

The Supply Officer

Lt. Comdr. H. H. Hunt, SC, USN joined the ship in July 1945 bringing to it the experience gained in five years of Naval Aviation Supply work. His previous billets include the USS Wright, NAS Seattle, NAS & NGB Kodiak, NAPTIC Fairfax, Ks, and NAS, Olathe, KS.

The Supply Officer was born in Swanton, Vt. in 1910, and later moved with his family to St. Albans, Vt. He received his B.S. from the University of Vermont and then continued his studies at the Harvard School of Business. In 1939 he graduated from Harvard as Master Business Administration and entered the Navy shortly afterward. As an enthusiastic fisherman the Supply Officer can spin a good yarn and smoke the essential pipes. He also shoots shotguns upon occasion -- and birds have been known to flock to him from miles around for safety. Mr. Hunt has established his home in Seattle, Wash. and his wife is living there now. They are expecting an addition to the family in March!

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\$35,000 per month, are turned over to the disbursing officer nightly. A turnover such as this by any independent concern in civilian life would be something to marvel at. This amount further increases the cash on hand which will again be used at some future date in some future pay line.

Besides being the custodian of the cash, Lieut. Purdy also has custody of the ship's bulk supply of stamps which are issued stamps

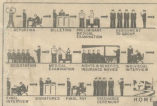
bulk supply of stamps which are issued to the post office in small amounts. The rate at which postage stamps and envelopes are sold is proof enough that the BENNINGTON boys are keeping in close contact with the sweethearts, wives, and folks at home. Looking back over the previous issues of stamps, we find that the combined crew of officers and men purchase approximately 100,000 6-cent air mail stamps each month.

As many of you must have witnessed at one time or another, the problems arising from pay are many, both great and small. Some are complicated, and some are easily remedied in quick order. The disbursing officer crew consisting of Lieut. F. W. Purdy, Pay Clerk E. C. Szadkowski, and seven storekeepers, tends to keep all hands happy as far as money matters are concerned. This is no easy matter. Each storekeeper has his own job, but can answer the majority of questions put up to him. Like an attorney, any question that may raise a doubt may be referred to in the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts Manual and Memorandum, the bible of the Supply Department. The most frequently asked question is, "Has my flight skin come down yet?" It seems rightfully earned money to that person, and that is reason enough for him to be concerned in his interests. The questions never cease, similar to the pecuniary triangle which continues month after month. From the disbursing officer to the man being paid; to the several ship's stores, and back to the disbursing officer.



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