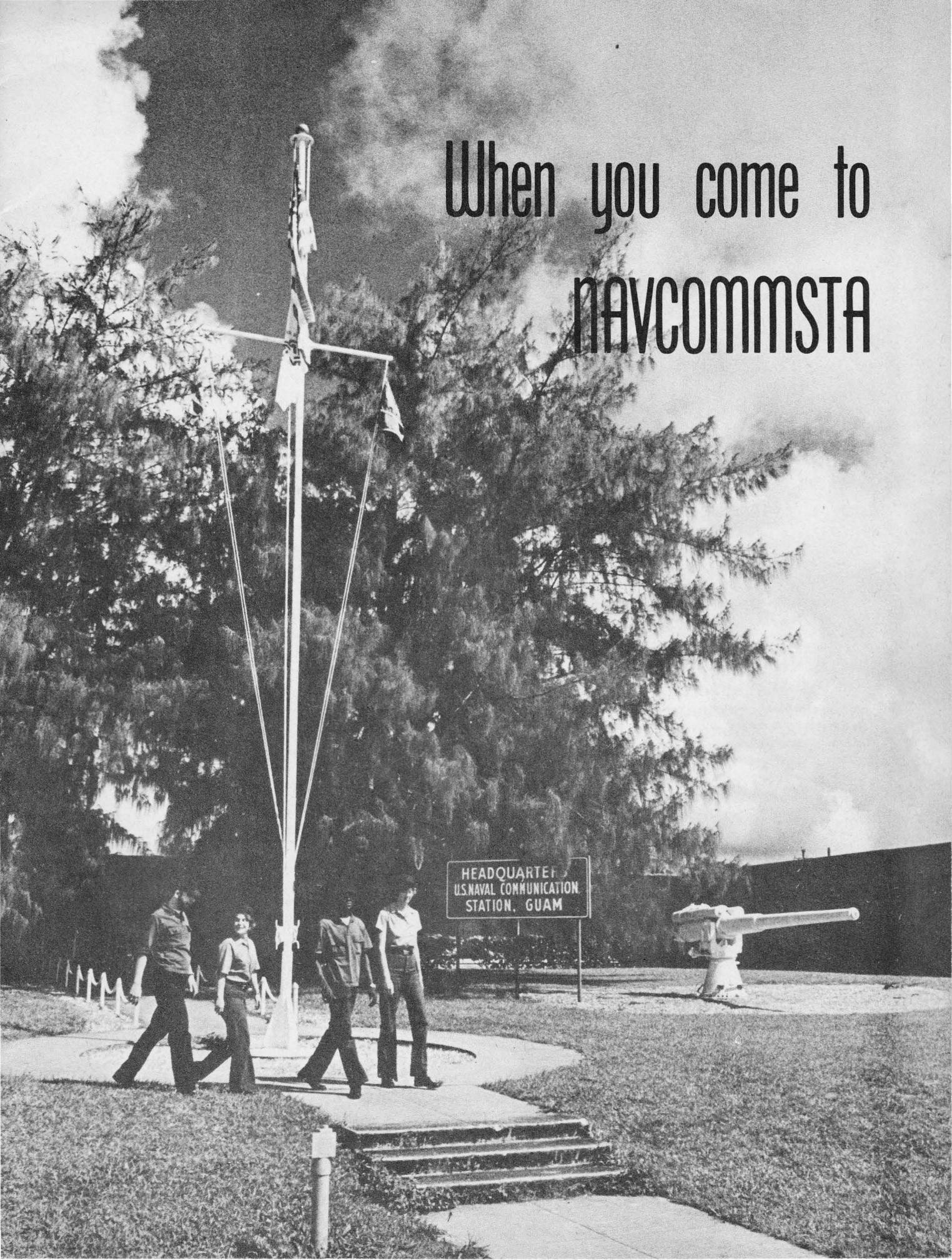


When you come to
NAVCOMMSTA



HEADQUARTERS
U.S. NAVAL COMMUNICATION
STATION, GUAM

Welcome to NAVCOMMSTA

This pamphlet was compiled to provide you with basic information about U. S. Naval Communication Station Guam and the surrounding community. In conjunction with the information in "Hafa Adai and Welcome to Guam," it should answer most of your questions and assist in solving any problems which you may encounter as a result of your orders to Guam. If, however, problems do arise while you are awaiting housing or after you arrive on island, please do not hesitate to call on me. I assure you that any request will be acted upon promptly and as sympathetically as possible. I am very much aware that the welfare and morale of station personnel and their dependents play an important role in the efficient operation of our station and how well we perform our mission.

I sincerely hope that you have a very pleasant tour on Guam.

Commanding Officer
Naval Communication Station Guam



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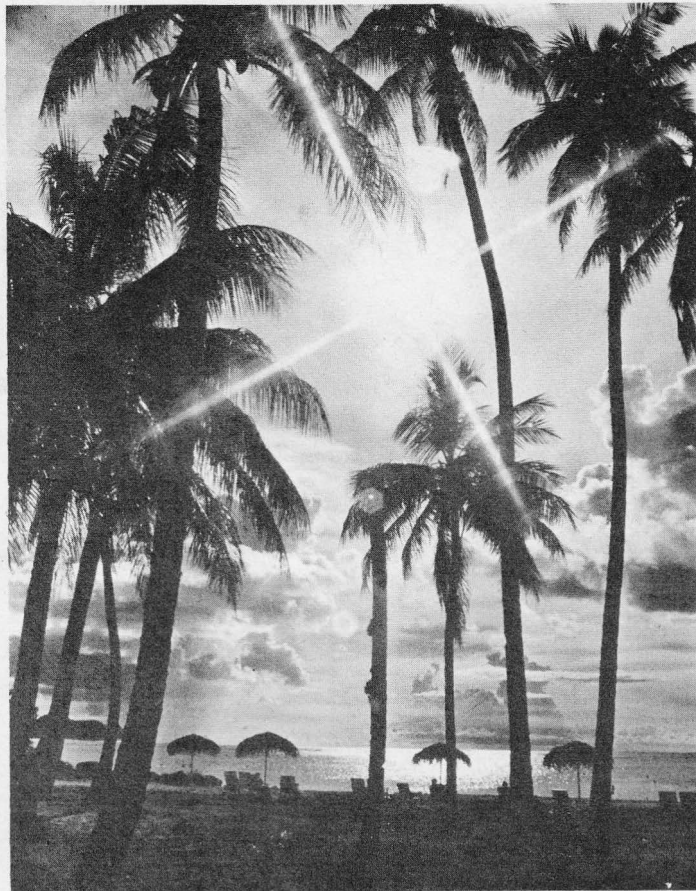
Your orders to U. S. Naval Communication Station Guam have opened up the way to an interesting and enjoyable tour for you. Guam combines the natural splendor of a tropical island, the added color of ancient Chamorro culture, as well as the security of living in a growing American community.

Few people arrive on Guam with accurate preconceptions about the island. Almost everyone expects to find lush green jungle, golden beaches and crystal clear waters - and they do. But many do not realize that there are high rise luxury hotels, rushing traffic, modern shopping centers and fast food chains on the island as well.

Those who know have compared Guam to Hawaii as it was a few years before it gained statehood. The economy is growing fast, the Territorial Government is becoming more sophisticated, tourism is expanding...There are also some similar minor inconveniences in transportation and communication which all "island hands" soon grow accustomed to.

Although the forward looking attitudes of the future are dominant in the community today, the underlying traditions of the Chamorros and the influence of the Spanish occupation are still felt in many ways. For instance, a strong Catholic tradition determines many of the friendly but conservative attitudes about dating among the island-born girls. The informal, easygoing legacy of island life also shows through in the dress (coats and ties are almost always out of place), social activities and daily affairs of everyone on Guam.

Whether you prefer scuba diving and jungle hikes or prefer a friendly beer at the club or a quiet evening at a good restaurant, you'll be at home on Guam. The whole island community shares a lifestyle which is distinctly its own, and soon after you arrive, you will discover that you have become a part of it.



Guam remains an island paradise.



The International Trade Center rises above Marine Drive traffic.



NAVCOMPARS is the newest computer system in today's Navy. It performs message handling without the need for human intervention.

NAVCOMMSTA

Talking to the Fleet

U.S. Naval Communication Station (NAVCOMMSTA) Guam, located on the northern sector of the island, is one of the busiest Navy and Defense Communications Agency stations in the world. Over 800,000 messages a month flow through this major communications facility. The headquarters, receiver and terminal facilities are located at Finegayan. Transmitter facilities are separately located in the Barrigada area.

It all began on January 26, 1906. On that date, "Radio Guam" began transmitting and relaying messages east and west in support of distant outposts of the U.S. Army and Navy. The original station used a spark transmitter producing only 3,000 watts and a small receiver, both powered by a kerosene engine. From that meager beginning, NAVCOMMSTA Guam has grown into the largest single Navy command on the island, employing over 1,300 personnel, and operating message

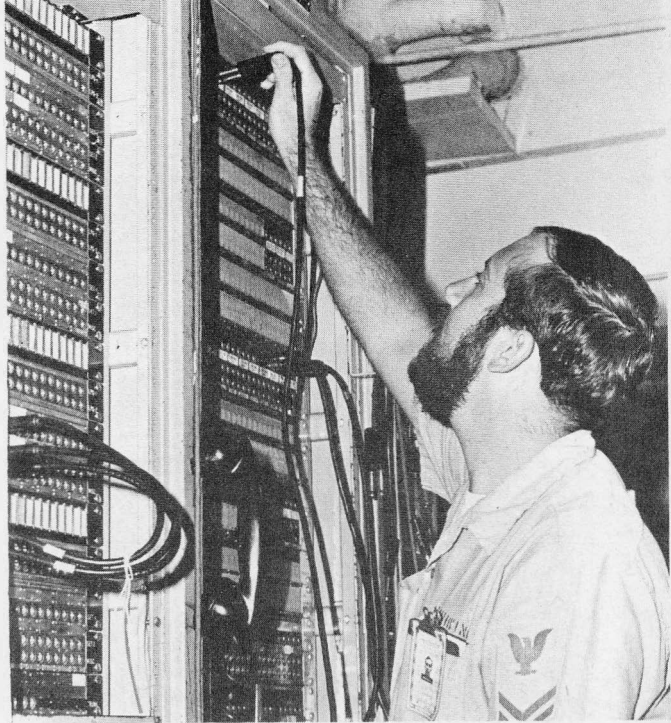


The Master Chief Petty Officer of the Fleet visits with a NAVCOMMSTA communicator.

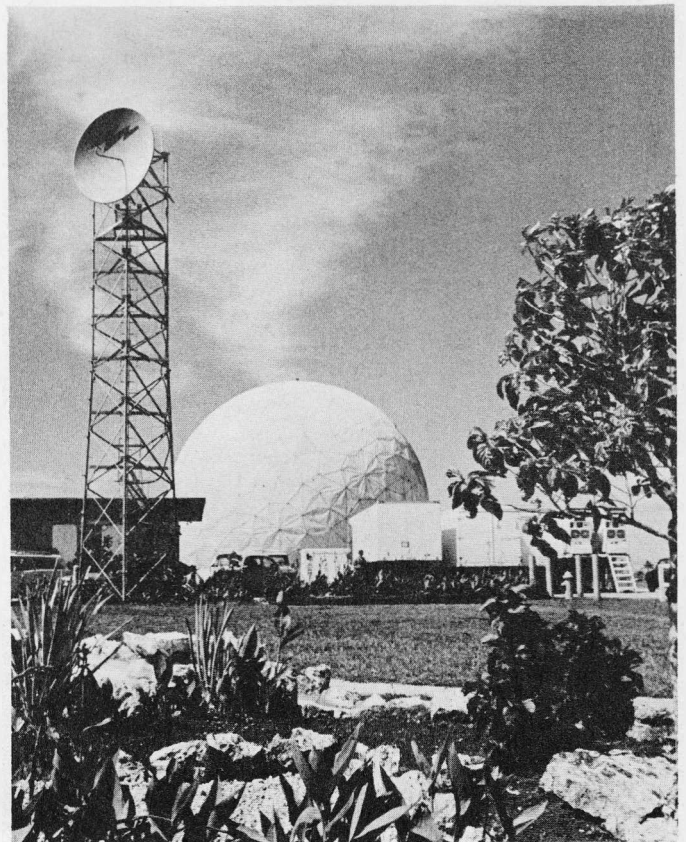
centers at Nimitz Hill, Naval Station, Naval Supply Depot and Naval Air Station. The command provides 24 hour daily communications support in the form of fleet broadcast and ship/shore communications to units of the Seventh Fleet in the western Pacific.

An important aspect of NAVCOMMSTA Guam's function is the operation of satellite communications ground terminal facilities. SATCOM, as it is known to NAVCOMMSTA personnel, receives and bounces messages off satellites orbiting 200 miles above the earth. The satellite system is providing reliable, rapid communications to major sectors of the world.

Facilities which have been added in recent years at NAVCOMMSTA Guam include the Automatic Digital Network (AUTODIN) switching center, a computerized method of storing and routing messages at high speeds (3,000 words per minute, error

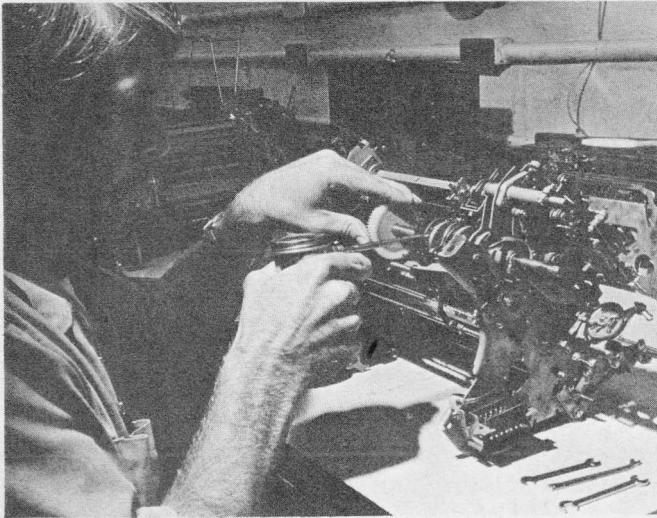


Making patches is an integral part of the communication link.



SatComm assists is a world-wide communications system.

free) from one station to another throughout the world. Access into the Defense Communications System worldwide telephone network is provided to Guam military commands by either the Automatic Voice Network (AUTOVON) or the manually operated Joint Overseas Switchboard (JOSS), both located at Finegayan.



Keeping the teletype machinery operating is a mission requisite.



The Personnel Office helps NAV-COMMSTA sailors with problems in housing, education and work.

The most recent major factor in NAV-COMMSTA Guam's growth was the station's designation as the Communication Area Master Station (CAMS)' of the western Pacific on June 1, 1970. With this new title goes the responsibility of coordinating naval tactical communications assets located in the Philippines, Japan and Australia.



In spite of advances in computer message handling, teletype tapes still play an important role.

Exchange facilities at NAVCOMMSTA, while limited, offer a wide selection of imported and American-made products.



NAVCOMMSTA dependents participate in many organized team activities.

NAVCOMMSTA Facilities

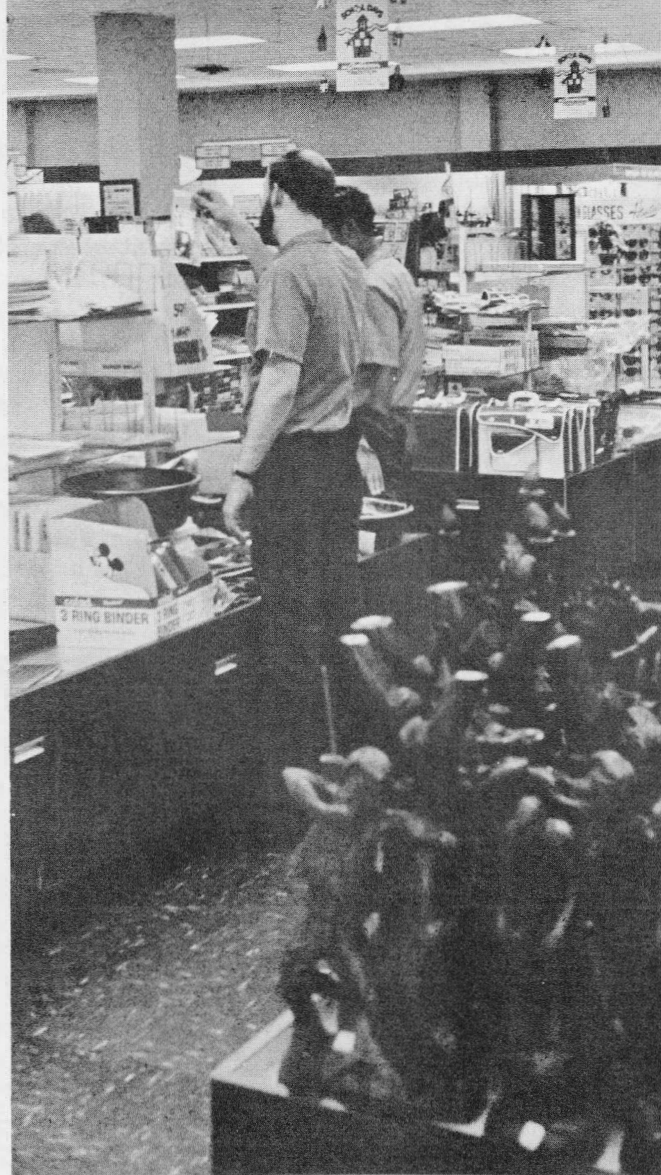
Facilities at NAVCOMMSTA Guam range from medical and dental care to the American Forces Radio Station and a full program of youth activities. Following is a summary of the various NAVCOMMSTA facilities:

MEDICAL CARE: Dependent medical care is available at the NAVCOMMSTA branch dispensary by appointment Monday through Friday. Emergencies are handled at any time. The Navy Regional Medical Center (hospital) is located in Agana Heights and has a capacity of 350 beds.

DENTAL CARE: Limited dental care is available to dependents at the NAVCOMMSTA branch Dental Clinic. Work is by appointment except in case of emergency.

CHAPEL SERVICES: Protestant and Catholic services are conducted each Sunday at the NAVCOMMSTA chapel. Jewish services are held each Friday evening at 1930 at the Naval Hospital Chapel. Roman Catholic Mass is said at the Main Chapel on Sunday and weekday mass is held in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel (adjacent to the Main Chapel) every day but Thursday.

SCHOOLS: Public schools come under the jurisdiction of the Department of Education, Government of Guam. They are comparable to stateside standards. Bus service is provided to the schools as well as to parochial schools. A private tuition-supported kindergarten is operated at NAVCOMMSTA. The island also has



an undergraduate/graduate university.

CHILD CARE CENTER: The NAVCOMMSTA Child Care Center is operated on station for the care of dependent children. Minimum age is three months.

NAVY RELIEF: Navy Relief loans are available through the chaplains' office.

RED CROSS: The American Red Cross has a branch office at NAVCOMMSTA to assist in emergencies and obtaining Health and Welfare reports on families in the states.



NAVCOMMSTA's Duva Den features a live band three nights a week.

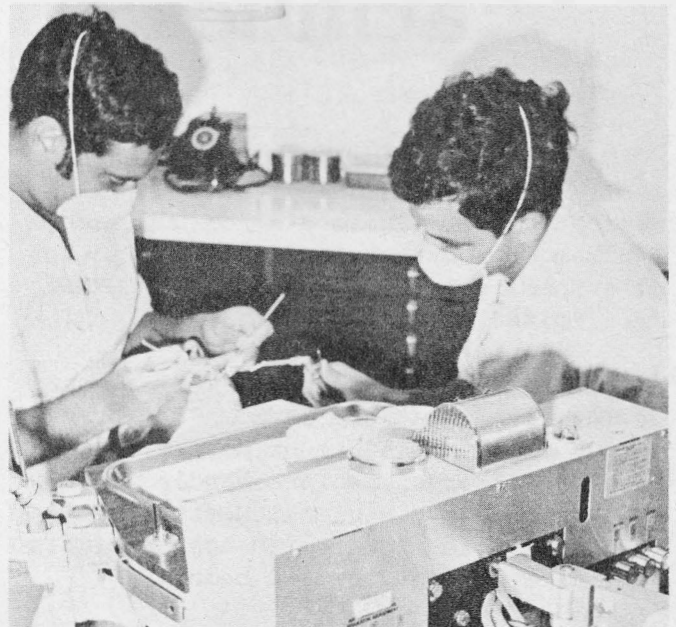


Periodicals and reference books round out the library's facilities.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: A full program of youth activities is available at NAVCOMMSTA, including Little League baseball, age - group swimming competition, Girl Scouts, Cub and Boy Scouts and instruction in sports, arts and crafts during the summer months.

COMMISSARY AND EXCHANGE: Although NAVCOMMSTA is the largest single command on Guam, there are other bases which have larger commissary and exchange facilities, such as the Apra Harbor Naval Station and Andersen Air Force Base. The nearest commissary is at Andersen AFB, seven miles from NAVCOMMSTA. Andersen also has a large Post Exchange, which is open to Navy personnel. The Naval Station, which is 17 miles from NAVCOMMSTA, houses the main Navy commissary and the main Navy Exchange.

NAVCOMMSTA has a small but complete branch Navy Exchange, including a food Mini-Mart, to provide immediate shopping needs. Other NAVCOMMSTA Exchange facilities include a tailor shop, self-service laundromat, beverage lot, snack bar, pizza hut, laundry and dry-cleaning



Modern equipment aid NAVCOMMSTA's dentists in the base's small dental unit.



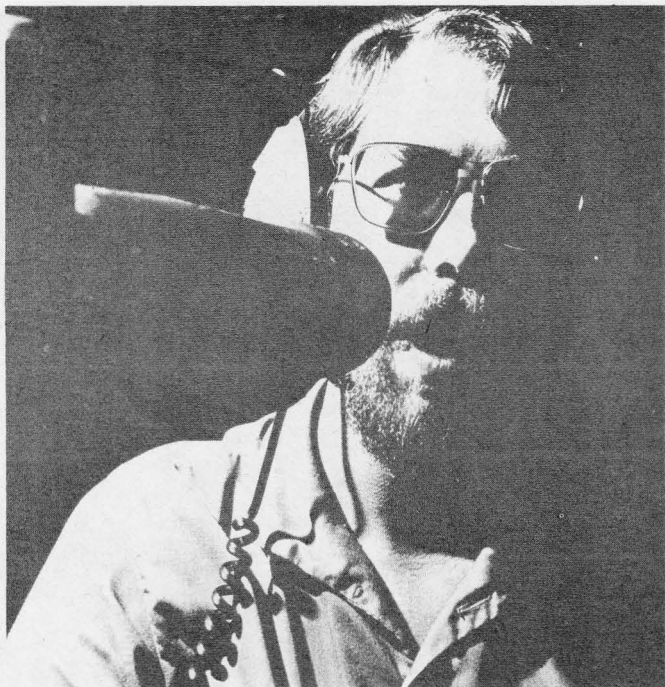
The new Chiefs' Club offers good food and entertainment.



Trained medical personnel are available for on-base treatment.



The base gas station also supplies basic automotive parts.



AFNG broadcasts news, sports and entertainment 24 hours a day.

service, barber shop, gas station and auto parts store.

LIBRARY: The base library, with a selection of 13,000 volumes, offers a wide coice of non-fiction, fiction and children's books, in addition to much research material. It's located next to the chapel, and is open seven days a week, from 1000 to 2100.

CLUBS: The Reef (Officers') Club, a new CPO club and the Duva Den - a combined PO and EM club, provide entertainment, food and a place to relax for all station personnel.

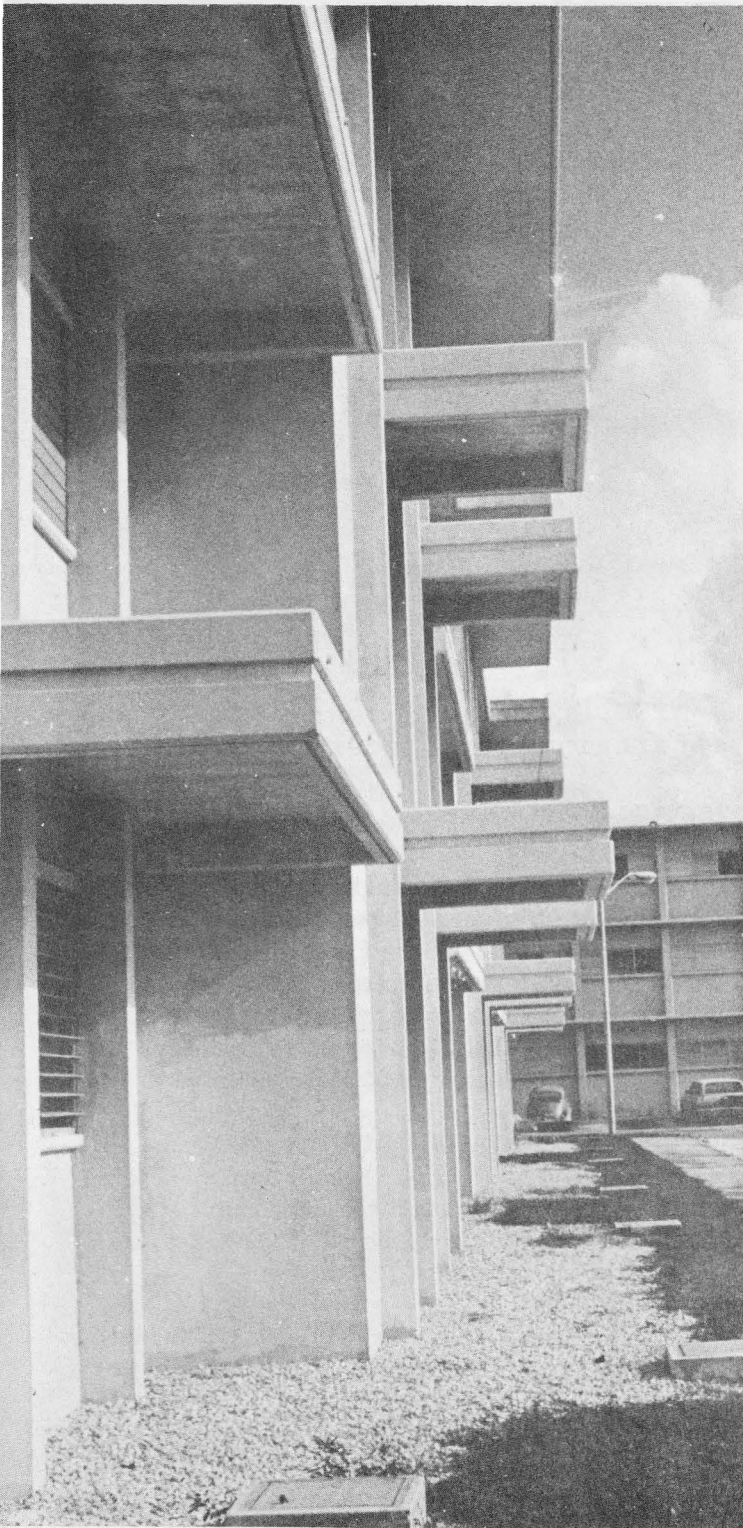
AFNG: The Navy component of Guam's American Forces Radio Network has its studio at NAVCOMMSTA. The station operates 24 hours a day, and provides news, sports and music to all naval commands on island via remote transmitters.

GUAM REPORT: The GUAM REPORT is an officially authorized command publication. Published bi-monthly, it includes sports, feature and news articles about events and personnel at NAVCOMMSTA.

Living on base

As a resident of Guam, you can enjoy the island much more thoroughly than any tourist. However, the pleasure of your tour depends a great deal on the kind of residence you choose.

You are eligible for assignment to military quarters if you are married, have command sponsorship of your dependents and are E-4 or above with two years of duty remaining. There are several military housing areas open to accompanied families. There are 240 units located at NAVCOMMSTA Finegayan itself, ranging in size from two to four bedrooms. Two miles south of the station is the South Finegayan Department of Defense housing area, which has over 500 new central air - conditioned units complete with carports and dishwashers. There are also military housing areas at the Naval Air Station, Naval Station and near Nimitz Hill.



There are nine BEQs on base to provide housing for single or unaccompanied personnel. BEQs are run under the hotel/motel management plan.



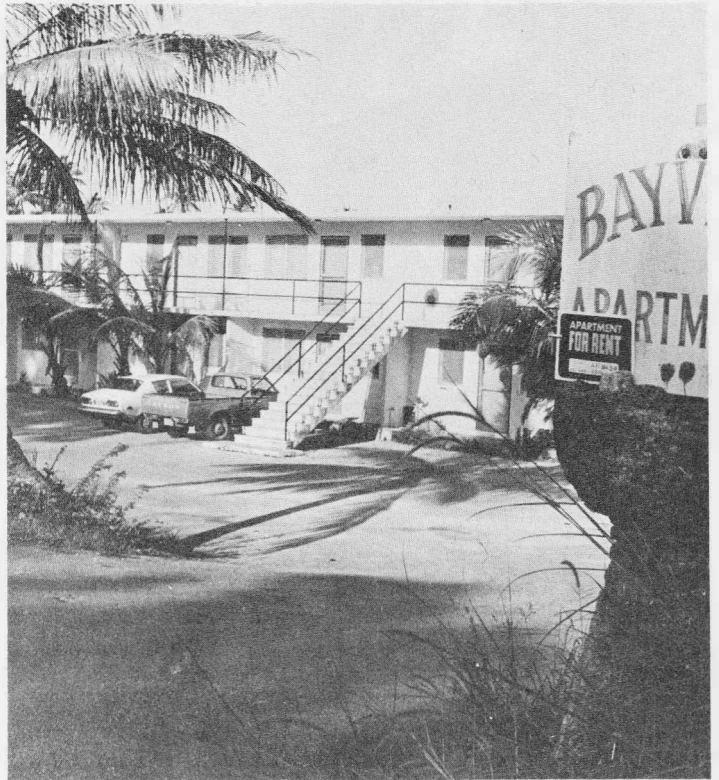
NAVCOMMSTA base housing ranges from four bedroom ranch styles. Their location is near most base facilities, such as the laun

and off

Military quarters are in great demand and there is often a waiting list of several months. When you arrive, you can have your name placed on the list as of the day you departed your previous command.

While you are waiting to find civilian housing or be assigned to quarters, you may receive a Temporary Housing Allowance (TLA) to cover the expense of temporary lodging. Your sponsor can make reservations for you at a TLA approved hotel near the station. TLA payments are granted for ten day periods, and can be extended with approval. They range from \$56 per day for members with a spouse to \$112 per day for a family of six.

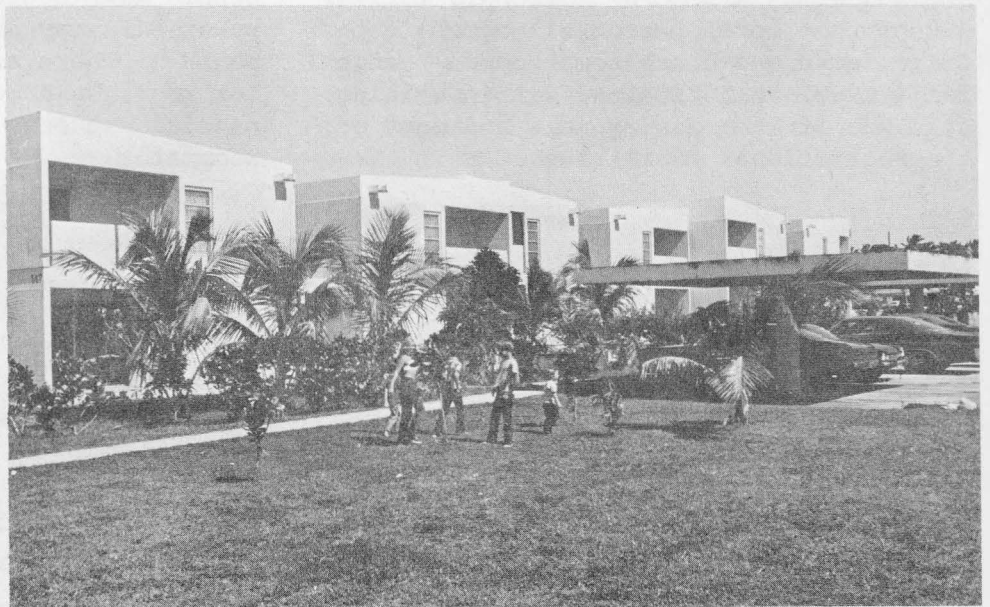
If you are single or unaccompanied, you will be assigned to one of the nine BEQs located at the main station. There is one BEQ for E-7 and above, and two



Off - base housing offers the opportunity to discover Guam fully.



two bedroom duplexes to
tions are convenient to
Promat and Mini-Mart.



There are 500 units at the South Finegayan housing area. All offer central air conditioning, carports and dishwashers. Security for the housing area is provided by NAVCOMMSTA Security Police.



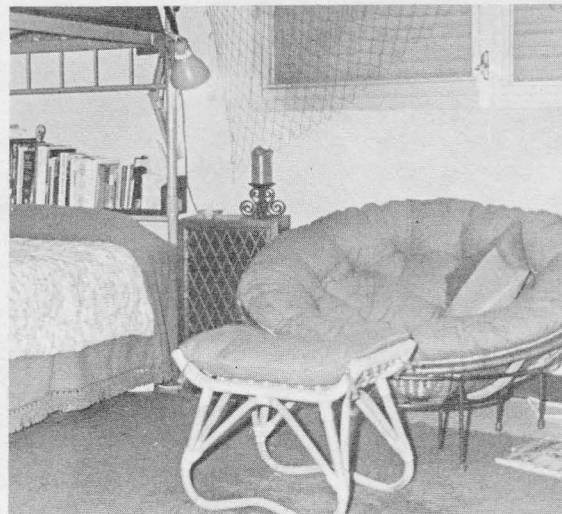
Both men and women live in one of NAVCOMMSTA's nine attractive and modern barracks.

which are designated for Marine personnel. The BEQs are run under the hotel/motel management system, which means that new personnel are assigned to a room as soon as they arrive. You may have from one to three roommates, depending on your rate. Several of the BEQ buildings are co-educational, to the extent that women personnel occupy separate decks and share some common lounge facilities. All BEQs are within walking distance of the dining hall and most of the recreational facilities.

Although prices have come down due to extensive building, off-base civilian housing is still expensive. Rent for a two bedroom apartment usually runs from \$175 to \$300 a month, and may or may not be furnished. Utilities are high, and usually not included with the rent. For a home with central air-conditioning, a power bill may run as high as \$100 a month. There are also houses available for rent, and many people solve the financial squeeze by living with several roommates.



Few regulations mean BEQ rooms can be decorated to suit occupants' taste.



Papa-san chairs are a good buy on Guam.

Recreation and Entertainment

There's plenty to do on Guam if you are willing to get up and go. Reef walking, sailing, golfing, snorkeling and scuba diving are popular sports. And there are beaches, waterfalls and jungle waiting for you to explore.

In addition to all this, NAVCOMMSTA has a wide range of recreational facilities and athletic programs which provide year round activity for station personnel and dependents. They include:

The Automotive Hobby Shop is fully equipped with tools, jacks, a grease rack and paint locker.

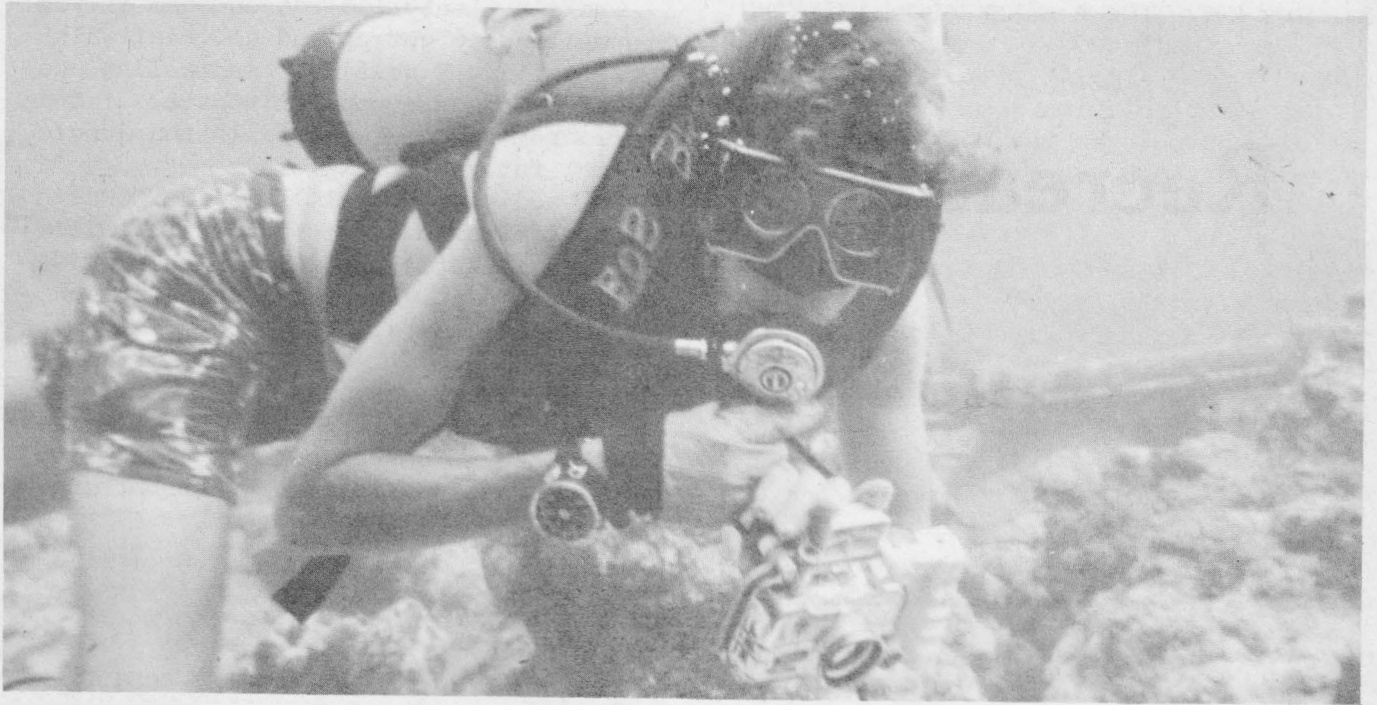
NAVCOMMSTA Beach, on the Philippine Sea, is the ideal place for sunbathing, swimming, snorkeling and scuba.

At the Martial Arts Center you can learn judo, tae kwon-do and aikido. Also offered are slimnastics classes.

A different movie shows every night at the Outdoor Theater, and no admission

NAVCOMMSTA Beach and the Philippine Sea provide hours of recreation to military personnel and their families. The beach is equipped with shower facilities and attractive picnic areas.





Warm water, an abundance of coral and rainbows of fish lure many to the sport of scuba diving.



Boonie stomps provide an opportunity to become acquainted with Guam's unique countryside.

fee is charged.

The swimming pool, besides swimming, offers lessons in lifesaving and scuba, and is the home of the Seahorses Swim Team.

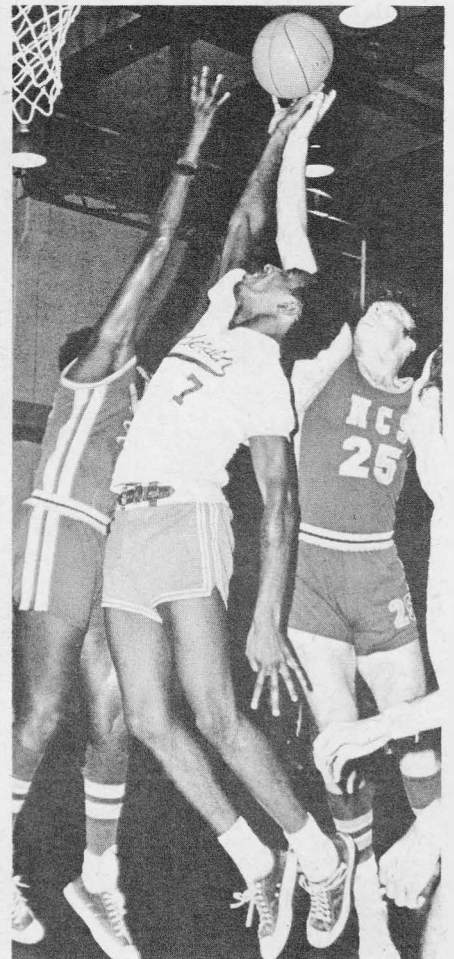
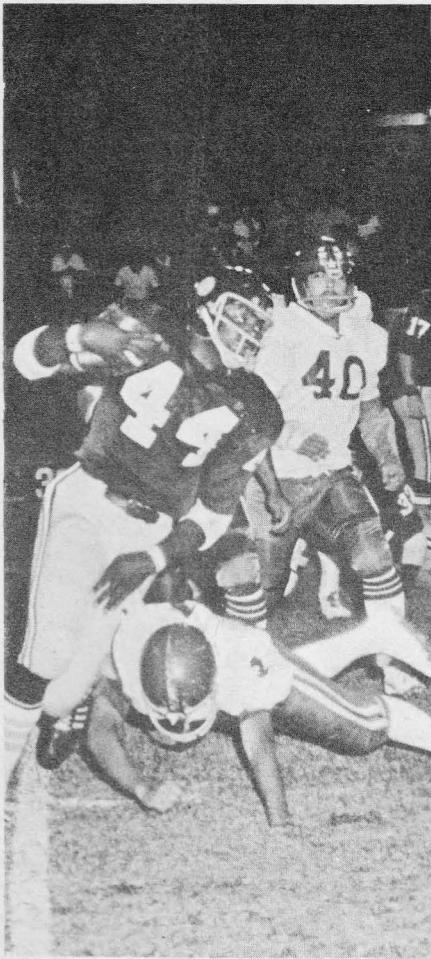
Tennis lessons are offered on the base courts.

The Weight Room is equipped with Universal Gym weightlifting equipment.

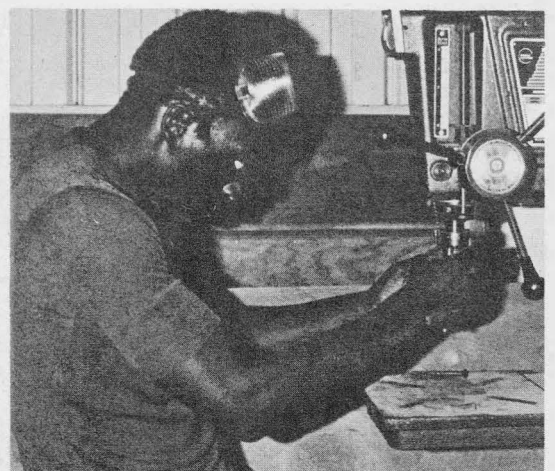
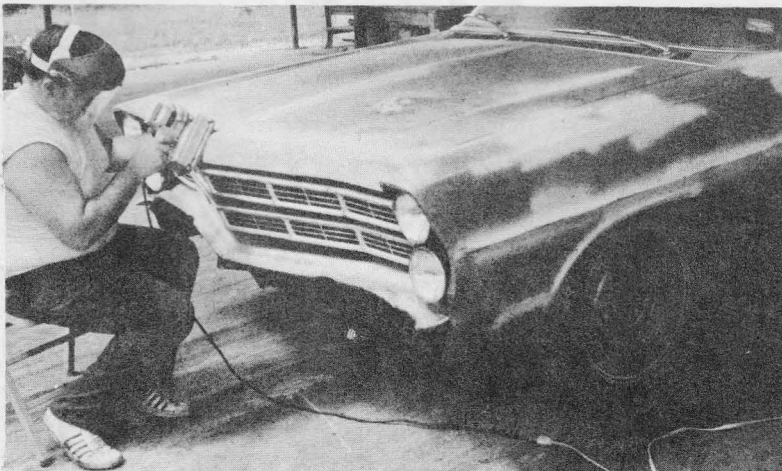
The Woodworking Hobby Shop has both power and hand tools, and ample storage space is available.

Under construction are the Ceramic and Photographic Hobby Shops, and a Tape Recording Studio.

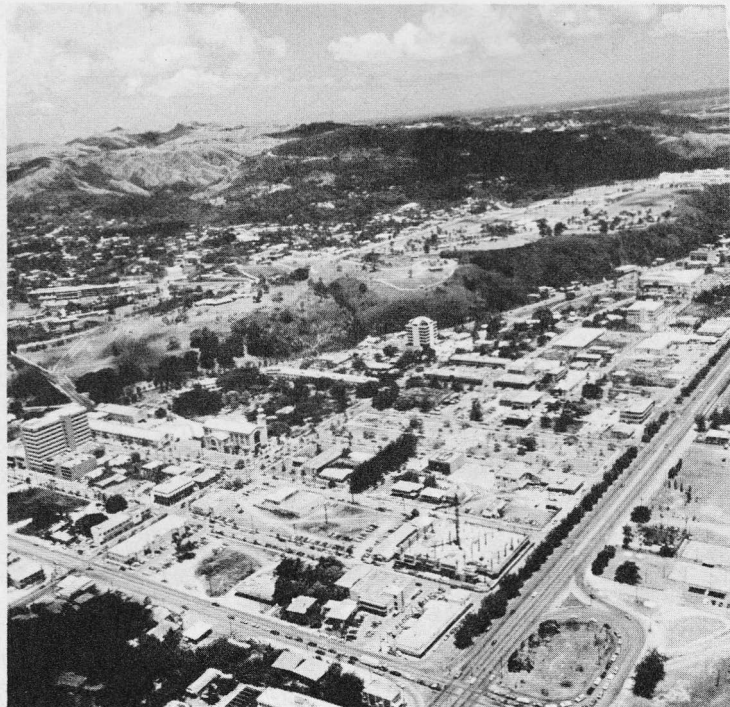
The United Services Organization (USO) has a center at Hoover Beach, 15 miles south of the Communication Station. In addition to weekly boonie stomps, the USO sponsors special interest groups such as stamp and shell collectors clubs, organizes instruction in swimming and scuba diving at the USO beach, and hosts parties in the beachfront recreation room.



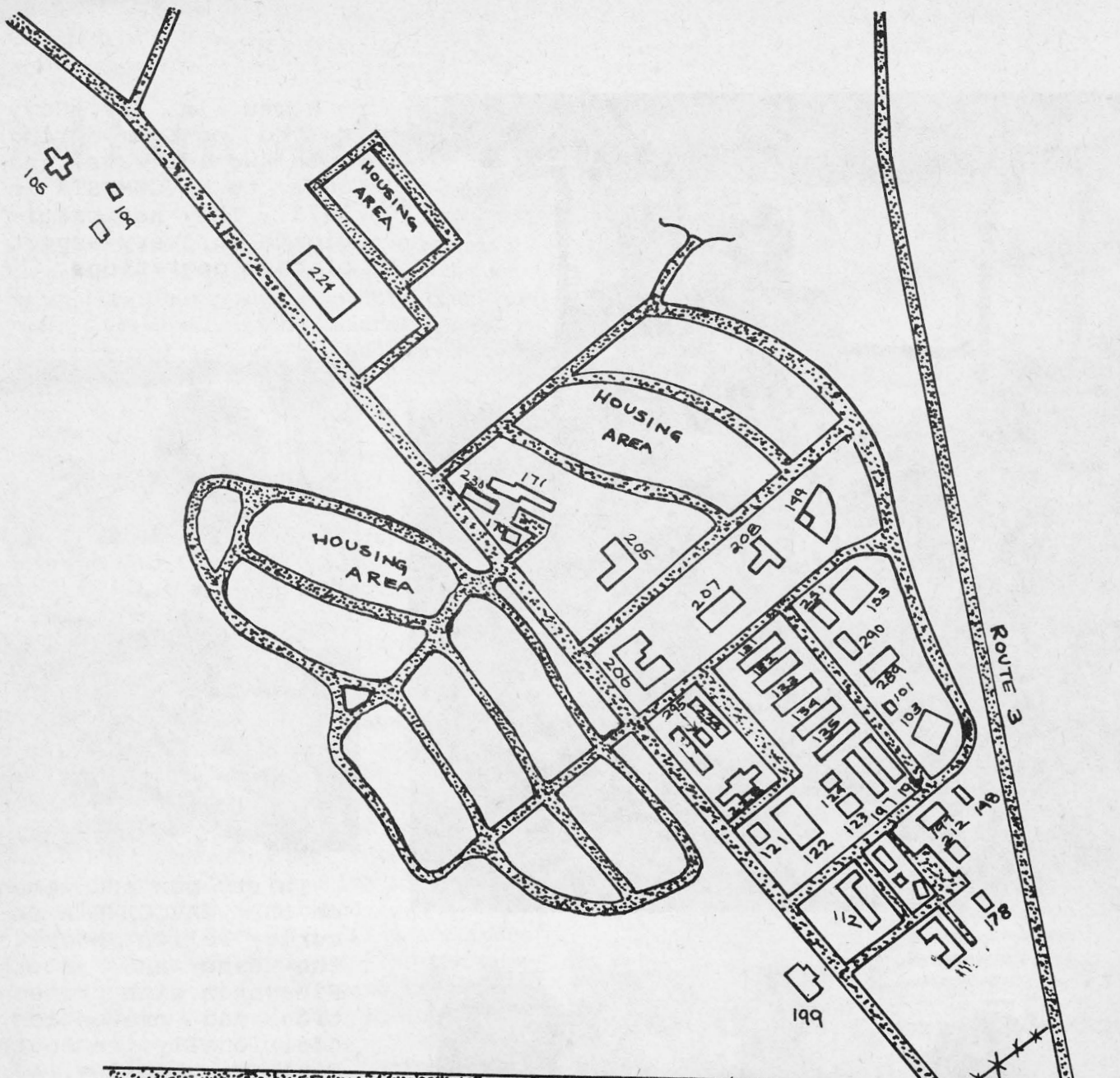
Football, bowling and basketball are popular sports at NAVCOMMSTA. The base's District Recreation Office encourages people interested in all sports to get in touch with them for equipment and possible team and game schedules.



NAVCOMMSTA's auto hobby shop and wood hobby shop are widely used by base personnel. Both shops provide a good variety of equipment.



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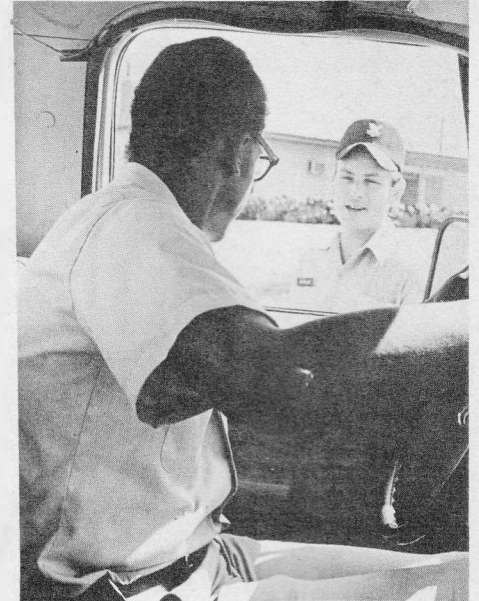
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- 103-Outdoor Theater
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- 111-Admin. Bldg.
- 112-Terminal
- 116-Warehouse
- 121-Fire Station
- 122-EM Mess
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- 148-Teen Center
- 149-Little League Field
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- 199-Autodin
- 205-Swimming Pool
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EM Club
- 207-Library
- 208-Chapel
- 212-Warehouse
- 224-Football Field
- 230-BOQs
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- 290-Community Bldg.
- 291-Social Center
- 292-Pass Office
- 295-Billeting Office
- 297-Supply Office
- 315-CPO Club





Women in the Navy served on Guam during both world wars, and came to NAVCOMMSTA in 1973. They now participate in every aspect of base operations.



Thirty men and women on the NAVCOMMSTA Security Police provide the base and South Finegayan with protection and prevention. Additionally, in South Finegayan housing, Air Force guard dogs patrol nightly.



Though the Guam government is encouraging a "Green Revolution," most of the island's food must be imported and prices are higher than the mainland.



Rain doesn't hamper a base picnic. Though the rainy season may last six months, the showers are brief, and rarely interfere with plans for a boonie stomp, trip to the beach or other excursions.



Guam's location in the western Pacific means that travel to neighboring islands is both easy and encouraged. Truk, Ponape, Saipan, Rota and Tinian are all just a flight away.

