



### Many Attractions Offered By Southern California

**H**AVE You been to the Pike (Hamburger Canyon) in Long Beach? What, you never heard of it? Better go on a little exploring trip next time you go ashore and visit this marvel of Southern California.

Most of you think that there isn't so much around these parts, but as a matter of fact Southern California offers a greater variety of attractions, more to see and do and remember, we believe than any other single resort area anywhere.

Have you ever visited the California Alligator Farm, the W.K. Kellog Arabian Horse Ranch, The Los Angeles Ostrich Farm, or Gay's Lion Farm? These places are most interesting to visit and are all within easy reach of Los Angeles, either by auto or bus.

The California Alligator Farm is located near Lincoln Park, Los Angeles. There are hundreds of alligators of all sizes, from little babies hardly the size of a lizard to huge monsters 500 years old or more. The nests, the eggs in the incubators, all are to be seen in beautiful parks and miniature lakes with special exhibitions given daily of trained alligators shooting the chutes.

W. K. Kellog's Arabian Horse Ranch lies near Pomona, California. One sees much beautiful country to and from the ranch itself. At this farm with its white stables, surrounded by green pastures and fertile fields, are bred and raised the finest of Arabian stock. Many of these are prize winners and are much sought after by motion

### Young Aviator Makes Perfect Landing

There was a roaring and a rush of wings as a great white bird with a long yellow bill throttled down and rolled to a perfect landing. A very, very young gentleman scrambled off his perch on the back of the bird and reported for duty to Lt. (jg) and Mrs. A. G. Dibrell. Lt. (jg) Dibrell who is attached to the aviation unit on board this vessel states that the youngster will be given every opportunity for bettering his flying technique, but is a bit young for solo work as yet.



Last Saturday, on the 30th of April, a son was born to the above mentioned parents. Although no facts were learned concerning his poundage, disposition, et cetera, all hands greet the newcomer with the best of wishes and hope he becomes a proficient aviator in the future. In the meantime the wardroom is anxiously awaiting the usual cigars.

picture producers. White uniformed attendants gladly show visitors around.

At the Los Angeles Ostrich Farm are the only trained Ostriches in the entire west.

These are but a few of the sights to be seen on leave or liberty from our ship. Go out and see this part of the world, and you'll enjoy it around here a whole lot better.

### Baseball Team Ready For Series

**I**F YOU have noticed, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday you will hear the call, "Now the baseball team fall in on the quarter deck." This means that on these days the team musters and goes over to practice at the Navy Athletic Field.

From all reports the team is shaping rapidly into playing form and they will give the other cruisers something to worry about in the Spring series which will start somewhere about 18 May.

The squad under Worthington, SF2c, is made up of the same players who started playing good ball about the time we were leaving the Navy Yard. We have Felix, Sheffield, Waterman, Jones, Coates, Shaw, and Bird on the pitching staff. Jasinski is doing the catching as usual. Then in the infield there is Rebert at first base, Phillips at 2nd, "Pooch" Chumura (Capt.) at short, and Griekewitz (Kelly) at 3rd. Hattemer, Adams, and Wright are doing the fielding. Guard and Waterman help Worthington at coaching.

It is a known fact that the average age of our players is below that of any other baseball team in the service. In the long run this is bound to produce results if the necessary pep and backing from the ship is continued as it has in the past. The squad is a bit hampered by lack of equipment but this matter will be rectified in the near, future, so it will be "play ball" for the Rambler Ship's team when they hit the field in their first game.

**FLASH** — Friday's game: Saratoga 7, Houston 15.