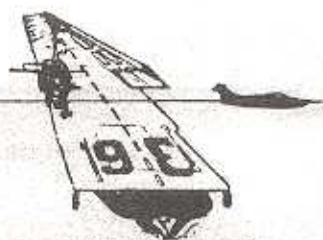


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A Message From The Captain

As I toured the various spaces throughout the ship my first several weeks aboard as Commanding Officer, I have been extremely pleased at what I have seen. The spirit and performance of duty by you - the crew is most enlightening.

It has been said many times that a ship is only as good as its crew. The performance of the Antietam crew is well evidenced by the many safety award plaques which are proudly displayed in Hangar Bay 1 and the condition of the ship. It takes real teamwork from the men in the hot engine rooms to the men on the windy flight deck.

I like to feel, as perhaps most of you do, that no matter how insignificant our daily tasks may be at times, that we are performing a vital service to our country and the free world.

I am pleased to become part of the Antietam team.

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Welcome Aboard

Capt. J. H. Armstrong New Commanding Officer

Captain James H. Armstrong, USN became the seventeenth Commanding Officer of the USS ANTIETAM on 15 July 1961 when he relieved Captain P. E. Hartmann.

Captain Hartmann has been ordered to duty with Commander U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Norfolk as Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations of the Atlantic Fleet.

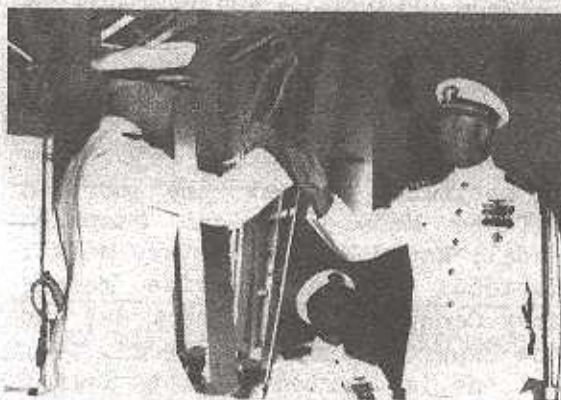
Captain Armstrong came to the Antietaam from the National War College, Washington, D.C. He was born in Wimauma, Florida on June 13, 1913, son of Mrs. Sadie Mae (Durham) Armstrong of Plant City, Florida, and the now late C. G. Armstrong.

Captain Armstrong attended the University of Florida before his entry in the Naval service on November 30, 1936 at the U.S. Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla., as a Naval Aviation Cadet. He was commissioned an Ensign on December 1, 1937.

After receiving his "wings of gold" he served with Patrol Squadron Two and Twenty-Six. He was Assistant Flight Officer at U. S. Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Florida from November 1940 to April 1942. In April 1942, Captain Armstrong was assigned as Flight Officer with Patrol Squadron Thirty-Four.

His next duty station was with Headquarters Squadron 9-2, as Executive Officer and later Commanding Officer, serving at that activity from June 1943 to January 1945. In February 1945 he took command of Headquarters Squadron, Fleet Air Wing Three as Commanding Officer until March 1946.

Captain Armstrong reported to General Line School, Newport, R.I. in June 1946. After graduation in June 1947, he reported to the USS Onslo (AVP-48) a seaplane tender, as Executive Officer. Leaving the USS Onslo in September 1947, he then served on the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D. C. as Aviation Detail Officer until March 1950.



"I relieve you Sir" - Captain Armstrong and Captain Hartmann amid their salute during the change of Command ceremonies. Commander R. K. Brown, Executive Officer (center) looks on.

He served on the USS Coral Sea (CVA-43), as Navigator, from June 1950 to July 1951. He left the Coral Sea and became Executive Officer of the Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida, where he previously served in the earlier days of his naval career. This duty was from August 1951 to November 1953.

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In November 1953 he reported aboard the USS Midway (CVA-41) as Executive Officer and served in this capacity until December 1954. Returning to shore duty, Captain Armstrong was assigned as Executive Officer of the Fleet Airborne Electronics Training Unit, Pacific Fleet, Coronado, Calif., from January 1955 to April 1956. He then became Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Auxillary Air Station, Fallon, Nevada in May 1956 and in June 1958 took command of Air Early Warning Squadron Fourteen.

Captain Armstrong was Commanding Officer of the USS Jupiter (AVS-8), an Aviation Supply Ship, from May 1959 to July 1960.

Captain Armstrong, a veteran Naval Aviator, was promoted to his present rank on July 1, 1956. He is entitled to wear the American Defense Medal; American Campaign Medal; World War II Victory Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Navy Occupation Service Medal and the Expert Pistol Shot Medal.

He is married to the former Miss Agnes Love Parramore, of Jacksonville, Florida, and they have three children.



Captain J. H. Armstrong reads his orders during the change of command ceremonies. Seated to the right of Captain Armstrong is Captain P. E. Hartmann previous Commanding Officer.



Captain's personnel inspection before the change of command ceremonies was conducted by Captain Armstrong and Captain Hartmann.

"Let Freedom Ring"

J.L. Royster RD1

We all ask this question- Will we have to fight The Communist Nations or will peace prevail? Draw your own conclusions from these known facts:

1. The Communist Aim;
To transform the entire world into a Communist world.

2. Method;
by any means to secure the Communistic Aim.

The true Communist feels that he is working for peace, and that peace can only come when Communism has defeated Capitalism and Religion in the entire world.

The free world on the other hand, feels the world can live with peaceful co-existence of our different societies.

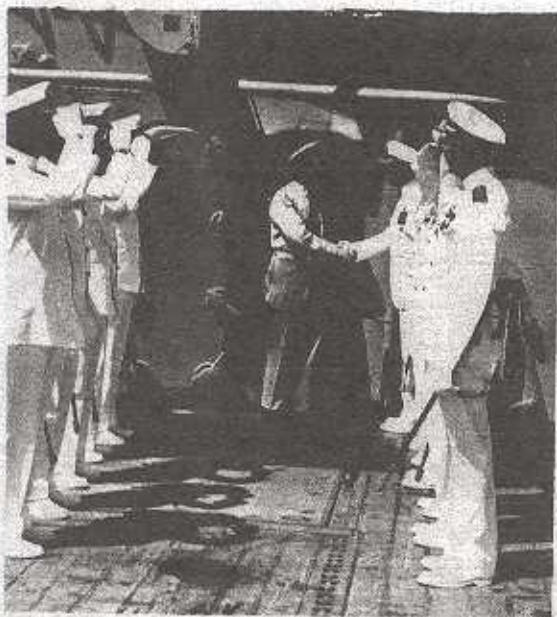
Can these different views on the world be worked out? Only time can tell, but with Leadership, Strong Defense, Deterrent Forces in the free world, and Education of the people to stop the spread of Communism, we well may be able to tip the scales to peaceful co-existence.

Now along the lines of fighting Communism on the individual level.

I believe the most important method is education, and we are fortunate, in that we have a good selection of books in the ship's library on Soviet Russia, Red China, and Communism.

We can best fight all enemies to the free world by knowing about them.

Don't be just an interested by-stander and let our way of life be snatched away!



Captain Armstrong bids Captain Hartmann farewell prior to being piped over the side on the flight deck. Captain Hartmann departed the ship via helicopter.

ARE THE "UNIFORMED" UNINFORMED?

".....we are responsible for keeping our men informed of our country's goals, history, and heritage, in addition to our naval operations, tasks, and missions. We cannot expect our men and women to be motivated without a basic knowledge of the need of the contribution they are making...."

I want us to have, as we must, the best informed Navy in history...."

SecNav John B. Connally
April 11, 1961

(Ed Note: An informed man, is a better, more contented and more effective man.)

Special Organ Music In Ship's Chapel

Protestant church service aboard ship on Sunday, July 16, was conducted combining organ music and singing of the congregation from Navy Chapel, Washington, D. C. with crew members attending the services.

Chaplain Chambers, was confronted with the problem of conducting his Sunday service aboard the ship without an organist. After a few moments of thought, and a few prayers, so to speak, for an organist to appear, the Chaplain came up with an idea of having organ music - by tape recording.

With his ingenuity and patience, Chaplain Chambers spent three hours in his stateroom splicing and cutting some of his prized tape recordings he made while serving at the Navy Chapel in Washington.

Thus, the crew members attending the Protestant Sunday service were provided with some of the finest organ music and congregational singing as they sang their hymns in the ship's chapel.



Our Chaplain busy at work splicing and cutting his recording tape for the Sunday Service which provided some of the finest organ music possible.

How It Came About

IN THE BRIG

Because Admiral Nelson once assigned a small brig to carry captives taken in one of his naval engagements, and because his seamen ever afterwards associated that vessel with prisoners, the name "Brig" became sailor's universal slang for JAIL.

LOG BOOK

As early ship's records were inscribed on shingles (cut from logs) and hinged so that they opened like a book, the name "Log-Book" was logical and lasted to this day.

BETWEEN THE DEVIL AND THE DEEP

In wooden ships, the "Devil" was the longest seam to be caulked, and called for a bos'un's chair in order to execute the job; thus a man was actually suspended between the "devil" and the water. This slang-term was coined to describe being in an awkward situation.

CARRY ON

While the order "Carry On" now means only to proceed with any duty, it was originally a specific order not to shorten sail, but to carry on all canvas the ship would stand unless stress of bad weather dictated otherwise.

"X" Division - June Tip Top Div

"X" Division has been selected TIPTOPDIV for the month of June.

It is comprised of the Captain's Office, Personnel Office, Legal Office, Training Office, Service Information Office, Post Office, Print Shop and the MAA force.

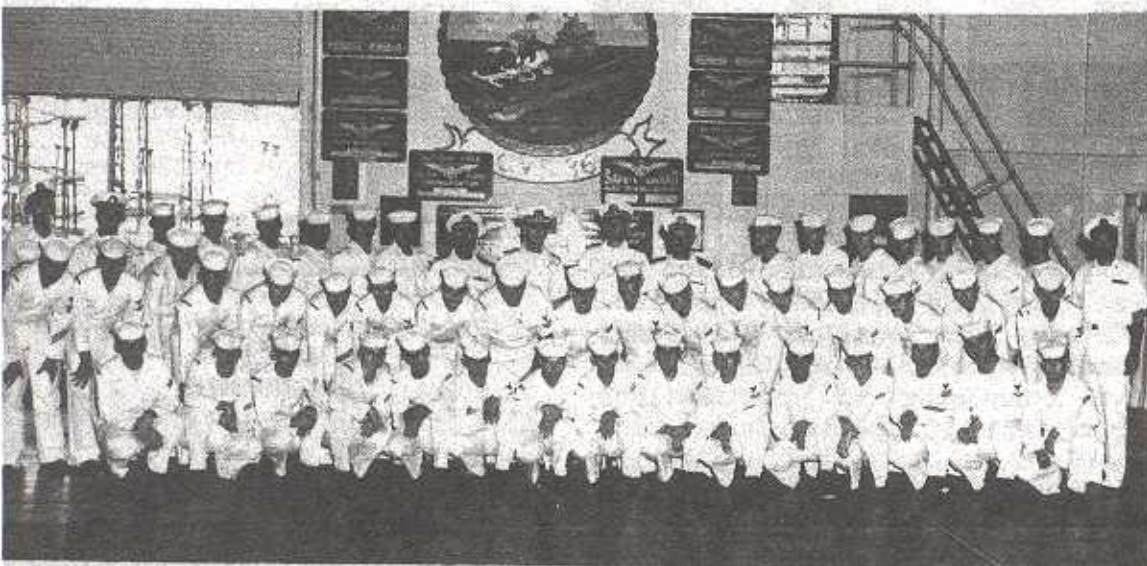
Each office has its own function: Captain's Office maintains Officers records, and routes all shipboard correspondence, Personnel Office is responsible for all enlisted records, Training Office provides all training devices and correspondence courses for the crew, Service Information Office is responsible for all public information, Post Office handles all of the incoming and outgoing mail, Print Shop provides printing facilities, and the MAA force, whose task is to enforce shipboard regulations.

During the month of June, "X" Division continued its outstanding record of moral character. There were no letters of indebtedness nor any other complaint against any man. Twelve men in "X" Division are presently enrolled in Naval Training Courses, and eight are enrolled in USAFI or other courses. Of the 60 men attached, "X" Division has 35 who have completed all the Naval Training Courses for the next higher rate.

The athletic enthusiasm runs high in "X" Division indicating its competitive spirit. The "Pencil Pushers" as they are sometimes called, were the undisputed champions of the recent Volleyball competition while the Bowling team placed fourth in the ship's league.

On the last two Captains inspections, "X" Division has received an outstanding. During this evaluation period, no personnel were cited for traffic violations, and there were no Captain's Masts, or Court-Martials.

The "X" Division Officer is Lt E. G. Moore, and the Executive Department Head is LCDR J. T. Denny Jr.





In the last few days, I've spoken to some of the JOOD's who had some comments to make on men going on liberty. I'd like to commend the greater part of the crew on looking sharp for liberty. "The greater part of the crew", I said, but there are a few who could use a shave, a haircut, or a change of uniform.

If you are not in the proper liberty uniform you will not be granted permission to leave the ship. Save yourself a return trip to your compartment by being properly shaven, shoes shined and a clean uniform. Remember - Disciplinary action results from wearing another man's clothing. You not only represent yourself and the ship, but the entire Navy in town. Let's show'em how a good carrier sailor should and can look.

Stork Club

A baby boy for Airman and Mrs Ted Dampier. Weight 7 lbs 2 oz. The baby was born July 2 at USNH, Pensacola, Fla.

A new baby in your family? If so, call SIO (460).

On Jan. 31, 1955, Army's Jupiter-C rocket fired the first U.S. earth satellite, Explorer I, into orbit.

Welcome Aboard

Names and home addresses of personnel who reported aboard the ANTIETAM are listed monthly in THE ANGLE. Check over the list each month to see if you can find someone from or near your home town.

Promote internal relations by contacting the new man.

Personnel who reported aboard prior to 15 July 1961 are:

C.R. Bryant, MML, Scottesville, Va.
 W.B. Dykes, SA, Gainesville, Fla.
 J. Sheputis, SA, Johnston, Ill.
 J.W. Boehle, SA, Cincinnati, Ohio
 W.L. Birks, SA, Abington, Mass.
 B.C. White, MR3, Purvis, Miss.
 L.C. Wolfe, SA, Cincinnati, Ohio
 J.T. Pitzer, SA, New Castle, Penn.
 R.F. Hayes, SA, Ithaca, New York
 C.J. Hudson, SA, Dighton, Mass.
 F.D. Arnold, SA, Muncie, Ind.
 W.D. Harvey, FN, Germantown, Md.
 H.C. Graves, GML, Medina, Tenn.
 W.D. Darbonne, YN2, Westlake, La.
 R.D. Walker, ABH1, Pensacola, Fla.
 W.J. Townsend, PN3, Montgomery, Ala.
 L. Swift, AN, Atlanta, Ga.
 R.A. Beaulieu, BT3, Berlin, N.H.
 J.L. Densley, MML, Salt Lake City,
 R.L. Miller, EM2, Canastota, N.Y.
 C.A. Williams, MM3, Washington, D.C.
 J.J. Hughes, AN, Jonesville, S.C.
 T.H. Meade, EMFN, Meadowlands, Minn.

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Officers Reporting Aboard

LTJG Robert W. McElroy, from OCS, Newport Rhode Island.

LT Vincent G. Law, from Fleet Water Center, Port Lyautey, Kentra, Morocco.

LTJG Fred J. Barker, from FLAGRU, Atlantic Reserve Fleet, Green Cove Springs, Florida.

ENS Frederic K. Howard, from NROTC Unit, Cambridge, Mass.

ENS Robert J. Leonard, from, OCS Newport, Rhode Island.



NINE THE LUCKY NUMBER - G. W. Watts, ET2, OE Division smiles broadly as he recalls the hole-in-one he made on the No. 9 hole with a No. 9 iron while on leave in Milan, Ind. The hole-in-one drive was 110 yards. Watts finished the 18 hole par 68 course with an 84.

New Face In SIO

We are happy to announce that J. F. Healy, SN, has joined the Service Information Office staff.

You will be seeing more of Healy as the "Roving Reporter" for this magazine and as "Information Seeker" for the active Fleet Home-Town News Program conducted by the Service Information Office. A Fleet Home-Town News release is submitted on each man aboard this ship, informing the folks back home the important task you perform in the U. S. Navy and aboard the Antietam.



Who's the proudest? - Fred H. Bratton, ATMAN, V6 Division proudly poses with his 4½ year old twin sons Darryl Wayne (left) and Richard Blayne (right). These potential twin sailors have advanced right along with Dad in The Home Front Navy. To the Bratton Twins, the Antietam is "their Daddy's ship".

The Word

Q. Am I eligible for mustering out pay from the Navy if I retire from active duty? I understand some retirees are eligible.

A. You'd collect MOP only if you are retired for disability under Title 10, U. S. Code, sections 1201-17. No MOP is payable to those who retire for length of service.

Q. When a Navy man retires on length of service, may he collect cash for any of his unused leave credits?

A. Yes, up to the 60-day maximum permitted.



Photographer - Bos'n? R. D. Ernest, PH3 of OP Division turns Boatswain as he stitches a canvas covering on a ladder chain. Outcome? "Outstanding job". If you have any hidden talents, call SIO (460).



"A Salute"- as the USS Antietam departed Pensacola Bay enroute to Norfolk on July 8th.



During the yard period, there will be an increased amount of fire producing material aboard. An example of this is the welding work which will be done by yard workers as well as our own. Although you're not assigned to the Fire Watch Division, keep an eye out for anything which may be hazardous if welding were to take place in that area. "It's an All Hands job".

The Antietam has an outstanding record for accident free landings. Let's show the same outstanding safety qualities while in the yards.

CO, NAS, Pensacola Sends - "Thank You"

The Commanding Officer, NAS, Pensacola, Fla., recently wrote to the Commanding Officer of this ship concerning the WAVE cruise aboard the Antietam on July 3.

The letter is quoted in part "The outstanding courtesy shown by your officer and enlisted personnel and the well planned tours of the ship was most gratifying and commendable. Our sincere "thank you" is expressed to all hands for their cooperation, patience and diligence in providing such an excellent and rewarding cruise for our Navy women".



"On the Ball" describes the men of V-6 Division, who took this years bowling title with a record of 44 wins and 8 loses.

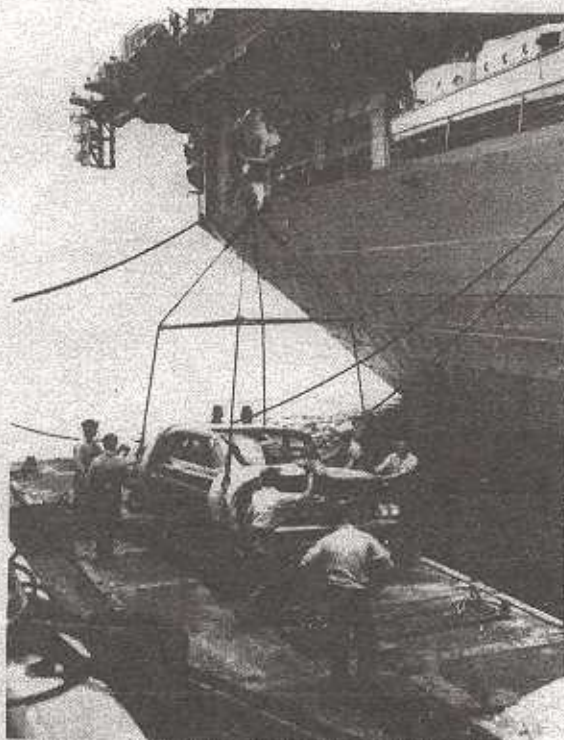
The Antietam "Champs" are left to right: F. R. Weston AMC, W. H. Rogers AN, R. W. Beaver AN, K. E. Layman AN, LCDR D. P. Bartz, W. H. Dunbar AN, and J. A. Pope AD3.

This Month We Salute

This month we would like to salute all personnel who were engaged in the task of loading and off-loading the automobiles. The entire operation was performed shall we say, "without a scratch". It was indeed an excellent job.

The Angle "Well Done" award to the entire automobile handling working party. ▶

To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual means of preserving peace. -- Washington.



"Hoist away"-Another car is hauled safely aboard.



CDR S. D. CHAMBERS, JR.
Chaplain

A Father's Prayer

"Build me a son, O Lord, who will be strong enough to know when he is weak, and brave enough to face himself when he is afraid; one who will be proud and unbending in Honest defeat, but humble

and gentle in victory. Build me a son whose wishes will not replace his actions---a son who will know Thee, and that to know himself is the foundation stone of knowledge. Send him, I pray, not in the path of ease and comfort but stress and spur of difficulties and challenge; here let him learn to stand up in the storm, here let him learn compassion for those who fall."

"Build me a son whose heart will be clear, whose goal will be high; a son who will master himself before he masters others; one who will reach into the future, yet never forget the past. And after all these things are his, this I pray, enough sense of humor that he may always remember the simplicity of true greatness, the open mind of true wisdom, the meekness of true strength; then I, his father, will dare to whisper, 'I have not lived in vain.'"

--- General Douglas MacArthur

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