



BOMBING
SQUADRON
SEVENTEEN
ALMANAC
for 1947

HA = Home Address
CA = Current Address

Commander Robt. M. Ware
HA - Hagerman, N. Mexico
CA - U. S. Navy, Flag Secretary
Com. Fleet Air West Coast
Staff CFWC - NAS
San Diego, Calif.

Commander Ware from most recent reports is enjoying life in Southern California despite a strictly desk job. A frequent 36 holes of golf has distributed his gain of 25 pounds evenly, so he says. "Bob" was married September 15, 1946 to "Edythe" and has one daughter by former marriage, Barbara.

Harvey H. McArthur
HA - Mission, Texas
CA - 1408 So. Martin St., Kilgour, Texas

"Mac" was separated from the Naval service September 25, 1945 and is an Engineer with the Halburton Oil Cementing Co. He is very much married and has four children, Martha, Harvey, Susan, and Judith, and wants to be remembered to all the members of VB 17.

Robert E. Bollinger
HA - 514 8th St., Lewiston, Idaho
CA - 549 W. 113th St., New York, 25, N. Y.

"Bob" was separated from the Naval service on September 4, 1945 and is now a student of Music at Columbia University. Since July 1, 1946 he has been Executive of VAS7A of the Organized Reserve stationed at Floyd Bennett Field. "Bob" reports in a spirit of confidence that he is still single.

Clifford G. Van Stone
HA - 601 E Street, Taft, California
CA - 117 S. Bonita, Santa Maria, California

"Van" was separated from the Naval service September 27, 1945 and is now in business with his father in the oil fields. He reports two years of happy married life, as of October 18, and sends his best wishes to the outfit.

William B. Vail
HA - Loomis, Calif.
CA - Soda Springs, Calif.

"Stud" was separated from the Naval service, May 18, 1946 and is now the owner and operator of service station-garage-and coffee shop at that delightful winter resort and mecca for skiers at Soda Springs. He is happily married and has a son, Patrick. He did not actually invite us to Soda Springs, but I am sure he would be happy to see us.

Carl E. Stair
HA - 1228 E. McMillan St., Cincinnati 6, Ohio
CA - 2346 Bedford Ave., Cincinnati, 8, Ohio

"Stair" was separated from the Naval Service, at Boston, March 31, 1946 and is now back at his old post as Executive Secretary of the Williams Y. M. C. A. in Cincinnati. He stayed with the old outfit while it was being converted to a peacetime Air Group, and helped with ALL the paper work involved in transferring to the Atlantic Fleet. His final duty was that of Housing Officer for the entire Air Group at NAS Brunswick, Maine, (and what an assignment that was!)

Robert S. Kahn

HA - 298 Northwood Rd., Riverside, Illinois
CA - 8038 W. 30th St., Riverside, Illinois

"Bob" was given orders for inactive duty October 1, 1945 and is now a salesman of brass and aluminum ingot. He joined the Organized Reserve at Glenview as the ACI Officer for the CVE Group 771, and spends every other Saturday in the Navy. He is still happily married and wants to be remembered to all.

*Island Ives
was T.R.'s Gunner
became a Minister
which he promised to do when they
flew into a cloud avoiding ak ak*

Tudor Richards

HA - Joy's Lane, Groton, Mass.

CA - Joy's Lane, Groton, Mass.

Tudor was separated October 1, 1945 and had a great sight-seeing trip on the way home from the West Coast, including ascent to the top of Mt. Whitney afoot. He has been attending the School of Forestry at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and is now a Federal Forester in the White Mountain National Forest. Tudor has seen quite a number of the fellows we have not been able to track down, including Ward Mathews. Perhaps he can tell us of Ward's whereabouts for our supplement which will be out in the spring.

James A. Chinn

HA - 12 Heinlen St., Lemoore, Calif.

CA - 24 Bush St., Lemoore, California

"Chinn" was separated September 22, 1945 as a full Lieutenant and is now a Grain Buyer. He is married and has one daughter, Patricia Gail. He says, "Hello, everybody".

Jesse M. Bristow

HA - 7199 Washington Ave., St. Louis, 5, Mo.

CA - 7199 Washington Ave., St. Louis, 5, Mo.

"Jess" was separated September 23, 1945 and is now a banker with the Mercantile Commerce and Trust Co. He is single and reports children "none"!! He says that he has the St. Louis area to himself, but that John Henry came through about a month ago with some woman he claims was his wife. Perhaps he can give us the whereabouts of John and his bride. "Jess" wishes you all lots of health, which sounds more like a doctor than a banker.

Alan "A" Thayer

HA - Grimes, Calif.

CA - Grimes, Calif.

"Ack Ack" was separated September 9, 1945 and is now the Senior partner of the firm Thayer Brothers Flying Service specializing in crop planting and fertilization. This concern would also specialize in pest control if it were in any other state in the Union than California. He is single and proud of the achievement.

William R. Oglesby
HA - 7th & Bois D'Arc St., Pecos, Texas
CA - Box 37, Ft. Worth, 9, Texas

"Oglesby" was released from active duty September 26, 1945 at Jacksonville, Florida and is now attending college. He is single.

Charles M. Martin
HA - 3221 35th St., Astoria, L. I., N. Y.
CA - 3221 35th St., Astoria, L. I., N. Y.

"Charlie" was one of the last to leave the outfit and was separated July 29, 1946. He is now a policeman with the N. Y. City Police Department and will be happy to help any of us when we go to visit the "metropolis". "Charlie" is single, but is not sure if he will be able to maintain the status quo much longer.

Maurice O. Rishel
HA - 89 Seneca Ave., Oneida Castle, N.Y.
CA - Training Barracks Office, NATTC, Memphis, 15, Tennessee.

Rishel was commissioned as a Lieutenant (j.g.) in the regular Navy October 8, 1946. He has had one year duty at NAS, Jacksonville, as a Flight Instructor, Air-Sea Rescue Officer, and Assistant Safety Officer. He was awarded an Honorary Commission in French Naval Aviation, July, 1946. He is now Barracks Officer with collateral duties on Summary Courts Martial Board as recorder, member of Aviation Trouble Board, Officer of the Day, and Security Watch Officer.

Robert M. Ament
HA - 425 Chestnut St., Wyandotte, Michigan
CA - 732 Packard St., Ann Arbor, Michigan

"Bob" was separated September 1, 1945 and is now a student at the University of Michigan. He reports that he is single -- for a while yet. "Bob" says he likes the Annual Almanac idea and wants to keep tab. on the old gang. He is definitely engaged, but does not plan any immediate action.

Charles L. Duss
HA - 811 Jackson St., Macon, Mo.
CA - Fighting Sqdn. 1-L, NAS Atlantic City, N. J.

"Chuck" was commissioned in the regular Navy as of November 1, 1946. He served with XVF-200, NAS Brunswick, Me.; NAS Fentress, Va.; and since November 15, 1946 at his present duty. He has been flying F-6-F's, F-4-U's and F-8-F's. He is planning to make some Carrier Qualification landings aboard the USS Roosevelt in the near future. Duss wants to be remembered to you all, and will be glad to hear from you any time.

James F. Mench
HA - 5521 Colorado Ave. N. W., Washington, D. C.
CA - Box 27, Sr. BOQ, Room 92, NAS Jacksonville, Fla.

"Junior" is still an active reserve officer but expects to be separated in the very near future. He says he is single -- but not for long. He says the Annual Almanac for VB 17 is a swell idea and is looking forward to the first edition. (We hope he'll not be disappointed)