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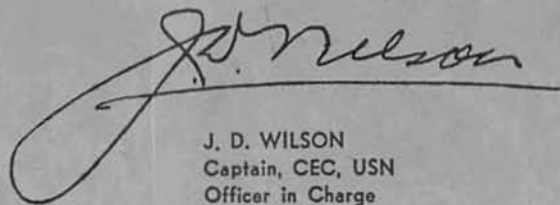
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To all hands:

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As one of the principal Seabee bases, Camp Parks has played an important part in the evolution of this new branch of the service. At Camp Parks, we have all tried to keep clearly in mind the two-fold intent expressed in the Seabee motto: "We build—we fight!" Our program has been conceived with an active regard for the full significance of that motto. It is an ambitious program and one which requires men of a high caliber, both as students and instructors. As your Civil Engineer Officer in Command, I am proud to say that the men of Camp Parks are now, and have been from the beginning, that kind of men. It has been a privilege to hold a position of responsibility among you.



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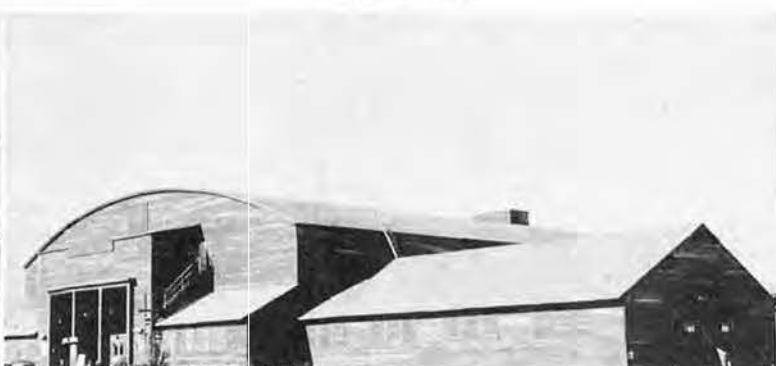
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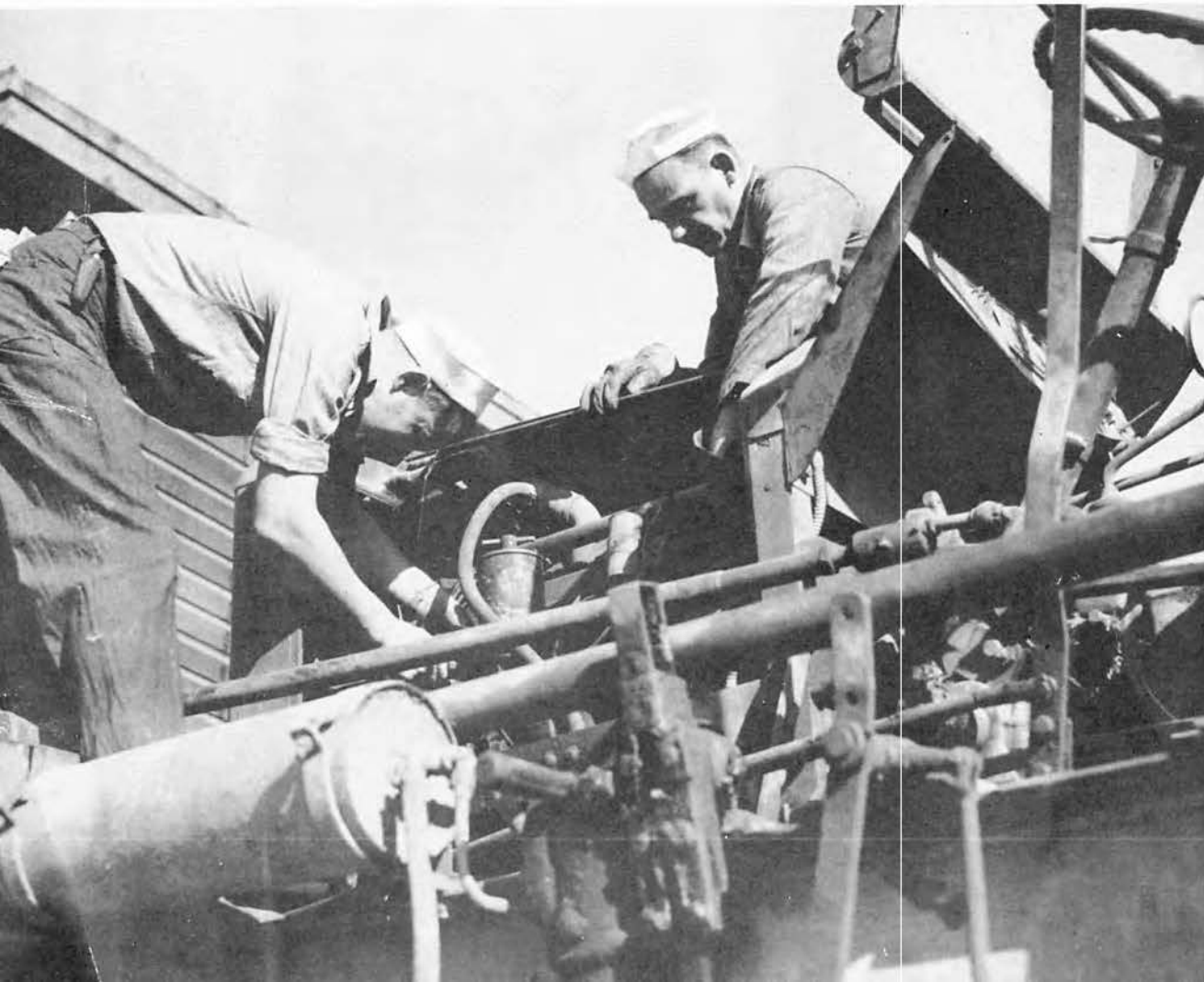


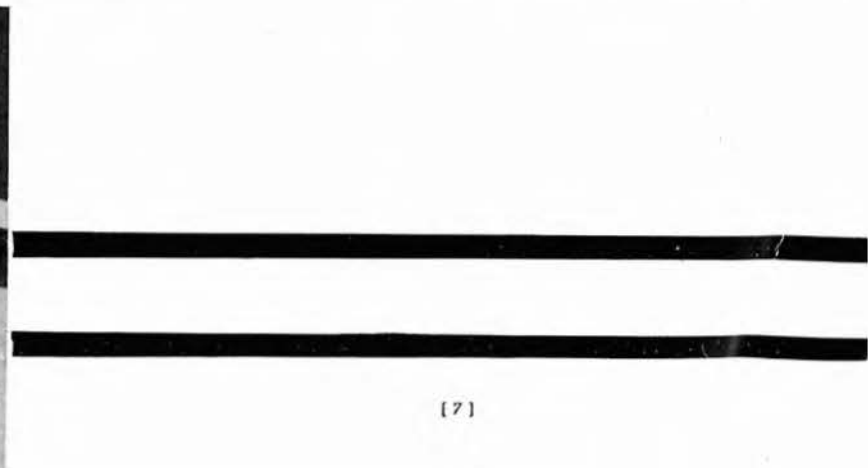
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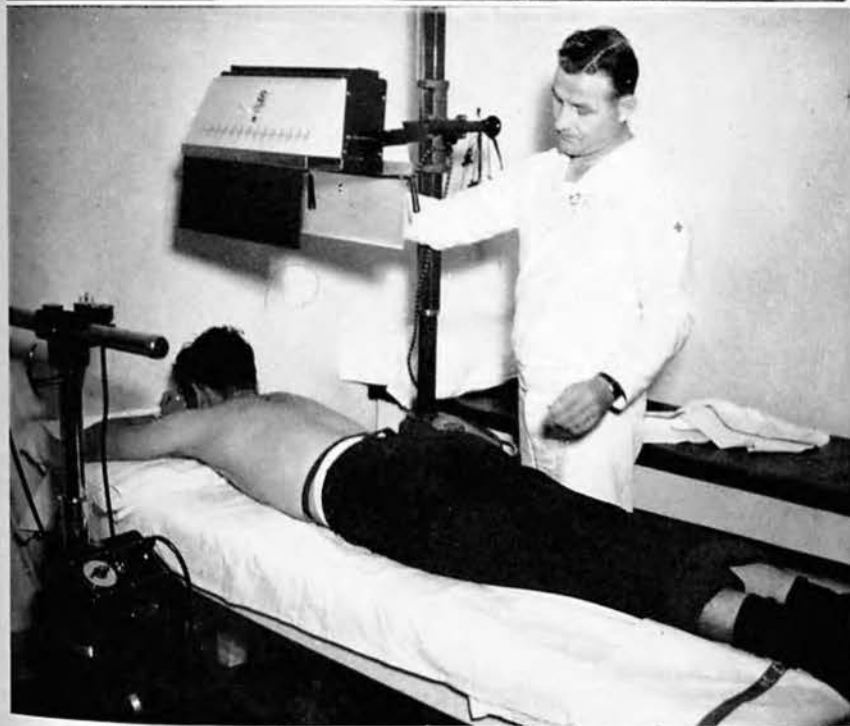
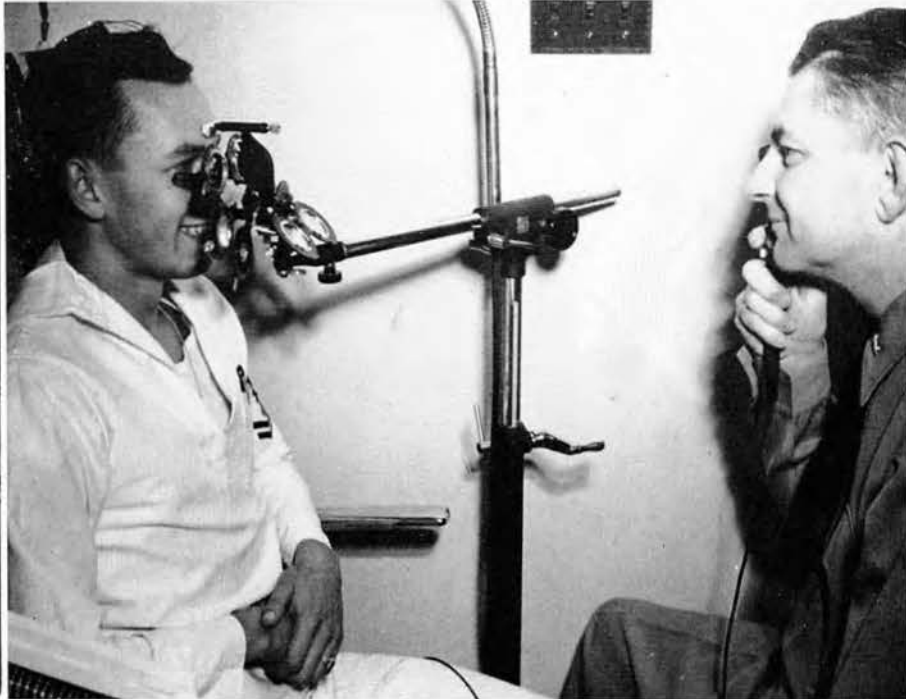


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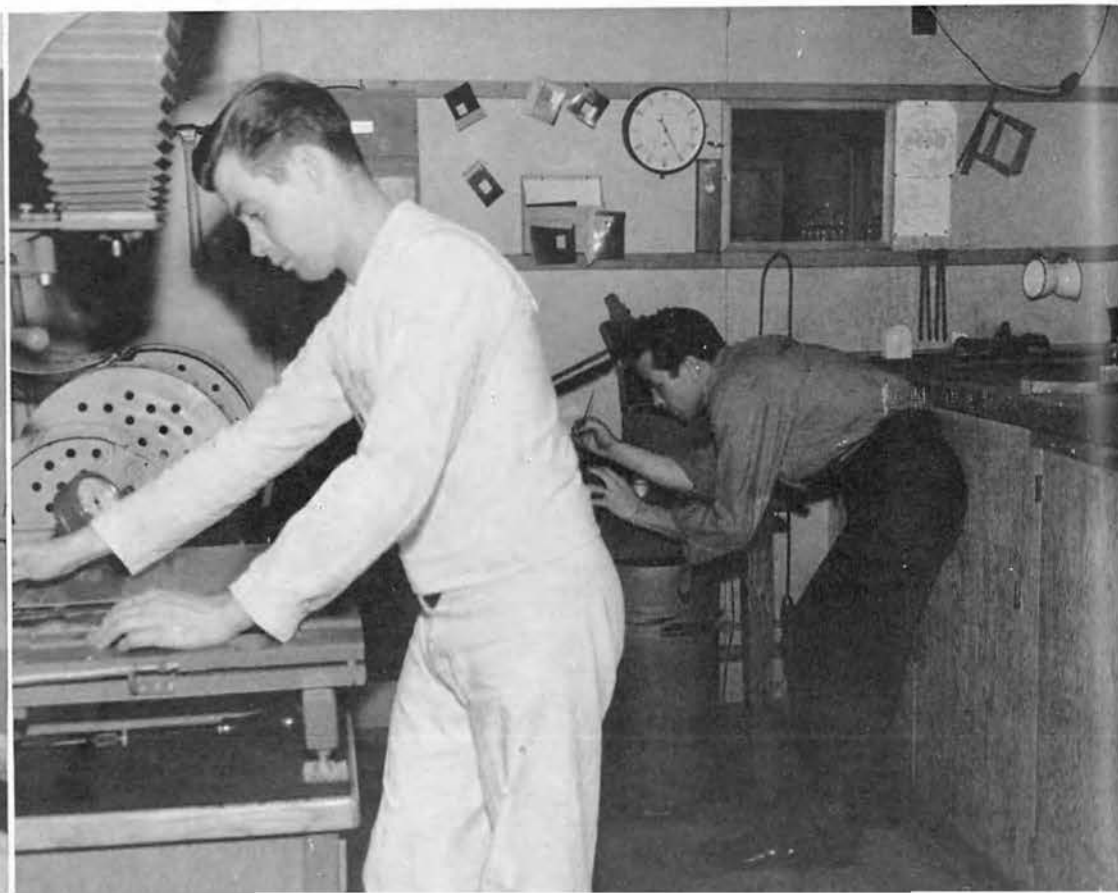
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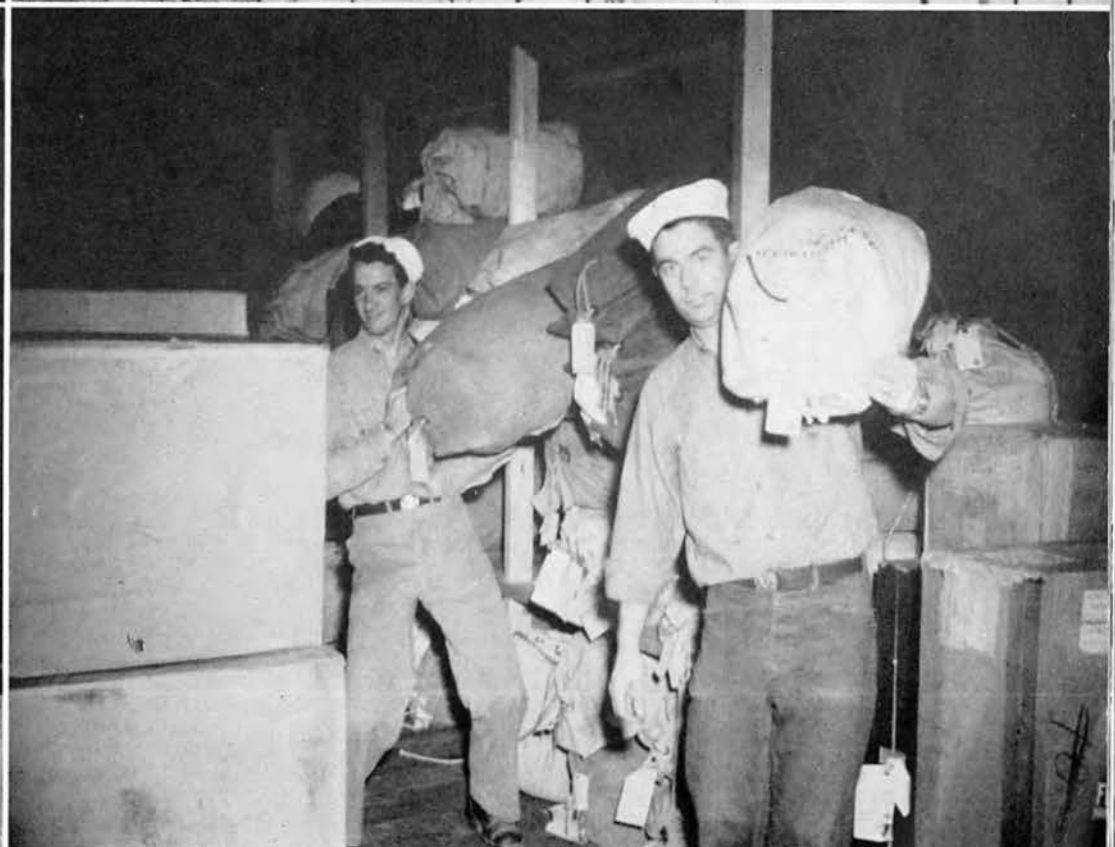
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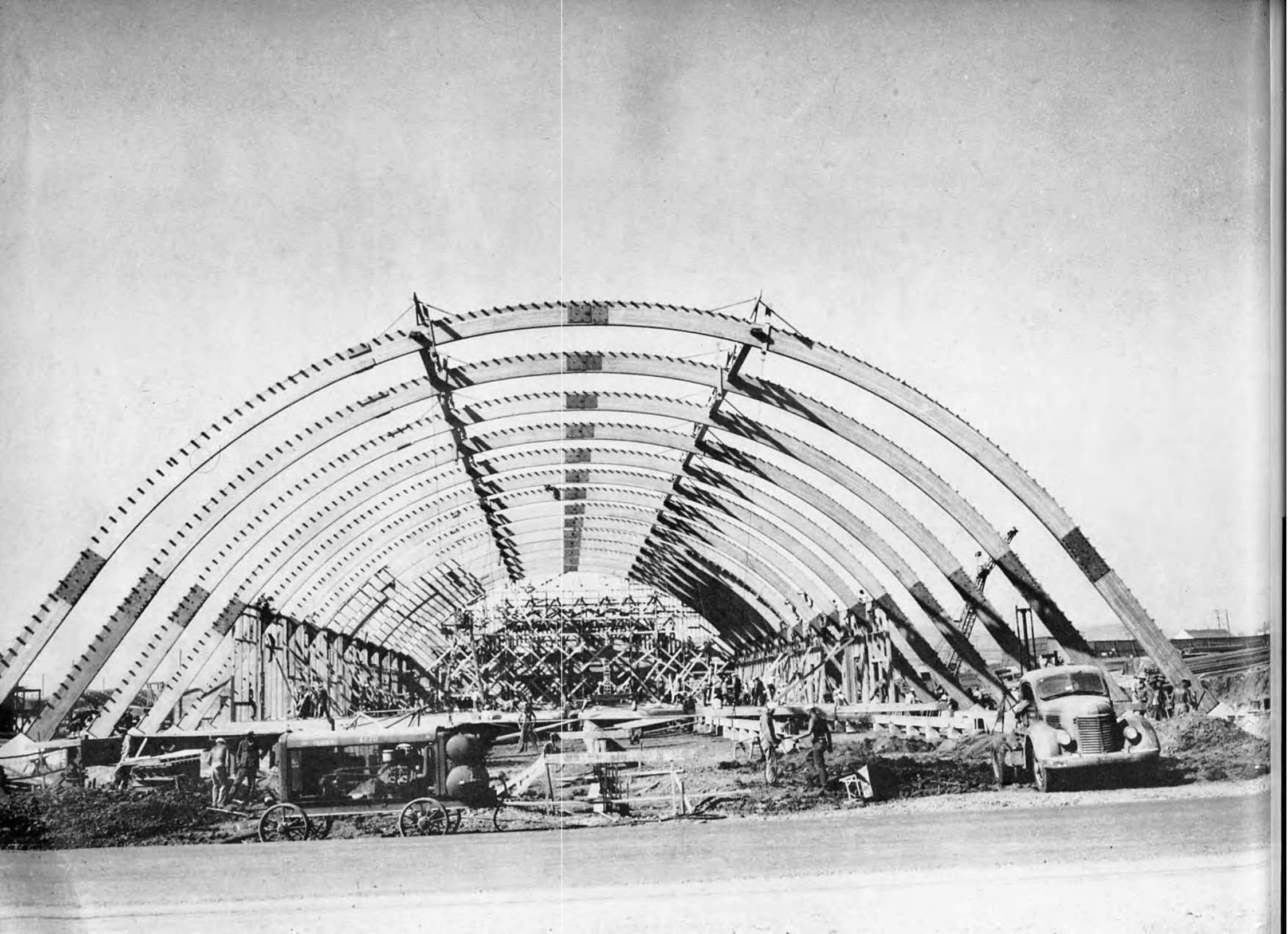




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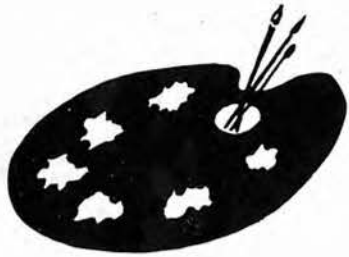
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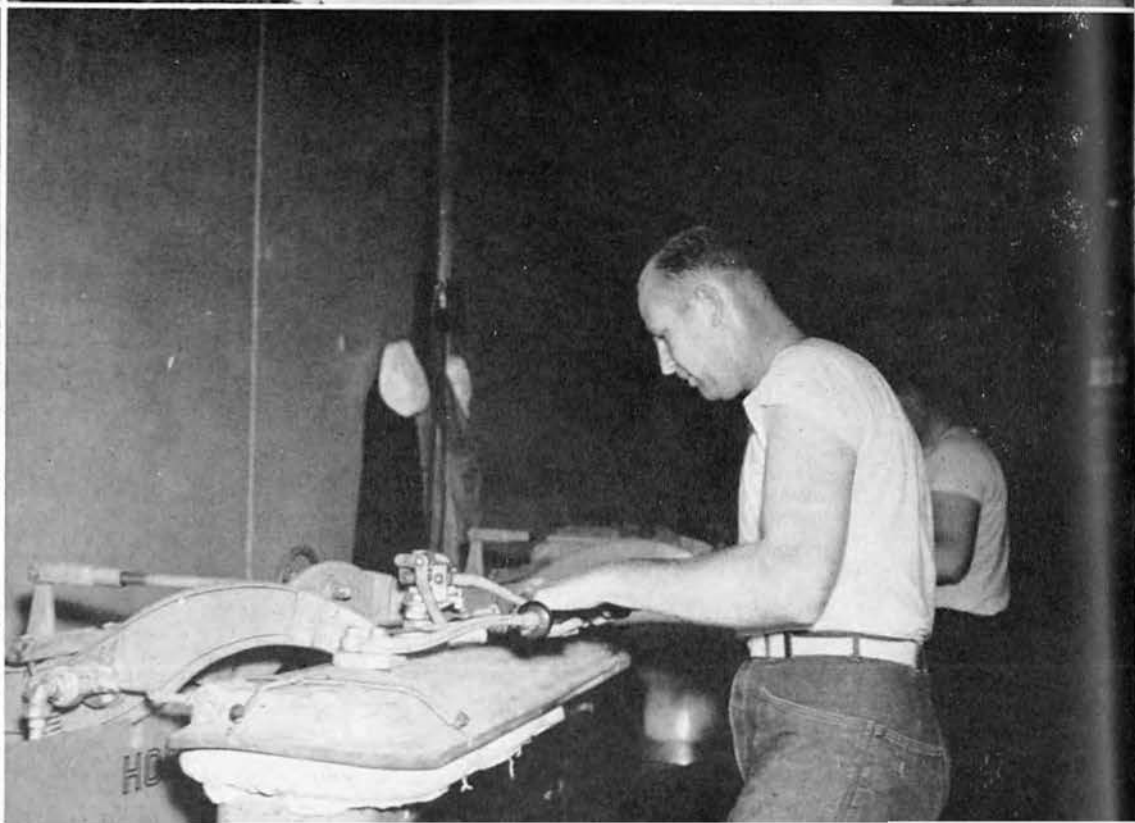
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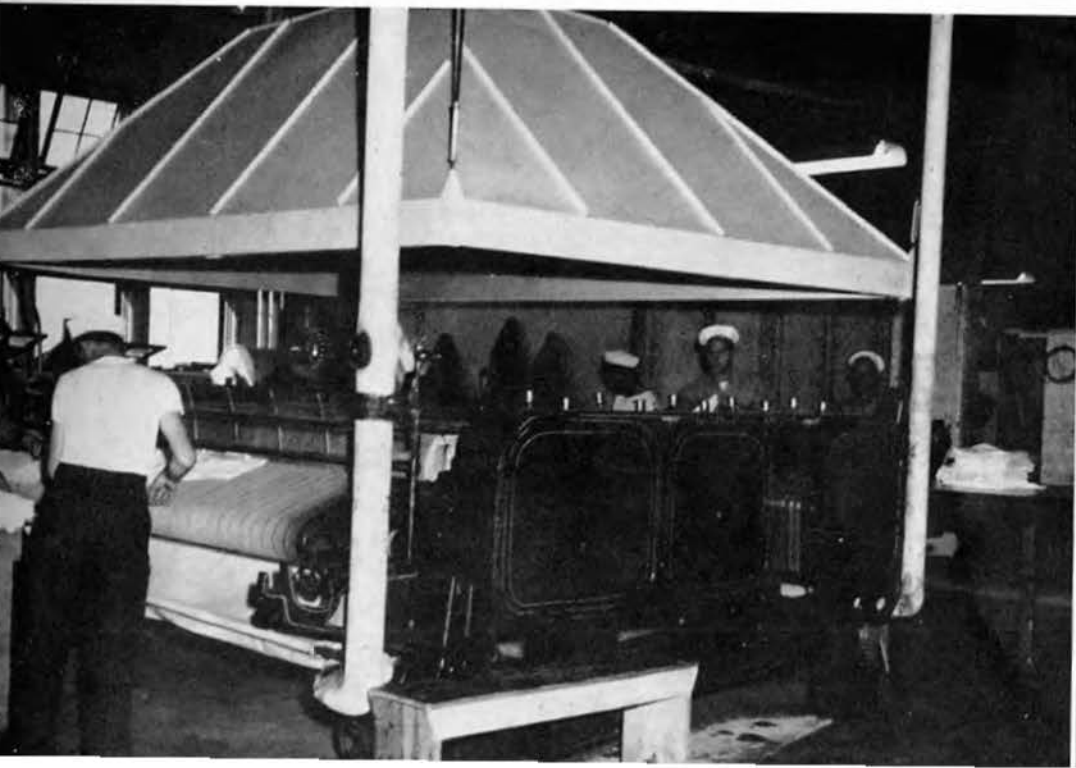






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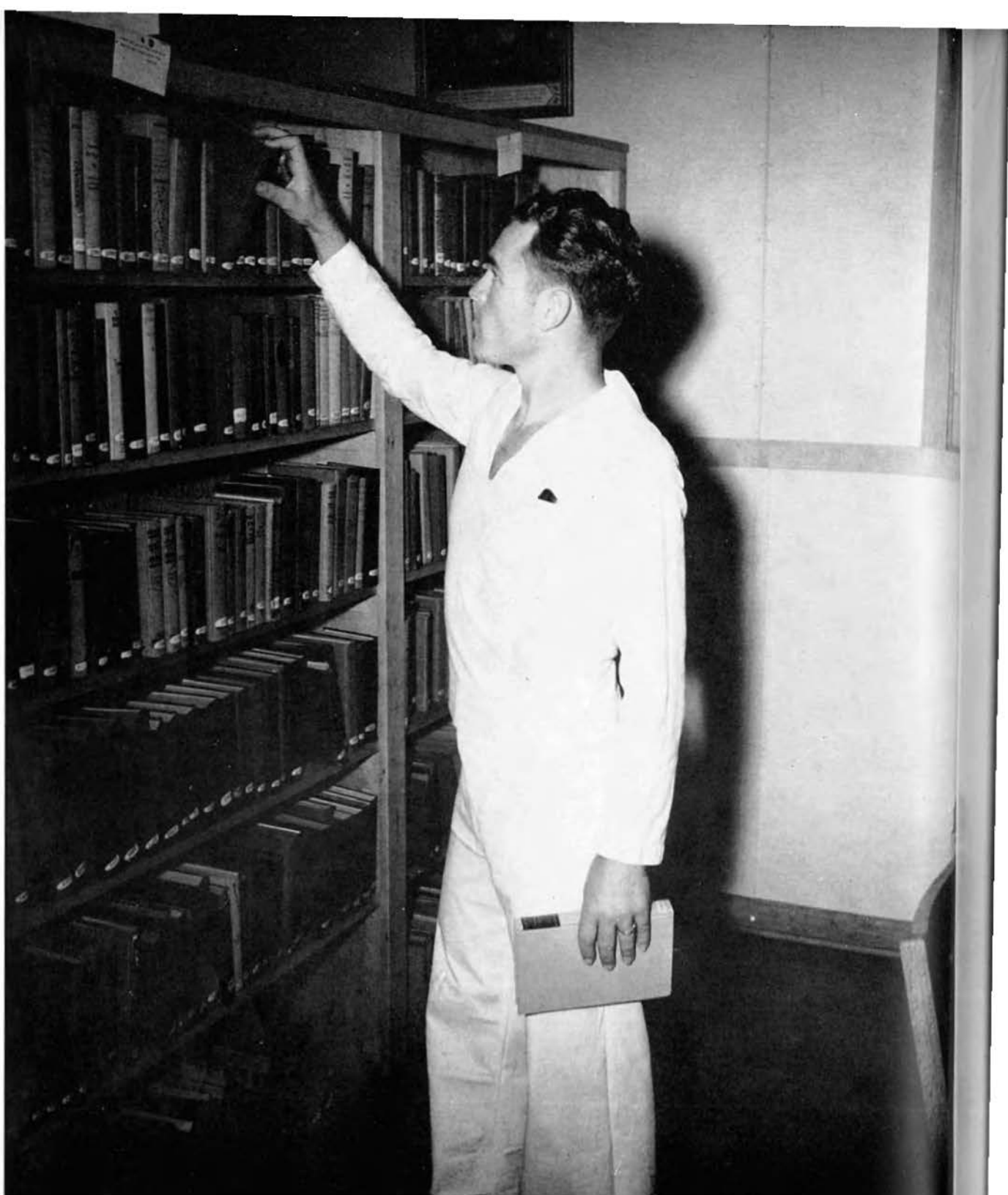
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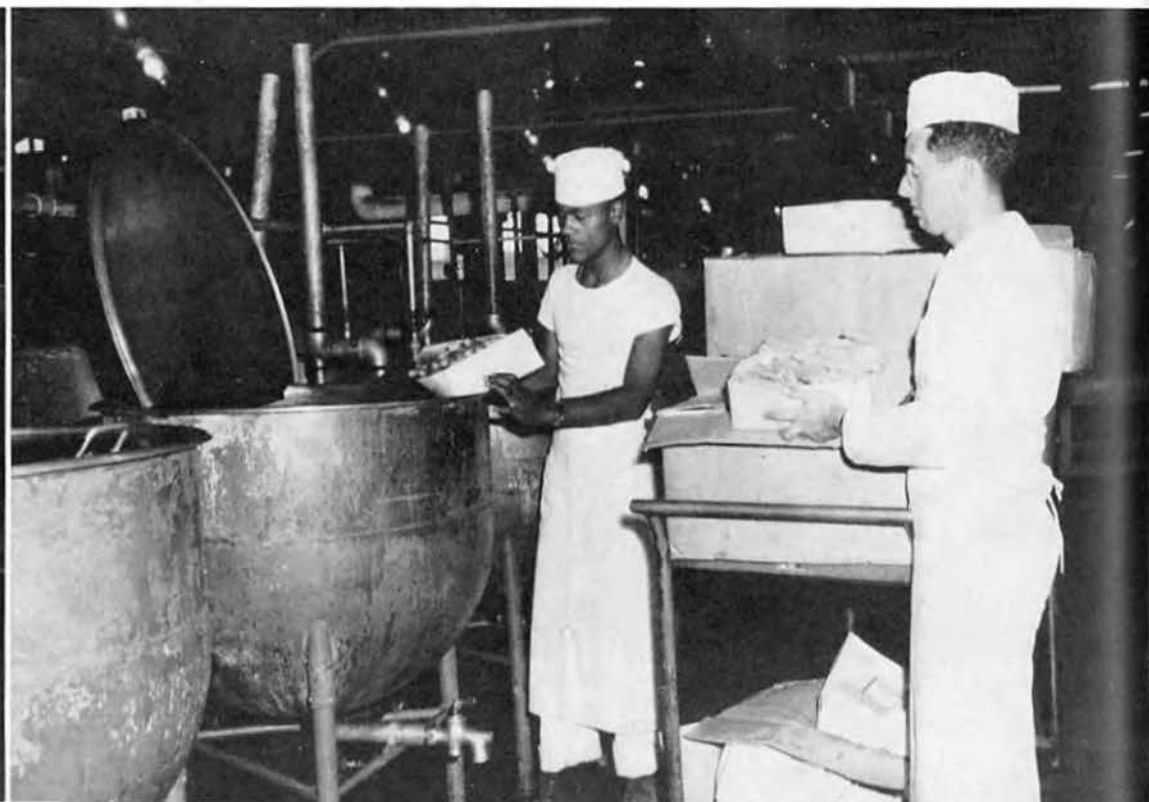
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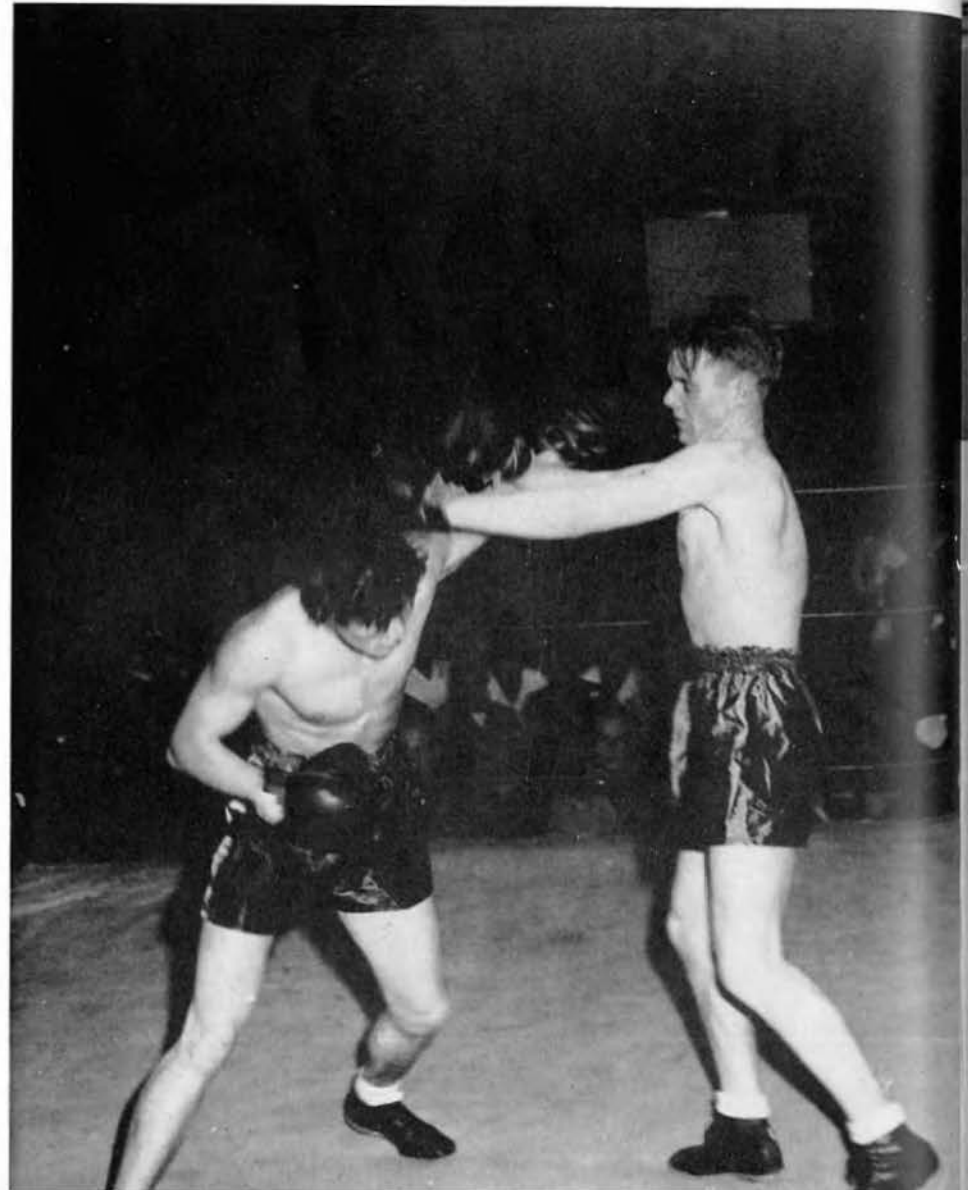




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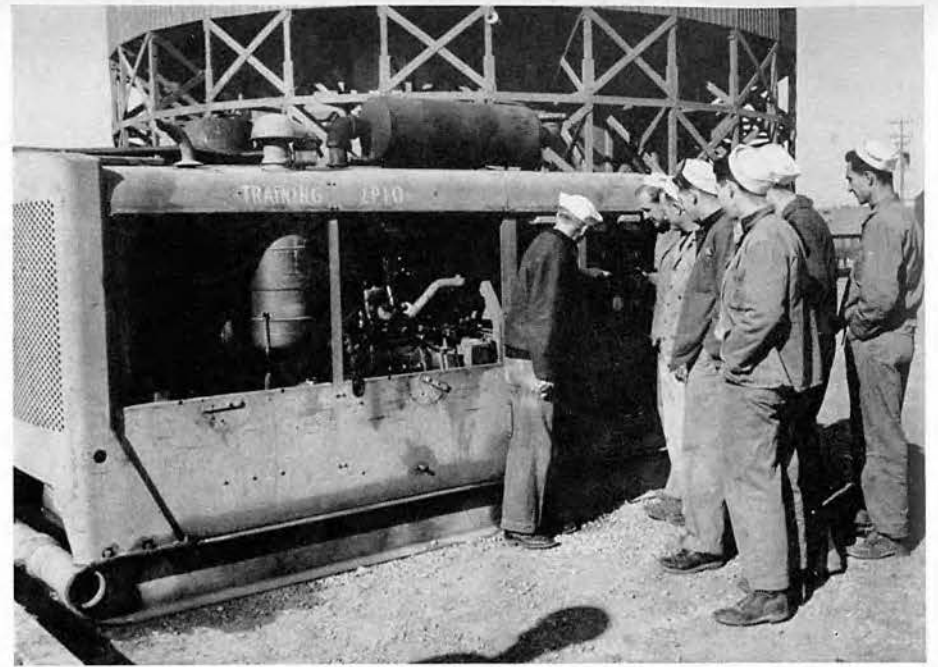
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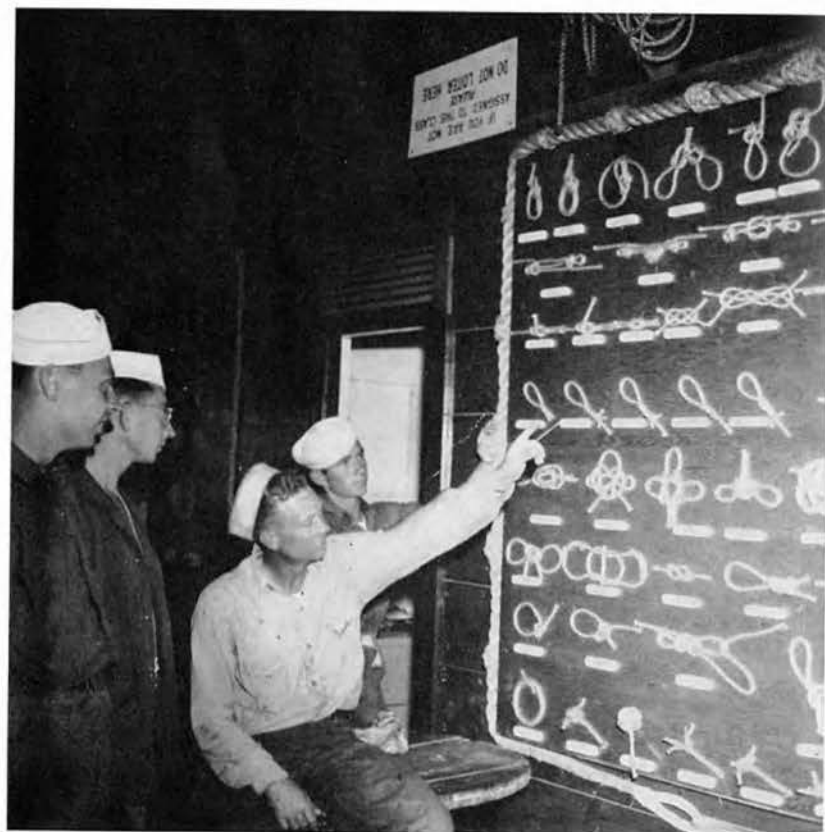


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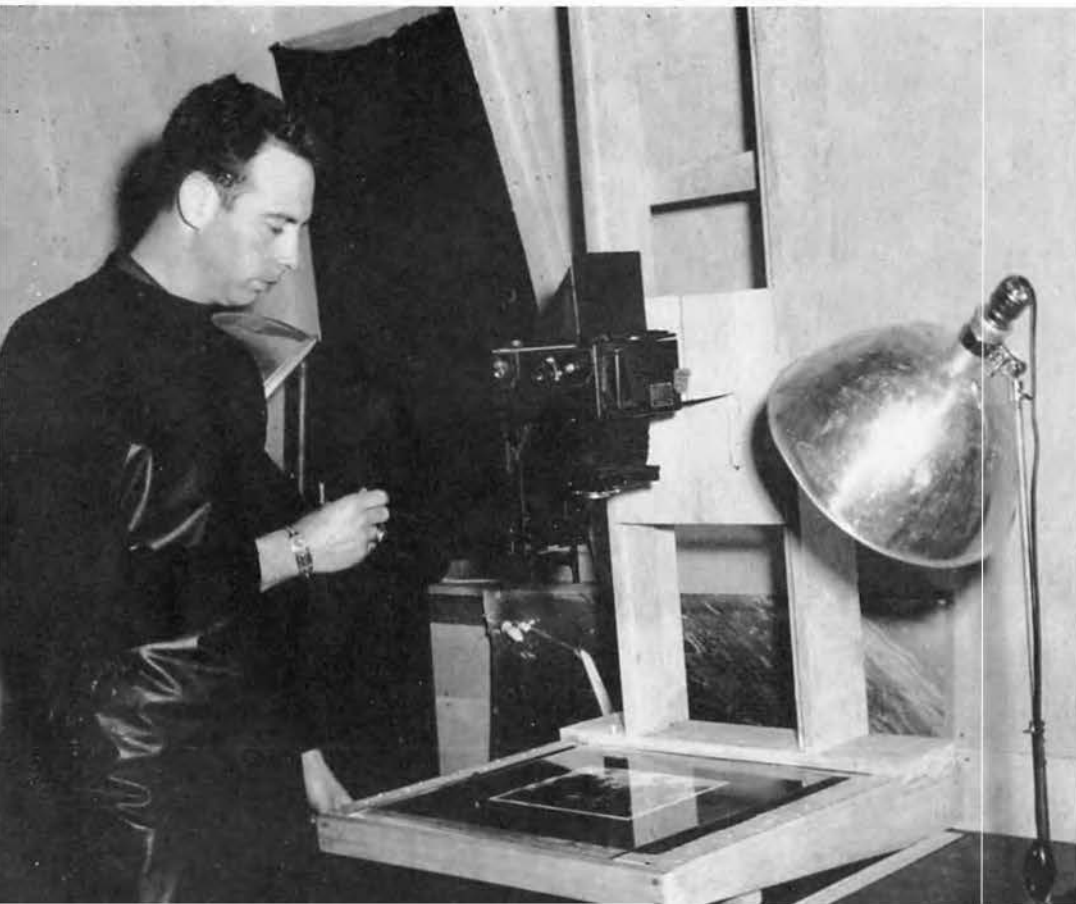
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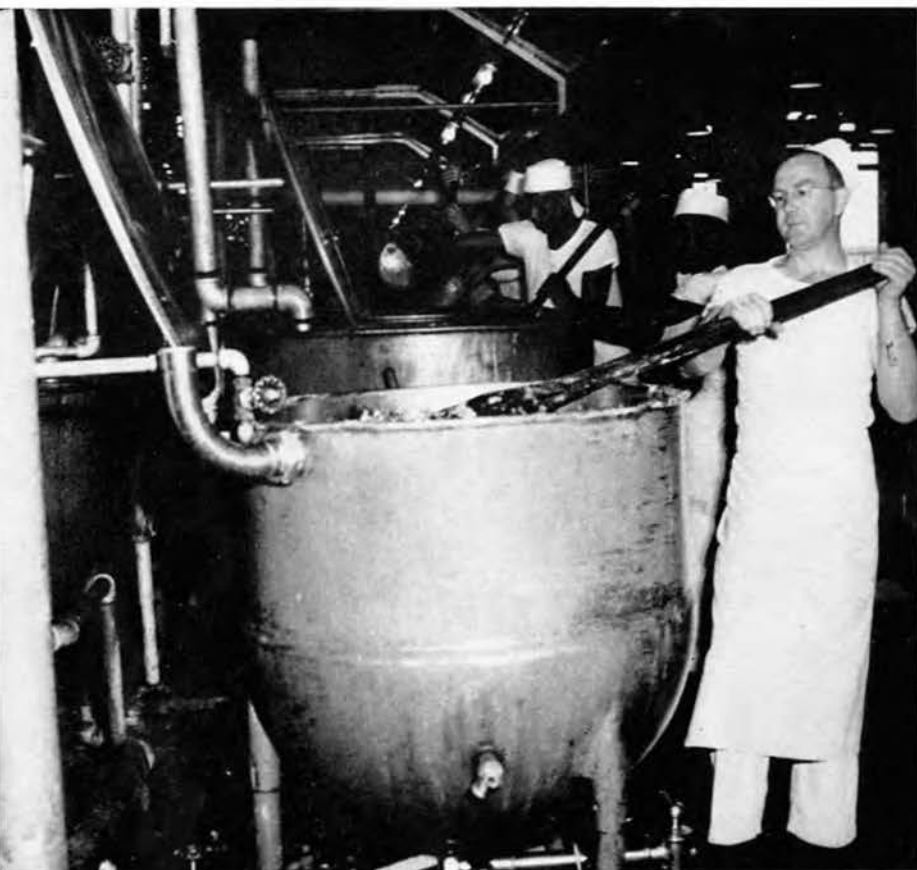


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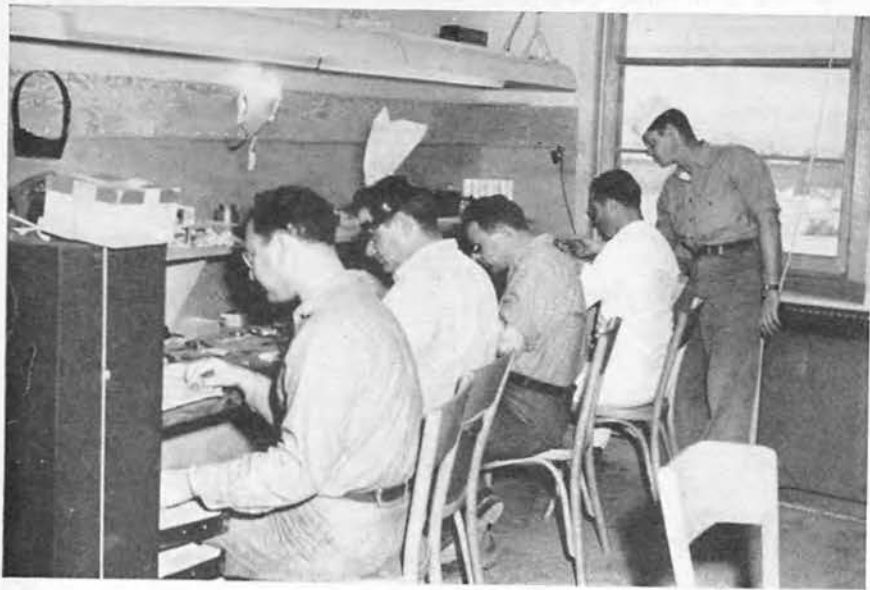
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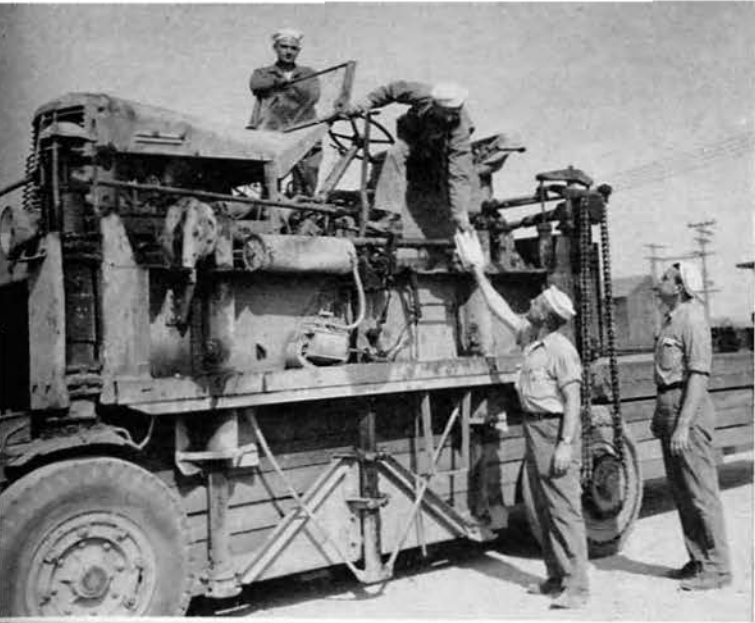


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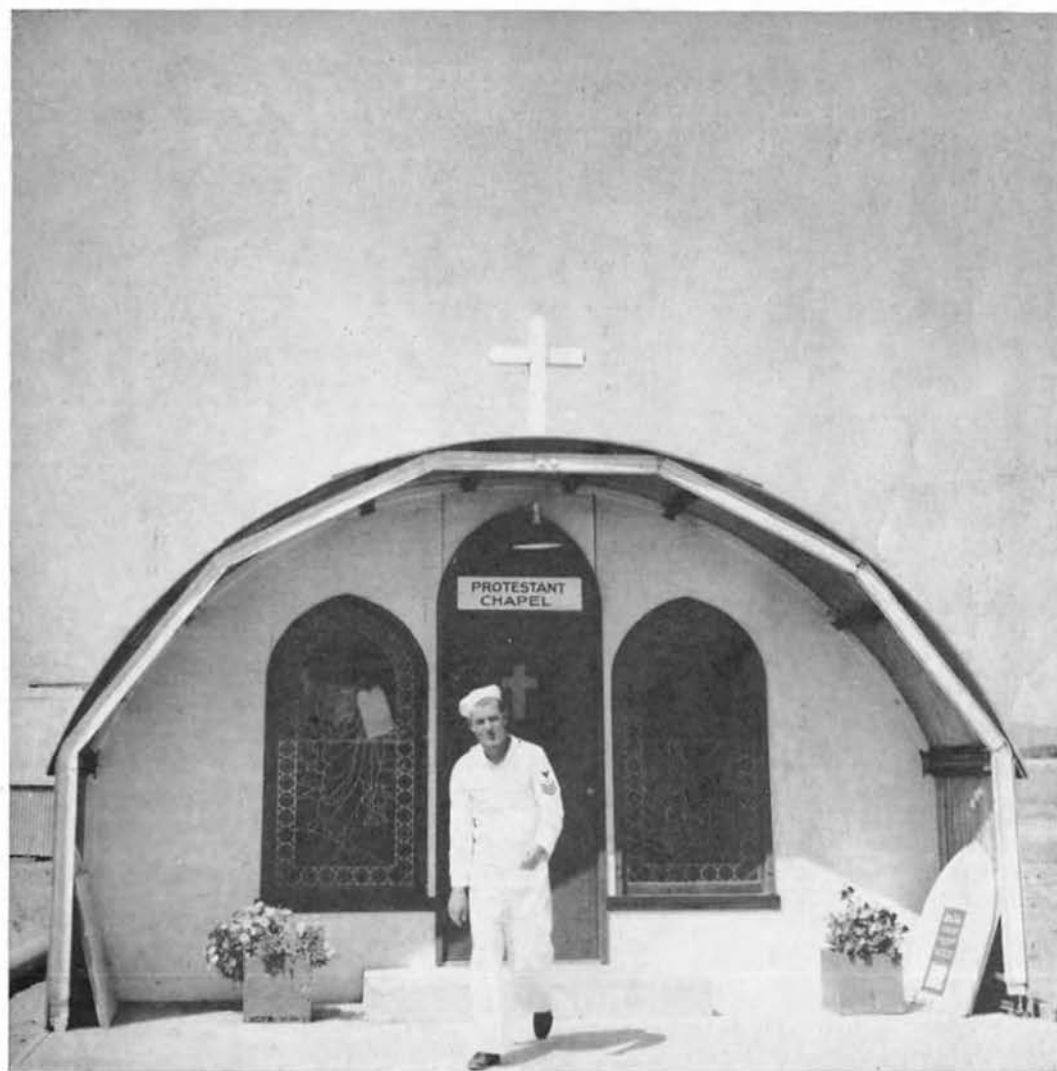






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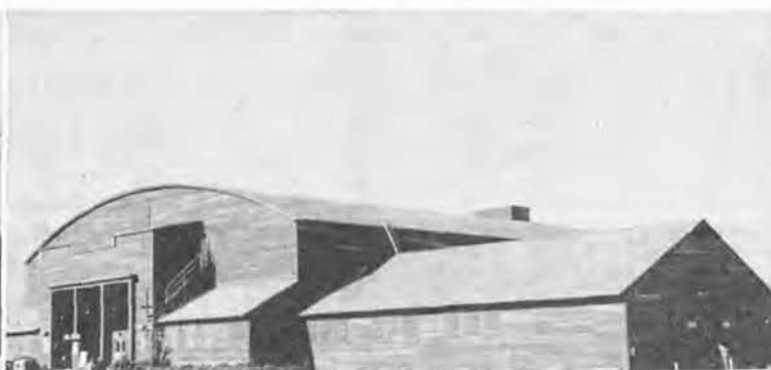
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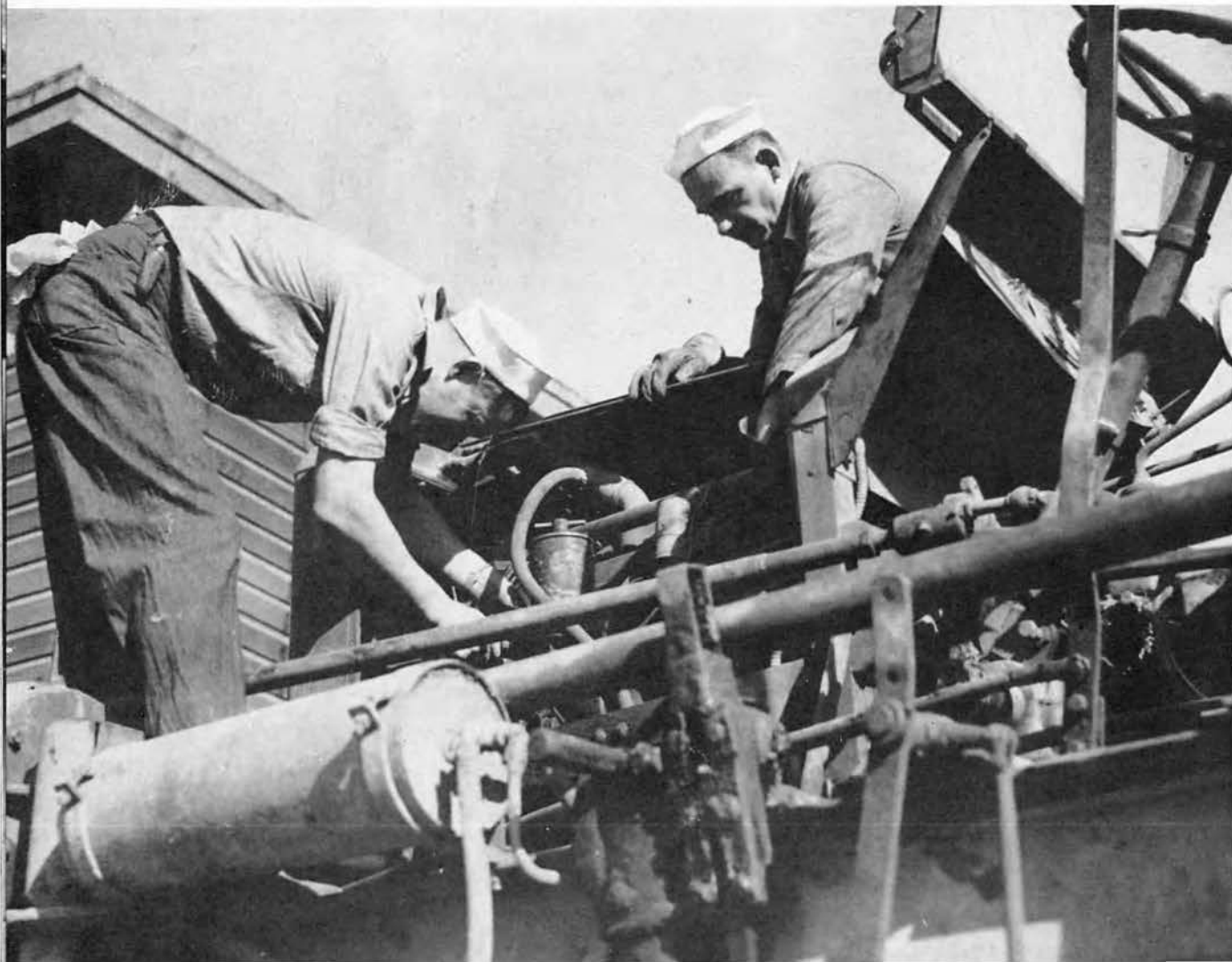
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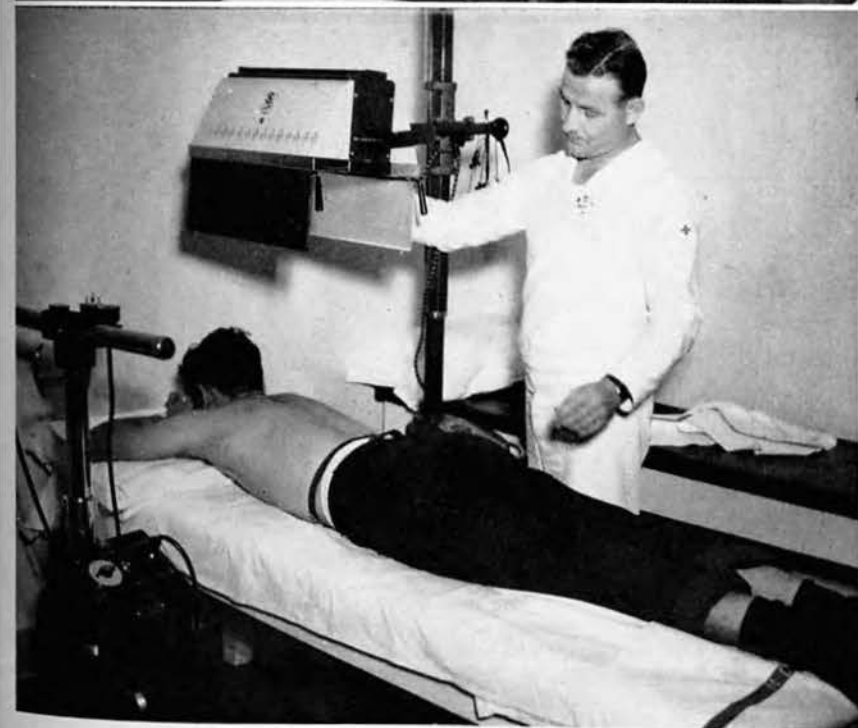
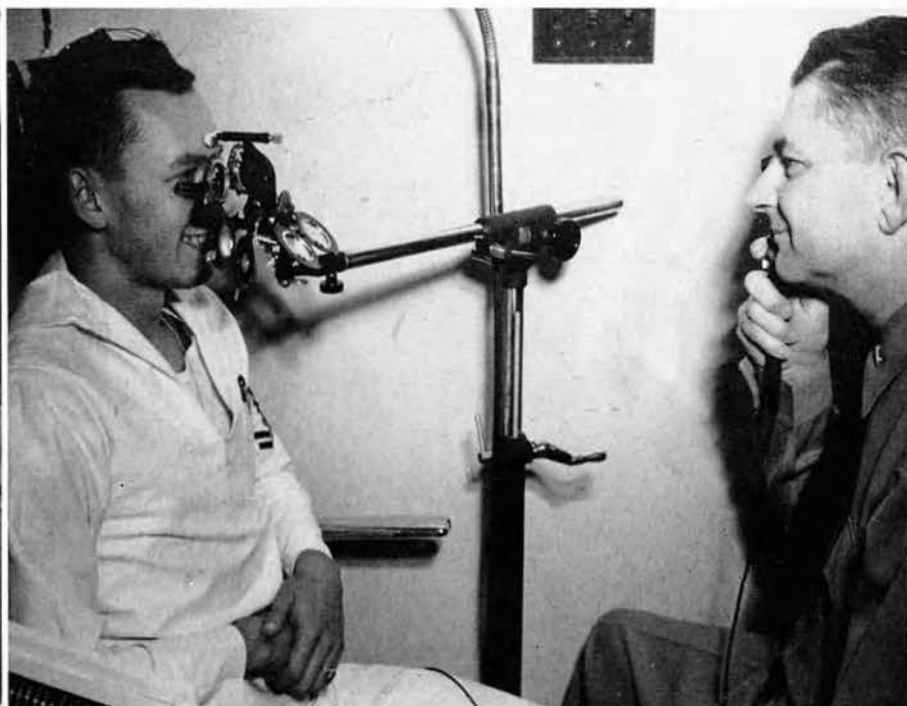


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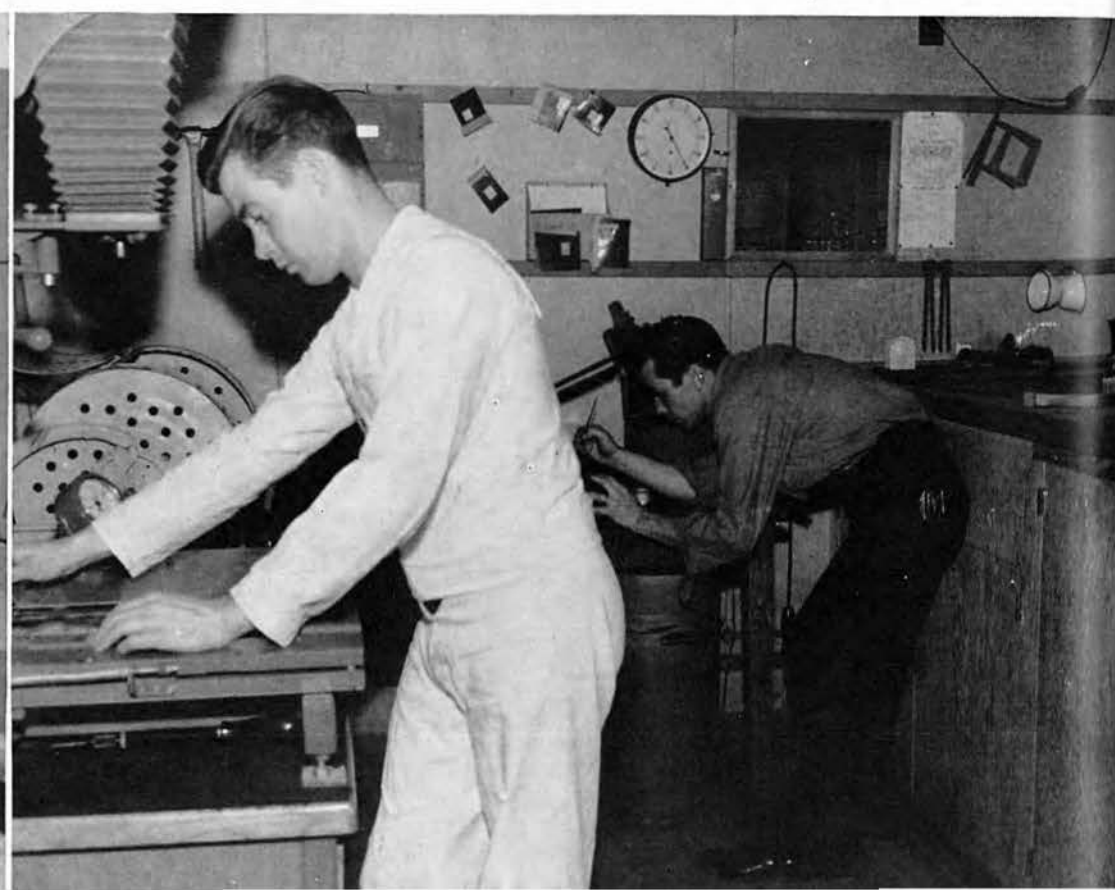
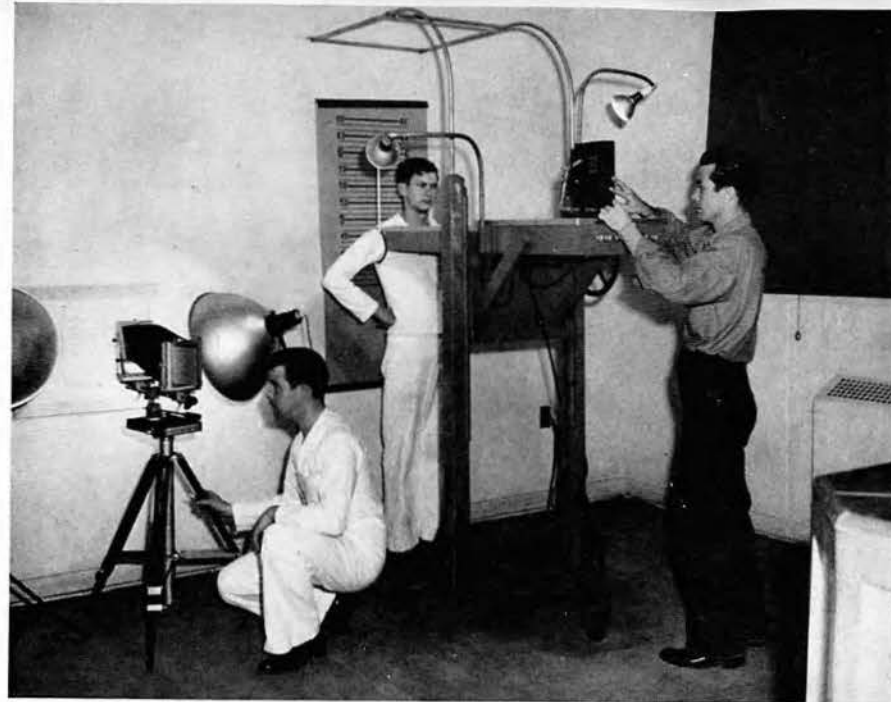
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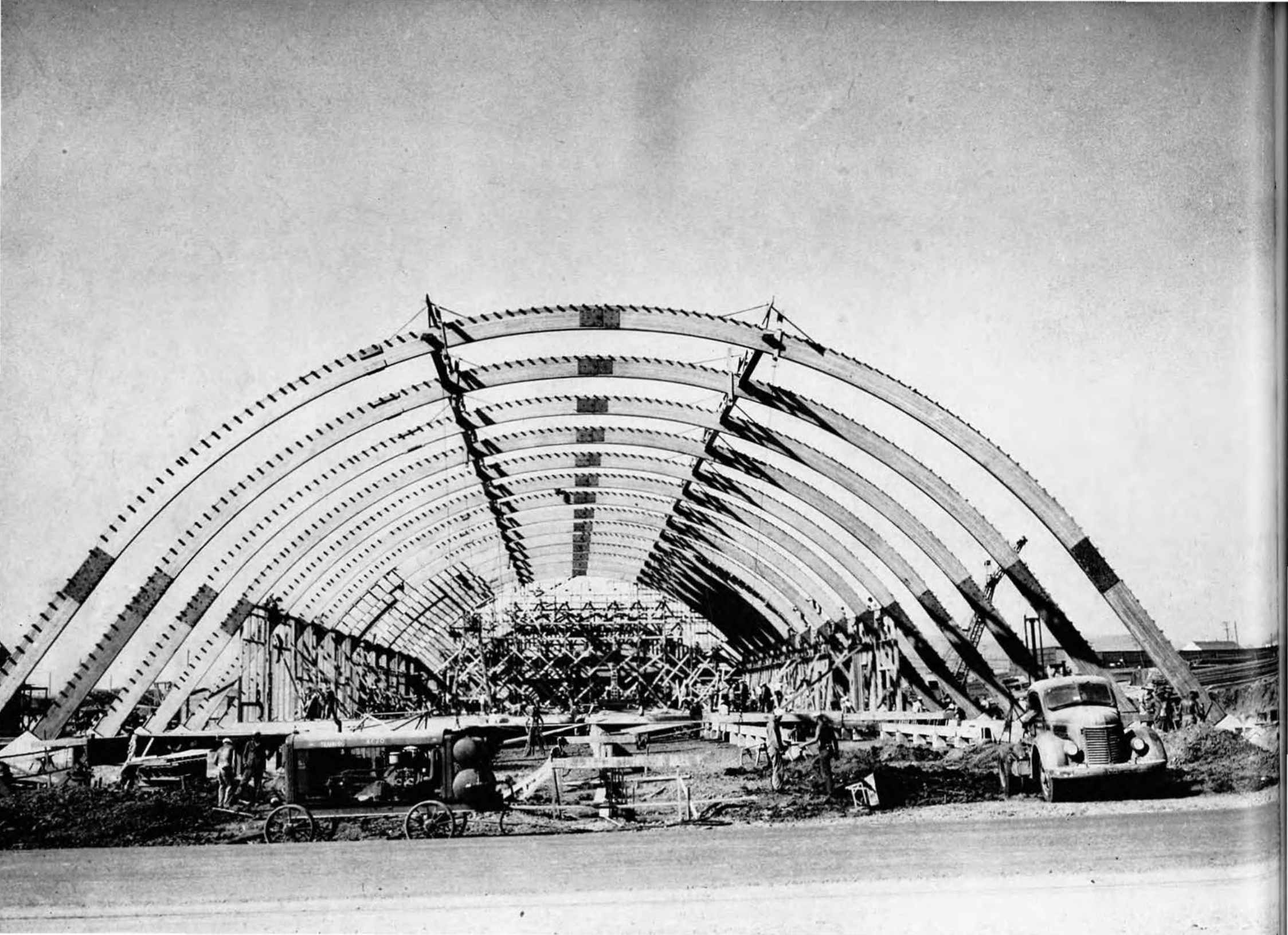




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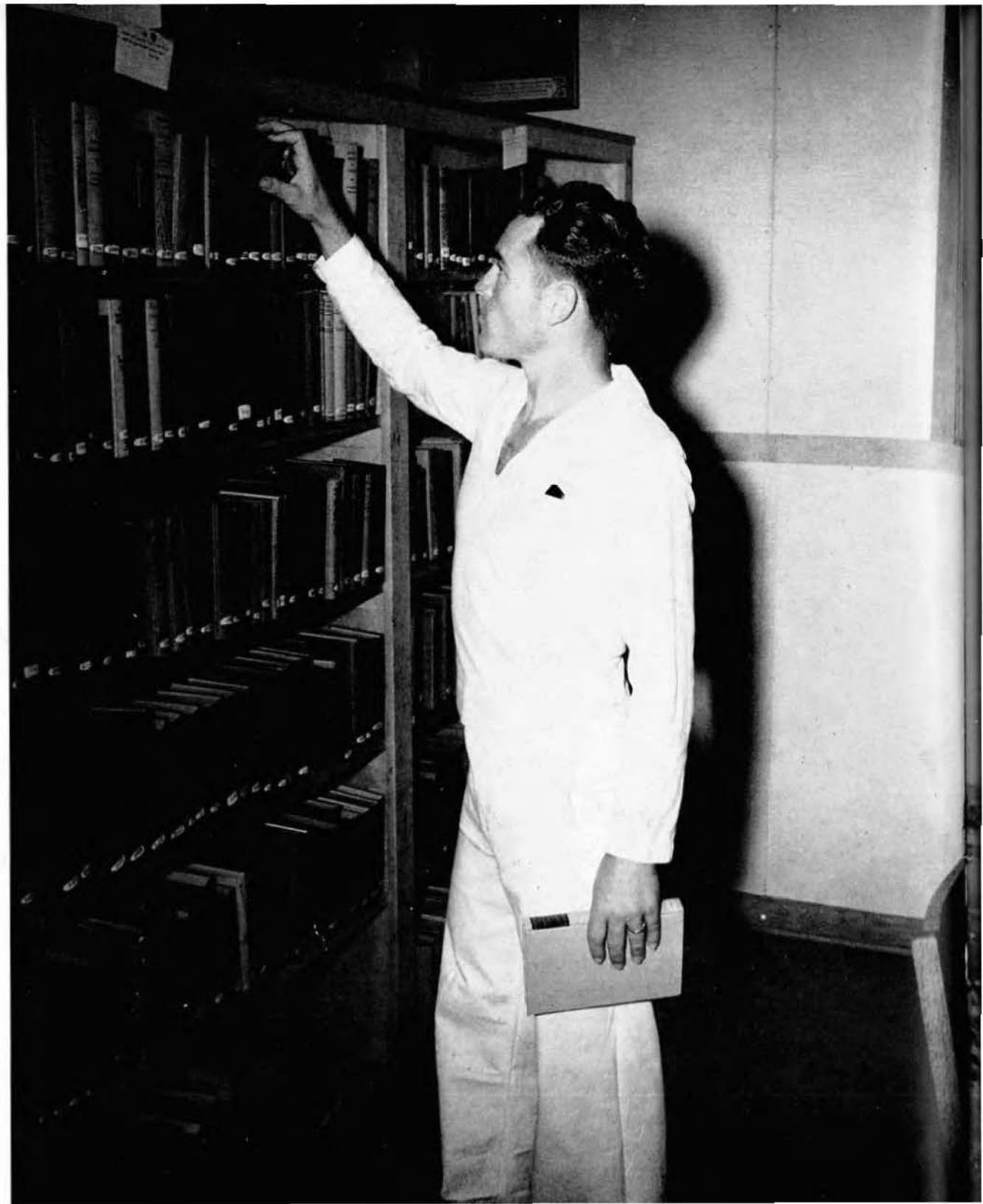
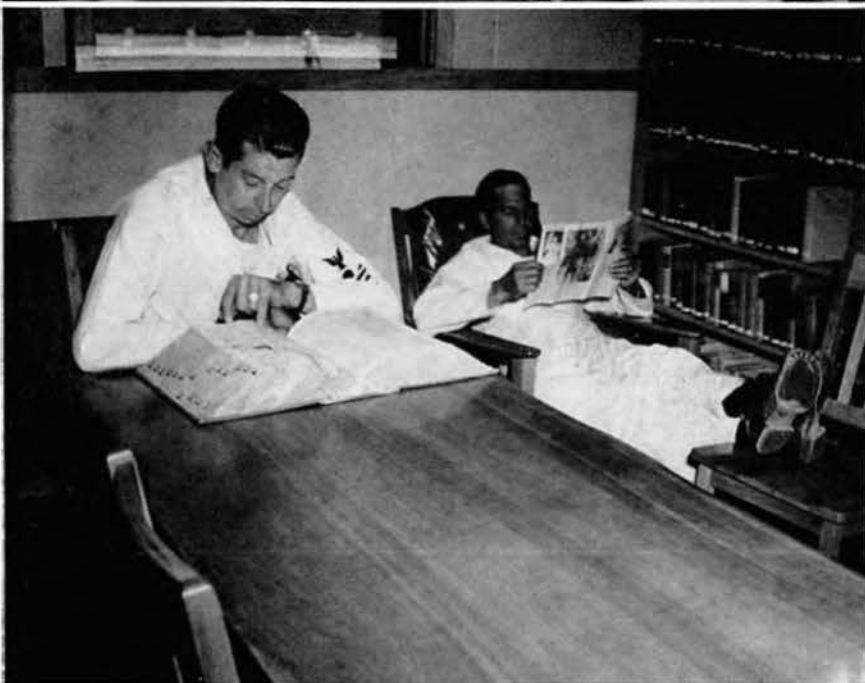
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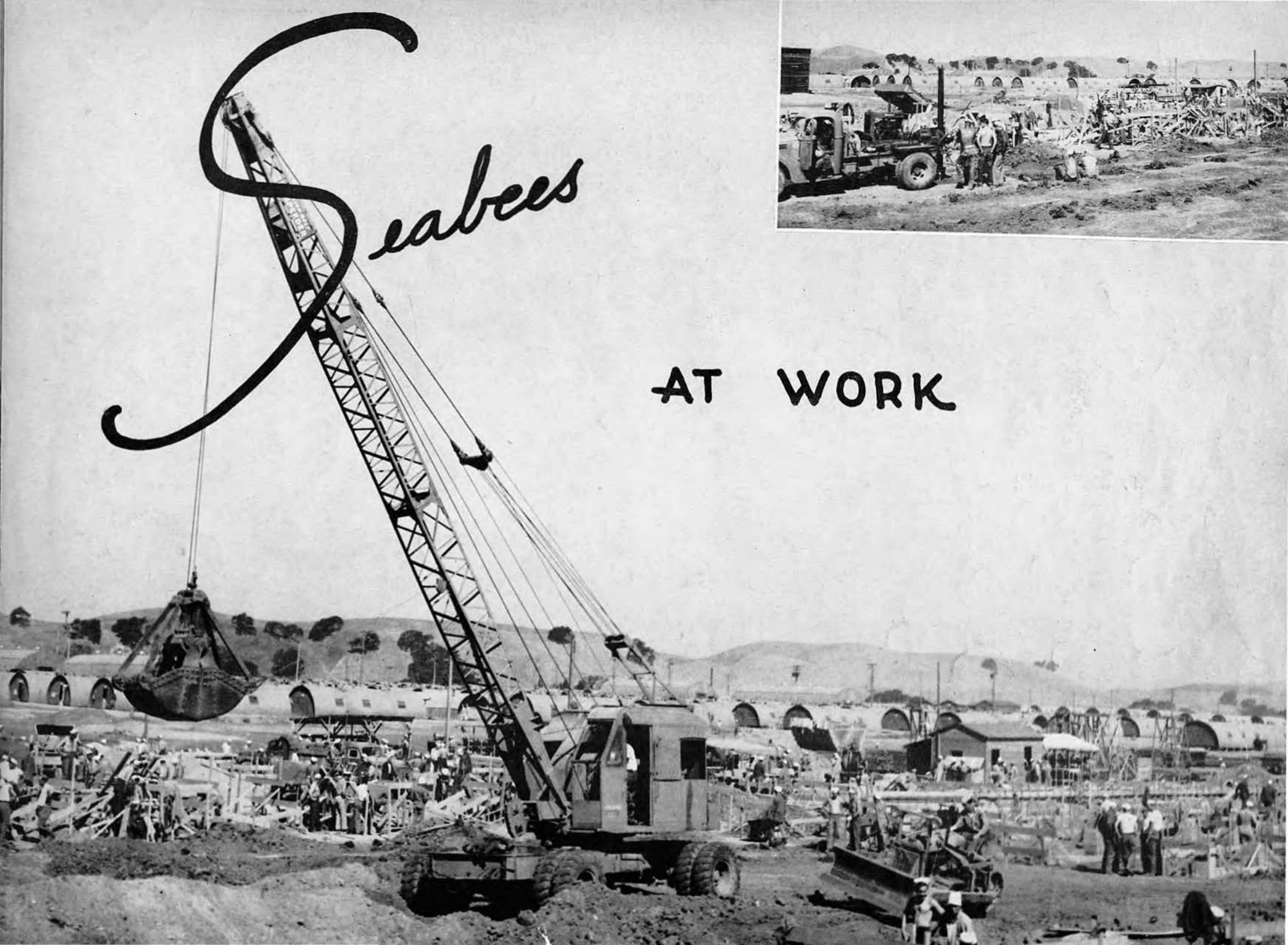
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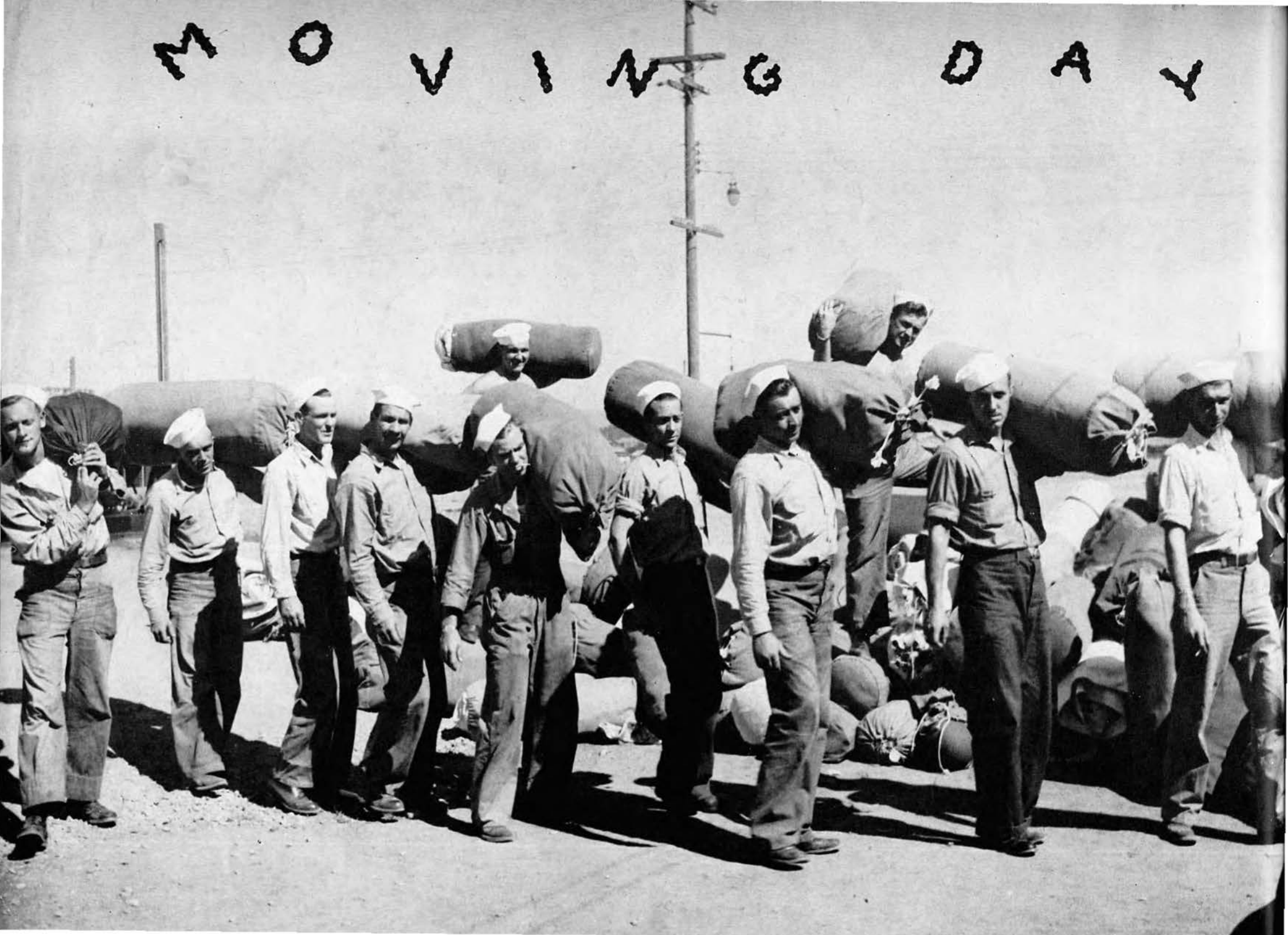




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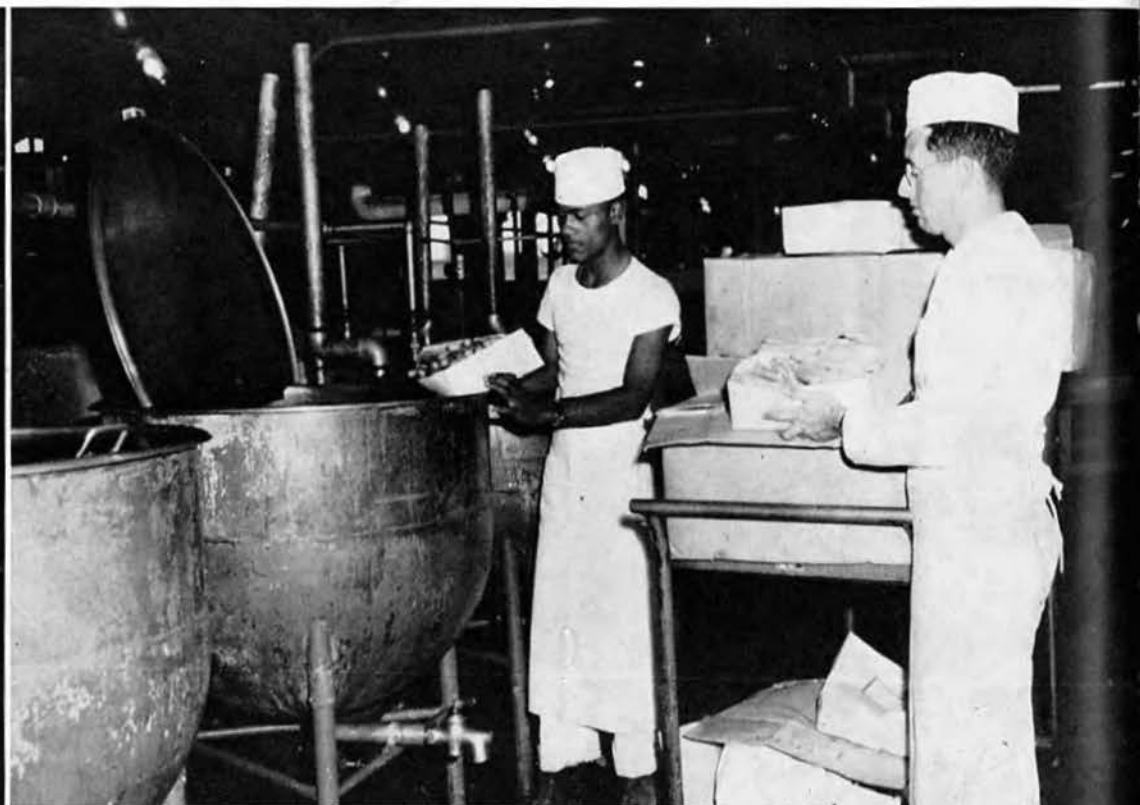
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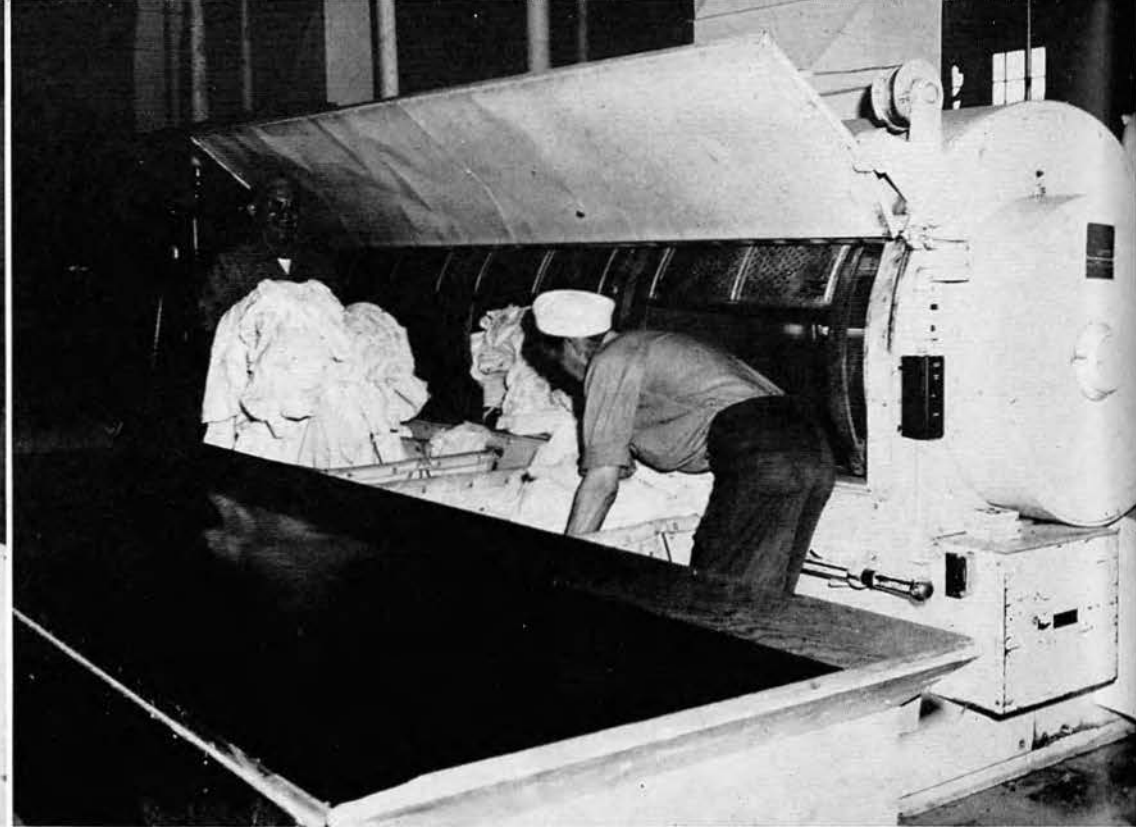




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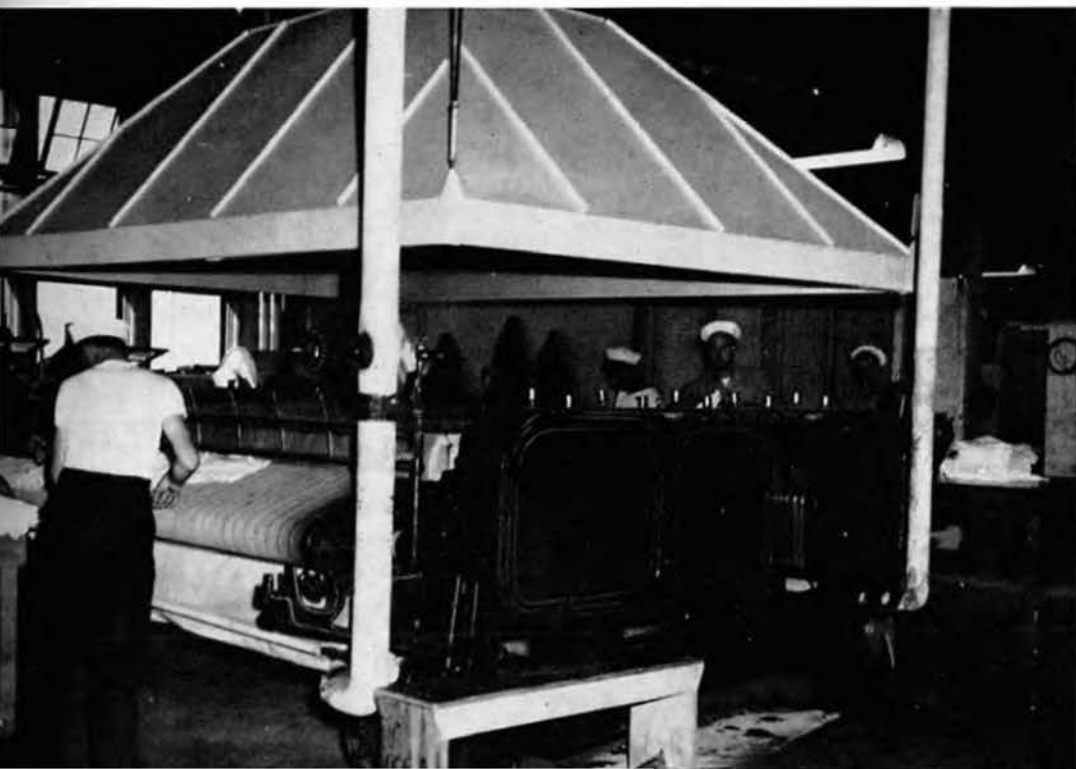






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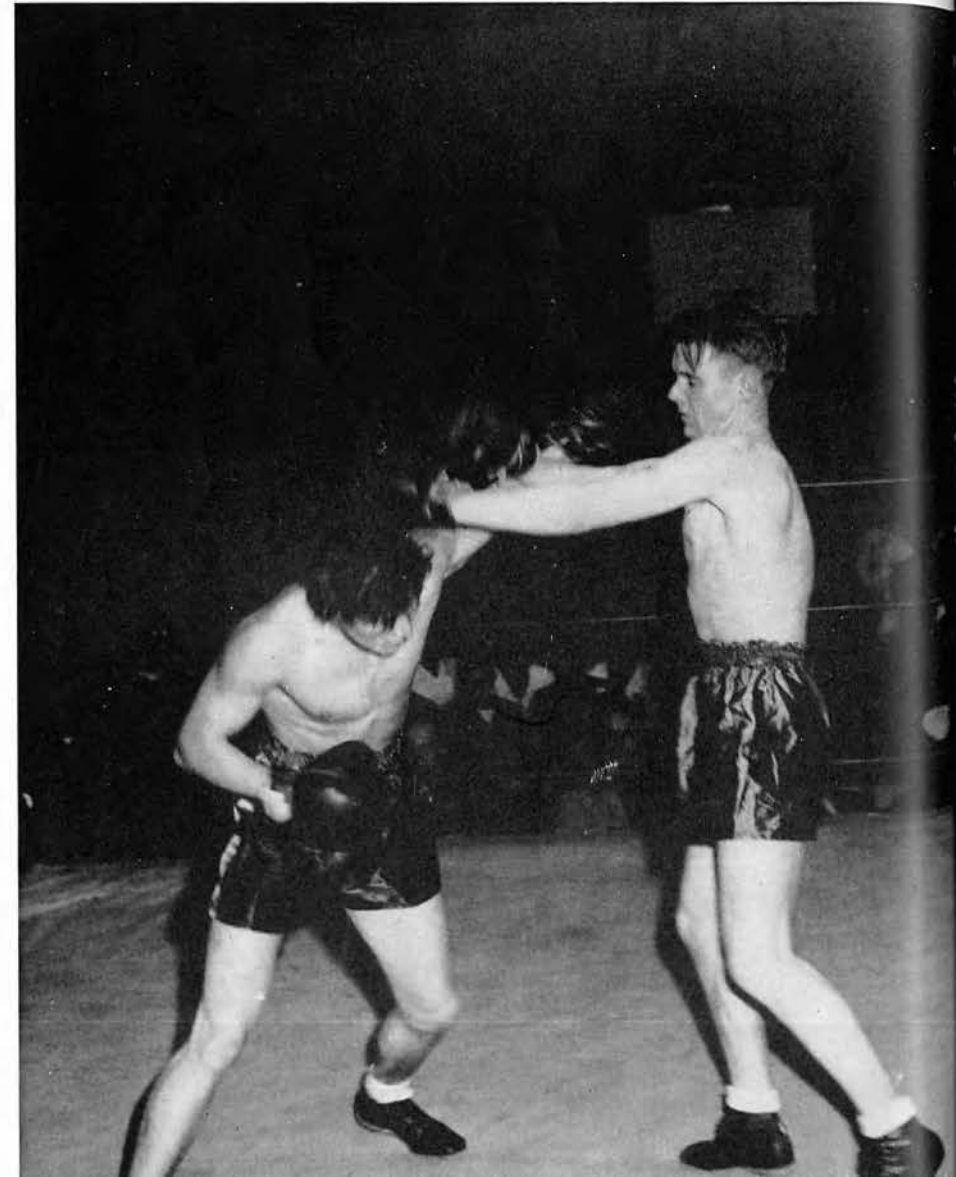




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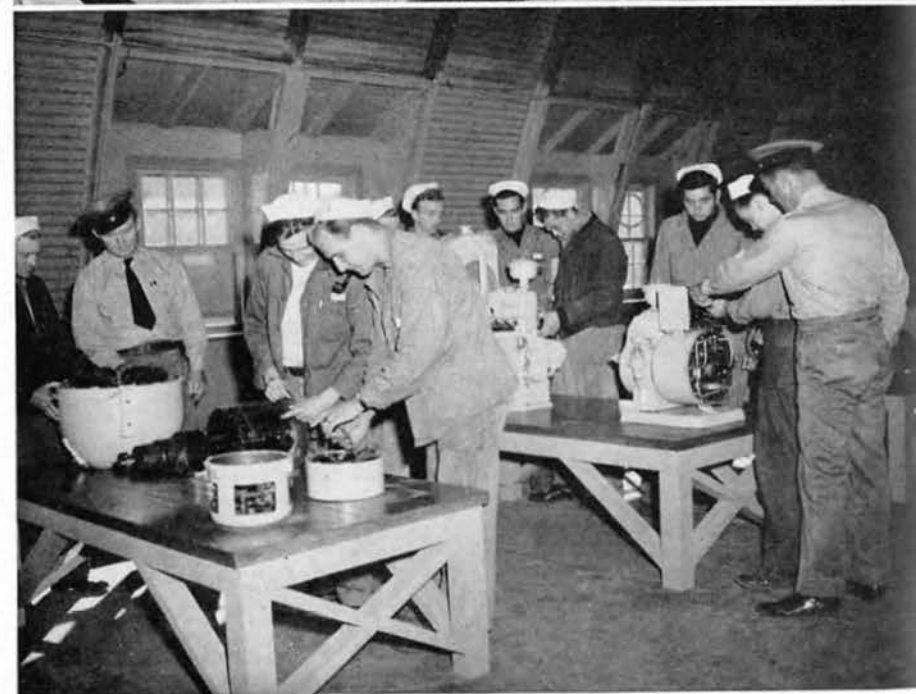
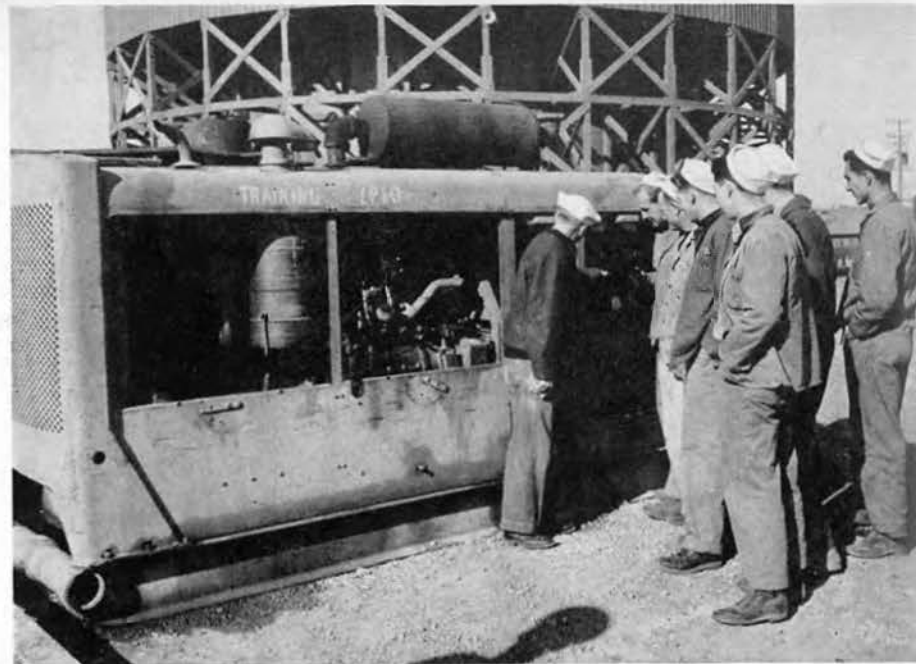
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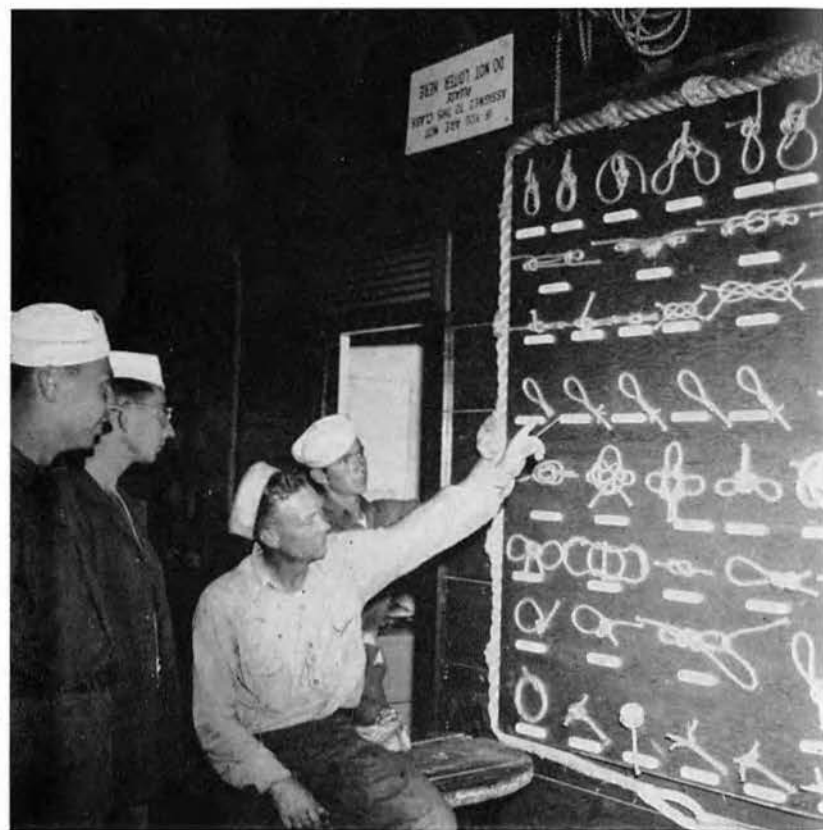


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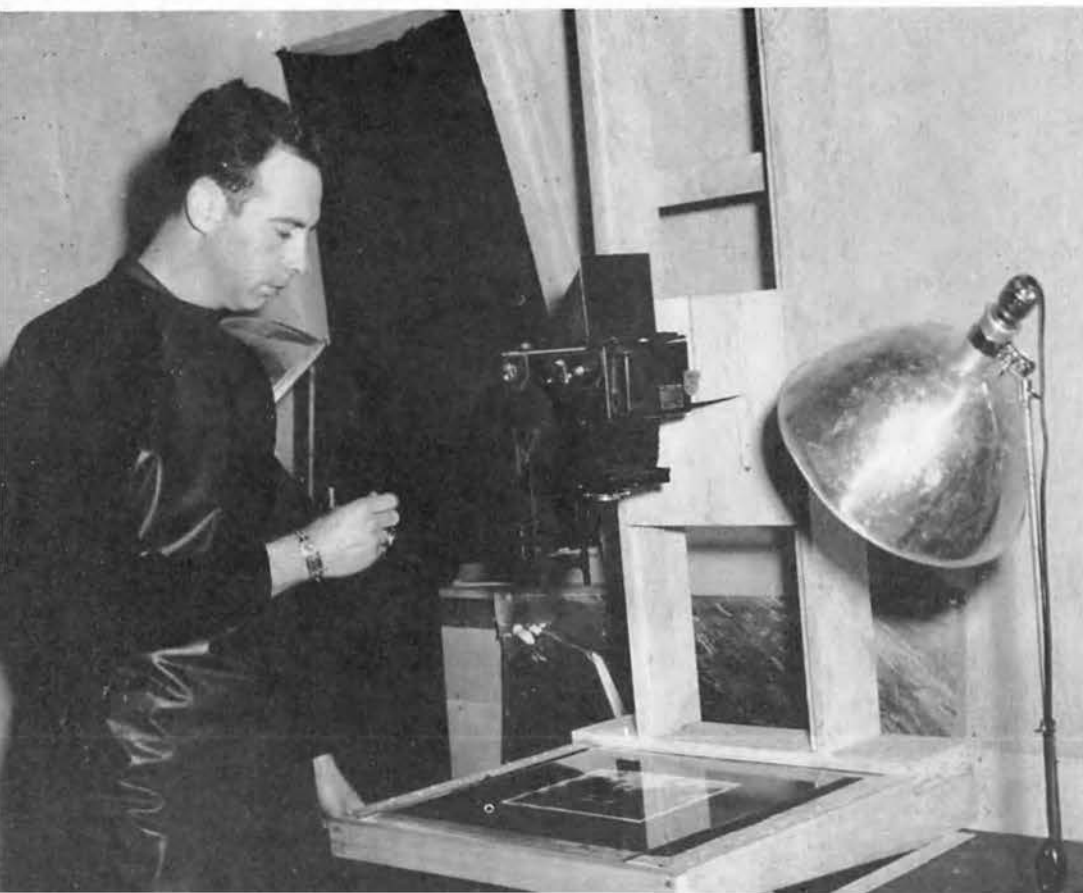




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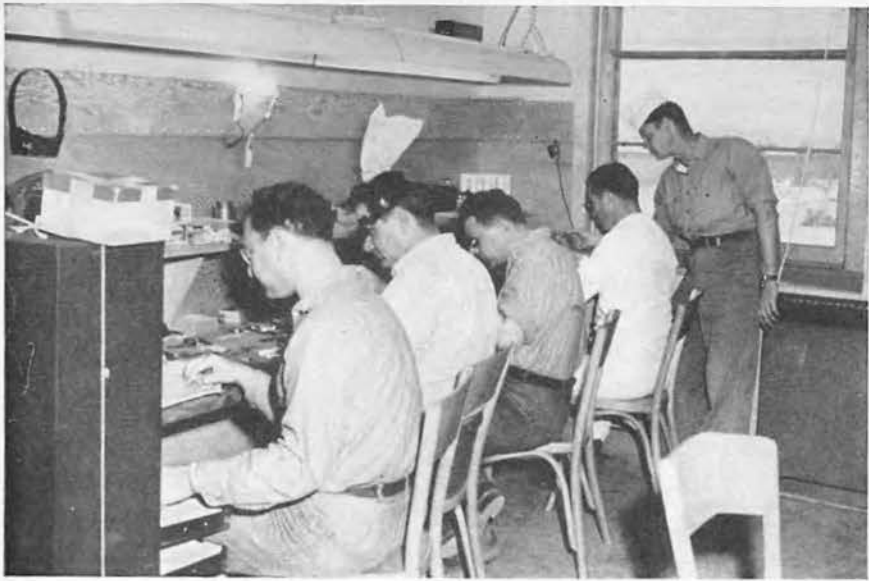
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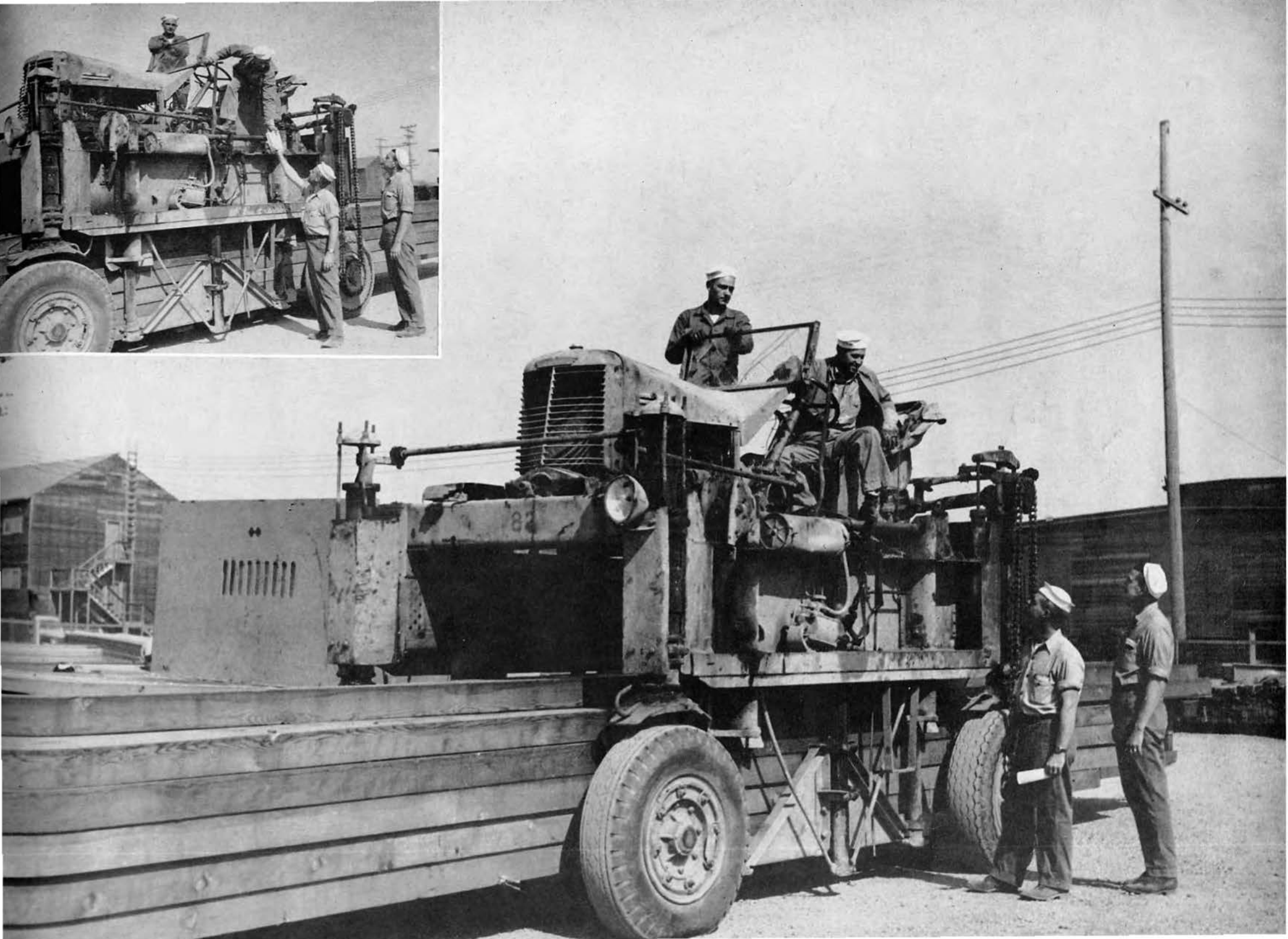
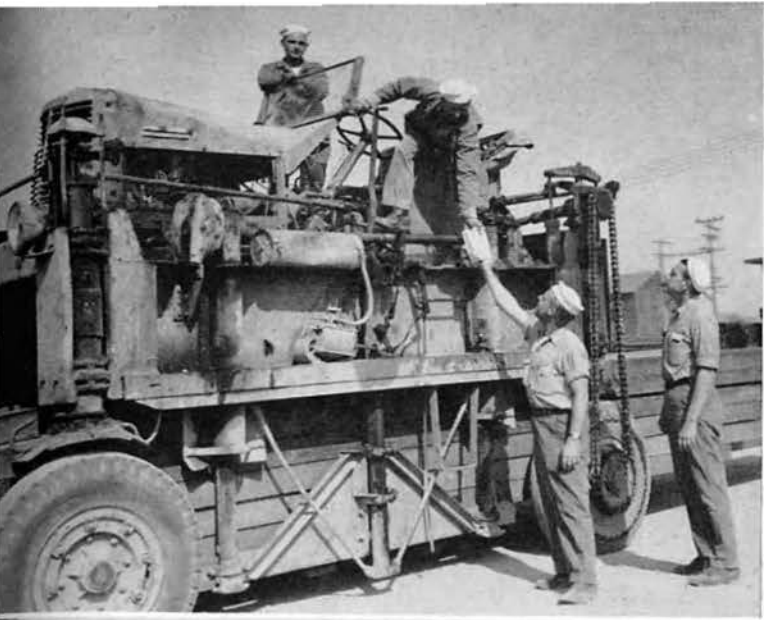


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