

Buddy Poppy Sale Slated May 25-26

Chairman Cora Spiers of the Lloyd E. Frost Ship announced this week that Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 4084 will conduct its annual Buddy Poppy campaign on Friday and Saturday, May 25 and 26.

In making this announcement, chairman Cora Spiers said that her Buddy Poppy committee has been meeting twice a month formulating new approaches for the 1956 sale. One of the innovations this year will be for the organization to contact personally all local industrial and business firms.

She noted also that through the rehabilitation work of the Veterans of Foreign Wars thousands of dollars in tax money was being saved by all citizens in the community.

The chairman also warned all citizens to check each poppy for the official, copyrighted V.F.W. streamer labeled "Buddy Poppy" before making any contribution.

Of every dime collected in the annual sale of Buddy Poppies in the community, five cents stay in the local community. Two and one-half cents of the original dime goes to state and national V.F.W. rehabilitation service. One cent out of every dime goes to the V.F.W. National Home for widows and orphans at Eaton Rapids, Michigan, a home for children and widows of deceased soldiers. One and one-half cents goes to pay the disabled veterans who made the poppies, and for other expenses.

Coming & Going

New Employees:

Aviation Ordnance — Eunice A. Mansell.

Community Affairs — Virginia R. Moody.

Personnel — Jeanne L. Ollikkala.

Command Administration — Margaret J. Wright, John W. Lambie.

Research — Karl Kenaga.

Test — Patricia M. Hernandez, Donald R. Perlich.

Public Works — Evelyn M. Marsden, Hazel D. Temple, Violet A. Rock.

Propellants & Explosives — Theodore B. Meadow.

Engineering — Raymond Reed.

Terminations: Command Administration — Jesse L. Walden.

Test — Bernhardt Sandler, Margaret E. McHugh.

Public Works — Doris King, L. Mason, Margaret Stokes, Leonard H. Newton, Harley R. Caldwell.

Propellants & Explosives — Leotis Haynes.

Rocket Development — Philip Palm.

Supply — Chauncey Morris.

Central Staff — Patrick J. Cooney.

Top Scholars



SCHOLARSHIP HONORS came to France Adamson, left, and Suzanne Hough this week when they were named as valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively, for Burroughs High School Class of 1956. Adamson was also recently named as the Elks Scholarship Prize winner while Miss Hough was announced this week as the winner of the \$200 scholarship presented annually by the local American Association of University Women to the senior girl with the highest scholastic average.

TV Fund Drive Goal Is \$15,000 for Area

China Lake and Ridgecrest communities are co-sponsoring a fund drive to raise \$15,000 to be used for the installation of a power line to Laurel Mountain, site of the TV booster station. The campaign was launched this week by the China Lake Supervisors Association and the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce.

Citizens of the two communities have long agreed that a power line would be the simplest, most economical answer to the problem of maintaining a source of energy to operate the booster station. It would automatically eliminate expensive generator repair and maintenance costs, according to Charles Bradley, TV drive chairman.

It is anticipated that the power line supply of electricity will aid in giving a better reception. Approximately \$5 per family in both the China Lake and Ridgecrest areas is the estimated contribution set to reach the goal. The drive is to continue through May 26.

Bradley also stated that all TV fund solicitors will be equipped with receipt books. The receipts are gummed so that they may be displayed at home.

Donations may be made to any solicitor or at the Service Branch, Department of Community Affairs in the Housing Office building. Checks should be made out to Navy Recreation Fund and may be mailed to the Recreation Officer, NOTS, China Lake, California. Receipts will be sent by return mail.

During WWII, 39 navy landing craft received Navy Unit Citations.

Federal Communications Commission Officials Stress New Interference Rule

Bernard Linden and Robert Stratton, representatives of the Los Angeles Federal Communications Commission Office, were here last Monday to discuss with NOTS and area people the problems of television interference. A special meeting was held Monday night in the Community Center that was well attended by television service men, television salesmen, interested citizens, and amateur radio operators. Groups were in attendance from Inyokern, Ridgecrest, China Lake, Trona and Barstow.

George Sutherland, chairman of the TV Interference Committee, hosted the guests throughout the day and took them on special tours of Station facilities.

At the night session, Linden explained the Commission's position with regard to "Part 15 of the FCC Act" as it now affects television set operation and other low power radiation. "Diathermy radiation", explained Linden, was the first unlicensed transmission that was regulated. Since then the Commission has deemed it necessary to regulate all radiation devices (including TV receivers) that transmit an interfering signal.

Effective May 1, 1956, all new television sets sold will have to be certified as being free from radiation effects; by June 30, 1957, all television sets will have to be certified, the FCC representatives stated.

Stratton told those attending the special meeting that over 500 unlicensed booster stations are now in existence over the United States and that of these, the China Lake booster station is the only one authorized by the FCC. In speaking of booster stations and interference, Stratton further pointed out that amateur radio operators were often the worst violators of interference in that signals radiated by short wave power sets often blacked out the additional power of TV reception from booster stations. He asked that amateur radio operators cooperate with local officials in solving this interference problem.

John Turner, president of the local radio amateur's club, and Steve Little, secretary, both pledged full cooperation to the local cause. In addition to this pledge of support, President Turner gave a resume of what the club planned to do to combat local interference problems. Primarily, this consists of the formation of a "QRM Committee" which would hear complaints and distribute questionnaires about interference problems to local residents.

Conference Chairman George Sutherland spoke in detail about specific areas of interference. He pointed out to those present the following particular offenses:

- Oscillating pre-amplifiers.
- Sweep oscillators within the set



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that are not properly shielded.

- Skill saws.
- Radio controlled model airplanes.
- Inferior radio receiving sets.

Sutherland stated that it is not a difficult or expensive thing to correct faulty television and radio receiving sets once the cause of the interference has been solved. He further stated that the owner of a radio or TV receiver, regardless of tuning range, date of manufacture or certification, is responsible for harmful interference caused by the set. The new FCC regulation requires the owner to promptly correct the cause of interference.

Sutherland asked that all radio and TV interference problems be referred to his office, Ext. 72266. Every effort is being made to eliminate all types of interference and to increase the TV signal strength of the Laurel Mountain booster station. Citizens having interference complaints should contact Sutherland or the local committee on TV interference.

Satellite Golf Club Members Elect Officers for 1956-57

Members of the Satellite Lake Golf Club elected new officers at their meeting this week in the Golf Club building. Those elected were: President—Matt Weightman; Vice-President—Dora Pinkerton; Secretary—John Trent; and Treasurer—Don Cooper. Board members elected were John Winsett and Al Zernikow.

THE WEATHER

Mostly fair for week-end. Surface winds light and variable night and morning becoming southerly during afternoons 10 to 20 knots. Temperature range minimum 50° to maximum 78°.

Rocketeer

TEMPERATURES (Housing Area)

	Max.	Min.
May 3	92	58
May 4	76	60
May 5	80	52
May 6	79	55
May 7	74	55
May 8	76	54
May 9	65	48

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Reports Clean-Up Day Kicks off Navy Wide Forms Review

"Reports Clean-Up Day" last week kicked off a comprehensive Navy-wide drive designed to eliminate unnecessary reports now in use by the Navy. All Navy units are reviewing the many reports they use with an eye towards eliminating a lot of "red tape."

The Bureau of Ordnance is strongly aware of the heavy reporting workload which exists at its activities. The Bureau is anxious to effect improvements in this situation, therefore suggestions are earnestly desired.

Overall objectives of the review are to:

- Improve necessary reports to meet current needs.
- Provide effective reporting procedures and forms and economical methods of maintaining source data and preparing reports.
- Provide clear and complete reporting instructions.
- Provide reporting frequencies and due dates which are realistic. This is in terms of actual need for information and of workload in activities.
- Substitute summary reports for unnecessary detailed reports.
- Eliminate reporting that unnecessarily duplicates other reporting or does not serve justifiable purposes.
- Reduce or eliminate reporting that does not result in benefits commensurate with cost of preparation and use.

All "Reports Clean-Up" recommendations made by local personnel should be forwarded to the "Reports Clean-Up Committee" in Central Staff, extension 72013.

Navy Calls Conference On Reservist Policies

Washington (AFPS) — The annual meeting of the National Naval Reserve Policy Board has been called for May 14 at the Pentagon by Navy Secretary Charles S. Thomas.

The board, headed by Rear Adm. William K. Romoser, assistant chief of naval operations for reserve, is convened yearly to consider recommendations made by officer and enlisted reservists.

Problems in organization, administration, training facilities, retirement and others will be discussed.



PARTICIPANTS in the Junior Government Assistant (JGA) Training Program who are receiving additional formal training in the administrative staff organization at NOTS are pictured above. Standing (from l. to r.) are: Kenneth Miller; Thomas Atchison; Jerry Gold (Pasadena); Stanley Winard; and Akira Yamashiro. Shown seated (from l. to r.) are: Elaine Nowak; Pat Lockard; and Donnie Goettig.

Local JGA Training Program Augments Employee's Administrative Background

In recent months NOTS has been conducting an internship for administratively trained personnel. The internship is called the Junior Government Assistant Training Program. Its purpose is to recruit employees having an interest (and training) in the field of administration. The training is designed to augment the employee's formal training by providing the employee with a systematic orientation of the administrative staff organization of NOTS.

The general plan consists of four to six assignments. Each of these assignments are of approximately one month's duration in different fields of administrative work. The total training time is six months.

In each assignment the trainee is given a project of work that enables him to become familiar with the function and personnel of the unit in which he is working. Each assignment is supplemented by selective readings, by attendance at designated committee meetings, training sessions, etc.

Trainees are selected for this administrative program at a Station panel. Each applicant must pass a written examination and applicants may be Station employees or

KNXT TV Program, 'Panorama Pacific' Will Feature NOTS

Captain F. L. Ashworth, Lt. Commander Ralph Stell, and Dr. Frank Cartwright will appear on the television show "Panorama Pacific" next Friday morning. The group will tell of the Station's mission, describe some of the scientific work being performed here, and extend an invitation to the public to visit NOTS on Armed Forces Day.

"Panorama Pacific" is dedicating its entire morning show next Friday to the armed forces. The NOTS story, one of several to be presented, is to be the first feature of the show and is expected to take place between 7:05 and 7:15 a.m.

Station Mission

On the show, Capt. Ashworth will briefly discuss the mission of the Station and the civilian-military team which works in close harmony to accomplish the mission. Dr. Frank Cartwright, associate head of the Development Division (missile), Aviation Ordnance Department, will represent the NOTS scientific staff and will tell of that group's function and progress. LCdr. Stell, Armed Forces Day chairman, will represent the military staff at NOTS and is scheduled to describe the 1956 Armed Forces Day program to be held here next weekend.

TV Show Includes

LCdr. Stell in telling the NOTS Armed Forces Day Committee of plans for the TV show indicated that the program would include SNORT, NOTS rocket developments, the desert catapult and arresting gear at NAF, the dart tow target, and other points of interest of the Station. It is expected that some movie film made here on the Station also will be shown on "Panorama Pacific."

Excavation Work on Chapel Proceeding on Schedule

Work on the Station's new all-faith chapel is progressing as planned, according to Chaplain J. L. Carter. A major portion of the excavation work is now complete and soon the pouring of foundations will begin.