

## JET BLAST

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**BRIDGE NOTICE** - Waiting at the docks of San Diego for the USS Bennington is curvaceous Marie Blanchard, Universal International starlet. With Marie in mind, we recommend "All Engines Full Speed Ahead."

## Chaplain's Corner

The ship seems to be shaping up like a ship, at long last, I thought for a while there she'd be one vast, steel-encrusted belly-ache---one tremendous tribute to motherhood with all hands crying for their mommies. Just ain't so now, and thanks be to God. She's a good operating ship, and a good looking ship, and she carries a good crew.

Remember all that stuff I was giving out before the movies---about representing the nation, and all that? That was no baloney. I honestly think we have done a terrific job of good will in Latin-America during the past month.

It's just as I've told you time and time again. Be yourself, and you're somebody the ship can be proud of. Try to act like the slob that you aren't and you mess up the whole deal---you mess it up for your-

.SAN DIEGO (cont.)

of town. For those who prefer the historic and artistic sights, they will find of interest; the Museum of Man, the Natural History Museum and the Fine Arts Gallery, all within easy reach of one another.

With all this in mind, the crew of the Bennington can look forward to enjoying their stay in this sea port city which has been a Naval stronghold for many years.

self, your family, your country, and your God.

You've learned how to conduct yourselves in a foreign country, and you've learned how important your conduct can be.

You saw, also, the few among us who chose to act like animals. You saw, perhaps, that it wasn't pretty. That's experience also. But, all told, you, as a member of ship's company, must admit that your shipmates are pretty decent guys.

So we're proud of the ship which bears such men on their mission of peacetime duty.

R. E. HANDRAN

## His Fight Has Just Begun!

THE services' new Code of Conduct for prisoners of war is now making its way to the field. Each command has made arrangements for it to be read, explained and discussed---obviously, the more of each, the better. But that is only a start.

No serviceman, no matter how many hash marks, can ever be satisfied that he is completely trained. He must constantly refresh his combat skills.

We must realize that to know and to understand the Code of Conduct is now one of the combat skills demanded of all of us. One reading isn't enough. As with other combat skills, we must repeatedly refresh ourselves.

The Korean War brought home to us that a fightingman's job doesn't end if he is captured. In fact, it becomes, in many ways, more important and more difficult.

A prisoner of war must have faith, integrity, patience and endurance, all in full measure. But he should acquire these qualities long before he is ever faced with the possibility of becoming a POW. Afterwards, it could be too late.

That is what the Code is trying to help us do. That is why we must be steadily conscious of its meaning and of the responsibility it places on us---just as we are steadily conscious of our skills as marksmen, mechanics or seamen. (AFPS)