

Advisory Board Meets at Station



MEMBERS OF NOTS ADVISORY BOARD met last week at Michelson Laboratory to discuss all phases of work under way here, with Dr. F. C. Lindvall acting as chairman. The scientists and Station personnel at the meetings included, left to right, front row, Captain Robert F. Sellars, USN, NOTS Executive Officer; Dr. R. H. Kent, Associate Technical Director, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.; Dr. W. H. Rodebush, professor of physical chemistry, University of Illinois; Dr. W. B. McLean, NOTS Technical Director; Dr. C. C. Lauritsen, professor of physics, Caltech; Captain D. B. Young, USN, Station Commander. Back row, left to right, Dr. F. E. Lowance,

Associate Technical Director, NOTS; Dean L. M. K. Boelter, College of Engineering, UCLA; E. H. Heine-mann, chief engineer Douglas Aircraft Co., El Segundo; Dr. R. B. Brode, professor of physics, University of California at Berkeley; Dr. W. R. Brode, Associate Director National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D.C.; Dr. H. W. Emmons, Gordon McKay, Professor of Engineering Science, Harvard University; Dr. F. C. Lindvall, Advisory Board chairman, division of engineering, Caltech; Dean R. A. Sawyer, of the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan; and W. H. Saylor, Associate Director for Pasadena.

CONTAGION REPORT

There were two cases of measles and one case of mumps reported at the Station Infirmary this week.



Starting Times: 6 and 8 p.m. daily.
Kiddies' Matinee (Special Movies):
1 p.m. Saturday
Matinee: 1 p.m. Sunday

TODAY **JULY 9**
"LIVING IT UP" (95 Min.)
Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis
Shorts: "Taxi Turvy" (7 Min.)
News (10 Min.)

SATURDAY **JULY 10**
"THE BOUNTY HUNTER" (81 Min.)
Randolph Scott, Marie Windsor
Shorts: "Two for the Record" (8 Min.)
"Black Power" (9 Min.)

MATINEE
"ROLL THUNDER ROLL" (58 Min.)
Red Ryder
Shorts: "Alibi Bunny" (7 Min.)
"Gunfighters of the Northwest" (16 Min.)

SUN.-MON. **JULY 11-12**
"GOG" (83 Min.)
Richard Egan, Constance Dowling
Shorts: "Bewitched Bunny" (7 Min.)
"Hollywood's Invisible Man" (10 Min.)

TUES.-WED. **JULY 13-14**
"FRANCIS JOINS THE WACS" (87 Min.)
Donald O'Connor, Julia Adams
Shorts: "Frontier Days" (20 Min.)
News (10 Min.)

THURS.-FRI. **JULY 15-16**
"PRINCESS OF THE NILE" (70 Min.)
Debra Paget, Jeffrey Hunter
Shorts: "Hiccup Pup" (7 Min.)
"Hottest 500" (16 Min.)
News (10 Min.)

Record Enrollment at High School Revealed in Report by Dr. Murray

Highest enrollment in the nine-year history of the school was reported by Dr. Earl Murray, principal of Burroughs High School, in his annual school year summary made recently to T. L. McCuen, superintendent of the Kern County Union High School and Junior College District.

A total of 545 students were enrolled as of last Oct. 31, Dr. Murray revealed. In addition to enrollment figures, the report covered student participation in school affairs, achievements, activities of the faculty and school problems.

The 32-member faculty included one teacher with a Doctor's degree, 10 with Master's degrees and 12 with Bachelor's degrees. Courses were offered in 13 different departments and covered such fields as art, business education, foreign language, home economics, mathematics, industrial arts, music, natural science and physical education.

A large percentage of the students were enrolled in college preparatory courses during the 1953-54 year. The breakdown by classes revealed that 52 per cent of the freshmen, 49 per cent of the sophomores, 46 per cent of the juniors and 42 per cent of the seniors were taking classes in preparation for further formal education after graduation from high school.

Seventy-four per cent of the student body took part in the activities of 12 campus organizations, and major sports attracted a total of 219 participants.

To assist counselors and teachers in helping the students with adjustment and guidance matters, stand-



Dr. Earl Murray

ardized tests were given in various fields, which provided data used to assist in counseling the students.

The guidance program was very good, the pupil-counselor ratio was about right, and the pupil-counselor relations were excellent, but facilities for counseling were inadequate, Dr. Murray reported.

CDR THOMPSON BACK ON JOB

PASADENA—Looking bronzed and refreshed, CDR Robert A. Thompson returned to his duties as Officer in Charge, Pasadena Annex, last Friday after a week's vacation. He and Mrs. Thompson and their young son enjoyed a restful holiday at Lake Gregory, near Crestline in the San Bernardino Mountains. Their only complaint was that they didn't catch any fish.

Science Show To Be Presented At Station Theater

Two performances of "Previews of Progress," a dramatic, non-technical science show sponsored by General Motors, will be presented next Thursday at the Station theater. The program is open to the public, and no admission will be charged.

The first show will be held at 2:30 p.m., and the second will be presented at approximately 7:50 p.m., between the first and second movie programs at the Station theater.

This will be the second time that this program has been brought here.

The purpose of the program is to portray the story of progress through engineering and science, and many of the most recent developments in industrial scientific research will be shown.

The modern application of jet propulsion will be illustrated in two ways. First, a miniature jet engine, operating on the same principle as the German V-1 buzz bomb, will be placed in actual operation after being anchored in place.

Following this demonstration, models of a Douglas Skystrake fighter plane and a V-2 rocket will be driven at high speed the entire length of the auditorium, propelled by tiny but powerful jets of compressed gas.

Other features of the show will include demonstrations of the manufacture of synthetic rubber, and the bottle with the "dual personality," which is used to pound a nail into a piece of wood and is then shattered by dropping into it a small piece of abrasive material.

Second Exam Set For Student Aids

A second examination for college students interested in summer aid positions at China Lake will be held Monday at 7:30 a.m. in the new Personnel building (formerly visitors quarters).

Local college students who have completed at least one year of college and are majoring in one of the physical sciences or in engineering, are eligible to take the examination.

Following the exam, registers will be established based on test scores, and selections will be made as vacancies occur for additional summer student aids.

Kids' Movie Program Canceled Tomorrow

In line with the precautionary measures recently put into effect against the spread of polio, officials of the Children's Film Society announced the cancellation of tomorrow's scheduled movie program.

The next regular movie program sponsored by the society will be held on Saturday, Aug. 14. The canceled film will be shown at a date to be announced in the near future.

THE WEATHER

Mostly clear skies with clouds over the mountains. Surface winds light and variable 10 to 15 knots. Maximum temperature 105. Minimum temperature 70.

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TEMPERATURES

(Housing Area)

July 1	99	69
July 2	100	61
July 3	104	62
July 4	100	74
July 5	105	65
July 6	105	66
July 7	106	70

Work Completed On 232 Wherry Project Homes

Work has been completed on a total of 232 of the 300 Wherry housing units being constructed at the southwest corner of the Station, Wherry project officials reported this week.

Finish carpenter work and installation of plumbing facilities is expected to take from two to three more weeks on the remaining 68 homes, officials added.

Driveways, curbs and sidewalks are completed throughout the entire project, and the final grading work on Robalo Street will be finished by early next week.

Gardeners employed by the project office have planted shrubs and trees at approximately one-third of the new homes, and will continue working until all yards have been landscaped in this fashion. Individual tenants must plant their own lawns, but seed will be provided by the project office.

The 100,000 gallon capacity water tower has been completed and filled with water, and is being given a coat of paint.

Occupancy of the new homes has (Continued on Page Five)

Four Amplifiers To Be Installed On Channel Two

Television viewers will soon see a much better picture on Channel 2, as soon as the four new amplifiers, which arrived recently, can be installed. A test will be made on the new equipment in the very near future, and if it performs as well as expected, it is hoped that the same type of boosters can be installed on all channels.

Channels 7, 9, 11 and 13 will be taken off the air for one night sometime next week so that workers from the telephone branch, Public Works Department, can install co-axial cables.

Other work at the repeater station located on Laurel mountain is progressing very well. Employees from the refrigeration shop, Public Works, worked on the air conditioning system over the past weekend, and the parabolic antennae for Channel 13, both receiving and transmitting, have been bolted in place. It is hoped that a test can be made on Channel 13 this weekend.

Reports from Trona stated that a very clear signal is being received on Channel 5.



Richard C. O'Reilly

O'Reilly Named To Fill Community Manager Position

Captain D. B. Young, USN, Station Commander, this week announced that Richard C. O'Reilly, 34, has been selected to be Community Manager to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of John O. Richmond.

Mr. O'Reilly, who has been city manager of Indio, Calif. since April 1953, will arrive on the Station July 21.

He has had both education and broad experience in the city manager field and was selected only after an extensive canvass of professional organizations and other contacts (Continued on Page Five)

Meetings Planned To Discuss Changes in Intercoast Insurance

A series of meetings will be held Monday and Tuesday at China Lake by Intercoast Insurance plan officials to enroll new members and to discuss changes in rates and payment schedules that will become effective Aug. 1.

The insurance company representatives also will be available throughout the remainder of next week at the Community Services office, now situated in the housing office building, to answer any questions subscribers may have concerning the rate changes or coverage provided by the group hospitalization plan.

The new rates, which will be payable every month instead of quarterly, as in the past, are:

Single persons, \$3.85; two-member family, \$7.60; families of three or more members, \$11.85.

Polio Situation Greatly Improved, Insect Spray Program Planned

Absence of any new polio cases reported during the past nine days in the Indian Wells Valley area promises today to lift the China Lake ban on gatherings of all kinds, a ban that went into effect as a precautionary measure on June 30.

The two polio cases reported last week are now responding to treatment at the Bakersfield hospital, according to LCDR H. T. Johnson, MC, USN, NOTS senior medical officer. One case was from China Lake and the other from Ridgecrest.

Vigorous steps to suppress flies and insects which may be a means of carrying polio and other diseases will go into effect next week when a five-day insecticide spraying program gets under way throughout the Station. It is expected that Ridgecrest will take similar steps to combat sources of contagion.

The Public Works Department will begin spraying the area Monday evening if the machinery and spraying material are available by that time.

Spray from the truck will be a five-per cent DDT solution. It is reported not to be injurious to humans, pets or vegetation, and will not harm painted surfaces or auto finishes. However, it is recommended that residents remain indoors for 15 minutes after the spray truck has passed.

Although no harm will result from leaving air conditioners on when

the spray trucks go by, residents may wish to turn them off to avoid fumes being drawn into their homes.

Parents are warned not to let children get into or follow the smoke-like spray from the truck, as a means of preventing accidents.

Everyone may aid in the campaign by promptly disposing of garbage in Dempster Dumpsters, which will be treated with a powerful insecticide as a sanitary measure. Residents are asked to dispose of animal droppings and not let them become a breeding place for flies.

Ballots for School Relocation Poll Out Next Week

Opinions of local residents regarding a proposed relocation of Burroughs High School will be sought next week by means of a poll to be conducted by the Kern County Committee on School District Organization.

Ballots will be printed in the July 15 edition of the Ridgecrest Times-Herald, and also will be available in mimeographed form at the office of Dr. Earl Murray, principal of Burroughs High School.

Only registered voters are asked to take part in the poll, in order that a check may be made on the validity of the responses.

Ballots, which must be signed, should be mailed to Dr. Murray's office at Burroughs High School. A large response is hoped for in order that accurate conclusions regarding the wishes of local residents can be obtained by the county committee.

The proposal regarding relocation of Burroughs High School was initiated by members of the board of trustees of the Indian Wells Valley Elementary School District, who several months ago petitioned the county committee on school district organization to make a study of unification of their district.

In the opinion poll coming up next week, voters will be asked to give a "Yes" or "No" answer to the question of whether the present Burroughs High School plant should be turned over to the China Lake Elementary School District for junior high purposes, if the U. S. Commissioner of Education will provide funds for a complete new high school plant to be located on Station prop-

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Summer Recreation, Craft Work To Start Monday at Local Schools

The annual six week summer program sponsored by the China Lake Elementary School District will get under way Monday at three local schools.

Primary age pupils—all those who will be 4 years and 9 months of age on or before next Sept. 1, and those who have attended school in either kindergarten or grades one, two or three—are to report at 10 a.m. Monday to either the Groves Street or Richmond Elementary schools, whichever is most convenient to their place of residence since no school bus transportation will be provided.

None of the primary age group children are to report to Burroughs school.

The programs at both the Richmond and Groves Street schools will be identical, and will be offered Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. after the opening day. They will include pre-kindergarten work, play, games and rhythms, arts and crafts, story hour and movies.

No swimming will be offered to primary group youngsters this summer because of a reduction in the time allotted to the schools for use of the Station swimming pool.

Registration of students in grades four through twelve will be held Monday at 10 a.m. in the Burroughs library. The class schedule for this group will include swimming, tennis, band, typing, shop work, model plane building, ceramics, fine arts, leathercraft, copper work, archery, photography, gymnasium games, reading, arithmetic and spelling.

Advanced swimming and tennis will start at 7:30 a.m., but the major portion of the program will not get under way until 8:30 a.m. each day. The entire academic portion of the program will be conducted in the afternoons.

An arts and crafts program also has been planned for the intermediate age group—pupils who will be in grades four, five or six next September. It will be held in Room 36 of the Burroughs Junior High School building starting at 12:30 p.m. each day.

No transportation will be provided on the opening day, however, a school bus will operate daily thereafter. The bus schedule will be made available at the time of registration.

\$3225 Loss Caused By Garage Fire

Fire, of undetermined origin, completely consumed a three car garage located at the rear of 207-B Dobb Road, last Saturday morning.

Two automobiles parked in the garage, a 1952 Hudson, owned by Dr. Milton V. Smith, head of the training division, Personnel Department, and a 1951 Dodge, owned by Elmer E. Ollikkala, an electronics engineer in the Test Department, were also destroyed. The loss was estimated at \$2700.

Also lost in the fire were household effects and camping equipment belonging to Thomas R. Jones, an engineer in the Public Works Department. Estimated loss to the equipment and the building was set at \$525.

Council Meeting Slated Tuesday

The next general meeting of the China Lake Community Council board of directors will be held Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Council office on Halsey.

Among items on the agenda will be a discussion of a program to set up an employment agency for local high school students during the summer months, as well as a discussion of the changes to be made in the Intercoast Insurance plan rates, according to W. E. Donaldson, council president.

TRAFFIC COURT REPORT

Seven drivers appeared at the Station traffic court this week. Five received warnings and two were restricted from driving on the Station for one week. Offenses cited were illegal parking and speeding.

Station Visitor



VICE ADMIRAL R. A. OFSTIE, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Air, and party paid a two-day visit to the Station last week to study current developments.

First Phase Ends In Office Moves, More Predicted

First phases of the current movement of Station offices from building-to-building, and within buildings, have been completed. Many other changes, however, are expected to take place in the near future.

Within the Administration building, the communications division is scheduled to move from the second floor to the newly painted basement area. Several offices of the Supply and Fiscal Department will soon move into the westerly downstairs wing, where the Department of Community Affairs, mail, file and records and others were located.

Barracks BIB is to be readied for the Marine Guided Missile Battalion, and the present barracks occupants will go to the dormitories. The missile unit will leave Stransteel Hut No. 2, which will be used by other occupants.

Extensive changes in the old Personnel building will make it ready for the major part of the print shop personnel and equipment, and for the new Technical Information Department.

The Michelson Laboratory heavy machinery area is being equipped with additional electrical conduits, water, air and steam pipes to care for rearranged equipment and for the added equipment from Pasadena Annex.

The Pasadena Annex has sent a committee to Washington, D.C., for final conferences at the Bureau of Ordnance on the moves from the Annex to China Lake, and from Thompson Laboratory to the Foothill Plant.

It is understood that certain Supply and Fiscal Department personnel from Pasadena will soon be in China Lake, as well as the Engineering Department, and some of the Rocket Department personnel.

3 NAF Men Hurt In Auto Accident Near Edwards AFB

Three Armitage Field enlisted men were hurt and two others escaped injury in an auto accident Tuesday near Edwards Air Force Base.

The accident occurred about 4 a.m. when a 1947 Plymouth sedan driven by Raymond E. Lau, AMAN, failed to make a turn on the Rosamond-Edwards Air Force Base road, skidded and then overturned.

L. L. Edwards and M. H. Killen, AN's, passengers in the car were enroute to the Air Force base to make connections with a flight to San Francisco. They were detached from Armitage Field and were to report for a new duty assignment. They were not injured, however, two other passengers, David Salinas, AMAN, and J. D. Lomnicki, ABAN, were treated for cuts and bruises and then released. Lau was admitted to the hospital with a possible skull fracture, then returned to the Station infirmary later the same day by Navy ambulance.

Two other Station personnel, Robert E. Hunter, 55-B Card, and James A. Dean, 610-B Prefab, were involved in an accident Monday about ¼ of a mile west and ¼ mile south of the Main Gate on the new black top road connecting Ridgecrest Boulevard and Inyokern Road.

According to California Highway Patrol officers, Hunter, who was driving a 1947 Mercury and Dean, who was driving a 1933 Chevrolet were racing. The Mercury, in attempting to pass the other car, struck the left front fender and both drivers then lost control of their vehicles. Neither of the men were injured, but James Ott, of Ridgecrest, a passenger in Dean's car, was taken to the Ridgecrest Hospital and treated for possible shoulder injuries and released.

Preliminary Budget Approved for High School District

A preliminary budget totalling \$7,844,047 for the 1954-55 school year was approved recently by the board of trustees of the Kern County Union High School and Junior College District, of which Burroughs High School is a part.

The proposed budget is \$33,695 higher than the 1953-54 budget, but the tax rate is expected to remain virtually the same as it has been for the past three years. The final tax rate will be established later in the summer.

Continuing enrollment increases are a major factor in the budget adjustment upward for next year, it was reported.

A public hearing early in August will be held by the high school-college district board of trustees, following which the final budget will be adopted.

What's Doing

Today

Desert Wordpeckers, 8 p.m., Office bldg., Rowe St. School.

Sunday

Adult Bible Class, 9:30 a.m., Groves School. Skeet Club, 10 a.m., Ridgecrest field.

Monday

NOTS Toastmasters, 5:45 p.m., Hideaway. Sea Scout Ship No. 504, 6 p.m., Scout hall. NOTS Badminton Club, 7 p.m., Gym. Dust Devils Auto Club, 7:30 p.m., American Legion hall.

Rockhounds, 7:30 p.m., Rockhound hut. IAM Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., County bldg. DAV Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., Rowe St. School. Barber Shop Singers, 7:30 p.m., Community Center. Institute of Radio Engineers, 8 p.m., Rm. 2067, Michelson Lab.

Tuesday

Rotary Club, noon, Village Cafe. Rifle Club, 7:30 p.m., Hut 308, Old Contractors area. Lions Club, 7:30 p.m., Village Cafe. Civil Air Patrol, 8 p.m., Tower, Inyokern Airport.

Fleet Reserve, 7:30 p.m., Hut 9. Fleet Reserve Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., Anchorage. Community Council Board Meeting, 8 p.m., 301 Parsons. Women of the Moose, 8 p.m., Moose hall.

Wednesday

Troop 35, 6:30 p.m., Scout hall. Troop 3, 6:30 p.m., Scout hall. Troop 41, 6:30 p.m., Hut 301, Rowe St. School. Masons, 7 p.m., Masonic temple. Blue Angels Auto Club, 8 p.m., Old Navy Locker bldg. IAM Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., County bldg. Naval Reserve, 7:30 p.m., Rm. 2067, Michelson Lab. 6517 Army Reserve, 8 p.m., Training bldg.

Thursday

Red Cross, 12:30-4:30 p.m., Infirmary. Squadron 503, 7 p.m., Scout hall. Pistol Club, 7:30 p.m., Hut 308, Old Contractors area. Athletic Club, 8 p.m., Training bldg. Sandblasters Motorcycle Club, 8 p.m., Sandblasters hut. Desert Dancers, 8 p.m., Gymnasium area. VFW Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., Memorial hall. IOOF, 8 p.m., County bldg.

Chaplain's Corner

By the REV. FR. JOHN F. C. RYAN

"Where there is injury let me sow pardon."—St. Francis of Assisi.

An injury is not limited to the physical, like a blackened eye. More often an injury is the violation of a right—a spiritual hurt.

For example, parental injury is sometimes occasioned through neglect of the religious training of children—the leaving of eager young minds to grope for the purpose of life—God. There is sibling injury, inflicted by children who are ashamed of parents who belittle or ignore them.

From the home, the nucleus of society, injuries spread like the spider's web and grasp so many in its strands—race prejudice, religious bigotry, social intolerance, national superiority. Note the multiple moral hurts inflicted upon labor by unscrupulous employers and the depressive injuries given capital by dishonest leaders of labor.

Injury is a vivid term for describing injustice. These injuries account for the tragic condition of the world today. Responsible historians and economists do not hesitate to lay a share of blame for the spread of communism at the door of unjust capitalism. Religious leaders never fatigue of insisting the greatest injury—sin which injures Divine Rights, is the causative factors for wars and the rumors of wars.

St. Francis placed injury after hatred as the enemy of peace. Injury opposes peace—the tranquility of order. Injury disturbs order. It places men against men, it prevents mutual exchange of rights and duties.

The cure for physical injury is medical remedies, but the moral hurt which destroys peace must be treated with spiritual remedies—pardon or

forgiveness.

To forgive an injury is a terrific task for a proud and stubborn nature. But the counsel and example of Christ show the way—and the grace of God gives us the strength. "Forgive your enemies. Pray for those who persecute and calumniate you." These are not only the words of the Master, but the motivation behind the prayer of the poor little man of Assisi: "Lord—make me an instrument of Thy peace, where there is injury let me sow pardon."

Church Call

Call the clergymen for baptisms, weddings, or special help

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

(Chapel Annex)

SUNDAY SCHOOL—9:30 a.m., Chapel Annex. MORNING SERVICE—11 a.m. Sunday. TESTIMONIAL MEETING—8 p.m. first and third Wednesdays. READING ROOM—7-9 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

EPISCOPAL

(North End of Chapel Annex)

Rev. F. E. Stillwell
Phone 718-83511
HOLY COMMUNION—7:30 a.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL—9:30 a.m. MORNING PRAYER—9:30 a.m., except for Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month.

PROTESTANT

(Station Chapel)

Chaplain James L. Carler
Phone 72247, 71369 or 71506
Rev. John L. Reid Jr., Pastor
NOTS Community Church
Phones 725881 or 72740
MORNING WORSHIP—9:45 and 11 a.m., Sunday.
SUNDAY SCHOOL—9:30 a.m., Groves Elementary school.
JUNIOR CHURCH—11 a.m., Sunday, Rowe Street Protestant Worship Center.

New employes, 23; terminations 8.

China Lake

NEW EMPLOYEES:

Supply and Fiscal—Jean Rollingson, clerk-typist.

Test—Joseph H. Winter, George Hudson, Paul A. Bonelli, electronics mechanics; Ralph S. Boal Jr., civil engineer; Carroll M. Frick, machinist; James E. Hurtt, photographer; Dean H. Hickman, electronics engineer; G. Robert Thacker, mathematician.

Engineering — Carl M. Rowles, leadingman, machinist; Eugene F. Bushnell, George I. Fullwood, Clinton W. Eubank, Charles B. Mullen, machinists; John D. Trigg, master mechanic; Hugh C. Mays, electronic engineer.

Technical Information—Frederick W. Grumm, scientific illustrator.

Rocket — Anthony J. Simshauser, chemical engineer; Russell Hurtt, engineering draftsman; Carmen H. Davis, student trainee.

Aviation Ordnance—Clyde A. Hazen, electronic engineer; John Johnson, electrical engineer; George Lewis, electronic scientist.

TERMINATIONS:

Supply and Fiscal—Lorraine M. Van Hagan, tabulating machine operator.

Command Administration—Lois A. Nix, clerk-typist. Office of the Commander—William C. Randels, scientific staff assistant.

Public Works—Richard C. Jumper, pipefitter; Luchion Veley, laborer.

Explosives—Joseph J. Weigel, inside machinist; Donald W. Fay, carpenter; Barbara Jean Ruggles, physical science aid.

Coming and Going

Pasadena

NEW EMPLOYEES:

Underwater Ordnance—Edward M. Kimura, David W. Thomas, electronics engineers; Frank C. Perry, student trainee.

TERMINATIONS:

Central Engineering—Robert De La Vega, Robert L. Stork, engineering draftsman.

Manufacturing—William T. Kemmling, machinist.

Materials Engineering—Robert A. Bulkley, general engineer.

Officer in Charge of Construction—William F. Avitable, construction inspector.

Personnel — Robert S. Bennett, personnel assistant.

Product and Production Engineering—Henry P. Anderson, civil engineer; Wanda M. Endeward, secretary-stenographer.

Public Works—Richard D. Franz, diesel equipment mechanic.

Research — Dorothy D. Locanthi, physicist.

Supply and Fiscal—Alice A. Rolph, purchasing agent.

Job

Opportunities

The Personnel Department is seeking persons to fill the following vacancies. Employes and their friends are encouraged to apply for the jobs if they have the required qualifications.

China Lake

Scientific Staff Assistant GS-12. Incumbent serves as liaison between the Naval Ordnance Test Station and the naval Fleet forces involving three related types of operations: (1) gathering information of a tactical or operational nature for use by the Station; (2) assistance to operating Fleet personnel when a new ordnance item is being introduced into operation; and (3) follow-up on all phases of (1) and (2). Call 72690 for further information.

Pasadena

Laboratory Electronics Engineers, GS-7. Development engineering work in the Underwater Ordnance Department. Three openings available. Call Bernard Silver, Thompson Lab, ext. 109.

Electronic Scientist, GS-11. Design work on electronic systems used in underwater missiles. Experience in electronic instrumentation or electronic control systems desirable. Call Bernard Silver, Thompson Lab, ext. 109.

Clerk-Stenographer, GS-4. Experience in any of the following is desirable: work measurement, administrative operation, organization, or procedures. Ability and desire to work into higher level duties is necessary. Call Dorothy Seaman, Thompson Lab, ext. 106.

Recent Eclipse of Sun Observed By NOTS Scientists in Europe

Scientists in the Research Department were particularly interested in the recent eclipse of the sun because Dr. Pierre St. Amand and Dr. F. E. Roach were taking part in the international observation of the event.

Dr. St. Amand is a geo-physicist in the Research Department, while Dr. Roach, who is now with the Bureau of Standards Laboratory at Boulder, Colo., had been with the department for several years before going to Boulder.

The two were sent on a special project along the Scandinavian peninsula to observe the effects of the eclipse on the upper atmosphere. Dr. Roach was specializing in the zodiacal light and solar corona, these having been the subject of an article that he and G. Van Biesbroeck, of Yerkes Observatory, had published in the March issue of *Sky and Telescope*.

Dr. Roach's article, written in popular vein, starts with: "Pioneers on the earth's first artificial satellite, after a few days of 'getting settled,' will doubtless send back messages about the beauties of the daytime sky. In the absence of the glow caused at the earth's surface by the scattering of sunlight in the atmosphere, the sky will be studded with the stars, planets, and the moon, as we see them at night. However, one important difference will be immediately noticed.

"Extending outward from the sun along the ecliptic will be a glow, bright near the sun, where it will be lost in the light of the inner corona, and becoming fainter at increasing angular distances from the sun. Ten degrees from the sun the glow will be 1000 times fainter than where it blends into the inner corona, but still about 100 times as bright as the general sky background in regions well away from the ecliptic. Thirty degrees from the sun the intensity will be reduced by another factor of 10.

"The satellite observer will associate the entire phenomenon with the zodiacal light, which is visible from the earth's surface at intermediate and low latitudes after the end of twilight and before the onset of dawn."

Dr. Roach stated that the prediction was confidently made through measures of brightness and the use of mathematics, even though nobody has actually beheld it.

"As usually photographed at the time of an eclipse, the corona is, near the sun's limb, predominantly a true corona associated with the sun, but a false corona or contamination becomes progressively evident at increasing distances from the limb. Even one degree from the sun's edge the true corona is in general much weaker than the false corona. Unfortunately, the scattered light in the earth's atmosphere makes it normally impossible to follow the coronal effect very far from the sun."

Dr. Roach then states that some years ago, E. O. Hurlburt suggested

that conditions for observing the inner zodiacal light might be favorable during an eclipse of the sun if the observer were so located that the eclipse would occur just below his horizon. In such a case, the twilight (or dawn) intensity would be reduced and, if the diminution of intensity were sufficiently great, the zodiacal light might be observable closer to the sun than under non-eclipse conditions.

"Because of the widespread interest in the eclipse (on June 30), and the fact that the predawn eclipse region goes across Nebraska and Colorado, we have made a preliminary study of the problem for presentation here."

Between Oglala and Denver, according to Dr. Roach, special emphasis was put on recording the zodiacal light and solar corona because of the favorable time that the path of totality crossed that area.

Flight Insurance Now Available At Air Facility

Flight insurance, issued under either a United States or a World-Wide certificate, is now available in the office of the Officer of the Day, located on the second floor of Hangar One at the Naval Air Facility.

The insurance may be obtained by anyone authorized to travel on government aircraft, however, it is not necessary for military personnel on active duty, since they are covered by the \$10,000 free insurance issued by the government.

The United States certificate offers \$10,000 insurance for \$1, or \$20,000 for \$2 and the applicant is covered from 12:01 a.m. on the date of application until the end of the flight or for the following 31 days, whichever comes first. A flight under the terms of the policies means a round trip or a complete trip and is not limited to individual hops.

While the United States certificate is limited territorially, it would cover incidental flight outside of the continental United States where such travel was in connection with a flight between two points in the United States.

The World-Wide certificate is slightly higher in price and may be purchased in \$5000, \$10,000 or \$20,000 amounts for periods of three days, ten days, or for one, two or three months or a year. One dollar under this policy will provide \$5000 insurance coverage for a period of three days, and prices range up to \$50 for a \$20,000 insurance policy for one year.

Both types of policies are issued by the Indemnity Insurance Company of North America and neither is applicable to persons traveling on aircraft being used for operational, tactical or test purposes.

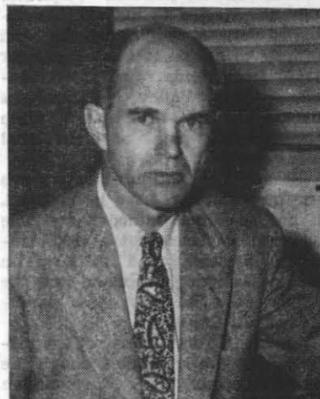
REPORTS FROM Technical Departments

Dr. Lowance Succeeds Capt. Smith As Associate Technical Director

The Station was informed last week by the Bureau of Ordnance that final approval by the Secretary of the Navy and the Civil Service Commission had been obtained for establishing the position of the Associate Technical Director in civilian capacity. Appointment to the position of Dr. F. E. Lowance, who has been acting Associate Technical Director since Captain Levering Smith was detached in May, has been approved.

The Engineering Department and the Technical Information Department are both under the cognizance of the Associate Technical Director, together with the other technical departments of the Station.

Dr. Lowance's acquaintance with the Station started in 1950, when he was Technical Director of the naval engineering laboratory at Port Huene, and grew with intermittent visits to the Station as a member of the Senior Scientist group of the Naval Laboratories in this part of the State. Since November 1953 he has been a consultant on the Sta-



Dr. F. E. Lowance

tion, working with the office of the Associate Technical Director.

A native of West Virginia, Dr. Lowance received his Bachelor of Science degree from Roanoke College, and MA and Ph.D. degrees from Duke University in 1931 and 1935, respectively. His academic work was in physics and mathematics, and prior to joining the Navy Department in 1949 he was in collegiate teaching and research. From 1935 to 1938 he was associate professor of mathematics and astronomy at Wofford College in South Carolina, leaving there to head the Department of Physics and Engineering at Centenary College in Louisiana for four years. He then moved to the Georgia Institute of Technology as associate professor of physics, later becoming professor and director of the upper division of the physics program.

During World War II he served as a civilian with the Office of Scientific Research and Development at Harvard University and at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, after which he returned to Georgia Tech until 1949 as professor of physics and director of the electronics research laboratory.

In 1948 Dr. Lowance became a consultant to the Bureau of Yards and Docks of the Navy Department and helped establish an engineering laboratory which is now located at Port Huene. He was appointed the research and technical director of the Port Huene laboratory serving until August 1953.

Dr. and Mrs. Lowance reside at 701 Essex Circle. They have one son, William F., who graduated in geophysics at the University of California, Santa Barbara, this past June, and who is now in the Naval Reserve Officer Candidate program at Newport, R.I.

Industrial Design Expert Is Visitor

Henry Dreyfuss, nationally known industrial designer, and W. F. H. Purcell, manager of his West Coast office, were here yesterday to visit Captain D. B. Young, USN, Station Commander, and become familiar with local programs.

They conferred with Dr. W. B. McLean, Technical Director, E. R. Toporek, head of Test Department, Dr. E. L. Ellis, head of Rocket Department, and Dr. N. E. Ward, head of Aviation Ordnance Department.

Mr. Dreyfuss is a consultant on industrial and art design matters and is retained by Bell Telephone Laboratories, Radio Corporation of America and many other large firms. He is the author of several books on industrial designing. His home is in South Pasadena, and he maintains offices in New York City as well as on the West Coast.

Credit Union Seeks Office Employee

A job opening has been announced at the local Credit Union office by Kenneth Martin, manager. A person experienced in bookkeeping, cashing, typing and public relations is wanted.

Interested persons should apply at the Credit Union office on Halsey any week day between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m.

News from Pasadena



CIVILIAN PERSONNEL assigned to the Long Beach range section are shown above. Left to right (back row) they are: E. R. Musgraves, E. P. Carpenter, H. C. Vetterlein, Earl Blake, F. B. Millard, and V. E. Patterson. Front row: F. W. Lux, E. N. Oeland Jr., R. A. Muskus, and W. E. Galbraith. Not pictured with the group are: C. D. Stock, G. B. Dodge, L. W. Reeder, V. L. Updegraff, L. B. Chapman, and Harold Jensen.

Assessment Group Employes Busy at Long Beach Test Range

The picture above was made at the completion of a day's operations on the deck of one of the launching boats at the Long Beach Test Range.

A comparatively new organization, the Long Beach range section, assessment division, Underwater Ordnance Department, has been operating a little over a year. From its headquarters on Terminal Island, the section conducts operations in the channel lying between Long Beach and Catalina Island.

Five small boats, two torpedo retrievers (converted AVR's) and three landing vessels (LCM's), are used. The boats, fitted with equipment for handling, firing, and retrieving torpedoes, are manned by Navy personnel under the command of LT Edward Carter, range officer. Aircraft necessary to conduct air

launchings and to observe operations are brought to the range from China Lake, San Diego, and Los Alamitos. Submarines, destroyers, and other surface craft come from Fleet units in the area.

Shore facilities at the Long Beach Test Range consist of two weapon preparation areas, a general office area, a machine shop, and a photographic laboratory. Facilities are used by both Station and contractors' personnel. Plans for additional facilities are in process, according to D. J. Wilcox, head, assessment division, Underwater Ordnance Department.

2 Speeches Slated By Diving Officer

LCDR R. M. Hendon, diving officer at Morris Dam, will present his 75th talk on the subject of deep-sea diving and ship salvage next Friday, July 16, at a meeting of the Cooperative Club in Los Angeles.

The 76th speech for LCDR Hendon will be given on Monday, July 19, before the El Monte Rotary Club. A tribute not only to the interest of the subject but to the popular way in which LCDR Hendon presents his material is evidenced by the continuous stream of requests for his appearance before organizations in cities and towns in the Los Angeles area.

Annex Baseball Team Scores Easy Victory

Home runs highlighted the first game in the second round of the San Gabriel Valley Softball "B" League last week, according to Ken Liesge, manager. The NOTS boys romped over the Wiancko Engineering team, 11 to 6, in an easy victory.

Second game was played last Wednesday evening at Arcadia County Park against the Boys Christian League. The Annex team won by a score of 9-5.

Hill Elected Chairman Of EMCO at Pasadena

New chairman of the Employee-Management Council is Frank Hill of the Underwater Ordnance Department, according to an announcement made last week. Mr. Hill, a mathematician in the propulsion division, was graduated from Stanford University in 1951, is married, and has a 17-months-old son.

Serving with Mr. Hill on EMCO, the following will represent Annex employes: Gloria Armijo, Personnel; Michael A. Drabik, Public Works; Alexander Cox, Supply and Fiscal; Paul Reichert, Underwater Ordnance; C. F. Sapper, Central Engineering; Patricia Williams, Command Administration; and John Busik, Engineering. William E. Smith will be the NFFE representative.



Frank Hill

Station management will be represented on the Council by CDR Robert A. Thompson, Officer-in-Charge; CDR H. P. McNeal, Assistant Officer-in-Charge; W. H. Saylor, Associate Technical Director for Pasadena, and Norman J. Newcomb, head, Personnel division.

The Employee-Management Council considers policies affecting all Annex employes. Around the conference table, opportunity is furnished for management and employes to meet for their common advantage and to promote mutual understanding and confidence.

NFFE Swim Party Slated Thursday

A swimming party for all NFFE members and their friends is slated next Thursday, July 15, from 6 to 11 p.m. Joseph Cullinane is hospitably offering the pool at his home in Altadena, 345 East Mariposa St.

Co-chairman Dorothy Kendall, Mickey Eppard, and Win Harper announced that barbecued hot dogs, potato salad, cokes, and beer will be included in the tariff of \$1.25 per person. Guests are asked to bring their own swim suits and bath towels.

Since only 60 people can be accommodated, the deadline for reservations is today, July 9. Reservations, if there are any left, can be made by calling Charles Redmond at Thompson Lab, ext. 176; Joaquin Vergara at Foothill, ext. 278, or Leroy Reynolds at Morris Dam, ext. 232.

Annex Golf Tourney Enters Final Week

A photo finish is predicted for the Annex golf tourney by Wendell Alexander, chairman. Going into its final week, the Hole-in-One's, with a record of 27 won and 5 lost, are running only a nose ahead of the Putt-Putts, who have won 25 and lost 7. The two teams play each other for the final round.

Other standings: A.M.B.C. Golfers, 20 won and 12 lost; NOTS Enough, 19 won, 13 lost; Duffers, 15 and 15; P.W.'s 15 and 17, Champs, 14 and 18; '69-ers, 13 and 17; Rangers 5 and 27; and Perambulators also 5 and 27.

Winners of golf balls last week were Leo Enriquez, with a low gross of 36; Jack White with a low net of 40-7-33; and a three-way tie for second low net between Mike Gamiere (48-12-36), Charles Redmond (39-3-36), and CDR R. M. Tunnell (39-3-36). The tie will be played off this week. Last week's tie for second low net was won by W. T. Scott over Pat Roubideaux.

Annex Employes Receive Beneficial Suggestion Awards

Beneficial Suggestions which further the development and testing of naval ordnance in addition to saving money deserve special recognition. During recent months, many such serviceable ideas have been brought forth by Annex employes.

Carl I. Peters Jr., and Harold P. Dunkelberger, both of the weapons engineering branch of the assessment division, UOD, suggested mechanical changes in a recorder which enabled traces to be read more easily and selected at any point on a film record. Mr. Peters and Mr. Dunkelberger received a Beneficial Suggestion award of \$30.

John M. Harn, manufacturing division, suggested the manufacture of a set of steel disks varying in size from one inch to eight inches in increments of one-eighth inch to be used for boring out soft jaws. Benefits were intangible; Mr. Harn received an award of \$20.

E. Raymond Musgraves, test conductor on the Long Beach range, suggested the use of sea anchors on target boats to reduce drifting and to eliminate the necessity of rigging in equipment and moving target boats during exercises. Monetary benefits were estimated at \$360 for the first year. Mr. Musgraves received a \$20 award.

SPORTS

Golf Driving Range Opening Planned By End of July

Recreation officials are hopeful that the Station golf driving range, located just north of Richmond School, will be open by the end of the month. The range will accommodate 20 tees, varies from 210 feet wide at the tee mound to 500 feet at its widest point and is approximately 820 feet long.

The equipment hut, which will house a concession for sandwiches and beverages, was erected over the past week and the inside work should be finished very soon.

Plans call for the unlimited use of the range by Station personnel and the hours are expected to be from 4:30 until 10 p.m. daily and from noon until 10 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Other tentative plans are for an invitation to be sent to Lawson Little, one of the country's top golfers, to be present for the opening, along with other golfing dignitaries and Station officials.

The golf clubs for the range have not arrived yet, however, they are expected to get here in the next few days. It is hoped that later a local golfer will be available to give instruction to the patrons of the range.

Sportsmen's Club To Meet Tuesday

Election of a new president to fill the vacancy created by the recent resignation of Martin Brown will highlight the next meeting of the Desert Sportsmen's Association to be held Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., in the Vieweg Elementary School auditorium.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will also feature a color-sound movie entitled "Evinruding for Bass on the Colorado." Also on the agenda will be a discussion of plans for a picnic to be held in conjunction with the New Kernville Sportsmen's Association on July 18. A program of events for the picnic will be outlined.

Station League Softball

(All games at Beer Hut Diamond)

Monday

GMB vs. Apprentices, 6:30 p.m.
Officers vs. Marine Barracks, 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday

NAF vs. Research Department, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Public Works vs. Marine Barracks, 6:30 p.m.
GMB vs. Officers, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday

Apprentices vs. GMU No. 61, 6:30 p.m.
NAF vs. Marine Barracks, 8:30 p.m.

Surface Water At Isabella Lake Unsafe to Drink

A report on the potability of surface water in the Isabella Lake area was received this week from Dr. William C. Buss, Kern county health officer.

Dr. Buss advised that the water in the lake itself must be considered as water in any flooded community, and health restrictions are consequently the same as would be issued in any such area.

The surface water is highly polluted and should be boiled for 15 minutes before being used for human consumption. Persons using the lake for fishing or boating, or who travel to the area for picnics, should therefore bring their own water supply.

Although precautionary measures were taken to cover all sewage disposal systems and sources of contamination in the communities of Isabella and old Kernville, there is always surface pollution that is picked up from the soil itself and remains suspended in the water for some time, Dr. Buss reported.



IN THE DUGOUT

With the Little League & Pony League

By RUSSELL JONES

In compliance with recommendations made by LCDR H. T. Johnson, MC, USN, and approved by Captain D. B. Young, USN, Station Commander, all Little League and Pony League games have been discontinued since Tuesday, June 29. Play will be resumed on Monday.

Bill Kumming, president of the American League, has announced that the fathers of the American League players have accepted the challenge for a softball game issued by the fathers of the National League players.

The officials of the local Little League Association have been meeting with the presidents of the respective leagues to formulate the ground rules for this contest.

It is understood that tryouts and practices for the two teams will be held just as soon as the current restrictions are lifted.

You fathers should get together with your boys to pick up a few pointers on ball playing as well as getting those seldom used muscles limbered up and in good working order.

The date of this "ball game of the century" has not yet been set, but baseball fans can rest assured that it will be a "red letter day" in the history of the great American sport. You will see baseball as it has never

Veteran Women's Softball Pitcher Eager To See Local Team Formed

A new field of athletic competition will be opened to women on the Station if plans currently being pushed by Louise "Pee Wee" Rees, wife of Mathew A. Rees, ALC, stationed at Armitage field, are successfully culminated.



Louise Rees

Mrs. Rees is a strong advocate of forming a local girls softball team. Women interested in playing on such a team are asked to call her at 75632, or see her at her residence, 1302-B Hussey.

Mrs. Rees, who comes quite naturally by her nickname of "Pee Wee,"

emphasized that softball is a game that can be played by young girls and women of widely varying ages. She began playing as a pitcher for a senior team of the National Softball Association in Topeka, Kans., at the age of 13, and has been active in the sport ever since—a total of 13 years.

At 4 ft., 6 in. in height, she was the smallest member of the entire league of 400 girls in Topeka when she started playing league softball, but has since sprouted up to a height of 4 ft., 11 in.

The team she played her first season for won the title in its division.

Since leaving Kansas in 1947, she has pitched for the La Jolla Merchantes and the Pacific Beach Merchantes, both girls softball teams. The La Jolla team placed second in its league, which comprised most of San Diego County, in 1948.

During the 1949 season, the diminutive Mrs. Rees won the homerun title, with a total of 12 four base clouts in 20 league contests.

Last fall she was employed as an extra by the Wayne-Fellows Motion Picture Company, a subsidiary of Warner Brothers in Phoenix, Ariz., and had an opportunity to play softball during recreation periods on the set with movie stars John Bromfield and Pat O'Brien, and novelist Mickey Spillane. They were working on the movie, "Ring of Fear," at the time.

Rockets To Play Edwards Again

A practice session has been scheduled for tonight by Rockets Coach Bob McClarry in preparation for the forthcoming game with the Edwards Air Force Base nine on Wednesday.

McClarry is hopeful that the practice will help to eliminate some of the errors and bad breaks that have kept the locals on the downgrade since the first of the season when they took two games from the Hawthorne Marines in the opening three-game series.

This will be the third time that the Rockets have met the Edwardsites this season. The locals lost the first two games, 10-4, and 17-7, and will be seeking to come out on the top, avenging the two previous defeats, when they clash again Wednesday night at Schoeffel field with the airmen. Game time will be 8:15.

TRONA POOL REGULATION

China Lake swimmers are reminded that if they wish to use the pool at Trona they must first get permission from the recreation officials of the American Potash Company. Some local residents are reported to have used the pool without permission while the Station pools were closed as a precaution against spread of polio.

Little League Schedule

Monday

Pirates vs. Giants, Diamond 2, 8 p.m.
Tigers vs. Athletics, Diamond 1, 8 p.m.

Tuesday

Pirates vs. Braves, Diamond 2, 6 p.m.
Tigers vs. Athletics, Diamond 1, 6 p.m.
Giants vs. Red Sox, Diamond 2, 8 p.m.
Athletics vs. Dodgers, Diamond 1, 8 p.m.

Thursday

Giants vs. Braves, Diamond 1, 8 p.m.
Athletics vs. Yankees, Diamond 2, 8 p.m.

Pony League

(All games at Schoeffel field)

Monday

Reds vs. Indians, 6 p.m.
Cubs vs. Cardinals, 8 p.m.

Thursday

Cardinals vs. Cubs, 6 p.m.
Indians vs. Reds, 8 p.m.

Portable "Lung" Available Here For Valley Use

Local residents were reminded this week by Mrs. Hugo A. Meneghelli, chairman of the Indian Wells Valley polio fund, that there is a two-place Monaghan portable respirator kept at the Station Infirmary available for emergency use.

This battery-powered respirator can be adjusted to aid the breathing of persons ranging in size from infants to adults. It was bought for \$1200 from funds raised by 33 Indian Wells Valley organizations during the 1949-1950 season, when there were a total of eight local polio cases.

Because the Station infirmary was the best place to have it on hand, it has been maintained there. The other \$1200 raised in the 1950 campaign is being used to keep up storage batteries and make sure the apparatus is in first class condition at all times.

Application for the use of the respirator should be made through the patient's doctor. The only restriction is that the respirator must not leave the Indian Wells Valley area.

Wherry Homes . . .

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been keeping pace with the construction. The latest additions to the list of Wherry occupants are:

Civilian employees—George Harkey, Sam Sevier, Jerry Brown, Earl Kline, J. W. Robbs, Jeanne Smith, Arthur Braden, Naomi Van Meter, Donald Neil, Jack Sturgeon, John Schmetzle, Norman Balcom, Clifford Elliott, John Salter, Joe Pittman, Willis Miller, Frank Jandl, Roscoe Brady, John Harn, Raymond Becker, Rodney Weldon, C. F. Bushnell, John Bagley, Edward Hammerberg, George Hutson, George Lewis, George Holland, Jesse Moss, Claude Moss and George Thacker.

Military personnel—1st Lt. Leslie W. Cosby, USMC; M/Sgt. Albert Wilson, Russell Kingston, AD3, Watt Stewart, HM1, Orville Van Brocklin, HM2, LaVere Crandall, AC3, Douglas Kingsbury, ADAN, and Dale Kitch, AT2.

Station Barbershop To Close Monday

The Navy Exchange Barber shop will be closed Monday, according to an announcement received from LTJG J. C. Hatch, SC, USN, Navy Exchange Officer.

The barber shop will close for painting and decorating but will be open its regular hours Tuesday.

DIAL 7111 FOR INFORMATION

The telephone information number was changed this week from 110 to 7111, according to Edwin Seeburg, head of the telephone branch. Numbers, changes and other data which is not available through the directory may be obtained by calling the new number, however, the directory should be consulted first.

Service Agency Officers Installed

Officers of the Desert Family Service Agency board of directors were installed at a meeting held recently in the new offices of the agency, Room 106, in the Training building.

Mrs. Edward Ashburn was elected to serve as president for the coming year. Other officers are Chaplain James A. Carter, vice-president and treasurer, and Mrs. Will Field, secretary. Roland Hotin also was installed as a member of the board.

Acknowledgement was given at the meeting to a \$100 donation received from the Community Woman's Club of Indian Wells Valley, for use in the agency's program. Included on the agenda was a report by Mrs. Sylvia Besser, agency counselor, who attended the California State Conference of Social Workers, held at Riverside, May 23-26.

Persons wishing to contact the family service agency may do so by calling 72714 or 72247.

New Manager . . .

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throughout the United States. Mr. O'Reilly is a native of Pittsburgh, Pa. He holds a BA degree in social sciences from the University of California at Santa Barbara, and an MS degree in public administration from the Maxwell School of Public Affairs at Syracuse University, N.Y. The latter is one of the leading schools in its field.

He was an officer in the Marine Corps from August 1941 to August 1946. From June 1948 until May 1950 he was assistant to the city manager of Pacific Grove, Calif., and was city manager of Chadron, Nebr., from May 1950 until April 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Reilly have three children, Patricia Ann, 6½, Richard Jr., 4½, and Thomas Michael, 1. The family will reside at 605 Essex Circle.

BIRTHS

Boys

Kim—Peter, Jr., 8 lbs., 1 oz., June 16, at China Lake to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kim, 214-B Ellis.

Martin—Daniel Bryan, 6 lbs., 8 ozs., July 1, at China Lake to Mr. and Mrs. Milo R. Martin, 102-A Independence.

Reich—Donald Edward, 9 lbs., 6½ ozs., July 3, at the Infirmary to FC2 and Mrs. Bill Reich, 1302-B Burke.

Robbins—Lance Gahlen, 6 lbs., 12 ozs., June 25, at China Lake to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin H. Robbins, 808 9th Place.

Girls

Christian—Rebecca Ann, 7 lbs., 12 ozs., July 1, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Christian, 304-B Langley.

McEvers—Yvonne Lee, 7 lbs., 15 ozs., June 29, at the Infirmary to CSSN Billy J. McEvers, 409-C McIntire.

Pearson—Lynn Robert, 7 lbs., 5 ozs., June 24, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Allan Pearson, 304-A Independence.

Replaces Barnett



LCDR JOHN J. CALLAHAN, CEC, USN, recently reported to China Lake to relieve CDR T. E. Barnett as assistant Public Works officer. LCDR Callahan came to China Lake from the U. S. Naval Academy where he had spent two years as an instructor in the Department of Electrical Engineering. CDR Barnett has been transferred to Kwajalein where he will serve as public works officer.

7 More Employees Move to China Lake

Seven more employees transferred from the Pasadena Annex to China Lake this week, bringing to a total of 22 the number of persons who have made this transition during the current reorganization of Station Departments.

The new arrivals at China Lake are Henry Schadee, Charles D. Arnold and Russell Skeeters, industrial engineers; John Lindquist, leading-man, toolmaker; Charles J. Ulrich, helper, general; George Holland, machinist, and Jeanne Smith, photographer.

Drivers Reminded Of Parking Regulations

Attention of Station motorists is invited by the Command Administration Department to a car-parking rule that is long-standing on the books.

"No vehicle will be parked within 15 feet of any fire hydrant, sprinkler valve or major building," according to Station Manual Annex 12-2, Prior Regulation Article C-8.

It was observed that while motorists usually park an adequate distance from fire hydrants, they often park too near buildings.

School Ballot . . .

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erty, but fenced outside the Station similar to the Wherry housing project.

The proposal, of course, is contingent upon the availability of adequate space and in addition would require the approval of the Navy Department for the transfer of the land involved to the U. S. Commissioner of Education.

Admiral Vieweg, Now Retired, Here for Visit

Rear Admiral Walter V. R. Vieweg, USN, Ret., Mrs. Vieweg and their son, Richard, celebrated the admiral's retirement June 30 after 30 years of service by returning to China Lake during the Fourth of July holiday to visit friends.

Admiral Vieweg was Station Commander from September 1949 until October 1953 when he was succeeded by Rear Admiral (then Captain) Paul D. Stroop, USN. Admiral Vieweg then went to Hawaii to become Commander, Fleet Aircraft, Hawaii.

Richard has just graduated from high school in Honolulu. The couple's other son, Victor, a student at the U. S. Naval Academy, will be met by his parents in New York City in the near future when he returns from his midshipman's cruise in the Atlantic.

Insurance Plan . . .

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a loss of claims over premiums of \$600. This coupled with a 15 per cent overhead fee on the premiums resulted in an aggregate loss of \$18,600.

It is hoped by increasing enrollment in the group hospitalization plan and an adjustment in the rates that the local plan will be put on a self-sustaining basis in fiscal year 1955, Mr. Springer reported.

The latter, as local contact administrator, will be available throughout the year to answer any questions or handle any problems that may come concerning Intercoast insurance. He may be contacted by calling 72691 after 4:30 p.m.

In a personal message to China Lake area residents, W. E. Donaldson, Community Council president, this week strongly urged full participation in the Intercoast Health Insurance plan.

Pointing out that the forthcoming enrollment period will be the first major re-opening of the group hospital plan, he advised employes to attend the meetings in their departments at which changes in rates and coverage of the plan will be fully discussed.

"The Intercoast plan was adopted July 10, 1953, after a thorough study was made of the insurance field by Community Council representatives, and we strongly recommend the plan and urge your participation," Mr. Donaldson said. "After this re-opening, you will not be able to join again for a year," he added.

"Full participation by the community is necessary to assure adequate coverage," he concluded.

FOLK DANCING LESSONS SET

Folk dancing lessons for beginners will be resumed by the Desert Dancers, Tuesday at 8 p.m., on the cement court behind the Station gymnasium. Classes for the advanced students will be held at the same time on Thursday evening.