

# News Of Servicemen

**John P. Stafford**, electrician's mate fireman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy A. Stafford of 20330 Anza St., Torrance, is serving aboard the submarine USS Sabalo participating in Phase III of "Exercise Green Light" off the Coast of California.

Scheduled from May 8 to June 8, this phase of the exercise involves Navy and Marine Corps undersea, surface,

air and ground forces, supported by minesweepers of the Royal Canadian Navy.

Highlights of the operation will be a large scale amphibious landing by the First Marine Division in the Camp Pendleton, Calif., area. The landing force will be supported by an amphibious task force and aircraft.

Fourteen submariners were

promoted, May 16, while serving aboard the submarine USS Cusk operating out of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Among the crewmen promoted was **Richard A. Specht**, electronics technician second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex-Specht, of 4139 W. 182nd St.; and **Darryl D. Currier**, electrician's mate second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Currier, 22110 Archibald Ave., Torrance.

Advancement was the result of passing fleet-wide competitive examinations. In order to qualify for the tests, personnel must excel in professional ability and leadership.

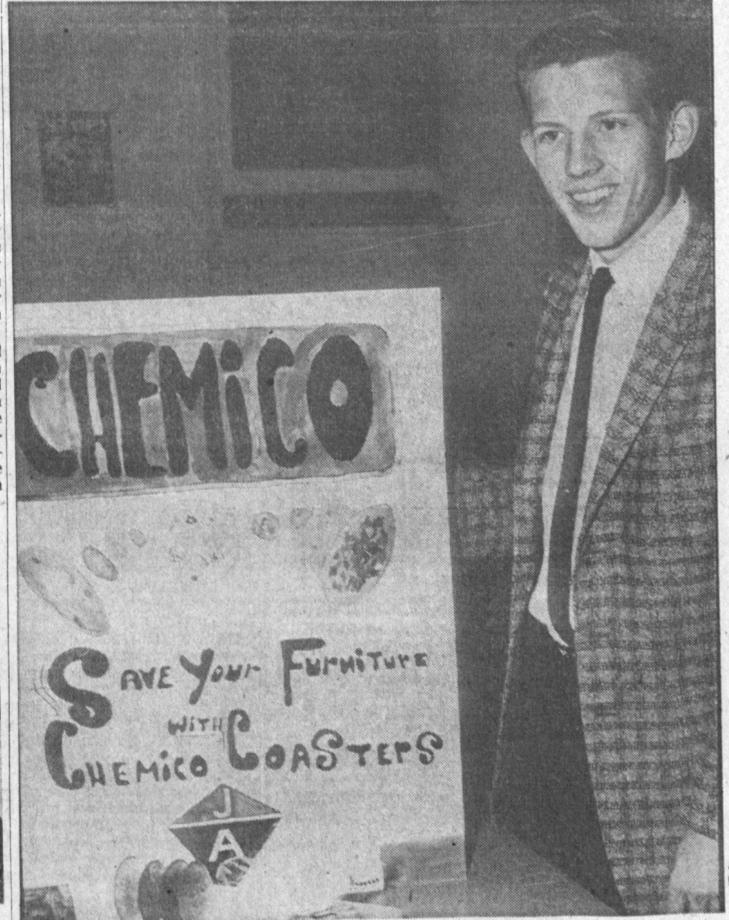
Army PFC **F. W. Brook**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl R. Brook, 20521 Madison St., Torrance recently participated in organization day exercises in Sandhofen, Germany, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the 9th Division's 18th Infantry.

Brook is a member of the 18th Headquarters Company in Sandhofen. He entered the Army in August 1959, received basic combat training at Fort Ord, Calif., and arrived overseas in January 1960.

The 24-year-old soldier is a graduate of Banning High School, Wilmington.

Sergeant First Class **Burton E. Eichel Jr.**, 33, whose wife, Makiko, lives at 1014 E. Spicer St., Torrance, Calif., recently participated in the annual Army Air Defense Command's Small arms tournament at Fort Carson, Colo. Over 150 competitors, including personnel from Army Nike guided missile sites across the nation, U. S. Army Force teams and civilian marksmen from the Rocky Mountain area, took part in the tourney.

Sergeant Eichel participated in the pistol competition in the matches. He is assigned as operations sergeant in Headquarters Battery of the 12th Artillery Group in Pasadena, Calif. The sergeant entered the Army in 1945. He attended Hurley (S. D.) High School.



**HONOR WINNING** — Jim Wymer, Leuzinger High School senior and president of honor-winning Southwest District Junior Achievement company, displays company's

product, plastic coasters. Company, named Chemico, is made up of 12 Southwest District high school students.



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**NORMAN BERRY**

Chief Warrant Officer **Norman E. Berry**, whose wife, Wanda, lives at 79 Clinton St., Lowville, N.Y., recently participated in the annual Army Air Defense Command's small arms tournament at Fort Carson, Colo.

Over 150 competitors, including personnel from Army Nike guided missile sites across the nation, U.S. Air Force teams and civilian marksmen from the Rocky Mountain area, took part in the tourney. Berry participated in the rifle competition in the matches. Berry is regularly assigned to Battery A of the 52nd Artillery, a Nike-Hercules missile unit in Hangham, Mass. He entered the Army in 1946.

The warrant officer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Berry, 19129 Firmona Ave., Torrance, Calif., attended Greely Institute.

Army PFC **Edward J. Kenney**, 19, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bell, live at 2614 Pacific Coast Hwy., Torrance, Calif., recently was assigned to the 44th Artillery, a Nike-Hercules missile unit in Korea.

Kenney, a sentry dog handler in Battery C of the artillery, entered the Army in December 1959 and received basic training at Fort Ord, Calif. He arrived overseas in December 1960.

Kenney attended South Torrance High School.

**Jerry R. Irving**, boatswain's mate third class, USN, son of Mrs. Fae M. Fitzgerald of 22125 1/2 S. Main, Torrance, is serving at the Midway Island Naval Station in the Pacific.

**Frank N. Carifi**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Carifi of 18720 Felbar Ave., Torrance, completed recruit training, May 26 at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, Calif.

Military ceremonies marked the end of nine weeks of "boot camp" and included a full dress parade and review before high ranking officials and civilian dignitaries.

In nine weeks of instruction, the "raw recruit" is developed into a Navy Blue-jacket, ready for duty with the fleet.

The 224th enlisted basic submarine class was graduated, May 3, from the Submarine School at the New London Naval Submarine Base, Groton, Conn.

Among the graduates was **Jon B. Schotanus**, seaman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Schotanus of 809 Teri Ave., Torrance, Calif.



**BILL W. HOPPER**

Specialist Four **Bill W. Hopper**, son of Lois S. L. Hopper, 10808 Jersey Ave., Santa Fe Springs, Calif., recently graduated from the Seventh U. S. Army Non-Commissioned Officer Academy in Bad Tolz, Germany.

Specialist Hopper received four weeks of training in various military subjects with emphasis on leadership and combat tactics. The purpose of the academy is to broaden the Soldier's professional knowledge and to instill him with the self-confidence and sense of responsibility required of a capable leader.

A mechanic in the 15th Transportation Battalion's 460th Company in Rochefort, France Specialist Hopper entered the Army in 1954 and was stationed at Fort Story, Va., before his arrival overseas in November 1958 on this tour of duty.

The 24-year-old soldier, whose mother, Mrs. Mildred Hopper, lives at 140 S. W. 227th St., Torrance, attended Narbonne High School in Lomita.



**STERLING MEGILL, JR.**

Marine Lance Cpl. **Sterling A. Megill, Jr.**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling A. Megill, Sr. of 1244 E. 213th St., Torrance, was graduated, May 26, from the two-week Aviation Familiarization School at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Memphis, Tenn.

His instruction included flight theory, aircraft handling, survival practices and fire fighting. This course prepared students for a more technical training school and duty with the aviation branch of the Marine Corps.

Before enlisting in February 1958, Megill attended Banning High School in Wilmington.

**William A. La Coe**, fireman, USN, son of C. A. La Coe of 17031 Wilton Pl., Torrance, is serving aboard the heavy cruiser USS Helena, flagship for Commander, First Fleet participating in Phase III of "Exercise Green Light" off the Coast of California.

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### Dance in Stereo

Ray Coniff, who brings his famous dance band to the Hollywood Palladium June 16-17, is the "mystery man" behind a score of musical smash hits.

For a decade before he formed his own combo, Coniff was known "inside" the music business as "Mr. Arranger." He wrote the band arrangements for Bunny Berigan, Glen Gray, Bob Crosby and Artie Shaw, among others.

Mitch Miller, the musical midwife who has officiated at the "birth" of many of the biggest names in music today, hired Coniff as staff arranger for Columbia Records, and Coniff arrangements sparked a boom in Columbia's record sales.

Among the outstanding "big" records based on Coniff arrangements were Frankie Laine's "Moonlight Gambler," Guy Mitchell's "Singing the Blues, Marty Robbins' "White Sport Coat" and the fabulously popular Johnny Mathis' hits "Chances Are," "Wonderful, Wonderful," and "It's Not For Me to Say."

Coniff brings his uniquely popular arrangements to the Hollywood Palladium, a musical style that his skyrocketed his band to No. 1 position in record sales.

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### BOWLING Darlene Cope

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Season series and game are still held by Robbie Frey, 865, and Harold Robinson, 254. Joe Smith is in first place with 89-25 Peterson Points.

These better average bowlers will be at it again tonight at nine, so if you are out for the evening, stop in and view these tremendous scorers.

### Nearsightedness Halted by Contact Lenses?

According to reports recently presented at the National Contact Lens Congress, progressive myopia (nearsightedness) may be halted with contact lenses. Fourteen hundred patients with steadily worsening cases of myopia were fitted with contact lenses, and at the end of a two-year period, none of these patients showed further increase in nearsightedness. Some even showed signs of improvement.

A London physician reported that his patients' eyes had deteriorated a total of 100 percent.

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