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Keep the boys *leave 'round*

Academic Policies Outlined to Corps

A number of regulations covering changes in academic policies here at the Academy, were outlined to the Corps by Captain R. O. Dodge, headmaster, at an assembly held on April 21.

Captain Dodge explained that the practice of teachers giving "Farragut 70's" would be discontinued. Hereafter, the highest grade a cadet may receive, if he does not attain a 70, will be a 66. This is to discourage the tendency of a cadet to be a "just passer" in a subject. By way of explanation, Farragut teachers have, up to this time, awarded grades of 70 to students who have missed a true 70 by just a few points.

Another change of practice, he explained, would be the adoption of the 75 as "College Certification". This represents the score that a cadet must achieve in a subject in order for it to count towards college admissions. Captain Dodge explained this change to the corps by saying that since the private school students rank above the top third of the students in public schools, establishing this certification will allow our students to have a fairer chance of entering college.

Captain Dodge then led this remark into a speech exhorting the cadets to work harder in classes. He encouraged them to work more for what they can learn from a subject, rather than for grades, leaves, and other special privileges. He said that this will prevent a cadet from having a "spotty record." Colleges do not approve of a spotty record, a record that shows a high aptitude for a student with low grades, because it shows a person who tends to neglect his work. Captain Dodge further said that a cadet must exert himself to the limit in order to achieve a good record, because of tight college admissions requirements.

Large Attendance at Parents Day, May 10

The Annual Spring Parents' Day was held on May 10. This day was one filled with Chapel services held in Robison Hall, attended by an unusually large number of parents and friends of the Academy. The services were conducted by Reverend Ansley G. Van Dyke, the school chaplain. Afterwards, a Parents' Association meeting was held in the Auditorium to discuss further the plans for the Cadet Activities Center.

Later, the cadet quarters, mess hall, and other facilities were opened for inspection, and the individual teachers were available in their classrooms for private consultation with the parents. Because of the large number of parents present, all restrictions were suspended for the day, and all duty officers were allowed to check out with their parents. In the afternoon, a special Mothers' Day Parade was held by the Corps, during which the

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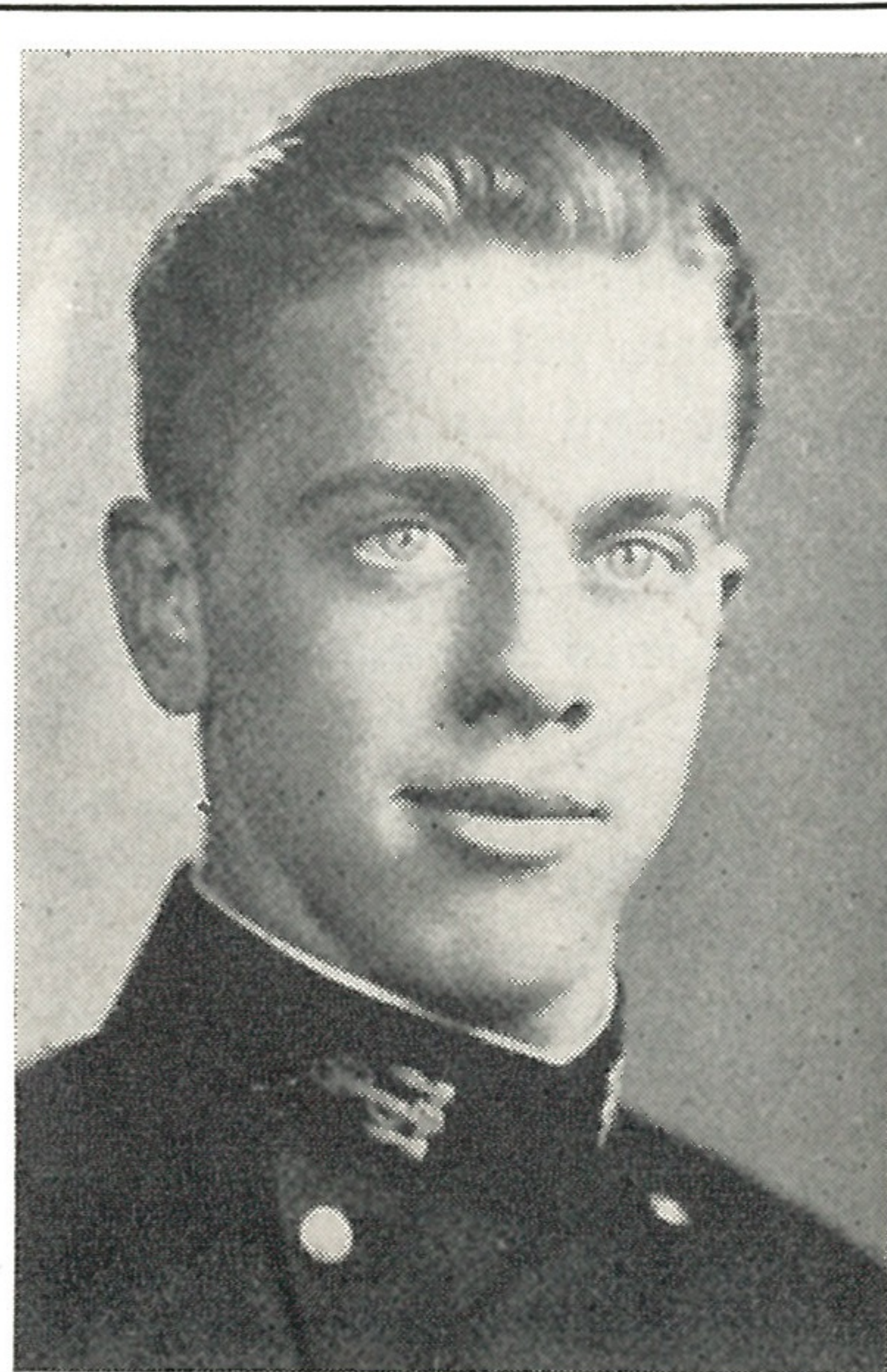
Good Turnout at Spring Waterfront Opening

The waterfront officially opened on April 17 to start its 1959 spring season. With good weather serving as an incentive, a good turnout was witnessed for recreation.

Many new improvements were noticed from the fall. First of all, the crash boats had a new color as well as being remodeled. The sloops also looked new with their new canvas decks, deck fittings, and refinished hulls. The man who was responsible for much of these improvements is Boatswains Mate Harold Hunzinger, who was added to the Academy staff last summer.

The "AFA" and the "Chief" were brought down by Captain Crosley, Chief Lassik, and Chief Pierce from dry dock and are expected to see many improvements under Cadet Jordan as the spring progresses.

Sailing races started the first week in May. Captain Crosley expects to see a good turnout for inter-company competition in this field. He also hopes that the cadets will take advantage of this opening to catch up on their Naval Science requirements.



LCDR A. B. SHEPARD, USN
Class of 1941

Farragut Alumnus Mercury Astronaut

"He speaks words of truth and soberness."

That is the quotation in the 1941 edition of the Trident used to describe LCDR Alan B. Shepard, Jr.

Today, LCDR Shepard is one of seven men chosen by the United States Space Agency from which will come the man who will make the first flight in a U. S. spaceship.

LCDR Shepard entered the Academy in the summer of 1940 to prepare for examinations to the United States Naval Academy. He graduated in 1941 and on June 17 of that year entered the Naval Academy.

As a Farragut cadet, he played varsity football, was a member of the varsity rifle team, the Intercompany crew, sailing club and model club.

A letter of recommendation from a history teacher at the high school he attended in Perry, N. H., said of him: "Alan B. Shepard is a young man with a good personality and a fine character. He has good abilities and possesses qualities of leadership that should make him an outstanding member of his group. I know that he will succeed."

Succeed, he has. He entered the Naval Air Service immediately upon his commissioning as an ensign following his graduation from Annapolis. He is a graduate of the Naval War College and has twice been stationed at Patuxent as a test pilot. LCDR Shepard has 3600 hours of flying time to his credit. 1700 of them have been logged in jets.

Married, he is the father of two daughters, Laura and Juliana. He is married to the former Louise Brewer of Wilmington, Del.

Dunnet Is Elected Association President

Charles W. Dunnet of Bala-Cynwyd, Pa., was elected president of the Farragut Parents' Association at the annual meeting held on May.

Mr. Dunnet, a member of the organization since its founding two years ago, has served as secretary for the past two years.

Elected to serve with him were: Frederick P. Weller, Vice President; Frederick Mauer, Secretary; and Nathaniel T. Ewer, Jr., Treasurer. Mr. Ewer was re-elected to his post.

To serve for a period of three years on the Executive Committee, were: John H. Lux, Martin C. Rissel, and Dr. Arthur C. Tutela. For two years, Mrs. Nancy Blasi; for one year, Mrs. Betty Lafferty.

The Executive Committee handles all Association business except when the regular membership meets in the Fall and Spring of each year.

ADMIRAL FARRAGUT ACADEMY COMMENCEMENT WEEK PROGRAM CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 1959

- 3:30 P. M. Sailing Races, Finals
- 9:00 P. M. June Ball (Formal — Robison Hall)

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 1959

- 9:00 A. M. Inter-Company Infantry Drill Competition
- 11:15 A. M. Review Parade — Presentation of Naval Department Certificates
- 3:30 P. M. Final Parade: Presentation of Awards
- 4:15 P. M. Headmaster's Reception for Graduates, their Parents and Guests (Farragut Hall)
- 8:00 P. M. Baccalaureate Service (Robison Hall)

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 1959

- 10:00 A. M. Graduation Exercises (Robison Hall)
- 11:15 A. M. Final Formation

(Eastern Daylight Saving Time)

The Value of Your Word

In our modern society, the symbols of a promise are many. There are such things as one's signature, the hand-shake and the verbal promise; however, this all boils down to the idea of promising or the giving of one's word. What is the value of a person's word and how is its value determined?

First of all, today we accept most people as being honest and truthful. Therefore, we take most people's word as being sincere and in earnest. And in most cases we do find our faith in human nature is supported by the value of an individual's word. This value, we discover from experience, gains or loses its worth from actual deeds. The only way in which we know a person to be a man of his word is by the deeds he's performed supporting his promises. This person gives his word to do something and does it. He does not procrastinate with excuses, modifications, or what have you. He goes out and accomplishes what he promised.

This procrastination is the evil behind hypocrisy and loss of respect. This is what makes a man into a weakling with a jelly-fish-like moral structure. This produces a pseudo-man, who appears to bear out our faith in mankind, but in reality is nothing but a procrastinator. Men, who are to run our countries and our lives, now and in the future, must be men of their words so that they can not fear the truth and deal with problems facing all of us in an honest way.

The value of our word is not something which is a theory, but a practice sorely needed today. Don't let this evade your character. Be a man of your word.

M.A. P.

Division of Authority

In any society or organization the problem will always arise as to who is responsible for what. When the time arises for blame to be accounted for, everyone is sure to deny association with the act. To be truthful, people lack the honesty to accept the responsibility.

Everywhere the problem of division of responsibility lacks organization and representation. In other words, no one is willing to accept the burden of leadership in its true sense. The wonderful system of "passing the buck" is a common practice. When it comes to the point of owning up to responsibility, denial of duty is another favorite excuse.

The failure to accept authority shows lack of character and honesty. It also exemplifies the lack of self-confidence to complete a job or do it thoroughly. In a military sense, it means the failure to fulfill the obligation which you have sworn to in the oath you took when you joined the service.

What can be done about this situation? We must select our officers more carefully. It is also a problem of individual cooperation. A person's conscience must be his guide

D.A.B.

Interest Shown In '59 Cadillac Raffle

Mrs. Nancy Blasi, chairman of the Parents' Association's Cadillac Raffle, expressed satisfaction with the way the first-day sale of tickets went on May 10.

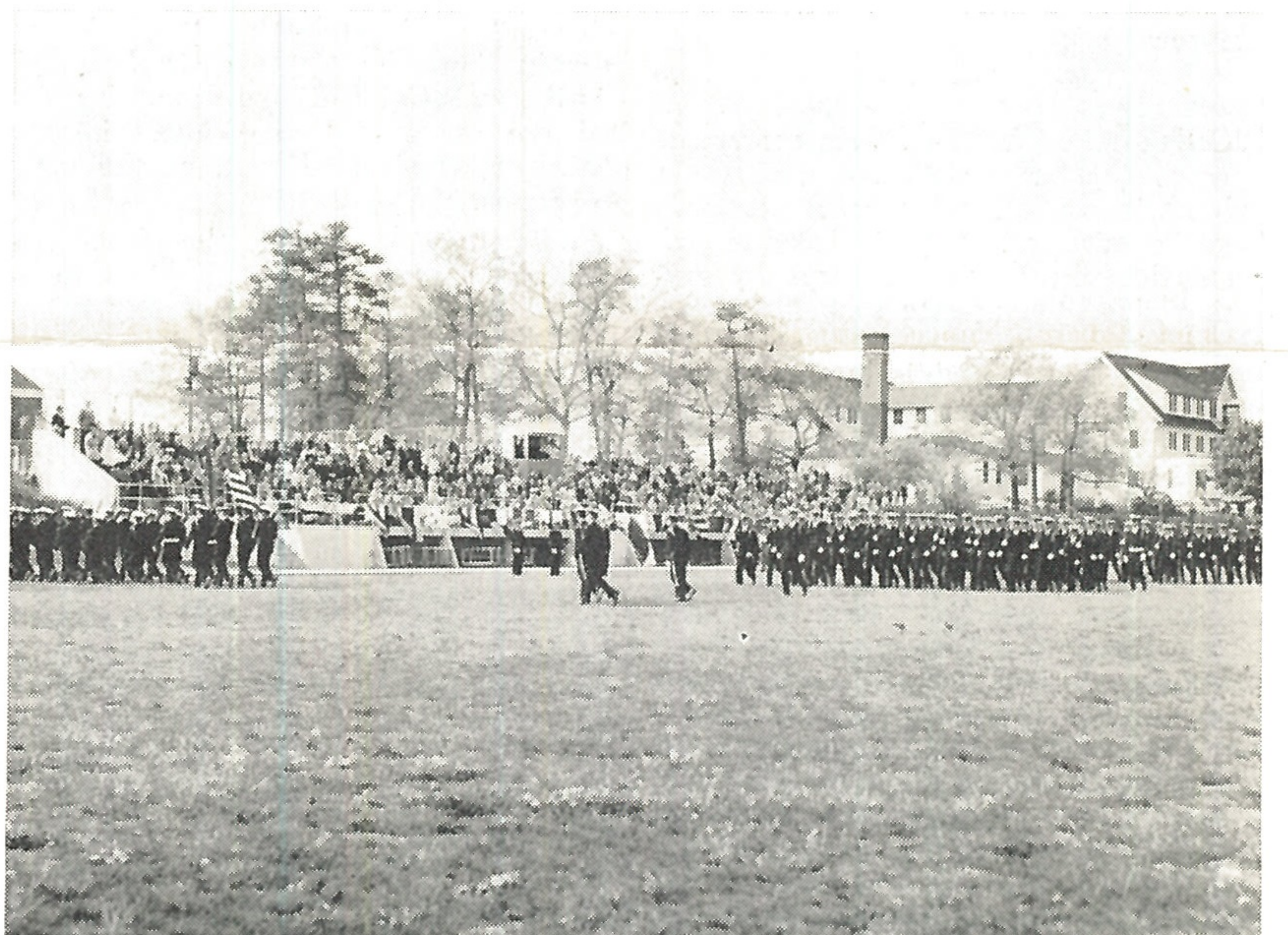
An unusual amount of interest in the project was shown by those parents on campus that day, and many of them have, in addition to purchasing tickets, volunteered to sell one or more to their friends.

The raffle is being conducted by the Parents' Association for the benefit of the Cadet Activities Building Fund, with all the proceeds from the program to be applied to the fund. Tickets are \$50 each and a limited number of 300 are being sold. Drawing for the prize will be held on Nov. 7th during Alumni Homecoming Day.

Anyone interested in either purchasing or selling tickets should contact Mrs. Nancy Blasi, 18 Reynolds Terrace, Newark, N. J.



LUCKY TICKET — Mrs. Nancy Blasi, chairman of the Parents' Association Car Raffle Committee, sells CAPT R. O. Dodge, Headmaster, first ticket. The 1959 Cadillac will be chanced off on Nov. 7. Proceeds from the raffle are ear-marked for the Cadet Activities Building, a model of which is shown in the foreground.



PARENTS' DAY — Corps passes in review in honor of mothers present for Parents' Day, May 10. Retiring president, J. Kenneth Bradley, took the review for the Association.

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Vanguard Project Principles Described

On Saturday, April 4th, an assembly was held to enable Mr. White, a representative from the University of Wisconsin's Extension division, to introduce the Corps to the basic principles behind the present satellite program in reference to America's Project Vanguard.

Mr. White lectured to the Corps about Newton's Third Law of action-reaction constants in preparation for explaining how the Vanguard missiles were launched. He used a CO2 and a chemical rocket to demonstrate this principle in an interesting manner.

He next conveyed the concept of how the satellites stay in orbit by introducing Newton's First Law of inertia (that is, a body continues to stay in fixed motion unless acted on by an opposing force). During this time he explained how the satellite's autogyros carried out this principle.

Mr. White concluded his presentation by explaining how and why the satellites are able to be observed only during the twilight hours. The program ended with some surprisingly involved questions from the Corps, concerning speed and mass relationships, orbital techniques, and chemical reactions involved in the launching of the rockets.

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annual Alumni Manual of Arms Contest was held. The contest was directed by Cadet Lcdr. Bradley and judged by Capt. Jay D. Boone '37, Lt. Wm. Columbus '50, and Chief Robert Plennert '53. The competition was won by Cadet Oliver E. Mattas. After the parade, a reception was held in Farragut Hall, where refreshments were served and the Cadets and parents had a chance to converse informally with the members of the faculty and staff. Special Liberty was granted to all Cadets whose parents were present.

Naval, Winter Sports Awards Presented At Special Assembly; 201 Awards Given

Awards for seamanship rates and winter sports were given at a special assembly of the Corps on April 21.

Recipients were as follows: The winter sports awards consisted of basketball: Varsity "F"; Robinson, Briggs, Humphries, Lucarelli, Vatter, Pero, Englehart, Davis, Kearney, Thompson and Bloom (Mgr.), Minor "F"; Tutela, R., Stone, and Lewinger (Mgr.), Junior Varsity "F"; Rissel, Cassidy, Sprandel, Soos, Woltz, Brant, Herndon, Mauer and Scott (Mgr.). Awards presented in wrestling were as follows: Varsity "F"; Reimers, Cook, Bower, Bohorquez, L., Naef, Wilkinson, Khoyan, Frankfurt, Prevett, Howe, Feliciano, Hackett, Schnitman, Smith, S. A., Wooton, Scobey, and Harmes (Mgr.), Minor "F"; Ewer and Borgen, D., Junior Varsity "F"; Weidmann, R., Alker, Giardina, and Korkuch.

In the intercompany basketball league there was a tie in the "A" league between, Co. 1 Pl. 2 and Co. 2 Pl. 1. Winners were Brandley, Brash, Englehart, Kocis, McChesney, and Marsden, Crammond, Foote, Hime, Minty, Schneider, and Wylie.

Seamanship awards also given were as follows; Boatswains Mate 2/c to Feliciano, and Beyer; Musicians Mate 2/c to Fedison; Boatswains Mate 3/c to Neindorf, Morrissey, McChesney, Deutch, Wilkinson, Morris, Kressler, Coleman, Hellem, Hoffman, Mauer, Howe, Eberling, Lucarelli,

Naval Reserve Unit Has Inspection by 4th N. D.

The Naval Reserve Unit at Farragut had its annual Fourth Naval District Inspection on April 6. The inspection this year was made by Commander F. P. Hamilton, the commanding officer of the U.S.N. and M.C.R.T.C. at Camden, New Jersey, and Lieutenant (jg.) R. J. Evans, commanding officer of the U.S.N.R.T.C. at Atlantic City, New Jersey. After the inspection was over the Reserve Unit found that it was one of the top divisions in the State of New Jersey, and that it is now eligible to enter the competition for the best division in the nation. At this time there are only two things that are holding back the division; the lack of perfect attendance and the lack of seamanship.

In order to increase its membership the Naval Reserve is sponsoring an enlistment contest. The person who recruits most men into the division wins a free trip to Bermuda. This contest aroused interest in every member so that many names of prospective seamen have been turned into the Naval Reserve Office.

Modern Theme Setting At Spring Formal Hop

Friday evening, April 10, the Academy held its annual Spring Formal Dance. The dance was held on the main floor of Robison Hall, from 2100 to 0100.

Music for the dance was provided by Pete Galatro and his orchestra, who have been enjoyed by the Corps, Staff, and Faculty members at many of the previous dances. As usual, the decorations were done by the Hop Committee. The decorations had a modern theme which gave very interesting effects to the dance floor and canteen.

In addition to the Corps of Cadets, the formal was attended by Capt. and Mrs. Dodge, Capt. and Mrs. Russell, Dr. and Mrs. Guy, Capt. and Mrs. Reinhard, Capt. and Mrs. Crosley, and Cdr. and Mrs. Shappell. Also attending the dance were several Staff and Faculty officers.

Schmitman, Van Schoick, Mohns, Borgen, H., Towle, Jonasson, Naef; Musicians Mate 3/c to Williams, McElroy, Krantz; Gunners Mate 3/c to Florentine; Hospital Corpsman to Sattler and Saldana. In addition the rate of seaman was earned by Kressler, Hain, Miraldi, Passalacqua, Caldwell, E., Dworkin, Picard, Towle, Ewer, Krantz, Roath, Engler, Howe, Saldana, Hauptfuhrer, Deutch, Milligan, Hays, Libby, Capwell, Wright, Bloom, DeTone, Schroeder, T., DiTaronto, Whitaker, Miller, Beucler, Borden, H., Siegrist, Eberling, Kaplon, Sattler, Hellem, McElroy, Kahn, Van Schoick, Williams, Lucarelli and Minty.

The rate of Seaman Apprentice went to Rice, Weller, Johnasson, Amatucci, S., Willner, Carillo, Norman, Hawkins, Mauer, Schroeder, T., Glenn, Lewinger, Harmes, Burns, J., Kolchin, Stoy, Caldwell, E., Printz, Libby, Huber, Orzechowski, Leiser, Gerber, Konanez, Rissel, McKay, Goodwin, Crouse, Root, Speare, Hagedorn, May, Parson, Englehart, Dow, Bell, Everett, Cassidy, Campbell, P., Horn, M., Jones, Glicker, Mills, Herndon, Fisher, W., Redden, Allen, Brash, Scott, Jackson, Foote, Tutela, R., Brant, Smith, L., Beucler, MacCracken, Korkuch, Castellano, Weidman, Sherrill Fahrback, Tentschert, Szmodis, Kallman, Saldana, Smith, F., Britton, Compton, Giardina, Schneider, Conant, Starita, and Milici.

Not Accepted at College?

College Rejection Not Always Final; Admissions Center Available to Seniors

"Time Limit" Play Is Big Hit With Corps

The Academy's Dramatics Club, under the direction of Mr. James W. Drummond, presented its spring play on the evening of Friday, May 8. The play "Time Limit", was an adaptation of the Henry Denker and Ralph Berkey hit that was made into an equally successful motion picture.

"Time Limit" was originally an Army story about a North Korean Prison Camp, but was changed into a Naval story for the sake of economy. The lead roles were played by Cadet S. Schroeder as Captain William F. Edwards, and Cadet P. Rice as Lt. Comdr. Harry Cargill. Other parts were played by Cadet W. Johnston as Ensign George Miller, Cadet J. Milici as CPO Baker, Cadet E. Caldwell as Admiral Joseph Connors, Cadet S. Beyer as Colonel Kim, Cadet H. Humphries as Ensign Phil Garland, and Cadet A. Thomson as Lt. Mike Livingstone. In other supporting roles were Cadets Hays, Hagedorn, Jones, Levin, Starita, MacCracken, and Fried.

The scenery was handled by the stage crew under Peter McChesney, and Pete Vollmer and his crew took care of the props. The electrical crew, under James Bradley, handled the lighting. Cadet Ira Meiselman aided Mr. Drummond as assistant director.

The story is concerned with an American lieutenant commander who is about to be officially charged with treason. It was a matter of record that he went over to the enemy, made propaganda broadcasts for them and complied with all their requirements. He admitted that he was guilty and offered no defense. It took Captain Edwards, the judge advocate in charge of the case, to find the true reason behind this crime.

The closing months of a student's senior year can be very trying. For the senior who has not been accepted to the college of his choice or any college for that matter, college admission in September is still possible.

For just as the student may receive rejections, the college, too, receives rejections from students who choose to attend some other institution. Realizing this, the Association of College Admissions Counselors has established a College Admissions Center. This Center's basic function is bringing together students who are seeking college admission and colleges which desire students for the following autumn. It does this by presenting the records of students, who have registered with the Center, to colleges desiring students. The college thereupon contacts the registrant in whom it is interested. The Center does not guarantee college admission; however, between June 1 and September 1, 1958, 95% of the 525 registrants with the Center received admission to an accredited college.

The Association suggests that any student who has not been accepted to college by May 1 should register with the College Admissions Center. This entails filling out a registration form, a high school transcript (with personal ratings), and a ten dollar registration fee. The Center does not counsel students on the selection of colleges, nor does it aid in giving scholarships or any type of financial aid for the student. It is simply a clearing house which seeks to bring together colleges having vacancies and students who are seeking admission.

Address all inquiries to Dr. Gary Mills, Director, College Admissions Center, Glenbrook High School, Northbrook, Illinois.



BEST DRILLED CADET — Cadet Oliver E. Mattas '59 accepts the Alumni Association's Manual-of-Arms award from Captain Jay D. Boone '37. Mattas bested 29 other Cadet finalists to win the competition on May 10. Other judges looking on are LT Bill Columbus '50 and Chief Bob Plennert '53.

2nd Classmen Take Scholarship Test

On Saturday, May 2, the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test was given in the Auditorium. This test is the first step in competition for Merit Scholarships provided by over ninety corporations, foundations, professional societies and individuals, as well as by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation itself. Over \$15 million in Merit Scholarships has been awarded in the first four years of the program.

This qualifying test was a three-hour "measure of educational development and college aptitude." Emphasis was on broad intellectual skills, and on understanding and ability to use what has been learned, rather than on sheer knowledge of facts. The highest scorers in each state will be named early next fall. Each semifinalist will take a second examination. Those who repeat their high performance on the second examination will become finalists. Further evaluation of their grades and extra-curricular activities will follow, and the winners will be announced in the Spring of 1960.

The test results will be reported to Farragut before the beginning of the 1959-60 term, in time for use by the First Classmen and their advisors. The scores will also be used to help Cadets make decisions about colleges and the most appropriate courses to major in. Many students throughout the country who do not expect to win have registered for the test, in order to learn more about their individual strengths and weaknesses.

At Farragut, the entire second class took the test, the Cadets have been provided with the Student Information Bulletin at a special meeting a month before the examination. Originally, the test was given only to first-semester seniors, and this year is the first time it will be given in April instead of October.

Each Merit Scholarship carries a stipend based on the need of each individual winner. The average in the past years has been \$700 per year. The minimum award in the 1959-60 Program will be \$100 per year and a maximum will be \$1500 a year. The names of all finalists are sent to colleges and universities throughout the country. In this way, many non-winning finalists are helped in winning scholarships awarded directly by the college.

A test fee of \$1.00 was charged, and the examination covered the following areas: English usage, Mathematics usage, Social Studies Reading, Natural Sciences Reading, and Word usage. It lasted three hours, from 0900 to 1200.

'59 Trident Publication Date Likely for June 3

Publication date of the 1959 Trident has been set for about June 3, according to LCDR W. Masciangelo, public relations officer and business advisor to the annual.

LCDR said he hopes the printer can deliver the book to this date, but he said he has his doubts. "I can tell you this," LCDR Masciangelo said, "and that is I am certain the Corps will like this year's book even more than it did the '58 edition."

Mr. Masciangelo urged all Cadets who have not reserved their copies to do so at once since books will be at a premium this year. Reservations may be made at the Public Relations Office.



AWARD TIME — Cadet Dave Cook receives Certificate of Merit award from Alumni Association president, Wm. A. Beirne, Jr. '41. Cook and eight others were cited for outstanding accomplishments during the present school year. The award was made to Cook for winning the State crown in the 129 lb. division of the N. J. Independent Schools wrestling tourney.

Band, Drill Team at Hegi Heads 27 Cadets As Special Drill Team

On May 9 the Admiral Farragut Academy band and drill team journeyed to the Lakehurst Naval Air Station to put on their annual exhibition. The exhibition is modeled after a regular review parade, except that in the place of the usual manual-of-arms, the drill team puts on its demonstration of precision close order drill. The demonstration took place directly in front of the main hanger, designed especially for the airship Shenandoah.

The show opened with an introduction of Captain Crosley to the spectators. He, in turn, handed the microphone over to the Battalion Commander, Cadet Lieutenant Commander James Bradley. Mr. Bradley described the make-up of the Corps of Cadets and then proceeded to explain the maneuvers of the cadets representing the Corps in a parade.

The band, under the direction of Mr. Dayton O. Newton, the leadership of Cadet Lieutenant E. I. Horne, and led by Cadet Drum Major Schroeder, directed the parade onto the field. The Drill Team, under the leadership of Battalion Chief Petty Officer Ernest Hegi, followed the band. Since there were no honors to be presented, the drill team was put at "parade rest" during which time the band "sound off". This was followed by "Retreat" and the National Anthem. Mr. Bradley then turned the microphone over to Mr. Burke, who described the movements of the drill team during its demonstration of close order drill.

Corps Sees "The Boor"

On May 9, Rai and Lucille Baillie presented to Corps, a play entitled "THE BOOR". Before enactment of the play, Mr. Baillie gave an interesting demonstration of how an actor prepares his makeup for a part. This was very interesting, and the Corps appreciated it greatly.

The play is based on one written by Anton Tchekoff, the world famous author. It is a fast-moving comedy, charming and witty, and was written in 1885.

The Drill Team, now in its second year at Farragut, is under the able leadership of Battalion Chief Petty Officer Ernest Hegi, aided by Ensign Robert Wright.

The unit is made up of twenty-seven cadets who relinquish their free time for drill. The unit spends several hours daily learning and practicing special drill formations. After many weeks of practice the Drill Team gave an exhibition May 3 during a regular Sunday parade. It was an excellent ten minute performance.

On May 9, the Drill Team went to Lakehurst Naval Air Station to give another performance. This performance was to help the station celebrate Armed Forces Day and was well received by over twelve thousand people. The Drill Team is making plans to give another exhibition at Farragut before the end of the year.



CONGRATULATIONS — Wm. A. Beirne, Jr. '41, president of the Alumni Association, congratulates Jim Bower '59 for winning the 147 lb. State championship in wrestling this past season. Bower was awarded the Association Certificate of Merit for his outstanding performance.

Navy Dept. Inspects Academy On May 7

The United States Navy Department held its annual inspection of Admiral Farragut Academy on May 7. This inspection determines whether Farragut retains its designation as an "Honor School" by the Navy Department. As in the past, Farragut still remains an "Honor School."

The Officer designated by the Commandant of the Fourth Naval District for the inspection was Captain L. S. Robinson, who is the Administrative Officer of the Naval Reserve, Fourth Naval District. Captain P. Osborn, plans officer of the Fourth Naval District, accompanied Captain Robinson. Captain Osborn is a sponsor of the "Save Olympia" program which is trying to save the "Olympia" from scrapping.

The Inspection began at 1000 with the party touring Farragut and Du Pont Halls. Then the party was served Inspection Day mess, Swiss steak. In the afternoon, the waterfront, Sick Bay, Robison Hall and the other parts of the School were inspected by the party. After the termination of classes a review parade was held. The Second Platoon of the Second Company and the First Platoon of the Third Company then engaged in waterfront activities after the parade.

The party departed about 1700 after commenting favorably on the results of the inspection and stating that the review was as good as any they had observed at the Naval Academy. They also stated that it was difficult to determine which company was best.

Corps Reviewed by General Officers

The Spring Schedule of parades came off to a slow start this year, because unfavorable weather made it necessary to call off the first two scheduled retreat performances. Rain was also predicted for skies made it advisable to start. Major General Stone, of McGuire Air Force Base, was piped aboard at 1500 by Lcdr. Bradley, members of his staff, and six sideboys, selected from among the petty officers of the Battalion. Gen. Stone was then conducted on a tour of the campus, starting at Farragut Hall, going to Radford Hall, then Clark, DuPont, Robison, and back to Farragut Hall. The Parade started as scheduled, and the General was rendered full honors, with the Band giving two ruffles and flourishes, the General's March, and a thirteen-gun salute. The Corps had just finished passing in review, when rain made it necessary to secure immediately rather than march to the dismissal area.

On May 3, blue skies on Sunday afternoon showed that the Corps would have no weather troubles. A retreat Parade was held, with the Drill Team, under Battalion CPO Ernest Hegi, giving a convincing performance of exhibition drill. They performed such difficult maneuvers as the V formation, to the winds, and the Queen Anne manual of arms. The parade ended with favorable comments from all spectators.

The May 10th Mother's Day Parade was held specially for the many parents visiting the campus for Parent's Weekend. It was the usual retreat parade, with the exception that the Battalion was reviewed by the visiting Cadets' mothers. The annual Admiral Farragut Alumni Manual of Arms Competition was also held. This was an elimination contest of proficiency in small arms drill and was won by Cadet Oliver E. Mattas.

An unusually large number of parents watched the parade, and many favorable comments were received.

2-4 Record Posted By Varsity "Nine"

The Farragut baseball team knocked off Hun School in its opening contest. However, they dropped three games after this to George School, B.M.I. and Valley Forge Military Academy. This was followed by a victory over West Nottingham and a defeat by Peddie. Thus, to date, the Varsity Nine has compiled a 2-4 record.

Hun School

On April 15 the A.F.A. baseball team played host to Hun School. Big Dave Robinson started on the mound for the Middies. With the moral support of the Corps, the home team displayed its hitting ability in dumping the visitors 10-5. The Middies collected seventeen base hits, with Dave Cook contributing 4 of them. Don Davis turned in 2 innings of fine pitching to protect the win for Robinson. The big men in the game besides Cook, were Joe Lucarelli, who knocked in 5 runs, and Dumpy Muller, who contributed two extra base hits.

George School

The Middies received their first setback of the season on April 18 when they encountered George School. The boys from Pennsylvania overcame Farragut by the count of 11-1. Don Davis started the game for AFA, but was knocked out in the third inning when George School tallied 6 times. Chris Holborow finished up the game. The only consolation seen in this game was the efforts of Dumpy Muller, who produced a booming triple and then scored the lone run on a sacrifice fly by Joe Lucarelli.

Bordentown

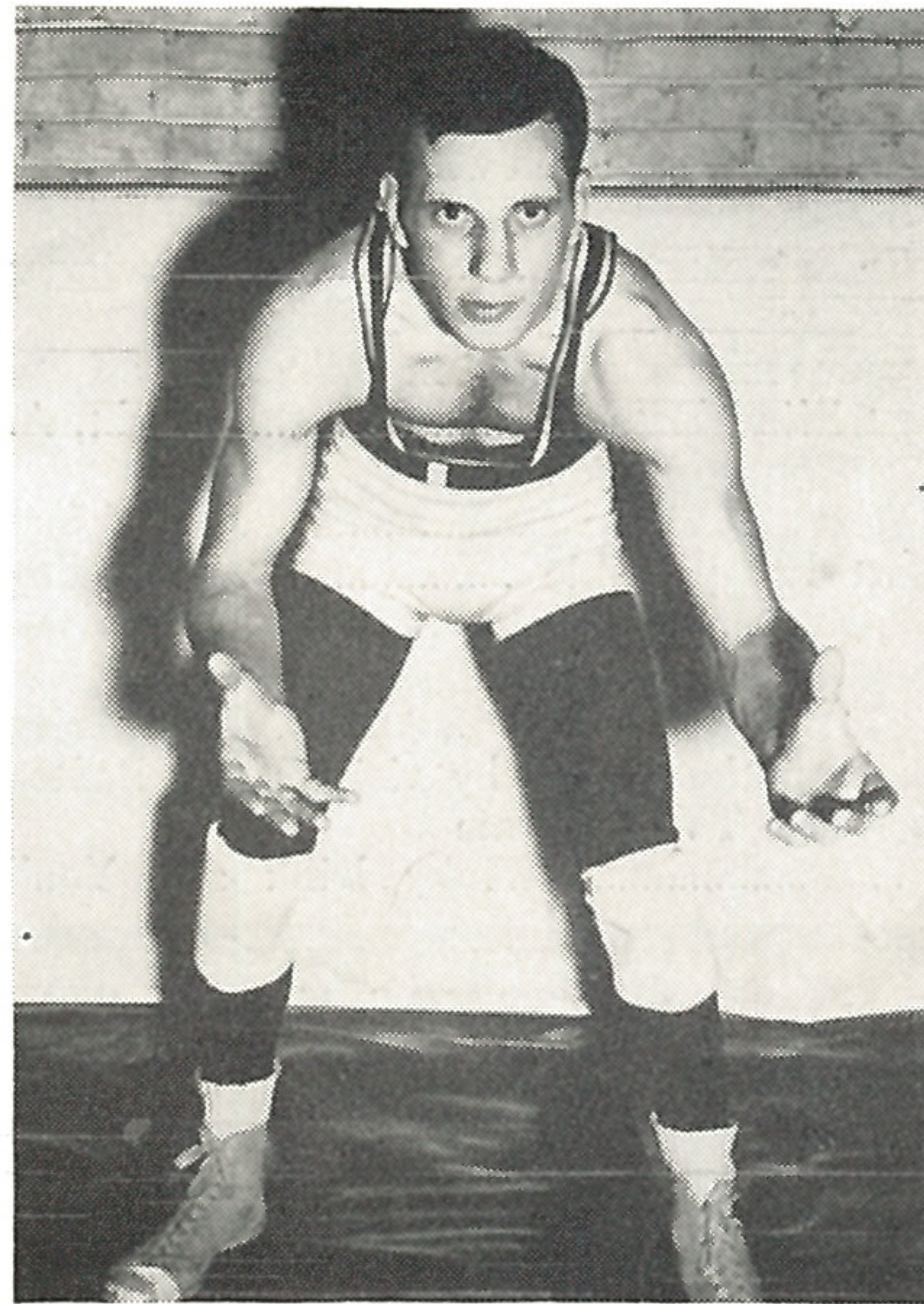
The Farragut baseball team traveled to Bordentown on April 25 to play BMI, sporting a 4 and 0 record. They won their fifth straight by beating A.F.A. 7-0. Except for a 5 run splurge by Bordentown in the first inning, the game seemed quite even. However, the Middies could not compensate for the deficit that faced them and went down to defeat. Dave Robinson pitched the first 6 innings and Chris Holborow finished. The Middies collected only 3 hits in losing their second game.

Valley Forge

The Middle baseball team lost its third game of the season against one victory as Valley Forge downed them 11-4. Chris Holborow, who started for the home team, absorbed the loss. Dave Robinson pitched the last two innings in relief. Although Dave didn't allow any earned runs, Valley Forge had already built up a commanding lead, scoring at least two in each of the first four innings. For the losers, Dick Stoy and Joe Lucarelli each contributed two hits. Dumpy Muller drove in two runs in a late rally. The game was called after six innings because of an agreed curfew.

W. Nottingham

Having lost two games in a row, the AFA nine traveled to Maryland on Saturday, May 15, to play West Nottingham. The visitors clobbered the boys from the south by a count of 12-1. Dave Robinson started the game and received credit for the victory, although he had to be relieved by Chris Holborow, who gave up the lone run. Sloppy defense on the part of Farragut helped provide scoring opportunities for West Nottingham. AFA scored in only three innings but each time they tallied in bunches. In the second inning, the visitors sent 11 men to bat and 6 scored. In this frame, Joe Lucarelli and Dave Robinson both drove in two runs. In the fourth inning, the AFA offense again



LAFAYETTE CAPTAIN—Tom Principi '56 was recently named co-captain of the 1959-60 wrestling squad at Lafayette College. Tom, who will be entering his eighth year of wrestling competition, won seven and lost three in the 130 lb. class this past season. A native of Trenton, he is majoring in business administration. While at Farragut, Tom was also captain of the grappling squad, and in his last year won eleven consecutive matches, plus the State championship in his weight division.

rose for 4 more tallies. The last two runs were scored in the sixth frame. The home team scored their lone run in the sixth on two runs and a single. The high man of the game was Mark Muller who collected four safeties, three singles and a double. Dave Robinson counted with three singles and Al Hackett, Pete Cammarano, and Milt Lewinger each had two hits. The victory enabled the team to secure a 2-3 record so far this season.

Peddie

With the Middies leading 2-1 in the last of the seventh inning, Peddie rallied for two runs to pull the game out of the fire and defeated the AFA baseball team 3-2. Dave Robinson, who pitched his first complete game of the season, faltered in the decisive final game, and the Middies suffered their fourth defeat in six games.

Although Farragut collected only three hits, the offensive threat was kept alive by several walks and the Middies managed to pick up single tallies in their third and sixth innings. Meanwhile, Robinson was keeping Peddie at bay, although the boys from Hightstown had runners on bases every inning. However, two singles and a double provided the winning tallies for Peddie and meant a disappointing loss for Farragut.

The three hits collected by Farragut were contributed by Rick Rissel, Dick Stoy, and Dave Robinson, who batted in the first run and scored the other.

**1959 FALL
MEETING DATES**
Parents' Day —
Sunday, October 25
Alumni Homecoming —
Saturday, November 7

Sports Twirl

by Charles B. Kearney

The spring sports schedule officially commenced after weeks of vigorous training. The track team is loaded with new talent to help ease the tension which might have otherwise fallen on the returning veterans.

The harbingers of a very successful season seems to be evident with each day of practice. Such individuals as Bill Platt, 220 yards; Fred Lafferty, 100 yards; Harry Humphries, discus and javelin; and Bill Wilkinson all have shown they're ready to continue where they ended last season, but with added experience.

Elected to co-captain of the track squad this season were Fred Lafferty and Harry Humphries.

Traveling to the upper athletic field, we witness the Middle baseball team preparing for its 1959 season. Newly elected co-captains, Dave Cook and Joe Lucarelli, eagerly run the squad through their daily practices.

The strong hitting power has been evident even in the early pre-season warm-ups. The Farragut hitting attack will be a relief to the pitching staff, and with both performing up to par, it should prove a most difficult barrier for the opposition to conquer.

The new talent of Rick Stoy, Dumpy Muller and Don Davis has proved to be a tremendous asset to the team. The addition of Mr. Andrew Strang as assistant coach will also help Lt. Slaby develop the talents of the team.

With the opening of the waterfront, the nautical competition, consisting of sailing and cutter races, will soon follow.

TWO CHIEFS REPLACE STANSELL, LASSIK

Two new chiefs have been added to the Academy's Naval Science Department. As Chief W. Stansell has been transferred, Chief B. Pierce has been assigned here for his tour of duty. Also leaving Farragut is Chief C. Lassik, who will be replaced by Chief J. O'Leary. Chief Pierce will teach Naval Science I and Chief O'Leary will instruct Naval Science III.

The newest addition to the Naval Science department is QMC Joseph J. O'Leary. Chief O'Leary was born in Pittsfield, Mass. His wife and sons are presently living in Florida.

Chief O'Leary joined the Navy in 1942 and received active duty aboard LCIL 212 until '45. From here he has served on board the USS Holden, USS H. W. Gilmore, USS Caluect, and USS Rankin. From February 1953 until August 1955 he was stationed at the Pautuxent River Naval Air Station in Maryland. From there he was transferred to the USS Great Sitkin and finally the USS Rich.

Chief O'Leary's pet peeve is "People who talk too loud." His hobbies include swimming, softball, and golf. His favorite is "Going to Sea."

Burdett C. Pierce was born in Wisconsin and now resides in Pinewald with his wife.

After attending school in Wisconsin, Chief Pierce joined the Navy in 1941. He has been stationed on a minesweeper, USS LSM 436, USS Orion, USS Amphion, USS ARD 5, USS Fulton, and the USS Tringa. He also was stationed in the Philippines, on PT Boat Base 17.

Chief Pierce is a Chief engineman in the US Navy, and he plans on retiring when his tour of duty ends at Farragut.

Cinder Squad Makes Fair Showing to Date

Opening its '59 campaign with a triangular meet against Mt. Holly and George School, the track team placed second. However, one week later in the George School Invitational Meet, the Middies did not produce to the caliber of the previous week and did not gain any points in the Invitational Meet. Later, in a dual meet with B.M.I., some of that potential came through, and though the meet was lost, there were many good showings.

George School

The Admiral Farragut Track team traveled to George School to encounter Mt. Holly and George School in a triangular meet. The highlights of the meet, which was the first of the '59 season, were in the javelin, 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash and high jump. In the javelin, Nat Ewer took first, Harry Humphries second and Jay Mohns, a third, for a clean sweep of the Middies. The javelin was thrown 153 feet. In the 100 yard dash and 220 yard dash Bill Platt took first. Bill's time was 10 seconds flat. Skip Marsden, high jumper, took a first for Farragut with a leap of 5 feet 9 inches. Also placing for Farragut were Harry Humphries, a fourth in the broad jump; Ken Fahrback, second in the broad jump; Ken Fahrback, a second in the one-half mile and Wardie Briggs, a second in the 440 yard run.

As the meet ended, the final score was announced; Mt. Holly 70, Admiral Farragut 45, and George School 32.

Bordentown

On May 6, The Admiral Farragut Track team traveled to Bordentown, to encounter Bordentown Military Institute.

The meet opened with the running of the high hurdles, Cadets Errol Horne and Randy Kressler taking 1st and 3rd respectively for Farragut. The time for Horne was 15 seconds. With the 100 yd. dash next, Bill Platt and Fred Lafferty took 1st and 3rd respectively with the winning time 10.4 sec. In the high jump, Skip Marsden with a broken arm, took a 1st with 5'2", Errol Horne a second. The next running event was the low hurdles. Kressler took a first with a time of 28.5 seconds. In the 440 Bill Platt again took a first with 24 seconds, and Wardie Briggs took a 3rd. In the broad jump, Wardie Briggs on his last jump, won the event with a jump of 17'9".

Also placing for Farragut were Jess Sprandel and William Wilkinson, a 2nd and 3rd in the mile. Harry Humphries, a 2nd in both shot and discus, Nat Ewer, a 3rd in the javelin, and Ken Fahrback took a 2nd in the 880. The final score was B.M.I. 62, A.F.A. 55.



Wham!—Big Joe Lucarelli connects with one of his two hits during encounter with Valley Forge.

Faculty Spotlight



Gunner's Mate First Class Richard Gifford has been chosen as this issue's Faculty Spotlight. "Chief," as he is known here, was born in Bradley Beach, N.J., and he went to Lakewood High School. Upon graduation, a friend, a chief in the Navy, convinced "Chief" to enlist. After first being rejected for physical reasons, he was later accepted, and took his basic training at Newport, Rhode Island.

After basic training, Mr. Gifford was sent to the battleship WEST VIRGINIA, where he was aboard until the middle of December, 1941. During the war he saw action with Patrol Torpedo Boats (PT's) of P.T. Squadron #1, and later on the cruiser *Portsmouth*. After this sea duty there was a tour of shore duty at Chincoteague Is., Virginia. While he was in Chincoteague, Chief Gifford was married.

Going back to sea on the destroyer *Eaton*, he was aboard when the *Eaton* was rammed by the battleship *Wisconsin*. After being detached from the *Eaton*, Chief was sent to Norfolk to an instructor's school and from there was sent to Admiral Farragut Academy, where he teaches Naval Science II.

Mr. Gifford now lives in Cedarwood Park, N.J., with his wife, three sons, and three daughters. The Chief plans to end his Naval career in June.

Believe it or Else

Heard in DuPont Hall lobby: No, no, a thousands times no, unless . . .

★
Do people call you "Flower" because you smell so bad?

★
Since when does the United States Army wear Dress Blues? Or is that only in Robison Hall?

★
How's Rabbit-Habit Harvey coming along?

★
What's your advice to underclassmen on the Naval Reserve, Errol?

★
Hey Hearn, how's your nine-year old drag?

★
Are people laughing with you or at you, Scott?

★
What cadets have the theme song, "Rock A Bye Baby"? The two Daves maybe?

★
We hear that the Smithsonian Institute is looking for the "Green Hornet". It seems that they're after its crystal set.

★
Attention! Bower's House of Cards will be closed June 7. However, re-opening ceremonies will be held at one of the service academies, this summer.

★
Who are the boys who are attending U.S.N. next year? And we don't mean the University of Southern Nebraska.

★
Harry: "What color car was it, Dave?"
Dave: "I don't remember, Harry, but you'd better watch out for that shovel!"

★
A lot of awards have been presented lately; however, I just can't seem to locate them in the Guide Book.

★
Conversation heard between a certain group of cadets: "God sakes, Krantz, get off the street. Do something!"

★
We guess that the clean fresh atmosphere about Farragut Hall last week must have been very therapeutic. It certainly helped the flowers to bloom on Parents' Day, and to brighten up the place.

★
We think it would be a good idea for Hoffman to safeguard his safeguards.

The TRIDENT, which will be coming out in a few days, has a section called who's who. The CAPSTAN, at this time would like to present its own Who's Who:

First to get D.F.M. Lewinger
from college
First to fake our LCDR Sheesley
and make a success in college Lafferty
Best Blind Date Knight, A.
Contributing Most to
Class Spirit Frankfurt
Most Irresponsible Bradley
Loudest Hi-Fi Horne
Most Active in
Canteen Activities Humphries
Cadet noticed most by visitors Baxter
Favorite TV Program
. "Winky Dink and You"

GLEE CLUBS SING FOR HOSPITAL PATIENTS

The Senior and Junior Glee Clubs presented a concert at the Pinehaven Sanatorium, Pinewald, New Jersey, on April 24, at 7:30 P.M. Both organizations sang a wide selection of songs from their repertoire.

The Senior Glee Club sang a total of thirteen numbers which ranged in variety from sea chanties, such as *Lowlands Away* and *Haul Away, Joe*, to serious music of religious nature, such as Schubert's *The Omnipotence* and the *Lord's Prayer*. Among these numbers were several which will be sung again by the Glee Club at the Baccalaureate Service.

SENIOR CELEBS



Miguel Martorell

Miguel Angel Martorell III came into being on September 21, 1941, in San Juan, Puerto Rico, where he now resides. He entered Farragut as a sophomore in September 1956 and rose from 3 P.O. to 1 P.O. in the Second Company this year.

Miguel is active in inter-company sports, Hop Committee, Music Appreciation Club, Trident Staff, Drill Team and is currently President of the Spanish Club. His ambition is to make a pile of money. Miguel lists as favorites; Wine, Women and Song, and as his pet peeve, "People yelling on the 100 Deck."

His friendly advice to underclassmen is "Don't give up the ship because it is usually government property!" As for the future, Miguel would like to attend either Tulane or Duke.

Mike Pero

Michael Andrew Pero, Jr. was born on July 12, 1941, in Somerville, N.J. At present he still resides there. Mike entered A.F.A. as a freshman in September of 1955, and rose to the rank of 3 P.O. as a Third Classman. He became C.P.O. of the Band as a junior, and this year Mike is the Band Company's Executive Officer.

In the Band he plays the clarinet and the sax. "The Red" has participated in Varsity Football, Basketball and Baseball.

He is also active in the Music Appreciation Club, the Dance Band, Glee Club, Hop Committee, Monogram Club and the Chapel Club. Mike is the Editor-in-Chief of the CAPSTAN and is on the Editorial Staff of the TRIDENT.

Mike's favorites are, of course, Eloise and his "flute." As his pet peeves, Mike lists hypocrisy and irresponsibility. Advice given to undergrads by Mike is, "Keep your ears open and your mouth shut!" After graduation Mike plans to attend the U.S. Naval Academy.

Art Gordon

Arthur Knapp Gordon was born in Manhattan, on March 15, 1940. He first entered Farragut in September of 1953, in the Junior School. Since that time he has held many rates. Art was 2 P.O. in the Junior School, Guidon for the Second Company as a Fourth Classman, rose from a 3 P.O. to a 1 P.O. in his sophomore year and has been Ensign in the Second Company for two years.

Art participated in J.V. Basketball, Inter-Company Sports, Chapel Club, Hop Committee and at present is the Advertising Manager of the TRIDENT. Art's idol is Mr. Speck and his ambition is to be as successful as his father.

His favorites are Blue-Eyed Blondes and the Camptown Races. Artie's pet peeve is rifle guide. As sound advice to the underclassmen he says, "Be nice to your teachers for they are your best friends." Art wishes to attend the University of Miami (Fla.) next fall.

Nick Morris

Robert George Morris was born in Jersey City, N.J., on December 3, 1940. He now lives in Westfield, N.J. "Nick" entered Farragut as a Freshman in January, 1955. In his junior year he became a 3 P.O. in the First Company and this year is the First Company's First Platoon Ensign.

"Nick" has participated in three years of varsity football, track and rifle. He is also active in the Chapel Club, Hop Committee and is Vice-President of the Monogram Club.

Nick's favorites are his 10 month-old brother Kevin, the Healy, and Westfield. His idol is Mr. Speck and his ambition is to be a success in the eyes of his parents. "If you can't lick 'em, join 'em." is Nick's advice to the underclassmen. His pet peeve is the "Boys" in 1-1.

As miscellany, Nick was All-State in Football in his junior year and he would like to play football for the University of Miami (Fla.).



COMING HOME — The "AFA" is eased into its berth at the waterfront after being brought home from winter storage.