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NEWS Briefs

Toys for Tots wraps up

The annual national campaign for the Marine Corps Reserve's Toys for Tots is wrapping up on Oahu.

Each year the program collects donations of toys for needy children during the Christmas season. In past years, Toys for Tots has collected nearly eight million toys to give to approximately 3.5 children.

National spokesman for this year's campaign is Macaulay Culkin, child star of the movie "Home Alone."

Fourth Force Reconnaissance Co., is leading the campaign on Hawaii and has listed the following sites for drop-off points for people wishing to donate gifts:

Utopia Rental, 1314 S. King St., Suite 706, Honolulu;
Worrall-McCarter, Inc., 201 Hamakua Dr., Kailua;
AVCO Financial Services, 105 Hekili St., Kailua.

Donations should be new, unwrapped toys. The toys will be distributed in the state of Hawaii only.

Blood drive scheduled

The Air Station will be conducting a blood drive on Dec. 20 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the main gym. During the holiday season, the need for blood increases due to an increase in traffic accidents.

For more information, contact Sgt. Davis at 257-7800.

Smith to host small arms competition

Camp H.M. Smith will host the 1992 Fleet Marine Force Pacific Intramural Matches Feb. 3-14. The competition includes firing the M16A2 and 9mm pistol.

This competition should not be confused with the 1992 Pacific Division Matches to be conducted in March.

Individuals who wish to participate should request permission through their chain of command. More guidance will soon be available at unit S-3 sections from match coordinators.

3d MarDiv Association schedules reunion

The 3d Marine Division Association will hold its annual family reunion July 8-12 in San Diego, Calif. All attached personnel and units are invited to help celebrate the 50th anniversary of the 3d Marine Division.

For more information, write to Bill Krueger, 7622 Highland St., Springfield, VA 22150, or call (703) 451-3844.

News comes to Station cable

Channel 2 on Station cable will begin a local news program soon. Tentative scheduling for the 15-minute program is 9 a.m. with rebroadcasts at 3 and 5 p.m., every Monday.

Anyone who has newsworthy items for broadcast on the show should contact SSgt. Stevens at 257-1355.

'We will always remember'



By Sgt. Jason Erickson
Press Chief

Unlike the fateful day of 50 years past, Dec. 7, 1991, found a nation well-prepared for the events of the day. Thousands of the Pearl Harbor survivors who came under attack on that day of infamy were back in Hawaii Saturday. They were wide awake long before dawn and ready to commemorate a turning point in history - ready to remember two hours that forever changed their lives.

Along with them here in Hawaii was the nation's Commander-in-Chief, who is also a World War II veteran.

At ceremonies throughout Oahu, military and civilian leaders joined survivors and their families in emotional ceremonies marking half a century since America was dragged to war.

Standing before thousands at a sunrise dedication at the National Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl, an emotionally charged President George Bush spoke for the nation as he said "we remember the moment when the Pacific Ocean erupted in a storm of fire and blood. We remember a morning when America, where some thought isolation meant security, awoke wounded and reeling, plunged into a desperate fight for world freedom."

As he spoke, aging faces nodded slowly and wisely; faces of men who were witness to that morning half a century ago and remember the hellish events with vivid clarity. Many fought back tears as the president spoke of friends who never made it through that morning to see the forces of totalitarianism thrown back by American might and resolve.

But it was not in vain that these men died, he said. It was so that others could be free.

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Commandant downplays cutbacks, predicts 'golden age' for Corps

Editor's note: The following article was compiled by reports from the MCRD San Diego Chevrons and the Los Angeles Times.

Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. Carl E. Mundy Jr. downplayed pessimism about current and impending force cutbacks and budgetary losses in a recent speech in Los Angeles during a Navy League luncheon.

Gen. Mundy went so far as to predict a "golden age" for Marines and the Navy forces that support them. He noted the recent slacking of Cold War tensions - which has shifted U.S. military focus toward regional conflicts - as the basis for his optimism.

The general also pointed out the fact that the faces of America's enemies are changing

every day in today's new world order.

He declared the U.S. victorious in the 75-year war on Communism as well as in the 45-year Cold War with the Soviet Union, but added, "there are bad guys out there." The problem, Gen. Mundy said, is trying to identify just who is a friend and who is foe, because nothing is certain at this point.

However, Gen. Mundy said no one can compete militarily with the U.S.

"No one is going to catch us technologically and nobody has an armed force like that of America," he said. "No one can take us on conventionally ... there isn't anybody who can lick us" and "anybody who tries is going to get waxed."

Gen. Mundy cited the massive success of the U.S.-led coalition forces in the Persian Gulf War,

and used it as a prime example for his vision of the future for the Corps, where he sees lightly-armed Marines and their Navy support units as "facilitators" for the introduction of heavier Army units to deliver the "Sunday punch" to the enemy. The Army has mobile airborne troops that, like the Marines, can respond to a variety of situations quickly, but the Corps' Maritime Prepositioning Force can also deliver logistical supplies such as food, weapons and ammunition much quicker than the Air Force can airlift similar Army supplies. This is important, the general said, in fulfilling the rapid response mission that goes along with low-intensity conflicts that are most likely what U.S. forces will be involved with in the near future.

Most of these measured

responses will be assigned to light Marine amphibious forces, Gen. Mundy said. "Clearly, we don't any longer need large standing armed forces," he said.

In an attempt to counter critics of amphibious forces that say amphibious warfare had become obsolete on the modern battlefield, Gen. Mundy offered a recent example of how amphibious operations can be effective even today. During the Persian Gulf War, Mundy said, a large Marine amphibious force was staged in Navy ships off the coast of Kuwait, and though the Marines never landed, they occupied the attention of several Iraqi divisions and served as a huge distraction from the main Allied ground forces that swept into Iraq.

"You would not want to be

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Separation packages receive OK

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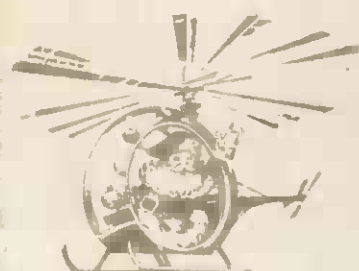
Military members who voluntarily leave the service may qualify to get money from one of two new DoD incentive packages recently approved as part of the National Defense Authorization Act for 1992 and 1993. According to Manpower officials from Headquarters Marine Corps, an ALMAR will be published soon describing the programs and telling how they will apply to Marines.

The two packages, the Voluntary Separation Incentive and special separations benefits, were designed to help the services cut personnel strength by 20 percent and realign the force structure during the drawdown. DoD officials hope the payments will ease transition to civilian life and

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Only 12 more shopping days 'till Christmas!

WWII Marines set standard for modern Corps

By Sgt. Jason Erickson
Press Chief

MARINE BARRACKS

(7:55 a.m., Dec. 7, 1941) - It's a quiet Sunday morning, 1st Lt. Cornelius C. Smith, the officer of the day, has the men assembled on the parade deck for inspection as the old and new guard details are relieved and posted. It is minutes away from morning colors and the men stand at ease. Into this age-old scene of traditional Marine Corps order and discipline, death and destruction comes screaming down. As the Japanese war planes fly almost directly over the Barracks in their route to battleship row, Smith directs the call to fire and for all intents and purposes the Second World War begins...

MARINE BARRACKS (5 p.m., Dec. 6, 1991) - It is just before evening colors on the eve

of the 50th anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack. The members of today's Marine guard are assembled on the parade deck, as their predecessors had been 50 years before. Dropping behind buildings in the distance, the sun paints orange the knowing faces of the men who had stood on these very grounds fifty years earlier as they sit observing their dress-blue clad legacy assembled before them.

It is a commemoration of the Pearl Harbor attack which brought these two generations of warriors together Friday, but it is age-old Marine traditions which inseparably bond them.

In addition to surviving members from the Marine Barracks, the crowd of hundreds at the ceremony Friday included Marines who were stationed at posts and with ships detachments all around the island during the attack.

Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. Carl E. Mundy Jr. spoke during the ceremony, and his message was both a remembrance of the heroics of 'Pearl Harbor Marines,' and an assurance to these survivors that today's Corps is still the elite force they knew 50 years ago.

"We gather here tonight to remember a very special date in our history, Dec. 7, 1941 (and) the Marines who played such a gallant role in the defense of Pearl Harbor that day," the General said as darkness befell the parade grounds.

"...we remember the Marines who fought here, and especially those who died here at their posts, defending their ships, their comrades and their nation," he continued.

Transitioning into the significance of the day's events, Gen. Mundy said that day has taken its place in the proud history of the Corps, and serves as a standard for today's Marines to measure themselves by. The Commandant went as far as to say that in many ways, the Corps that we have today is founded on the Marine Corps that emerged in World War II. "That began right here, 50 years ago," he added.

"Thanks to Marines like you, who established the tradition and set the standards with what America has come to expect from her Marines, the Corps has become an institution on which the American public knows it can always depend...Our nation owes you, and our nation owes our Corps a great debt."

As he sat listening to the Commandant's speech, Richard Fiske was very moved by what he heard. "I have never, ever been so touched; so proud to be a former Marine as I was while Gen. Mundy spoke," Fiske said. "His comments were very sincere and I was deeply moved that he appreciated our sacrifices so much."

Following Gen. Mundy's remarks, retired Col. Cornelius Smith, the same man who had been the officer of the day during the attack as a first lieutenant, read a poem he'd written titled "Pearl Harbor Fifty Years Later" (reprinted in full at left). Only Smith and the podium behind which he stood were lit as he spoke the words of his poem. But faintly in the background, the chords of the Marines' Hymn were being played by the FMFPac Band.

Then came the names of the 109 Marines who died that day 50 years ago. Some were brothers by blood, most were

brothers by bond. Some died on ship, others died manning posts at the various bases around the island. All were heroes.

Retired MGySgt. Winfred Prosser was very moved to hear the names, and to be in Hawaii in the exact place he'd been in when the attack began. Prosser, who now lives in Oceanside, Calif., had been assigned to the Barracks at the time of the attack, but wasn't on duty at the time. In fact, he said he was at the enlisted club with the manager, having a beer and helping him set up for Sunday's business. Once the attack commenced, he grabbed a gun and joined the fight.

While he is very happy about the attention the Pearl Harbor attack is getting right now, he said basically, "America doesn't remember." Kids aren't taught enough about the attack, and what allowed it to happen, he added. "It's not like the old days. They used to teach kids all about history."

Fiske, however, hopes and believes that the nation will never forget Pearl Harbor. Like nearly all of the former Marines there, he wore proudly atop his head a hat declaring his lifetime membership in the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, adorned with other significant artifacts, such as his sergeant chevron and an Eagle Globe and Anchor.

Fiske is now a volunteer at the Arizona Memorial, something he said he does to help make sure people know what happened, by hearing how it was first hand from someone who was there, not in history books.

At the time of the attack, Fiske was a private stationed aboard the USS West Virginia. He was a field musician; a hugler. After watching friends and admired leaders killed and maimed by the bombs that struck his ship, Fiske said he was furious. He carried that anger through the war, and long after it was over.

"I couldn't even look at a Japanese person without becoming angry," Fiske recalled. He said that bleeding ulcers are what finally made him start to deal with his anger. "After a few years, it largely went away, but the anger wasn't actually gone, I'd only suppressed it."

Nowadays, however, he is ready to put the anger aside and learn to be friends with his former enemies. In fact, during the past week, he met with three Japanese pilots who participated in the attack, one of whom actually bombed the

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Once a drill instructor, always a drill instructor, as this Pearl Harbor attack survivor illustrates.



A group of survivors march during a parade held in downtown Waikiki Dec. 6.



Sgt. John E. Crona

A retired Marine survivor of the Pearl Harbor attack salutes during the playing of the national anthem.

Pearl Harbor ... 50 years later

A poem by Col. Cornelius Smith, USMC retired

Once, in the lovely springtime of our years --
The world was ours, we had no fears.
We danced 'til dawn, we played the fool,
and there was laughter, never tears.
Do you recall those happy nights at Lau Yee Chai --
the moonlight walks along the Ala Wai?
Ang's steaks at Kemoo Farms and P.Y. Chong's,
the hula girls of sweet Hawaiian songs?

Could there in your memory be a place as fine as Waikiki
And when you went to Diamond Head,
did you pine for other lands instead?
And how about Hanalei and Makapuu,
where crystal sands were waiting just for you?
Ewa, Hale-Ewa and the rest --
in the heartstrings of the mind they're still the best.

The boulevards we walked along -- Kalaheua, Bishop, King,
Bring memories of that vibrant, youthful fling.
Lei girls sold their garlands of Pikokoi in the street,
and Chinese strings of gristle smelled to heaven in the heat.

Oh, it was lovely, innocent and brave, a distant magic time,
In memory, nostalgic; in retrospect, sublime.
For in the midst of that sweet life, a moment came and then --
Our lives were changed forever, and we can't go back again.

For in that dreadful moment, swift death came screaming down,
And wreckage hot and ugly lay twisted on the ground.
Oil-slick waters caught the flames, the churning, burning waves,
And valiant men slipped quickly down to cool and quiet graves.

The "Pennsy" lay in dry dock and positioned at her bow,
The tin cans Downes and Cassin are waiting for it now.
All the ships along the line are belching shot and shell,
From Hickam to Pearl City, the Harbor is a Hell.

And then the strikers fly away, to safety, while below,
The brutal scene of murder burns within the fiery glow.
Drowning in a blackened sea are men with sightless eyes,
And we who came to pull them out can hear the awful cries.

That night there stood a sentry, in the quiet calm of night;
His rifle clutched within his hand, his jaw was set and tight.
Before him stacked upon the ground in boxes row on row,
His comrades lay in honored death, beneath the cold stars' glow.

We all went on to fight the war, wherever the war might be,
From Guadalcanal to Tarawa -- from "Kwaj" to the Coral Sea.
Some stormed ashore at Saipan, Leyte, Iwo Jima, Guam,
To root the enemy from his hole with shot, and shell, and bomb.

At last that war was over, and others came into view,
Now names like Inchon, Panmunjom are half-forgotten too.
Da Nang, Saigon, Hue, Hanoi and the eerie DMZ,
Are the ghosts of our sons, and the men they loved, and not for you and me.

We waited in agony and shame, a writhing, captive nation,
During that darkest of our hours -- the hostage "situation."
A man in a single, panel truck, where terrorism thrives;
Drives into a compound, and takes two hundred lives.

The flames of war engulf the world -- Angola, El Salvador,
Afghanistan, Grenada, and so very many more.
No one knows how it may end, or missiles detonate,
In this strange and troubled world, we can but sit and wait.

Still, all our hearts were filled with pride,
For no one could perform
With greater honor, force and might
Than the troops of "Desert Storm."

But in a grand historic sense, we saw it all begin,
The old world changed into the new -- to take us where we've been.
We did our part -- We fought the fight -- We served our country
proudly.

Now take the credit which is ours, we all boast about it loudly.
The years are passing swiftly by, your hair is gray or white,
And some have slipped across the land from evening into night.
Fifty years have come and gone, but we can say, each one,
I was there, December seventh, nineteen forty-one.

Ewa Marines felt fury of surprise attack

By Sgt. Robert Louch, USMCR
Special to the Hawaii Marine

For most Americans the beginning of World War II was at 7:55 A.M., December 7, 1941, when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor.

The war exploded upon the Marines stationed at MCAS Ewa two minutes earlier, however, when nine Japanese Zero fighters peeled away from the main strike force headed toward Pearl Harbor and devastated the unsuspecting air station located just west of Pearl Harbor.

Marines who survived that attack came together Dec. 7, to honor their fallen comrades and recall the events of that day during the dedication of a monument honoring the courageous efforts of the Ewa Field defenders. The monument is a 5-foot-tall stone structure with an illustrated history of the attack on Ewa Field placed on top. It was made possible through the efforts of the National Park Service, the Navy League of the United

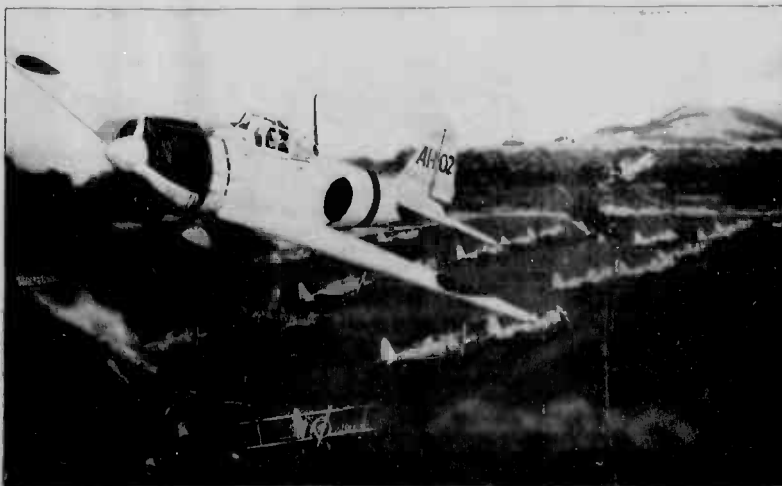
States, and Naval Air Station Barbers Point, which is now located on what used to be Ewa Field. Almost 200 people attended the dedication

ceremony, many of them Marines who survived the initial attack 50 years ago.

In 1941, Ewa MCAS was the center for Marine Corps

Aviation on Oahu and the home for Marine Air Group 21. MSgt. Maynard Julson was attached to MAG-21 when the

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A painting depicting the attack on Ewa Field was donated as part of the memorial.



Marines from Base Air Detachment 2, Naval Air Station Coronado, Calif., were part of MAG-21 stationed at Ewa Field when the Japanese attacked. Sgt. Charles Jensen can be seen in the third row, behind the second man from the right in the first row.

Heroes return



(clockwise from top left) Marines in a firing detail during a 21-gun salute at the Marine Barracks Dec. 6. Col. R.R. Crawford, Station commander, talks with a survivor of the attack at Kaneohe. LCpl. Michael Wills plays Taps at a ceremony for VP-11 here Dec 7. Survivors march in Waikiki wearing their old uniforms. USS Arizona survivors march during the Dec. 6 parade.

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Younger Marines hear attack accounts first-hand

By Sgt. Jason Erickson
Press Chief

Emotions have run deep around these parts during the past week. They were imported from all over the country, and they descended upon Hawaii in mass as thousands of Pearl Harbor attack survivors flocked here for the 50th anniversary of that infamous day.

Sorrow, joy, relief, anger, forgiveness and pain were just a few of the feelings that surfaced as these men and women, "Heroes of the Harbor," as President George Bush called them, displayed during their pilgrimage back to the place where it all began.

Active duty Marines of today have played a key role in their commemorative ceremonies, and it seems some of those emotions have rubbed off.

"I felt incredibly proud and moved to be a part of these historic events," said LCpl. Timothy Black of Headquarters and Service Company, Marine Barracks, Hawaii. Black was one of two Marines who raised the colors on the USS Arizona

Memorial during the ceremony held there Saturday morning with President Bush standing only a few feet away. "To think, exactly 50 years earlier at that very moment, some of the people standing right next to me were standing on the Arizona in this very spot fighting for their lives -- it was mind boggling."

The other Marine with him was SSgt. Derek Fry from HqSvCo. at the Barracks. Fry was also overwhelmed to be involved. "Just looking at these guys and thinking about what they had done made me feel very honored and extremely proud." He said, however, that the weight of the event didn't really sink in until later that night as he watched a television special covering the attack.

"That's when the significance of the commemoration really hit me. I felt awfully proud to have met these guys -- they are living history."

Black and Fry aren't the only Marines to have come in contact with their counterparts of yesteryear, and they weren't the only ones who experienced

emotions of pride after their encounters. Hundreds of Marines throughout the island participated in the various commemorative events last week.

Marines from the Barracks were kept especially busy, providing colors and firing details for several ceremonies, including an evening parade at the Pearl Harbor Barracks itself.

During this event, held Dec. 6 Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. Carl E. Mundy Jr. characterized the bond between both generations by saying that "as Marines, we never let ourselves forget that those things that are worth living for were bought with the blood, the sacrifice and the sheer courage of those who came before us, like you here tonight...In many ways, the Corps that we have today is founded on the Marine Corps that emerged in World War II, and that began right here, fifty years ago."

In addition to the evening parade, the Barracks also hosted a morning colors ceremony, after which, approximately 15 young "devil dogs" served as guides for groups of Marine survivors on a tour of the modern facilities.

LCpl. Eric Jones, a driver for the Joint Public Affairs Office

at the Air Station conducted several tours during the week for returning survivors who were stationed at what was then the Kaneohe Naval Air Station. He said he must have met, shook hands with and talked to more than 20 survivors of Dec. 7, 1941. It had a profound effect on Jones.

"I was actually talking to men that history had been written about," Jones said. "It really brought the attack into perspective. I mean, this one guy stood in the spot where he was firing at an incoming Japanese plane, telling me all about how he felt and what it was like. He seemed pretty excited about reliving it, but I don't know if he realized how exciting it was to be hearing about it. It was amazing."

On Dec. 7, when the majority of the major ceremonies were held, Marines from Camp Smith, Kaneohe Bay and Marine Barracks gathered long before the dawn at the National Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl to put on one of the biggest ceremonies around the Island.

Thousands of survivors and their families gathered at the Punchbowl that day to hear President Bush give his first of three speeches about the 50th anniversary. Additionally, after the President departed the

Punchbowl following his speech, a commemorative ceremony was held. Marines in blue dress "D" uniforms dotted the crowd throughout the morning. Several members of the FMFPac Band played music for the event. Other Marines helped direct traffic. Some acted as a perimeter security force while the President was in the area. Others served in a wreath carrying detail, a ceremonial firing detail or a colors detail.

Most took more away from their participation in the event than merely the work they'd done. They had played a part in an event that, if nothing else in their eyes, was the focus of National attention. And to many, the media's interest meant nothing compared to the historical significance of participating in an event that marked the 50th year since the attack on Pearl Harbor changed the world.

For LCpl. Black, the highlight of the day was not being next to the President, although he said this was also very exciting. It was when Medal of Honor recipient Donald K. Ross approached him. Ross was the young Marine who got the USS Nevada under steam in the midst of the Pearl Harbor attack.

"He actually came up to me and sincerely asked if he could have the honor of posing for a



A Marine from Marine Barracks, Hawaii, waits to participate in an evening parade honoring Marine survivors of the attack.

picture with me," Black said. "I couldn't believe this famous man actually considered it an honor to be in a photo with me -- it was totally the other way around."

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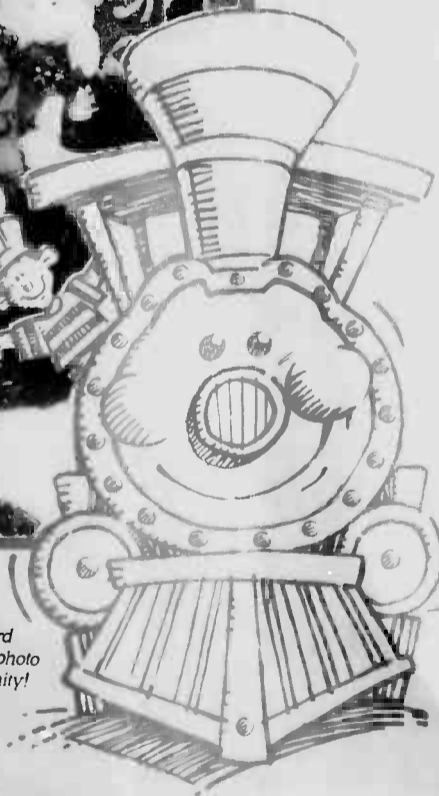
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Kaneohe Klippers remember fallen comrades

By Sgts. Jason Erickson and Kevin Dool
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Some have gone as far as to say no one remembers Kaneohe Bay, referring to the fact that

the attack on the then Naval Air Station was forgotten, overshadowed by the events at Pearl Harbor. In many ways, they are right. Mention "Pearl Harbor" to anyone across the country and chances are, a

knowing reply will follow. Mention Kaneohe Bay, and you're more likely to be asked to say it slower, so they can figure out what you've just said. Kaneohe Bay. Nope, never heard of it.

It is a sad predicament. The cry went out during the war: "Remember Pearl Harbor!" America headed the call, and today, it is still quite well remembered. But what of the other bases around the island? While not incurring as many casualties or suffering as much material damage, these sites were no less scared by the surprise attack of Dec. 7, 1941. In fact, Kaneohe was, according to most historical accounts, as well as those by survivors, the first hit during the Sunday morning bombing.

As they gathered here Dec. 3, members of the Kaneohe Klippers Association spoke of their experiences that morning, and it was clear that the fire and fury of the Japanese attack was nothing to forget.

"I was sleeping in when the attack began. All hell broke loose," recalled Wallace J. Hanna. "I hear the strafing and jumped up, got dressed and

headed to the hangar."

He said he got to the hangar and like everyone else, tried desperately to find a weapon to use against the attacking planes.

"We got hold of a .50 caliber machine gun and some other sailors and I found a tree to camouflage the truck we had it in behind and waited."

Soon after, they spotted a three salvos of three bombers coming from the north toward the base. He said the first salvo dropped a bomb on the hangar and "it ballooned out as it exploded. There was a car parked next to it that was thrown by the explosion up above the hangar." He even recalled that it was a 1935 Ford, although he didn't remember the model.

Jack Harris, also a survivor of the attack stationed at K-Bay, said he remembers their commanding officer, Cmdr. H.M. Martin (who later retired as a captain) often warning his Marines and sailors that trouble with the Japanese was imminent.

"He told us on Nov. 30, 1944 that we were closer to war than we'll ever be without actually

firing a shot. Eight days later we were at war," Harris said.

"But we all expected it to be sabotage, not an actual attack." James Evans was a member of the Marine detachment, and said that while the two hours of the attack were chaotic, they were nothing compared to the next few days afterwards.

"It was total chaos around here," Evans recalled. "Nobody knew what was going on and we were hearing all kinds of erroneous reports, like that the Japanese had staged an amphibious landing at the other end of the Station, or into Kailua."

He added that at night, people were shooting at rocks and bushes just because their eyes were playing tricks on them. But after about a week, he said, things calmed down. "I think mostly the panic and excitement got old and people decided to settle down."

The ceremony Dec. 3 included a wreath laying by Station Commanding Officer Col. R.R. Crawford and Klippers Association President Barney Langer.

There was also a ceremony held at the Air Station Dec. 7 at the time when the attack began

50 years ago.

Approximately 30 men from former Kaneohe-based Naval squadrons VP-11, -12 and -14 returned to Hangar 1 to remember the moment when Japanese Zeros and bombers, screaming out of the sky, attacked their base and killed 18 of their fellow sailors and one civilian.

Most of the men were from VP-11, including George Poulos, now living in California, but who was a 24-year-old ensign at the time of the attack. The next day he flew his first PBY patrol.

Also returning to Kaneohe were sailors of the present day VP-11, now stationed at Brunswick, Maine. Approximately 15 VP-11 personnel flew into Kaneohe in the modern-day naval patrol plane, the P3 Charlie (Update 2.5). Parked on the Station flight line, the Brunswick sailors gave tours of the P3 to their WWII predecessors.

In his speech honoring the 18 Kaneohe sailors killed in the attack, Poulos compared them to the 300 Spartans who, in 480 B.C., gave their lives at Thermopylae to hold back 30,000

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Jack Harris points out the inscription on the memorial for those who were killed at the Air Station Dec. 7, 1941, to fellow survivors of the attack.

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At 7:55 a.m., the USS Chosin, sailing past the USS Arizona Memorial, sounded a piercing blast of her whistle at the exact moment when 50 years earlier, the first bombs fell on the sleepy little harbor. This signaled an emotional minute of silence to honor the fallen heroes of the attack, which was broken by the roar of four Hawaiian Air National Guard F-15s flying in missing-man formation.

Standing on the Arizona

Memorial later in the morning, President Bush peered out over the sunken ship below and watched as tiny drops of oil broke to the surface, something that happens every 15 seconds. The President likened these tiny oil gasps to "God himself" crying for the living and the dead. "Look at the water here - clear and quiet, bidding us to sum up and remember. One day, in what now seems another lifetime, it wrapped its arms around the finest sons any nation could ever have; and it carried them to a better world. May God bless them."

By this time, the President had tears in his eyes and his emotional state caused a lump

in his throat. He dropped the final lines of this speech, ending only with "May God Bless America, the most wondrous land on earth," after which he abruptly took his seat.

But later in the morning, before a crowd at Kilo 8 Pier, the President turned his attention to healing the wounds of the war, while also keeping a firm eye fixed on the lessons of the past.

"World War II is over," he said. "It is history. We won. We crushed totalitarianism; and when that was done we helped our enemies give birth to democracies."

He added that he has no rancor in his heart towards Germany or Japan, and urged his fellow veterans to hold none in theirs.

But his message against isolationism was strong and clearly present in all three of his speeches Sunday. At the Punchbowl, he said that winning the peace demands preparedness, not pacifism. "We avoided a third World War because we were prepared to defend the Free World against aggressors." On the Arizona Memorial, he said World War II taught the nation that isolationism is "a bankrupt notion - the world does not stop

at our water's edge.

"We stand here today on the site of tragedy spawned by isolationism," President Bush told the survivors and their families at Kilo 8 Pier. "And it is here we must learn - and this time avoid - the dangers of today's isolationism and its economic accomplice, protectionism."

As a nation and as individuals, he explained, we must remember. "To those who have defended our country - from the shores of Guadalcanal to the hills of Korea; and from the jungles of Vietnam to the sands of Kuwait - I say this:

We will always remember. We will always be prepared - prepared to take on aggression, prepared to step forward in reconciliation and prepared to secure the peace."

He concluded his speech, and in fact his overnight visit to Hawaii, saying: "No, I have no rancor in my heart. I can still see the faces of my fallen comrades, and I'll bet you can see the faces of your fallen comrades, too. But don't you think they're saying: 'Fifty years have passed. Our country is the undisputed leader of the free world. We are at peace.' Don't you think each one is saying: 'I did not die in vain.'"

DoD outlines separation pay

PAY/from A-1
 minimize involuntary separations.

The options will be offered to some servicemembers who have between six and 20 years of service. Eligibility will be based on job skills, time in service and pay grades, said Christopher Jehn, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Management and Personnel. DoD has not set limits on the number or types of separations; the services will decide because they know what they need, Jehn said.

The Voluntary Separation Incentive is annual payments for a period twice as long as the years a member has served. The amount of each payment is 2.5 percent of the member's final annual base pay multiplied by the number of years served. For example, an E-6 with 10 years of service would receive \$4,695 per year for 20 years, or a total of \$93,906.

VSI payments can be bequeathed to a servicemember's survivors and will be paid until the term ends, Jehn said. The money is taxable and the entitlement cannot be sold.

Under the special separation benefits package, servicemembers will receive a lump-sum payment of 15 percent of their annual base pay multiplied by the number of years served. For example, the same E-6 would receive a flat, taxable \$28,172. Jehn said a person who takes this option may also be eligible for certain involuntary separation benefits, including two years of commissary and exchange privileges and up to four months of medical coverage.

Servicemembers who accept either package incur a reserve duty obligation, Jehn said.

The special separation choice, for instance, carries a three-year commitment. Under the VSI program, the reserve duty and yearly payment periods are the same. That is, the E-6 with 10 years' service is required to serve 20 years in the reserve components.

Reserve and force management officials are working on the policy governing reserve duty for servicemembers who elect VSI and special separation benefits.

Program costs and savings aren't readily available at this time, Jehn said. Those figures depend on the number of people who select the packages and which one they take, as well as their current pay and allowances.

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Calling the Japanese attack "shameful and dastardly," Poulos also called upon men everywhere to rededicate themselves to find ways and means for everlasting peace.

The ceremony ended with a roll call of the Kaneohe-based WWII veterans, and the answers of "here, sir" and "present," rang out, probably never as proud and emotional as that morning, 50 years to the day after the attack which drew them back to remember.



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A Marine was apprehended by Honolulu Police for driving under the influence, driving on a suspended license and no proof of Hawaii no-fault insurance after he was observed weaving between lanes while driving in Kailua. The Marine was held on bail awaiting a scheduled court date.

Other incidents

MPs apprehended a Marine for burglary, after he was observed entering a barracks room. The room was occupied by two female Marines who awoke upon hearing noises. The Marine was identified, apprehended and transported to the Military Police Dept., where he admitted to stealing a camera, wallet, and bracelet from the room.

MPs detained seven civilians for illegal solicitation after it was reported there were several individuals in station housing attempting to sell vacuum cleaners. MPs detained the salespersons and transported them to PMO, where further investigation revealed one of them had an outstanding warrant for an unpaid traffic citation. He was released to the Honolulu Police Dept., and the other civilians were escorted off the installation.

A Marine was apprehended for assault and being in a family disturbance after the Marine and his wife were involved in a verbal altercation which led to the Marine pushing his wife against a wall and holding her there by the neck. The Marine was apprehended and transported to PMO. The wife declined medical attention.

MPs apprehended a Marine for communicating a threat after the Marine's wife reported her husband had

See **BLOTTER**/page A-11

Weight Loss Surprises Researchers

WASHINGTON—A nutrition organization was hopeful that a nutritionally complete "hi-tech" food tablet would help erase world hunger problems, until a study revealed that one of the ingredients could cause significant weight loss.

Although other studies and scientists may not agree, researchers in Europe found that the ingredient, a natural plant colloid, actually caused people to lose weight, even though specifically instructed not to alter normal eating patterns, according to one study published in the prestigious British Journal of Nutrition. Researchers in an earlier study had speculated that the weight loss was due to a decrease in the intestinal absorption of calories.

While the project of National Dietary Research, aptly named Food Source One, would not be used to successfully fulfill its original goal, the formula which has since been improved with other natural colloids has been a windfall for some overweight people. A Daytona Beach, Florida woman fighting a weight battle for 12 years used the product on the recommendation of her physician and lost 30 pounds. She stated, "Not only have I lost 30 pounds, but my cholesterol has dropped from 232 to 143. I have two closets full of clothes which have not fit me in two years that I can now wear."

In a separate report, a telephone interview revealed that a Wilmington, North Carolina pharmacist lost 14 pounds in 3 weeks on the product and was never hungry. Food Source One tablets are part of National Dietary Research's comprehensive plan to bring a rapid end to obesity in this country. A variety of nutritionally sound diet plans, specially prepared by NDR, accompany each bottle and provide a natural, drug free alternative for confronting the problem of obesity.

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By LCpl. Kimberlee K. Sims
Okinawa Marine Staff Writer

POHANG, Republic of Korea—Early on a cold, dark November day, Marines listened in tense silence to their orders for D-Day.

For pilots and maintenance crew of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 364, their mission is to transport troops and cargo to numerous locations during the amphibious landing of Valiant Blitz '92.

"Our mission was to support the ground support element by transporting supplies, troops, medic or cargo from ship to shore or wherever it was needed," said Capt. Larry Putnam, squadron operations officer. "I guess you could say we are the Marine Corps bus drivers of the sky. We take whatever to wherever, whenever they need us."

HMM-364 is also known as the Purple Foxes. "We received the name during Vietnam because of all the Purple Hearts we received," said Putnam.

"D-Day for the Purple Foxes involved skill, patience and continuous movement, landing on ship, picking up troops and cargo and then dropping them off ashore," said Putnam.

"In order to accomplish their missions the pilot and his crew chief had to work together.

"The pilot takes care of everything in the cockpit, while the crew chief's job is to take care of everything in the back of the bird," said Cpl. Allen Jones, crew chief.

"We have to be the eyes in the back of the pilot's head," he continued. "We can tell what altitude and

height a pilot needs to be at before he can land aboard ship or shore."

Although the crew chief performs many different jobs, for this mission, Jones and his assistant, LCpl. Cory Benjamin, had specific duties aboard the aircraft.

"We were responsible for making sure the troops wore life preservers and seatbelts while aboard," said Jones. "We also had to make sure they were ready to depart when we landed.

"HMM-364 does excellent work as a unit and being a '364 crew chief is the best job an enlisted Marine could have in the Corps," bragged Jones.

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Legally Speaking

Legal Services Center to coordinate local income tax assistance

By Capt. Steve Austin
Legal Services Center

The Legal Services Center is sponsoring and coordinating the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program this year. VITA is available to dependents, retirees, military personnel and civilians who work aboard the installation.

The program will begin January 13 and will continue through April 16, 1991. Training classes for all unit VITA representatives will be conducted January 7-10 in the Tun Tavern Room of the Enlisted Club.

VITA representatives from each unit will receive instruction from representatives of the IRS and the Revenue Department of the State of Hawaii. In addition, a Judge Advocate from the Legal Assistance Office will teach topics of particular inter-

est to the military community. Upon completion of the course, the unit VITA representatives will be qualified to assist in the preparation of the more common tax forms.

The operation of the VITA program is founded on cost-free assistance in the preparation of tax returns. VITA representatives will be available at their units to assist individuals in the preparation of their tax returns. The Legal Assistance Office will provide follow-up assistance in cases beyond the expertise of the unit VITA representatives. No person may be referred to or seen at the Legal Assistance Office without first contacting his unit VITA representative.

The Legal Assistance Office will again have the services of VITA volunteer, retired Marine

Corps CWO-4 Bill Thomas. Thomas will be available at the Legal Services Center through April 16, 1991. Times that he will be available to provide assistance will be given in the near future. Appointments to see Thomas can be arranged through Legal Assistance at 257-0874/75/76.

The VITA volunteers will have forms 1040EZ, 1040A and the long form 1040. These forms, as well as the less common federal forms and the majority of the various state forms can be picked up at the Legal Assistance Office in the Legal Services Center, building 256, during morning work hours from 8 to 10 a.m.

Over the next five months, the "Legal Matters" column will offer guidance on various issues concerning the preparation of the 1990 income tax return.

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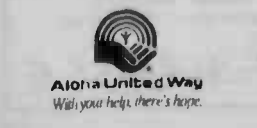
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EWA/from A-2
Japanese attacked. "I was asleep in my bunk that morning," recalled the 84-year-old Julson.

When I got outside I saw planes with big red meatballs on their wings strafing the hell out of us and I knew it was the Japs who were attacking. The majority of our planes were burning like mad!"

Official military records document just how bad the damage was. Of the 49 planes stationed at Ewa, 33 were destroyed and the 16 remaining aircraft were all damaged.

"The way the planes were lined up you had to expect them to be destroyed," said Charles Jensen, 71, a Marine sergeant when the attack occurred. "I would've been surprised if they weren't destroyed."

Despite the initial confusion and devastation of the air attack, Marines started to fight back as quickly as they could get their hands on firearms and ammunition. "We were all looking frantically for arms," recalled Julson. "About the only thing available was the old Springfield 0-3 rifle and many of us couldn't even get a hold of one of those!"



Maynard Julson reads the inscription on the new monument.

Emil Peters and Pvt. William Turner jumped into the rear cockpit of a SBD-2 bomber and began returning fire with the machine gun. Peters fired the weapon as Turner fed the belts of ammunition. Both men were wounded during the attack but downed a Japanese fighter first. Turner later died of his wounds and was awarded the Bronze Star for bravery. All told, four Marines lost their lives that day at Ewa Field and 13 more were wounded.

memorial was a very moving event for both me and my wife," said Bill Lucius, a supply sergeant at Ewa who helped assemble Browning Automatic Machine Guns to defend the station during the attack. "Most people don't know what happened here at Ewa Field December 7th and Marines aren't given much credit for their actions during the attack. I hope this monument will encourage others to remember the brave Marines showed in fighting back against the Japs 50 years ago.

COMMANDANT/from A-1
without that capability," Gen. Mundy said.

The Corps examined itself, he continued, by starting with one basic question: "Does the nation need a Marine Corps?"

"We determined that if our country did not have the capabilities our Corps brings, the U.S. would have to create them because we offer a truly unique and special service," he said. "Besides, the nation demands a Marine Corps.

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Gen. Carl E. Mundy Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps

STANDARD/from A-2
West Virginia. Fiske said while he was apprehensive about meeting the pilots at first, the exchanges they've had have been very moving for him and his Japanese counterparts.

"The war is over. We need to put our anger behind us," Fiske added. He said there are a few veterans out there who still hold on to their anger, but he said they need to let it go, "otherwise it will eat them up inside and kill them."

"I remember being told long ago about a passage in the Bible that says 'Forgive them father, for they know not what they do.' Jesus said that. I think we should take his wisdom to heart. Out of the ashes that are the remains of the attack and the war, we should build something good - a good world for everyone. It's time."

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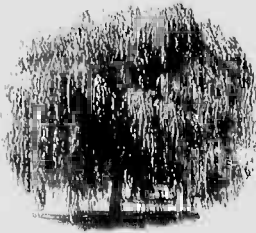
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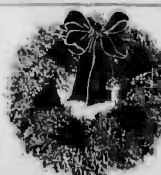
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Expert: 'Terrorism getting bloodier, more indiscriminate'

By Army MSgt. Linda Lee
American Forces Information Service

The good news is fewer acts of terrorism occurred in 1990 than in 1989. The bad news is terrorism may become bloodier in the 1990s.

"Terrorism is getting bloodier, more brutal, more indiscriminate," said Brian Jenkins, an expert in terrorism, at a recent DoD conference on anti-terrorism. "The terrorists don't care who gets hurt."

The face of terrorism in the 1990s is hard to describe, although experts can make limited guesses based on past experiences, Jenkins said. Unfortunately, he added, intelligence data deal only with short-term forecasts - "We can't make straight-line predictions."

Adding to the confusion are international changes just pipe dreams a few years ago, he said. The decline of competition between the superpowers, the erosion of traditional alliances, the Persian Gulf war, the loss of Marxism's appeal and the collapse of communism are just a few global changes affecting terrorists.

"...there has been only 268 days in the last 15 years when an American has not been held hostage by a terrorist group."

State-sponsored terrorism is still a major force, but not to the extent it has been during the last 20 years, Jenkins said. When the Soviet Union began working with Western nations in 1988 to combat terrorism, he noted, some countries that had offered safe haven or actively supported the groups began to cooperate in the fight against terrorism.

The course of terrorism in the 1990s was easy to plot because of the way it emerged and grew in the 1970s, said Jenkins. In the early years, terrorist organizations were busy developing their weapons, tactics and rhetoric.

"State-sponsored terrorism would be a growing problem, international terrorism would be recognized as a new mode of warfare, and terrorists would not resort to nuclear weapons or other weapons of mass destruction," he added. The predictions were not too far off, but he admits

there were a number of surprises. This list includes the wave of kidnappings in Beirut, the Soviet Union seeking dialogue with the United States and other Western nations, the U.S. use of the military to retaliate against Libya and Iran, and the suicide truck bombings against the U.S. and French embassies in Beirut.

Jenkins said there have been only 268 days in the last 15 years when an American has not been held hostage by a terrorist group.

"Almost certainly, we can say that terrorism will continue," said Jenkins, who believes that with the decline of Marxist ideology, other motives will move people to terrorism.

"Religion, localized nationalism or separatism

and democracy are continuing powerful forces" for everyone including terrorist organizations, he said, but they are not the only ones. He added counterattacks by drug traffickers, animal-rights activism, ecological terrorism, xenophobia and racism as emotional areas that could push people into violence.

Jenkins predicted international terrorism will continue to expand during the decade because with today's technology "we can't say that it's over there and that it won't stop over here," he said. "Terrorism has assumed global proportions; they want a lot of people watching them."

They can attack anytime and anywhere, he stressed. "There's little pressure to

innovate, to find a new way of accomplishing their goal," Jenkins said. "They can solve any problem by simply moving their target. Terrorists prefer three basic targets. Diplomats and diplomatic facilities are first on the list, followed by commercial airlines and then corporations, especially something that is a symbol of the United States."

Over the past few years, tactical innovations by terrorist groups have included airline hijackings for political demands, suicide bombings and kidnapping for ransom targeted against multinational businesses.

"We're seeing more experimentation in the types of weapons," he said. Among the technical innovations he has identified

are home-made mortars and rocket launchers, and numerous types of bombs: letter, car, barometric, remotely piloted and fired and those containing lethal chemicals.

Jenkins said the United States has been lucky that no domestic terrorist group, such as the Baader Meinhof gang in Germany, the Irish Republican Army in Ireland and Northern Ireland, has been established.

"We've always had some domestic terrorism here," Jenkins said. "We're a violent society, but our violence is individualistic. Terrorist acts tend to be issue-related. Our type of political system has to take some credit for the lack of organized terrorism. It recognizes the issues."

Legitimate problems that could develop into terrorist goals are quickly absorbed into the political arena as part of a candidate or party platform, he observed.

Jenkins said this is not the time to let up on combating terrorism and that everyone needs to be aware of its possible dangers. For instance, he said, the predicted attacks from the Mideast during the Persian Gulf war never materialized, but that is not to say they won't at a later date.

"But, you have to keep terrorism in the proper perspective," he concluded. "Your chances of being involved in a terrorist incident are one in many millions. The chances of being injured in a traffic accident are much greater."

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Eagle Aloha Bowl will feature Stanford vs. Georgia Tech on Christmas Day. Tickets are on sale for \$18. Great seats on the 50-yard line are available.

Hula Bowl side-line seat tickets for the Jan. 11 game between the college all-stars are available for \$13.

Pro Bowl tickets, for the south end zone, are available for the Feb. 2 game. Tickets are \$16 and are going fast.

World Wrestling Federation comes to Aloha Stadium Dec. 14. Featured match will be Hulk Hogan vs. Rick Flair. Ticket prices range from \$8.50-20.50.

Consolidated Movie Theatre discount tickets cost \$4.25 and are now good through June, 1992.

Diamond Head Theater is performing the Hawaiian adaption of the Charles Dickens' classic, "Scrooge," tonight, Sun.-Dec. 19; and Dec. 22-23 at 7 p.m. and also at 3 p.m. Sunday and Dec. 23.

Honolulu Symphony offers you a Very Aloha Christmas concert Dec. 20. The popular annual performance of Handel's Messiah is scheduled on Dec. 21. Get your tickets early.

Dennis Miller of Saturday Night Live fame will perform two shows on Dec. 27 at the Pacific Beach Hotel. Reserved seats range from \$18.50 to \$25.50.

Honolulu Comedy Club features Brad Garrett, who was selected by People magazine as one of the top ten new comedians, will appear until Sunday.

Pink's Garage will feature Mary's Danish plus the debut of Spiny Norman, Friday and Saturday. Advance tickets are \$14.

Monday Night Football at USO

Monday Night Football is shown on a big screen TV at the USO in Waikiki each week, from 6-10 p.m. All servicemembers and dependents are welcome. For information, call 955-3802.

'Shattered' comes to Station theater

All movies shown at the Station theater (building 219) begin at 7:15 p.m. unless otherwise noted. For more information, call the theater at 254-2113.

'Late for Dinner'(PG) will play Friday and Saturday and stars Peter Berg and Brian Wimmer. Comedy about two men who must come to terms with having been frozen for thirty years in a botched cryogenics experiment.

'Prancer' (G) will play both at a 1 p.m. matinee and at the regular time Sunday and stars Sam Elliot and Rebecca Harrell. A young girl finds a wounded reindeer and, believing he is one of Santa's team, desperately struggles to return him to health in time for Christmas.

'Shattered' (R) plays Monday and Tuesday and stars Tom Berenger and Greta Scacchi. A wealthy real estate developer gets amnesia after an auto accident and struggles to regain his identity as he finds that all is not as it seems.

See OFF DUTY/B-4



'Tis the season

Santa slips into Station Saturday

By Cpl. Poznar Smith
Hawaii Marine Staff Writer

While Air Station youngsters are impatiently counting down the final 13 days until Christmas, they (and some adults) only have to hold out two more days for Santa's Village.

Yes, despite the forecast for a moderate, windy but sunny Saturday with occasional showers (real tough weather prediction), the Yule Tide spirit will be in full force at Hangar 105.

Whether your youngsters are into magic, dancing, games or even Santa himself, there will be plenty of Christmas activities to please even the "Scroogiest."

Let's start with Saint Nicholas first. He'll be available for pictures, and whether you've been naughty or nice, he'll listen to your X-mas list.

Also, the Military Affiliates Radio System will be operating, and children can place free calls to the North Pole.

While Santa is about as Christmasy as it gets, there will be much more at his village. Like youth dance contest, which starts at 1 p.m., or Mr. Amazing the Magician, who will put on his popular magic show at 2:30 p.m. There will be numerous appearances from many huge, lovable creatures, such as Sea Life Park's Kolohe the Dolphin and Fat Fred the Penguin, Waimea Falls' Pikaka the Peacock and Meadow Gold's Lani Moo the Cow.

Okay, so it sounds like something that could keep the children entertained for at least a few hours, right? Well, Christmas is for all ages, at least at Santa's Village.

Sea Life Park and Royal Hawaiian Cruises, the two major sponsors of the village this year, have combined to make this year's prize crop a bumper yield. And Carlson Travel Network is giving away a grand prize of two days on the Big Island, including airfare, lodging at the Kona Hotel, and 48 hours of car rental.

There is lots of free parking in the field across from Hangar 104, with shuttle buses making runs every five minutes from the parking lot to the Village. Also, buses will provide transporta-

tion to and from the Air Station's housing areas, running continually through the housing area from 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. See bus schedule below. For more information, contact Dependent Recreation at 254-2963.

Santa's Village entertainment schedule

- 10 a.m.- Gates open, opening ceremonies.
- 10:15 a.m.- Kaneohe Dance Academy, jazz tap and ballet.
- 11 a.m.- Chris da Pordagee Clown.
- 11:30 a.m.- Ki Michele and the Singing Kiote Kids: "Christmas Tribute to the Troops."
- 12:15 p.m.- Gymdandy gymnastics demonstration
- 12:30-2:30 p.m.- Appearances by Sea Life Park/Waimea Falls animals
- 1 p.m.- Dance contest
- 2:30 p.m.- Mr. Amazing the Magician
- 3 p.m.- Semper Fit aerobics demonstration
- 3:45 p.m.- Grand Prize drawing

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Boy Choir to perform X-mas concert

Joint Public Affairs Office

The Honolulu Boy Choir will perform a Christmas Concert at the Station Theater on Dec. 20 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The Fleet Marine Force Pacific Band will open the concert with a half-hour of music.

The concert, sponsored by the Outrigger Hotels, is free and open to the Station community, but the theater is limited to a 900-seat capacity.

"Last year we sponsored the choir for the Air Force and they had over 2,000 people attend their Christmas concert," explained Mildred Courtney, military liaison for Outrigger Hotels. "The Honolulu Boy Choir is the hardest group to get, since they travel all over the world."

The choir, formed in 1974, is directed by founder Roy Hallman and his wife, Nyle Hallman. She is the arranger and accompanist. There are 159 boys, ages 7-13, representing all the ethnic groups in Hawaii.

While many people may question the name of the choir, the "boy" in their name is not misprint. The choir uses the singular "boy" in its name to emphasize the quality of singing it strives for, to sound like a single, unified voice, rather than many voices.

The choir performs a variety of contemporary ethnic and folk, traditional, and religious music, as well as ethnic and ancient hula dances. The quality and discipline of their performances has earned the group an international reputation.

The sponsor of the event, Outrigger Hotels, has supported the Station, as well as the rest of the military on Oahu, in the past.

"This year, I tried to see what I could do to wish a Merry Christmas to the military and their families," Courtney explained. "We believe the military is an integral part of our community and we have a deep concern for them."



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	7:30 p.m.	Band Officers Residence (13 Palmyra Dr.)	Little Makalapa
17 DEC	5:30 p.m.	Shoppette	Aliamanu
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	7:00 p.m.	Ama & Gum Rim & Pomelaiki	Aliamanu
18 DEC	10:00 a.m.	Bldg. #1	Camp Smith
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	6:30 p.m.	Mini Mart	K-Bay
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	6:00 p.m.	Bancroft Dr. & Bland Dr.	K-Bay
20 DEC	6:00 p.m.	Ashley Ave. & Lehua Ave.	Pearl City
	6:30 p.m.	Campion Dr. & Brown Dr.	K-Bay
	6:30 p.m.	Acacia Rd. & Birdh Cir.	Manana
	7:00 p.m.	Lawrence Rd. & Bingham Way	K-Bay
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Senior Pros meet at Klipper Classic

Story and photo by Cpl. Poznar Smith
Hawaii Marine Sports Writer

What a day at the Klipper. It was the biggest day of the year for the Air Station's Kaneohe Klipper Golf Course. It was the fourth annual

"Legends of Golf at the Kaneohe Klipper" event, where some of the Senior Professional Golf Association's biggest names competed in the hole-by-hole elimination "Shootout," and local amateurs were able to

play with the pros in the "Senior Pro-Am tournament." There was a golf clinic, a cocktail party and an awards luncheon. But most of all, there was just plain fun in the sun ... after a little early-morning Windward sprinkle, that is.

Chuck Larson, Klipper pro, said the event just keeps getting more and more successful each year.

"It gives us a chance to open up our course and show it off," Larson said. "We get the Seniors to come in, and the amateurs get to play with them. It's a good deal all around."

The Klipper Classic Pro-Am was as close as could be. Using a scramble format, each Senior Pro headed-up a team of five amateurs. Rafe Botts' squad, which included amateurs Karl Nugent, Paul Sugimoto, Peter Kerr, John Jones and Diane Stanton narrowly edged Bobby Nichols' team, 58.0 to 58.2. The top four finishing teams were only separated by four-tenths of a stroke.

After a humorous, yet instructional, golf clinic from tour favorite Bobby Brue, the gallery began to form up for the highlight of the day: the Honolulu Ford Shootout. Of all 18 Senior Pros, two were eliminated each hole until just two remained - John Paul Cain and Ken Still. Cain birdied the final hole, beating Still for first place and \$1,500. Still received \$700 for second.

The Shootout was the main crowd attraction, but the



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Senior Pro Bob Brue

early morning Klipper Classic Pro-Am drew the most participation. Ninety amateurs were able to play with Senior PGA players. But Larson said the day belonged to the Klipper's ground crew.

"We had 3-4 inches of rain on Monday, and Jon Tamura (course supervisor) and his crew did an absolutely fantastic job," Larson said.

"They worked all day and

stayed in great shape."

While the Legends of Golf at the Klipper Classic is the biggest day at the Klipper all year, it's not the only event. In February, the University of Hawaii men's golf team will host the John Burns tournament with 18 other college teams participating. And in March, the U of H women golfers will hold their own Rainbow Wahine tournament, also with 18 other college teams.

The rain didn't stop with just Monday, as Tuesday began with a light-to-medium sprinkle. But Larson laughed when asked if the early rain had a dampening effect on the tournament. "That early rain was just a Hawaiian blessing," he explained. "We were able to start right on schedule, and because of the extra care the course had before, the course

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Marine learns 'high cost' of pinching pennies

By Sgt. Jason Erickson
Press Chief

The last I heard, we were somewhere over the Pacific, but I don't suppose it really matters. We have several hours ahead of us on this C-130 MAC-Flight before we reach the sturdy feel of land again. Ah, land, why did I never appreciate thee more?

But, I keep telling myself, I'm almost flying for free (what's \$10 compared to megabucks?) and that's all that counts. With every patch of turbulence we hit, I remind myself of this fact, and somehow I feel a little better.

I'd started this whole adventure at Hickam Air Force Base, to go home to San Diego on leave. Unfortunately, I was bumped off a smooth-sailing DC-9 headed directly for sunny Southern California when some high-ranking officer and his entourage showed up at the terminal.

Still determined to save a few bucks (about 500 of them to be exact), I chose to remain in the terminal for a while and see what might come up. Eight hours later, I was boarding a C-130 bound for Travis AFB in California.

One of the big advantages of MAC-Flights, aside from the price of course, is the fact there are stateside terminals, as well as terminals overseas. If you can't get a flight directly to where you're going, you can always take hops to one, two or even three other terminals along the way until you get to your desired destination.

And in all fairness, the ride isn't really that bad. Sure, you have to wear earplugs because the engines roar so loud, and maybe the freezing temperatures do get a little uncomfortable, and OK, sitting on stretcher-like canvas seats against the bulkhead with nets for back-cushions is not my idea of comfort, but they DO serve lunch.

Remember those box lunches you get when you go to the rifle range? The ones that taste so good after a long morning in the hot sun. Well, somehow, they've made their way into the MAC-Flight system, and they

taste just as good during a cool, bumpy ride on a C-130.

Little did I know, the bumpy ride was only the beginning of my troubles.

Throughout the trip, the only thing I wanted was to get on the ground, it didn't matter where. My joy when we finally touched down in California was second only to those Christmas mornings so long ago when presents miraculously appeared beneath our tree.

I strutted across the flight deck, into the air terminal, and past rows of travelers nestled cozily on the floor, in seats and even against the walls. But at the time their problems were not my own; I was on the ground!

I saddled up to the information desk like a cowboy just back from the range, making his first stop at the local saloon.

"Bartender, a bottle of your best ... uhhmm ... I mean, ah, do you have any flights departing for San Diego tonight?"

I could see him holding back the laughter at this ridiculous question. But somehow it had to be asked. Kinda like when you need just a couple of items from the supermarket, but you know you're too late. You still walk up to the entrance, do your best to wedge your face in the crack of the door which is obviously locked, and ask that young clerk mopping the floor if the store is closed. I've worked at a grocery store, I know.

Anyway, the airman answers in a monotonous, almost prerecorded voice, "Sir, it's midnight on the West Coast. We don't have flights leaving at this time of night. Perhaps you'd like to have a seat and try back in the morning." With that he returns to his paper shuffling - end of recording.

A voice from somewhere deep within me creeps into my head. "Well look on the bright side, it's almost fr-." The voice is quickly cut off in disgust. That's just not going to cut it at this point.

Space-available can save money

By Sgt. Jason Erickson
Press Chief

The Military Airlift Command offers one of the best bargains in the military - space available travel. But its only a bargain if you're willing to risk the wait. If you are, it pays to know the system. Such knowledge could mean the difference between spending the weekend in a MAC terminal, and spending it on a beach in the Bahamas.

Space A travel is a by-product of the Defense Department's primary mission, which is the movement of space required cargo and passengers. It is not an obligated service. However, because of the volume of aircraft and the frequency of

flights, there is often room for a few passengers on several flights.

Although the Holiday season (Dec-Jan) is the busiest time of the year, space A travel is not without hope. According to Technical Sgt. Kenneth Ford, the operations NCO for Passenger Service at Hickam Air Force Base, several flights are expected to be passing through Hawaii during the next month. However, he explained that most of the available seats will be for flights going west, not east to the Mainland.

"Because Hawaii is a transit point (most flights originate at other bases and pass through Hawaii) people catching flights here are subject to where the incoming

passengers wish to go," Ford said. He explained that most of the people coming from the Mainland get off here for vacation. Whereas most who catch a flight in the Far East are headed all the way to the mainland, meaning less seats for passengers in Hawaii.

"Still, though, just about everybody I've had trying to get a flight has gotten out," Ford added. "It might take as much as a couple days, but they'll get out."

The MAC system is not a haphazard "fly-by-night" operation, whereby people just show up and climb on a plane if there's a seat. It is a strictly regulated system to ensure fairness and consistency. See MAC/page B-6

I stormed off to the bathroom to peel off my 18-hour old uniform. Once this was accomplished, I cooled off some and took to finding somewhere to get some sleep. It came down to a close call between the floor and a row of chairs.

Question: Why do airports always supply their waiting areas with chairs that are virtually impossible to get comfortable in?

In this particular case, each seat, which is independent of the others, is further separated by a handrail on both sides. This, to say the least, hinders one's ability to stretch out, as people are known to do when they sleep.

But for the resourceful serviceman who's very tired, this is not a problem, only an obstacle to be maneuvered. As many others

in the room had successfully done, I weaved my body in and out of the handrails to cross three seats. The floor was just too hard and cold to sleep on, although some had chosen this option over chairweaving.

Miraculously, by the time I woke up in the morning, I had somehow managed to worm out from the chairs and onto the floor. If my condition was any indication, the task had not been an easy one.

Whoever said that sleep is bliss probably hasn't done so in an airport.

Then it dawned on me, the hard part of the trip was already over with, I was almost home, and for almost free! With these thoughts, I took on the day with new but short-lived vigor, and four short hours later I

See PENNIES/page B-8

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of the Federal Fire Department, Naval Station Pearl Harbor. If you buy a natural, cut tree, check for freshness. Shedding needles are a sign of a dry tree and a serious hazard. Fresh needles won't break when bent. Once the tree is home, keep it outside until you can decorate it. Cut off the base one to two inches and place it in a stable holder. Keep the holder filled with water and keep the tree away from heat. Check all lighting for safety.

Look for frayed or broken areas where wires are exposed. Damaged sets should be thrown out. Do not chance repairing. Keep bulbs away from curtains and flammable materials and do not use candles anywhere on the tree.

No more than three sets of lights should be on an extension cord. Overloading cords can start a fire. Keep connections away from the water base and use Underwriters Laboratory (UL) listed cords.

Outside decorations must fit regulations

Station Inspectors Office There has been a surge of phone calls to the Station Inspectors Office concerning the placement of holiday lights on and

around quarters in base housing. Page 26 of the Family Housing Manual gives some guidelines for the installation and placement of Christmas lights.

The following is a list of the do's and don'ts:

- Don't secure lights or extension cords to any part of quarters by means of a staple gun. The staples can cause a short in the wire and cause a fire.
- Do use plastic holders that can be stapled to house.

- Do use approved outdoor lighting systems to include extension cords.
- Don't decorate your scrubs or trees with lights.
- Do get prior approval from housing office for any large items to be placed on the roof.
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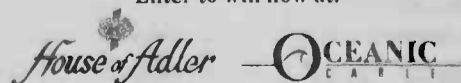


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SPORTS Briefs

The following MCAS Kaneohe Bay organizations offer sports activities for members of the military community. Some of their current offerings are listed on this page.

Athletic office -- 254-2516
Dependent Recreation -- 254-2963

Turkey shoot
The K-Bay Rod and Gun Club will hold a turkey shoot from

8 a.m.-12, Dec. 21, at the station rifle range. Shooters will use 12-gauge shotguns, provided by the club, to shoot at paper targets. The shooter who comes closest to the bullseye will win a certificate worth \$10 for the purchase of a turkey or ham at the commissary. For more information, call 254-3228.

Masters swim team
The masters swim team

practices at the station pool 5-6:30 p.m., Mon.-Fri., and 9-10 a.m., Saturday. Cost is \$10. Military and dependents welcome. Contact coach Marty Jones at 254-6278 for more information.

1991 Kokokahi Aloha Gymfest
The 1991 Kokokahi Aloha Gymfest will be held Dec. 28-

29 at King Intermediate School in Kaneohe. The gymfest is a Women's Open Optional Invitational meet featuring routines in vault, uneven parallel bars, balance beam and floor exercise. Competitors from around the world will be competing. Donation tickets are \$3 for students and \$4 for adults for qualifying sessions on Dec. 28, and \$4 for students and \$6 for adults for the Dec. 29 finals.

Special all-event passes are also available. Tickets will be sold at the door or call the gym at 235-8685 for more information.

Jingle Bell, Aloha runs
Entry forms are available in the main gym lobby for two upcoming Honolulu races.

The Jingle Bell is a two-mile race on Dec. 21, starting near the Civic Center, rounding the State Capitol, and finishing at Restaurant Row.

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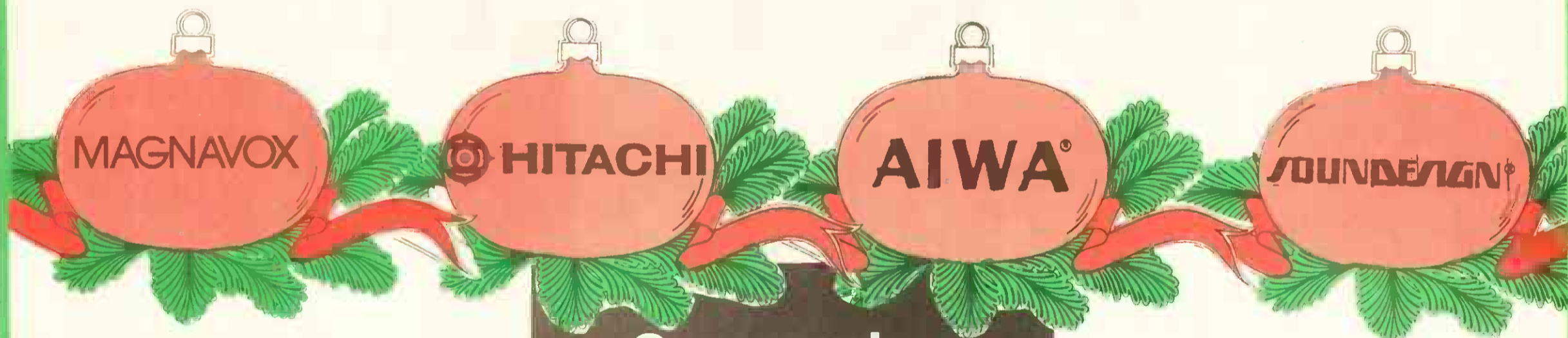
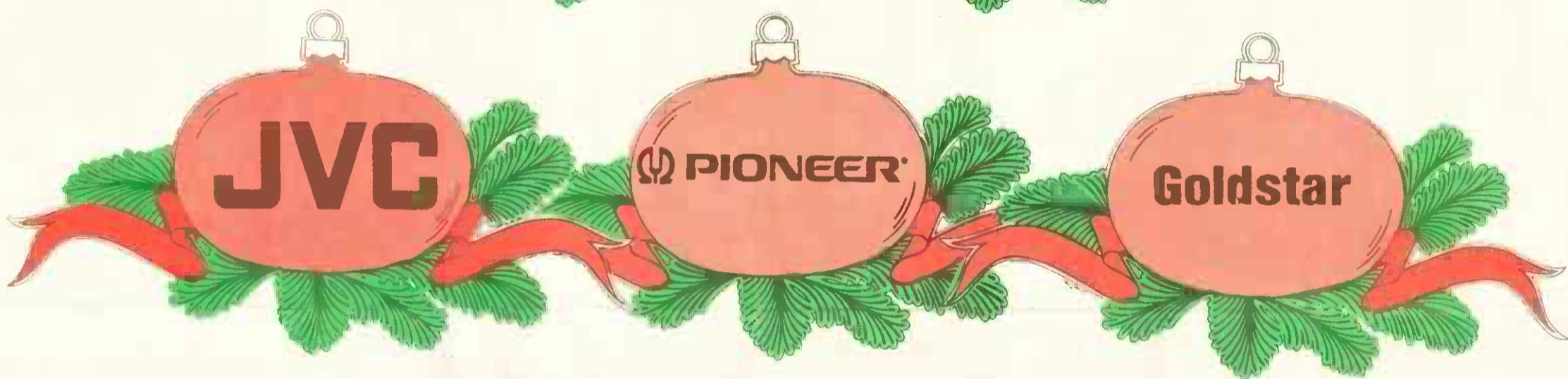
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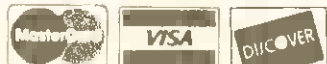


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 was in the company of my family who were concerned with my present state of health, or lack thereof. I suppose the bags under my bloodshot eyes and the crook in my neck tipped them off. They're so quick. I made the grand mistake of recapping the events of my trip to them, and they reciprocated with looks of shock. "Why do you put yourself through such torment when you could catch a commercial plane and be

here in a third of the time?" asks my uncle. "Because I save a lot of money and it doesn't always work out for the worst like this trip. Sometimes I walk in to get a flight and I'm on a nice big jet going directly where I want to go in less than an hour. It just depends."
 Shoulders shrug, looks of shuck turn complacent, except on grandma's face. "Young man, your health is the most important thing in your life, not your

money. Do you hear me, take care of yourself, if you ..."
 "Really Grandma, all I need is some sleep and I'll be fine."
 Dad, of course, just grunts at all of their fuss and comments out the side of his mouth, "It was a lot tougher when I was in. That was the 'Old Corps.' Did you know they used to make us ..."
 Mom cuts him off. "OK now honey, you

get some rest and we'll talk later."
 Thank God for moms.
 I won't bore you with the details of my vacation, but it was great to see the family - in small doses, of course.
 Before I knew it though, it's time to head back to the Corps, and I have a choice to make: commercial or MAC-Flight?
 I know, I know, I shouldn't have. Maybe I'm a glutton for punishment, but, after all, it's almost free you know.

Most Hawaii MAC-Flights head west, not east

MAC/from B-4
 tency of service. Therefore, the rules are explicitly spelled out as to who can fly and where, when they can fly and how and when they can sign up. There is no such thing as reservations - for anyone. In the past, senior officers could mail in a reservation 30 days in advance to book a seat, but Congress put a stop to this in 1979.

People must register in person at the passenger service center of any particular terminal. Active duty members must have with them valid leave orders, or authorization and identification card. They must be in a leave or pass status at the time of sign up and remain in a leave or pass status throughout the waiting and travel periods.

If they qualify to travel, dependents must be signed up by their sponsor. Each dependent must have a valid military identification card, passports (traveling outside U.S.), immunization records and visa if required.

There are five basic eligibility categories. The particular category determines one's priority for a seat. A person is placed in one of these categories depending on their status, such as active duty member on annual leave, U.S. citizen civilian employee of DoD stationed overseas, or military personnel traveling on permissive temporary duty, etc.

There are several circumstances where dependents and civilian government employees are allowed to travel by MAC outside the continental U.S. These are specifically spelled out. For more information about category breakdown and priority, or about dependent travel, contact the MAC terminal at Hickam Air Force Base.

Each passenger on a MAC flight is authorized two pieces of checked luggage, not to exceed 62 linear inches in size, for a total of 66 pounds. Family members may pool their baggage allowances.

Some terminals require a \$10 fee for processing charges, while others do not. The general rule is that if you are traveling overseas, expect to pay the \$10. If you change destinations enroute during an international flight, you will be charged an additional \$10.

For updated flight information at Hickam Air Force Base, call 449-2807. For questions about the MAC flight system, call 449-6833/1270/1515 or 7494.

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- Armed Services YMCA -- 254-4719/4965
- Dependent Recreation -- 254-2963
- American Red Cross -- 257-3150
- Navy/Marine Corps Relief Society -- 254-1327
- USO of Hawaii -- 836-3351

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Women's support group

A confidential program to help women who have been victimized in a destructive relationship will be held every Friday, 9-10:30 a.m. Learn about violent behavior and ways to increase protection skills for you and your children, decrease fear and helplessness and how to cope with stress and anger. Call the FSC for more information.

Food program for women, infants, children

Information on the supplemental food program for Women, Infants and Children is offered at the Kaneohe Bay Branch Medical Clinic. Pregnant women, breast-feeding women

Anger management

Understanding and accepting responsibility for aggressive behavior and its consequences will be the focus of a workshop from 1-4 p.m. Jan. 14. Call the

and children ages 5 and younger are eligible for WIC. For more information, call Mrs. Ward at 257-1700.

are open to all branches of the service. If you or someone you know is pregnant or has recently given birth, call ASYMCA.

Girl Scouts

Girls enrolled in kindergarten - high school are encouraged to join the Girl Scouts. Call Sherry at 254-6034 for more information.

Story Time reading program

The station library, building 219, will be conducting the Story Time reading program at 10 a.m. every Thursday for children ages 3-4. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information call 254-6301.

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LCpl. Kevin Stackpole, a rescuer with Crash, Fire and Rescue, holds a "wounded" patient's head still before loading him into an ambulance during a mass casualty drill held near Hangar 105 recently. The drill simulated an aircraft crash in which seven were killed and 13 wounded.

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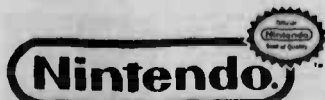
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The Godfather of Grunge: Sonic elder Neil Young revels in the noise

Resplendent in a leather jacket and with hints of grey in his stringy tangles and bushy muttonchops, Neil Young considers the latest addition to Crazy Horse's legacy: a feedback-frenzied work titled *Arc/Weld*. At a staggering length of nearly three hours, the initial 25,000 copies of the new release combine *Weld*, a two-CD collection of highlights from the 1990 *Ragged Glory* tour, with *Arc*, a 35-minute session of aural overload excerpted from the same tour.

From first listen, Crazy Horse imbues every selection on *Arc/Weld* with a newfound urgency, something more than the acceleration in tempo that typifies so many live recordings. Young's voice crackles and cracks with more raw passion than ever.

For anyone who bought *Arc/Weld*

thinking it's some live documentation of the sprawling Young oeuvre ... forget it. First off, he refuses to make Crazy Horse cover material on which the band didn't originally play. Second, the above-mentioned project is already underway, with Young exploring a massive database of unreleased material for an archival series. Opening with obscure material from Young's 1965-66 period, these annual four-CD volumes will progress through unreleased Buffalo Springfield to early Crazy Horse.

"There's so much stuff," Young says. "[It's] everything I can find that I like or I think has any merit to it. There's almost as much unreleased material, in some cases more unreleased material, from a 26-year period, than there is released stuff."

With *Arc/Weld* out, new material due



Neil Young

with the Stray Gators, the band he recorded 1972's *Hurston* with, and the archival series' proposed releases, Neil Young is coming full circle once again. And if critics point out that doing so involves the extensive rerelease of material, as with *Arc/Weld*, Young could hardly care less. "Well, you don't need a critic to tell you that," he laughs. "This is

made for the people who like us. That's why we made it. It's for us and them."

As for the future, Young offers, "I don't know what I'm gonna do next. Next winter, it'll have been a year since I toured with the Horse. I think I'm gonna go out by myself. I'm gonna go out and sit down in a chair with a circle of acoustic instruments—play some shows like that just to get back in touch with myself. I've got several songs waiting. So I can play all of them. Those are all things no one's heard before."

—Steve Martin

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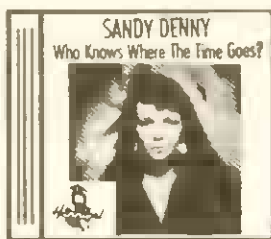
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Decade of Decadence (Elektra) spans Mötley Crüe's past 10 years as the leather and mascaraed oddity that blasted off the outer fringe of L.A.'s punk scene to become one of rock's most volatile legends. This "Greatest Hits" set goes the



The Cult

originals one better with a collection of Crüe classics, remixes, b-sides and even a smattering of new tracks that no Mötley fan should be without. Included are remixed saw-toothed classics like "Live Wire" (from '82's *Too Fast for Love*) along

with a hint of the Crüe-to-come with the (gulp!) shockingly Bad Brains-ish "Primal Scream."

Moving to L.A. was not a good thing for Ian Astbury and Billy Duffy, the respective soul and guts of the Cult. It's permanently hindered them from recapturing the swelling magnificence of such early '80s rock-dreams as "She Sells Sanctuary" or "Dreamtime." Of all the things the band's done since '87's riff-happy *Electric*, the new *Ceremony* (Sire/Reprise) comes closest in spirit to those gorgeous, bygone times. Oh, there's plenty of awkward moments: Astbury's unintentionally hilarious *Dances With Wolves* monologue that permeates "White" and "Wild Hearted Son"'s embarrassing similarities to *Sonic Temple* hit, "Fire Woman." The band, however, is screaming and lustful on "If." Taken as a whole, *Ceremony* is a tolerable, if lumbering, arena-croon.

On the thrashier side, Coroner's *Mental Vortex* (Noise) is a savage and off-kilter body of twisted structures. And Nuclear Assault's *Out of Order* (I.R.S.), while probably the band's most adventurous offering to date, never seems to swing into any gear other than the powergrind it's been bludgeoning for years now.

—Mike Gitter

ROCK / POP

Pure white-hot noise from the Pixies

The Pixies new album, *Trompe le Monde* (4AD/Elektra), serves up more of the same nervy rhythms, gristly guitars and pure power-packed yowl and whimper vocals, as *Doolittle*, their major-label debut. Once again, they've done nothing less than produce riveting, remarkably cliché-free rock. Frontman Charles "Black Francis" Thompson still bops betwixt a child's whine and a demon's howl from song to song; dynamically, the band's honed its volume swells to a pinpoint, and Joey Santiago knows his way around a guitar melody so well that that's where he prefers to go—around it. Overall, the Pixies still sound like a barely post-adolescent Iggy Pop, influenced by Sonic Youth and Big Black.

Nirvana called its first album *Bleach*, but that 1989 Sub Pop release was no whitewash; it was undisguised punk-metal-pop ravings from an unlikely source—neo-love children. What makes Nirvana's major-label debut, *Nevermind* (DGC) such a winning roar is mostly white-hot energy. The vocals—always flat



The Pixies

over the top; same with the band's guitars—wickedly noisy gadgets that refuse to turn down, shut up, or tone out the sawtooth waves of feedback that whip through the arrangements. The rest of Nirvana's success drops into the turf few thrash'n'grind outfits have a grip on: songcraft. Nirvana knows how to turn two words into a hook, so when lead singer Kurt Cobain screams "entertain us" in "Smells Like Teen Spirit," it's a compelling codification of the demands and restless dissatisfaction of youth. And melodies shuttle through the din like groundhogs crossing beneath a battlefield.

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The realization of Walt Disney's dream—making *Fantasia* a "living" movie—is still years away, but Walt's nephew Roy Disney has taken the first steps toward achieving it. He restored *Fantasia* for its 50th anniversary last year, and in 1991 completed additional cleaning and frame-by-frame correction for its limited-time video release.

The videotape was released in a \$24.95 standard edition and a deluxe collectible edition at \$99.95. The latter includes a commemorative book, a lithograph, a double compact disc of the original soundtrack and a second videocassette, *The Making of a Masterpiece*, with footage of Uncle Walt speaking about his creation. The laserdisc packages have suggested retail prices of \$39.95 and \$99.95. (*Fantasia* will be taken off the market December 31.)

In addition, Disney has begun work on a new movie, *Fantasia Continued*, an altered version of the original, due out in



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1996 or 1997. Roy Disney won't comment on the musical numbers being considered for *Fantasia Continued*, but reveals that two or three pieces will be added, one starring every Disney character ever invented except Mickey Mouse, the star of *Fantasia's* "The Sorcerer's Apprentice."

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—Rochelle O'Gorman Flynn

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New releases from Kubrick, Kurosawa, and Donen

Stanley Kubrick is arguably the most fastidious director in the world. He has finally given his blessing to three long-awaited laserdiscs of his films. *A Clockwork Orange* (Warner/\$39.95 matted) and *Barry Lyndon* (Warner/\$39.95 matted) are remastered and matted for the first time. *The Shining* (Warner/\$39.95) is making its domestic debut. These are essential films for any disc collector (as are every one of Kubrick's films). And with the pristine transfers and superb sound, they rank

among the best discs this year. The two matted films, while not on widescreen, are much more symmetrically pleasing than the old pan-and-scanned versions.

Throne of Blood (Voyager/\$89.95) is Kurosawa's powerful samurai version of *Macbeth*. This 1957 film was delayed almost a decade because Orson Welles did his version and Kurosawa wasn't interested in going head-to-head with a fellow master filmmaker. Toshro Mifune gives his usual physically emotional performance as the title character, and the finale is among the best in the history of cinema. Voyager has released the film in CAV format for the useful purpose of studying it in greater depth. The transfer is as good as can be expected, considering the materials available.

Two for the Road (CBS/Fox/\$59.95 letterbox) is one of cinema's rarely seen treasures. Director Stanley Donen's 1967 inspection of a bickering couple's 12-year marriage is acted by Audrey Hepburn, who broke out of her trademark elegant roles, and Albert Finney, as the typical British rogue. Even with its seriousness, the film has some very funny moments, and Henry Mancini's score is among his very best. The letterbox transfer has very few film problems.

—Robert Foster



Stanley Kubrick's Barry Lyndon

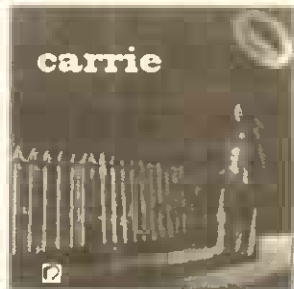
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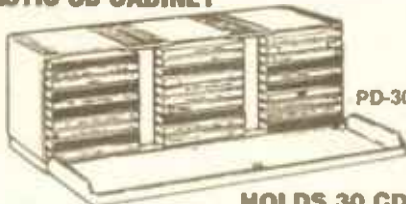
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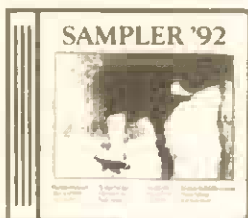
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Holiday cheer from string pickers and thumpers

This seems to be a banner year for Christmas albums featuring percussive string instruments. Harps, hammered dulcimers and mandolins literally seem to have taken over the market.

The Modern Mandolin Quartet, for instance, offers a bright, polished rendition of Tchaikovsky's holiday masterpiece on its new Windham Hill

many ways more closely approximates the feeling of snow falling on a blustery Christmas Eve. It all adds up to a charming collection.

Harpist Therese Schroeder-Sheker explores the deeper meaning behind Christmas on *In Dulci Jubilo*, a Celestial Harmonies recording featuring reflective versions of holiday favorites like "The

Holly and the Ivy" next to lesser-known songs from the 12th to 18th centuries.

Carole Koenig's *Season Greetings!* (Carole Koenig Music) would make a nice companion to Schroeder-Sheker's early-music leanings. Koenig mixes well-known carols with medieval and Renaissance music. Even though her arrangements



The Modern Mandolin Quartet

release, *The Nutcracker Suite*. You might not expect this orchestral classic to be effective in such a pared-down version, but it actually works surprisingly well. Some of the selections, in fact, sound like they were made for the plucked string medium. "Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy" glistens with a delicacy that almost makes Tchaikovsky's original orchestration sound bulky in comparison. "The Arabian Dance" feels closer to the real thing with the mandolinists mimicking the exotic strummings of the Middle Eastern oud.

feature violin, viola, percussion and keyboards, they retain a potent early-music feel and an intimacy perfect for quiet evenings with friends and family.

Another hammered dulcimer player puts her stamp on traditional carols from ancient to modern times. On *Sounds of the Season II* (Maggie's Music), Maggie Sansone's arrangements are more closely allied to medieval instrumentation with Celtic harp, recorders, cittern, viola da gamba and zarb providing more authentic textures. The Maryland-based Sansone also spends more time in the lower registers of her instrument than a lot of other players, and this gives her music a duskier sound that's unusual in this genre.

If all this plucking and hammering is more than you think you can handle in one season, *Celestial Christmas 2* (Celestial Harmonies) will help smooth things over with full-orchestra performances of seasonal melodies. The members of I Solisti di Duino offer an unusual twist to the formula—everything they play is arranged in Baroque style. This festive suite features noble reworkings of tunes like "Little Drummer Boy," "Silent Night" and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

—Linda Kohanov



Therese Schroeder-Sheker

Even "Waltz of Flowers" retains its grace. The fun doesn't stop there. MMQ augments its instrumentation for a glistening transcription of Vivaldi's "Winter" from *The Four Seasons*, with flautist Ransom Wilson as guest soloist. The feeling is lighter and less dramatic than the original violin concerto, but in

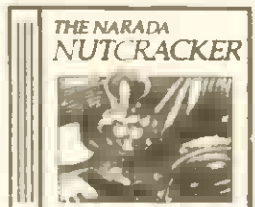
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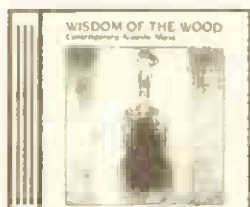
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FUSION

Chick Corea's beeline for the bank

Chick Corea played electric piano on Miles Davis' provocative *Bitches Brew* (Columbia, 1969). He was 27 at the time, very much into experimenting and at the forefront of a fresh new movement by association with those "Birth of the Fuse"



Chick Corea and the Elektric Band

sessions. Today, Corea seems mellowed and more likely to opt for safer, more bankable choices. His latest with his Elektric Band, *Beneath the Mask* (GRP), sounds like L.A. sitcom music by comparison to his own rawer, more daring fusion offerings of the early '70s.

"A Wave Goodbye" is a blatant stab at appeasing WAVE programmers, while upbeat, funk-pop paeans like "Little Things That Count" and the sprightly title cut could put the Elektric Band in the running for a spot as house band on the next talk show that starts up.

Bassist John Patitucci, guitarist Frank Gambale, saxophonist Eric Marienthal and Corea do get their virtuosic licks in, but their solos are sandwiched in between slick, tightly orchestrated forms. The band only really stretches on "Charged Particles," the one tune that captures the spirit and adventure and raw abandon of early Return to Forever.

Guitar fans who want to hear the incredible Frank Gambale stretch a bit more than he does in the confines of either the Elektric Band or *Vital Information* should seek out *Truth in Shedding*, Gambale's encounter with guitar god Allan Holdsworth, on a collection of fusion standards by the likes of Wayne Shorter, Chick Corea and the Brecker Brothers. This and *Centrifugal Funk*, Gambale's collaboration with Memphis fusion guitar legend Shawn Lane, can both be found on Mark Varney's Legato Record label (Box 1346, Nevada City, CA 95959).

—Bill Milkowski

WORLD

World Beat too good to go unmentioned

Welcome to the second annual World Beat Christmas Buyer's Guide and Rummage Sale, in which I call your attention to the discs I've wanted to review, but never quite got around to.

Friends, Fiends & Froids—3 Mustaphas 3 (GlobeStyle/U.K. import): A collection of outtakes, singles, tunes from the *Touille Fezz* re-mix EP and several new recordings by this most eclectic group. No U.S. release planned.

João—João Gilberto (Verve): This legendary Brazilian composer gives new meaning to the phrase "less is more." He seldom sings above a whisper and his guitar playing is so spare it's almost absent. His tunes spin a melancholy web that's more delicate than lace and stronger than steel.

Merengue!—Francisco Ulloa (GlobeStyle/U.K. import): Merengue may be Latin America's most ferocious rhythm, as this disc aptly demonstrates. Ulloa y Su Combo play a raw, folkloric style with tempos that approach the speed of light. Ulloa's instrument is the accordion, and after listening to his blistering solos, one wonders how he keeps it from catching fire.

Spirit of Love — Majek Fashek (Interscope): Nigerian Majek Fashek uses

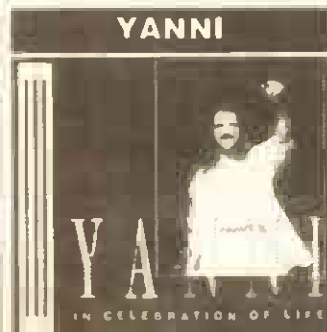
an Africanized version of reggae as the foundation for his tales of compassion and suffering. Fashek's good looks, hook-laden tunes and incredible touring band could make him a major commercial force in the States.

—j. poet



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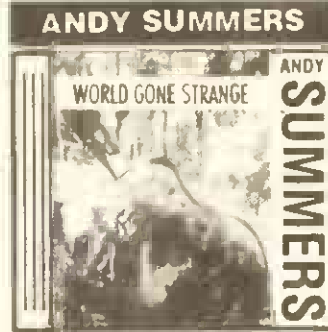
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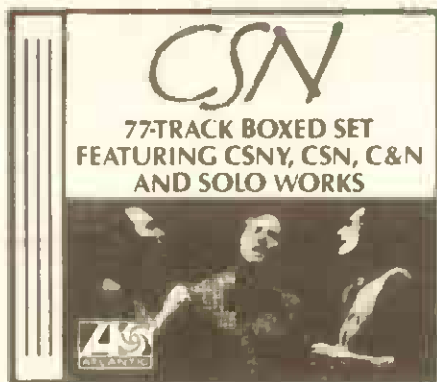
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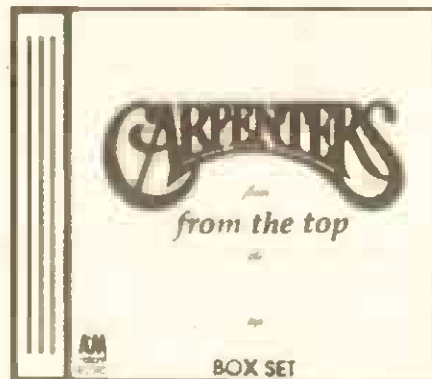
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