

Vacancy Reported On Council Board

Candidates are being sought for another opening on the Community Council board of directors—this time from Precinct Three.

Precinct Three, formerly represented by Henry Strauss, who has resigned, includes the Prefab, Hawthorne and LeTourneau housing areas. Residents interested in filing nomination petitions for the vacancy may obtain the necessary papers from Mrs. George Mayberry at the Community Council office.

The completed petitions must be returned no later than 5 p.m., June 8, and the election of the new board member will be made later that evening at the Community Council's regular meeting.

Charles V. Bradley, former president of the Supervisors Association and an active member of that group, was elected this week to fill the Precinct Five vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. Howard Fisher.

RESERVE AIRMEN TO MEET

China Lake Air Force reservists tonight will receive Col. Cecil E. Edgar, commanding officer of the 9084th Air Reserve Group of Fresno, and his staff at a dinner party and meeting. Maj. Charles J. Thelen, head of the local flight, will be host at the dinner and later at the training session which will start at 8:30 o'clock at the new community building.



Starting Times: 6 and 8 p.m. daily.	
Kiddies' Matinee (Special Movies): 1 p.m. Saturday	
Matinee: 1 p.m. Sunday	
TODAY	MAY 14
"LITTLE CAESAR" (80 Min.)	
Edward G. Robinson, Douglas Fairbanks Jr.	
Shorts: "Popeye's 20th Anniversary" (7 Min.)	
"I Remember When" (10 Min.)	
SATURDAY	MAY 15
ARMED FORCES DAY FILMS, 1-9 p.m.	
No feature movie scheduled	
SUNDAY	MAY 16
ARMED FORCES DAY FILMS, 1-3 p.m.	
"DRUMS ACROSS THE RIVER" (78 Min.)	
Audie Murphy, Lisa Gaye	
Shorts: "Black Fury" (32 Min.)	
MONDAY	MAY 17
"DRUMS ACROSS THE RIVER" (78 Min.)	
Audie Murphy, Lisa Gaye	
Shorts: "Black Fury" (32 Min.)	
TUES.-WED.	MAY 18-19
"FIREMAN SAVE MY CHILD" (81 Min.)	
Bobby Hackett, Spike Jones	
Shorts: "A Horse's Tale" (7 Min.)	
International Road Race (8 Min.)	
News (10 Min.)	
THURS.-FRI.	MAY 20-21
"WITNESS TO MURDER" (82 Min.)	
Barbara Stanwyck, George Sanders	
Shorts: "Socco in Morocco" (7 Min.)	
"Rocket Wizard" (10 Min.)	
News (10 Min.)	



SAXOPHONISTS Ken Osborne, left, and Charles Rock, together with Larry Ferris, on the drums, brought down the house at last week's amateur show. The three Burroughs High School students scored both in their musical ability and their humorous attire as they won first place in the 14 to 18-year-old division of the talent contest.

4th Public Works Amateur Show Draws Large Crowd at Theater

A near-capacity crowd was on hand Thursday night, May 6, at the Station theater to applaud the performances of 44 contestants in the fourth annual Public Works Amateur show.

In addition to the regular performers, three guest artists appeared on the program and there was intermission music provided by the Burroughs High School band, under the direction of Dr. C. Paul Harper.

For the third straight year, Priscilla Montegrando, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Santiago Montegrando of China Lake, was an amateur show guest. She sang three selections as did Colleen Sue English, a young vocalist from Los Angeles, who also was invited to appear on the show.

The other guest performer was Louis Papier, a Personnel Department employe, who formerly was first violinist with the Phoenix Symphony Orchestra.

Prize money was given to each of the contestants in the 1 to 9 year old age group, which was topped by the vocalizing of Gene Quinonez, 9, who sang "It's a Sin to Tell a Lie."

Other performers in this age group, listed in the order they were rated by applause meter judges CDR E. E. Gibson and Louis P. Puglistaler, were Patricia Jean Vore and Tandee Barnett, singers; Fay Raskamp, accordionist, and the Rector sisters, Maunette and Kayleen, who presented a musical reading with accordion accompaniment.

In the 10 to 13 year age group, another member of the Quinonez family took top honors, also with a song. Ann Quinonez, 11, sang "There'll Be Some Changes Made."

Other winners in this division were Jon Eden, 13-year-old pianist,

who placed second, and Paul Neipp, whose violin solo won him third place money.

Three high school instrumentalists, Larry Ferris, drummer, and Charles Rock and Ken Osborne, saxophonists, won first place in the 14 to 18-year-old group with their jazz selection and unorthodox garb, while singers Willie Carr and Francine Christie won the runner-up honors.

Five vocalists were entered in the adult division, which was won by Richard Bobbe, who sang "Desert Song." Second and third place cash awards went to Ralph Claassen and Jim Talmadge, respectively.

A \$50 check was presented to Dr. Harper on behalf of the Burroughs High School band by CDR T. E. Barnett, assistant Public Works officer, who served as master of ceremonies on the program.

Drama Festival Continues Tonight

Three one-act plays will be presented this evening at the Richmond school auditorium by the China Lake Players.

The spring drama festival which opened last night will feature "Altruism," a story about life in a Paris cafe; "A Sunny Morning," a comedy about Spanish life, and "A Slave With Two Faces," an allegorical drama.

Curtain time for the program is 8:15. Admission will be 75 cents for adults and 50 cents for students and servicemen. Tickets are available at the door or may be obtained from any member of the group or by contacting Mary Wickenden at 77634.

Voting Scheduled May 21 for School Trustee Election

Registered voters at China Lake will go to the polls next Friday, May 21, to elect three new members of the local elementary school district board of trustees, and also to cast their ballots in the Kern County Union High School District trustee election.

The polls, which will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., will be located at the Richmond Elementary School auditorium.

Joseph Haycock, president of the China Lake board for the past year, is running for re-election. He is the only candidate for the three year term on the local elementary school board.

Five Station residents are seeking one of two new short-term school board openings, created by the expansion of the local board from three to five members this year. The person receiving the highest number of votes will serve for two years, and the runnerup will be on the board for one year.

Candidates are George Adam, an electrician in the Rocket Department; Robert H. Olds, a research scientist in the Research Department mathematics division; Richard D. Potter, head of the Research Department's metallurgy branch; Lewis Radcliff, a planner and estimator in the Rocket Department; and Dr. N. E. Ward, head of the Aviation Ordnance Department.

Albert S. Gould, assistant head of Central Staff, is one of two incumbent members of the Kern County Union High School District board of trustees, seeking re-election. The other is Emil Bender, a Shafter area farmer. Other candidates for the county board are John J. Battistoni and Hugh Sill.

PTA To Install Officers Thursday

Installation of new officers will highlight a general meeting of the China Lake PTA, scheduled next Thursday at 8 p.m. at Vieweg auditorium.

Officers to be installed for the coming year are Mrs. John Clemente, president; Dr. Ivar Highberg, vice-president; Laurita Hefner, secretary; and Harold Metcalf, treasurer.

Other officials who will be seated are Arthur Maxwell, director of organization; Mrs. Lyle E. MacLaren, director of education; LeRoy Jackson, director of welfare; Mrs. Donald Hartvigsen, director of home service and Lt. Col. J. O. Blackwell, director of health and recreation.

Guest speaker of the evening will be Dr. Robert Hicks, who will give an address on "Family Life." Dr. Hicks is a noted educator, administrator and lecturer. He is associated with the American Institute of Family Relations in Los Angeles.

THE WEATHER

Clear over the week end, with light variable winds, picking up to 10 or 15 knots in the afternoon. Maximum temperature, 98; minimum, around 60 degrees.

Rocketeer

TEMPERATURES (Housing Area)	
Max.	Min.
May 6	98 57
May 7	99 56
May 8	91 61
May 9	77 55
May 10	90 54
May 11	94 55
May 12	94 58

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Gala Armed Forces Day Fete Planned

Music, Dancing To Highlight Annual China Lake Fiesta

Bennington Plaza will rock on its foundations tonight when the George Lewis aggregation will provide a variety of the nation's top jazz tunes for dancing, at the opening of the Community Council's ninth annual three-day Fiesta.

Playing "the most dancinest music ever," the country's foremost exponents of New Orleans ragtime jazz will bring to China Lake an assortment of musical arrangements that have been acclaimed as the nation's contribution to the music of the world. Dancing will start at 8:30 p.m. and continue until midnight.

The dance is being sponsored by the Enlisted Men's Club in cooperation with the Community Council. Tickets are priced at \$1 each and are available at the Bank of America, the Commissary Store and various other places, as well as through a house-to-house solicitation.

A midway-like arrangement has been set up at Bennington Plaza and more than 40 concessionaires will offer everything from fried chicken, hot dogs and barbecued beef, to games, novelties and a spook house. Booths will be open from 6 p.m. until midnight, Friday, and from noon until midnight, Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday evening there will be a square dance at the Station tennis (Continued on Page Five)

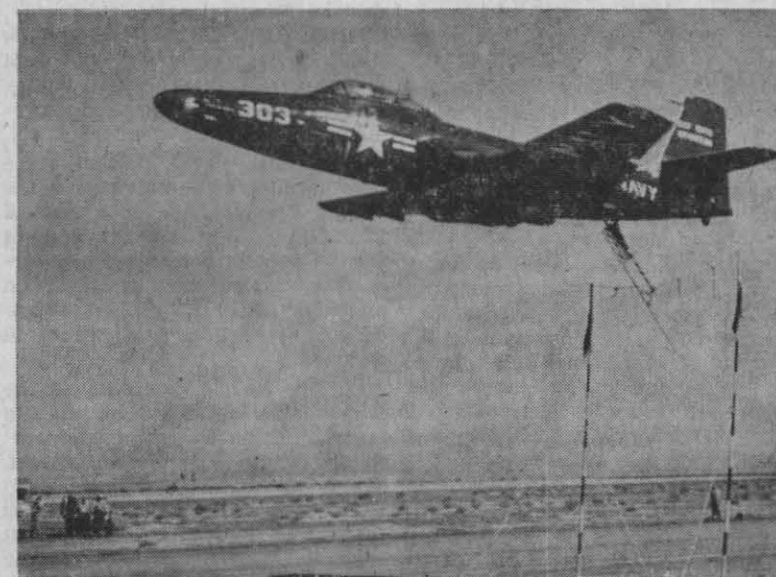
Open House Set At New Building

A special open house program has been planned Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. at the new community center building on Blandly Ave.

Furniture and drapes recently installed in the meeting rooms and lounge at the west end of the building will be on public display for the first time Sunday. The soda fountain facility also will be open.

Hosts for the occasion will include top Station officials and members of the board of directors of the new community building.

Musical entertainment during the open house will be provided by a Burroughs High School instrumental ensemble, directed by Dr. C. Paul Harper.



PICKUP OF TOW TARGET is made by an F2H Banshee, Navy jet plane, in preparing for the Armitage Field airshow tomorrow morning from 9:30 to 11:30 o'clock in observance of Armed Forces Day. This operation, firing of rockets and aerial cannons will be among the many features of the program. There will also be static displays of survival gear, drones and newest types of Navy planes in use at the field.

Aerial Program, Laboratory Tours To Be Featured

A spectacular two-hour air show at Armitage field will spark the opening of the Station's annual Armed Forces Day program, scheduled tomorrow and Sunday.

Visitors attending the Armed Forces Day celebration will be issued special passes by the Marine sentry at the Main Gate. The passes will be available today beginning at 5 p.m.; tomorrow from 7:30 a.m. on, and Sunday from 12 noon on.

These passes must be returned to the sentry and visitors must leave the Station by midnight each evening.

Guests of Station employes wishing to remain overnight must obtain a "Wiz" pass at the pass office.

The theme, "Power for Peace," and the military-civilian teamwork at NOTS that is making this slogan a reality, will be vividly demonstrated both in the air over Armitage field, and the vast array of exhibits set up by personnel of the various technical departments in Michelson Laboratory, at the Aero- (Continued on Page Five)

Armed Forces Day Open House Program

SATURDAY

- 7:30 a.m. Main Gate open to visitors.
- 9:00 a.m. Memorial service at Armitage field. conducted by Chaplain James L. Carter.
- 9:30 a.m. Air show opens at Armitage field, featuring aerial rocket firing and static displays of aircraft and aviation equipment.
- 1 to 5 p.m. Tours of Michelson Laboratory and the Aeroballistics Laboratory.
- 1 to 9 p.m. Special free movie program at Station theater. Shows start every hour on the hour.

SUNDAY

- 12 Noon Main Gate open to visitors.
- 1 to 5 p.m. Tours of Michelson Laboratory and the Aeroballistics Laboratory.
- 1 to 3 p.m. Special free movie program at Station theater. Show starts every hour on the hour.

Station Officials To Appear on TV

CDR S. W. Vejtasa, commanding officer of the Naval Air Facility, and Dr. Howard A. Wilcox, of the Aviation Ordnance Department, will be seen on television tomorrow afternoon over Station KHJ-TV, Channel 9, between 4:30 and 5 o'clock in "Seapower for Peace."

This weekly feature, with Seaman Gene Gordon the master of ceremonies, has a wide viewing audience. Tomorrow's program will bring an interview with the NOTS guests about the Sunday open house at China Lake in honor of Armed Forces Day, with emphasis on the tours through Michelson and Aeroballistics Laboratories from 1 to 5 p.m.

Also discussed will be the NOTS teamwork of Navy and civilian scientists, and some of the unclassified angles of the missiles produced at China Lake and the Pasadena Annex. Specimen rockets will be used as examples.