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1. Various Types of Discharges. Lieutenant Commander A.S. Farquhar, Executive Officer of the RALEIGH, in a recent unofficial letter to the Bureau, stated that he had posted on the Ship's bulletin board, the various types of discharges issued to enlisted personnel with notation giving the conditions under which each type is issued. His letter further referred to the keen interest taken by the enlisted personnel on the RALEIGH as an indication of the lack of knowledge on the part of the men in the Service, especially men in their first enlistment, of the various types of discharges.

Acting upon Lieutenant Commander Farquhar's suggestion, the Bureau has prepared and will shortly issue to ships a poster showing the types of discharges and the conditions under which each is given. This poster will be suitable for posting in ships' bulletin boards and the Bureau hopes that it will serve the purpose of acquainting the men in the Service with discharge forms and instill in each man an ambition to obtain for himself the best to be had - the Honorable Discharge.

2. Training Courses. The following training courses have been thoroughly revised and reprinted: Pharmacist's Mate third-class, second-class, first-class and chief; Gunner's Mate second-class, Apprentice Seaman; A to N; Hospital Apprentice first-class; Storage Batteries; Physics, and Ship Fitter first-class.

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The final six assignments of Radioman third-class and the last twelve assignments of Radioman second-class have been received from the printer and are ready for distribution.

The new training courses listed below have been received from the printer and are ready for distribution: Storekeeper first-class, Ship's Cook second-class, Torpedoman second-class, Torpedoman first-class, Messmen, and a pamphlet entitled "Suggestions on Methods of Instruction."

These courses may be obtained upon request from the Bureau of Navigation or from the Educational Adviser, Room 4, Federal Building, San Diego, California.

Training courses for Coxswains, for Signalman second-class, and for Radioman first-class are in the hands of the printer and should be ready for distribution in about four weeks.

Proper notation should be made in the Announcements of Courses on hand of these revised and new training courses so that a complete index of training courses available may be kept for ready reference.

The pamphlet Suggestions on Methods of Instruction was prepared by the Field Training Adviser of the Bureau of Navigation and gives in a compact and comprehensible form valuable suggestions on instruction in connection with the use of training courses aboard ship, the practicable application of good methods of teaching, etc. This pamphlet should prove helpful in the proper handling of training courses afloat.

3. Recruiting. Some ships have on leave papers issued to their personnel, a phrase which encourages men on leave to visit recruiting stations in their district. This results in obtaining names of desirable applicants since a satisfied Navy man is the best means of obtaining other recruits.

It would be appreciated if ships would obtain addresses of possible applicants from members of the crew and forward such names to the nearest recruiting station.

Instruct men discharged, who are eligible for reenlistment, of the danger of waiting until the last day of their three months before they apply for reenlistment. It is especially necessary that discharged men apply at a recruiting station or other place of enlistment before their three months are up when they know their medical record might necessitate obtaining a waiver from the Bureau. Several cases have come up recently in which men applied at a recruiting station and lost the benefit of their reenlistment gratuity since it was necessary to obtain a waiver from the Bureau.

4. Employment of Aliens illegally in the country as house servants, etc. by families of Naval Officers. The following is quoted from a letter received from the Department of Labor:

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"It has also come to my attention that in some cases aliens who are illegally in the country are employed as house servants, etc., in the families of Naval Officers. It is particularly true of aliens of the Oriental races who are much sought after for service of this nature. As you know, Orientals, especially of the working classes, are denied legal admission under the Immigration Act of 1924 so that only those who have been regularly admitted under previous laws are legally resident in the United States."

"It would also be most gratifying to this Department if Naval Officers would assist in law enforcement by inquiring into the immigration status of aliens before giving them employment."

5. Active Officers to be detailed as Governors in Samoa, Guam and Virgin Islands. The Department has adopted as a policy that active officers shall hereafter be assigned to duty as governors in Samoa, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

The normal tour of duty in Samoa and Guam is eighteen months to two years and may be considered as a cruise. The tour of duty in the Virgin Islands is from two to three years and is considered shore duty.

The Bureau will be pleased to keep on file the names of captains who may desire such duty in the future.

6. Report of Preliminary Examination for Selection of Candidates for Naval Academy. Preliminary examination for selection of candidates for Naval Academy was held on 1 September 1927 on all ships and stations where qualified candidates appeared. Orders directing transfers will be issued in time for selected candidates to report at school before 1 November; qualified men if outside the continental limits of the United States may be transferred without further orders from the Bureau (see Bunav Manual, Art. D-6100).

The total number of candidates reported upon before 2 October 1927 is 359; of these 298 have passed both mental and physical examinations. The number who passed at training stations was as follows:

Great Lakes	24	San Diego	53
Hampton Rds.	67	Newport	27

From other ships and stations 169 candidates had been reported upon, and 127 (75%) had passed. Not all the reports are in, and this is a marked improvement over last year when 162 took the preliminary examination and 111 passed. The Bureau appreciates that the service has made a great effort to accomplish this result, its effect upon morale will be valuable. The following list, subject to some correction, shows the number of candidates selected:

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Altair	1	Nevada	1
Arizona	3	New London, Sub Bas	1 (100%)
Brazos	3 (100%)	New Mexico	3
California	5	New York	4
Camden	1 (100%)	Omaha	5 (100%)
Casc	1 (100%)	Pearl Harbor Sub-	3
		marines	
Childs	1 (100%)	Pennsylvania	1
Cincinnati	2 (100%)	Pensacola, Air Sta-	
		tion	6
Coco Solo, Naval Station	1 (100%)	Percival	1 (100%)
Colorado	7 (100%)	Philadelphia Navy	
		Yard	2 (100%)
Concord	4	Procyon	1
Denver	1 (100%)	Raleigh	2 (100%)
Florida	7 (100%)	Rochester	3
Fourteenth Nav. Dist.	3 (100%)	S-36	1 (100%)
Guam, Naval Station	1 (100%)	S-40	1 (100%)
Guantanamo Bay Nav. Station	2 (100%)	Shawmut	1
Holland	1 (100%)	Sturtevant	2 (100%)
Idaho	1	Sumner	4 (100%)
James, Ruben	4 (100%)	Tennessee	1
Kittery	2 (100%)	Texas	1
Lakehurst	1 (100%)	Trenton	5 (100%)
Langley	1 (100%)	Tulsa	1 (100%)
Mare Island, Navy Yard	6	Vestal	1
Maryland	3	V.F. Squadron 3	1 (100%)
Milwaukee	1 (100%)	Washington Navy Yl	1
Mississippi	3	West Virginia	5 (100%)
Naval Academy	1	Whitney	2 (100%)

7. Stenographic School at Hampton Roads -- Utilization of. The service is again invited to utilize the stenography school at Hampton Roads in training first and second class and chief yeomen. While the school at San Diego has graduated 30 petty officers within a year, that at Hampton Roads has graduated only 12 petty officers. The allocation to each school is 10 men, length of course 8 weeks. The average yeoman who takes the Navy Training Course in shorthand and then graduates from the stenography school is capable of taking dictation of about 80 words per minute. (See Bunav Circular Letter #48-27 of 6 June 1927).

The artificer's school at Hampton Roads continues to receive men who expect training as deck artificers. The only classes now held are coppersmiths', blacksmiths' and boiler-makers'.

8. Motion Pictures. The Bureau has purchased the following feature motion pictures for exhibition on naval ships and stations taking Navy Film Service:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>STAR</u>
The Black Diamond Express	M.Blue - E.Murphy
Dance Magic	B.Lyon - P. Starke
Lonesome Ladies	L.Stone- A.Q.Nilsson
Prince of Headwaiters	Lewis Stone
White Pants Willie	Johnny Hines
For the Love of Mike	B. Lyon - Geo. Sidney
The Poor Nut	J.Mulhall - Chas. Murray
Hard Boiled Haggerty	Milton Sills
The Stolen Bride	Billie Dove - L. Hughes
The Clown	D.Revier - W.V.Mong
Judgment of the Hills	Virginia Valli
Not for Publication	R.Ince - L.Mendez
Simple Sis	L.Fazenda - C.Cook
The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary	H.Ford - P.Haver
The Frontiersman	Tim McCoy
The Covered Wagon	L.Wilson - G.Cooper
Fireman Save my Child	W.Berry- R.Hatton
Service for Ladies	Adolphe Menjou
Metropolis	Special Cast
Mme. Pompadour	D.Gish - A.Moreno
Running Wild	W.C.Field - M.Brian
Hula	C.Bow - C.Brook
Soft Cushions	D.MacLean
The Gingham Girl	L.Wilson - G.K.Arthur
Twelve Miles Out	J.Gilbert - J.Crawford
The Bugle Call	J.Coogan - C.Windsor
A Million Bid	D.Costello - M. McGregor
For Ladies Only	J.Logan - J.Bowers
Rich Men's Sons	R.Graves - S.Mason
* Don Juan	John Barrymore
* The Rough Riders	N.Beery - F.Hopper
* The Way of all Flesh	E.Jannings - B.Bennett
Figures Don't Lie	E.Ralston - F. Sterling
Shootin' Irons	J. Luden - S.Blane
Shanghai Bound	R.Dix - Mary Brian
A Gentleman of Paris	A.Menjou - S. O'Hara
Jesse James	Fred Thompson
Now We're In the Air	W.Beery - R.Hatton
* The Life of Riley	C.Murray - G.Sidney
American Beauty	B.Dove - L.Hughes
Breakfast at Sunrise	Constance Talmadge
No Place to Go.	M.Astor - L.Hughes
Foreign Devils	Tim McCoy
* Ben Hur	R.Navarro (Special)
* Les Miserables	Special *Cast
The Lone Eagle	R.Keane - B.Kent
Racing Romeo	R.Grange - J.Ralston
College	B.Keaton - A.Cornwall

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>STAR</u>
The Magic Flame	R.Colman - V.Banky
* Seventh Heaven	J. Gaynor - C.Farrell
The Bush Leaguer	M.Blue - L.Hyams
The Chinese Parrot	M.Nixon - H.Bosworth
Jaws of Steel	Rin-Tin-Tin (Dog Star)

* Feature pictures of high entertainment value.

The above lists of pictures include the very latest releases and in addition includes seven pictures that have been booked as road shows for a considerable time before release to the general public. The above list is considered the most important addition to our film library in a single month during the last three years. Additional prints of several of the above outstanding feature pictures have been purchased in quadruplicate in order that the forces in Europe, Asiatic, Special Service Squadrons and detached forces afloat may witness them at a much earlier date.

9. Instructional Pictures. Very few reports of exhibitions of Instructional pictures are being received. In many cases those received do not contain all the information desired.

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