

BuAer Assistant Chief Arrives



RAdm C. S. COOPER, left, Deputy and Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, was received at the Naval Air Facility on Wednesday by Captain F. A. Chenault (center), Station Executive Officer, and Captain L. E. Ewoldt, NAF commanding officer. Admiral Cooper made an intensive study of station programs and developments.



"OH, MR. KIRBY, THEY'RE BROKEN," is the anguished line of Alice Sycamore (played by Wanda Talley) in this not too domestic scene from the China Lake Players new production: "You Can't Take It With You." Shown here, also, in a hilarious sequence from the second act, left to right, Ralph Claassen, Jim Rhodes, "Dutch" Dremann, Kneeling, Lang Sykes.

Famous Play About Ready For Staging

Rehearsals for "You Can't Take It With You," the hit comedy by Moss Hart and George Kaufman, are in the tapering-off stage. The China Lake Players report that the cast of 19 characters is ready to give a performance equal to the great writing of the play.

The production, directed by Stella Grieg, is scheduled for January 26 and 27 at 8:00 p.m. The newly remodeled stage in Burroughs High School cafeteria will hold the setting for the comedy, and reports state that extensive use will be made of the stage's new curtains to replace many of the usual painted

flats.

The madcap, insane (not insane), yet lovable family portrayed in "You Can't Take It With You" manages somehow to produce tenderness and perceptive understanding out of chaos. Audiences will undoubtedly remember the play or perhaps the movie, but the "refresher" should be almost as entertaining as the first contact.

Tickets are on sale now by various members of the China Lake Players and will be obtainable at the door. They are priced at 75 cents for adults and 50 cents for students and servicemen.

Approximately \$50,000 Savings To NOTS through Suggestions

Nearly \$50,000 in savings for the past six months has resulted from Beneficial Suggestions submitted by NOTS employees. This is a direct saving to the Navy, NOTS and the tax payers and is made possible through the Navy Incentives Awards Program and Public Law 763.

Under this program cash awards may be made to employees, the primary purpose being to improve operation of Naval establishments and the Government through incentive awards. The following is a listing of NOTS employees who received awards during the month of December:

Hal Boyle, Public Works.

\$130

Edward H. Hammerberg, Engineering.

\$80

Edward E. Braham, Engineering.

\$75

Henry Lafortune and Kermit Torkelson (\$37.50 each), Supply.

\$60

Carl Grimm, Public Works.

A. C. Wright and T. W. Boyd (\$30 each), Public Works.

\$55

Jack Richards, Central Staff.

Foy McCullough Jr., Rocket Development.

\$40

Doug Scott, Personnel.

\$35

Emerson P. Luttrell, Engineering.

\$30

C. G. Johnson, Public Works.

\$25

George O'Connor, Public Works.

\$20

Dominic Rusciolelli, Propellants & Explosives.

John C. Myers, Engineering.

\$15

Alfred Dobbins, Public Works; R. W. Faulkner, Public Works; James Field, Public Works; M. P. Collings, Engineering.

\$10

Mathieson Fairfull, Engineering; J. M. Bryan, Public Works; Norman Howarth, Engineering; Mira Lemons, Public Works; Harold W. Munn, Engineering; Margaret Trehwella, Personnel; B. A. Nichols, Public Works.

J. M. Hocker, Engineering; Leonard LaRosa, Sr., Engineering; J. M. Harn, Engineering; and M. P. Collings, Engineering.

Superior Accomplishment Awards presented during December are as follows:

Gloria T. Carey, Test, \$200; Anthony J. Rice, Test, \$200; Gerald C. Whitnack, Research, \$135; Hubert I. Bennett, Propellants and Explosives, \$300; Ty Cobb Blair, Supply, \$100; Estella Rodriguez, Supply, \$100; Monroe Sorge, Supply, \$200; Donald E. Hume, Rocket Development, \$200; Monroe E. Trimble, Propellants and Explosives, \$200; Earlene Melia, \$200, Propellants and Explosives; Nedra Merrill, \$200, Technical Information; A. R. Ozanich, \$300, Rocket Development; Leonard Wilson, \$270, Rocket Development; Donald Hume, \$200,

Rocket Development; Robert S. Clark, \$270, Rocket Development; and Nicholas Matusewicz, \$270, Rocket Development.

A group Superior Accomplishment Award of \$300 was awarded in the Supply Department to the following named employees, amounts to each person is shown in breakdown:

Herald Majors, \$30; Anna McDuff, \$30; Marie Loper, \$15; Nora Woods, \$15; Eula Rode, \$15; Martha West, \$15; Helen Sproul, \$15; Evelyn Hunter, \$15; Helen Miller, \$15; Virginia Chilson, \$15; Rose Seymour, \$15; Donna Blair, \$15; Lillian Leftwich, \$15; Elsie Partridge, \$15; Joan Turner, \$15; Beverly Anthony, \$15; Jerry Conner, \$15; and Agnes Blew, \$15.

Appreciation Letter Received by 'NAF'

A letter of appreciation from the commanding officer of Attack Squadron 216 was received recently and endorsed by Captain F. L. Ashworth and other Navy officials. The letter was addressed to Captain L. E. Ewoldt, NAF commanding officer, on behalf of NAF personnel.

The letter read: "This unit was deployed to the Naval Air Facility, China Lake, during the period 14-18 November for the purpose of conducting loft bombing training.

"The entire period of deployment was characterized by a friendly, cooperative attitude on the part of all Air Facility personnel: officer, enlisted and civilian. Despite limited facilities for the support of a fleet unit, every assistance requested was provided and every flight schedule was completed.

"The truly outstanding attitude and performance of the 'C' Range crew, supervised by Mr. Duane Mack, directly contributed to the establishment, by this unit, of what are believed to be unofficial 'C' Range records for number of drops in a single day and for accuracy. It is conservatively estimated that the quantity and quality of training received during the short period of deployment at China Lake could not have been duplicated elsewhere in less than 14 days.

"I wish to express the appreciation of all hands for the outstanding service rendered Attack Squadron 216 by all personnel at China Lake and to convey my personal admiration for the spirit, and thoroughness with which this unit's training requirements were treated."

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THE WEATHER

Weekend expected to have partly to full cloudiness. Winds to be no higher than a maximum of 12-14 knots. Temperatures will have a wide range, spanning over 22 degrees.

Rocketeer

TEMPERATURES

Housing Area		Max.	Min.
Jan. 12	71	42
Jan. 13	67	49
Jan. 14	67	41
Jan. 15	68	38
Jan. 16	66	44
Jan. 17	60	30
Jan. 18	66	26

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NOTS Church Officials Chosen

The Official Board of NOTS Community Church was installed at the 11 a.m. service at the Chapel on January 15. The nine members of the Board and the Church functions each assumed are: Rod McClung, Chairman of the Board; Otis Pennington, Organizations; Mrs. Albert Gould, Missionary; Raymond T. Merrow and Hubert R. Ross Jr., Membership; Cdr. John J. S. Daniel, Fellowship; Mrs. Lawrence Bowles, Worship; Robert C. Anderson, Stewardship; and Arthur H. Bissell, Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment.

The new y elected members are Mr. Anderson, Mrs. Bowles, Cdr. Daniel, and Mrs. Gould. Also installed was the new Church School Superintendent, Walter M. Cannizzo, who was recently elected by the Church School staff. The Superintendent serves as an ex-officio member of the Official Board.

Pastor John L. Reid Jr. gave the charge to the offices. Chaplain James L. Carter gave the installation prayer.

'Episcopal Church' Elects Vestrymen

St. Michael's Episcopal congregation held its annual business meeting and election in the Chapel Annex on Jan. 9. Reports for 1955 show an all-time record for Church and Sunday School attendance, membership increase, pastoral calls and financial contributions. New vestrymen elected were R. G. S. Sewell, Jay Johnson, M. S. Clifton, LCdr. J. H. Aldrich, A. F. Pfeifer.

Hold-over vestrymen are LCdr. H. C. Gwynne and K. McDonald. The new vestry re-elected LCdr. Gwynne as warden for 1956 and Jay Johnson as clerk. Bishop Walters has re-appointed E. A. Fay, treasurer.

The Rev. Frederick E. Stillwell thanked the retiring vestry for its extraordinary service in 1955, which included a highly successful canvass for the Building Fund and the securing of two \$10,000 grants from denominational sources for erection of the new church in Ridgecrest.

In the social period following the business session, refreshments included the annual Epiphany cake, baked this year by Mrs. Will Field, who had found the Epiphany ring in the cake last year. The ring was found this year by Mary Hooper, who thereby becomes the baker of next year's cake.

Annexite Named 'Miss Federal Secretary' During Federal Civil Service Week Fete

That old "wheel of fortune" goes round and round unceasingly for most of us but for Julia Kinard, an Annex secretary, it stopped momentarily this week, long enough for



Julia Kinard

her to be selected as "Miss Federal Secretary" highlighting the 73rd anniversary of Federal Civil Service Week, Jan. 17-23. She will be crowned Saturday at the Hollywood Palladium.

Among the many honors bestowed thus far on Julia Kinard were two television appearances and a radio interview with noted southland radio and TV personalities. Tuesday evening she appeared on the George Putnam show over KTTV, Channel 11 during the 6:45 and 11 p.m. broadcasts and also the KABC-TV, Channel 7 news coverage at 11 p.m. Carroll Alcott, on KNX, who follows the Edward R. Murrow show with a Los Angeles area news coverage, also interviewed her.

Sunday evening, Jan. 22, she will be interviewed by Elmer Peterson, on his TV broadcast "Outlook" over Channel 4 at 11:15 p.m.

The title of "Miss Federal Secretary" was given to Julia Kinard at a luncheon Tuesday at the Statler Hotel in Los Angeles. She won out over a field of eight other candidates from the Los Angeles area and received her bouquet of flowers from Dr. C. Mansel Keene, chairman of the judges. Dr. Keene is the deputy director of the 12th Federal Civil Service Region.

Eleven years of Federal service form the background for Julia Kin-

ard. She began her seven years at NOTS in 1948 following four years with the U. S. Army Engineers, Los Angeles.

Her nomination for the competition was submitted in a letter from Captain W. T. Groner, Annex OinC, to Federal Civil Service Week headquarters in which he stated in part that "this girl's performance record is tops and everyone for whom she worked praises her extravagantly." The captain also brought out that "she is an employee of unusual initiative, has a faultless memory and quietly discharges a multitude of duties."

She is married to Harry J. Kinard, an employee of the Annex Supply and Fiscal Department, and has three daughters.

She is presently working as secretary to the head, publications and photography branch, UOD.

Copyright Awarded Burroughs Students For Original Play

Granting of a copyright to the Burroughs High School Future Teachers of America Club for the original play, **This Was It**, was announced this week by the Copyright Office, Library of Congress.

Presented last April as a part of the China Lake Schools observance of Public Schools Week, the play was written and produced by the club with music furnished by the Burroughs High School Chorus under the direction of George A. Carson.

Featuring a student narrator and various historical tableaux, the 45-minute play detailed a student view of the school's four year curriculum accenting the coordinated program of English and social studies.

The play also was presented as a school assembly last spring and as the program for the East Kern Council of the Parent-Teachers Association meeting in Bakersfield.

Designated as writers on the Class D Copyright for dramatic or dramatic-musical compositions, are club members Margaret Waldron and Charles Robinson and faculty advisor Wayne C. Harsh.

The Future Teachers group is presently planning a program which will be presented this spring as a part of the annual educational week observance.

Annual Meet Slated Jan. 30 By Red Cross

The first annual meeting of the membership of the China Lake Branch of the American Red Cross will be held Monday, Jan. 30, at 7:30 p.m. at the China Lake Community Center.

Every person who has contributed \$1.00 or more to the Red Cross in 1955 is a member of the Red Cross and has voting privilege. The primary purpose of the meeting is to elect a board of directors to lead the local organization which has been in operation as a branch of the Kern Chapter of the Red Cross since 1945. The board will currently consist of 24 members from the community, with one, two and three year terms to be served.

Among those who have already accepted nomination to the board are: Captain F. A. Chenault, USN; Lt. Col. H. V. Joslin, USMC; Captain L. E. Ewoldt, USN; Richard C. O'Reilly, community manager; James Madden, president of the China Lake Community Council; Rev. John F. Ryan; Robert Smith, president of the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce; and George W. Sullivan, chief of Station security police. In addition to these nominees the chairmen of the various Red Cross committees will serve on the board of directors. They are: Eva Olson, production; Rita Huddleston, home service; Earl Sulladie, first aid; Jane LaRosa, nursing; Doris Scheller, junior Red Cross; Carol Chatterton, water safety; Walter LaBerge, branch chairman; Evelyn Wilcox, vice chairman of the branch; and Edith McBride, secretary-treasurer.

Election of officers for the new board will be held and nominations from the floor will be accepted.

Edward McCabe, manager of the Kern Chapter and Alfred Pendergast, field director from Edwards Air Force Base, will be invited guests. The speaker for the evening has not yet been announced, but efforts are being made to bring down one of the Red Cross disaster workers who has recently been working in the northern California area.

RAdm. Cooper Visits

RAdm. C. S. Cooper, Deputy and Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, arrived at the Station last Wednesday for a study of current programs. He was feted that evening at a reception, and departed yesterday.