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#### **TRANSFERS**

Although assignment in Puerto Rico is classified as shore duty for enlisted personnel, requirements for overseas duty must be met, such as clear record, no serious family medical problems, and considered a suitable representative for overseas service. If single, personnel must meet obligated service requirements specified in the assignment order; if married, personnel must have at least 36 months of obligated service from the arrival month in order to bring dependents at government expense.

#### **ENTRY APPROVAL**

There is an entry approval requirement for dependents of military personnel. However, there is presently a three- to 16-week waiting period for on-base housing.

Entry approval for dependents will be granted for officer and enlisted if E-4 with over two years active service. A request for entry approval should be initiated upon receipt of orders.

When entry approval is granted, a military sponsor is designated for each family from the activity or department to which the individual is ordered or most likely to be assigned.

The purpose of the sponsor is to assist

Military personnel are allowed to ship house hold furnishings with their assigned weight limitations as indicated below:

E-4 ..... 7,000 lbs.



A new arrival to Roosevelt Roads draws his linen from the barracks staff.

one's move by providing transportation to the base, and assisting with housing. In order for this system to work, adequate notice of orders and accurate information regarding travel plans (date of arrival, time, and if possible, flight number) must be provided to the sponsor. Additional information on personal needs or desires is also helpful.

Do not hesitate to contact the sponsor or command. A letter, telegram, or a phone call may save considerable hardship and inconvenience later on.

Off-station civilian housing is available to a limited degree, but is expensive.

Temporary Lodging Allowance (TLA) may be authorized up to a maximum of 60 days or until government housing is available, whichever is earlier. Expenses incurred in the movement of dependents and household goods prior to entry approval will not be reimbursed.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Military personnel are authorized category "ZULU" Commercial Air (Tourist) accommodations and are flown directly to San Juan International Airport. Again, the sponsor should be advised of complete arrival information so he can anticipate your arrival and meet you at the airport.

For personnel traveling without dependents and not desiring a sponsor, it is recommended a taxi be hired from the San Juan International Airport. Normal taxi fare to Roosevelt Roads is \$20. This transportation is an

authorized reimbursable expenditure up to \$25 if you obtain a receipt.

#### **ARRIVAL ON STATION**

Personnel reporting aboard should report to the JOOD or Duty Office located on Admin Hill, Bldg. 500 Naval Station.

Information regarding the status of household goods, express baggage, and privately-owned vehicles can be obtained by contacting the House Goods Section, Supply Department

#### HOUSING

Military personnel, pay grade Ewith two years active service and senior, are eligible for station house provided they are on a 36-month accompanied tour.

There are 770 housing units about the station; 165 for officers and 605 enlisted personnel. The majority of quarters are Capehart homes, most of which are three-bedroom units. There are also two and four-bedroom units In addition to Capehart housing, the are 52 apartment units, both two and three bedrooms, which are known the Algodones Apartments. There are also 16 units located in South Delicies most of which are duplexes. These include two and three bedroom units South Delicias and Algodones Apar ments are designated for occupancy enlisted personnel.

An additional 248 family housing units are presently under construction (88 officers and 160 enlisted). These will

include two, three and four-bedroom units. The three and four-bedroom units are townhouses, while the two-bedroom units are four-unit apartment buildings. All new units will be centrally air conditioned and equipped with dishwashers and garbage disposals in addition to refrigerator and stove.

A very limited amount of furniture for government quarters is available for use by housing tenants. Primarily, this is intended for temporary use until privately owned household goods arrive. Thus tenants are encouraged to ship their own furniture. However, since no warehouse space is available at Roosevelt Roads for storage of personally owned items, personnel are advised to bring only what can be used or stored within the quarters. Details of floor space and arrangements of quarters can be obtained from the sponsor. Existing housing units are equipped with an electric stove (there are no gas facilities) and a 12 cubic foot refrigerator. Each Capehart housing unit has a 220V outlet available for a clothes dryer. None of the existing quarters is air conditioned; however, installation of individually owned 110V or 220V air conditioners is permitted. Air conditioners may be installed by the Public Works Department at the tenant's expense.

'In view of the different size windows and arrangements of quarters, it is recommended that purchase of window draperies and carpeting be delayed until arrival.

The cost of all utilities is included in the Basic Allowance for Quarters (BAQ). Telephones are available on request at the user's expense.



One of the homes in Enlisted Capehart.

Telephone service is provided through the Puerto Rico Telephone Company.

Occupants are required by station regulations to maintain the grounds around their quarters and are encouraged to improve same. This includes mowing and trimming lawns and cultivating shrubs, trees, and flowers. As an incentive to keeping yards and grounds around the housing units attractive, a "Home of the Month" award is given for the most attractive home in both officer and enlisted housing. Garbage cans are provided for all quarters with pick-up service twice each week. Tenants must furnish their own lawn tools and equipment, including lawnmowers.

#### **SCHOOLS**

Roosevelt Roads schools are part of the Antilles Consolidated School System, operated by the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

A Schools Council, composed of rep-

resentatives from the various military services and federal agencies on the island, under the direction of the Commandant TENTH Naval District, exercises legislative control of the school. Administrative control of the school is vested in the Superintendent of Schools, who is appointed to the position on the advice of the Schools Council.

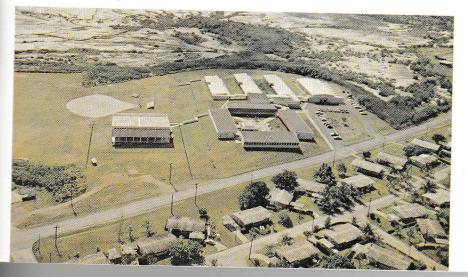
Schools at Roosevelt Roads have both a principal and assistant principal and an excellent staff of teachers. Classes are comparable to those in the States. The schools are modern, well equipped, air conditioned, and are provided with up-to-date books and modern equipment. Each school has cafeteria facilities where students can obtain hot lunches.

The schools, which are located in the Capehart housing area, are divided into three parts: Elementary, Middle School and High School. Schools are located close enough to housing, less than one mile, so that most students may walk or ride bicycles to schools. Bus service is provided for those who are not within walking distance.

The elementary school, which has classes from kindergarten through the third grade, has a teaching staff of 24 teachers with special instructors for music, art, Spanish, physical education and a librarian. Student enrollment is approximately 400 students, with an average of 25 students per classroom.

A separate unit of buildings contains both the middle and high school. Middle school classes run from the fourth through sixth grades. Facilities include 12 class rooms, which are staffed by an equal number of teachers, with an

#### Roosevelt Roads High School.



average of 24 students to a class.

The high school is accredited by the North Central Association with grades seven through twelve. There are an average of 17 students per class.

The high school offers a variety of athletic programs for boys and girls, who compete with military and civilian schools from around the island. Athletic programs for boys include football, basketball, wrestling, golf, tennis, swim-

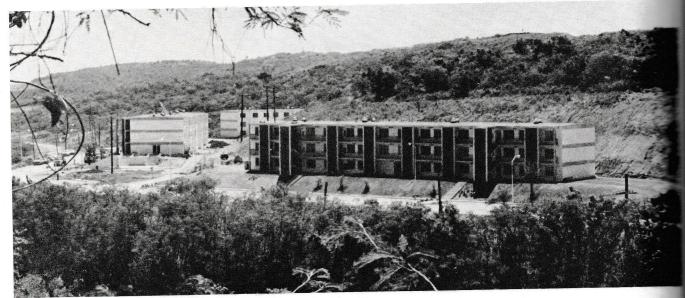
ming and cross country. Girls athletic programs are volleyball, basketball, softball, tennis and swimming.

The school year commences the last week of August and continues until the first week in June. There is a two-week vacation period at Christmas and a five-day Spring vacation.

Parents who have children requiring special training or handling should contact the school prior to arriving at Roosevelt Roads. In most instances special schooling is not available inaccessible, or is prohibitive from standpoint of cost.

Requests for further information comcerning school activities should addressed to:

Principal of. . .(Elementary Middle or High School) Box 35 U.S. Naval Station FPO New York 09551



BORINQUEN HEIGHTS — Antilles Manor, Atlantis Manor, Bayview Manor.

#### BOQ

The main BOQ provides quarters for 243 officers. It is located in the Bundy area, and offers a panoramic view of the station and surrounding area. The BOQ is modern, well-equipped, and offers normal BOQ services, including lounge.

The new BOQ, which was completed in 1969, can accommodate approximately 140 additional officers. The new construction is fully air-conditioned, with carpets and refrigerators in each room. In addition a free Laundromat self-help service is situated on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th decks.

#### **EM BARRACKS**

Enlisted personnnel barracks are located in both the Ofstie and Bundy areas.

The recently opened Borinquen Heights in the Ofstie area, is a more than \$3 million three barracks complex. Each building is divided up into mod-

ules which has four-man and two-man rooms. Each module has a lounge with ice machine, apartment size sink, electric two burner range and refrigerator. Each module can accommodate 22 people. Borinquen Heights overlooks the lovely harbor at Roosevelt Roads.

Messing facilities in the Ofstie area include the main dining hall, the "Skyway Inn." Skyway Inn is a newly renovated galley which offers a speed line plus the regular meal line. The Inn also provides after-hours service, with special provisions made for personnel working late hours and in addition, provides in-flight and box lunches.

Transient personnel are berthed in the Bundy barracks complex.

#### STATION CHAPEL

The Chapel on the Hill is located in one of the most picturesque areas of the Naval Station and overlooks the entire Bundy area complex. Complete Protestant and Catholic religious programs are provided at the Nava Station. Jewish and other religious faiths are represented by nearby churches and lay leaders. Chaplains available for personal counseling at the Chaplain's Offices located at Chapel, Ext. 4326/4328. They may reached for emergencies by calling the Officer of the Day, Ext. 4311.

Sunday mass is held at the Character at 0900. A Saturday mass is said at 1700 Masses on weekdays are at 1130. Complete fessions are regularly heard Saturday at 1600 or anytime at the Chaplan Office. Religious education classes at held on Sunday mornings at 1000 at Roosevelt Roads High School.

Protestant worship service is held at the Chapel at 1015. Sunday School at 0845 with classes held at Roose Roads High School.

The Chapel Nursery provides free child care for parents who are attended church services.

# **Getting Around**



#### **OFF STATION**

Air transportation between Puerto Rico and the mainland as well as other areas in the Caribbean is good. Major airlines servicing San Juan International Airport include Pan Am, Eastern, Delta and American Airlines.

Airline reservations for military personnel and dependents are handled by the Scheduled Airlines Ticket Office (SATO) at Roosevelt Roads. The SATO office is staffed by representatives of two major airlines, and offers information on the fastest and most economical service available.

#### TAXIS/PUBLICOS

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There are two types of taxi service in Puerto Rico. One is the regular taxi, such as found in the States, and operates primarily within the town or city.

Publicos are another type of taxi service. They operate throughout the island and are the island's main source of public transportation. There are no passenger trains, and bus service is limited.

Publicos operate mostly between towns and rural areas of the island and make frequent stops along the highway to pickup or discharge passengers. Rates are reasonable. However, there should be mutual agreement between the passenger and the driver regarding the fare **before** entering the automobile.

Publicos are privately owned and operated and are easily identified by their dome lights and yellow license plates.

#### **AUTOMOBILES**

Since many of the Naval Station facilities are widely separated, an automobile is considered a virtual necessity. Also, it is advisable to bring an automobile from the States, rather than purchase one in Puerto Rico, since automobile prices are much higher in Puerto Rico due to registration fees and taxes which are added to the purchase price.

The purchase of a new car is not recommended since the humid, salty climate is rather hard on vehicles.

All cars brought to Puerto Rico by military personnel are exempt from Puerto Rico Excise Tax. Private vehicles may be shipped by MSTS from Bayonne, New Jersey; Norfolk, Virginia; Charleston, South Carolina; or New Orleans, Louisiana. Only one vehicle will be transported at government expense.

#### LICENSES AND PLATES

Privately-owned-vehicles operated on the Naval Station must be registered with the station Security Department, at the Pass Office, and carry a current station sticker. Vehicle owners are not required, but are encouraged, to carry liability insurance due to the owner's being held responsible for any damages or claims against the Government which may result from an accident. Operators must have a current stateside or Commonwealth of Puerto Rico driver's license.

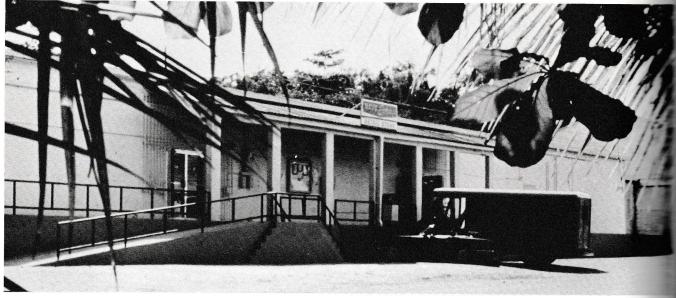
Any valid stateside drivers license is legal for off-station driving up to 120

days after arrival in Puerto Rico. After that interval, a Commonwealth of Puerto Rico driver's license must be obtained. Both a written and a road examination are required. Applications for Puerto Rico driver's licenses may be obtained at the Pass and ID Office located outside Gate #1.

Privately-owned-vehicles which are driven off-station must bear either current stateside or Commonwealth of Puerto Rico registration plates. Vehicles which are not driven off-station are required by law to have an annual safety inspection; this inspection is to be conducted by Security Department personnel at the Pass Office. These onbase-only vehicles are also required to have registration plates; however, these license tags need not be current. Expired registration plates are to be retained on the vehicle for identification purposes.

All privately-owned-vehicles to be driven off-station must display a Commonwealth of Puerto Rico vehicle inspection sticker. Inspections are conducted by the Navy Exchange Garage as well as by several other local civilian service stations. Additionally, all motor vehicles are required to display a sticker certifying that the owners have complied with the Puerto Rican Compulsory Insurance program (i.e. ACAA). This sticker must be obtained annually and may be purchased from the courthouse in Ceiba, Puerto Rico (just outside the base); proof of ownership and current registration, as well as payment of a \$35 fee, is necessary in order to obtain this sticker.

# Your Navy Exchange



The Navy Exchange at Roosevelt Roads is located in the Bundy Area.

#### THE MAIN RETAIL STORE

The Main Retail Store of the Navy Exchange is in the Bundy area and offers the widest variety of merchandise available at the lowest possible prices. Among the many items offered are souvenirs, jewelry and watches, clothing for women and children, small appliances, stationary, household drugs and cleaning aids, tobacco products and candy. The store operates on the policy that "if we don't have it, we'll try to get it for you." To accomplish this almost any item may be ordered by the customer through the Special Order Desk located in the Main Retail Store. Main Retail Store-Bundy Area-Ext. 5009

0900-1700 Tues.-Fri. 0800-1600 Sat. Special Order-Ext. 4711

#### THE PATIO SHOP

The Patio Shop, located in the Bundy area beside the Navy Exchange Garage, carries outdoor furniture, barbeque grills, sporting goods, pet supplies, heavy appliances, radios, television sets, stereo equipment, and a wide variety of tapes and records. The Patio Shop also carries fine quality rugs, lamps, men's clothing (both civlian and military), hardware and lawn tools. A limited stock of children's toys is carried by the Patio Shop year-round. Patio Shop-Bundy Area-Ext. 5111 Hours are same as Main Retail Store.

#### THE LAUNDRY

The Laundry & Drycleaning facility is located near the Navy Exchange Garage in the Bundy area. Pick-up and delivery is provided, at no extra charge, to residents living in base housing.

A Tailor Shop is also located at the Laundry & Drycleaning Plant, with a master tailor on duty experienced in alteration and weaving. For your convenience, a Shoe Repair pick-up station is maintained in the Plant.

A do-it-yourself Laundromat is located in the Bundy area behind the Barber Shop. It is open from 1100-1900 Tuesday through Saturday. No phone.

Laundry & Drycleaning Plant-Bundy Area-Ext. 5270

Hours are the same as Main Retail Store.

#### **SERVICE STATIONS**

Two Navy Exchange Service Stations are open for your convenience. One is located in the Bundy area next to the Patio Shop and the other is located on Langley Drive, close to the Industrial area Fire Department. The Bundy service station has two lanes for full service and two for express service. Gasoline prices are considerably less than commercial prices in the area.

An automobile accessory store is located at the service station where polishes, waxes, and general automobile accessories may be purchased.

#### **BEVERAGE STORE**

The Navy Exchange also operates a beverage store which carries a variety of beverages which are sold by the cand half case. It is located at the end of the road which runs in front of the Main Navy Exchange. Alcohold beverages are controlled and sequently a ration card is required appurchase such items. There is also appackage store for hard liquors and with across the street from the Nava Exchange Laundry and Dry Cleaning Plant in Bundy.

#### PERSONALIZED SERVICES

Personalized Services is located directly across the Street from the Matter Retail Store. Many customer services are handled here.

Fresh cut flowers and arrangementalong with potted plants are found being in the Personalized Services "Flower Shop." Flowers may also be sent mail or wire service to any of the States.

Fine quality photo-finishing available. The waiting period

finished work ranges from a week to 10 days.

All watch repair is performed under contract by a watch repair specialist. All work must be left at the Personalized Services Center during Exchange operating hours. As an additional service, the contractor is available each Saturday from 1000-1200 for preliminary examination of watches and cost estimates. Work is picked up each Saturday and returned the following Saturday.

The center also maintains an engraving service, coat-of-arms, magazine subscriptions, and gift wrapping.

The Optical Shop is located in the Eye Clinic of the U.S. Naval Hospital Roosevelt Roads in Wing C. Here the customer can order prescription-made glasses or sunglasses, and be fitted by professionally trained specialists.

Personalized Services Center-Bundy Area-5358

Hours are same as the Main Retail Store

Optical Shop-Hospital-Ext. 71-324 0700-1530 Mon.-Fri.

#### **BARBER & BEAUTY SHOPS**

Four barber shops are conveniently located around the station. The main shop is located in the Navy Exchange Services Building across from the Bundy barracks. In addition, there is a three-chair shop located in the back of the Ofstie Galley and single chair shops located in the Air Operations building and in the 'divers' trailer at Surface Operations. Haircuts in the latter two are by appointment only.

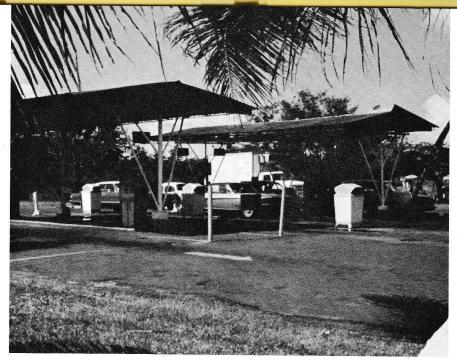
The Beauty Shop is located beside the Bundy Bowling Alley, across the street from the Main Retail Store. Trained beauticians and barbers are available at all shops.

#### TV REPAIR SHOP

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The Radio and TV Repair Shop is located in the red building called "The Firehouse," which is near the Laundry. It is adequately equipped to repair most radio and television sets. Tubes and a sizeable stock of small parts are normally available. Antennas for color TV's are also sold here.

A Rental Service is also maintained here where the customer may rent washing machines, black/white televi-



The Navy Exchange gas station offers a variety of automatic services to the serviceman and his dependents.

son sets, and some baby furniture. More items for rent can be procured if there is enough customer interest. TV Repair Shop-Bundy Area-Ext. 5241 Hours are same as the Main Retail

#### **APPLIANCE REPAIR**

Store.

Appliance repair servicemen are employed by the Navy Exchange for the repair and installation of heavy appliances. These include refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, dryers, dishwashers, and air conditioners. Most repairs can be handled by Exchange repairmen. Others are referred to local specialists. The Appliance Repair Shop is located in the Firehouse with TV Repair and has the same hours.

#### MINI-MART

The Mini-Mart is located in the Housing Area and is a convenience store for quick snack foods. Milk, bread, ice, soda, frozen foods, candy, tobacco products and magazines are just a few items maintained in this store. The Suds-n-Bubbles Shop is attached to the Mini-Mart and is a beverage store where the customer can buy beer and soda by the case.

Mini-Mart-Housing Area-Ext. 4254 0900-2100 Daily

#### **CAR RENTAL**

The Navy Exchange offers a variety of foreign and domestic vehicles for on

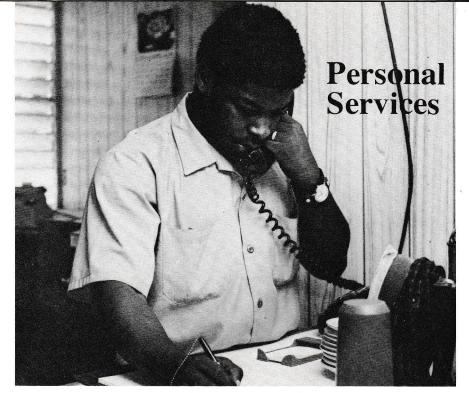
and off base rental on a daily or weekly basis. Anyone over 21 years of age with a valid stateside driver's license may rent an off-base car. The rental agreement includes the insurance coverage required to drive the vehicle anywhere on the island. The rates compare favorably with stateside charges. The rental office, located in a one-room building behind the Navy Exchange Garage across the street from the Laundry, is open six days a week.

On-base cars may also be rented from this office. Anyone 18 or over may rent these cars, but it is stressed that they will not be eligible for any insurance, and will be totally responsible for any damage to the rental vehicle. These cars are strictly for driving around the base and will not be permitted outside the gates.

On & Off Base Car Rental — Bundy Area-Ext. 5362 0700-1600 Mon. 0800-1700 Tues.-Fri. 0800-1600 Sat.

#### **COMMISSARY STORE**

The Commissary, located next to the Navy Exchange retail store stocks approximately 2,500 commercial line items in addition to 100 Navy-issue items. The meat department offers more than 50 chilled and frozen meat cuts to choose from. Fresh produce and milk as well as vegetables and fruits are available from the states on a weekly basis.



Personal Services offers a variety of household items to Navy families awaiting delivery of their household goods.

# PERSONAL SERVICES CENTER

The Roosevelt Roads Personal Services Center is located in building 547, across the street from the "Firehouse" in the Bundy Area. It is staffed by two or three military personnel and volunteer workers and has a wide variety of services to help make your tour at Roosevelt Roads a more enjoyable one.

Some of these services are especially helpful to the new arrival and others may help you through your whole tour.

Hospitality kits are available for both arriving and departing families. These kits include dishware, pots, pans, linens, irons, ironing boards and other items that may be needed on a temporary basis. The kits are loaned free of charge, except for laundry service and loss and damage.

The Community Store serves all personnel by selling articles in good usable condition left for sale on a consignment basis. Items may be as diverse as a stereo, tape deck, a good winter suit, small and large appliances, good used furniture, or you name it.

The Job Referral Service takes names of people with a variety of skills, sidelines and talents who are interested in securing part-time or perhaps even full-time work. It is also a good place to find a babysitter.

Classified Ads is another service that benefits many. These ads list any items you may desire to sell or buy from the largest to the smallest. It also includes off-station rentals too.

Off-base furniture is old used furniture which is loaned out to military personnel living off-station. It is free of charge and issued on a first-come, first-served basis when available.

And last but not least, when you are nearing the time when you will depart Roosevelt Roads, the center has available information of military bases around the world where you may obtain some information on your next military home.

Remember, the Personal Services Center operates through volunteer workers. Maybe you would like to help in the Center. If so, call extension 4397 any weekday between 0700 and 1600.

#### **MEDICAL**

The U.S. Naval Hospital under the primary support of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, occupies a new 120-bed hospital. This facility provides general hospital and clinical support for authorized active duty and retired military personnel and their dependents.

Specialty care for both in and out patients in the areas of general and orthopedic surgery, ophthalmology,

obstetrics and gynecology, intermedicine, pediatrics, neuropsycham and aviation medicine is available. Clinics operate on an appointment basis. Emergency and urgent treatment is available at all times.

Prenatal patients should advise present treatment facility of the impending transfer to Roosevelt Roosevelt in time to insure that prenatal recomb are forwarded before the patient's first visit to the hospital.

Immunization requirements for Puerto Rico are the same as those im the Continental United States. You normally encounter no immunization records check when you embark and Puerto Rico or when you disemban your destination. However, you strong have an International Immunization Record with current immunization against Smallpox, within one Typhoid, within three years; Influence within one year; Tetanus, within years; and complete a course of Power vaccine, if you intend to travel to Ham South America or the Dutch Indies.

#### **DENTAL**

The Dental Department is located m building 594 in the Bundy Area San call is held for active duty personnel from 0700 until 0900 Monday Friday, and for dependents at same Tuesdays and Thursdays. Active and personnel are provided all types in treatment except orthodontics. dependents are authorized routine tal treatment on a space available Dependents requiring dental treatment should have their dental work pleted before leaving the States because the dental treatment caracteristics for dependents may be limited since military personnel have priority Orthodontic treatment is available through civilian dentists in San Jum at the individual's own expense.

#### **NAVY RELIEF**

The Puerto Rico Auxiliary of the Navy Relief Society is located in the Personal Services Center. It serves Navy and Marine Corps personne to time of need with financial aid for relief of temporary emergency conditions. The office is open daily Mondathru Friday 0900 to 1500.

The following services are



The American Forces Caribbean Network provides the latest music and news to the military 24 hours a day.

#### BANKING

A branch facility of the Banco Credito y Ahorro Ponceno is located in the area behind the Bundy galley.

Banco Credito handles all normal banking transactions and is open daily Monday thru Friday from 0830-1430. Its services include savings and checking accounts, in addition to the sale of Traveler's Checks, Certified Checks, and Manager's Checks. Personal checks drawn on another bank for \$25 or less will be honored by the bank for permanently assigned military personnel and dependents.

Banco Credito pays four per cent interest compounded quarterly on regular savings accounts. For time deposits, the bank pays five per cent interest compounded semi-annually. The bank also sponsors a Christmas Club savings program. Safe Deposit boxes are available.

#### RADIO/TELEVISION

The American Forces Caribbean Network has its headquarters at Roosevelt Roads. It is operated by military personnel. The network provides AM (1200 kHz) and FM (90.5 MHz) radio and televison (Channel 40, UHF), to the military communities of Puerto Rico.

Programming for radio and TV is received from the American Forces Radio and Television Service Headquarters in Los Angeles, California. Direct news coverage is carried over radio from major radio networks in the U.S. and also through Associated Press and American Forces News Bureau in Washington, D.C.

Several commercial radio and TV stations can be received locally, although the majority are broadcast in Spanish. Exceptions are those received from the U.S. Virgin Islands.

#### **NURSERY**

A nursery facility is located in the area next to the Atlantic Fleet Weapons Range Headquarters and is open daily except Sunday and holidays.

Children between the ages of three months and 12 years of age are eligible to attend.

A nursery school operates from September through May. Two classes for four-year-olds are held Monday through Friday in the morning. One afternoon class for three-year-olds is held Tuesday and Thursday. From June through August, there is summer nursery school for three-year-olds in the mornings only. Minimum entrance age for nursery school is three years. Rates are \$20 per month.

The nursery facility is well equipped, having a full-time manager and a staff of qualified attendants. Facilities include a kitchen, sleeping accommodations for approximately 70 children, and a fenced-in playground area.

Child care rates are 50 cents an hour for the first child, 75 cents for two, 90 cents for three and \$1.00 for four or

more. Special rates are available are extended periods.

#### **NEWSPAPER**

MIRA QUE PASA is published twice monthly and is distributed to all areas of the Naval Station stories and photographs are presented by Naval personnel. The newsgeneral offices are located in the north with the Admin Hill complex.

#### LIBRARY

The air conditioned station librated located next to the Scheduled Article Office (SATO), and is Monday through Thursday from 2100. Saturday and Sunday hour from 1300 to 2100. Closed Friday holidays.

The library presently has a listing over 15,000 books and is under the agement of a trained librarian month the library receives appropriately 70 different weekly and magazine publications. In additional receives daily subscriptions to Miami HERALD, New York TIMENEW York DAILY NEWS, Wall SUDURNAL, and the Puerto Regulsh-language newspaper, San STAR.

#### **PETS**

Occupants of Navy housing are mitted to have pets provided the mot barnyard, fowl, or wild animals

Innoculation of pets must be formed prior to arriving in Puerto

Whenever pets are outside immediate quarters, they must be a leash, or under positive control times. Pets allowed to run at large subject to being impounded by Statum Security Patrol.

A station animal shelter, which is operated by volunteers, provides adoption facilities and boarding.

#### **FIREARMS**

For persons interested in the shooting sports, there are two organizations available. One is the Command Radius and Pistol Team which represents the Naval Station in competition and open only to active duty personnel and the other is the Shark River Gun Charles which is open to anyone with access to the base. The Gun Club has its own

50-ft. indoor range, and either rifle or pistol may be used, but only in the .22 rimfire caliber.

Written authorization from the Commanding Officer is required before personnel are allowed to keep any firearm in their quarters. Those not so authorized are required to store their firearms in the station armory, where they may be checked out to participate in practice or competition at the station rifle and pistol range. All weapons must be registered with security on the first working day after arrival on the base.

The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico has very strict firearm laws. Although it is possible to obtain a permit to retain a firearm in a private residence off station, the process is extremely complicated and lengthy, and results are not guaranteed. For more information, write to the President, Shark River Gun Club, Box 613, FPO New York 09551.

#### HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

Human Resource Management activities at Roosevelt Roads is located in building 735, near the Mariposa Chalet. The Human Resource Management Department (HRMD) provides virtually a full range of Navy Human Resource Management services to both permanent and transient units at Roosevelt Roads.

Overseas Diplomacy Division, Ext. 4377/5377, conducts area/base orientation and cultural adaptation training in support of Navy overseas diplomacy objectives. Training aids, handouts and overseas diplomacy policy information are available for shipboard training use.

Race relation education, Ext. 4377/5377, provides doctrinal guidance and limited material in racial awareness

and consultant services to equal opportunity officers and others.

Counseling And Assistance Center (CAAC), Ext. 5225, HOTLINE-5272. Manned twenty-four hours daily by a trained Navy counselor, offers referral, counseling and crisis intervention service for personnel experiencing drug, work, marital or other personal problems, screens identified drug users and recommends case disposition.

Drug abuse education specialists, Ext. 5225, offers educational briefings and counseling on legal and pharmacological aspects of drug use on a walk-in or scheduled briefing basis.

Alcohol Rehabilitation Drydock (ARD), Ext. 4052, provides twenty-four hour walk-in counseling service, and in-patient rehabilitative service, for personnel with alcohol-related problems, both voluntarily and by direction; provides policy guidance on identification and treatment of alcohol abuse.

### **Recreational Services**

#### **ATHLETICS**

SOFTBALL — There are two regulation softball diamonds, one in Bundy and one in Ofstie, with the former being rated as one of the best on the island. There is active intramural play, under supervision of the Special Services Division, highlighted by competition at the district level each season. The Roosevelt Roads team, comprised of selected players from activities on station, have been recent champions in COMTEN tournaments. Other smaller ballfields are available for beach and party outings. The Fleet Recreation Park also has three softball fields, in addition to facilities for other sports.

**TENNIS** — Of the eleven courts on station, three in Bundy area and two adjacent to the Community Beach are lighted. Unlighted courts include four in the Fleet Recreation Park and two in the Ofstie area. Area courts are composition surface. An active schedule of tennis tournaments both on and off station is held annually.

FOOTBALL — The station sponsors an eleven-man tackle team called the Roosevelt Roads Rams. They play in the Inter-Puerto Rico Football League which is comprised of teams from mili-

tary installations and colleges in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

**BASKETBALL** — Six outdoor basketball courts are available for play on station. Two lighted blacktopped courts are located in the Bundy area, two in Ofstie, and two in the Fleet Recreation Park. Intramural play takes place at the Bundy Gym. Local champions participate in a COMTEN play-off each year.

#### OFFICERS' CLUB

"Casa Coqui," located near the piers, is a new 8,000 square foot, fully air conditioned club. It is open six days a week and offers a variety of enter-

tainment. The "Little O," an officers' club at the BOQ, is open seven days a week; attire is casual.

#### **CPO CLUB**

The Chief Petty Officers Mess is located on a point overlooking Puerca Bay. Noon meals are served from 1130 to 1300, Monday through Friday. Dinners are also served in the evening.

#### PETTY OFFICERS' CLUB

The Petty Officers' Club is located in the Surface Operations area, overlooking the harbor. The club features

Two-hand touch football is an annual event for intramural teams to see who will reign supreme leading up to TENTH Naval District Play-offs.





Bundy Gyms' Olympic-size swimming pool is often the site of TENTH Naval District swimming and diving championships.

a stag bar, glass enclosed dining room and a ballroom. A noon buffet is served daily from 1100 to 1230, Monday through Friday. The club is closed on Monday evenings.

#### **EM CLUB**

The EM Club, PM Point, is located in the Bundy area next to the barracks and adjoining the Navy Exchange cafeteria. Features of the club include a special Petty Officers' bar section, food service, live entertainment, feature films, and frequent Happy Hours. Special club features are held regularly.

#### **GEAR ISSUE**

The Recreation Gear Issue operates seven days a week at the Bundy Gym for issue of athletic and recreation gear to individual personnel or groups, for a maximum of 72 hours. Such items as golf clubs, horseshoes, tennis rackets, badminton rackets, basketballs, volleyballs, and fishing gear as well as workout gear (sweat clothes, gym shoes, socks, etc.) are available.

#### **SWIMMING POOLS**

There are four pools located on station for recreational use. Both the officers and enlisted housing areas in Capehart have swimming pools. An

enlisted swimming pool is located in the Ofstie area, and the main gym provides a pool for officers and enlisted personnel and their dependents.

Swimming pools in the officers and enlisted housing areas are open six days a week.

#### **BEACHES**

There are several beaches on station, designated for officers, chiefs and enlisted personnel. The enlisted beach is provided with snackbar facilities, cabanas, showers, and rest rooms.

The community beach, Cascajo Cove, located in the Capehart housing area, is designed primarily for outings and picnicking. Additional facilities include a boat launching area for fishing and water skiing, and a play area for children.

Lifeguards are not provided at beach areas, and all swimmers are advised to practice water safety. Although sharks, barracuda, and moray eels infest the waters of Puerto Rico, they are not a problem in the designated beach areas.

#### **SKIN DIVING**

Puerto Rico is an ideal location for scuba and skin diving, with an active club on station. The Navy Exchange stocks a complete supply of diving equipment ranging from snorkels to air tanks.

#### MARINA

A Marina, located near the fleet piers, provides complete services for privately-owned boats of military personnel. Included are 75 boat slips, buoys for anchoring, dolly-railway for beaching and repairs, gas, water, electricity, fishing gear, bait, and clubhouse facilities. Rental boats and motors are available from the Special Services Division which operates the Marina. Among the boats available for rent are the popular Sunfish, ski-boats, and fishing boats. The Marina is located in a well protected cove and provides protection under most weather conditions. Waters surrounding the station provide excellent sailing most of the year.

Privately-owned boats maintained on board must be properly licensed, registered with the station, and operated in accordance with established rules and safety precautions.

#### **WOOD HOBBY SHOP**

The Wood Hobby Shop is located adjacent to the Marina for boatowners convenience as well as woodworking enthusiasts. Various types of wood and related supplies are available at the retail outlet of the wood shop.

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#### **FISHING**

Although fishing is a major sport in the area of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, it leaves much to be desired in the immediate area of Roosevelt Roads. Red snapper, barracuda and grouper are perhaps the most plentiful. Charter fishing is available off station; however, prices are relatively high. The Marina has two deep sea fishing boats. 36' and 38', which are available for hire. The Marina has several outboard fishing boats which may be used in the area for harbor fishing. Only privatelyowned boats are allowed outside the harbor area. All personnel are required to check out and in with the station when going fishing by boat, for safety purposes.

#### HORSEBACK RIDING

A riding stable is located in the Bundy area. Facilities include a tackroom, holding pasture, grazing pasture, and a grain silo.

The horses of Puerto Rico are gener-



Western Horse Owners Association hosts many rodeos and jamborees yearly.

ally smaller in stature than stateside horses, but are gentle and have ideal dispositions with children. A good horse may be obtained for around \$85.

The majority of horses are privately owned by military personnel and dependents; however, there are a number of horses available for rental.

Stable fees for military personnel and dependents start at \$10.00 per month and somewhat higher for authorized civilian personnel. Veterinarian services are available once each month. Fees DO NOT include food and shoeing services.

Each individual is responsible for the care and feeding of his own horse. Grain may be purchased from the stable's retail feed outlet or from off-station stores. Green grass, in conjuction with the grain, is the main substance of these horses, with hay almost totally unused.

There is an organized riding club which participates in both on-station and off-station events, with island-wide championships conducted each year.

#### HOBBY SHOPS

The Special Services Crafts Center, located in the Bundy area, includes a retail outlet for ceramics, lapidary, leather, plastic models, and other craft supplies, with instruction in ceramics techniques, kilns and molds available on payment of a fee.

The Auto Hobby Shop, which is adjacent to the Crafts Center provides all tools required to the personnel who desire to work on their own car for pleasure or economy.

#### **GOLF**

Roosevelt Roads has a nine-hole, par 36 golf course. Club facilities include a practice green, driving range, miniature golf, rental and storage conveniences as well as a broad variety of proline equipment and accessories.

The clubhouse also has an air conditioned snackbar, "The 19th Hole", which serves sandwiches, snacks, and grilled orders.

#### STATION THEATER

Full-length motion pictures are shown at the air conditioned station theater, located in the Bundy area. There are two shows nightly except Friday and Saturday when an additional late show is featured. A free kiddie matinee on Saturday is also presented.

#### **TEEN CENTER**

The "hangout" for dependent teenagers is located adjacent to the high school. A snackbar facility with pinball machines, jukebox, and pool table, and an enclosed patio area equipped with a bandstand and dance floor provides a gathering place for teenagers after school and on weekends. Regularly scheduled dances, parties and social events planned and presented by the TEEN CLUB entertain the youth of the station.

#### **BOWLING**

The Caribbean lanes, located in the Bundy area, offer the latest in bowling conveniences. The bowling alleys, housed in a fully air conditioned building, feature 12 lanes with fully automated pin-setting machines and ball returns. The Navy Exchange operates a goods and beverage facility which serves snacks, beverages, and sandwiches. Bowling activities include men's, women's, mixed, handicap and scratch bowling leagues. Bowling is one of the most popular pastimes on base, enjoyed by both military personnel and their dependents.

Another six-lane bowling alley is located across from the Marine Barracks in the Ofstie area. The Ofstie lanes include a snack bar which serves sandwiches, snacks, and cold drinks.

#### **MOTORCYCLE RACES**

One of the more exciting activities at Roosevelt Roads is the twice monthly Motorcycle Motorcross held behind the Ofstie Galley.

The track, 1.4 miles of high speed sand flats, tortuous hairpin curves and water traps, comes to life at 1230 every other Sunday afternoon. The races feature service personnel from the various military activities throughout Puerto Rico.

Consisting of three heats of ten laps each, the races are divided into three classes according to the size of the motorcycle.

The commanding officer of the naval station has authorized the races under the direction of the Roosevelt Roads Motorcycle Association in hopes that the close supervision of racing regulations and the skills developed while racing will have a beneficial result on highway safety.

#### SCOUTING

A full scouting program is available. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, CAdettes, Cub Scouts, and Brownies have organizations on Station. Meetings are conducted in the "Scout Hut," located in the housing area next to the Public Works Housing Office. Both Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts have an opportunity to participate in island-wide scouting activities.

#### FLYING CLUB

An organized Navy Flying Club, operated under OPNAV authorization and procedures, is located on the Station. Active duty military and retired personnel and their dependents; and full time civilian employees of the Department of Defense paid with appropriated and non-appropriated funds are authorized to join.

Initiation fee is \$25 and monthly dues of \$10 is paid by each member. Age 16 is the minimum for beginning students and age 17 for gaining a license. Certified flying instructors are available for lessons.

The Club has members qualified from beginning students to commercial licensed pilots. Presently, the club has two Cessna 150's, and one Cessna 172.

# THE LAND OF PERPETUAL SPRING

Air Force, Navy, Marine and Army personnel assigned to Puerto Rico for the first time come to a fabulous island that is a mecca for travelers, a paradise for tourists, and one of the best duty stations in the world for servicemen.

For Puerto Rico, smallest of the Greater Antilles chain of islands, is a land of perpetual spring, a land of modern luxury contrasting with its centuries-old Spanish fortresses, colonial houses and plazas. But it is more. It is also a land of spectacular mountains and tropical foliage, a land where city lights glitter sophistication, and endless, quiet beaches shimmer under the year-round Caribbean sun.

First off, there's the climate. Temperature and rainfall vary between coast and highland, between the north and south sides of the cordillera central mountains that split the island east to west. Over a long period of years the mean maximum temperature for San Juan has been 85 degrees and the mean minimum, about 71 degrees. Puerto Rico has no definite rainy season but relatively concentrated rainfall occurs throughout the island in May.

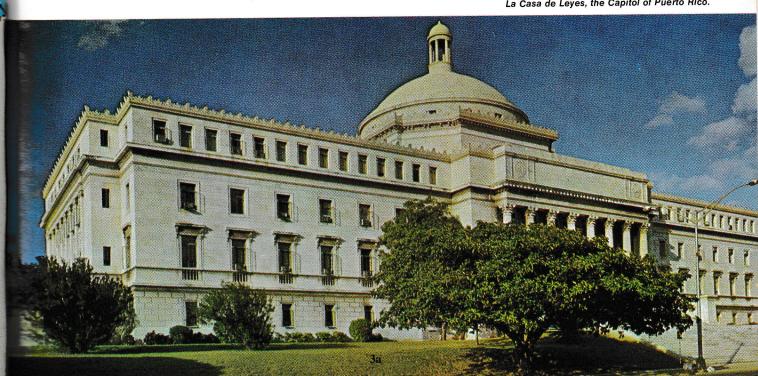
Then there's the topography. This charming island of vivid colors is small, but its beauty is amazingly varied. On the north side of the mountain divide, the vegetation is luxuriant with a great variety of light and dark greens, the terrain varying from rolling pastures to thickly wooded mountains to rugged karst regions featuring great sinkholes in the earth and thousands of small limestone hills clothed in almost impenetrable vegetation. South of the divide where less rain falls, the landscape runs to shades of olive and brown, and in some sections varieties of cactus grow in abundance.

None of the rivers of Puerto Rico is navigable for long stretches but there are numberless streams and rills lacing the mountains with miniature waterfalls. About 2.7 million people live on this island which measures 100 miles long by 35 miles wide. The language of Puerto Rico is Spanish, but many people speak English, too. Despite the mountainous interior surrounded by coastal plains, there are more than 5,000 miles of paved roads. They take you through quaint fishing villages, along winding mountain routes, through centuries-old Spanish towns. (And when you come to a sign reading "Pare," stop! That's what the word means.)

Despite the fact that you're here on Uncle Sam's business, you automatically become part of a unique vacationland. Activities abound. You'll find keen interest in baseball, basketball, bowling, horseraces, plus cockfighting and kite-flying. Because of the excellent climate, you can indulge in swimming and tanning under the tropical sun every month of the year. Tennis and golf are popular, but so is sailing, waterfowl shooting, fishing, water skiing, skindiving, and snorkeling.

And there is always sightseeing. You'll visit the town where Christopher Columbus is believed to have landed, though there are several contenders for this honor and history is not altogether definite on the subject; the foundations of the home that Ponce de Leon built for his family in the island's first settlement; immense fortresses constructed by the Spaniards to guard Old San Juan against British and Dutch attacks; the spectacular Phosphorescent Bay on the South coast; El Yunque rain forest, and magnificent Luquillo Beach. And that's only part of Puerto Rico. By private car, by publico (public car), by boat, by plane and on foot, you'll explore this beautiful island, meet its warm and friendly people, and when your tour is up, you'll just be starting your romance with Puerto Rico.

La Casa de Leyes, the Capitol of Puerto Rico.





Cloverleaf intersection connecting the Condado and Miramar sections of metropolitan San Juan with Old San Juan, Puerto Rico. In the background to the right is the Caribe Hilton Hotel and in the left foreground is the club Nautico de San Juan, boating center of the capital.



The faces of Puerto Rico are changing.

The first inhabitants were the Tainos a branch of the Arawak tribe of Indians a peaceful agricultural people. When Ponce de Leon settled the island in 1508 he brought with him 50 Spaniards, most of whom were anxious to get rich ovenight. Eventually the Tainos virtually disappeared. They influenced Puerro Rican culture chiefly in place names such as Orocovis, Yabucoa, Guajataca and Caguas. They left as a heritage medicinal plants, root crops, fruits and pottery.

Negroes were brought to the island during the early centuries of colonization as slaves and most of them remained in that status until the abolition of slavery in 1873. Gradually they began to participate in all activities — education, arts, government. The great majority of Puerto Ricans are of Spanish descent and the legacies of Spanish culture include the language, religion folklore, architecture and music.

One thing is certain: the island has shown an ability to absorb invading cultures and puts its own stamp upon them. To understand the islander, it is first of all necessary to realize that he is not by instinct a Spaniard or a Norteamerican or a Negro though all these cultures have left their imprint on his island. He is by instinct a Puerto Rican and so is his culture.

The U.S. culture has been absorbed. The mantle of citizenship is worn quietly. In the Korean War 43,434 Puerto Ricans served in the U.S. armed forces and although Puerto Ricans are subject to the draft, 16,517 were volunteers. (In this connection it is interesting to note that of the three major territories taken by the U.S. from Spain in 1898 — Cuba, the Philippines and Puerto Rico — only the last remained linked to the U.S.

Some Spanish aspects in Puerto Rican culture are easily identified. First is the Spanish language. It is the language of the home. Both Spanish and English are used in business. Spanish is the language of instruction in the public educational system although English is a required subject at all levels. Debates in the Legislature are conducted in Spanish but all laws are printed in

# THE ISLAND CULTURE

English as well as Spanish. Spanish is the language of literature and of most of the daily newspapers as well as radio and television programs, but there is one English-language newspaper, an all-English TV station, and there are English radio programs, too.

There are four daily newspapers in Puerto Rico: El Mundo, El Imparcial and the English-language San Juan Star are published in San Juan, and El Dia in Ponce.

Spanish influence continues to be seen in architecture in the use of arches, balconies, patios and grillwork, and in music, art and drama, although in these pursuits Puerto Ricans have been developing distinctive forms of their own.

Family ties are strong and the family circle is wide. The "extended family" has been Puerto Rico's social security system, especially in the small towns and rural districts.

As a result of the Spanish heritage the majority of Puerto Ricans are Roman Catholics. Every town is built around a plaza with a church at one

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end and usually a city hall at the other. Feast days of the Catholic Church are observed. Every town has its own patron saint, whose "day" is celebrated with a weeklong festival.

The Christmas season is long and joyful, combining old Spanish customs and American customs. Santa Claus brings gifts at Christmas, but the holiday season extends to January 6, Three Kings Day, when the children receive more gifts from indulgent parents.

The Puerto Rican economy has had a dramatic growth in recent years. Barely a quarter century ago, the island's economy was based on sugar which was largely controlled by a few mainland-based companies. Today, there are some 1,700 Operation Bootstrap factories spread across the island. No fewer than 100 of the biggest U.S. corporate giants are represented here, and there are many substantial local ventures. Thousands of new homes, apartments and hotels have sprung up. This is all because in 1942 Puerto Rico embarked on vigorous programs of social and economic improvement. One statistic, in effect, tells the story: motor

vehicles on the island; in June 1968 there were over 470,000.

The cost of living has risen steadily in recent years but per capita income has soared dramatically over the past quarter century. The wretched shack in the slums may still be wretched, but it may also sport a television antenna and a car may be parked in front.

Some Puerto Ricans fear that increasing changes and growth threaten to eradicate the island's old customs and culture. But these fears do not take into consideration the rooted strength of that culture.

Eugenio Mario de Hostos, famous Puerto Rican statesman of the 19th Century, wrote:

"Why do we cherish our native land so? I think I have discovered the reason. I leave it to be able to return and meditate about it. We love the motherland because it is a point of departure. Life is a voyage; our reason could not locate the point of departure if it were not for the piece of ground whose attracting image we see all around."

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## TOURING PUERTO RICO

Puerto Rico is a beautiful island, liberally covered with many flowering trees, bougainvillaea vines in a wide range of brillant reds and oranges, huge poinsettias and hundreds of other flowers. It is an interesting island, too, particularly because of its topographical variety which includes lush rain forests, rolling hills, flat desertlike plains, rugged mountains and one of the most developed karst areas in the world, where dense scrub covers small individual hills honeycombed with tiny caves and grows vigorously in sinkholes, great depressions in the ground.

To have seen only San Juan, Roosevelt Roads Naval Base, Ramey Air Force Base and Vieques is to have seen little of Puerto Rico and to have missed many pleasant experiences.

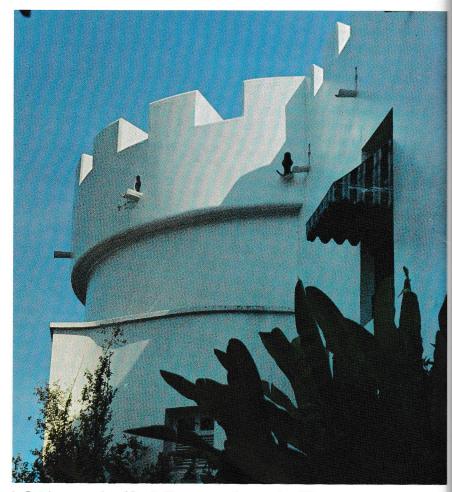
With over 5,000 miles of good roads on a tiny island only 100 miles by 35, there is ample opportunity to see its beauty and history. There are plenty of cars to rent, or you can take a **publico**, one of the many "public cars" that criss-cross the island daily.

Traffic signs in Puerto Rico are usually in Spanish. A full list is given in another part of this book. Get a road map from one of the gasoline companies, a camera, a free copy of **Que Pasa**, the Commonwealth Department of Tourism's official English-language guide book, and go out on the island.

Here are a few — only a few — of the points of interest you'll want to visit:

#### **PONCE**

An old colonial town, the second largest city of the island, Ponce is named after conquistador Juan Ponce de Leon, the first settler of the island and its first governor. Ponce is sometimes referred to as "The Pearl of the South" and Poncenos are very proud of their heritage. It is a fast-growing city with a mixture of the old and the new. It has a very large central plaza with the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe a main feature, and behind it the old Parque de Bombas (firehouse), which is a fantastic structure originally built as a kiosk for a fair held in the last decade of the 19th Century. It is painted red, black, green and vellow and is a favorite target of camera bugs.



La Fortaleza – mansion of Puerto Rico governors for more than 400 years.

A stroll from the southeast corner of the plaza along Comercio, Mayor and Luna streets take you past many houses typical of the older Ponce with narrow balconies flush with the street and side gates through which glimpses can be seen of old gardens. There are also many modern, elegant houses in the new sections of the city.

No visitor should miss a visit to the Ponce Art Museum, pleasantly situated on Las Americas Avenue opposite the spacious grounds of Catholic University, sporting interesting modern architecture. The museum was donated to the city in 1965 by the Luis A. Ferre Foundation, established by Puerto Rico's current Governor. The building was designed by famed architect Edward Durell Stone and the remark-

able art collection was chosen by Governor Ferre with the advice of the world-famous authority on art, Julius S. Held. The collection presents a well balanced representation of the principal schools of European and American art through the last five centuries. Two gardens and a small outdoor amphitheater add to the charm of the institution.

The Ponce Intercontinental Hotel perches above the city on a high hill overlooking the Caribbean and nearby mountains rising steeply from the coastal plain. The airport is east of town at **Central Mercedita**, a sugar mill where cane is processed and rum is distilled. On weekdays it is interesting to take a tour of the distillery, with drinks on the house.