



**NAVAL HEROES HONORED**

**New Series of Postage Stamps Issued**

During the past few years the Postal Department has instituted a custom which has become increasingly popular throughout the Nation.

This has been the periodic issue of commemorative series of stamps depicting different historical events and scenes in the history of the United States.

These stamps have not only been received by collectors with great enthusiasm but have also become popular with the entire citizenry of the country. This is only natural since every stamp in some way or another refers to the colorful history and glory of the United States from Revolutionary days until the recent past.

The interest stimulated has been truly phenomenal. We of the Navy may feel proud in knowing that a special issue of stamps called the "Hero Series" issued in honor of Army and Navy heroes, is now on sale.

Following is listed the "Navy" series:

1-cent—John Paul Jones, Naval Commander in the war of Independence, and John Barry, first American Commodore, and "Father of the American Navy".

2-cent—Thomas McDonough and Stephen Decatur, noted for their service against the pirates of Tripoli and in the War of 1812

3-cent—David Glasgow Farragut, the Navy's first Admiral, and David Dixon Porter, Farragut's foster brother, who served with him on the Mississippi during the Civil War.

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**HOUSTON WRESTLERS ENTER AAU TOURNAMENT**

After a fortnight of strenuous training perfecting and conditioning themselves, four of our shipmates are just about ready to take part in what promises to be one of the best wrestling tournaments yet. There will not be as many Houston entries as had been hoped for due to gunnery and other duties which will not permit certain members of the team to participate.

Nevertheless each and every man who has been out with the team can feel he has done his part even though not actually a participant in the meet.

It is hoped this opportunity will be the means of the beginning of a successful mat year for the Houston Athletes. Members of the Houston squad expected to be seen in action are: Folta - 175, Beckwith - 165, Pratt - 155, Penny - 145.

**INTERESTING FACTS CONCERNING THE STATE OF TEXAS**

Before and after independence the State of Texas had 13 Capitals.

Although ten different cities are all that were used as the Capital, three of these were used twice; Washington on the Brazos, Houston and Austin in the present Capital.

The others were SALTILLO, MONCLOVA, SAN FELIPE de AUSTIN, HARRISBURG, GALVESTON, VELASCO, and COLUMBIA on the BRAZOS.

When Texas was admitted to the Union one of the privileges given

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**ENLISTED PERSONNEL CANDIDATES FOR AVIATION PILOT TRAINING**

The Bureau desires recommendation of applicants for flight training, from which selections will be made for future classes. Commanding Officers will recommend to the Bureau of Navigation all men who request this training and who meet the following requirements.

(a) Maximum age, not over 29 years on 1 July, 1937.

(b) Physically qualified and temperamentally adapted for aviation training involving actual control of and flying in aircraft.

(c) Have good records and character.

(d) Men of aviation ratings and radiomen are desired in nomination for this training. Seamen first class

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**TRAINING COURSES**

Due to insufficient appropriation of funds for the printing and binding of Training Courses for enlisted men, a number of courses are now out of print and the supply of other courses is limited. In order that the full list of training courses may be available for issue within the next few years it will be necessary to immediately put into effect the following economy measures. Each training course will be used by men in succession until it is worn out. Past experience has shown that one course can be used by three men in succession before its usefulness is destroyed. Separate Progress Tests and examinations will be issued to each man.

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