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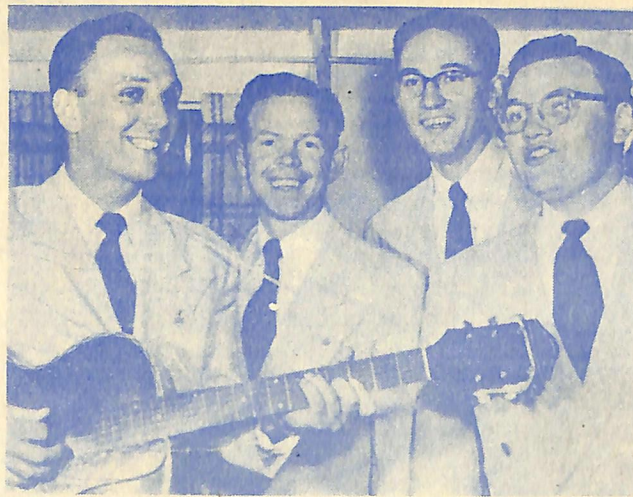
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"FOUR FLATS" SING ON WILLIS

When Christian graduating Seniors from Seattle high schools took a moonlight cruise on the WILLIS Jun. 6 they were entertained by YFC's finest quartet---the FOUR FLATS! Their names from left to right are: Ronald S. Crecelius, Richard G. Cadd, Norval R. Hadley and Harlow T. Ankeny.

The talented young singers sang for CEMC noonday radio broadcast and YFC. On Sunday they represented M.M.M. in four services at Fort Angeles, Wash.

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NEWS BULLETINS...

Cap got a "close" call on Thetis Island cruise over Memorial Day weekend. Thanks to prayer and the services of a heart specialist whom God sent on cruise, he pulled through. But Captain Troupe from Victoria took WILLIS back.

WILLIS SHANK was host to over 1000 guests who jammed boat on thirteen cruises in four weeks. Groups from several denominations from as far as Yakima and Everett came for special tours.

IT COST OVER \$500 for the WILLIS to go up on drydock in Seattle last month for 30 hours for minor repairs.

AN IDAHO INDIAN tribe gave to help other Indians in Alaska & B. C. Thru the presentation of M.M.M.'s work by a summer team member, the tribe gave their first missionary offering! The \$12.02 consisted almost entirely of nickels and dimes, and especially pennies. "It was the heaviest offering I've ever lifted", she said.

JO FULMER, A NURSE FROM Klawock, Alaska, clinic, arrived home June 2 for family reunion. She was on WILLIS to Seattle and traveled by bus with a sister to Elkhart, Ind.

WANTED:

Big meat knives; canned peas, carrots, corn, fruit; jellies; macaroni; large roast pans; coffee, and a 75-cup coffee pot.

Also sheets, Turkish towels and pillow cases.

SEND what you can today to M.M.M. Thank you!

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MARINE MEDICAL MISSION! Mrs. C.F. Stabbert cuts first piece of giant birthday cake for her husband and skipper, "Cap" Stabbert.

Eve Almoslino, who bakes cakes and makes fishing rods for a living, made the delicious seventeen by twenty-five inch banana cake exclusively for the WILLIS SHANK crew in celebration of MARINE MEDICAL MISSION'S third birthday. It took her 12 hours to make four cakes and fit them into one large cake.

The three big candles denote three big years of marine medical and gospel work in Alaskan and British Columbia coastal waters.

The three great candles also represent three great men. Mr. Willis R. Shank, 32-yr-old Seattle YFC director, who lost his life in an airliner crash while enroute to Ketchikan, Alaska to dedicate a new mission building. The M.M.M. Board named minesweeper #337 after him. The other two men... (Cont. Page 2.)



STUDENT BIBLE TEAMS READY

Forty-one students from 18 colleges in 15 states representing 15 denominations will leave Seattle July 1 to hold summer Bible schools in nearly 50 B.C. & Alaskan villages.

Included in the group are 6 married couples, 7 nurses and 8 teachers. Miss Carlson, director, will brief the teams on board the WILLIS enroute to villages where the first schools begin Monday, July 7.

Mr. Wills, dean, has two other ships which will cooperate in shuttling teams. The GOSPEL SHIP will operate in Quatsino Sound, and MESSENGER III in Alberni Canal, Barclay Sound and Skena River.

WITH MAP BEFORE THEM, Percy E. Wills, dean of summer program, points out villages to Miss Helen R. Carlson, Bible school director, where teams will start children's work July 7th. Each team will consist of 2 to 5 members who will conduct 3 schools. They return Aug. 29 to return to their colleges.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK...

"One thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before." Phil. 3:13

MARINE MEDICAL MISSION begins 4th YEAR--what a thrilling headline to those who have followed the MISSION since its inception.

But as no great athlete becomes greater by living on his laurels, so no organization becomes big by dreaming of past achievements.

Progress for God is realized by using His formula that Paul applied 1900 years ago--Phil. 3:13.

It is obvious that God has done great things for M.M.M. But equally as obvious are the many blunders this infant organization has made. Both the miracles and the blunders must be put behind us. "There remaineth yet much land to be possessed" in Alaska and B. C.

Never before have our opportunities been greater. Never before have our needs been greater.

As we face a new year Phil. 3:13 should frame our thinking into decisive, positive action.

We must permit our energies, offerings and prayers to be channeled into the great work God has before us now.

So let's forget those victories and mistakes which are behind and reach forth unto the summer Bible school program which is before us.

Let's begin our 4th year with 1000 decisions for Christ in B.C. and Alaska this summer.

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PRAYER CORNER...

1. PRAY for movements of the ship this summer in perilous waters.
2. PRAY for teams who will enter diseased areas that they will be kept strong and healthy.
3. PRAY that enough money will come in to pay all the bills.
4. PRAY daily for good "fishing" and that the new converts will grow.

CHILDREN SELL CALF TO SPONSOR TEAM

The boys and girls of Lakebay Community Church near Gig Harbor sold a calf for \$160 to be the first group to sponsor a summer Bible school team of four.

SECOND PLACE goes to the Young People's Fellowship of Kingwood Bible Church in Salem, Oregon.

Both groups will receive action photos of their village schools.

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M.M.M. BIRTHDAY (Cont. from Page 1)

are Captain Stabbert and Dr. L.E. McClenny, the human dynamos that have made the MISSION what it is today. They planned and made a reality through sacrifice, moral and physical drive and sheer work a dream that Willis R. Shank would have given his last shoe to see.

When the WILLIS SHANK left Seattle on its maiden voyage to Alaska on July 24, 1949, it was fully equipped as a hospital ship with 8 beds, examining room, surgery, X-ray and dentistry.

Upon seeing the tremendous need in Alaska, Dr. McClenny decided to stay and work among the natives.

But with the physical and spiritual needs equally as great, they soon realized that either medicine or evangelism would suffer if another boat wasn't secured at once.

And so the Lord provided a sub-chaser from Portland, Ore. in 1950.

It too was converted and renamed GLEANER to be run by Paul Getman thus freeing the WILLIS for evangelism and summer Bible work.

Last summer 32 schools recorded 467 decisions among the children.

Today, MARINE MEDICAL MISSION works all along the coast of B.C. and Alaska with plans to build a drydock, Christian trade school, summer camp and year around conference grounds on Thetis Island.

As M.M.M. begins its 4th year, the God-given opportunities are only limited by our lack of time, faith, money and prayer.

\$25. COMES WRAPPED IN "LOG" PHOTO

One ardent summer Bible school supporter tore off front page pic of Indian kids in May issue and wrapped it around \$25. No name or address was enclosed. THANK YOU.

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CAPT. GETMAN PULLS SURPRISE VISIT

Capt. Paul Getman, 40-year-old skipper of the GLEANER at Klawock Alaska, flew down to Seattle June first for a week of business.

He ended up by taking a new seine boat back loaded with supplies for MARINE MEDICAL MISSION at Klawock. The fishing boat was for a newly converted Indian.

For Captain Getman, this was his second attempt in three years to sleep a shore. He tried it for 10 days at Hydaburg once and house rocked continuously, he thought.

During part of his last 2 years up North, he chased fish trap pirates for a tea company.

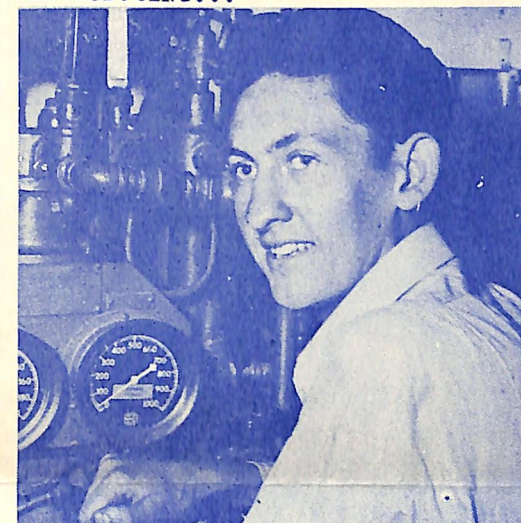
Now he's busy building a waiting room, examining room and surgery on the back deck of GLEANER.

He wishes some ship's carpenters would spend their vacations in Alaska to help him and Sid King finish the job this summer.



Capt. Paul Getman of Minnesota, by the wheel of the GLEANER at Klawock, Alaska.

INTRODUCING...



MAKING ADJUSTMENTS ON THE AIR COMPRESSOR is only one of many tasks this Paso Robles, Cal. lad performs in the engine room of the WILLIS.

He has been tinkering with diesels since he started driving tractors at the age of 14. The young engineer celebrates his 19th birthday Jul. 12. (Say, how about sending him a birthday card?)

While Dale attended a youth Bible camp at Sequoia National Park last summer, the thrilling testimonies of livewire teenagers challenged him to live a life more pleasing to the Master. Dale turned his whole life over to Christ.

His brother Wayne and wife Charlene were on the WILLIS at the time doing summer Bible work. When they returned they told Dale of the great opportunities to serve God in B.C. and Alaska for M.M.M.

Two months later Dale found himself on board the WILLIS.

It was Dale's first trip to sea when the WILLIS went up North last March. But he never got seasick once---just the chickenpox.

Now he's an old salt, besides being the 1st Engr. on the WILLIS.

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INVEST IN MARINE MEDICAL MISSION TODAY. It pays dividends in souls.

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"He that winneth souls is wise."
Proverbs 11:30