Montgomery), 1215 Avant, San Antonio, TX 78210.

Trustee: Emil E. Matula (Schofield Barracks), 303 Gayle Avenue, San Antonio, TX 78223.

Trustee: Theo A. Roth (USS Hull), 123 Oakwood, San Antonio, TX 78228.

**REUNION NOTICES**

**AMERICAN DEFENDERS OF BATAAN & CORREGIDOR-1977 National Convention** to be held May 1-8 at the El Cortez Hotel, San Diego, California. For further information, contact National Headquarters at 34 Mountain View Avenue, Hurley, NY 12443.

**USS BLACK HAWK**-seeking shipmates who were aboard the ship and accompanying destroyers that were on the Asiatic Station from the time of the Black Hawk's arrival and departure to the U.S. in 1945. Those interested in a reunion in 1977, contact Rudolph P. Zalman (USS Medusa), 2523 McKenzie, Waco, Texas 76708.

**USS HELENA (CL-50)** — reunion to be held 11-14 August 1977, Royal Inns at the Wharf, San Diego, CA. Contact USS

Helena Organization, 450 Adams Street, Sierra Madre, CA. 91024 (Tel: 213-355-9364).

**USS SAN FRANCISCO (CA-38)** — 3rd annual reunion July 15-17, 1977, Holiday Inn, Kansas City, Kansas. Contact Ed Wittler, 194 Sheryl Drive, San Pablo, CA 94806.

**NAS KANOEHE BAY** — notice to all branches of the Armed Forces who were stationed at the Kaneohe Naval Air Station, Kaneohe, Hawaii from 1940 through 1945. A new organization has been formed called the 'Kaenohe Klippers'. The next reunion will be held in San Antonio, Texas sometime in November, 1977. Those interested, contact W.J. Hanna, 1646 Carmel Circle West, Upland CA 91786.

**THE WORK DETAIL**

Survivors of Northeast Florida Chapter No. 6 organized a "Work Detail" to renovate building donated by Tom Aretz, chapter president, to be used as a club house.



Back row (left to right): John Brown, B.B. Hatcher, Fred Guest, Tom Aretz, Clifford Tanner and Bill Sommers; front row: Ray Gillette, Ken Musselman, and Nathan Praither, Red Palmer. Larry Fulstone is missing from picture.

**Thank You . . .**

We wish to express our "Thank you" to so many of you who sent us both "Season's Greetings" and 25th wedding anniversary messages.

Dave Briner  
Ed. of Gram

- (1st Defense Bn.,  
U.S. Marine Corps)  
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Pompano Beach, FL 33064  
(USS Nevada)  
BURROWS, Donald F.  
22550 Euclid Avenue  
Euclid, OH 44117  
(27th Infantry,  
Schofield Barracks)  
McFARLAND, James L.  
556 A East Magnolia Blvd.  
Burbank, CA 91501  
(USS Maryland)  
LOGAN, Frank A.  
12 Broadway  
Plymouth, NH 03264  
(55th Coast Artillery,  
Fort Kamehameha)  
HUGHES, Roger K.  
880 West Cliff Drive  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060  
(USS Argonne)

### NAVY NURSE IS HONORED

Teresa Duggan, a Navy Nurse aboard the USS Solace (AH-5), a hospital ship at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, was honored by the Retired Officers' Club of St. Petersburg, Florida, at a dinner on November 11, 1976.

Miss Duggan was presented a charter life-time membership to the Retired Officers' Club and an engraved plaque. More than 185 members and guests were present to bestow their words of praise to the honored nurse.

### CHARLESTON CHAPTER ELECTS OFFICERS

The elected officers of Charleston Chapter No. 1 (West Virginia) for 1977-78 are:

State Chairman: Herbert R. Elswick (Schofield Barracks), 805 Amity Drive, Charleston, WV 25302.

President: Cecil A. Runion (Schofield Barracks), 1003 Tinder Ave., Charleston, WV 25302.

Vice President: Robert R. Guthrie (Fort Kamehameha), 5245 Big Tyler Road, Charleston, WV 25312.

Secretary: Herbert R. Elswick (Schofield Barracks), 805 Amity Drive, Charleston, WV 25302.

Treasurer: Sherman W. Brown (Schofield Barracks), 5027 Ohio Avenue, So. Charleston, WV 25309.

Trustee: Lawrence R. Hill (Schofield Barracks), 1217 W. 12th Street, Nitro, WV 25143.

Trustee: Tommy R. Wicklins (USS Maryland), 214 High Street, Huntington, WV 25702.

Trustee: John Robinson (Fort Weaver), 506 Park Avenue, Charleston, WV 25302.

Chaplain: Sherman W. Brown (Schofield Barracks), 5027 Ohio Avenue, So. Charleston, WV 25309.

Reporter: William C.J. Washington (USS Phoenix), 6181 Rosalind Road, Huntington, WV 25705.

Welfare: Raymond Young (Schofield Barracks), 611 Hillsdale, Charleston, WV 25302.

Sgt.-At-Arms: John M. Robinson (Fort Weaver), 506 Park Avenue, Charleston, WV 25302.

Historian: Chester S. Gappa (USS Tennessee), 605 Roseland Avenue, Williamstown, WV 26187.

Pearl Harbor Survivors of Suncoast Florida Chapter No. 1 were invited to attend and participate in the honoring of Miss Duggan. The survivors attending were: PNP Henry Shane (USS Raleigh) and his wife, Tess; Nunzio Garbo (USS Tangier) and his wife, Emily; James Crocker (27th Infantry), chapter president, and his wife, Helen; Harold Cook (27th Infantry), Florida State Chairman, and his wife, Lucille; William Biggerstaff (35th Infantry) and his wife, Dorothy; L.A. Bird (USS Arizona) and his wife, Ruth; and Ellen Dolloff (Navy Nurse, Naval Hospital, P.H.).

### MINNEAPOLIS CHAPTER INSTALLS OFFICERS

Thirty-four survivors and their wives met Friday evening, October 8, 1976, for their fall meeting which was held in the Bali Room of the Leamington Hotel in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The officers installed were: Charles L. ReVoor, president; Albert F. Quackenbush, vice president; Kenneth Swanson, secretary; Michael E. Matusko, treasurer; Glen Jenneke, trustee; Dennis Lamoreaux, trustee; and Raymond A. Witt, trustee.

Following the installation of officers a Hawaiian dinner was served with "Waikiki-Shanghai" chicken being the appetizer with other Hawaiian dishes and refreshments.

### MAKE YOURSELF A MAI TAI

Hawaii's most famous drink, the Mai Tai, is also called the "friendliest drink." It is said that there are two ways to become a kamaaina, or old-timer: one is to spend seven years in Hawaii, the other is to spend an afternoon on Waikiki Beach with three Mai Tais.

Make this Hawaiian thirst-quencher at home with one jigger golden rum, one jigger dark rum, juice of one lime, dash of orgeat syrup, dash of rock candy syrup and a dash of Orange Curacao.

Place one-half squeezed lime shell with ingredients in a large glass filled with shaved ice, garnish with a mint sprig and pineapple stick.

(From the Waikiki Beach Press)

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### PNP RAY GLOVER INSTALLS SEATTLE OFFICERS

Members of Seattle Chapter No. 2, Washington, elected the following officers for the year of 1977:

President: Larry Winston (USS Mugford),

Vice President: George Smith (USS Oklahoma),

Secretary: Chuck O'Donovan (USS Oklahoma),

Treasurer: Leo Shumard (USS Maryland),

Trustee, 3-Yrs: Dick Adams (USS Helena),

Trustee, 2-Yrs: Louis Carson (USS Tennessee),

Master-at-Arms: Frank Kessel (Hickam Field).

Past National President Ray Glover (USS West Virginia), also a past chapter president, duly installed the new elected chapter officers.

### MEMORIAL SERVICES BY CALIFORNIA CHAPTER NO. 24

A Pearl Harbor Memorial was held December 7th by California Chapter No. 24 at the Veterans Memorial on the lawn of the Escondido City Hall. Tony Sansone was the program chairman.

All branches of the Armed Forces were represented and about a dozen survivors were present. Mayor Allan Skuba of Escondido was the principal speaker of the solemn services. Two memorial wreaths were placed at the base of the Veterans Memorial by Pat and Bartley and his wife.

California Chapter No. 24 is located in North San Diego County and received its national charter in July 1976. Richard L. Perkins (USS Dobbin) is the chapter president.

### VETERANS'DAY OCTOBER 25, 1976

In Miami Beach, Aaron Morah, 64, marked the day with a visit to the Mt. Sinai Blood Bank to give his 132nd pint. Actually, Morah's big observance is neither October 25 nor November 11, 1976, but is December 7th.

Morah is president of the newly-chartered Dade County (Florida) Chapter of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, which has 27 members and is trying to sign up more veterans who went through the Japanese attack.

Any why would a man give 132 pints of blood?

Morah pressed a cotton wad to his arm and explained: "It's my way of giving thanks for being alive." (Miami-Herald)

### BAY PATRIOTS ELECT CHAPTER OFFICERS

An election of officers of the Bay Patriots Chapter (Massachusetts) was held at their October meeting at the Natick VFW Post.

The results were:

President: Carmen Briguglio (Schofield Barracks.)

Vice-President: Harry Hoffman (USS Tennessee).

Secretary: Cecil Deeg (USS West Virginia).

Treasurer: Dalgo Bregoli (USS Perry)

Trustees: John Bouzoun (USS Phoenix), Al Homer (USS West Virginia), and Bob Johnston (Schofield Barracks.)

State Chairman: Frank Tassinari (Fort Shafter.)



**PEARL HARBOR**  
**Survivors Association**  
**PRAYER FOR OUR DEAD**  
 Eternal rest grant unto  
 them, and let eternal light  
 shine upon them and may  
 they rest in peace.  
**AMEN**

**CLAYTON F. JOHNSON**  
 SUBMARINE BASE  
 Concordia, Kansas

**HAROLD W. WOODWARD**  
 SCHOFIELD BARRACKS  
 Newberry, Florida

**JENNINGS B. WILLIAMS**  
 FORD ISLAND  
 Norman, Oklahoma

**RICHARD A. RADEFELD**  
 TREASURER  
 CENTRAL ILLINOIS  
 CHAPTER TWO  
 53RD COAST ARTILLERY  
 FORT SHAFTER  
 Pekin, Illinois

**CHARLES KOVACS**  
 90TH FIELD ARTILLERY  
 SCHOFIELD BARRACKS  
 Phoenixville, Pennsylvania

**VERNON L. DAVIS**  
 USS MEDUSA (AR-1)  
 Lakeside, California

**FRANK E. SCHAMP**  
 USS PELIAS (AS-14)  
 Monroe, Oregon

**KENNETH R. ISAACS**  
 USS DOBBIN (AD-3)  
 San Antonio, Texas

**OLYMPIA PENINSULA**  
**CHAPTER ELECTS**  
**OFFICERS**

Officers of the Olympia Peninsula Chapter (WA), who were elected to serve the 1977-78 term; are:

**President:** Robert B. Farnham (YO-44), Route 4, Box 323, Port Orchard, WA 98366.

**Vice President:** Roger C. Turner (USS Pennsylvania), Route 1, Box 168, Ollala, WA 98359.

**Secretary:** Donald R. Green (USS Pyro), 1717 E. 16th Street, Bremerton, WA 98310.

**Treasurer:** Marlow F. Blasberg (USS Whitney), 2250 Sidney (APT. J-99), Port Orchard, WA 98366.



Naval Air Station, Kaneohe Klippers (Pearl Harbor Survivors) with their families aboard USS Arizona Memorial, December 1976.

**PEARL HARBOR AWARD**



Robert E. Osborn (USS California), Nebraska State Chairman, at the left, presented the Wolbach Messenger's "Pearl Harbor Award" to Mrs. Ruth Meyer of Wolbach, Nebraska. Carroll E. Thompson (Submarine Base, PH), on the

right, is the publisher of the Wolbach Messenger and presents the Pearl Harbor award annually. Each December to a worthy citizen of the community. This year's award marked the 13th annual award presentation.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE ON MIAMI BEACH**

Pearl Harbor Survivors of Miami Beach met December 7, 1976, at 10:30 A.M. at Tenth Street and Ocean Drive for a memorial service — to honor and memorialize the servicemen who lost their lives during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941.

Governor Askey of Florida declared December 7th Pearl Harbor Memorial Service Day.

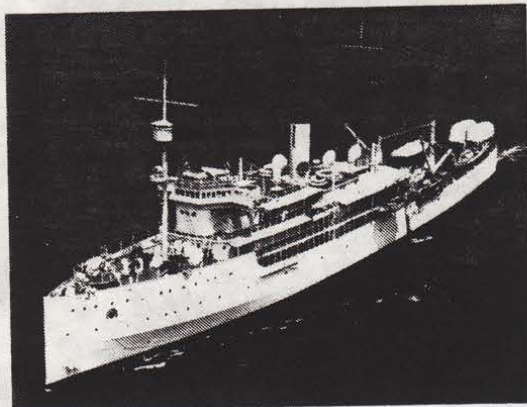
Army Brig. General John W. "Rip" Collins, who served in three wars, was the guest speaker.

A red, white and blue floral wreath was dropped into the ocean by Ed Finch (USS Honolulu) from a police helicopter.

"Taps" was played by Jack Siegel, who fought with General Pershing in World War I.

Aaron Morah (41st Coast Artillery, Fort Kamehameha) is the president of Date County Florida Chapter No. 8.

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**U. S. S. OGLALA**

**Mele Ralimaka**  
(Merry Christmas)

**Hauoli Makahiki Huu**  
(Happy New Year)

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**COMMANDER MINECRAFT, BATTLE FORCE**  
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**CHIEF OF STAFF**  
G.D. HULL, Captain

**FLAG COMMUNICATION OFFICER**  
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**Radioman Second Class**  
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Radiomen First Class

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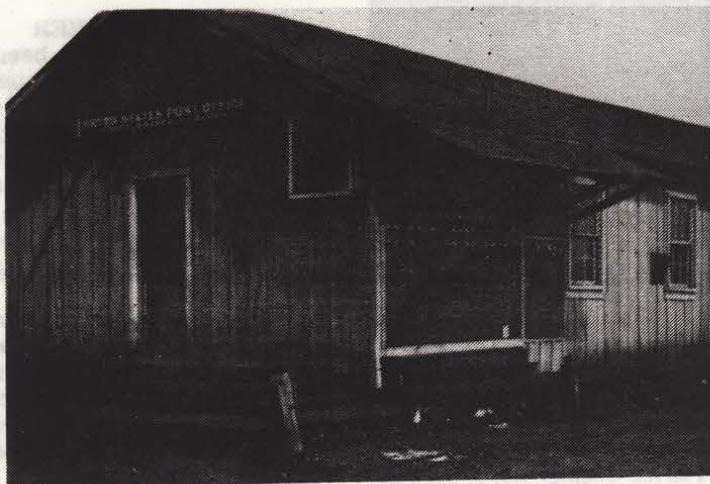
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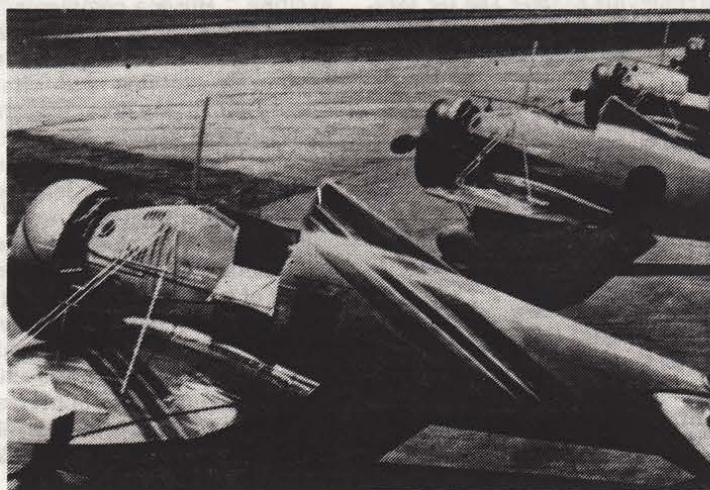
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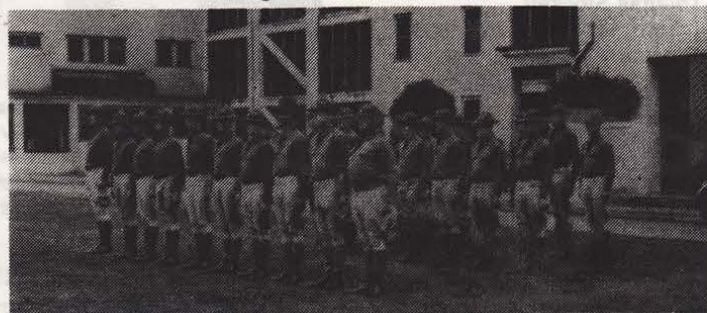
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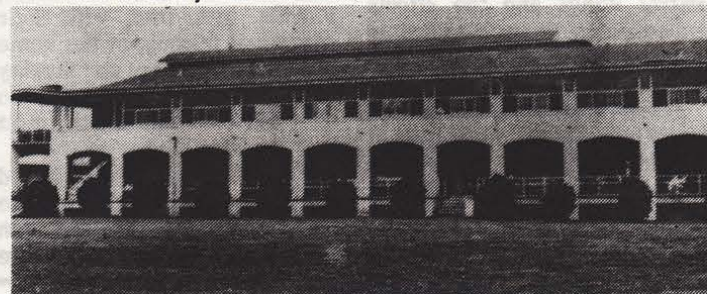
Hangers at Wheeler Field



P-39 planes — Wheeler Field 1940



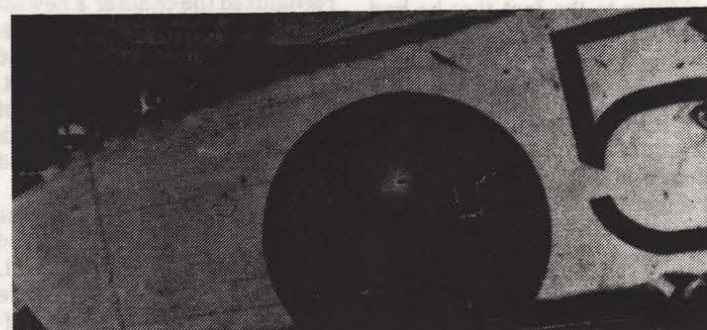
19th Infantry Guard Mount, 1939 at Schofield Barracks



Station Hospital at Schofield, 1941-11th Med.



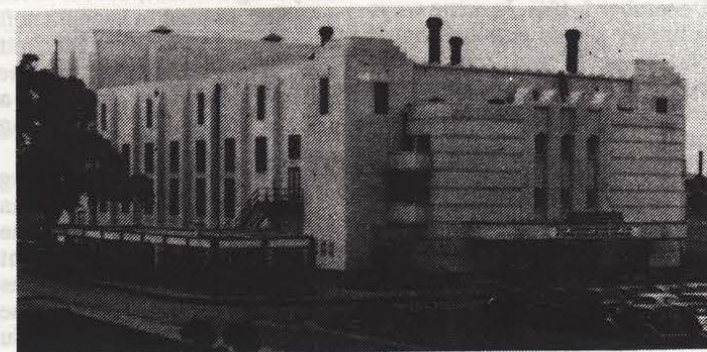
The China Clipper



Wing from Japanese bomber shot down on the grounds of the Naval Hospital, Pearl Harbor.



Main PX at Schofield Barracks



Main Theatre at Schofield.

## MAINE-PATROL WINGS AND PINE TREES

A group of fifty-two members and guests of the Maine Pine Tree Chapter met for their fall dinner-dance meeting October 29th at the Officers' Club on the Brunswick Naval Air Station. Following the roast beef dinner, messages of welcome were addressed to the chapter by Captain R.S. Zeisel, USN, Chief of Staff, Commander Patrol Wings, U.S. Atlantic Fleet and our own District Eight Director, Thomas Stockett.

Both speakers stressed the importance of and need for support and attendance at meetings of the chapters to keep Americans forever alert and to remind all, through our actions and publicity, that our brethren who perished at Pearl Harbor December 7, 1941, will be remembered.

Captain Zeisel summarized the duties and activities of Patrol Wings and the efforts expended by them to maintain that we will always be a free America.

Just how close we, as a group, are remembered and thought of by one of the present guardians in our country's military service is illustrated in the following passage extracted from Captain Zeisel's letter of acceptance to attend the Pine Tree Chapter's fall meeting-in addition to the fact that he had come from a long mission prior to the meeting and had only three hours of sleep.

"It is so proper and fitting for organizations such as yours to continue to prosper and be recognized, especially in this Bicentennial year. Without the sacrifices of the many in your organization (including those who would have been eligible were they to be alive) our beloved country might not have made it past that dark hour on December 7, 1941. In some ways it hardly seems possible that it was 35 years ago. I enjoy the opportunity to share this time with you-in order that you might appreciate the continuing efforts we on active duty expend to keep it the way you passed it to us; free. June and I would be most pleased to join you on October 29."

State Chairman Bob Presnell reminded the chapter of the coming meetings and of the spring meeting which is to

## RECEIVES PLAQUE



Tom Aretz, president of Northeast Florida Chapter No. 6, Jacksonville, presents plaque and gavel to Ike Butler (left to right) in recognition for his organizing the Jacksonville chapter and for serving as the first chapter president. The presentation was made at the chapter's dinner-dance, August 28th, at the CPO Club, Mayport, Florida.

## SURVIVORS MEET IN PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

Forty-four Pearl Harbor Survivors in the Pensacola, Florida, area met, with their wives and friends, at the home of Jay Carraway on Sunday afternoon, December 5th, for an informal 35th reunion-the first in Pensacola.

Many members found shipmates and buddies at the reunion that they had not seen in 34 years and were unaware

that the other lived in the area. In addition to meeting old friends and making new ones, punch and a buffet lunch was served. Plans are underway to establish a new chapter in Florida-Gulf Coast Chapter No. 9 at Pensacola. These survivors met for the first time in many years: Jay Carraway and Worth Smith from the USS Hulbert; Ben Busby, Van B. Shumaker, Jr., and Felix Wolfe from the USS Honolulu; Jack Gallawa, Elbert "Jack" Cummings, and W.R. Williams from the USS Pelias; Clayton Ezell and Tomas Tyndal from the USS Solace; and Jedge L. Limle and John Richardson from the USS Monaghan.

honor the charter members. He recognized the chapter's newest life member, Stuart Saunders, as well as those Sons and Daughters of survivors present. The individual muster roll of units represented, along with proper recognition of wives and guests, was called. Many members said it was the best meeting to date, and many thanks go to Eric Russell, the chapter host, and to Eddie Lenhart, manager of the officers' club. The music was varied, not only for the needs of the young at heart, but for those who just wanted to swing a soft one, as well as for Tom Stockett who took advantage of the occasion to lead the chapter in a grande ensemble comprising young and old alike.

On display was an oil painting of the USS Arizona "Arizona Salute" representing a scene before the present monument was erected. The painting was presented to the PHSA at the memorial banquet in Honolulu this past December in the name of the Pine Tree Chapter.

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## MEMORIAL SERVICES IN VIRGINIA

Peninsula Chapter No. 3 of Virginia conducted a wreath memorial service on Sunday, December 5th.

The service began with a moment of prayer given by Colonel Pettat and followed by a salute to our national flag.

A wreath was then cast into the Hampton Roads waters by Vincent Cuda, Jr., son of Vincent Cuda, Sr. (USS Sumner), as a symbol of second generation freedoms enjoyed because of those who gave their lives at Pearl Harbor 35 years ago.

The service was closed with 'taps' played by SGT Liebhen of Fort Monroe, Virginia.

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## STARTS NEW CAREER

Robert Hudson has been named assistant to the Director of Educational Services at the House of Representatives in St. Paul, MN. As Assistant Director, Mr. Hudson will host constituents of legislators, visitors in the gallery of the House, and people attending House sessions.

Mr. Hudson, in response to questions about his new position, stated that he sees his work with the Legislature as an opportunity to bring his years of experience in the private sector full circle to public service.

"New careers are always exciting," Hudson commented. "I feel like a kid again as I talk to the visitors at the Capitol. We have a fascinating and vital history with many great leaders in Minnesota's past. But, you know, I think we have some great men and women leading out government today as well."

"Working and visiting the Minnesota State Capitol is to be a part of history in the making. For example, next week the Agency for International Development will have 40 leaders from 32 countries visiting the three branches of Minnesota government. I think that is truly exciting."

Mr. Hudson has been a part of history once before when he survived the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. (He was aboard the USS Oglala (CM-4). As an active member of the survivor's organization, Bob is currently making arrangements to go to the North State University in San Antonio, Texas for the purpose of recording his personal account of the action for historians compiling a living record from participants in an effort to have more complete and accurate data for the future.

Representative Al Patton of Sartell said that "Bob's enthusiasm and knowledge of the Capitol will be a real asset to anyone seeking to learn about the legislative process."

Approximately 225,000 people visit the State Capitol annually. The Minnesota Historical Society also gives daily tours on the hour.

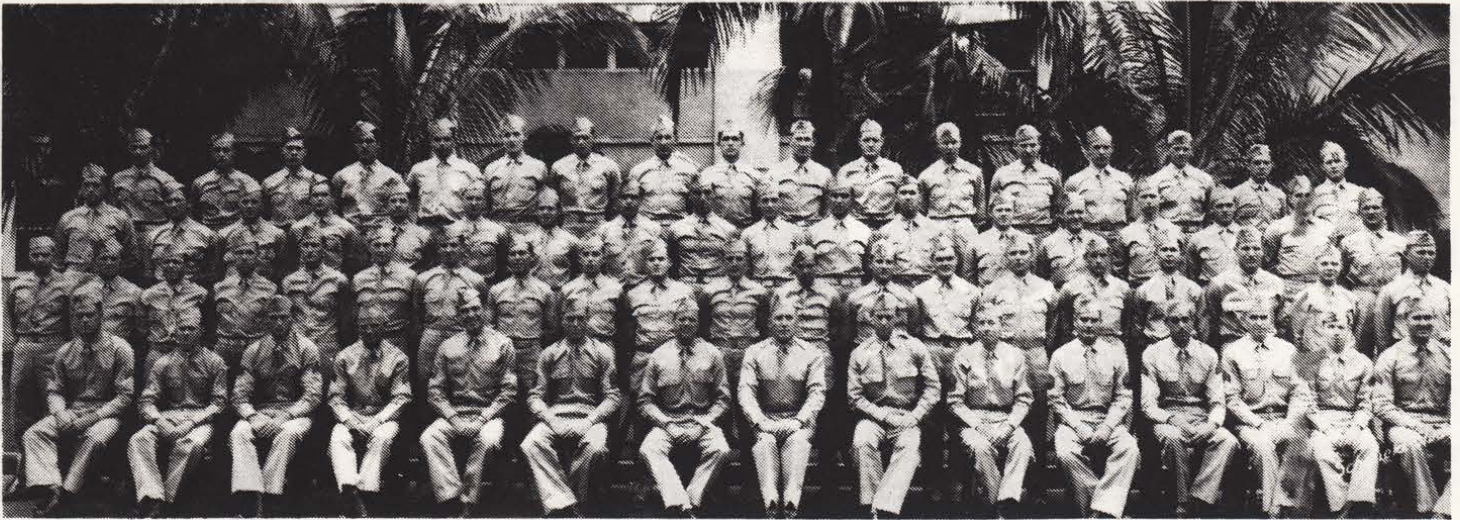
Congratulations, Bob, on your new career!

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# 35TH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION AND REUNION





Headquarters Battery 11th Field Artillery Schofield Barracks.

#### HAS VIVID MEMORY

On December 7, 1941, Bob Hudson was a Seaman First Class and acting master-at-arms of the mess hall aboard the USS Oglala (CM-4). Bob had rolled out the mess cooks for breakfast and they were in process of setting up the tables. Then he went out on deck for a cigarette and stood with a third class cook by the name of Polard from the state of Washington.

As the two men talked, they saw a plane drop something on Ford Island and something blew up but they thought it was some kind of a drill.

Next thing Bob and Polard knew, a plane was coming directly at them from Ford Island and bullets began to ricochet off the bulkhead around them. Then they say the plane drop a torpedo and "it was coming directly at us and would hit in moments! Right where we were standing," remarked Bob.

"We both yelled Japs" said Bob, "and turned to run for a battle station. I grabbed hold of the railings of a ladder leading to the foc'sle-then the torpedo hit. I held on to the railings but the explosion placed my body in the air 'parallel' to the deck as though I was flying. My feet came back down and I ran to my chalk mark and stood there. I did not know that the fish has passed under us and hit the Helena. We started sinking immediately."

Hudson returned to the mess hall-some men were crying, some just sat starry-eyed while others were yelling orders and

passing out helmets and life jackets to the crew. Lt. Krause yelled "Abandon ship!"

Bob returned to the foc'sle and went to his chalk mark and recalled, "We were now listing so badly that the guns could no longer be pointed or fired effectively. I stood and watched the guys running down the side of the Oklahoma as she rolled over. I couldn't believe what I was seeing-we were suddenly in a world that was nearly consumed by smoke and fire."

"Admiral Marquart stepped out on deck, hatless and dressed in whites, looked around and calmly said, 'Abandon ship'. Next, I recall a tug trying to get our lines and get us clear of the Helena. We were listing very badly and knew we would soon go down. After getting the 'word', I went over the side and into the water which was a forty foot drop as the Oglala had the highest freeboard of any ship in the Navy," Bob tells us.

He went to say that he "swam under water fearing being strafed but as I did that I feared damage to my ears with the explosions in the water. I estimated that I swam about fifty yards under water and wondered at the time if I would surface in burning oil. I felt barnacles on dock pilings and surfaced and then scrambled onto the dock. A plane came along staffing the docks, I ducked under some sheet metal and listened to the slugs ricochet off the plates."

The plane left the dock area and Bob emerged from his protective covering. Suddenly,

#### ORCO CHAPTER NO. 14

OrCo Chapter No. 14 of Orange County, California, held installation ceremonies before the members of the chapter on October 31, 1976.

Officers installed were Fred Greene (USS Dobbin), president; Andy Antosik (USS Tennessee), vice president; Joe Morano (USS Dobbin), secretary; Aldwyn Freeman (Hickam Field), treasurer; Dick Crawford (USS West

Virginia), trustee; Earl Spigler (Camp Malakole), trustee; and Louis Grabinski (USS West Virginia), trustee.

Following the installation services, pot-luck dinner was held and then everyone relaxed and enjoyed a travel movie on Hawaii.

The officers of Chapter No. 14 joined with the officers of Chapters No. 1, 9 and 12 for a joint installation on November 13th.

he heard an officer calling volunteers for a destroyer. This was good news to him as he was trying to get transferred to a submarine or a destroyer for duty. He went along with the officer to the USS Mugford (DD-389) where he saw the crew taking in the lines and the guns and turrets were humming. Bob remarked, "I felt just great suddenly being on board a fighting ship. A bos'n assigned me a job and we headed out for the cable crossing, expecting to find the Japanese fleet out there."

"I felt strong as I looked upon those torpedo tubes being made ready for attack and decided that was the rating I would pursue. The chief torpedoman, named Duke McGovern, and his first class from Wisconsin named Darst took me into the Torpedo Gang as a stricker and ultimately I made Torpedoman second class after we took Talagi and the Solomons."

Robert S. Hudson was discharged from the Naval Service on October 28, 1943. He now resides at: 1269 McLean Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55106.



Howard Lacey, past president of California Chapter No. 14, presents gavel to Fred Greene, incoming president.

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#### 5TH DISTRICT CONVENTION

David K. Sharpee (USS Thornton), secretary of Wisconsin Chapter No. 2, has informed the GRAM that the 5th District Convention will be held June 24, 25, 26 1977, in Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin.

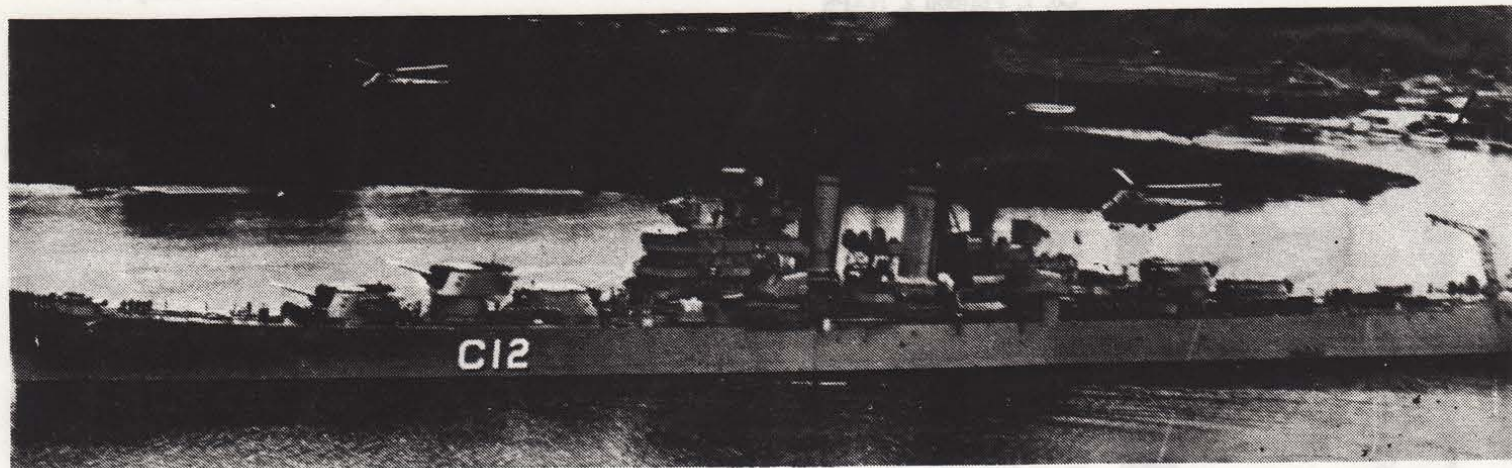
Please watch your April GRAM for final information.

District 5 consist of the following states: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

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USS ST. LOUIS (CL-49)



TAMANDARE

(AP) — The USS St. Louis, the first ship to escape from Pearl Harbor under her own power in the Japanese attack Dec. 7, 1941, has come to rest in her last harbor near Rio de Janeiro.

The lean, gray cruiser, which became known as the "Lucky Lou" because of a series of dramatic escapes from destruction during World War II, has been decommissioned from the Brazilian navy, which bought her 25 years ago. She is anchored in Guanabara Bay awaiting sale for scrap.

The ship at one time carried crews of up to 1,000 men but is almost deserted now. Today, 23 Brazilian seamen are stripping the vessel of her guns, equipment and valuable metal before the Brazilian navy auctions off the hulk.

The St. Louis, the only ship to reach the open sea during the Pearl Harbor attack, was sold to Brazil in 1951 and given one of the most honored names the Brazilians could bestow — Joaquin Marques Lisboa, the Marquis of Tamandare who was the father of the Brazilian navy.

"The Tamandare was our second largest ship for many years," said Captain Mario Ramior da Silva, who is supervising the stripping operations. "Only the Mina Gerais, an aircraft carrier purchased from Britain, is larger."

Da Silva recalled that the good fortune that saved the "Lucky Lou" from Japanese bombs also saved her from hostile fire during a Brazilian coup November 11, 1955—the only time in the ship's 25 years of Brazilian services that it saw military action.

Fourteen years earlier, the St. Louis had put into Pearl Harbor for installation of radar equipment. This time, six of her eight boilers were operating, although most of the eight five-inch second battery guns were not. The ship had 15 six-inch guns in her main battery.

Sunday, December 7, 1941, Japanese planes attacked the harbor,

blowing up the battleship, USS Arizona (BB-39), and rolling the USS Oklahoma (BB-37) over on her side. The St. Louis, under the command of Captain George A. Rood, was undamaged. Firing back, she was credited with shooting down three Japanese planes.

An hour and a half after the attack began, the St. Louis headed for open sea—this time at 20 knots, well above the normal 8-knot speed. Lou's luck continued that day as a Japanese submarine fired two torpedos at the ship and missed.

The 10,000-ton-cruiser was awarded 11 combat stars for service in World War II. The ship fought in the first Navy attack on Japanese forces in the Gilbert and Marshall Islands. She participated in daily actions against the Japanese navy's "Tokyo Express" in the area between Bougainville and the Guadalcanal Islands.

She was hit once by a torpedo when bombarding the island of Kolombangara from Kula Gulf. The torpedo heavily damaged the ship's bow, but not one of the Lucky Lou's crew was killed. The St. Louis also fought in landings in the Marianas and Leyte and was used for troop transport as the war ended.

Da Silva said the ship was decommissioned because Brazil is modernizing its naval forces.

Al L. Seton, Survivor of the USS St. Louis, of Staten Island, NY, attempting to set up a USS St. Louis (CL-49) Association. He suggests that if the vessel cannot be spared from the welder's torch, at least its main mast can be brought to St. Louis.

And he's even thinking of having the ship towed up the Mississippi River to St. Louis—despite its 23-foot draft and the river's nine-foot channel. Seton thinks it could be accomplished by stripping the vessel of guns and other equipment and bringing it up river in the Spring, when the Mississippi is often swollen.

Those interested in Seton's effort can reach him at 220 Otis Avenue, Staten Island, N.Y. 10396.

**OFF-SPRING DIRECTORY**

Do you have a son or daughter on active duty in the military service?

Submit your off-spring's full name and military address with zip code to the Chief Editor.

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**SOUTH DAKOTA CHAPTER TOURS AIR FORCE BASE**

George Kappleman (USS San Francisco), outgoing chapter president, presided over the South Dakota Chapter No. 1's meeting held this past December in Rapid City.

Officers for 1977, were elected and installed by Ray Eilers (64th Coast Artillery, Fort Shafter), state chairman.

The new officers are: Jacob Fredrickson (Schofield Barracks), president; "Pete" V. Crosswhite (USS Whitney), 1st vice president; Frank Pehoviack (USS Pennsylvania), 2nd vice president; Marvin Melius (USS Ralph

Talbot) re-elected secretary-treasurer; Richard Mahoney (U.S. Marine Corps), trustee; Floyd Meek (USS Honolulu), trustee; and Andrew Sauer (USS Oklahoma), trustee.

A tour of Ellsworth Air Force Base Rapid City, was enjoyed by everyone.

An address by General Richard Nobel of the South Dakota National Guard was a highlight of the meeting.

An evening banquet concluded the meeting for the members and their friends.

The next chapter meeting is scheduled for May 1977.

**NEWLYWEDS**



Pam Hanson and Gregory Hartmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hartmann (Wheeler Field), exchanged their marriage vows at the Fern Grotto on the island of Kauai, December 10, 1976.

**SECOND ANNUAL DANCE**



Mrs. Margaret Young, left, wife of James L. Young (Ford Island), Kay Johnson, center, wife of "Johnny" Johnson (USS San Francisco), and Steve Koran (86th Obs. Sqdn., Wheeler No. 3, attending the chapter's second annual dance on September 11, 1976, at the League City Elks Lodge. Fifty-four people attended and dance to the music of the 1940's played by the Clems Clams.

**OFFICIAL PHS A RINGS FOR SALE**

Ring is 10K Gold with blue zircon setting in a fireburst pattern. (Blue stone is the December birthstone and commemorates the attack on Pearl Harbor and the founding of PHS A. Fireburst pattern represents bomb bursts.)

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