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 S.S. Library
 Naval Air Station
 Service Schools
 Jacksonville, Florida

How yo' all,

Thanks for the tobacco and it certainly will be put to good use in my big "boiler." My shipmates often caution me, "Don't let the skipper see that pipe or he'll make you a fireman and have you heating the barracks."

"Believe it or not", the sunny south isn't all it's cracked up to be as we've had a couple of heavy frosts and had to get our pea jackets and woolen gloves out of the moth balls. Oh yes, we're not having as cold weath as you're experiencing but we're far from sweltering.

The "Xmas season" has not passed unnoticed at this base for in front of

Giants, Yanks, Cards All Will
Jersey City Club Also

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TWO CAPTAINS
SQUADS CHOOSE



NAVY

each barracks was some scene symbolic of
the season. I'm enclosing a newspaper
clipping of the best one selected by the
Officers and men. It shows Santa in a P.B.Y.
dropping leave papers to a bunch of homesick
sailors. We also enjoyed "The Fat Quarter
Review" with Jimmie Durante as an added attraction.
But that's not all for the "Hellzapoppin' Road show"
plus boxing, wrestling and basketball rounded
out the program.

I enjoyed Christmas dinner at
the home of a swell family in Jacksonville
as did many other fortunate fellas.

Drop me a line and let me
know what's what and etc.

Gratefully yours,
Eddie Healey

Class of '43

Sea 76

Yuletide Spirit at Naval Air Station



—Official U. S. Navy Photograph.

Sailor Barracks No. 12 captured first prize in the Christmas decoration competition in the Air Station's Aviation Service Schools yesterday as two committees of expert judges canvassed the field.

Awards were based on artistry, effort, and originality, and all of the contestants produced fine displays of the Yuletide spirit.

Judging the winner are, left to right: Lieut. Comdr. R. D. Higgins, commanding officer of the Aviation Service Schools; Mrs. Lucien Y. Dyrenforth, president of the Garden Club; Guy Kenimer, general manager of the Florida State Theaters; Lieut. (j.g.) *W.* Eppert, and Harry T. Lancaster, s/2/c.

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Sea 7/c

The weather today was cloudy and damp.

Your package arrived!!! -- and brought life to this camp.

It's GREAT that we fellows are remembered by you.

We're so far from the home folks -- and at times mighty blue.