

## An Airdale

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Underneath a landing gear,  
Out upon a wing,  
Nestled in a passageway,  
What is that sleeping thing?  
AN AIRDALE!

Looped across the catapult,  
Stream athwart the deck,  
Propped against the coke-machine,  
What is that snoring wreck?  
AN AIRDALE!

Those shirts of green are worn to say,  
'Please wake me up for lunch.'  
And those of red, I understand,  
Are exclusively for brunch!  
And I've been told just recently  
Those dark blue ones mean, 'Hey,  
You've had your sleep - now gimme mine,  
No planes to push today!'

And there's a tale about the shirts  
That are washed a dingy white.  
They're awarded to the airdales  
Who find time to sleep at night!  
So that brings us to the yellow shirt  
Long live it's restless soul,  
It's the visual way of saying,  
'Hey, buddy, make a hole!'  
DARN THOSE AIRDALES!

Suspended from the overhead,  
Pushed below the walk,  
Draped across the safety net,  
Too pooped to stand - less talk!  
AN AIRDALE!

Crammed aboard the escalator,  
Hanging from a prop,  
Perched against the water pipe,  
Too contented to ever drop!  
AN AIRDALE!

(Editors note: The Blackshoe gets his turn in the next regular issue of the JET BLAST)

## LTJG Dennis Is Winner Of Ship's Insignia Contest

LTJG Donald T. Dennis's entry has been selected as the winning design in Bennington's Insignia Contest. The entry was chosen as the most suitable of the 19 submitted on the basis of originality, design, and artwork. The prize for winning the contest was fifty dollars in merchandise from the ship's store.

Prior to entering the Navy, Mr. Dennis, who is a Division Officer, was employed as a Naval architect. His major interests and hobbies are, architecture, water color painting and golf.

Mr. Dennis hails from Oshkosh, Wisconsin and is a graduate of the University of Illinois.



## A Letter To The Captain

Dear Captain Foley,

Many thanks for your kind letter of October 5, 1955 and for the photographs taken during the Bennington's visit to Montevideo.

All of us including President Batlle Berres and, I am sure, the people of Uruguay, enjoyed very much the visit of the carrier and hope that you and your fine ship may have an opportunity to visit us here again.

I personally welcomed the opportunity of coming to know you and wish you and the Bennington every success.

Sincerely yours,

Dempster McIntosh

American Ambassador