

'EMCO' Discusses Liability Insurance, Voting, Other Issues

Members of the NOTS Employee-Management Council met Wednesday afternoon at the Community Center and discussed subjects ranging from liability insurance for drivers of government vehicles to the present Area Wage Survey.

Captain F. A. Chenault, Executive Officer, said that management had made a study of whether it was feasible for civilian drivers of government vehicles to buy liability insurance. He said that the subject of liability had been well covered in a recent Rocketeer article, and that inquiries showed that insurance bought by an individual to cover liability in such driving would be quite expensive.

Discussion then centered on the basis for IVA titles of Leadingman (Maintenance), Leading man (Public Works), and Leadingman (Mechanic). Because of the details involved the matter cannot be treated here and employees are referred to their EMCO representatives for information.

No return of the position of shop personnel supervisor is anticipated. Where such a position previously existed, employees with problems are referred to their EMCO members for aid.

Joseph Philbin, a Civil Service inspector from the Los Angeles office of the 12th Regional office, stated that certain papers accompanying an application for federal employment (Form 57) must be retained with the individual's file. Documents included are those describing the employment record of the applicant.

The question of employees taking time to register and vote in elections brought a statement from management to this effect: Em-

How Many Among Us Are 'Eager Leavers'?

What makes an employee an "eager leaver"? Have you noticed at quitting time how some people are always in a hurry, always the first to get to their cars, always the first to get checked out? What's the big hurry?

The "eager leaver" sometimes proves a menace and a nuisance to others. What consideration does this type person have for those working with him (or her)? None! They take risks, they trample and shove others about in the hallways in their hurry. Someday soon let's hope that the "eager leaver" will realize that others are just as anxious to get home after a day at work as (he or she) is.

You rarely save seconds by being a bell-jumping "eager-leaver". Think of your fellow workers and your job the next time you leave your place of work before you should. THINK.

'Operation Rescue' Task Force



STATION PERSONNEL who rescued six persons at Nine Mile Canyon are shown upon their return to China Lake. They are (l. to r.) Tommy Drake and Les Knigge, truck drivers; J. B. Cleveland, patrolman;

Sgt. J. E. Dowd, patrolman; Ruben Brown, heavy equipment mechanic; Larry Larsen and Ray Mellies, equipment operators; V. A. Cummins, security investigator; and CWO-W2 Carl Brad.

ployees living in China Lake, Ridgecrest and Inyokern who work the regular shift of 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. will be expected to register for and vote in elections on their own time. Those who commute to work from beyond this area (Trona, Rand District, etc.) will be allowed up to but not exceeding two hours excused time to register or vote in municipal elections.

Employees in the China Lake, Ridgecrest and Inyokern area, who work other than the regular shift, which does not allow two hours before or after work for voting, will be allowed one hour excused time to vote. Employees voting beyond the local or commuting area will be expected to vote by absentee ballot. When this is not possible, these employees will be allowed up to, but not exceeding, two hours excused time and the balance of the time required to attend their place of voting will be taken on annual leave.

It was stated that safety shoes for employees could not be stored here for direct local sales, but that the Safety Division might aid by taking mail orders for such shoes.

Howard Auld, employee observer with the present Area Wage Survey being conducted by the Department of the Navy and the Bureau of Labor, spoke on the procedures taken by those conducting the program. He said that it was too late now for individual matters to be taken up with the survey, but that another would take place later.

China Lake, Pasadena List Job Opportunities

Head, Simulation Branch, GS-13. Duty at Pasadena, Code P8043. Incumbent will be responsible to the Head, Guidance and Control Division for successfully carrying out the simulation program assigned to the Simulation Branch. The duties will involve supervision and direction of personnel in the branch to achieve these objectives.

Electronic Engineer (general), GS-9. Engineering Department, Please call 71393 or 71648.

Church Board Meets First Time



RECENTLY ELECTED to the Official Board of NOTS Community Church were these members, seen at their first session in the chapel last Tuesday evening. They are, from front row (l. to r.): Chaplain James L. Carter, Mrs. Lawrence Bowles, Mrs. Albert Gould and Pastor John L. Reid. Back rows (l. to r.): Arthur H. Bissell, Dr. William McBride, church treasurer, Raymond T. Merrow, Rod McClung, Otis Pennington, Commander John S. Daniel and Hubert R. Ross. Absent was Robert C. Anderson.

'Burroughs Seniors' Prepare for Graduation

Burroughs High School seniors this week took the initial steps on the long walk towards graduation when they completed the ordering of announcements, personal cards, caps and gowns.

Members of the group, which will be Burroughs' eleventh and largest graduating class, will hold Commencement Exercises at the Station Theater on Friday, June 7, according to present scheduling.

Deadline for ordering announcements, as announced by Norman E. Young, senior class advisor, is February 13. All students have been measured for caps and gowns and mid-term graduates have completed their orders for the academic robes.

Public Works Man Donates Time to Fix Road

Larry Larson, an employee of the Public Works Transportation Division, spent last Sunday operating a grader on the road leading to

the television repeater station on Laurel Mountain. Recent rains and wind had made the road impassable.

'Desert Bees' Is Name Chosen for Auxiliary

"Desert Bees" was the name chosen by members of the newly organized women's auxiliary of the Seabee Reserve Civil Engineering Company 11-25, of China Lake at its first meeting (Feb. 2) at the Community Center.

Those elected to head the new organization were: President—Peg Knoblauch; Vice-President—Georgia Bushnell; Secretary—Lee Barker; and Treasurer—Tobie Witrack.

NOTS women interested in the auxiliary are welcome to attend meetings and join the newly formed group. The next meeting will be held at the residence of Peg Knoblauch, 217 Cisco, Wherry Housing.

THE WEATHER

Mostly clear skies over the weekend with possible high clouds. Variable winds of 7 to 11 knots. Maximum temperature 60, minimum 27.

Rocketeer

TEMPERATURES (Housing area)

	Max.	Min.
Feb. 2	54	23
Feb. 3	58	22
Feb. 4	62	26
Feb. 5	59	32
Feb. 6	59	33
Feb. 7	66	27
Feb. 8	56	35

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Navy Boosters

NOTS Is Host To 11th Region 'Navy League'

Navy League members of the 11th Region, including the Long Beach and coastal area, visited the Station Wednesday and yesterday under the leadership of RADM. T. H. James, USN (Ret.), regional president and a national director.

Take Station Tours

After a greeting at the Naval Air Facility by Captain F. L. Ashworth, Station Commander, their tour included inspection of the Superonic Naval Ordnance Research Track (SNORT) and the Aeroballistics Laboratory as well as the ranges. In the afternoon they heard talks by Dr. W. B. McLean, Technical Director and others on NOTS developments of missiles and underwater ordnance, and toured Michelson Laboratory. Yesterday they went to the pilot plant and Randsburg Wash, returned to the Station for range demonstrations, then saw a dart highspeed target pickup at the Naval Air Facility before returning south by a plane from the Naval Air Station, Long Beach.

List of Members

Included in the 24-member visitors' list were Captain J. B. Paschall, USN, commanding officer of the Long Beach NAS; Lt. Col. John Morgan, AFRes, Libby Owen Ford Glass Fibres Co.; RADM. J. S. Laidlaw, USN (Ret), Hycon Manufacturing Co.; Dr. Myles L. Mace, and RADM. A. B. Scoles, USN (Ret), both of Litton Industries; Franklin Payne, publisher of the Los Angeles Examiner; and T. J. Bannan, Western Gear Works.

Ward Beman, Telecomputing Corp.; C. E. Clemshaw, Parker Aircraft Co.; Mansfield M. Griffith, Food Machinery and Chemical Corp.; G. Carlton Hunt, General Film Laboratory; RADM. M. P. Bagdanovich, USN (Ret), Harvey Machine Co.; Leo A. Carter and W. C. Cleveland, Douglas Aircraft Co.; William H. Burgess, Electronic Specialty Co.; Richard Leng, Packard Bell Co.; Walter R. Ramsauer, Garrett Corp.; D. Lee Narver, Holmes and Narver; Roy Linden, Union Oil Co.; Harry Buffum, Buffum's; Larry Crosby, Crosby Enterprises; Joseph L. Hunter, Hunter Douglas Corp.; Alvin Cox, a national director of the League; and William E. Saufley, of Phoenix, Ariz.

The previous visit of the members to the Station was last September.

New 'Leave Policy' Is Now in Effect

A new policy for crediting annual leave has been put into effect here at NOTS, it was announced this week by Captain F. A. Chenault, acting station commander. The new leave policy establishes an authority for the granting of leave in advance of it being earned by the employee.

The new policy, stated in NOTS Instruction 12105.4 Sup. 1, allows leave to be credited to the employee. At the beginning of each year, the amount of annual leave that an employee has to his credit will be increased by the total amount he will earn that year.

As a result, the next Statement of Leave card the employee receives (NavCompt form 908) will include annual leave credited, but not yet earned.

Annual leave credited to an employee, whether earned or not, may be granted at any time at the discretion of the supervisor and in accordance with the established policy. Supervisors should develop internal procedures for the administration of annual leave, specifically to assure minimum interference with planned work.

Management has requested all supervisors to call this new policy to the attention of all employees working under their jurisdiction.

Chemical Engineer Unit To Meet Here Tuesday

The next meeting of the Mojave Desert Section of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers will be held at China Lake on Tuesday evening, Feb. 14.

Dinner at 6:30 p.m. will be followed by the business meeting at 8 o'clock. Guest speaker will be Kermit L. Ross, patent counsel and Head of the Patent Division here at NOTS, who will speak on "Patent Protection of Chemical Inventions." Subjects to be discussed include (1) the history and development of the patent system, (2) organization of the patent office (3) enforcement of patents, (4) chemical inventions, and (5) chemical patent prosecution.

Interested persons are invited to attend this meeting. Reservations for the dinner should be made no later than Monday with William Gordon, 9-323, or Kenneth Bischof, 9-253, China Lake.



TWENTY-NINE Novitiate members accepted in scholastic chapter here.

Burroughs High School Chapter of 'CSF' Accepts 29 Novitiate, 4 Life Members

Twenty-nine novitiate members and four life members of the Burroughs High School chapter of the California Scholarship Federation were honored Wednesday night at the group's annual banquet held at the Burroughs Cafetorium.

More than one hundred members, parents and guests were welcomed by Dennis Clemente, chapter president. Guest speaker was L. M. Biberman, president of the local chapter of the Research Association of America, who spoke on the topic, "Beware of the Locked Doors." Entertainment at the piano was provided by Jon Eden.

Membership in the state-wide scholastic honorary, which is designed to promote scholarship and service, is determined on a point basis. A minimum of ten points is required, eight of which must be attained through academic work with three points given for each "A" and one point for each "B." Two points may be gained through active participation in school activities.

Novitiate Members

Novitiate members, introduced by Alice Cotner, included freshmen students Lela Hilborn, Alan Robinson, Paul Neipp, Leah Cornish, Carolyn Ridpath, Mary Anne Highberg, Carolyn Barker, Linda Jacobson, Sharon Christie, Charles Lenkner, Carolyn Haycock, Mio Smith and Diane Renne. Sophomores were Sybil Donaldson, Linda Dial, John Walker, Nancy Brahm, Janice Nicol, Ida Smith, Sandra Ward and Marilyn Doyle. New junior class members were Sharen Pinkerton, Margaret Waldron, Ruby Rupp and Jeannette Parker. Seniors, elected to the honorary for the first time, included Alice Cotner, Diane Deem, Leonie Kinikin, and Darlene Lynn.

Honored Guests, Advisor

Honored guests, in addition to parents of members, included Dr. and Mrs. Earl Murray, Mr. Kenneth W. Westcott, vice-principal, and Mrs. Westcott; Mr. K. H. Robinson, president of the Sherman E. Burroughs Parent-Teacher Assn.; Mrs. Anne Carter, president of the local American Association of University Women; Mrs. B. Jaeger, president of the Women's Auxiliary of the Commissioned Officers Mess, and Mr. Jaeger; and L. M. Biberman, guest speaker.

Faculty advisor of the chapter, which lists more than 50 members this semester, is Miss Leona M. Igel. Club officers are Dennis Clemente, president; Gary Reynolds, vice-president; and Diane Deem, secretary.



Honored Members

Honored as life members of the chapter were France Adamson, Suzanne Hough (above) and mid-year graduates Joan Kimley and Patty