

JET BLAST

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Hong Kong

After three weeks of steady sailing the Big Benn will pull into Hong Kong next Wednesday for a six day Christmas vacation.

Only a short boat ride away from Communist China, Hong Kong has been one of the cultural and trading centers of the Orient for many years. Now, with the Chinese mainland occupied by the Red Chinese, the population of this British Crown Colony has almost tripled in the past few years to more than two million people.

Since a complete information and shopping guide will be distributed to the crew, the JET BLAST will not attempt to list the various features of Hong Kong.

The anxiously awaited Hong Kong visit promises many hours of recreation and shopping in addition to the interesting sightseeing tours already planned.



FAMILIAR to all is the old rhyme wherein the battle was lost for want of a nail. "Passing the buck" was probably just as popular a means of escaping the blame then as now, so an investigation could have gone like this:

The rider chewed out the horse, and the horse likely had plenty to say to the horseshoe. The horseshoe in turn put the blame on the faulty nail, and the nail complained to the other nails, "They can't blame me, I'm just one of the hired hands around here."

If you think that's a little silly, you should hear some of the excuses that are offered to an inspector general when the blame for a security violation is being determined.

Suppose a classified document is checked out for reference, and after use, is placed in the user's "outgoing" basket for return by a messenger instead of personal handling. Later, some unclassified matter is placed on top. The messenger comes by, but it's late and seeing nothing "important," hurries on. The officer in charge glances around the office, locks the safe and goes home for the night. The classified matter is out all night.

Whose fault? Much verbal "pussy-footing" could be heard at an investigation of this incident. Remember the story of the nail?

Probably there were other riders and other horses. But for want of ONE horse, ONE shoe, ONE nail, the battle was lost.

It only takes ONE mistake to cause a security leak that would endanger the security of the nation.—(AFPS)

Chaplain's Corner

'Put on therefore, as God's elect, holy and beloved, a heart of compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, longsuffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving each other. If any man have a complaint against any, even as the Lord forgave you, so also do ye, and above all these things put on LOVE, which is the bond of perfection. (Colossians 3:12-14)

Paul is telling us here that all of Christian life is pointing to the high achievement of the Perfect Life, but no one can have perfect life unless and until we put on LOVE. (Benevolent good will for our fellow-

men).

Christianity being a religion of LOVE must be exemplified not by great structure, monuments, temples, etc., but deeds of love, lowliness, mercy and true humility.

To put on Love makes us walk where Jesus walked, among men both righteous and unrighteous, among saints and sinners. We must be willing to give even our life to show the outcast that God loves them and we, as children of God, love them also. That God is Longsuffering and Forgiving, we like Him also are forgiving, longsuffering and Humble, and "Whatsoever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, Giving Thanks to God the Father through Him."

The hangar deck of the Navy's giant aircraft carrier Forrestal is the length of 2½ full-size football fields.