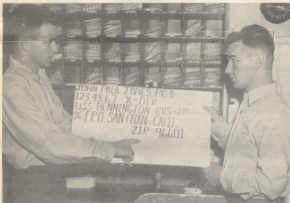


# Communication + Mail = Morale

Something that everybody on the ship wants and looks for with equal vigah, is the familiar sound of 'mail call.' And aboard BENNINGTON, this sometimes gets to be quite a job to the men in the Post Office, seeing the word is passed with a semblance of regularity.

Many varied obstacles are

against the stalwart crew as they hustle to get their job done. In some instances, officers and men of BENN forget to inform the people with whom they correspond, their correct mailing address. How much trouble is it to write your correct return address in the upper left hand corner of the envelope as such:



WRITE IT CORRECTLY....W. M. Clark, PC3, points out to W. M. Clark, SN, the correct method of return addressing mail to insure fast and efficient delivery to the ship.



...SORTING IT OUT....A. N. Lutz, PC/3, and G. T. Brophy, SN, sort out the much-looked-forward-to incoming mail.

Name, rate/rank, service number, division, USS BENNINGTON (CVS - 20), % FPO San Francisco, Calif., and zip code-96601. Officers must also have their department listed on the return address.

Air Group personnel are reminded not to use the ship's name as part of their return address. This won't speed-up delivery but, only hinder the postal clerks, both aboard and at San Francisco.

The Post Office gang know quite a few people aboard and can sometimes put the incorrect addressed letter in the proper slot for you to receive it right away. To be sure though, check yourself by annulling your correct ad-



ONE OF MANY HANDY SERVICES.. N. G. McFarland, SN, sells a Postal Money Order to one of the Post Office's many customers.

dress to future letters home.

During this cruise many people aboard will be sending souvenirs home. Customs regulations state that \$10 worth of foreign-made merchandise may be sent home duty free while anything over that, a duty fee must be paid.

Failure to pay the prescribed duty may result in the receiver having to pay it or, possible loss of the package.

Postal hours aboard BENN are 0830-1130 and 1300-1400

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